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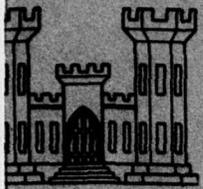
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1. The technical report transmitted herewith represents the results of one research effort initiated in Task 6B: Treatment of Contaminated Dredged Material of the Corps of Engineers' Dredged Material Research Program (DMRP). This task, included as part of the Disposal Operations Project of the DMRP, is concerned with evaluating physical, chemical, and/or biological methods for removing contaminants from dredged material.
2. In recent years, there has been continued concern about the adverse environmental impact of dredging and disposal operations on water quality and aquatic organisms. Rapid industrial and population growth in areas adjacent to navigable waterways has continued to contribute to the contamination of the water bodies and the sediments that eventually must be dredged. It became apparent during the planning phases of the DMRP that there could arise situations where it would be necessary to treat contaminated dredged material or the effluent discharged from containment areas before it could be returned to open water. Therefore, Task 6B was developed to meet this possible need.
3. Initial studies within Task 6B and other DMRP tasks indicated that most contaminants in effluents are associated with the solid phase of the material returned to the waterway. Therefore, if solids could be effectively removed from the effluent, most water-quality standards could be met. Other studies within Task 6B indicated that the use of chemical flocculants might be a viable method for improving the solids removal from the effluents of containment areas. The Environmental Engineering Program of the University of Southern California conducted a laboratory study under Work Unit 6B07, the first of two studies to evaluate the performance of flocculants and to develop guidelines for their use with dredging operations. The study, reported on herein, was designed to determine the effectiveness of flocculants under laboratory conditions. The second study, conducted under Work Unit 6B08 by the Environmental Engineering Division of the Waterways Experiment Station's Environmental Effects Laboratory and Jones, Edmunds and Associates, Inc., of Gainesville, Florida, was designed to apply the results of the laboratory study to the development of guidelines for the field application of flocculants.

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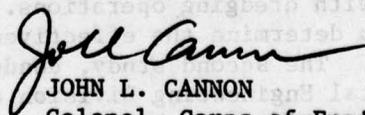
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4. The laboratory study found that conventional coagulants such as alum and ferric sulphate are unsuitable for use in the treatment of effluent from containment areas due to the large doses and pH control that are required to achieve acceptable effluent quality. There is also the problem of carryover of trace metals from these conventional coagulants. On the other hand, the study indicated that polymers can be effective in removing solids from the effluent. Rapid removal of solids and contaminants was observed immediately after flocculation. When a detention time of a few minutes is provided, the concentration of contaminants in the treated effluent can be drastically reduced from the parts-per-million range to the parts-per-billion range. Pertinent factors such as salinity and initial turbidity level were also studied in relation to the level of salinity and initial turbidity in the suspensions. A suspension with high salinity and low initial turbidity is easy to clarify because of rapid floc formation.

5. Methods were developed to provide a technique to screen the large number of polymers available on the market to narrow the number effective for use with specific sediments. Parameters of gross sediment content such as chemical oxygen demand, total organic carbon, and particle size of sediments were found to be well correlated with optimum dosage requirements. Therefore, these parameters should be useful in the initial selection of the optimum polymer dosage.

6. There is no significant difference in the physical properties of resettled sediments with and without polymer treatment in terms of plastic limit, liquid limit, and plasticity index. However, a slight increase in the coefficient of permeability for the polymer-treated sediments was observed. An assessment of long-term mobilization of chemical constituents from the polymer-flocculated particles was conducted to gain additional insight concerning the possibility of release of contaminants to the water column. In most cases the polymer-treated particles do not show any significant difference in release of contaminants from that of untreated samples.

7. As stated previously, the results of this study are being used to develop final guidelines for the use of flocculants to treat effluent from containment areas. The results of the study reported herein will be useful in determining the potential effectiveness of polymers for improving effluent quality from confined disposal areas.



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PREFACE

The work described in this report was performed under Contract No. DACW39-76-C-0038, entitled, "Flocculation as a Means for Water Quality Improvement from Disposal of Dredged Material in Confined Areas," dated December 31, 1975, between the U. S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station (WES), Vicksburg, Mississippi, and the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California. The research was sponsored by the Environmental Effects Laboratory (EEL), WES, under the Dredged Material Research Program (DMRP) Work Unit 6B07. The study was part of DMRP Task 6B, "Treatment of Contaminated Dredged Material," of the Disposal Operations Project (DOP).

This report is the result of experimental work performed to evaluate the effectiveness of various flocculants in separating suspended particulates and associated chemical constituents from water columns to reduce the discharge of contaminants to receiving waters from disposal of dredged materials in confined areas.

The research was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Kenneth Y. Chen, Director, Environmental Engineering Program, USC. This report was a basis for the dissertation of Dr. Chun-Ching Wang, who performed most of the laboratory and data analysis. Individuals who contributed to different portions of the laboratory operations were: George Jan, Lata Bhatt, Jeffrey Stone, Tzu-Pai Pan, and Mark Montgomery. The editorial assistance of Bert Eichenberger is greatly appreciated.

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SUMMARY

Trace metals, chlorinated hydrocarbons and biostimulants are found to be enriched in fine particulates of contaminated sediments. When different types of sediments are resuspended, it has been found that the extent of redissolution is very small. However, contaminants attached to the particulates can be transported along the waterways downstream from the disturbed areas. In confined areas, proper treatment and rapid removal of those suspended particulates from the water column will not only lessen the oxygen demand, but will also reduce the input of contaminants into the receiving water.

With the exception of sandy types of sediments, total concentrations of trace metals and biostimulants from the resuspension of contaminated sediments after two hours of sedimentation (without any pre-treatment) are mostly in the ppm range. In some cases these concentrations may exceed the allowable discharged requirement imposed by regulatory agencies. In this study, extensive laboratory experiments were carried out to screen commercially available polymers and conventional coagulants, such as alum and ferric sulfate, for the removal of suspended particles. It has been found that these conventional coagulants are unsuitable for this use due to the large dosages (in the range of 30 to 40 ppm) and pH control that are required to achieve acceptable effluent quality. There is also the problem of carry-over of trace metals from these conventional coagulants. Furthermore, polymers affect pH to a minor extent, thereby eliminating the need for pH adjustment of the treated effluent.

Among fifty types of polymers evaluated in this study, some high molecular weight cationic polymers (such as Betz 1160 and Hercofloc 815.3 and 849) and anionic polymers (such as Calgon WT-3000 and Betz 1120) were found to be very effective for the

treatment of resuspensions in the laboratory. Rapid removal of contaminants was observed immediately after flocculation. When a detention time of a few minutes is provided, the concentration of contaminants in the treated effluent can be drastically reduced from the ppm range to the ppb range.

Pertinent factors such as salinity and initial turbidity level of resuspensions were also studied in relation to the optimum dosage of Betz 1160 polymer. It was found that the optimum dosage of a polymer is closely related to the level of salinity and initial turbidity in the resuspensions. A suspension with high salinity and low initial turbidity usually requires less polymer. However, a suspension with higher turbidity is easier to clarify; i.e., fast floc formation.

Parameters of gross sediment content such as COD, TOC, and particle size of sediments $<5 \mu\text{m}$ were also found to be well correlated with optimum dosage requirements of Calgon WT-3000, a high molecular anionic polymer. Correlation coefficients of 0.93, 0.95, and 0.97, respectively, were found in this study. Therefore, parameters of contaminated sediment content such as TOC, COD, and particle size of sediments $<5 \mu\text{m}$ could be useful in the initial selection of the optimum polymer dosage.

There is no significant difference in the physical properties of resettled sediments with and without polymer treatment in terms of plastic limit, liquid limit, and plasticity index. However, there is a slight increase in the coefficient of permeability for polymer-treated sediments.

An assessment of long-term mobilization of chemical constituents from polymer-flocculated particles was also conducted to gain additional insight concerning the possibility of release of contaminants to the water column. In most cases, the polymer-treated particles do not show a significant difference in the release of contaminants and stimulants from that of the untreated sample.

redissolution is very small, contaminants attached to the particles can be transported by the effluent to the receiving waters. The ecological significance of these particles cannot be well defined at present. Nevertheless, trace metals and chlorinated hydrocarbons associated with suspended particles, including macromolecular organic complexes, may pose some problems due to the possible biological uptake.

10. At present, there is no specific numeric standard on a national basis regulating effluent discharge from a confined disposal area. The California State Water Resources Control Board promulgated an ocean water plan with specific numeric limitations for the discharge of sewage effluents in 1972 (CSWRCB, 1972); however, the plan does not apply to dredging operations. The standard for sewage effluent is based on a dilution ratio of sewage to seawater of 1:100. It is not known whether such a dilution is attainable in the situation of confined disposal under most circumstances.

11. Table 1 lists several effluent quality standards of 1973 (Murphy and Zeigler, 1974) and 1975 (Krizek, et al., 1976) adopted for the operation of various dredging activities. Interim guidelines were imposed by the EPA (1975) to govern discharge of dredged or fill material into navigable waters. An interagency manual to be prepared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency will define tests, procedures, etc., necessary to evaluate such discharges.

12. The resuspension of fine particles will result from the disturbance of sediments through dredging operations. Since most water quality standards do not differentiate between soluble and particulate fractions, disposal operations involving contaminated dredged material would either require a long detention time or treatment in order to meet the effluent water quality standards.

13. In addition, a large fraction of trace metals in dredged material is in the form of insoluble sulfides. Upon

resuspension of sediments in aerated water, the effects of oxidation and dilution will solubilize a certain amount of trace metals (Lu, 1976). Rapid removal of suspended particulates from water columns will lessen the oxygen demand and reduce the total input of trace metals into the receiving waters.

Objectives of the Study

14. The purpose of this study was to evaluate effective means for the reduction of contaminants in effluent discharged from confined disposal areas. Specifically:

- a. To investigate the effectiveness of various flocculants (both conventional coagulants and polyelectrolytes) for the removal of fine-sized fractions of dredged material which are likely to remain in suspension, and to determine the optimum dosage required for adequate flocculation of the fines. The effectiveness of each flocculant is determined from the settling characteristics of flocculated particles and residual turbidity of the effluent.
- b. To correlate the characteristics of sediments with the type and dosage of flocculants. All of the sediment samples used in this study are characterized in terms of total organic carbon content (TOC), grain-size distribution, total organic nitrogen, trace metals concentration, chlorinated hydrocarbons, sulfide, total phosphorus, and salinity. The correlation of sediment characteristics with treatment requirements will provide some guidelines in the preliminary selection of type and dosage of flocculants.
- c. To evaluate the removal efficiency of trace contaminants and nutrients in water columns with and without polymer treatment. Sediment-water mixtures are treated with optimum dosage of polymer. The removal efficiency of trace contaminants and nutrients is evaluated at different time periods in comparison

with a control column. The behavior of flocculated particles and the efficiency of pollutant removal by selected polymers are evaluated.

- d. To evaluate the treatment of effluents with turbidity levels higher than 1000 nephelometric turbidity units. In small-size disposal areas, retention times are usually short and high turbidity effluents may result. Flocculation with a higher polymer dosage may be needed to treat these supernatants.
- e. To assess the distribution of trace metals, nitrogen and phosphorus species, as well as total organic carbon at different depths of the settling columns. Concentration of trace metals, different forms of phosphorus and nitrogen, as well as organic carbon in different sizes of sediments need to be examined to evaluate the removal potential by sedimentation alone.
- f. To compare the characteristics of flocculated sediments vs. resettled sediments. Flocculation provides for the agglomeration of fine particles into bigger flocs. The grain-size distribution for the polymer-treated and untreated sediments are evaluated. The "percentage of flocculation" at various particle sizes is calculated to evaluate the effectiveness of the polymer in flocculating the sediment slurries. For the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness of flocculation, the falling-head method is used to determine the coefficient of permeability of treated and untreated sediments.
- g. To study the effect of salinity on the treatment of supernatants. Ionic strength has significant effects on the flocculation process. Effluents with different salinities may be encountered in the confined disposal of dredged material. Different solid concentrations at different salinity levels are evaluated to determine the optimum polymer dosage and corresponding residual turbidity. Correlations between the optimum dosage of specific polymers and salinity levels are expected.

h. To study the possibility of leaching contaminants from flocculated sediments. Flocculation and sedimentation of suspended particles within the disposal area will concentrate contaminants in surface layers of the resettled sediments or in relatively small areas. In many instances, the resettled sediment will remain in contact with the supernatant for a long period of time. An assessment of long-term mobilization of chemical constituents from flocculated sediments is needed to gain additional insight concerning the possibility of the release of contaminants to the water column after suspended particulates are flocculated.

and Purifloc C-31 were applied from a perforated 2-inch pipe above the overflow discharge trough. The suspended solids and turbidities were significantly reduced. There were also reductions in ortho-phosphates.

23. For the treatment of suspended solids in effluents at onshore disposal operations, the study was divided into two portions; optimal application of flocculants was determined from laboratory testing of samples obtained from the Pennsylvania disposal area, followed by in-situ treatment at the Riverside disposal area.

24. Samples of effluents from the Pennsylvania disposal area were taken at different time periods after the cessation of pumping operations. Various concentrations of Purifloc C-31 and Separan AP-273 polymers combined with other chemicals such as clay, alum, and FeCl_3 at various pH levels were tested to determine optimal dosage. Separan AP-273 was not effective in reducing turbidity. The effectiveness of Purifloc C-31 in reducing turbidity in combination with other chemicals is summarized as follows:

- a. additions of caustic chemicals were detrimental;
- b. additions of acid were helpful;
- c. additions of hectorite clay were very beneficial;
- d. ferric chloride induced floc was light and settled slowly;
- e. ferric chloride combined with Purifloc C-31 yielded a 99% suspended solid removal. The use of Dow Chemical Purifloc C-31 without chemical addition reduced the turbidity level from 1500 to 70 JTU units.

25. In-situ treatment at the Riverside disposal area was conducted by diking a 1.9-acre part of the disposal area to provide a clarification pond. The supernatant from the main area was discharged into this area through a 250-foot-long corrugated metal trough in which mixing of the flocculant and effluent occurred. The chemical dosages used in the

treatment were 33 ppm of FeCl_3 and 7.5 ppm of Purifloc C-31. This procedure reduced the turbidity from 130 to 30-40 JTU. Suspended solids were reduced from 60 mg/l to 10-25 mg/l; phosphates decreased from 0.16 to 0.10 mg/l.

26. The Dow Chemical Company (1969) performed a study to evaluate the use of synthetic polymers for the treatment of effluent from an unidentified dike disposal area. The results showed that the most effective coagulation was accomplished with ferric chloride and Dow Polymer Purifloc C-31.

27. Betz Laboratories (Gerstemeier and Quinn, 1974) studied the effectiveness of Betz 1130 flocculant (highly anionic acrylamide copolymer). Testing was carried out in conjunction with the Georgia Department of Transportation. Dredged material from the South Brunswick River was utilized as fill material for a highway construction project. A comparison of treated vs. untreated samples showed that the use of Betz 1130 polymer significantly increased the settling rate. As a result, the water quality of effluent discharged to the Brunswick River was improved. There were also indications that less water and more solids remained in the landfill when flocculants were used. The testing period, however, was not sufficient to obtain statistical evidence to substantiate these preliminary results.

Synthetic Polyelectrolytes: Flocculation Mechanisms

28. Synthetic polymers have the characteristics of polymers and electrolytes; they have been called "polymeric electrolytes" or "polyelectrolytes".

29. A polyelectrolyte is a molecule with a high molecular weight, ranging on the order of 50,000 to several million. Molecular weights of this order result in a thread-like particle whose greatest dimension, its length, can be measured in terms of a fraction of a micron to as much as 10μ .

PART III: EXPERIMENTAL

Collection of Sediment and Water Samples

44. Sediment and water samples were collected by personnel from the U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station from active dredging areas. Samples were sealed in 4-gallon polyethylene pails and bottles. These samples were packed in ice chests and transported by aircargo to the Los Angeles International Airport and immediately picked up by personnel from U.S.C. Environmental Engineering program.

45. All sediment and water samples were stored in a constant-temperature, constant-humidity chamber. Because of possible changes in the sediment characteristics during storage due to chemical and biological activities, all samples for a given series of tests were taken from the storage chamber and processed at the same time, including the untreated blank samples for control purposes. Because freezing may disrupt the physical structure of the sediment and drastically change its settling characteristics, sediment samples were not frozen at any time.

46. Seawater used in this study was collected from a chosen reference station about three miles outside the breakwater of Los Angeles Harbor ($33^{\circ}41.5'N$, $118^{\circ}14.5'W$), in 4-gallon polyethylene containers which were thoroughly pre-cleaned with acid and rinsed with demineralized, glass-distilled water.

Reagents, Apparatus, and Sample Treatment

47. Due to the very low levels of trace metals in the seawater background, meticulous cleaning procedures and high-purity reagents were used to eliminate all possible losses and contamination.

48. No glassware was used in this study for metal analysis. All containers were made of Teflon, quartz, polypropylene, and polyethylene materials (Robertson, 1968; NSF, 1973; Struempler, 1973; King, et al., 1974).

49. A demineralization and double-distillation unit was used to produce water suitable for this study. The demineralized, glass-distilled water was regularly extracted for analysis of trace metals to insure the absence of contaminants.

50. All labware was soaked in 5% acid for several days, followed by soaking in demineralized-redistilled water for several days, and then rinsed several times with high quality double-distilled water. All reagents were of the highest quality obtainable; for example, ultrapurified acid and double-distilled methyl isobutyl ketone.

51. Because a 0.45 μ m membrane filter is not effective in removing some particulates (Gibbs, 1973; Chen and Wang, 1974), a 0.05 μ m membrane filter was used for the separation of soluble and particulate fractions. The filter paper was soaked in 5~10% ultrapurified nitric acid for two days and then rinsed several times with demineralized-redistilled water before use.

52. A syringe pressurized filtration technique and glove bag setup were used to keep air away from the sample. Caution was used to prevent possible water-soluble contributions from the membrane filters by discarding the first few ml of filtrate (Robertson, 1968; Burrel and Gunnerwood, 1969; Rattonetti, 1974).

Preparation of Polymers

53. The polymer product, in general, is available in various forms according to its function (nonionic, anionic, or cationic) and molecular weight. Ease of preparing the stock solution should be considered an important parameter in

selecting a suitable polymer for any particular application.

54. Solutions of dry powder polymers are required for effective application. However, these long-chain polymers are difficult to dissolve; if care is not exercised in solution preparation, problems of incompletely dispersed, jelly-like agglomerates will result. Stock solutions of powder form polymers were prepared by slowly adding the polymer to water.

55. The exact molecular weights of polyelectrolytes such as those used in this study are extremely difficult to determine. However, it is believed that all powder polymers and many liquid polymers have molecular weights of 3,000,000 or higher. There are several basic variables that influence the performance of these polymers. The most important ones are: ionic character, level of ionic function, molecular weight, and molecular linearity.

56. Solutions of high ionic strength will decrease the solubility of polyelectrolytes. Therefore, the effectiveness of polyelectrolyte solutions will be diminished if high ionic strength water is used to prepare stock solutions of these polyelectrolytes. The procedures used are described as follows.

Powder form polymer

57. Place 1000 ml of deionized-redistilled water in a 1-liter beaker. Agitate the water to create a distinct water vortex in the beaker using a magnetic stirrer. Very slowly transfer a 10-g sample of powder polymer into this water vortex. Increase the mixer speed to maintain the water vortex during dry-powder addition. Allow the hydrated sample to stir at a moderate speed for a specific time as shown in Appendix A. If maximum viscosity and maximum flocculating efficiency are desired, violent agitation during the dissolving process should be avoided. Because some polymers deteriorate with age, the 1% stock solution was useful for only limited

periods of time and was discarded after one week.

58. In general, several hours of mixing were required to dissolve powder flocculants. Higher temperatures can hasten the dispersion of polyelectrolytes; however, temperatures above 120°F are not recommended. The difficulty in dissolving the powder polymers might present some problems in field operations and therefore reduce their use as primary coagulants.

Liquid form polymer

59. A 10% stock solution was prepared in a beaker with a magnetic stirrer similar to that used to dissolve the powder polymer.

60. The stock solutions (prepared from both powder and liquid form polymer) were then further diluted to a final concentration of 0.1% and used throughout the study.

61. Liquid polymers furnished by manufacturers, in general, present no mixing problems. The molecular weight of anionic flocculants is generally the highest, followed by nonionic polymers, and finally cationic polymers. Anionic reagent solutions are, consequently, more viscous for the same weight percent solutions.

Particle Size Distribution

62. Particle sizing by vacuum membrane filtration method may be inaccurate due to clogging (Faisst, 1976). Therefore, the pipette method (Royse, 1970) was used in this study.

63. All the dredged material used in this study was analyzed for textural composition. The sediments were thoroughly mixed and dispersed in deionized-redistilled water and then separated into five fractions: Larger than 62.5 μm , 4 to 6 μm , 2 to 4 μm , 0.5 to 2 μm , and smaller than 0.5 μm by pipette method (Royse, 1970). Percentages of sand, silt, and clay material were calculated (Table 4).

Turbidity-Mass Concentration (s.s.) Study

75. In the routine laboratory monitoring of water quality, the determination of suspended solids is time consuming and impractical. Turbidity is strictly an optical property of the medium and bears little direct relationship to the concentration of the suspended particulates (McCluney, 1975). However, the value of turbidity measurements in water quality monitoring would be enhanced if a relationship between turbidity and concentration of suspended materials for specific sediments could be established.

76. Turbidity was used as a primary water quality parameter throughout this study in the evaluation of the effectiveness of polymer flocculation. Therefore, an effort was made to develop a correlation between turbidity and mass concentration for the Mobile Bay sediment slurry used in this study.

77. The following procedures were followed to obtain data for suspensions of Mobile Bay sediment in deionized-redistilled water.

- a. 150 g of Mobile Bay sediment was transferred to a 4-liter, 3" I.D., plexiglass cylinder.
- b. The cylinder was then shaken vigorously for 5 minutes to ensure the homogeneity of the slurry.
- c. The sediment was allowed to settle for a specific time.
- d. 200 ml of the suspension was removed at different depths.
- e. The mass concentration of the suspended solids was obtained for each sample (retained on 0.05 μ m filter).
- f. The particle size distribution of the suspended solids in each sample was calculated.
- g. The turbidity of each sample at consecutive dilutions was determined using a Hach 2100A laboratory turbidimeter.

Column Studies: Short-Term and Long-Term Studies

101. A 3' length, 6½" I.D., 1/8" thick, plexiglass column was used in this study. Compressed air bubbling units are located near the base of the column for mixing.

Short-term study

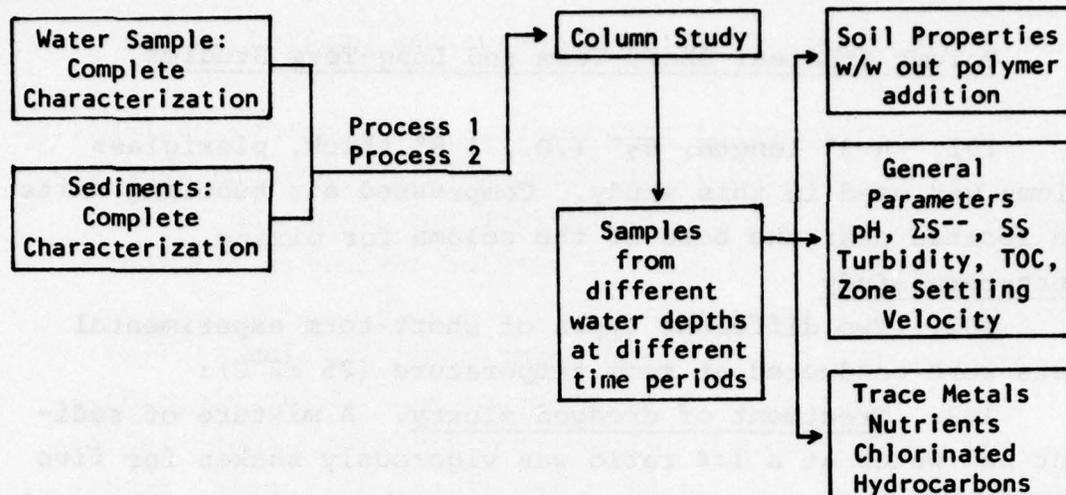
102. Two different types of short-term experimental tests were conducted at room temperature ($25 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$):

103. Treatment of dredged slurry. A mixture of sediment and water at a 1:4 ratio was vigorously shaken for five minutes and then poured into the plexiglass column. The optimum dosage of the selected polymer was added to the water column containing a mixture of sediment/water (3 liter/12 liter). A control column was prepared in exactly the same manner without polymer addition.

104. Treatment of a simulated diked area effluent. Simulated turbidities of 1000, 500, 250, and 100 NTU (Nephelometric turbidity unit) were prepared for the purpose of evaluating the effectiveness of selected polymers in the column study. The same experimental procedures previously described for the treatment of dredged slurry were used.

105. Water samples were withdrawn from the column with a 50-ml plastic syringe at different water depths at various time intervals. General water quality parameters, nutrients, chlorinated hydrocarbons, and trace metals were analyzed. Zone settling information was also recorded.

106. The flow chart for this study is shown in the following figure:



Process 1: Mixture of sediment/water at 1:4 ratio. Vigorously shake for 5 minutes, then pour mixture into plexiglass column. Add selected polymer at optimum dosage; bubble with purified air until big flocs form.

Process 2: Turbidities of 1000, 500, 250, and 100 NTU are chosen as simulated supernatants. Pour supernatant into the plexiglass column; add selected polymer at optimum dosage. Bubble with purified air until big flocs form.

Long-term study

107. An assessment of long-term mobilization of chemical constituents (nitrogen, phosphorus, and trace metals) from flocculated sediments was conducted. A resettled sediment (untreated) was also evaluated to compare the effect of polymer treatment on the release of contaminants to the overlying water.

108. Selection of sediment-water samples and polymer. The level of contaminants in both sediment and background water from Mobile Bay, Alabama, was found to be quite high in comparison with other sites surveyed. Sediment and water from this site were used for the release study.

109. Previous screening experiments in evaluating the effectiveness of various polymers in the treatment of dredged slurries as shown in Tables 12 and 13 indicate that Calgon WT-3000 is the most effective for the treatment of the sampled

dredged slurries. An optimum dosage was applied in this study.

110. Environmental parameters. Environmental parameters such as redox potential, pH, temperature, pressure, activities of organisms, etc., may affect the level and rate of pollutant release between the settled sediments and the overlying interfacial water.

111. Since the chemical forms and the valence of all elements are affected by their redox state, Garrels (1954) and Bohn (1971) have suggested that the redox potential be used as an indicator for defining the environmental condition. The pH of the solution will also influence the direction of the alternation process, such as precipitation, dissolution, and redox reactions (Bostrom, 1967; Stumm and Morgan, 1970).

112. Since the dissolved oxygen level might be the only controllable factor in a field situation, the most important objective of this experiment was to study the effect of the D.O. concentration of the overlying water on the release of nutrients and trace metals from polymer-treated and untreated sediments.

113. No external control of pH was made in this study. The D.O. level was used as the environmental controlling factor. The aerobic column was purged using pure O_2 . Both aerobic and anaerobic sites were maintained in the dark to prevent O_2 production by the growth of algae.

114. The environmental conditions for this study are summarized in the following table:

Environmental Variables	Aerobic (Polymer-Treated)	Anaerobic (Control and Polymer-Treated)
Light Exposure	None	None
D.O. Controlling gas	O ₂	N ₂
D.O. Level	2.5~3.5 ppm	0 ppm
Residence Time (days)	70 days	70 days
Temp.	20-21°C	20-21°C

115. Experimental setup. A mixture of sediment and background water from Mobile Bay, Alabama, at a 1:4 ratio (v/v) was shaken vigorously for five minutes in a glove bag. The well-mixed slurry was then poured into the plexiglass column. An optimum polymer dosage of 10 ppm Calgon WT-3000 was added to the column; compressed air was injected at 2 psig to promote floc formation. The columns were then closed and maintained airtight in order to avoid any interchange with the atmosphere. Direct sunlight was excluded by wrapping the columns with aluminum foil.

116. Three long-term tests were conducted in a constant-temperature room (20-21°C) under different environmental conditions. The setup for the three plexiglass columns is shown in Figure 3. The three plexiglass columns are hereafter referred to as columns no. 1, 2, and 3.

- a. Column #1: Control column without polymer treatment; Dissolved oxygen = 0 ppm.
- b. Column #2: Polymer-treated column; Dissolved oxygen = 0 ppm.
- c. Column #3: Polymer-treated column; Dissolved oxygen = 2.5 to 3.5 ppm.

117. Nitrogen gas was connected to columns #1 and 2 throughout the experiment. Ultrapurified O₂ gas was kept in contact with column #3 under appropriate partial pressure

124. Nitrogen. Weigh about 2 grams of sediment sample in a kjeldahl flask and add 180 ml of double-distilled water. The procedure in Standard Methods was followed to determine $\text{NH}_3\text{-N}$ and organic-N (expressed as ppm N of dry sediment).

125. Total phosphorus. Digest 0.2 to 0.3 gram of sediment sample in a Teflon beaker with a $\text{HF} + \text{HNO}_3 + \text{HClO}_4$ solution until dry. Cool and dissolve the sample in about 20 ml of distilled water and neutralize with 1N NaOH. If necessary, the neutralized solution is filtered. Transfer the filtrate to a 100-ml volumetric flask and add make-up water to 100-ml mark. Add 2 ml molybdate acid to 50 ml of digested solution and mix. After exactly five minutes, measure the absorbance of the solution vs. a blank at a wavelength of 690 μm using a 5-cm cell (expressed as ppm P of dry sediment).

126. Acid-soluble sulfide. Place zinc acetate solution into two absorption flasks and connect in series. Purge the system with N_2 gas for 20 minutes. Transfer 5-10 g of sediment into a 1-liter reaction flask and add 500 ml of distilled water and 10 ml of conc. H_2SO_4 ; connect to the absorption flask. Mix thoroughly and pass N_2 through the sample for one hour. Add 10 ml of iodine solution and 2.5 ml of conc. HCl to the absorption flasks and mix thoroughly for about 15 minutes. Back-titrate with 0.025N sodium thiosulfate titrant, using starch solution as an indicator (expressed as ppm S of dry sediment).

127. Total organic carbon (TOC). Weigh about 5 g of sediment in a 150-ml beaker. Adjust pH below 2 by adding 1:1 HCl; bubble N_2 through the sample for 10 minutes. Dry the sample at 70-100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Weigh a portion of 0.5 - 1 g of dry sample in a special TOC crucible. Determine TOC content using LECO TC-12 Automatic Carbon Determinator (expressed as percent C of dry sediment).

the corresponding peak of the component in the reference standard solutions. In addition to the reference standard solutions of single components, multicomponent reference standard solutions with different series of combinations of concentrations and components were prepared.

148. Preliminary sample injections were always performed to test whether pre-concentration or dilution of a sample was required, as well as the series of reference standard solutions to be used. The efficiencies of recovery after spiking 10 g of wet sediment with 0.1-1.0 μg of chlorinated hydrocarbons were 85 - 99% for DDT homologs, 85 - 94% for dieldrin, and 93 - 102% for PCB's.

PART IV: RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Characterization of Sediments

149. A total of seven sediments collected from different parts of the country have been studied. Gross chemical compositions of each sediment were analyzed for the possible correlation of sediment characteristics to the final selection of polymer type and dosage. The compositions of these sediments are given in Tables 5 and 6. Trace metal analyses were performed for silver, cadmium, chromium, copper, iron, lead, manganese, nickel and zinc. The concentrations of chlorinated hydrocarbons are given in Table 7. Textural composition of the sediments in terms of percentage of sand, silt, and clay is listed in Table 4. The classification of sediment type is based on the Corps of Engineers Triangular Classification Chart shown in Figure 4.

150. The particle size distribution of dredged material is an important physical property associated with confined disposal operations. Coarse-grained dredged material settles rapidly, and with adequate detention times, has little effect on the effluent water quality. However, the tendency for colloidal formation by fine-size particles will result in long residence times and could contribute to the contaminant load of the discharged effluents.

151. The particle size distribution curves for the sediments are shown in Figures 5 and 6. The weight percent of particles smaller than one micron ranges from 1 to 18 percent. Fine particles are usually associated with high concentrations of contaminants and have very slow settling velocities resulting in long residence times. Removal of particulate fractions should result in a significant reduction of the contaminant load in the discharge effluent. Tables 5 and 6 show that the total organic carbon, nutrients, and trace metals content of

each sediment decrease with increasing sand percentage.

Evaluation of Conventional Coagulants in the Treatment of Dredging Slurries and Supernatants

152. Alum and ferric sulfate were studied in the standard jar test for the treatment of slurries with sediment/water ratios of 1 to 4 and 1 to 10. Results of the standard jar test using a clay-silt sediment (Sediment #7) are given in Tables 8 and 9. Floc heights at the beginning of slow mixing and the end of slow mixing are also presented. The data show that the resulting flocs settle very slowly. Also, very high dosages of flocculants (up to several thousand ppm) were needed to obtain a significant reduction of turbidity. The results indicate that alum and ferric sulfate are not effective coagulants for the direct treatment of sediment-water mixtures.

153. Alum and ferric sulfate were further evaluated in the treatment of supernatants having a turbidity level of approximately 1000 NTU. The minimum dosage of coagulant was determined by the standard jar test. A concentration of 20 ppm (as Al and Fe) was found to be the minimum dosage for both alum and ferric sulfate (Table 8).

154. Another set of standard jar tests was performed and the minimum dose of coagulant was added. The pH was adjusted over a range of 3 to 9 by using 1N NaOH or H₂SO₄. The residual turbidity was then plotted against pH to determine the optimum pH. Another series of standard jar tests were performed at the predetermined optimum pH to obtain the optimum dosage.

155. Experimental results on the treatment of a relatively turbid effluent (approximately 1000 NTU) using alum and ferric sulfate are presented in Figures 7 and 8. The data show that a pH of 9.0 - 9.5 and a dosage of 25 ppm are required for optimum ferric sulfate treatment. A residual

turbidity of 32 NTU was observed. Alum requires a pH of 8.5 to 9.0 and a dosage of 50 ppm; residual turbidity was 8 NTU.

Distribution of Trace Metals and Biostimulants in
Different Size Fractions of Sediments

156. Confinement of dredged material in diked areas has been widely used for many years (Murphy and Zeigler, 1974). With the exception of those operations where dewatering of the dredged slurries takes place by evaporation, all confined areas are equipped with some kind of sluicing device to divert the supernatant from the disposal area.

157. Because of the possible ecological impact, the quality of effluents discharged from the containment area into the receiving water is of great concern to both regulatory agencies and dischargers. The effluent quality is affected by many factors, such as the nature of the dredged material, the size of the disposal area, the operating conditions that prevail within the area, and the method of discharge. The concentrations of particulates in the effluents are of major concern because of their high pollutant-bearing capacity. Concern over the discharge of trace metals and biostimulants is expressed because of possible toxicity and eutrophication problems.

158. The available literature provides limited information of the particle size distribution of trace metals and biostimulants in dredged sediments. The distribution of contaminants in various size fractions is significant because it provides for an approximation of what percent removal of suspended solids would be required to meet applicable water quality standards. The particle size distributions versus TKN, TOC, and T-P, respectively, are shown in Figures 9 - 11.

159. Table 10 shows the particle size distribution of trace metals, TOC, T-P, and TKN in four dredged sediments.

3000 polymers are given in Table 19.

Laboratory Screening of Polymers

178. It is extremely difficult to prescribe a specific type, dosage, and application of flocculant due to wide variations in the nature of dredged material. It is necessary to carry out a series of laboratory screening tests with different types of polymers in order to determine the optimum dosage for specific application.

179. Polymers will, in general, coagulate colloidal particles within a pH range normally encountered in dredged slurries and effluents; however, certain polymers may be most effective at a specific pH value (Crook and Pollio, 1972). pH control during dredging operations would probably not be economically feasible. Therefore, no pH adjustment was attempted in this study. The results show that the pH of slurries and supernatants after polymer addition did not deviate significantly from the initial pH. Other important variables such as polymer molecular weight and solution properties may also affect polymer flocculation reactions. Polymer screening tests were performed on both dredged slurries and supernatants to evaluate flocculation efficiency.

Screening of polymers in the treatment of different sediment slurries

180. The flocculants can be categorically classified into three groups: anionic, nonionic, and cationic. Anionic polymers are those which exhibit an electronegative charge as opposed to the cationic type, which is electropositive. The nonionic polymers, as the name implies, are essentially neutral.

181. Approximately fifty different polymers from five different chemical companies (Calgon Co., Nalco Chem. Co., Betz Co., Union Carbide Chem., and American Cyanamid Co.)

were screened to determine their effectiveness as coagulants in the treatment of sediment slurries using the standard jar test. Many polymers, for example, WT-2860, WT-2640 (Calgon products), 81C-09, 72C-25, and Nalcolyte 607 (Nalco Chem. Co. products), to name a few, exhibited extremely high dosage requirements (up to 1000 ppm) to obtain adequate clarification of the sediment slurries. Therefore, they were eliminated from further study in this project. Effective polymers were selected for further testing to evaluate the flocculation effectiveness at different polymer dosages.

182. Table 20 summarizes the optimum dosage range (standard jar test) for 13 polymers used in the treatment of five sediment slurries with sediment/seawater ratios of 1:4. Sediment #4 was also evaluated with a sediment/seawater ratio of 1:10. The optimum dosage for the other four sediments with 1:10 ratios could not be determined due to insufficient sediment material. The detailed experiment data are listed in Tables 21-26. In order to judge the effectiveness (settling characteristics) of each polymer, floc heights at different time intervals (i.e., at the beginning and the end of slow mixing and at the end of settling) were recorded. Percent removal in residual turbidity compared with that of a control sample was also calculated.

183. Among the polymers evaluated for the treatment of dredged slurries, it was found that for the Betz products, Betz 1120 and Betz 1150 produced the best effluent quality at the end of the settling period. Moreover, these two polymers also showed larger and denser floc formation. Consequently, much faster settling of coagulated flocs was observed in the standard jar test, compared with the other Betz products evaluated. Polymer WT-3000 from Calgon Co. showed results comparable to those for Betz 1120.

184. Polymers obtained from Nalco Chem. Co. and

Union Carbide were also evaluated. High residual turbidity with only slight clarification of sediment slurries was observed. The rate of floc formation was observed to be very slow. Long settling times (up to 2 hours) and extremely high dosages (up to 1000 ppm) must be provided to obtain clarification of sediment slurries. In some cases, an activator (to bring the polymer to maximum efficiency) was required to prepare some of the Nalco products (72-D-13 and 81-C-09). This makes the preparation of stock solutions impractical, especially in field studies.

185. Textural composition of sediment #5 (James River, Richmond, Virginia) is shown to contain 1.0% clay and 97% sand. This sediment settles rapidly without any polymer addition. Treatment with different polymers showed no significant reduction of residual turbidity (in both sediment/seawater ratios of 1:4 and 1:10).

186. It is interesting to note that the optimum dosage for slurries with a sediment/seawater ratio of 1:10 is only approximately one-third of the polymer dosage required for slurries with a sediment/seawater ratio of 1:4.

Screening of polymers in the treatment of supernatants

187. A total of forty-five different polymers received from different manufacturers were evaluated for the treatment of supernatants. Some of the polymers were not available until the latter part of the project; therefore, the experiments were carried out in two stages. The first stage included the evaluation of seventeen different polymers. Results for the optimum dosages and corresponding residual turbidities for these polymers in the treatment of supernatants with salinities of 33 o/oo at four different initial turbidity levels are summarized and presented in Figures 16 and 17.

188. For the treatment of supernatants in the first stage study, it was found that the most effective polymers

were Betz 1160, Betz 1150, and Calgon WT-3000.

189. In the second stage screening of polymers in the treatment of supernatants, all forty-five polymers were evaluated (including 17 from the first stage study). The results of the second stage polymer screening study for supernatants with two turbidity concentrations (200 and 1000 NTU) and two salinity levels (2.5 and 8.0 o/oo) are presented in Tables 27 and 28.

190. For the treatment of supernatants, the most effective polymers in reducing turbidity are: cationic polymer (Hercofloc 815.3 and 849; Betz 1160 and 1150) and nonionic (Calgon WT-2690, Magnifloc 905N).

Correlation of the Characteristics of Sediments
with Type and Dosage of Flocculants

191. Many different types of polymers were used to treat sediment slurries at sediment/water ratios of 1:4 and 1:10. Among those polymers evaluated, Betz 1120 and Calgon WT-3000 were the most effective in reducing turbidity at low dosage levels. Other polymers evaluated also proved to be effective; however, the extremely high dosage required (up to 100 ppm) may deny their economical use. Betz 1120 and Calgon WT-3000 polymers are both anionic and showed comparable results in reducing turbidity levels in the treatment of sediment slurries. The correlation between sediment characteristics and optimum polymer dosage was developed for Calgon WT-3000 polymer. Betz 1120 polymer would show similar relationships. The relationships between general parameters such as particle size distribution, TOC, and COD and Calgon WT-3000 optimum dosage for sediment slurries with a sediment/seawater ratio of 1:4 are presented in Figures 18 and 19.

192. The correlation coefficients between the optimum

polymer dosage and selected parameters are presented in the following table:

Parameters	Particle Size			TOC	TKN	COD	T-P	TVS	IDOD	Oil & Grease	Total Sulfide
	<50 μ	<25 μ	<5 μ								
γ	0.75	0.95	0.97	0.95	0.95	0.93	0.88	0.78	0.51	0.26	-0.33

193. Among the indicated parameters, the correlation between percent particle size finer than 5 μ m and optimum dosage is excellent ($\gamma = 0.97$). The correlation between T.O.C., COD, and TKN concentrations and optimum dosages is also very good as indicated by the correlation coefficients of 0.95, 0.93, and 0.95, respectively. The data also indicate that parameters such as total sulfide content, IDOD, and oil and grease content are not satisfactory indicators for the correlation of optimum polymer dosage.

194. Figures 18 and 19 indicate that the optimum polymer dosage increases with increasing levels of contaminants. This correlation is expected, due to the fact that high concentrations of contaminants are usually associated with fine particles, and optimum dosage is related to particle size distribution (Figure 19). It is concluded that the particle size distribution of sediments less than 5 μ m is the most promising indicator for approximating the optimum polymer dosage.

Effects of Polymer Treatment on the Soil Characteristics of Coagulated Sediments

195. General soil characteristics, such as void ratio, porosity, specific gravity, density, liquid limit, plastic limit, and plasticity index for polymer-treated and nontreated sediment #7 are presented in Table 29. The data show that no

general trends can be established for these general soil characteristics between the polymer-treated sediment and nontreated sediment subjected to various mixing conditions.

196. The determination of these soil characteristics involved oven-drying of the settled sediment at 103°C; this procedure may destroy the physicochemical structure of the polymer-coagulated sediment. Also, experimental procedures for the measurement of these soil characteristics are difficult to control and vary from person to person. It is concluded that none of the general soil determinations are valid and thus they cannot be used as a useful parameter in evaluating the effectiveness of a specific polymer. Therefore, no further experiments on soil characteristics for the remaining six sediments were performed.

197. The coefficient of permeability is a constant proportionality relating to the ease with which a fluid passes through a porous medium. Two types of tests are typically used to determine permeability: 1) constant head; and 2) falling head. The falling-head method is generally used for relatively impervious soils, such as clays, where the flow rate is very small (10^{-4} cm/sec). Conversely, the constant-head method is used for larger grained solids with flow rates greater than 1 cm/sec.

198. The falling-head method was used to test the coefficient of permeability of sediments with and without polymer addition. Permeability (K) values are standardized to $K_{20^{\circ}\text{C}}$ by the use of a viscosity correction table. The permeability coefficients (K_{20}) for polymer-treated and nontreated sediments are presented in Figure 20.

199. Polymer-coagulated sediments #4, #6, and #7 show an increase in permeability of 38 to 46% over the nontreated sediments. In general, any change in permeability greater than 10% should be considered as significant, instead of attributing it to experimental variation. The larger the value

of K, the greater the flow rate; therefore, polymer-treated sediments will have increased drainage rates compared with nontreated sediments.

200. After the short-term column study, each supernatant was carefully decanted from the resettled sediment. Particle size analysis was carried out on the settled sediments. Table 30 shows the grain size distribution of settled sediments (after 72 hours) for both polymer-treated and nontreated sediment #7. It was found that for the settled sediment sample with polymer treatment, a lower value of "percent finer" was obtained for each respective particle size, indicating the agglomeration of fine particles into bigger flocs. The grain size distribution curve for the polymer-treated sediment lies below that of the untreated sediment.

201. The "percentage of flocculation" at various particle sizes was also calculated to evaluate the effectiveness of the polymer in flocculating the sediment slurries (Table 30). The "percentage of flocculation" is defined as: % Flocculation = $\frac{U-T}{U}$, where U equals the percent finer than a given specific size (D) for untreated sediments, and T represents the percent finer than the particle size (D) for the polymer-treated sediment.

202. The salinity effect upon the particle size distribution of the resettled sediment was also evaluated. Table 31 shows the results of the particle size distribution of resettled sediment #7 at 2.5, 8, 16, 33 o/oo salinity. Ten ppm of Betz 1120 was used in the treatment of this slurry having a 1:4 sediment/water ratio. In most cases, higher salinity solutions provide for better flocculation and result in larger and denser flocs.

of water to be treated. There were indications that a diluted solution of polymer may offer some mixing advantages that promote rapid and uniform dispersion. Dilution of the polymer mixture down to a 0.1 percent solution seems to be quite effective judging from the results obtained.

283. The following recommendations are made:

- a. Before any promising treatment process can be confirmed, selected synthetic polymers should be evaluated in field studies for the treatment of dredged material and supernatants. Only modest polymer dosages were required in the dredged material tested. Polymers can, therefore, be regarded as being relatively cheap even though the price per pound of these materials is much higher than the price per pound of inorganic coagulants, such as lime, ferric chloride, and alum. For example, dosage requirements of only 2 to 7 ppm are common for polymers, while dosages of 100 ppm are required for some inorganic coagulants. Moreover, costly pH adjustments are not required when polymers are used.
- b. Considering the factors such as the volume of the dredged material to be treated, the dosage of some specific polymers, and the water quality of the treated slurry, the direct treatment of nonsettled dredged material would not be practical. However, a 60 to 120 minute settling time, followed by the treatment of supernatants with 2 to 7 ppm Betz 1160 polymer would yield an acceptable effluent. This suggests the use of a settling basin for in-situ operations. The settling basin would provide for the removal of readily settleable materials and allow for overflow into the flocculators. Flocculation of the remaining solids would be carried out in the flocculators before return of the clarified supernatant to the receiving waters. Retention times can be estimated for the settling basin and flocculators, depending on the characteristics of the dredged material. Retention times of 1-2 hours for the settling basin and 10 minutes for the flocculator will, in most cases, produce an effluent of acceptable quality.

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Table 1
Recent Effluent Water Quality Standards From Disposal Areas

District	Standards*	
	1973	1975
Galveston	8 g/l(SS)above ambient	Same as 1973
New Orleans	None	1.5 x ambient concentration
Mobile	None	50 JTU above ambient
Jacksonville	50 JTU	Same as 1973
Savannah	None	None
Charleston	None	None
Wilmington	50 JTU	Same as 1973
Norfolk	13 g/l(SS)above ambient	Same as 1973
Philadelphia	8 g/l(SS)above ambient	8 g/l(SS)above ambient** 4 g/l(SS)above ambient†
New York	8 g/l(SS) above ambient	1.5 x ambient concentration
Buffalo	50 ppm settleable solids	None set
Detroit	8 g/l(SS)above ambient	No standards
Chicago	None set	None set
Sacramento	8 g/l(SS)above ambient	6 g/l(SS)above ambient conc.
Portland	5 JTU	1.5 x ambient concentration
Seattle	5 -10 JTU	5 JTU (State Requirement) 5 g/l(SS)above ambient (Corps Criterion)
Los Angeles	None	None
San Francisco	None	None

* Standards were State imposed or voluntarily imposed by the District in cases where no State standard existed

** Small size area

† Large size area

Table 3
Working Conditions for the Flame Atomizer of the
A. A. Spectrophotometer

Element	Wavelength (nm)	Slit	Oxidant & Fuel	Flame Condition	Sensitivity (ppm)	Suitable Working Range (ppm)
Ag	328.1	4	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	---	---
Cd	228.8	4	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.025	0.025 - 2
Cr	357.9	4	Air- acetylene	reducing- rich yellow	0.1	0.1 - 5
Cu	324.7	4	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.09	0.09 - 5
Fe	248.3	3	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.12	0.12 - 5
Mn	279.5	3	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.06	0.06 - 3
Ni	232.0	3	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.15	0.15 - 5
Pb	283.3	4	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.5	0.5 - 20
Zn	231.9	4	Air- acetylene	oxidizing- lean blue	0.018	0.018 - 1

Table 4
Textural Composition of Sediment Samples

Sed. No.	Composition	% Sand	% Silt	% Clay	Class. of Sediment Type
	Location				
1	Clinton Disposal Area Houston, TX	77	16	7	Silty Sand
2	Houston Ship Channel Houston, TX	78	15	7	Silty Sand
3	Rouge River at Detroit Detroit, MI	83	12	5	Sand
4	Anchorage Basin in Cape Fear River Mouth Wilmington, NC	16	46	38	Silty Clay
5	James River Richmond, VA	97	2	1	Sand
6	Calcasieu River Louisiana	21	43	36	Silty Clay
7	Mobile Bay Alabama	55	33	12	Silty Sand

Table 7
Concentrations of Chlorinated Hydrocarbons
in Sediment Samples

Sediment No.	Moisture Content (%)	OP'DDE t-DDT (%)	PP'DDE t-DDT (%)	OP'DDD t-DDT (%)	PP'DDD t-DDT (%)	OP'DDT t-DDT (%)	PP'DDT t-DDT (%)	Total DDT (ppm)	Total Chlorinated Hydrocarbons (ppm)
4	78	29.1	42.7	--	--	28.9	--	0.11	0.11
5	29	41.2	59.8	--	--	--	--	0.04	0.04
6	66	28.0	36.9	--	--	--	32.4	0.13	0.13
7	65	15.3	23.0	15.0	17.5	15.4	13.8	0.28	0.28

PCB (Arochlor 1242, 1254 and 1260), heptachlor epoxide, chlordane, endrin, dieldrin are below detection limit.

Table 8
 Determination of Minimum Dosage for Conventional Coagulants

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm) as Al (III) or Fe (III)	Residual* Turbidity (NTU)	% Removal in Turbidity	
Control	0	370	--	
Alum	5	92	76	
	10	62	84	
	20	50	87	
	30	49	87	
	40	65	83	
	50	67	82	
	250	90	76	
	Ferric Sulfate	10	60	84
		20	37	90
30		31	92	
40		30	92	
50		25	94	
60		43	89	
70		46	88	
80		63	83	
90		70	81	
100		75	80	
150		98	74	
200	230	38		
250	250	23		

* Dosage of 20 ppm was chosen as the minimum dosage
 Seawater was used to prepare the background turbidity of 960 NTU
 pH of seawater \approx 8.02

Table 14 - Continued
Optimum Polymer Dosages and Residual Turbidity in Standard Jar Test
at a Fixed Salinity Level

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)		Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)		Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)		Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)		Residual Turbidity (NTU)	
	A*	B**	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
Calgon WT-3000	5	2	12.5	12.0	10.0	3.0	6.0	4.0	540	220
	10	5	11.5	8.0	5.0	2.5	5.0	2.5	220	200
	15	7	9.0	6.0	4.0	2.5	4.0	2.5	270	210
	20	10	8.5	6.0	4.0	2.5	4.0	2.5	260	270
	25	15	8.0	4.0	4.0	2.5	4.0	2.5	270	270
	30	20	7.5	4.0	4.0	2.5	4.0	2.5	310	280

* A: Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:4

** B: Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:10

Table 18 - Continued
Optimum Polymer Dosages and Residual Turbidity in Standard Jar Test
at a Fixed Salinity Level

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)		Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)		Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)		Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)		Residual Turbidity (NTU)	
	A*	B**	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
Calgon WT-3000	5	1	12.5	12.5	9.0	10.0	6.5	3.0	68	21
	6	2	10.0	12.5	5.0	2.5	6.5	2.5	42	19
	7	5	10.0	7.0	5.0	2.0	4.5	2.0	40	25
	8	7	10.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	4.5	2.0	40	36
	10	10	10.0	4.0	5.0	2.0	4.5	2.5	40	43
	15		10.0		4.0		4.0		38	

* A: Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:4

** B: Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:10

Table 19
General Information on Polymer Purity*

Name	Trace Metals	T.O.C. (ppm)	I.O.C. (ppm)	T.C.** (ppm)
Betz 1120	trace	352	10	362
Betz 1160	trace	430	trace	430
Calgon WT-3000	trace	325	trace	325

* 0.1 percent of polymer stock solution prepared in de-ionized-redistilled water

** T.C. = T.O.C. + I.O.C.

Table 20
Optimum Dosage Ranges of the Polymers in Standard Jar Test
for the Treatment of Sediment Slurries

Date of Collection	Sediment No.	Sediment Type	Sediment/Water	Effective Polymer	Optimum Dosage Range (ppm)	Data Shown in Tables
11-9-75	2	Silty-Sand (sand: 78%) (silt: 15%) (clay: 7%)	1:4	WT-3000 Betz 1120 WT-2690	3.5-4.5 4.0-5.0 15-20	21
2-6-76	3	Sand (sand: 83%) (silt: 12%) (clay: 5%)	1:4	WT-3000 Betz 1120 WT-2690 CAT-Floc T	2.0-3.0 2.0-3.0 7.0-10.0 15-20	22
2-6-76	4	Silty-Clay (sand: 16%) (silt: 46%) (clay: 38%)	1:4	Betz 1100 Betz 1120 Betz 1140 Betz 1150 WT-3000 WT-2690	15.0-20.0 9.0-10.0 25-30 25-30 9.0-10.0 50-70	23

Table 20 - Continued
Optimum Dosage Ranges of the Polymers in Standard Jar Test
for the Treatment of Sediment Slurries

Date of Collection	Sediment No.	Sediment Type	Sediment/Water	Effective Polymer	Optimum Dosage Range (ppm)	Data Shown in Tables
2-6-76	4	Silty-Clay (sand: 16%) (silt: 46%) (clay: 38%)	1:10	Nalco 72C-25 Nalco 72D-13 WT-3000 WT-2690 CAT-Floc T Betz 1100 Betz 1120 Betz 1140 Betz 1150	250-300 15-20 2-3 6-7 40-50 2-5 2-3 4-8 2-5	23
2-4-76	6	Silty-Clay (sand: 21%) (silt: 43%) (clay: 36%)	1:4	WT-3000 WT-2690 Betz 1120 Polyox MSR-301 Polyox Coag.	8-9 50-60 8-9 25-30 25-30	25
2-4-76	7	Silty-Sand (sand: 55%) (silt: 33%) (clay: 12%)	1:4	Betz 1160 Betz 1120 Betz 1140 Betz 1100 WT-2690 WT-3000 Polyox Coag.	20-30 5-6 20-30 10-15 20-30 5-6 40-50	26

Table 21 - Continued
Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)	Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)
WT-2690	10	12.5	3.5	3.5	16
	20	12.0	3.5	3.5	16
	30	4.0	3.5	3.0	16
	40	3.5	3.0	3.0	15
	50	3.5	3.0	3.0	15
	1	12.5	8.0	6.0	80
Betz 1120	2	12.0	8.0	5.0	77
	3	12.0	5.0	4.5	21
	4	9.5	4.5	4.5	20
	5	9.5	4.5	4.5	20
	6	9.5	4.5	4.0	20
	7	9.5	4.0	4.0	22

Table 22 - Continued
Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)	Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)
Control Betz 1120	0	9.0	8.0	6.0	180
	1	8.5	7.0	6.0	80
	2	5.0	4.5	4.0	65
	3	4.0	4.0	4.0	65
	4	5.5	5.5	5.5	65
	5	5.5	5.5	5.5	65

Table 24

Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Sediment No.: 5 (James River, Richmond, Virginia)
Dates of Collection: 1-27-76
Classification: sand (sand: 97%; silt: 2.0%; clay: 1.0%)
Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:4 & 1:10
Salinity of Sediment: 0.5 o/oo
Salinity of Water Used: 33 o/oo (seawater from a reference point)

Comments:

Textural composition of this sediment is shown to contain 1.0% clay. The standard jar test for this sediment with different polymers as coagulants showed no significant clarification effect. This sediment (more than 95% sand) settles easily without any polymer addition with a residual turbidity of 15 NTU.

Table 25 - Continued
Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)	Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)
Polyox MSR-301	10	12.5	10.0	8.5	22,000
	15	12.5	9.5	6.5	52
	20	12.5	8.5	6.5	65
	25	12.5	8.5	6.5	65
	30	12.5	8.5	6.0	70
Polyox Coagulant	15	12.5	9.0	7.5	22,000
	20	12.5	8.5	6.5	120
	25	12.5	8.5	6.0	89
	30	12.5	8.5	6.0	65
	35	12.5	8.5	6.0	62
	40	12.5	8.5	6.0	57

Table 26
 Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Sediment No.: 7 (Mobile Bay, Alabama)
 Dates of Collection: 2-4-76
 Classification: silty-sand (sand: 55%, silt: 33%, clay: 12%)
 Sediment/Water Ratio: 1:4
 Salinity of Sediment: 15 o/oo
 Salinity of Water Used: 33 o/oo (seawater from a reference point)

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)	Floc Hgts at beginning of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)
Control	0	12.5	9.5	9.0	7000
Betz 1160	1	12.5	9.0	7.0	200
	5	12.5	8.5	6.0	62
	10	12.5	5.5	5.0	50
	15	12.5	4.5	4.5	33
	20	12.5	4.0	4.0	25
	30	5.0	3.5	3.5	18
Betz 1120	40	5.0	4.0	4.0	22
	50	5.0	4.5	4.5	18
	1	12.5	9.0	6.0	73
	5	12.5	5.5	5.5	55
	6	12.0	4.0	4.0	53
	7	12.0	4.0	4.0	53
	10	5.0	3.5	3.5	49
	20	4.0	3.0	3.0	60

Table 26 - Continued
Standard Jar Test for Sediment Slurries

Coagulant	Conc. of Coagulant (ppm)	Floc Hgts at begin- ning of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of slow mixing (cm)	Floc Hgts at end of settling (cm)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)
Betz 1100	5	12.5	8.0	7.0	200
	10	11.5	5.0	4.5	45
	15	11.0	4.0	4.0	42
	20	7.0	4.0	4.0	51
	40	6.0	4.0	4.0	53

Table 27

Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Turbidity of original simulated supernatants: 200 NTU

Polymer dosage: 4 ppm

Salinity of supernatant: 2.5 o/oo and 8.0 o/oo

Residual turbidity of control blank: 170 NTU

Polymer	Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks	
Hercofloc	#860	2.5	40	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	33	
	#863	2.5	36	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	35	
	#864	2.5	47	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	42	
	#848	2.5	38	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	32	
	#834.5	2.5	85	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	80	
	#815.3	2.5	17	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	10	
	#821.2	2.5	30	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	26	
	#849	2.5	18	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	8	
#847	2.5	22	loose flocs, medium settling velocity	
	8.0	14		
#853	2.5	22	loose flocs, medium settling velocity	
	8.0	18		
#852	2.5	37	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
	8.0	30		
#1036	2.5	42	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
	8.0	38		

Table 27 - Continued
Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Polymer		Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks
Hercofloc	#834.1	2.5	27	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	20	
	#871	2.5	26	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	19	
	#821.2	2.5	27	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	18	
Betz	#1190	2.5	100	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	95	
	#1185	2.5	32	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	30	
	#1180	2.5	28	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	25	
	#1175	2.5	40	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	30	
	#1160	2.5	3	big, dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	3	
	#1150	2.5	6	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	5	
	#1140	2.5	7	dense flocs, medium fast settling velocity
		8.0	6	
	#1130	2.5	23	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	20	
	#1120	2.5	40	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	35	
	#1110	2.5	40	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	34	
#1100	2.5	7	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
	8.0	6		

Table 27 - Continued
Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Polymer	Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks		
Magnifloc	#587 C	2.5	25	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	20		
	#591 C	2.5	25	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	30		
	#905 N	2.5	3	dense flocs, fast settling velocity	
		8.0	2		
	#835 N	2.5	19	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	13		
	#834 A	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	16		
	#573 C	2.5	17	loose flocs, medium fast settling velocity	
		8.0	12		
	#581 C	2.5	18	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	14		
Calgon Co. nonionic	Cat-Floc T	2.5	27	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	22		
	WT-2690	2.5	5	dense flocs, fast settling velocity	
		8.0	3		
	WT-2870	2.5	27	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	18		
	WT-3000	2.5	80	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	60		
	Union Carbide	Polyox WSR-301	2.5	29	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
			8.0	25	
Polyox Coagulant		2.5	25	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	20		

Table 26

Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Turbidity of original simulated supernatants: 1000 NTU

Polymer dosage: 8.5 ppm

Salinity of supernatant: 2.5 o/oo and 8.0 o/oo

Residual turbidity of control blank: 780 NTU

Polymer	Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks
#860	2.5	60	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	52	
#863	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	16	
#864	2.5	35	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	33	
#848	2.5	20	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	14	
#834.5	2.5	170	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	150	
#815.3*	2.5	10	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
	8.0	6	
#821.2	2.5	21	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	17	
#849*	2.5	8	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
	8.0	5	
#847	2.5	70	dense flocs, medium fast settling velocity
	8.0	14	
#853	2.5	17	dense flocs, medium fast settling velocity
	8.0	12	
#852	2.5	27	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	24	
#1036	2.5	23	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
	8.0	19	

* Cationic

Table 28 - Continued
Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Polymer		Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks
Hercofloc	#834.1	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	15	
	#871	2.5	20	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	13	
	#821.2	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	16	
Betz	#1190	2.5	25	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	20	
	#1185	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	18	
	#1180	2.5	13	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	9	
	#1175	2.5	25	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	20	
	#1160*	2.5	2	big, dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	2	
	#1150	2.5	4	dense flocs, fast settling velocity
		8.0	3	
	#1140	2.5	5	dense flocs, medium fast settling velocity
		8.0	4	
	#1130	2.5	10	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	8	
	#1120	2.5	15	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
		8.0	12	
	#1110	2.5	6	loose flocs, medium fast settling velocity
		8.0	4	
#1100	2.5	12	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
	8.0	9		

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Table 28 - Continued

Summary of Laboratory Screening Tests on Polymers

Polymer	Salinity of Solution (o/oo)	Residual Turbidity (NTU)	Remarks		
(American Cyanamid Co.) Magnifloc	#587 C	2.5	15	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	12		
	#591 C	2.5	10	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	7		
	#905 N†	2.5	3	big, dense flocs, fast settling velocity	
		8.0	2		
	#835 N	2.5	10	loose flocs, medium fast settling velocity	
		8.0	7		
	#834 A	2.5	10	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	6		
	#573 C	2.5	12	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	9		
	#581 C	2.5	10	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	6		
Calgon Co.	Cat-Floc T	2.5	17	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	10		
	WT-2690†	2.5	5	dense flocs, fast settling velocity	
		8.0	3		
	Wt-2870	2.5	9	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	7		
	WT-3000	2.5	22	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	18		
	Union Carbide	Polyox WSR-301	2.5	41	loose flocs, slow settling velocity
			8.0	34	
Polyox Coagulant		2.5	40	loose flocs, slow settling velocity	
		8.0	34		

† Nonionic

Table 29

SOIL CHARACTERISTICS: SEDIMENT #7

Control - no polymer added

Test Type	Time (sec) of shaking	% Moisture	Void Ratio	Porosity	Specific Gravity	Density (wet)	Liquid Limit	Plastic Limit	Plasticity Index
1:4 sedi/seawater	Control	274.87	2.57	0.720	1.20	1.26	90.6	40.10	50.50
Betz 1120	7	277.45	2.76	0.734	1.21	1.22	107.0	40.13	66.87
10 ppm	15	278.39	2.76	0.734	1.22	1.23	100.5	36.25	64.25
	30	278.61	2.79	0.736	1.20	1.20	99.4	44.56	54.84
	60	282.25	2.91	0.744	1.20	1.18	96.2	36.46	59.74
	120	280.18	2.79	0.736	1.18	1.18	102.5	40.63	61.87
	5	268.47	2.70	0.730	1.22	1.21	92.1	45.56	46.54
1:10 sedi/seawater	Control	251.89	3.00	0.750	1.27	1.12	85.0	37.68	47.32
A	12	243.94	2.57	0.720	1.27	1.22	80.5	41.92	38.58
B	15	248.22	2.47	0.712	1.23	1.23	86.1	32.63	53.47
C	30	248.20	2.68	0.728	1.27	1.20	83.9	38.97	44.93
D	60	247.93	2.33	0.700	1.18	1.23	86.75	43.39	43.36
E	120	257.87	2.60	0.722	1.25	1.24	82.5	38.72	43.78
1:4 sedi/water	Control	372.55	3.70	0.786	1.08	1.09	136.0	40.00	96.00
A	5	368.80	3.60	0.782	1.14	1.16	111.9	44.99	66.91
B	15	380.96	3.70	0.786	1.14	1.17	96.9	41.09	55.81
C	30	398.77	3.70	0.788	1.06	1.12	117.5	38.08	79.42
D	60	365.72	3.70	0.776	1.11	1.15	112.8	40.66	72.14
E	120	465.98	4.60	0.820	1.10	1.12			
1:4 sedi/water	Control	139.14	1.05	0.512	1.34	1.56	46.4	20.93	25.47
8% salinity	A	145.17	1.10	0.524	1.28	1.50	62.75	25.18	37.57
B	5	152.04	1.30	0.560	1.24	1.38	60.8	21.33	39.47
C	10	142.30	1.20	0.548	1.26	1.38	55.6	22.92	32.68
1:4 sedi/water	Control	253.36	1.87	0.652	1.14	1.41	85.2	35.4	49.8
A	60	246.12	1.98	0.664	1.11	1.30	82.5	38.15	44.35
B	30	242.17	1.84	0.648	1.12	1.35	84.4	34.86	49.55
C	15	246.06	2.25	0.692	1.09	1.16	93.8	33.38	60.42
D	5	219.91	1.48	0.596	1.13	1.47	69.9	31.05	38.85

void ratio = the quotient of the volume of voids divided by the volume of solids in a soil mass

porosity = the ratio of the volume of voids to the total volume

density = weight per unit volume

specific gravity = ratio of the dry weight of a given volume divided by the weight of an equal volume of water

Table 30

PARTICLE SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF THE RESETTLED SEDIMENT
UNDER BATCH STUDY FOR SEDIMENT NO. 7 WITH SEDIMENT/BAY WATER RATIO OF 1:4
AND ITS PERCENTAGE OF FLOCCULATION

Particle Size (μm)	% Finer		% of Flocculation
	(a)	(b)	$\frac{U-T^*}{U}$
< 62.5	82.9	73.0	12
< 31.3	57.9	54.9	5
< 15.6	32.1	24.0	25
< 7.8	24.7	18.1	27
< 3.9	22.0	16.6	25
< 1.95	19.3	13.8	28
< 0.97	15.9	10.4	35
< 0.48	12.9	10.1	22

a: settled sediment sample from controlled column

b: settled sediment sample from best flocculated column in which 10 ppm Betz 1120 polymer was added

*U: the percent finer than particle size D for untreated sediments

T: the percent finer than particle size D for polymer-treated sediments

Table 31
Salinity Effect Upon Particle Size Distribution of the Resettled Sediments

Particle Size (μm)	% Finer					% Flocculation*					
	A**	B	C	D	E	F	a†	b	c	d	e
< 62.5	38.0	35.7	34.8	33.9	31.4	35.2	--	--	1	4	11
< 31.3	30.5	24.8	24.3	19.9	9.7	26.2	--	5	7	24	63
< 15.6	22.4	15.0	15.0	10.9	7.5	15.0	--	--	--	27	50
< 7.8	14.3	9.5	9.5	7.1	6.2	10.5	--	10	10	32	41
< 3.9	9.0	6.6	6.6	5.3	5.1	7.7	--	14	14	31	34
< 1.95	6.6	4.9	4.9	4.1	4.2	5.8	--	16	16	29	28
< 0.97	4.5	3.8	3.1	2.9	2.5	4.2	--	10	26	31	40
< 0.48	2.3	1.9	1.4	1.8	2.0	3.2	28	41	56	44	38

* % Flocculation = $\frac{U-T}{U}$

** A-E: Settled sediment with Mobile Bay water, 2.5, 8, 16, 33 o/oo salinity solution in which 10 ppm of Betz 1120 was used.

† a-e: % of flocculation corresponding to Columns A-E.

F: settled sediment from control column.

Table 32.

Soluble Trace Metals in the Water Column
After Treatment of Sediment Slurries (Sediment #6)

Sediment/ Seawater (by vol.)	Sampling Point	Time Elapsed (hrs)	Trace Metals (ppb)																			
			Ag		Cd		Cr		Cu		Fe		Mn		Ni		Pb		Zn			
			A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B		
1/4	#2	0	0.03	0.03	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	8.5	7.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5
		0.5	0.03	0.03	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4	8.0	7.0	3.0	3.0	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	4.0	4.2		
		2.0	0.03	0.03	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.4	9.0	8.0	3.5	3.5	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.4	3.0	3.2		
1/10	#2	0	0.03	0.03	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	7.0	7.0	1.4	1.0	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	
		0.5	0.03	0.03	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	7.3	6.0	2.5	2.5	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.2	2.0	1.5		
		2.0	0.03	0.03	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.2	10.1	8.0	4.0	4.0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.8	1.0		
	Background Seawater		0.02		0.24		0.50		0.23		2.97		1.03		0.75		0.17		0.27			

A: Polymer calgon WT-3000 treated column

B: Nonpolymer treated column

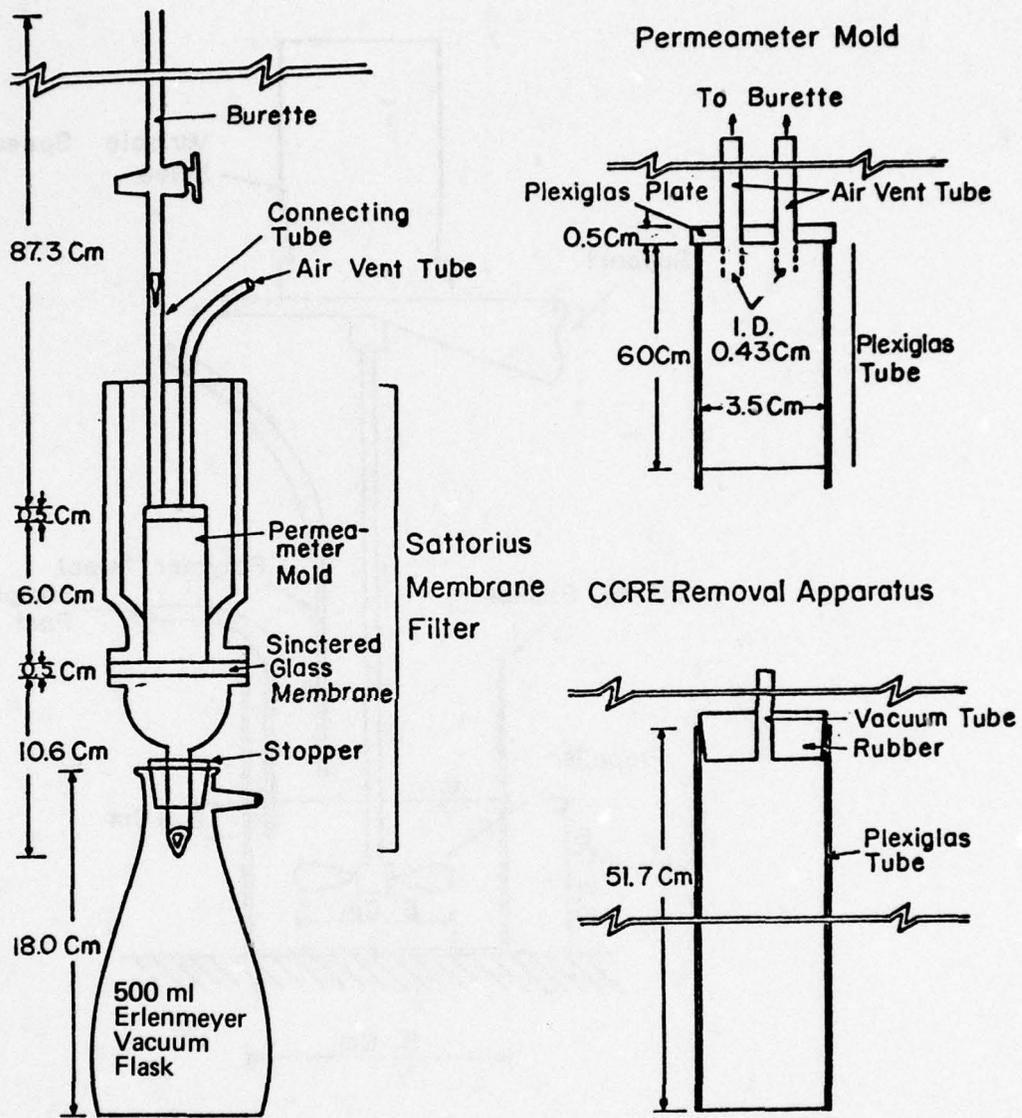


Figure 1. Modified Laboratory Permeameter.

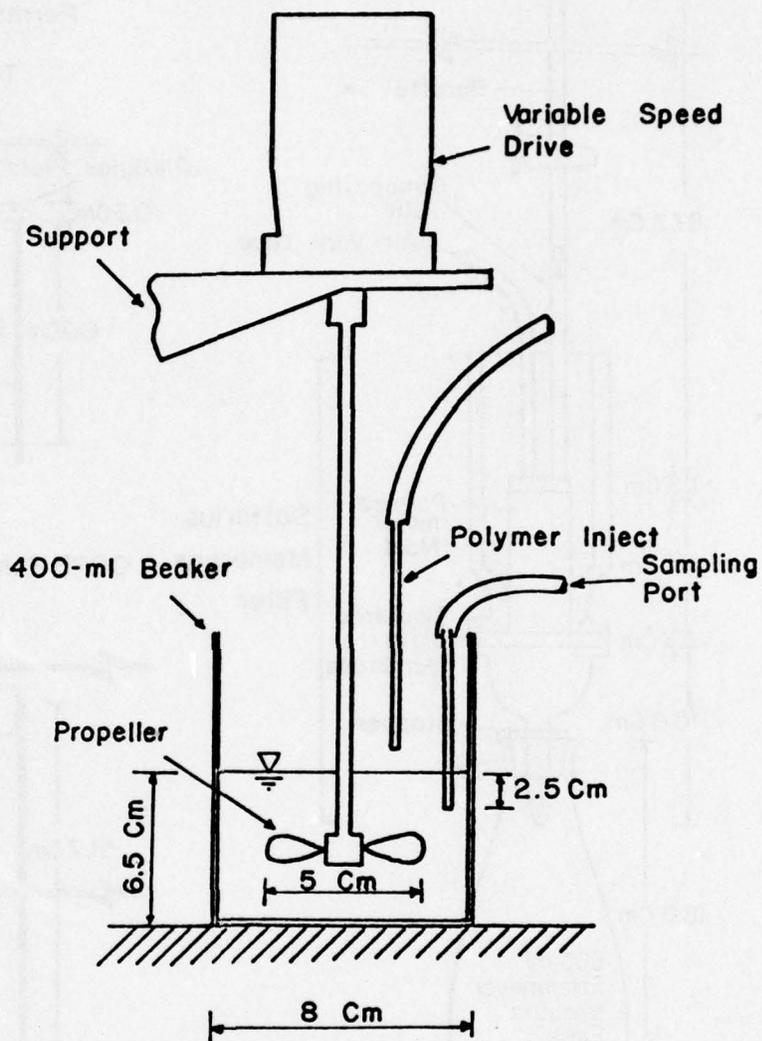
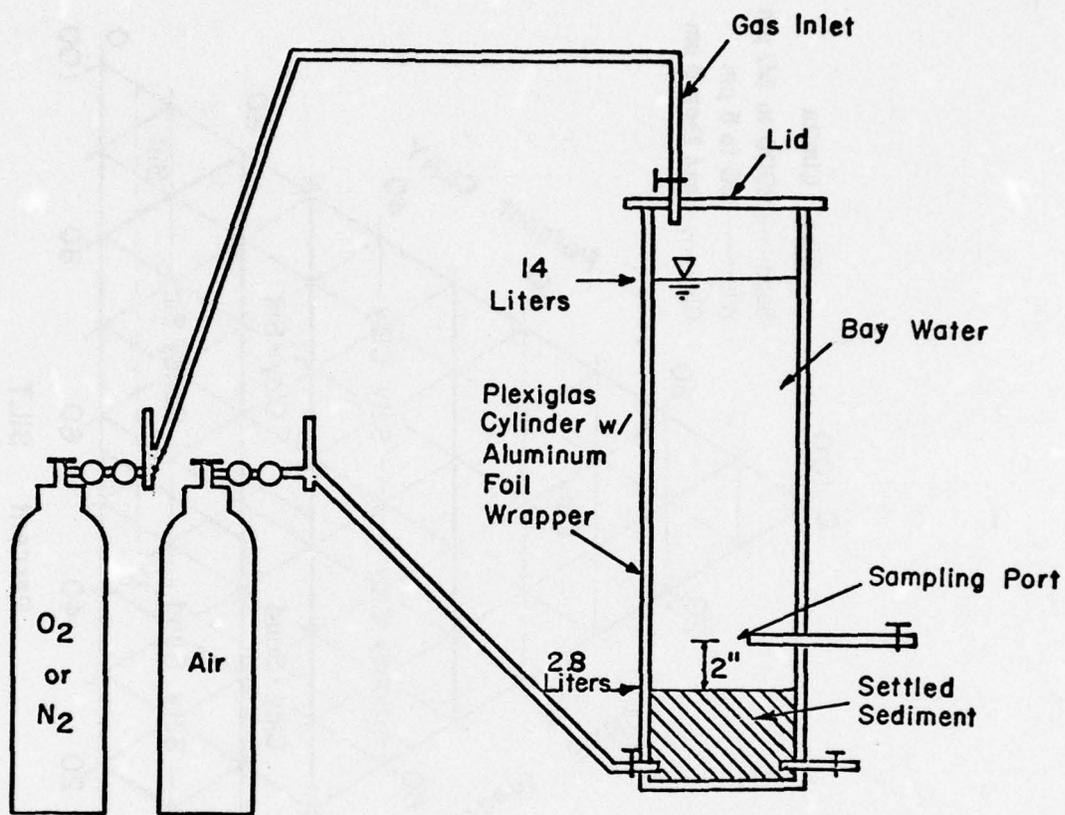


Figure 2. Experimental Setup for Studying Effects of Salinity on the Treatment of Supernatants.



CONSTANT TEMP. ROOM (20-21 °C)

Figure 3. Experimental Setup for Release of Chemical Constituents from Resettled Sediments.

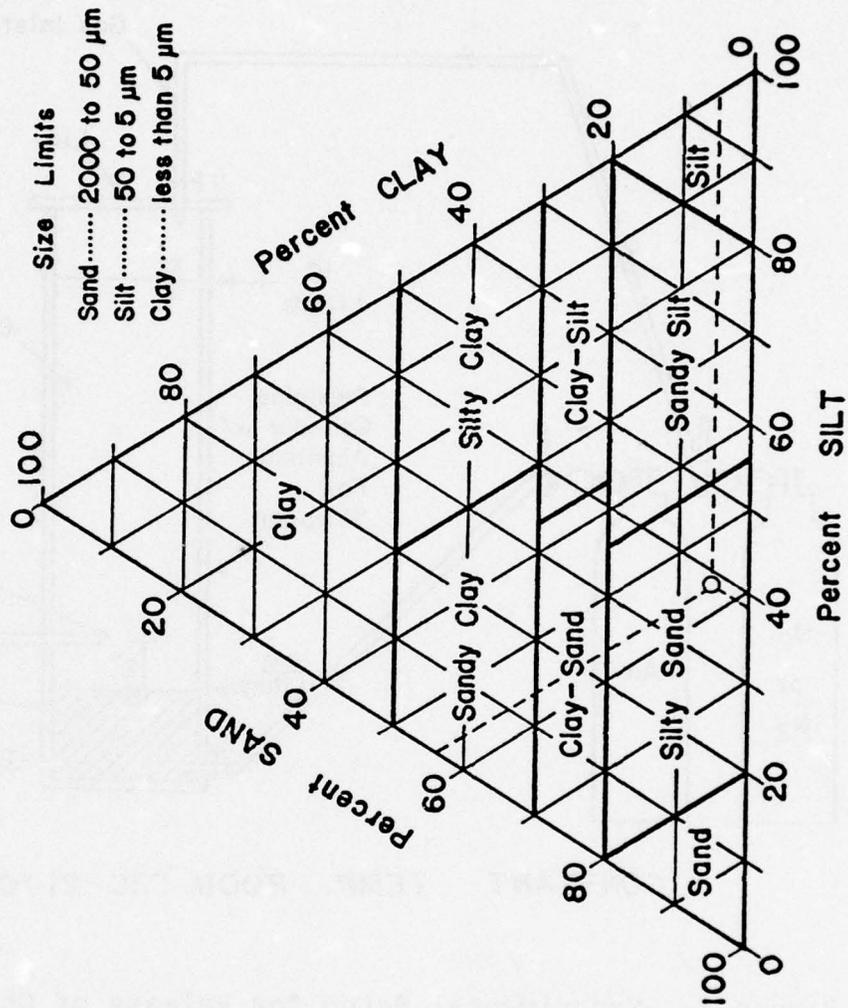


Figure 4. Triangular Classification Chart (Lower Mississippi Valley Division, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army).

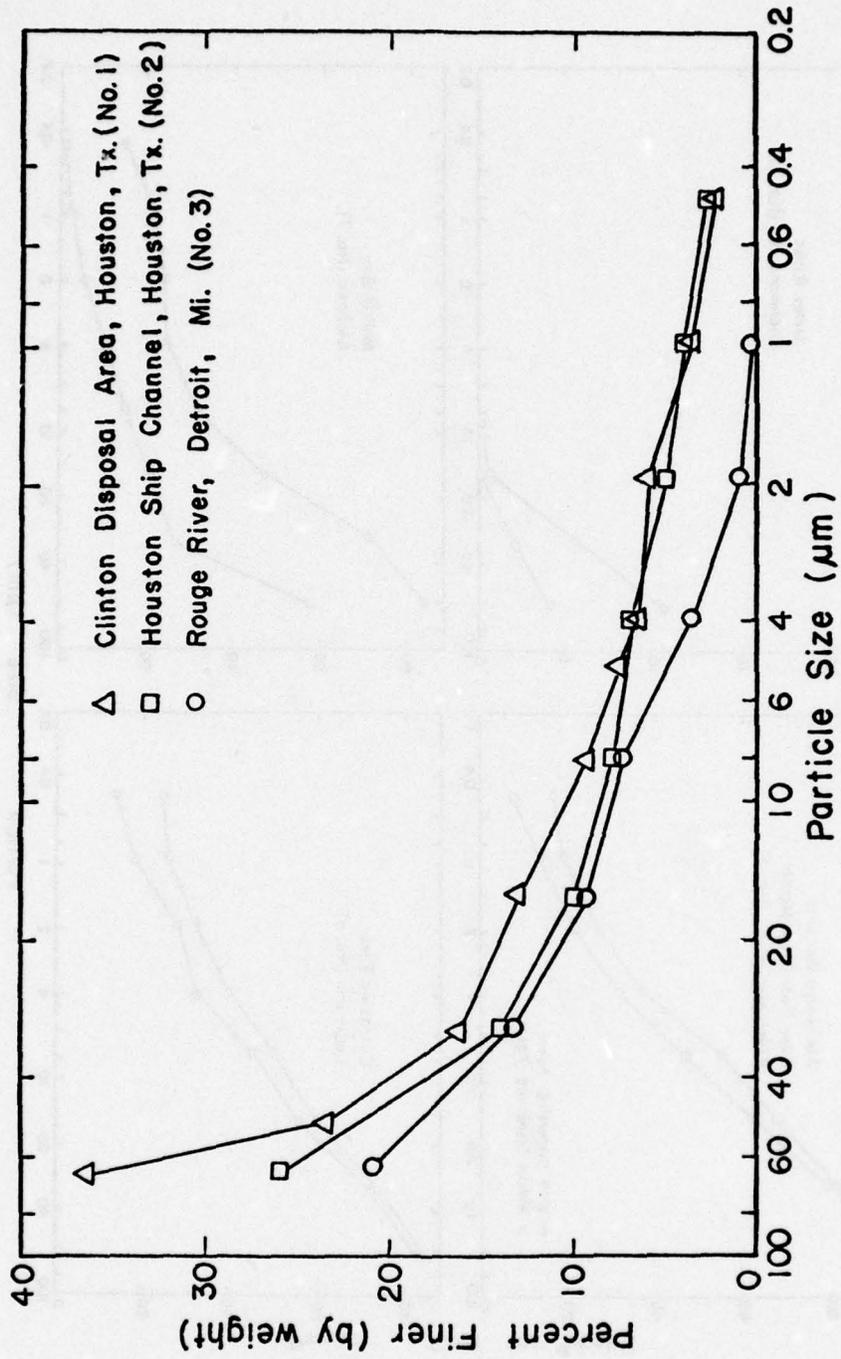


Figure 5. Particle Size Distribution Curve for Sediments #1, #2, and #3.

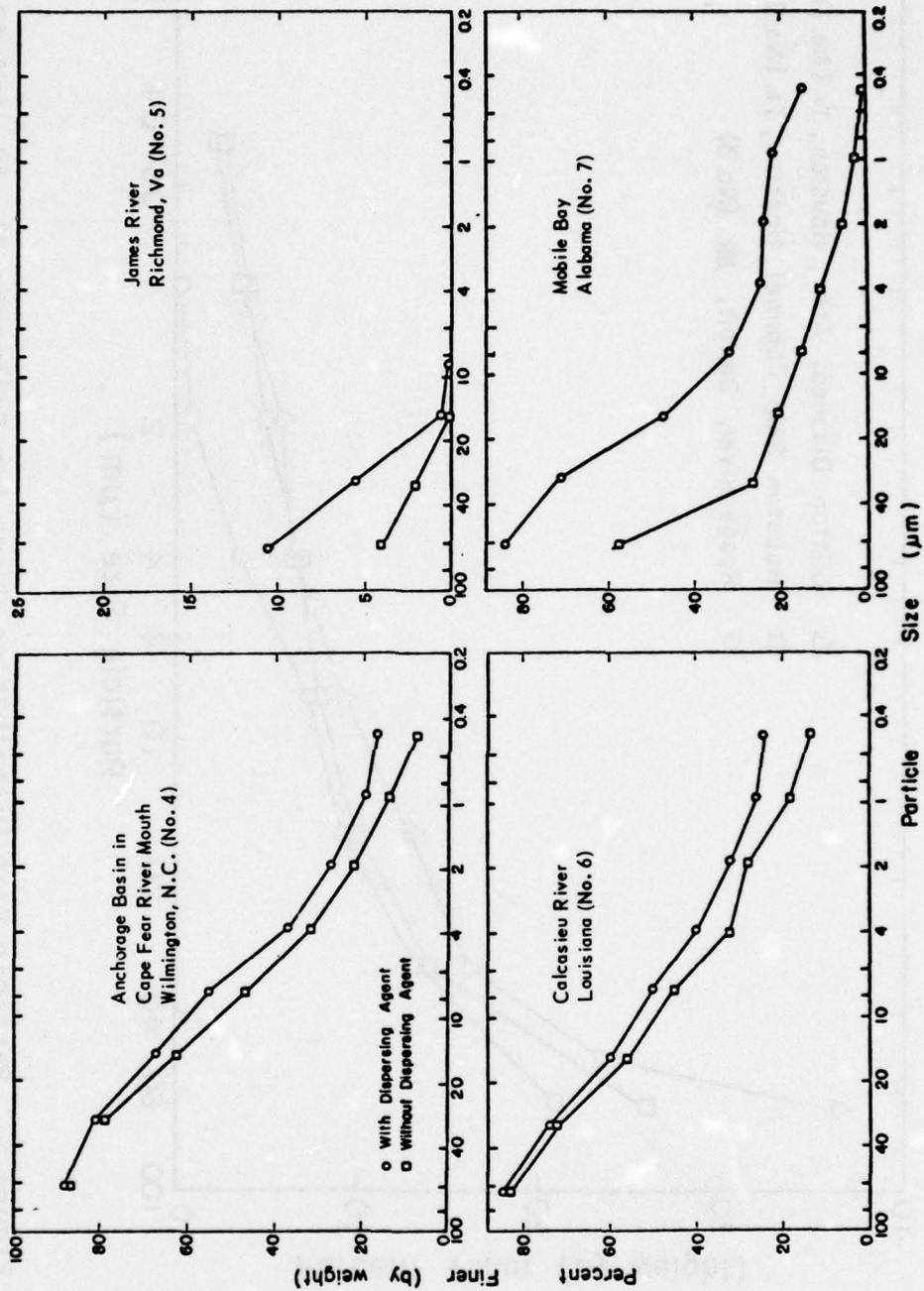


Figure 6. Particle Size Distribution Curve for Sediments #4, #5, #6, and #7.

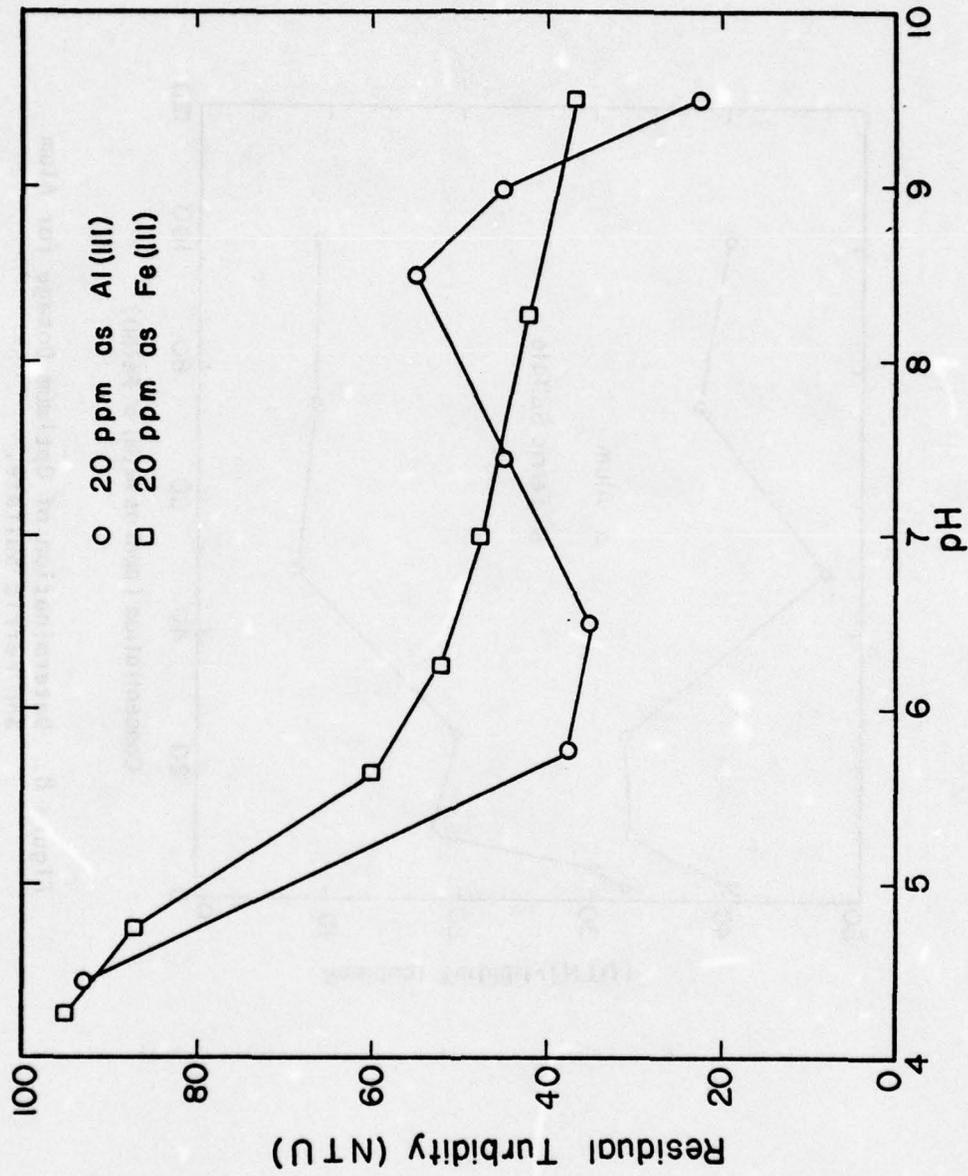


Figure 7. Determination of Optimum pH for Alum and Ferric Sulfate

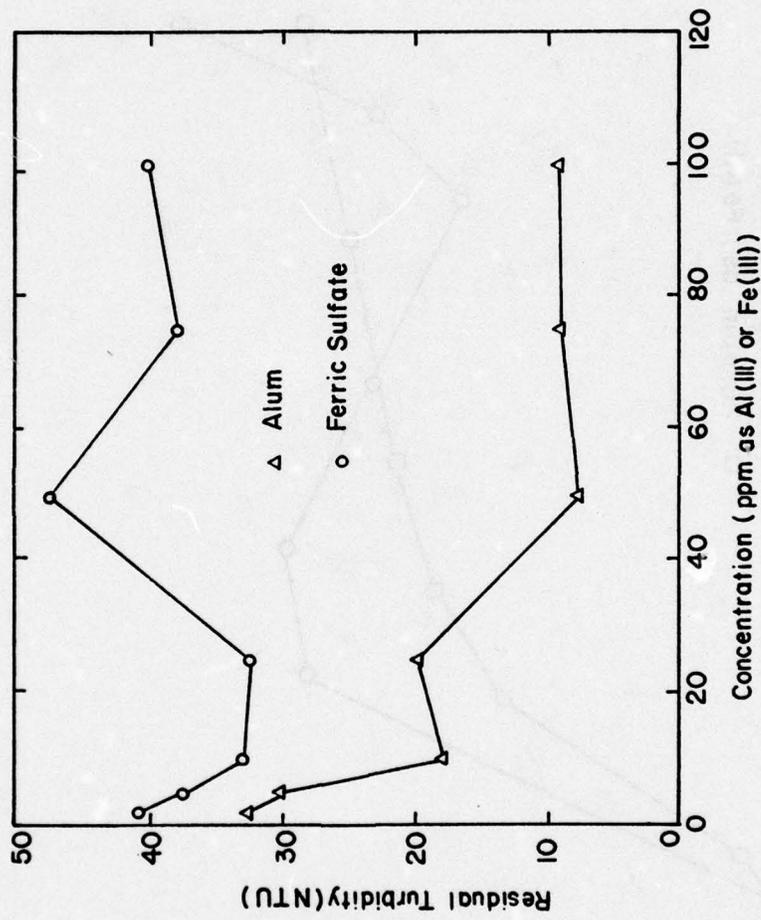


Figure 8. Determination of Optimum Dosage for Alum and Ferric Sulfate.

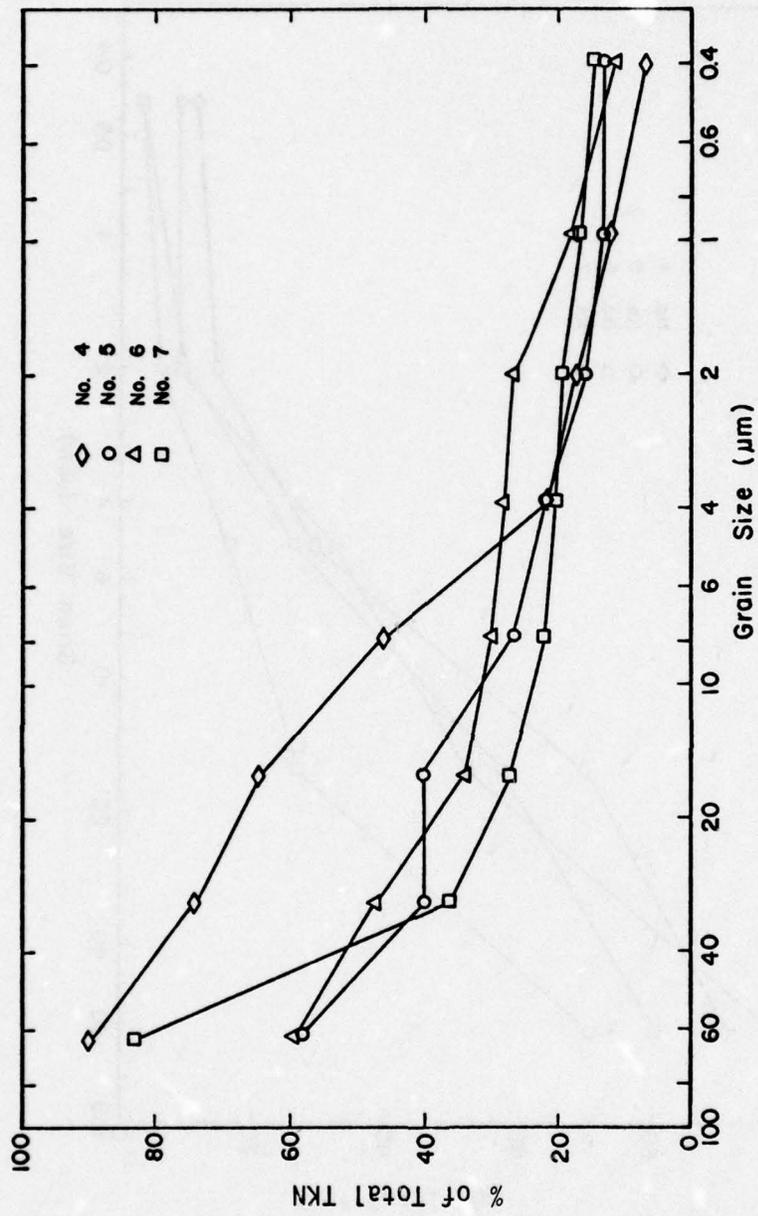


Figure 9. Percentage (%) of TKN in Size Fractions of Dredged Sediments Finer than the Indicated Grain Size.

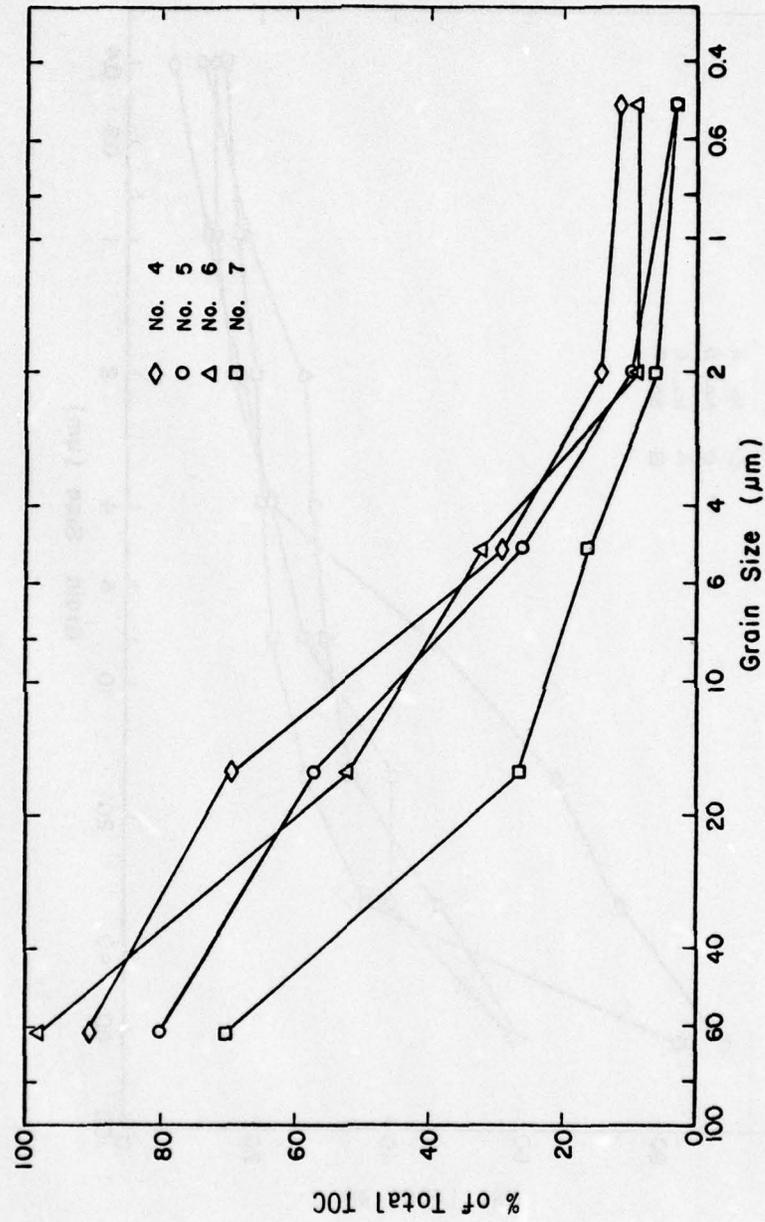


Figure 10. Percentage (%) of TOC in Size Fractions of Dredged Sediments Finer than the Indicated Grain Size.

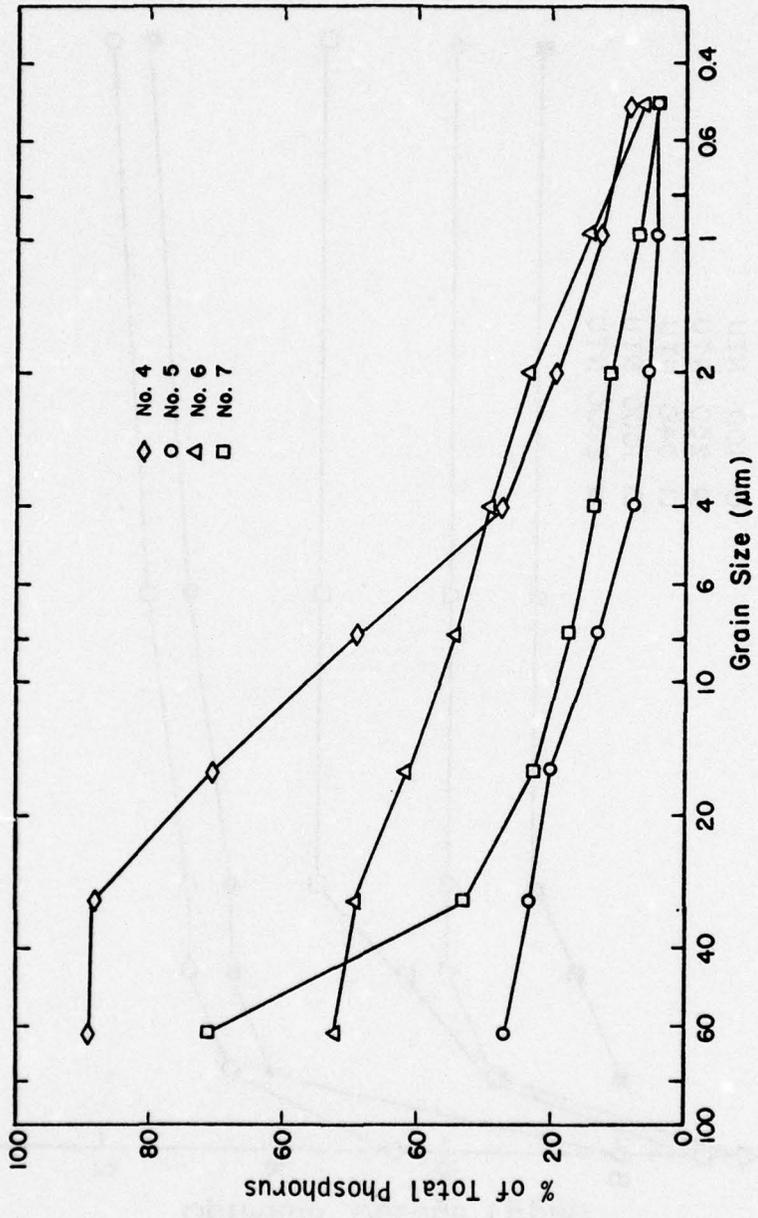


Figure 11. Percentage (%) of T-P in Size Fractions of Dredged Sediments Finer than the Indicated Grain Size.

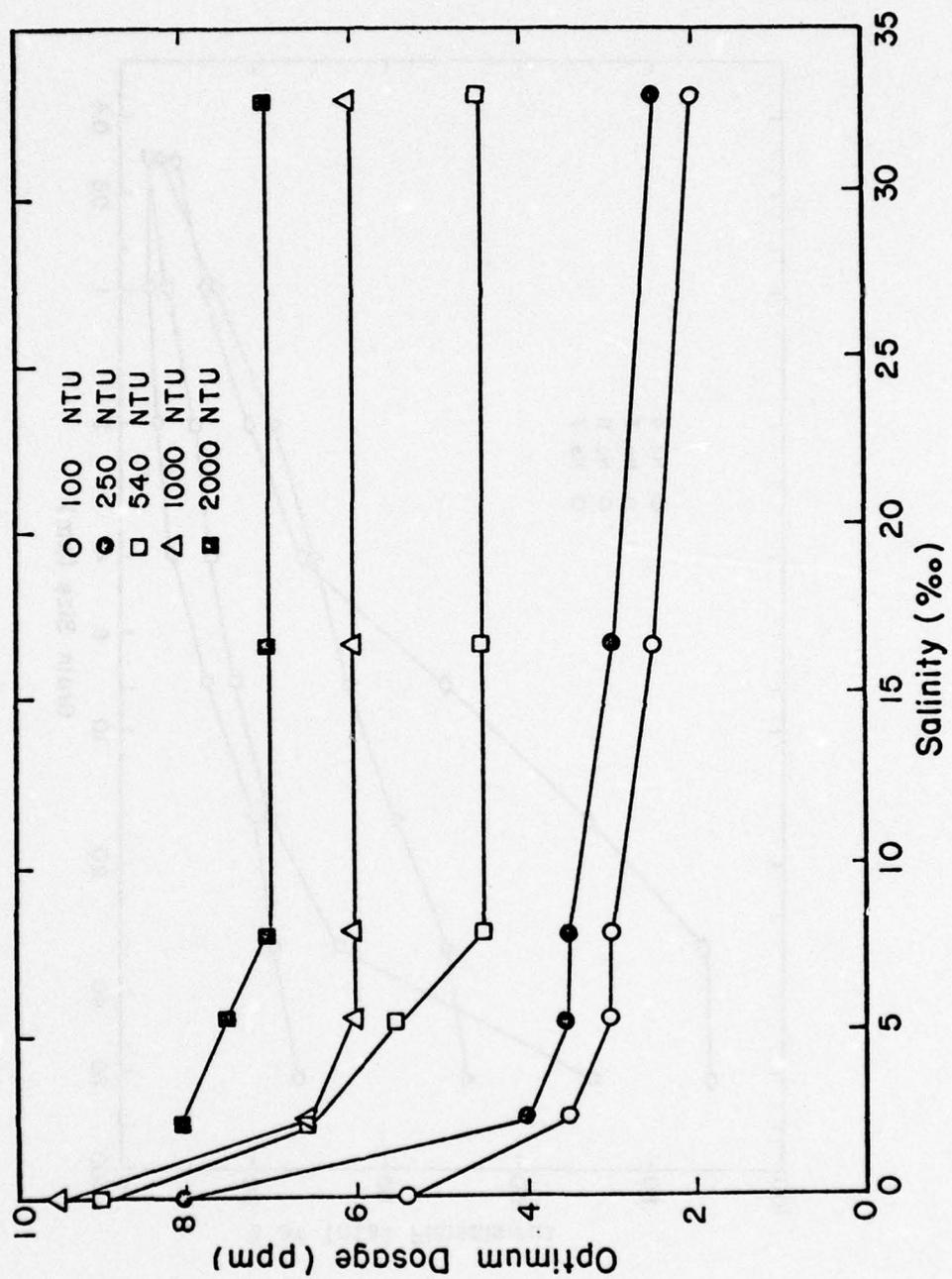


Figure 12. Relationship of Optimum Dosage vs. Initial Turbidity Levels at Different Salinities.

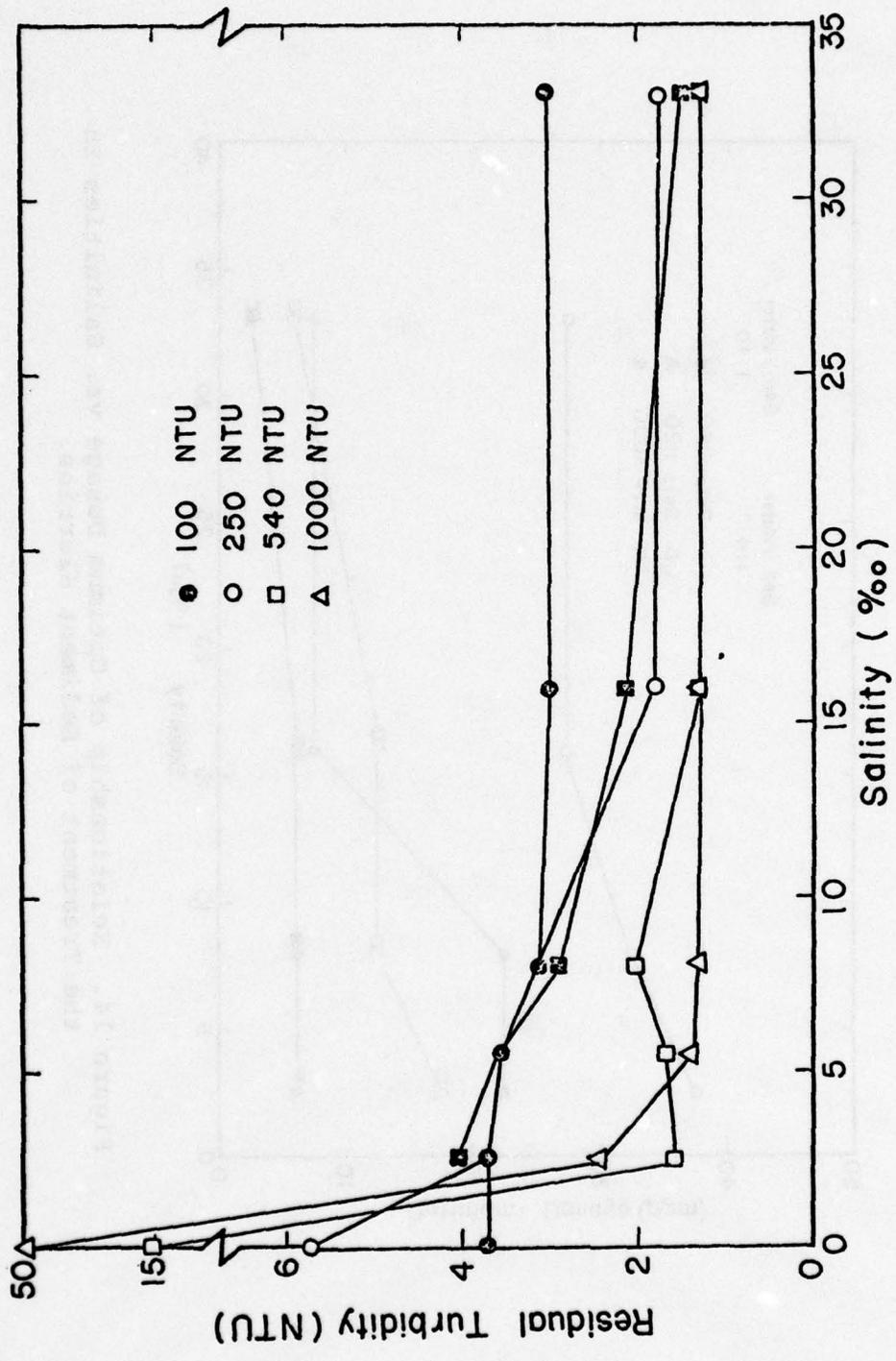


Figure 13. Relationship Between Residual Turbidity and Salinity at Different Initial Turbidity Levels (Optimum Dosages).

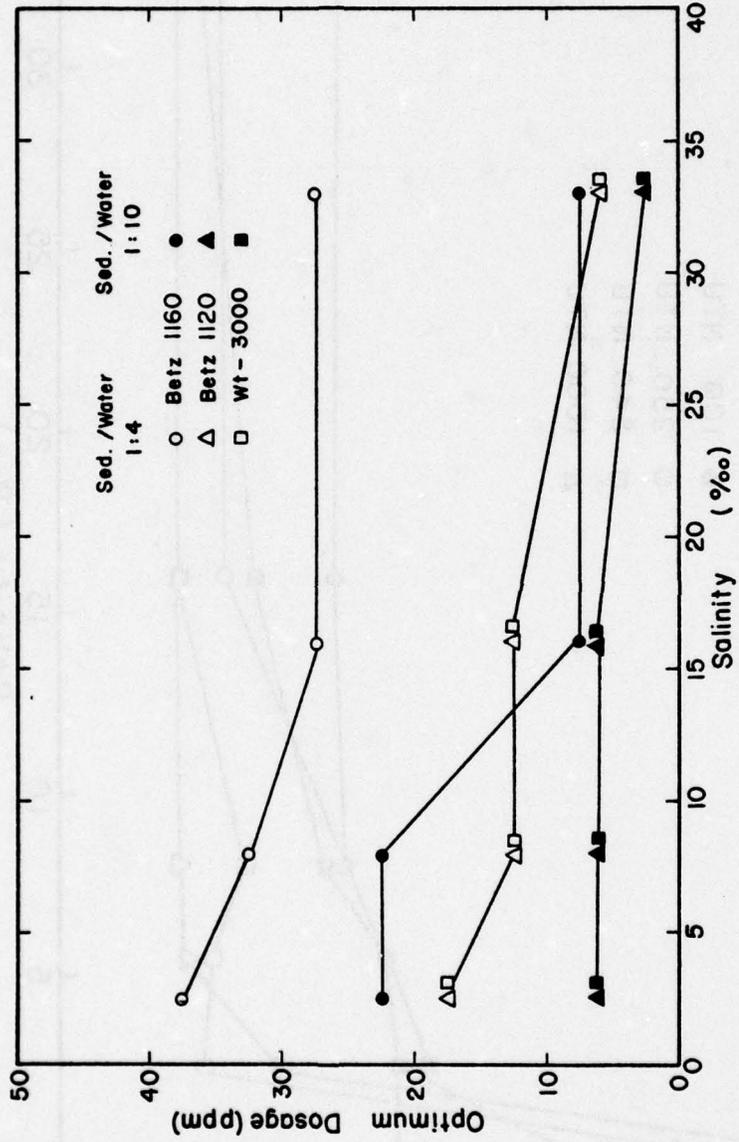


Figure 14. Relationship of Optimum Dosage vs. Salinities in the Treatment of Sediment Slurries.

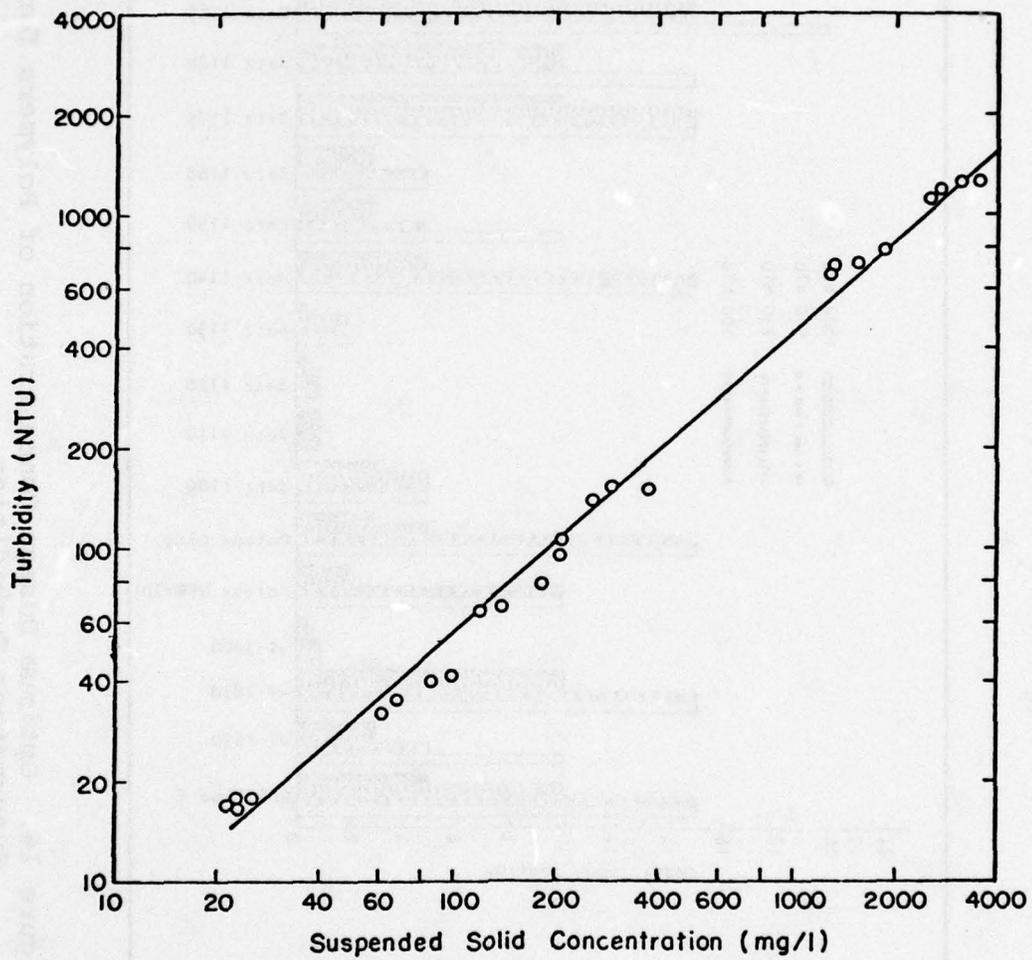


Figure 15. Correlation of Turbidity vs. Suspended Solids in Suspensions.

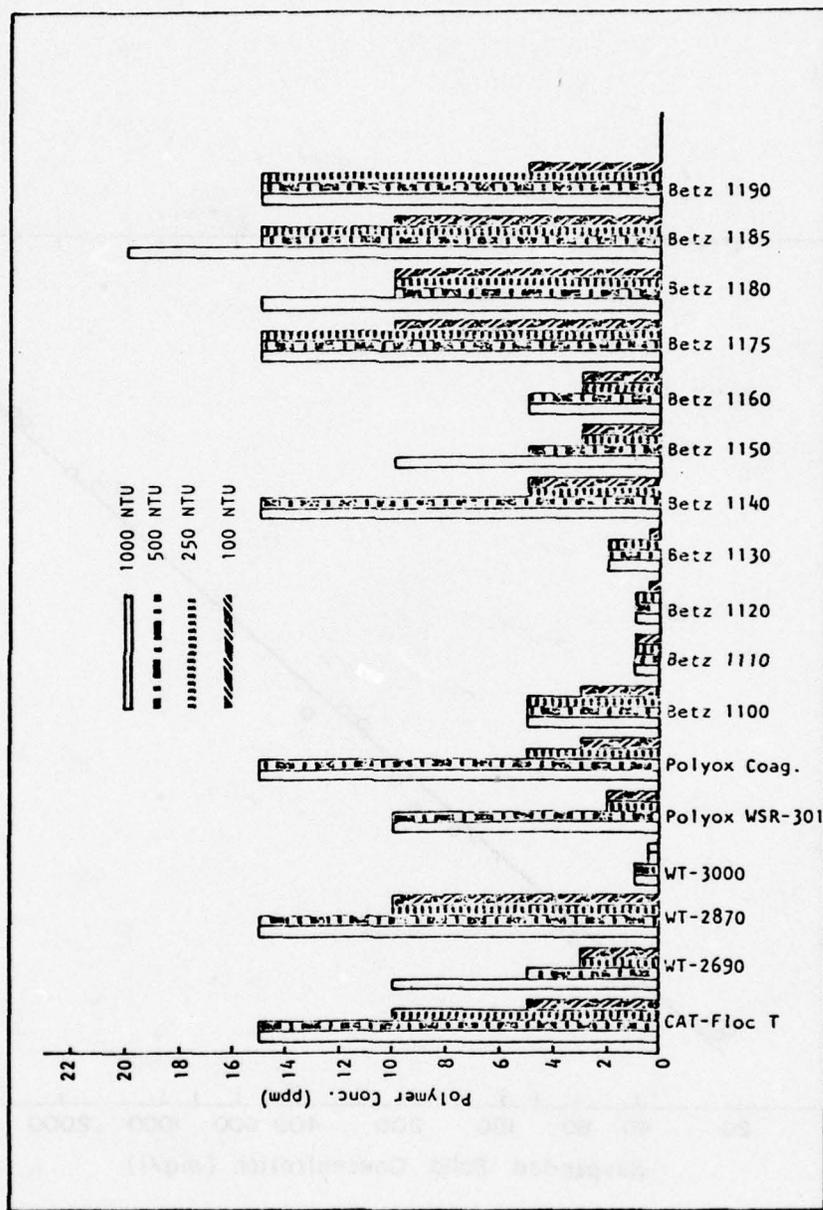


Figure 16. Optimum Dosage Concentration of Polymers for Various Supernatant Turbidities.

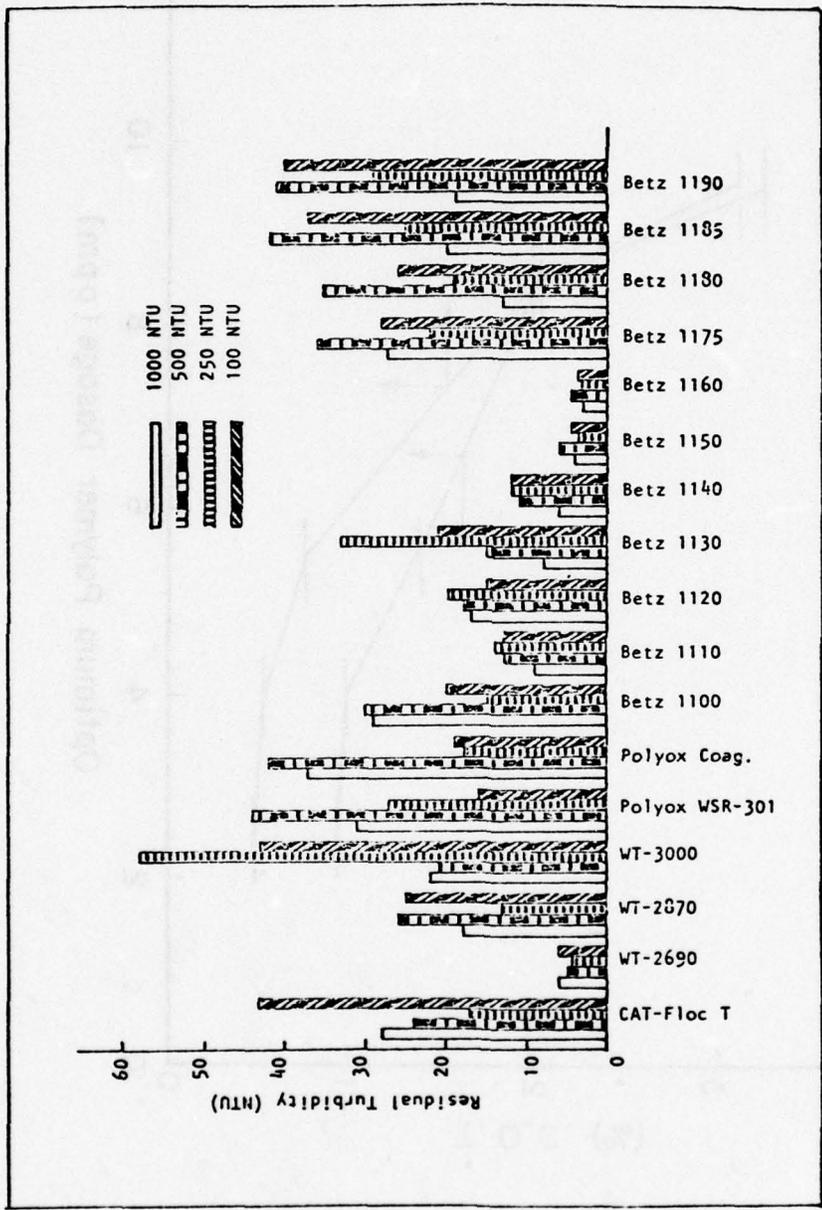


Figure 17. Residual Turbidity Following Optimum Polymer Treatment for Various Original Supernatant Turbidities.

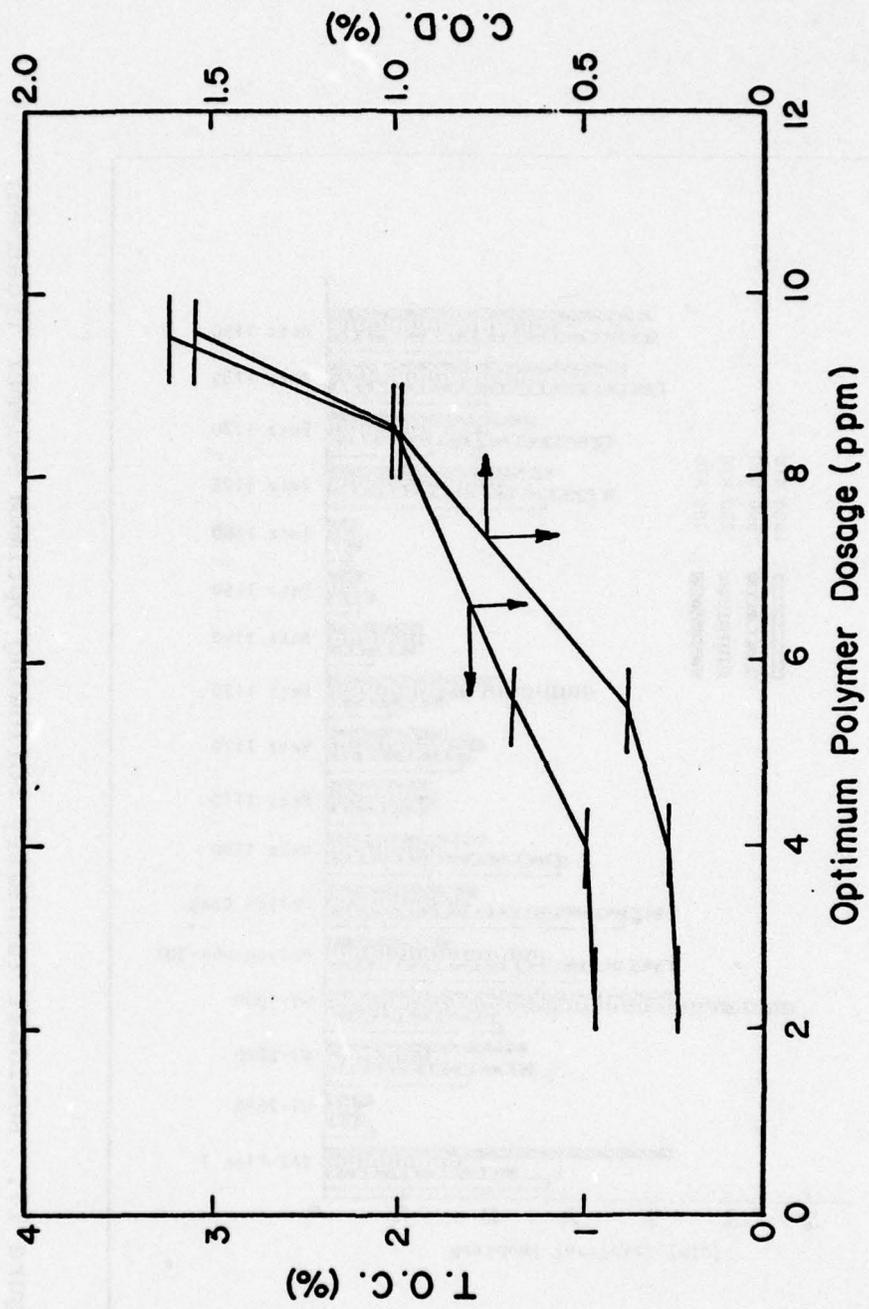


Figure 18. Optimum Polymer Dosage (WT-3000) vs. TOC AND COD of Sediments.

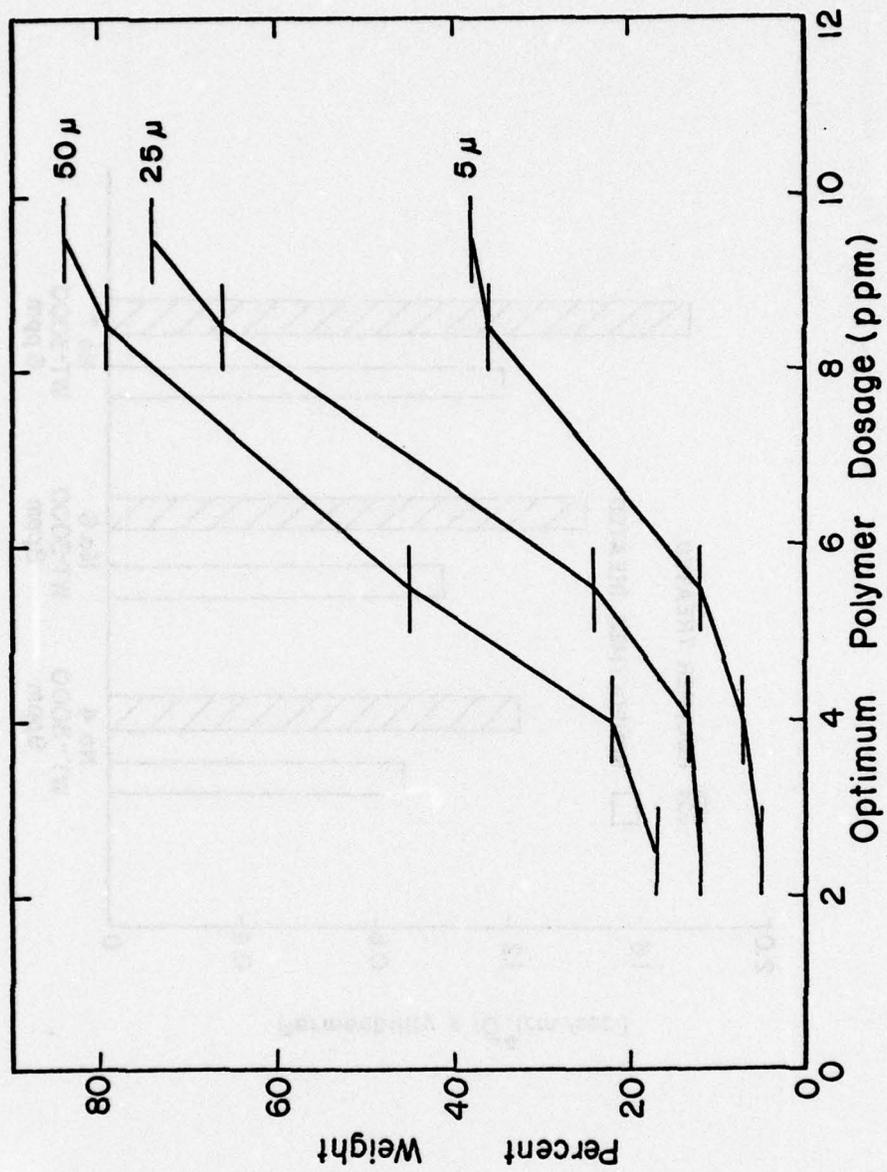


Figure 19. Optimum Polymer Dosage (WT-3000) vs. Sediment Particles Finer than the Indicated Size.

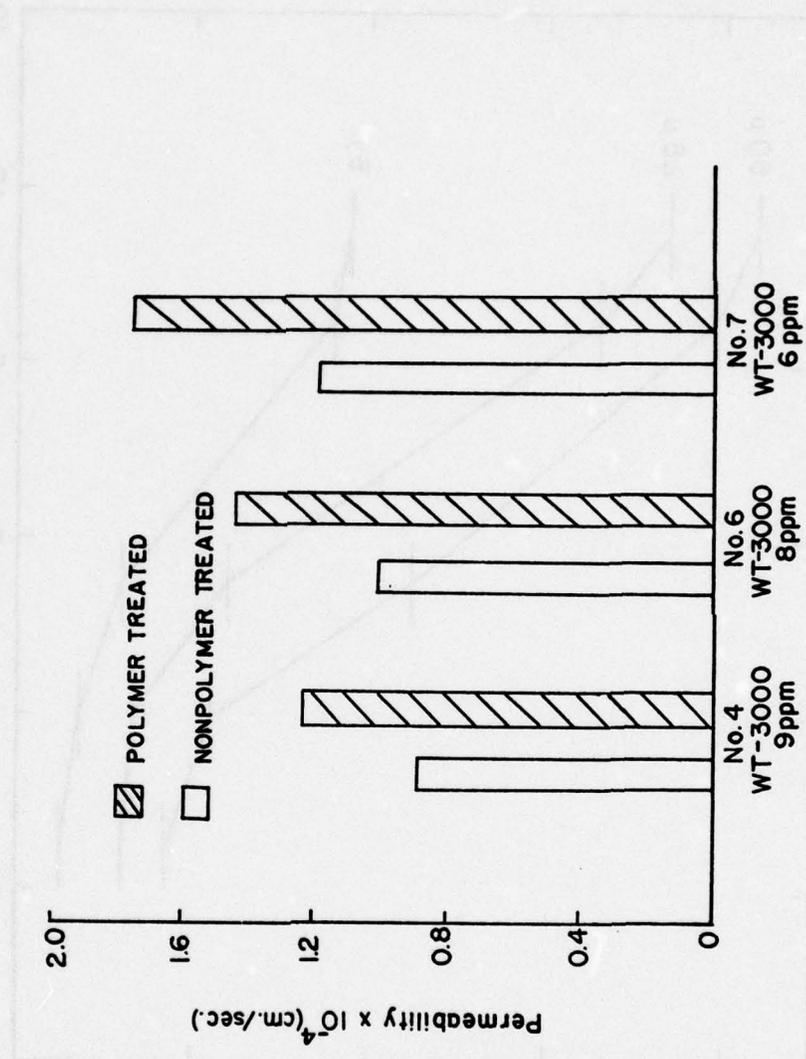


Figure 20. Permeabilities of Polymer-Treated and Non-treated Sediments.

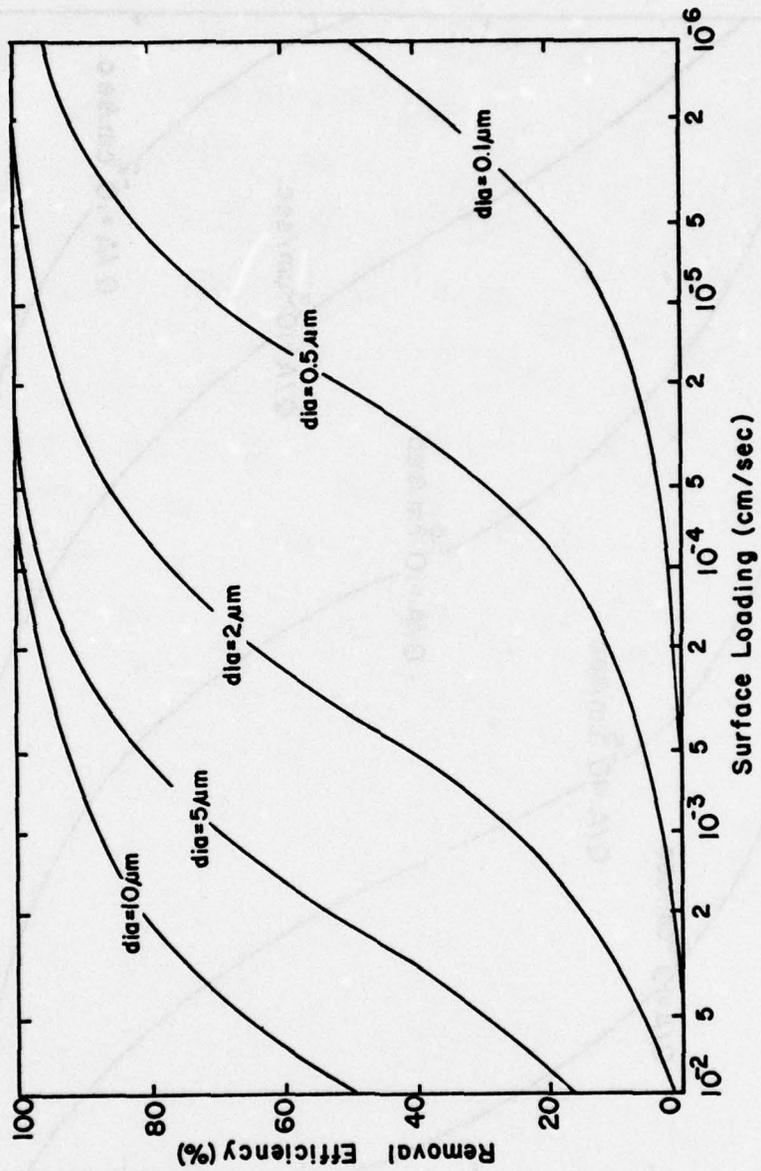


Figure 21. Relationship Between Removal Efficiency and Surface Loading for Suspended Particles of Different Grain Sizes.

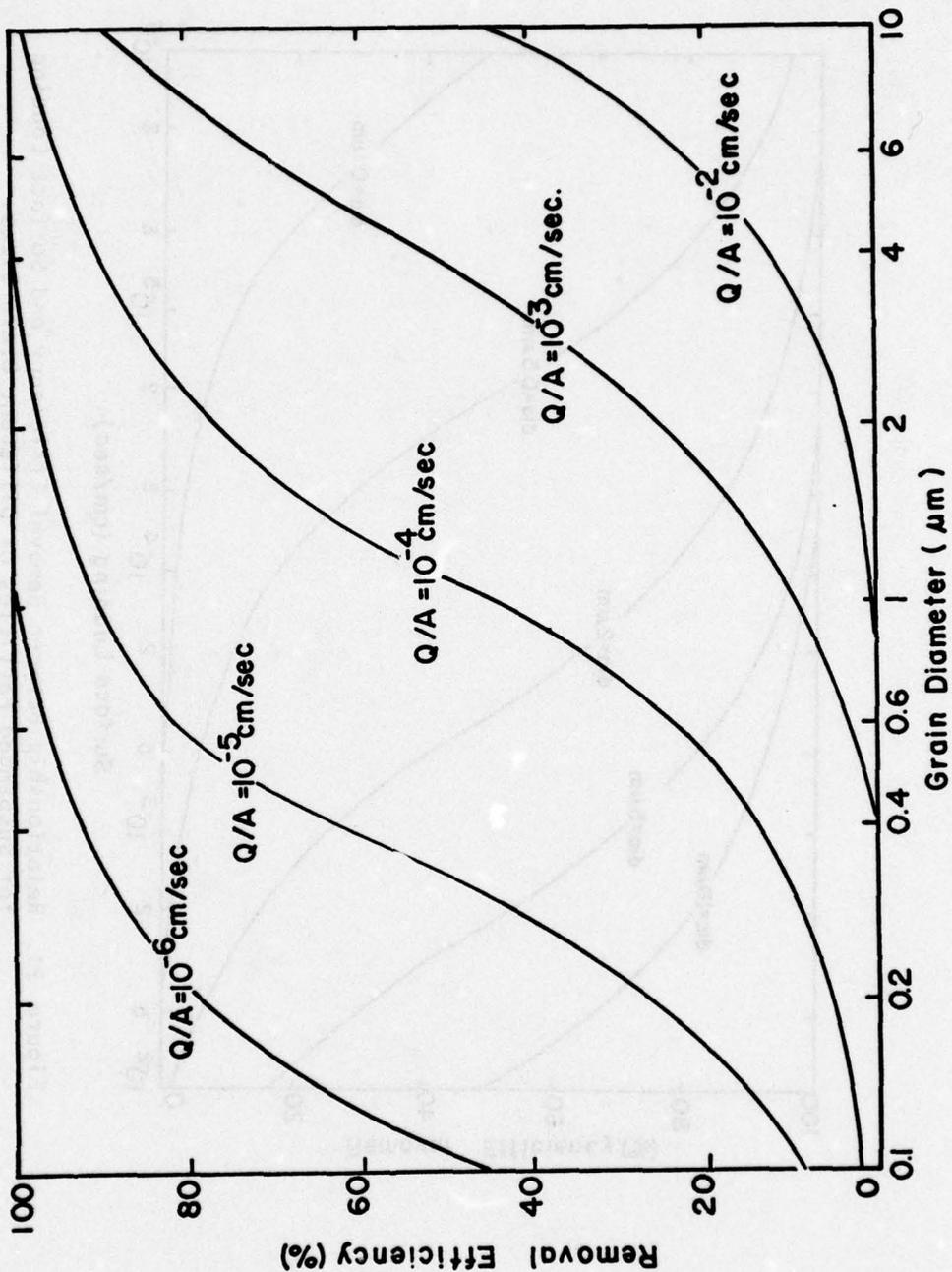


Figure 22. Relationship Between Removal Efficiency and Suspended Solids Diameter Under Different Surface Loading Rates.

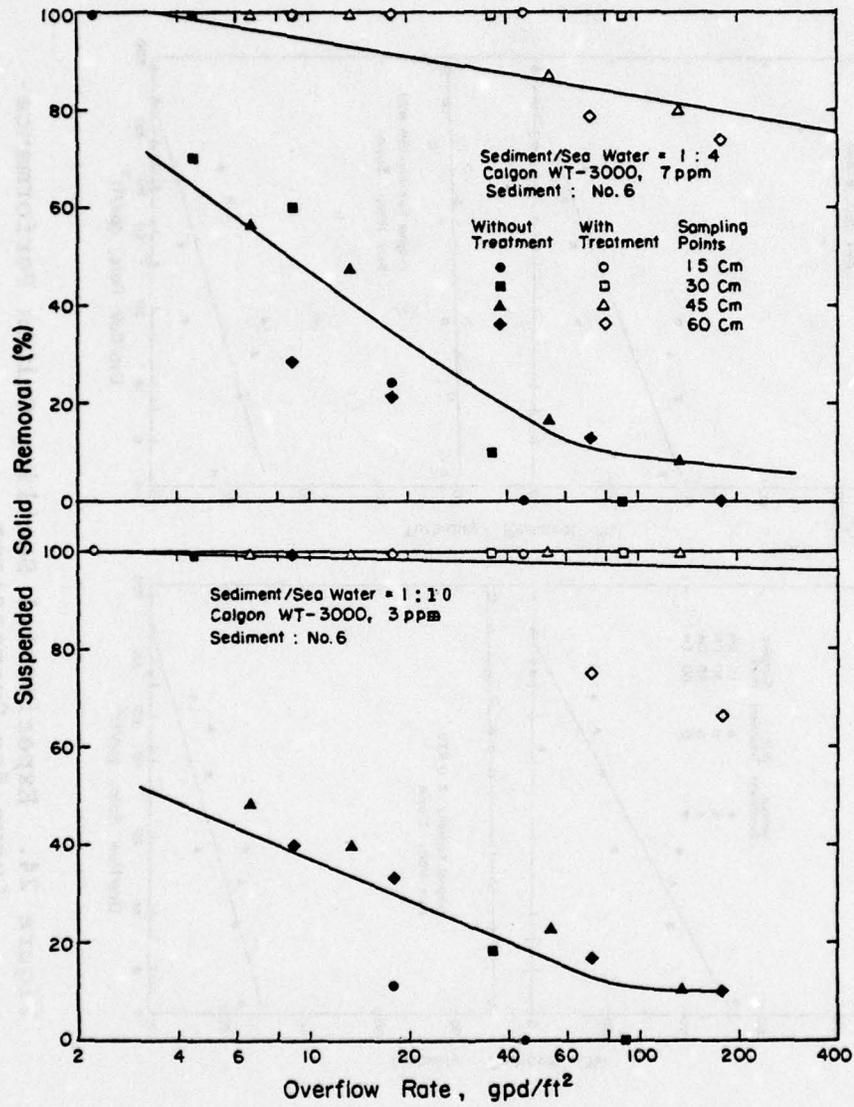


Figure 23. Experimental Settling Column Performance Curve for Sediment Slurries.

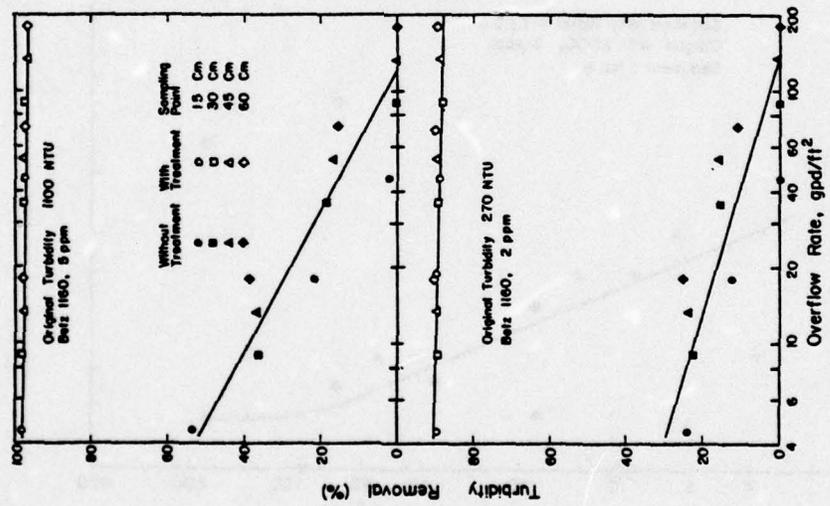
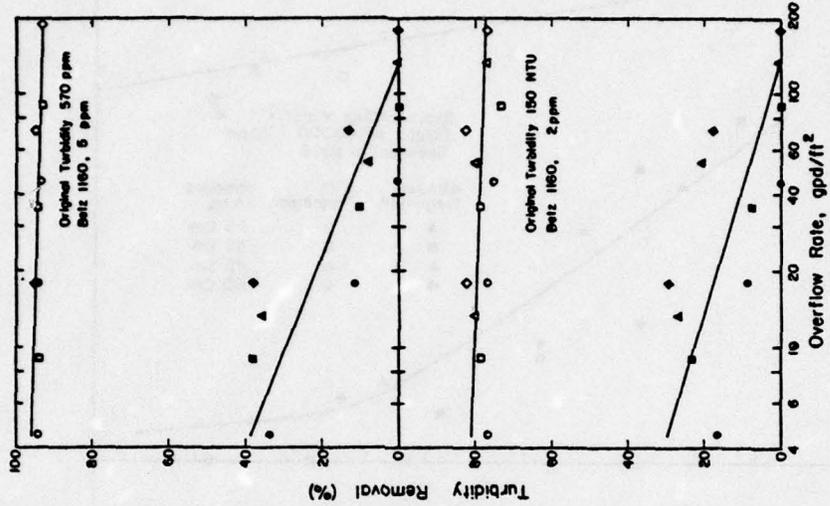


Figure 24. Experimental Settling Column Performance Curve for Suspensions.

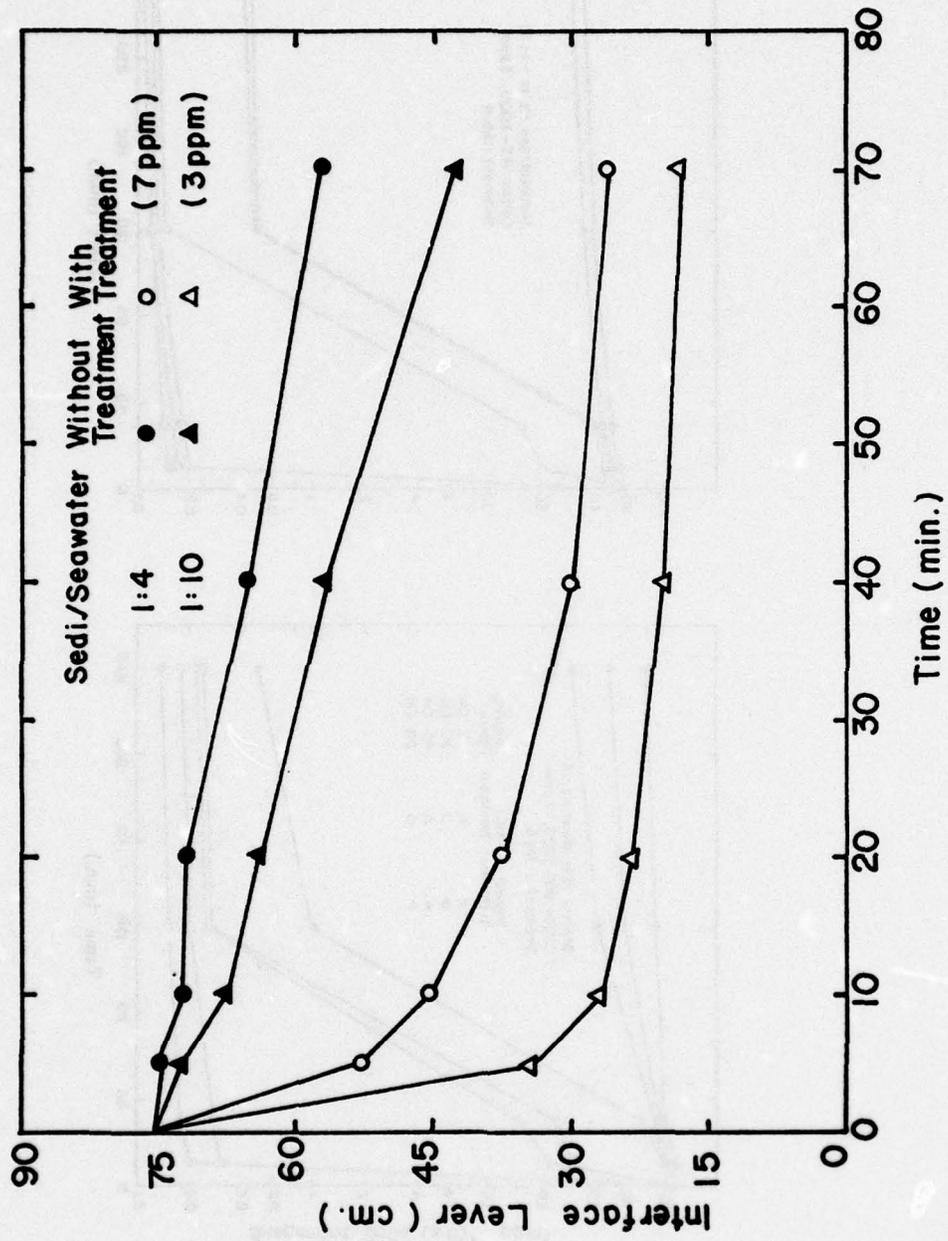


Figure 25. Decline in Slurry Level with Respect to Time Using Polymer Calgon WT-3000 in Column Study.

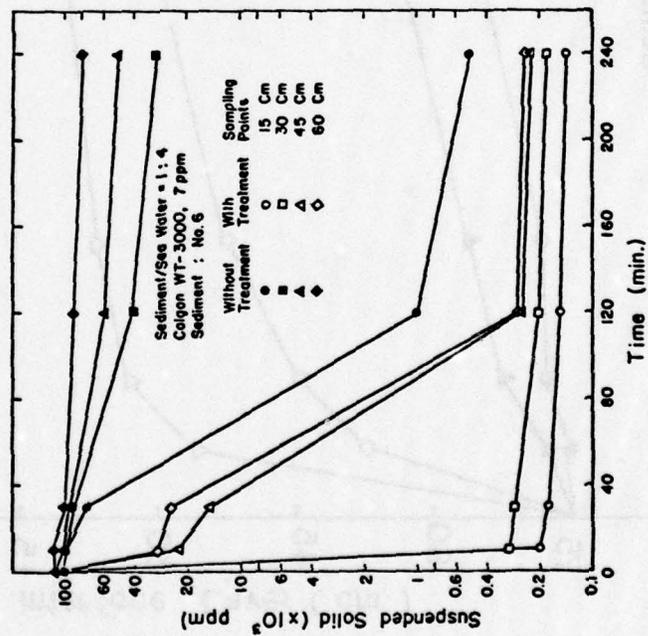
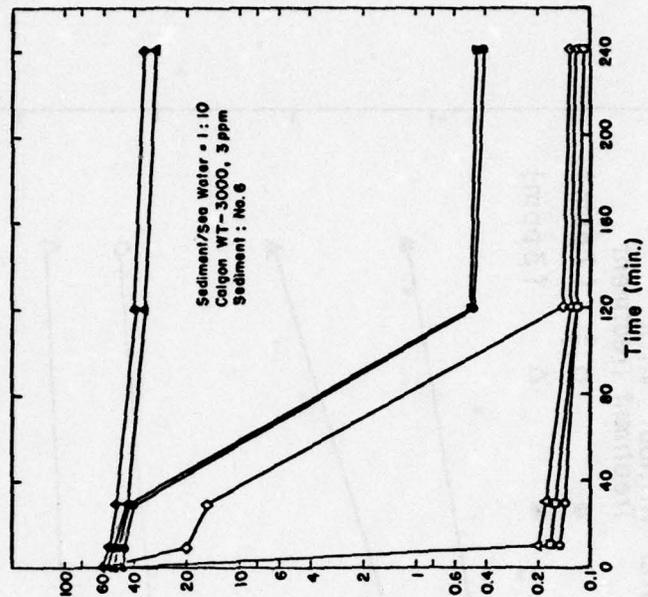


Figure 26. Removal of Suspended Solids by Polymer Calgon WT-3000 in the Treatment of Sediment Slurries.

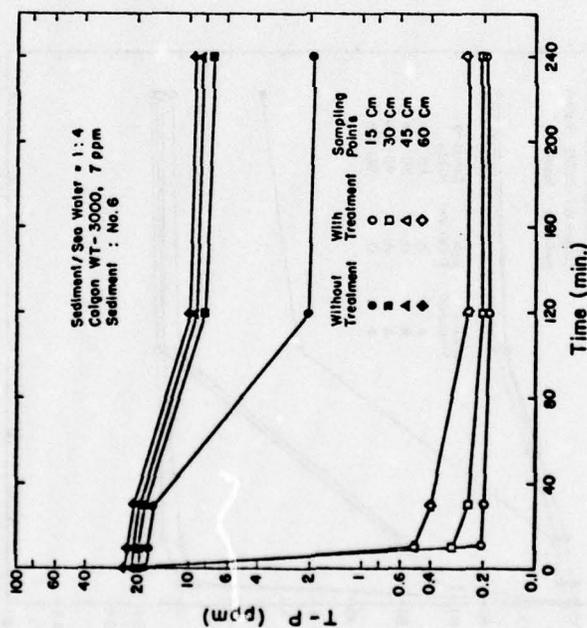
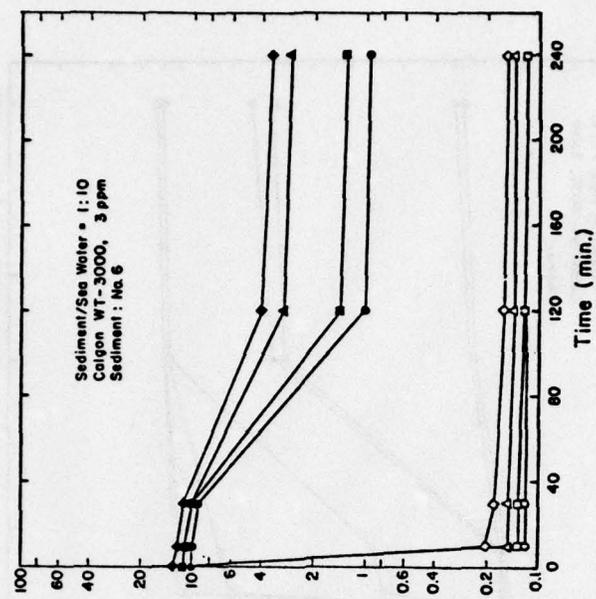


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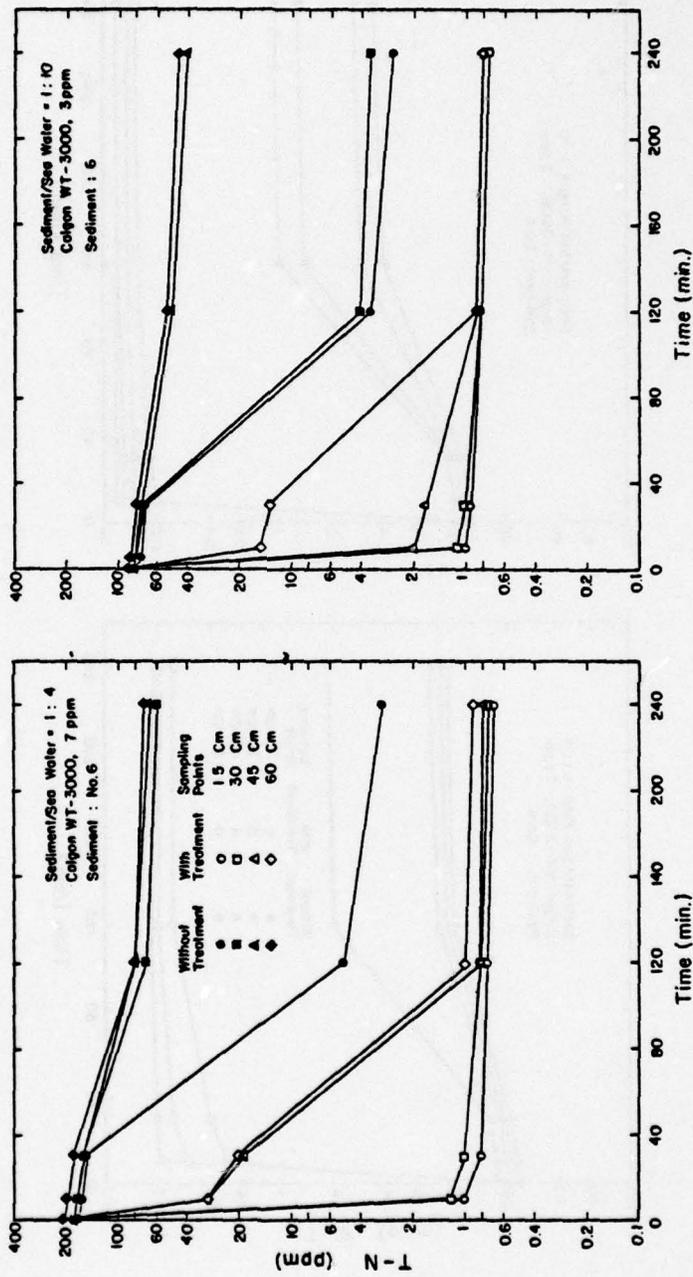


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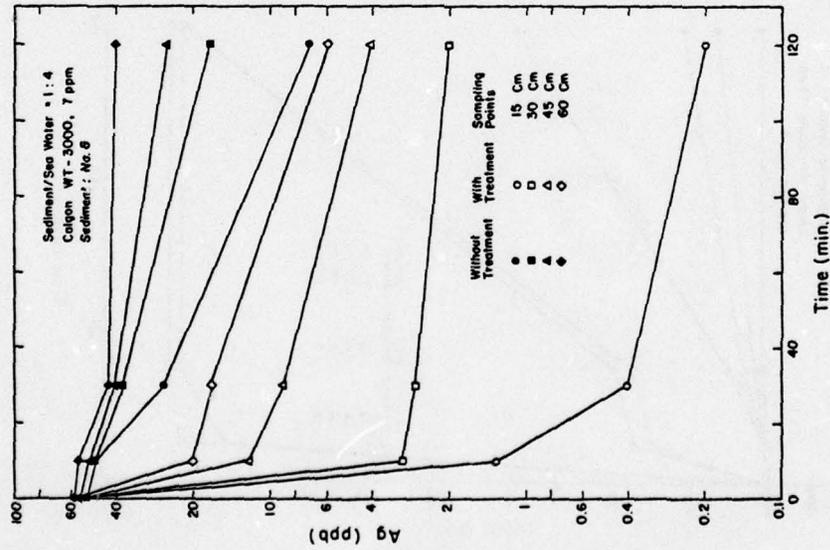
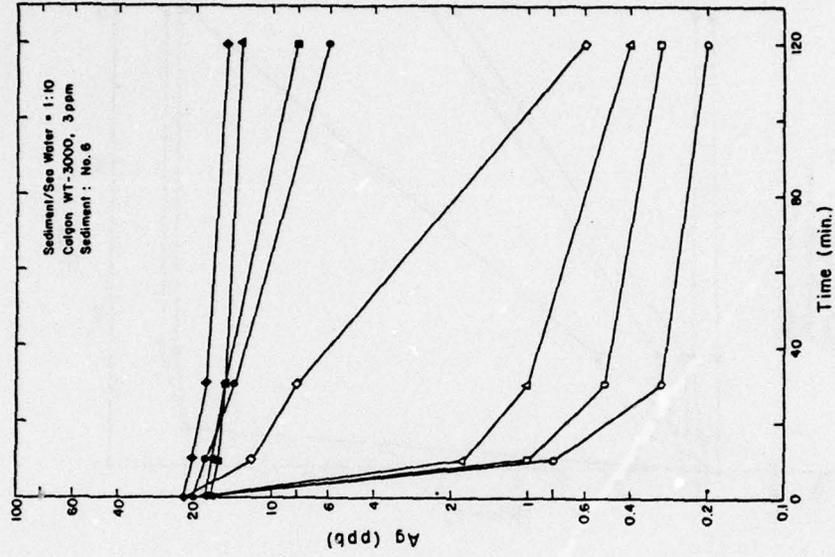


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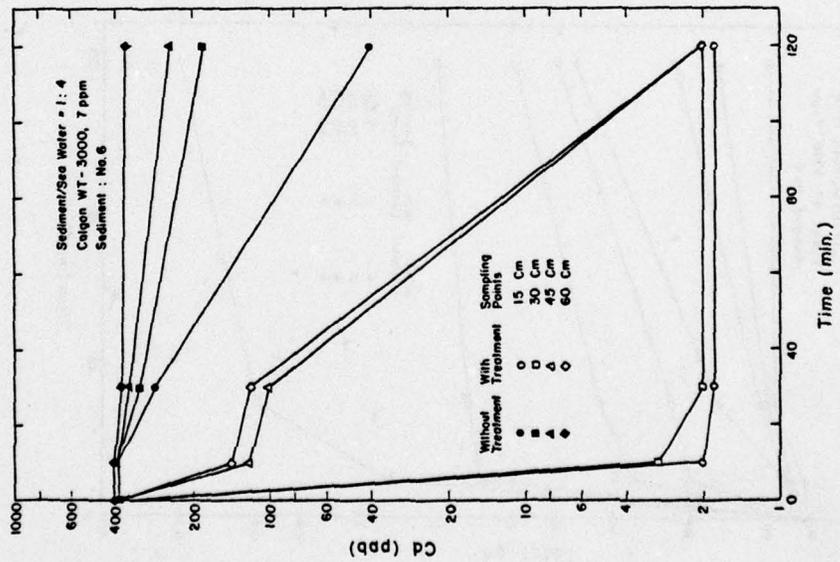
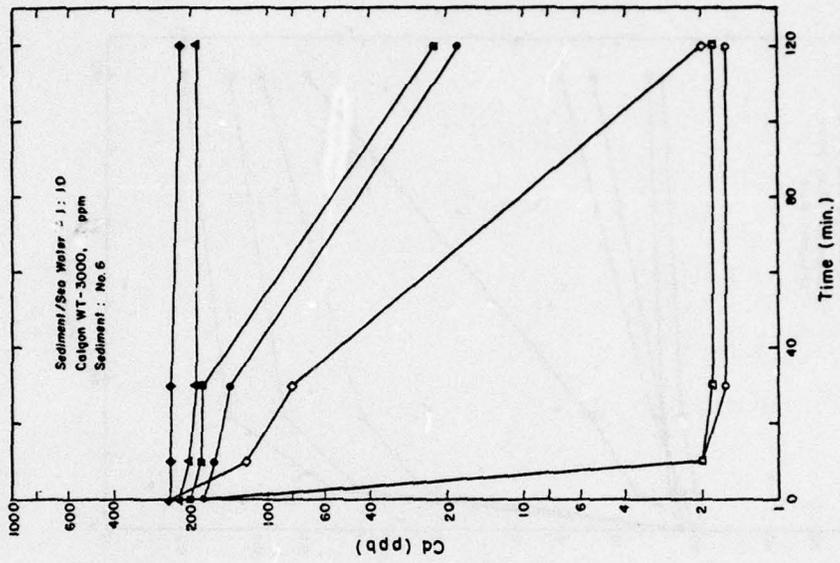


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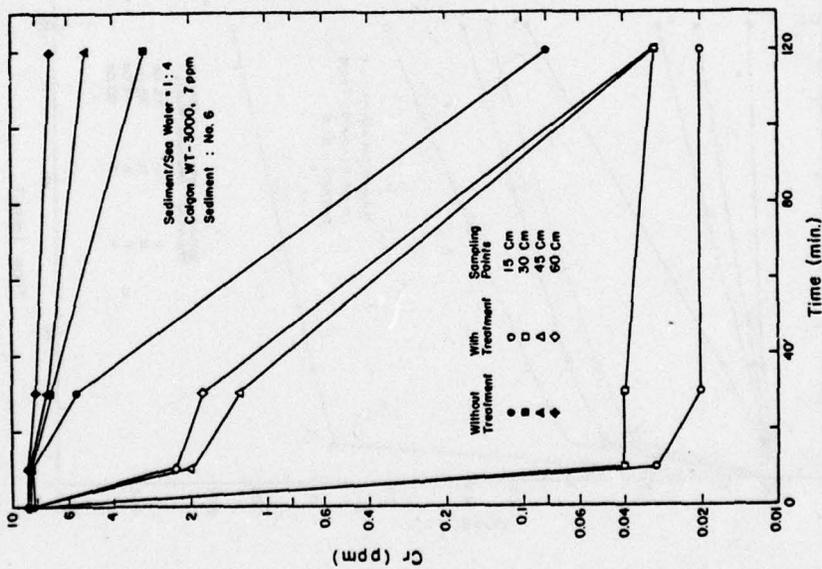
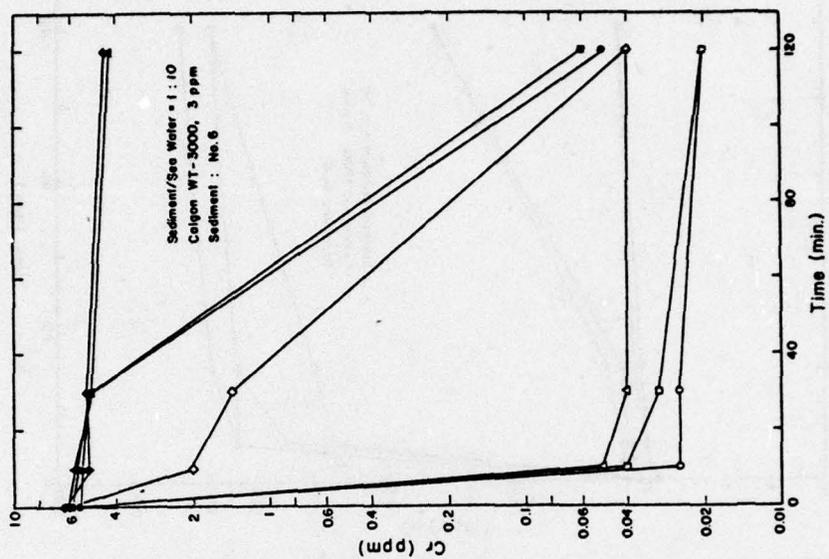


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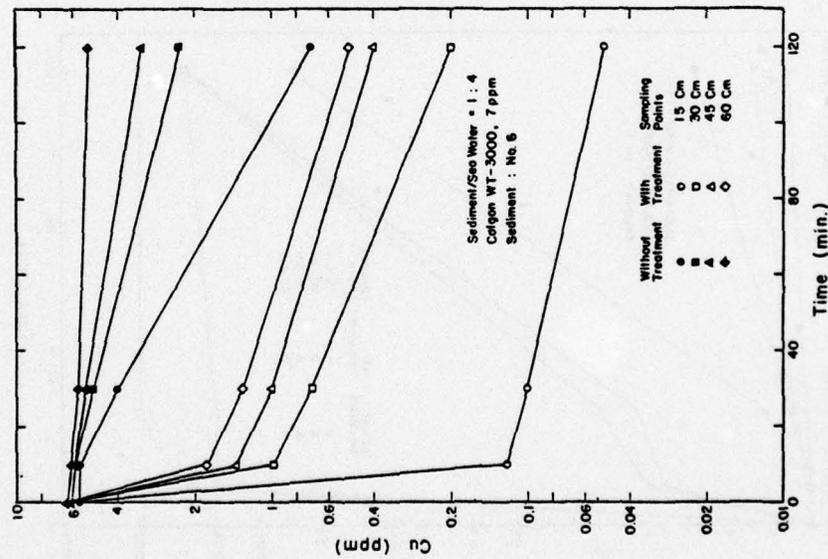
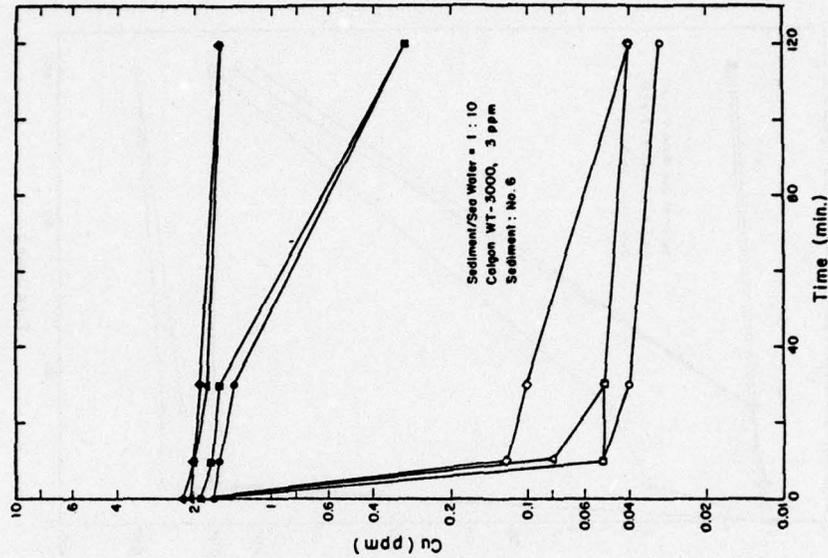


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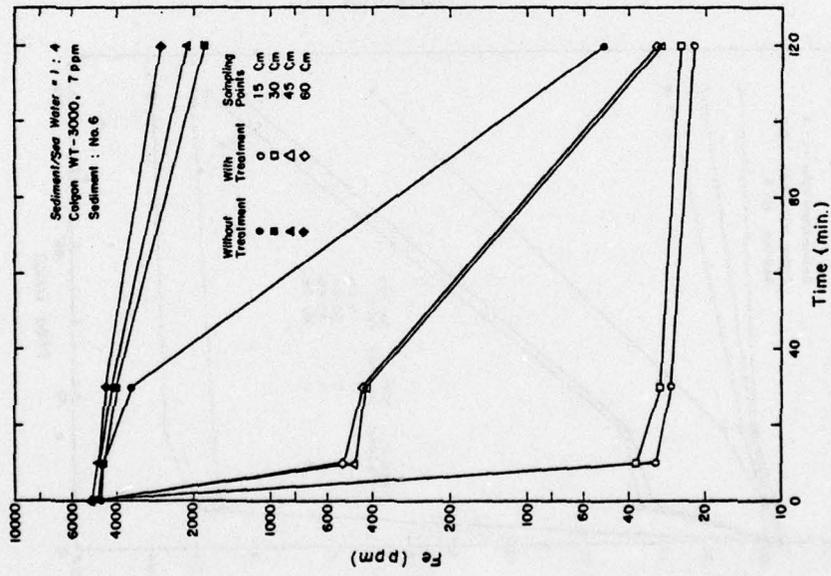
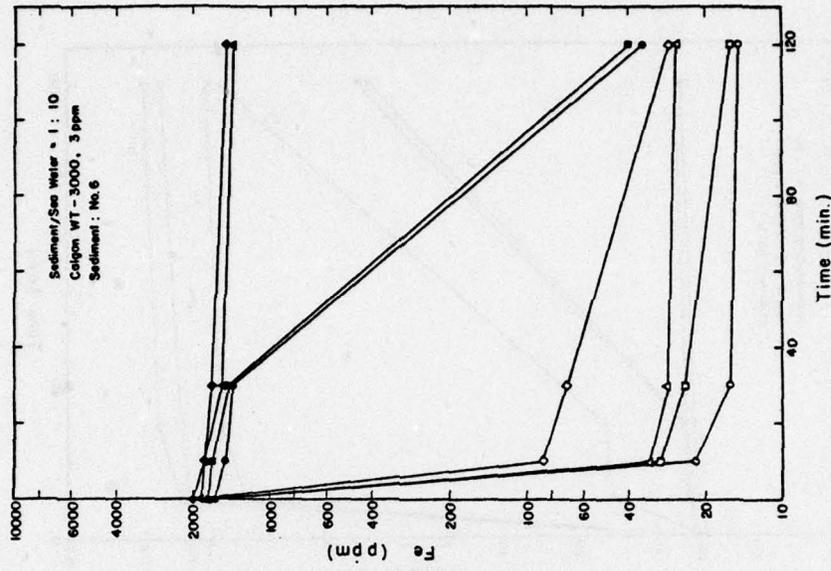


Figure 33. Removal of Fe by Polymer Calgon WT-3000 in the Treatment of Sediment Slurries.

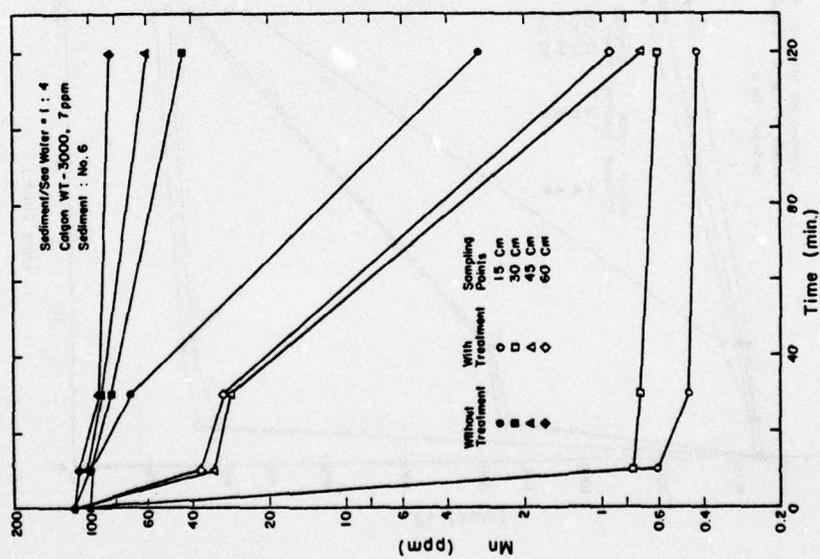
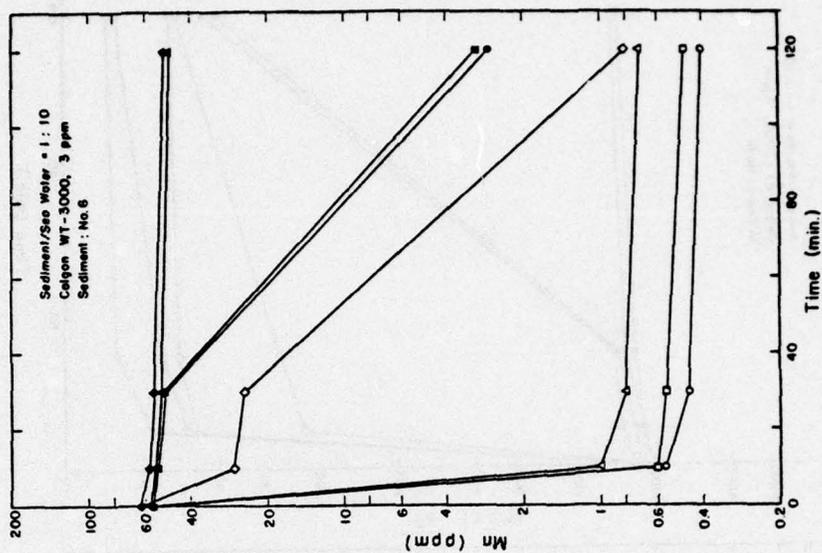


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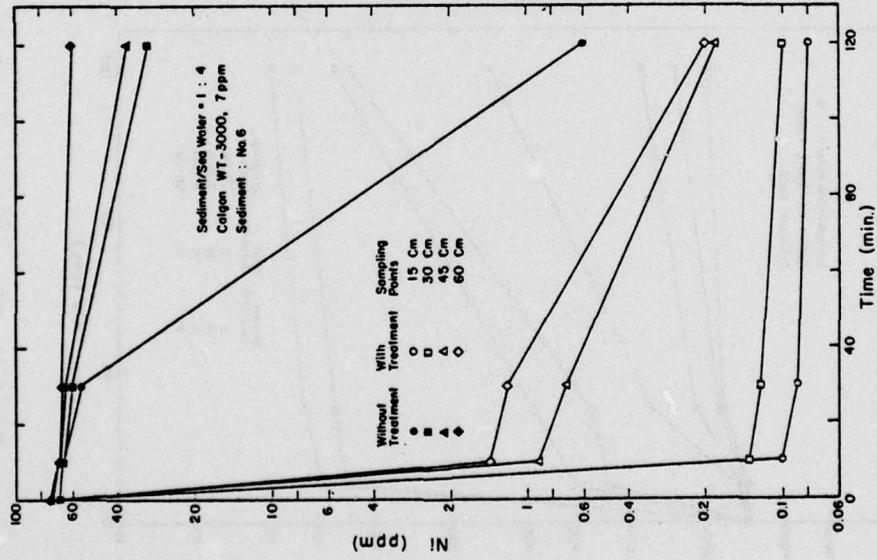
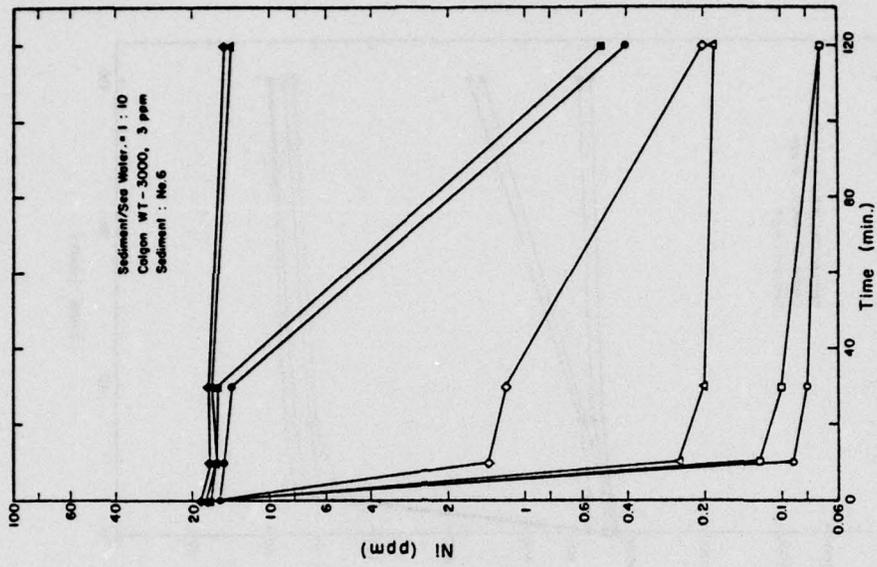


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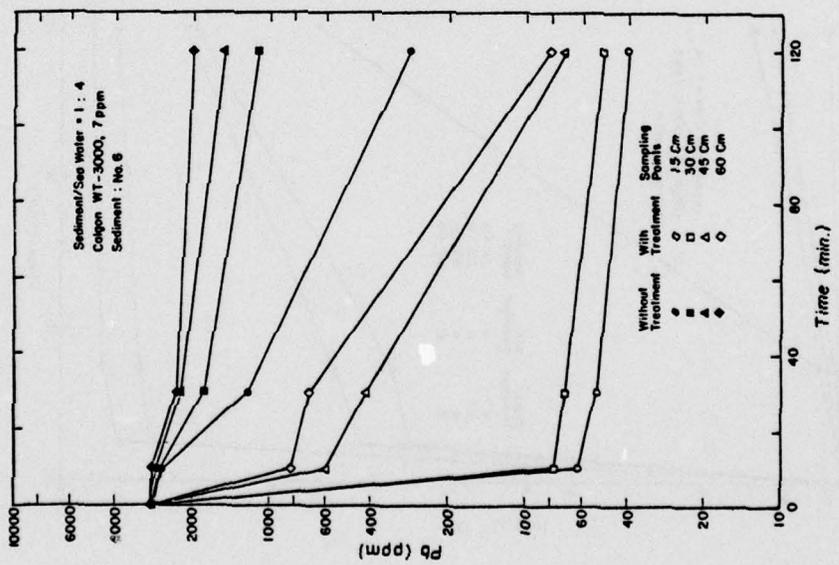
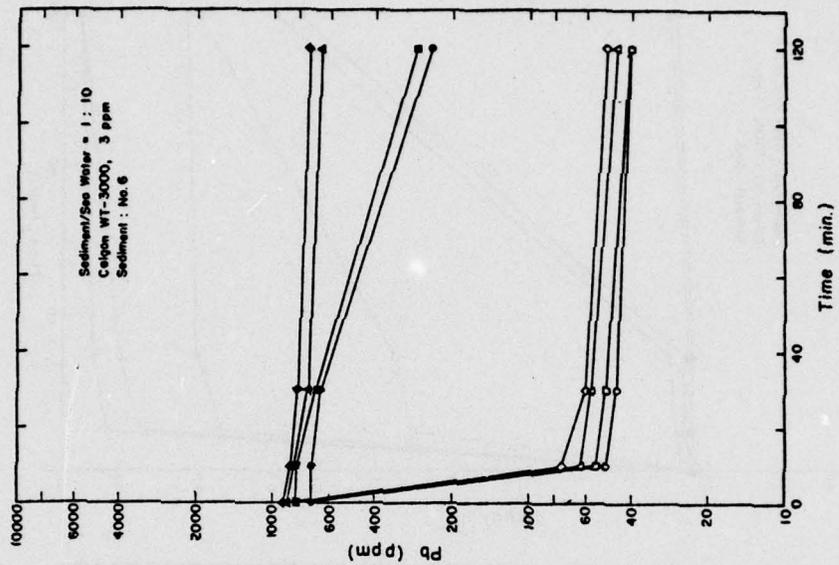


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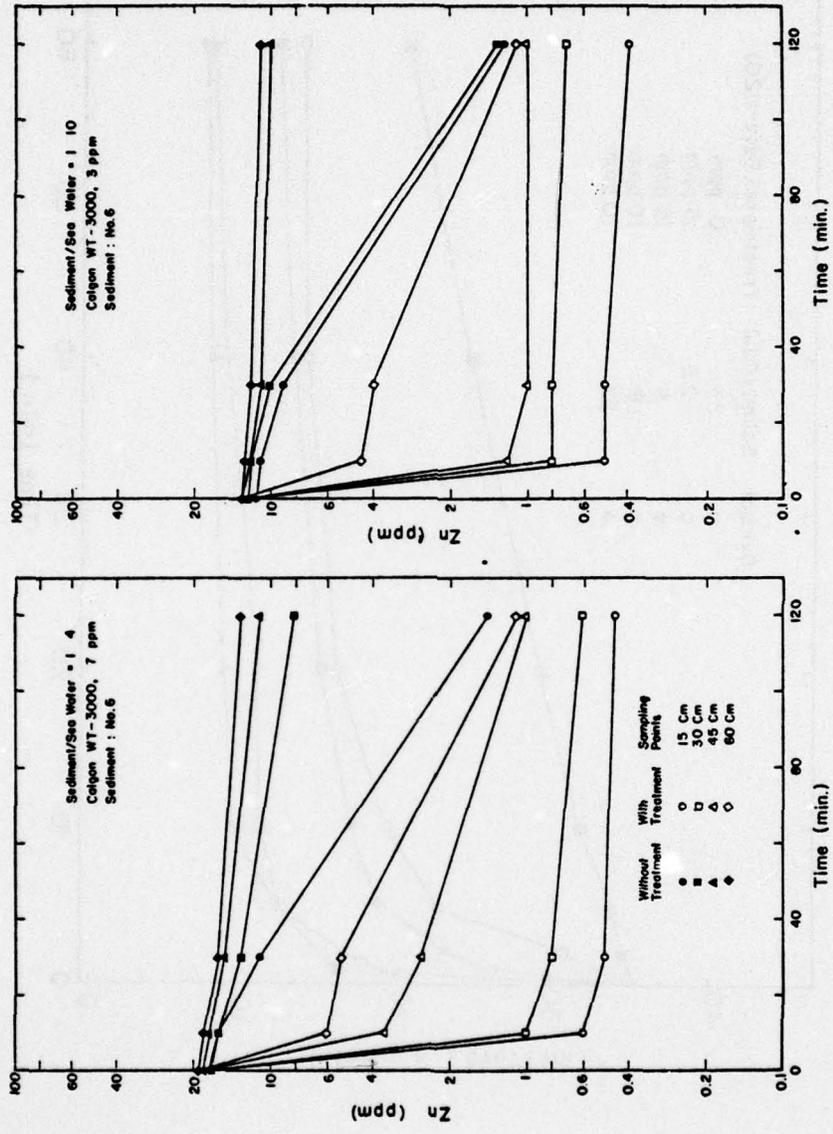


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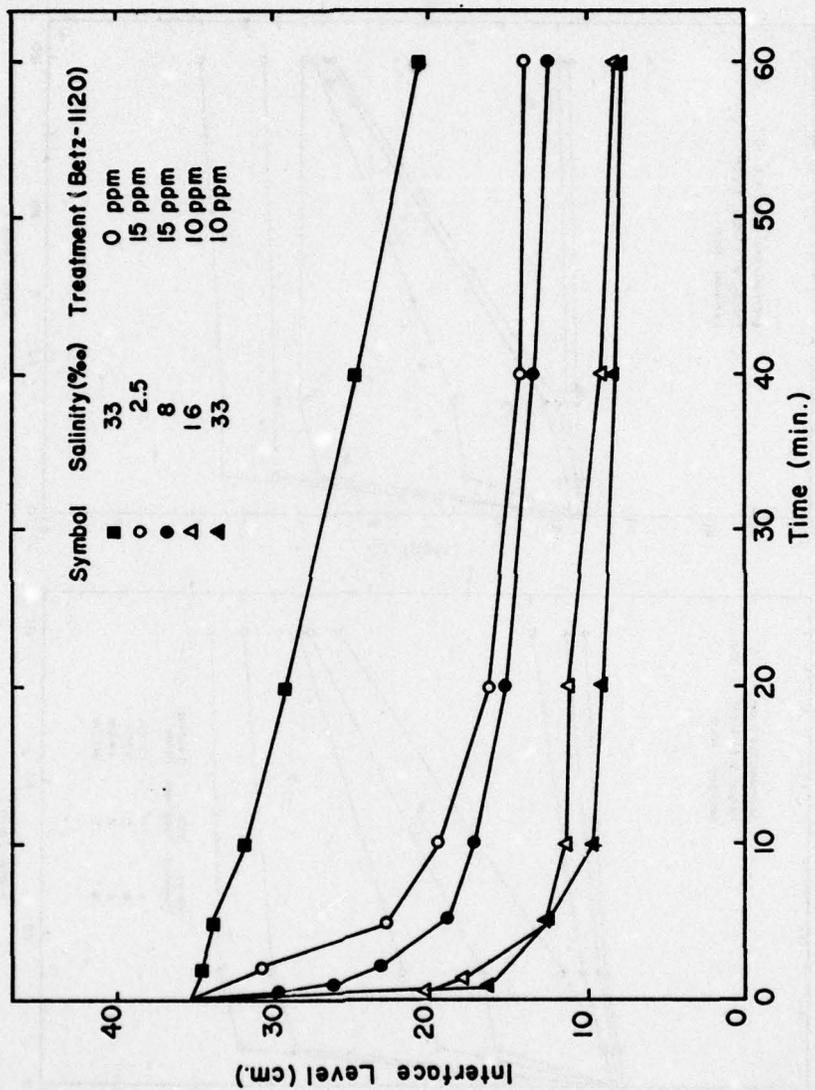


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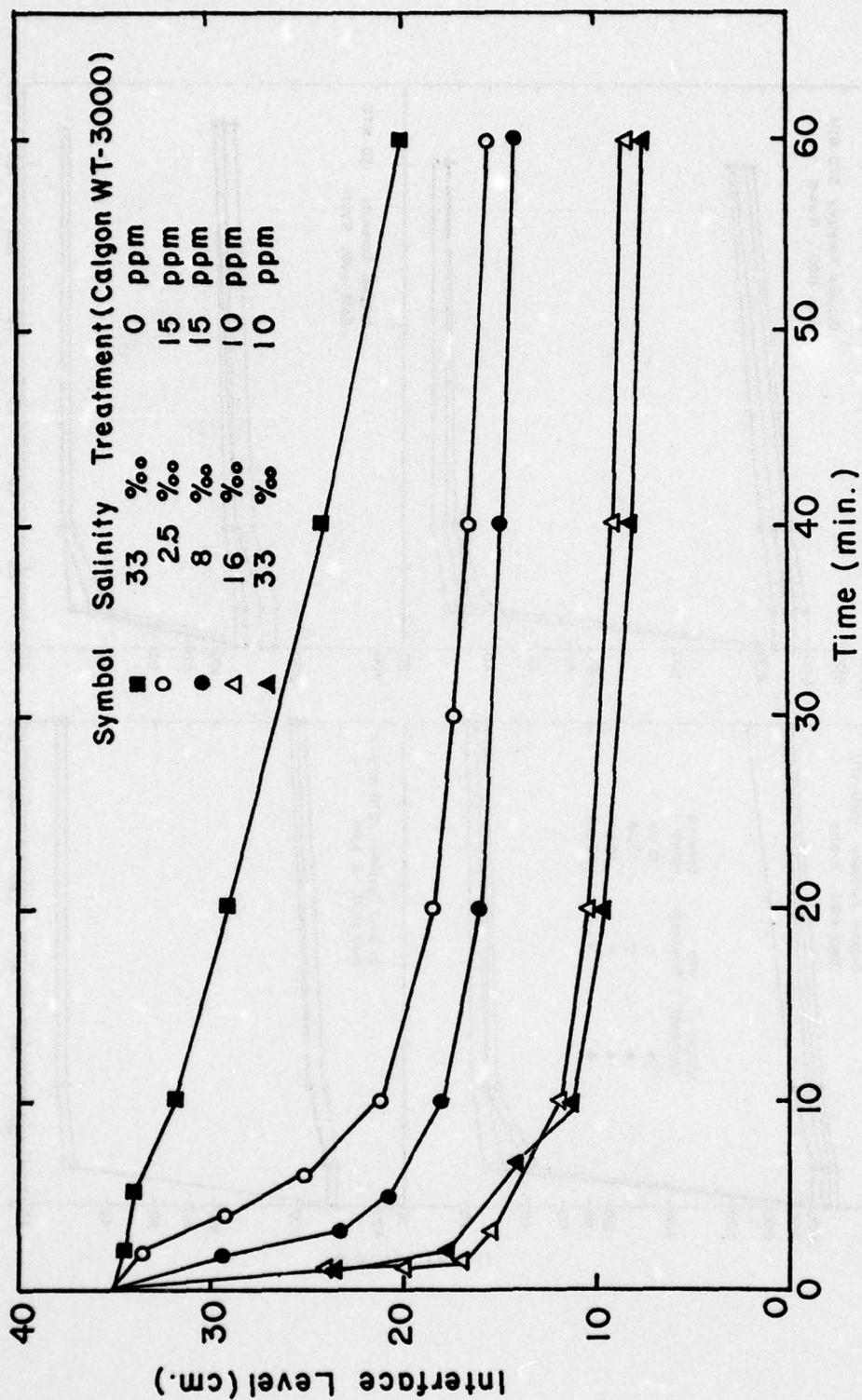


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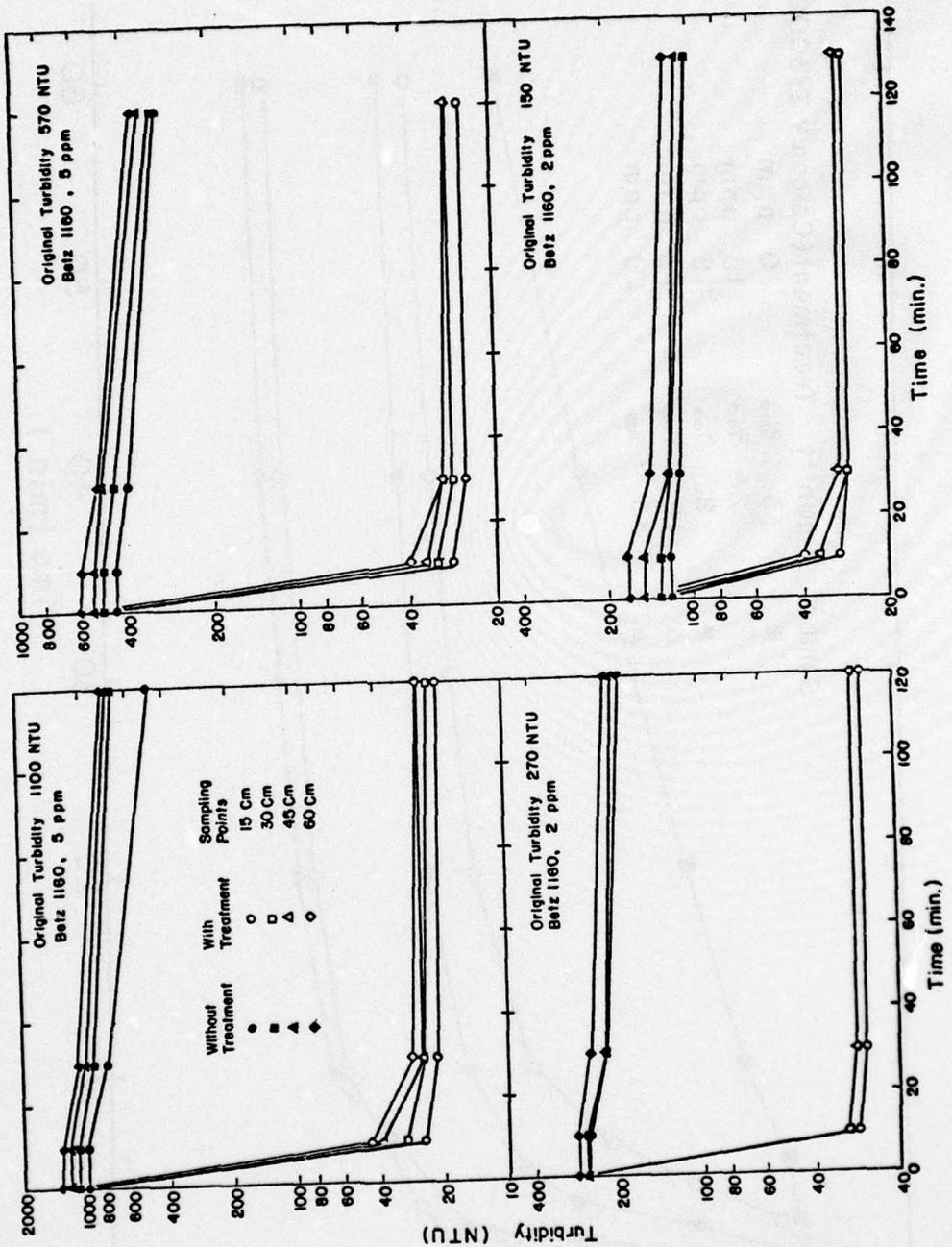


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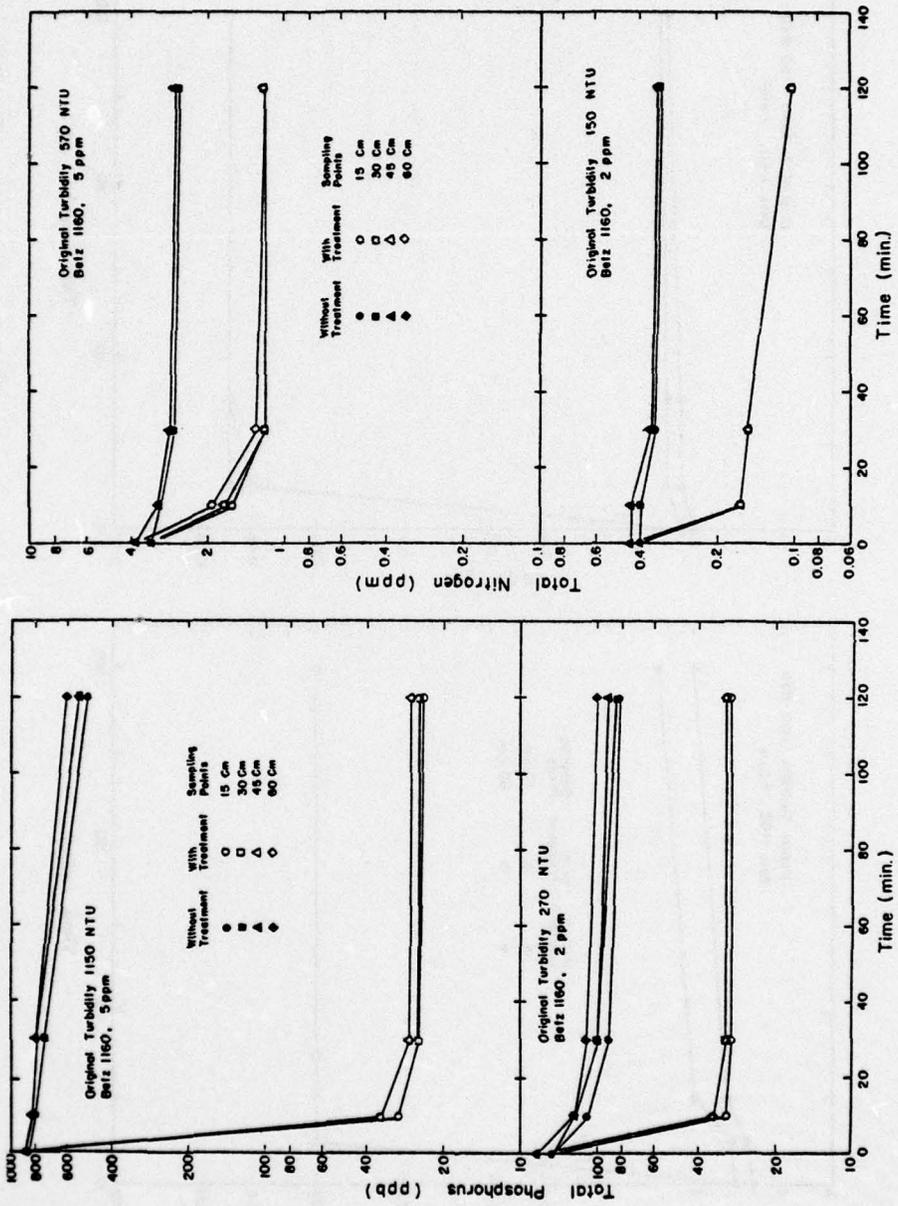


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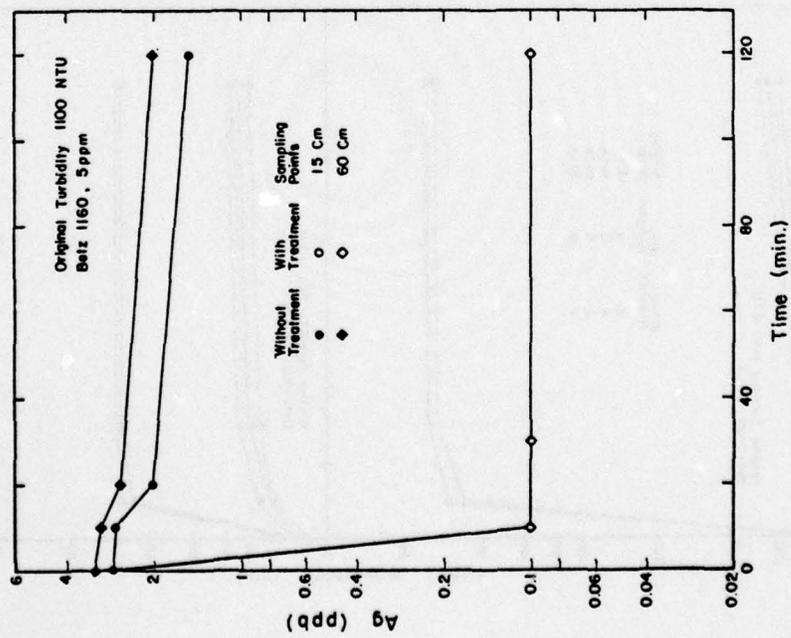
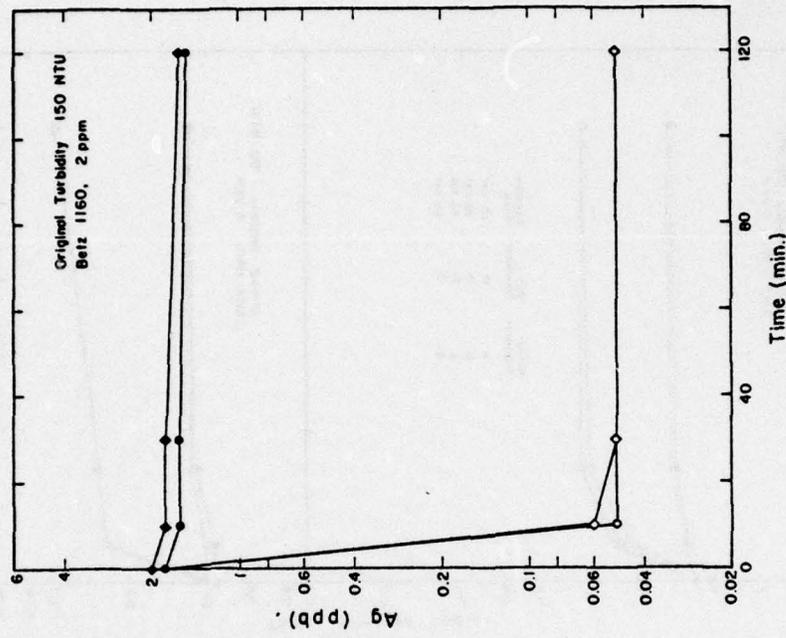


Figure 42. Removal of Ag by a Cationic Polymer (Betz 1160) in the Treatment of Supernatants.

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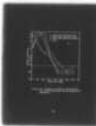
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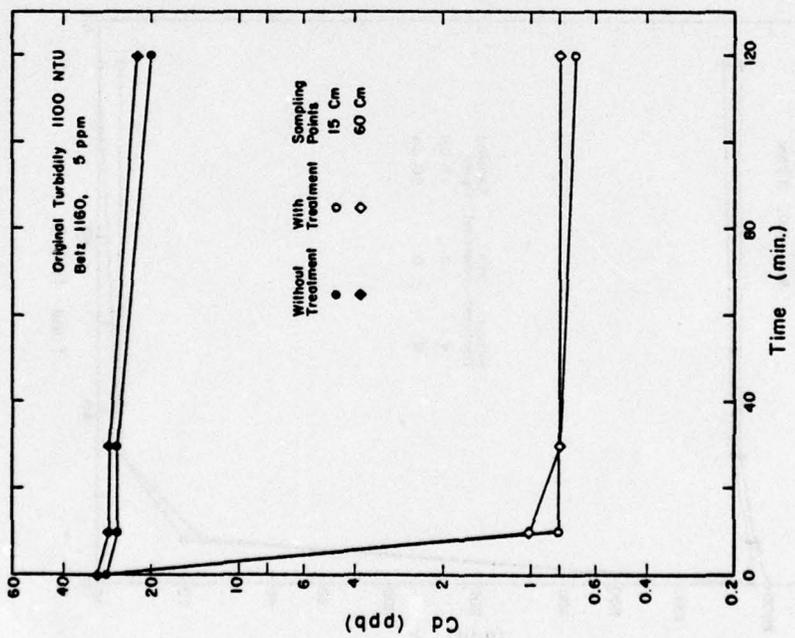
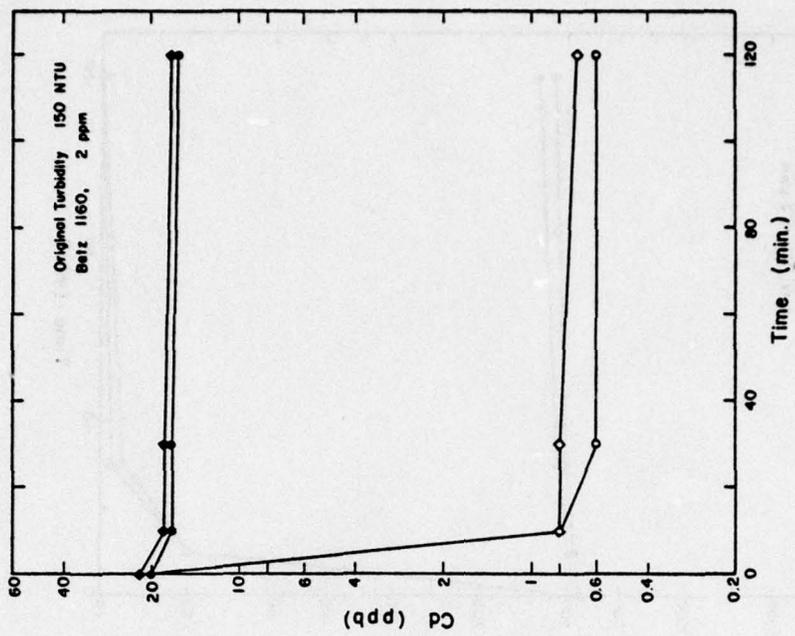


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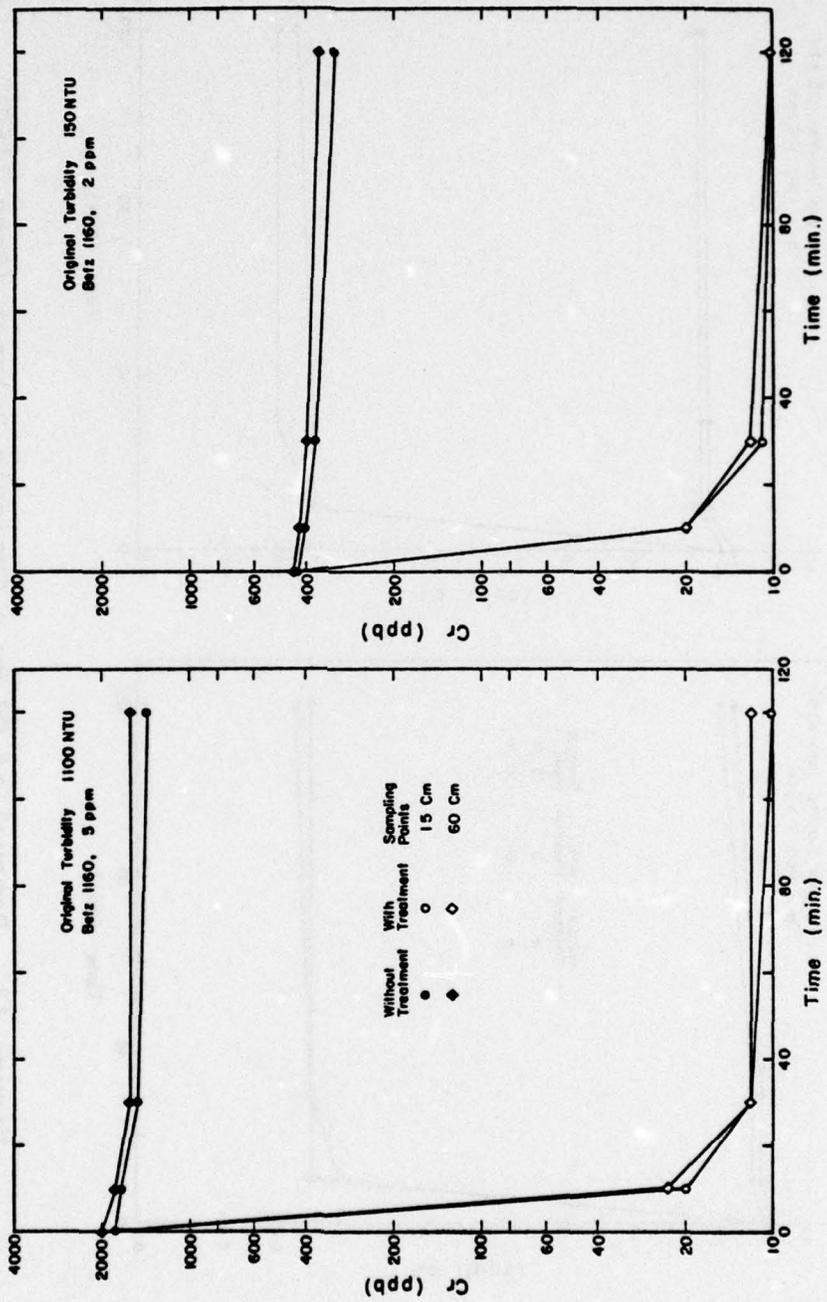


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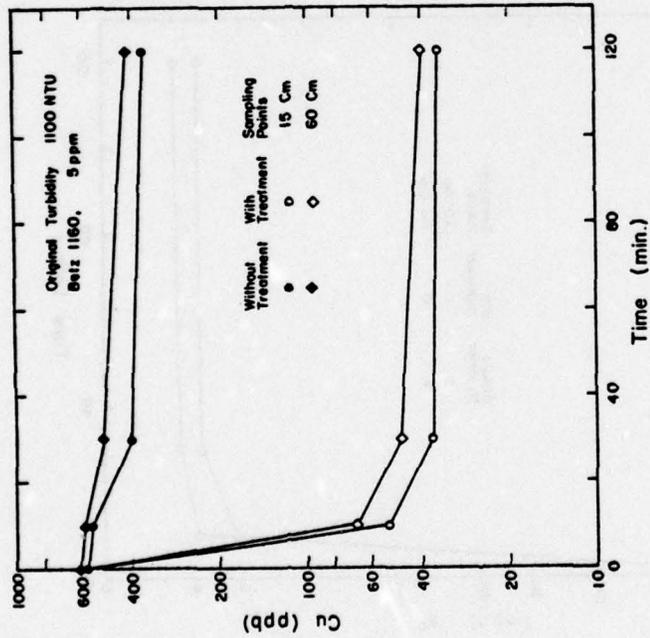
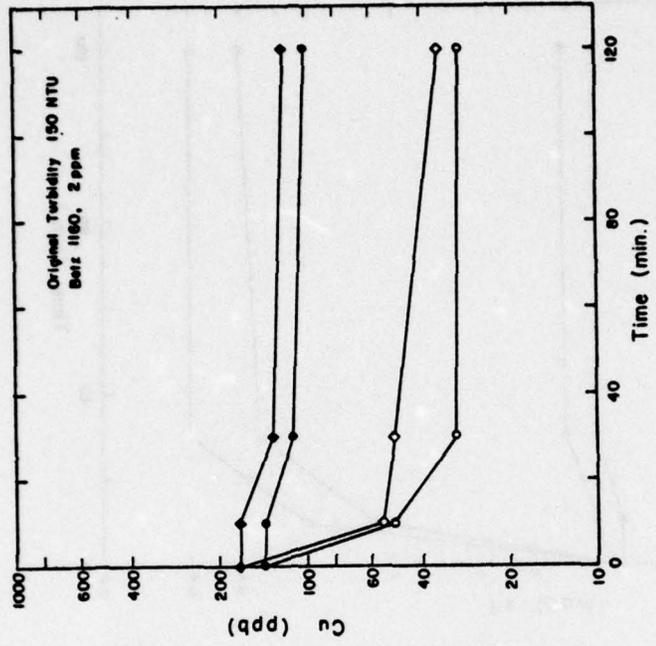


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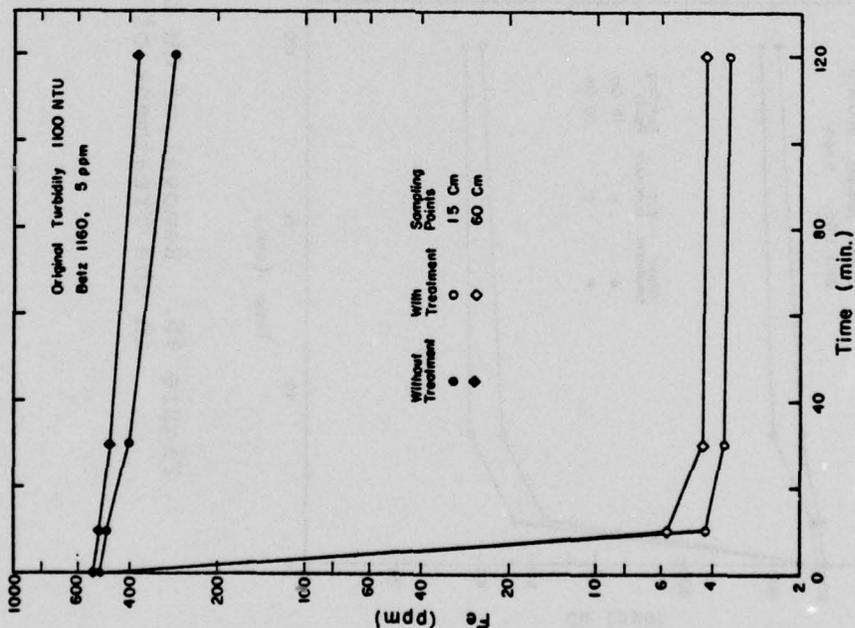
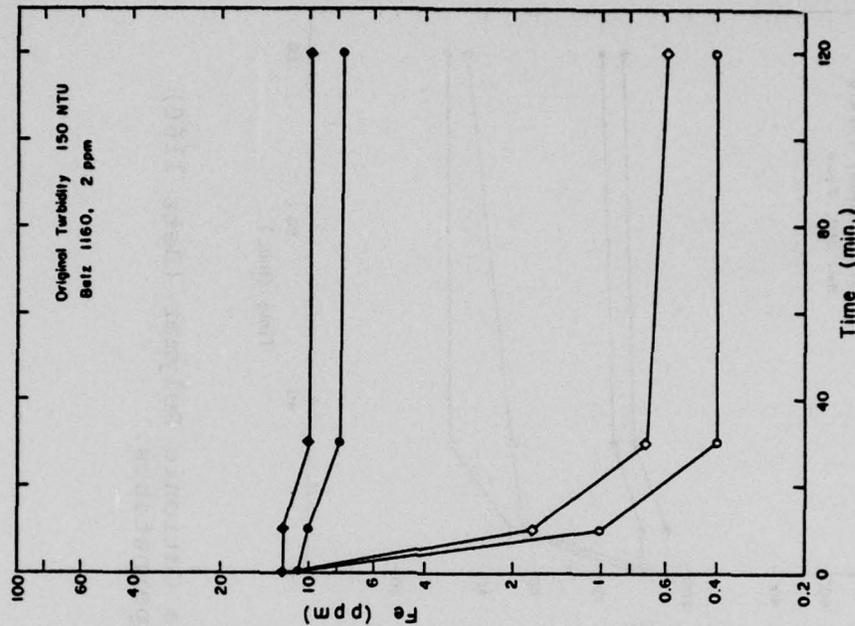


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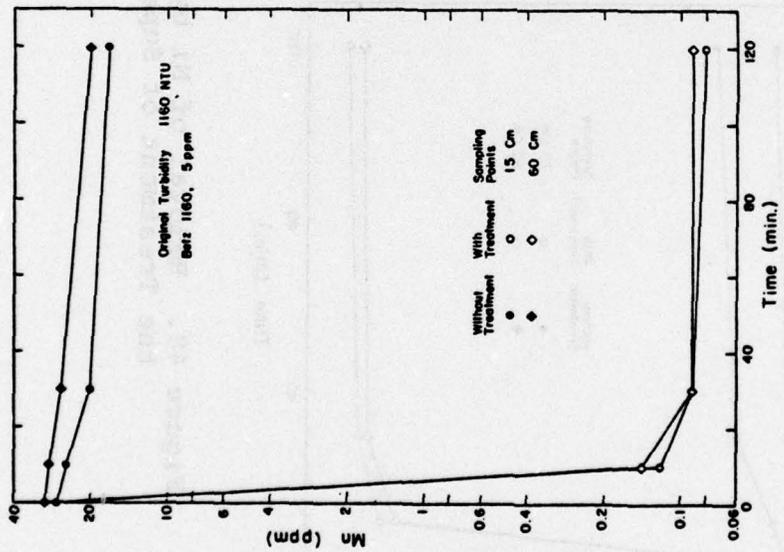
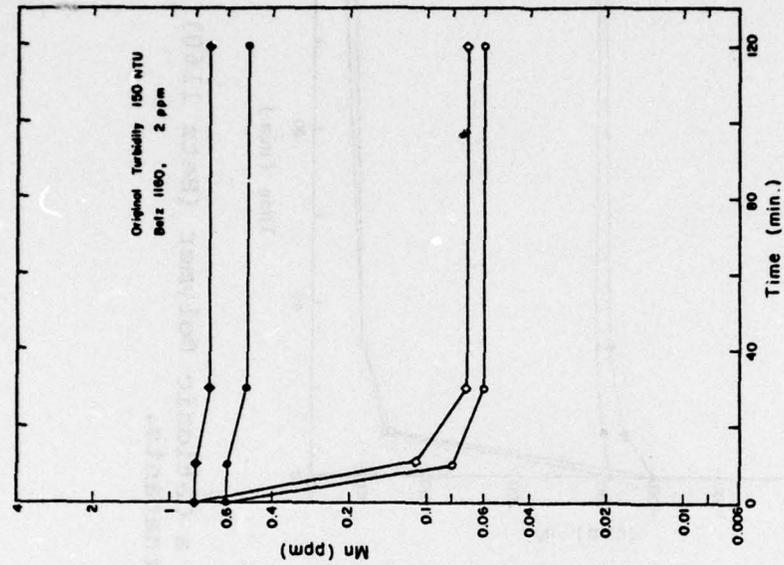


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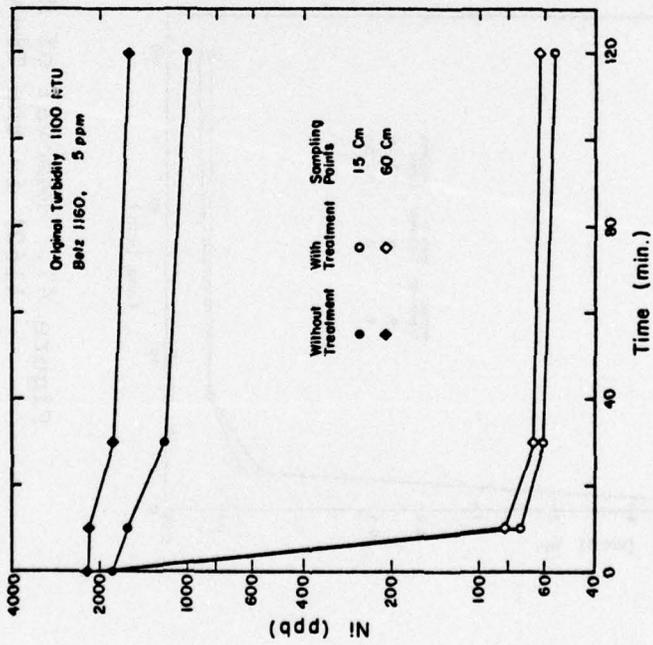
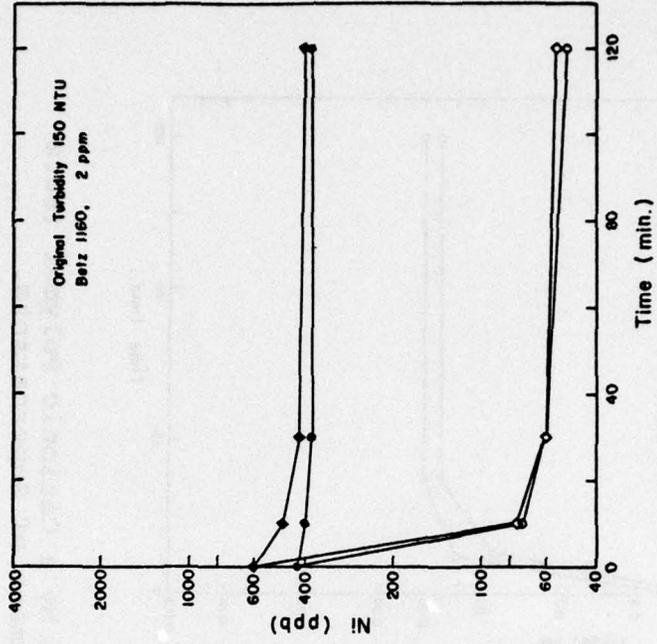


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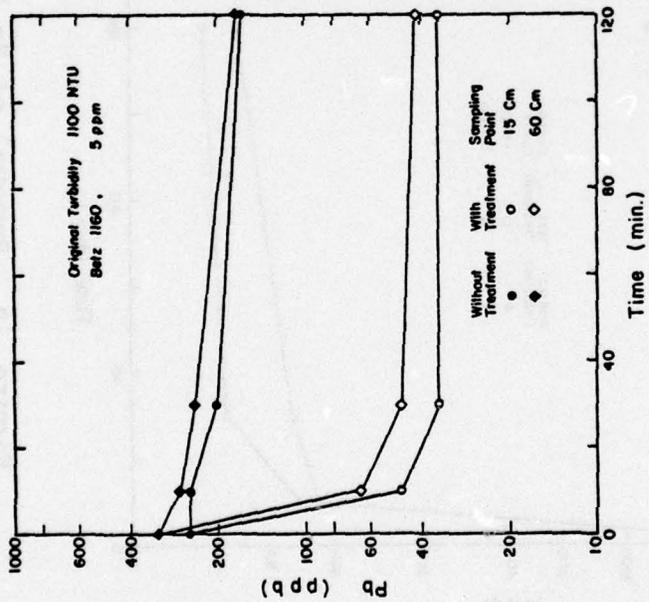
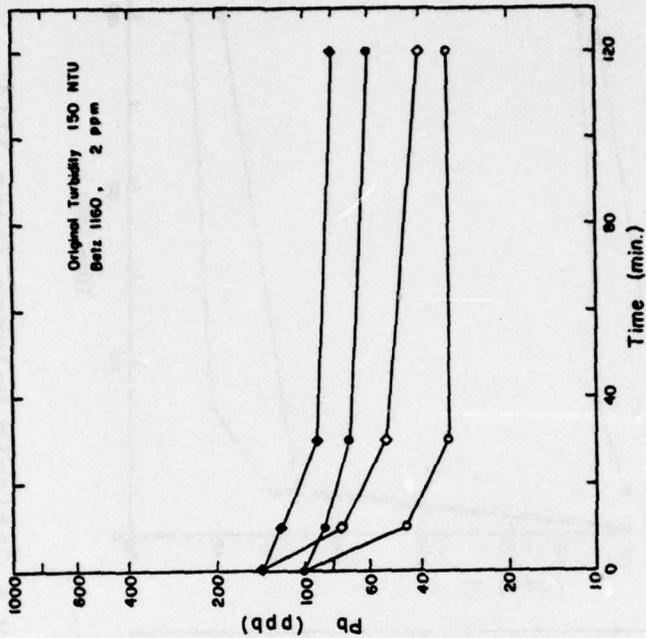


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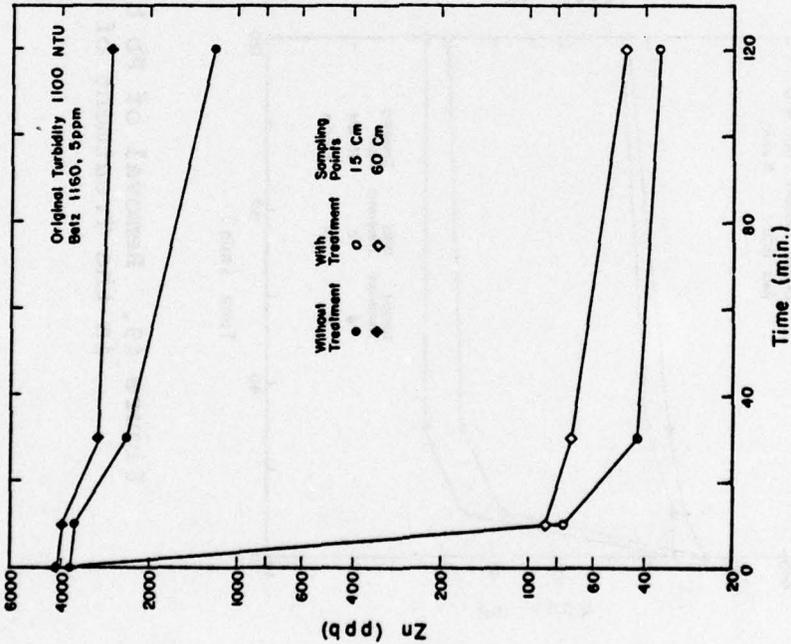
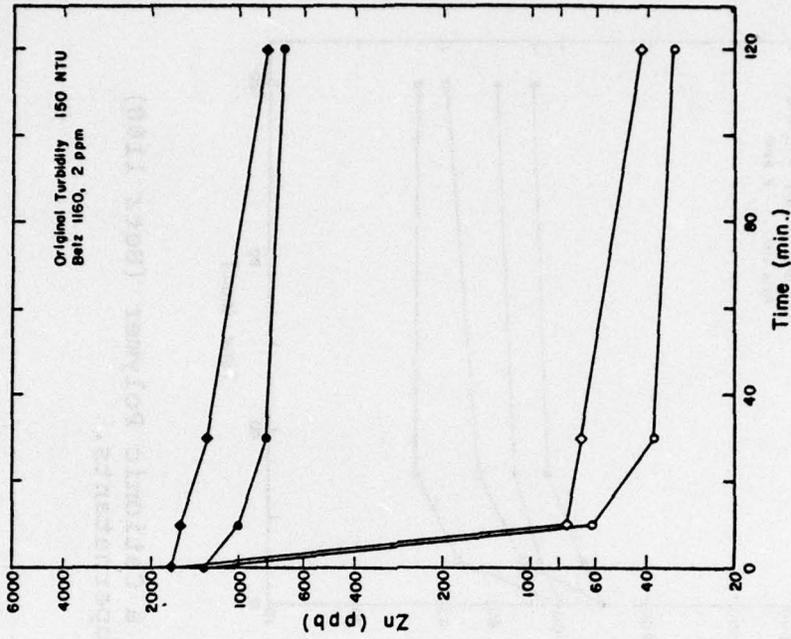


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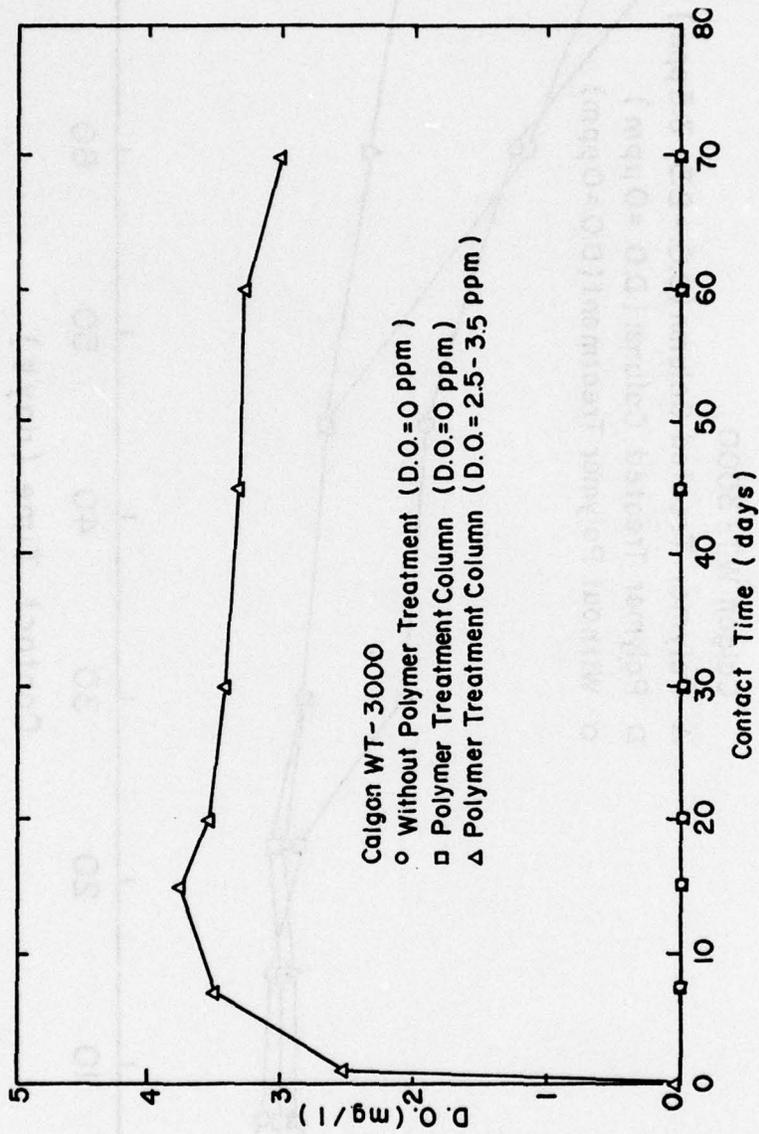


Figure 51. Level of Dissolved Oxygen in the Long-Term Column Study.

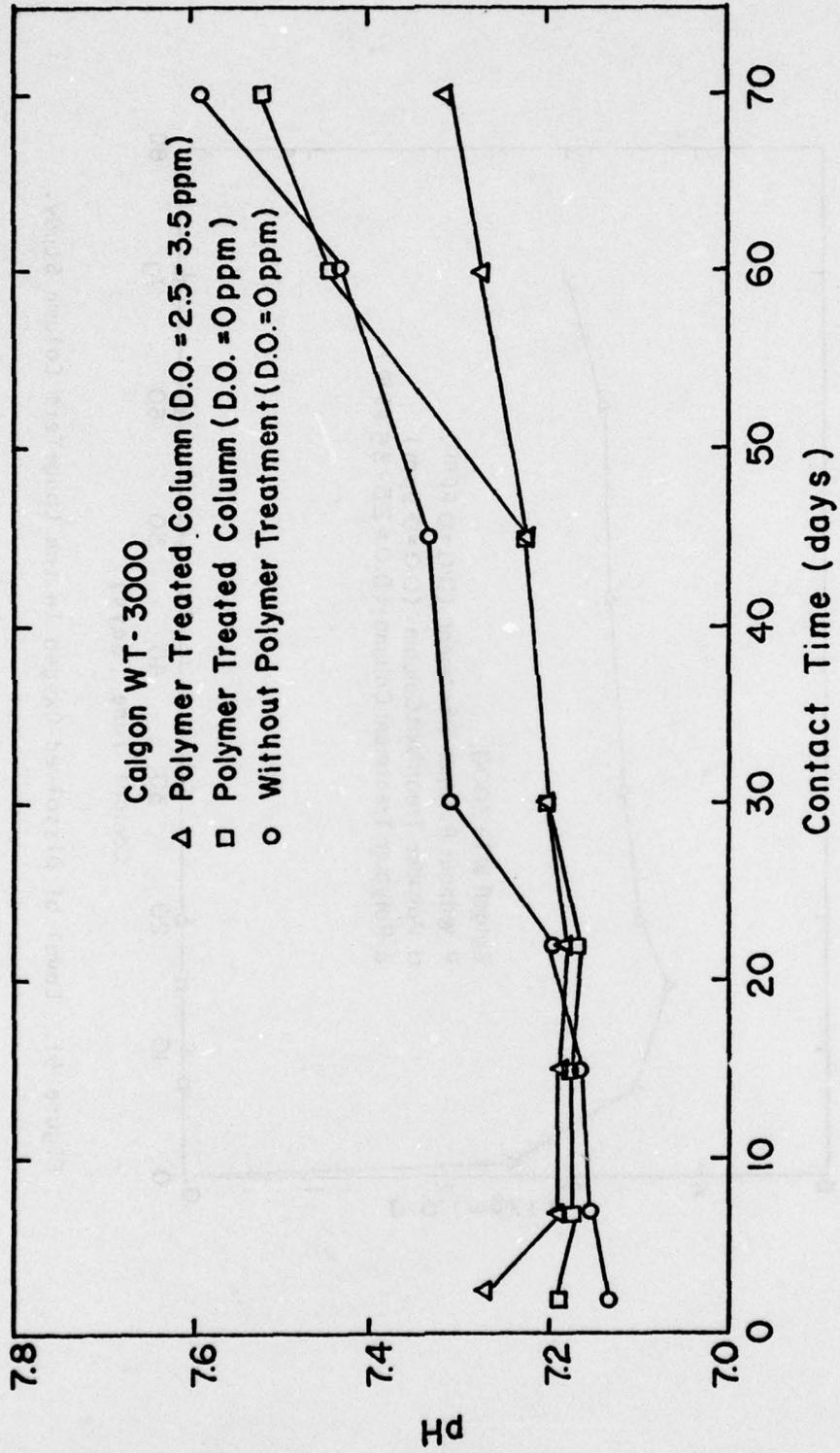


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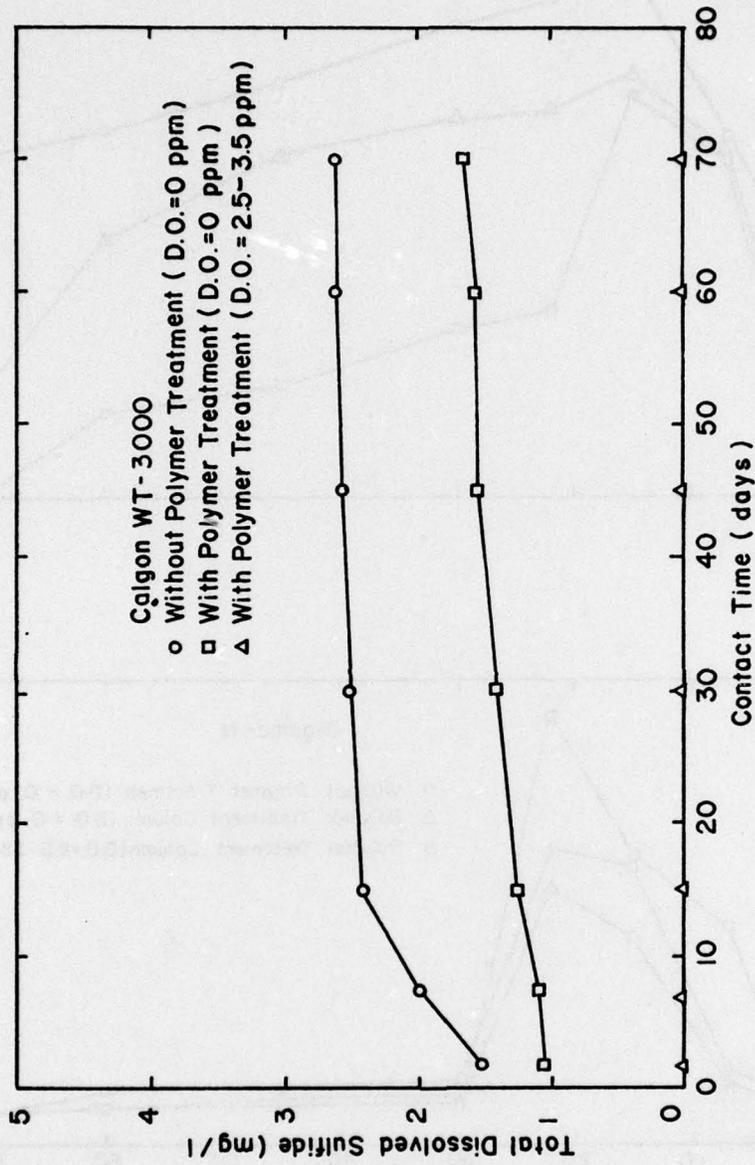


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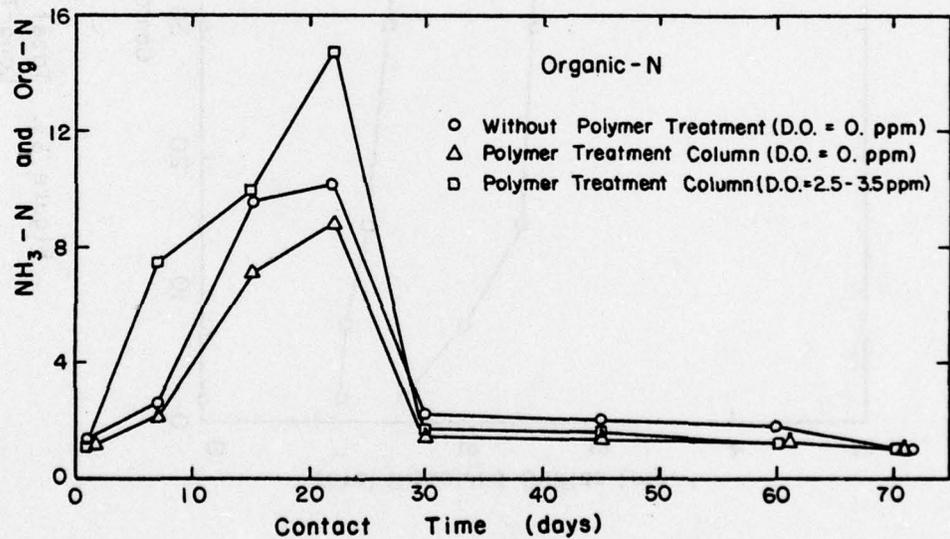
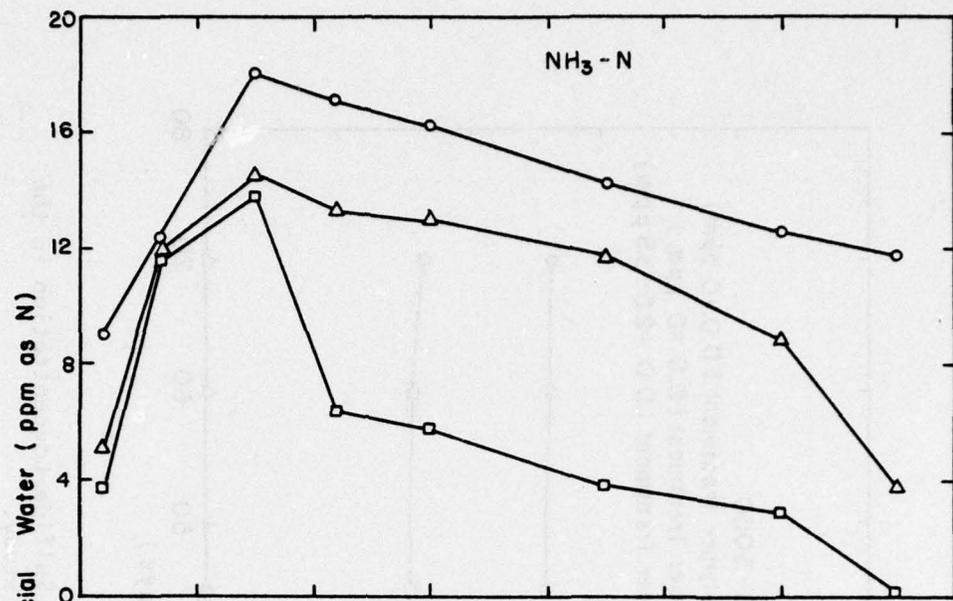


Figure 54. Release of $\text{NH}_3\text{-N}$ and Organic-N From Coagulated and Noncoagulated Sediments.

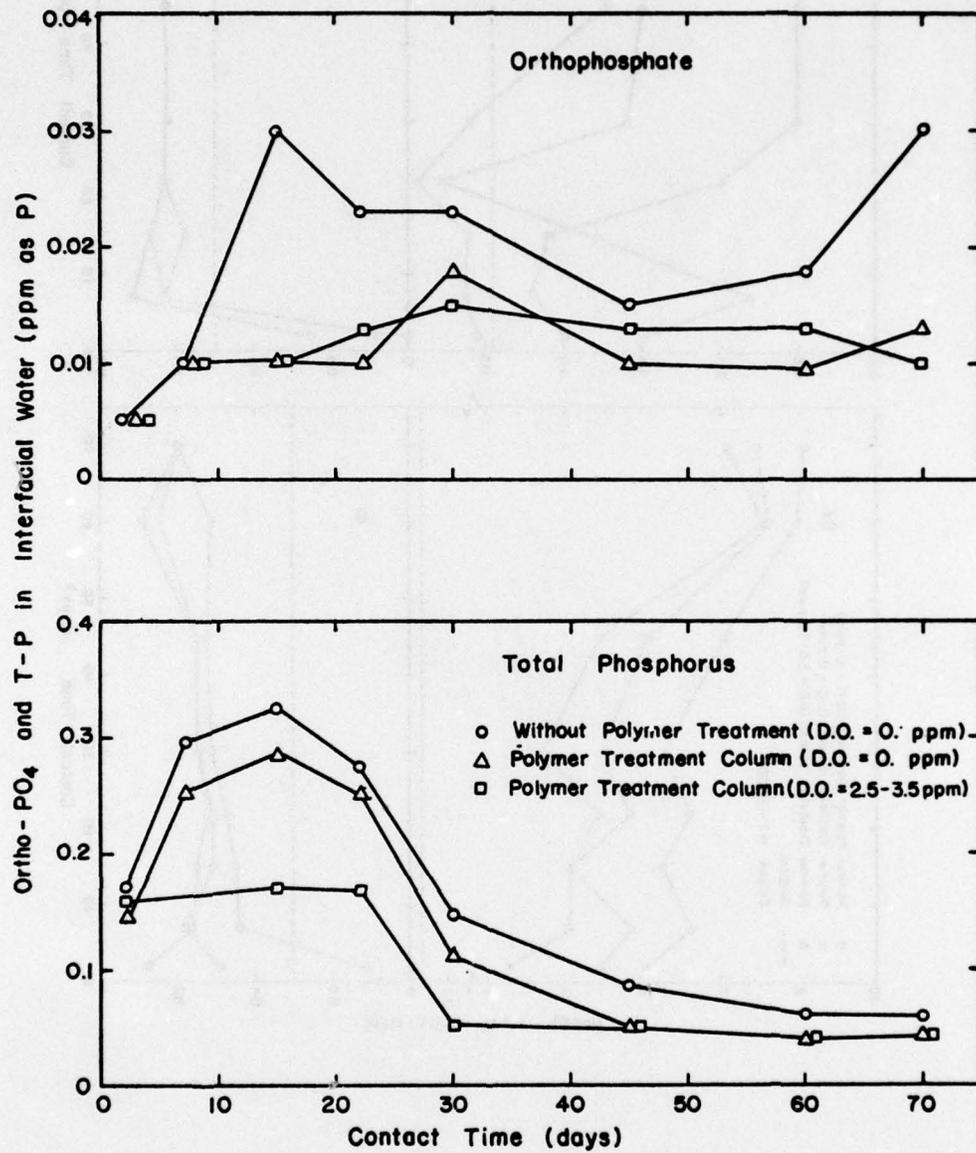


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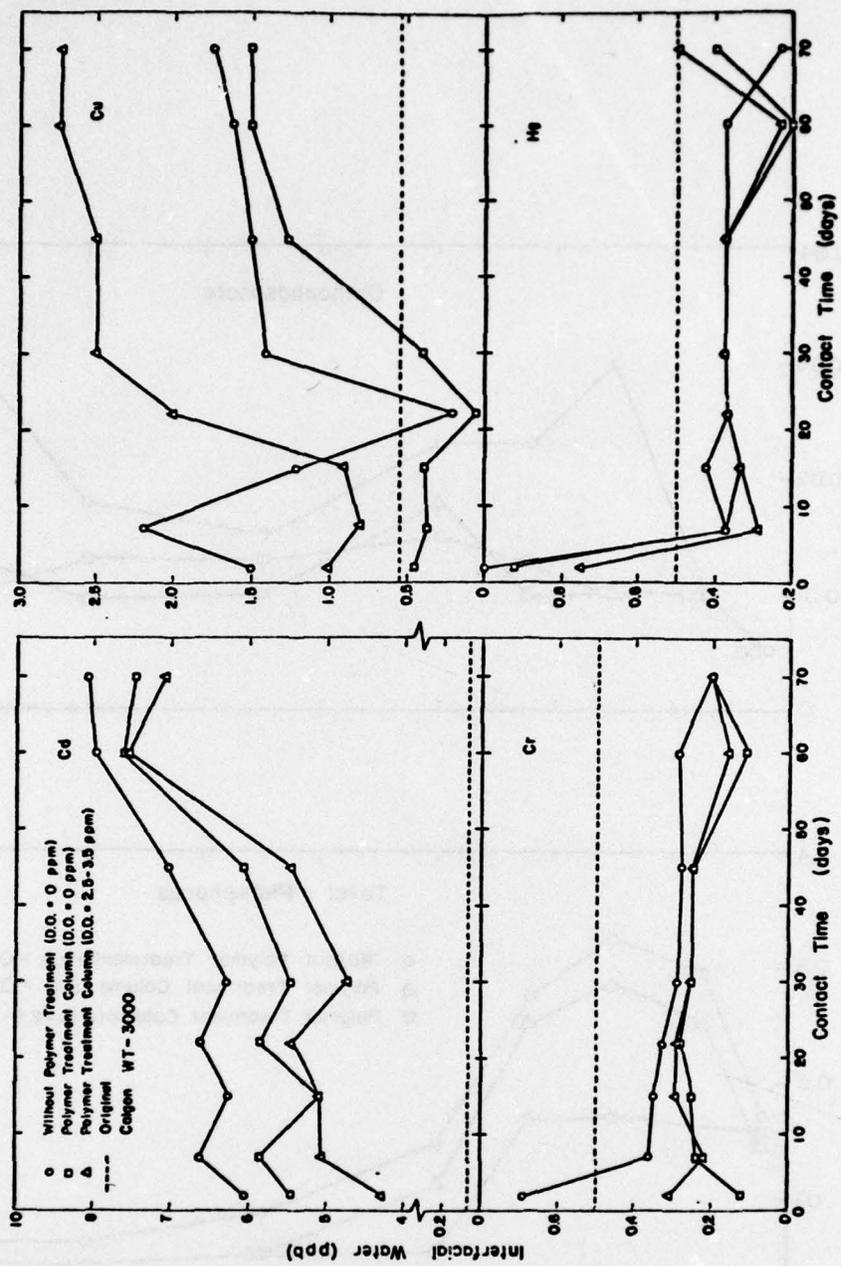


Figure 56. Release of Soluble Trace Metals (Cd, Cu, Cr, Hg) From Coagulated and Noncoagulated Sediments.

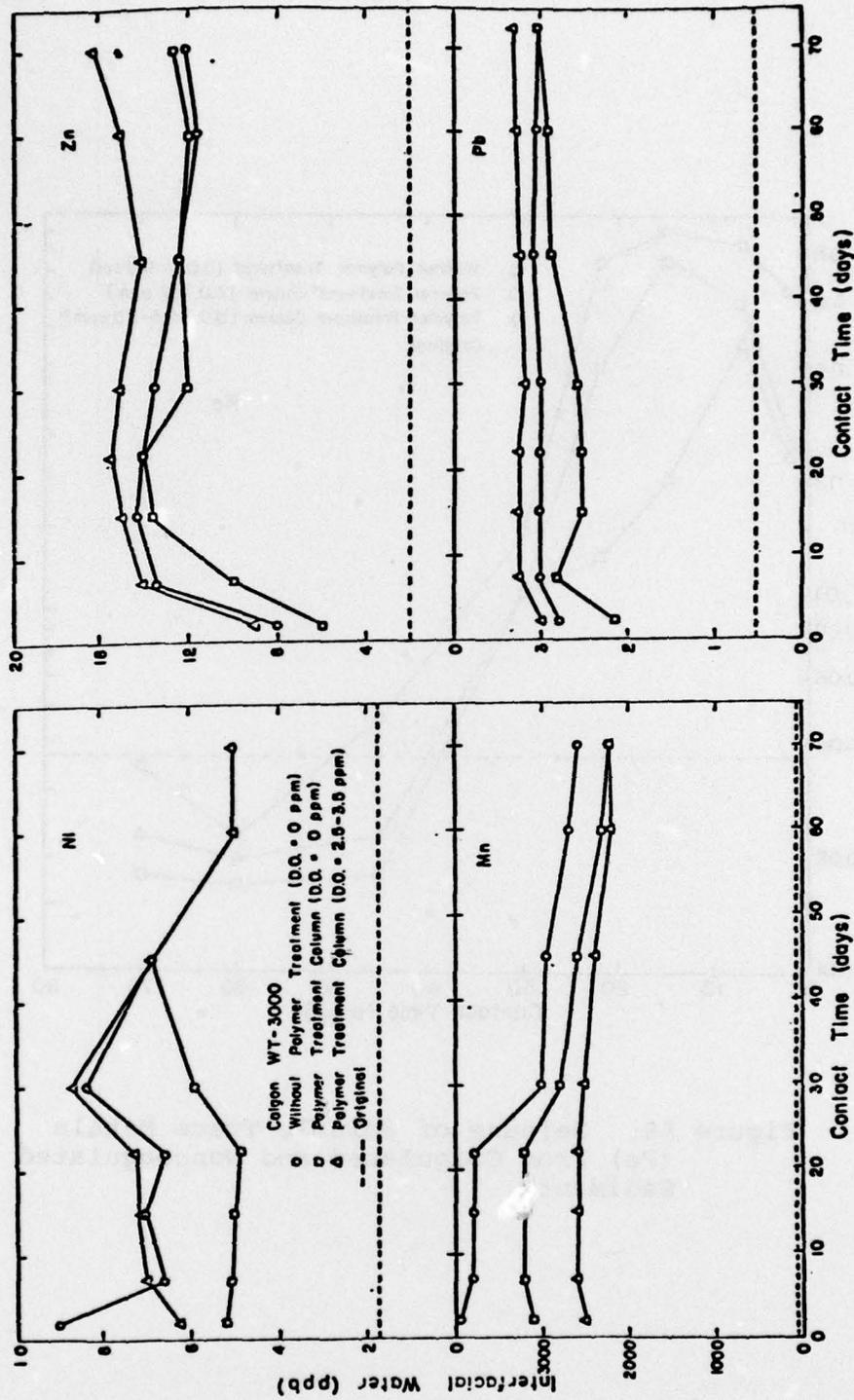


Figure 57. Release of Soluble Trace Metals (Ni, Mn, Zn, Pb) From Coagulated and Noncoagulated Sediments.

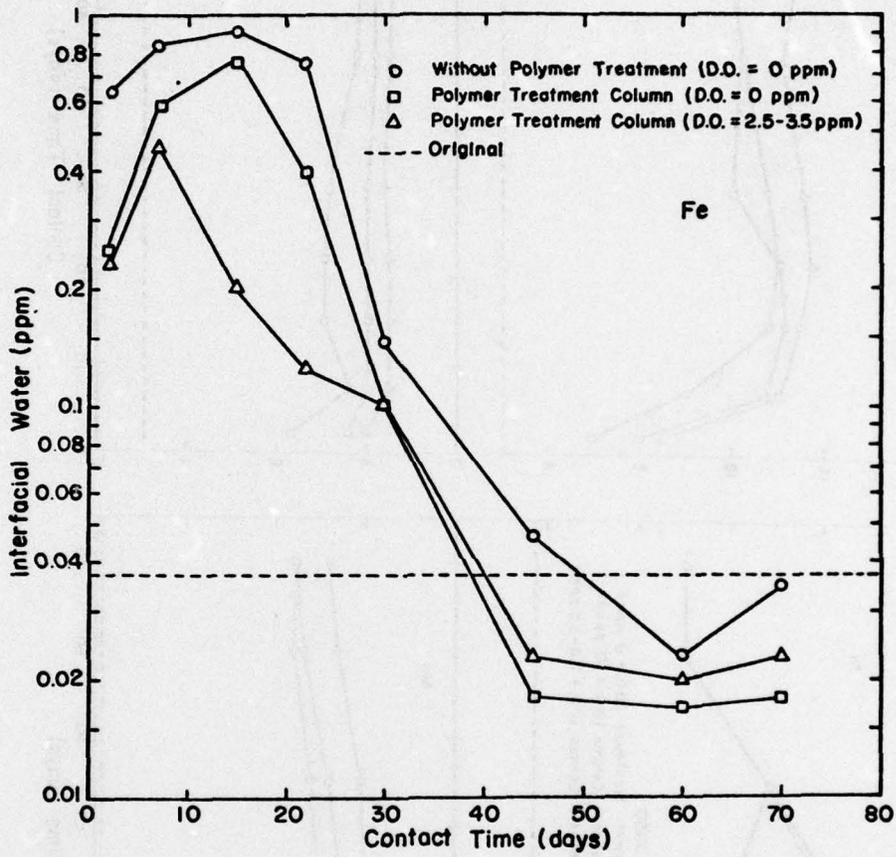


Figure 58. Release of Soluble Trace Metals (Fe) From Coagulated and Noncoagulated Sediments.

APPENDIX A

CHARACTERISTICS OF POLYELECTROLYTE COAGULANTS: DRY AND LIQUID; HANDLING AND APPLICATION

1. Much of this information was received from the polymer manufacturers. Table A1 is a compilation of dry coagulants evaluated in this study. Information is given on chemical type, working bulk density, flow properties, etc. Blank spaces indicate that information was not available in some cases. In general, one will gain knowledge about the properties of polyelectrolytes.

2. Table A2 lists the liquid polyelectrolytes. Pertinent information is listed in different sections; such as viscosity, pH, specific gravity, etc. This vital knowledge is needed for proper handling.

Table A1
General Information on Dry Polyelectrolytes Evaluated in this Study

Polyelectrolytes or Coagulant Aids	Ionic Nature	Bulk* Density (lb/cu ft)	Flow	Time to disperse into solution (hours)	Solution-Room Temperature			Maximum Solution Conc. Recommended %	
					% Solution	Viscosity ^o cp	Sp.† Gr.		pH
Calgon WT-3000 WT-2690	Anionic	20~25	White Powder	2~3	0.25	750	1	7.5	0.25
	Nonionic	27	White Powder	1~2	0.2	2~4	1	6.0	0.5
Union Carbide Chem.									
	Polyox WSR-301 Polyox Coagulant	20 20	White Powder White Powder	1~2 1~2	1.0 1.0	2000 6000	1 1	8.0 8.2	1.0 1.0
Amer. Cyanamid Co	834-A	43~45	White Powder	1~2	0.1	200	1	7.0	0.5
	835-A	43~45	White Powder	0.5~1	0.1	90	1	7.6	0.5
	905-N	40~42	White Solid	0.5~1	0.1	8	1	5.0	1.0
Betz, Inc.	1100	36	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	9.0	0.1
	1110	36	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	9.4	0.1
	1120	36	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	8.3	0.1
	1130	36	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	9.0	0.1
	1140	38	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	7.0	0.1
	1150 1160	28 28	White Powder White Powder	1~2 1~2	0.1 0.1	-- --	1 1	6.8 4.0	0.1 0.1

* Bulk density can vary from batch to batch

o Varies with temperature, pH, time, batch, rpm, etc.

† Approximate values

Table A1 - Continued
 General Information on Dry Polyelectrolytes Evaluated in this Study

Polyelectrolytes or Coagulant Aids	Ionic Nature	Bulk* Density (lb/cu ft)	Flow	Time to disperse into solution (hours)	Solution-Room Temperature			Maximum Solution Conc. Recommended %
					% Solution	Viscosity cp	Sp.† Gr.	
Hercules, Inc.								
831.2	Anionic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	7.8
847	Anionic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	7.6
821	Anionic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	7.8
853	Anionic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	7.0
815.3	Cationic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	5.5
849	Cationic	--	White Powder	1~2	0.1	--	1	5.2

* Bulk density can vary from batch to batch
 • Varies with temperature, pH, time, batch, rpm, etc.
 † Approximate values

Table A2
General Information on Liquid Polyelectrolytes Evaluated in this Study

Polyelectrolytes or Coagulant Aid	Ionic Nature	Solution Strength (%)	Sp. Gravity (Room Temp) 25°C	Viscosity cp (Room Temp)	Stock Solution Conc.	
					% Solution	pH
Galgon CAT-Floc T WT-2690	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	5.0
	Nonionic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	5.4
Amer. Cyanamid Co. 573 C	Cationic	Full	1.14 - 1.18	175 - 350	0.1	5.0
	Cationic	Full	1.14 - 1.18	4000 - 6000	0.1	3.6
	Cationic	Full	1.03 - 1.05	100 - 200	0.1	6.0
Hercules, Inc. 834.1 834.5 848 864 860 863	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	4.4
	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	4.8
	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	3.9
	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	4.8
	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	0.1	4.2
	Cationic	Full	± 1	± 1	--	0.1
Betz, Inc. 1180 1185 1195	Cationic	Full	--	--	0.1	5.0
	Cationic	Full	1.095	50	0.1	4.8
	Cationic	Full	1.105	80	0.1	5.4
Malco Chem. Co.* 72-D-13 81-C-09 72-C-25	Nonionic	Full	± 1	--	2.0	7.6
	Anionic	Full	± 1	--	2.5	9.4
	Cationic	Full	± 1	--	5.0	9.5

* Activator (0.02%) is needed in the preparation of 72-D-13 and 81-C-09

APPENDIX B

PRICINGS OF POLYMERS EVALUATED IN THIS STUDY

(a) Union Carbide

<u>Resin Grade</u>	<u>Greater than 20,000 lbs.</u>	<u>5,000 to 19,999 lbs.</u>	<u>4 Drums to 4,999 lbs.</u>
Polyox Coagulant	1.49	1.54	1.64
Polyox WSR-301	1.26	1.31	1.41

<u>Resin Grade</u>	<u>1 to 3 Drums</u>	<u>50 lb. Leverpak</u>
Polyox Coagulant	1.79	2.24
Polyox WSR-301	1.56	2.01

Price is in dollars per pound, FOB.

(b) Calgon Corporation

<u>Polymer</u>	<u>Price</u>
WT-2860	\$ 250/55-gal drum
WT-2640	\$ 155/55-gal drum
CAT-Floc T	\$ 245/55-gal drum
WT-2600	\$ 7.15/25-lb bag
WT-3000	\$ 58.5/25-lb bag
WT-2690	\$ 57.0/25-lb bag

(c) Nalco

<u>Polymer</u>	<u>Price</u>
72-D-13	\$ 0.69/lb
72-C-25	\$ 0.14/lb

(d) American Cyanamid Company

<u>Polymer</u>	<u>Price</u>
Magnifloc 573C	\$ 0.45/lb
Magnifloc 581C	\$ 0.485 lb
Magnifloc 587C	\$ 0.31/lb
Magnifloc 834A	\$ 1.91/lb
Magnifloc 835A	\$ 1.70/lb
Magnifloc 905N	\$ 1.70/lb

(e) Betz, Inc.

<u>Polymer</u>	<u>Price</u>
Betz 1100	\$ 2.19/lb
Betz 1110	\$ 2.19/lb
Betz 1120	\$ 2.19/lb
Betz 1130	\$ 2.19/lb
Betz 1140	\$ 2.12/lb
Betz 1160	\$ 2.03/lb
Betz 1175	\$ 0.59/lb
Betz 1180	\$ 0.455/lb
Betz 1190	\$ 0.59/lb

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