

Supplementary Material

Table S1. Removal percentage of pharmaceutical compounds using AOPs.

Pharmaceutical	Type	AOP type	Experimental conditions	Removal %	Observations	Reference
Ciprofloxacin (CIP)	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	O ₃ flow rate of 120 mL min ⁻¹ [Cip] ₀ = 7.5–45 mg L ⁻¹ pH 3–10 (buffer) T = 6–62 °C [<i>t</i> -BuOH] = 30 mM	95	By HPLC-MS analysis, the desethylene ciprofloxacin was identified as one of the degradation products. A strong pH dependence of the formation of desethylene ciprofloxacin was observed.	[78]
Ciprofloxacin	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	Laboratory scale [O ₃] = 0.23 mM; pH = 7.8–8.7 [C] ₀ = 572 ng L ⁻¹	98 ≈15 (TOC)	18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban. Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	[59]
		O ₃ /H ₂ O ₂	Laboratory scale [O ₃] = 0.23 mM [C] ₀ = 741 ng L ⁻¹ [H ₂ O ₂] = 20 mM, 0.15 mL (30% w/v) every 5 min in 5 L	>93 >90 (TOC)		
Ciprofloxacin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp [C] ₀ = 5 µM Toxicity assay with <i>vibrio fischeri</i> bacteria Types of water: treated water, ultrapure, surface and wastewater	Total or not detected in the effluent after 11 448 mJ cm ⁻²	The treated water was more rapidly degraded. Toxicity increased and then decreased	[58]
Ciprofloxacin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp pH natural T = 20 °C	Total or not detected in the effluent (20 min)	Laboratory scale Real wastewater	[57]

			$[C]_0 = 22,30 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[C]_0 = 17,7 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[C]_0 = 98,53 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 25 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 50 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 100 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$		For each ciprofloxacin concentration, three UV/H ₂ O ₂ tests with different H ₂ O ₂ concentrations	
Ciprofloxacin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	UV-C irradiation ($\lambda = 254 \text{ nm}$, 230 W) $Q_{\text{UV}} = 0.9 \text{ kJ L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 5 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ 80 L of CAS effluents spiked with CIP (100 $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) pH: inherent, 7.5–8.0	>99% (90 min)	Pilot-scale setup	[50]
		Sunlight/H ₂ O ₂	Natural solar irradiation $Q_{\text{UV}} = 8 \text{ kJ L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 30 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ 60 L of CAS effluents spiked with CIP (100 $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$) pH: inherent, 7.5–8.0	>99% (60 min)		
Ciprofloxacin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	T = 20 °C Monochromatic Pen-Ray Hg lamp (254 nm; 4750 $\mu\text{W cm}^{-2}$)	Total or not detected in the effluent (90 min) 28 (TOC)	Under mechanical stirring and temperature of 20°C, a constant current density of 50 mA cm ⁻² was applied during the 90 min of electrolysis.	[79]
		UV/H ₂ O ₂ /Fe ²⁺	T = 20 °C Monochromatic Pen-Ray Hg lamp (254 nm; 4750 $\mu\text{W cm}^{-2}$) 0,10 mmol FeSO ₄ ·7H ₂ O	Total or not detected in the effluent (90 min) 54,8 TOC (90 min)		

				84,6 TOC (360 min)		
Amoxicillin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	Low pressure Hg arc-UV lamp $I = 8 \times 10^{-7}$ Einstein L ⁻¹ s ⁻¹ $T = 20$ °C [H ₂ O ₂] = 0.4–10 mM Antibacterial activity was measured using <i>Escherichia coli</i> bacteria	99% (20 min)	Pseudo-first order kinetics Low mineralization UV/H ₂ O ₂ process effectively eliminated antibacterial activity	[64]
Amoxicillin	Antibiotic	UV/TiO ₂	[C] ₀ = 104, 105, and 103 mg L ⁻¹ respectively pH = 5	20%	Pseudo-first order kinetics $k = 0.007, 0.003$ and 0.029 min ⁻¹ , respectively At pH 11 was achieved the highest degradation.	[65]
		UV/H ₂ O ₂ /TiO ₂	DOC = 8.4 mg L ⁻¹ TiO ₂ (Anatase > 99%) UV(365 nm)	≈ Total or not detected in the effluent		
Clarithromycin	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	[C] ₀ = 1×10^4 M [O ₃] ≈ 10 ⁻⁵ M pH (phosphate buffer) $k_{O_3} = 7 \times 10^4$ M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹ (pH 7)	Total or not detected in the effluent	Ultrapure water Subproduct determination Toxicity test with <i>P. putida</i>	[80]
Diclofenac	Anti-inflammatory	O ₃ -based AOPs	[C] ₀ = 26 µM (8 mg L ⁻¹) Molar ratio: (O ₃ : diclofenac) 10:1. With and without <i>t</i> -BuOH; [O ₃] ₀ minimum for 10 µg L ⁻¹ of diclofenac = 0.016 mg L ⁻¹ $k_{O_3} = 6.8 \times 10^5$ M ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Total or not detected in the effluent (complete degradation of potentially toxic primary products)	Laboratory scale Subproducts: diclofenac-2,5-iminoquinone (32%), 5-hydroxydiclofenac (7%), 2,6-dichloroaniline (19%)	[74]
Diclofenac	Anti-inflammatory	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP and MP lamp UV doses ranged from 300–700 mJ cm ⁻² [H ₂ O ₂] = 0–10 mg L ⁻¹	>80%	Removal was largely attributed to direct photodegradation	[61]
Sulfamethoxazole	Antibiotics	O ₃ -based AOPs	$T = 22$ °C pH _{SMX} = 4.63 [SMX] ₀ = 30 mg L ⁻¹	99,9	Ozone primarily reacts with SMX by attacking the aniline (p-sulfonylaniline) moiety	[63]

Sulfamethoxazole	Antibiotics	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP and MP lamp UV doses ranged from 300–700 mJ cm ⁻² [H ₂ O ₂] = 0–10 mg L ⁻¹	>90%	Removal was largely attributed to direct photodegradation	[61]
Sulfamethoxazole	Antibiotics	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp (10W, 254 nm) pH= 3 – 8. [SMX] ₀ = 20 µM; [H ₂ O ₂] ₀ = 1 mM;	Total or not detected in the effluent (60 min)	Filtrated waters from two drinking water plants using surface water and ground water as water sources	[62]
Sulfamethoxazole	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	UV-C irradiation (λ = 254 nm, 230 W) Q _{UV} = 0.9 kJ L ⁻¹ [H ₂ O ₂] = 5 mg L ⁻¹ 80 L of CAS effluents spiked with CIP (100 µg L ⁻¹) pH: inherent, 7.5–8.0	>99% (90 min)	Pilot-scale setup	[50]
		Sunlight/H ₂ O ₂	Natural solar irradiation Q _{UV} = 42 kJ L ⁻¹ [H ₂ O ₂] = 30 mg L ⁻¹ 60 L of CAS effluents spiked with CIP (100 µg L ⁻¹) pH: inherent, 7.5–8.0	~46% (300 min)		
Sulfamethizole	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	O ₃ flow rate of 1.2 L min ⁻¹ [O ₃] ₀ = 1–3.2 mg L ⁻¹ [S] ₀ = 1000 µg L ⁻¹ [HCO ₃ ⁻] = 2–20 mM T = 22 °C pH = 2–10	99,9		[81]
Ibuprofen	Anti-inflammatory	UV/H ₂ O ₂	pH natural T = 20 °C [C] ₀ = 54.60 µg L ⁻¹	89,8 – 100 (40 min)	Laboratory scale Real wastewater	[57]

			$[C]_0 = 69.60 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[C]_0 = 275.00 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 25 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 50 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 100 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$		For each ibuprofen concentration, three UV/H ₂ O ₂ tests with different H ₂ O ₂ concentrations	
Naproxen	Anti-inflammatory	O ₃ -based AOPs	$[\text{O}_3] = 0.23 \text{ mM}$; pH = 7.8–8.7 $[C]_0 = 334 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$	>93 ≈ 15 (TOC)	Laboratory scale 18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban. Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	[59]
		O ₃ /H ₂ O ₂	$[\text{O}_3] = 0.23 \text{ mM}$ $[C]_0 = 389 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 20 \text{ mM}$, 0.15 mL (30% w/v) every 5 min in 5 L	>94 >90 (TOC)		
Carbamazepine	Antiepileptic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp (83 W, 1,04 W/cm ² , 254 nm) $[C]_0 = 5 \text{ mg/L}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 0,2 \text{ g/L}$	95 (30 min) 99,7 (60 min)	Laboratory scale	[69]
Carbamazepine	Antiepileptic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp pH natural T = 20 °C $[C]_0 = 59,83 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[C]_0 = 95,03 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[C]_0 = 281,00 \mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 25 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 50 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 100 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	80,1 – 100 (40 min)	Laboratory scale Real wastewater For each carbamazepine concentration, three UV/H ₂ O ₂ tests with different H ₂ O ₂ concentrations	[57]
Carbamazepine	Antiepileptic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP and MP lamp UV doses ranged from 300–700 mJ cm ⁻² $[\text{H}_2\text{O}_2] = 0\text{--}10 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	<5%	was not appreciably removed with UV/H ₂ O ₂ treatment	[61]
Chlortetracycline	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	$[\text{CTCN}]_0 = 30 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ pH _{CTCN} = 4.33 T = 22 °C	99,9		[63]
Lincomycin	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	$[C]_0 = 0.03 \text{ mM}$ LP lamp (254 nm) $[t\text{-BuOH}] = 10 \text{ mM}$	≈ 80 (in 3 min)	No toxic product generation	[68]

			$k_{OH} = 4.37 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 5.5) $k_{OH} = 4.59 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 7.5)			
		O ₃ -based AOPs	$[C]_0 = 0.5 \text{ mM}$ $[O_3]_0 = 0.4 \text{ mM}$ pH = 5.5–7.5 $[t\text{-BuOH}] = 10 \text{ mM}$ $k_{O_3} = 1.53 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 3) $k_{O_3} = 4.93 \times 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 6.7) $k_{OH} = 4.37 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 5.5) $k_{OH} = 4.59 \times 10^9 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ (pH 7.5)	Total or not detected in the effluent (in 2 min) <10 (TOC in 180 min)	without toxicity in 1 h and regardless of pH	
Levofloxacin	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	$[O_3]_0 = 2500 \text{ ppm}_v$ $[L]_0 = 16.4 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$ $T = 27.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ pH 3–7 (Buffer) $[t\text{-BuOH}] = 30 \text{ mM}$ $[H_2O_2] = 2\text{--}100 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$	99,9	Degradation was about 2 times faster at pH 10 compared to pH 3 and 7	[60]
Metronidazole	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	$[C]_0 = 6.0 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ (1 mg L ⁻¹) pH 6.0 LP lamp 254 nm (1.5 mW cm ⁻²); $[H_2O_2] = 25 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	59	Degradation exhibited pseudo- first order reaction kinetics	[67]
			$[C]_0 = 6.0 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ (1 mg L ⁻¹) pH 6.0 LP lamp 254 nm (1.5 mW cm ⁻²); $[H_2O_2] = 50 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	67		
			$[C]_0 = 6.0 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ (1 mg L ⁻¹) pH 6.0 MP lamp 200–400 nm (1.9 mW cm ⁻²) $[H_2O_2] = 25 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	58		
			$[C]_0 = 6.0 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ (1 mg L ⁻¹) pH 6.0 MP lamp 200–400 nm (1.9 mW cm ⁻²) $[H_2O_2] = 50 \text{ mg L}^{-1}$	64		
Metronidazole	Antibiotic	H ₂ O ₂ /Fe ²⁺	$[C]_0 = 6.0 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$ (1 mg L ⁻¹) $[Fe^{2+}] = 2,94 \text{ }\mu\text{M}$	53	The degradation kinetics followed a second order	[67]

			[H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5		Adding more ferrous ions enhanced the oxidation rate	
			[C] ₀ = 6.0 µM (1 mg L ⁻¹) [Fe ²⁺] = 5,88 µM [H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5	73		
			[C] ₀ = 6.0 µM (1 mg L ⁻¹) [Fe ²⁺] = 11,76 µM [H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5	76		
		UV/H ₂ O ₂ /Fe ²⁺	[C] ₀ = 6.0 µM (1 mg L ⁻¹) [Fe ²⁺] = 2,94 µM [H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5	74		
			[C] ₀ = 6.0 µM (1 mg L ⁻¹) [Fe ²⁺] = 5,88 µM [H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5	91		
			[C] ₀ = 6.0 µM (1 mg L ⁻¹) [Fe ²⁺] = 11,76 µM [H ₂ O ₂] = 29,4 µM pH 3.5	94		
Metronidazole	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM; pH = 7.8–8.7 [C] ₀ = 188 ng L ⁻¹	91 ≈15 (TOC)	Laboratory scale 18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban. Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	[59]
		O ₃ /H ₂ O ₂	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM [C] ₀ = 212 ng L ⁻¹ [H ₂ O ₂] = 20 mM, 0.15 mL (30% w/v) every 5 min in 5 L	92 >90 (TOC)		
Ketoprofen	Anti-inflammatory	O ₃ -based AOPs	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM; pH = 7.8–8.7 [C] ₀ = 335 ng L ⁻¹	69 ≈15 (TOC)	Laboratory scale 18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban.	[59]
		O ₃ /H ₂ O ₂	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM [C] ₀ = 346 ng L ⁻¹	70 >90 (TOC)		

			[H ₂ O ₂] = 20 mM, 0.15 mL (30% w/v) every 5 min in 5L		Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	
Oxytetracycline	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp [C] ₀ = 5 µM Toxicity assay with <i>vibrio fischeri</i> bacteria Types of water: ultrapure, treated water, surface and wastewater	Total or not detected in the effluent after 11 448 mJ cm ⁻²	The treated water was more rapidly degraded. Toxicity increased and then decreased	[58]
Doxycycline	Antibiotic	UV/H ₂ O ₂	LP-Hg lamp [C] ₀ = 5 µM Toxicity assay with <i>vibrio fischeri</i> bacteria Types of water: ultrapure, treated water, surface and wastewater	Total or not detected in the effluent after 11 448 mJ cm ⁻²	The treated water was more rapidly degraded. Toxicity increased and then decreased	[58]
Gemfibrozil	Lipid-lowering drug, lipid regulator	O ₃ -based AOPs	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM; pH = 7.8–8.7 [C] ₀ = 618 ng L ⁻¹	>99 ≈15 (TOC)	Laboratory scale 18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban. Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	[59]
		O ₃ /H ₂ O ₂	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM [C] ₀ = 608 ng L ⁻¹ [H ₂ O ₂] = 20 mM, 0.15 mL (30% w/v) every 5 min in 5L	>99 >90 (TOC)		
Bezafibrate	Lipid-lowering drugs, lipid regulator	O ₃ -based AOPs	[O ₃] = 0.23 mM; pH 7.8–8.7 [C] ₀ = 126 ng L ⁻¹	≈94 ≈15 (TOC)	Laboratory scale 18 filtered wastewaters were characterised: 10 domestic and 8 urban. Subproducts: carboxylates and low molecular weight oxalates	[59]
Sulfadiazine, Sulfamethizole, Sulfathiazole	Antibiotic	O ₃ -based AOPs	O ₃ flow rate of 1.2 L min ⁻¹ [O ₃] ₀ = 1–3.2 mg L ⁻¹ [S] ₀ = 1000 µg L ⁻¹ [HCO ₃ ⁻] = 2–20 mM T = 22 °C	99,9	It exhibited moderate reactivity to ozone	[81]

			pH = 2–10 $k_{O_3} > 2 \times 10^4 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at pH of 2			
Mefenamic acid	Anti inflammatori es	O ₃ -based AOPs	[MEF] ₀ = 0.54 mg L ⁻¹ pH = 4–9 (buffer) T = 25 °C [O ₃] ₀ = 0.7 mg L ⁻¹	pH 4 = 37.5 pH 7 = 42.5 pH 9 = 45.8	Degradation occurred during the first 5 min of treatment The degree of mineralization was limited: at pH 9 only 25% of Mefenamic acid was mineralized.	[82]