



Novel Insights in Membrane Fouling during Wastewater or Water Treatment

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Dear Colleagues,

Over the last few decades, membrane separation technologies have been increasingly applied in wastewater and water treatment, due to a series of advantages offered by the employed membranes; compared to other separation methods, membrane technologies are environmentally friendly, operate in ambient temperatures and pressures, present high separation performance, and are available in ready-to-use modules that allow for their easier scale-up and implementation in large-scale facilities. Their widespread utilization, however, is hindered by membrane fouling, i.e., the undesirable deposition of dissolved or suspended solids within the membranes' pores or onto their surface, which results in elevated energy demands and frequent membrane replacement and, therefore, in the increase of operating cost. Consequently, in recent years there has been a rapid increase in research studies that focus on the study of membrane fouling and especially on the investigation of novel anti-fouling methods, which aim to reduce or control membrane fouling during wastewater/water treatment.





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