

Review

Microbial Electrolysis Cells for Decentralised Wastewater Treatment: The Next Steps

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Table S1. Collation of data from previous studies of using microbial electrolysis cells to treat different organic influents.

Substrate / COD		Batch	Architecture	Scale	Anode	Cathode	HRT	Duration	Startup	Voltage	Temp	Volumetric	Gas Com- position			Energy	Ca- thodic	COD	COD	Cost	Author
Feedstock	Input				(Specific	(Specific							H ₂	CH ₄	CO ₂						
(inoculum	Range /	Flow	type	(L)	Anode	Cathode	hrs	(days)	(days)	(V)	(C)	gas Produc- tion	%	%	%	Production	Effi- ciency	Re- moval	Out- put		
Source)	(mg/L)				Area	Area						(m ³ gas/m ³ reactor vol- ume/day)				(MJ/d)	(%)	(%)			
Urban WW		Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	Esti- mated -8	Carbon Fibres & Titanium plate +	SS Wool	8		18	1		0.0198				46.8		24.55			[61]
Urban WW		Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	Esti- mated -8	Carbon Fibres & Titanium plate +	SS Wool	8			1		0.0000				0.00		24.63			[61]
Urban WW		Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	Esti- mated -8	Carbon Fibres & Titanium plate +	SS Wool	8		13	1		0.0668				157.58		27.40			[61]
Urban WW		Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	Esti- mated -8	Graphite Felt	SS Wool	8		42	1		0.0037				8.61		13.05			[61]
Pig Slurry (Urban WW Di- gestate)	2610	Batch	Dual Cham- ber	16	Graphite Felt (0.18)	SS Mesh (0.18)	48– 124	103	25	1	19.2	0.2	98	0	0	462.56	78–84				[39]
Urban WW			Dual Cham- ber	16	Graphite Felt (2.226)	SS + Ni Gas Diffu- sion (2.226)										0.00					
Urban WW		Batch	Dual Cham- ber	30			30			0	25		78			0.00					[53]

Urban WW			Dual Cham-ber	30			30			0	25		67		0.00				
Urban WW (Urban WW)	260 ± 85	Con-tinuous	Dual Cham-ber	30	Graphite Felt (32)	SS Wool (13)	5	217		0.9	9–16	0.041				62.5	102 ± 38	[63]	
Urban WW		Batch	Dual Cham-ber	30				30		0.2	25				0.00	27	78	[11]	
Urban WW			Dual Cham-ber	30				30		0.2	25				0.00	11	67	[11]	
Urban WW		Flow	Single Cham-ber	100				24		0.6–1.1	13.5–21	0.015			0.00	55	33.7	[11]	
Urban WW		Flow	Dual Cham-ber	100				24		0.6–1.1	1–22	0.007			0.00	41	65.6	[11]	
Urban WW (Urban WW + Ac-etate)	147–1976	Con-tinu-ous	Dual Cham-ber	120	Carbon Felt (16.4)	SS (3.4)	24	365	64	1.1	1–22	0.007	98.5	0	0.16	41	44	[29]	
Urban WW (Urban WW + Ac-etate)	140	Con-tinu-ous	Dual Cham-ber	120	Carbon Felt (16.4)	SS Wool (3.4)	24	149	64	1.1	13.5–21	0.015	100	0	0	0.35	55	34	2344 /m³ [89]
Urban WW		Con-tinu-ous	Dual Cham-ber	120	Carbon Felt (16.4)	SS Wool (3.4)	24			1.1	1–22	0	98	0.8	0.17	41.2	44	[29]	
Urban WW	450		Dual Cham-ber	120	Carbon felt (16.4)	SS (2.8)	24			1.1	1–22	0.015	80	1.8	18.2	0.30	55	34	[11]
Glycerole (AD Sludge+)	400	Con-tinu-ous	Dual Cham-ber	130	Graphite Fibre Plate + (1.63)	SS Wool + (2.72)	48	210	50	1.5	18–22	0.013	78.3	0	0.24	30	26.3	[53]	

Synthetic WW + (AD Sludge+)	400	Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	130	Graphite Fibre Plate + (1.63)	SS Wool + (2.72)	48	210	50	1.5	18–22	0.028	76. 3	0	0.51	23	36.8	[53]
Urban WW (AD Sludge+)	500	Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	130	Graphite Fibre Plate + (1.63)	SS Wool + (2.72)	48	210	50	1.5	18–22	0.031	94. 1	0	0.68	28	25	[53]
Urban WW (Urban WW)	261 ± 85	Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber	175	Graphite Felt (34)	SS Wool (13)	5	217	90	0.9	9–16	0.005	95	0	0.10	<10	63.5 124.7 1308	[63]
Synthetic WW + (AD Sludge+)	1000– 1500 mg L ⁻¹	Con- tinu- ous	Dual Cham- ber H-Type	580	Graphite blocks with tita- nium wire core	Graphite blocks with tita- nium wire core (180 cm ²)									0.00	96		
Winery WW				1000	Graphite fibre brush	SS Mesh	24					0.2			0.00		62	[11]
Winery WW (Raw WW + Sludge)	700– 2000	Con- tinu- ous	Single Cham- ber	1000	Graphite Fibre Brush +	SS Mesh (18.1)	24	100	60	0.9	31	0.190	0	86	11.31		62	[30]