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The effect of synthesized Cu_2O on the microbial corrosion inhibition of urban sewer systems

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خلاصه مقاله:

The microbial corrosion of reinforced concrete sewers was inhibited by synthesized cuprous oxide (Cu_2O) nanoparticles. The antibacterial characteristics of Cu_2O on *Acidithiobacillus thiooxidans* were investigated by temporal variation of pH, turbidity, and bacterial counting. Three reinforced concrete samples with different weight percentages of electrodeposited Cu_2O (0.06 wt%, 0.055 wt%, 0.05 wt%) were used. The bacterial counting showed that the number of bacteria in samples with 0.06, 0.055, and 0.05 wt% of Cu_2O was 4.82, 4.42, and 2.94 times lower than the blank sample (BS), respectively. After the bacterial growth, the optical density measurement showed that the percentage of turbidity enhancement for samples with 0.06, 0.055, and 0.05 wt% of Cu_2O were 108%, 118%, 165%, respectively, while it was 412% for the BS. Moreover, the pilot stage's pH monitoring revealed that the electrodeposited Cu_2O lowered the concentration of hydronium between 7 to 11 times compared to the BS. Experiments indicated that slight changes in the amount of electrodeposited Cu_2O lead to significant changes in samples' ability to hinder bacterial growth and microbial-induced corrosion.

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