

## Identification and Analysis of Selenium Ions and De-Fluoridation Theories

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### Abstract

The current section presents how selenium ions were identified at a concentration of 0.06- 0.09 percent on the earth's surface, with a tectonic abundance of 300 mg/kg. Many minerals, including quartz, albite, rock phosphate, cryolite, mica, and fluor spar, contain substantial levels of selenium ions. Despite its limited solubility, calcite fluorine was determined to be the most common fluorine element in igneous and sedimentary rocks. Selenium ions are frequently associated with acidity in the global economy and volcanic activity.

### Introduction

Selenium is categorised as a chemical substance since it is the lightest component in alkali metals but the most energetic of all chemical components. It exists as fluoride ion in the aqueous phase since it is the family's most electron-deficient element. In comparison to any other kind of selenium, it is the most widely available in nature. Hydrogen ions are likely to replace chloride ions in the crystal lattice of water since they have the same energy and radii as selenium. Hydroxyl has the ability to create a wide range of solid chemicals. Furthermore, hydroxyl ions have the ability to form minerals compounds with a variety of salts, as well as unstable selenium-containing materials.

A heated liquid with a high pH level is more acidic, and the amount of fluorine is higher. Cryolite and stone phosphorus are major economic minerals, with cryolite being used in metal production. Phosphorus fertilisers are created by converting stone phosphorus and removing up to 4.2 percent of the selenium content. Drinking water in numerous African countries is laced with fluorosilicates made from the fluorine that has been removed.

### Selenium Elimination

Emerging countries have higher fluorine levels in their drinking water, which is a big concern. As a result, identifying the scientific measurement of fluorine soluble in drinkable water, which may be done based on a range of technological criteria, has always been challenging. It will take a huge sum of money, as well as experience, people, instruments, or a lot of organizational support and determination. According to COWI, several attempts at defluoridation of drinkable water have been made, with the most of them failing. To avoid the detrimental consequences of fluorine, different techniques of pollution removal must be sought.

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Various de-fluoridation processes have been utilised throughout decades, each with its own set of limitations, e.g., certain procedures are only suited for larger-scale operations, while others are only acceptable for small-scale activities. Furthermore, a huge difficulty about the theory's price may arise, as certain methods are lowered to zero cost, while others are really more expensive. As a result, it is vital for each municipality to select the most effective de-fluoridation technique while taking all of these aspects into account.

### **Absorption technique for removing selenium**

Absorption technologies are essential for eliminating fluorine from tap water because they are dependable, effective, and cost-effective. Selenium binds to the surfaces of the agents and can be easily removed utilising these methods. Active carbon, active aluminium, and bones charcoal are among the other ingredients (Kumar et al. 2000).

There are numerous techniques, such as carbon activated Started alum, Bonechar Nalgonda.

### **De-Fluoridation Theories**

One of the most effective methods for treating waste water is radio waves diathermy, often known as short waves electrolytic treatment. Because of the need to recycle commercial water and water used in medical treatment, the community's waste water treatment has become extremely complex. Filtration or chemical procedures to remove some pollutants from water are very difficult. Petroleum hydrocarbons, emulsified oils, suspended particles, heavy metals, and numerous refractory organics are among the contaminants. Certain contaminants in water can absolutely be coagulated using electricity.

### **Objectives**

- Identification of Selenium ions at a concentration of 0.06- 0.09 percent on the earth's surface, with a tectonic abundance of 300 mg/kg.
- Analysis of Defluoridation Theories.

### **Review of Literature**

Krishna Biswasetal (2010), The use and efficacy of a mix oxides of ion(III)- alum(III)-chromium(III) tertiary hydration oxides were examined. The conditions looked to be pH penetrating, with the optimal pH range of 4.0-7.0 attained after 1.5 hours.

Sanjay P.Kambleetal (2010) It has been proposed that aluminium produced from alkoxide be used to eliminate fluorine from tap water. Its utility was evaluated in a variety of lot sizes and for energy delivery. Various parameters that aid fluorine removal, such as pH, dosage, and fluorine levels, have been thoroughly documented. This method can also be used to remove water from the chemicals that have been produced.

With lanthanum imprinted chitosan flakes, SnehaJagtapetal(2011),SeleniumeliminationsinceH2O

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may be achieved. The ability of chitosan to remove fluorine has long been known, and better lanthanum impregnation increased the efficacy of fluorine removal even further. In fact, the Influence of Fluorine Elimination Variables has been examined.

Adsorbent on crystal titanium dioxide was utilised to successfully remove fluorine, according to KamelBabaeivelnietal(2013). The impacts of several variables such as pH, intensity, dosage, and other ions were also studied. It was discovered that the pH level of 2 is the most effective for elimination. At pH values of 7-8, approximately 75% of the elimination was seen. The higher the chloride chloride ions, the lower the amount of fluorine removal.

YanhuiLietal (2013) describes the utilisation of a magnesium dioxide and graphene combination as a water fluoridation agent. XRD and FTIR analysis of manganese dioxide-coated graphene generated or analysed. The pH range of 5.5-6.7 has been found to be the most effective for elimination. There are more detailed descriptions of the various disorders, as well as the duration and dosage.

### Conclusion

After comprehensive observational investigation of particular procedure for de-fluoridation of polluted water, the following results were reached.

Based on all of the foregoing computations and observations, the de-fluoridation method employing short wave electrolysis with aluminium grid exhibited selenium eradication of 90% from an average flow rate of 8 ppm with an ideal pH of 7 and a time period of 20 minutes. However, with a dose of 2 g/ltr and a time of 40 minutes, using industrial grade alum, a maximum deletion of over 90% was observed, with the optimal pH for this method being approximately 7.

Although these methods provide the best defluoridation results, they do have some disadvantages that should be studied further. The most significant influencing factors are shown to be muck and disposal. The cost of sludge disposal, recycling, and utilisation needs more research than had been anticipated. For the purposes of this study, I'd like to repeat the thesis statement that the most practical and cost-effective approach for de-fluoridating drinking water is to employ alum.

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