

Biodegradation of complexing agents used in the nuclear fuel cycle

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Citrate biodegradation. Mid

Metals forming mononuclear bidentate complexes are readily biodegraded while those which form complexes involving the hydroxyl group of the citrate are not biodegraded.

Closing the Nuclear Fuel Cycle with a Simplified Minor Actinide Lanthanide Separation Process (ALSEP) and Additive Manufacturing

Typical decomposition products which are formed and which give rise to such complexes are dibutyl phosphate DBP and monobutyl phosphate MBP. No uranium release occurred during selective desorption of Ni, proving the integrity of the biofilm within the column.

Chemistry of radioactive materials in the nuclear fuel cycle

Solutions used in liquid-liquid extraction processes must therefore be resistant towards radiolysis. This sequential supercritical fluid extraction technique appears promising for large-scale treatment of mixed wastes. The important features of historically successful solvent extraction separations and alternative chemical processes are described.

The environmental biogeochemistry of chelating agents and recommendations for the disposal of chelated radioactive wastes

On-line separation of uranium and lanthanides dissolved in the sc-CO₂ phase can be achieved by a countercurrent stripping technique.

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