

1 **Characterisation of dissolved organic matter to optimise**  
2 **powdered activated carbon and clarification removal**  
3 **efficiency**

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14 **Supporting information**

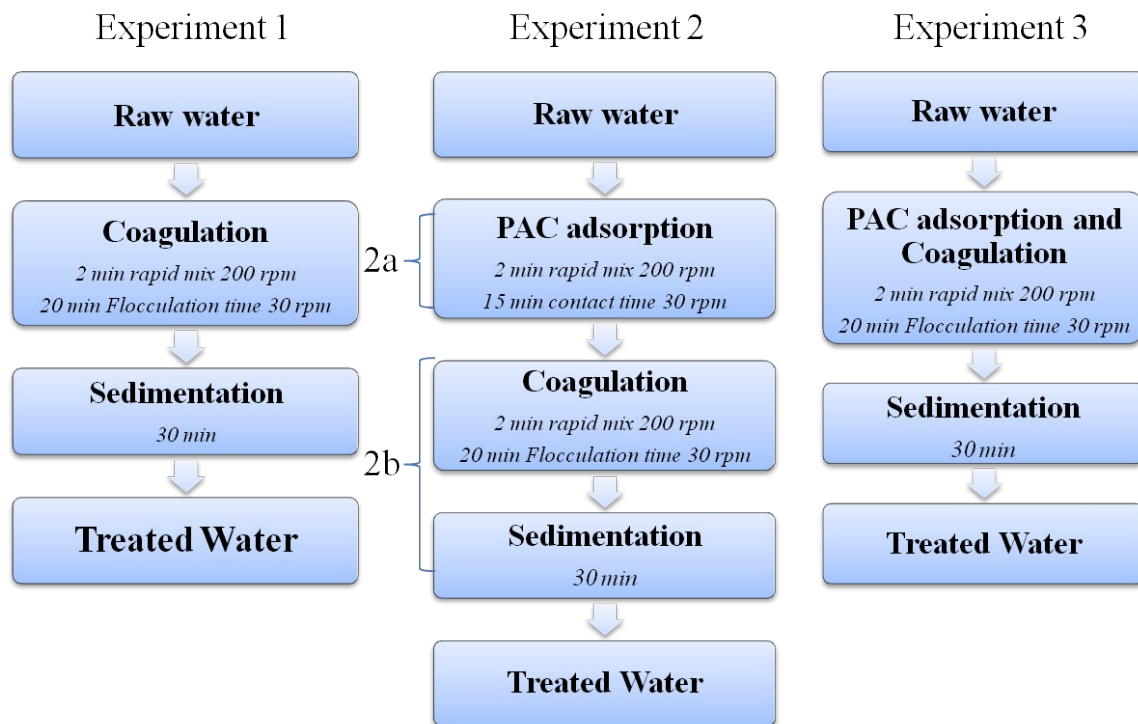
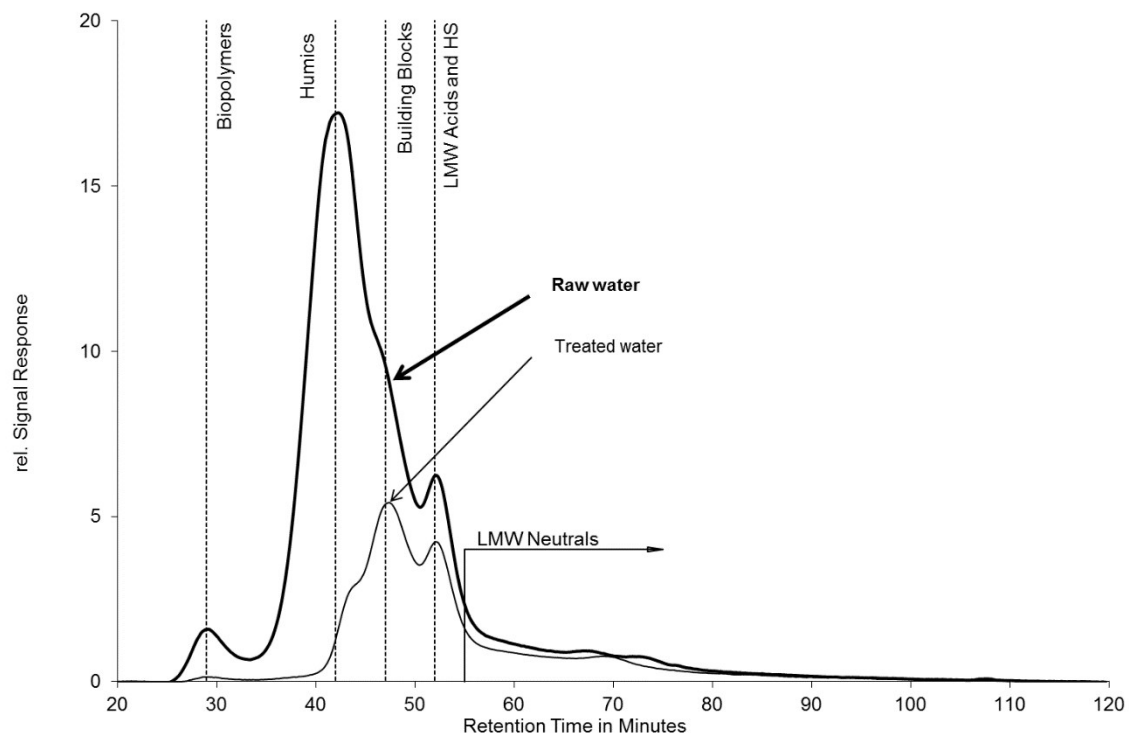


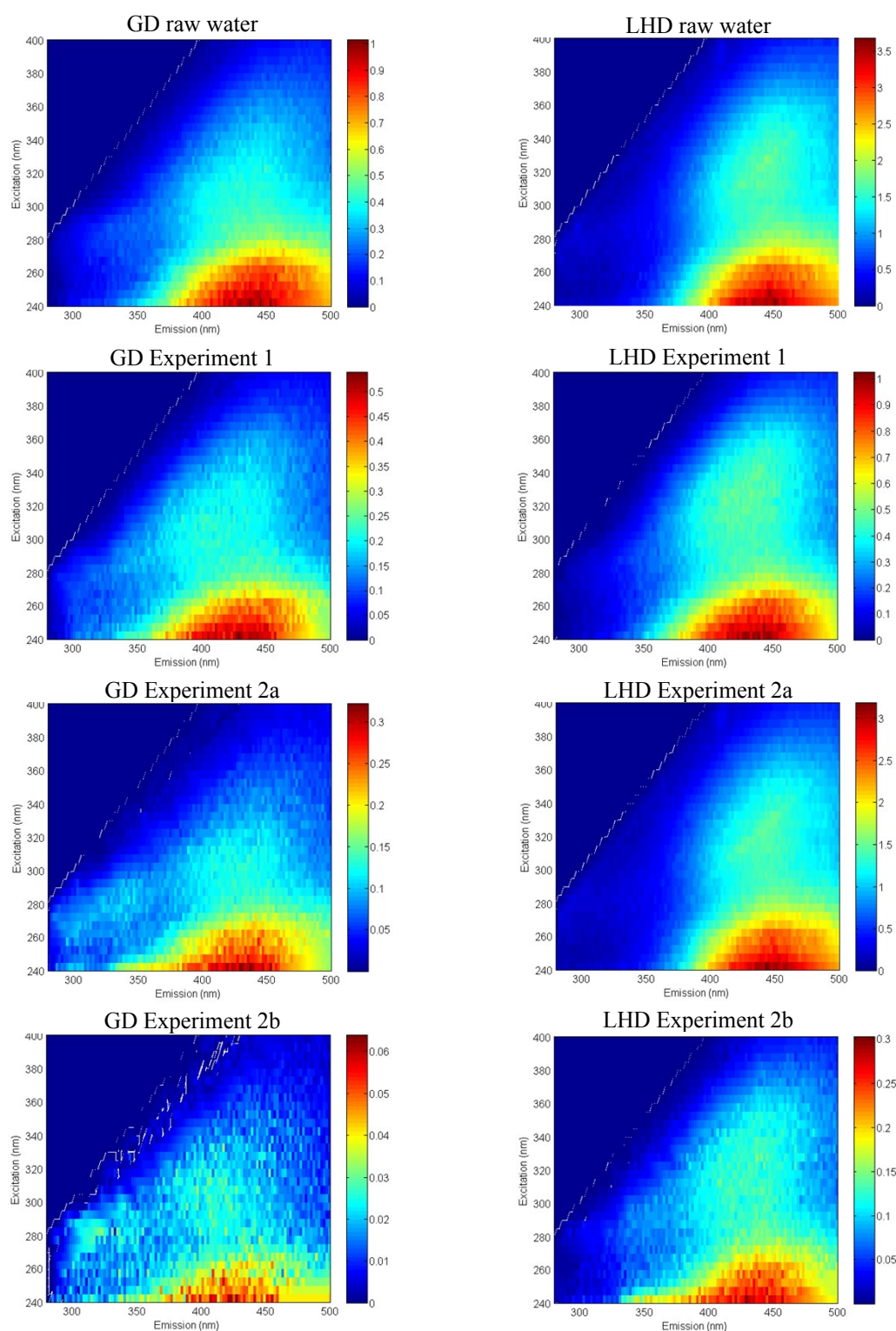
Figure S1 Jar tests experiment flow chart. Experiment 1 included coagulation/ sedimentation; Experiment 2 included two sub-experiments PAC absorption (2a) followed by coagulation/sedimentation (2b); Experiment 3 combined PAC absorption and coagulation/sedimentation processes



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22 *Figure S2 Example of LC-OCD chromatogram of DOC signal of LHD raw and treated water*  
 23 *(Experiment 1, 16 mgAl/L)*

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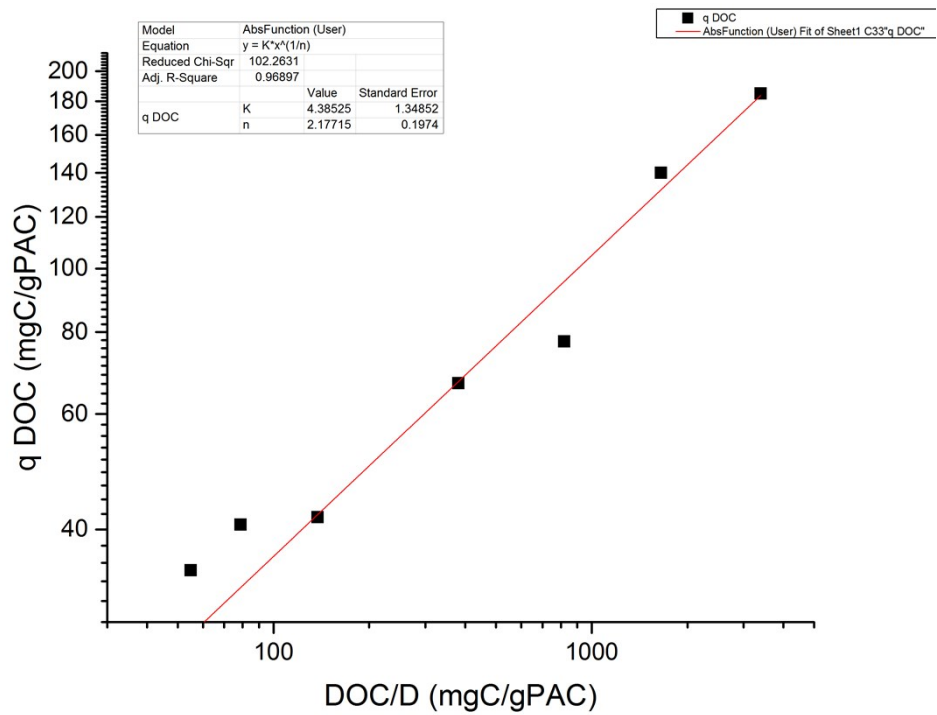
26 *Figure S3 Examples of EEM in raw water and treated water samples at the optimum doses in*  
 27 *Experiments 1&2*

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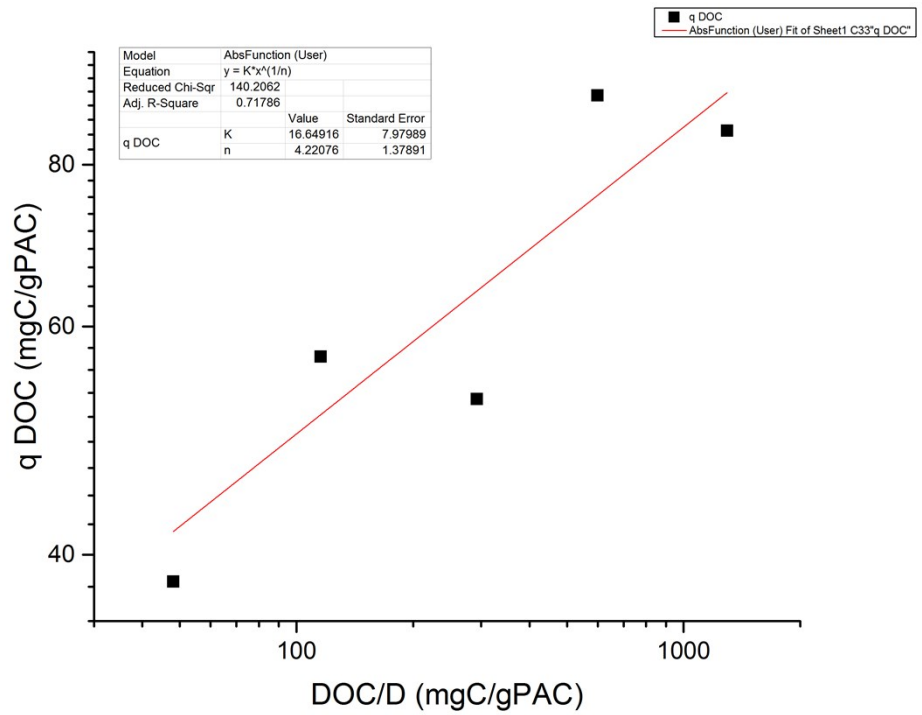
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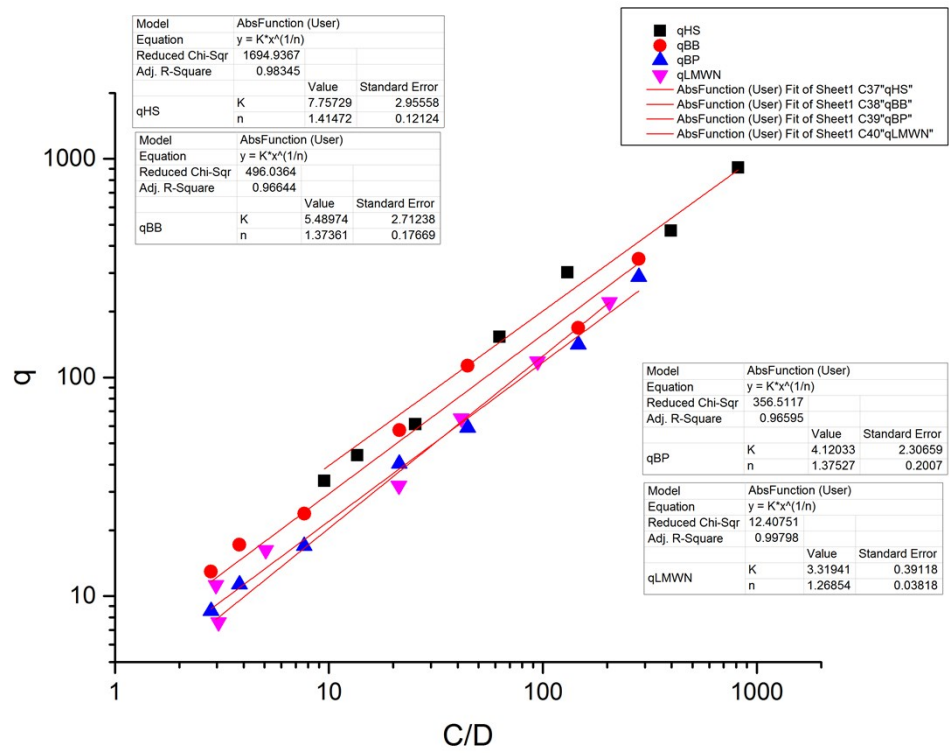


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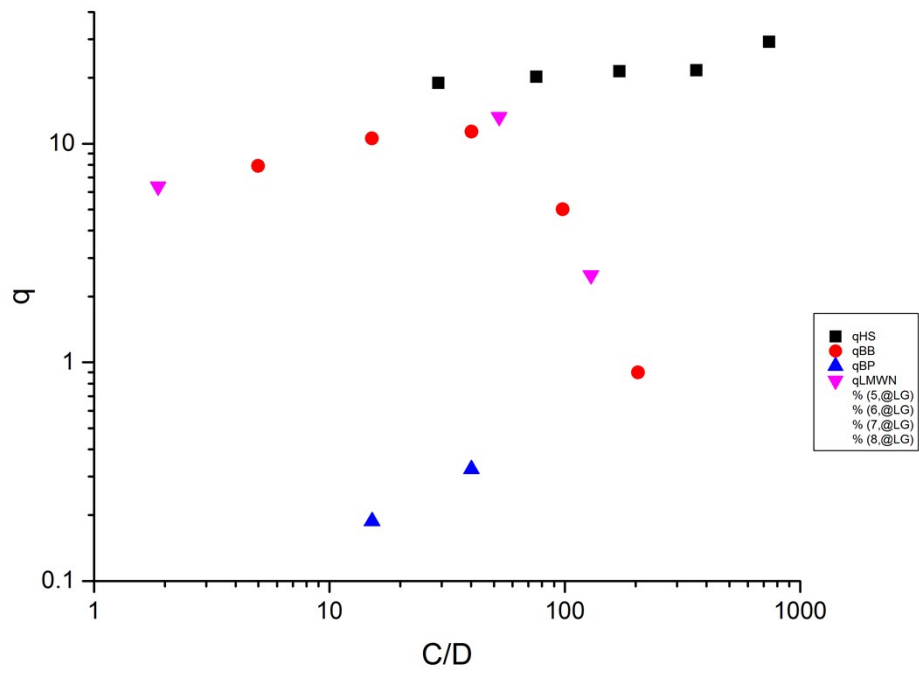
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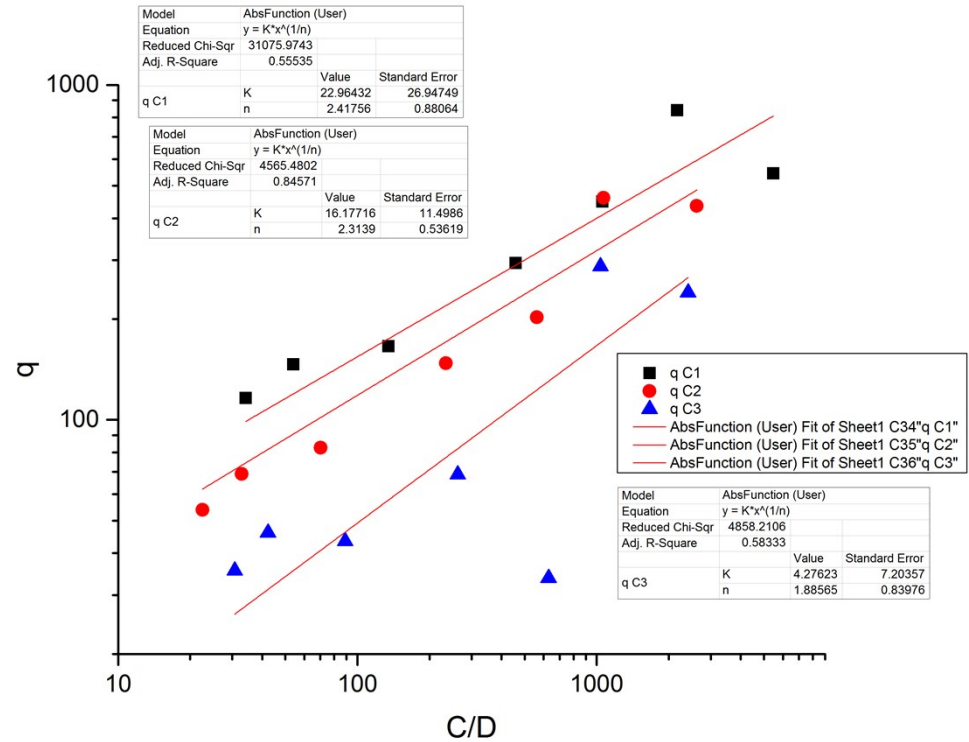


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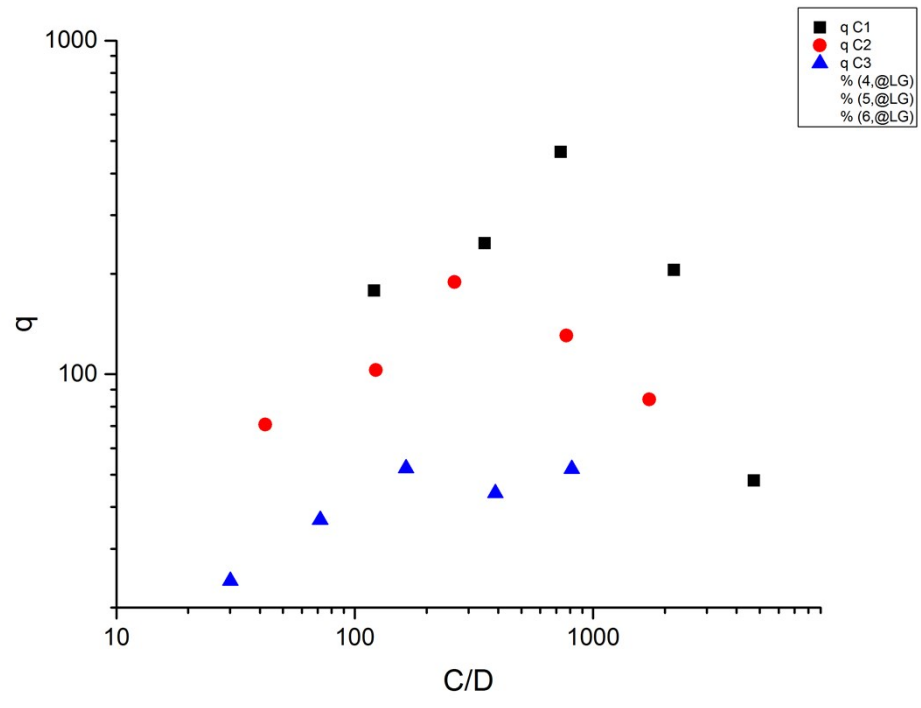


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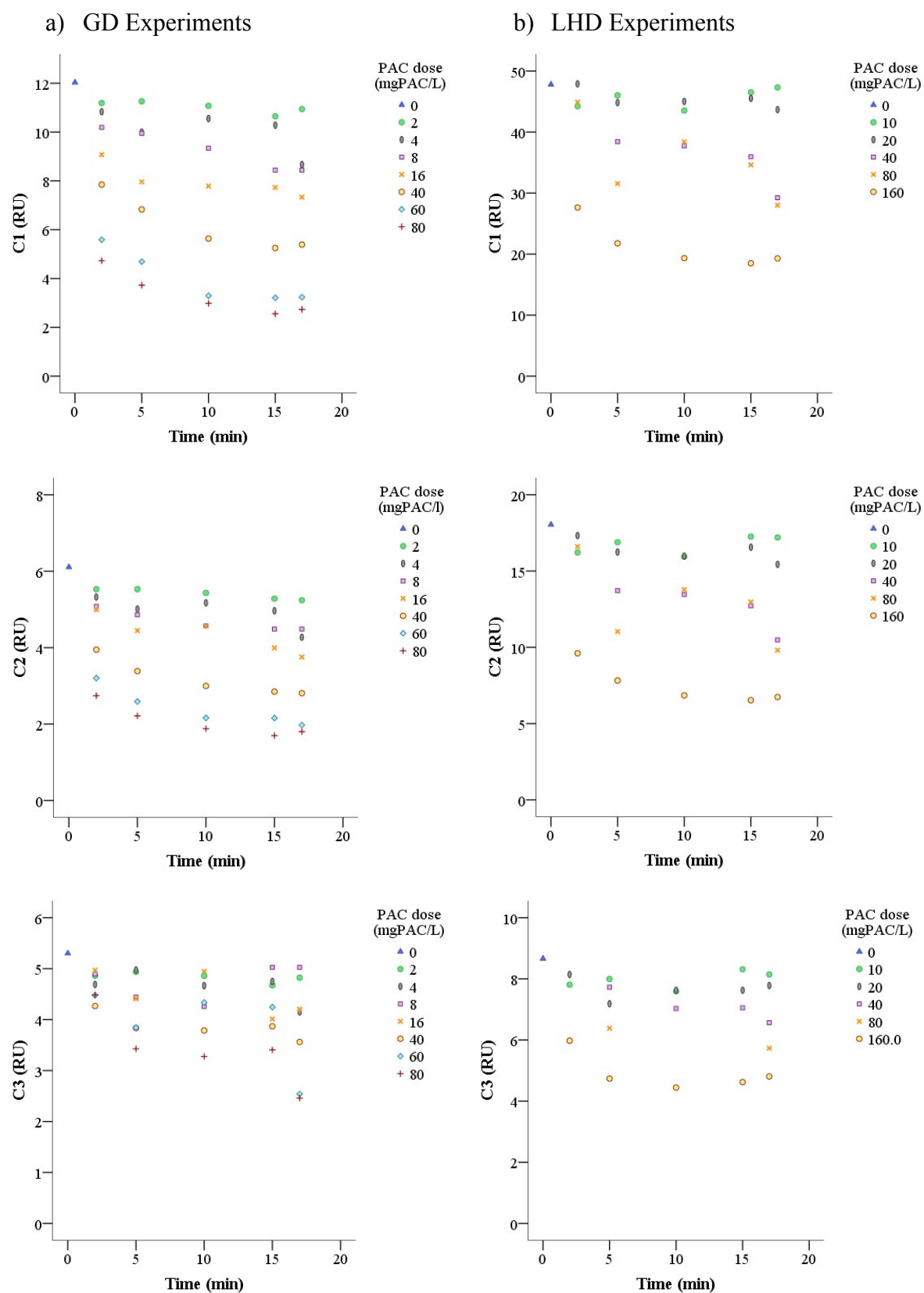
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45 Figure S4 Modified Freundlich isotherm fitting for adsorption of OM fractions in GD and

46 LHD Experiments 2a



47 Figure S5 Fluorescence components C1, C2, C3 changes during the Experiments 2a



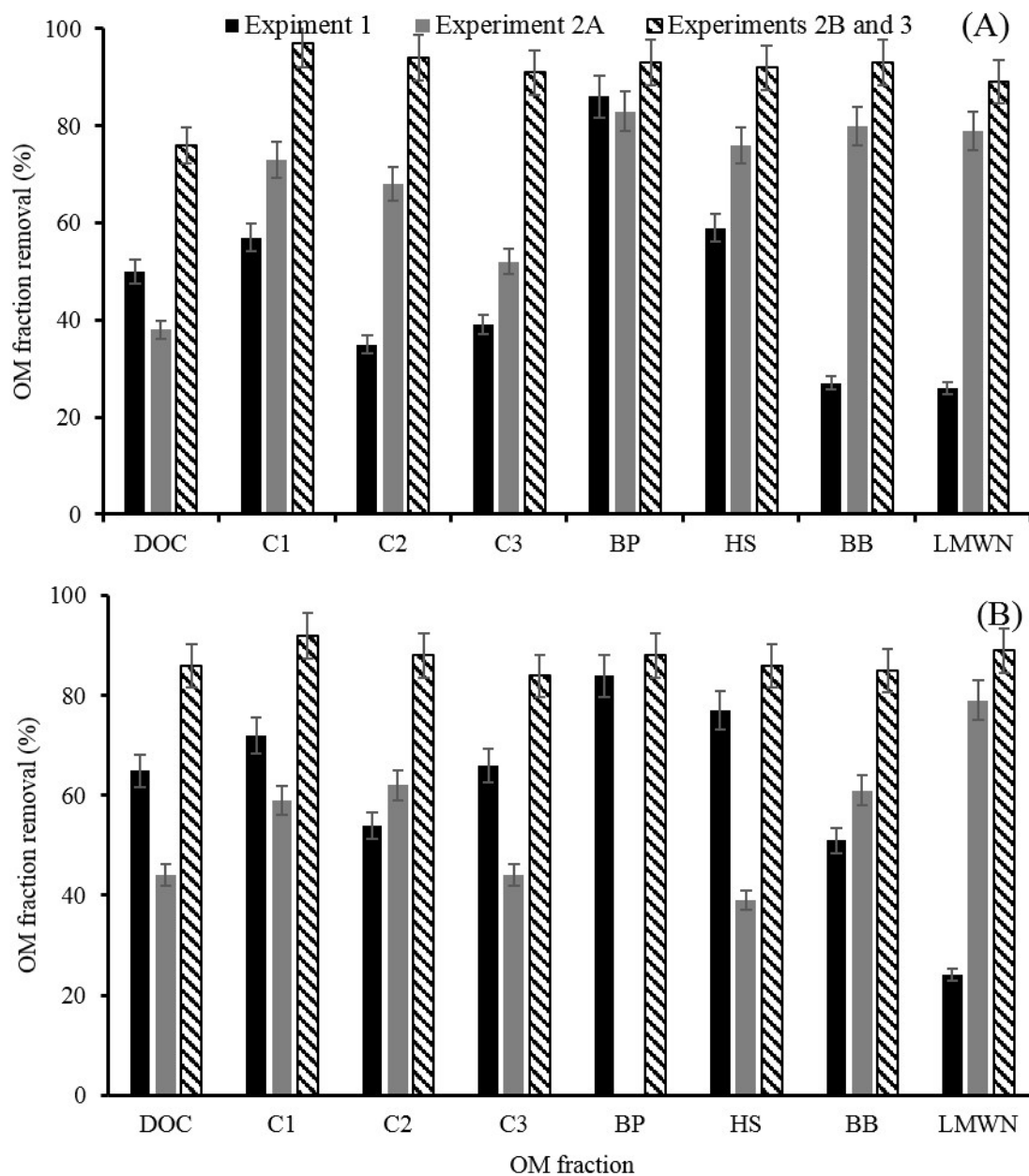


Figure S6. Removal of OM fractions at the optimum doses of the coagulant and PAC in (A) GD and (B) LHD waters via Experiment 1, Experiment 2A and, Experiments 2B and 3.