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RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

I am involved in ongoing research in the following areas:

1. *Abiotic and biochemical catalysis of reductive dehalogenation.* Heavily halogenated aliphatic contaminants such as perchloroethene, carbon tetrachloride and (to an extent) trichloroethene generally resist aerobic transformation mechanisms. The same compounds, however, are generally amenable to reductive transformations that yield less halogenated homologues. The several mechanisms of reductive dehalogenation are incompletely known. Mechanistic studies and dehalogenating systems under development in this laboratory follow:

- i. Treatment of contaminated gas streams containing semi-volatile chlorinated solvents using a membrane electrode assembly (modified fuel cell apparatus).
- ii. Electrolytic transformation of aqueous-phase chlorinated solvents.
- iii. Catalyzed thermochemical destruction of gas-phase solvents.
- iv. Photocatalytic, two-solvent systems consisting of acetone, isopropanol and the halogenated targets for reductive transformation reactions.

2. *Oxidation of hazardous organic compounds in soils using H₂O₂ and Fenton-derived hydroxyl radicals.*

Research includes methods for quantifying radical production in environmental samples; utilization of Fenton-driven systems for in-place recovery of spent activated carbon.

3. *Engineered systems leading to water reuse following infiltration and aquifer storage – the effect of soil-aquifer treatment on organic residuals, available nitrogen forms and pathogens in treated municipal wastewaters.*

Current research emphasis is on the fate of estrogenic and other endocrine disrupting compounds during wastewater treatment processes, biosolids handling and disposal, and effluent polishing operations.

4. *Trace organic chemicals in products derived from wastewater treatment – reclaimed water and biosolids.*

Current research emphasis is on endocrine disrupting compounds and measurement of EDC activity in chemically complex environmental samples.

5. *Engineering methods for minimum-cost salt removal from public water sources.*

Ongoing work is designed to establish the feasibility of salt management methods that are affordable in southwestern communities. Emphasis is an optimization of reverse osmosis (for maximum water recovery) and brine disposal.