

CHLORINE DIOXIDE IN WATER TREATMENT

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ClO_2 – Introduction

Chlorine is able to form the following compounds with oxygen, having oxidation states in the positive

| Oxidation State | Formula | Name |
|-----------------|-------------------------|--|
| +1 | Cl_2O | Chlorine monoxide or anhydride of HOCl |
| +2 | ClO | Never isolated, it has a half life of 0.01 seconds |
| +3 | Cl_2O_3 | Dichlorine trioxide or chlorous acid anhydride |
| +4 | ClO_2 | Chlorine Dioxide |
| +5 | Cl_2O_5 | Dichlorine pentoxide or chloric acid anhydride |
| +7 | Cl_2O_7 | Dichlorine heptoxide or perchloric acid anhydride |

Compounds with an odd number of chlorine atoms, plus an unpaired electron, are unstable, and are called radicals. This includes chlorine dioxide.

ClO₂ : Properties

Physical properties

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| CAS Number | [10049-04-4] |
| Odour | Mixture of chlorine and ozone. |
| Freezing point | -59°C |
| Boiling point | 11°C |
| Colour | Yellow (gas), red (liquid) |
| Solubility in water | Freely soluble. 8g/L (30°C) |

ClO₂ : Properties

Chemical properties

Ammonia with chlorine and chlorine dioxide



Water with chlorine and chlorine dioxide



ClO_2 : Properties

Electrochemical reaction

Chlorite ions (ClO_2^-) is an oxidizing agents.



(slow reaction)

The E° indicates that ClO_2^- ion is a weak oxidizer than ClO_2 molecule

ClO_2 : Properties

ClO_2 reacts with

Cyanides

Nitrites

Sulfides

Fe^{2+} etc

Phenols and other easily oxidizable organic moieties.

ClO₂ : Properties

Microbial control

Chlorine dioxide is used to control microbiological growth in many industries.

Dairy industry, Beverage industry, Pulp and paper industries, Fruit and Vegetable processing industries, Poultry industry, Food processing applications.

ClO₂ : Properties

Microbial Control

Biocide for Microbial control

Bacterial Recovery

Bio dispersant

ClO₂ : Properties

ClO₂ kills the following:

- viruses
- bacteria
- giardia
- cryptosporidium
- botulism
- e. coli
- cholera

ClO₂ : Properties

| Biocide | Microbial activity |
|-------------------------------|--|
| ClO ₂ | Broad spectrum being effective against all bacteria, viruses and spore formers such as Giardia and Crvotosooridium |
| O ₃ | Broad spectrum, effective against all types of micro organisms |
| OCl ⁻ | Relatively ineffective against most viruses, moulds, fungi and spore formers |
| H ₂ O ₂ | Unless used at high concentration, relatively ineffective |
| Quat | Relatively ineffective against certain bacteria and spore formers |
| Phenol | Effective against most micro- organisms, except certain spore formers such as Glardia |

ClO₂ : Properties

Bacterial recovery

The rate of re-establishment of bacterial population by itself after sterilization is called bacterial recovery.

Such rapid re-growth of bacteria is much lower in ClO₂ treated water than after high chlorination.

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ClO₂ : Properties

Bio-dispersant

Molecules which have the ability to penetrate through the bio-film are called bio-dispersants.

ClO₂ : Properties

Bio-dispersant properties

Traditional oxidizing biocides (like NaOCl) do not penetrate the biofilm. They only impinge on the surface layers killing them but leaving the underlying bacteria unaffected.

But,

ClO₂ can penetrate the slime layer as it is a true gas.

ClO₂ : Properties

Bio-dispersant

Due to the biodispersant action, the microbes, inorganic particles, inert dirt, algal mass etc are surfaced out of the bio-film.

This causes turbidity in the system. The turbidity is directly proportional to the biodispersant activity.

Chlorine dioxide in Water Treatment Applications

- Drinking water treatment
- Cooling water treatment
- Waste water treatment

ClO₂ : Drinking water

- ClO₂ is approved worldwide at 0.5ppm to 1.5ppm residual in water.
- Reduction of taste and odour problems from algal blooms.
- Precipitation of iron or manganese in water at any pH
- 0.25ppm residual chlorine dioxide at a 20 second contact line will give a 99.99% kill of pathogenic bacteria.
- Long life residual for post disinfectant
- Bio-film removal

ClO_2 : Drinking water

Odour control

In 1944, ClO_2 was used to control taste and odor problems (due to phenolics) at a potable water facility at Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Ridenour, *et al*, *Water and Sewage Works*, 96(8)1949

ClO_2 was then used in municipal potable water treatment facilities which had similar problems.

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ClO₂ : Drinking water

- *As regulated by EPA (as of January 1, 2002), the maximum residual disinfectant levels in drinking water for chlorine dioxide and chlorite ion are 0.8 and 1.0 mg/L, respectively (EPA 2002e, 2002g).*
- *The maximum contaminant level (MCL) for its oxidation product, chlorite ion, in drinking water is 1.0 mg/L (EPA 2002e).*

ClO₂ : Drinking water

- Chlorite, the predominant oxidation by-product of chlorine dioxide, has been shown to produce signs of hemolytic stress when fed to animals, at levels 50 ppm.
- The concern over individuals susceptible to oxidative stress has led to the limit for total chlorine dioxide, chlorite, and chlorate in drinking water being set at 1.0 ppm.

ClO_2 : Drinking water

However, in several studies performed on human subjects, no effect was observed.

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$\text{ClO}_2 : \text{Cl}_2$

| | |
|---|--|
| Chlorine | Chlorine dioxide |
| Highly corrosive | Much less corrosive. |
| Hydrolysis & form HOCl | Does not hydrolyze |
| pH Dependent Ineffective above pH 7 | Not pH dependent «pH 11 |
| Does not remove bio-film | Removes bio-film |
| Forms chlorinated by products | Does not form chlorinated by-products |
| Can not be stripped off from aqueous solution | Can be stripped off from aqueous solution using a stream of air. |
| Reacts with ammonia and amines | Reacts little with secondary amine and not at all with ammonia |

$\text{ClO}_2 : \text{O}_3$

| | OZONE | ClO_2 |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Microbial range | Broad spectrum, effective against all types of micro organisms | Broad spectrum being effective against all bacteria, viruses and spore formers |
| Contact time | Seconds to minutes | Few seconds to minutes |
| Con. | 0.1 ppm to 10 ppm | 0.1 ppm to 100 ppm |
| Usage | Drinking & waste water disinfection, with some chemical oxidation applications | Drinking and waste water disinfection and deodorization and chemical oxidation |



| | OZONE | ClO ₂ |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Reaction with ammonia | Reacts with ammonia | No reaction with ammonia |
| pH range | Not suitable above 8.5 | Works even at pH 11 |
| Half life | Short in contaminated system | Long half life. |
| Bacterial recovery | Rapid regrowth of bacteria is expected | Regrowth is very low. |
| Biodispersant | The efficiency of ozone on bio-film is controversial. | Proven for biofilm removal. |

ClO_2 : Industrial Cooling water treatment

It is being used as oxidizing biocide in cooling water treatment.

Unlike other oxidizing biocides, it is possesses additional advantageous !!!

ClO₂ : Industrial Cooling water treatment

As an oxidizing biocide

Do not react with contaminants like ammonia

Stable in water for a long period

Able to kill microorganism effectively

Should behave as an efficient biocides

Less corrosive

Do not affect the cooling tower wood

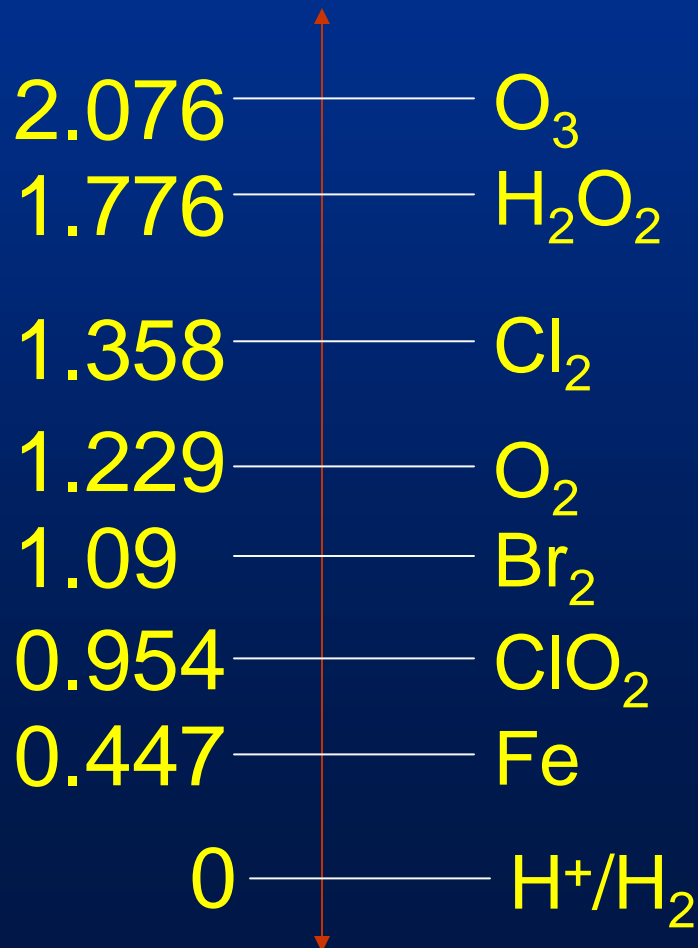
ClO_2 : Industrial Cooling water treatment

Less corrosive

Do not affect the cooling tower wood

ClO_2 : Industrial Cooling water treatment

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Less corrosive than all other oxidizing biocides.

The severity is less on iron surface

ClO_2 : Waste water treatment

Selective towards specific environmentally objectionable waste materials, including phenols, sulfides, cyanides, thiosulfates, and mercaptans.

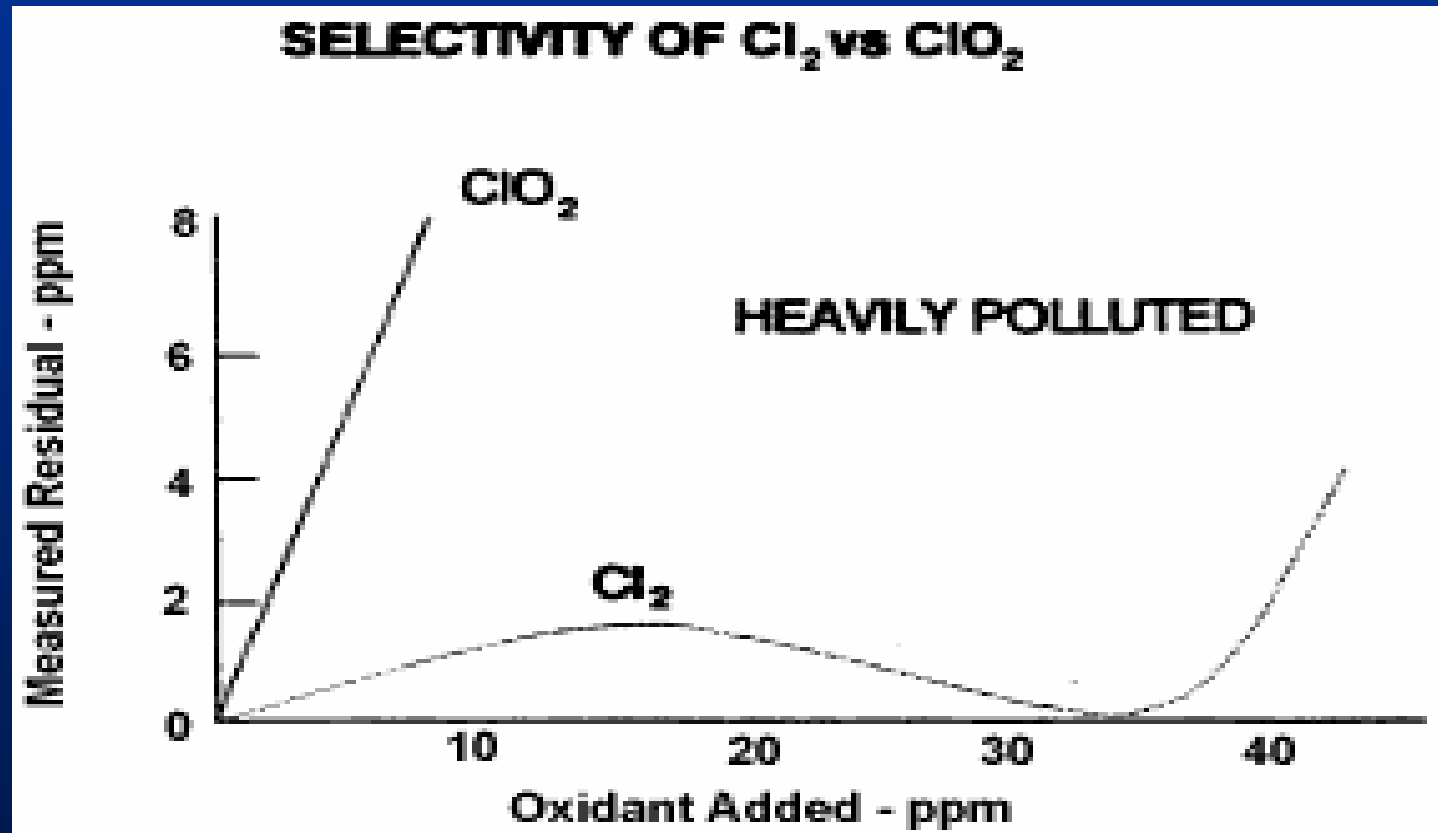
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ClO_2 : Waste water treatment

Demand for chlorine dioxide and chlorine.



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ClO_2 : GENERATION

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Sodium chlorite - NaClO_2

Sodium chlorate - NaClO_3

ClO₂ : GENERATION

Sodium chlorite methods



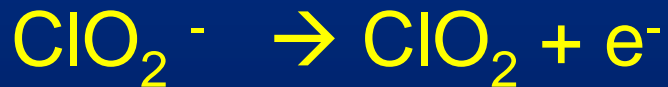
ClO₂ : GENERATION

Sodium chlorite methods



ClO₂ : GENERATION

ClO₂ formation is an electron transfer reaction



Electron removal by chemical or electrochemical methods

ClO₂ : GENERATION

ClO₂ generation with acid



ClO₂ : GENERATION

Methodologies and Challenges

| Features | Cl ₂ water | Hypo+acid | Acid |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|------------|
| Easy generation | Yes | Yes | No |
| Towards complete conversion | Yes | Yes | No |
| Excess chlorine in product | Very high | Low | Nil |
| Reactor Safety | Safe | Moderate | Moderate |
| Product output | 1 Kg/hr | 0.4 Kg/hr | 10-20 g/hr |

INDION CHLOGEN D1

Features

1. HAZOP study conducted.
2. Based on gas chlorination.
3. High ClO₂ generation efficiency
4. Use of only one pump.
5. Auto/manual mode operation.
6. Manual operation timer based.
7. Designed production : 1 Kg/hr.

Photo 1

**INDION
CHLOGEN D1**

INDION CHLOGEN D2

Features

1. Novel design.
2. HAZOP study conducted.
3. Use of 3 Pumps.
4. High ClO_2 generation efficiency.
5. Less low chlorine residuals.
6. Auto/Manual mode operation.
7. Timer based manual mode operation.
8. Designed production 0.4 Kg/hr (max).

Photo 2

INDION
CHLOGEN D2

ClO₂ generation - Reagents

| Chemicals (Purity) | Model D1 | Model D2 |
|--|----------------------|----------|
| Raw Water | 1 M ³ /hr | |
| Indion 1496 (25%) | 2.2 L/hr | |
| Indion 1496 (8%) | | 7.0 L/hr |
| Cl ₂ flow rate (gas) | 0.5 Kg | |
| Indion 9059 (10%) | - | 5.5 L/h |
| Con. HCl (33%) | - | 6.3 L/hr |
| Final Water quantity at the point of dose of 1496 | | |
| pH of Cl ₂ water | 2.0±0.5 | |
| FRC minimum | 250 ppm | |

ClO₂ generation - Analysis

DPD method

Able to distinguish between chlorine and chlorine dioxide

ORP method

Can not be distinguished between oxidants. Based on Nernst Eqn.

Ampyrometry method

Able to distinguish chlorine, bromine and chlorine dioxide

Advantageous of chlorine dioxide

- Chlorine dioxide is easy to generate.
- Control of taste and odour problems from algae and decaying plant material can be achieved.
- Oxidizes Iron, Manganese and Sulfides.
- Can enhance clarification process
- Biocidal effectiveness is not effected by pH.

Advantageous of chlorine dioxide

- Chlorine dioxide is more effective than Cl_2 viruses and protozoan.
- Chlorine dioxide provides residual disinfections.
- Halogenated byproducts - THM formation is prevented as long as the generation system does not allow for the release of free chlorine.

Disadvantageous of chlorine dioxide

- Sodium chlorite costs are high.
- Chlorine dioxide decomposes in sunlight.
- Extended storage of chlorine dioxide solution can contribute to byproduct formation.
- Chlorine dioxide can product noxious odours in some systems.
- Chlorine dioxide forms DBPs of chlorite and chlorate.

Conclusion

Efficient microbial control

Approved for drinking water treatment

Long shelf life in water

Less corrosive

No chemical reaction with ammonia

Efficient biodegradable

Overall cost benefit !