

Evaluation of inactivation kinetics and inactivation mechanisms on Gram-negative bacteria using peracetic acid

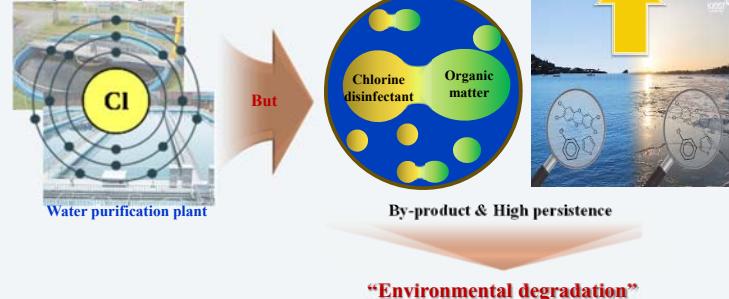
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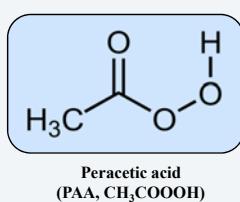
▶ Introduction

❖ Disadvantages of Chlorine disinfection

Sewage treatment plant



❖ Alternative disinfectant

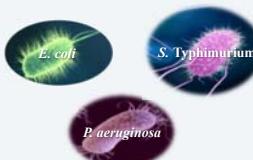
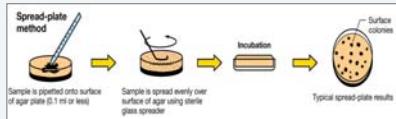


▶ Objective

- To evaluate the inactivation kinetics and mechanism of **Gram-negative bacteria** using **peracetic acid (PAA)**.

▶ Experimental Methods

❖ Culture and analysis of target microorganisms



▪ Target: Gram-negative Bacteria

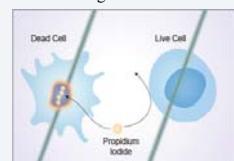
- *E. coli*: Nutrient Broth & Agar (at 37°C for 24 h)
- *S. Typhimurium*: Luria-Bertani Broth & Agar (at 37°C for 24 h)
- *P. aeruginosa*: Luria-Bertani Broth & Agar (at 37°C for 24 h)

❖ Measurement of peracetic acid (PAA)

- PROXITANE 15:10 (PAA : ~15%, H_2O_2 : ~10%)
- Titration method (Dudley Sully and Williams, 1962)
 - 1000 μL commercial PAA solution + Deionized water → 250 mL volumetric flask
 - 25 mL of aforementioned solution + 10 mL Phosphate buffer + 600 μg of bovine catalase
 - After 5 min, 15 mL H_2SO_4 (12 N) and 2.5 g KI are added
 - The mixture covered and maintained for 20 min in dark conditions
 - 50 mL Deionized water are added, titrated drop by drop with $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (0.1 N) until the disappearance of the color

❖ Inactivation mechanism (~ 1 log inactivation, 90%)

▪ PI staining



▪ API-ZYM assay



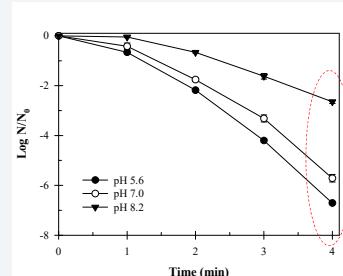
▪ Enzyme degradation (ONPG assay)



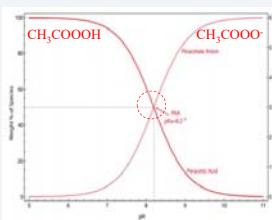
▶ Results and Discussion

1. Inactivation kinetics of Gram-negative bacteria by PAA

❖ Effect of pH on *E. coli* inactivation



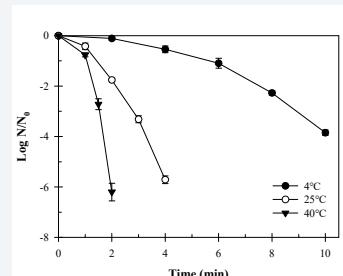
• $[E. coli]_0 : 1 * 10^8 \text{ cfu/mL}$, $[PAA]_0 : 5 \text{ mg/L}$, $[pH]_0 : 7.0$



➢ Dissociation of PAA with pH change

More effective in weak acid condition!

❖ Effect of temperature on *E. coli* inactivation

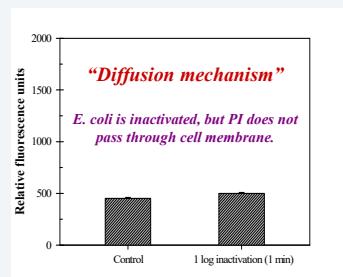


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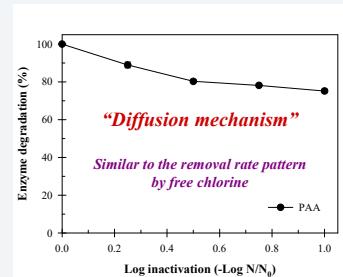
Generally similar to chemical disinfectants (i.e. free chlorine)!

2. Inactivation mechanisms of Gram-negative bacteria (*E. coli*) by PAA

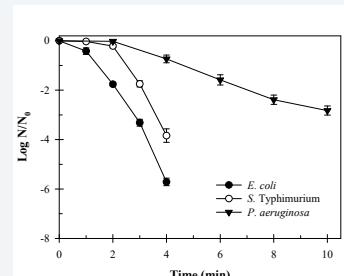
❖ PI staining



❖ Enzyme degradation (ONPG assay)



❖ Comparison of Gram-negative bacteria



• $[N]_0 : 1 * 10^8 \text{ cfu/mL}$, $[PAA]_0 : 5 \text{ mg/L}$, $[pH]_0 : 7.0$

E. coli > *S. Typhimurium* > *P. aeruginosa*

❖ API-ZYM assay



No.	Enzymes	Sample	Standard
		Before	After
1	Control	-	-
2	Alkaline phosphatase	+	+
3	Esterase (C4)	+	+
4	Esterase Lipase (C8)	-	-
5	Lipase (C14)	-	-
6	Leucine arylamidase	+	+
7	Valine arylamidase	+	+
8	Cysteine arylamidase	-	-
9	Trypsin	+	+
10	α -chymotrypsin	-	-
11	Acid phosphatase	+	+
12	N-αptol-AS-BI-phosphohydrolase	+	+
13	α -galactosidase	-	-
14	β -glucuronidase	+	-
15	β -glucosidase	+	+
16	α -glucosidase	+	(-)
17	β -glucosidase	-	-
18	N-acetyl- β -D-glucosaminidase	-	-
19	α -mannosidase	-	-
20	α -fucosidase	-	-

+: positive character, -: negative character, (-): decreased character

▶ Conclusions

- PAA (~ 5 mg/L) was effective for inactivating Gram-negative bacteria within 10 min.
- *E. coli* > *S. Typhimurium* > *P. aeruginosa*
- Inactivation mechanism: diffusion (i.e. free chlorine)