

### How are QuantArray® results reported?

One of the primary advantages of the QuantArray®-Chlor is the simultaneous quantification of a broad spectrum of different microorganisms and key functional genes involved in a variety of pathways for chlorinated hydrocarbon biodegradation. However, highly parallel quantification combined with the various metabolic and cometabolic capabilities of different target organisms can complicate data presentation. Therefore, in addition to Summary Tables, QuantArray® results will be presented as Microbial Population Summary and Comparison Figures to aid in data interpretation and subsequent evaluation of site management activities.

#### Types of Tables and Figures:

<b>Microbial Population Summary</b>	Figure presenting the concentrations of QuantArray®-Chlor target populations (e.g. <i>Dehalococcoides</i> ) and functional genes (e.g. vinyl chloride reductase) relative to typically observed values.
<b>Summary Tables</b>	Tables of target population concentrations grouped by biodegradation pathway and contaminant type.
<b>Comparison Figures</b>	Depending on the project, sample results can be presented to compare changes over time or examine differences in microbial populations along a transect of the dissolved plume.

## Results

**Table 1:** Summary of the QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor results obtained for samples LALF12-W-201908081111, LALF24-W-201908081345, and LALF09-W-201908150927.

Sample Name	LALF12-W-201908081111	LALF24-W-201908081345	LALF09-W-201908150927
Sample Date	08/08/2019	08/08/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Reductive Dechlorination</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
<i>Dehalococcoides</i> (DHC)	<b>4.16E+01</b>	<b>2.00E-01 (J)</b>	<b>3.63E+01</b>
tceA Reductase (TCE)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
BAV1 Vinyl Chloride Reductase (BVC)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
Vinyl Chloride Reductase (VCR)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
<i>Dehalobacter</i> spp. (DHBt)	<b>1.74E+01</b>	<4.90E+00	<b>1.08E+02</b>
<i>Dehalobacter</i> DCM (DCM)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas</i> spp. (DHG)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
cerA Reductase (CER)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
trans-1,2-DCE Reductase (TDR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Desulfitobacterium</i> spp. (DSB)	<4.90E+00	<b>1.37E+01</b>	<b>4.10E+02</b>
<i>Dehalobium chlorocoercia</i> (DECO)	<b>1.22E+01</b>	<4.90E+00	<b>1.17E+03</b>
<i>Desulfuromonas</i> spp. (DSM)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-1)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-2)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Chloroform Reductase (CFR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
1,1 DCA Reductase (DCA)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
1,2 DCA Reductase (DCAR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Aerobic (Co)Metabolic</i>			
Soluble Methane Monooxygenase (SMMO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Dioxygenase (TOD)	<b>8.50E+00</b>	<b>1.80E+00 (J)</b>	<4.80E+00
Phenol Hydroxylase (PHE)	<b>8.00E-01 (J)</b>	<b>3.30E+00 (J)</b>	<b>1.66E+01</b>
Trichlorobenzene Dioxygenase (TCBO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase 2 (RDEG)	<4.90E+00	<b>4.99E+01</b>	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase (RMO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Ethene Monooxygenase (EtnC)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Epoxyalkane Transferase (EtnE)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Dichloromethane Dehalogenase (DCMA)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Other</i>			
Total Eubacteria (EBAC)	<b>1.55E+04</b>	<b>1.14E+05</b>	<b>7.80E+04</b>
Sulfate Reducing Bacteria (APS)	<b>1.53E+02</b>	<4.90E+00	<b>7.18E+02</b>
Methanogens (MGN)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00

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**Table 2:** Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results obtained for samples LALF10-W-201908151100, GWEX2-W-201908151257, and GWEX4-W-201908151440.

Sample Name	LALF10-W- 201908151100	GWEX2-W- 201908151257	GWEX4-W- 201908151440
Sample Date	08/15/2019	08/15/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Reductive Dechlorination</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
<i>Dehalococcoides</i> (DHC)	<b>7.40E+00</b>	<b>4.00E-01 (J)</b>	<b>9.00E-01</b>
tceA Reductase (TCE)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
BAV1 Vinyl Chloride Reductase (BVC)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
Vinyl Chloride Reductase (VCR)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
<i>Dehalobacter</i> spp. (DHBt)	<4.90E+00	<b>7.15E+02</b>	<b>8.47E+02</b>
<i>Dehalobacter</i> DCM (DCM)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas</i> spp. (DHG)	<b>4.72E+01</b>	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
cerA Reductase (CER)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
trans-1,2-DCE Reductase (TDR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Desulfitobacterium</i> spp. (DSB)	<b>1.38E+01</b>	<5.10E+00	<b>5.95E+02</b>
<i>Dehalobium chloroerca</i> (DECO)	<b>2.56E+02</b>	<b>1.20E+03</b>	<b>1.99E+02</b>
<i>Desulfuromonas</i> spp. (DSM)	<4.90E+00	<b>1.24E+02</b>	<b>2.60E+00 (J)</b>
PCE Reductase (PCE-1)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-2)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Chloroform Reductase (CFR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
1,1 DCA Reductase (DCA)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
1,2 DCA Reductase (DCAR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Aerobic (Co)Metabolic</i>			
Soluble Methane Monooxygenase (SMMO)	<b>1.42E+02</b>	<b>2.42E+02</b>	<4.80E+00
Toluene Dioxygenase (TOD)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Phenol Hydroxylase (PHE)	<b>1.01E+02</b>	<b>5.83E+02</b>	<b>1.66E+02</b>
Trichlorobenzene Dioxygenase (TCBO)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase 2 (RDEG)	<b>1.04E+02</b>	<b>5.65E+02</b>	<b>4.13E+02</b>
Toluene Monooxygenase (RMO)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<b>1.91E+02</b>
Ethene Monooxygenase (EtnC)	<b>5.30E+00</b>	<b>1.23E+01</b>	<4.80E+00
Epoxyalkane Transferase (EtnE)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Dichloromethane Dehalogenase (DCMA)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Other</i>			
Total Eubacteria (EBAC)	<b>1.49E+05</b>	<b>7.86E+05</b>	<b>2.62E+05</b>
Sulfate Reducing Bacteria (APS)	<b>5.79E+02</b>	<b>7.60E+03</b>	<b>2.55E+03</b>
Methanogens (MGN)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00

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### Microbial Populations LALF12-W-201908081111

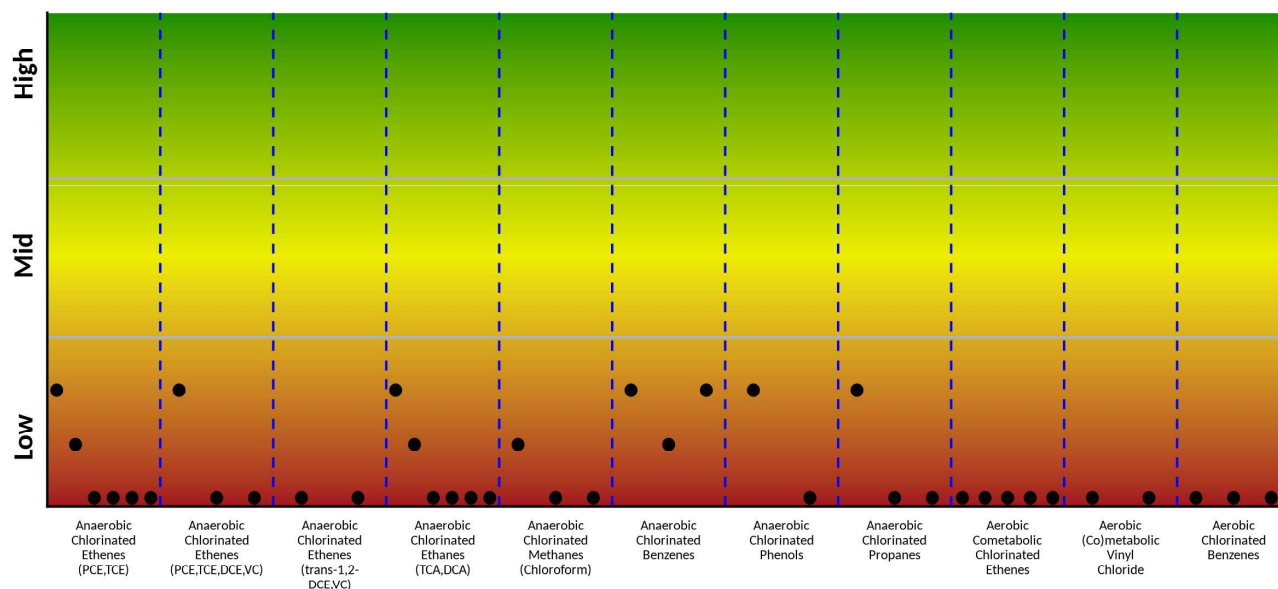


Figure 1: Microbial population summary to aid in evaluating potential pathways and biodegradation of specific contaminants.

#### Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination

Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>

#### Aerobic - (Co)metabolism

Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC) (Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimians* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.

### Microbial Populations LALF24-W-201908081345

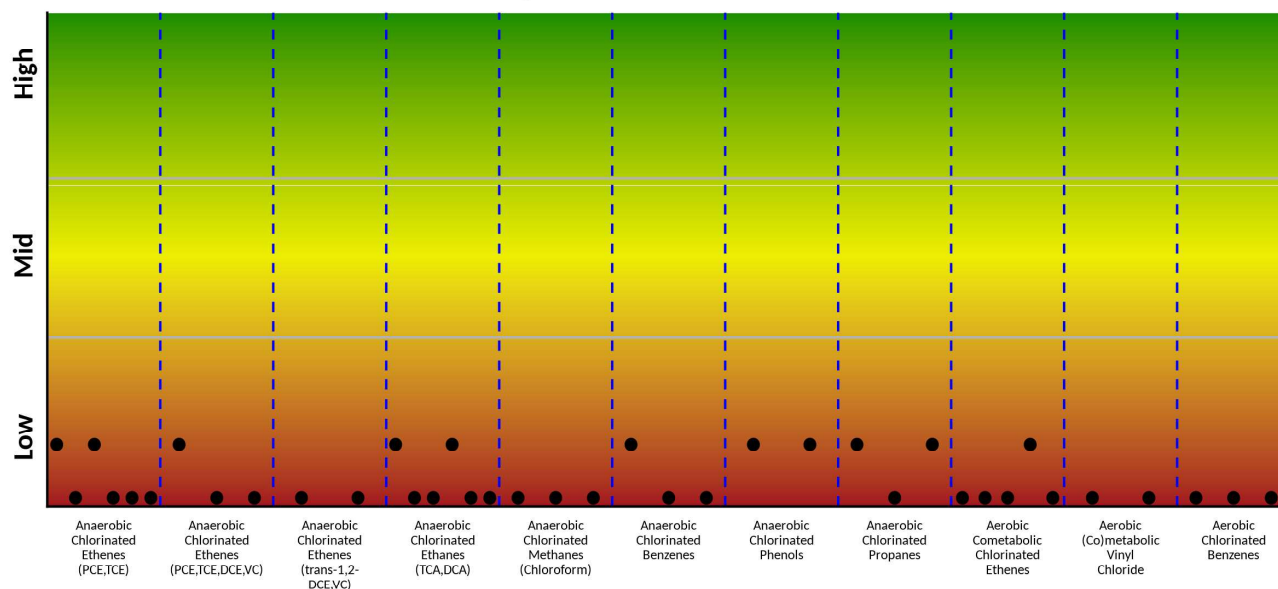


Figure 2: Microbial population summary to aid in evaluating potential pathways and biodegradation of specific contaminants.

#### Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination

Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>

#### Aerobic - (Co)metabolism

Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC) (Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimans* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.

### Microbial Populations LALF09-W-201908150927

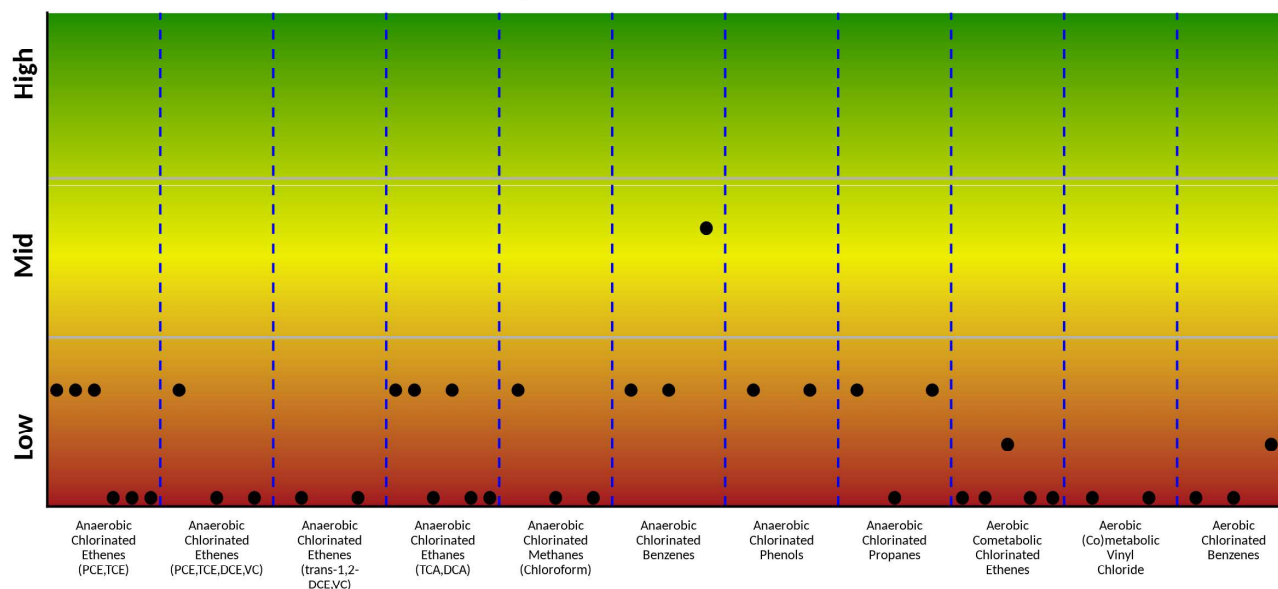


Figure 3: Microbial population summary to aid in evaluating potential pathways and biodegradation of specific contaminants.

Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination		Aerobic - (Co)metabolism	
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2	Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC)	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR	(Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER	Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR		
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR		
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO		
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB		
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>		

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimians* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.

### Microbial Populations LALF10-W-201908151100

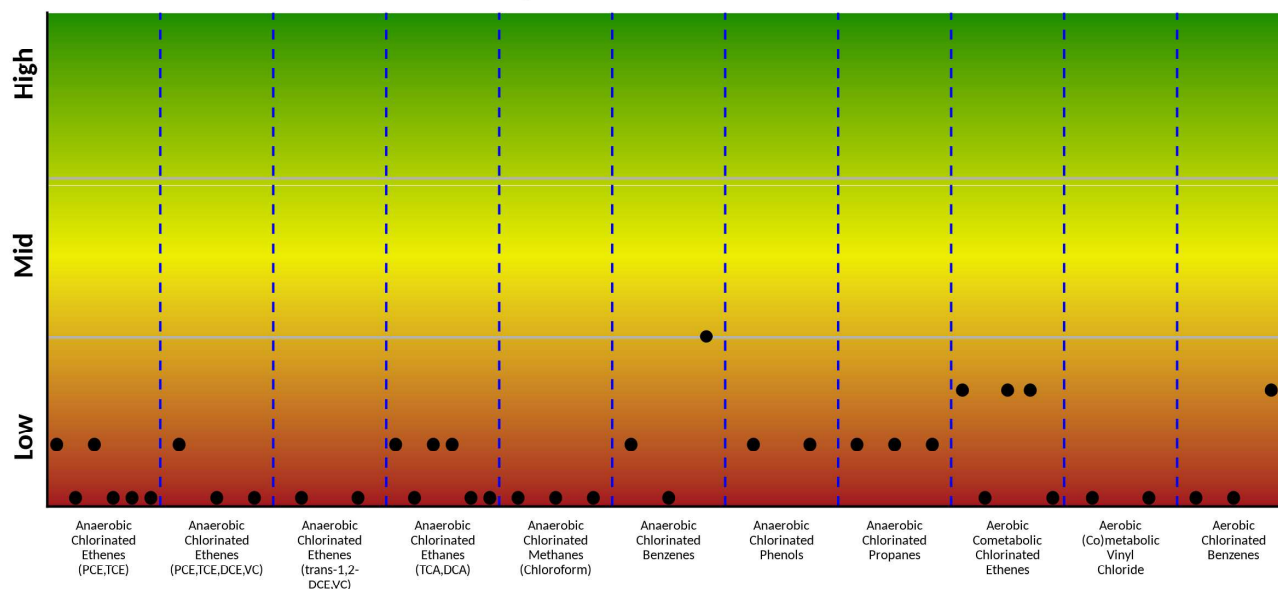


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#### Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination

Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>

#### Aerobic - (Co)metabolism

Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC) (Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimans* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.

### Microbial Populations GWEX2-W-201908151257

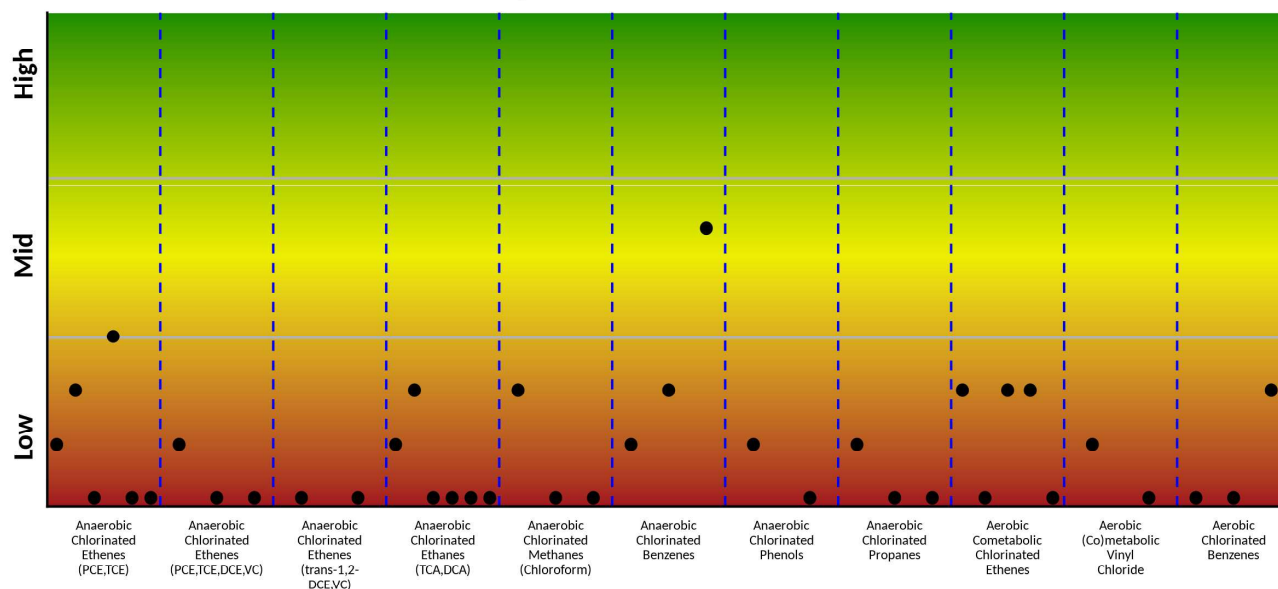


Figure 5: Microbial population summary to aid in evaluating potential pathways and biodegradation of specific contaminants.

#### Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination

Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>

#### Aerobic - (Co)metabolism

Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC) (Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimians* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.



### Microbial Populations GWEX4-W-201908151440

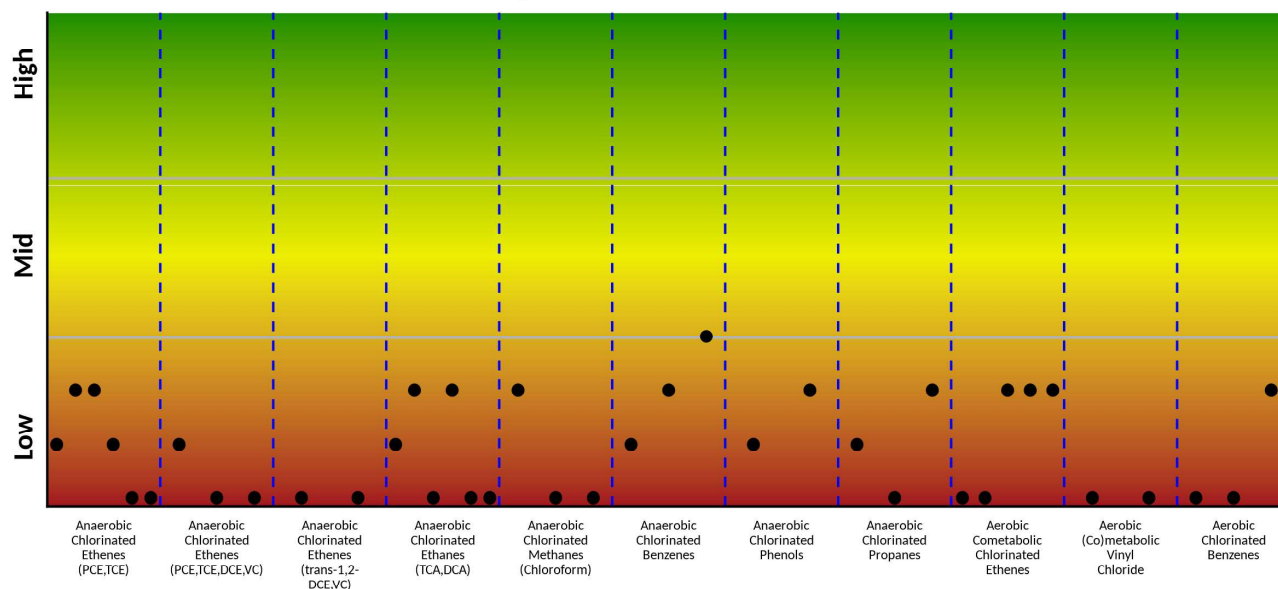


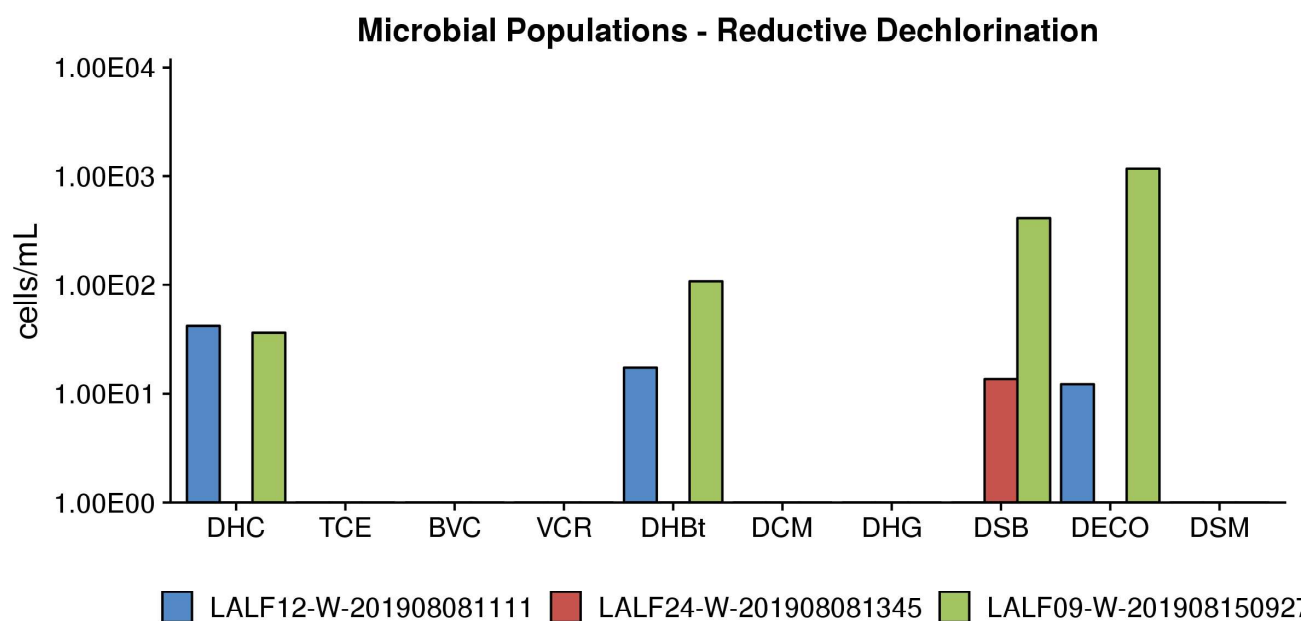
Figure 6: Microbial population summary to aid in evaluating potential pathways and biodegradation of specific contaminants.

Anaerobic - Reductive Dechlorination or Dichloroelimination		Aerobic - (Co)metabolism	
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE)	DHC, DHBt, DSB, DSM, PCE-1, PCE-2	Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE,DCE,VC)	sMMO, TOD, PHE, RDEG, RMO
Chlorinated Ethenes (PCE, TCE, DCE, VC)	DHC, BVC, VCR	(Co)metabolic Vinyl Chloride	etnC, etnE
Chlorinated Ethenes (trans-1,2-DCE, VC)	TDR, CER	Chlorinated Benzenes	TOD, TCBO, PHE
Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA and 1,2-DCA)	DHC, DHBt, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup> , DCA, DCAR		
Chlorinated Methanes (Chloroform)	DHBt, DCM, CFR		
Chlorinated Benzenes	DHC, DHBt <sup>2</sup> , DECO		
Chlorinated Phenols	DHC, DSB		
Chlorinated Propanes	DHC, DHG, DSB <sup>1</sup>		

<sup>1</sup>*Desulfotobacterium dichloroelimians* DCA1. <sup>2</sup>Implicated in reductive dechlorination of dichlorobenzene and potentially chlorobenzene.

**Table 3:** Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for reductive dechlorination for samples LALF12-W-201908081111, LALF24-W-201908081345, and LALF09-W-201908150927.

Sample Name	LALF12-W-201908081111	LALF24-W-201908081345	LALF09-W-201908150927
Sample Date	08/08/2019	08/08/2019	08/15/2019
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<i>Dehalococcoides</i> (DHC)	4.16E+01	2.00E-01 (J)	3.63E+01
tceA Reductase (TCE)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
BAV1 Vinyl Chloride Reductase (BVC)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
Vinyl Chloride Reductase (VCR)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
<i>Dehalobacter</i> spp. (DHBt)	1.74E+01	<4.90E+00	1.08E+02
<i>Dehalobacter</i> DCM (DCM)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas</i> spp. (DHG)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Desulfitobacterium</i> spp. (DSB)	<4.90E+00	1.37E+01	4.10E+02
<i>Dehalobium chlorocoercia</i> (DECO)	1.22E+01	<4.90E+00	1.17E+03
<i>Desulfuromonas</i> spp. (DSM)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00



**Figure 7:** Comparison - microbial populations involved in reductive dechlorination.

Table 4: Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for reductive dechlorination for samples LALF12-W-201908081111, LALF24-W-201908081345, and LALF09-W-201908150927.

Sample Name	LALF12-W-201908081111	LALF24-W-201908081345	LALF09-W-201908150927
Sample Date	08/08/2019	08/08/2019	08/15/2019
Reductive Dechlorination	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Chloroform Reductase (CFR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
1,1 DCA Reductase (DCA)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
1,2 DCA Reductase (DCAR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-1)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-2)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas trans-1,2-DCE</i> Reductase (TDR)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
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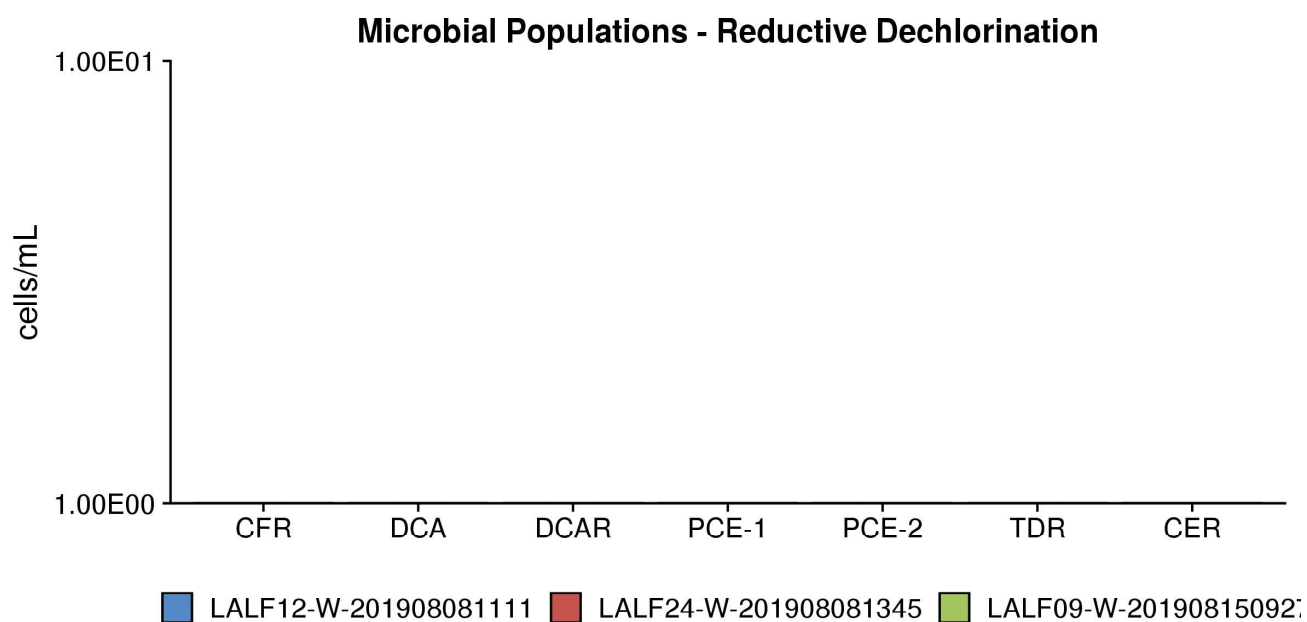


Figure 8: Comparison - microbial populations involved in reductive dechlorination.

Table 5: Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for reductive dechlorination for samples LALF10-W-201908151100, GWEX2-W-201908151257, and GWEX4-W-201908151440.

Sample Name	LALF10-W-201908151100	GWEX2-W-201908151257	GWEX4-W-201908151440
Sample Date	08/15/2019	08/15/2019	08/15/2019
Reductive Dechlorination	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
<i>Dehalococcoides</i> (DHC)	7.40E+00	4.00E-01 (J)	9.00E-01
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Vinyl Chloride Reductase (VCR)	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01	<5.00E-01
<i>Dehalobacter</i> spp. (DHBt)	<4.90E+00	7.15E+02	8.47E+02
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<i>Dehalogenimonas</i> spp. (DHG)	4.72E+01	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Desulfitobacterium</i> spp. (DSB)	1.38E+01	<5.10E+00	5.95E+02
<i>Dehalobium chlorocoercia</i> (DECO)	2.56E+02	1.20E+03	1.99E+02
<i>Desulfuromonas</i> spp. (DSM)	<4.90E+00	1.24E+02	2.60E+00 (J)

### Microbial Populations - Reductive Dechlorination

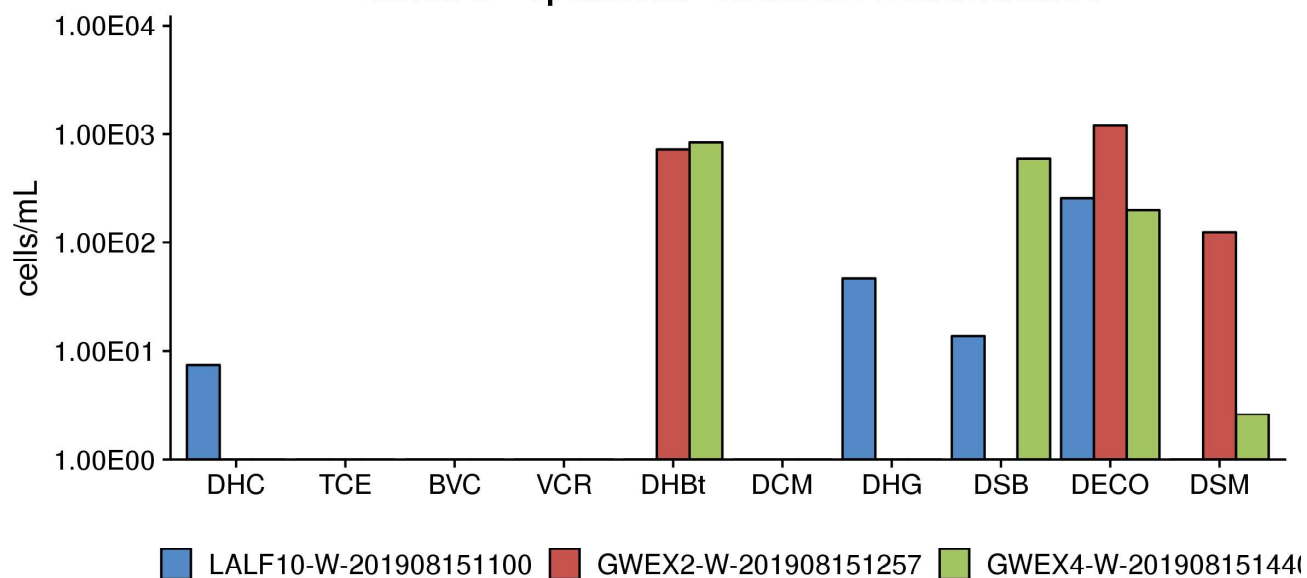
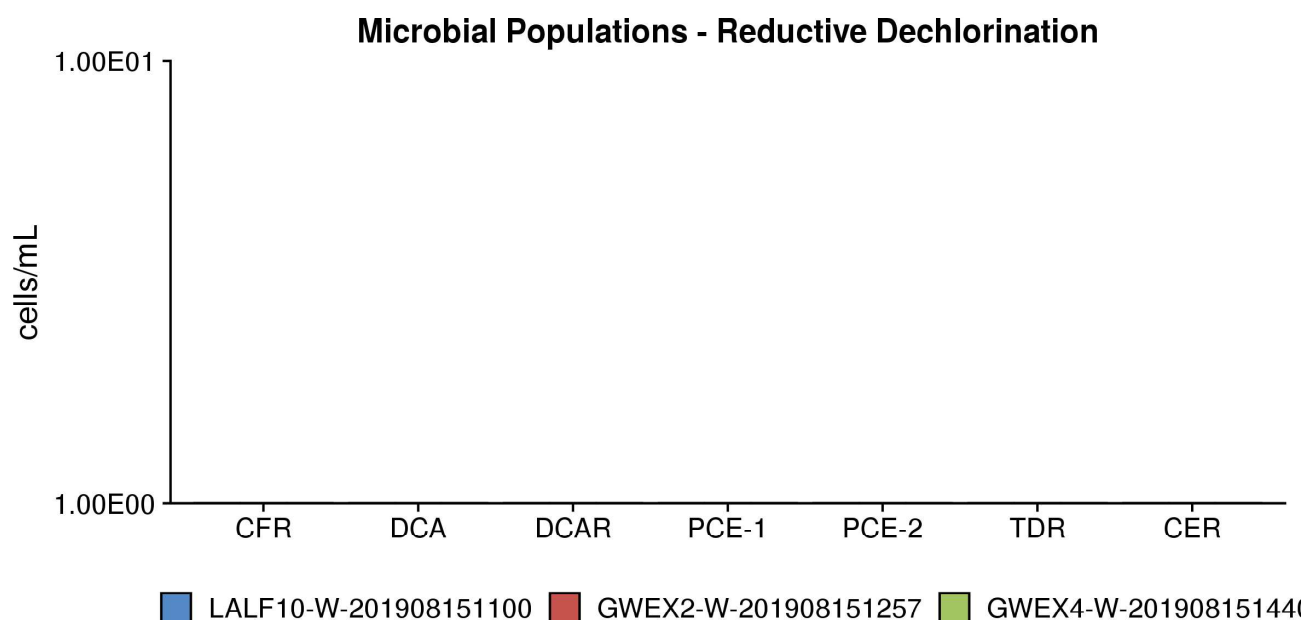


Figure 9: Comparison - microbial populations involved in reductive dechlorination.

**Table 6:** Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for reductive dechlorination for samples LALF10-W-201908151100, GWEX2-W-201908151257, and GWEX4-W-201908151440.

Sample Name	LALF10-W-201908151100	GWEX2-W-201908151257	GWEX4-W-201908151440
Sample Date	08/15/2019	08/15/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Reductive Dechlorination</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Chloroform Reductase (CFR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
1,1 DCA Reductase (DCA)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
1,2 DCA Reductase (DCAR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-1)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
PCE Reductase (PCE-2)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas trans-1,2-DCE</i> Reductase (TDR)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
<i>Dehalogenimonas cerA</i> Reductase (CER)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00



**Figure 10:** Comparison - microbial populations involved in reductive dechlorination.

Table 7: Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for aerobic (co)metabolism for samples LALF12-W-201908081111, LALF24-W-201908081345, and LALF09-W-201908150927.

Sample Name	LALF12-W-201908081111	LALF24-W-201908081345	LALF09-W-201908150927
Sample Date	08/08/2019	08/08/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Aerobic (Co)Metabolic</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Soluble Methane Monooxygenase (SMMO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Dioxygenase (TOD)	<b>8.50E+00</b>	<b>1.80E+00 (J)</b>	<4.80E+00
Phenol Hydroxylase (PHE)	<b>8.00E-01 (J)</b>	<b>3.30E+00 (J)</b>	<b>1.66E+01</b>
Trichlorobenzene Dioxygenase (TCBO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase 2 (RDEG)	<4.90E+00	<b>4.99E+01</b>	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase (RMO)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Ethene Monooxygenase (EtnC)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Epoxyalkane Transferase (EtnE)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00
Dichloromethane Dehalogenase (DCMA)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00

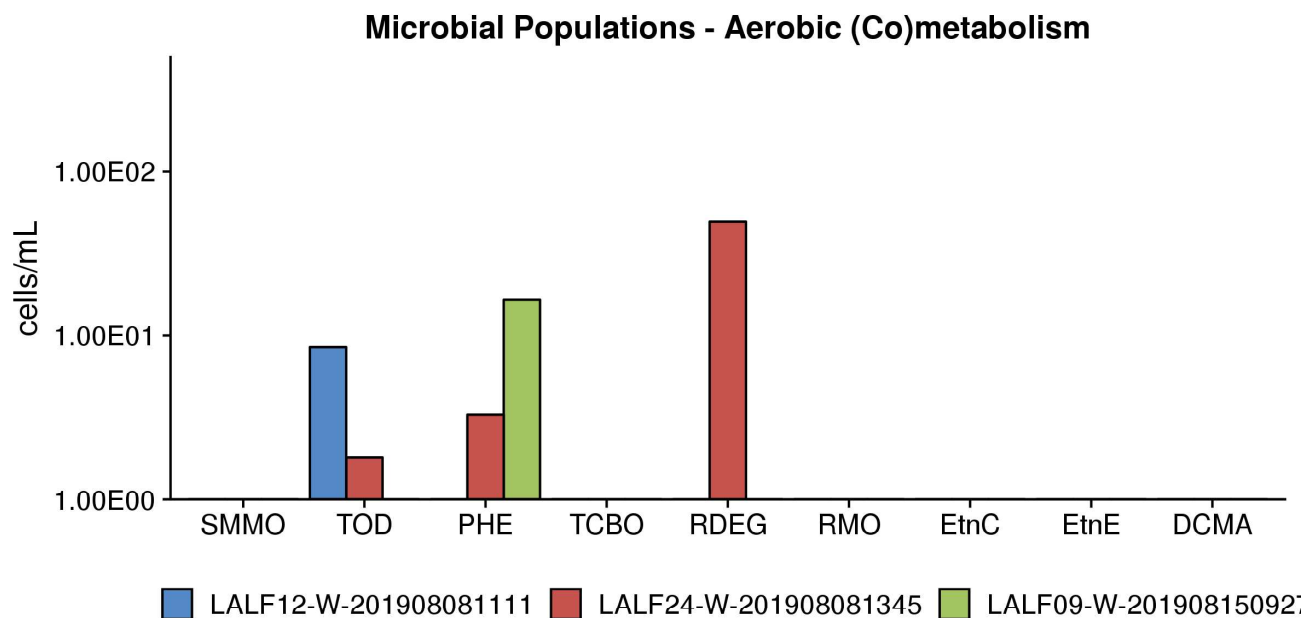


Figure 11: Comparison - microbial populations involved in aerobic (co)metabolism.

Table 8: Summary of the QuantArray®-Chlor results for microorganisms responsible for aerobic (co)metabolism for samples LALF10-W-201908151100, GWEX2-W-201908151257, and GWEX4-W-201908151440.

Sample Name	LALF10-W-201908151100	GWEX2-W-201908151257	GWEX4-W-201908151440
Sample Date	08/15/2019	08/15/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Aerobic (Co)Metabolic</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Soluble Methane Monooxygenase (SMMO)	1.42E+02	2.42E+02	<4.80E+00
Toluene Dioxygenase (TOD)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Phenol Hydroxylase (PHE)	1.01E+02	5.83E+02	1.66E+02
Trichlorobenzene Dioxygenase (TCBO)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Toluene Monooxygenase 2 (RDEG)	1.04E+02	5.65E+02	4.13E+02
Toluene Monooxygenase (RMO)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	1.91E+02
Ethene Monooxygenase (EtnC)	5.30E+00	1.23E+01	<4.80E+00
Epoxyalkane Transferase (EtnE)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00
Dichloromethane Dehalogenase (DCMA)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00

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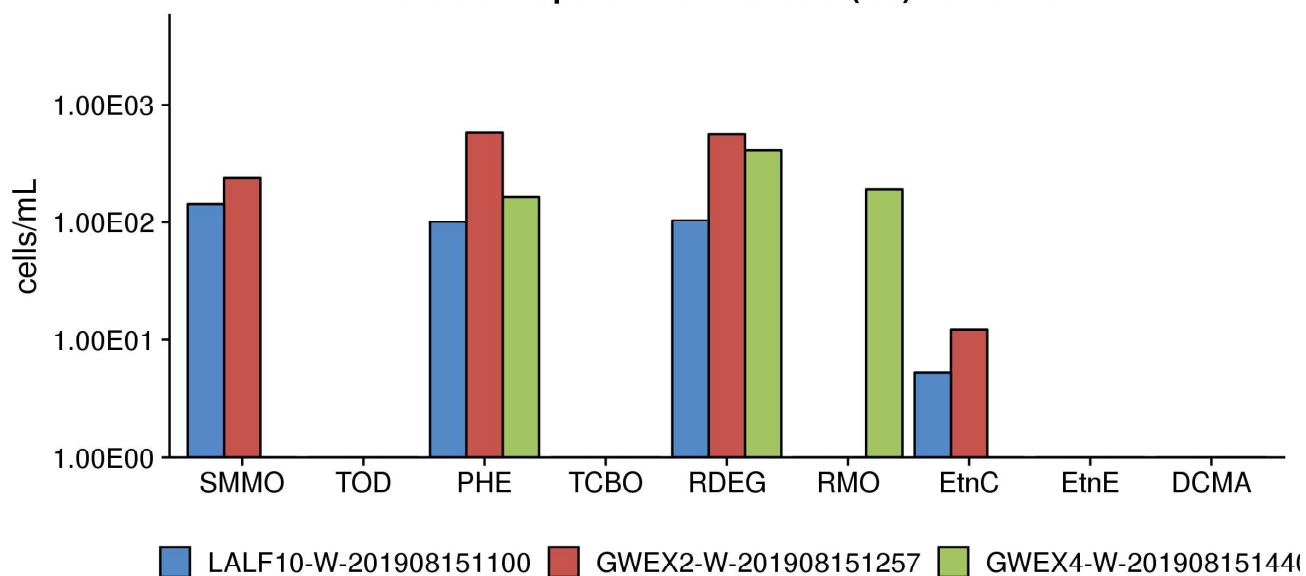


Figure 12: Comparison - microbial populations involved in aerobic (co)metabolism.

Table 9: Summary of the QuantArray® results for total bacteria and other populations for samples LALF12-W-201908081111, LALF24-W-201908081345, and LALF09-W-201908150927.

Sample Name	LALF12-W-201908081111	LALF24-W-201908081345	LALF09-W-201908150927
Sample Date	08/08/2019	08/08/2019	08/15/2019
Other	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Total Eubacteria (EBAC)	1.55E+04	1.14E+05	7.80E+04
Sulfate Reducing Bacteria (APS)	1.53E+02	<4.90E+00	7.18E+02
Methanogens (MGN)	<4.90E+00	<4.90E+00	<4.80E+00

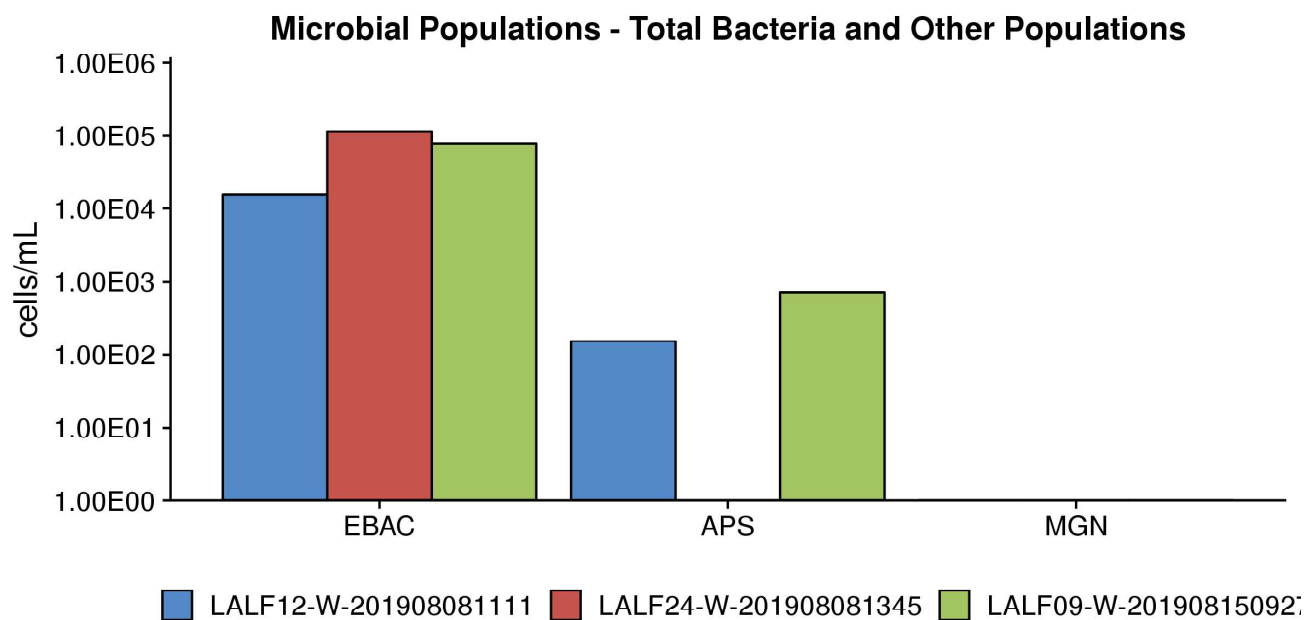


Figure 13: Comparison - microbial populations.



Table 10: Summary of the QuantArray® results for total bacteria and other populations for samples LALF10-W-201908151100, GWEX2-W-201908151257, and GWEX4-W-201908151440.

Sample Name	LALF10-W-201908151100	GWEX2-W-201908151257	GWEX4-W-201908151440
Sample Date	08/15/2019	08/15/2019	08/15/2019
<i>Other</i>	cells/mL	cells/mL	cells/mL
Total Eubacteria (EBAC)	1.49E+05	7.86E+05	2.62E+05
Sulfate Reducing Bacteria (APS)	5.79E+02	7.60E+03	2.55E+03
Methanogens (MGN)	<4.90E+00	<5.10E+00	<4.80E+00

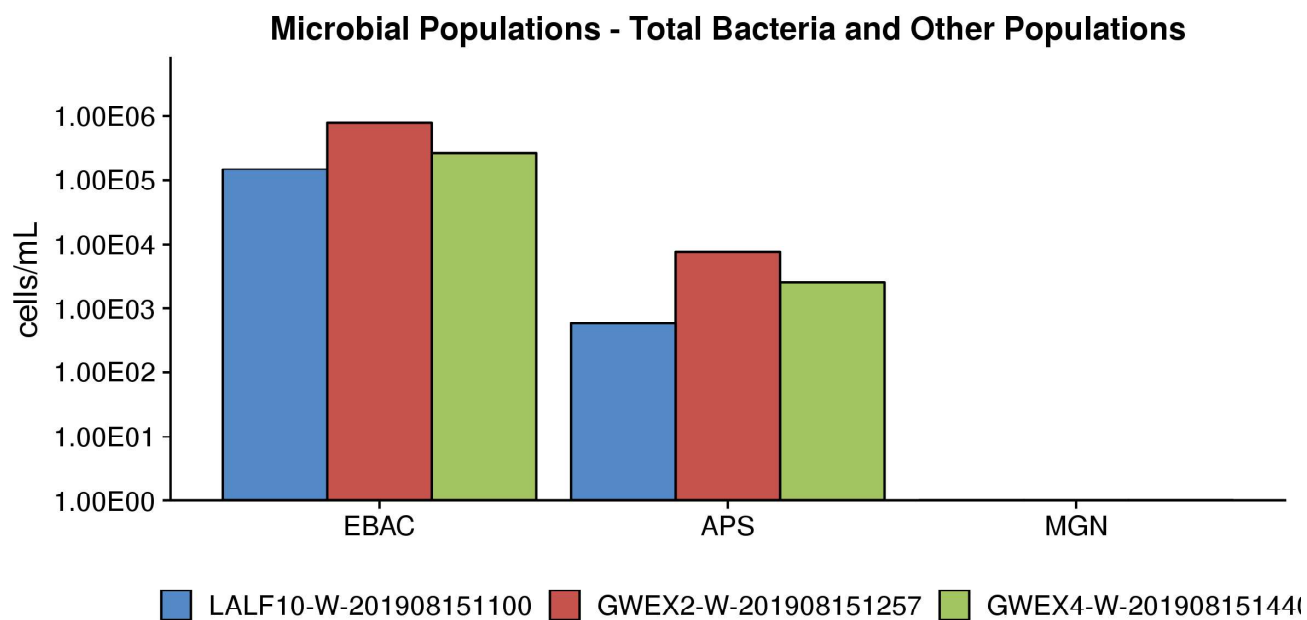


Figure 14: Comparison - microbial populations.

## Interpretation

The overall purpose of the QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor is to give site managers the ability to simultaneously yet economically evaluate the potential for biodegradation of a spectrum of common chlorinated contaminants through a multitude of anaerobic and aerobic (co)metabolic pathways in order to provide a clearer and more comprehensive view of contaminant biodegradation. The following discussion describes the interpretation of results in general terms and is meant to serve as a guide.

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Ethenes:** While a number of bacterial cultures including *Dehalococcoides*, *Dehalobacter*, *Desulfotobacterium*, and *Desulfuromonas* spp. capable of utilizing PCE and TCE as growth-supporting electron acceptors have been isolated [1–5], *Dehalococcoides* may be the most important because they are the only bacterial group that has been isolated to date which is capable of complete reductive dechlorination of PCE to ethene [6]. In fact, the presence of *Dehalococcoides* has been associated with complete reductive dechlorination to ethene at sites across North America and Europe [7], and Lu et al. [8] have proposed using a *Dehalococcoides* concentration of  $1 \times 10^4$  cells/mL as a screening criterion to identify sites where biological reductive dechlorination is predicted to proceed at “generally useful” rates.

At chlorinated ethene sites, any “stall” leading to the accumulation of daughter products, especially vinyl chloride, would be a substantial concern. While *Dehalococcoides* concentrations greater than  $1 \times 10^4$  cells/mL correspond to ethene production and useful rates of dechlorination, the range of chlorinated ethenes degraded varies by strain within the *Dehalococcoides* genus [6, 9], and the presence of co-contaminants and competitors can have complex impacts on the halo-respiring microbial community [10–15]. Therefore, QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor also provides quantification of a suite of reductive dehalogenase genes (PCE, TCE, BVC, VCR, CER, and TDR) to more definitively confirm the potential for reductive dechlorination of all chlorinated ethene compounds including vinyl chloride.

Perhaps most importantly, QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor quantifies TCE reductase (TCE) and both known vinyl chloride reductase genes (BVC, VCR) from *Dehalococcoides* to conclusively evaluate the potential for complete reductive dechlorination of chlorinated ethenes to non-toxic ethene [16–18]. In addition, the analysis also includes quantification of reductive dehalogenase genes from *Dehalogenimonas* spp. capable of reductive dechlorination of chlorinated ethenes. More specifically, these are the trans-1,2-DCE dehalogenase gene (TDR) from strain WBC-2 [19] and the vinyl chloride reductase gene (CER) from GP, the only known organisms other than *Dehalococcoides* capable of vinyl chloride reduction [20]. Finally, PCE reductase genes responsible for sequential reductive dechlorination of PCE to cis-DCE by *Sulfurospirillum* and *Geobacter* spp. are also quantified. In mixed cultures, evidence increasingly suggests that partial dechlorinators like *Sulfurospirillum* and *Geobacter* may be responsible for the majority of reductive dechlorination of PCE to TCE and cis-DCE while *Dehalococcoides* functions more as cis-DCE and vinyl chloride reducing specialists [10, 21].

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Ethanes:** Under anaerobic conditions, chlorinated ethanes are susceptible to reductive dechlorination by several groups of halo-respiring bacteria including *Dehalobacter*, *Dehalogenimonas*, and *Dehalococcoides*. While the reported range of chlorinated ethanes utilized varies by genus, species, and sometimes at the strain level, several general observations can be made regarding biodegradation pathways and daughter product formation. *Dehalobacter* spp. have been isolated that are capable of sequential reductive dechlorination of 1,1,1-TCA through 1,1-DCA to chloroethane [13]. Biodegradation of 1,1,2-TCA by several halo-respiring bacteria including *Dehalobacter* and *Dehalogenimonas* spp. proceeds via dichloroelimination producing vinyl chloride [22–24]. Similarly, 1,2-DCA biodegradation by *Dehalobacter*, *Dehalogenimonas*, and *Dehalococcoides* occurs via dichloroelimination producing ethene. While not utilized by many *Desulfotobacterium* isolates, at least one strain, *Desulfotobacterium dichloroeliminans* strain DCA1, is also capable of dichloroelimination of 1,2-DCA [25]. The 1,2-dichloroethane reductive dehalogenase gene (DCAR) from members of *Desulfotobacterium* and *Dehalobacter* is known to dechlorinate 1,2-DCA to ethene, while the 1,1-dichloroethane reductive dehalogenase (DCA) targets the gene responsible for 1,1-DCA dechlorination in some strains of *Dehalobacter*. In addition to chloroform, chloroform reductase (CFR) has also been shown to be responsible for reductive dechlorination of 1,1,1-TCA [26].

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Methanes:** Chloroform is a common co-contaminant at chlorinated solvent sites and can inhibit reductive dechlorination of chlorinated ethenes. Grostern et al. demonstrated that a *Dehalobacter* population was capable of reductive dechlorination of chloroform to produce dichloromethane [27]. The *cfrA* gene encodes the reductase which catalyzes this initial step in chloroform biodegradation [26]. Justicia-Leon et al. have since shown that dichloromethane can support growth of a distinct group of *Dehalobacter* strains via fermentation [28]. The *Dehalobacter* DCM assay targets the 16S rRNA gene of these strains.

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Benzenes:** Chlorinated benzenes are an important class of industrial solvents and chemical intermediates in the production of drugs, dyes, herbicides, and insecticides. The physical-chemical properties of chlorinated benzenes as well as susceptibility to biodegradation are functions of their degree of chlorination and the positions of chlorine substituents. Under anaerobic conditions, reductive dechlorination of higher chlorinated benzenes including hexachlorobenzene (HCB),

pentachlorobenzene (PeCB), tetrachlorobenzene (TeCB) isomers, and trichlorobenzene (TCB) isomers has been well documented [29], although biodegradation of individual compounds and isomers varies between isolates. For example, *Dehalococcoides* strain CBDB1 reductively dechlorinates HCB, PeCB, all three TeCB isomers, 1,2,3-TCB, and 1,2,4-TCB [9, 30]. *Dehalobium chlorocoercia* DF-1 has been shown to be capable of reductive dechlorination of HCB, PeCB, and 1,2,3,5-TeCB [31]. The dichlorobenzene (DCB) isomers and chlorobenzene (CB) were considered relatively recalcitrant under anaerobic conditions. However, new evidence has demonstrated reductive dechlorination of DCBs to CB and CB to benzene [32] with corresponding increases in concentrations of *Dehalobacter* spp. [33].

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Phenols:** Pentachlorophenol (PCP) was one of the most widely used biocides in the U.S. and despite residential use restrictions, is still extensively used industrially as a wood preservative. Along with PCP, the tetrachlorophenol and trichlorophenol isomers were also used as fungicides in wood preserving formulations. 2,4-Dichlorophenol and 2,4,5-TCP were used as chemical intermediates in herbicide production (e.g. 2,4-D) and chlorophenols are known byproducts of chlorine bleaching in the pulp and paper industry. While the range of compounds utilized varies by strain, some *Dehalococcoides* isolates are capable of reductive dechlorination of PCP and other chlorinated phenols. For example, *Dehalococcoides* strain CBDB1 is capable of utilizing PCP, all three tetrachlorophenol (TeCP) congeners, all six trichlorophenol (TCP) congeners, and 2,3-dichlorophenol (2,3-DCP). PCP dechlorination by strain CBDB1 produces a mixture of 3,5-DCP, 3,4-DCP, 2,4-DCP, 3-CP, and 4-CP [34]. In the same study, however, *Dehalococcoides* strain 195 dechlorinated a more narrow spectrum of chlorophenols which included 2,3-DCP, 2,3,4-TCP, and 2,3,6-TCP, but no other TCPs or PCP. Similar to *Dehalococcoides*, some species and strains of *Desulfitobacterium* are capable of utilizing PCP and other chlorinated phenols. *Desulfitobacterium hafniense* PCP-1 is capable of reductive dechlorination of PCP to 3-CP [35]. However, the ability to biodegrade PCP is not universal among *Desulfitobacterium* isolates. *Desulfitobacterium* sp. strain PCE1 and *D. chlororespirans* strain Co23, for example, can utilize some TCP and DCP isomers, but not PCP for growth [2, 36].

**Reductive Dechlorination - Chlorinated Propanes:** *Dehalogenimonas* is a recently described bacterial genus of the phylum Chloroflexi which also includes the well-known chloroethene-respiring *Dehalococcoides* [23]. The *Dehalogenimonas* isolates characterized to date are also halo-respiring bacteria, but utilize a rather unique range of chlorinated compounds as electron acceptors including chlorinated propanes (1,2,3-TCP and 1,2-DCP) and a variety of other vicinally chlorinated alkanes including 1,1,2,2-tetrachloroethane, 1,1,2-trichloroethane, and 1,2-dichloroethane [23].

**Aerobic - Chlorinated Ethene Cometabolism:** Under aerobic conditions, several different types of bacteria including methane-oxidizing bacteria (methanotrophs), and many benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylene, and (BTEX)-utilizing bacteria can cometabolize or co-oxidize TCE, DCE, and vinyl chloride [37]. In general, cometabolism of chlorinated ethenes is mediated by monooxygenase enzymes with “relaxed” specificity that oxidize a primary (growth supporting) substrate (e.g. methane) and co-oxidize the chlorinated compound (e.g. TCE). QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor provides quantification of a suite of genes encoding oxygenase enzymes capable of co-oxidation of chlorinated ethenes including soluble methane monooxygenase (sMMO). Soluble methane monooxygenases co-oxidize a broad range of chlorinated compounds [38–41] including TCE, *cis*-DCE, and vinyl chloride. Furthermore, soluble methane monooxygenases are generally believed to support greater rates of aerobic cometabolism [40]. QuantArray<sup>®</sup>-Chlor also quantifies aromatic oxygenase genes encoding ring hydroxylating toluene monooxygenase genes (RMO, RDEG), toluene dioxygenase (TOD) and phenol hydroxylases (PHE) capable of TCE co-oxidation [42–46]. TCE or a degradation product has been shown to induce expression of toluene monooxygenases in some laboratory studies [43, 47] raising the possibility of TCE cometabolism with an alternative (non-aromatic) growth substrate. Moreover, while a number of additional factors must be considered, recent research under ESTCP Project 201584 has shown positive correlations between concentrations of monooxygenase genes (soluble methane monooxygenase, ring hydroxylating monooxygenases, and phenol hydroxylase) and the rate of TCE degradation [48].

**Aerobic - Chlorinated Ethane Cometabolism:** While less widely studied than cometabolism of chlorinated ethenes, some chlorinated ethanes are also susceptible to co-oxidation. As mentioned previously, soluble methane monooxygenases (sMMO) exhibit very relaxed specificity. In laboratory studies, sMMO has been shown to co-oxidize a number of chlorinated ethanes including 1,1,1-TCA and 1,2-DCA [38, 40].

**Aerobic - Vinyl Chloride Cometabolism:** Beginning in the early 1990s, numerous microcosm studies demonstrated aerobic oxidation of vinyl chloride under MNA conditions without the addition of exogenous primary substrates. Since then, strains of

*Mycobacterium*, *Nocardioideis*, *Pseudomonas*, *Ochrobactrum*, and *Ralstonia* species have been isolated which are capable of aerobic growth on both ethene and vinyl chloride (see Mattes et al. [49] for a review). The initial steps in the pathway are the monooxygenase (*etn*ABCD) catalyzed conversion of ethene and vinyl chloride to their respective epoxyalkanes (epoxyethane and chlorooxirane), followed by epoxyalkane:CoM transferase (*etnE*) mediated conjugation and breaking of the epoxide [50].

**Aerobic - Chlorinated Benzenes:** In general, chlorobenzenes with four or less chlorine groups are susceptible to aerobic biodegradation and can serve as growth-supporting substrates. Toluene dioxygenase (TOD) has a relatively relaxed substrate specificity and mediates the incorporation of both atoms of oxygen into the aromatic ring of benzene and substituted benzenes (toluene and chlorobenzene). Comparison of TOD levels in background and source zone samples from a CB-impacted site suggested that CBs promoted growth of TOD-containing bacteria [51]. In addition, aerobic biodegradation of some trichlorobenzene and even tetrachlorobenzene isomers is initiated by a group of related trichlorobenzene dioxygenase genes (TCBO). Finally, phenol hydroxylases catalyze the continued oxidation and in some cases, the initial oxidation of a variety of monoaromatic compounds. In an independent study, significant increases in numbers of bacteria containing PHE genes corresponded to increases in biodegradation of DCB isomers [51].

**Aerobic - Chlorinated Methanes:** Many aerobic methylotrophic bacteria, belonging to diverse genera (*Hyphomicrobium*, *Methylobacterium*, *Methylophilus*, *Pseudomonas*, *Paracoccus*, and *Alibacter*) have been isolated which are capable of utilizing dichloromethane (DCM) as a growth substrate. The DCM metabolic pathway in methylotrophic bacteria is initiated by a dichloromethane dehalogenase (DCMA) gene. DCMA is responsible for aerobic biodegradation of dichloromethane by methylotrophs by first producing formaldehyde which is then further oxidized [52]. As discussed in previous sections, soluble methane monooxygenase (sMMO) exhibits relaxed specificity and co-oxidizes a broad spectrum of chlorinated hydrocarbons. In addition to chlorinated ethenes, sMMO has been shown to co-oxidize chloroform in laboratory studies [38, 41].

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