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Reutilizations of drinking water treatment residuals (DWTR):

A review focused on the adsorption of contaminants in wastewater and soil

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| Source | SiO ₂ | Al ₂ O ₃ | Fe ₂ O ₃ | CaO | MgO | K ₂ O | Na ₂ O | TiO ₂ | Analytical technique | рН | Comments | Reference |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| El-Fustat, Egypt | 36.51 | 22.21 | 5.65 | 2.66 | 1.34 | 0.49 | 1.35 | - | XRF | - | Albite appears at 500°C | Abo-El-Enein et al., 2017 |
| Ghasiabad, India | 52.78 | 14.38 | 5.20 | 4.39 | 3.08 | 3.62 | 0.97 | 0.61 | ED-XRF | 6.82 | Most particles > 0.1 mm | Ahmad et al., 2016a,b |
| Taq, Iraq | 36.29 | 27.92 | 5.33 | 3.77 | 1.12 | 1.81 | 1.31 | - | Not given | - | For cement slabs | Ahmed et al., 2022 |
| 17 plants, UK (Al, Fe) | - | 0.93-28.69 | 0.11-42.62 | 0.09-3.48 | 0.03-1.53 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 4.1-7.1 | Estimated from elemental values | Al-Tahmazi and Babatunde, 2016 |
| Various locations 1. Alum 2. Ferric 3. Lime | 33.4±26.2 nd nd | 56.1±25.1 18.9±9.1 0.9±1.5 | 14.6±17.2 37.2±22.2 4.7±8.3 | 4.1±2.4 11.6±13.3 46.3±29.5 | 1.5±1.3 2.6 3.7±1.7 | - | - | - | Various techniques | 7.0±1.4 8.0±1.6 8.9±1.8 | Compiled from several studies and estimated from elemental values | Babatunde and Zhao, 2007 |
| Kildare, Ireland | - | 8.06 | 0.48 | 0.11 | 0.04 | - | - | - | ICP-MS | 5.9 | For P removal in wetlands | Babatunde et al., 2009 |
| Turkey | 16.02 | 2.62 | 48.23 | 8.10 | 1.15 | 0.31 | 0.30 | 0.53 | XRF | 7.92 | For soil improvement | Bağriaçik and Güner, 2020 |
| Beijing, China | - | 18.52 | 19.06 | 3.01 | 0.31 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.84 | Estimated from elemental values | Bai et al., 2014a |
| Istanbul, Turkey | 9.41 | 51.01 | 0.70 | 1.31 | 0.22 | 0.20 | 0.07 | 0.05 | XRF | 7.0 | Geotechnical study | Balkaya, 2015 |
| Perth, Australia A B C D | - | 0.05 27.22 21.17 19.85 | 45.76 0.37 1.29 0.99 | 1.27 0.45 0.50 0.48 | 0.12 0.06 0.38 0.04 | 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.01 | 0.04 0.22 0.10 0.07 | - | ICP-OES | 7.3 6.9 6.8 7.4 | Estimated from elemental values | Bal Krishna et al., 2016 |
| El-Jidida, Morocco | 29.6 | 19.7 | 9.6 | 6.3 | 1.7 | 3.6 | - | 1.2 | ICP-OES | - | Tested to recover Al | Ballou et al., 2022 |
| Fort Collins, USA 1991 2002 | - | 11.91 11.15 | 2.79 0.02 | 0.48 1.75 | - | 0.50 0.21 | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.8 7.1 | Estimated from elemental values | Bayley et al., 2008 |
| Rabat, Morocco | 27.12 | 62.66 | 1.16 | 1.25 | 0.37 | 0.83 | 0.24 | 0.16 | XRF | - | In ceramic bricks | Benlalla et al., 2015 |
| Columbia | 60.91 | 19.72 | 11.59 | 1.48 | 1.47 | 2.42 | - | 0.96 | XRF | - | In mortars | Bohórquez González et al., 2020 |
| 1. Arcadia (Al) 2. Tampa (Fe) USA | - | 26.46 0.47 | 0.64 21.45 | 0.53 3.64 | 0.16 0.14 | 0.09 0.03 | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.2 6.9 | For P removal in surface water. Estimated from elemental values. | Boyer et al., 2011 |
| Malaysia | 43.29 | 32.19 | 5.52 | 0.17 | 0.33 | 2.08 | 0.13 | - | XRF | 6.6 | For cement incorporation | Breesem et al., 2016 |
| 1. Abbanoa (Al) 2. Sassari (Fe), Italy | - | 24.93 3.65 | 2.48 35.10 | 1.54 0.01 | 0.34 0.01 | 0.46 0.01 | 0.02 | - | EDS | 6.45 7.88 | Estimated from elemental values. | Castaldi et al., 2014; 2015; Silvetti et al., 2015 |
| Marrakech, Morocco | 45.05 | 25.93 | 7.84 | 3.79 | 3.80 | 3.81 | 1.73 | 0.86 | XRF | - | For olive oil mill wastewater | Chahid et al., 2015 |

Table S1. Chemical composition of Drinking Water Treatment Residues (DWTR) expressed in (%) as oxides and used analytical techniques.

| China | 52.18 | 19.90 | 6.29 | 1.68 | 1.38 | 2.90 | 0.97 | - | ICP-OES | - | For cement | Chen et al., 2010 |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|---|
| Sudbury, Canada | 3.97 | 37.79 | 0.54 | 0.42 | 0.04 | - | 0.01 | - | ICP-OES | 5.1 | For anionic metals and metalloids | Chen et al., 2018 |
| Fong Yuan, Taiwan, China | 53.36 | 15.28 | 21.01 | 1.20 | - | 5.41 | - | 1.38 | XRF | 6.76 | In lightweight bricks | Chiang et al., 2009 |
| Flanders, Belgium | 10.7 | 1.9 | 87.2 | 9.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | - | 0.1 | XRF | 8.1 | Estimated from elemental values | Chiang et al., 2012 |
| Rock Hall, USA | - | 11.72 | 29.17 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 1.63 | - | AAS | 8.0 | Estimated from elemental values | Codling et al., 2000; Codling and Isensee, 2005 |
| Barcelona, Spain | 53.7 | 15.8 | 5.0 | 14.4 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | XRF | - | For ceramic tiles production | Cremades et al., 2018 |
| Wadi, India | 42.31 | 21.21 | 21.65 | 7.44 | 2.06 | - | 0.19 | - | XRF | 7.74 | To recover Al | Dahasahastra et al., 2022 |
| Bouregreg, Morocco | 33.08 | 48.94 | 4.46 | 4.67 | 0.7 | 2.53 | 0.0 | 0.36 | WD-XRF | - | For cement production | Dahhou et al., 2018 |
| Oklahoma, USA 21 samples | - | 18.20 | 3.53 | 3.47 | - | 0.56 | - | - | ICP | 7.24 | Estimated from average values | Dayton et al., 2003 |
| Southern region, Brazil | 52.2 | 26.7 | 12.4 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 4.2 | - | - | SEM-EDS XRF | - | As a supplement for cement | de Godoy et al, 2019; 2020 |
| Southern region, Brazil | 40.5 | 28.5 | 9.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1.0 | XRF | 5.13 | Source of fine mortar aggregates | de Oliveira-Andrade et al., 2018 |
| Sharkia, Egypt | 54.1 | 28.84 | 9.92 | 3.1 | 0.64 | 0.75 | 0.30 | 1.28 | Not given | - | For composite cement | El-Didamony et al., 2014 |
| El-bohera, Egypt | 22.38 | 11.79 | 2.41 | 1.43 | 1.51 | 0.47 | 0.69 | 0.65 | SEM-EDS | 6.5 | As nanoparticles. Estimated from elemental values | El-Kammah et al, 2022a; b; c |
| El-bohera, Egypt | 46.6 | 11.9 | 71.0 | 9.7 | - | - | - | - | SEM-EDS | 6.7 | Estimated from elemental values | Elkhatib et al., 2015; |
| Various locations Alum Ferric Lime | 20.0 nd 0.8 | 21.2 1.6 0.5 | 3.2 10.9 0.3 | 2.7 15.0 45.1 | 0.5 1.6 2.1 | 1.7 0.3 0.0 | - | - | Various techniques | 7.0 7.3 10.2 | For land application | Elliott and Dempsey, 1991 |
| Bradenton, USA Al Fe Ca | - | 16.84 1.60 0.11 | 0.52 46.90 0.06 | 2.13 2.30 49.32 | 0.02 0.12 1.55 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 5.25 6.25 8.93 | To test P leaching from treated soils | Elliott et al., 2002 |
| Mexico City, Mexico | 33.2 | 31.98 | 4.94 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.43 | 0.41 | - | XRF | 5.94 | To produce zeolites | Espejel-Ayala et al., 2013 |
| Kluizen, Belgium | 11.10 | 73.90 | - | 1.90 | - | - | - | - | XRF | - | For granulation at high temperature | Everaert et al., 2013 |
| Caracas, Venezuela Activated 600°C | 36.24 41.54 | 29.46 33.60 | 10.05 11.09 | 0.98 0.42 | 1.23 1.51 | 3.31 3.67 | 0.83 0.98 | 1.23 1.36 | XRF | - | As a composite for cement | Frías et al., 2014 |
| Mumbai, India | - | 12.21 | 13.30 | 3.82 | 2.89 | 2.41 | - | - | ICP | 6.4 | Modeling dye | Gadekar and |

| | | | | | | | | | SEM-EDS | | removal | Ahammed, 2019 |
|--|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|------|----------------|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Beijing, China | - | 7.58 | 12.74 | 0.99 | 1.06 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | - | Estimated from elemental values | Gao et al., 2013 |
| Sao Paulo, Brazil | 34.92 | 34.11 | 7.19 | - | 0.61 | 1.76 | - | 0.79 | XRF | - | For geopolymer application | Geraldo et al., 2017 |
| Mumbai, India | 26.46 | 25.60 | 12.84 | 2.71 | 2.04 | 0.60 | 0.17 | - | ICP-AES | 7.29 | Estimated from elemental values | Ghorpade and Ahammed, 2018 |
| Dartmouth Waterloo Brandon, Canada Tampa Bay, USA | - | 27.93 35.34 1.65 1.27 | 1.65 1.38 0.14 31.27 | 0.36 3.68 45.82 6.66 | 0.06 0.61 6.94 0.39 | - | - | - | FAAS | | For P adsorption. Estimated from elemental values | Gibbons et al., 2009 |
| Dartmouth Waterloo Brandon, Canada New York Tampa Bay, USA | - | 23.85 18.33 1.81 6.27 1.27 | 1.19 0.99 0.16 38.30 39.65 | 0.18 1.48 39.48 4.51 5.98 | 0.02 0.37 6.76 1.86 0.37 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | - | For P and As adsorption. Estimated from elemental values | Gibbons and Gagnon, 2010; 2011 |
| SãoPaulo, Brazil | 44.80 | 30.23 | 12.17 | 0.37 | 0.83 | 2.01 | 0.19 | 1.30 | XRF | - | For mortars repair | Hemkemeier et al., 2023 |
| Yu Qing Que He Xue Shan Sun He, China | - | 21.22 12.13 12.68 17.26 | 4.45 2.53 2.50 6.05 | 7.15 13.71 14.62 1.90 | 2.26 1.96 1.31 1.98 | 1.42 1.13 1.10 1.55 | - | - | SEM-EDS | - | For P adsorption. Estimated from elemental values | Hou et al., 2018 |
| Brisbane, Australia | 5.33 | 21.00 | 2.63 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.06 | - | ICP-AES | 6.4 | Estimated from elemental values | Hua et al., 2015 |
| Taipei, Taiwan, China | 43.42 | 10.48 | 5.51 | 0.06 | - | 0.92 | 0.52 | - | ICP-AES | 6.59 | For brick making | Huang et al., 2001 |
| Taiwan, China | 52.75 | 20.15 | 6.75 | 0.3 | - | 3.69 | 0.87 | - | ICP-AES EDS | 6.59 | In bricks and artificial aggregate | Huang et al., 2005 |
| Various plants, Taiwan, China | 54.8-65.6 | 19.6-23.0 | 4.91-11.30 | 0.72-4.26 | 1.06-4.15 | 0.79- 2.08 | 0.08- 1.99 | - | ED-XRF | - | For lightweight aggregate | Huang and Wang, 2013 |
| Englewood, USA (Al) | - | 12.11 | 2.51 | 5.87 | 0.64 | 0.37 | 0.06 | - | ICP-AES | 7.6 | Estimated from elemental values | Ippolito and Barbarick, 2006 |
| Fort Collins, USA | 42.16 | 14.12 | 2.54 | 2.20 | 0.75 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.9 | Estimated from elemental values | Ippolito et al., 2009 |
| 3 locations, Taiwan, China | 37.62 32.19 52.79 | 40.79 22.67 14.99 | 19.50 19.36 19.67 | - | - | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.1 6.8 6.5 | Washed to remove impurities | Irawan et al., 2011 |
| Go-san, South Korea | 16.41 (105°C) 21.43 (300°C) 21.47 (500°C) | 42.48 60.07 47.12 | 0.77 1.29 1.14 | - | 0.37 0.50 0.65 | - | - | - | SEM-EDS | - | Estimated from elemental values | Jeon et al., 2018 |
| Beijing, China | 21.25 | 23.10 | 42.00 | 9.36 | 0.58 | 0.38 | 0.28 | 0.23 | ICP-AES | - | Added to blast furnace slag to form geopolymer | Ji and Pei, 2020 |

| Australia (1) | 26.59 | 29.35 | 4.93 | 1.73 | 0.64 | 1.08 | 0.44 | | | | | Jia et al., 2021 |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------|----------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Xi'an China (2) | 28.16 | 27.76 | 6.98 | 4.01 | 1.02 | 1.44 | 0.37 | - | XRF | - | For cement-based | |
| (3) | 28.83 | 28.60 | 5.79 | 1.39 | 0.99 | 1.62 | 0.58 | | 7.1.1 | | materials | |
| (4) | 26.94 | 29.54 | 4.31 | 3.98 | 0.98 | 0.87 | 0.17 | | | | | |
| Seoul, South Korea | 29.3 | 30.7 | 4.8 | 1.0 | - | 1.2 | - | - | XRF | - | Calcined at high temperature | Jung et al., 2016a |
| Seoul, South Korea | 42.0 | 39.3 | 8.3 | 1.4 | - | 1.9 | - | - | XRF | - | Al recovery and reuse | Jung et al., 2016b; c |
| Go-san, South Korea | 16.4 | 38.5 | 2.9 | - | 0.37 | - | - | - | XRF SEM-EDS | - | Pelletization with bentonite | Jo et al., 2021a |
| Putrajaya, Malaysia | 48.82 | 40.42 | 5.30 | 0.22 | 0.44 | 2.08 | 0.08 | - | XRF | 7.70 | In self-compacting concrete | Kaish et al., 2018 |
| Putrajaya, Malaysia | 41.98 | 33.09 | 5.05 | 0.43 | 0.31 | 1.83 | 0.06 | 0.58 | XRF | - | As a replacement for fine aggregate | Kaish et al., 2021 |
| Go-san, South Korea | 35.6 | 51.1 | 4.02 | 0.96 | 0.52 | 1.22 | 0.24 | 0.32 | XRF | - | Binder and gelling solution | Kang et al., 2019a |
| Lithuania | 10.90 | 1.34 | 68.65 | 8.23 | 0.61 | - | - | - | EDS | 7.81 | For ceramic products | Kizinievič et al., 2013 |
| Beijing, China | 19.89 | 35.24 | 34.88 | 4.95 | 0.28 | 0.29 | - | 0.22 | XRF | - | Use for granulated materials | Li et al., 2020 |
| Australia | 17.1 | 30.1 | 3.1 | 4.1 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | - | XRF | - | In mortar | Li et al., 2021 |
| Waanshan, China | 57.64 | 20.41 | 9.21 | 3.24 | 2.63 | 3.76 | - | - | EDS | - | Estimated from elemental values | Lian et al., 2020 |
| Taipei, Taiwan, China | 53.6 | 20.9 | 6.6 | 0.3 | 1.9 | - | - | - | Not given | 6.7 | For pavement materials | Lin et al., 2006 |
| Sungai Dua Penang, Malaysia | 40.33 | 31.84 | 6.43 | 0.09 | 0.48 | 1.32 | 0.04 | 0.46 | XRF | - | Substitute of green clay in ceramics | Ling et al., 2017 |
| Happy Valley, Australia | 26.43 | 28.27 | 6.66 | 5.36 | 1.11 | 1.23 | - | - | XRF | - | For concrete paving blocks | Liu et al., 2020a; b |
| Adelaide, Australia | 31.11 | 47.68 | 4.94 | 4.32 | 0.96 | 0.97 | 0.19 | - | XRF | - | In cement blocks | Liu et al., 2021a; b; 2022a |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) (Fe) | - | 17.46 1.85 | 35.89 1.85 | - | - | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 5.4 6.3 | | Makris et al., 2004 |
| Bradenton, USA (AI) (Fe) | - | 16-5-20.8 0.25 | 0.66- 1.74 24.31 | - | - | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 5.6-6.1 6.0 | Estimated from elemental values | Makris et al., 2006a; b |
| Rio de Janeiro, Brazil | 24.68 | 30.39 | 11.59 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.35 | - | 0.90 | XRF | - | In red ceramic | Monteiro et al., 2008 |
| Surat, India | 0.82 | 21.26 | 6.91 | 2.87 | 1.81 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.4 | Estimated from elemental values | Nair and Ahammed, 2015 |
| Meet Khames, Egypt | - | 41.2 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.73 | - | - | - | ICP | - | For P removal | Nawar et al., 2015 |
| Bangkok, Thailand | 58.99 | 24.64 | 6.63 | 0.69 | 1.14 | 1.54 | 4.08 | 0.88 | XRF | - | In geopolymer | Nimwinya et al., 2016 |

| Araki Meotoisi Tatara, Japan | 40.0 59.8 54.2 | 49.9 29.7 31.2 | 5.6 6.0 7.4 | 1.4 1.1 1.6 | - | - | - | - | XRF | 6.2 6.3 6.4 | A possible use for defluoridation | Oh and Chikushi, 2010 |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|---|--|-----------|--|--|---|
| Morgan, Australia | - | 13.66 | 11.76 | 2.38 | - | - | 0.10 | - | Not given | 7.3 | Estimated from elemental values | Oliver et al., 2011 |
| Selangor, Malaysia | 42.38 | 35.03 | 4.94 | 0.13 | 0.29 | 1.87 | 0.10 | - | XRF | 7.2 | In concrete | Owaid et al., 2014; Ching et al., 2021; Ng et al., 2022 |
| South Australia | 26.43 | 28.27 | 7.66 | 5.36 | 1.11 | 1.23 | - | - | Not given | - | In mortar | Pham et al., 2021 |
| Malaysia | 43.5 | 28.6 | 7.8 | | | 2.1 | | | XRF | 6.03 | In bricks | Rahman et al., 2019 |
| Cairo, Egypt | 43.12 | 15.97 | 5.26 | 5.56 | 0.85 | 0.26 | 0.52 | - | Not given | - | For brick manufacturing | Ramadan et al., 2008 |
| Aswan, Egypt (2 sources | 54.72 55.92 | 12.1 11.1 | 10.32 13.43 | - | - | - | - | - | SEM-EDS | - | For methylene blue adsorption | Rashed et al., 2016 |
| Barcelona, Spain | 29.63 | 17.57 | 5.18 | 11.85 | 2.15 | 2.85 | 6.09 | 0.56 | XRF | - | Cement industry | Rodriguez et al., 2010; 2011 |
| Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil | 66.93 | 17.86 | 11.01 | 0.74 | - | 1.35 | | 1.10 | SEM-EDS | - | Cement industry | Ruviaro et al., 2021 |
| Bangkok, Thailand | 48.0 | 25.0 | 7.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.8 | - | - | XRF | - | For As adsorption and stabilization | Sarntanayoot et al., 2019 |
| York, United Kingdom | 10.28 | 44.24 | 2.51 | 2.50 | 0.34 | 0.43 | 0.15 | 0.16 | XRF | - | For cement-based materials | Shamaki et al., 2021 |
| Yogyakarta, Indonesia | 0.02 | 13.23 | 4.29 | 0.70 | 0.33 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | - | Estimated from elemental values | Siswoyo et al., 2019 |
| Visakhapatnam, India | 1.6 | 47.2 | 7.18 | - | - | - | - | 20.65 | Not given | - | For fluoride removal | Sujana et al., 1998 |
| Minia, Egypt | 44.21 | 16.47 | 4.12 | 4.62 | 0.74 | 0.31 | 0.61 | - | XRF | - | Calcined at 900°C | Tantawy, 2015 |
| Minia, Egypt | 59.70 | 10.52 | 4.38 | 6.01 | 2.20 | 1.16 | 1.53 | - | XRF | - | For brick manufacturing | Tantawy and Mohamed, 2017 |
| Brisbane, Australia | 3.56 | 25.77 | 1.10 | 0.41 | 0.21 | 0.04 | - | 0.27 | XRF | 7.2 | Added to soils | Tay et al., 2017 |
| Pulau Indah, Malaysia | 36.38 | 19.74 | 2.34 | 2.83 | 0.24 | 0.43 | 0.14 | 0.18 | XRF | - | For roofing tiles | Teoh et al., 2022 |
| Midmar Midvaal Amatola Rand Faure 1 Faure 2 South Africa | 54.57 53.07 52.59 24.36 29.93 37.96 | 22.60 22.36 29.06 9.89 8.70 17.78 | 11.95 14.24 10.31 4.85 53.80 32.13 | 4.20 4.45 1.55 53.19 3.15 3.35 | 1.92 1.83 1.82 5.25 0.72 1.54 | 1.47 1.89 2.98 0.82 0.93 1.86 | 0.15 0.33 0.43 0.61 - 0.49 | 0.86 0.74 0.86 0.31 0.78 0.62 | XRF | 7.78 7.66 6.94 8.66 6.19 7.23 | For land application | Titshall and Hughes, 2005 |
| Chuncheon, South Korea | 19.10 | 47.20 | 2.10 | 0.42 | 0.18 | 0.46 | 0.14 | - | XRF | 6.69 | Tested as such and calcined | Van Truong and Kim, 2021 |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) | - | 21.94 | 0.61 | 0.78 | 1.03 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.62 | Estimated from elemental values | Wagner et al., 2008 |
| Bangkaen, Thailand | 54.00 | 29.30 | 9.84 | 1.01 | 0.92 | 2.58 | - | - | XRF | - | In geopolymers | Waijarean et al., 2014 |

| Beijing, China | - | 16.14 | 16.59 | 2.84 | 0.25 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.96 | Estimated from elemental values | Wang et al., 2014 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------|------|---|------------------------------|
| Hong Kong, China | 40.60 | 41.31 | 8.56 | 1.55 | 0.86 | 2.15 | 0.18 | - | XRF | - | For controlled low- strength materials | Wang et al., 2018d |
| Belo Oriente, Brazil | 37.5 | 30.1 | 12.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.0 | XRF | - | Structural ceramics | Wolff et al., 2015 |
| Beijing, China | 6.09 | 3.22 | 5.74 | 6.09 | 0.98 | 0.60 | 0.39 | - | ICP-AES | 7.16 | For cement | Xu et al., 2014 |
| Dublin, Ireland | - | 46.05 | 1.21 | 1.16 | 0.75 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | - | P removal from wastewater | Yang et al., 2006a |
| Suzhou, China | 54.80 | 14.86 | 3.46 | - | - | | 2.18 | - | XRF | 6.1 | For ammonium removal | Yang et al., 2015 |
| Xi'an, China | 35.58 | 32.26 | 6.25 | 1.59 | 1.36 | 1.59 | 1.00 | 0.42 | XRF | - | For cement | Yang et al., 2023 |
| Taipei, Taiwan, China | 49.2 | 26.3 | 6.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 3.2 | 0.6 | - | ICP-AES | - | For cement raw materials | Yen et al., 2011 |
| Putrajaya, Malaysia | 60.28 | 52.20 | 13.56 | - | - | 7.18 | - | - | EDS | - | Estimated from elemental values | Yusuff et al., 2017; 2018 |
| Mexico | 33.23 | 31.98 | 4.94 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 0.48 | XRF | - | For ceramic production | Zamora et al., 2008 |
| Beijing, China | - | 18.52 | 19.02 | 2.94 | 0.30 | - | - | - | ICP-AES | 6.80 | Pesticide removal | Zhao et al., 2013; 2015 |
| Ballymore, Ireland | 33.4 | 29.3 | 10.5 | 2.7 | 0.89 | - | - | - | Not given | 6.9 | For clay brick. Estimated from elemental values | Zhao et al., 2016 |
| Brisbane, Australia | 5.33 | 20.98 | 2.63 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.06 | - | ICP-AES | 6.8 | Estimated from elemental values | Zhou and Haynes, 2011a |
| Beijing, China | 16.5 | 16.6 | 50.9 | 7.06 | 0.83 | 0.25 | 028 | - | XRF | - | NOM removal | Zhou et al., 2018 |
| Harbin, China | 40.61 | 27.36 | 6.99 | 2.62 | 1.89 | 1.28 | 1.05 | - | XRF | - | For ceramsite | Zou et al., 2009 |

Abbreviation: AAS: Atomic Absorption Spectrometry; ED-XRF: Energy Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence; FAAS: Flame Atomic Absorption Spectrometry;

ICP-AES: Inductively Coupled Plasma – Atomic Emission Spectroscopy; ICP-OES: Inductively Coupled Plasma – Optical Emission Spectroscopy; NOM: Natural Organic Matter;

SEM-EDS: Scanning Electron Microscopy – Energy Dispersive Spectroscopy; WD-XRF: Wavelength Dispersive XRF

Table S2. Conditions of adsorption of trace metals, metalloids, and some anions by DWTR and main observations.

| Origin/ | Treatment/ | Metals | Medium | Tested | Tested | Main observations and comments | Reference |
|--|---|---|--|---|-------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| (Based | Modification | Metalloids | tested | contact | pН | | |
| Al, Fe, or Ca) | | Anions | | time | - | | |
| El-Fustat, Egypt (Al) | Dried, crushed and fired at 100 to 700 °C | Cd(II) Ni(II) Pb(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 25 h | 3.0 - 8.0 | Batch experiments showing better removal at higher pH and lower doses of metals. Best removal after 25 h with DWTR fired at 500°C. General removal in the order Pb(II) > Cd(II) > Ni(II). | Abo-El-Enein et al., 2017 |
| Johore, Malaysia (Al) | Oven-dried, ground, and sieved >2 mm | Cu(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 720 min | Not controlled | Batch studies showing DWTR tested with other sorbents such as mussel shells and bentonite. More effective removal by mixtures with mussel shells with an adsorption capacity of 9.0-11.8 mg/g. Described by Langmuir isotherm. | Awab and Paramalinggam, 2011 |
| 1. Bradenton (Al) 2. Hillsboro (Fe), USA | Dried, milled & sorted in size fractions | As(III) As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 24 - 168 h with or, w/o competing ions | 3.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing better removal of both species by Al-DWTR due to larger specific surface area, better by smaller particles of both DWTR and, better in the absence of competing ions. Maximum adsorption at pH 7 up to 40.3 and 50.0 mg/g for As(III) and As(V), respectively. | Caporale et al., 2013 |
| 1. Abbanoa (Al) 2. Sassari (Fe), Italy | Dried, ground, and sieved to <0.02 mm | As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1500 min | 4.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch studies showing better removal by Fe-DWTR than with Al-DWTR. Maximum adsorption at pH 4 and decreasing toward pH 9. Capacity estimated to 120 and 68 mg/g for As(III) and As(V), respectively. FTIR spectra proposing the formation of inner-sphere complexes. Also testing for P adsorption as reported in Table S3. | Castaldi et al., 2014 |
| 1. Abbanoa (Al) 2. Sassari (Fe), Italy | Dried, ground and sieved to <0.02 mm | Cu(II) Pb(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1500 min | 4.5 | Batch studies showing better removal of both metals by Fe-DWTR at pH 4.5 and being slightly higher for Pb(II). Estimated adsorption capacity of 21.8 and 5.7 mg/g for Pb(II) and Cu(II), respectively. Influence of organic matter in the formation of inner-sphere complexes as revealed by FTIR spectroscopy. | Castaldi et al., 2015 |
| Sudbury, Canada (Al) | Dried and homogenized | As(V) Cr(VI) Mo(VI) Se(IV) | Synthetic solutions and mine tailing waters | 0 - 450 min | 3.0 - 8.0 | Batch studies showing complete As(V) removal at any pH and much faster in real mine waters. Better Se(VI) removal at pH < 5. Moderate removal of Cr(VI and Mo(VI) in synthetic solutions but significantly faster in real mine waters. Estimated adsorption capacity going from 26 to 52 mg/g for As(V) in synthetic solutions to real mine waters, respectively with similar results for Se(VI). Adsorption of As on DWTR shown by XPS spectroscopy. | Chen et al., 2018 |
| Flanders, Belgium (Fe) | Dried | As(V), Cd(II) Co(II), Ni(II) Pb(II), Zn(II) | Synthetic solutions, surface waters, and sediments | 0 - 48 h | 5.5 | Batch studies showing much better adsorption of metals in synthetic solutions in comparison to goethite. Improvement of adsorption of DWTR amended with natural zeolite. Efficient removal of metals and metalloids from surface waters and sediment porewaters with 20 mg/g added DWTR. Langmuir model to estimate maximum adsorption capacity of 40, 120, 21, and 39 for As(V), Pb(II), Cd(II), and Zn(II), respectively. | Chiang et al., 2012 |
| Jinan, South Korea | Acid and water- washed and dried | Cd(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 320 min | 5.0 | Batch studies comparing sewage sludge to landfill sludge and DWTR and showing better Cd(II) adsorption (max at 42.7 mg/g) by sewage sludge. | Choi and Yun, 2006 |
| Hong Kong, China (Al) | Dried | Pb(II) | Synthetic wastewater | Not given | 9.5 - 12.0 | Batch studies showing low Pb(II) removal at pH 9.7 and optimal at pH 11.6 with precipitation of $Pb(OH)_2$ in combining DWTR with fresh alum. | Chu, 1999 |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) | Air dried | Hg(II) | Synthetic solutions | Up to 4 years | Not given | High concentration of Hg(II) adsorbed by a flooding technique on AI-DWTS over long periods. Techniques such as SEM and XPS and sequential extraction showing strong incorporation in DWTS in a residual fraction and a maximum capacity of 24 mg/g. | Deliz Quiñones et al., 2016 |
| Beijing, China | Dried, crushed, | Cd(II) | Synthetic | 0 - 1400 min | 2.0 - 7.0 | Batch studies showing the adsorption of the three metals on the pelletized | Du et al., 2020 |

| (Al, Fe) | sieved, mixed with clay 1:2 in mass, and baked at 600°C | Cu(II) Zn(II) | solutions | | | sorbent being pH-dependent with a maximum at pH 4.0, 5.0, and 5.0 for Cd(II), Cu(II) and Zn(II), with a capacity of 1.5, 2.8 and 1.2 mg/g, respectively. Cu being favored in competitive adsorption. Electrostatic interaction and surface | |
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| Elbohera, Egypt (Al) | Air dried, sieved <51 μm and ball milled to <100 nm as nanoparticles | Cu(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 120 min | 3 - 11 | complexation. Batch studies showing maximum adsorption on nano-DWTR at pH > 6.0 after 120 min with 71.9 mg/g capacity or ~3.7 times higher than with bulk particles of DWTR. Described by the Langmuir isotherms and pseudo-first-order kinetics. Possibility of reusing over 5 cycles. Also tested for the removal of indigo carmine due and Thiamethoxam pesticide as reported in Table S4 | El-Kammah et al., 2022a |
| Mumbai, India (Al) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <150 μm | Cu(II), Co(II), Cr(VI), Hg(II), Pb(II), Zn(II) | Synthetic solutions and wastewater | 0 - 480 min | 2.5 - 8.5 | Batch and column tests showing an increase in the removal of cationic metals with increasing pH and the opposite for Cr(VI). The influence of competition in mixtures being higher at low DWTR dosages. Column test with diluted electroplating wastewater showing removal of Cu(II) at pH 6.0. Capacities of 1.7 and 3.5 mg/g for Cu(II) and Cr(VI), respectively. | Ghorpade and Ahammed, 2018 |
| From Canada, 1. Dartmouth (Al) 2. Waterloo (Al) 3. Brandon (Ca) From USA, 4. Tampa Bay (Fe) 5. New York (Fe) | Dried at 105°C | As | Synthetic solutions & ground- water (GW) from Halifax, Canada | 12 d | 5.0 - 8.0 8.1 (GW) | Batch adsorption experiments showing the best removal of As by iron-based (2.23 mg/g) and lime DWTR at pH 5 and 6 as explained by more small pores in iron-based measured by porosimetry. A porous surface in iron-based DWTR revealed by SEM in comparison to a smooth surface for Al-DWTR. The 2011 paper also covering P removal as presented in Table 2. | Gibbons and Gagnon, 2010; 2011 |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) | Air-dried and sieved to <2 mm | Hg(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 180 h | 3.0 - 8.0 | Batch studies showing a maximum sorption capacity of 79 mg Hg/g Al-DWTR. Effective immobilization in the studied pH range. Sorption kinetic data as the best fit to a pseudo-first-order model. Potential for soil remediation. | Hovsepyan and Bonzongo, 2009 |
| Brisbane Australia (Al) | Dried, ground, and sieved <200 μm | Mo(VI), V(V), As(V), Ga(III) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 300 min | 3.0 - 10.0 | Batch studies showing maximum adsorption of Mo(VI) at pH<6.0, V(V) at pH<8.0, As(V) at pH<9.0, and Ga(III) at 4.0 <ph<8.0, better="" compared="" other="" sorbents.<="" td="" than="" waste=""><td>Hua et al., 2015</td></ph<8.0,> | Hua et al., 2015 |
| Fort Collins, USA (Al) | Air-dried and sieved to <2 mm | Se(IV) Se(VI) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 28 h | 5.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing no pH effect on adsorption in the tested range (~1.6 mg/g). Se(VI) adsorbed as an outer-sphere and Se(IV) as an inner-sphere complex. Adsorbed Se(IV) being reduced to Se(0) under anoxic conditions. | Ippolito et al., 2009 |
| 3 different plants Taiwan, China (Al, Fe) | Washed, oven- dried, and sieved to <150 µm | Boron | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 3000 min | 4.0 - 11.0 | Batch studies showing optimal pH adsorption at 8.2-8.5 with 0.19 to 0.98 mg/g capacities. Best adsorption by DWTR containing more Al through a combination of electrostatic and van der Waals interactions. Proposing a pseudo-second order model. | Irawan et al., 2011 |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Oven-dried, calcined at 300 and 500°C, pulverized | As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 2.0 - 12.0 | Calcination at 300°C improving the adsorption of As(V) (up to 50 mg/g) with enhanced specific surface area in batch studies, not at 500°C because of an increased crystallinity of the adsorbent. Adsorption being optimal below pH 6. | Jeon et al., 2018 |
| Beijing, China (Al, Fe) | Dried | Co(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 100 h | 3.0 - 8.0 | Batch studies showing adsorption equilibrium reaching after 30 h. The maximum adsorption capacity of 17.31 mg/g at pH 6 in a spontaneous endothermic process. FTIR indicating a covalent bond with Fe(AI)-O groups. | Jiao et al., 2017 |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Alone and mixed with bentonite at 0.5 and 1.0% wt. | As(V) | Synthetic solutions and other anions | 10 - 1900 min | 7.0 | Batch and column studies showing a decreased adsorption capacity with the addition of bentonite but improving compressive strength. Maximum adsorption of 22.2 mg/g pelletized adsorbent. Negligible of competing anions except for PO_4^{3-} . | Jo et al., 2021a |
| Seoul, South Korea (Al) | Air dried and sieved to <850 μm, calcined at 250- | Fluoride | Synthetic and wastewater solutions | 0 - 300 min | 2.0 - 11.0 | Batch and fixed-bed studies showing best results obtained at pH 6-7 with pre- calcined DWTR at 450°C. Maximum capacity of 39.6 mg/g. Possibility of regeneration of the adsorbent. Almost no influence from co-existing anions | Jung et al., 2016a |

| | 650°C, and reacted | | | | | such as nitrate, chloride, and sulfate. | |
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| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | With Ca-aginate Oven-dried, sieved at <0.15 mm, calcined at 300°C, reacted with Na- alginate and | As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1000 min | - | Batch and column studies showing enhanced adsorption on calcined adsorbents (up to 12 mg/g) due to increased surface area of the bead by 100 fold. Adsorption kinetics being 3-21 times faster than an uncalcined bead. | Kang et al., 2019a |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Sludge mixed with molasses, oven dried, calcined at 300-400°C | As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 8 h | 3.0 - 10.0 | Batch studies showing enhanced adsorption after calcination up to 35 mg/g. Pellets thermally treated under air and CO_2 showing 2 times faster adsorption than simply dried and in an N ₂ medium. | Kang et al., 2019b |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Composites made of DWTR & g-C ₃ N ₄ pyrolyzed at 550°C for 4 h and sieved at <150 μm | As(III) As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 4500 min | 2.0 - 10.0 | Batch studies showing maximum adsorption of As(V) at pH 2.0 under dark and light (up to 60 mg/g composite DWTR: $g-C_3N_4$ at 1:0.2 ratio, and that of As(III) at pH 7.0 in light. Composite material oxidizing As(III) by photocatalytic action <i>via</i> outer-sphere complexation and adsorbing As(V) efficiently changing to innersphere complexation and chemisorption. | Kim et al., 2020 |
| Maanshan, China (Fe, Al) | Heated at 600°C and acidified by different [HCl] | Mo(VI) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 900 min | 1.0 - 10.0 | Batch studies showing the optimal condition of adsorption after thermal activation for 4 h followed by activation of 4.0 M HCl with a solid-to-liquid ratio of 1:1 at low pH (2-4). Maximum capacity at 39.5 mg/g. Reduction of average pore size after heating but increase of surface areas. Possibility of regeneration. | Lian et al., 2019; 2020 |
| 1. Colorado 2. Texas, USA (Fe) | Wet and oven-dried | B(III), Cu(II) Cr(VI), Pb(II), Se(VI) | Synthetic solutions and reverse osmosis concentrate | 0 - 24 h | 5.5, 7.8 | Continuous-flow column studies showing high removal of Cu(II) at 1.8 mg/g and Pb(II) at 22 μ g/g both at pH 7.8 through inner-sphere complexes. Low removal of non-ionic B(III) at 125 μ g/g, and Se(VI) at 17 μ g/g, both at pH 5.5. Decreased removal of Se(VI) Cr(VI) at higher pH due to electrostatic repulsions and competition with other anions. No significant effect of water temperature, solid moisture content, or loading rate. | Lin et al., 2014 |
| 1. Bradenton (Al) 2. Tampa (Fe) USA | Air dried and sieved <2 mm | As(III) As (V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | ~ 6 no control | Batch studies showing both Al- and Fe-DWTRs showing high affinities for As(V) and As(III), with Freundlich-type adsorption. The Al-DWTR being less effective in removing As(III) and the Fe-WTR showing a greater affinity for As(III). Estimated capacity at 15 mg/g for both species. | Makris et al., 2006a |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) | Air-dried and sieved <1 mm | Perchlorate ion | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | Not given | Fast removal of perchlorate (65%) after 2 h and increasing to 76% after 24 h. Possible degradation to chloride over a longer time of 96 h. | Makris et al., 2006b |
| Bradenton, USA (Al) | Air dried and sieved <2 mm | As(III) As (V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | 6.5 | Batch studies showing high sorption capacity for As(III) and As(V) by AI-DWTR (up to 8.0 mg/g). XAS showing As adsorbed to AI-hydroxide surfaces through strong, inner-sphere surface complexes with AI hydroxides. | Makris et al., 2009 |
| 14 plants, UK (Al, Fe) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved < 2mm | Cd, Cr, Pb | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 100 h | 2.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing maximum uptake of metals by most DWTR at pH 4 and fitting Freundlich, Langmuir, and Temkin models. Adsorption capacities being generally below 100 μg/g for the three metals. FTIR study showing possible mechanisms of adsorption. | Mohammed et al., 2016 |
| 1. Bradenton (Al) 2. Tampa (Fe), USA | Air dried and sieved <2 mm | As (V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | 3.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing good removal of As(V) by both DWTR. At 200 g/L solid: solution ratio, maximum adsorption by Fe-DWTR was limited to pH 3-7 and 3-9 by Al-DWTR. Competing effect of phosphate but not sulfate. | Nagar et al, 2010 |
| Delran, USA (Al) | Air dried, sieved <2 mm and mixed with sand to improve hydraulic | Cu(II), Pb(II) Zn(II) TPH | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 min 0 - 4 month | 5.8 - 6.7 Not controlled | Laboratory column and field studies showing higher removal of the three metals and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) from synthetic stormwater when the proportion of DWTR was increased. Increased efficiency at higher pH values. | Na Nagara et al., 2021 |

| | performance | | | | | | |
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| Bridgewater, (AI) USA | Air dried, sieved <1 mm, milled, and granulated with K- alginate and Ca ²⁺ | Cd(II), Cr(VI), Ni(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 36 h | 5.2 - 7.9 | Batch studies showing the removal of metals Cr(VI) > Cd(II) > Ni(II) through pseudo-second-order kinetic Langmuir and Freundlich models. Estimated capacities of 2.95, 2.12, and 1.23 mg/g for Cd(II), Cr(VI), and Ni(II), respectively. Removal is affected by the presence of divalent cations and anions having a strong effect on Cd(II) removal as followed by SEM and FTIR. | Na Nagara et al., 2022 |
| Kelantan, Malaysia (Fe) | Oven-dried, ground, and sieved <0.5 mm | Cu(II) Zn(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1400 min | 1.0 - 6.0 | Batch studies showing removal by groundwater DWTR. Best removal for both metals at pH 2.5 with 2000 mg/L solid and higher dosage for precipitation. | Ngatenah et al., 2010 |
| Wroclaw, Poland, (Fe) | Washed, air dried, sieved <1 mm | As(III) As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 3.0 - 13.0 | Batch studies showing high adsorption and oxidation of As(III) on FeOOH/MnO ₂ DWTR in a two-step chemisorption process with oxidation and inner-sphere complexation. Maximum capacities at 132 and 77 mg/g for As(III) and As(V), respectively. Better adsorption at pH<10. Confirmed by XPS. | Ociński et al., 2016 |
| 3 locations, Japan (Al) | Air dried and sieved <425 μm | Fluoride | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 720 min | 2.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing maximum adsorption in pH 5.1-6.0 at a maximum of ~19 mg/g, with a rapid increase in initial minutes and a smooth increase afterward. No effect from other ions such as sulfate, nitrate, and chloride. | Oh and Chikushi, 2010 |
| Changhua Taiwan, China (Fe) | Air-dried groundwater treatment sludge | Ni(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 120 min | 4.5 - 7.5 | Batch studies showing no pH effect in the tested range. Increased adsorption with increased initial concentration to a maximum of 11.6 mg/g. Pseudo-second-order process is described by the Freundlich model. | Ong et al., 2017 |
| 1. Bradenton (Al) 2. Tampa (Fe), USA | Air dried, ground, and sieved <500 μm. Used to spike 2 Florida soils | As(V) | Synthetic solutions and various soil- solutions | 0.17 - 48 h | ~6.0, Not imposed but measured | Incubation studies showing efficient and rapid removal of As by both DWTRs with an optimum soil-solution ratio of 1:5. All DWTR loads (2.5 to 10%) highly increasing adsorbed As(V) by both soils with capacities close to 5.0 and 3.2 mg/g for Al- and Fe-DWTR. Desorption of 50% As in high phosphate level. | Sarkar et al., 2007 |
| Bangkok, Thailand (Al) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <500 μm and doped with Fe nanoparticles | As(III) As(V) | Synthetic solutions and wastewater | 0 - 120 min | 2.0 - 12.0 | Batch studies showing optimum removal of both As species at pH 3.0 with 10% wt. Fe added to DWTR. Maximum capacities of 24.2 and 35.5 mg/g for As(III) and As(V) respectively. As in wastewater stabilized after adsorption in cement. | Sarntanayoot et al., 2019 |
| Guwahati, India (Fe, Al) | Air-dried, ground, and pulverized | Fluoride | Synthetic solutions and ground-water | 0 - 180 min | 5.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing excellent fluoride removal in synthetic and groundwater at pH 5-8 within 2 h. Isotherm data best fitting to Langmuir and Freundlich models and a maximum capacity of 0.298 mg/g. SEM, FTIR, and XRD showing F ⁻ attachment to metal hydroxyl and oxide groups. | Shakya et al., 2019 |
| 1. Abbanoa (Al) 2. Bidighinzu (Fe), Italy | Dried, ground, and sieved to <0.02 mm | Cd(II) Zn(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 4.5, 5.5, 7.0 | Batch studies showing better adsorption of both metals by Fe-DWTR and better at pH 7.0 linked to higher content of Fe - Mn oxides and specific surface area (maximum at ~10 and ~22 mg/g for Zn(II) and Cd(II), respectively) compared to Al-DWTR (max at ~ 6 and 10 mg/g for Zn(II) and Cd(II), respectively). Could be linked to inner-sphere complex formation and co-precipitation reactions. | Silvetti et al., 2015 |
| Sapporo, Japan (Al) | Washed, oven dried, crushed, and sieved <1 mm | Cd(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1440 min | 2.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing favorable adsorption at pH 6 to 8 with maximum capacities at 5.3 and 9.2 mg/g. Humic acid and iron oxide being key components of adsorption. Described by the Langmuir model. | Siswoyo et al., 2014 |
| Yogyakarta, Indonesia (Al) | Washed, dried, crushed and sieved <50 mesh | Cd(II) | | 0-24 h | 2.0 - 8.0 | Batch studies showing efficient Cd removal by raw, acid-modified, and encapsulated DWTR with a maximum capacity of 25, 40, and 30 mg/g, respectively at pH 7-8. Described by the Langmuir and Freundlich models. | Siswoyo et al., 2019 |
| Bridgewater, USA (AI) | Air dried, sieved <2mm, and ground. Glued and coated on wood mulches | Cu(II) Pb(II) Zn(II) | Synthetic stormwater | 0 - 120 min | 7.0 | Batch and column tests showing effective removal of the three metals within 120 min with maximum capacities of 9.74, 61.07, and 8.14 μ g/g, respectively. Adsorption being a 2 nd order reaction for each pollutant. Also tested for phosphorus as shown in Table 2. | Soleimanifar et al., 2016 |

| São Carlos, Brazil (Al) | Oven dried and milled compared to | Pb(II) Cd(II) | Synthetic solutions and | 0 - 72 h | 5.0 | Batch studies showing the adsorption of both metals to DWTR much better than to soil (maximum capacities of 15.67 and 1.04 mg/g for Pb(II) and Cd(II), | Souza et al., 2019 |
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| | soil | | soils | | | respectively. In 1:1 DWTR : soil mixture, the bioaccessibility assay showing a reduction of 28.8 and 34.5% for Pb(II) and Cd(II), respectively. | |
| Visakhapatnam, India (Al) | Oven-dried, crushed, calcined at 400°C for 3h, and sieved <100 μm | Fluoride | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 240 min | 3.5 - 8.8 | Batch studies showing optimal removal of fluoride ions at pH 6 being rapid in the first 5 min and reaching equilibrium at 240 min. Adsorption following first- order kinetics and described by the Langmuir model and the maximum capacity estimated at 5.394 mg/g. | Sujana et al., 1998 |
| Brisbane, Australia (Al) | Oven-dried, ground, and sieved <1 mm as a soil amendment | As, Cd | Synthetic solutions and soils | 7 weeks of growth | Acidic soils 5.2 and 5.9 | Sandy loam soils amended with 2–4 wt% DWTR significantly reducing Cd and As availability and uptake by vegetable <i>B. pekinensis</i> and not limiting P uptake by plants as reported in Table 2. | Tay et al., 2017 |
| Sivas, Turkey (Fe) | Washed, oven dried, pulverized, and sieved <1 mm | Ni(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 3.0 - 7.0 | Batch tests showing optimized removal of Ni(II) at pH 6-7 with capacity at 6.97 mg/g. Conditions of adsorption and types of interaction studied by SEM, FTIR, and AFM. Langmuir and Freundlich as better models to describe the process. | Yildiz and Sevinç, 2018 |
| Harbin, China (Fe) | Dried, ground, sieved to <100 mesh, and mixed with chitosan to produce granulated particles | As(V) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | 3.0 - 11.0 | Batch and column studies showing better removal at pH<6.5 and higher granules dosage with maximum capacity at 14.95 mg/g. Little effect of Ca^{2+} and Mg^{2+} but a competing effect of some anions at higher concentrations. A better description of the process by the Langmuir model. Possibility of regeneration and reuse of the sorbent. | Zeng et al., 2020 |
| Brisbane, Australia (Al) | Dried | Cr(III) Cr(VI) Pb(II) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 360 min | 2.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing better adsorption of cations at pH>6 and pH=3 for Cr(VI). Described by Freundlich and Langmuir models and correlated to a pseudo- second-order kinetic model for Cr(III) and Pb(II). Maximum capacities at 62.2, 19.2, and 10.9 mg/g for Pb(II), Cr(III), and Cr(VI), respectively. Possible regeneration of surface using 0.1M HNO ₃ . | Zhou and Haynes, 2010b; 2011a |
| Brisbane, Australia (Al) | Dried, ground, and sieved <125 μm | Cd(II), Cr(III), Cu(II), Pb(II), Zn(II) | Synthetic solutions | 2 h | 4.0, 6.0, 8.0 | Comparison of 7 solid wastes including DWTR in batch studies. The magnitude of sorption at pH 6.0 followed the general order: $Cr(III) \ge Db(II) \ge Cu(II) > Zn(II) = Cd(II)$. Maximum adsorption capacities of ~100 and 12 mg/g for Pb(II) and Cd(II), respectively. Possible regeneration of DWTR by acid treatment. | Zhou and Haynes, 2011b |

Abbreviations: AFM: Atomic Force Microscopy; FTIR: Fourier Transform Infra Red Spectroscopy; SEM: Scanning Electron Microscopy; XAS: X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy; XPS: X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy; XRD: X-ray Diffraction Spectroscopy.

Table S3. Conditions of DWTR utilization for the removal or control of phosphorus and phosphorus compounds from various environments.

| Origin/ | Treatment/ | Treated | Tested | Tested pH | Main observations and comments | Reference |
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| Based Al, Fe, | Modification | systems | contact | | | |
| or Ca | | | time | | | |
| Holland, USA (Al) | Dried before application | Added to soils to remove excess P | 0 - 7.5 y | Soil at pH 6.4 & 6.8 | The concentration of water-soluble P reduced by \geq 60% over 7.5 y and DWTR-immobilized P remaining stable over the same period. | Agyin-Birikorang et al., 2007 |
| 17 plants, UK (Al, Fe) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved <2 mm | Synthetic solutions of different [P] | 48 h | 4.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch studies showing Al-based DWTR tending to have higher P retention due to higher specific surface areas than Fe-DWTR. P retention up to 26.95 mg/g Al-DWTR. Data being generally well fitting to the Freundlich model. Surface complexation, ligand exchange, and precipitation. | Al-Tahmazi and Babatunde, 2016 |
| Kildare, Ireland, (Al) | Dried, ground, and used particles of 1.18 mm avg. | Condensed phosphate with (NaPO ₃) ₁₂₋₁₃ ·Na ₂ O as model | 48 h (batch) 140 d (continuous flow) | 4.0 - 9.0 | Increased P removal with increasing DWTR dosage in batch and column trials. The maximum adsorption capacity of condensed phosphate of 4.52 mg/g at pH 4.0. In continuous flow, P removal efficiency decreasing when P loading increasing. The process is described by the Langmuir model. | Babatunde et al., 2008 |
| Kildare, Ireland (Al) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved <2 mm | Synthetic solutions of different [P] | 0 – 120 h | 4.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Specific surface area ranging from 28.0 to 41.4 m ² /g. Significant P removal achieved in batch and long-term column experiments at pH 5.9-6.0 with a maximum capacity of 31.9 mg/g. | Babatunde et al., 2009 |
| Kildare, Ireland, (Al) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved 0.5 -1.18 mm | Laboratory constructed wetland | 1 - 91 d | 7.81 (Initial) | Under specific conditions (loading rate of 1.27 m^3/m^2 d & organic loading rate of 279.4–774.7 g-BOD ₅ /m ² d and 361.1–1028.7 g-COD/m ² d), the wetland system achieving high removal efficiencies for BOD ₅ (90.6%), COD (71.8%), reactive P (80%), and soluble reactive P (89%). | Babatunde et al., 2010 |
| Beijing, China (Al, Fe) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved <2 mm | Urban wastewater with various loading of DWTR and P conc. | 0 - 300 min | 7.80 | In a continuously stirred tank reactor, 94% of P being removed from urban wastewater at an initial [P] of 10 mg/L for 2 h in a DWTR dosage of 10 g/L. Low leaching of trace metals. | Bai et al., 2014a |
| Beijing, China (Al, Fe) | Dewatered DWTR | Lab-scale constructed wetlands in continuous & tidal flow for secondary effluent. | 0 - 260 d | 7.0 - 8.5 | Both continuous flow operation and tidal flow operation systems efficiently removing nutrients TN (76%), TP (98%), and chemical oxygen demand and suspended solids in constructed wetlands to treat secondary effluents. Low leaching of Fe and Al. | Bai et al., 2014b |
| Perth, Australia (Al, Fe) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <600 μm | Synthetic and second-effluent wastewater | 0 - 24 h | 4.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing better and faster P removal by DWTR with higher Al content. One DWTR showing a maximum adsorption capacity of 41.67 mg/g. Pseudo-second-order kinetic well fitted for all sludge samples. | Bal Krishna et al., 2016 |
| Fort Collins, USA (Al) | Mixed with swine wastewater as a source of P. | Tested in a greenhouse to grow spring wheat in comparison to fertilizer | 128 d | Soil at pH 8.1 - 8.4 | The capacity of the mixture to supply P depending on soil type and being comparable to P-fertilizer in low clay soils. The mixture not affecting soil organic P uptake but increasing phosphatase activity in soils. Al-DWTR as an efficient P fertilizer. | Banet et al., 2020 |
| Arcadia (Al) Tampa (Fe) USA | Dried, crushed, and sieved 420-595 μm | River and organic lake waters | 0 - 60 min | Water at pH 7.0 - 7.8 | Comparison of several low-cost adsorbents in jar and column tests. The Al-based DWTR being the best-performing material for P removal. | Boyer et al., 2011 |
| Ireland (Al, Fe) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <0.5 mm | Synthetic wastewater | 0 - 24 h & long term | 8.1 (initial pH) | Data of different parameters used to model long-term phosphorus removal. | Callery et al., 2016 |
| Akron, USA (Al) | Used as such | Synthetic solutions and surface water | 0 - 720 h 28 d (long-term) | ~7.0 | Batch and column experiments showing more efficient P adsorption on DWTR than activated carbon. Theoretical phosphate uptake of 9.0 mg/g Al-DWTR. P adsorption decreasing with increasing pH. | Carleton and Cutright, 2020 |
| 1. Abbanoa (Al) | Dried, ground, and | Synthetic | 0 - 1500 min | 4.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch studies showing better removal by Fe-DWTR compared to Al- | Castaldi et al., 2014 |

| 2. Sassari (Fe), | sieved to <0.02 mm | solutions | | | DWTR. Proposing inner-sphere complexes by FT-IR. Max at pH 4.0 and | |
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| Trinidad (Al, Fe, Ca) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <2.36 mm | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 2.0 - 10.0 | Batch studies showing good adsorption by Al-DWTR at pH 4.0 and best at pH 8.0 for Fe- and Ca-DWTR. The diffusion chemisorption model producing the best description of the process. | Chittoo and Sutherland, 2014 |
| Rock Hall, USA (Al, Fe) | Dried, ground, and sieved to <250 μm | Soils amended with poultry litter and litter | 2 - 7 weeks | Soils at pH 4.6 to 5.6 | Incubation studies showing increased rates of application of DWTR increasing the litter and soil pH and reducing water-soluble P. Similar results with Fe-rich residues. The 2002 study showing that reducing water-soluble P not severely impacting soil fertility. The 2005 study showing the addition of DWTR to poultry litter effectively reducing P in runoff. | Codling et al., 2000; Codling and Isensee, 2005 |
| 21 samples, Oklahoma, USA (Al, Fe) | Dried, ground, and sieved to <2 mm | Sorption tested and runoff from poultry litter | 12 min for adsorption | 5.3 - 8.2 | Variable P sorption capacity depending on the source of DWTR. Reduction of P runoff from 14 to 85% correlated to P level and extractable Al. | Dayton et al., 2003 |
| El-bohera, Egypt (Al) | Air-dried, ground, sieved <51 μm and ball milled to <100 nm as nanoparticles | Synthetic solutions | 24 h | 3.0 - 11.0 | Nanoparticles being more efficient (30-fold) for P sorption at 50 mg/g than bulk DWTR and showing low release from P-saturated solids. Maximum adsorption at pH 3.0 and competing effect of arsenate ions. Described by the Freundlich model. | Elkhatib et al., 2015 |
| Bradenton, USA (Al, Fe, Ca) | Dried | Used to test P solubility and leaching in P- amended soils | 0 - 24 h 4 months | | Batch and greenhouse tests showing the ability to reduce soluble P as : AI-DWTR > Ca-DWTR > Fe-DWTR. In the greenhouse and absence of DWTR, an important % of P-source in bio-solids leached over 4 months. | Elliott et al, 2002 |
| Kluizen, Belgium (Al) | Oven-dried, milled to 1- 4 mm, and calcined in granules at 100-600°C | Synthetic solutions and pilot-plant setup | 0 - 24h | 4.0 - 9.0 | Batch studies showing superior adsorption capacity by the granules calcined at 550°C at initial pH of 4.0. Pilot-scale column test showing the 550 material removing P from a P-rich surface water stream at a flow rate of 200 L/h, at >86% throughout the experiment. | Everaert et al., 2021 |
| Oklahoma, USA (Al) | Not mentioned | Added to poultry litter-containing soils | 24 h | Initial pH 7.3 | Higher addition of DWTR reducing dissolved P in the runoff by 42% attributed to AI and soluble NH₄-N by 64%. Land application not increasing dissolved solids or AI in surface runoff. | Gallimore et al., 1999 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Air-dried, ground, and sieved to <80 mesh | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | 5.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch tests showing strong adsorption ability for 3 forms of P being maximum at pH 5.0 and decreasing with pH increase. Described by a pseudo-second-order model and Langmuir isotherm. | Gao et al., 2013 |
| Athens, Greece (Al) | Dried | Synthetic and real wastewater | 0 - 90 min | 6.0 | Batch studies showing pure AI, Fe, and Ca salts being more efficient P adsorbents than DWTR in synthetic and real wastewater both at pH 5-6. Phosphate removal being associated with the release of OH ions in the solution. | Georganas and Grigoropoulou, 2005; Georganas et al., 2006 |
| 4 locations, Canada (Al, Fe, Ca) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved in 3 sizes | Synthetic solutions and municipal wastewater | 0 - 12 d | 6.2 6.8 | Batch tests showing ferric DWTR presenting the highest adsorptive capacity followed by the Ca-based DWTR. Ca- and Al-based DWTR showing higher adsorption rates in synthetic solutions. Langmuir isotherms. | Gibbons et al., 2009 |
| From Canada, 1. Dartmouth (Al) 2. Waterloo (Al) 3. Brandon (Ca) From USA, 4. Tampa Bay (Fe) 5. New York (Fe) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved in 3 sizes | Synthetic solutions and spiked municipal wastewater effluent | 12 d | 6.2 6.8 | Batch tests showing ferric DWTR showing the highest adsorptive capacity followed by the Ca-based DWTR as explained by porosity measurements. Langmuir isotherm. The study also including As(V) adsorption as reported in Table 1. | Gibbons and Gagnon, 2011 |

| 1. Yu Qing (Al) 2. Que He (Al, Ca) | Dried | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 48 h | Not mentioned | Batch studies showing good P adsorption (up to 6.06 mg/g DWTR), with all samples with the largest capacity of the samples containing more Al. | Hou et al., 2018 |
|--|--|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| 3. Xue Shan (Ca) 4. Sun He (Al), China | | | | | Sequential extraction showing most P forms in inorganic fractions. Better described by pseudo-second order equations. | |
| Gold Coast, Australia (Al) | Dried, ground, and sieved <2 mm | Synthetic solutions and wastewater effluents | 10 h & 48h, continuous flow | 6.5 - 7.1 (variation) | Rapid P removal (~ 55%) in the first 20 min. in a small-scale continuous flow experiment. Concomitant release of ammonia and nitrate. | Huang and Chiswell, 2000 |
| Englewood, USA (Al) | Air-dried and sieved to 1.0 - 0.3 mm | Synthetic solutions and river water | 0 - 211 d | 7.2 - 8.2 (variation) | Batch tests showing a decrease of P content with pH increase during shaking being attributed to the formation of calcium phosphate and not to the release of P in solution. Maximum capacity at 12.5 mg/g. | Ippolito et al., 2003 |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Mixed with charcoal and bentonite in a pellet | Synthetic solutions of NH ₄ ⁺ , phosphate, and antibiotics | 0 - 1560 min | 7.5 | Batch and column studies showing pellet adsorbent removing 47 and 71% of ammonium and phosphate, respectively. Also efficient to remove sulfathiazole and sulfamethoxazole from solutions as reported in Table 3. | Jo et al., 2021b |
| Seoul, South Korea (Al) | Air dried and sieved to <850 μm. Calcined at 200-800°C | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 60 h | 2.0 - 10.0 | Batch tests showing best adsorption results (29.42 mg/g) with DWTR- calcined at 310°C and pH 4.0. Negligible influence of competing anions in the P adsorption process. Described by the Freundlich model. | Jung et al., 2016b |
| Derbyshire, UK (Fe) | Used as such or acidified-recovered | Municipal wastewater | 0 - 120 min 0 - 24 h | 1.0 - 4.5 | Batch studies showing improvement of P removal and kinetics when using acidified and ultra-filtered recovered coagulants. | Keeley et al., 2016 |
| Chungju, South Korea (Al) | Dried, ground, and sieved <2 mm | Synthetic solutions | 32 min 12 h | 3.0 - 12.0 | Batch and column experiments showing the highest P removal at pH 3.0 (max. of 25 mg/g), more efficient removal of inorganic P vs organic forms. | Kim et al., 2003 |
| Florida, USA (Ca, Fe) | Tested to be added to wetlands | Agricultural and municipal wastewater | 52 weeks | 6.7 - 7.4 (wastewater) | Constructed wetland tests showing soluble and total P reduced by 95% in secondary municipal wastewater. Soluble and total P reduced by 18 and 53% in anaerobically dairy wastewater. | Leader et al., 2005 |
| Singapore (Al) | Air-dried, crushed, and sieved to different sizes | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 4.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch and column studies showing maximum adsorption at pH 4.0 and 40°C. Best adsorption with smallest sizes and decreasing with increasing size. Maximum capacity of 15.57 mg/g. | Lee et al., 2015 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Ai dried, crushed, sieved <125 μm and granulated with Na-alginate and FeCl₃ | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 72 h | 3.0 - 11.0 | Batch studies showing granulation of DWTR stabilizing the initial metal content and offering strong P adsorption attributed to the formation of Fe- and Al-phosphate. Possibility of recycling. Described by Langmuir and Freundlich models. | Li et al., 2018 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Ai dried, crushed, sieved <125 μm and granulated with polyvinyl alcohol | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 72 h | 3.0 - 11.0 | Batch studies showing granulation of DWTR stabilizing the initial metal content and offering strong P adsorption (23.34 mg/g) attributed to the presence of micro- and mesoporous structures induced during a freeze-thaw preparation process. Possibility of recycling. Described by Langmuir and Freundlich models. | Li et al., 2020 |
| El-bohera, Egypt (Al) | Air-dried and sieved <1 mm | Added to 3 types of soils | 60 d | 7.7 - 8.1 (soil pH) | Incubation and greenhouse tests showing that adding DWTR at 30 g/kg in soils as increasing dry matter yield and plant P concentrations in the plant (shoots and roots). | Mahdy et al., 2007 |
| 4 locations (Al) 3 locations (Fe), USA | Air dried and sieved <2 mm | Synthetic solutions to test the long-term stability of adsorption | 0 - 80 d | 5.8 - 8.3 (not controlled) | Batch studies showing a strong affinity of P for DWTR (9.1 mg/g), higher for Al-based. Slow P sorption kinetics by DWTR suggesting intra-particle diffusion in micro-pores and long-term stability of the adsorption process. | Makris et al., 2004; 2005; Makris and O'Connor, 2007 |
| Islamabad, | Oven-dried, crushed, | Synthetic | 0-360 min | 3.0 - 9.0 | Batch tests showing maximum P removal at pH 4.0 and 5.5 with two | Magpool et al., 2015 |

| Pakistan, (Al) | and sieved to | solutions and | | | different DWTRs. Optimized conditions removing 90% dissolved P and 70- | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | <2 mm | municipal | | | 80% condensed P from wastewater. Process better described by the | |
| | | wastewater | | | Langmuir model. | |
| São Paulo, Brazil, | As such | Added to | Over a 4-y | Not given | The addition of DWTR to wastewater plants increasing removal | Marguti et al., 2018 |
| (Fe) | | municipal | period | | efficiencies for solids (93%-96%), organic matter (92%-94% for BOD), and | |
| | | wastewater | | | phosphorus (52%-88%), when compared to the period without DWTR | |
| Lielifen Canada | | treatment plant | | 20.70 | addition. | Mantula and Casuan |
| Hailfax, Canada | Air-dried, crushed, and | Aquaculture | - | 3.0 - 7.0 | Batch and fixed bed column tests showing 94-99% P and organic matter | Nortula and Gagnon, |
| (AI) | <1 25 mm | municipal effluent | | | lenoval using 4-10g/L DWTK. Described by the Fredhultch model. | 2007a, 0 |
| Surat India (Al) | Added for coagulation | IIrhan wastewater | Continuous | 40-110 | Batch tests showing high removal of COD and turbidity at a DWTR dose of | Nair and Ahammed |
| | Added for coagulation | Orban wastewater | flow | 4.0 - 11.0 | 15 g/L and nH 9. Ontimum conditions gave 79% P. 84% suspended solids | 2015 |
| | | | 1000 | | 78% BOD, and 99.7% total coliform removal from urban wastewater. | 2015 |
| Meet Khames | Oven-dried | Synthetic | 0 - 60 min | 2.0 - 11.0 | Batch studies showing maximum and fast P removal at pH 5.0 and 75°C in | Nawar et al., 2015 |
| Egypt (Al) | | solutions | 0 00 | 210 2210 | the first 20 min of contact. The process described by both Langmuir and | |
| -0/6-(/ | | | | | Freundlich models. | |
| Victoria, Australia | Oven dried and sieved | Synthetic | 0-24 h | 4.0-7.0 | Batch studies showing no influence of age on adsorption. Highest | Nguyen et al., 2022a |
| (AI) 4 locations of | to different sizes | solutions | | | adsorption of 6.7 mg/g at pH 4.0. The second smallest fraction of 1.18 | |
| various ages | | | | | mm showing the highest adsorption. | |
| Morgan, Australia | Aggregate of | Loaded with | 31 d | 6.2 - 6.7 | Constructed apparatus simulating the addition of DWTR on soils showing | Oliver et al., 2011 |
| (Fe) | 2 - 5 mm | synthetic solutions | | (initial values) | a strong capacity to remove P under aerobic and anaerobic conditions. | |
| Bangkok, Thailand | Dried, crushed, and | Synthetic | 0 - 6 h | - | Batch and column experiments comparing DWTR and oyster shells | Park and Polprasert, |
| (AI) | sieved 0.3 - 0.6 mm and | solutions and | 0 - 125 d | | showing effective P removal faster for DWTR and more efficient with | 2008; Park, 2009 |
| | 0.6 mm | wastewater | 0 - 200 d | | smaller sizes. Adaptable to constructed wetland systems. | |
| Dublin, Ireland | Dried, crushed, and | Synthetic | 0 - 24h | 4.0 - 9.0 | Batch and continuous flow experiments showing the highest adsorption | Razali et al., 2007 |
| (AI) | sieved <2.36 mm | solutions | | | at pH 4.0 for o-phosphate to a maximum of 10.2 mg/g. Stability of DWTR | |
| | This is a state of a | | 0.010.1 | 7.2 | bed over 30 d to remove 80% P. | Dahara sa ta at at |
| Australia (Fe) | I nickened sludge | Added to urban | 0 - 810 d | 1.2 | Laboratory-scale with in-sewer addition of Fe-Dwirk showing a decrease | Reposura Jr. et al., |
| Dublin Iroland | Oven dried crushed | wastewater | 0 124 h | 21 120 | Batch tests chowing maximum Pladsorption on polletized heads of 2.1 | 2020; 2021 Shop of al. 2018 |
| | and sieved to 3 | | 0 - 124 11 | 5.1 - 12.0 | mm with $2\%(w/v)$ DW/TR at pH 3.1 Smaller head size higher DW/TR levels | Shell et al., 2016 |
| | different fractions and | | | | and acidic nH conditions resulting in greater P adsorption rates and | |
| | mixed with | | | | capacity (19.42 mg/g). Fits the intra-particle diffusion model and pseudo- | |
| | Ca-alginate | | | | second-order kinetic model with both Langmuir and Freundlich | |
| | | | | | isotherms. | |
| Dublin, Ireland | Used as such | Synthetic | 0 - 130 d | Monitored | Simulation tests showing DWTR as an adsorption matrix with aeration in | Shen et al., 2019b |
| (AI) | | solutions | | | floating treatment wetlands improving the concurrent removal of COD, | |
| | | | | | TN, and TP, with average rates of 88%, 85%, and 90.2%, respectively. | |
| Brisbane, Australia | Oven-dried, ground, | Synthetic | 7 weeks of | Acidic soils 5.2 | Sandy loam soils amended with 2–4 wt% DWTR significantly reducing Cd | Tay et al., 2017 |
| (AI) | and sieved <1 mm used | solutions and soils | growth | and 5.9 | and As availability and uptake by vegetable <i>B. pekinensis</i> (see Table 1) and | |
| | as a soil amendment | | | | not limiting P uptake by plants. | |
| Chuncheon, South | Pulverized, air and oven | Synthetic | 0 - 48 h | 4.0 - 10.0 | Batch tests showing maximum adsorption at pH 4.0. Faster kinetics and | Van Truong and Kim, |
| Korea (Al) | dried, also pyrolyzed at | solutions | | | most effective P removal with DWTR pyrolyzed at 700°C. The similar | 2021 |
| | 500 & 700°C for 1 h | | | | adsorption capacity for air-dried and pyrolyzed DWTR. Chemisorption | |
| | | | | | being the operative mechanism in the pseudo-second-order model. | |
| Beijing, China | Air dried, crushed, | Synthetic | 0 - 64 h | 3.0 - 9.0 | Batch tests showing enhanced P adsorption by heat and acid activation as | Wang et al., 2011 |
| (Fe, Al) | sieved <1 mm, activated | solutions | | | compared to un-activated WTR. Maximum adsorption at acidic conditions | |

| | at 600°C, and treated | | | | and decreasing with pH increase. Two-site Langmuir model. Activated | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|--|-------------------------|
| | with HCl 0.1 - 3.0 M | | | | DWTR maintained high P removal under different redox conditions. | |
| Beijing, China | Air dried, crushed, | Synthetic | 0 - 61 d | 5.0, 7.0, 9.0 | Batch and column experiments showing that the effects of adding organic | Wang et al., 2012a |
| (Fe, Al) | sieved <1 mm, citric, | solutions | | | acids changing from inhibition to promotion with an increase in | |
| | oxalic, and tartaric acids | | | | adsorption time. With pH increase, the inhibitory action of organic acids | |
| | added | | | | on P adsorption decreasing gradually changing and promoting adsorption. | |
| Nanjing, China | Oven-dried, crushed, | Synthetic | 24 h | 7.0 | Batch tests showing granulation with the best binder being AlCl ₃ at a mass | Wu et al., 2019 |
| (Al) | sieved <100 mesh, and | solutions | | | ratio of 8% and the best P removal rate being 87.71%. Starch being the | |
| | granulated at high T | | | | best pore-forming agent at the optimum dosage of 4%. The optimal | |
| | with organic binders | | | | roasting temperature being at 500°C for 2 h. | |
| Dublin, Ireland | Air-dried, crushed, and | Synthetic | 0 - 48h | 4.3 - 9.0 | Batch tests showing higher adsorption at pH 4.3 and by smaller particles. | Yang et al., 2006a; b; |
| (AI) | sieved to different sizes | solutions | | | Not a significant effect of competing anions. A separate study showing a | 2008 |
| | | | | | slight increase in P adsorption over an 18-month aging of DWTR. | |
| Xi'an, China | Air-dried, crushed, and | Municipal water in | 0 - 190 d | Not given | Laboratory scale constructed wetland system showing high removal | Yang et al., 2011 |
| (Al) | sieved to 2-50 mm | a laboratory-scale | | | (99.5%) of P over the period. Removal efficiencies of 65% for chemical | |
| | | constructed | | | oxygen demand(COD), 68% for biological oxygen demand (BOD ₅), and | |
| - | | wetland | | | 34% nitrogen with a tidal flow strategy to enhance the wetland aeration. | |
| Suzhou, China | Air-dried, crushed, and | Synthetic | 0 - 220 min | 2.5 - 11.0 | Acidification of DWTR caused a decrease in Al and Fe content. Batch test | Yang et al., 2014 |
| (Al, Fe) | sieved. One portion | solutions, | | | showing very efficient P removal from the synthetic, lake, and sewage | |
| | calcined at 500°C, one | lakewater, and | | | water by acidified and calcined after acidification DWTR at optimum | |
| | acidified and one | domestic sewage. | | | adjusted pH 4-6. | |
| | calcined after | | | | | |
| | acidification | | | | | |
| Dublin, Ireland | Air dried | Synthetic | Up to 80 d | 4.0 - 9.0 | Efficient adsorption of P (up to 15.90 mg/g DWTR at pH 4.0). Freundlich as | Zhao et al., 2007 |
| (Al) | | solutions | | | the best model to describe the process and Langmuir and Temkin being | |
| | | | | | also appropriate. | |
| Dublin, Ireland | Air-dried, crushed, and | Synthetic | 0 - 38 d | 4.3 - 9.0 | Laboratory simulations through vertical and horizontal flow showing | Zhao et al., 2008; |
| (Al) | sieved to 1.18-2.36 mm | solutions | 0 - 193 d | 7.3 influent | efficient removal of P and organic carbon with a decrease of COD and | 2009; Zhao et al., 2010 |
| | | Wastewater from | | 7.1 effluent | BOD ₅ from synthetic solutions and wastewater. Optimal pH at 4.3. | a; b; 2011 |
| | | reed bed systems | | | Separate studies showing similar results with DWTR from different | |
| | | | | | sources. | |
| Sea of Galilee, | Air dried, crushed, and | Modified with soil | 1 - 7 d | 7.5 | Batch studies showing the original non-treated DWTR showing an | Zohar et al., 2017 |
| Israel (AI) | sieved <2 mm. | leachate and dairy | 1 - 62 h for | | excellent capacity of P removal and, DOC to a lesser extent, from | |
| | | wastewater | desorption | | wastewater. However, the organically modified DWTR showing better | |
| | | | | | slow desorption capacity tending to retain soluble reactive P and release | |
| | | | | | OM and making it a good candidate for P supply. | |

Table S4. Conditions of adsorption of other substances by DWTR and main observations.

| Origin / | Treatment / | Substance | Medium | Tested | Tested pH | Main observations and comments | Reference |
|------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|
| (Based on | Modification | | tested | contact | _ | | |
| Al, Fe or, Ca) | | | | time | | | |
| Adana, Turkey (Fe) | Oven-dried for DWTR, compared to Al and Fe hydroxides | Vegetable oil | Wastewater from refinery | 30 min | 5.0 - 11.0 | Batch tests showing the best removal of oil and grease, COD, and TSS at acidic pH 6 and optimum dose of 1.1 g suspended solids by DWTR. Comparable performance of coagulated Al and Fe salts. Improved performance when adding FeCl ₃ . | Basibuyuk and Kalat, 2004 |
| Marrakech, Morocco (Al) | Oven-dried, crushed, and sieved <2µm | Olive oil | Mill wastewater | 30 min | 4.5 - 8.5 | Batch tests showing a removal rate of turbidity and COD varying from 59 to 93.5% and, from 49.4 to 68% depending on the nature of DWTR (wet or dry). | Chahid et al., 2015 |
| Hong Kong, China (AI) | Oven-dried and compared to freshly precipitated alum | 2 Dyes Dianix Blue FBL- E and Ciba-corn Yellow P-6GS | Synthetic solutions | 30 min | 8.3 - 10.5 | Batch studies showing maximum adsorption of dyes at pH 9.13. The back-diffusion of dye can be controlled by the addition of fresh alum. Not recommended for the removal of hydrophilic dyes. | Chu, 2001 |
| El-Beheira, Egypt (Al) | Dried and sieved to 2 mm (bulk) and 51µm, which was ball milled to <100 nm as nanoparticles | Dye Indigo Carmine (IC) | Synthetic solutions | 5 - 24 h 0 - 200 min | 2.0 - 11.0 | Batch tests showing nanoscale particles prepared from DWTR removing 90% of dye at the optimum pH of 5, being more effective than the larger size of DWTR. The calculated Langmuir maximum adsorption capacity of nano DWTR being 5.6 times higher than that of bulk DWTR. | El-Kammah et al., 2022b |
| El-Beheira, Egypt (Al) | Dried and sieved to 2 mm (bulk) and 51µm, which was ball milled to <100 nm as nanoparticles | Pesticide Thiamethoxam (TMX) | Synthetic solutions and wastewater | 5 - 24 h 0 - 300 min | 2.0 - 11.0 | Nano-DWTR being efficient for TMX removal at optimum conditions at pH 6–7, 100 mg of solid, and 180 min contact time. The process following Langmuir isotherm at 2.6 times higher than that of bulk DWTR. The remediation of TMX from wastewater of 77.9% and 70.3% for batch and column treatment, respectively. Can be re-used in 3 cycles. | El-Kammah et al., 2022c |
| Asseiceira, Portugal (Ca) | Dried | Olive oil | Olive oil wastewater | 20 min 21 d (BOD) | 10.5 - 12.5 | Batch tests performed with 50 to 300 g/L DWTR, showing effective removal of COD, BOD, total and suspended solids, phenols, total volatile solids, oil and grease, and total phosphorus. | Fragoso and Duarte, 2012 |
| Mumbai, India (Al, Fe) | Sun-dried, crushed, and sieved <256 µm | Dye Disperse Blue 79 | Synthetic solutions | 10 min | 3.0 - 5.0 | Optimum color removal of 53% obtained at pH 3.0 with a DWTR dose of 30 g/L and dye concentration of 75 mg/L obtained experimentally in batch test and predicted by the models. | Gadekar and Ahammed, 2019 |
| Hong Kong, China (AI) | Used as such added to sewage raw water | SS COD | Sewage water | 50 min | 6.5 - 6.9 (DWTR) 7.2 - 7.8 (Sewage) | Batch studies showing suspended solids (SS) and chemical oxygen demand (COD) removal efficiencies improved by 20% and 15%, respectively, mainly due to the removal of particles from 48 to 200 mm. The appropriate dosage of DWTR determined to be 18–20 mg Al/L. | Guan et al., 2005 |
| Dublin, Ireland (Al) | Air dried | Total Nitrogen | Piggery wastewater | 99 - 383 d | 7.2 - 7.6 | Tidal flow constructed wetland systems showing enhanced total N removal under a high N loading rate. Improved N removal with intermittent aeration of the system. | Hu et al., 2012a; b |
| Thailand (Al) | Addition of used DWTR to test laboratory systems using fresh alum | Anionic surfactants | Wastewater (talcum powder and surfactants) | 60 min | 2.0 - 12.0 | Batch tests showing the addition of DWTR and fresh alum at concentrations of 400 and 600 mg/L, respectively, enhancing the removal of TSS, turbidity, and TCOD to 76.2%, 99.5%, and 92.8%, respectively, at pH 10.0. | Jangkorn et al., 2011 |
| Go-san, South Korea (Al) | Mixed with charcoal and bentonite in a pellet | NH₄ ⁺ ions and antibiotics sulfathiazole and sulfa- methoxazole | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 1560 min | 7.5 | Batch and column studies showing pelletized adsorbent efficient to remove 97% sulfathiazole and 72% sulfamethoxazole from solutions. Also efficient in removing simultaneously 47 and 71% of ammonium and phosphate, respectively. as reported in Table 2. | Jo et al., 2021b |

| Palapye, Botswana | Oven-dried, ground, and sieved <1.18 mm | Saline water | Real water | 5 - 840 min | 2.2 - 12.0 | Batch tests showing maximum removal efficiency of SO ₄ ²² , Cl ⁻ , and NO3 ⁻ at 51.5, 22.6, and 100%, respectively, and for Na, Ni, and Mn ions at 100%, 100%, and 87.5%, respectively. Best described by the Freundlich model. | Letshwenyo et al., 2023 |
|-----------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--|---|
| Aswan, Egypt (Al) | Air-dried, crushed, sieved <0.2 mm, and pyrolyzed at high T | Methylene blue (MB) | Synthetic solutions | 20 - 90 h | 3.0 - 9.0 | Batch experiments showing the best removal of MB at 100 mg/L by a DWTR pyrolyzed at 700°C, at pH 7.0. Fitting the Langmuir isotherm model. | Rashed et al., 2016 |
| Tarn, France (Al) | Air-dried, crushed, and sieved <250 μm | H ₂ S | Synthetic gas mixture | 0 - 700 h | Starting at pH 10.0 | Fixed bed column studies showing the capacity of DWTR to adsorb H_2S (374.2 mg/g) being higher than that of several reported adsorbents. Knudsen diffusion as the main mechanism. | Ren et al., 2020 |
| Hyderabad, India (Al) | Dried and sieved to various sizes | SO ₂ | Gas | 0-60 min | - | Using 100 mL of gas over 0.8 gram of DWTR at 250, 500, and 710 μm particles and showing the fastest removal with smaller size. | Sirisha et al., 2012 |
| Koszalin, Poland (Fe) | Dried and sieved at 45 to 250 μm | Dyes Ponceau 4R Brilliant blue FCF Malachite green | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 24 h | 3.5 - 9.5 | Batch studies showing dyes Ponceau 4R and brilliant blue FCF not being adsorbed on Fe-DWTR due to its negatively charged surface. Malachite adsorption described by the Freundlich model. | Świderska- Dąbrowska et al., 2018 |
| Suzhou, China, (Fe, Al) | Air-dried, crushed, and sieved. acid– alkali and ultrasonic treatments | Ammonium | Synthetic solutions | 24 h | 4.0 - 10.0 | Batch tests showing non-modified DWTR not being an effective adsorbent for ammonium. The treatment involving acid and alkali ultrasonic modifications showing 80-90% removal of NH ₄ * at pH 7-8 and a maximum capacity evaluated by Langmuir isotherm to 5.1 to 6.1 mg/g. | Yang et al., 2015 |
| Putrajaya, Malaysia (Al) | Air-dried, crushed, and sieved 250 -500 μm | Carbon dioxide | Gas mixture | 0 - 40 min | Not given | Column studies showing adsorption being dependent on temperature with a maximum reported capacity of 32.56 mg/g. Isotherm being well- fitted with the Freundlich. | Yusuff et al., 2017; 2018 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Dried | Herbicide Atrazine (ATZ) (degradation) | Synthetic solutions | 0 - 6 h | 3.0, 5.0, 7.0 | Batch tests showing DWTR being used as a catalyst for the activation of peroxymonosulfate (PMS) to remove ATZ and leading to more than 92% ATZ being removed. ATZ degradation being positively affected by higher PMS concentration, DWTR dosage and temperature, and low pH. | Zhang et al., 2018 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Air-dried, crushed, and sieved <0.15 mm | Pesticide Chlorpyrifos | Synthetic solutions and soils | 0 - 72 h | 4.10 - 7.21 | Batch studies showing rapid followed by slower adsorption of pesticide at environmental pH 4-7. Inhibition at high ionic strength and in the presence of low molecular weight organic acids. Described by the pseudo-second-order model and Freundlich equation. Greater affinity for DWTR than to soil. | Zhao et al., 2013 |
| Beijing, China (Fe, Al) | Air-dried, crushed, sieved <0.15 mm | Herbicide Glyphosate | Synthetic solutions and soils | 0 - 36 h | 4.0 - 10.0 | Batch experiments showing significant enhancement of glyphosate removal for soils amended with DWTR and better retention at all tested pH. | Zhao et al., 2015 |
| Beijing, China (Fe) | Dried and ultra- sonicated, washed before coagulation | Dissolved organic carbon | Raw water | - | 8.2 (raw water) | Recycling sonicated, washed DWTS could enhance the removal of hydrophobic acids and effectively remove matter of molecular weight 3–30 kDa, but increased the relative presence of matter with a molecular weight<3 kDa. | Zhou et al., 2018 |

Table S5. Utilizations of DWTR in construction materials and environmental applications

| Treatments / Modifications | Applications | References |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| DWTR is dried and crushed, | Concrete or Cement or | Ahmed et al., 2022; Altherman et al., 2023; |
| (sometimes calcined or alkalized), | Cementitious composites or | Bohórquez González et al., 2020; Breesem et al., 2016; |
| added in various proportions to | Mortar or Aggregates or | Chen et al., 2010; Ching et al., 2021; Dahhou et al., 2018; |
| cement or other waste materials | Clinker | de Godoy et al., 2019; 2020; de Oliviera Andrade et al., 2018; |
| (e.g. ash, biosorbents) and cured | | El-Didamony et al., 2014; Fang et al., 2019; Frías et al., 2014; |
| or fired up. | | Gastaldini et al., 2015; Gomes et al., 2020; 2022; |
| | | Hagemann et al., 2019; He et al., 2023; Hemkemeier et al., 2023; |
| | | Huang et al., 2013; Jia et al., 2021; Kaish et al., 2018; 2021; |
| | | Li et al., 2021; Liu et al., 2021b; 2022a; b; Ng et al., 2022; |
| | | Owaid et al, 2014; 2019; Pham et al., 2021; |
| | | Rodríguez et al., 2010; 2011; Ruviaro et al., 2021; Sales et al., 2011; |
| | | Shamaki et al., 2021; Tantawy, 2015; Wang et al., 2018d; |
| | | Xu et al., 2014; Yang et al., 2023; Yen et al., 2011 |
| DWTR being dried, crushed, | Bricks or Paving blocks or | Ahmadi et al., 2023; Benlalla et al., 2015; Chiang et al., 2009; |
| (sometimes calcined), mixed with | Building Materials | Hassan et al., 2014; Huang et al., 2001; Lin et al., 2006; Liu et al., |
| clay or other materials (e.g. ash, | | 2020a; b; c; 2021a; Rahman et al., 2019; Ramadan et al., 2008; |
| biosorbents) in various | | Sajath et al., 2022; Tantawy and Mohamed, 2017; Zhao et al., 2016 |
| proportions, and cured or fired up | | |
| DWTR being dried, (sometimes | Ceramics or Tiles or Ceramsite | Cremades et al., 2018; Kizinievič et al., 2013; Huang et al., 2023; |
| calcined), added to clay and other | | Ling et al., 2017; Monteiro et al., 2008; Teixera et al., 2011; |
| compounds in various proportions, | | Teoh et al., 2022; Wolff et al., 2015; Zamora et al., 2008 |
| and fired up | | |
| DWTR is dewatered and mixed | Geopolymers or Geomaterials | Balkaya, 2015; Flemmy et al., 2022; Geraldo et al., 2017; |
| with other compounds such as | or Geotechnical applications | Ji et al., 2020; Nimwinya et al., 2016; Waijarean et al., 2014 |
| sand to produce geomaterials or | | |
| alkalis and biosorbents or slag to | | |
| produce geopolymers that could | | |
| be added to cement | | |
| DWTR dried and crushed, fusion in | Zeolites | Espejel-Ayala et al., 2013 |
| NaOH, and hydrothermal | | |
| treatment | | |
| DWTR added to soils or wetlands | Soils and Wetlands or | Bağriaçik and Güner, 2020; Caniani et al., 2013; |
| as a sorbent or to improve soil | Geo-environmental | Fiore et al., 2022; Nguyen et al., 2023 |
| properties and in read | applications | |
| construction | | |

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