

Sustainable water pollution control: integrated Water-Energy-Food (iWEF) framework

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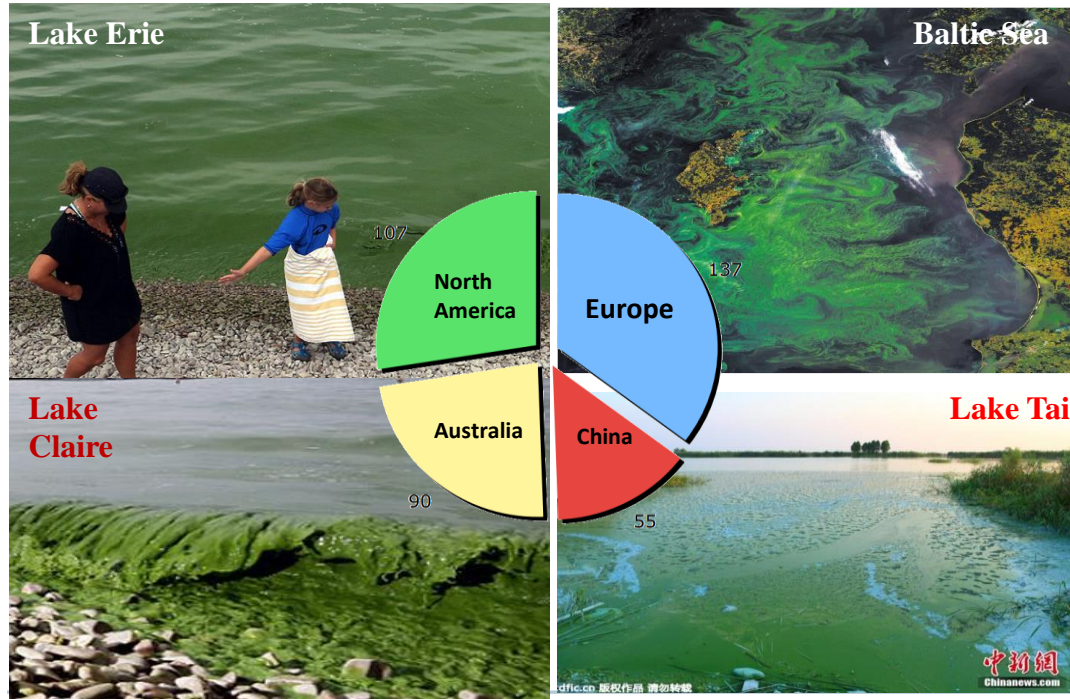
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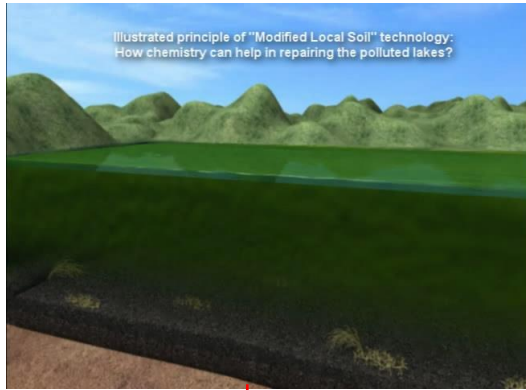
Eutrophication and harmful algal blooms (HABs)

Global problem reported in 45 countries, affecting 3 billions of population



A difficult issue for public health and water resources management

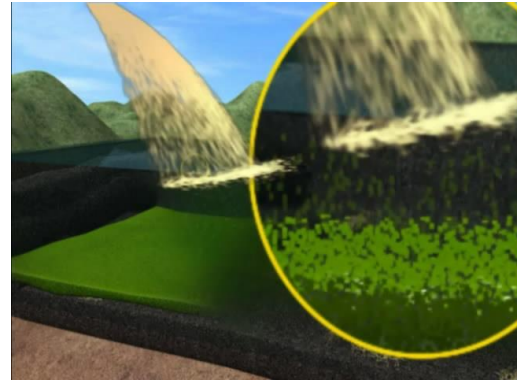
Introduction of Modified local soil (MLS) technology



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HAB
removal

Cheap
Safe



2 Multi-layer sediment
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MLS principle for shallow lake restoration

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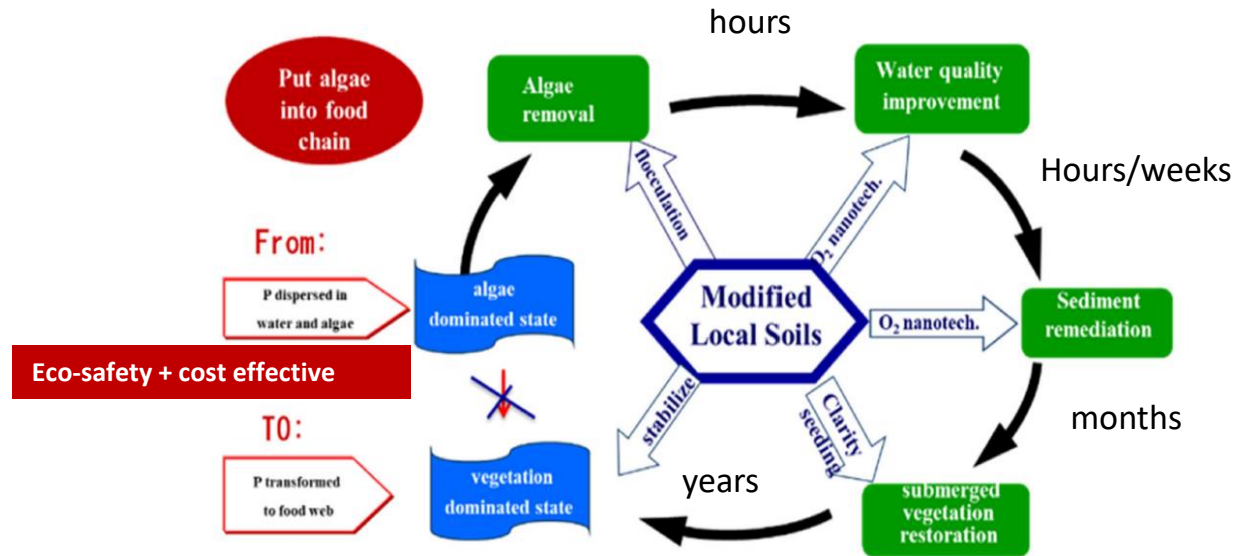


Figure 1. Multi-disciplinary principle of Modified Local Soil (MLS) technology.

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Algal removal



1. Very low dosage of modified local soil (11mg/L)

2. Nutrients removed from water to sediment (with cells)

3. Water transparency improvement

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Removal of cyanobacterial blooms in Taihu Lake using local soils. I. Equilibrium and kinetic screening on the flocculation of *Microcystis aeruginosa* using commercially available clays and minerals

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Sepiolite was the most effective flocculant among 26 commercially available clays and minerals in removing harmful algal cells from freshwaters.



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Removal of cyanobacterial blooms in Taihu Lake using local soils. II. Effective removal of *Microcystis aeruginosa* using local soils and sediments modified by chitosan

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Chitosan modification can turn many solids, such as local clays and soils, into highly effective flocculants in removing harmful cyanobacterial blooms in freshwaters.



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Removal of harmful cyanobacterial blooms in Taihu Lake using local soils. III. Factors affecting the removal efficiency and an in situ field experiment using chitosan-modified local soils

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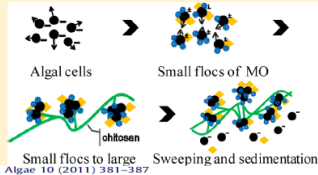
A Universal Method for Flocculating Harmful Algal Blooms in Marine and Fresh Waters Using Modified Sand

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: A universal environmental friendly method was developed to turn sand into effective flocculants for mitigating harmful algal blooms (HABs) in marine and freshwater systems. The isoelectric point of sand was largely increased from pH 4.5 to 10.5 after been modified by *Moringa oleifera* coagulant (MO) abstracted from MO seeds. However, when sand was modified by MO alone, maximum removal efficiencies of 80% and 20% for *Amphidinium carterae* (A.C.) and *Chlorella* sp. (C.S.) in seawater and 60% for *Microcystis aeruginosa* (M.A.) in fresh water were achieved in 30 min. The limited removal improvement was due to the form of only small flocs (20–100 μm) by surface charge modification only. Large flocs



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Modified local sands for the mitigation of harmful algal blooms

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Flocculation of cyanobacterial cells using coal fly ash modified chitosan

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Removal of *Microcystis aeruginosa* using cationic starch modified soils

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Amphoteric starch-based bicomponent modified soil for mitigation of harmful algal blooms (HABs) with broad salinity tolerance: Flocculation, algal regrowth, and ecological safety

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Lake Tai Pilot (50,000 m² enclosure)

before



during



8 months



1 day after



Engineering equipment



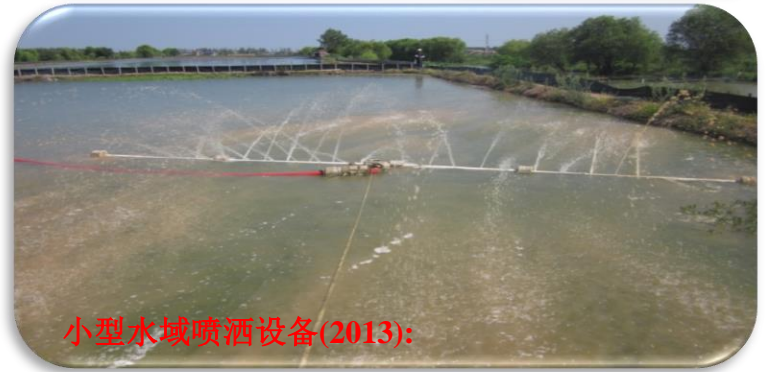
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In-lake algal bloom removal and submerged vegetation restoration using modified local soils

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Fig. 2. Severe HAB inside the bay before the treatment (photo taken before the treatment on 13th August 2006).



Fig. 4. One day after treatment using MLS-IER technology (photo taken on 14 August 2006).



Fig. 11. Submerged vegetation was successfully restored 4 months after the treatment (photo taken on the 1 December 2006).

Table 2
Composition changes of phytoplankton.

Position	Time	Composition of phytoplankton (%)						
		Cyanophyta	Chlorophyta	Bacillariophyta	Cryptophyta	Euglenophyta	Chrysophyta	Xanthophyta
Inside bay	August	98.2	0.01	1.7	–	–	–	–
	October	66.9	23.2	3.6	4.4	1.1	–	0.7
	December	26.4	37.4	15.4	7.5	–	6.7	6.6
Outside bay	August	98.1	0.01	1.8	–	–	–	–
	October	21.6	30.8	25.4	15.9	3.7	2.9	–
	December	38.6	28.2	16.0	8.1	–	–	9.1

Table 3
Composition changes of zooplankton.

Position	Time	Composition of zooplankton (%)		
		Cladocera	Copepods	Rotifera
Inside bay	August	50.0	13.0	37.0
	October	37.3	5.1	57.6
	December	18.0	14.8	67.2
Outside bay	August	50.0	13.0	37.0
	October	35.0	8.0	57.0
	December	17.0	20.5	62.5

Table 5
Comparison of biodiversity index inside and outside the bay.

Position	Time	\bar{d}		
		Phytoplankton	Zooplankton	Zoobenthos
Inside bay	August	0.091	0.979	0.087
	October	0.949	0.837	0.633
	December	1.562	0.858	1.011
Outside bay	August	0.091	0.979	0.087
	October	1.559	0.889	0.741
	December	1.439	0.920	0.779

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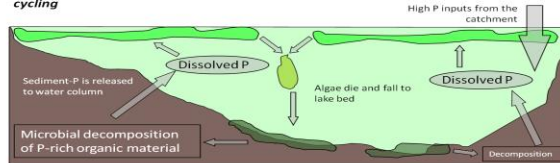
Geoengineering in lakes: welcome attraction or fatal distraction?

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What does geoengineering do?

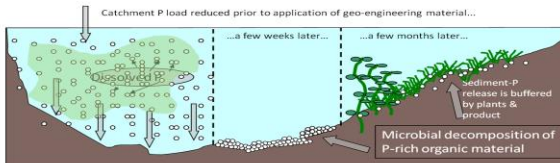
The premise of geoengineering in lakes is to manipulate biogeochemical processes known to improve ecological structure and function. It most commonly focuses on the ALGAL DOMINATED STATE

Resilience to change maintained through high algal production and internal P cycling



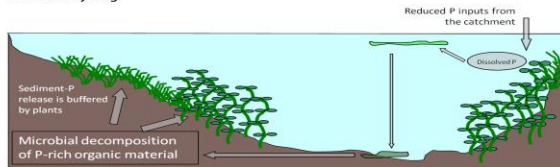
FORCING A CHANGE OF STATE

Following successful reduction of catchment P inputs, internal loading feedback mechanism is disrupted using geo-engineering products providing an opportunity for aquatic macrophytes to re-establish lake bed sediments



PLANT DOMINATED STATE

Resilience to change maintained through high plant production and regulation of internal P cycling



[P = phosphorus]

the water column, the materials strip out dissolved phosphorus as they sink to the bed sediments, where they may continue to act to reduce diffusion of dissolved phosphorus from the lake bed to the water column (e.g., Robb et al. 2003, Reitzel et al. 2005, Pan et al. 2006, 2012a, Meis et al. 2012). The range of products used is growing and includes engineered materials, commercially available salts, modified local soils, and industrial by-products (Hickey and Gibbs 2009). Substances are also currently being developed to flocculate phytoplankton; modify dissolved oxygen, carbon, and nitrogen concentrations; and to encourage spread of desirable plants through propagule dispersal (Pan et al. 2011a, 2011b, van de Weyer et al. 2014). Manipulation of benthic bacterial communities through increasing redox status, using materials capable of delivering oxygen microbubbles, has also been used (Pan et al. 2012b). Perhaps the most widespread use of the approach, however, has been the liming of lakes to reduce the effects of acidification (Guhren et al. 2007, Angelar and Goedkoop 2010).

The global market for geoengineering materials is difficult to define because published data on the number and size of treated lakes and ponds are limited. With respect to phosphorus inactivation, however, about 50 lakes have been treated with aluminium-based compounds in the United States over the last 5 years (B. Huser, pers. comm.), while in 2013, Phoslock, a lanthanum-modified bentonite clay product, was added to at least 30 lakes across the world (S. Yasseri, pers. comm.), and modified local soil materials were used in several waterbodies in China (G. Pan, pers. comm.).

Sediment remediation using oxygen nanobubble materials

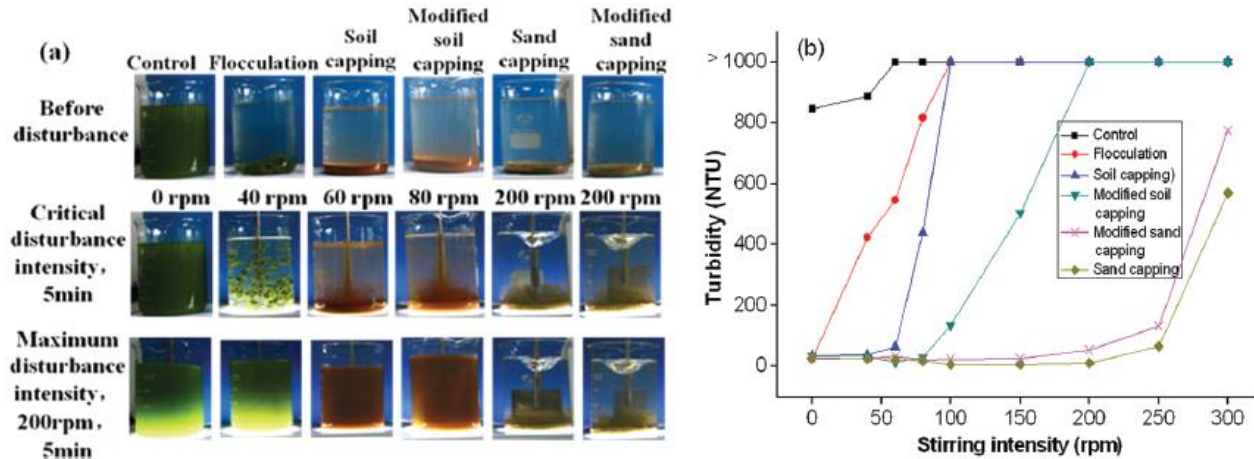


Figure 1. The effect of MLS-capping on resuspension reduction (a) and the turbidity caused by different disturbance intensities (b), where 1000 NTU is the maximum limit of the instrument. The critical disturbance intensity means the disturbance intensity at which resuspension occurs.

Physical: MLS capping reduces algal floc resuspension to maintain water transparency

MLS capping: chemical and microbial regulation inhibits the release of nutrients from sediment

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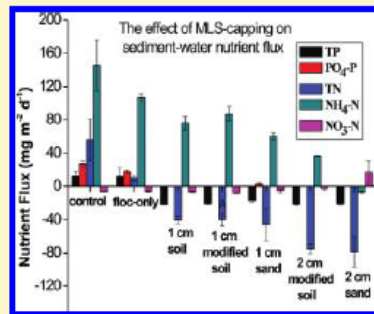
Reducing the Recruitment of Sedimented Algae and Nutrient Release into the Overlying Water Using Modified Soil/Sand Flocculation-Capping in Eutrophic Lakes

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ABSTRACT: The effect of simultaneously removing algal blooms from water and reducing the resuspension and nutrient release from the sediment was studied using modified local soil/sand flocculation-capping (MLS-capping) in simulated water-sediment systems. Twenty one sediment cores in situ with overlying water containing algal blooms were collected from Meiliang Bay of Lake Taihu (China) in July 2011. The algal cells in the water were flocculated and sunk to the sediment using chitosan modified local soils, and the algal flocs were capped with modified and nonmodified soil/sand and then incubated at 25 °C for 20 days. In the MLS-capping treated systems, the TP concentration was reduced from 2.56 mg P L⁻¹ to 0.06–0.14 mg P L⁻¹ and TN from 14.66 mg N L⁻¹ to 6.03–9.56 mg N L⁻¹ throughout the experiment, whereas the sediment to water fluxes of TP, TN, PO₄-P, and NH₄-N were greatly reduced or reversed and the redox potential remarkably increased compared to the control system. A capping layer of 1 cm



Simultaneous Removal of Harmful Algal Blooms and Microcystins Using Microorganism- and Chitosan-Modified Local Soil

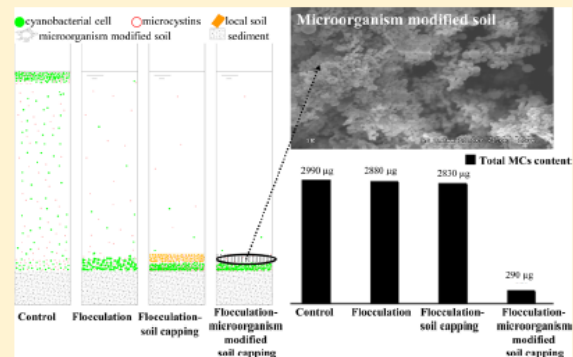
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Cyanobacterial harmful algal blooms (cyano-HAB) and microcystins (MCs) can cause a potential threat to public health. Here, a method for simultaneous removal of cyano-HAB and MCs was developed using chitosan-modified local soil (MLS) flocculation plus microorganism-modified soil capping. The experiment was conducted in simulated columns containing algal water collected from Lake Taihu (China). More than 90% of algal cells and intracellular MCs were flocculated and removed from water using chitosan-MLS and the sunken flocs were treated by different capping materials including *Pseudomonas* sp. An18 modified local soil. During 40 days of incubation, dissolved MC-LR and MC-RR showed 10-fold increase in the flocculation-only system. The increase of MC-LR and MC-RR in water was reduced by 30 and 70% in soil capping treatments; however, the total content of MCs in the sediment–water column remained



Remediation of hypoxia in polluted sediment

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Combating hypoxia/anoxia at sediment-water interfaces: A preliminary study of oxygen nanobubble modified clay materials

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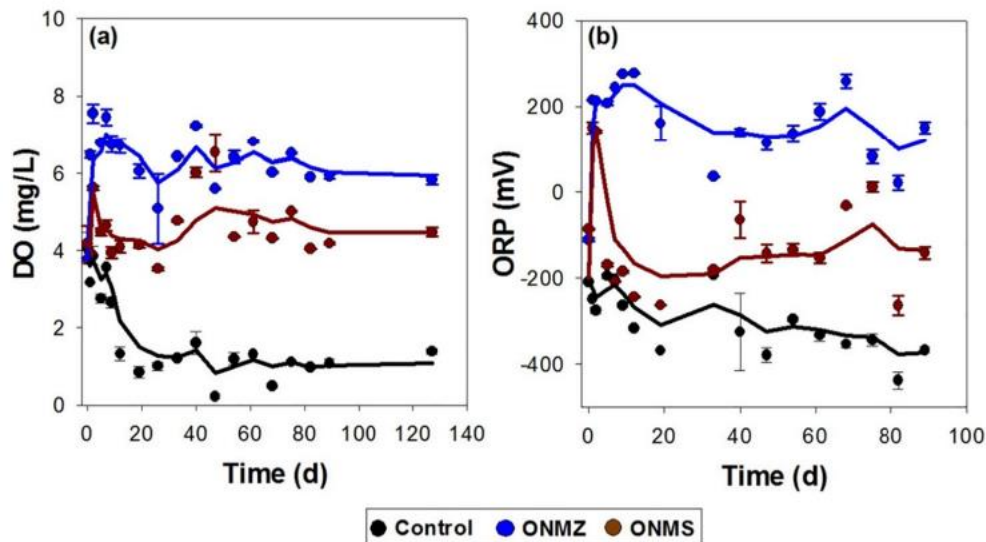
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Fig. 7. The color change at sediment-water interfaces in the column experiment after 127 days. Treatment A and treatment B are ONMZ and ONMS, respectively. The photo was taken off for the picture.

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The O_2 /ORP change can trigger many geochemical and microbial processes in the sediment, affecting P, N, C, S, metal cycling

Manipulation of N, P cycling

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Exploring a multifunctional geoenvironmental material for eutrophication remediation: Simultaneously control internal nutrient load and tackle hypoxia

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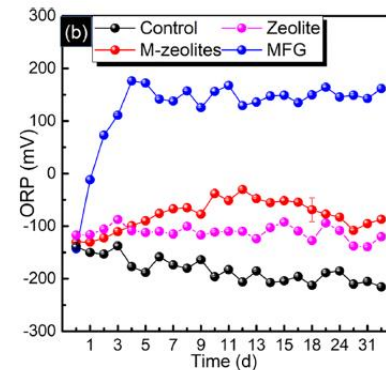
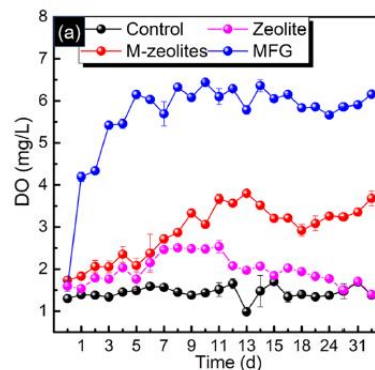
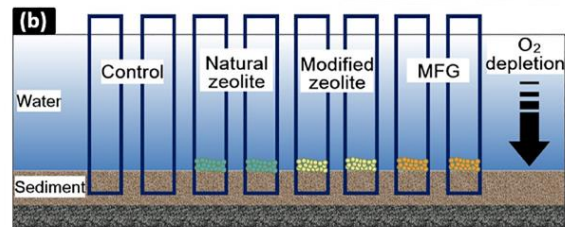
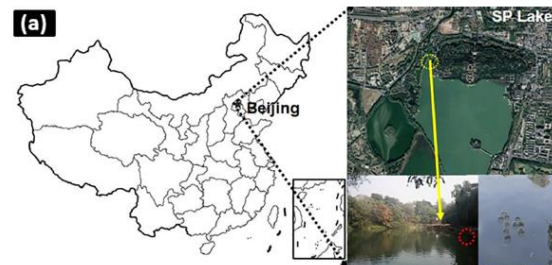
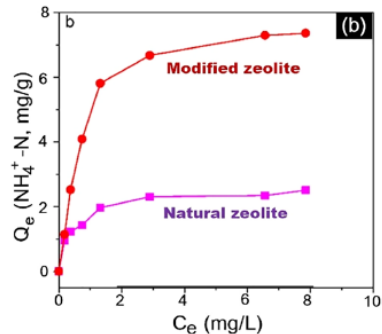
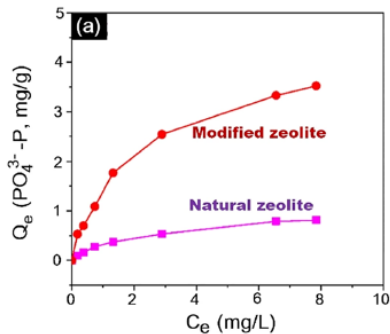
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Manipulation of C cycling

Hypoxia Remediation and Methane Emission Manipulation Using Surface Oxygen Nanobubbles

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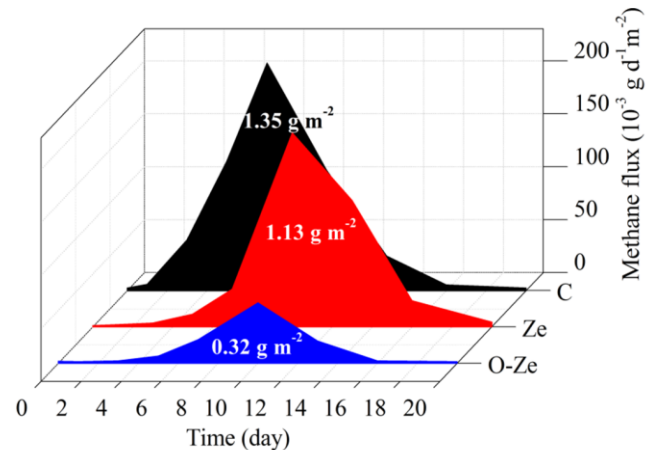
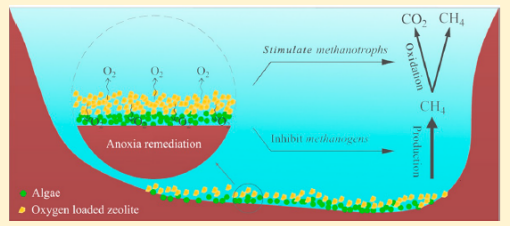
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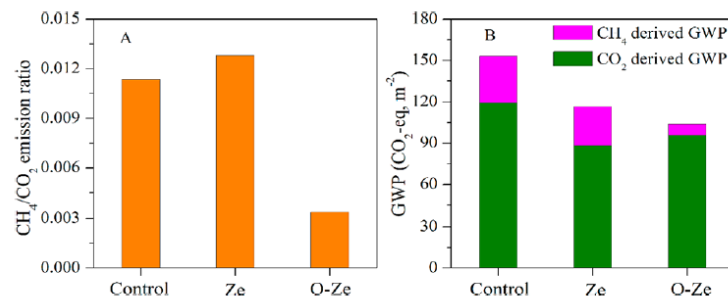
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Algal blooms in eutrophic waters often induce anoxia/hypoxia and enhance methane (CH₄) emissions to the atmosphere, which may contribute to global warming. At present, there are very few strategies available to combat this problem. In this study, surface oxygen nanobubbles were tested as a novel approach for anoxia/hypoxia remediation and CH₄ emission control. Incubation column experiments were conducted using sediment and water samples taken from Lake Taihu, China. The results indicated that algae-induced anoxia/hypoxia could be reduced or reversed after oxygen



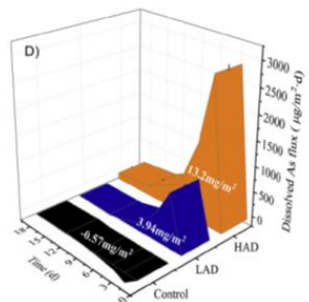
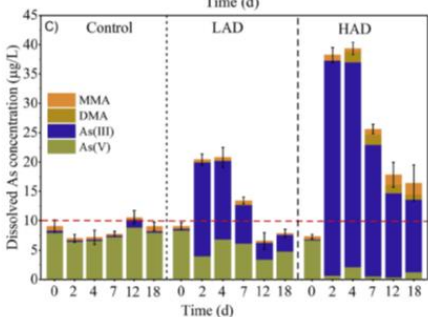
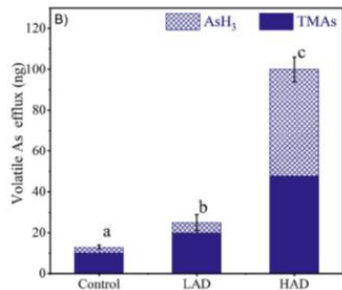
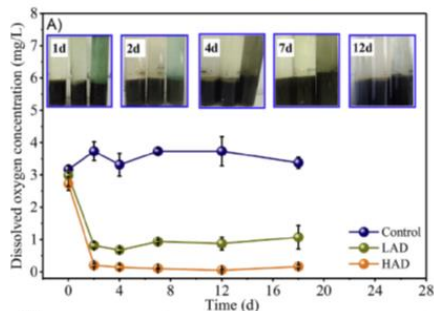
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Arsenic exposure in eutrophic waters

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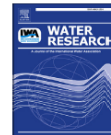


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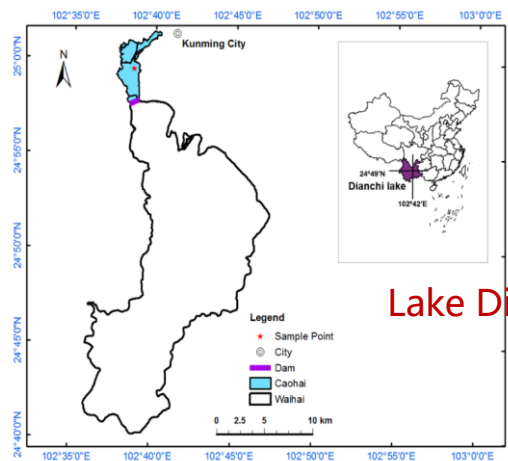
Impact of eutrophication on arsenic cycling in freshwaters

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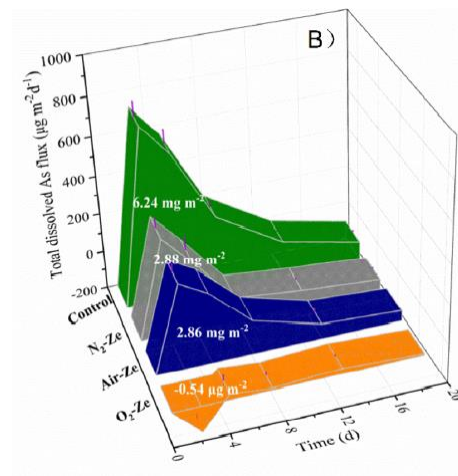
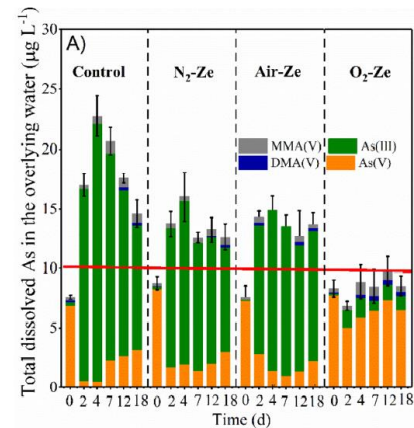
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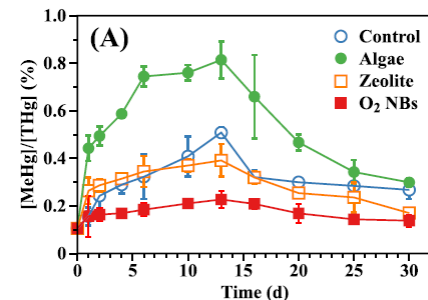
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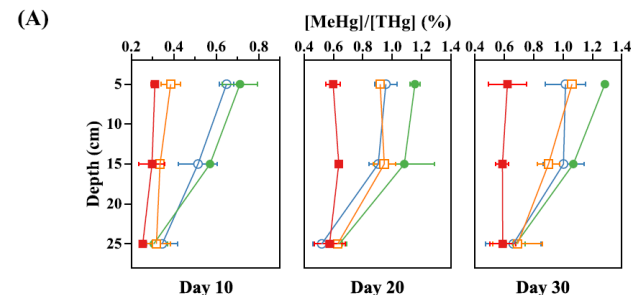
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Shallow water ecological restoration

Control



MLS Treatment
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1.5 m, submerged macrophytes restoration



Three-year monitoring of ecological and water quality



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3rd year



2nd year

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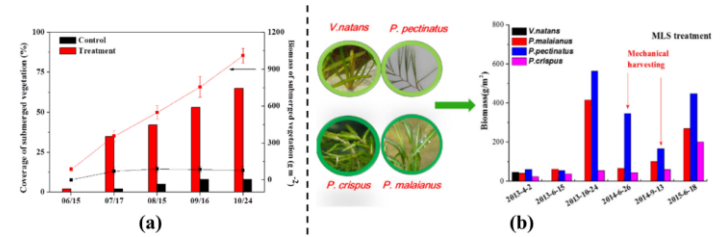


Figure 12. (a) The coverage and biomass of submerged vegetation in the control and treatment ponds after 4 months and (b) a 3-year monitoring result on submerged vegetation restoration in the treated pond.

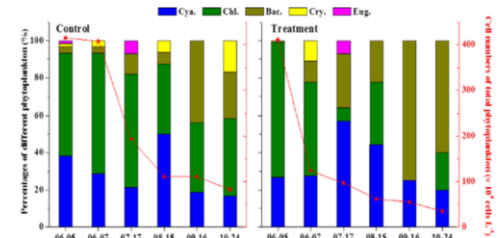



Figure 13. Changes of the dominant phytoplankton composition in the control and treatment ponds.


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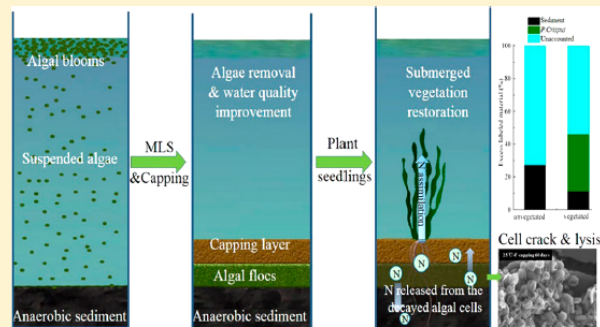
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ABSTRACT: Switching the dominance from algae to macrophytes is crucial for lake management of human-induced eutrophication. Nutrients from algal sources can be utilized in the process of transition from algal blooms to macrophytes, thereby mitigating eutrophication. However, this process rarely occurs in algal bloom dominated waters. Here, we examined the hypothesis that the transition of algal blooms to macrophytes and the transfer of nutrients from algae at different temperatures (8 and 25 °C) can be facilitated by using a geo-engineering method. The results showed that the combination of flocculation and capping treatment could not only remove *Microcystis aeruginosa* blooms from eutrophic waters but also facilitate algal decomposition and incorporation into a sub-



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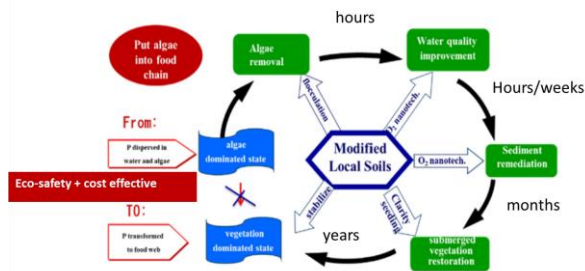


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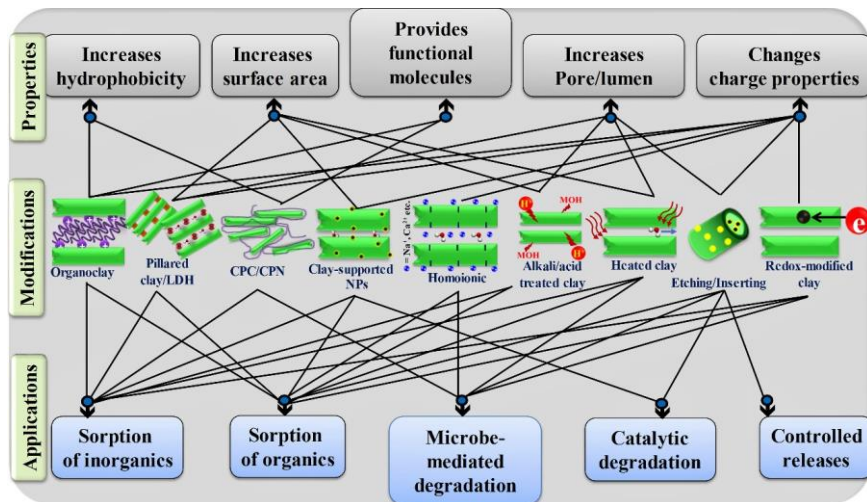
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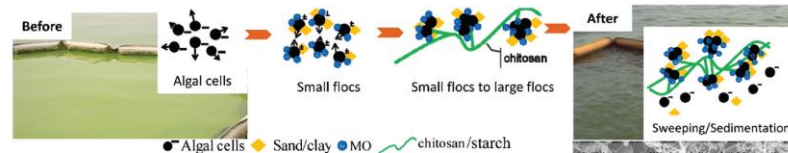
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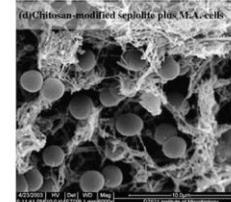

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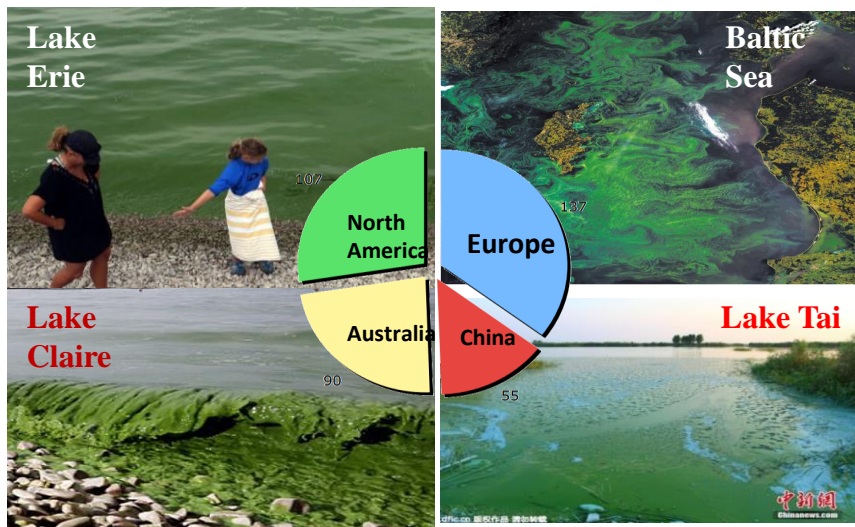


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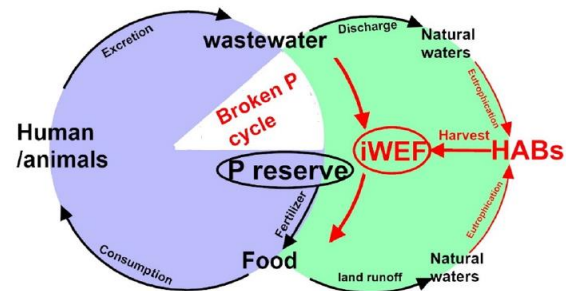
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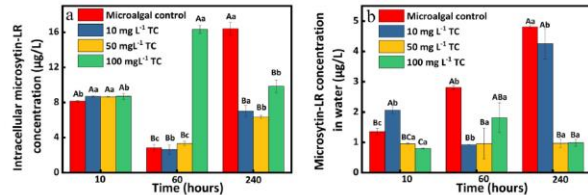


Fig. 5. Microcystin-LR concentrations of (a) intracellular *M. aeruginosa*, and (b) released into water from *M. aeruginosa*. Different uppercase letters above the error bars in each figure represent significant difference ($p < 0.05$) among different treatment groups at the same sampling time. Different lowercase letters above error bars in each figure represent significant difference ($p < 0.05$) of the same treatment group over different sampling times.

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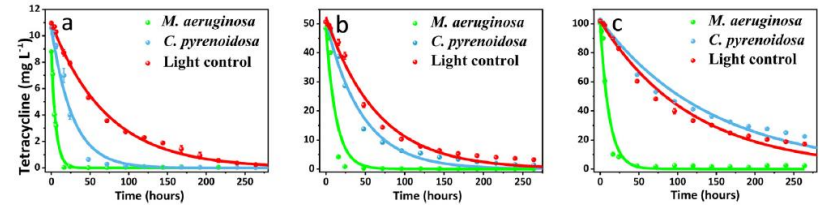


Fig. 1. The dynamics of tetracycline concentration in blank control groups, and treatment groups of *M. aeruginosa* and *C. pyrenoidosa* at initial concentrations of 10 mg L⁻¹ (a), 50 mg L⁻¹ (b), and 100 mg L⁻¹ (c). The solid lines are simulated pseudo-first-order kinetic degradation models.

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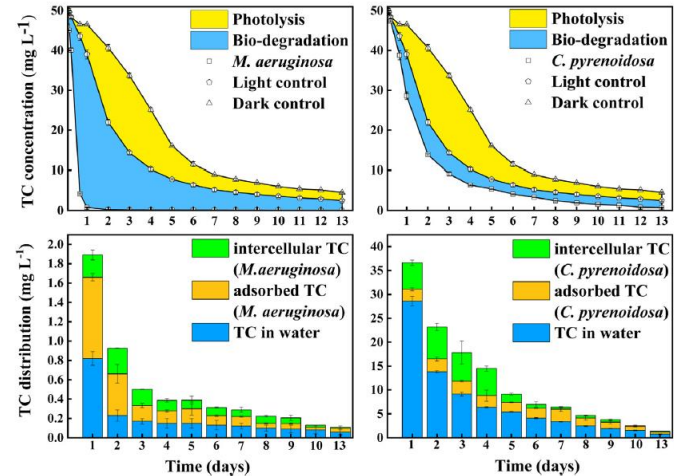


Fig. 2. Theoretically different contributions (photolysis, hydrolysis & cation-binding and bio-remediation) towards tetracycline removal in (a) *M. aeruginosa*, and (b) *C. pyrenoidosa* treatment groups, and distribution (in water, adsorption by microalgae and bio-accumulation into microalgal cells) of residual tetracycline in (c) *M. aeruginosa*, and (d) *C. pyrenoidosa* treatment groups.

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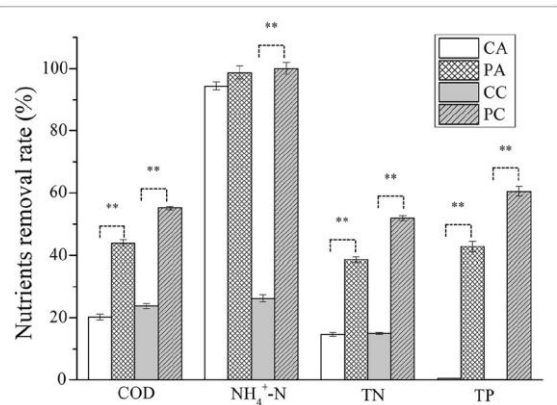
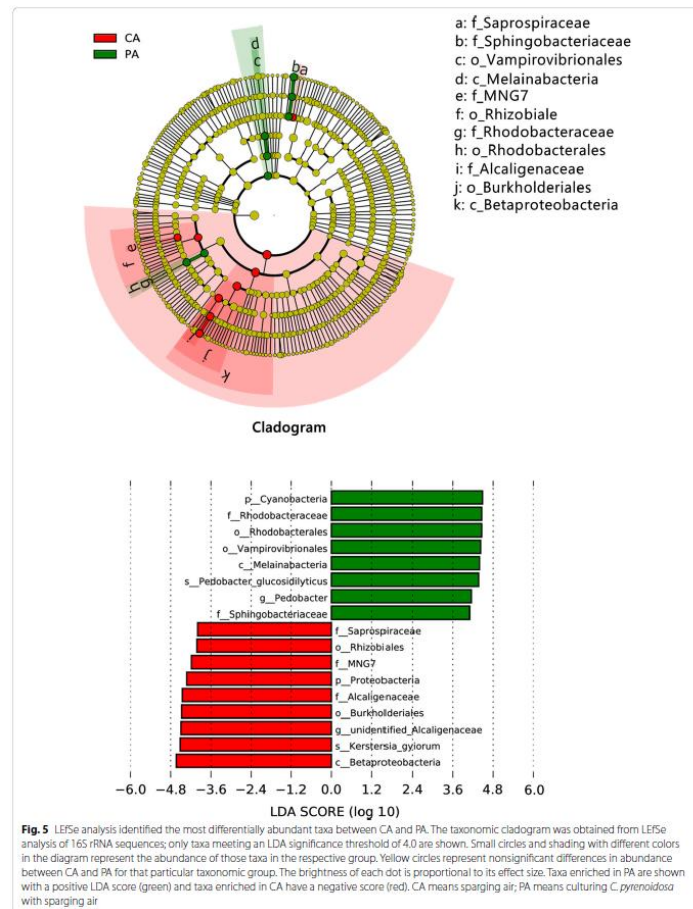


Fig. 2 Chemical oxygen demand (COD), ammonium (NH₄⁺-N), total nitrogen (TN) and total phosphate (TP) removal rates. CA means



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Integrated valorization system for simultaneous high strength organic wastewater treatment and astaxanthin production from *Haematococcus pluvialis*

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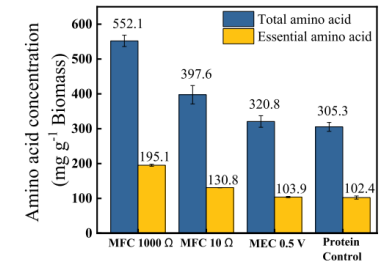
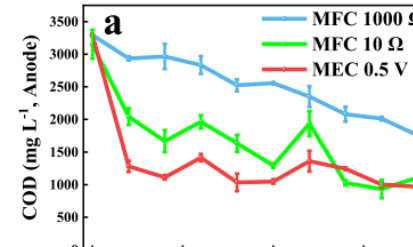
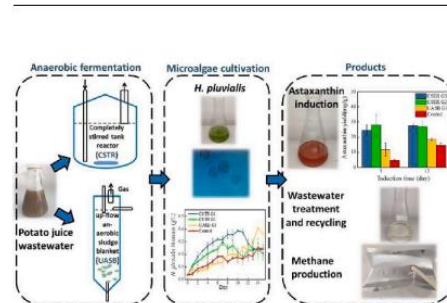


Fig. 7. Total and essential amino acid content of *C. vulgaris* in different groups at day 18.

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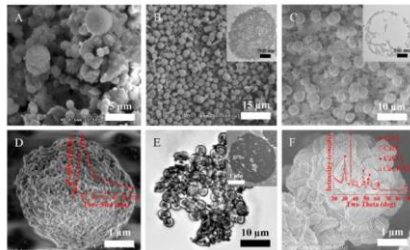
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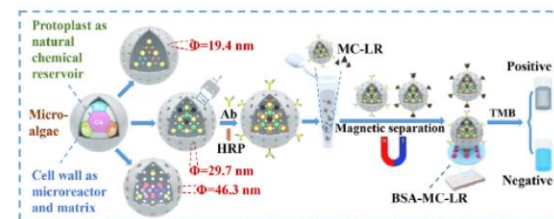
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HIGHLIGHTS

- Rattle-type microspheres are fabricated using microalgae as single-source precursor.
- Microalgae act as natural chemical reservoir, microreactor and matrix.
- Microspheres with simultaneous adjustable pore-size shell and composite nano cores.
- Microspheres are an ideal signal multiplier for highly sensitive immunoassay.
- Enhancement of sensitivity is due to the tunable compositions and morphology.

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



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Microalgae-derived hydrochar application on rice paddy soil: Higher rice yield but increased gaseous nitrogen loss



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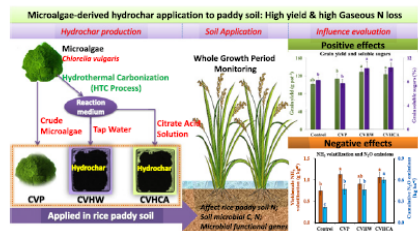
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HIGHLIGHTS

- *Chlorella vulgaris* hydrochars (CVH) were fabricated by hydrothermal carbonization.
- CVH addition improved N use efficiency, sugar content, and grain yield of rice.
- CVH addition stimulated NH₃ volatilization and N₂O emission from paddy soil.
- Compared to direct addition of CV, CVH addition inhibited NH₃ volatilization.
- Increasing gaseous N loss results from physicochemical and microbiological factors.

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



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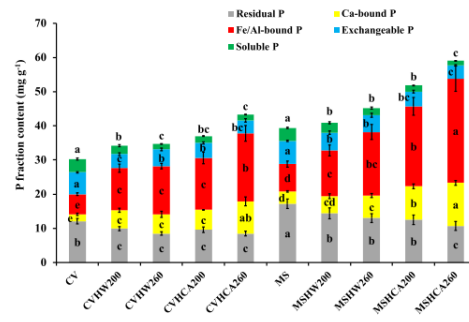


Fig. 2. Fractionation of P in sequential extracts of raw microalgae and microalgae-derived hydrochars.

Enhancement of Tomato Plant Growth and Productivity in Organic Farming by Agri-Nanotechnology Using Nanobubble Oxygenation

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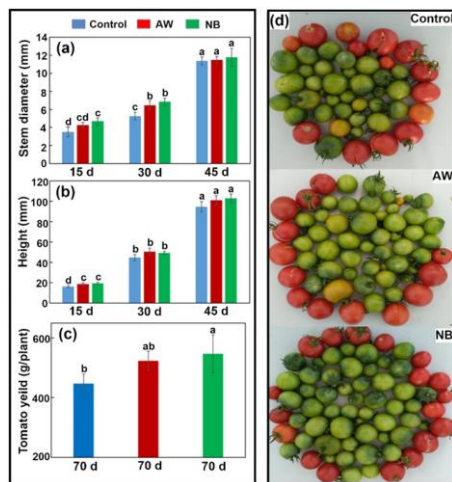
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Sewage sludge-derived hydrochar that inhibits ammonia volatilization, improves soil nitrogen retention and rice nitrogen utilization

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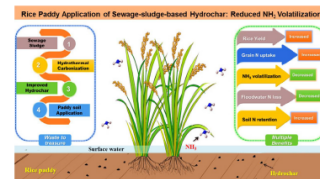
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HIGHLIGHTS

- Sewage sludge was valorized through hydrothermal carbonization (HTC).
- Mg-citrate and H₂SO₄ solution as medium in HTC modified sludge-hydrochar (SSHMS).
- SSHMS improved surface porous volume and carboxyl group abundance, and reduced pH.
- SSHMS treatment inhibited rice paddy NH₃ volatilization and nitrogen runoff.
- SSHMS treatment increased paddy soil N retention, rice N uptake and rice yield.

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT



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