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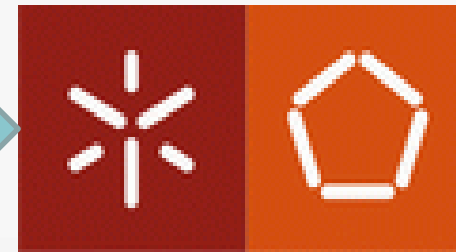


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# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL MICROBIOLOGY



- The department has its mandate as to create a centre of academic excellence in the field of education and research in Agricultural microbiology and newer Microbial technology; provides a sound academic background and environment for an overall development of personality for a successful career in Microbiology which fosters continuous improvement and innovation in the subject.
- Keeping in view the national demands, the Department of Agricultural Microbiology, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, A.M.U., is imparting teaching and training at Post-graduate and Doctoral levels on various aspects of Microbiology such as, Soil Microbial Ecology, Immunology, Biochemistry, Food Microbiology, Environmental Microbiology, Industrial Microbiology and Agricultural Biotechnology and Molecular Microbiology. Indeed, teaching and hand-on training in such areas have a potential for creating opportunities/job prospects for the Post Graduate/ Ph. D students in the Biotechnology industry, Agriculture sectors and national/International Institutes and Universities. Keeping in view of the significant demand for trained Microbiologist, the Department of Agricultural Microbiology, is striving hard to bring excellence to the existing program of PG teaching & Research.
- In fact, the country's prosperity is inseparably linked to agricultural progress, and a key to achieving this progress is a shift from resource-dependent agriculture to a science-based agriculture., The Agricultural microbiology and applied microbial technology has emerged as an important discipline, offering solutions to multifarious problems, presently encountered in developing sustainable agriculture and increasing crop productivity and food security environmental and human health protection and climate change.
- The faculty members have excellent records of publication in journals with high impact factors and received fair citation in the scientific community. The department has completed various extramural research projects funded by national (UGC, DST, DBT, UPCST etc.) and international (Germany & Portugal) funding organization.



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## Indo-Portuguese cooperation Project



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# Exchanges between Aligarh and Braga

Madalena Alves and Diana Sousa visited Aligarh between 11 and 18 March 2011

Farhana Masood visited Braga between 1st and 30th April 2011

Abdul Malik visited Braga between 15 November and 15 December 2011

Raquel Pereira visited Aligarh between 19 March and 17 April 2012



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# Common research work with pulp and paper wastewater samples collected in India and Portugal



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# Outputs

## 1 Book Chapter of Minho team in a book edited by Abdul Malik

[Pereira, Luciana](#); [Alves, M.M.](#) Dyes-Environmental Impact and Remediation. In: **Environmental Protection Strategies for Sustainable Development**, Abdul Malik, Elisabeth Grohmann (Eds), pp: 111-162, (ISBN: 978-94-007-1590-5), Springer, Dordrecht, 2012

## 1 Paper under preparation

## 1 book edited

Management of Microbial resources in the Environment. Abdul Malik, Elisabeth Grohmann, Madalena Alves (Eds) ISBN 978-94-007-5930-5, Springer.



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# Extended collaboration

Two FP7 applications

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## CONTAMINATED SITES UNDER INVESTIGATION

Paper and Pulp Industry Wastewater



Portuguese Effluent Sample

- high lignin content
- high absorbable organic halide (AOX) concentration
- color,
- low biodegradability (COD/BOD) ratios
- Potential toxicity problems



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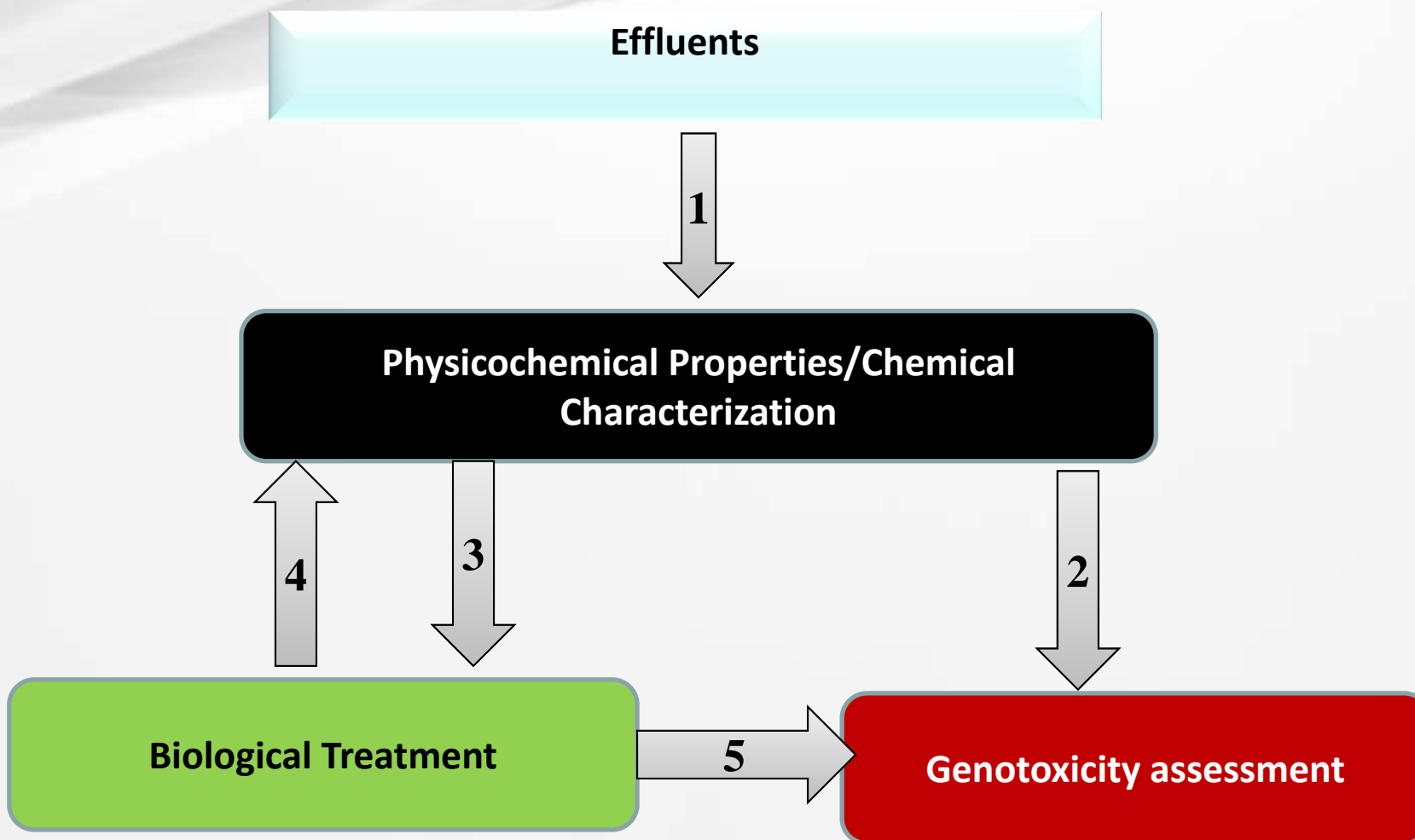


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- ❑ Paper industry is one of the biggest user of water.
- ❑ More than 47,000–80,000 gallons of wastewater discharged during paper production.
- ❑ About 500 organochlorines have been identified eg. chloroform, chlorate, resin acids, chlorinated hydrocarbons, phenols, catechols, guaiacols, furans, dioxins, syringols, vanillins, etc. collectively termed as ‘adsorbable organic halides’ (AOX).
- ❑ AOX are biologically persistent, recalcitrant and highly toxic .
- ❑ Their toxicity range from carcinogenicity, mutagenicity to acute and chronic toxicity.



# OBJECTIVES



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**Table 1. Physico-chemical characteristics of the wastewaters before biodegradation**

	<b>Indian Wastewater</b>	<b>Portuguese Wastewater</b>
pH	4.0	6.87
COD	7300	225
Ammonium	7.62	< 1
Nitrate	8.62	1.46
Phosphate	64.7	2.20
Total Nitrogen	76.40	< 20
Total Phenolics	34.59	3.03



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**Table 2. Physico-chemical characteristics of the wastewaters after anaerobic biodegradation**

	<b>Indian Wastewater</b>	<b>Portuguese Wastewater</b>
pH	7.3	7.37
COD	443	170
Ammonium	2.38	1.70
Nitrate	< 1	< 1
Phosphate	23.1	25.40
Total Nitrogen	< 5	< 5

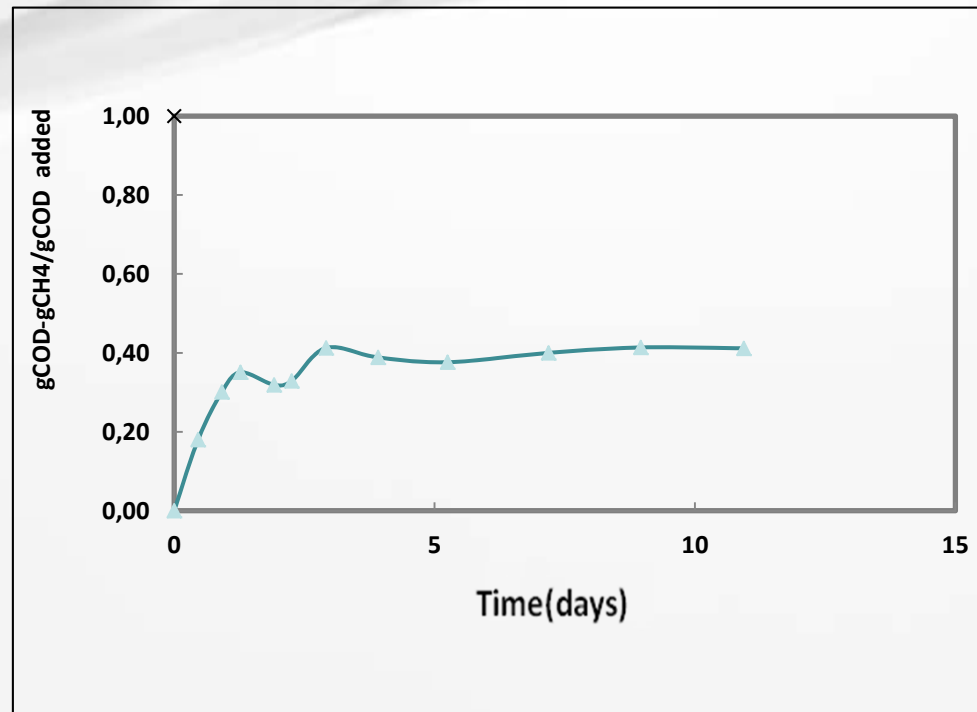


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**Figure. Methane production in the biodegradability assay conducted with Indian wastewater**



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## Methodology

Composition of Indian and portuguese wastewaters were characterized before and after biodegradation in terms of:

- **Hexane extract**
- **Choloform extract**
- **Acidic DCM fraction**
- **Basic DCM fraction**

**All the extracts were analysed by GC-MS**



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# Example of compounds identified

## Hexane Extract

Indian Wastewater	Portuguese Wastewater
<p>Cyclopropaneoctanoic acid            1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, mono (2-ethylhexyl) ester            Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate Diphenylether            1,9-Nonanediol            Pyrido[2,3-d] pyrimidine-2, 4 (1H, 3H)</p>	<p>Cyclotetrasiloxane, octamethyl            Acetic acid, N(1,3)-hydroxy-1-phenylethylhydrazide            Oxime-methoxy-phenyl            4-hydroxymandelic acid, ethylester-di-TMS            Cyclotetrasilaxane, octamethyl            Cyclotrissilaxane, hexamethyl            Heptasilaxane, n-tetradecanemethyl            Octasilaxane, n-hexadecamethyl</p>

**All the extracts were analysed (next slides)**



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**Table 3. Compounds identified in Indian wastewater using GC-MS**

<b>Sample</b>	<b>Compounds identified</b>
<b>Hexane extract)</b>	<p>Cyclopropanoic acid</p> <p>1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, mono (2-ethylhexyl) ester</p> <p>Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate</p> <p>Diphenylether</p> <p>1,9-Nonanediol</p> <p>Pyrido[2,3-d] pyrimidine-2, 4 (1H, 3H)</p>
<b>Chloroform extract</b>	<p>Phenol, 2, 2methylene,6,1,1-dimethylethyl-4ethyl</p> <p>Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate</p> <p>Ethyl N-propyl disulphide</p> <p>Heneicosane</p> <p>1-Decanol,2,hexyl</p> <p>1-hexadecanol,2-methyl</p> <p>Tetratetracontane</p> <p>Heneicosane</p> <p>Tetrapentacontane,1,5,4-dibromo</p>
<b>Acidic DCM fraction</b>	<p>Hexadecen-1-ol, trans-9-</p> <p>Dotriaconatne</p> <p>9-methylnonadecane</p> <p>1-Octadecanol</p> <p>Di-n-octyl phthalate</p> <p>Tetracosane</p>
<b>Basic DCM fraction</b>	<p>Phenol, 2,4- bis (1,1-dimethylethyl)-</p> <p>Di-n-octyl phthalate</p> <p>Phenyl N-methylcarbamate</p> <p>1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, mono (2-ethylhexyl) ester</p> <p>Nonadecane</p>

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**Table 4. Compounds identified in Portuguese wastewaters using GC-MS**

Sample	Compounds identified
Hexane extract	<p>Silanediol, dimethyl            Cyclotetrasiloxane, octamethyl            Acetic acid, N(1,3)-hydroxy-1-phenylethylhydrazide            Oxime-mthoxy-phenyl            4-hydroxymandelic acid, ethylester-di-TMS            Cyclotetrasilaxane, octamethyl            Cyclotrissilaxane, hexamethyl            Cyclotetrasilaxane, octamethyl            Heptasilaxane,n-tetradecanemethyl            Octasilaxane,n-hexadecamethyl</p>
Chloroform extract	<p>1,3-Diazine            1,2-Benzenedicarboxyl acid, bis(2-methyl propyl ester)            Cycloaactasiloxane, hexadecamethyl            2,3-Diphenylcyclopropylmethylphenylsulfoxide, trans            Benzene-1,1-(2-methyl-2-(phenylthio) cyclopropylidene) bis</p>
Basic DCM fraction	<p>Borneol            3-Cyclohexene-1-methanol,n,n,4-trimethyl            Cyclooctasiloxane, hexadecamethyl            Phenol,2,5,bis (1,1dimethylethyl)            Z-8-Methyl-9-tetradecenoic acid            Cholestan-3-ol,2-methylene            Phthalic acid, isobutyloactylester</p>
Acidic DCM fraction	<p>Syn-Tricycloact-5-ene-3,3,6,6-tetramethyl-2,2-dimethyl            B-Vatirene            Spirocyclopropane-1,1,naphthalen-4-one            Tricyclo(3,1) hexane , 3,6-diethyl-3,6-dimethyl            1-hexadecanol            Naphthalene-dimethyl            Phenol 2,4-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)            2-Butyloxycarbonyloxy-1,1,10-trimethyl-6,9-epidioxydecan            Z-8-Methyl-9-tetradecenoic acid            Phthalic acid, isobutylactylester            Propanoic acid            tert-Hexadecanethiol            Tetradecane,2,6,10-trimethyl</p>



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**Table 5. Compounds identified in Indian wastewater after biodegradability test using GC-MS**



Sample	Compounds identified
Hexane extract	Syn-Tricycloact-5-ene-335688-hexamethyl Isolangifolene-9,10 dehydro Diphenylether Tran-2,2-Bisabolene epoxide 1-Hexadecanol 1,5,9-Cyclodecatriene-1,5,9-Thrimethyl Z-(1,3,4-Epoxy) Tetradec-11-en-1-oleacetate Cyclopropaneoctanoic acid Propanoic acid
Chloroform extract	Phenol, 3-methyl Phenol, 4-methyl 7-Tetracyclo-undecane-4,4,11,11-tetramethyl Diphenylether 1-Docasene 1,5,9-Cyclododecatriene,1,5,9-trimethyl 3-Chloropropionic acid, heptadecylester Ethanol, 2-(octadecyloxy) 1-Decanol,2,hexyl 1-hexadecanol,2-methyl (2,3-Diphenylcyclopropylmethylphenylsulfoxide, trans Tetrapentacontane,1,5,4-dibromo Phenol, 2, 2methylene,6,1,1-dimethylethyl-4ethyl Benzene-1,1-(2-methyl-2-(phenylthio) cyclopropyl)denel bis
Basic DCM fraction	Hexane,3,4,4,4-tetrafluoro Phenol, 4-methyl Phenol,2-ethyl 1-Nonedecane 2-propenoic acid, pentadecylester
Acidic DCM fraction	Dibutyl phtalate Ciclohexanecarboxylic acid Phenol, 2-ethyl Diphenylether 3-Eicosane Phenol 2,4-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl) 12-Methyl-EE-2.13.octadecain-1-ol Propionic acid,3,mercapto-dodecylester



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**Table 6. Compounds identified in Portuguese wastewaters after biodegradability test using GC-MS**

<b>Sample</b>	<b>Compounds identified</b>
<b>Hexane extract</b>	<b>Isolangifolene-9,10 dehydro</b> <b>1-Docasene</b> <b>Trans-2-Hexadecenoic acid</b> <b>1,2-Benzenedicarboxyl acid, butyl2-ethylhexylester</b> <b>1-Decanol,2,hexyl</b>
<b>Chloroform extract</b>	<b>Ethane 1,1achloro</b> <b>1-docasene</b> <b>trans-2-Hexadecenoic acid</b>
<b>Basic DCM fraction</b>	<b>3-Benzylsulfonyl-2,6,6-trimethyloic acid-3,1,1 heptane</b> <b>3-Eicosene</b> <b>3-Cloropropionic acid, heptadecylester</b> <b>Lenthiorine</b>
<b>Acidic DCM fraction</b>	<b>Z-1-Chloro-2-methylsulfonylethylene</b> <b>1,2,3-Tritriolane</b> <b>(2,2,6-Trimethyl-bicyclo hept-1yl-methanol</b> <b>Z-8-Methyl-9-tetradecenoic acid</b> <b>Phthalic acid, isobutylactylester</b> <b>propanoic acid didodecyclester</b>



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**Reversion of *Salmonella* tester strains (TA97a, TA98, TA100, TA102 and TA104) was analyzed for all extracts (next slide – one example for hexane and chloroform extracts)**



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**Table 7. Reversion of *Salmonella* tester strains in the presence of hexane extracted Indian wastewater sample**



Strain	Doses ( $\mu\text{l}/\text{plate}$ )						Mi	m
	Control	1	5	10	20	40		
TA97a	89 $\pm$ 6	181 $\pm$ 10 (2.0)	228 $\pm$ 9 (2.5)	284 $\pm$ 11 (3.1)	312 $\pm$ 8 (3.5)	276 $\pm$ 8 (3.1)	0.91	3.5
TA98	29 $\pm$ 4	119 $\pm$ 7 (4.1)	167 $\pm$ 8 (5.7)	241 $\pm$ 6 (8.3)	377 $\pm$ 12 (13.0)	319 $\pm$ 10 (11.0)	2.48	6.7
TA100	124 $\pm$ 7	208 $\pm$ 8 (1.6)	260 $\pm$ 11 (2.0)	316 $\pm$ 8 (2.5)	390 $\pm$ 11 (3.1)	338 $\pm$ 13 (2.7)	0.76	4.5
TA102	239 $\pm$ 10	289 $\pm$ 13 (1.2)	331 $\pm$ 10 (1.3)	400 $\pm$ 9 (1.6)	468 $\pm$ 13 (1.9)	411 $\pm$ 12 (1.7)	-0.04	4.0
TA104	328 $\pm$ 12	371 $\pm$ 14 (1.1)	427 $\pm$ 13 (1.3)	478 $\pm$ 17 (1.4)	523 $\pm$ 14 (1.5)	485 $\pm$ 14 (1.4)	-0.52	3.5

**Table 8. Reversion of *Salmonella* tester strains in the presence of chloroform extracted Indian wastewater sample**

Strain	Doses ( $\mu\text{l}/\text{plate}$ )						Mi	m
	Control	1	5	10	20	40		
TA97a	82 $\pm$ 6	138 $\pm$ 6 (1.6)	162 $\pm$ 8 (1.9)	221 $\pm$ 9 (2.6)	275 $\pm$ 9 (3.3)	241 $\pm$ 9 (2.9)	0.85	3.7
TA98	35 $\pm$ 5	147 $\pm$ 8 (4.2)	200 $\pm$ 7 (5.7)	267 $\pm$ 10 (7.6)	312 $\pm$ 14 (8.9)	278 $\pm$ 11 (7.9)	2.10	4.8
TA100	130 $\pm$ 9	178 $\pm$ 11 (1.3)	243 $\pm$ 11 (1.8)	330 $\pm$ 8 (2.5)	371 $\pm$ 12 (2.8)	339 $\pm$ 10 (2.6)	0.61	4.7
TA102	241 $\pm$ 10	283 $\pm$ 13 (1.1)	325 $\pm$ 9 (1.3)	386 $\pm$ 11 (1.6)	439 $\pm$ 13 (1.8)	394 $\pm$ 13 (1.6)	-0.19	3.6
TA104	325 $\pm$ 11	359 $\pm$ 1 (1.1)	418 $\pm$ 12 (1.2)	472 $\pm$ 16 (1.4)	516 $\pm$ 16 (1.5)	478 $\pm$ 16 (1.4)	-0.53	2.9



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## CONCLUSIONS



- **Both Indian and Portuguese wastewater samples showed considerable biodegradation**
- **All the wastewater samples are heavily contaminated with various organic compounds**
- **Genotoxicity of different wastewater samples arranged as follows: dichloromethane extracted water samples > hexane extracted water samples > chloroform extracted water samples.**
- **TA98 was found to be the most responsive strain in terms of mutagenic index, mutagenic potential and induction factor, indicating the presence of frame shift mutagens in the test samples.**
- **Wastewater from India has higher mutagenic index, induction factor, and more slope (m) of the response with increasing doses in comparison to wastewater from Portugal.**



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