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The Electrochemical Cells As A New Technique For Water Treatment

Abstract

This paper deals with possibility of using electrochemical cells to produce potable water, where previous studies showed that the traditional treatment by using alum led to increase the residual aluminum concentrations about (11%) in the treated water, which result in negative effects on human, potable water pipes and water type .In addition to that disinfection by using chloride resulted in more problems such as lack of controlling for adding dose and expired chloride. Thus it is necessary to find a new technique for disinfecting water without using chloride, by using laboratory electrochemical cell made up of stainless steel bar (cathode) and two types of cylindrical aluminum and carbon steels (anode).

This technique has been tested on samples taken from excavated well from Al-Khatoniya village and samples from Al-Mahaweel river then make physical , chemical and biological tests before and after treatment .The results shows the efficiency of this technique to treat river water without using chloride after comparison with U.S.P.H.S and W.H.O specifications.

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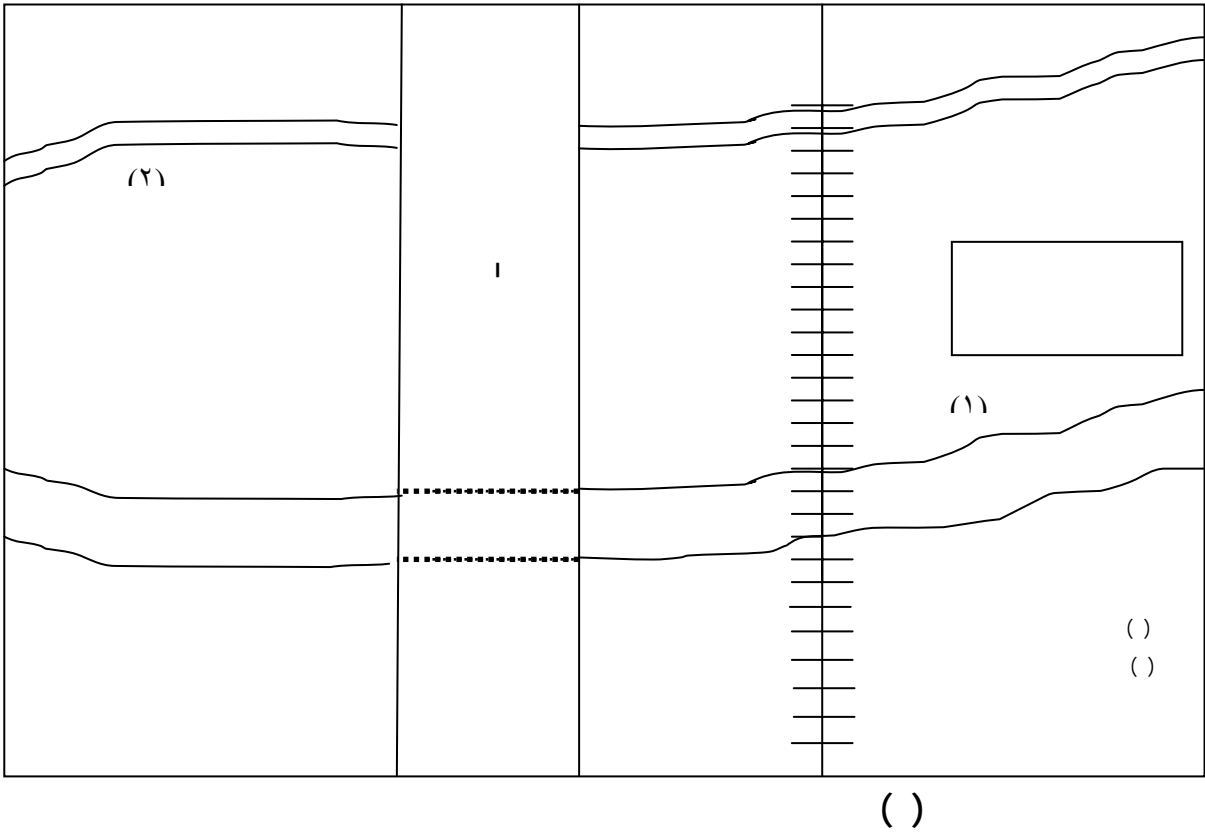
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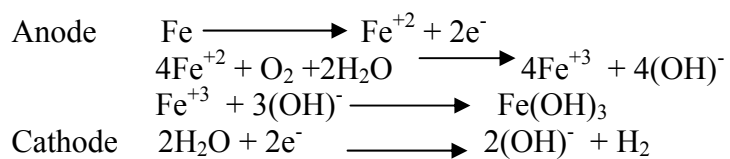
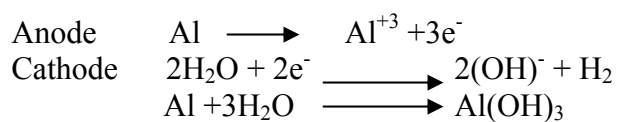
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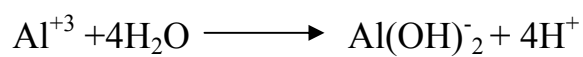
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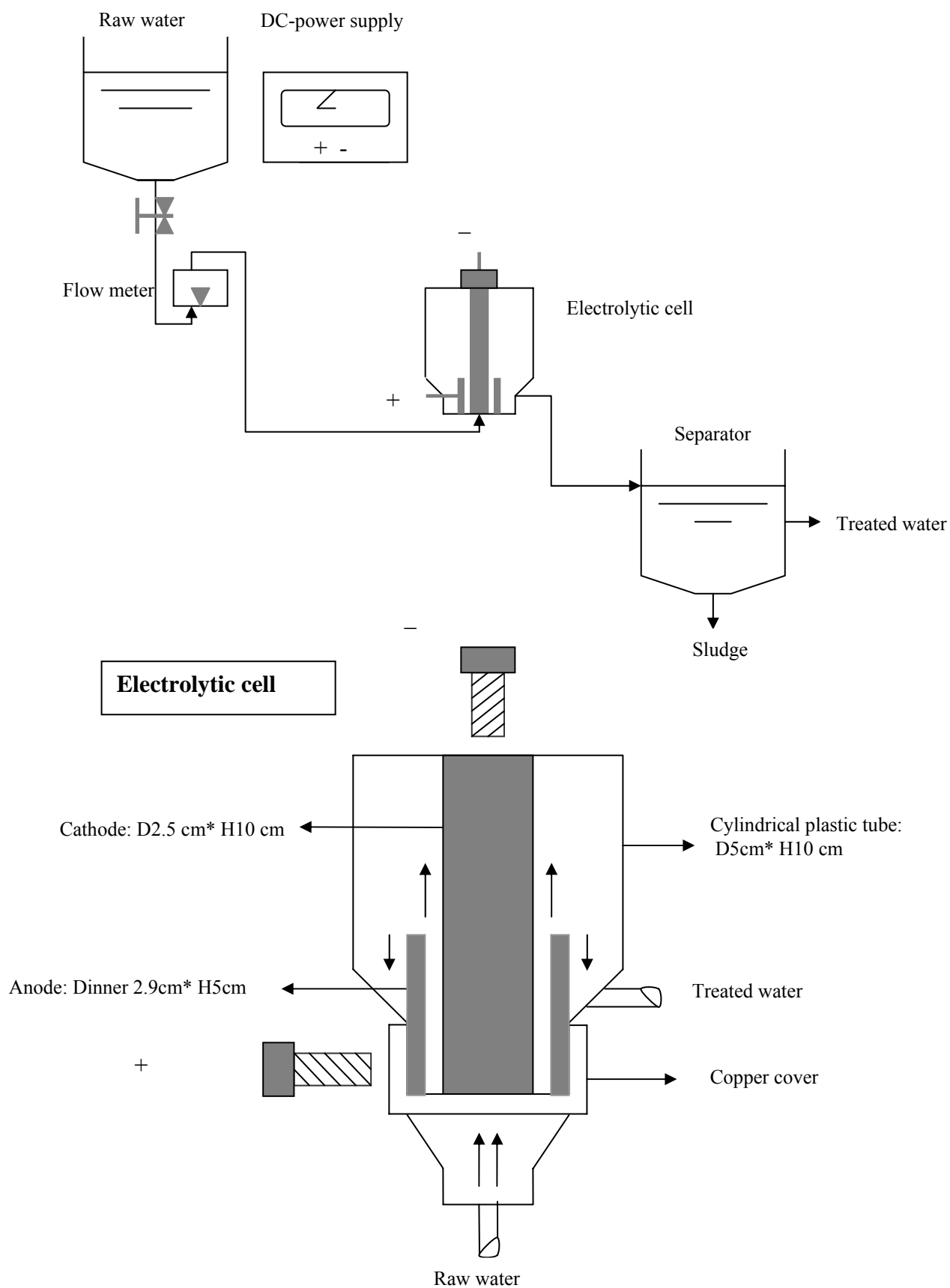
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Components of iron anode			
C	Si	Mn	Cr
0.18	0.17	0.60	0.05
Components of aluminum anode			
Cu	Mg	Si	Fe
0.1	0.5	0.3	0.5



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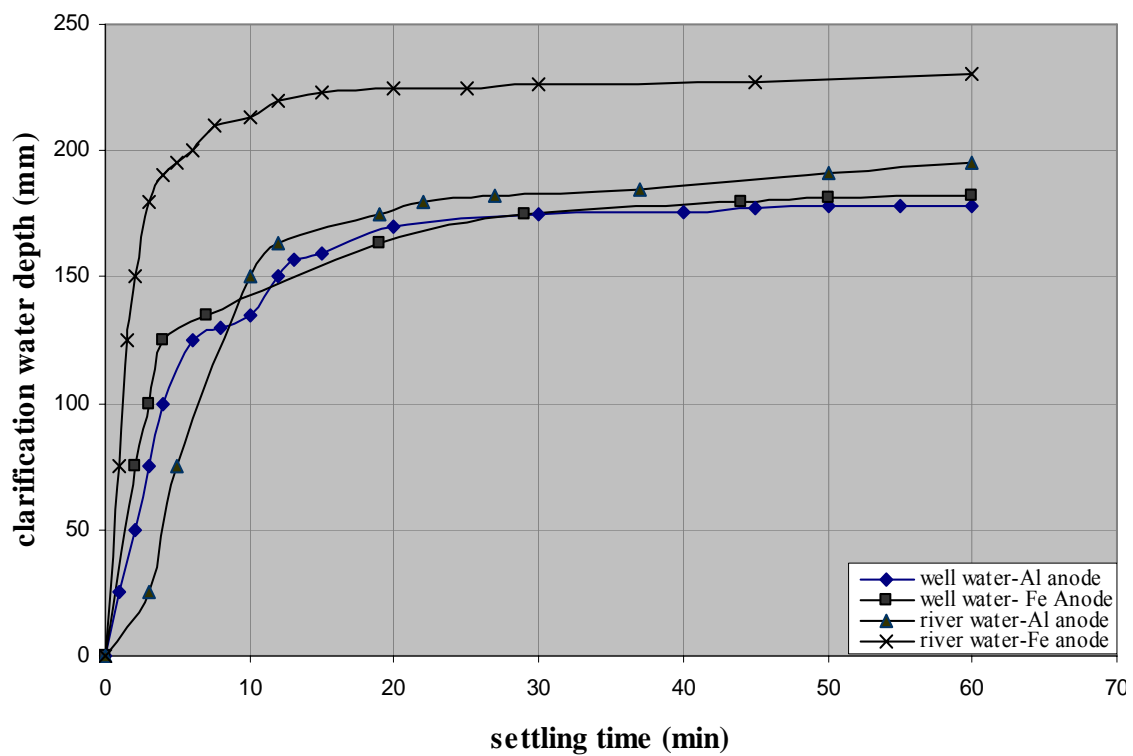
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Test type	Raw water ppm	Aluminum anode ppm*	Carbon steel anode ppm**	Aluminum anode Efficiency %	Carbon steel anode Efficiency %
Ca ⁺⁺	104	48	88	53.85	15.38
Mg ⁺⁺	84	70	65	16.66	22.61
NO ₃ ⁻	32	12	10	62.5	68.75
T.H	478	360	380	24.69	20.5
PH	7.673	7.165	7.100	6.62	7.46
T.D.S	1150	886	930	22.96	19.13
K ⁺	6.5	6.6	6.5	0.0	0.0
Na ⁺	136.9	134.6	136	1.68	0.65
SO ₄ ⁻⁻	281.9	125	112	55.65	60.26
T.S.S	188	15	3	92	98.4
E.Coli	10 ⁷ /m	0.0	0.0	100	100
Test type	Raw water ppm	Aluminum anode ppm***	Carbon steel anode ppm****	Aluminum anode Efficiency %	Carbon steel anode Efficiency %
Ca ⁺⁺	230	170	216	26.08	6.08
Mg ⁺⁺	329	280	294	14.89	10.64
NO ₃ ⁻	10	7.8	4	22	60
T.H	1700	1420	1530	16.47	10
PH	8.20	7.45	7.178	9.15	12.46
T.D.S	5280	4930	4600	6.63	12.88
K ⁺	5.33	5.5	5.35	0.0	0.0
Na ⁺	603.5	593	600	1.7	0.579
SO ₄ ⁻⁻	3167.2	2450	2483	22.64	21.6
T.S.S	2	0.1	0.1	95	95
E.Coli	0.0	0.0	0.0	100	100

* Volumetric flow rate 8cm³/sec, Voltage 24 V, Current 0.4 A** Volumetric flow rate 8cm³/sec, Voltage 24 V, Current 0.35 A*** Volumetric flow rate 8cm³/sec, Voltage 24 V, Current 0.7 A**** Volumetric flow rate 8cm³/sec, Voltage 24 V, Current 0.6A

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Test Type	W.H.O		U.S.P.H.S
	Min	Max	Max
K^+	-	-	20
Na^+	-	-	200
Mg^{++}	30	150	125
Ca^{++}	75	200	200
Cl^-	200	600	250
SO_4^-	200	400	250
HCO_3^-	-	-	500
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T.A			
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TDS	500	1500	1000



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