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ABSTRACT EXAMPLE

A NEW REFUTATION OF THE CLASSICAL CONCEPT OF TIME IN QUANTUM RELATIVITY

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Coupled abiotic and biotic reactions were investigated for the mineralization of 2,4,6trinitrotoluene, TNT. Modified Fenton reactions (with Fe(III) catalyst) were used as a chemical pretreatment of TNT prior to biological mineralization of the Fenton degradation products by unclassified activated sludge cultures. Using a hydrogen peroxide concentration of 0.9%, a Fe(III) concentration of 13 mM, and biomass added 12 hours after initiation of the abiotic reaction, the observed extent of mineralization with the coupled abiotic/biotic system, 81%, was approximately 7% greater than with the abiotic, Fenton system alone. Results of this study showed that, if properly optimized, the use of a coupled abiotic/biotic system may be a viable alternative for the treatment of waters and soils containing TNT.