# Evaluation of Fenton Pretreatment and MBBR Performance for Leachate Biodegradability Improvement

# Introduction

Leachate Treatment challenge: Low Biodegradable organic content & high concentrations refractory hazardous substances

- Limits biological treatment
- PFAS removal: High COD [mg/L] in competition MPs (μg/L or ng/l) adsorption sites
- MUDP Project: DTI

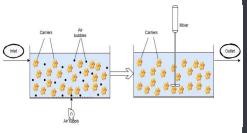
# Methodology

Fenton Oxidation: Iron (catalyst) + Hydrogen Peroxide

$$Fe^{2+} + H_2O_2 \rightarrow Fe^{3+} + \bullet OH + OH^-$$

$$Fe^{3+} + H_2O_2 \rightarrow Fe^{2+} + HO_2^{\bullet} + H^+$$

Moving Bed Biofilm Reactor (MBBR)



Oxygen Uptake Rate (OUR)

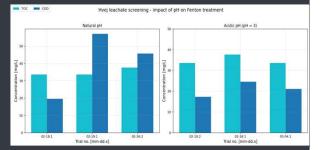


### Result

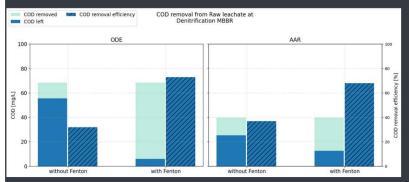
- Leachates screened: High & Low COD
- Fenton conditions:

   acidic pH
   Fe<sup>2+:</sup>H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (1:5)

   30-minute Reaction Time

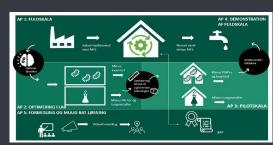


 24-hour MBBR experiments (With Fenton- Significant COD reductions)
 Denitrification reactors: 73% for AAR & 68% for ODE





- OUR measurements, TOC, and OX<sub>C</sub>: already highly biodegradable
- Inhibitory Analysis: No Detectable elements Young Leachate/source
- Fenton primarily removed readily available leachate rather than converting refractory part
- MBBR showed good performance : Nitrification & Denitrification (Ammonium oxidization & COD reductions)
- Perspective: BOD measurements & Optimize Process: Denitrification Reactor



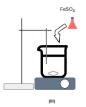


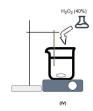
# Note:

Experimental Values: Impact pH, Reaction Time & Molar ratio (Fe<sup>2+</sup>:H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)

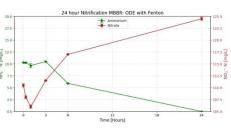


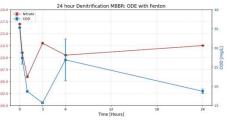




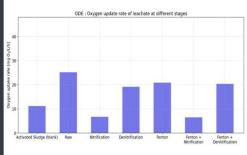


Nitrification/Denitrification: ODE with Fenton





OUR: ODE



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