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10:50	Application of geospatial tool to estimate septic system effluent contributions to Lake Erie & Simcoe Basin Yunpeng Gao, Western U	Nutrient attenuation in a pond-wetland system treating cropping system drainage Shruti Tanga, U of Ottawa	Assessing the Influence of Prolonged Exposure of Aerobic Granular Sludge to Four Target PFAS Zanina Ilieva, TMU	Energy Recovery from Sludge: Impact of Integrated Hydrothermal Liquefaction and anaerobic digestion Schemes Harveen Tatla, U of A
11:10	Leveraging Machine Learning and Multi- modal Analytical Techniques for Enhanced Tracking of Microplastics Manh Huy Nguyen, TMU	Phosphorus Removal from Agricultural Diffuse Sources Using Magnesium Pellets: Lab and Field Evaluations Mohammad Noor Tamim, Western	An Integrated Membrane-Vacuum UV Treatment System to Achieve Energy-Efficient PFAS Destruction in Water Ehsan Khorshidi Nazloo, Western U	Modelling of thermal vacuum stripping for anaerobic digestion intensification and ammonia recovery Amr Abdelrahman, Western U
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1:35	Effect of Inlet design in reactive filters as a tertiary treatment process for remote areas Amin Tabatabaeefar, Polytechnique Montreal	Phosphorus Exports from a Cold Climate Urban Subwatershed: Insights from a Monitoring and Modeling Study Sabrina Jivani, Western	Biofilm Formation on Microplastics in Biological Wastewater Treatment: Impact on Sedimentation & Disinfection Processes Gaurav Bhardwaj, York U	Digestibility of Aerobic Granular Sludge (AGS) Using Multiple Pre-treatment Techniques Ahmed Elsayed, TMU
1:55	Integrating PNA Processes and MABR System for Sidestream Nitrogen Removal: Pilot Study Ijaj Mahmud Chowdhury, McMaster U	Phosphorus Removal and Recovery using Carbon Black Flow Electrode: Optimization of Operating Parameters Salil Mathew, Western	Optimizing Filtration Efficacy: Direct Filtration for Enhanced Particle Destabilization & Cryptosporidium Oocyst Removal <i>Kalani S. De Silva</i> , <i>U of Waterloo</i>	Production Of PHA from thermophilic microorganisms utilizing waste as a carbon source Shraddha Chavan, INRS-ETE
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2:50	The proof is in the pudding: wastewater surveillance for community-level detection of respiratory virus season Lucy Ross-Blevis, U of Toronto	Influence of groundwater discharge on urban stream salinization using the groundwater tracer radon-222 Grant Hodgins, Western U	Developing "Threshold Microplastics Concentrations" as a tool to manage indirect risks from microplastics in drinking water Omar Sadab Chowdhury, U of Waterloo	New approaches for the optimization of the start-up of full-scale anaerobic digesters **Amal Hmaissia**, U Laval**
3:10	Porous metakaolin-based geopolymers for wastewater treatment Vito Cofano, Western U	Analyzing the role of geothermal heating on bacterial community through metagenomics approaches Gurpreet Kaur, York U	Innovating Ferro-sonication for Microplastics Extraction from wastewaters Juviya Mathew, York U	Enhancing Anaerobic Digestion of Thickened WAS through Combined Free Nitrous Acid & Low Heat Pretreatment Salomeh Chegini, TMU

Poster presentations

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- 2. Anammox Process Towards Municipal Wastewater Treatment: A Novel Approach Using Inverse Fluidized Bed Bioreactor (IFBBR), Ruoting Liu, Western U
- 3. A meta-analysis to establish a subterranean estuarine typology based on salinity structure, Aref Panjeh Fouladgaran, Western U
- 4. A sustainable approach to the remediation of mine-impacted water in Northern Canada, **Daria Popugaeva**, Western U
- 5. Occurrence of Sulfonamide Residues and Resistant Genes in Canadian Wastewater Treatment Plant: A Preliminary Case Study, Maryam Zarean, York U
- 6. Evaluating the influence of stormwater exfiltration Systems on stormwater runoff reductions and groundwater contamination, Hamed Mohamadian, Western U
- 7. Biochar as an Effective Adsorbent for Long-Chain PFCAs in Wastewater Treatment, Sepideh Nasrollahpour, York U
- 8. Unveiling Arctic Contaminants: Understanding OPEs Impact on Inuit Communities and Ecosystems, Aaron McQuaid, U of T
- Large-area Negatively Surface-charge Ultrathin Polyamide Membranes for Controlled Ion Transport, Claudio Adrian Ruiz Torres, Toronto U
- 10. The Effect of Cyclic Temperatures on Bioremediation of BTEX in Groundwater, Ginelle Aziz, York U
- 11. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Itilleq, Greenland Challenges and opportunities, Audrey Tam, York U
- 12. Modeling of Water Vapor Sorption in Linear Aromatic Polyamide, Niher Ranjan Sarker, U of T
- 13. Improving Quantitative Analysis of Porous Membranes Using Electron Microscopy, Sima Zeinali Danalou, U of T
- 14. Advancements in Sustainable Wastewater Treatment: Open-Source 3D Printed Wastewater Alkaline Electrolyzer Powered by Solar Energy, Giorgio Antonini, Western
- 15. Supported Liquid Membrane Stabilization with Ultra-Thin Charged Film for Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling, Jiahao Zhu, U of T
- 16. Ultraviolet (UV) Light Treatment for Water and Biofilm Disinfection in Humanitarian Settings, Patrick Di Falco, York U
- 17. Recoverability of animal wastes to mitigate their impacts on soil and water resources; a case study, Reza Malekzadeh-Viayeh, Toronto U
- 18. Comparing Biomethane Production from Different Industrial Organic Wastes: Effect of Substrate Type and Food-to-Microorganism (F/M) Ratio, Ahmed El Sayed, TMU
- 19. BMP Random Grab Samples of Thickened Waste Activated Sludge and Primary Sludge and their Effect on Biogas Production, Hassan Mahdi, TMU
- 20. Nitrogen Removal from Wastewater using Solid State Carbon, **Dorsa Barkhordari**, Western
- 21. Review on biological nitrogen removal in wastewater treatment, focusing on the integration and optimization of Anaerobic Ammonium Oxidation (ANAMMOX) with low Dissolved Oxygen (DO) processes, **Fatima-Zahra Ezzahraoui**, Western U
- 22. Recovering nutrients from effluent an approach for a sustainable future, **Arslan Tahir**, Western U
- 23. Inhibition of nitrite-oxidizing bacteria in Anammox integrated membrane aerated biofilm reactors for sustainable nitrogen removal, Natalia Shiu, McMaster U
- 24. Investigation of the exoelectrogenic effect of anammox bacteria in microbial electrolysis cells: A sustainable approach for ammonia-nitrogen removal, Sara Hemmati, McMaster U
- 25. Hyper-thermophilic Treatment of Anaerobically Digested Cattle Manure, Basem Haroun, Western U
- 26. Fate of microplastics in laundry wastewater, **Juan Li**, Western U

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- 2. Field Performance Evaluation of a Novel Pre-Treatment Stormwater System in a Cold Climate, Aidan Haskell, Western U
- Membrane Magic: Sustainable Recovery of Nickel and Cobalt from Tailing Ponds, Pei-Yin Diao, U of T
- 4. Siena lanni-Palarchio, Western U
- Evaluating the removal of a wide range of micropollutants by a diversity of wastewater treatment technologies: Preliminary findings and sampling challenges, Coline Milhau, Laval U