Lessons Learned from Two Decades of Research on Emerging Contaminants

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Past

- Chlorinated Pesticides
- Brominated flame retardants

Present

- Antibiotics and pharmaceuticals
- Endocrine disrupting compounds

Future

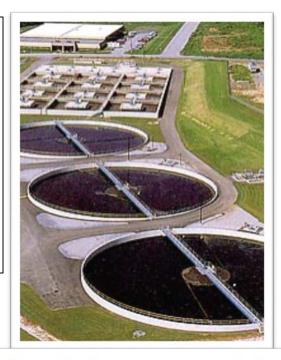
Engineered nanomaterials





Fate, Effects, and Treatment of Contaminants

- Analytical Techniques
- Occurrence in Environment
- Bioaccumulation and Biotransformations
- Ecological and Human Health Impacts
- Wastewater Treatment Systems











Shedding light on potential toxins that lurk in blood and breast milk



UB chemistry professor Diana Aga, left, and chemistry doctoral candidate Deena Butryn examine blood and breast milk samples using the one-shot method. Credit: Douglas Levere. New "one-shot" analysis quickens identification of flame retardants by five times

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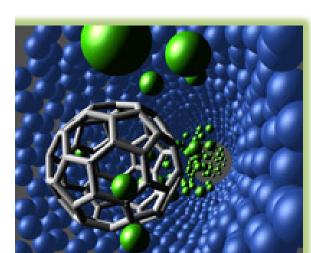


What are Emerging Contaminants

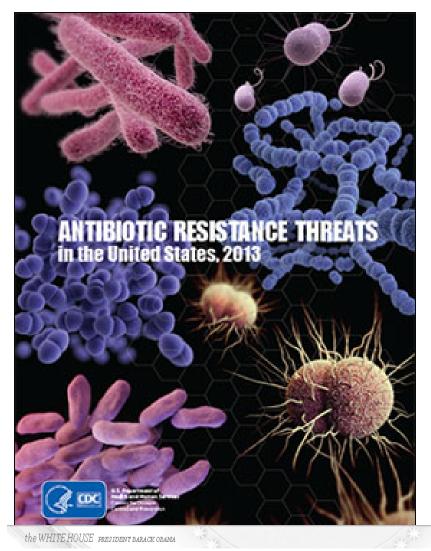
- Occurrence in the environment has been reported only in the last 20 years
- Cause adverse ecological and human health effects at very low levels
- Man-made and naturally occurring chemicals
 - Antibiotics and other pharmaceuticals
 - Personal care products
 - Estrogens and other hormones
 - New Halogenated flame retardants
 - Engineered nanomaterials







Environmental Impacts of Emerging Contaminants



Estrogen knocks out fish in whole-lake experiment

For the first time, scientists have demonstrated in a natural lake ecosystem that the synthetic estrogen found in birth control pills can cause the collapse of fathead minnow populations. The findings sup-

port lab studies, which over the past 10 years have linked natural and synthetic estrogen in wastewaer to feminization of male fish but have been unable to show

western Ontario—a pristine wilderness of lakes and boreal forest on granite bedrock known as the Canadian Shield, says Karen Kidd, ecotoxicologist with the Canadian Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) and coordinator of the study. Until now, Lake 260 has not been manipulated for any experiments. The average estrogen

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Experimental Lakes Area of north-



A researcher adds estrogen to Lake 260, a pristine lake in Canada.

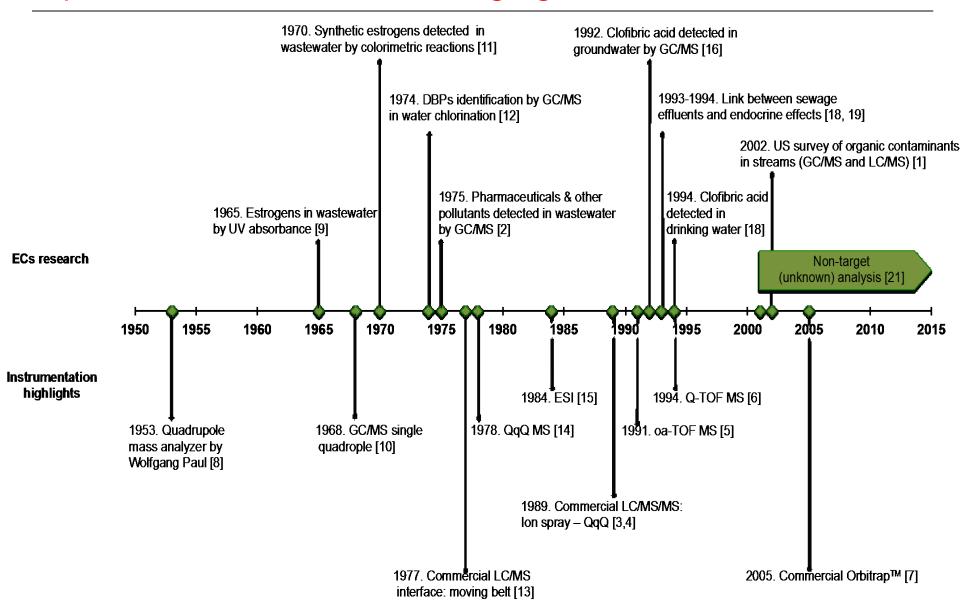
ers' association.

Dozens of researchers in academia and government in the United States and Canada tracked changes in the populations and physiology of fish, bacteria, phytoplankton, zooplankton, and insects in Lake 260 and several reference lakes both before and during estrogen additions, Kidd says. Although preliminary results do not yet point to dramatic changes in the lower levels of the food web, fish are clearly stressed.

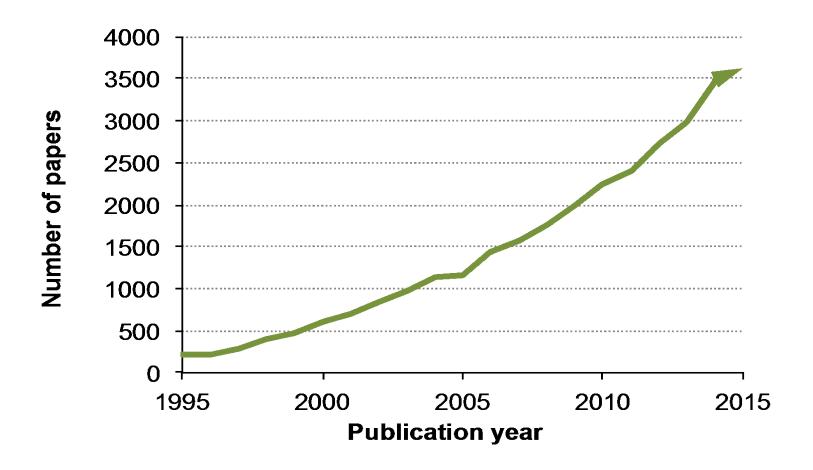
Fathead minnows, which live just 2–3 years, once numbered

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Important Milestones on Emerging Contaminants Research



Two Decades of Publications on Emerging Contaminants



Web of Science search entry: ((pharmaceutic* OR drug OR drugs) AND (effluent*OR wastewater* OR waste water* OR river* OR stream* OR sedimen* OR (waterNEAR/8 pollut*))) OR ((emergent or emerging) NEAR/5 contamina*) OR endocrin*NEAR/4 disrupt* OR estrogenic NEAR/4 (compound* OR chemical*).

LESSON #1

Human pharmaceuticals and personal care products (PPCPs) are introduced into the environment because they are not completely eliminated in treatment systems



Pharmaceuticals, Hormones, and Other Organic Wastewater Contaminants in U.S. Streams, 1999-2000: A National Reconnaissance

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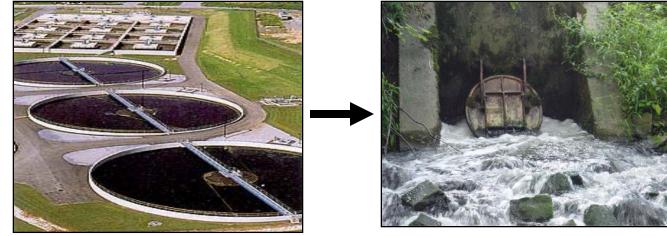
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Differences in Efficiencies of Wastewater Treatment Plants in Removing Pharmaceuticals

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Removal of Antibiotics in Wastewater: Effect of Hydraulic and Solid Retention Times on the

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many surface water resources that receive discharges from municipal wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) and agricultural runoff (3-6). A recent study showed that as high as 4 ug/L tetracycline and 1.2 ug/L chlortetracycline have been detected in municipal wastewater (7). Further, a reconnaissance study by the United States Geological Survey

Environ, Sci. Technol. 2006, 40, 7367-7373

Enhanced Biodegradation of lopromide and Trimethoprim in Nitrifying Activated Sludge[†]

processes available for each stage of treatment. Several reports have shown that the current wastewater treatment procedures do not completely eliminate many of these microcontaminants (4-9).

Recently, there has been an increased effort to investigate

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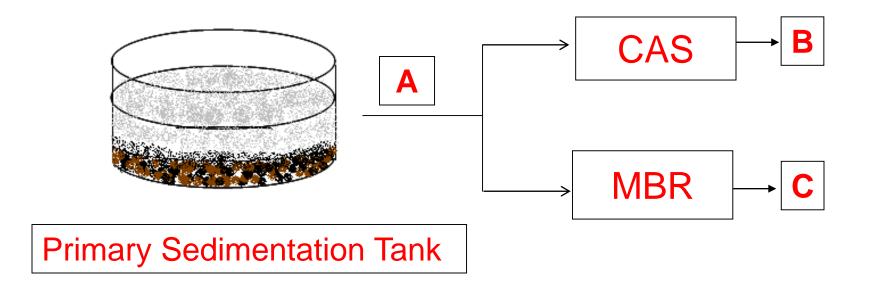
Comparison of the occurrence of antibiotics in four full-scale wastewater treatment plants with varying designs and operations

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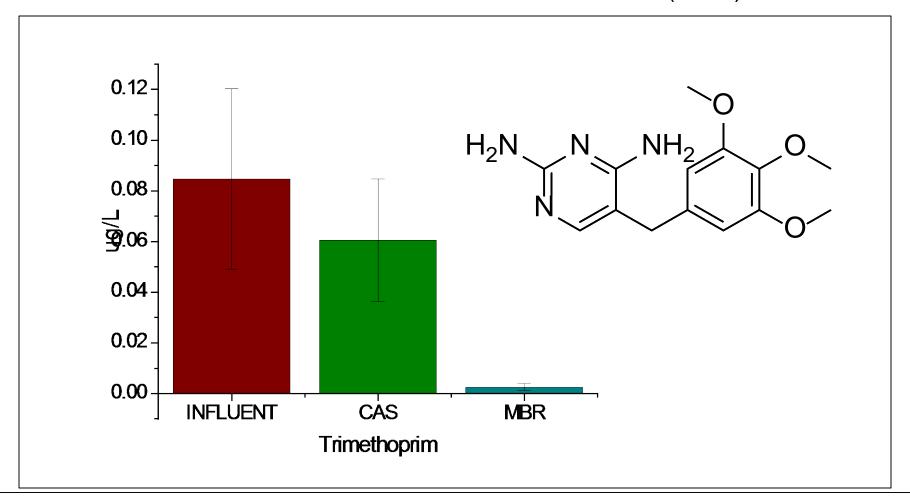
Removal in Conventional Activated Sludge (CAS) and Membrane Bioreactors (MBR)



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Trimethoprim Removal

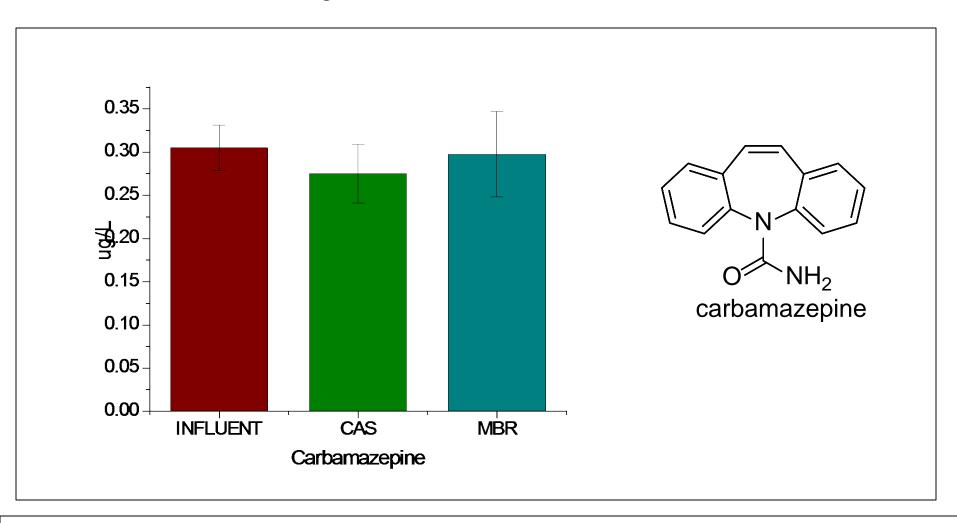
29 % removal for conventional activated sludge (CAS) &>85 % removal for membrane bioreactor (MBR)



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Carbamazepine Removal

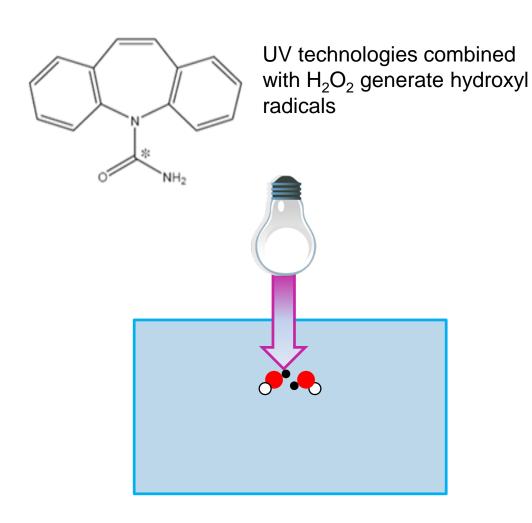
No significant removal in CAS or MBR



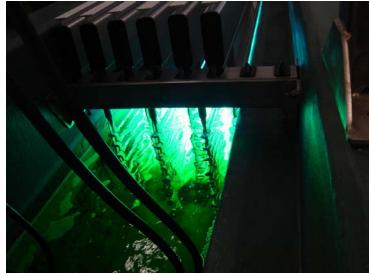
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LESSON #2

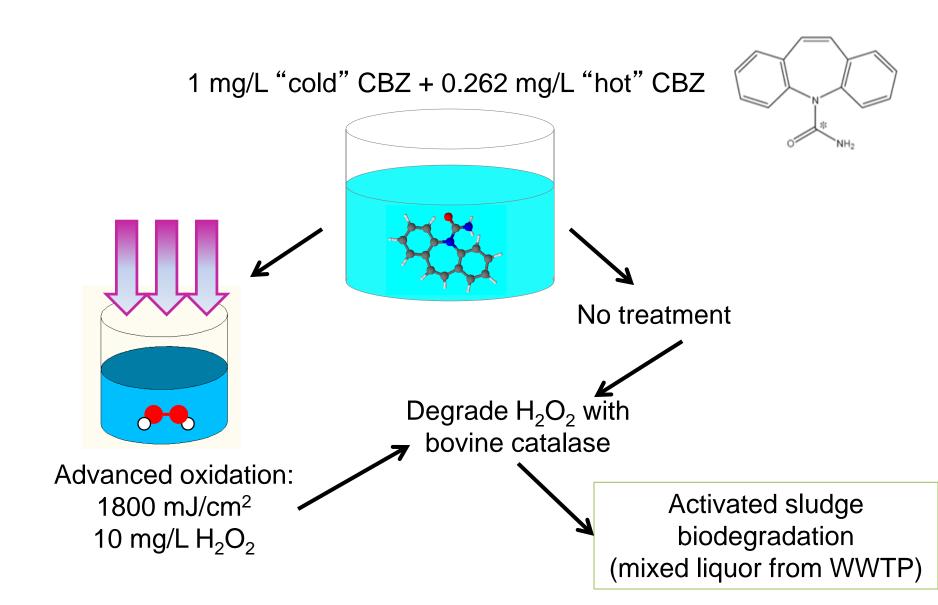
Advanced Oxidation Process (AOP) followed by Biofiltration is a very promising technology to mineralize recalcitrant pharmaceuticals



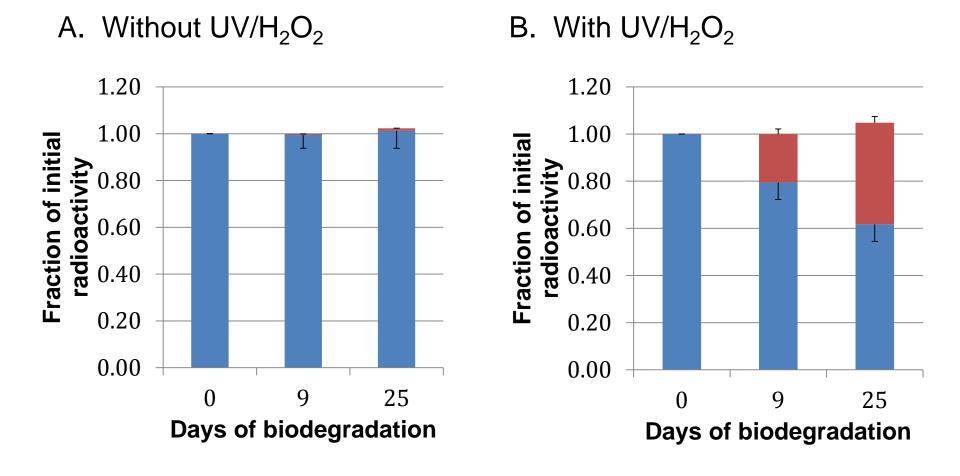




Experimental Setup for AOP of Carbamazepine

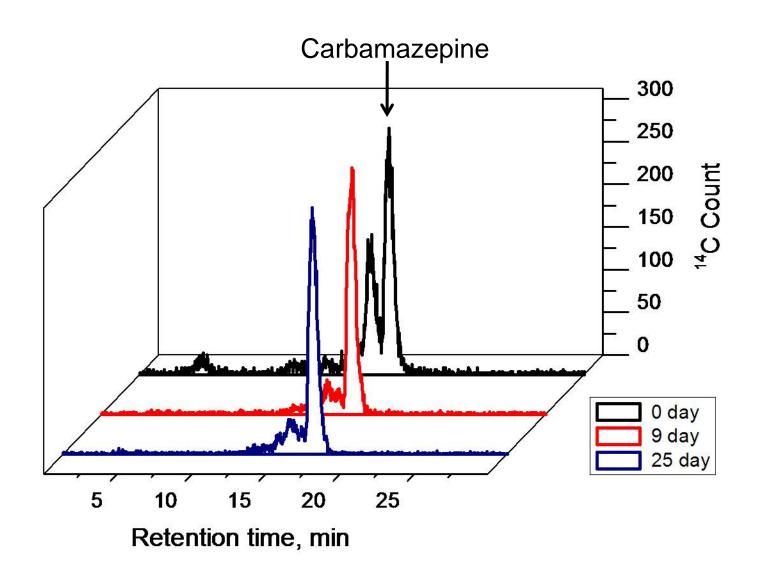


Liquid Scintillation Counting of Samples After Biofiltration



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Radiochromatograms of CBZ after AOP-Biofiltration





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Enhanced Biodegradation of Carbamazepine after UV/H₂O₂ Advanced Oxidation

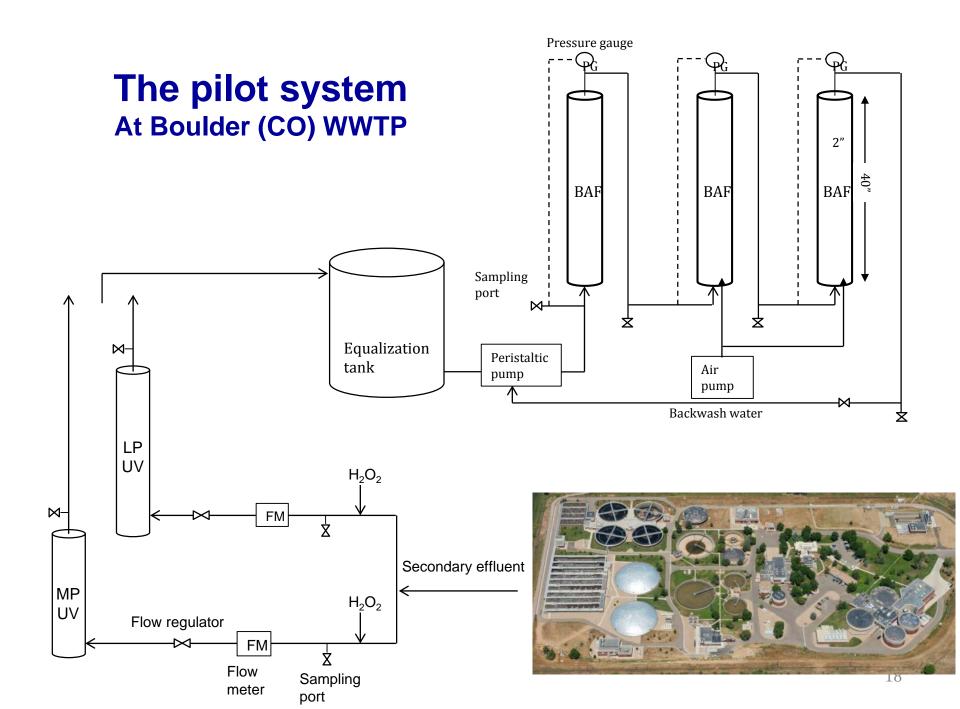
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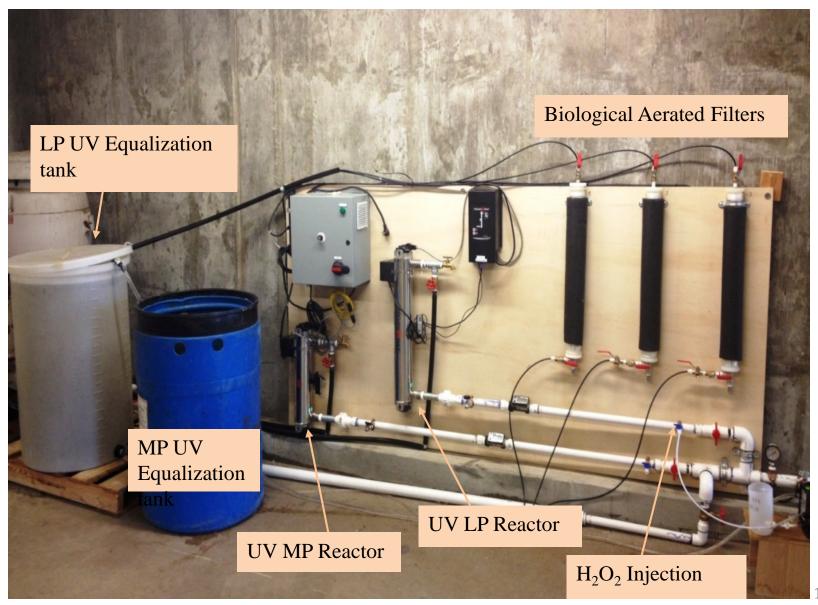
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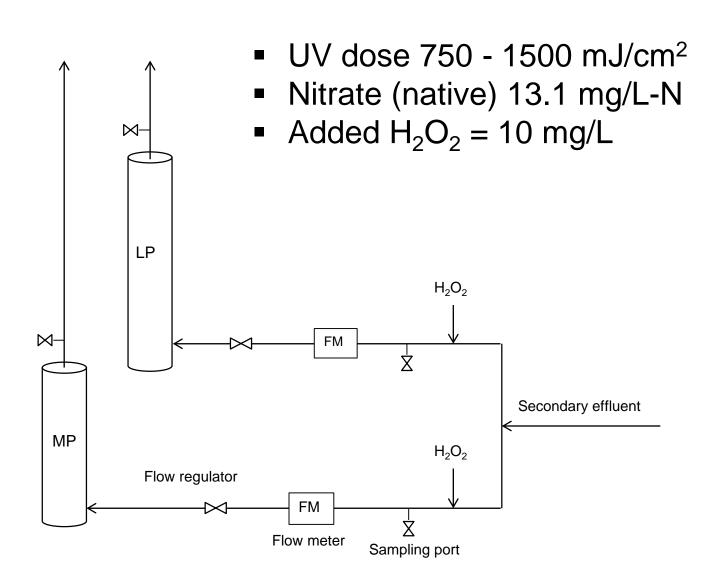
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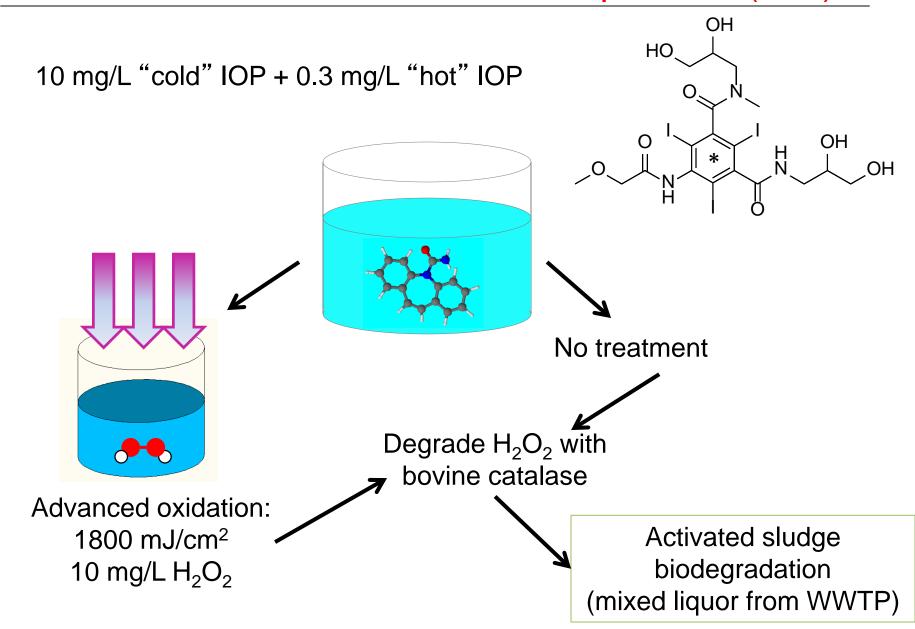
Pilot Scale System



Operational Parameters



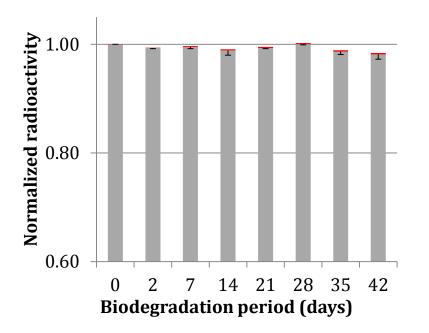
Advance Oxidation Process for Iopromide (IOP)



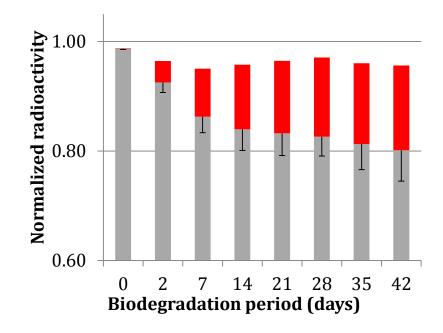
Liquid Scintillation Counting After Biofiltration

¹⁴CO₂ TrapLiquid Sample

A. Without UV/H₂O₂



B. With UV/H₂O₂



Biodegradable Transformation Products of Iopromide

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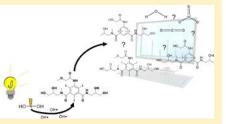
Application of Metabolite Profiling Tools and Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometry in the Identification of Transformation Products of Iopromide and Iopamidol during Advanced Oxidation

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: The efficiency of wastewater treatment systems in removing pharmaceuticals is often assessed on the basis of the decrease in the concentration of the parent compound. However, what is perceived as "removal" during treatment may not necessarily mean mineralization of the pharmaceutical compound but simply conversion into different transformation products (TPs). Using liquid chromatography coupled to a quadrupole time-of-flight mass spectrometer (LC-QToF-MS), we demonstrated conversion of iopromide in wastewater to at least 14 TPs after an advanced oxidation process (AOP) using UV (fluence = 1500 mJ/cm²) and H_2O_2 (10 mg/L). Due to the complexity of the wastewater matrix, the initial experi-



ments were performed using a high concentration (10 mg/L) of iopromide in order to facilitate the identification of TPs. Despite the high concentration of iopromide used, cursory inspection of UV and mass spectra only revealed four TPs in the chromatograms of the post-AOP samples. However, the use of METLIN database and statistics-based profiling tools commonly used in metabolomics proved effective in discriminating between background signals and TPs derived from iopromide. High-resolution mass data allowed one to predict molecular formulas of putative TPs with errors below 5 ppm relative to the observed m/z. Tandem mass spectrometry (MS/MS) data and isotope pattern comparisons provided necessary information that allowed one to elucidate the structure of iopromide TPs. The presence of the proposed iopromide TPs was determined in unspiked wastewater from a municipal wastewater treatment plant, but no iopromide and TPs were detected. Using analogous structural modifications and oxidation that results from the AOP treatment of iopromide, the potential TPs of iopamidol (a structurally similar compound to iopromide) were predicted. The same mass fragmentation pattern observed in iopromide TPs was applied to the predicted iopamidol TPs. LC-QToF-MS revealed the presence of two iopamidol TPs in unspiked AOP-treated wastewater.

LESSON #3

Veterinary drugs are introduced into the environment through land application of manure



Table 1. Manure Production per 200 Cows*		
	Per Day (lb.)	Per Year (LB)
Feces and Urine	24,100	8,800,000
Total Solids	3,360	1,230,000
Volatile Solids	2,800	1,020,000
Total N	126	46,000
Total P	26	9,610
Total K	812	23,600
*does not include wastewater and bedding		

^{*}estimates may increase with milk production

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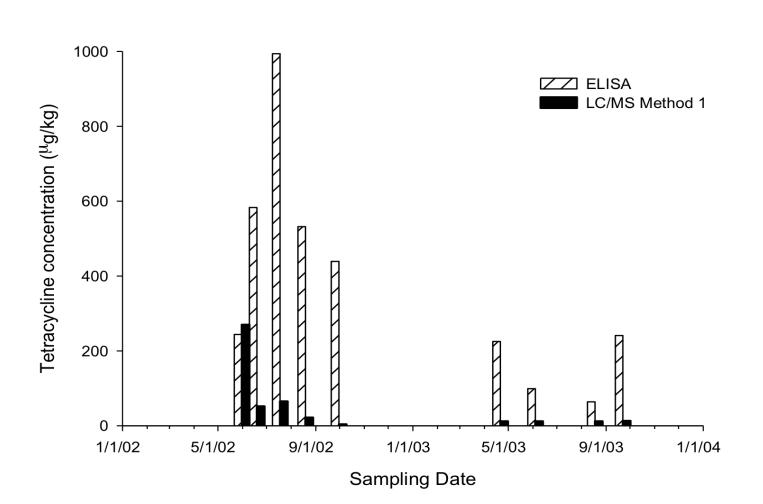
Manure as fertilizer

- Lower cost of crop production
- Improve soil water infiltration
- Reduce soil erosion potential

2013 Sales of Antimicrobial Drugs Approved in Food-Producing Animals in the US

Class	Annual Total (Kg)
Tetracyclines	6,514,779
Ionophores (e.g. monensin)	4,434,657
Penicillins	828,721
Macrolides	563,251
Sulfonamides	384,371
Aminoglycosides	270,342
Lincosamides	236,450
Cephalosporins	28,337
Others (e.g. Polypeptides, Streptogramins)	1,527,646

US Food and Drug Administration, **2015**. Summary Report: Antimicrobials Sold or Distributed for Use in Food- Producing Animals.



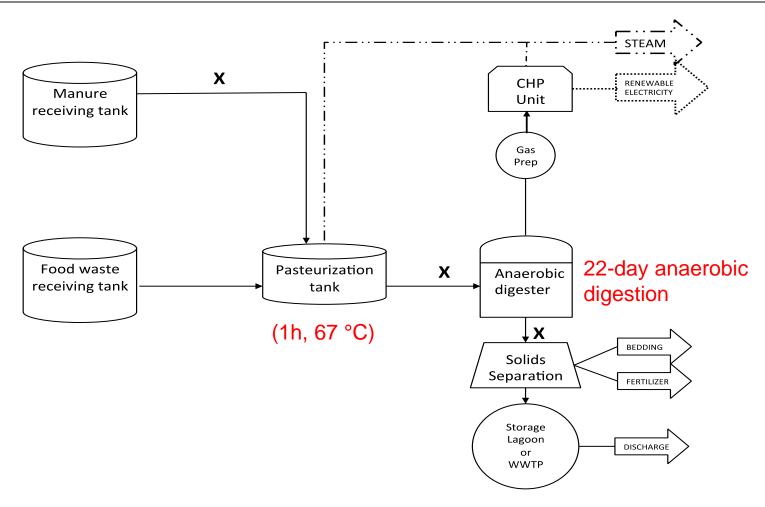
LESSON #4

Even advanced manure treatment systems do not remove antibiotics, hormones, and antibiotic resistance genes



A 2,200-cow dairy with an advanced digestion facility that includes a pasteurization step (1h, 67 °C), followed by a 22-day anaerobic digestion process.

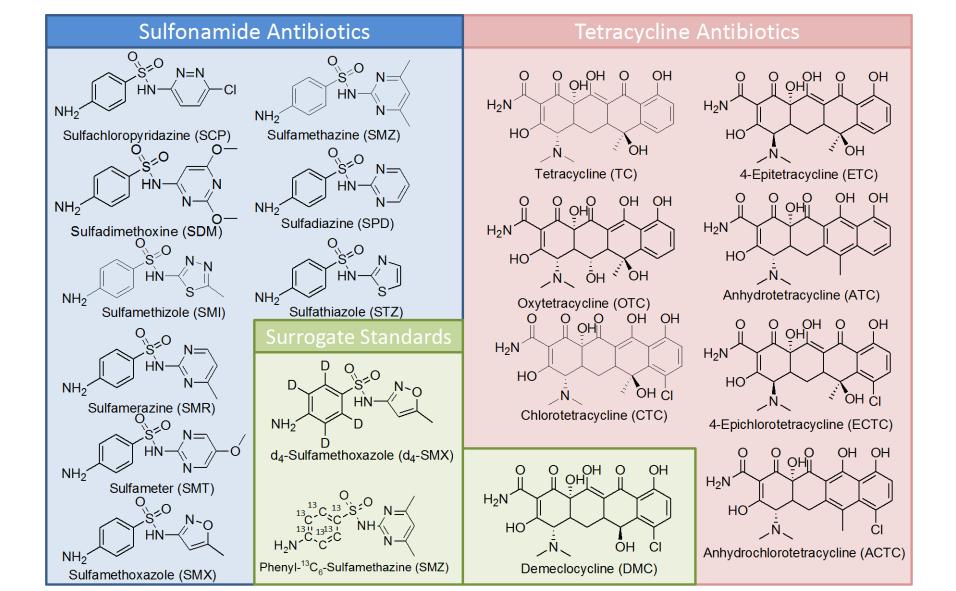
Sampling Points in Advanced Digestion System



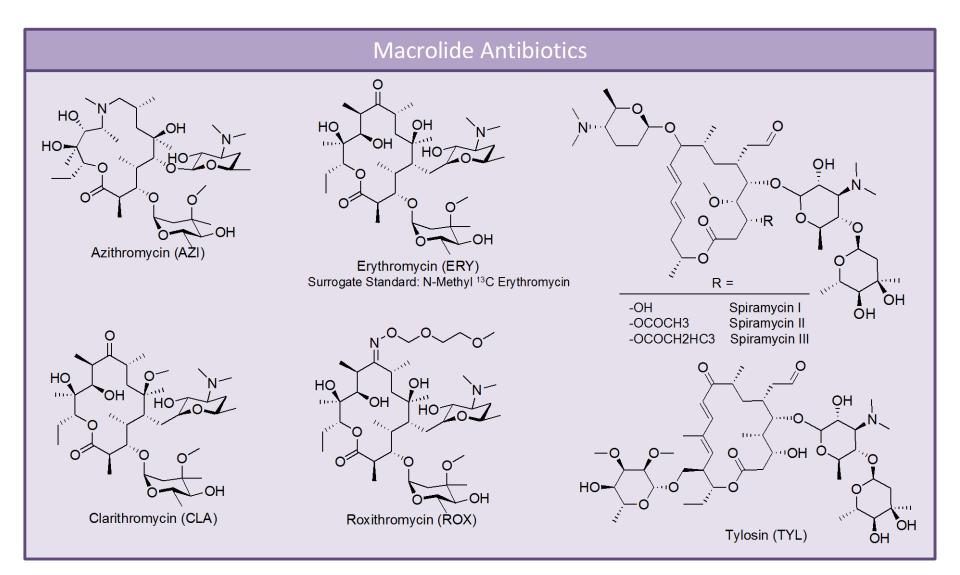
Antibiotics Used in Dairy Farms:

β-Lactams (penicillin, ampicillin, amoxicillin, ceftiofur, cephapirin) Tetracyclines (oxytetracycline), Sulfonamides

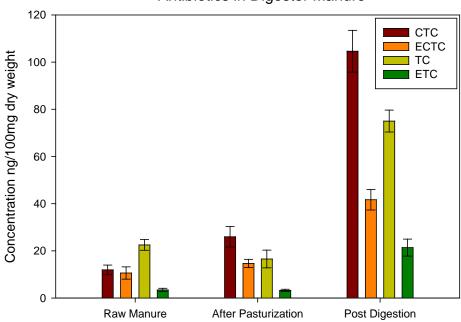
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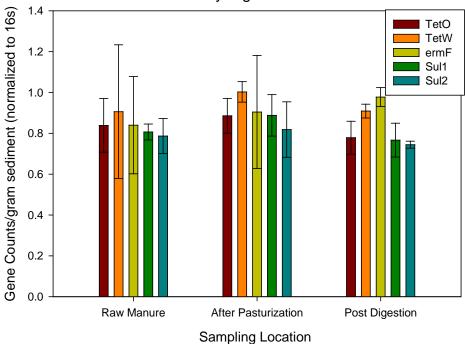
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Antibiotics in Digester Manure



ARGs by Digester Location





New York dairy goes all in on nutrient recycling

BY JIM DICKRELL

aking manure-laden sand bedding and segregating it back into clean sand, useable crop nutrients and water clean enough to drink doesn't come easy or cheap. But once the separation system is refined and working, it definitely makes life a whole lot easier for Nate Hartway, finance and environmental compliance manager for McCormick Farms, Bliss, N.Y. The farm milks 2,000 cows and farms some 8,500 acres of corn, alfalfa and potatoes. The operation spans five counties with some fields up to 40 miles from the dairy operation.

McCormick Farms installed a Livestock Water Recycling (LWR) System a year ago. And after some initial hiccups and start-up problems, the system is now operating pretty much as designed and promised.

Manure-laden sand from three freestall barns is now being cleaned and can be re-bedded just a month after processing. The nutrients in the manure are being separated into nitrogen/potash and a phosphorus/organic matter components.

"Prior to installing the system, we were struggling to reclaim and clean-up the sand," Hartway says. The farm had been recycling water from one of its lagoons, but the dissolved nutrients in the lagoon water stayed in suspension and created a syrup-like goo that clogged up the liquid/solids separation press to the point where nothing came out.

About the only solution was to completely drain the lagoon and start over with fresh water. The logistics of doing that with the dairy still in operation were daunting.

After visiting dairies in New York and Michigan, Hartway and Jim McCormick, owner of McCormick Dairy, decided to go with the LWR System. "The Michigan dairy was sand bedded and had a set-up similar to us," Hartway says. "That convinced us to go this route."

Sand flushed from the freestall barns goes through a sand lane where the larger sand particles drop out. Then, the slurry is sent through a screen separator where the larger manure particles are pressed out.

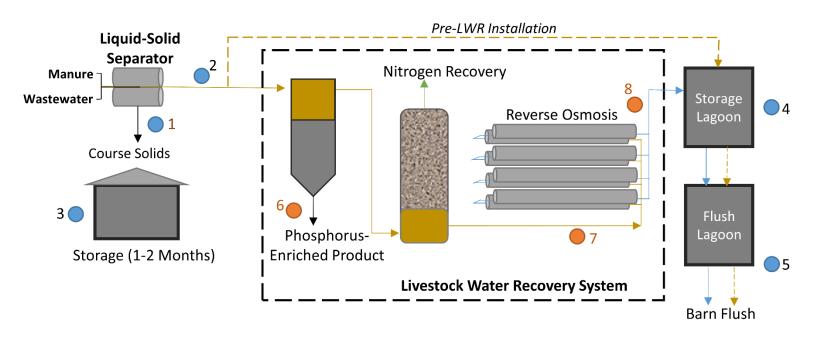
Analysis of
Ionophore in Manure
treated by Livestock
Water Recycling
(LWR) Unit

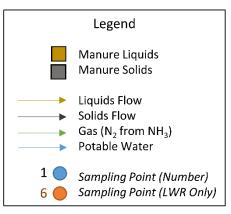
The system can extract up to 70 percent of the water out of the manure while leaving the nutrients in a separate concentrated form.

It costs roughly 1/4¢ per gallon to convert manure slurry to drinkable water available for any use.

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Sampling points in Dairy Farm with LWR



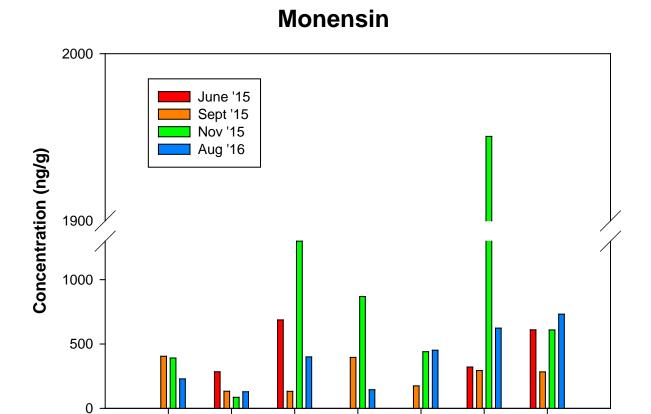


Sampling Locations:

- 1) Fresh Separated Solids
- 2) Fresh Separated Liquids
- 3) Stored Separated Solids
- 4) Stored Separated Liquids
- 5) Flush Lagoon

- 6) LWR Suspended Particulate
- 7) Nitrogen Enriched
- 8) Clean Effluent

Ionophore Concentrations in Solid Manure



FSS-Fresh Separated Solids **SSS**-Stored Separated Solids **FSL**-Fresh Separated Liquids

FSS

SSS

FSL

LWRSP-LWR Suspended Particulate
NE-Nitrogen Enriched
SSL-Stored Separated Liquids

n=2 samples per condition

LWRSP

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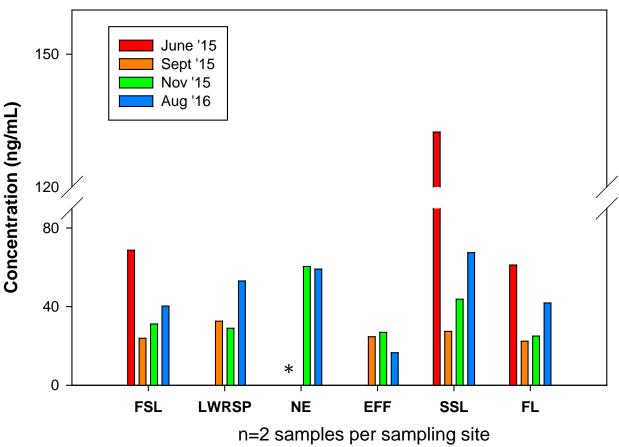
SSL

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FL-Flush Lagoon

Ionophore Concentrations in Liquid Manure

Monensin



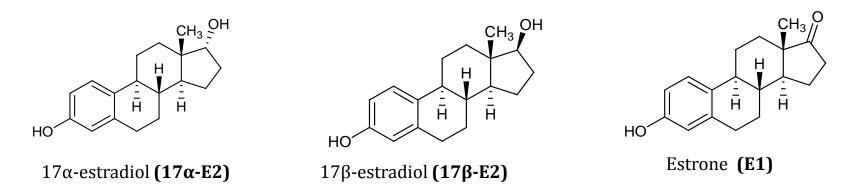
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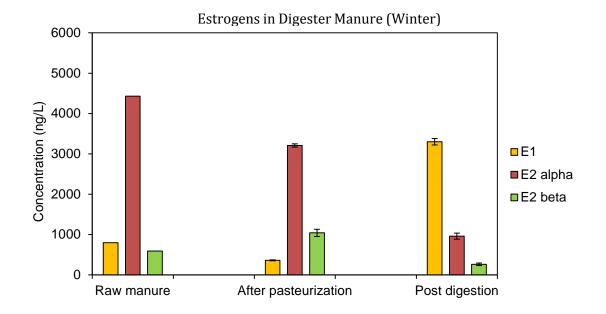
FSL-Fresh Separated Liquids **LWRSP-LWR** Suspended Particulate **NE**-Nitrogen Enriched

EFF-Clean Water Effluent **SSL**-Stored Separated Liquids FL-Flush Lagoon

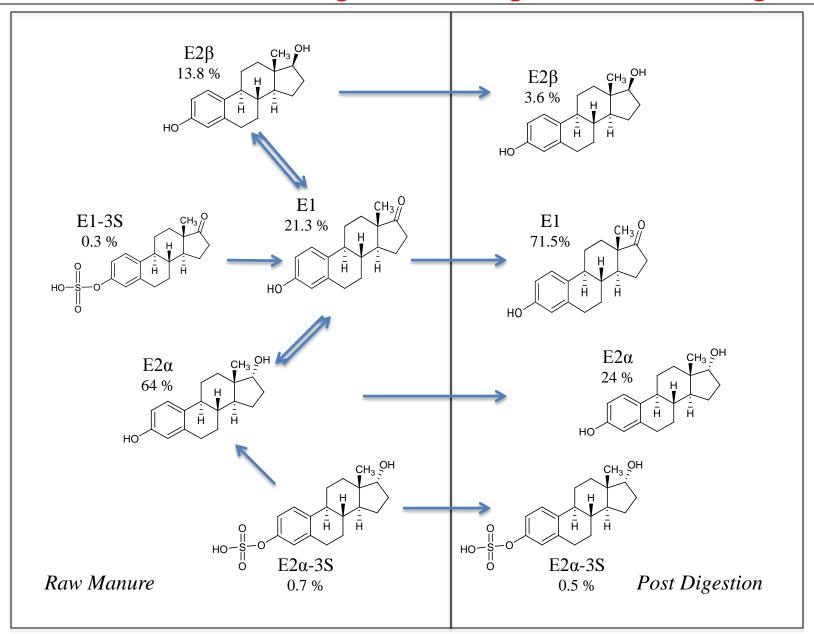
LESSON #5

Decrease in concentration of parent compound does not always mean "removal"

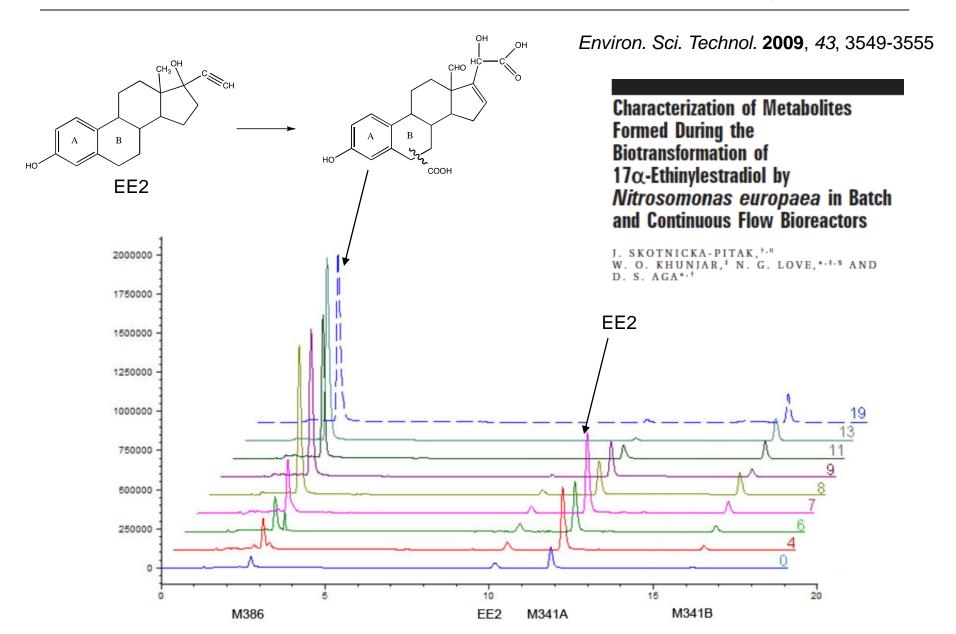




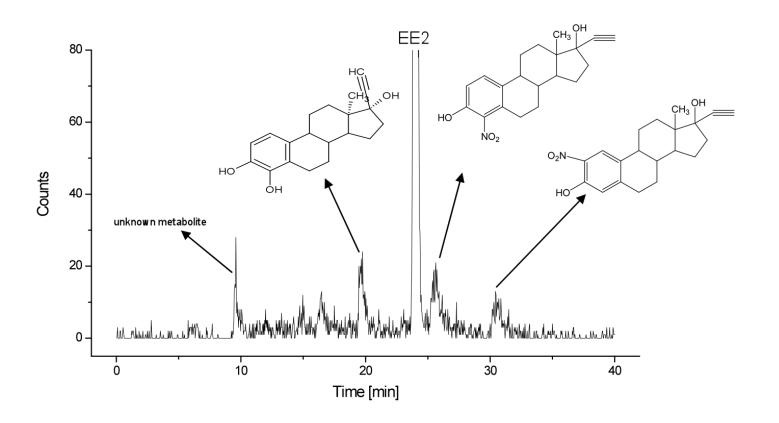
Inter-conversion of Estrogens During Anaerobic Digestion



Transformation of EE2 by Ammonia Oxidizing Bacteria



Radiochromatogram Reveals Additional Metabolites in Heterotrophic Cultures



Importance of Transformation Products



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Critical Review

PHARMACEUTICAL METABOLITES IN THE ENVIRONMENT: ANALYTICAL CHALLENGES AND ECOLOGICAL RISKS

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Viewpoint



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Micropollutant Fate in Wastewater Treatment: Redefining "Removal"

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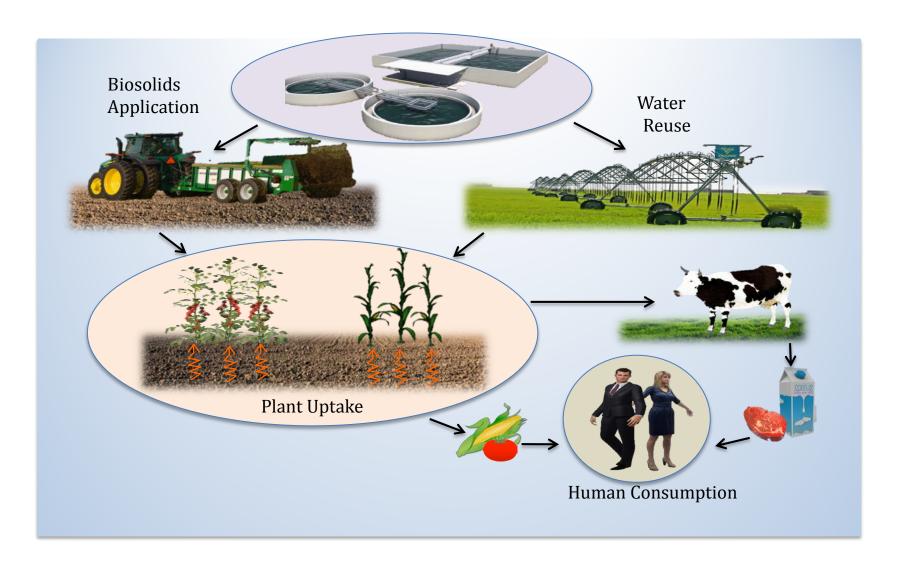
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LESSON #6

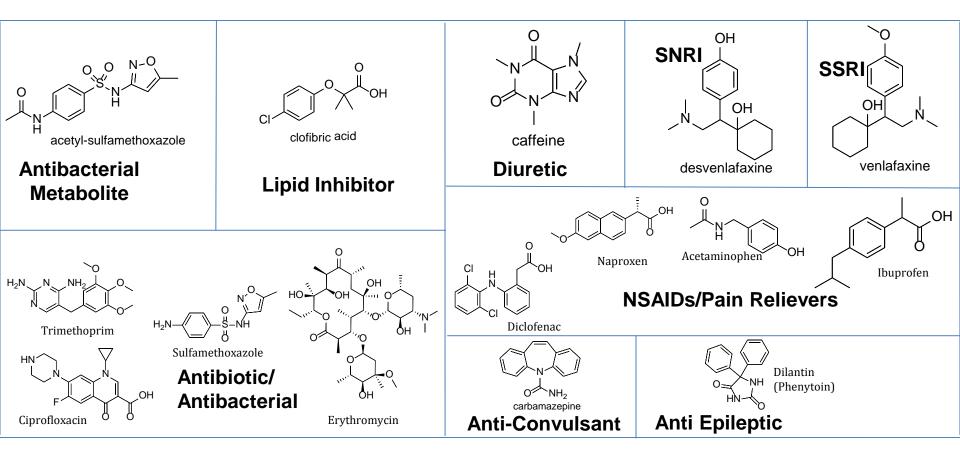
Emerging contaminants are spread in the environment and may potentially reach food products consumed by humans





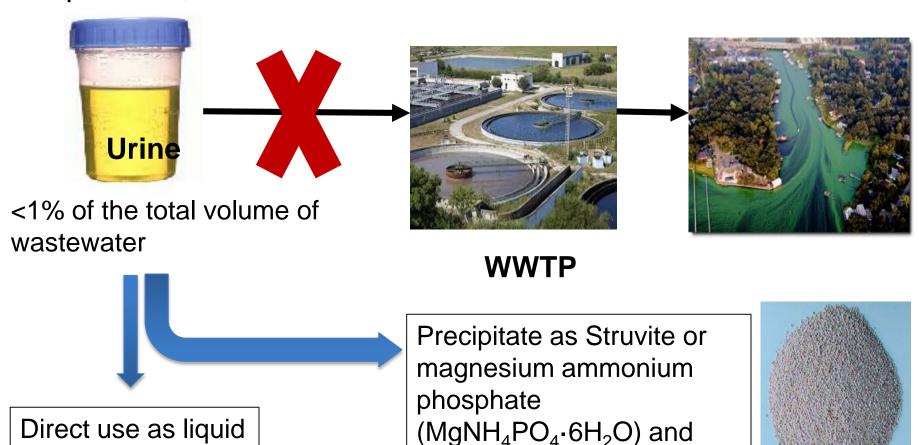
Pharmaceuticals Tested

Target pharmaceuticals available as OTC and prescribed medication



Use of Urine and Struvite as Fertilizer

Urine has naturally high levels of N,P,K, exact ratios are diet dependent, but ~10:1:4



use as solid fertilizer

fertilizer

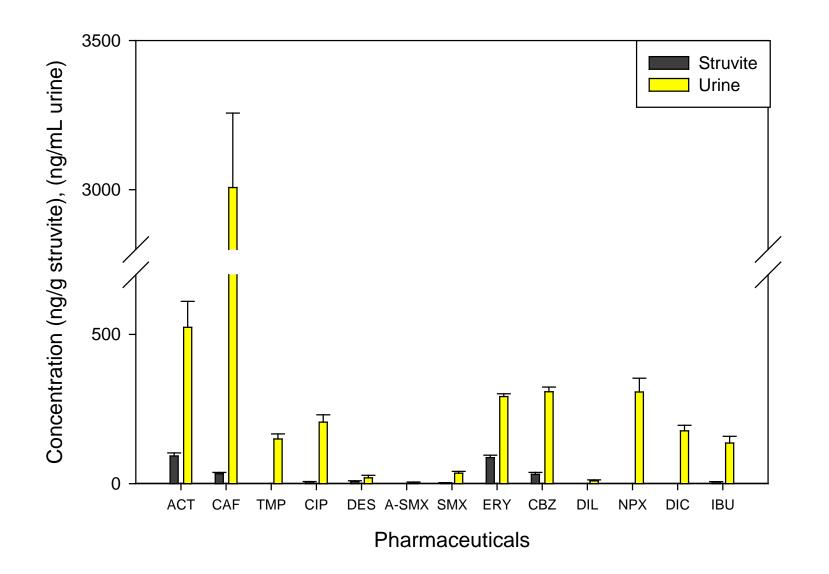
Lettuce and Carrot Sampling Set-Up

- Lettuce and carrots are sampled when "market" ready
- They are washed to simulate typical salad preparation



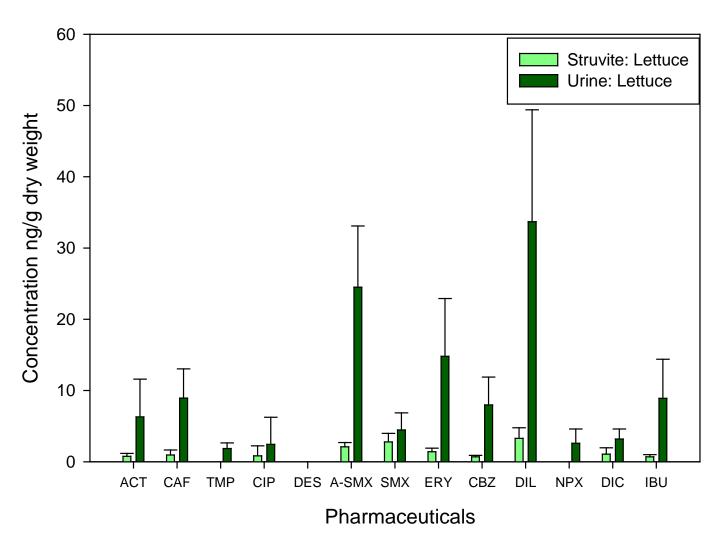


Pharmaceuticals in Urine and Struvite (using the same urine feedstock)



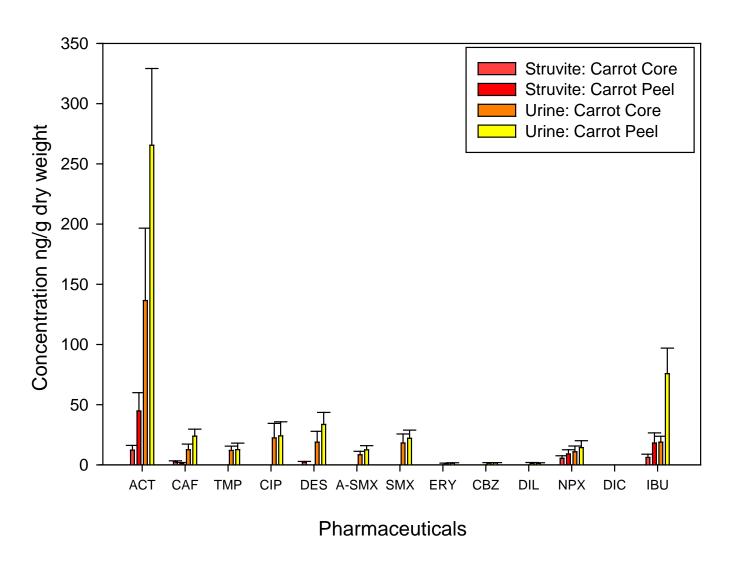
Pharmaceuticals in Lettuce

Pharmaceuticals in Lettuce Treated with Struvite and Urine

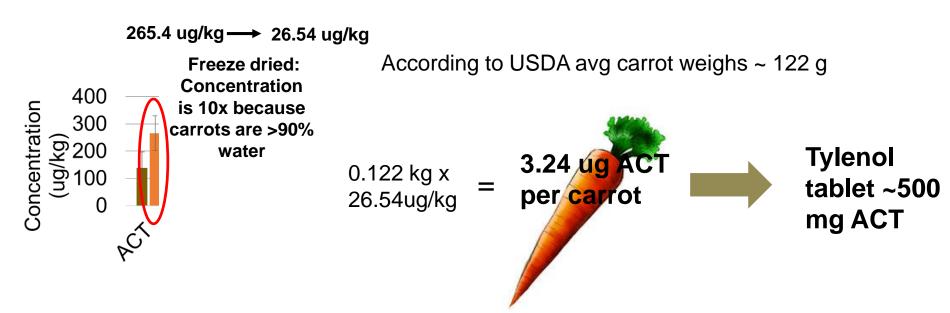


Carrot Core and Peel

Pharmaceuticals in Carrot Treated with Struvite and Urine



Pharmaceutical levels in crops vs. tablets







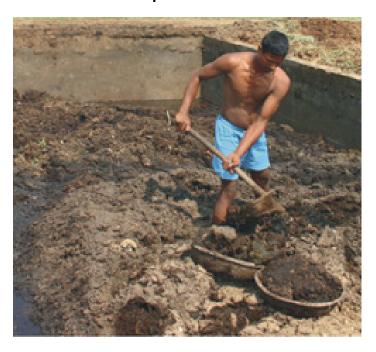
150,400 carrots



LESSON #7

Challenges in the analysis of emerging contaminants limit our knowledge

Manure Sample Collection



Sample Preparation



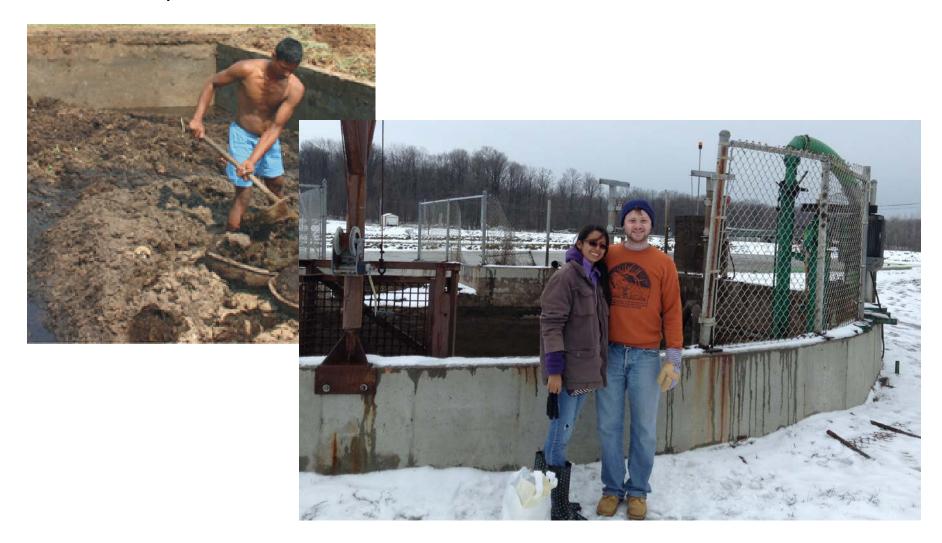






Challenges in the Analysis of Antibiotics in Animal Wastes

Manure Sample Collection



Challenges in Antibiotic Analysis

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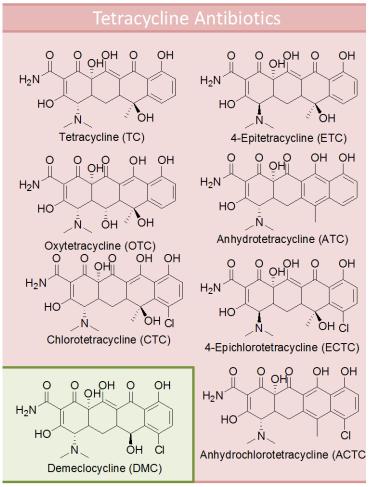
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Addressing the challenges of tetracycline analysis in soil: extraction, clean-up, and matrix effects in LC-MS

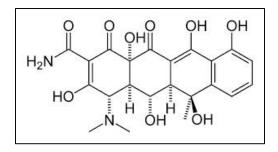
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Accelerated Solvent Extraction (ASE) of Solid Samples

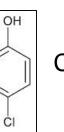


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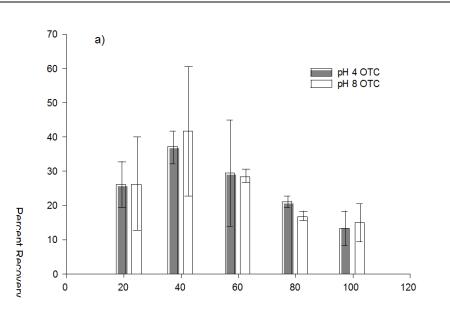
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Oxytetracycline

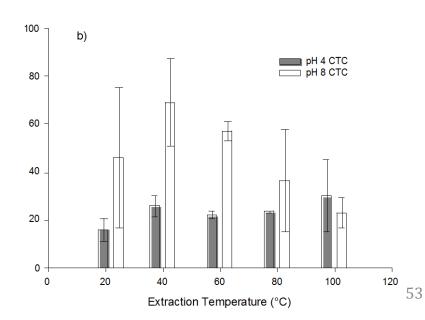


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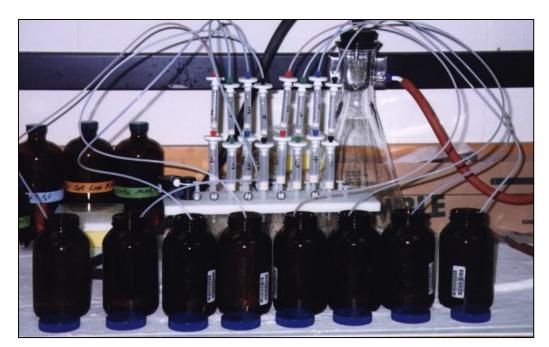
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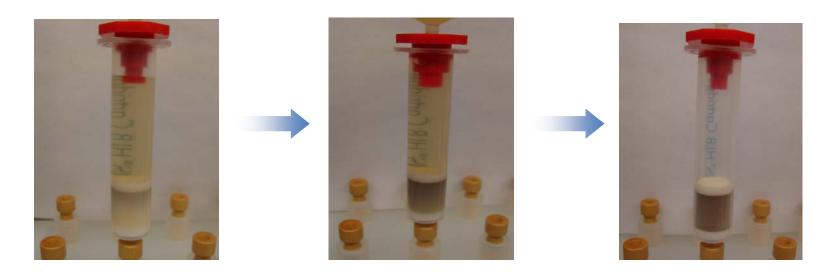


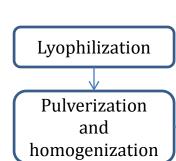


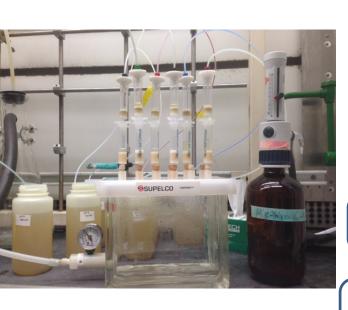
Sample Clean-up by Solid-Phase Extraction (SPE)













0.1 g manure (Ho et al. 2014)

Extraction (3x5 mL 20:30:50 ACN/MeOH/Buffer)

Dilution (Addition of 400 mL nanopure water)

SPE Cleanup (NH₂:HLB - 0.5-1.0 mL/min)

Elution (10 mL MeOH)

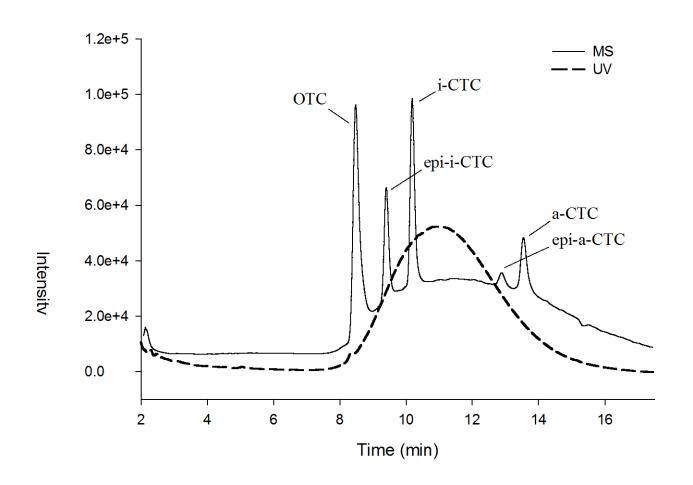
Evaporation & Reconstitution $(1.0~\text{mL in}~95/5:\text{H}_2\text{O MeOH} + 0.1\%~\text{HA})$



LC/MS/MS Analysis

(Standard Addition and isotope Dilution)

Signal Interference from Co-extracted Matrix



O'Connor, S.; Locke, J.; Aga, D. S., Addresing the chalenges of tetracycline analysis in soil: extraction, clean-up, and matrix effects in LC-MS. *Journal of Environmental Monitoring* **2007**, 9, (11), 1254-1262.

Liquid Chromatography / Mass Spectrometry

- Single quadrupole
- Ion-trap
- Triple quadrupole
- Time of flight
- Orbitrap
- Fourier Transform Ion Cyclotron Resonance





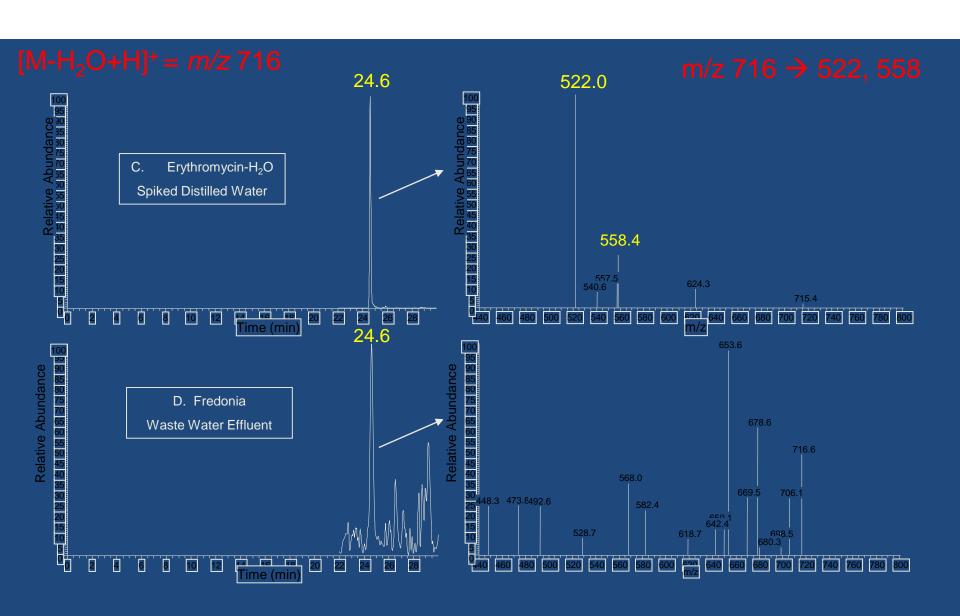


Improved Limits of Detection (LOD) with Triple Quadrupole (QQQ) MS

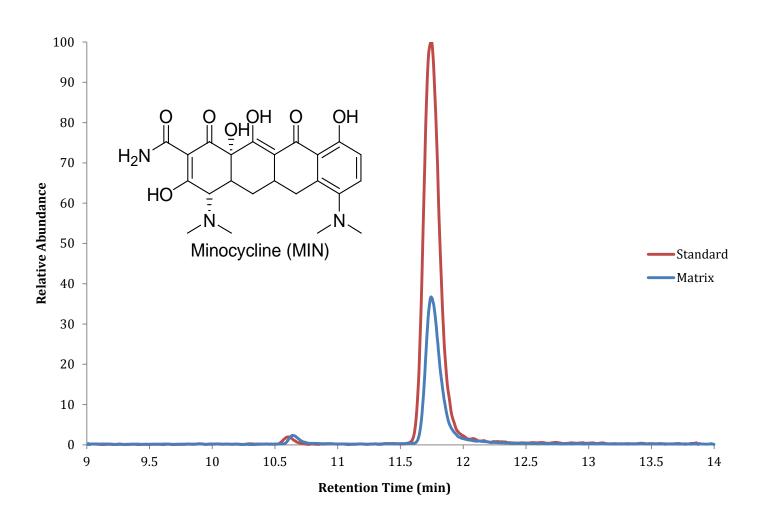
Compound	Ion-trap ¹ LOD (ng/L)	QQQ LOD (ng/L)
Acetaminophen	-	2.0
Caffeine	71	2.0
Carbamazepine	-	1.0
Ciprofloxacin	30	31
Diclofenac	-	17
Erythromycin	75	9.0
Ibuprofen	-	4.0
Naproxen	_	6.0
Sulfamethoxazole	83	1.0
Trimethoprim	91	29

¹ Batt, A.L. and D.S. Aga, Simultaneous Analysis of Multiple Classes of Antibiotics by Ion Trap LC/MS/MS for Assessing Surface Water and Groundwater Contamination. *Analytical Chemistry*, **2005**, 77, 2940-2947.

Avoiding "false positives" using MS/MS

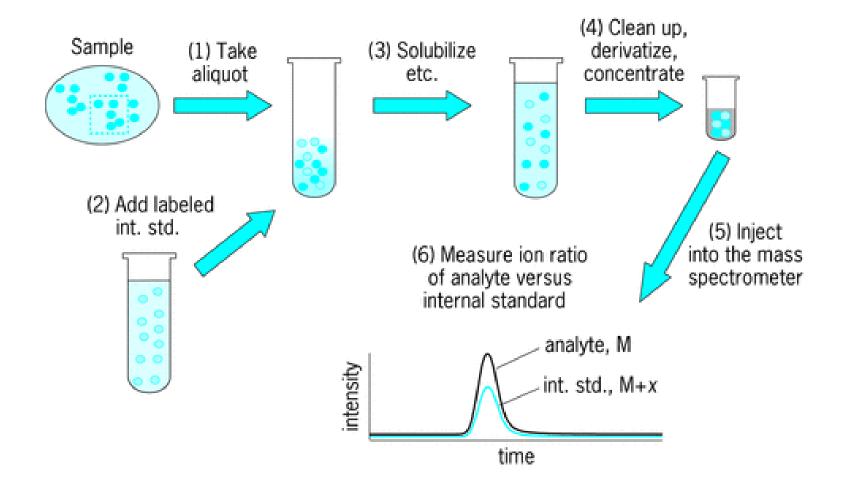


Ionization Suppression by Manure Matrix



Quantification by Isotope Dilution

Measurement of analyte mixed with known amount of isotopically-labeled analyte (²H or ¹³C)



LESSON #8: No "One-Size Fits All" Method



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Estrogens From Poultry Litter

- Contains: chicken excrement, malted feathers, dead birds, food, bedding (sawdust, wood chips, peanut shells, etc.)
- Delmarva Poultry Production
 - Produces > 565,000,000 broiler chickens/yr (~7% of US total)



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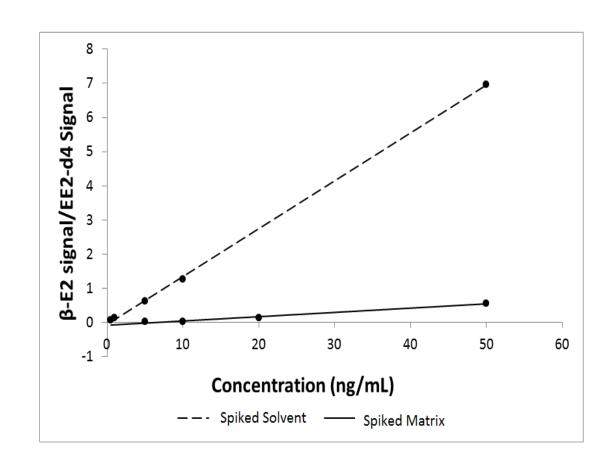
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Estrogen Derivatization

Quantification by Isotope Dilution

Isotope Dilution

E2-d3



LESSON 9

Sometimes the "Obvious" is not the best approach in analysis

Research Article

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(wileyonlinelibrary.com) DOI: 10.1002/rcm.6895

Analysis of trace organic pollutants in wastewater to assess biodegradation using wrong-way-round ionization in liquid chromatography/tandem mass spectrometry

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Wrong-Way-Round Ionization of Sulfonamides and Tetracyclines Enables Simultaneous Analysis with Free and Conjugated Estrogens by Liquid Chromatography Tandem Mass Spectrometry

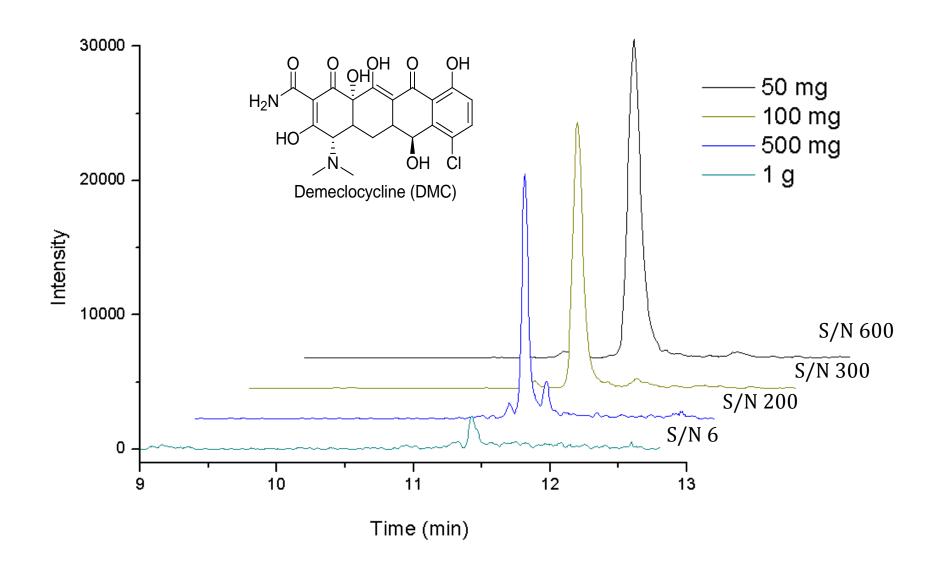
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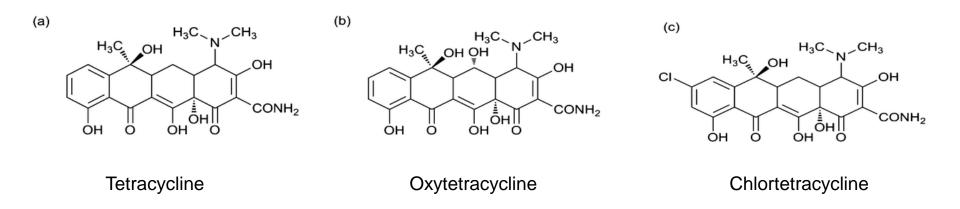
The increasing demand to monitor multiple classes of analytes has been mirrored by increased analytical cost and decreased throughput. For instance, the analyses of estrogens and antibiotics by liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS) are typically performed in two separate methods because estrogen analysis requires electrospray with negative ionization, while sulfonamide and tetracycline antibiotics are ana-

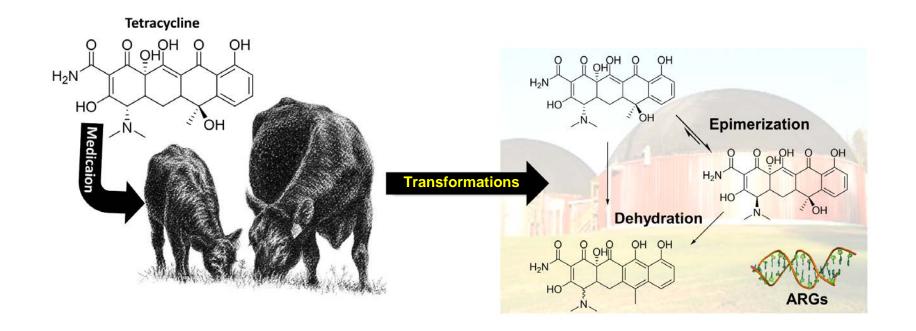
of the analytes, the mobile phase is typically adjusted with an acidic or basic modifier in order to protonate or deprotonate the analytes because it is assumed that the charge of the ion formed in ESI depends on the equilibrium solution-phase chemistry in the bulk solution.⁶ Hence, for LC-MS analysis of multiple classes of compounds, needed for instance in the screening of environmental samples and in food testing, at least two separate methods are used to analyze for acidic and basic compounds. The common

Poor LOD due to Ionization Suppression by Manure Matrix



Importance of Transformation Products: Tetracyclines





Sample Collection: Which samples are important?



LE\$\$ON 10

Good funding and excellent students are key to finding solutions to problems posed by emerging contaminants

- US Department of Agriculture
- US Environmental Protection Agency
- National Science Foundation
- Water Environment Research Foundation
- New York State Pollution Prevention Institute



Thank YOU!





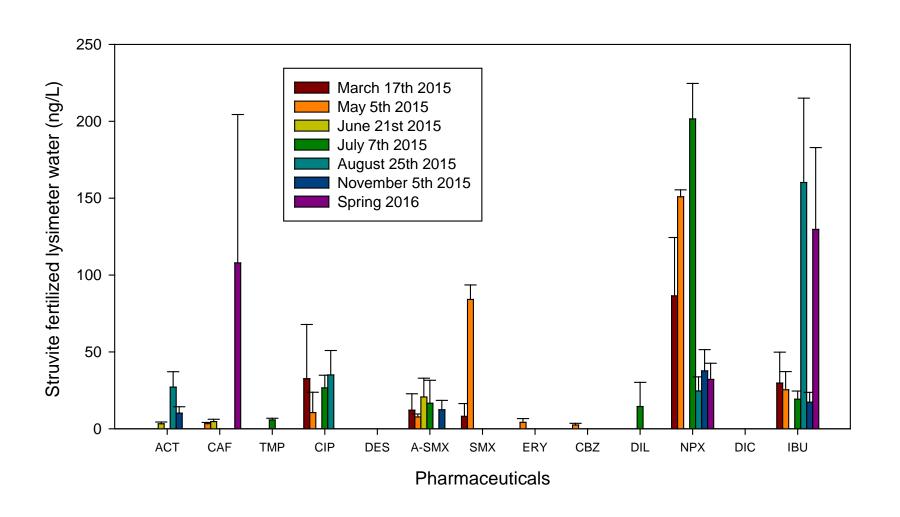




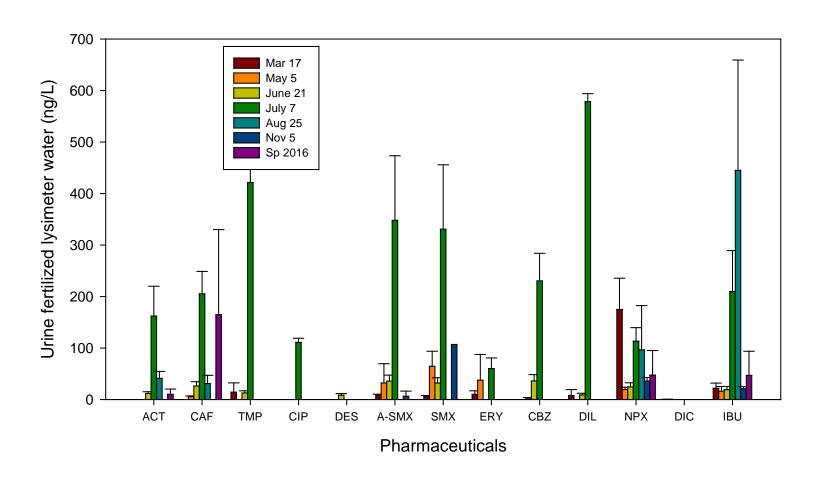




Lysimeter Water: Struvite



Lysimeter Water: Urine



Pharmaceutical levels in crops vs. tablets

265.4 ug/kg → 26.54 ug/kg

Freeze dried:
Concentration
is 10x because
carrots are >90%
water

According to USDA avg carrot weighs ~ 122 g



Must consume...



150,400 carrots

