

# Real-time in-situ monitoring using visible spectrophotometry as a tool for probing electrochemical advanced oxidation processes for dye decolorisation

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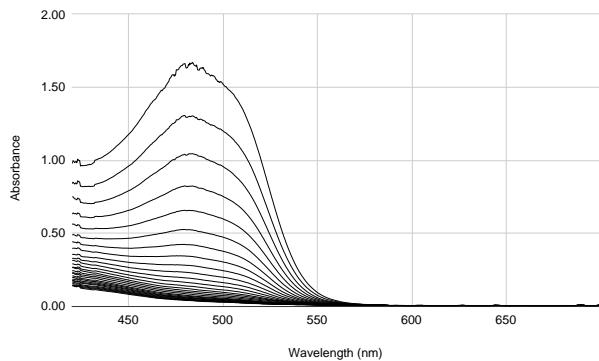
## **STL Files for 3D Printed Apparatus**

.stl Files for the 3D-Printed Continuous Monitoring System can be accessed at:

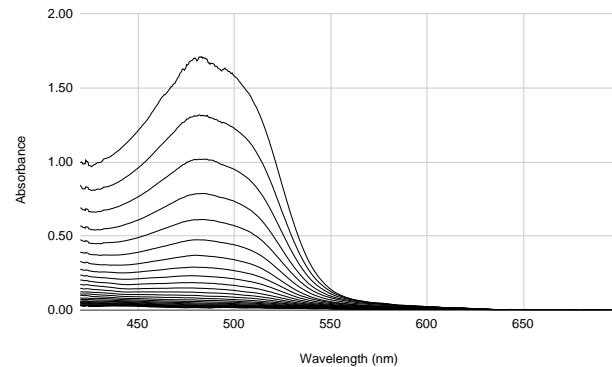
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## Acid Orange 7 (AO7)

### Absorbance spectra

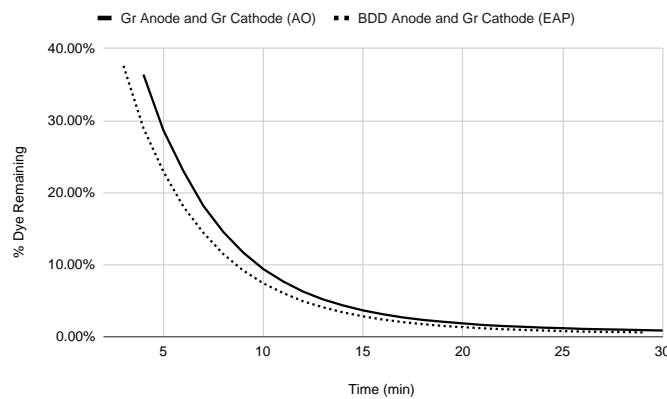


**Figure 1:** AO absorbance spectrum of AO7. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AO7] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 4 - 30 min. Trial 1 of 3.

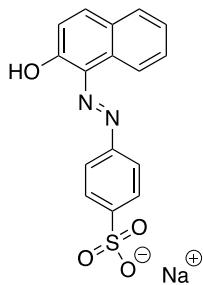


**Figure 2:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AO7. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AO7] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 4 - 30 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

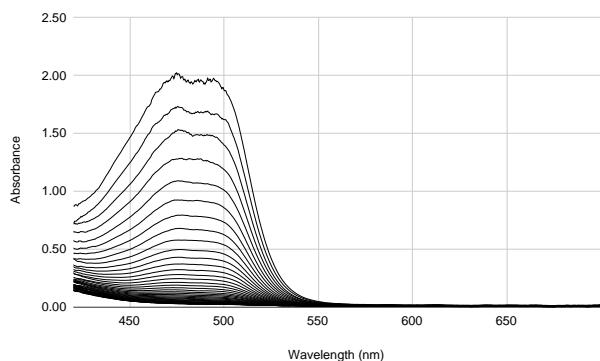


**Figure 3:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of Acid Orange 7 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 484.16 \text{ nm}$ .

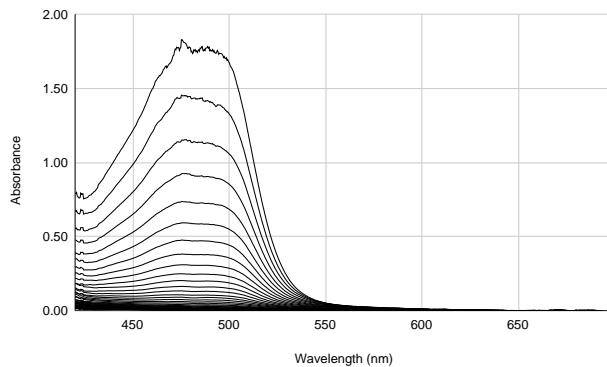


## Acid Orange 10 (AO10)

### Absorbance spectra

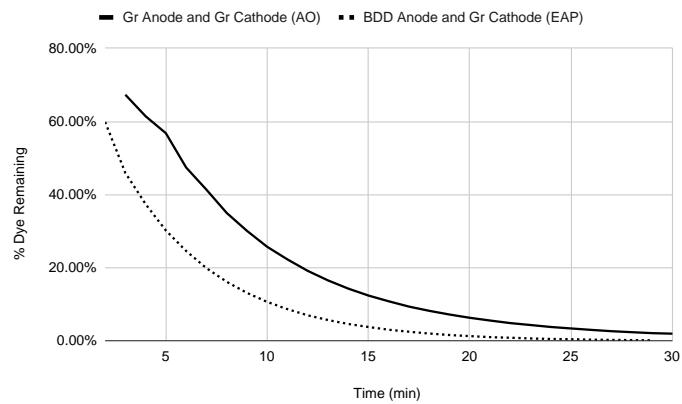


**Figure 4:** AO absorbance spectrum of AO10. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AO10] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 4 - 30 min. Trial 1 of 3.

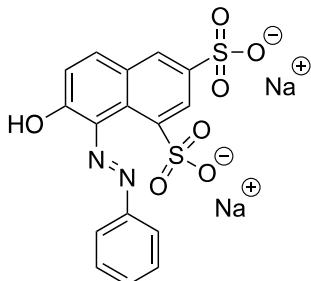


**Figure 5:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AO10. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AO10] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 4 - 30 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

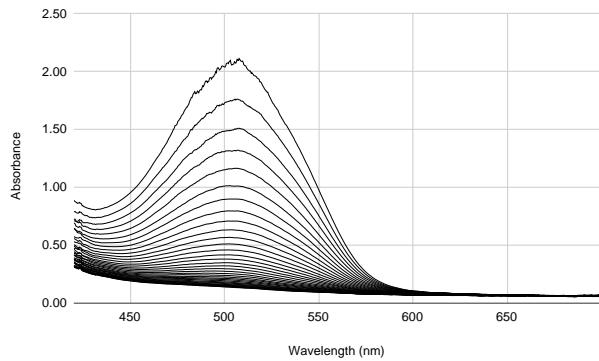


**Figure 6:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AO10 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 475.54 \text{ nm}$ .

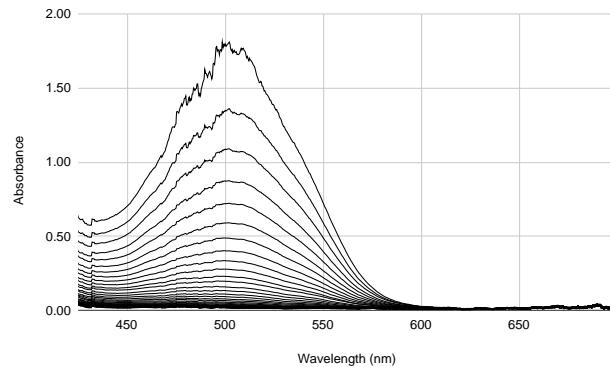


## Acid Red 18 (AR18)

### Absorbance spectra

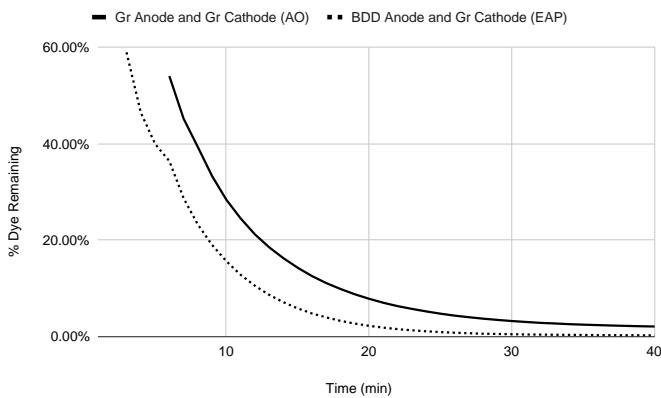


**Figure 7:** AO absorbance spectrum of AR18. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR18] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 6 - 40 min. Trial 1 of 3.

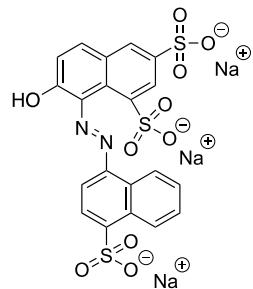


**Figure 8:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AR18. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR18] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 6 - 40 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

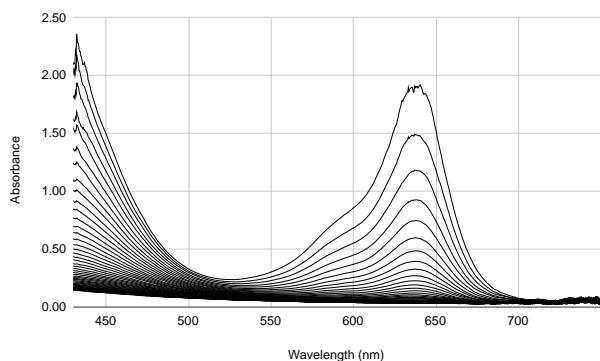


**Figure 9:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AR18 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 507.02 \text{ nm}$ .

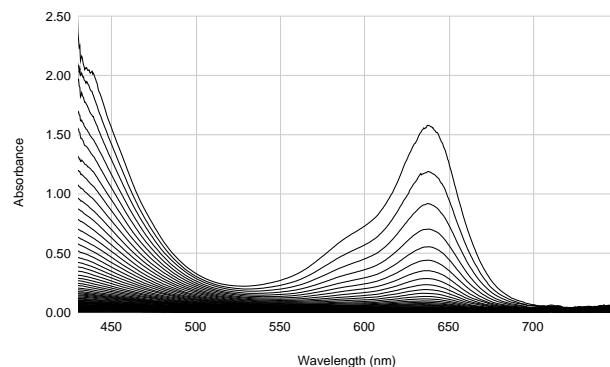


## Acid Blue 1 (AB1)

### Absorbance spectra

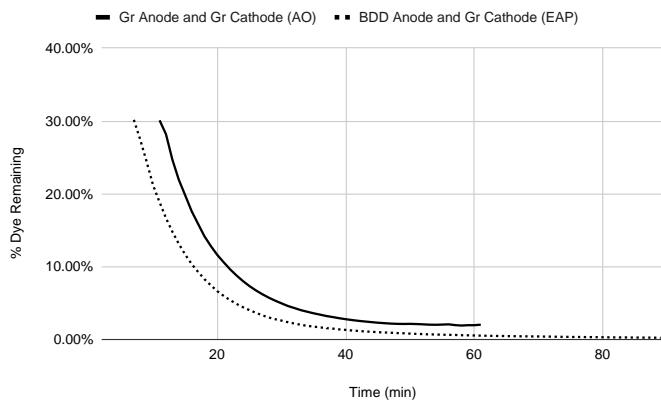


**Figure 10:** AO absorbance spectrum of AB1. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AB1] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 10 - 60 min. Trial 1 of 3.

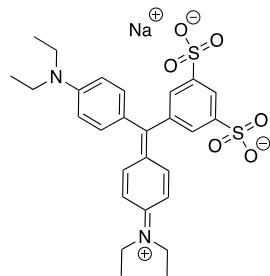


**Figure 11:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AB1. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AB1] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 9 - 60 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

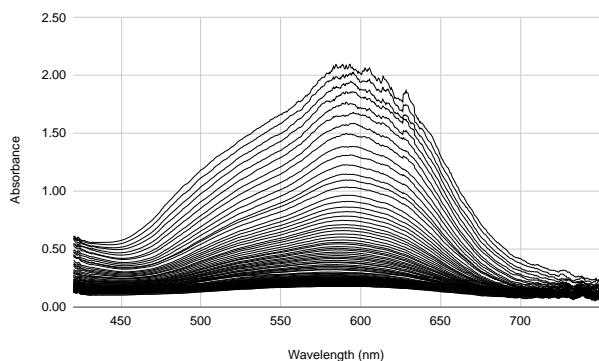


**Figure 12:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AB1 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} \text{ pH } 0.62 = 436.82 \text{ nm}$ ,  $\lambda_{max} \text{ pH } 7 = 638.04 \text{ nm}$ .

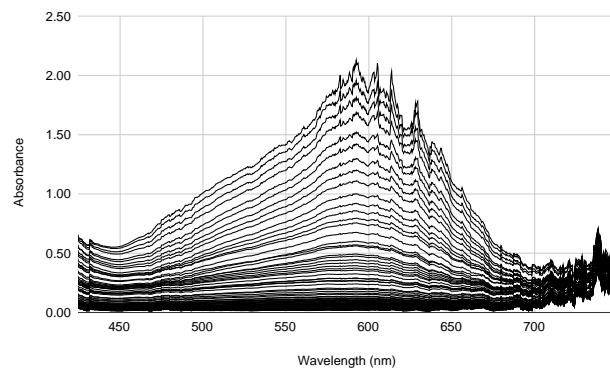


## Basic Violet 3 (BV3)

### Absorbance spectra

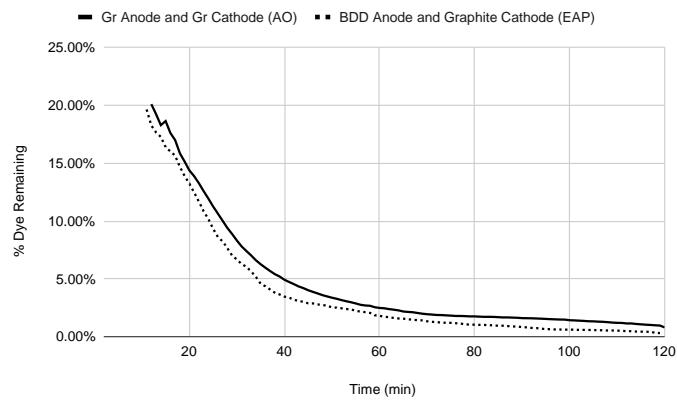


**Figure 13:** AO absorbance spectrum of BV3. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[BV3] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 19 - 120 min. Trial 1 of 3.

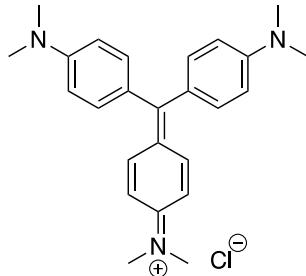


**Figure 14:** EAP absorbance spectrum of BV3. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[BV3] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 19 - 120 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

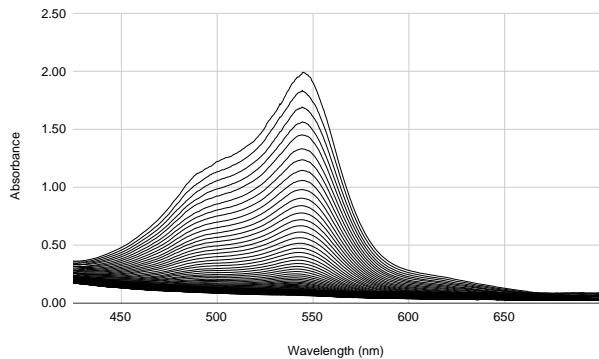


**Figure 15:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AV3 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 589.09 \text{ nm}$ .

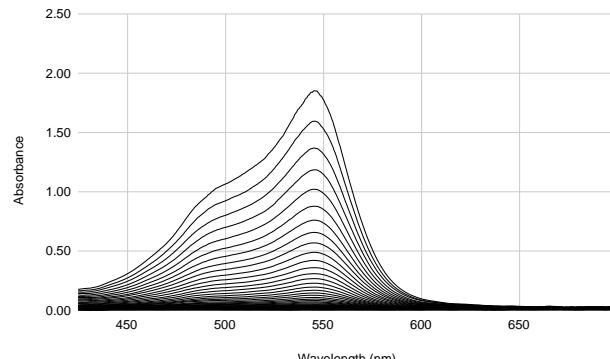


## Acid Violet 19 (AV19)

### Absorbance spectra

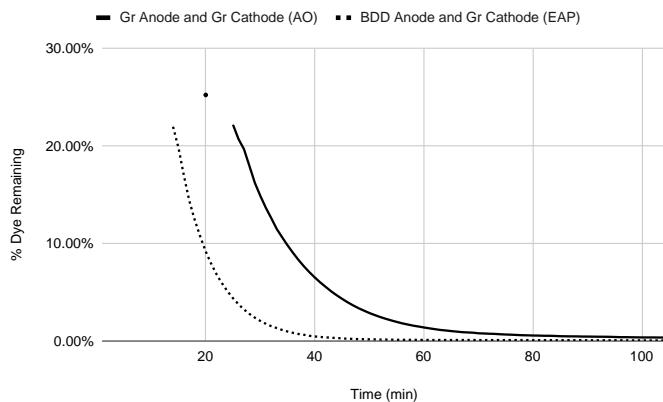


**Figure 16:** AO absorbance spectrum of AV19. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AV19] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 25 - 105 min. Trial 1 of 3.

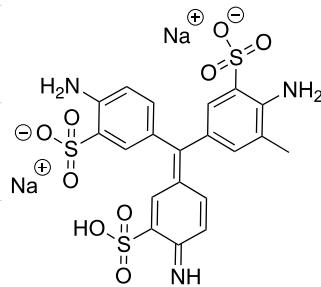


**Figure 17:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AR18. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR18] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 14 - 105 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

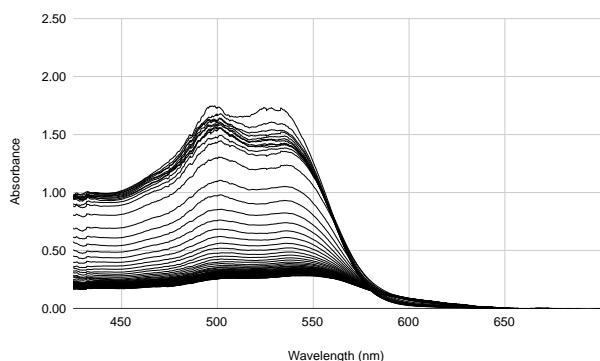


**Figure 18:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AV19 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 545.20 \text{ nm}$ .

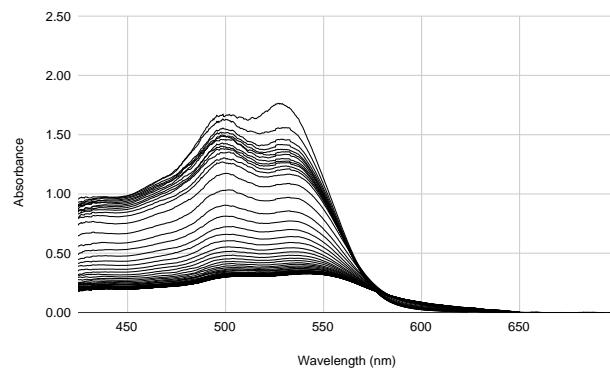


## Acid Red 51 (AR51)

### Absorbance spectra

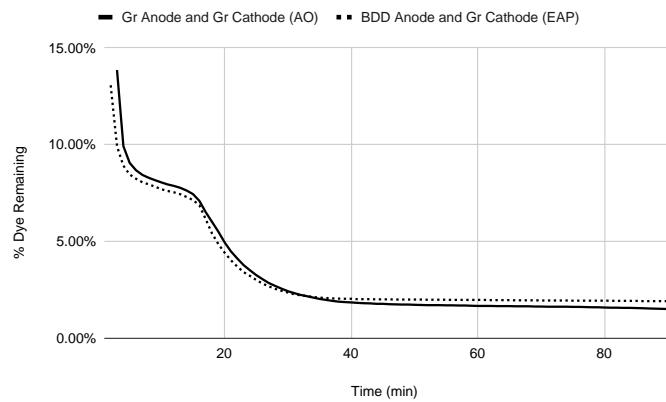


**Figure 19:** AO absorbance spectrum of AR51. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR51] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 3 - 90 min. Trial 1 of 3.

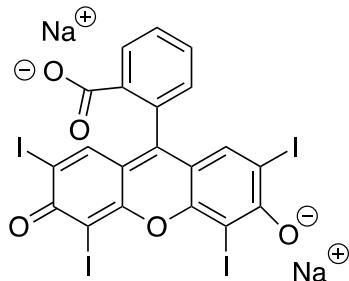


**Figure 20:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AR51. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR51] = 100 \mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14 mM$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 3 - 90 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

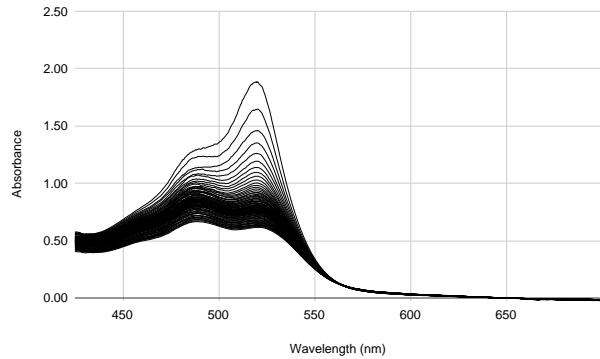


**Figure 21:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AV19 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 525.47 \text{ nm}$ .

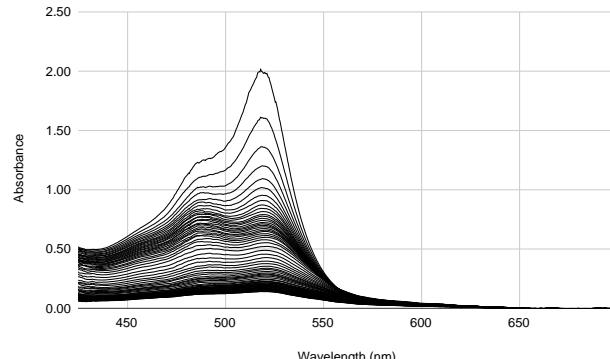


## Acid Red 87 (AR87)

### Absorbance spectra

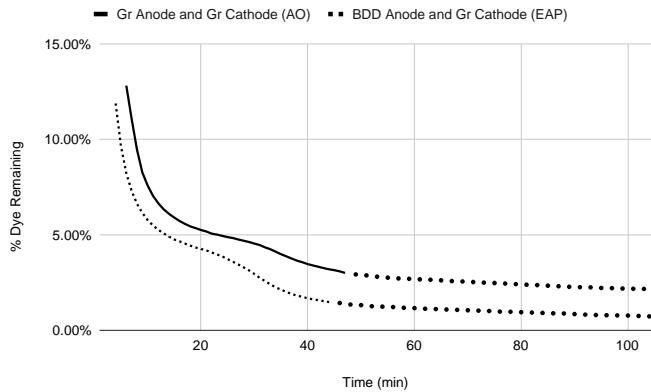


**Figure 22:** AO absorbance spectrum of AR87. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR87] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 6 - 59 min, then every other minute until 105 min. Trial 1 of 3.

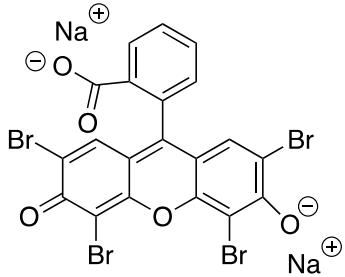


**Figure 23:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AR87. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR87] = 100 \mu\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8] = 14 \text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 5 - 59 min, then every other minute until 105 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time

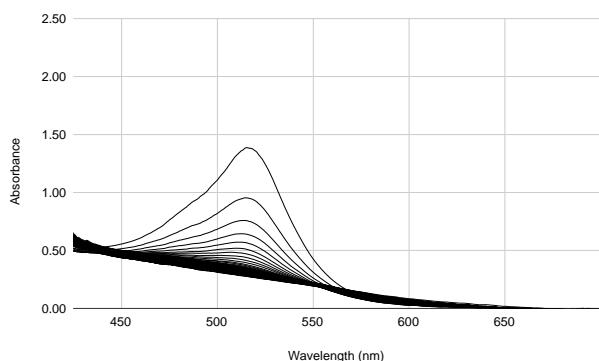


**Figure 24:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AR87 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 515.90 \text{ nm}$ .

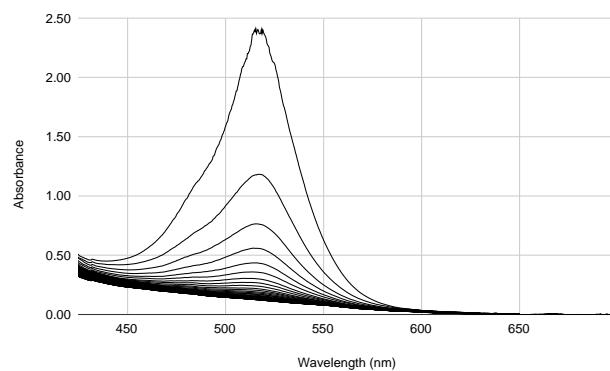


## Acid Red 91 (AR91)

### Absorbance spectra

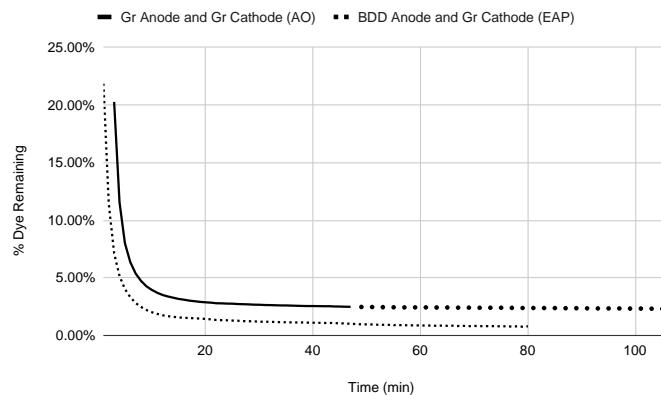


**Figure 25:** AO absorbance spectrum of AR91. Conditions: graphite anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR91] = 100\mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14\text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 2 - 45 min, then every other minute until 105 min. Trial 1 of 3.

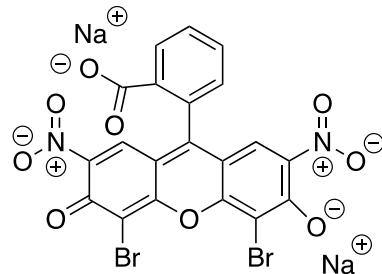


**Figure 26:** EAP absorbance spectrum of AR18. Conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode,  $[AR18] = 100\mu M$ ,  $[Na_2S_2O_8] = 14\text{ mM}$ , stirring = 1000 rpm, current = 5 mA, overlay spectrum recorded every minute from 1 – 80 min. Trial 1 of 3.

### Plot of percent dye remaining vs time



**Figure 27:** AO- and EAP-mediated decolorisation of AR91 as a function of time at a  $\lambda_{max} = 519.45\text{ nm}$ .



## First order rate constants

**Table 1:** First order rate constants at 20 min for nine dyes under two decolorisation protocols. AO conditions: Graphite anode and cathode, [Dye] = 100  $\mu$ M,  $[Na_2S_2O_8]$  = 14 mM, stirring = 1000 rpm, I = 5 mA. EAP conditions: BDD anode, graphite cathode, [Dye] = 100  $\mu$ M,  $[Na_2S_2O_8]$  = 14 mM, stirring = 1000 rpm, I = 5 mA.

	Acid Orange 7	Acid Orange 10	Acid Red 18	Acid Blue 1	Basic Violet 3	Acid Violet 19	Acid Red 51	Acid Red 87	Acid Red 91
AO ( $k\ s^{-1}$ )	3.51x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.42 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.12 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.87 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.64 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.15 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.59 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.47 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.97 x10 <sup>-3</sup>
EAP ( $k\ s^{-1}$ )	3.71 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	3.48 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	3.17 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.17 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.64 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.99 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.60 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	2.61 x10 <sup>-3</sup>	3.54 x10 <sup>-3</sup>