

Supplementary Material

The γ -MnO₂/NF mediated peroxymonosulfate activation for expeditious 2,4,6-trichlorophenol degradation: performance, pathways, and mechanism

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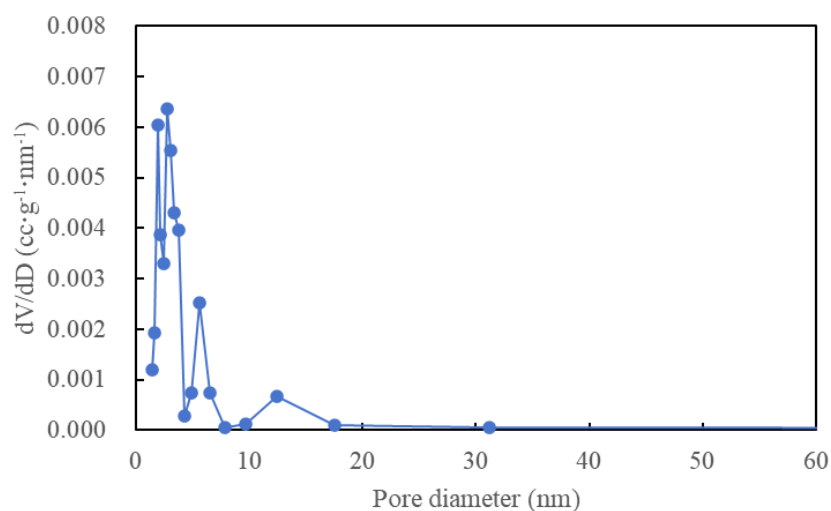


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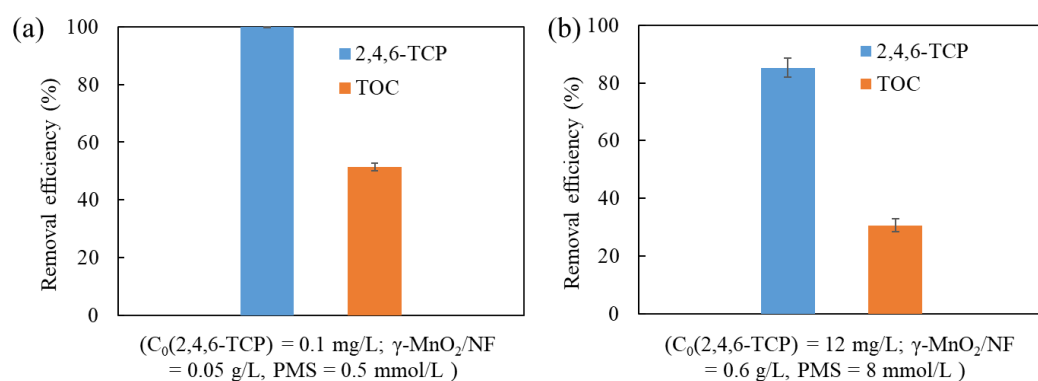


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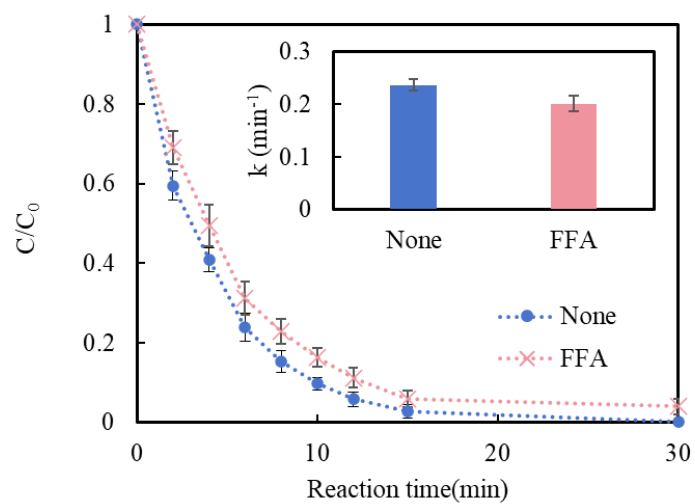
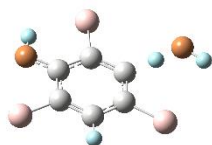


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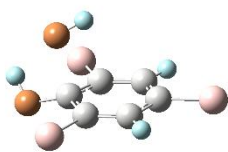
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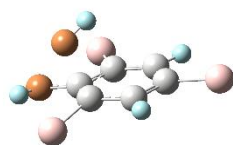
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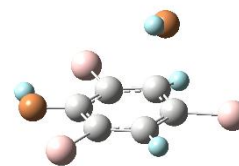
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(g) C4_{add}



(h) C5_{add}



(i) C6_{add}



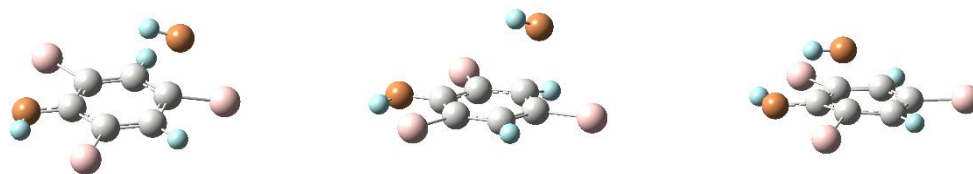
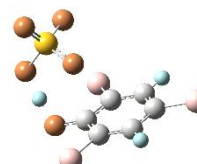
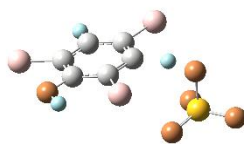
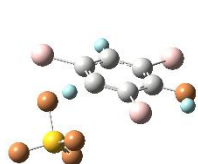


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(a) H11_{abc}

(b) H12_{abc}

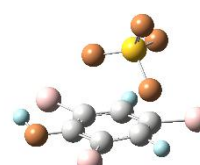
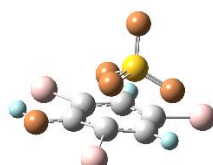
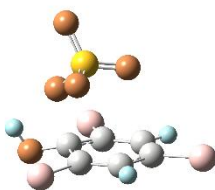
(c) H13_{abc}



(d) C1_{add}

(e) C2_{add}

(f) C3_{add}



(g) C4_{add}

(h) C5_{add}

(i) C6_{add}

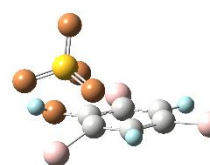
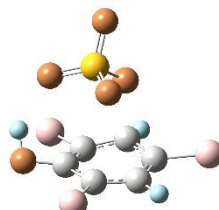
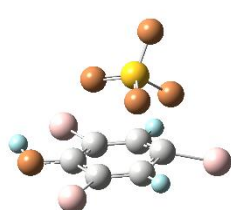


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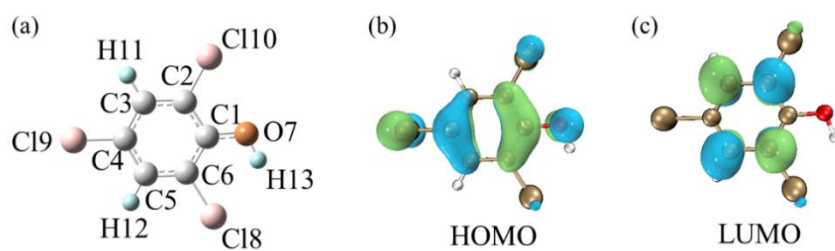


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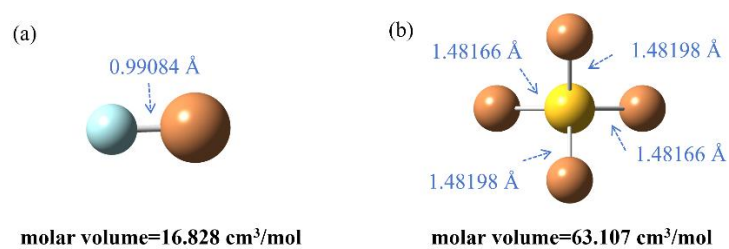


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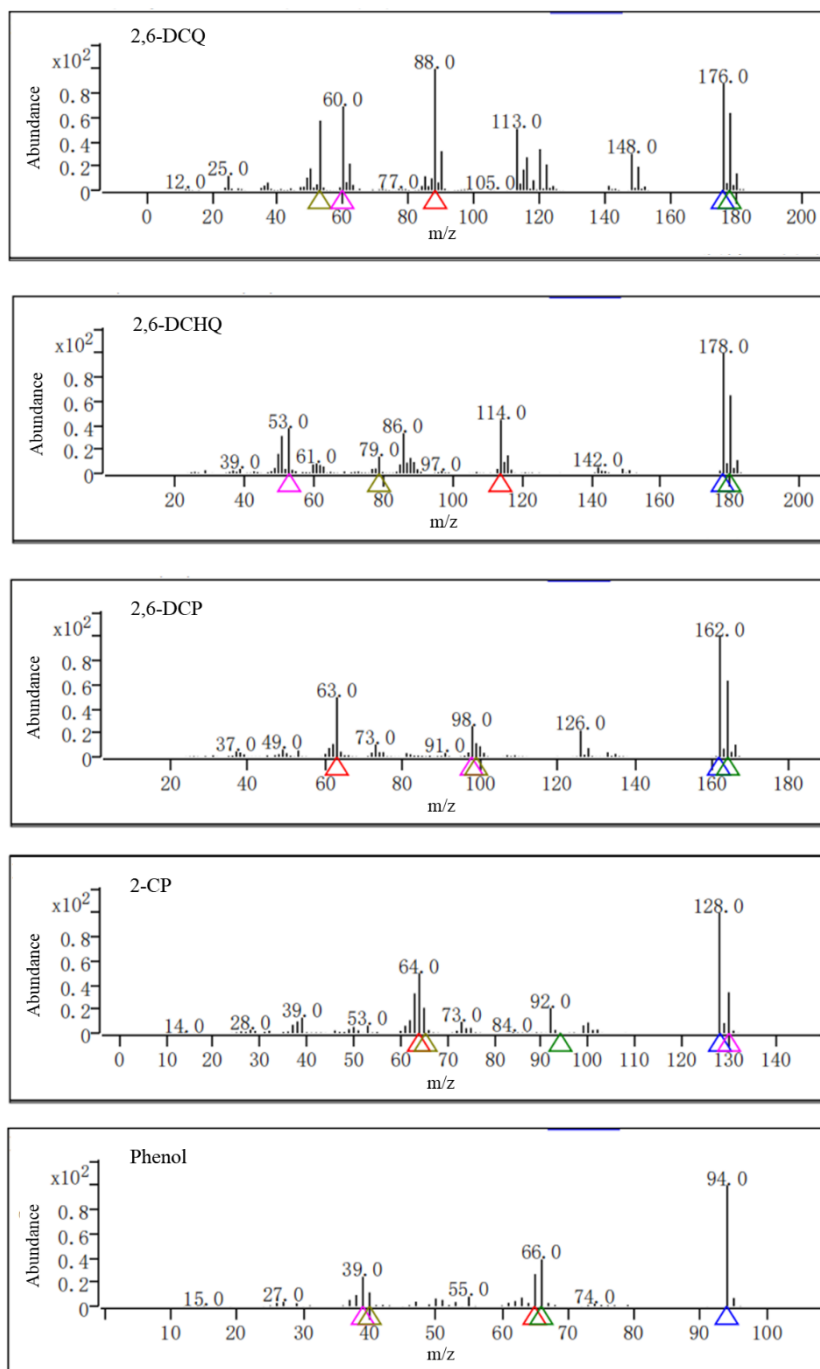


Figure S8 Mass spectrums of 2,4,6-TCP degradation intermediates

Table S1 List of reagents and materials

| Reagent/Material | Purity | Supplier |
|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Granular activated carbon | $\geq 99.5\%$ | Meryer, China |
| Nickel foam | $\geq 99.5\%$ | Goodfellow, the UK |
| Potassium permanganate | $\geq 99.5\%$ | Hushi, China |

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|--|------------------|---|
| Manganese sulfate | 99.99% | Innochem, China |
| Sodium sulphite | ≥98% | Aladdin, China |
| Nitric acid | 65-68% | Lanyi Chemical Product, China |
| Sulfuric acid | 95% | Acros, China |
| Sodium hydroxide | ≥96% | Innochem, China |
| Methanol | for HPLC, ≥99.9% | Fisher, China |
| Potassium chloride | ≥99.99% | Innochem, China |
| Calcium chloride | 96% | Innochem, China |
| Magnesium sulfate heptahydrate | ≥99% | Aladdin, China |
| Magnesium chloride hexahydrate | 98% | Innochem, China |
| Sodium bicarbonate | ≥99.8% | Aladdin, China |
| Sodium nitrate | ≥99% | Aladdin, China |
| Potassium phosphate monobasic | 99.5% | Innochem, China |
| Disodium hydrogenphosphate 12& hydrate | 99% | Innochem, China |
| Sodium chloride | ≥99.8% | Aladdin, China |
| Glycerol | 99% | Acmecc, China |
| Yeast extract | BR | Aladdin, China |
| Tryptone | BR | Aladdin, China |
| 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol | 98% | Macklin, China |
| 2,6-Dichlorophenol | 99% | Macklin, China |
| 2,4-Dichlorophenol | ≥99.7% | Macklin, China |
| 2-Chlorophenol | 99% | Macklin, China |
| phenol | 99.00% | Macklin, China |
| 2,6-Dichloro-1,4-Dihydroxydiphenyl | 99.4% | CATO, China |
| 2,6-Dichloro-1,4-Benzoquinone | 98% | Macklin, China |
| <i>Vibrio qinghaiensis</i> sp. -Q67 (Q67) | / | Research Center for Eco- Environmental Sciences, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China |

Table S2 Comparison of 2,4,6-TCP removal efficiency by different oxidation treatments

| Treatment system | Reaction time | Degradation efficiency (%) | kobs (min ⁻¹) | Reference |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|

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|--|--------|-------|-------|----------------------|
| CuO@g-C ₃ N ₄ +PMS | 25min | 94 | -- | (Wang et al., 2024b) |
| Fe ₃ S ₄ +PMS | 30min | 17.89 | -- | (Li et al., 2022) |
| Fe ₃ S ₄ /BC+PMS | 30min | 67.79 | -- | |
| NMP _B +PDS | 6 h | 90.3 | 0.006 | (Cui et al., 2024) |
| Fe-C+PMS | 40 min | 43 | 0.03 | |
| Fe-NC-0+PMS | 40 min | 69 | 0.06 | (Tang et al., 2025) |
| Fe-NC-1+PMS | 40 min | 99 | 0.17 | |
| FeMnCN-700+PMS | 30 min | 94 | 0.083 | (Xiong et al., 2022) |
| eMn@NG-4-700+PMS | 30 min | 97 | 0.148 | |
| γ-MnO ₂ /NF+PMS | 30 min | 99 | 0.218 | This study |

Table S3 Comparison of Mn leaching by different manganese oxide-based catalysts

| Oxidation system | Operation condition | Mn leaching (mg/L) | Reference |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| MnO ₂ +UV+PMS | PMS=1 mmol/L , MnO ₂ =0.25 g/L , pH = 4.0, T= 45 min | 0.18–0.30 | (Eslami et al., 2018) |
| MnO ₂ +PMS | PMS=0.65 mmol/L, FeMn/GNs =0.2 g/L, pH=3.5, T= 15 min | 0.19–0.27 | (Liu et al., 2023) |
| FeMn/GNs+PMS | Co@α-MnO ₂ =0.5 g/L, PMS=10 mmol/L, T=20 min | 0.47 | (Wang et al., 2024a) |
| Co@α-MnO ₂ +PMS | IC-MnO ₂ =0.2 g/L, PMS=0.65 mmol/L, pH=8.2, T=15 min | 0.5 | (Cheng et al., 2023) |
| IC-MnO ₂ +PMS | S-CuMnO=0.07 g/L, PMS=0.8 mmol/L, T=30 min | 0.08–0.12 | (Li et al., 2021) |
| S-CuMnO+PMS | | 2~18 | |

Table S4 The observed degradation intermediates from the •OH/SO₄•⁻ oxidation of 2,4,6-TCP

| Compound | structure | Molecular formula | molecular weight | Precursor ion | Reference |
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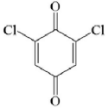
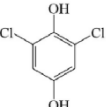
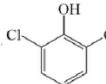


| | | | | (g/mol) | (m/z) | |
|----|----------|---|------------------------|---------|-------|-----------------------------|
| P1 | 2,6-DCQ |  | <chem>C6H2Cl2O2</chem> | 176.98 | 176 | (Ji et al., 2013) |
| P2 | 2,6-DCHQ |  | <chem>C6H4Cl2O2</chem> | 179.00 | 178 | (Ji et al., 2013) |
| P3 | 2,6-DCP |  | <chem>C6H4Cl2O</chem> | 163.00 | 162 | (Xu et al., 2022) |
| P4 | 2-CP |  | <chem>C6H5ClO</chem> | 128.55 | 128 | (Yazdanbakhsh et al., 2018) |
| P5 | Phenol |  | <chem>C6H6O</chem> | 94.11 | 94 | (Lebedev et al., 2018) |

Table S5 The acute/chronic toxicity levels of 2,4,6-TCP and its degradation intermediates

| Compound | Acute toxicity level (mg/L) | | | Chronic toxicity level (mg/L) | | |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| | Fish LC50 (96h) | Daphnid LC50 (48h) | Green Algae EC50 (96h) | Fish ChV | Daphnid ChV | Green Algae ChV |
| 2,4,6-TCP | 2.72 | 2.27 | 0.25 | 0.31 | 0.32 | 0.76 |
| 2,6-DCQ | 0.14 | 0.13 | 0.24 | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.34 |
| 2,6-DCHQ | 0.30 | 1.01 | 0.17 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.03 |
| 2,6-DCP | 6.24 | 3.88 | 0.57 | 0.67 | 0.49 | 1.46 |
| 2-CP | 13.66 | 6.35 | 1.21 | 1.37 | 0.71 | 2.67 |
| Phenol | 27.74 | 9.64 | 2.40 | 2.61 | 0.97 | 4.53 |

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