

Supplementary material for

**Adding available nitrogen and carbon can improve the efficiency of oil displacement
with indigenous bacterial flooding**

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Table S1

Number of bacteria in displaced fluid after displacement by different nutrient solutions (10^4 CFU/mL).

Treatment	Displacement time			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Ctrl	1.37±0.39bB	0.99±0.26bB	5.93±0.31bA	0.44±0.11bC
N	91.33±9.02aB	184.00±70.34aB	953.33±236.92aA	310.00±43.59aB
G	0.37±0.02bAB	0.28±0.09bBC	0.53±0.17bA	0.11±0.01bC
N+G	3.20±0.20bB	7.93±2.40bA	9.20±0.53bA	10.00±2.00bA

Note: Ctrl, control salt solution; N, NH_4NO_3 solution; G, glucose solution; N+G, NH_4NO_3 + glucose solution. The same abbreviations apply to all tables. Data are mean \pm standard deviation. Different lowercase letters in the same column indicate significant differences between different treatments in the same displacement time ($p < 0.05$); different uppercase letters in the same row indicate significant differences between different displacement times in the same treatment ($p < 0.05$).

Table S2

Amount and efficiency of oil displacement by different nutrient solutions.

Displacement time	Displacement amount (g/tube)				Displacement efficiency (%)			
	Ctrl	N	G	N+G	Ctrl	N	G	N+G
1st	0.68±0.02ab A	1.04±0.14a A	0.51±0.15bA B	1.01±0.40a A	2.24±0.17bc A	3.64±0.20ab B	1.89±0.56cA B	3.76±1.42aA
2nd	0.38±0.22b B	1.25±0.22a A	0.69±0.37bA	0.59±0.13b B	1.21±0.63b B	4.50±0.28a A	2.61±1.42bA	2.26±0.43bA B
3rd	0.38±0.14a B	0.45±0.09a B	0.39±0.07aA B	0.57±0.10a B	1.27±0.38b B	1.72±0.15ab C	1.52±0.29bA B	2.26±0.39aA B
4th	0.28±0.13b B	0.51±0.06a B	0.25±0.04bB	0.30±0.06b B	0.96±0.40b B	1.95±0.06a C	0.98±0.13bB	1.21±0.22bB
Σ	1.72±0.49b	3.25±0.50a	1.84±0.46b	2.46±0.47a b	5.57±1.10c	11.30±0.46a	6.80±1.74bc	9.17±1.51ab

Note: Data are mean ± standard deviation. Different lowercase letters in the same row indicate significant differences between different treatments in the same displacement time ($p < 0.05$); different uppercase letters in the same column indicate significant differences between different displacement times in the same treatment ($p < 0.05$).

Table S3

Parameters of injected and displaced fluids for the four displacements by different nutrient solutions.

Treatment	Liquid phase	pH	Oil-spreading	Surface	Treatment	Liquid phase	pH	Oil-spreading	Surface		
			diameter	tension				diameter	tension		
			mm	mN/m				mm	mN/m		
1st	Ctrl	Injected	6.05±0.06a	0	62.17±4.10a	3rd	Ctrl	Injected	6.56±0.10a	0	59.43±1.10a
		Displaced	5.38±0.03b	0	56.64±1.69a			Displaced	5.75±0.10b	0	56.20±4.76a
		ΔIN%	-11.1	-	-8.7			ΔIN%	-12.4	-	-5.5
	N	Injected	6.53±0.05a	2.7±2.1	50.38±2.24a		N	Injected	6.28±0.06a	12.0±1.0	48.05±2.21a
		Displaced	5.48±0.02b	0	47.01±3.07a			Displaced	6.08±0.09b	0	45.59±4.12a
		ΔIN%	-16.1	-100	-6.4			ΔIN%	-3.2	-100	-4.9
	G	Injected	6.44±0.05a	21.7±1.5	53.18±3.05a		G	Injected	6.33±0.06a	24.7±1.5	49.72±1.52a
		Displaced	4.07±0.05b	0	40.63±5.01b			Displaced	4.35±0.08b	0	49.22±2.16a
		ΔIN%	-36.8	-100	-23.7			ΔIN%	-31.4	-100	-1.0
	N+G	Injected	6.53±0.06a	45.0±4.4	51.29±3.41a		N+G	Injected	6.11±0.10a	50.7±2.1	49.35±1.53a
		Displaced	4.79±0.01b	0	43.42±2.92b			Displaced	6.24±0.08a	0	50.69±0.03a
		ΔIN%	-26.6	-100	-14.9			ΔIN%	2.2	-100	2.8
2nd	Ctrl	Injected	6.38±0.07a	0	60.00±1.09a	4th	Ctrl	Injected	6.29±0.08a	0	58.57±1.41a
		Displaced	5.42±0.04b	0	59.45±1.83a			Displaced	5.42±0.18b	0	56.45±2.68a
		ΔIN%	-15.0	-	-0.8			ΔIN%	-13.9	-	-3.6
	N	Injected	6.32±0.04b	9.3±1.5	51.30±0.95a		N	Injected	6.55±0.12a	11.3±1.5	52.00±4.01a
		Displaced	6.42±0.05a	0	44.74±1.60b			Displaced	6.03±0.22b	0	42.82±1.86b
		ΔIN%	1.6	-100	-12.8			ΔIN%	-7.9	-100	-17.3
	G	Injected	6.34±0.06a	21.0±1.0	49.41±1.08a		G	Injected	6.43±0.10a	21.0±1.0	47.18±2.09a
		Displaced	4.59±0.17b	0	44.45±2.29b			Displaced	4.34±0.10b	0	45.92±1.76a
		ΔIN%	-27.5	-100	-10.1			ΔIN%	-32.5	-100	-2.6
	N+G	Injected	6.18±0.04a	60.0±5.6	49.24±3.80a		N+G	Injected	6.39±0.09a	31.3±3.1	46.89±1.11a
		Displaced	5.41±0.03b	0	42.45±2.90a			Displaced	6.23±0.13a	0	41.74±3.23b
		ΔIN%	-12.5	-100	-13.7			ΔIN%	-2.5	-100	-10.9

Note: For the same displacement time, different lowercase letters in the same column indicate significant differences between the injected and displaced fluids in different treatments ($p < 0.05$).

Table S4

Correlations between the properties of the displacing fluid in different displacements (n = 12).

Displacement time	Fluid parameter		pH	Oil-spreading diameter		Surface tension		
			Δ IN%	Injected fluid	Δ IN%	Injected fluid	Displaced fluid	Δ IN%
1st	Viable bacterial count	Displaced	0.382	-0.454	-0.336	-0.409	0.006	0.410
	Oil-spreading diameter	Injected	-0.647*	1.000	-0.552	-0.442	-0.594*	-0.351
		Δ IN%	0.672*		1.000	0.848**	0.843**	0.280
Surface tension	Injected		0.426		1.000	0.652*	-0.104	
	Displaced		0.825**			1.000	0.685*	
2nd	Viable bacterial count	Displaced	0.790**	-0.289	-0.327	-0.177	-0.251	-0.306
	Oil-spreading diameter	Injected	-0.115	1.000	-0.568	-0.589*	-0.631*	-0.594*
		Δ IN%	-0.091		1.000	0.916**	0.958**	0.852**
Surface tension	Injected		0.059		1.000	0.949**	0.729**	
	Displaced		-0.006			1.000	0.907**	
3rd	Viable bacterial count	Displaced	0.343	-0.286	-0.327	-0.436	-0.645*	-0.312
	Oil-spreading diameter	Injected	0.288	1.000	-0.670*	-0.578*	-0.209	0.487
		Δ IN%	-0.055		1.000	0.950**	0.712**	-0.287
Surface tension	Injected		-0.120		1.000	0.721**	-0.349	
	Displaced		-0.038			1.000	0.396	
4th	Viable bacterial count	Displaced	0.330	-0.196	-0.344	0.039	-0.381	-0.590*
	Oil-spreading diameter	Injected	0.100	1.000	-0.786**	-0.888**	-0.740**	-0.065
		Δ IN%	0.014		1.000	0.833**	0.912**	0.359
Surface tension	Injected		0.146		1.000	0.733**	-0.080	
	Displaced		-0.217			1.000	0.616*	
		Δ IN%	-0.514				1.000	

Note: * $p < 0.05$ and ** $p < 0.01$.