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Wastewater treatment by ozonation

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Advanced treatment

Why advanced treatment of wastewaters?

- ❑ Improvement of water quality
- ❑ Wastewater reuse: increase of water availability

Objective : *Sustainable use of water*

- ❑ Answer to water shortage
- ❑ Minimization of environmental and health risks

New challenge : *Emerging micropollutants removal*

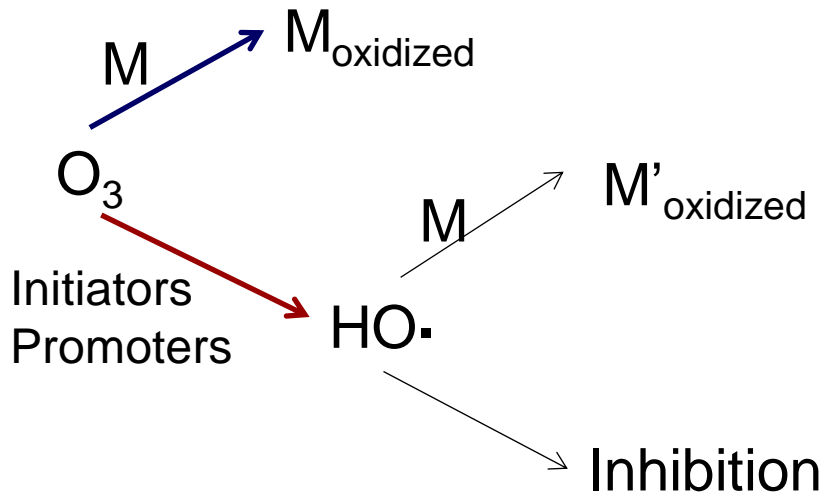
Advanced treatment μ contaminants removal

- **Biological processes with high sludge retention time**
 - N & DN
 - MBR
- **Membrane filtration**
 - Nanofiltration
 - Reverse Osmosis
- **Activated carbon**
- **Chemical oxidation**
 - Chlorination
 - O₃ and AOPs

**Need to treat the concentrate
and waste**

**Need to evaluate both the fate
of the parent compounds as
well as conjugates and
bioactive by-products**

O₃ AND AOPs _ Fundamental notions



Standards redox potentials (298 K, H₂)

Name	E° (V)
Fluor	3,03
Hydroxyl radical	2,80
Ozone	2,07
Hydrogen peroxide	1,78
Potassium permanganate	1,68

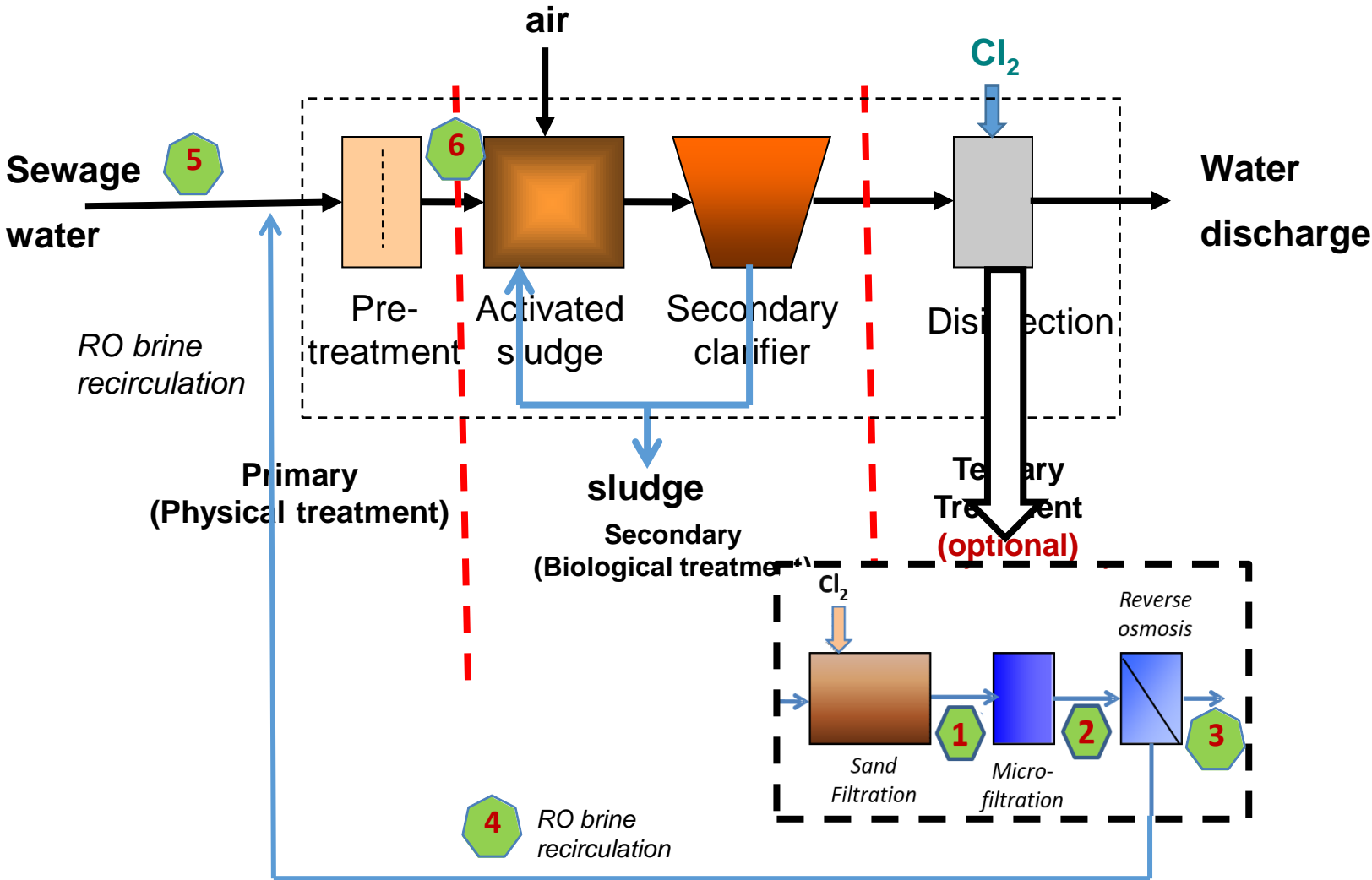
Molecular O₃ attack is selective : attack on high electronic density sites.

HO· attack is much more unselective : few compounds resist to its action.

HO· Initiators	HO· Promoters	HO· Inhibitors
Hydroxide ions Hydrogen peroxide UV ₂₅₄ radiation Heterogeneous catalysts Organic matter	Ozone Hydrogen peroxide Organic Matter	Hydrogen peroxide Carbonates Organic Matter Ter-butanol

O₃ in Wastewater treatment

CLASICAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP)



Water and Wastewater parameters

Conventional parameters

- Chemical Oxygen Demand
- Biological Oxygen Demand
- Dissolved Organic Carbon
- UV-Absorbance at 254 nm
- Suspended Solids
- Turbidity
- Inorganic Carbon
- pH
- Nitrate and ammonia content

Micropollutant analysis

- VOCs
- PAHs
- Pesticides
- Phthalates
- Octylphenols//nonylphenols
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Organic matter fractionation

- LC-OCD-ON-UVA

Water and Wastewater parameters

LC-OCD ANALYSIS

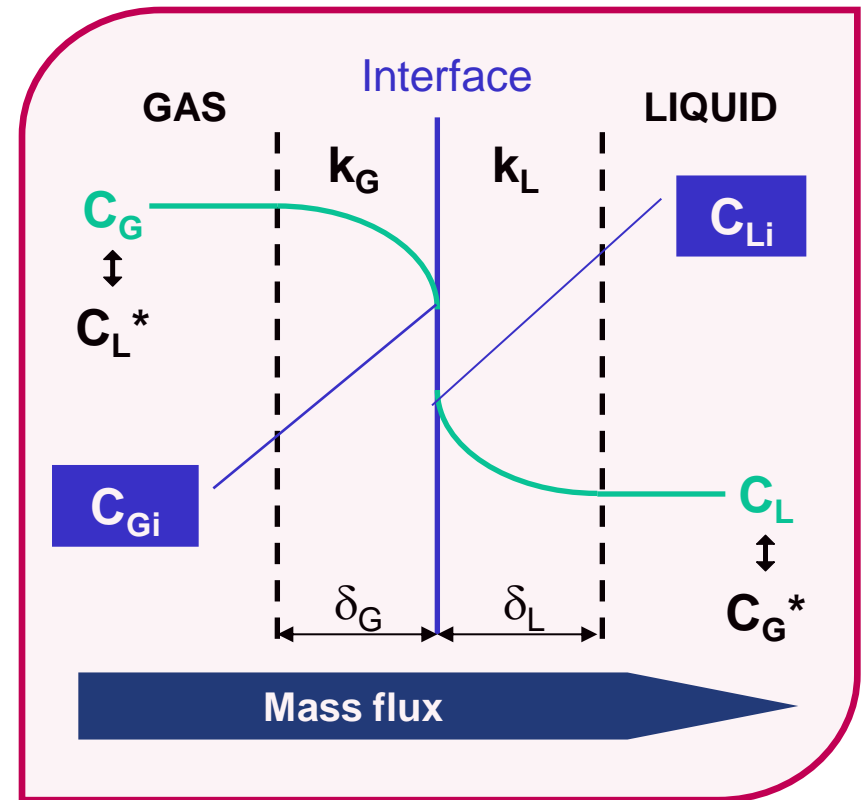
LC-OCD-OND-UVAD stands for Liquid Chromatography (size exclusion) Organic Carbon Detection, Organic Nitrogen Detection and Ultra-Violet Detection.

Fraction	Molecular weight	Description
Biopolymers	>> 20,000 Da	Polysaccharides and proteins. High molecular weight, hydrophilic and non-UV absorbable.
Humic substances	≈ 1,000 Da	Calibration based on Suwannee River standard from IHSS.
Building blocks or humic-like substances	350 – 500 Da	Breakdown products of humic substances.
Acids and low-molecular weight humics	< 350 Da	Aliphatic and low molecular weight organic acids
Low-molecular weight neutrals	< 350 Da	Weakly or uncharged low molecular weight compounds as well as low molecular weight slightly hydrophobic compounds

Modeling of O₃ mass transfer

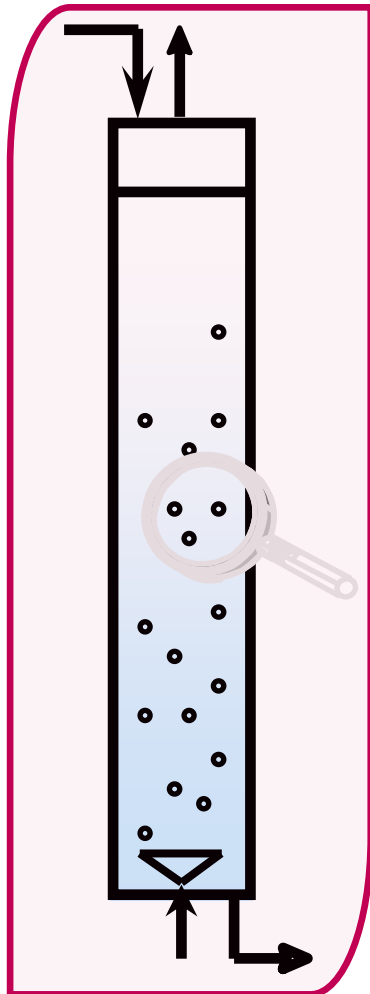
Ozonation is an absorption process

- Mass transfer rate dependent on
 - Physical properties of phases
 - Concentrations at the interface
 - Degree of turbulence
- Two-film model
$$N = (k_L \cdot a) \cdot (C_L^* - C_L) \cdot V_L$$
 - $C_L^* = f(C_G, P, T)$ - Henry's law
 - $C_L = f(\text{mixing conditions})$
 - $k_L \cdot a = f(\text{hydrodynamic \& operating conditions, reactor configuration})$



- gas hold-up and bubble size

Modeling O₃ mass transfer



Mass transfer & kinetics → Reaction regime

- Kinetics: first-order reaction for M, for Oxidant (O₃, OH°)
 $O_3 + n M \rightarrow \text{Products}$ $r_{O_3} = k \cdot [O_3] \cdot [M]$, $r_M = n \cdot k \cdot [O_3] \cdot [M]$
n : stoichiometric coefficient
 - Idem for reaction from HO°
 - Side reactions: scavenging effect, competition with OM oxidation
- Hydraulics: plug flow for the liquid phase
- Reaction regime

$$Ha = \frac{\sqrt{D_{O_3} \cdot k \cdot [M]}}{k_L}$$

Hatta number

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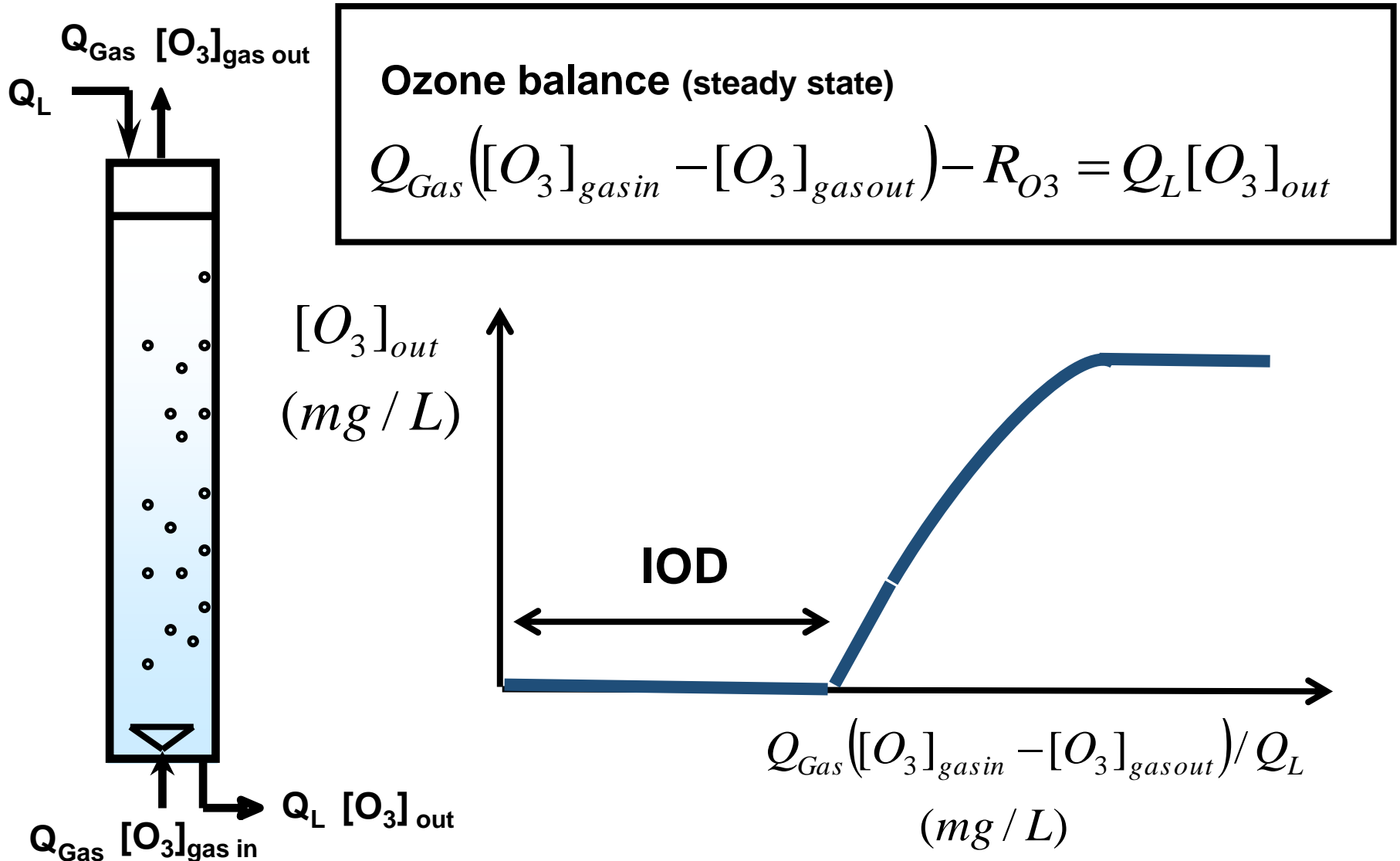
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O₃ and O₃-AOP reactors

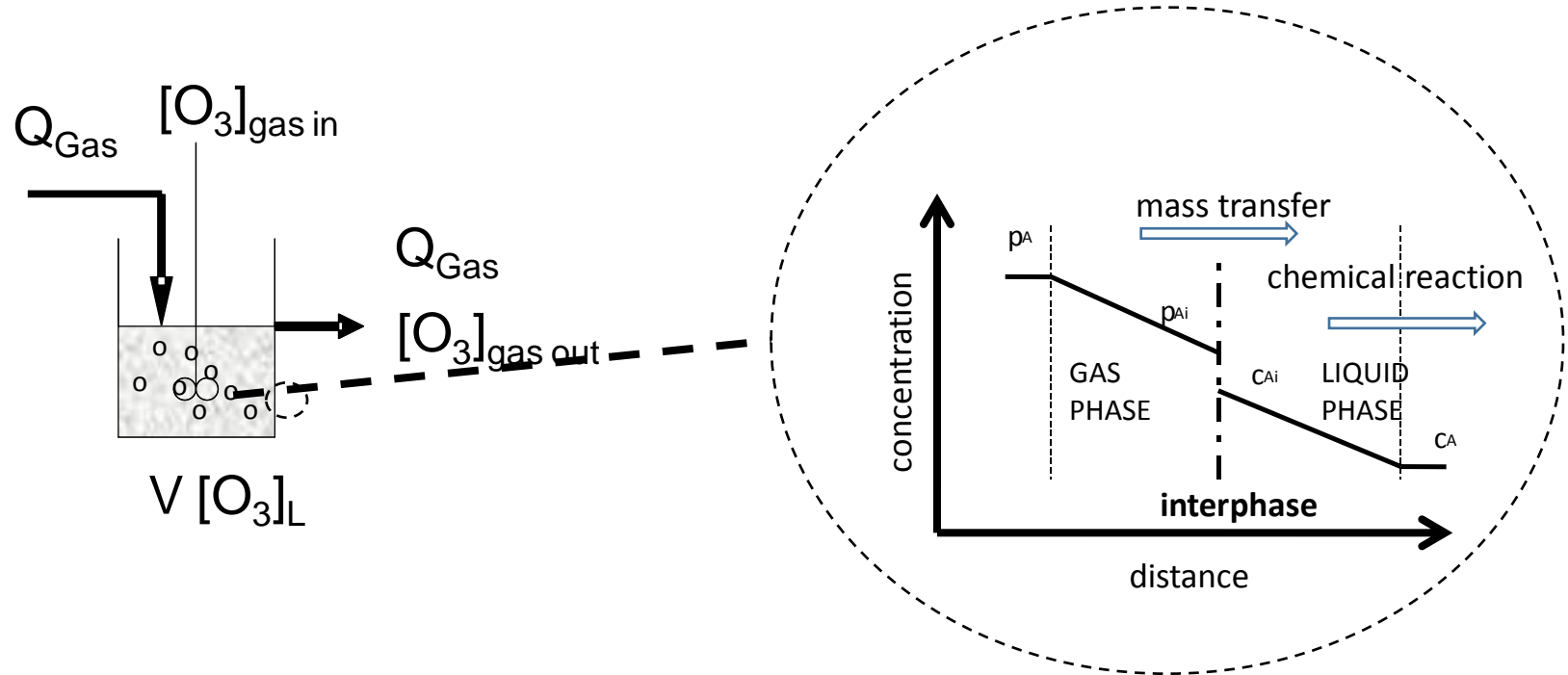
	Determining characteristic(s)	Reactor type
Ha < 0.02 - Very slow reaction	Liquid hold-up	Bubble column
0.02 < Ha < 0.3 – Slow reaction	Chemical regime	Bubble column Stirred tank
0.3 < Ha < 3 – Quite fast reaction	Liquid hold-up Interfacial area	Stirred tank
Ha > 3 – Fast reaction	Interfacial area	Packing column
Ha >> 3 – Instantaneous reaction	Transfer coefficient Interfacial area	Static mixer Ejector

IOD (Immediate Ozone Demand)

IOD : minimum amount of ozone dose (mg/L) to be transferred to have dissolved ozone in water (continuous flow)



IOD estimation al lab scale



$$N_{o_3} (\text{mol}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s})) = k_g (p_{o_3} - p_{o_3^*}) = k_L ([\text{O}_3]^* - [\text{O}_3])$$

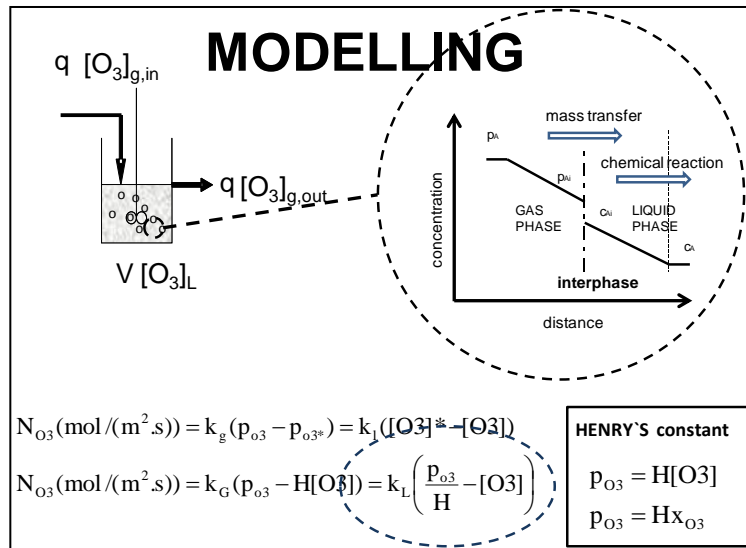
$$N_{o_3} (\text{mol}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s})) = k_G (p_{o_3} - H[\text{O}_3]) = k_L \left(\frac{p_{o_3}}{H} - [\text{O}_3] \right)$$

HENRY'S constant

$$p_{\text{O}_3} = H[\text{O}_3]$$

$$p_{\text{O}_3} = Hx_{\text{O}_3}$$

IOD estimation al lab scale



Transferred Ozone Dose

$$TOD = \int_0^t \frac{Q_{Gas}}{V_{Liq}} \times ([O_3]_{gas \text{ in}} - [O_3]_{gas \text{ out}}) \times dt_r$$

Immediate Ozone Demand (IOD)

minimum amount of ozone to be transferred to have dissolved ozone in water

Ozone balance in liquid phase

$$TOD < IOD \quad [O_3] = 0$$

$$TOD > IOD \quad \frac{d[O_3]}{dt} = K_L a \times ([O_3]^* - [O_3]) - k_d \times [O_3]$$

$$P_{O_3} = Hx_{O_3}^* \quad \text{Henry's law}$$

$$H = 3.810^7 [HO^-]^{0.035} \exp(-2428/T)$$

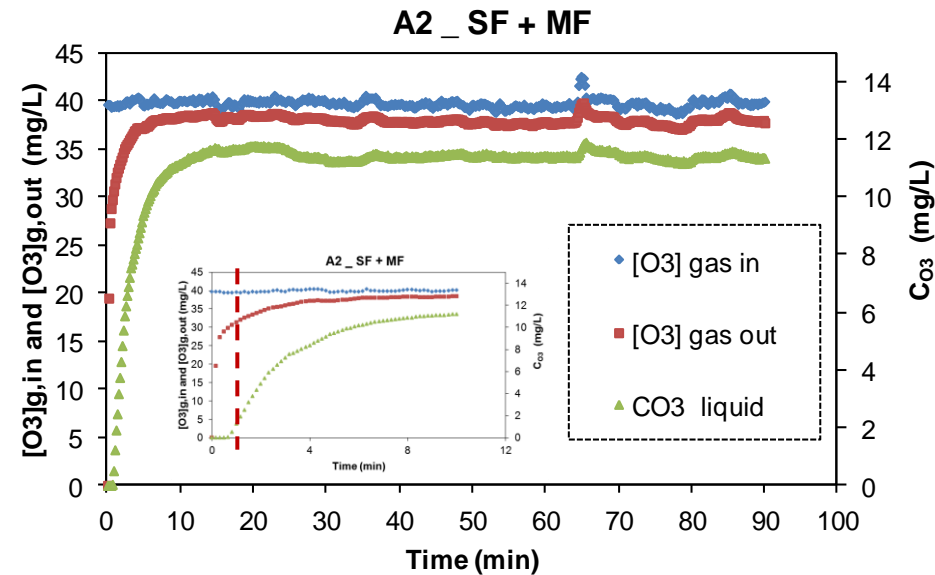
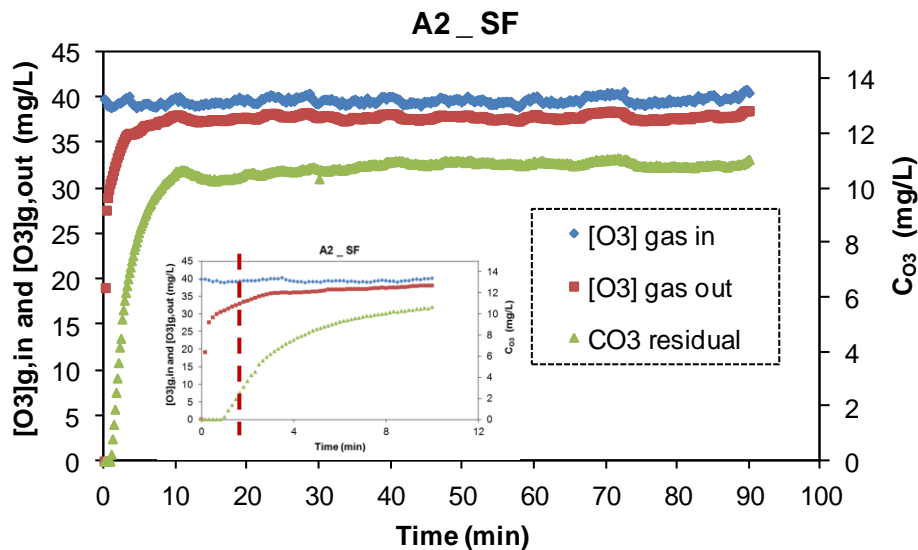
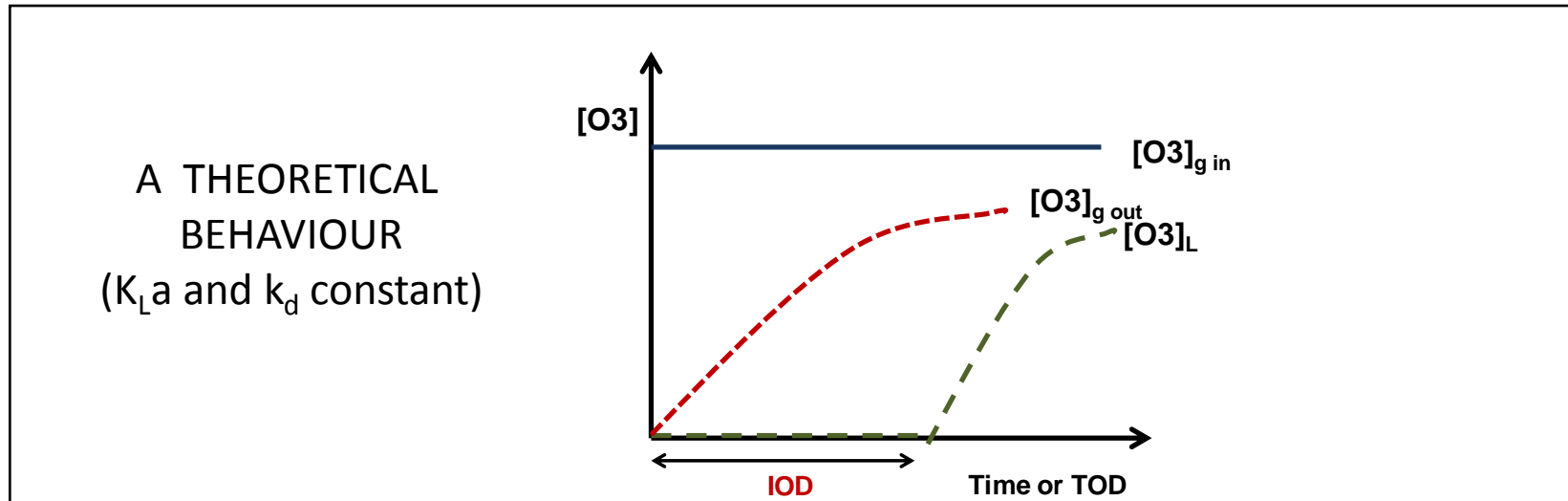
$$276.5K < T < 333K \quad 0.65 < pH < 10.2$$

Roth and Sullivan equation

Ozone balance in gas phase

$$Q_{Gas} ([O_3]_{gas \text{ in}} - [O_3]_{gas \text{ out}}) = K_L a ([O_3]^* - [O_3]) V_{Liq} = k_d [O_3] V_{Liq} + \frac{d[O_3]}{dt} V_{Liq}$$

IOD estimation at lab scale

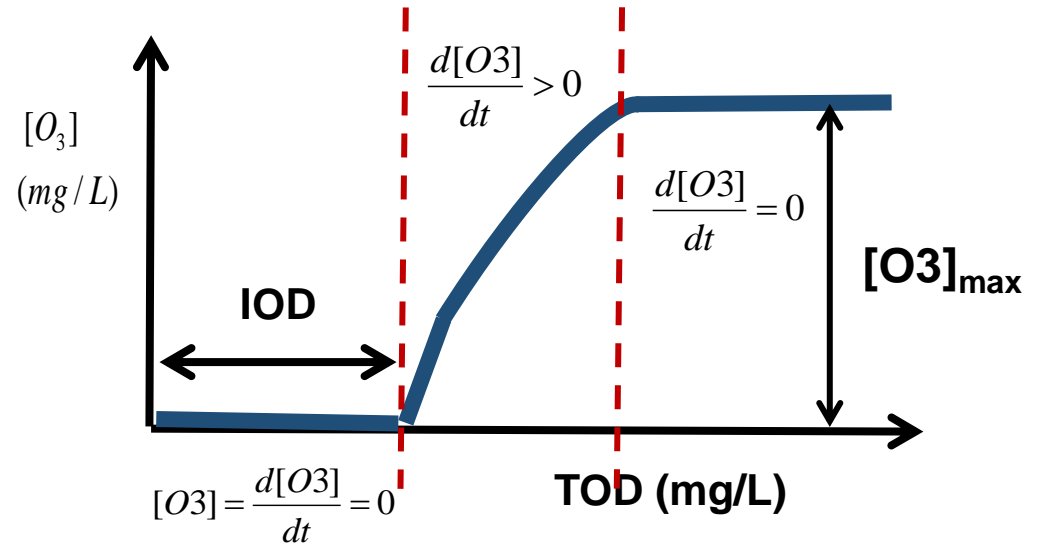


IOD = 6 mg/L, contact time = 1 min

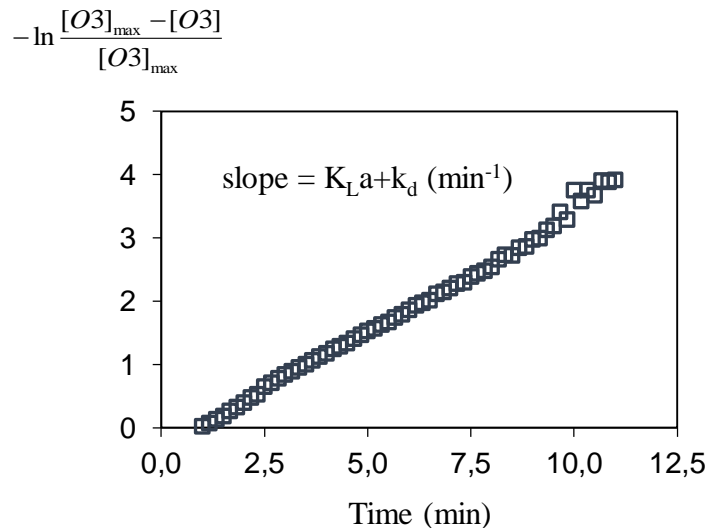
From these data it is easily possible to estimate $K_L a$ and k_d

Estimation $K_L a$, k_d at lab scale

Behavior ozone in water



$$\frac{d[O_3]}{dt} > 0 \quad \ln \frac{[O_3]_{\max} - [O_3]}{[O_3]_{\max}} = -(K_L a + k_d)t$$



$$\frac{d[O_3]}{dt} = 0 \quad \frac{[O_3]^*}{[O_3]_{\max}} = \frac{K_L a + k_d}{K_L a}$$

$$P_{O_3} = Hx_{O_3^*}$$

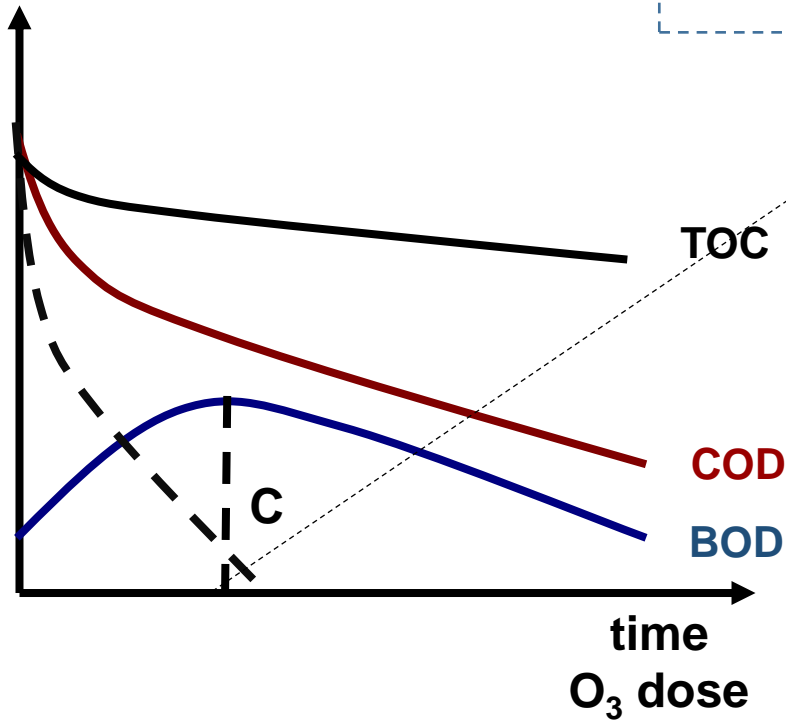
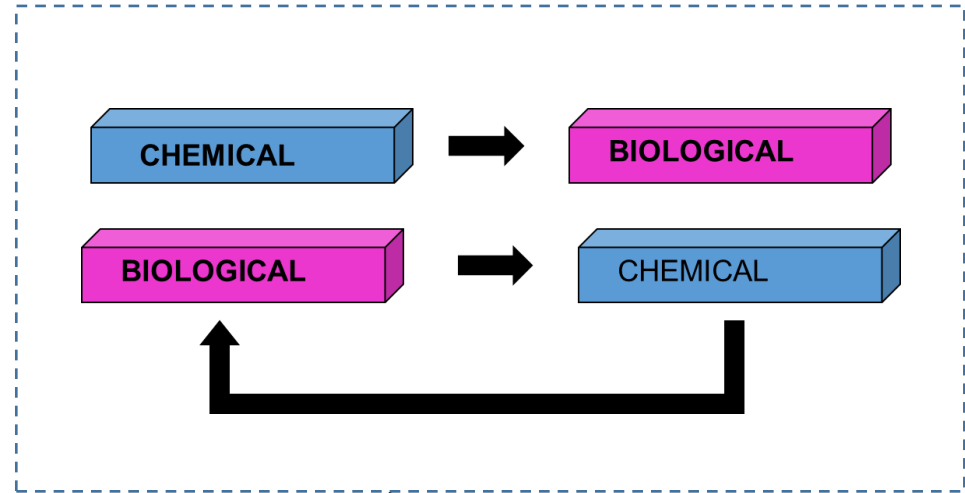
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Wastewater changes

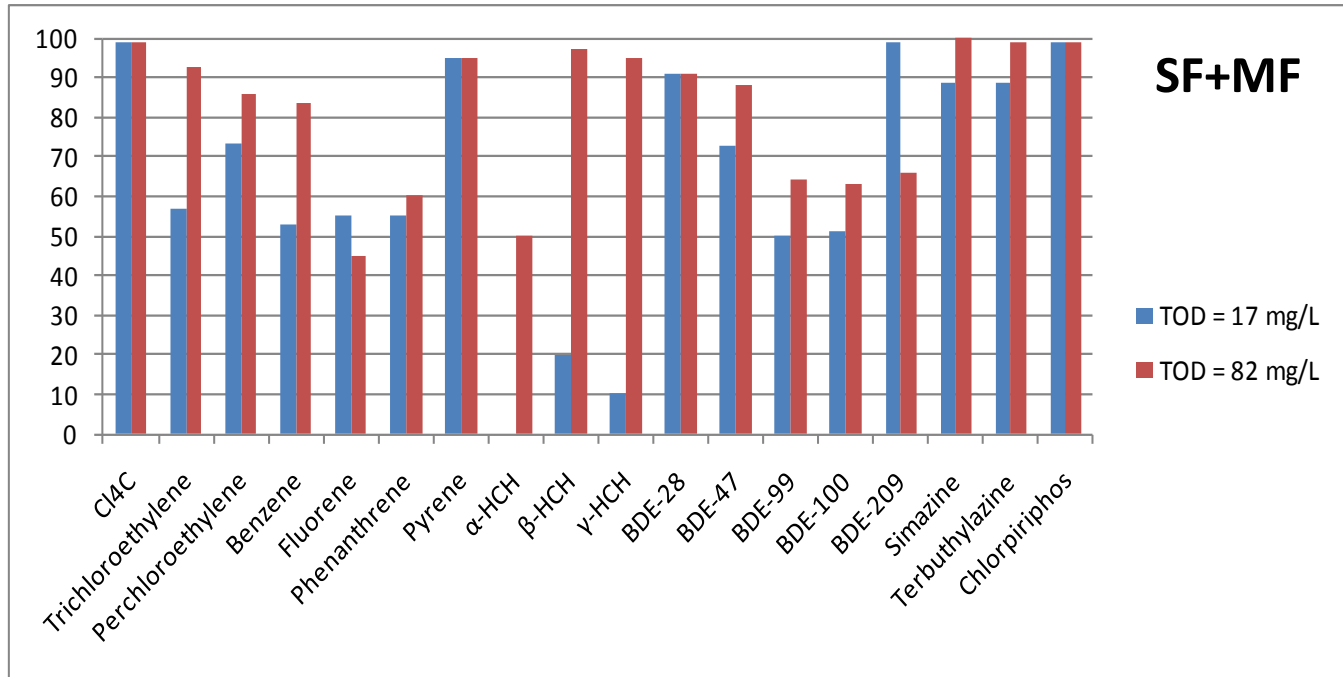
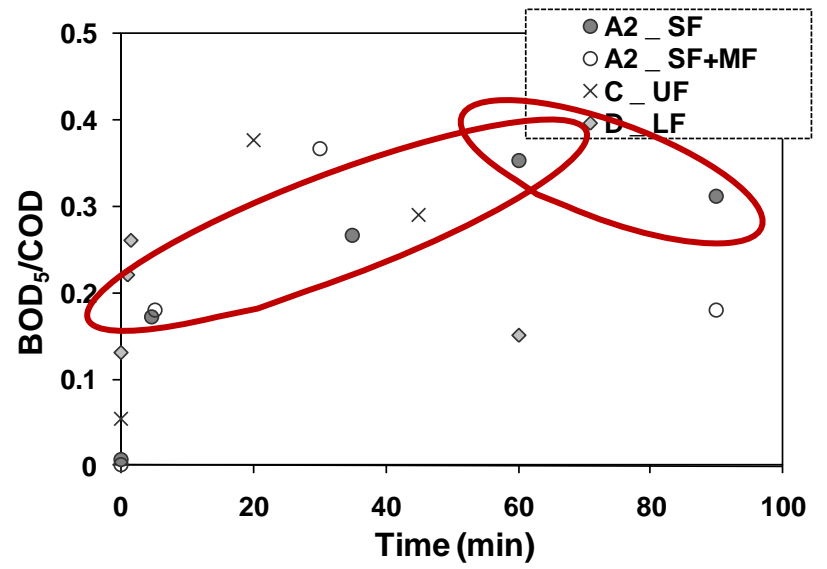
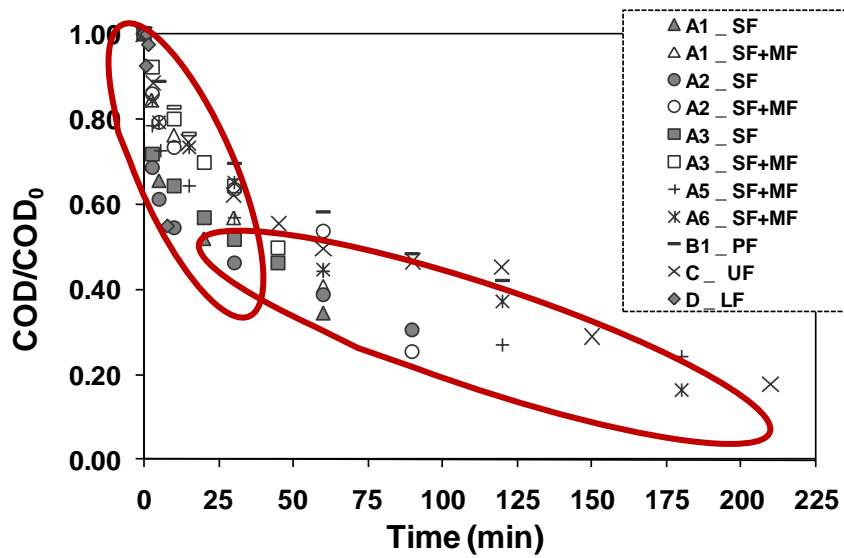
- Contaminant removal
- COD removal
- TOC removal
- BOD changes



Stoichiometry
g (C, TOC, COD, UVA)
removed/g O₃

Kinetics (C, TOC, COD, UVA)
1st fast reaction
2nd slow reaction

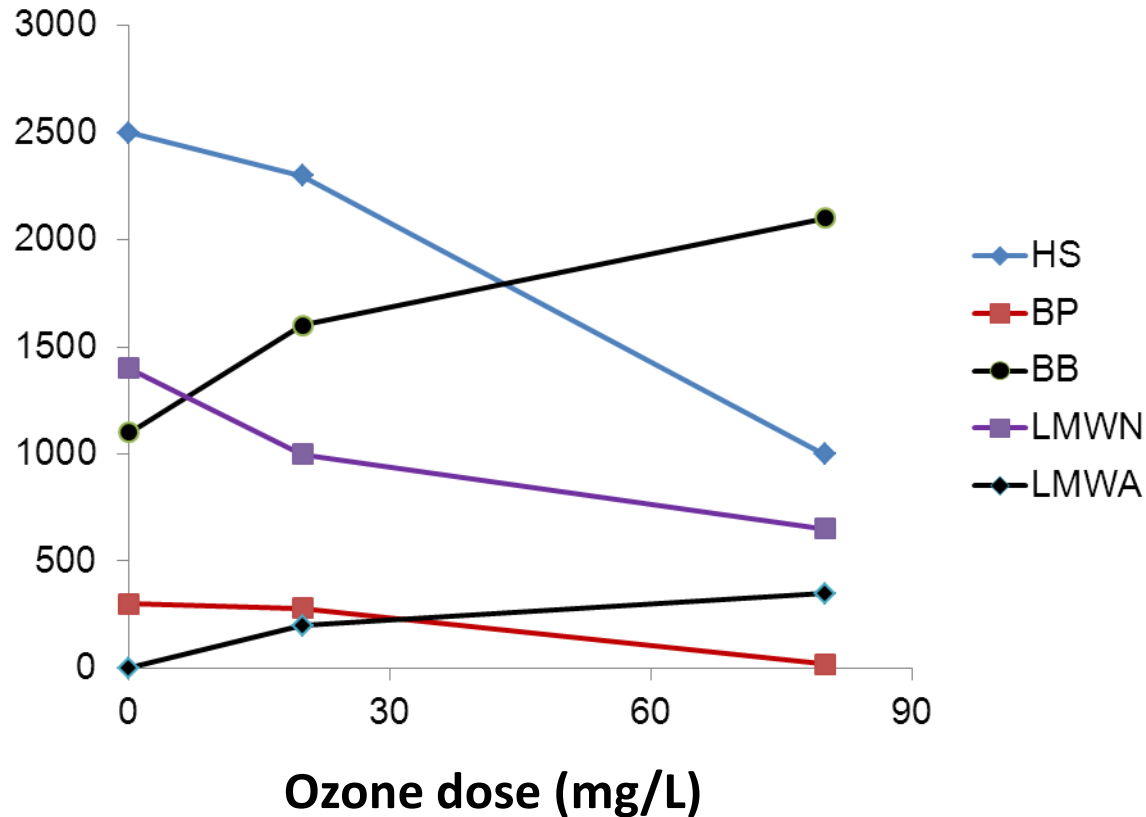
Maximum of BOD



WW changes: Size Molecular distribution

LC-OCD Analysis

DOC ($\mu\text{g/L}$)



HS and LMW neutrals decrease with ozone dose

Building blocks increase with ozone dose

Cleavage of high MW into lower MW substances and acid formation

Conclusions

- **Ozonation of wastewater effluents** is able to reduce **COD, DOC, UVA, Turbidity** at the same time than the **contaminant concentration**.
- **At low ozonation doses** there is an increase of the biodegradability, **BOD/COD**, of the effluent.
- **During ozonation** there are important changes in the **Size Molecular Distribution of the Organic Matter**.
- Examination of the ozone mass balance provides three fundamental parameters: **the instantaneous ozone demand, ozone mass transfer coefficient and the ozone decay kinetic constant**.
- Their knowledge is of primary importance for the design of ozone contactors and for the determination of the appropriate operating conditions.



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