

## Supporting Information

### Detection, identification and control of polar iodinated disinfection byproducts in chlor(am)inated secondary wastewater effluents

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### 1. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 199 at RT 2.33 min

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  199 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). Fig. S2 shows the product ion scan spectrum of this compound: a loss of 44 was observed, indicating a carboxyl group. After subtraction of one iodine atom and a carboxyl group from  $m/z$  199, the remaining part is 29 (i.e.,  $199 - 126.9 - 44 = 29$ ), for which a reasonable combination should be  $C_2H_4$ . Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 3-iodo-propanoic acid.

### 2. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 257 at RT 1.74 min

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  257 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). Fig. S3 shows the product ion scan spectrum of this compound: the consecutive loss of two 44 were observed, indicating two carboxyl group. After subtraction of one iodine atom and two a carboxyl group from  $m/z$  257, the remaining part is 42 (i.e.,  $257 - 126.9 - 88 = 42$ ), for which a reasonable combination should be  $C_3H_6$ . Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be  $HOOC(CH_2)_2CHICOOH$ .

### 3. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 285 at RT 2.82 min

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  285 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). Fig. S4 shows the product ion scan spectrum of this compound: the consecutive loss of two 44 were observed, indicating two carboxyl group. After subtraction of one iodine atom and one a carboxyl group from  $m/z$  285, the remaining part is 70 (i.e.,  $285 - 126.9 - 88 = 70$ ). Notably, this compound has an  $m/z$  value which is 28 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  257 (which was proposed to be  $HOOC(CH_2)_2CHICOOH$ ), and thus it was proposed to contain one more aldehyde group or  $C_2H_4$  than  $HOOC(CH_2)_2CHICOOH$ . However, no loss of 28 was occurred in the product ion scan spectrum of this compound so a reasonable combination of the remaining part should be  $C_5H_{10}$ . Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be  $HOOC(CH_2)_4CHICOOH$ .

### 4. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 317 at RT 7.14 min

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  317 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). The relatively long RT (7.14 min) suggests that this compound was aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). Notably, this compound has an  $m/z$  value which is 28 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  303 (which was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-propen-1yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid), and thus it was proposed to contain one more  $CH_2$  than 5-iodo-3-(1-propen-1yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid. Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid.

### 5. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 331 at RT 8.01 min

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  331 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). The relatively long RT (8.01 min) suggests that this compound was aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). Notably, this compound has

an  $m/z$  value which is 14 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  317 (which was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid), and thus it was proposed to contain one more  $\text{CH}_2$  than 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid. Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-penten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid.

#### **6. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 357 at RT 5.13 min**

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  357 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). The relatively long RT (5.13 min) suggests that this compound was aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). Notably, this compound has an  $m/z$  value which is 26 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  331 (which was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-penten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid), and thus it was proposed to contain one more  $\text{CH}_2$  than 5-iodo-3-(1-penten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid. Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-hepten-1,5-diyl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid.

#### **7. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 361 at RT 7.65 min**

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  361 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). The relatively long RT (7.65 min) suggests that this compound was aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). Notably, this compound has an  $m/z$  value which is 44 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  317 (which was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid), and thus it was proposed to contain one more carboxyl group than 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxybenzoic acid. Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxy-1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid.

#### **8. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 377 at RT 6.30 min**

As shown in Fig. 1, the compound with  $m/z$  377 has only one isotopic peak, indicating that this compound should contain only I (without containing Cl or Br). The relatively long RT (6.30 min) suggests that this compound was aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). Notably, this compound has an  $m/z$  value which is 16 larger than the compound with  $m/z$  361 (which was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxy-1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid), and thus it was proposed to contain one more hydroxyl group than 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-4-hydroxy-1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid. Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 5-iodo-3-(1-buten-1-yl)-1,4-dihydroxy-1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid.

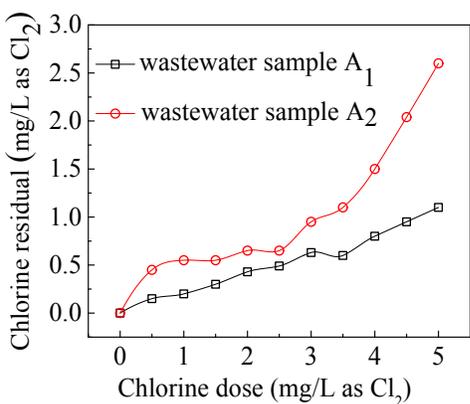
#### **9. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 399/401/403 at RT 3.67 min**

Fig. S10 shows the MRM chromatogram (399 $\rightarrow$ 126.9, 401 $\rightarrow$ 126.9, 403 $\rightarrow$ 126.9) and the product ion scan spectra of ion cluster  $m/z$  399/401/403 of the sample. The relatively long RT (3.67 min) suggested that this compound was likely aromatic (Zhai and Zhang, 2011). An isotopic peak abundance ratio of  $m/z$  399/401/403 at 9:3:1 was observed in the MRM spectrum of the ion cluster, indicating that this compound should contain two chlorine atoms. In the product ion scan spectra of  $m/z$  399, 401 and 403, the consecutive loss of two 44 were observed, indicating two carboxyl group. Since this ion cluster was detected by PIS  $m/z$  126.9, it should at least contain one iodine

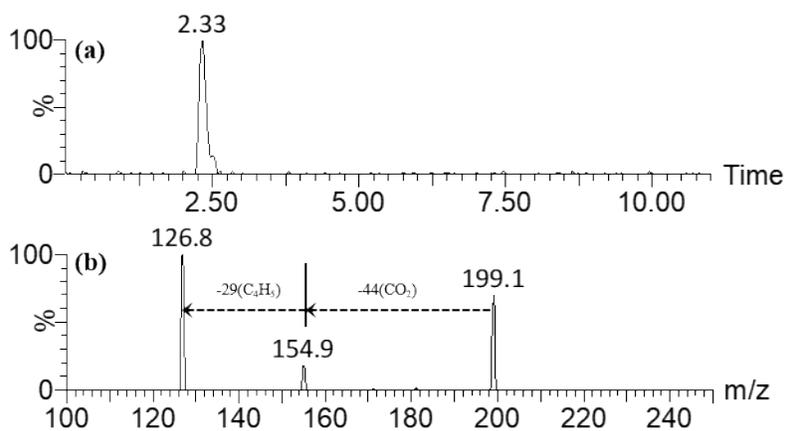
atom. After subtraction of one benzene ring, two chlorine atom, two benzoic acid and one iodine atom from  $m/z$  399/401/403, the remaining part was 41, for which a reasonable combination should be  $C_3H_5$ . Accordingly, this compound was proposed to be 3,5-dichlo-6-iodo-4-(1-propen-1-yl) - 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid.

#### **10. Structure Proposing of the Compound with $m/z$ 417 at RT 3.86 min**

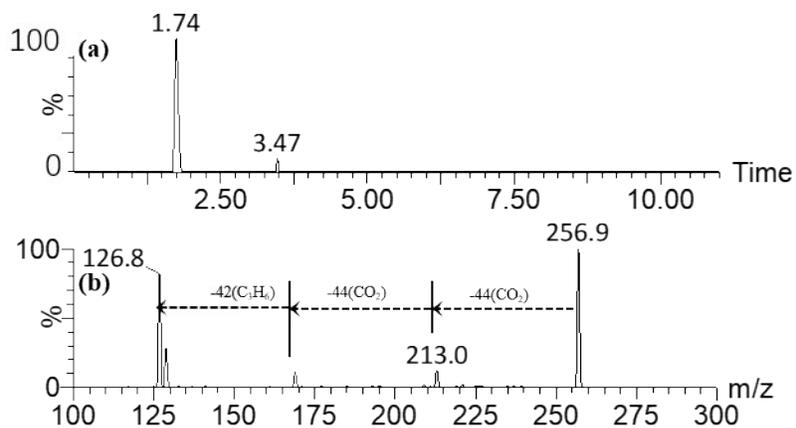
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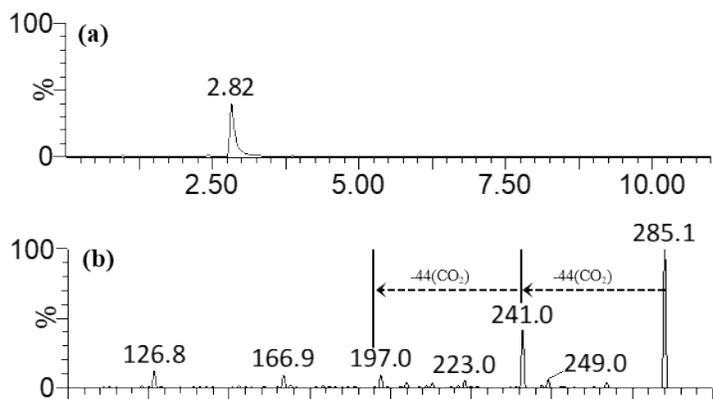
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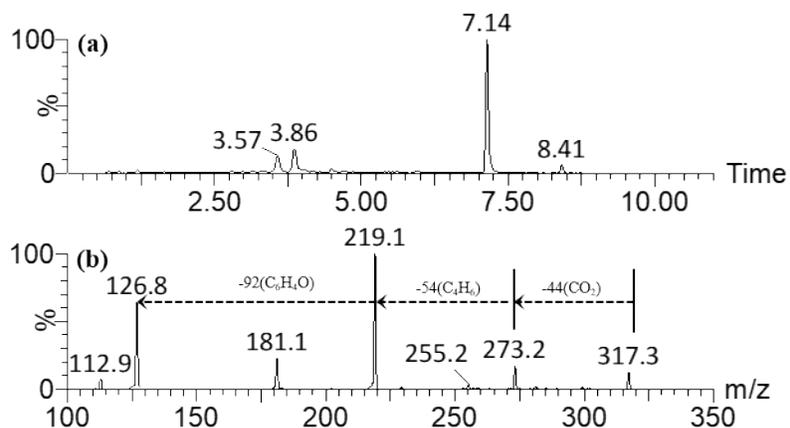
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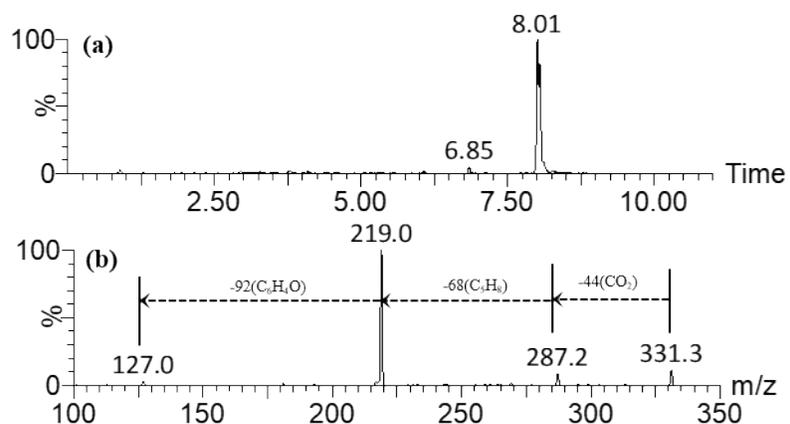
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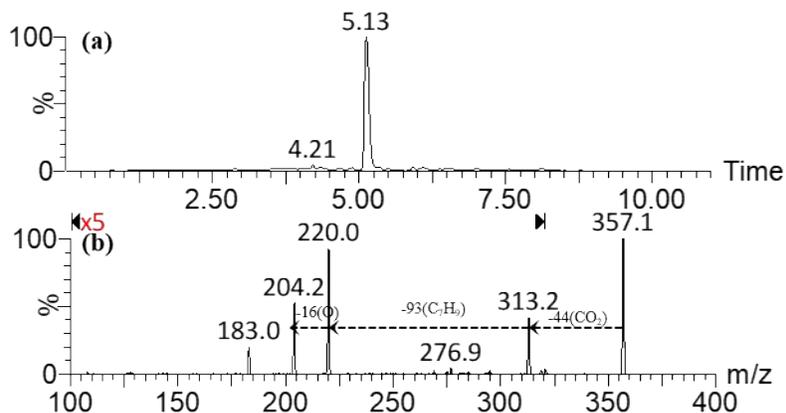
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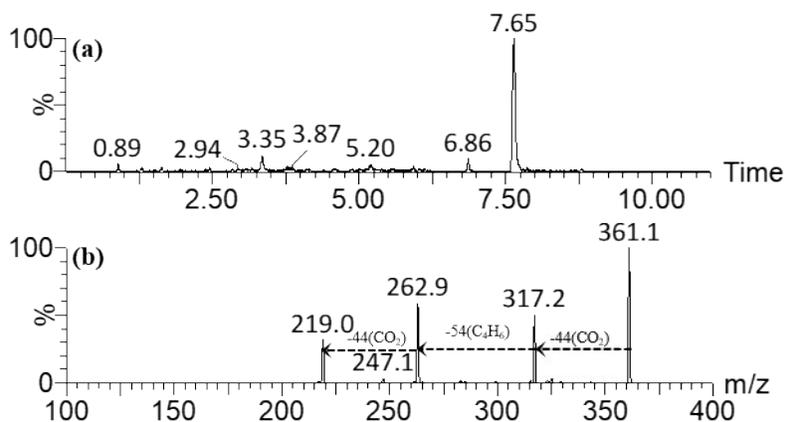
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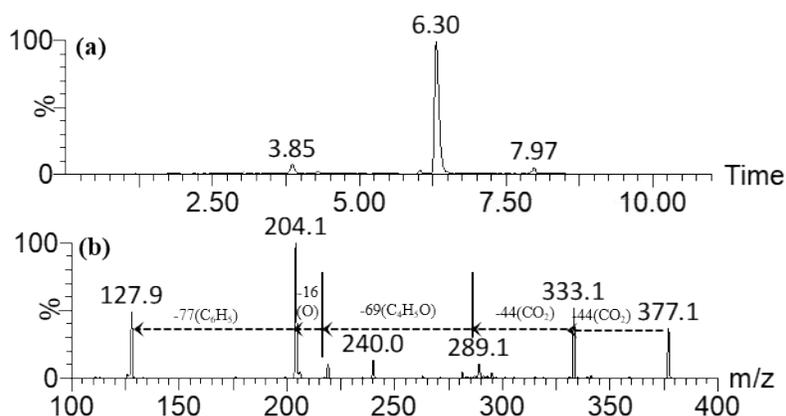
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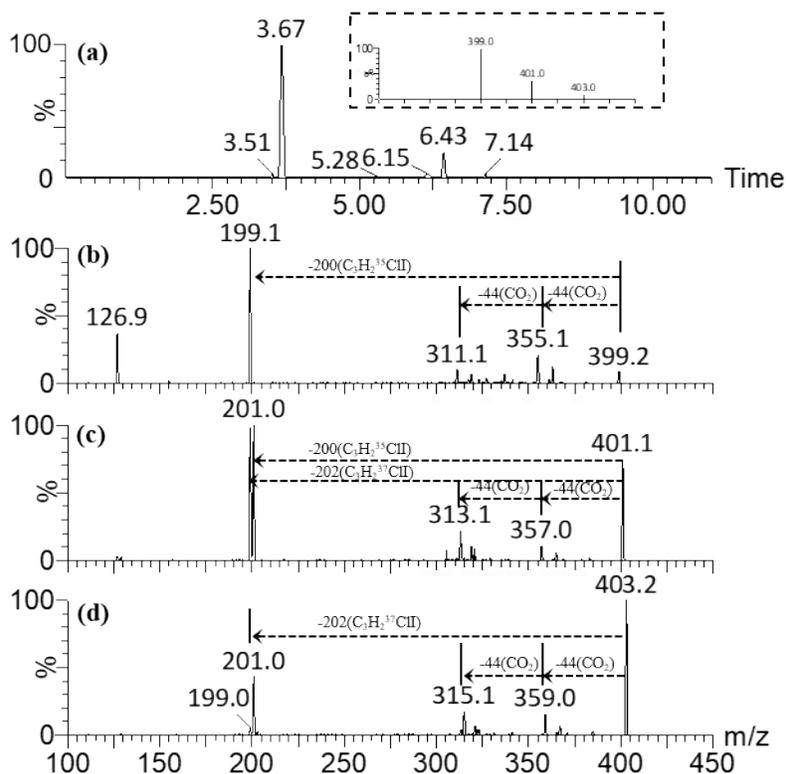
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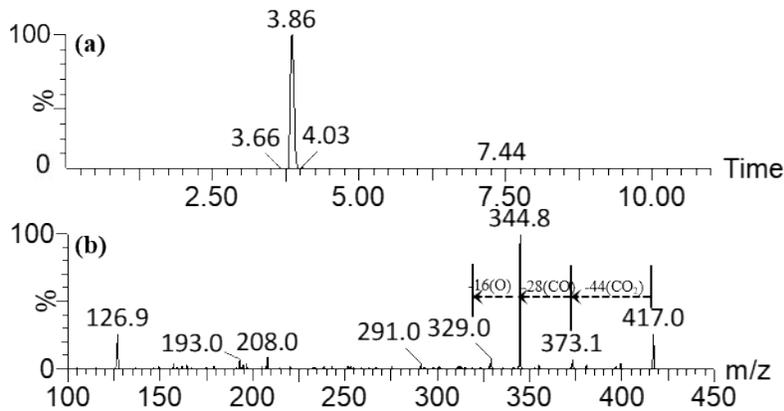
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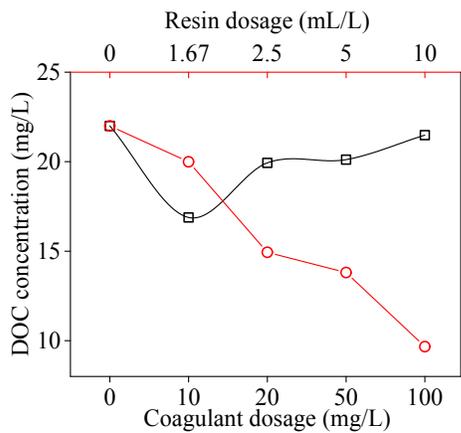
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**Fig. S12. DOC concentration in secondary wastewater effluent sample A<sub>1</sub> with different dosages of coagulant and resin.**

**Table S1**  
**Characteristics of the secondary wastewater effluent samples A<sub>1</sub> and A<sub>2</sub>**

sample	pH	DOC as C (mg/L)	ammonia as N (mg/L)	I <sup>-</sup> (µg/L)	UV <sub>254</sub> (1/cm)
A <sub>1</sub>	7.69	22.87	0.42	7.1	0.27
A <sub>2</sub>	7.75	21.58	0.38	7.8	0.16