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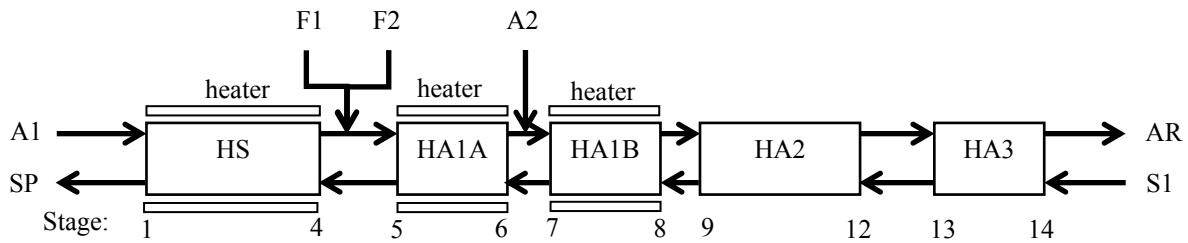


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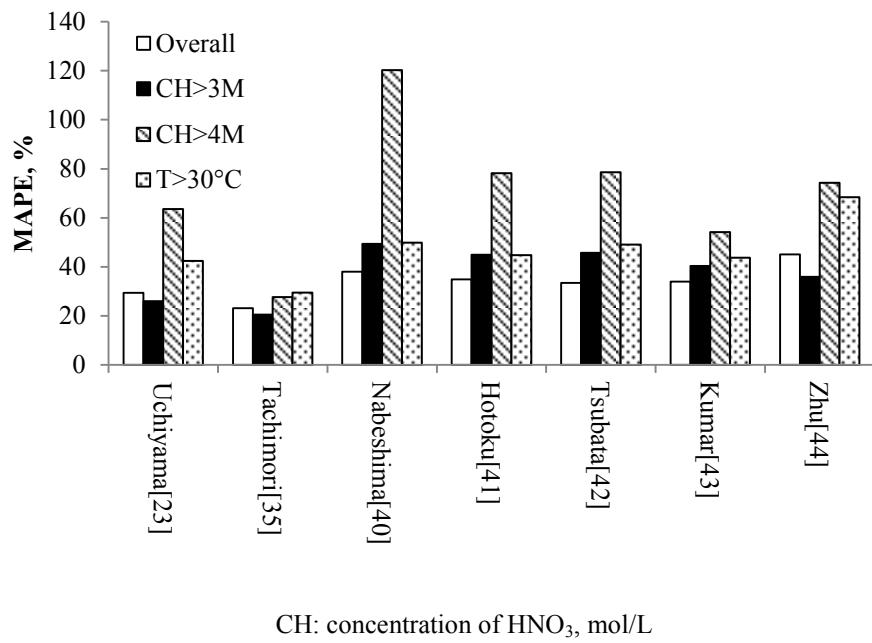
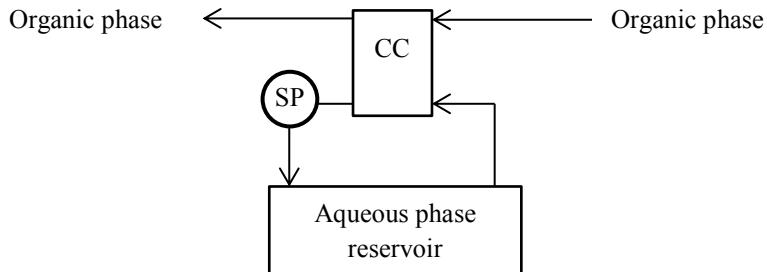


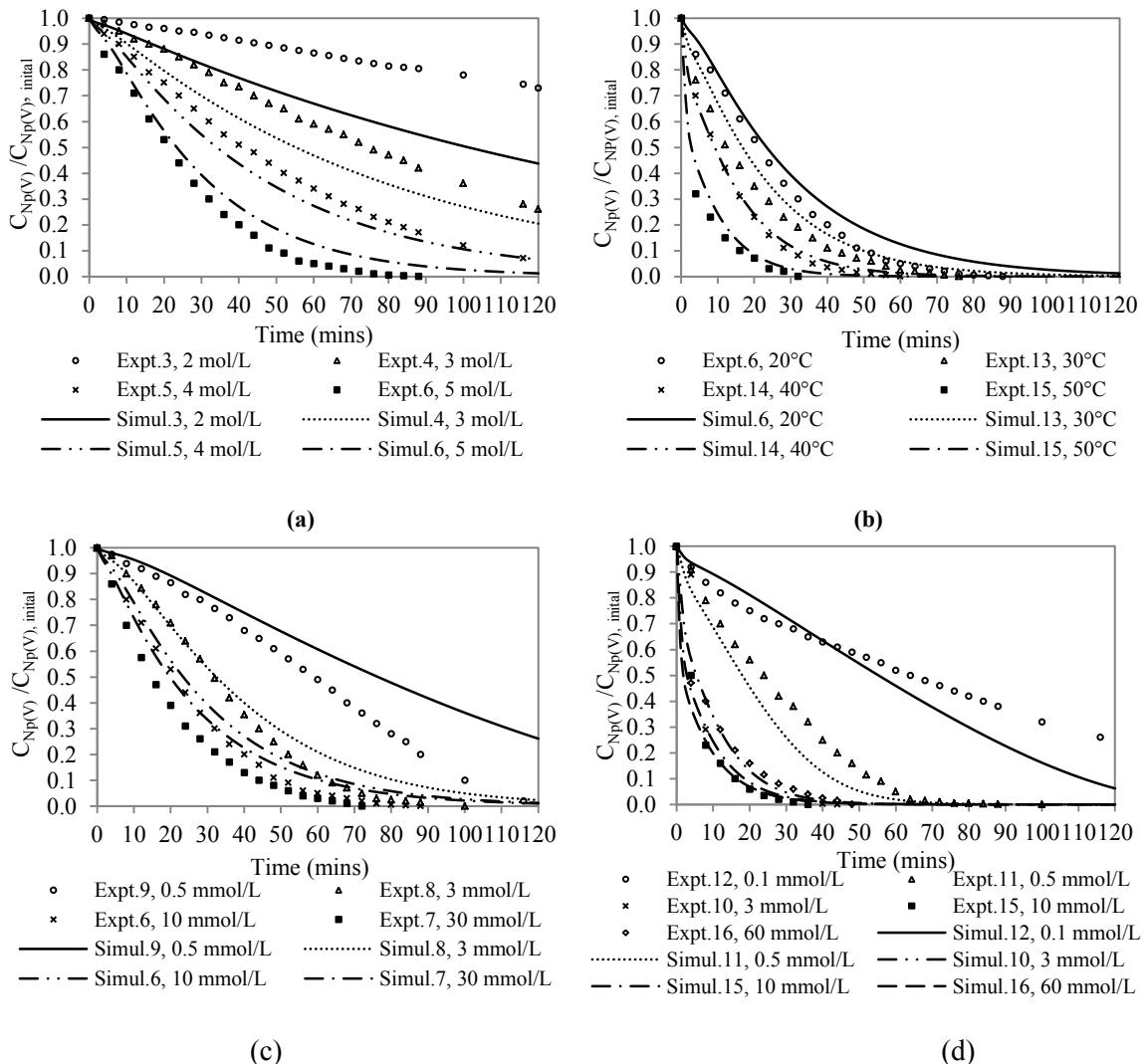
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CC: centrifugal contactor; SP: sample analysis point

Figure 3 Single-stage test flowsheet^[11]



(a) variable HNO_3 concentration at 20°C , 10 mol/L HNO_3 ; (b) variable temperature with 5 mol/L HNO_3 , 10 mmol/L HNO_2 ; (c) variable HNO_2 concentration at 20°C , 5 mol/L HNO_3 ; (d) variable HNO_2 concentration at 50°C , 5 mol/L HNO_3

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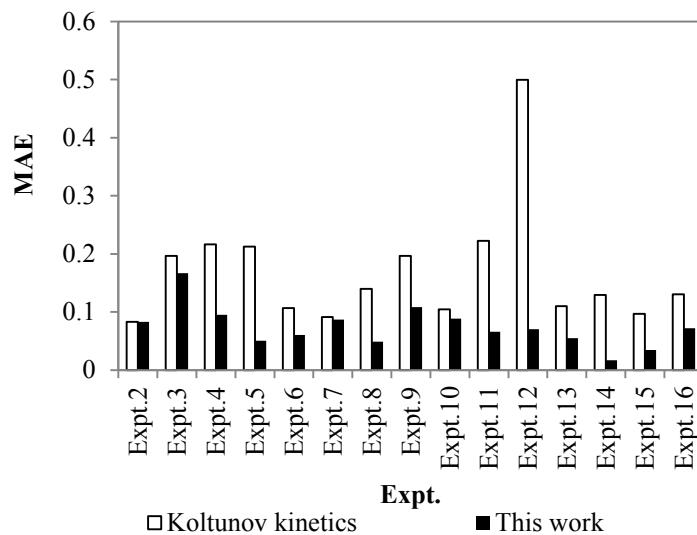


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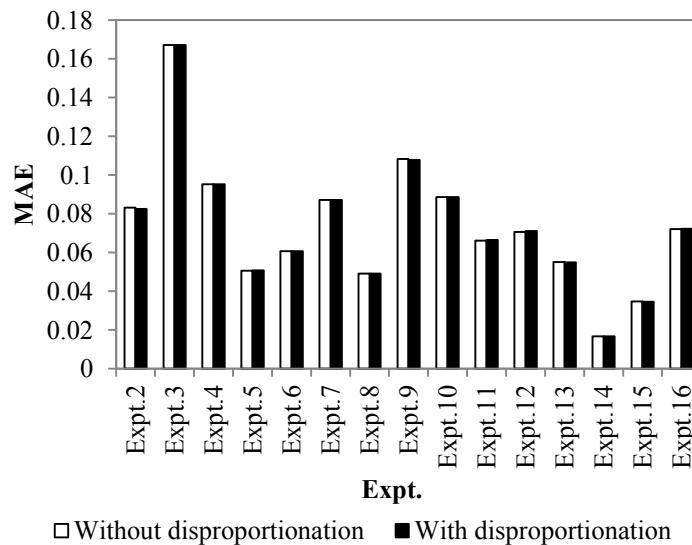


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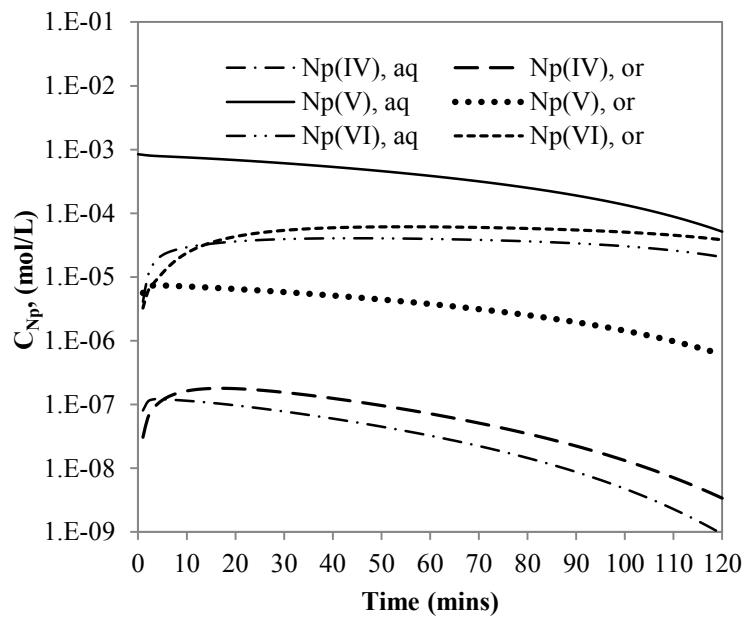


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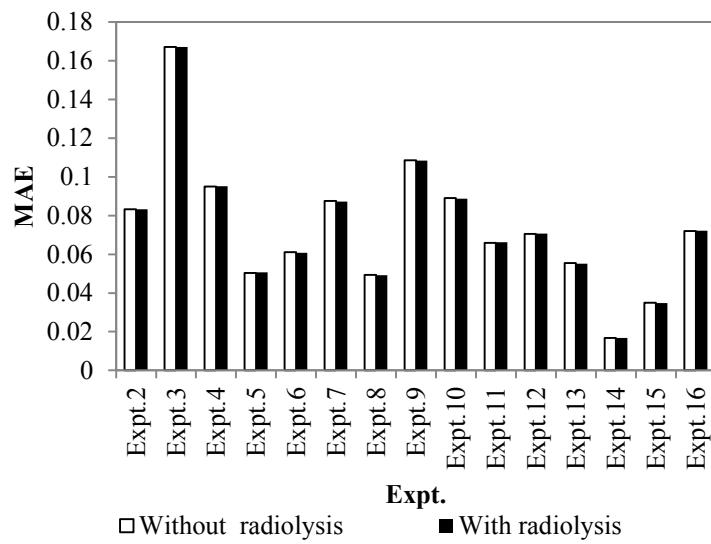


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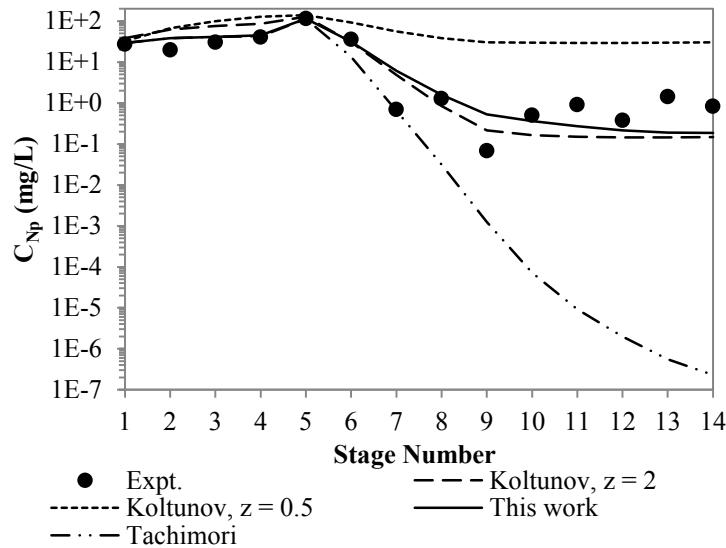


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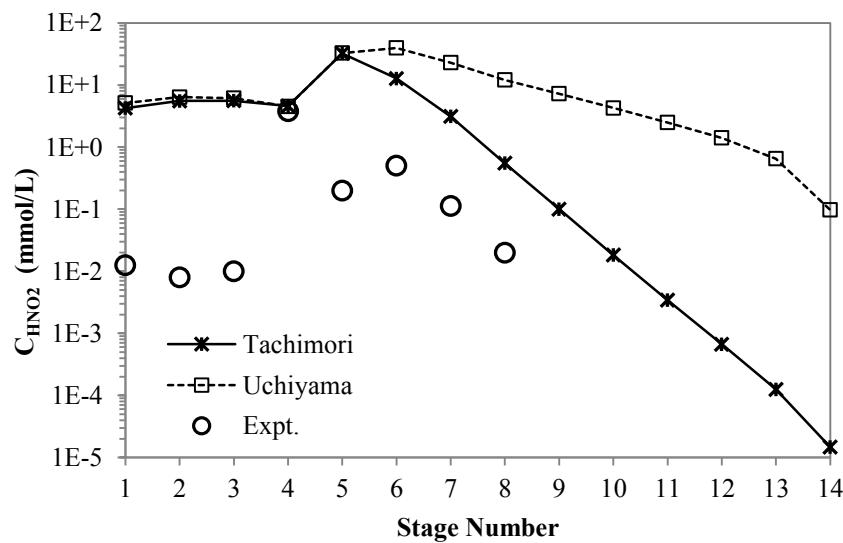


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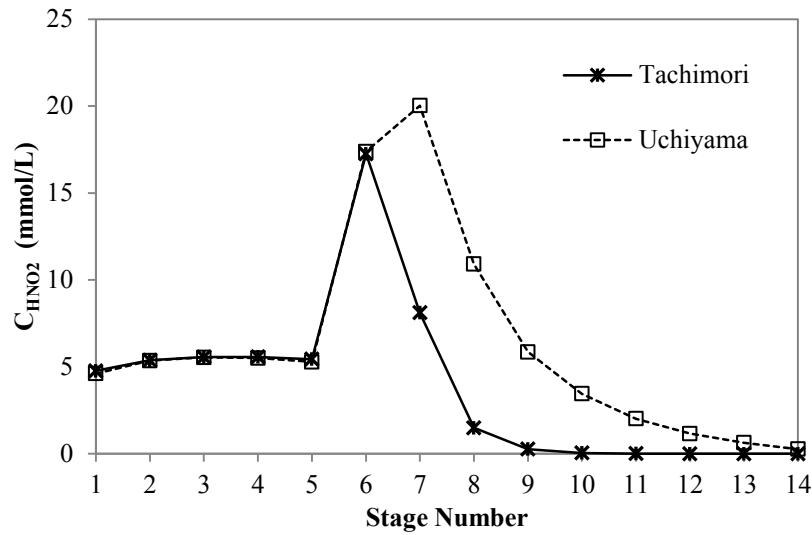


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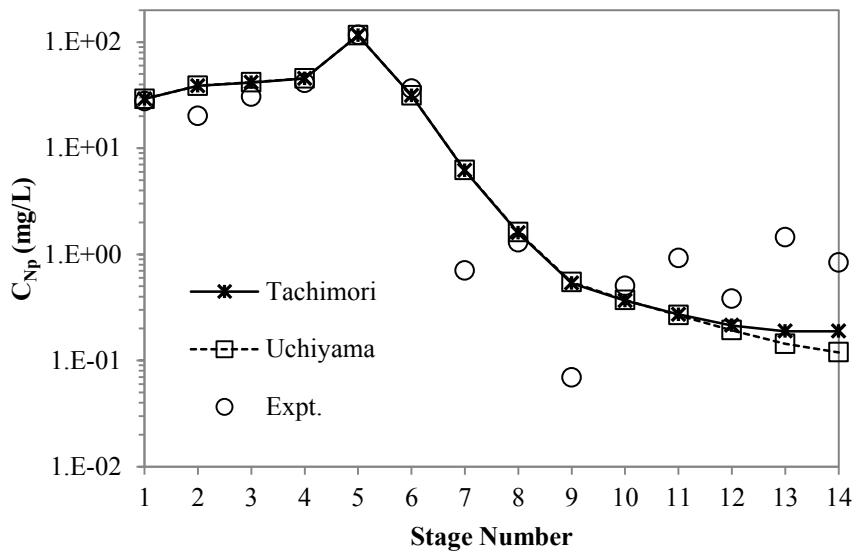


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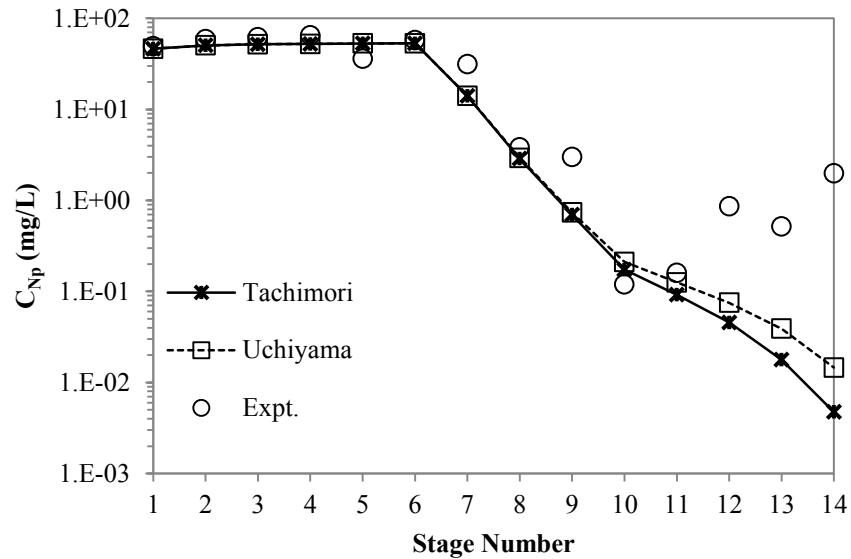


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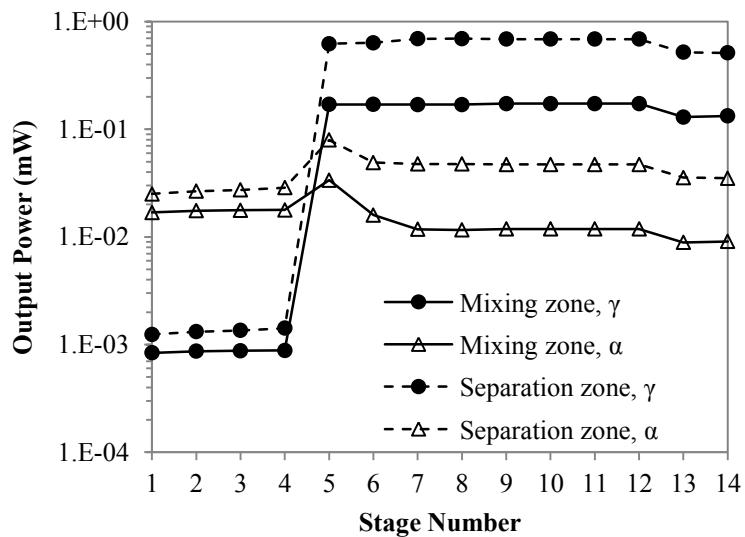
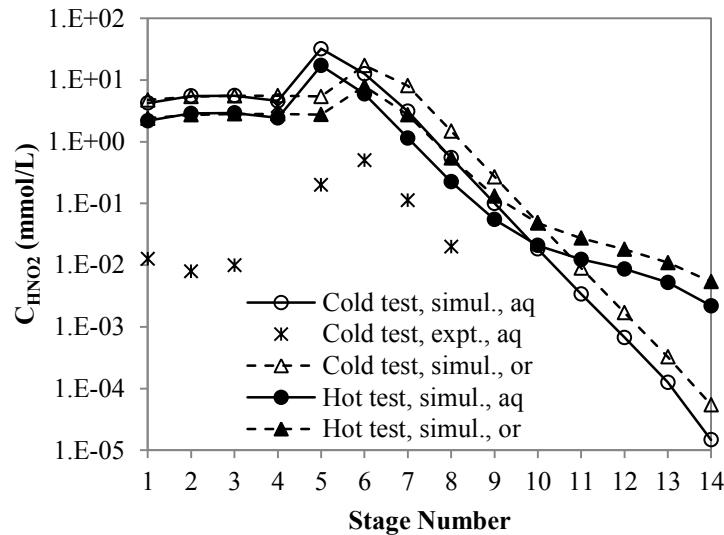
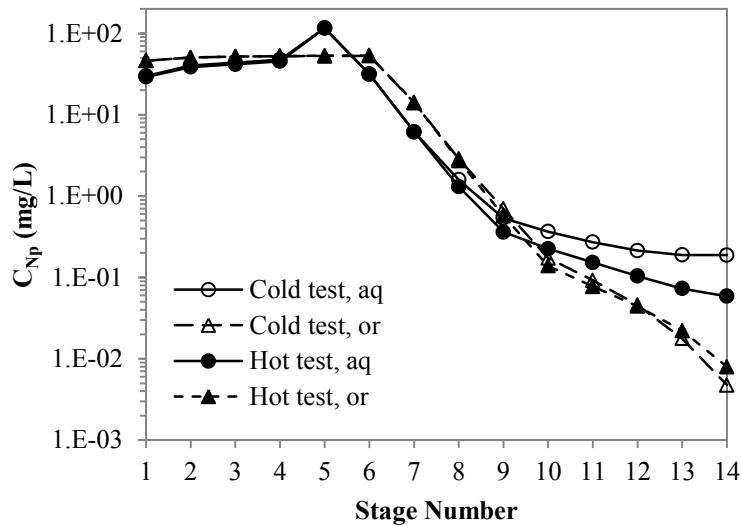


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(a)



(b)

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