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Investigating synergies in sequential biofiltration-based hybrid systems
for the enhanced removal of trace organic chemicals from wastewater
treatment plant effluents

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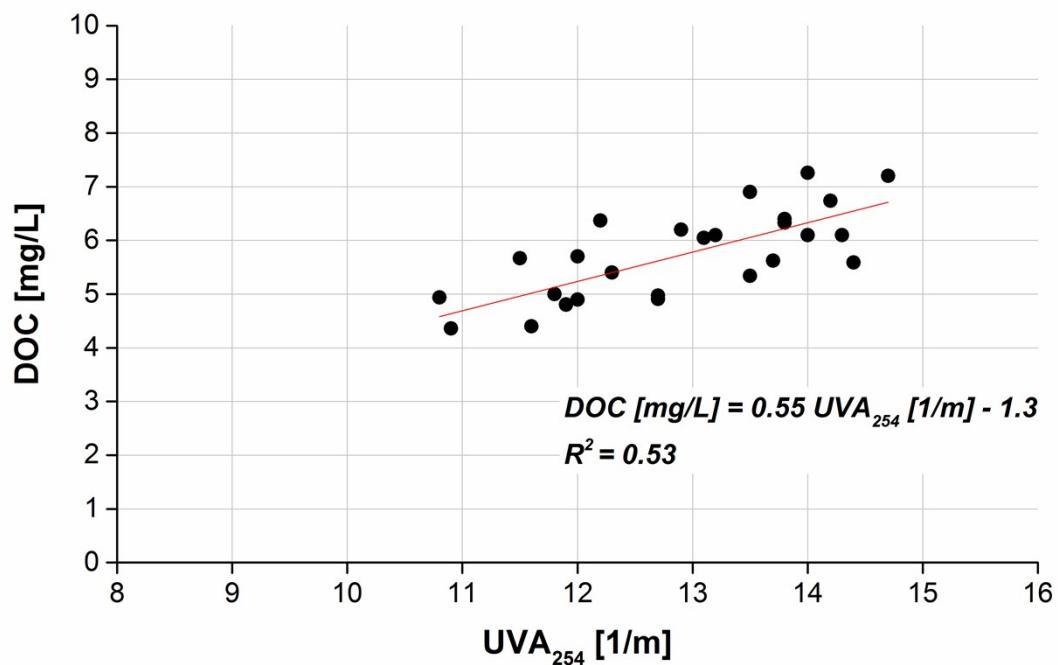


Figure 1: DOC/UVA₂₅₄ correlation for samples taken from column A effluent (n = 25). Correlation was used to estimate DOC values in column A effluent prior to pilot-scale ozonation.

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Table SI-1: Limits of quantitation (LOQ), average concentrations with standard deviations in wastewater treatment plant effluent and number of detections above LOQ and 3.5 x LOQ during 10 sampling campaigns.

Compound	LOQ [ng/L]	c_0 [ng/L]	Std. dev. [ng/L]	Occurrence above LOQ	Occurrence above 3.5 x LOQ	k_{O_3} [M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹]	k_{OH} [M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹]
4-Formylaminoantipyrine (4-FAA)	10	670	260	10	10	n/a	n/a
Atenolol	10	30	10	10	2	1.7×10^3 ^a	6.3×10^5 ^c
Antipyrine	10	30	10	10	2	6.2×10^5 ^j	8.9×10^9 ^k
Benzotriazole	50	5,880	1,190	10	10	2.4×10^2 ^g	7.6×10^9 ⁱ
Caffeine	50	170	90	4	2	2.5×10^4 ^j	6.4×10^9 ^l
Carbamazepine	5	410	40	10	10	3.0×10^5 ^a	8.8×10^9 ^b
Citalopram	5	160	60	10	10	n/a	n/a
Climbazole	5	90	20	10	10	n/a	n/a
Diclofenac	5	1,440	450	10	10	10^6 ^a	7.5×10^9 ^b
Gabapentin	2.5	1,530	420	10	10	2.2×10^2 ^g	9.1×10^9 ^g
Iopromide	50	90	40	4	1	<1 ^b	3.3×10^9 ^b
Metoprolol	2.5	280	60	10	10	2.0×10^3 ^g	7.3×10^9 ^c
Phenytoin	5	6	1	4	0	<10 ^a	6.3×10^9 ^d
Primidone	10	50	10	10	10	<10 ^a	6.7×10^9 ^e
Sotalol	5	60	20	10	10	1.9×10^4 ^g	10^{10} ^g
Sulfamethoxazole	5	180	70	10	10	5.7×10^5 ^a	5.5×10^9 ^b
tris(2-chloroethyl) phosphate (TCEP)	50	118	40	8	2	<1 ^a	5.6×10^8 ^g
Tramadol	5	210	70	10	10	4.0×10^3 ^g	6.3×10^9 ^h
Venlafaxine	2.5	370	60	10	10	8.5×10^3 ^g	10^{10} ^g
Trimethoprim	5	40	30	10	8	2.7×10^5	6.9×10^9 ^f
Valsartanic acid	5	3,440	1,330	10	10	n/a	7.9×10^9 ^k

^a Lee et al. (2013); ^b Huber et al. (2003); ^c Benner et al. (2008); ^d Yuan et al. (2009); ^e Real et al. (2009); ^f Watts and Linden (2009); ^g Lee et al. (2014); ^h Zimmermann et al. (2012); ⁱ Naik and Moorthy (1995); ^j Javier Rivas et al. (2011); ^k Wols et al. (2014); ^l Wols and Hofman-Caris (2012)

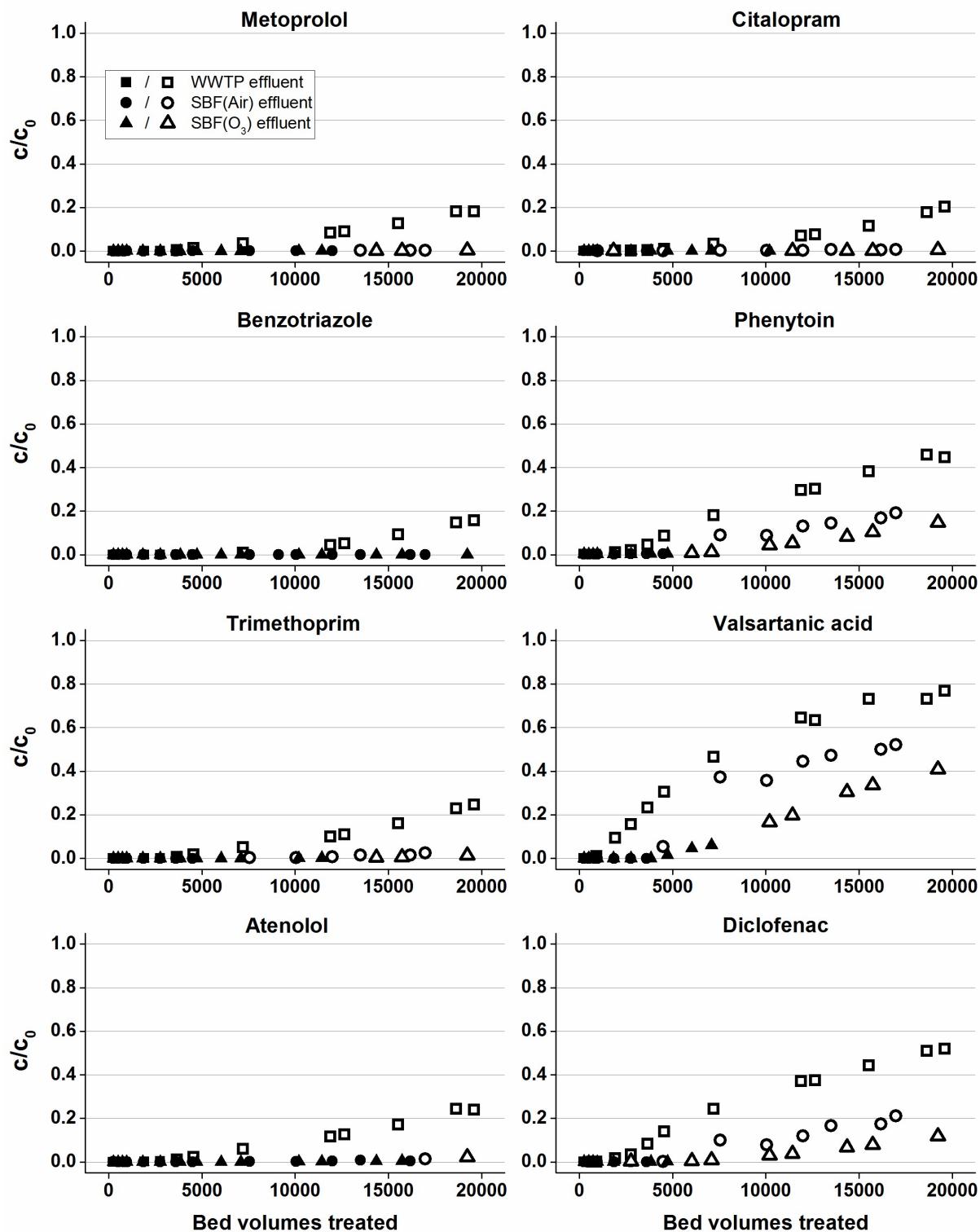


Figure SI-2: Breakthrough curves for indicator compounds from RSSCTs fed with WWTP effluent and effluent of systems SBF(Air) and SBF(O_3). Full symbols indicate values <LOQ, empty values indicate values >LOQ.

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