Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Arsenic Removal from Peruvian Drinking Water by Milk Protein Nanofibril-Carbon Filters: A Field Study

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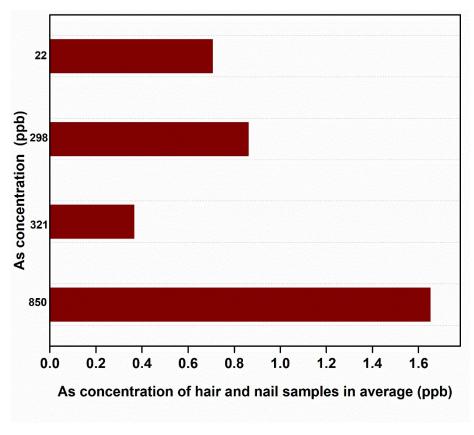


Fig. S1. Average of arsenic concentration in the hair and nails samples for the regions with different As concentrations.

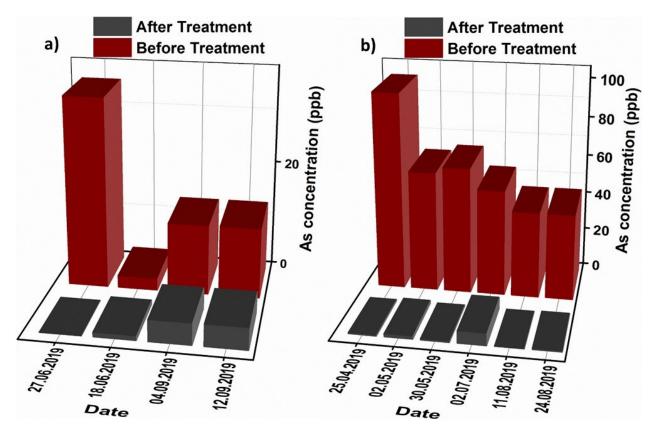


Fig. S2. Arsenic concentration before and after filtration through the Type I setup in a) Moguega (H24) and b) Chicalayo (H19). The performance was acceptable thought the entire study without the need of unit replacement.

Table S1. Houses with filter unit installation type and number of people using the unit for removing arsenic from tap drinking water.

| Code | Place | Filtration unit type | Number of people |
|------|---------------|----------------------|------------------|
| H 1 | Tacna | Type II | 3 |
| H 2 | Tacna | Type I | 5 |
| H 3 | Tacna | Type I | 3 |
| H 5 | Tacna | Type II | 4 |
| H 6 | Ticapampa | Type I | 3 |
| H 7 | Ticapampa | Type I | 3 |
| H 9 | Ticapampa | Type II | 5 |
| H 10 | Ticapampa | Type I | 5 |
| H 11 | Inclan | Type II | 8 |
| H 12 | Inclan | Type I | 4 |
| H 13 | Inclan | Type I | 7 |
| H 14 | Inclan | Type I | 6 |
| H16 | Chiclayo | Type II | 10 |
| H17 | Chiclayo | Type II | 7 |
| H18 | Chiclayo | Type II | 4 |
| H19 | Chiclayo | Type I | 4 |
| H20 | Chiclayo | Type II | 6 |
| EPS | TACNA | Type III | 6 |
| H21 | MOQUEGUA | Type I | 7 |
| H22 | MOQUEGUA | Type II | 9 |
| H23 | MOQUEGUA | Type I | 5 |
| H24 | MOQUEGUA | Type II | 6 |
| H25 | Cero De Pasco | Type II | 4 |
| H26 | Cero De Pasco | Type II | 6 |
| H27 | Cero De Pasco | Type I | 6 |
| H28 | Cero De Pasco | Type I | 4 |
| R1 | Inclan | Type III | community |
| R2 | Torato | Type III | community |

Table 2:

The physio-chemical parameters of the water before and after filtration is provided below

Parameters measured in the field with portable equipment Household filters

FIELD PARAMETERS MEASURED WITH PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

USER H30

Location: Ticapampa Town Center:

East = 336,513, North = 8067064, Altitude = 1109

TYPE IV home filter

DATE: 05/11

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|----------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | | | | | | | | | |
| (before) | 0.23 | 9.55 | 25.7 | -142.5 | 2.03 | 24.8 | | | |
| FILTERED | | | | | | | | | |
| (after) | 0 | 9.5 | 25.4 | -139.1 | 2.04 | 24.4 | | 0.019 lt / sec | |

DATE: 12/17

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|----------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|------------|---|------------------------------------|---|--|
| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.17 | 8.99 | 23.4 | -105.5 | 2.05 | 24.3 | 0.3 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.02 | 9.05 | 2. 3 | -111.7 | 2.07 | 23.7 | 0 | 0.019 lt / sec | |
| | WITHOUT FILTER | WITHOUT FILTER 0.17 | WITHOUT FILTER 0.17 8.99 | WITHOUT | WITHOUT | WITHOUT FILTER 0.17 8.99 23.4 -105.5 2.05 | WITHOUT 8.99 23.4 -105.5 2.05 24.3 | WITHOUT FILTER 0.17 8.99 23.4 -105.5 2.05 24.3 0.3 | WITHOUT FILTER 0.17 8.99 23.4 -105.5 2.05 24.3 0.3 |

USER H31

Location: Poquera Inclán Town Center:

East = 339.331, North = 828637, Altitude = 448 TYPE IV home filter

DATE: 02/10

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|------------|-------|----------|----------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.95 | 8.15 | 21.4° | -62.5 | 2.41 | 20.6° | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.88 | 7.87 | 21.4° | -46.3 | 2.4 | 20.9° | 0 | 0.047 lt / sec | |

DATE: 05/11

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|-------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|----------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.65 | 10.86 | 24.6 | -215.1 | 2.43 | 24.2 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0 | 10.41 | 24.6 | -194 | 2.44 | 25.3 | 0 | 0.047 lt / sec | |

DATE: 12/16

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|-------|-----------|----|-------|----|------------|-------|----------|------|--|

| FIELD PARAMETERS MEASURED WITH PORTABLE EQUIPMENT | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|------|------|--------|------|------|---|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 1.15 | 9.83 | 26.2 | -171.5 | 2.41 | 26.2 | 0 | | | | | |
| FILTERED | 0.03 | 9.82 | 26.4 | -149.5 | 2.4 | 26.3 | 0 | 0.047 lt / sec | | | | |

USER H32

Location: Inclán Town Center:

East = 342,674, North = 8031991, Altitude = 512

TYPE IV home filter

DATE: 02/10

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 14.25 | 8.48 | 19.9° | -80.4 | 2.38 | 19.7° | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 2.02 | 8.48 | 20° | -79.9 | 2.4 | 20° | 0 | 0.02 lt / sec | |

DATE: 11/10

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 3.02 | 8.48 | 21.1 | -81.1 | 2.4 | 21.7 | | | |
| FILTERED | 0.55 | 7.85 | 21.9 | -43.6 | 2.38 | 2.38 | | 0.02 lt / sec | |

DATE: 05/11

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|-------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 12.37 | 10.9 | 23.7 | -220.7 | 2.35 | 23.6 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.17 | 10.84 | 23.4 | -215.2 | 2.35 | 23.6 | 0 | 0.02 lt / sec | |

DATE: 11/18

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 13.7 | 9.22 | 22.1 | -121.8 | 2.39 | 22 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 1.23 | 9.4 | 22.2 | -131.7 | 2.42 | 21.9 | 0 | 0.02 lt / sec | |

DATE: 12/17

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 2.18 | 9.12 | 25.9 | -119.5 | 2.45 | 25.7 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.5 | 9.99 | 25.5 | -135.2 | 2.4 | 24.2 | 0 | 0.02 lt / sec | |

USER H33

Location: City of Tacna:

East = 372,630, North = 8009618, Altitude = 687

FIELD PARAMETERS MEASURED WITH PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

TYPE IV home filter

DATE: 02/10

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|--------|------|------------|--------|----------|----------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 1.27 | 7.07 | 18.3 ° | -4.7 | 0.77 | 19.8 ° | 0.9 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.93 | 7.13 | 19° | -3.9 | 0.61 | 19.4° | 0 | 0.015 lt / sec | |

DATE: 11/18

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | | | | | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|------------|-------|----------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.9 | 8.37 | 26.9 | -75.2 | 0.7 | 26.2 | 1.3 | | | | | | |
| FILTERED | 0.2 | 8.57 | 26.2 | -87.8 | 0.83 | 27.4 | 0 | 0.015 lt / sec | | | | | |

DATE: 12/18

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|----------------|---|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.38 | 9.1 | 23.6 | -113.6 | 0.69 | 32 | 0.5 | | ı |
| FILTERED | 0.02 | 9.04 | 26.8 | -112.9 | 0.75 | 29.5 | 0 | 0.015 lt / sec | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

Comment: The measurements show flow rates that varied between 0.015 lt / sec and 0.04 lt / sec, which were the average operating flow rates of the first generations of filters. Subsequently, the researchers at the end of the validation and based on the efficiency results obtained in the laboratory, recommended a flow rate of 0.006 lt / sec, to obtain the maximum efficiency in the treatment.

USER R1

Location: Collective filter in Poquera Inclán Tacna:

East = 339,288, North = 8028545, Altitude = 456

DATE: 11/10

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|------|-------|-------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.71 | 8.12 | 22.2 | -62.1 | 2.43 | 23.8 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0.01 | 8.19 | 20.1 | -63.6 | 2.12 | 20.8 | 0 | 0.05 lt / sec | |

DATE: 05/11

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|----------|-----------|-------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|---------------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 0.59 | 11.2 | 24.48 | -236.2 | 2.44 | 25 | 0 | | |
| FILTERED | 0 | 11.11 | 21.4 | -228.6 | 2.44 | 21.7 | 0 | 0.05 lt / sec | |

DATE: 12/16

| WATER | TURBIDITY | PH | TEMP. | MV | CONDUCTIV. | TEMP. | CHLORINE | FLOW | |
|---------|-----------|------|-------|--------|------------|-------|----------|------|--|
| WITHOUT | | | | | | | | | |
| FILTER | 1.27 | 9.88 | 2. 3 | -166.3 | 2.43 | 26.2 | 0 | | |

| FIELD PARAMETERS MEASURED WITH PORTABLE EQUIPMENT | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|------|------|--------|------|------|---|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| FILTERED | 0.04 | 8.97 | 23.1 | -109.6 | 2.39 | 22.5 | 0 | 0.05 lt / sec | | | | |

USER R2

Location: Treatment Plant in Torata Moquegua: East = 304,232, North = 8111220, Altitude = 2264

DATE: 11/10 TURBIDITY РΗ TEMP. ΜV CONDUCTIV. TEMP. **CHLORINE FLOW** WATER WITHOUT **FILTER** 7.76 25.7 -40 0.67 26.3 0 **FILTERED** 7.72 22.7 -37.3 0.67 23.6 8.0 0.1 lt / sec

Chlorinate the water after being filtered

Note: There are two temperature records because they have been measured with different instruments.