The Basics of UV Disinfection



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Agenda

- What is UV
- How does UV Disinfect
- X Types of UV Systems
 - Design Considerations

What is <u>Ultraviolet</u> Energy



What do we make UV?

- Mercury vapor charged by electric arc inside lamp
- Ionized mercury vapor emits UV irradiation



How does UV Disinfect?





UV versus Chemicals



Chemical **UV** Disinfection Disinfection **Physics** Chemistry "Newer" (1910) Older (1890) Residual No residual

Types of UV Systems







• What are your Target Microorganisms?



Chlorine CT

Source: Keep, Terry (2013). Advances in UV Technology for 4-Log Virus Disinfection of Groundwater



• UV Transmittance



Inorganic Compounds	Compounds Found in Wastewater
Bromine	Dyes and coloring agents
Chlorine	Humic acids
Chromium	Lignin sulfonates
Cobalt	Extracts from leaves
Iodides	Orzan S
Iron	Phenolic compounds
Manganese	Sunblock PABA
Nickel	Tea, Coffee
Sulfates	Carbamide compounds
Stanous Choride	Sodium Thiosulfate

Source: Sakamoto, G. (1999). UV Transmittance, Trojan Technologies, Inc.

Example for 34 MGD System

UVT	60%	75%
Lamps	96	64
Max Power Draw, kW	100	65
Cost	\$820k	\$540k

• Flow Patterns



• Protect the UV System with Upstream Filtration





• Look at the Life Cycle... not just Capital Costs



