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Supplementary Materials



Fig. S1. The ATZ degradation during the course of Fe^{2+} -AP process under different experimental conditions. (a) to (i) based on the experimental design of L9 orthogonal array.



Fig. S2. The concentration variation of PS, Fe²⁺ and T-Fe during the course of Fe²⁺-AP process under different experimental conditions. (a) to (i) based on the experimental design of L9 orthogonal array.



Fig. S3. The variation of pH and ORP during the course of Fe²⁺-AP process under different experimental conditions. (a) to (i) based on the experimental design of L9 orthogonal array.



Fig. S4. The concentration variation of TOC during the course of Fe²⁺-AP process under different experimental conditions. (a) to (i) based on the experimental design of L9 orthogonal array.



Fig. S5. Effect of the reaction temperature on the ATZ degradation in the Fe²⁺-AP process (experimental conditions: concentration of ATZ = 5 mg/L, dosages of PS = 10 mM, Fe²⁺ = 1 mM, and pH = 3).

Table S1. Averaged Responses of S/N Ratio of ATZ Removal by Fe²⁺-AP Process for Each Level.

	S/N ratio (dB) ⁽¹⁾				
Level	Factors				
	ATZ	PS	Fe ²⁺	рН	
1	39.10	32.15	38.06	38.62	
2	35.93	37.81	37.03	32.74	
3	33.63	38.70	33.57	37.30	
Delta ⁽²⁾	5.47	6.55	4.49	5.88	

Note: ⁽¹⁾ S/N ratio at each level = $(S/N_1 + S/N_2 + S/N_3)/3$, where: S/N₁, S/N₂, and S/N₃ are S/N ratios of individual factor at level 1, 2, and 3, respectively. ⁽²⁾ Delta represents the difference between the maximum and minimum S/N ratio for each factor.

Table S2. Averaged ATZ Removal Efficiency by Fe²⁺-AP Process for Each Level.

	Averaged ATZ removal efficiency (%)					
Level	Factors					
	ATZ	PS	Fe^{2+}	pН		
1	90.5	51.8	80.5	85.8		
2	63.6	77.8	73.6	54.5		
3	62.7	87.1	62.6	76.5		
Delta ⁽¹⁾	27.9	35.3	17.9	31.3		

Note: ⁽¹⁾ Delta represents the difference between the maximum and minimum S/N ratio for each factor.

Table S3. Comparison of Prediction and Confirmation Experiment for Degradation of ATZ by Fe²⁺-AP Process.

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Optimal levels of process parameters	Predicted optimal values (%) ⁽¹⁾	Average of confirmation experiment (%) $^{(2)}$
PS 10 mM (A)		
рН 3 (В)	100	100
ATZ 5 mg/L (C)	100	
Fe ²⁺ 1 mM (D)		

Note: ⁽¹⁾ Predicted optimal values = \bar{y} + (A - \bar{y}) + (B - \bar{y}) + (C - \bar{y}) + (D - \bar{y}), where: \bar{y} is the averaged ATZ removal efficiency of the total experimental results; A, B, C, and D are averaged ATZ removal efficiencies of individual factor under optimal conditions. ⁽²⁾ Averaged ATZ removal efficiency of confirmation experiment.