

Supporting Information: “Capacitive Deionization for Selective Removal of Nitrate and Perchlorate: Impacts of Ion Selectivity and Operating Constraints on Treatment Costs”

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Section 1 – Supplemental Figures and Tables

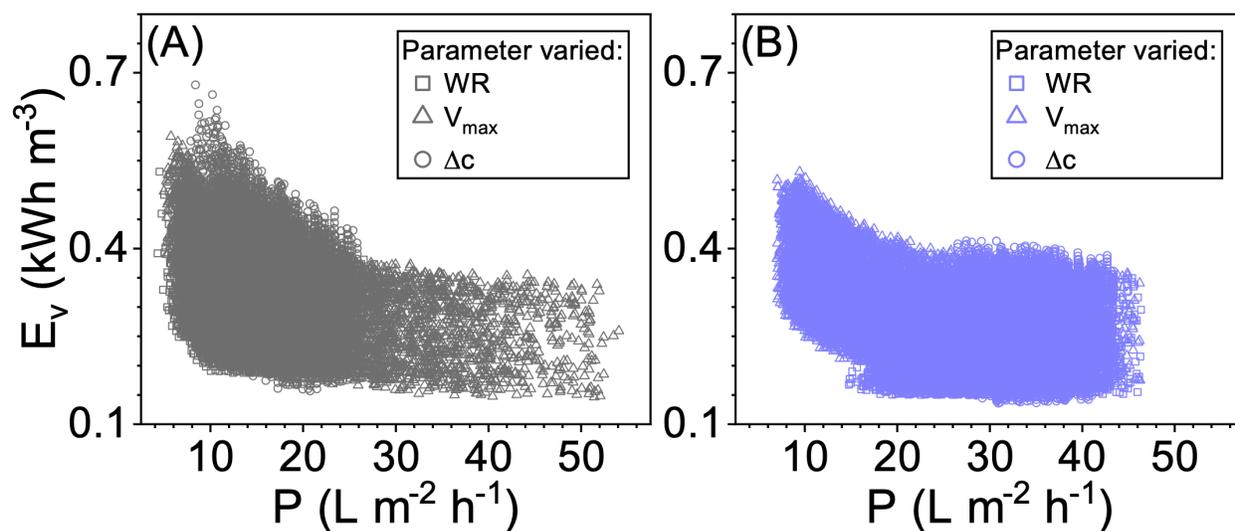


Figure S1: Individual run outputs for common metrics E_v vs P of CDI (gray, A) and MCDI (blue, B) systems as simulated across varying water recovery (square), cell voltage (triangles), and concentration reduction (circle) as detailed in Section 3.1.

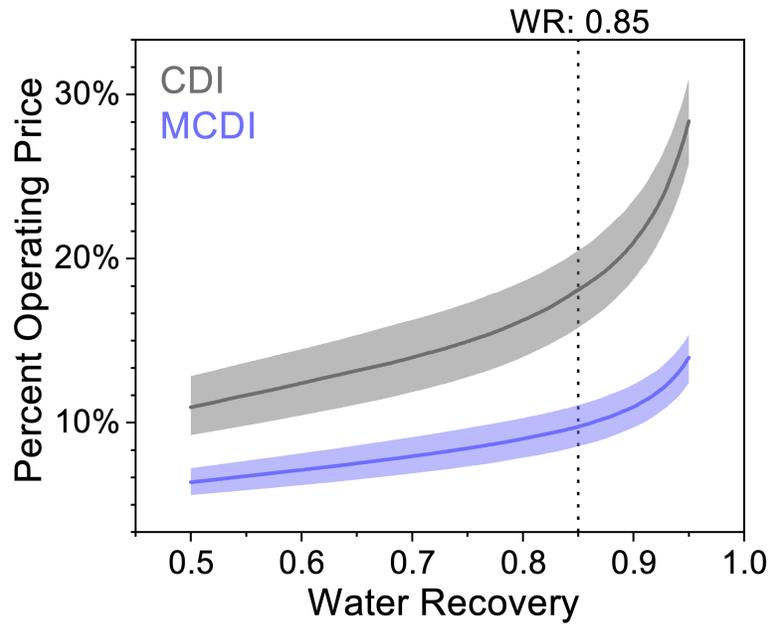


Figure S2: Operating cost as a percentage of total system cost for CDI and MCDI with increasing water recovery. The influent target ion (c_0) is fixed at 10 meq L^{-1} , removal fraction is 50%, cell voltage is 0.6 V, and ion selectivity is one. As water recovery increases beyond 0.85, operating costs exponentially increase as percent of total system costs.

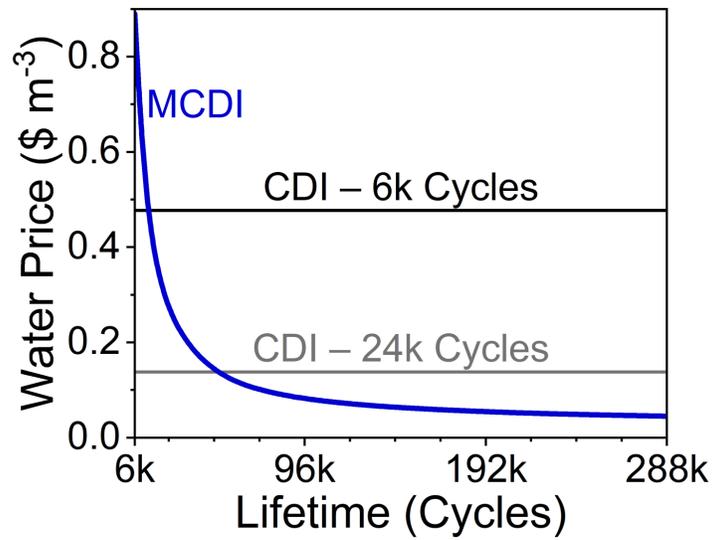


Figure S3. Median water price for MCDI system (blue) as a function of system lifetime. The influent target ion (c_0) is fixed at 10 meq L⁻¹, target ion removal is 50%, the water recovery is 0.85, cell voltage limit is 0.6 V, and ion selectivity is one. Median CDI performance under identical conditions shown at 6,000 (black) and 24,000 (grey) cycle lifetimes.

Table S1: Input parameters for NO₃⁻-selective CDI case studies.

Input	Value	Unit
Voltage Limit	0.6	V
Total Cycle Time	1200	s
Electrode Area	100	cm ²
Area-normalized equivalent series resistance	90	Ω cm ²
Flow	200	L s ⁻¹
Specific Capacitance	50	F g ⁻¹
Current Density	5	A/m ²
CDI Charge Efficiency	0.4	
Water Recovery	0.85	
<i>Decatur</i>		
Flow	880	L s ⁻¹
Influent Concentration	2.72	meq L ⁻¹
<i>Israel</i>		
Flow	13.3	L s ⁻¹
Influent Concentration	6.35	meq L ⁻¹
<i>Spain</i>		
Flow	206	L s ⁻¹
Influent Concentration	12.73	meq L ⁻¹

Section 2 – System sizing and costing equations.

$$V_m = Ri_c + \frac{i_c t_c}{C} \quad (1)$$

$$R = R_s + R_{ct} + R_i \quad (2)$$

$$t_c = tWR \quad (3)$$

$$N = \frac{(c_{in} - c_{out})QF}{i_c \eta_c \eta_f} \quad (4)$$

$$Q = \frac{Q_p}{WR} \quad (5)$$

$$\eta_f = \frac{2\tau_c}{t_c} \ln \left(\frac{e^{\frac{t_c}{\tau_c}} + 1}{2} \right) - 1 \quad (6)$$

$$\tau_c = \frac{V_{eff}}{Q} \quad (7)$$

$$m = \frac{t_c N}{C_g \left(\frac{V_m}{i_c} - R \right)} \quad (8)$$

$$\delta_e = \frac{m}{2\rho_e AN} \quad (9)$$

$$E_c = \frac{1}{2} (V_m + Ri_c) t_c i_c N \quad (10)$$

$$t_d = t(1 - WR) \quad (11)$$

$$i_d = \frac{i_c t_c}{t_d} \quad (12)$$

$$E_d = -\frac{1}{2}(V_m - Ri_d)t_d i_d N \quad (13)$$

$$P_{cap} = mC_c + m_b C_b + m_{ad} C_{ad} + A [N_m C_f + N(2C_{IEM} + C_s) + (N + 1)C_{cc}] + WC_{bop} \quad (14)$$

$$P_{op} = (E_c + \eta_R E_d)C_e \omega + P_{lab} \quad (15)$$

List of Symbols:

A	electrode area, cm^2	P_{cap}	capital cost, \$
C	capacitance, F	P_{lab}	annual labor cost, \$ yr^{-1}
C_{ad}	cost of cond. additive, \$ kg^{-1}	P_{op}	annual operating cost, \$ yr^{-1}
C_b	cost of binder, \$ kg^{-1}	Q	total treatment flow, L s^{-1}
C_{bop}	balance-of-plant costs, \$ kW^{-1}	Q_p	fixed production rate, L s^{-1}
C_c	cost of carbon, \$ kg^{-1}	R	total resistance, Ω
C_{cc}	cost of current collector, \$ m^{-2}	R_{ct}	contact resistance, Ω
C_e	cost of electricity, \$ kWh^{-2}	R_i	ionic resistance, Ω
C_f	cost of housings/frames, \$ m^{-2}	R_s	setup resistance, Ω
C_g	specific capacitance, F g^{-1}	t	total cycle duration, s
C_{IEM}	cost of IEMs, \$ m^{-2}	t_c	charging duration, s
c_{in}	influent concentration, meq L^{-1}	t_d	discharging duration, s
c_{out}	effluent concentration, meq L^{-1}	V_{eff}	effective cell volume, L
C_s	cost of separator, \$ m^{-2}	V_m	voltage limit, V
E_c	charging input energy, J	W	peak power consumption, W
E_d	discharge. recoverable energy, J	WR	water recovery
F	Faraday constant	δ_e	electrode thickness, μm
i_c	charging current density, A m^{-2}	η_C	effective charge efficiency
i_d	discharging current density, A m^{-2}	η_f	flow efficiency
m	mass of active material, kg	η_R	round-trip efficiency
m_{ad}	mass of conductivity additive, kg	ρ_e	electrode density, g cm^{-3}
m_b	mass of binder, kg	τ_c	cell residence time, s
N	total number of cell pairs	ω	cycles per year, yr^{-1}
N_m	number of cell pairs per stack		