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Biorestauration of Swage Polluted by Waste Motor Oil with Pleurotus florida Crude Extract and Mineral Solution

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Abstract

In México, swage is likely contaminated by waste motor oil (WMO) that contains aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons. An ecological alternative to solve this problem is bio stimulation with indigenous microbiota to eliminate the aliphatic fraction of WMO. However, this aromatic part of WMO contain benzene recalcitrant, an unexplored alternative is bio stimulation with extract of *Pleurotus florida* (ePf) and mineral solution for its elimination. The objective of this research were to analyze bio stimulation swage polluted by WMO containing benzene with ePf and mineral solution for its elimination. The effect of bio stimulation of ePf plus mineral solution on the WMO and benzene was measuring by the amount of CO₂ produced. This result indicated that bio stimulation of swage polluted by WMO with Pf and mineral solution eliminated this fraction to allow the reuse of this water.

Index terms— bioremediation, laccase, water reuse, native heterotrophic microorganisms.

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Introduction n Mexico and in many other places, environmental contamination related to petrochemicals has been recognized as one of the most serious problems for wastewater, groundwater, surface water and other bodies of water. In Mexico, the annual production of waste motor oil (WMO) is approximately 325 million liters (Soumeya et al., 2022). It is estimated that only 20% of the volume generated receives adequate final treatment.

The composition of WMO includes a wide range of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons with chain lengths ranging from C₁₅ to C₅₀, (Iqbal et al., 2018), minor amounts of additives, viscosity improvers, oxidation inhibitors, nitrogen, and sulfur compounds, as well as metals such as lead, zinc, barium and magnesium. These contaminants arise from normal wear of engine components and heating and oxidation of lubricating oil during engine operation. WMO may contain higher percentages of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and additives compared to fresh oil, and the concentration of PAHs in WMO may range from 34 to 190 times higher than those in fresh motor oil (American Public Health Association, 2012; Soumeya et al., 2022). Therefore, WMO is a mixture of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons that involves a risk to human health and the environment, notably sewage (Chandra et al., 2012).

The presence of benzene in WMOcontaminated sewage is particularly problematic, as it has a relatively high-water solubility (1.8 g/l, 15°C), and is easily transferred to groundwater and drinking water supplies(de Oliveira et al., 2009;Mitra and Roy, 2011;Iqbal et al., 2018). Benzene is challenging to remove because it lacks an activating (O₂) oxygen or N(nitrogen) substituent group, making the oxidation of the ring not energetically feasible. Long-term health effects of benzene exposure include adverse effects on bone marrow and cancer in humans(El-Naas et al., 2014).

Various biological remediation schemes have been investigated to treat water, sewage, and industrial effluents containing aliphatic hydrocarbons and benzene (Harms et al., 2011;Chandra et al., 2018). The most widely applied biostimulation for aliphatic hydrocarbon's its elimination by the native microbial consortium via enrichment withbasic minerals such as nitrogen, phosphorous, potassium, and others (Demir, 2004). However, biological treatment methods have commonly been limited by the toxicity of these compounds, and the

45 correspondingly low concentrations of the substrates to which the microbes must be exposed (Okolafor and
46 Ekhaise, 2022). Yet, while most of the studies have focused on bacteria, little is known about the contribution
47 of fungi of the bioremediation of the environment polluted by benzene (Gadd, 2001;Dittman et al., 2002).

48 Fungal-mediated mineralization of soil pollutants has mainly been assayed with white-rot fungi (Demir,
49 2004;Okolafor and Ekhaise, 2022). It has been shown that many species belonging to the white rot fungi group
50 can degrade lignin, which is a natural polymer (Harms et al., 2011). Therefore, an environmentally friendly
51 solution to induce full or partial mineralization of WMO in sewage is the biostimulation of native microbiota by
52 enrichment with essential macronutrients ??Surajudeen and Benjamin, 2009).

53 Removal of the aromatic fraction is possible with an extracellular enzyme extract of *P. florida* (ePf), a
54 basidiomycete that synthesizes Manganese peroxidase (MnP), Lignin peroxidase (LiP) and a Lactase (LiP)
55 (Gadd, 2001;Dittman et al., 2002;Demir, 2004;Harms et al., 2011). This is an enzymatic complex with a substrate
56 chemical non-specificity to hydrolyze aromatic rings, similar to those in the composition of WMO (Estebar et al.,
57 2012). The objective of this research were to analyze biostimulation swage polluted by WMO containing benzene
58 with Pf and mineral solution for its elimination.

59 2 II.

60 3 Material and Methods

61 4 a) Fungi cultivation and obtaining of enzymatic crude extract

62 The fungus *P. florida* was donated by Kamuro Inc. based in Morelia, Michoacán, Mexico. It was grown by
63 preparing malt extract and incubated at 28 °C for seven days. The fungi were inoculated in a flask containing
64 distilled water and 7.5 g of sterile wheat straw as the only source of carbon and energy. The flask was incubated
65 at 28°C for 14 days, according to Demir (2004). At the end of the period, the flask content was centrifuged at
66 1000 rpm/10 min, and the supernatant was filtered using a Millipore membrane, 0.2 µ. The protein concentration
67 was measured using a curve of bovine albumin as standard. The ePf was conserved in glycerol at -20°C until use.

68 5 b) Effect of biostimulation with extract of *P. florida*

69 sewage polluted by waste motor oil containing benzene WMO was diluted (1:100) in distilled water. Immediately,
70 a sample of 10 ml was transferred to a Bartha flask with 500 ml capacity, with H₂O 2 : 2 ppm; MnSO₄ 4 : 2
71 mM;1.0ml and ePf 1mg/ml. All Bartha flasks were incubated at 30°C (±2°C), 100 rpm for a three-weeks period.
72 A relative control consisted of 100 ml of sewage with the diluted WMO, with sodium azide, H₂O + MnSO₄
73 and no ePf biostimulation. An absolute control composed of 100 ml of sewage, sterilized ePf, 10 ml of diluted
74 WMO, Tween 80 and sodium azide was also used to inhibit any biological activity. All assays were carried out
75 using triplicates.

76 Biostimulation of swage polluted by WMO containing benzene with a mineral solution Six Bartha flasks were
77 used, containing 100 ml of sewage, WMO diluted 1:100, and a mineral solution with the following composition
78 (g/l): K₂HPO₄ 4 : 4; MgSO₄ 4 : 3; NH₄NO₃ 3 : 10; CaCO₃ 3 : 1; KCl: 2; ZnSO₄ 4 : 0.5; CuSO₄ 4 : 0.5; FeSO₄ 4 :
79 0.2; EDTA 8.0; tween 20 0.01%; H₂O 2 : 2 ppm; MnSO₄ 4 :2 mM;1 and 1 mg/ml of the ePf extract. All Bartha
80 flasks were incubated at 30°C (±2°C),100 rpm for another three-weeks period. The experiment was carried out
81 using triplicates (Mathur and Majumder, 2010).

82 6 c) Analysis of aliphatic hydrocarbons

83 The analysis of benzene concentration was carried out using a gas chromatograph (Perkin Elmer Autosystem
84 Series) coupled to a FID, using an Elite-5 Capillary Column coated with a 5% diphenyl/95% Dimethyl Polysiloxane
85 stationary phase, 30m length, 0.25 diameter, 0.25 mm film thickness in a split injection mode. The carrier gas
86 was Helium; the column oven temperature was 40° C for 8 min and was increased from 40-180° C at 6° C min⁻¹.
87 The injector temperature was 250° C (Gosh et al., 2018).

88 7 d) Experimental design

89 Five treatments, as shown in Table 1, were used to analyze the effect of ePf on benzene ring breakage in sewage
90 with WMO as well as its mineralization by biostimulation with a mineral solution.

91 8 Results

92 Figure 1 shows that benzene degradation activity was induced by the biostimulation with ePf in sewage
93 contaminated by WMO. The breakdown of WMO benzene showed a delay, that had been mostly degraded;
94 this suggests the presence of the interaction of this aromatic compound interaction between WMO constituents
95 during its degradation. The analysis of WMO yielded an initial benzene concentration of 34.2 µmol in the Bartha
96 flasks. The biostimulation with ePf induced the depletion of benzene concentration in only four days. However,
97 in the same period, there was also an abiotic loss of benzene, probably due to evaporation, since the concentration
98 in the control experiment on the third day was 19.2 µmol. Benzene decreased after four days; in the control
99 treatment without biostimulation with ePf, this loss due to evaporation was up to 30% (Figure 1); an abiotic loss

100 of benzene has been reported to increase with incubation time due to its high solubility in water, volatilization
101 and adsorption on the walls of Bartha flasks (Shah, 2017). The aerobic microbial degradation of the WMO
102 had different patterns on CO₂ production (Figure 2). The microbial benzene on WMO breaking increased in 5
103 days after biostimulation with mineral solution with macronutrients based in mineral salts of N, P, K, and other
104 elements to enriched sewage polluted with WMO; this was followed by a constant decrease over the next 16 days
105 of the issue (Gadd, 2001; urajudeen and Benjamin, 2009).

106 While Figure ?? shows the effect of biostimulation of sewage contaminated with WMO by ePf and mineral
107 solution on benzene removal that reached up to a concentration of 32.77 μ M (according to the data shown in
108 Figure 1) in less than five days compared to the control data, as no further increase in CO₂ production was
109 observed without the biostimulation caused by the mineral solution. The positive effect on CO₂ production rates
110 indicates that the WMO contaminated sewage contained a sizeable microbial community capable of mineralizing
111 aromatic hydrocarbons.

112 In figure ??a, shows the chromatogram of benzene before it was broken down by biostimulation with ePf
113 in sewage contaminated with WMO diluted 1:100. Figure ??b shows the chromatogram when benzene was
114 eliminated after biostimulation with ePf and mineral solution.

115 IV.

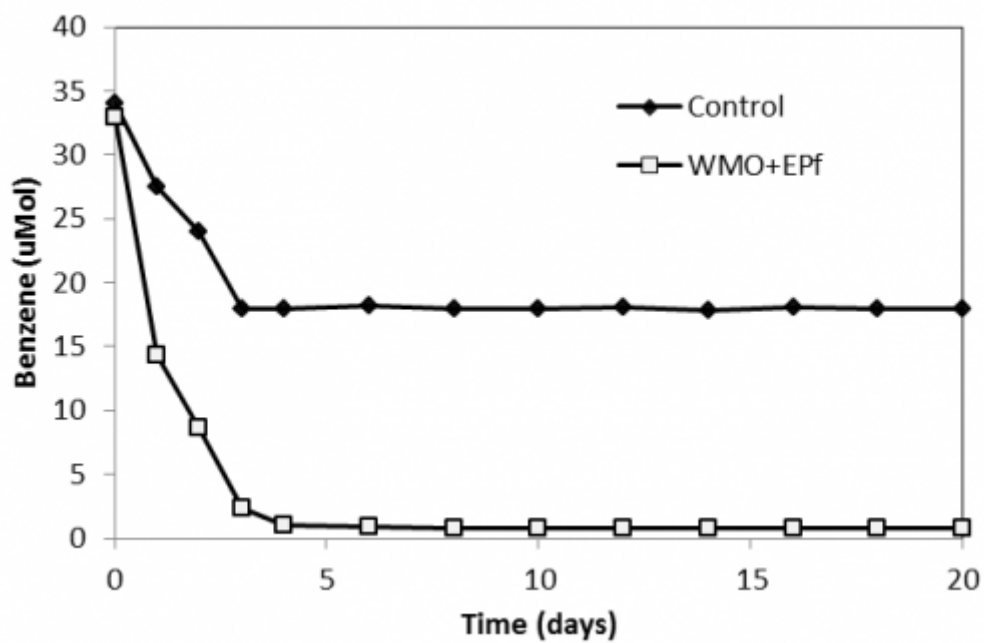
116 9 Discussion

117 This research has been based on biostimulation of the benzene contained in the WMO by ePf and its elimination
118 with mineral solution for the indigenous microbial population in sewage polluted WMO (Rajasulochana and
119 Preethy, 2016; Okola for and Ekhaise, 2022). An attempt was made to evaluate the biostimulation by
120 mineralization kinetics of the microbial consortium. The degradation kinetics of WMO benzene, was analyzed
121 and modeled mathematically. This study shows that ePf was able to degrade WMO benzene hydrocarbon
122 in a microcosm. These results show that the participation of fungal extract in the biodegradation of aromatic
123 pollutants in sewage is consistent with reports generated by other authors (Demir, 2004; urajudeen & Benjamin,
124 2009; Shah, 2017; Chandra et al., 2018). Biostimulation of WMO containing benzene required the ePf and
125 mineral solution due to activity of the indigenous microbiota in sewage exhibited the extraordinary capacity
126 of the microbial consortium to mineralize petroleum aromatics hydrocarbons (Dittman et al., 2002; Esteban et
127 al., 2012). These results also confirm that benzene in WMO is more recalcitrant than aliphatic hydrocarbons
128 (Mathur and Majumder, 2010; El-Naas et al., 2014). Currently, bioremediation of WMO-contaminated sewage
129 containing benzene, is carried out through in situ treatments such as bioventing. However, biostimulation of
130 WMO-contaminated sewage with ePf and mineral solution are very important to remove aromatic hydrocarbons,
131 including volatilization (Demir, 2004; urajudeen and Benjamin 2009; Mathur and Majumder, 2010; Mitra and
132 Roy, 2011). Fungi growing on volatile aromatic hydrocarbons have been used successfully for the biofiltration of
133 air containing volatile hydrocarbons (Harms et al., 2011; Iqbal et al., 2018; kolafor and Ekhaise, 20002). This
134 preliminary study indicates that biostimulation of benzene-containing WMO contaminated sewage by P. florida
135 extract and mineral solution showed a microbial population capable of mineralizing benzene (Gadd, 2001; Demir,
136 2004; Chandra et al., 2018). Further studies are still needed to evaluate the biostimulation of benzene-containing
137 WMO-contaminated sewage with P. florida extract and mineral solution on a large scale (Rajasulochana and
138 Preethy, 2016).

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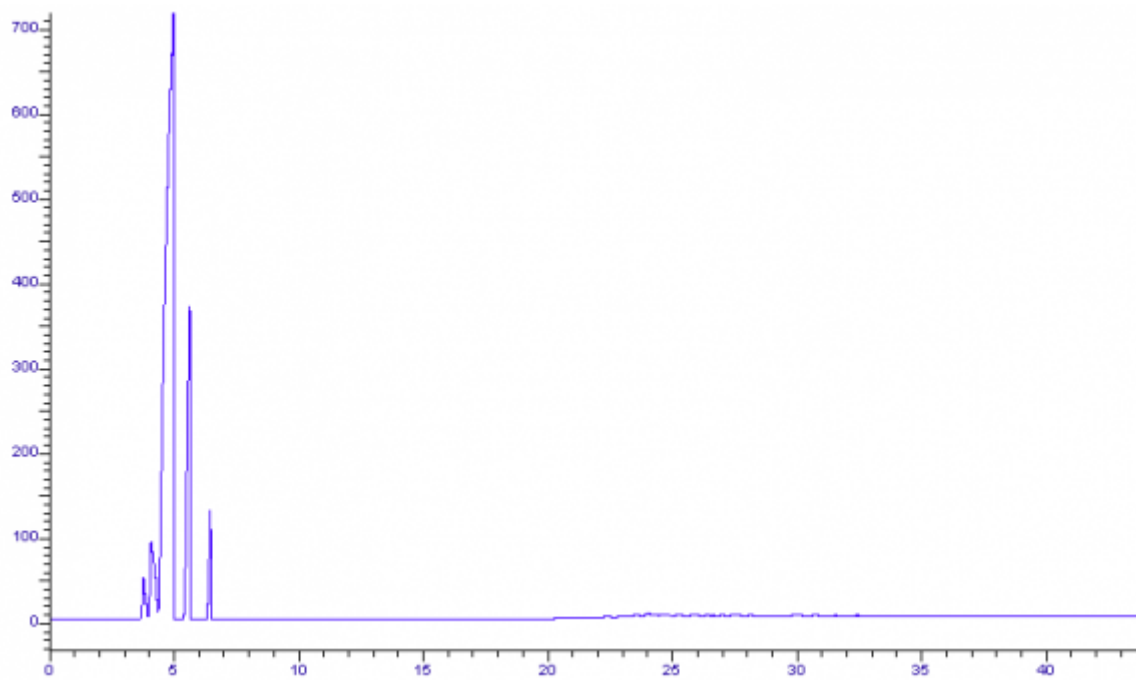
140 10 Conclusion

141 This research concluded that biostimulation of ePf, and mineral solution in recovering sewage polluted by WMO
142 containing benzene to reuse in irrigation city gardens and industrial issues.



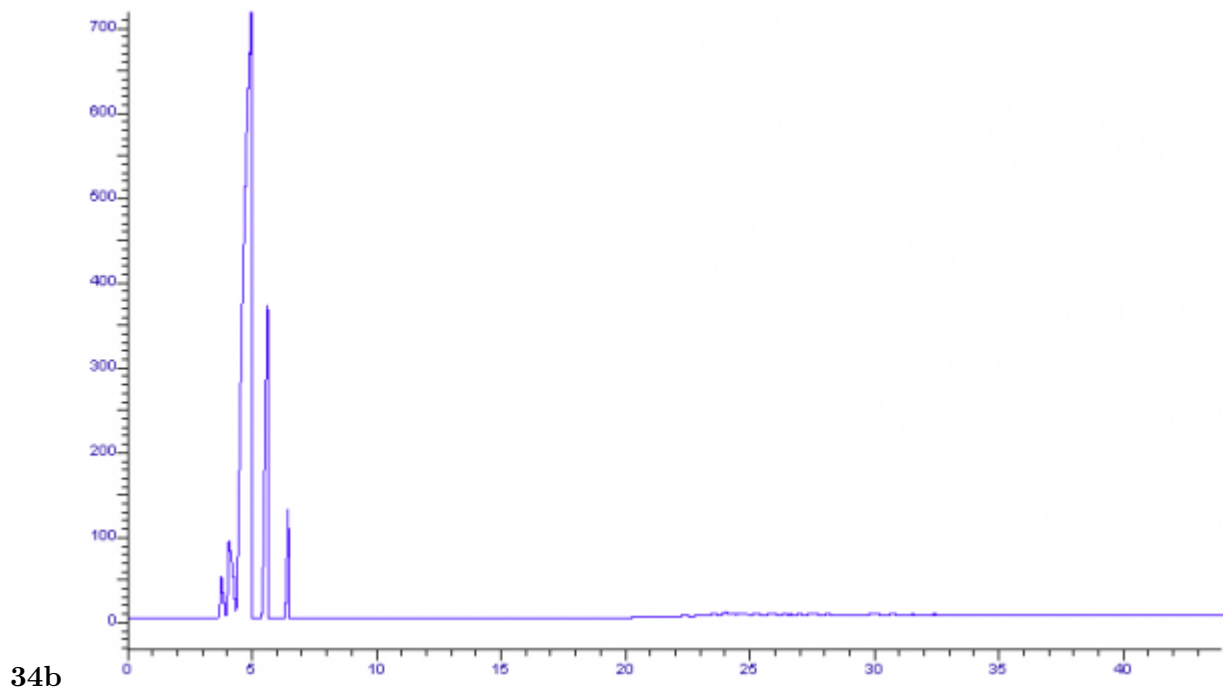
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Figure 2: Figure 2 :



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Figure 3: Figure 3 :Figure 4b :

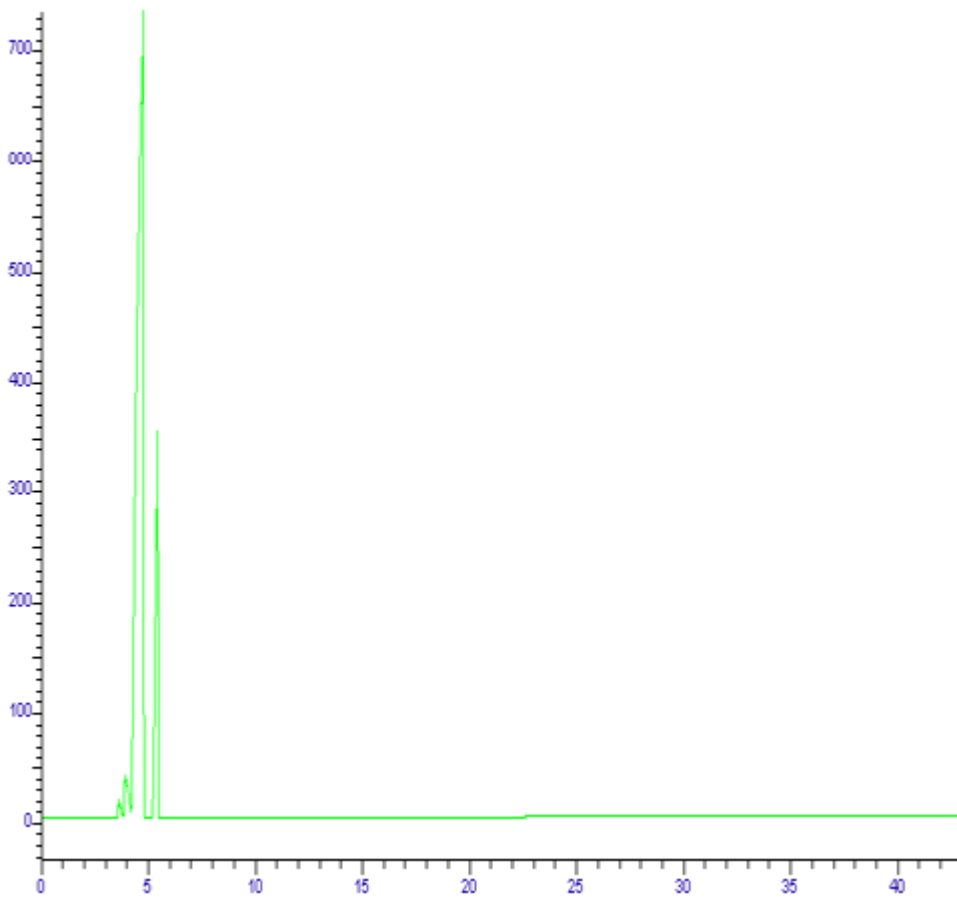


Figure 4:

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Treatment (T)	Sewage	P. florida extract	WMO	Sodium Azide	Tween 80	H ₂ O ₂	MnSO ₄	Mineral solution	
1 (relative control)	+	-	+	+	-	+			+ -
2 (absolute control)	+	+	+	+	+	+			+ -
3	+	+	+	+	+	+			+ -
4	+	+	+	+	+	+			+ -
5	+	+	+	+	+	+			+ +

*Sterilized, (+) =use; (-) = non use

III.

Figure 5: Table 1 :

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