

Supplementary Material

**A novel thermodynamic approach for the complexation study of toxic metal cations by landfill leachate**

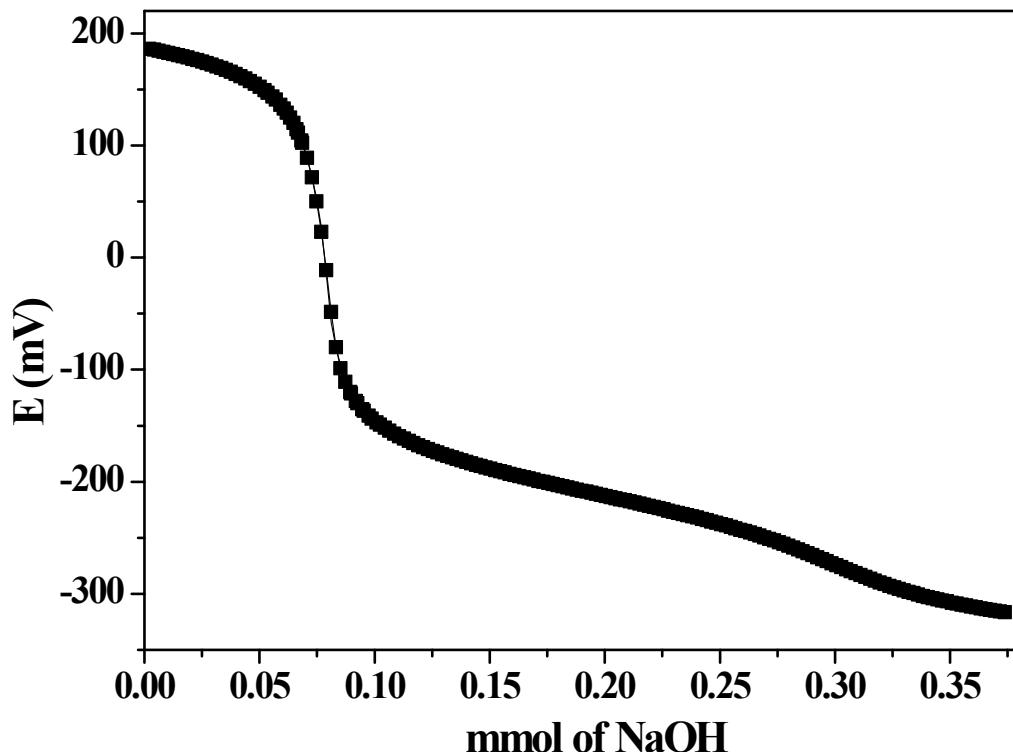
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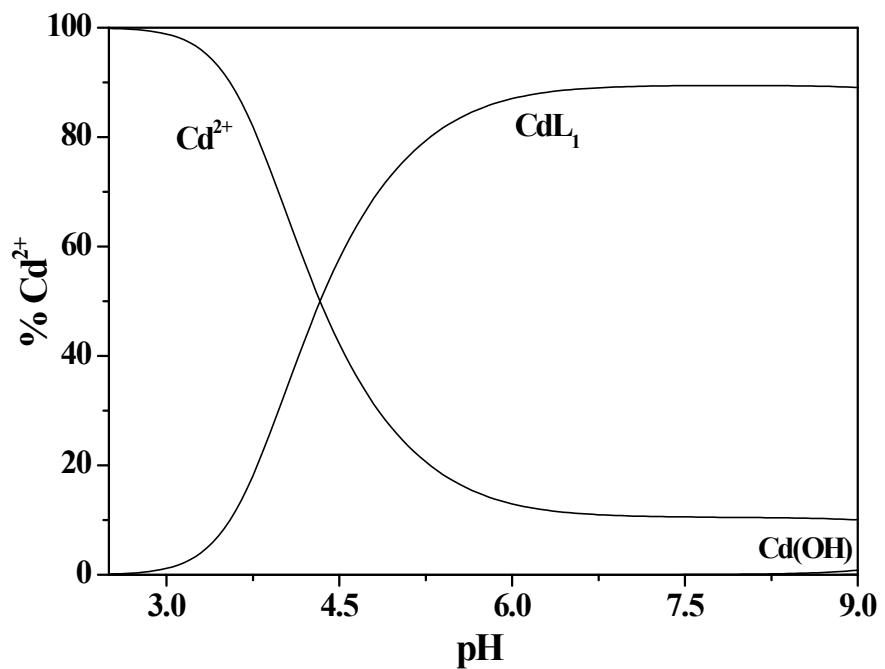
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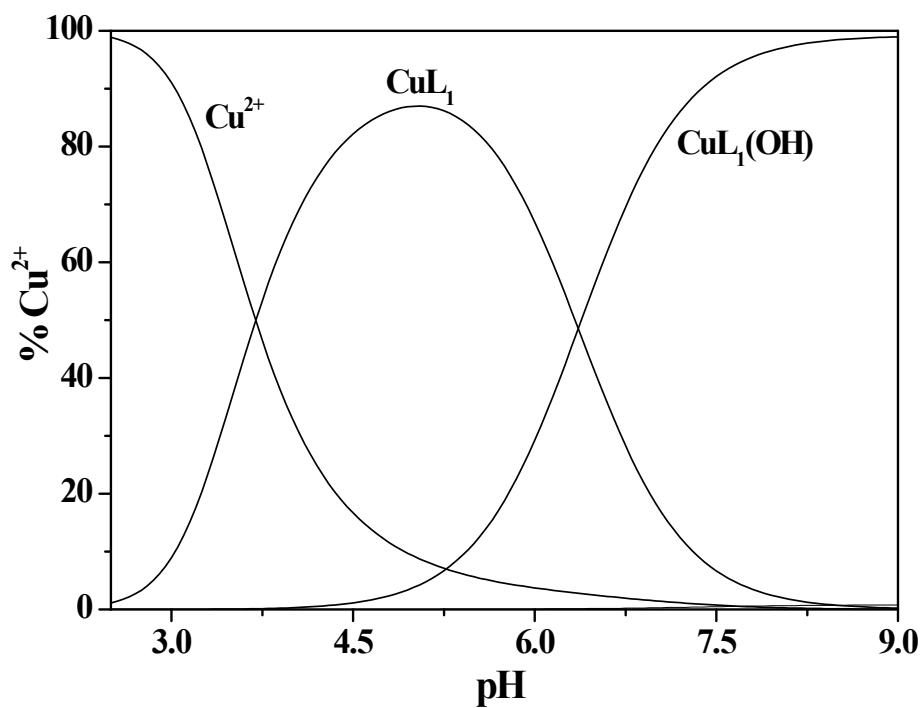


**Figure 1S.** Potentiometric titration curve at  $T = 298.15\text{ K}$  of 25 mL of solution containing  $1.25\text{ cm}^{-3}$  of leachate,  $\text{NaCl } 0.1\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  and  $\text{HCl } 0.015\text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  and curve of fit obtained with BSTAC computer program.

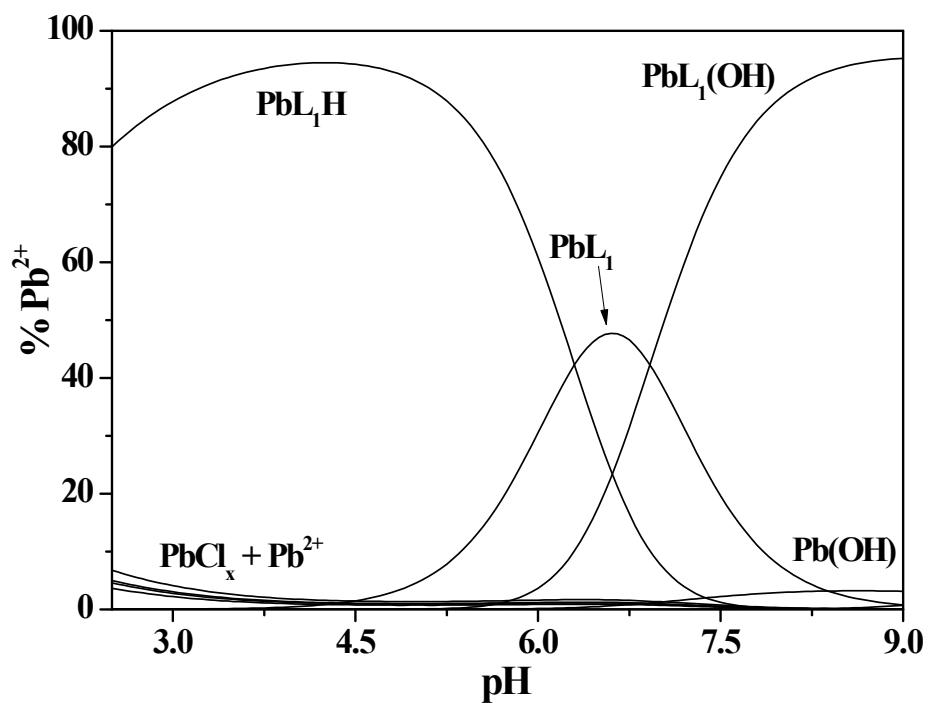


**Figure 2S.** Distribution diagram of  $\text{Cd}^{2+}$  leachate species vs. pH in  $\text{NaCl}$ , at  $I = 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .

Experimental conditions:  $C_{\text{leachate}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $C_{\text{Cd}^{2+}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$ .



**Figure 3S.** Distribution diagram of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  leachate species vs. pH in  $\text{NaCl}$ , at  $I = 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .  
Experimental conditions:  $C_{\text{leachate}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $C_{\text{Cu}^{2+}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$ .



**Figure 4S.** Distribution diagram of  $\text{Pb}^{2+}$  leachate species vs. pH in  $\text{NaCl}$ , at  $I = 0.1 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ .  
Experimental conditions:  $C_{\text{leachate}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $C_{\text{Pb}^{2+}} = 1 \text{ mmol dm}^{-3}$ ,  $T = 298.15 \text{ K}$ .

**Table 1S.** Chemical characterization of landfill leachate of Bellolampo

<b>Parameter</b>	<b>unit</b>	<b>value</b>
pH		8.5 ± 0.2
Conductivity	µS cm <sup>-1</sup>	14300 <sup>a</sup>
Suspended solids	g dm <sup>-3</sup>	1.11 <sup>a</sup>
COD	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	9330 <sup>b</sup>
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	1790 (99) <sup>b, c</sup>
Total N	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	1650 (118) <sup>b, c</sup>
Cl <sup>-</sup>	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	1760 <sup>b</sup>
Residue ( <i>T</i> = 453.15 K)	g dm <sup>-3</sup>	12.24 ± 0.05
Ash content ( <i>T</i> = 823.15 K)	g dm <sup>-3</sup>	9.67 ± 0.04
Al	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	2.424 <sup>d</sup>
Cr	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.503 <sup>d</sup>
Mn	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.056 <sup>d</sup>
Fe	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	1.887 <sup>d</sup>
Co	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.059 <sup>d</sup>
Ni	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.119 <sup>d</sup>
Cu	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.009 <sup>d</sup>
Zn	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.083 <sup>d</sup>
Cd	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	< 0.001 <sup>d</sup>
Sn	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.240 <sup>d</sup>
Pb	mg dm <sup>-3</sup>	0.008 <sup>d</sup>

<sup>a</sup>± 2 %, <sup>b</sup>± 5 %; <sup>c</sup> in parenthesis the mmol L<sup>-1</sup> of NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> and of total N; <sup>d</sup> ± 10 %