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# **Sustainable Remediation Using Metallic Iron: Quo Vadis?**

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Dear Colleagues,

During the past three decades, groundwater remediation using permeable reactive barriers (PRBs) containing metallic iron (Fe<sup>0</sup>) has become a well-established technology. However, many uncertainties exist regarding their design, suggesting that Fe<sup>0</sup> PRBs is still an innovative technology.

Research on Fe<sup>o</sup> PRBs started in the early 1990s and has boomed in the past three decades. Sufficient data and observations have been accumulated to establish the science of the Fe<sup>o</sup>/H<sub>2</sub>O system. To explain the initial observation that there were losses of chlorinated organic contaminants from aqueous solutions in contact with a variety of metals (including Fe<sup>o</sup>), it was proposed that reductive dechlorination was the main cause, with electrons coming from the metal body. In the meantime, Fe<sup>o</sup> is described in the literature as "reservoir of electrons" for contaminant transformation. [...]

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