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A substantial fraction of both gas-phase and aerosol organic compounds have not been, or have very rarely been, directly measured in the atmosphere. Goldstein and Galbally review current knowledge about atmospheric organic constituents by asking the fol-

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Andrew J. Schuler and Hoon Jang

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Vanessa J. Pereira, Howard S. Weinberg, Karl G. Linden, and Philip C. Singer

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Chuen-Jinn Tsai, Sheng-Chieh Chen, Rafal Przekop, and Arkadiusz

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Trichloroethene Degradation by UV/H_2O_2 Advanced Oxidation Process: Product Study and Kinetic Modeling

Ke Li, Mihaela I. Stefan, and John C. Crittenden

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Marta Santiago and Javier Pérez-Ramírez

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Benjamin K. Amos, Rebecca C. Daprato, Joseph B. Hughes, Kurt D. Pennell, and Frank E. Löffler

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Hirofumi Sakanakura

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Photodegradation of Rhodamine B in Water Assisted by Titania Nanorod Thin Films Subjected to Various Thermal Treatments

Jin-Ming Wu

Well-crystallized titania nanorod thin films synthesized through in situ, low-temperature oxidation of metallic titani-

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um substrates with hydrogen peroxide solutions possess very high efficiency to photodegrade rhodamine B in water.

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Jed Costanza and Kurt D. Pennell

Heating ampoules containing chlorinated-solvent-contaminated field samples to between 55 and 95 °C increases PCE desorption but has minimal effect on PCE degradation.

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Yangsheng Liu, Shaodong Xie, Yaqiong Li, and Yushan Liu

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J. Cameron Thrash, J. Ian Van Trump, Karrie A. Weber, Elisabeth Miller, Laurie A. Achenbach, and John D. Coates

Perchlorate is microbially attenuated in a novel bioreactor by using a cathode as the electron source; this improves monitoring and control and negates issues traditionally associated with biological treatment.

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Zaher Hashisho, Hamidreza Emamipour, Diego Cevallos, Mark J. Rood, K. James Hay, and Byung J. Kim

A revised microwave-swing adsorption system, operated to provide specific organic vapor concentrations at a separately controlled total gas flow rate, is described.

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Jeremiah Johnson, E. M. Harper, Reid Lifset, and T. E. Graedel

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Adrian M. H. deBruyn and Peter M. Chapman

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Carlos Davidson, Michael F. Benard, H. Bradley Shaffer, John M. Parker, Chadrick O'Leary, J. Michael Conlon, and Louise A. Rollins-Smith

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Predicting Copper Toxicity with Its Intracellular or Subcellular Concentration and the Thiol Synthesis in a Marine Diatom

Ai-Jun Miao and Wen-Xiong Wang

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Prokaryotic Gene Profiling Assays to Detect Sediment Toxicity: Evaluating the Ecotoxicological Relevance of a Cell-Based Assay

F. Dardenne, R. Smolders, W. De Coen, and R. Blust

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