

NETL/RIC Produced Water Research Partnership FWP



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Program Goal

The Produced Water Research Partnership FWP is a partnership between DOE, NETL, universities, and industry to characterize, manage, clean, and treat produced waters across the United States to reduce the environmental impact of O&G developing.

Task 2: Lowering the Cost of Zero Liquid Discharge+Resource Recovery (ZLD+RR)

- Demonstrate novel water treatment processes at the pilot-scale on real produced water

Task 3: Integrating Artificial Intelligence into NEWTS for Produced Water Characterization

- Build off existing produced water datasets to provide validated, high-quality data for modeling
- Identify data gaps and work to fill them through data collection, AI/ML, and chemical analysis

Task 4: Leveraging PARETO for REE/CM Recovery from Produced Water

- Extend PARETO to design and operate multi-enterprise networks for REE/CM recovery from PW

Produced Water Research Partnership Field Work Proposal (FWP)



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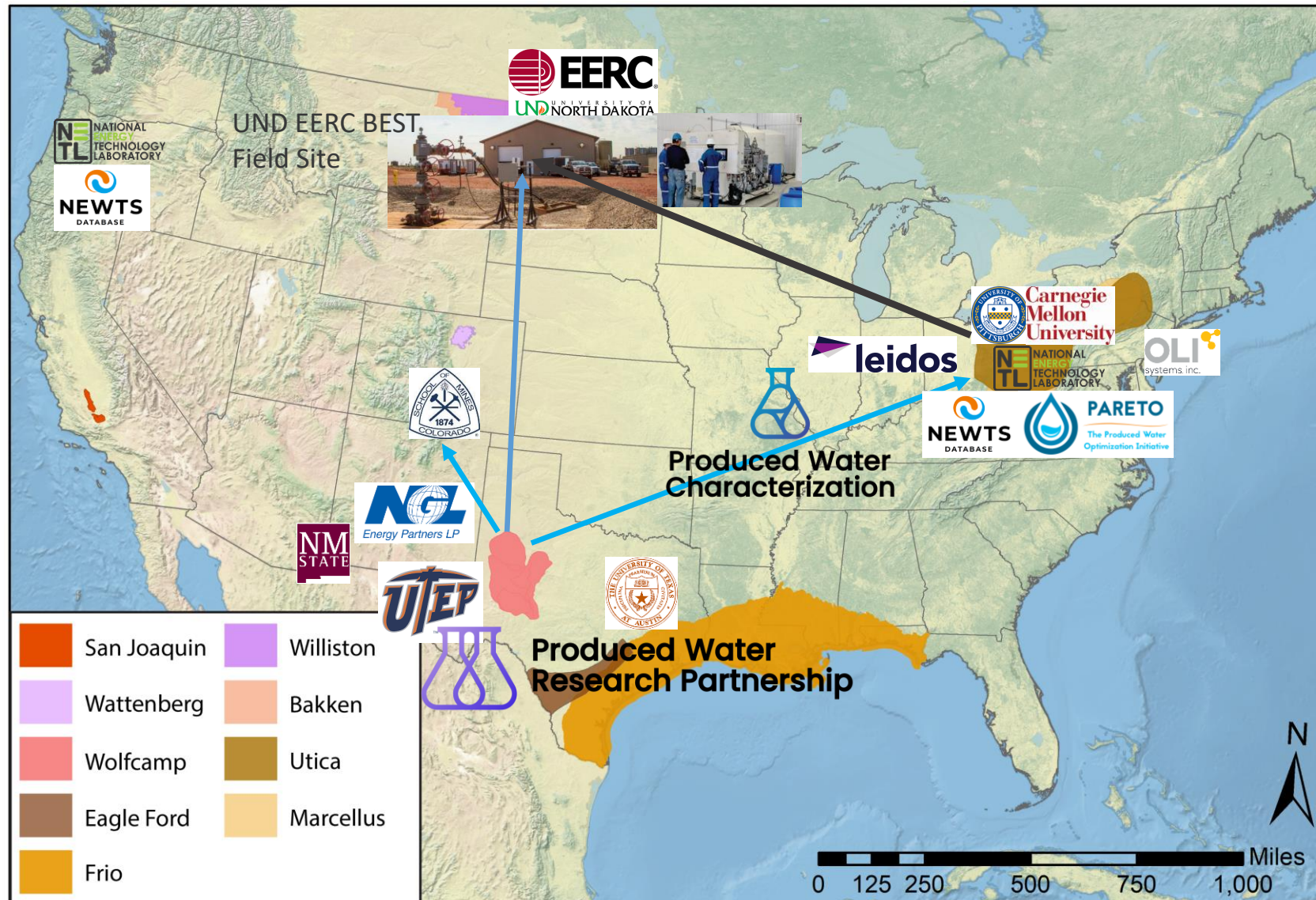


NEWTS
DATABASE



PARETO
The Produced Water
Optimization Initiative

Produced Water Research Partnership FWP & Associated NETL FWPs



Task 2: Lowering the Cost of Zero Liquid Discharge and Resource Recovery

- The Colorado School of Mines (w/ NGL)
- The University of Pittsburgh
- The University of North Dakota Energy and Environmental Research Center (BEST Field Site)

Task 3: Integrating Artificial Intelligence into NEWTS database for Produced Water Characterization

- The University of Texas at El Paso
- The University of Texas at Austin

Task 4: Leveraging DOE's PARETO Software for REE and other CM Recovery from Produced Water

- Carnegie Mellon University
- New Mexico State University

Produced Water Partnership Task 3 Goals



Utilize the NEWTS **national level dataset** in the following directions:

- Identify regions with high water use impact and low data availability.
- Determine constituents of greatest interest for treatment
- Generate samples which can be analyzed to expand ability to predict missing constituents of interest.
- Artificial intelligence (AI)/ML modeling will be performed to fill in the gaps in water chemistry



- Partnerships leads:
Texas BEG: Bridget Scanlon and J.P. Nicot
Univ. Texas at El Paso: Mark Engle and Joe Feuille

UT Austin Archived Historical Produced Water Samples



- ~850 Historical Produced Water samples from across the U.S.
- Cation compositions analyzed in 1960s are available at the NETL NEWTS group site on EDX
 - Rittenhouse *et al.* Historical Archived Data
- UT Austin and UTEP have analyzed ~80 samples for training AI/ML networks



Samples stored at UT Austin, originally sampled around 1960

Examples of intact samples with minimal or no water loss

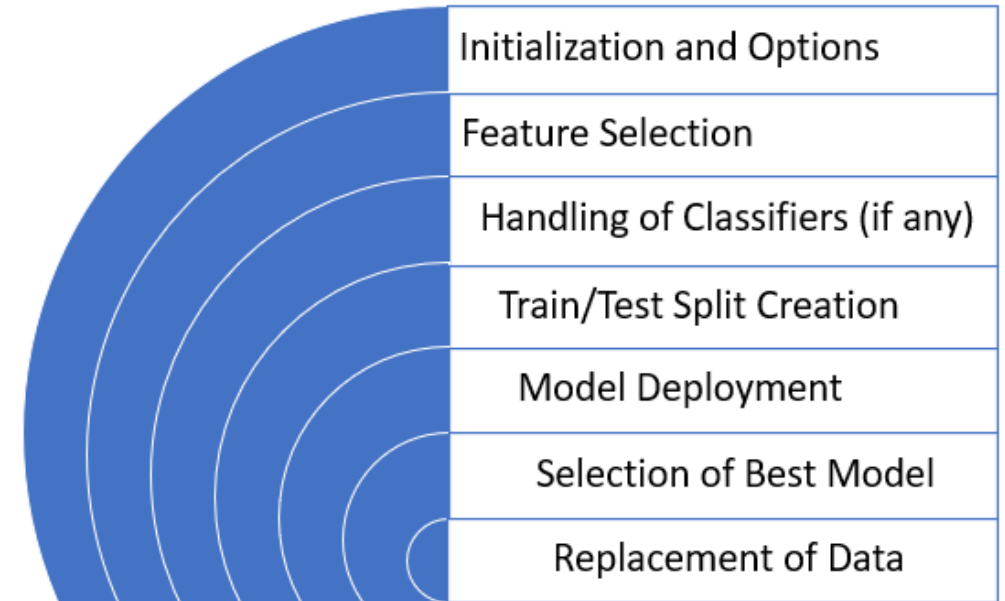
Task#2: Machine Learning Approaches for Energy Wastewater Characterization



CO-DART
CONSTITUENT DATA REPLACEMENT TOOL

- To accurately model treatment and byproduct recovery costs for energy wastewaters, we need complete composition data.
- **CoDaRT (Constituent Data Replacement Tool)** was developed in python to predict missing constituents in a user's water data set using machine learning techniques.

- The tool applies machine learning algorithms to replace missing data
- The tool can use the user's data alone or combine user data with publicly-available NEWTS datasets.
- Will be made available in FY24 for public download via EDX



Task 2: Machine Learning Approaches for Energy Wastewater Characterization

CO-DART GUI

File Help

Simulation Setup **Basic Inputs** Data Field Selection Force Field Selection Unit Field Selection Outputs/Execution

Algorithm Time: Error Calc Method:

Correlation start point: Error Threshold:

Number of features: Data Type:

Minimum data threshold:

Test Size:

Random state value:

Minimum Classification Threshold:

Class Num:

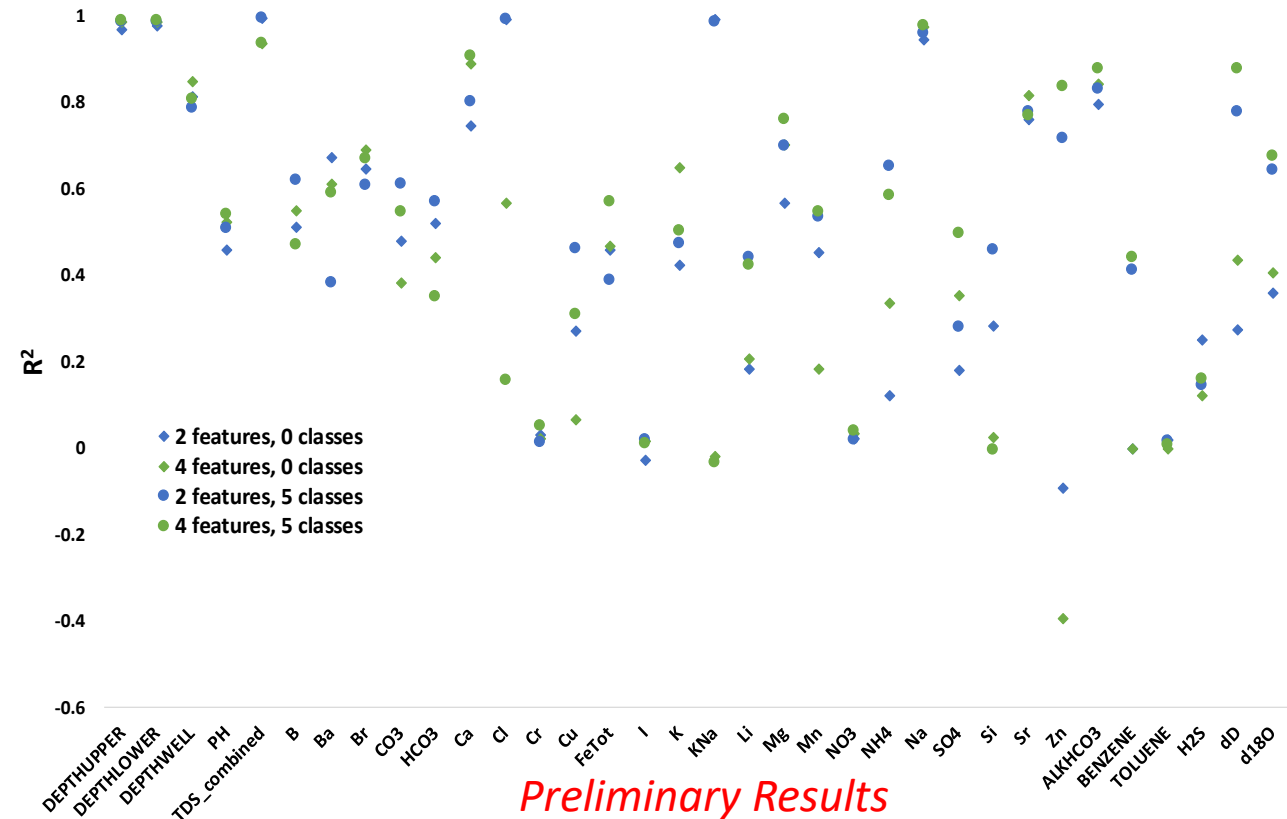
Stratify Non Negatives Extrapolation

Select Which Models you wish to use

Ridge Lasso Random Forest

Bagging Regression AdaBoost Gradient Boosting Regressor

Multilayer Perceptron



Example data replacement performance for the NEWTS USGS Produced Water Database.

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

y_i = true value
 \hat{y}_i = predicted value
 \bar{y} = average value

Task 2: Machine Learning Approaches for Energy Wastewater Characterization



Before data replacement

Si	Sn	Sr	V	W	Cl	SO4	Br	CO3	HCO3
9	0.003	50							
8	0.012	30							
15	0	60							
8	0.003	50	0						
4	0.003	60	0						
5	0.003	50	0	0.01					
0	0	100							
3	0.003	150	0						
5	0.003	50	0	0.01					
2	0.003	300							
7	0.003	60	0	0.01					
5	0.002	80	0						
100			0.02						
500									
200			0.01						
150			0.01						
150									
150		15	0.015						
100	0.013	10	0.04						
1	0.025	900							
1	0.07	300							
1	0.01	300	0.008						
0		1000	0.01						
0		1000	0.025						
0		300							
0		300							
0		150	0.01						

After data replacement

Si	Sn	Sr	V	W	Cl	SO4	Br	CO3	HCO3
9	0.003	50			72555.7	699.317	241.584		505.966
8	0.012	30			33319.8	657.754	107.375		534.926
15	0	60			36474.6	652.916	173.316		536.389
8	0.003	50	0		57912.9	681.402	209.881		567.832
4	0.003	60	0		88250	715.62	295.268		446.584
5	0.003	50	0	0.01	26524.2	645.571	102.513		507.962
0	0	100			131692	753.957	517.399		240.983
3	0.003	150	0		68915	674.23	302.664		452.968
5	0.003	50	0	0.01	36474.6	654.528	173.316		527.919
2	0.003	300			114946	703.783	441.735		330.563
7	0.003	60	0	0.01	45373.4	661.873	222.138		492.484
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Task 2: Pilot Demonstration & Characterization of Zero Liquid Discharge with Resource Recovery

Challenge: Accurately measure the electrical efficiency of Zero Liquid Discharge Processes and determine which dissolved species end up in the permeate/distillate and the concentrated streams for resource recovery

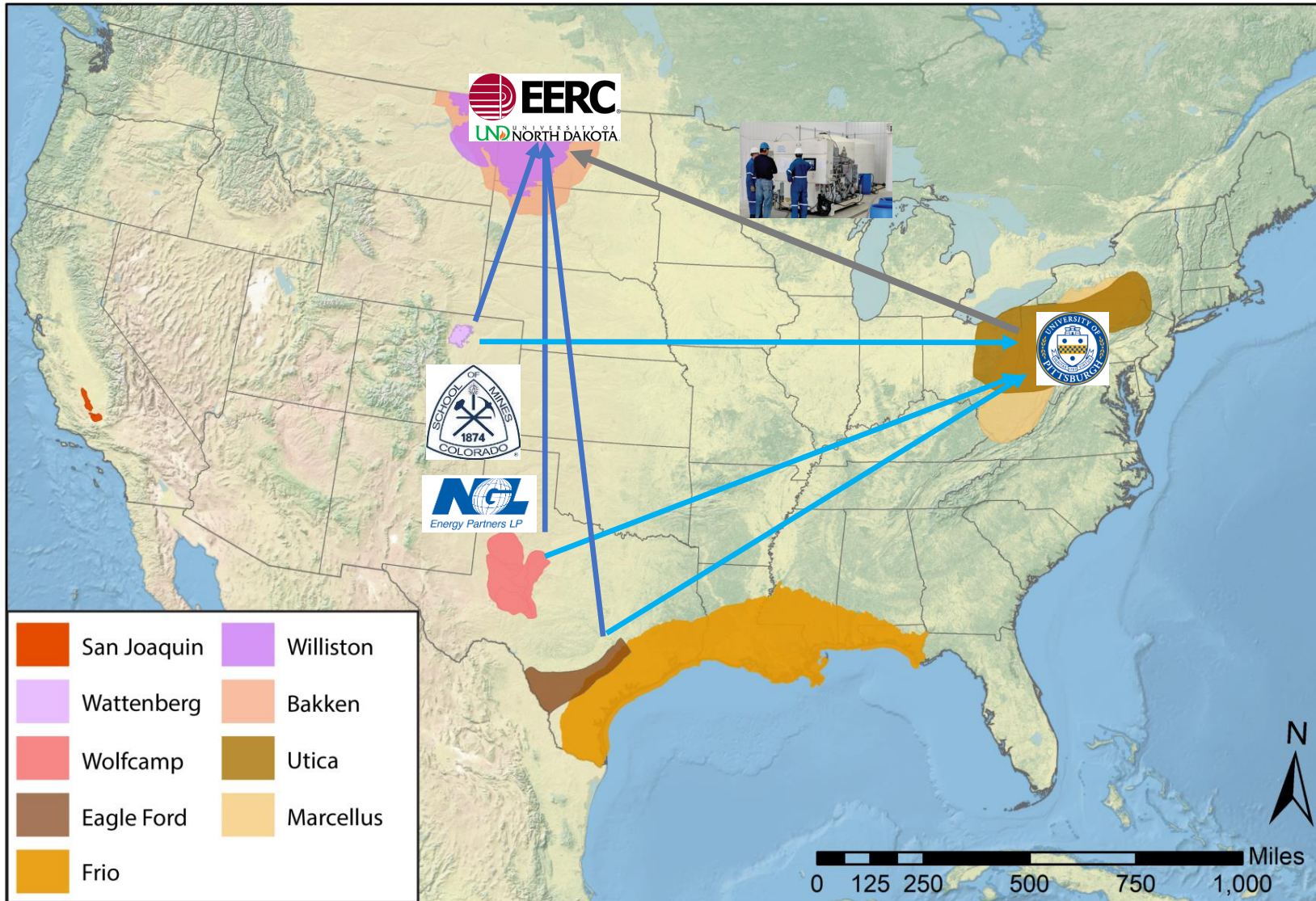
Value: Provide the public with data on the compositions before/after pretreatment and brine concentration as well as electricity/energy consumption of water treatment equipment

Objective:

Determine the electrical efficiency under real-world conditions for advanced brine concentrating technologies and fully characterize the effluent before and after each major step in treatment process



Task 2: High-Level Overview

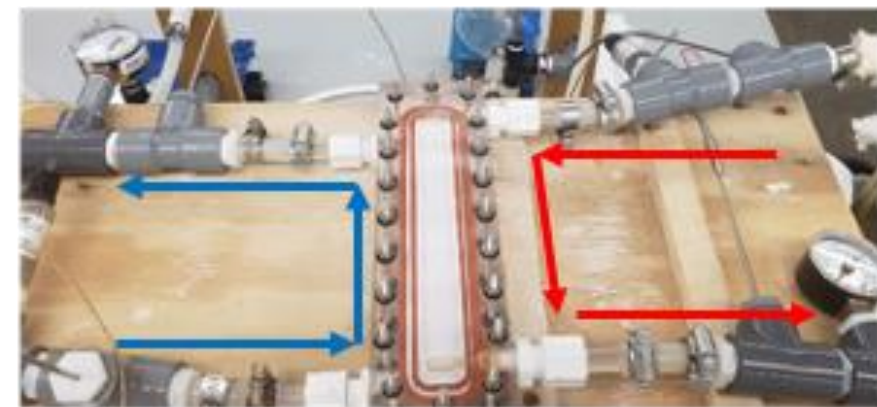
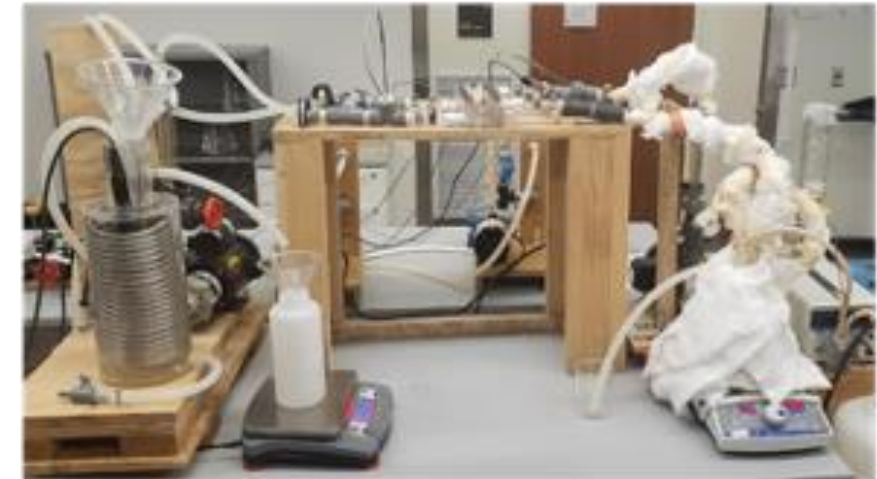
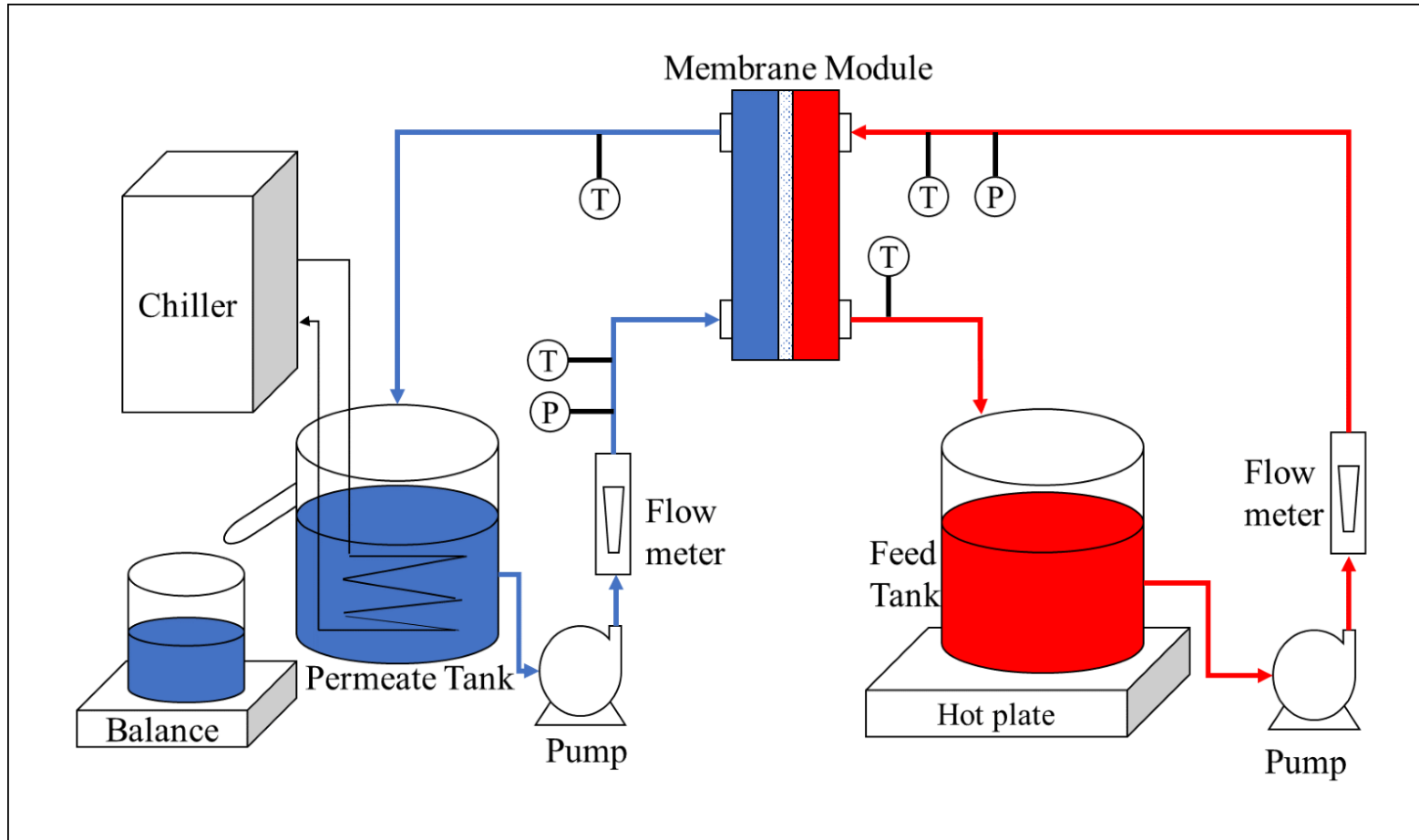


- Produced waters tested at pilot scale at Colorado School of Mines (MB/RO) and University of Pittsburgh (MD)
 - DJ Basin (CO)
 - Permian Basin (TX)
 - Eagle Ford (TX)
- Successfully tested of all three produced waters at the laboratory and small-pilot scale
- Totes of DJ Basin RO Concentrate, Permian Basin, and Eagle Ford were shipped to UND EERC BEST for MD pilot-scale testing

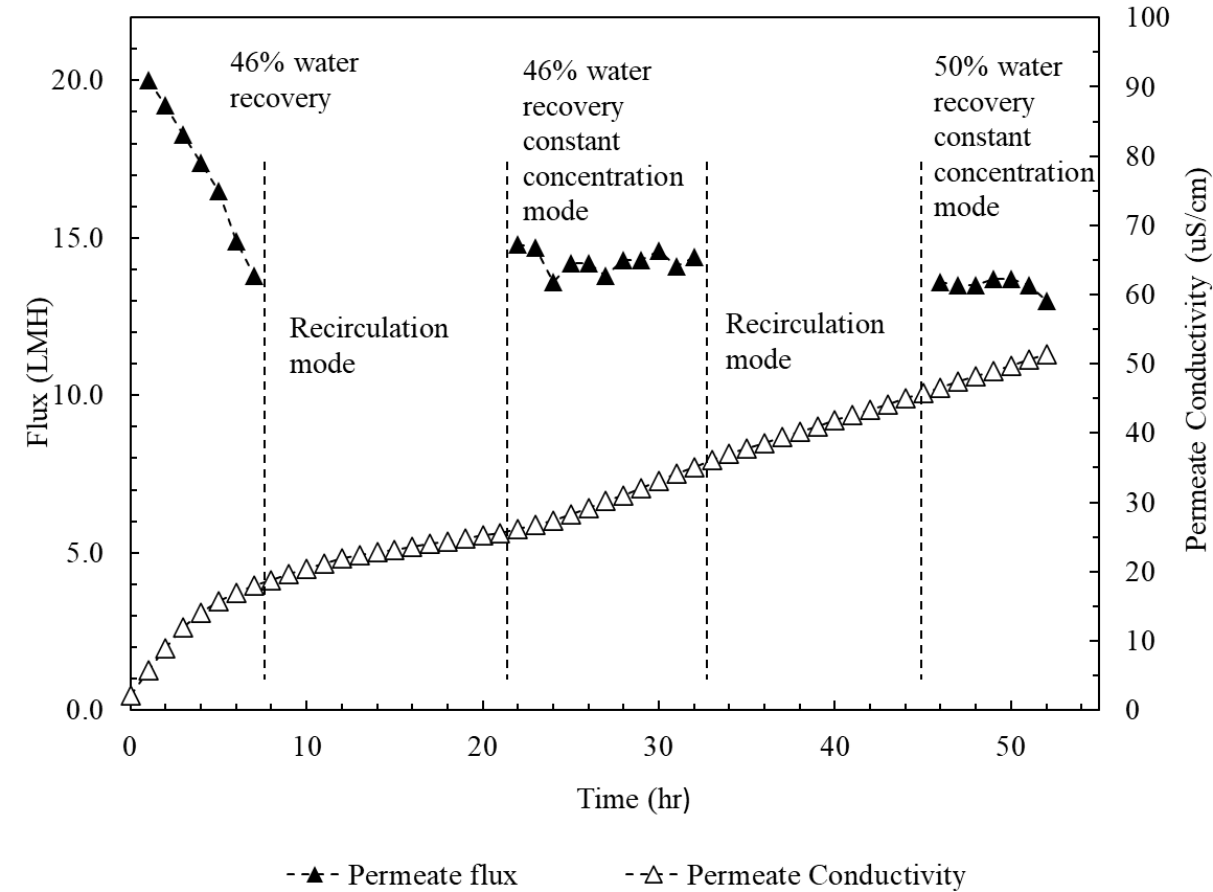
Step#1: MD Laboratory Analysis



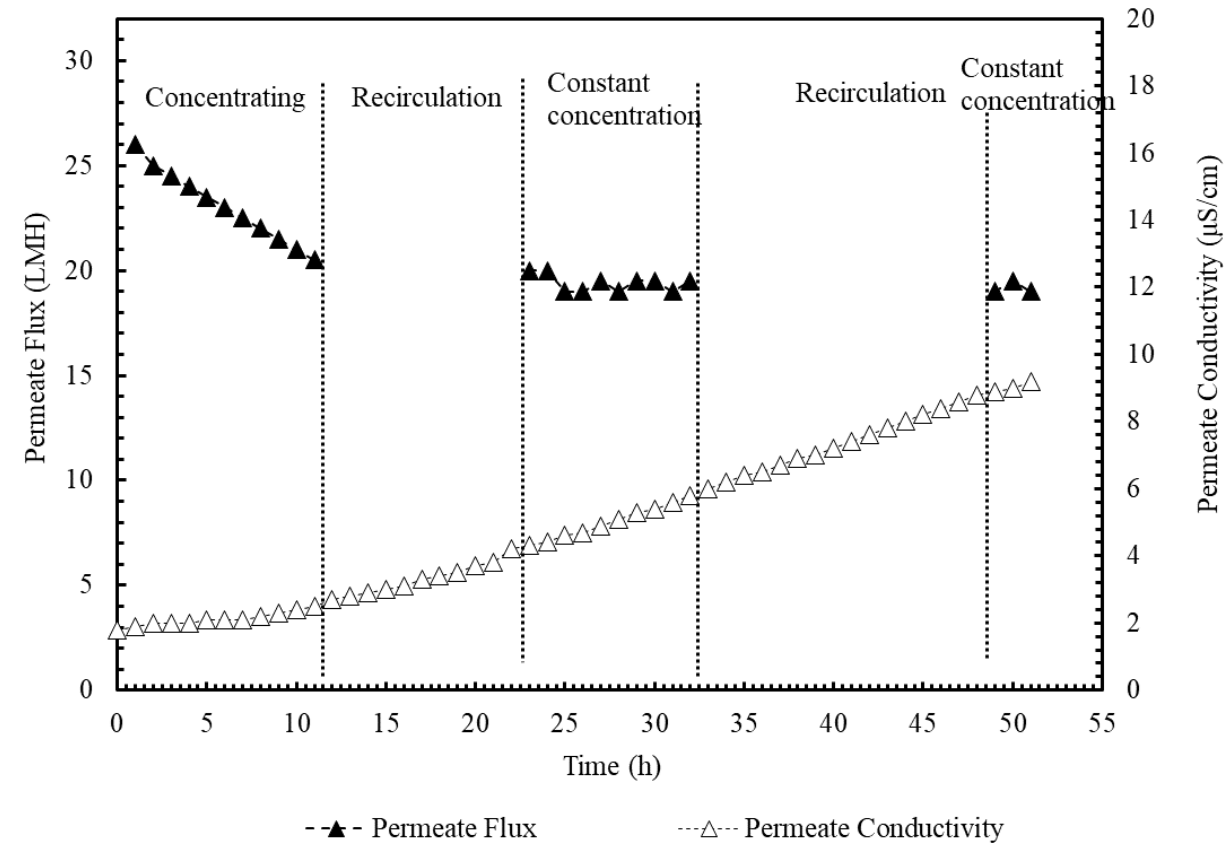
All produced waters were operated at the laboratory scale using Membrane Distillation (MD) at the University of Pittsburgh



Results: Laboratory Studies

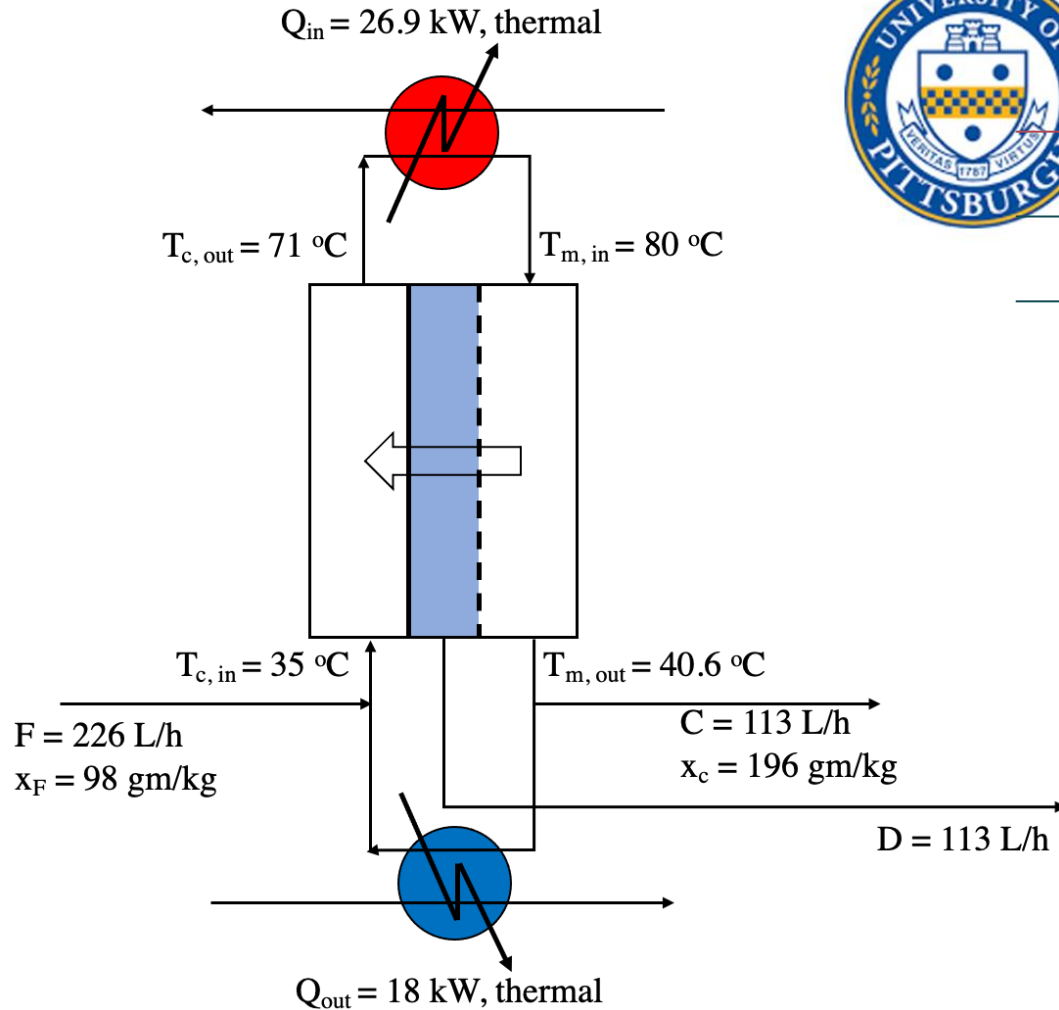


Permeate flux and conductivity in a long-term laboratory-scale test with pretreated Permian basin produced water



Permeate flux and conductivity in a long-term laboratory-scale test DJ basin RO concentrate

Design: Pilot Scale Steady-state heat and mass balance design conditions



Parameters	Value	Units
Process Conditions		
Circulation/module	1.6	m ³ /h
T membrane, in	80	°C
T condenser, out	71	°C
T condenser, in	35	°C
T membrane, out	40.6	°C
Salinity at start	98	gr/kg
Recovery req.	50	%
Airgap pressure	550	mbar
T feed	30	°C

MD Pilot Testing at UND EERC BEST

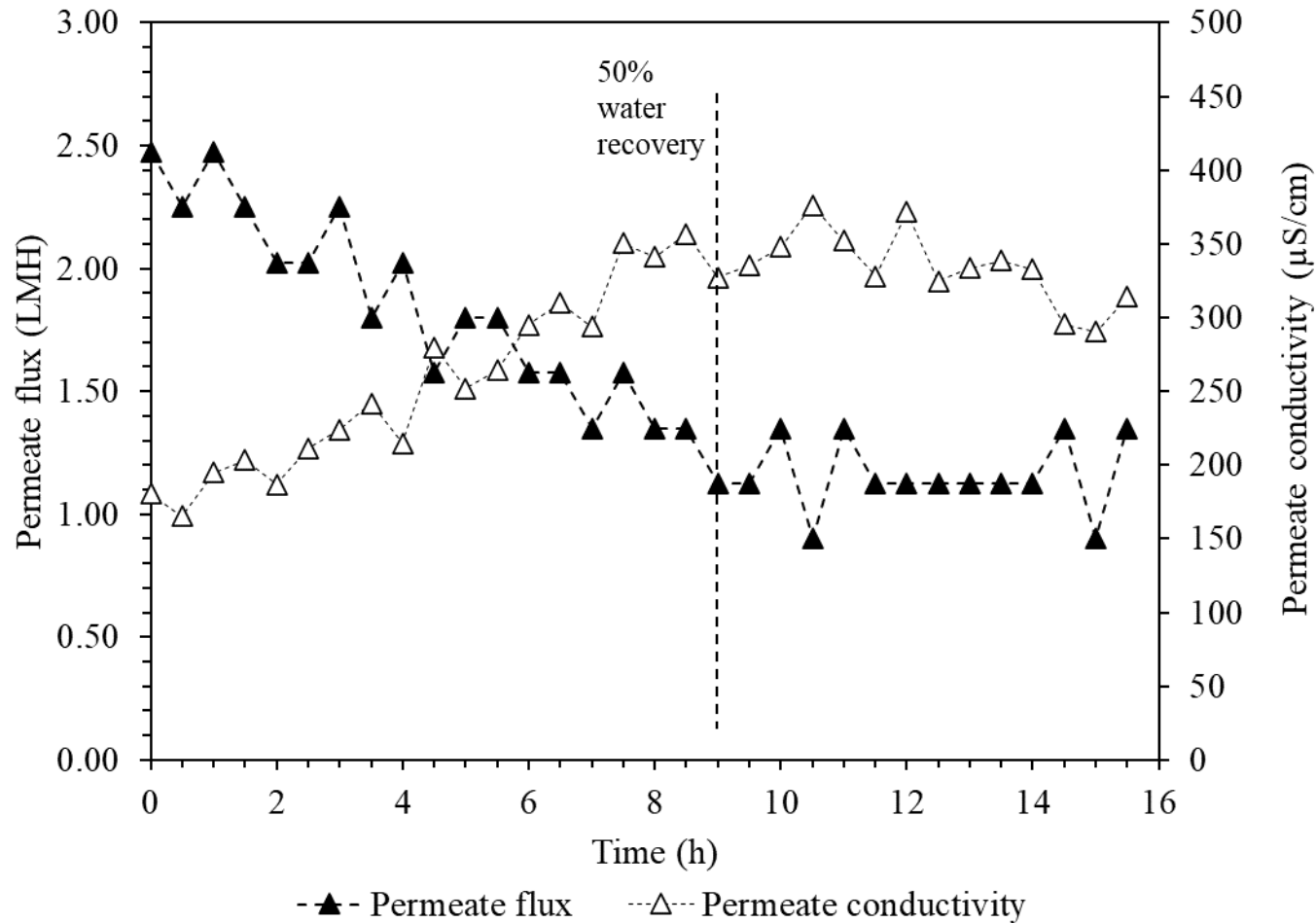


Pilot Testing Results: MD operation on Permian Water



Salt rejection of 99.86% and no membrane wetting

1.2 LMH during the steady-state operation



Permeate flux and conductivity using pretreated Permian basin produced water

Parameter	Value
Water recovery (%)	50
Feed flow rate (L/h)	81.7
Permeate flow rate (L/h)	63.5
Feed Conductivity (mS/cm)	121.5
Concentrate Conductivity (mS/cm)	214.9
Permeate Conductivity (mS/cm)	0.31
Salt Rejection (%)	99.86
Permeate flux (LMH)	1.17
T membrane, in ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	73.6
T condenser, out ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	63.9
T condenser, in ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	21
T membrane, out ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)	31.8
Air gap vacuum (mbar)	-31.7
Steady state time (hr)	6.5
Total electrical consumption (kWh)	328.6
Specific electrical consumption (kWh/m ³ of feed)	618.7

- **Water Quality**

- *pH, alkalinity, nutrients, TDS, TSS, COD*
- *TOC, TN, oil and grease*
- *Anions (e.g., chloride, sulfate, etc.) & Metals (e.g., iron, lead, etc.)*
- *Semi- and Volatile Organics*

- **Non-targeted**

- GC-MS (MSD)
- LC-qTOF-HRMS

- **Targeted Methods (commercial lab)**

- PIANO Volatile Organics (USEPA 8260M)
- PCBs (USEPA 8082A)
- Pesticides (USEPA 8081B)
- Metals (USEPA 6020B)
- Mercury (USEPA 7474)

- Alkylated PAHs & Biomarkers (USEPA 8270M)
- Volatile Organics (USEPA 8260C)
- Semi Volatile Organics (USEPA 8270)
- Saturated Hydrocarbons (USEPA 8015D)
- Herbicides (USEPA 8151A)
- Perfluoroalkyl Chemicals (PFAAs LC-QQQ)
- Glycols (USEPA 8015D)
- Alcohols (USEPA 8015D)
- Herbicides (USEPA 8151A)
- Organic Acids
- NORM (USEPA 901.1)
- Dioxins and Furans (USEPA 8290A)
- Cyanide, Surfactants, Perchlorate

> 700 Chemicals

Pilot Testing: Chemical Analysis



Analysis at Mines and NETL

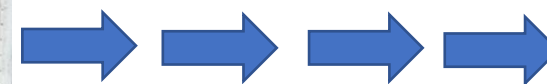
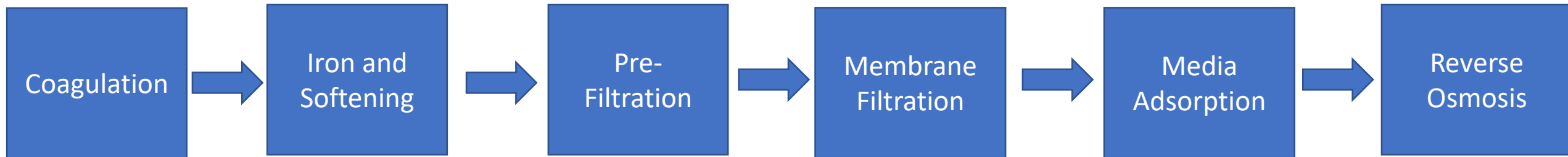


Additional samples are being stored for other researchers that want to study the treated water

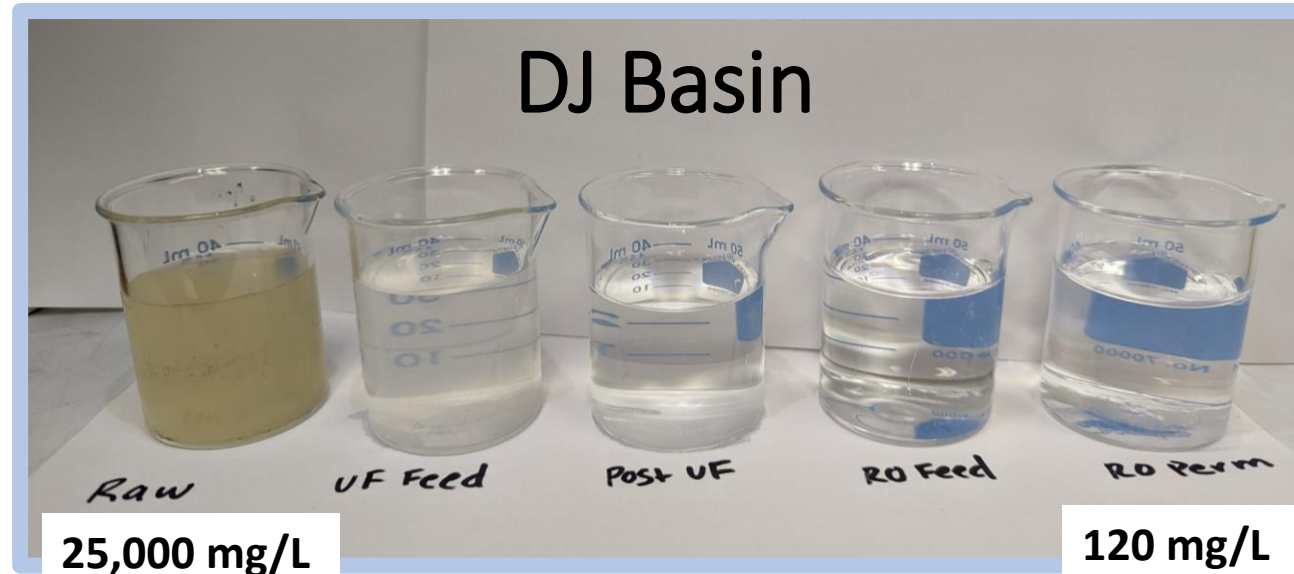


Analysis at Commercial Labs

Pilot Testing: DJ Basin Treatment Train

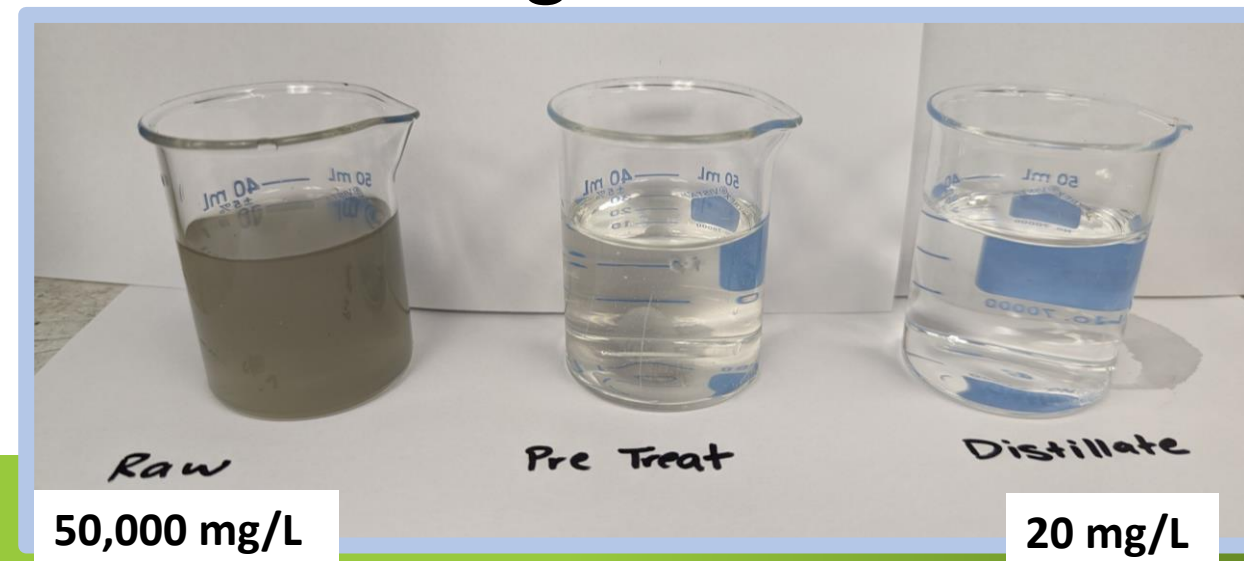


Pilot Testing: Water Samples



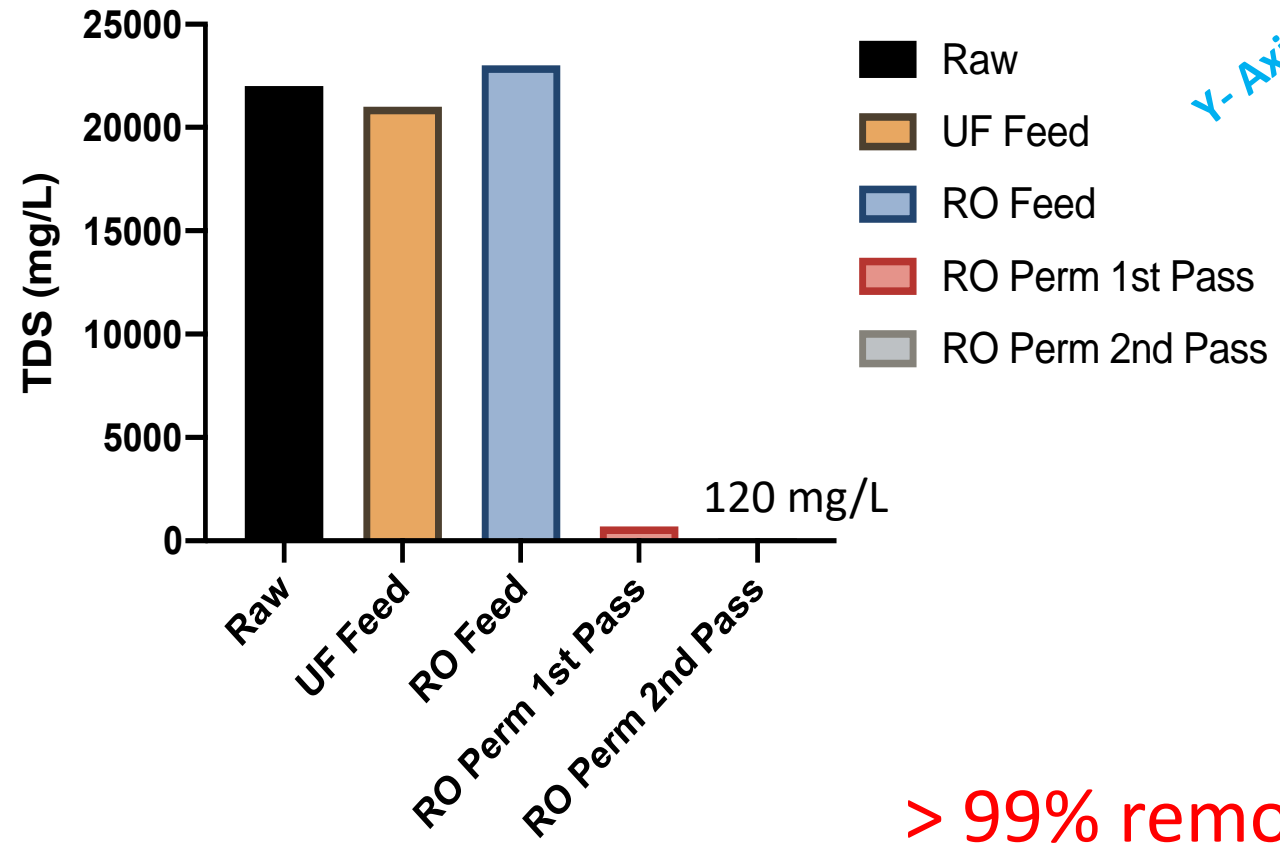
Permian Basin

Eagle Ford

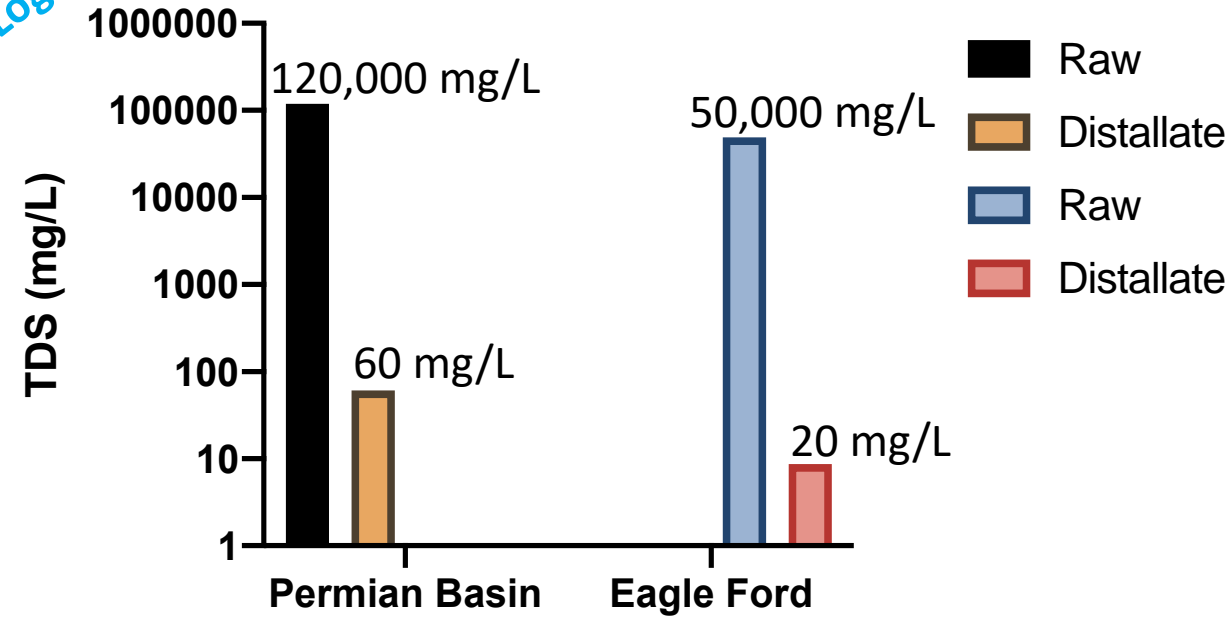


Pilot Testing: Total Dissolved Solids

DJ Basin

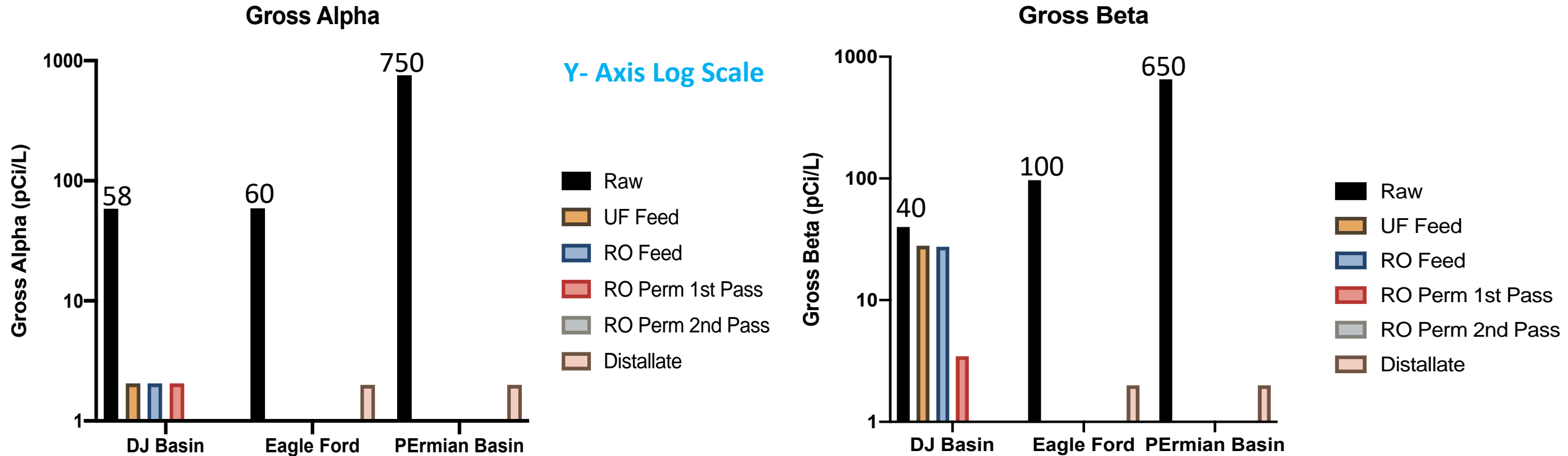


Eagle Ford & Permian Basin



> 99% removal of TDS

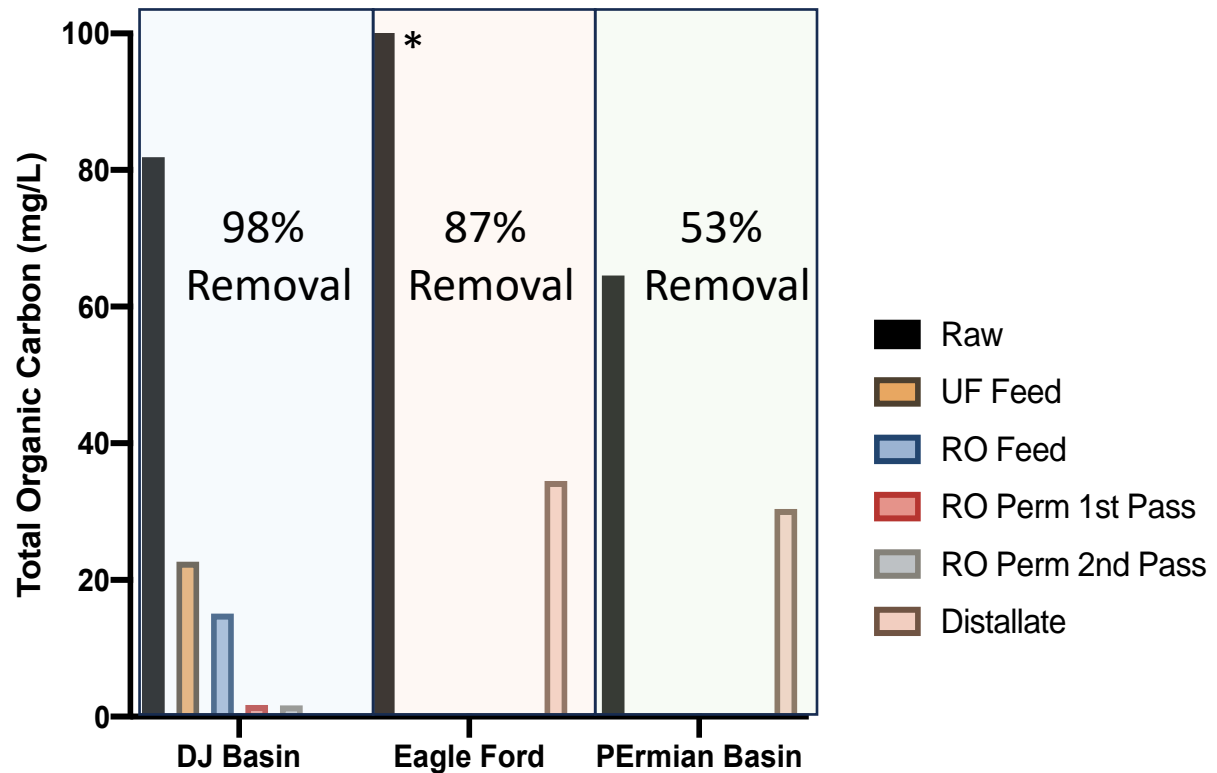
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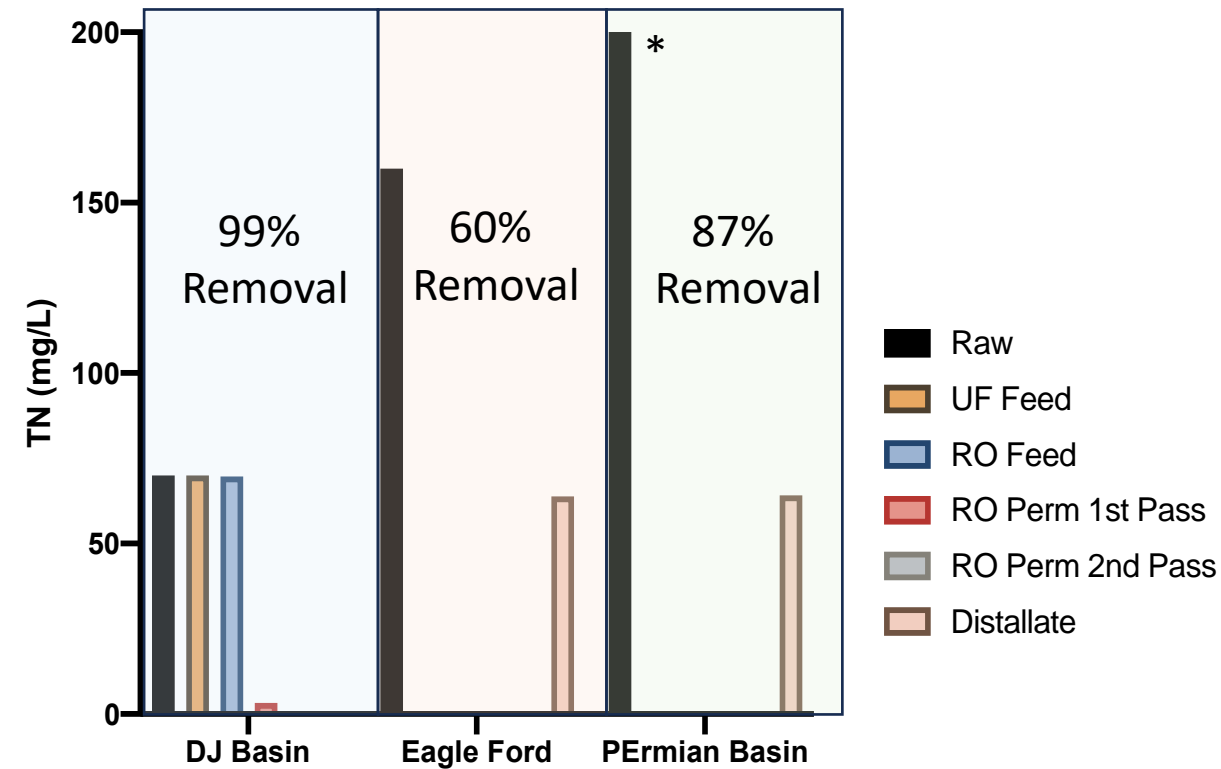
> 99% removal of Gross Alpha and Beta

Pilot Testing: Total Organic Carbon and Total Nitrogen

Total Organic Carbon



Total Nitrogen

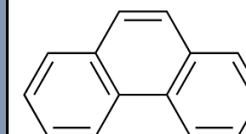
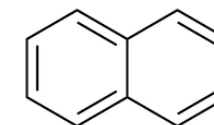
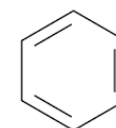


Pilot Testing: Hydrocarbon Indicators



	Unit	DJ Basin						Eagle Ford		Permian Basin	
		Raw	UF Feed	RO Feed	RO 1st Pass	RO 2nd Pass	RO Conc	Raw	Distillate	Raw	Distillate
Gasoline Range Organics	mg/L	8	0.08	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.02	16	0.72	3.3	0.15
Benzene	ug/L	3.4	0	0	0	0	0	2.2	0.2	1	0.02
Naphthalene	ug/L	19.6	4.44	0	0	0	0	15.4	0	0	0
Phenanthrene	mg/L	6.76	0	0	0	0	0	7.4	0	0	0

C2 – C10



> 95% removals across treatment trains

Pilot Testing: Semi Volatile Organic Compounds



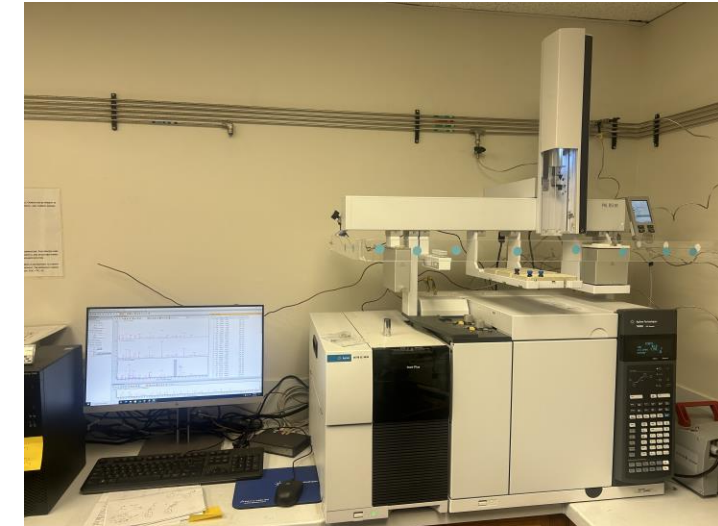
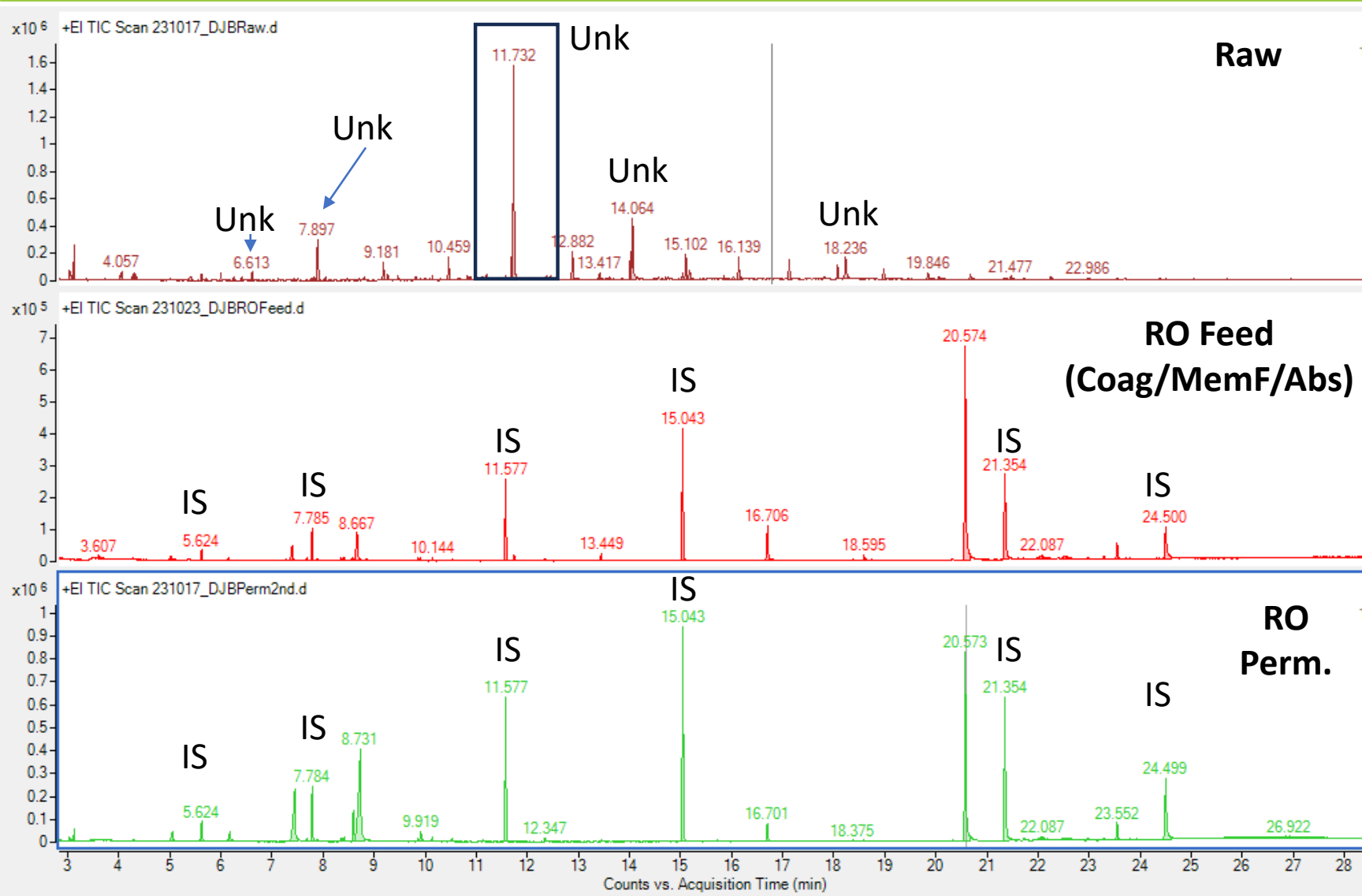
Analytes	Units	DJ Basin					Eagle Ford		Permian Basin	
		Raw	UF Feed	RO Feed	RO 1st Pass	RO 2nd Pass	Raw	Distillate	Raw	Distillate
Surfactant (MBAS)	mg/L	0.23	0.48	0.39	0	0	0.73	0	0.8	0
Methyl Alcohol	mg/L	10.1	4.63	4.48	2.56	3.57	63.8	64.1	52.2	57.7
2-butoxy-ethanol	mg/L	2.53	0.66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.303
Acetone	ug/L	890	120	100	35	38	17,000	14,000	1,800	3,000
Phenol	ug/L	124	1.35	0	0	0.21	169	95	132	213

Pilot Testing: PFAs



Analyte	Unit	DJ Basin						Eagle Ford		Permian Basin	
		Raw	UF Feed	RO Feed	RO 1st Pass	RO 2nd Pass	RO Conc	Raw	Distillate	Raw	Distillate
PERFLUOROBUTANOIC ACID (PFBA)	ng/L	6.56	4.78	0	0	0	0	33.9	0	1.44	0
PERFLUOROPENTANOIC ACID (PFPEA)	ng/L	0	4.69	0	0	0	0	9.9	0	0	0
PERFLUOROBUTANESULFONIC ACID (PFBS)	ng/L	0	1.18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1H,1H,2H,2H-PERFLUOROHEXANESULFONIC ACID (4:2FTS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROHEXANOIC ACID (PFHXA)	ng/L	0	0.824	0	0	0	0.279	0	0	0	0
PERFLUOROPENTANESULFONIC ACID (PFPEA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROHEPTANOIC ACID (PFHPA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROHEXANESULFONIC ACID (PFHXS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROOCTANOIC ACID (PFOA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.21	0
1H,1H,2H,2H-PERFLUROOCTANESULFONIC ACID (6:2FTS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	2.9	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROHEPTANESULFONIC ACID (PFHPS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLURONONANOIC ACID (PFNA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROOCTANESULFONIC ACID (PFOS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLURODECANOIC ACID (PFDA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1H,1H,2H,2H-PERFLURODECANESULFONIC ACID (8:2FTS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLURONONANESULFONIC ACID (PFNS)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-METHYL PERFLUROOCTANESULFONAMIDOACETIC ACID (NMEFOSAA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERFLUROUNDECANOIC ACID (PFUNA)	ng/L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

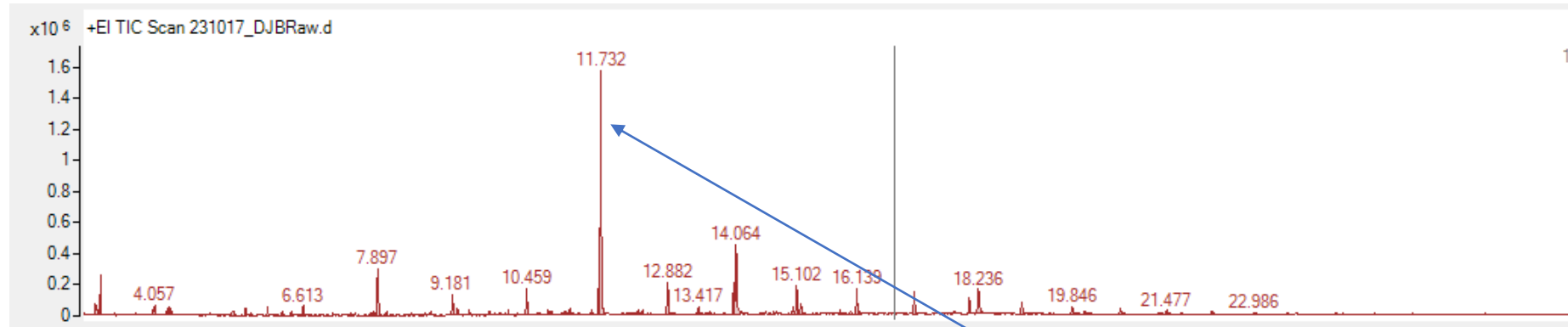
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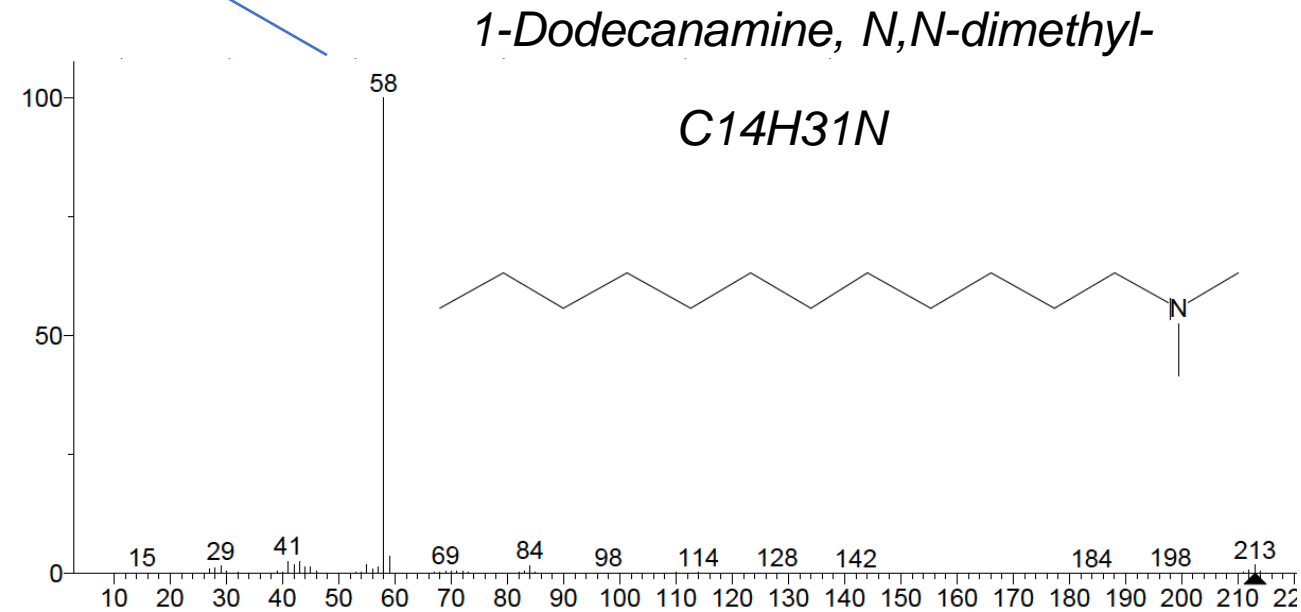
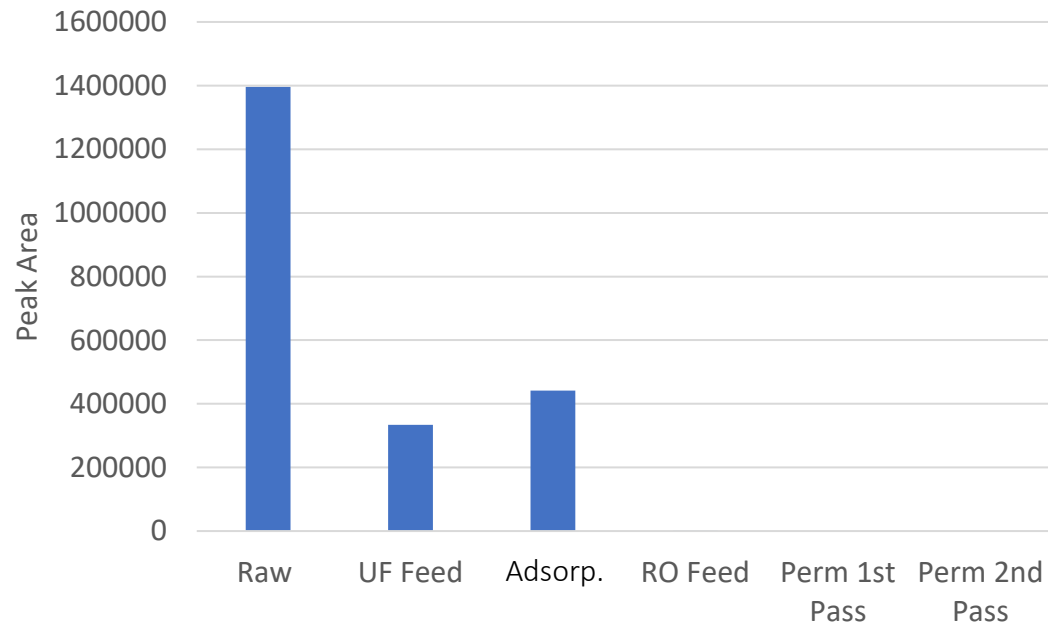
Internal Standards

- 1,4-dichlorobenzene-D4
- Naphthelene-D8
- Acenaphthene-D10
- Phenanthrene-D10
- Chrysene-D12
- Perylene-D12

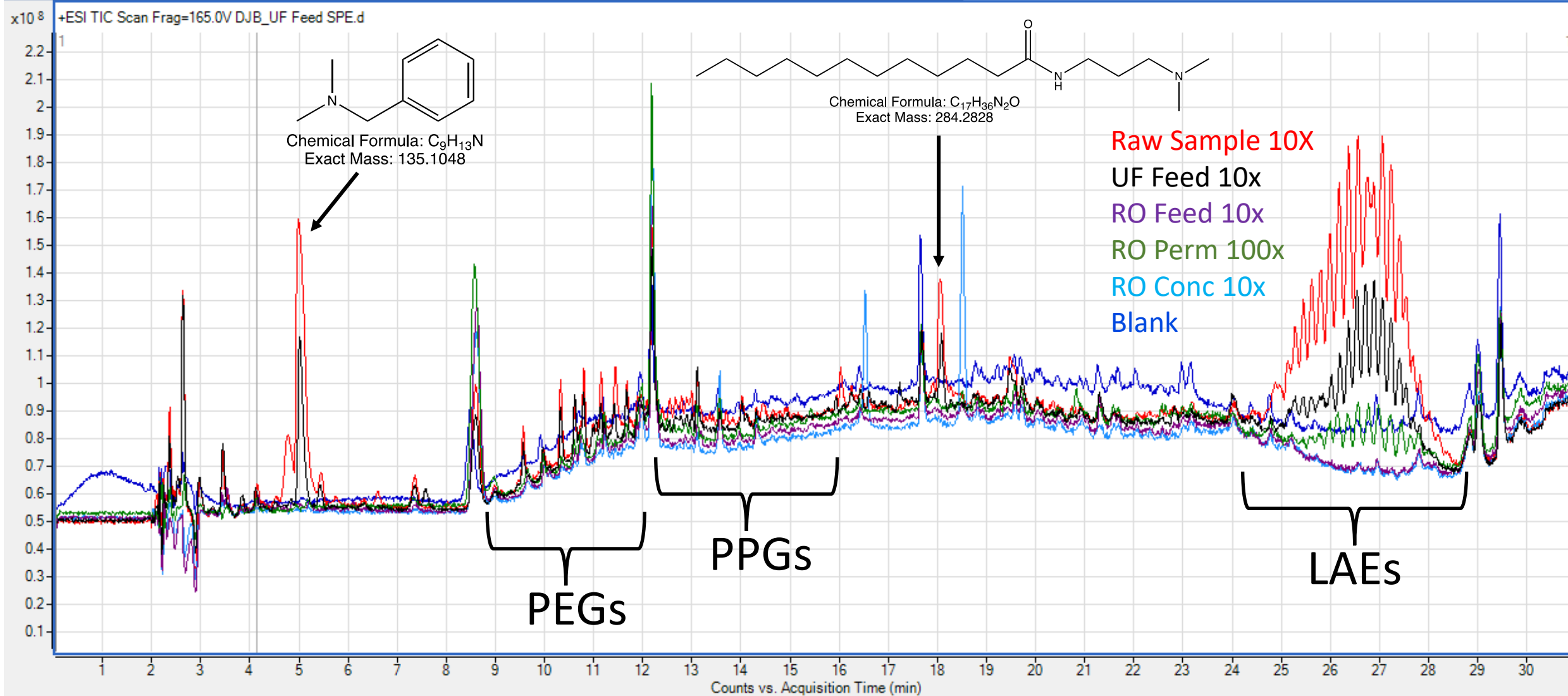
Pilot Testing: Unknown GCMS Identification (DJ-Basin)



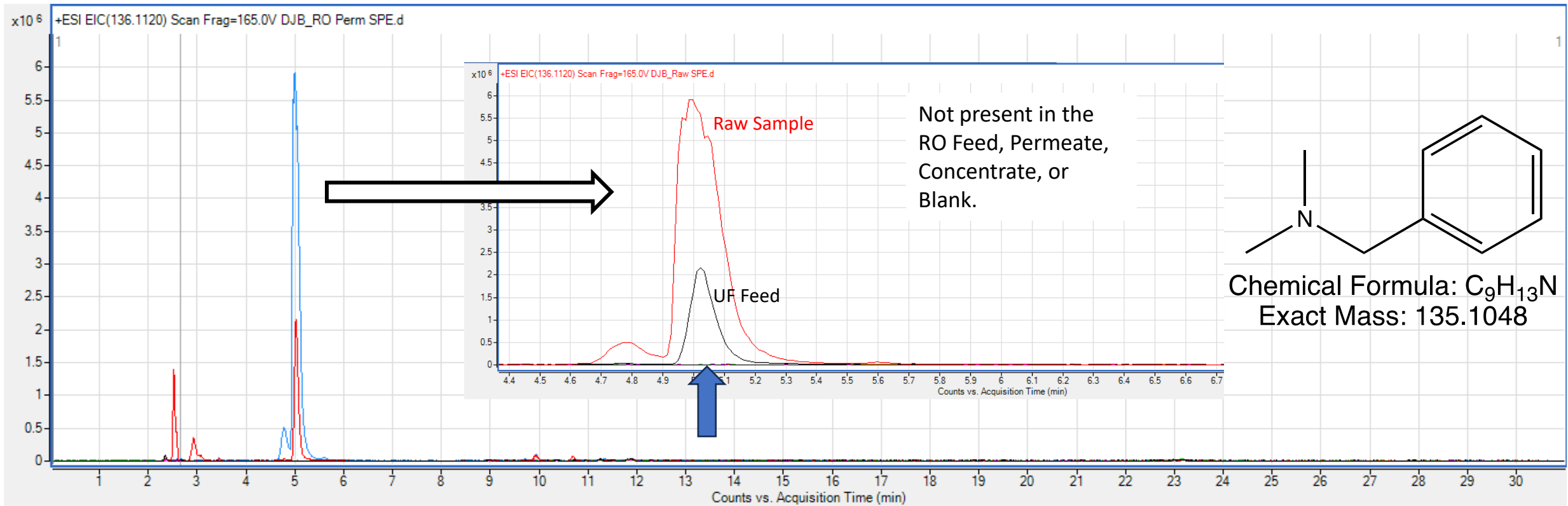
Removal through Treatment



Pilot Testing: Unknown LCMS Identification (DJ-Basin)



Dimethylbenzylamine



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