

Supplementary material

Table S1 Characteristics of groundwater used in this research

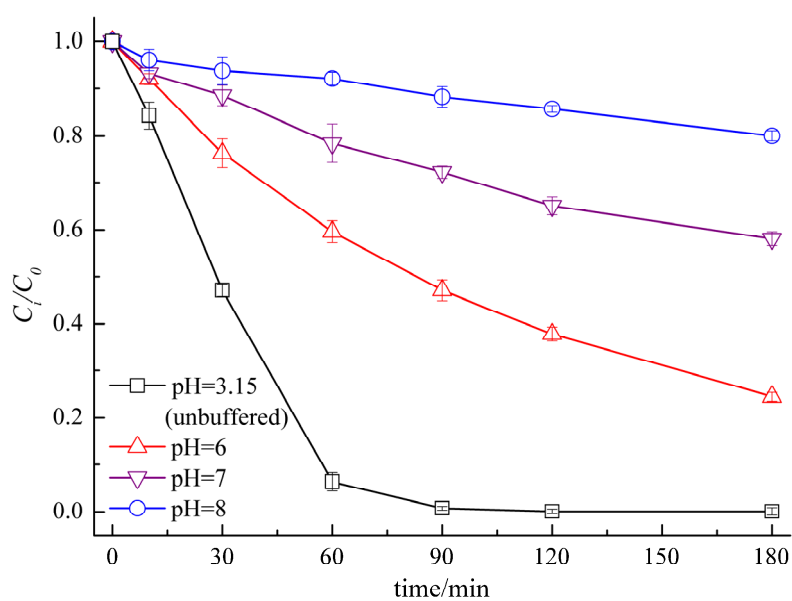
| parameter | value |
|---|-------|
| pH | 7.5 |
| total organic carbon/(TOC, mg·L ⁻¹) | 12.5 |
| Cl ⁻ concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 88.6 |
| HCO ₃ ⁻ concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 133.3 |
| NO ₃ ⁻ concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 5.1 |
| SO ₄ ²⁻ concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 73.8 |
| Fe(II) concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 1.4 |
| total Fe concentration/(mg·L ⁻¹) | 2.1 |

Table S2 k_{obs} of TCE degradation under different conditions

| No. | operational conditions | k_{obs}/min^{-1} | R^2 |
|-----|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1 | CP/Fe(III)/TCE = 4/8/1 | 0.0012±0.0001 | 0.94 |
| 2 | CP/Fe(III)/TCE = 10/20/1 | 0.0033±0.0003 | 0.97 |
| 3 | CP/Fe(III)/TCE = 20/40/1 | 0.0170±0.0014 | 0.96 |
| 4 | CP/Fe(III)/CA/TCE = 4/8/1/1 | 0.0057±0.0002 | 0.99 |
| 5 | CP/Fe(III)/CA/TCE = 4/8/2/1 | 0.0534±0.0032 | 0.97 |
| 6 | CP/Fe(III)/CA/TCE = 4/8/4/1 | 0.0454±0.0033 | 0.95 |
| 7 | CP/Fe(III)/CA/TCE = 4/8/8/1 | 0.0089±0.0005 | 0.97 |

Table S3. Percentage distribution of Fe(III) species under different conditions

| CA /(mmol·L ⁻¹) | pH | Fe ³⁺ | Fe(III)L ⁻ | Fe(III)HL | Fe(III)H ₂ L ⁺ | Fe(III)(OH) ²⁺ | Fe(III)(OH) ₂ ⁺ | Fe(III)(OH) _{3(aq)} |
|--------------------------------|------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0 | 3.15 | 30.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38.9% | 30.2% | 0 |
| 0.15 | 3.02 | 35.4% | 7.8% | 4.7% | 0 | 33.1% | 19.0% | 0 |
| 0.30 | 2.86 | 39.4% | 13.3% | 11.6% | 0.1% | 25.5% | 10.1% | 0 |
| 0.60 | 2.54 | 36.5% | 17.8% | 32.0% | 0.4% | 11.2% | 2.1% | 0 |
| 1.20 | 2.35 | 5.0% | 24.3% | 68.4% | 1.3% | 0.9% | 0.1% | 0 |

**Fig. S1** Effect of solution pH on TCE degradation ($[TCE]_0 = 0.15 \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$, $[CP]_0 = 0.60 \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$, $[\text{Fe(III)}]_0 = 1.20 \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$, $[\text{CA}]_0 = 0.30 \text{ mmol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$)