

Synthèse organique en réacteurs miniaturisés à flux continu: faire mieux avec moins

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Batch vs. Microflow

Fast reactions

Slow reactions

limited by mass
and heat transfer

kinetic regime

Macrobatch
reactor



millisecond, second

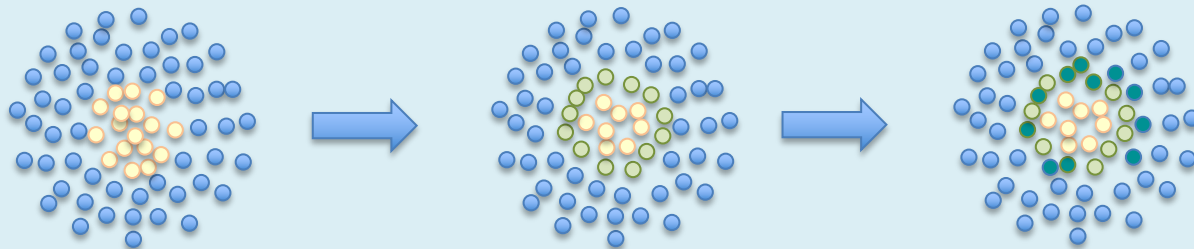
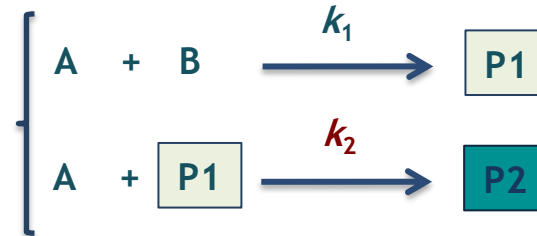
minute, hour



P. Rys, *Acc. Chem. Res.*1976, 345



$k_1 \gg k_2$ \longrightarrow High selectivity for P1



$r_{\text{mixing}} < r_{\text{reaction}}$

unselective reaction

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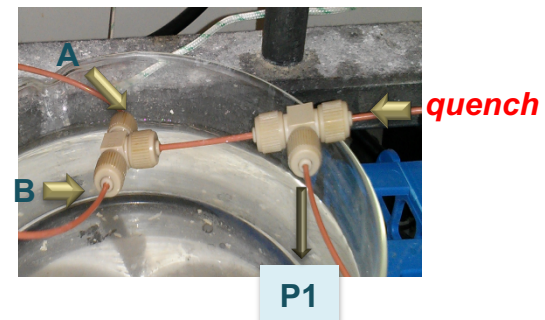
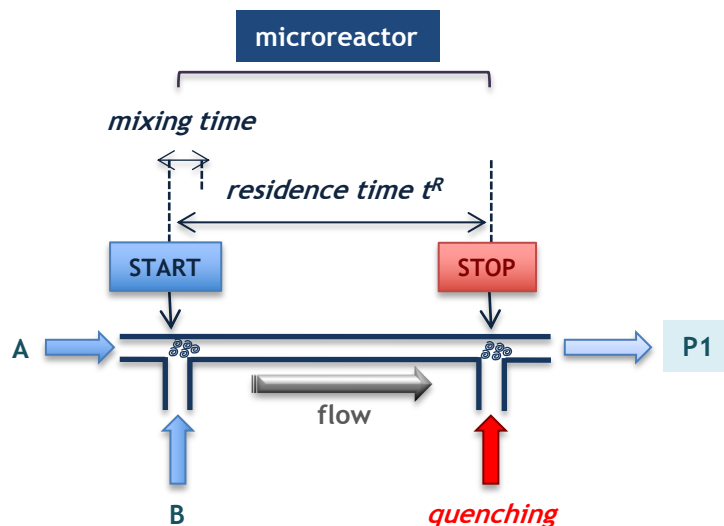
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Fast mixing

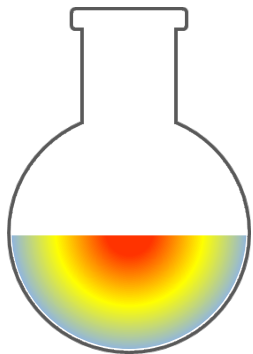
Temperature control

Very precise reaction time
Flash chemistry



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Batch vs. Microflow



ID = 1.5 cm (10 mL)

S/V ratio = 3.6 cm⁻¹ when half-filled



ID = 0.1 cm

S/V ratio = 40 cm⁻¹



ID = 0.025 cm

S/V ratio = 160 cm⁻¹

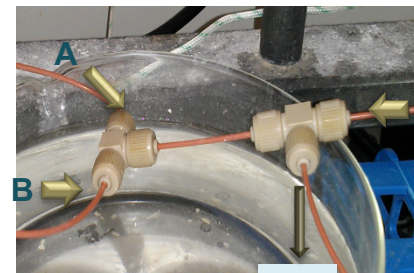
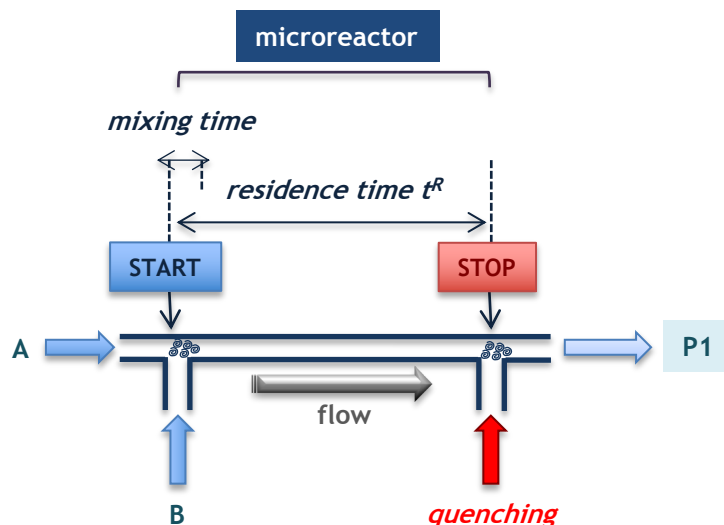
downsizing consequences



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All-in-one devices



Uniqsis FlowSyn



Vapourtec R-Series



Vapourtec E-Series



FutureChemistry FlowStart Evo



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Equipment

(a)

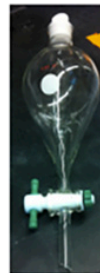
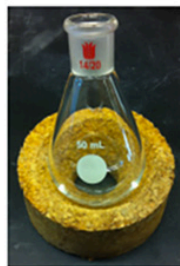
Reactor

Mixing

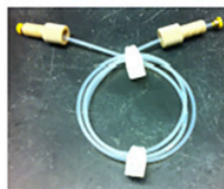
Separating

Pressurizing

Batch



Continuous
Flow



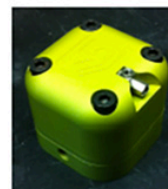
reactor tubing



mixer



membrane
separator



back pressure
regulator

(b)



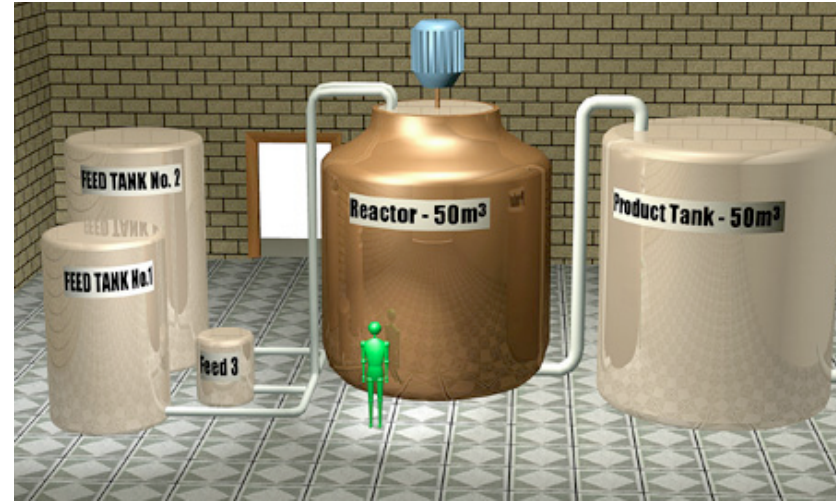
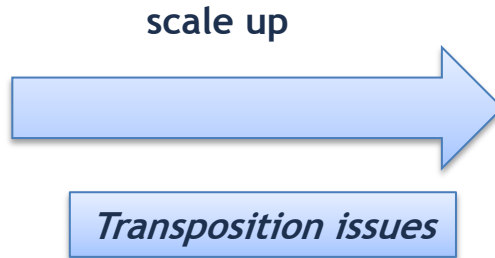
mass flow controller (MFC)



Continuous flow for process intensification



Laboratory
(50 mg - 10 g)

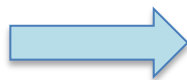


Factory
(kgs - tons)

- material
- physical phenomena (stirring, heating)
- hazard (toxicity, explosivity)
- new synthetic path

Flow

amount produced depends
on flow rate and time

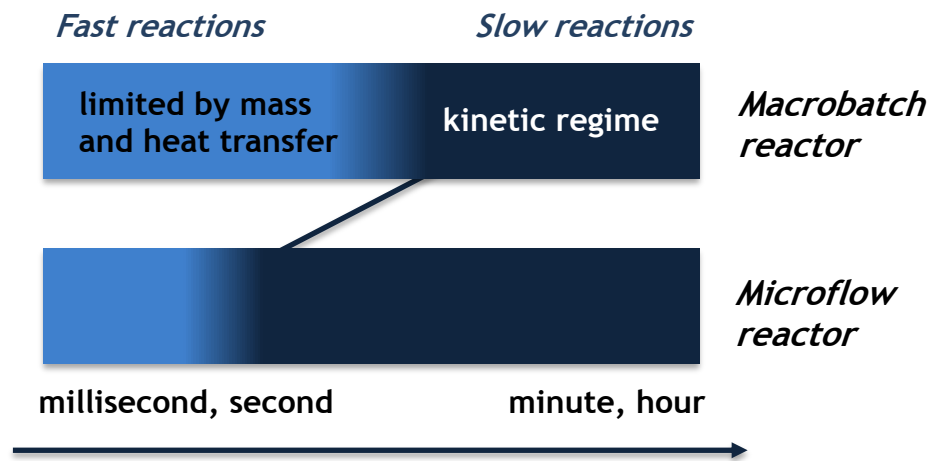


space-time yield = amount of product obtained per hour
for one liter of reactor volume (g/L/h)

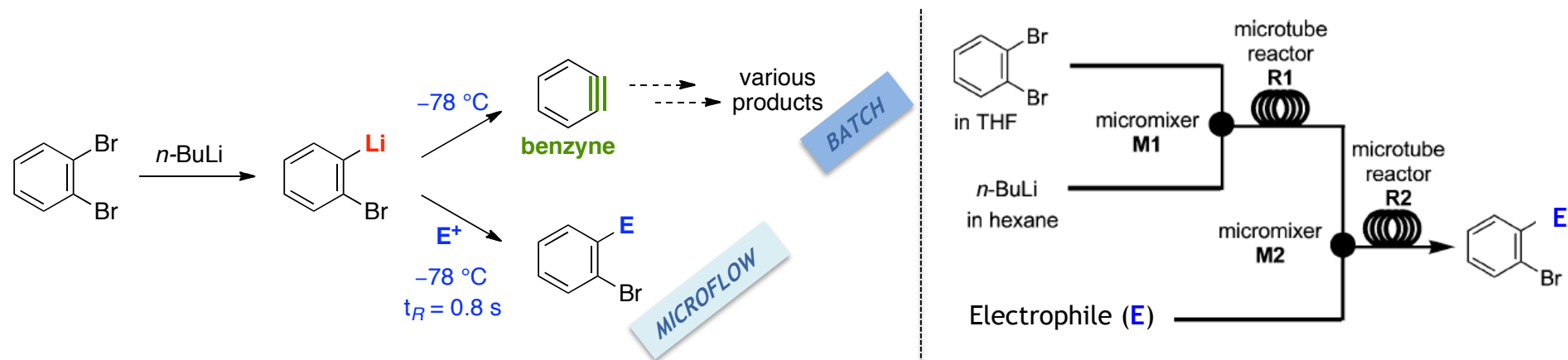
Microflow to overcome competitive consecutive reactions



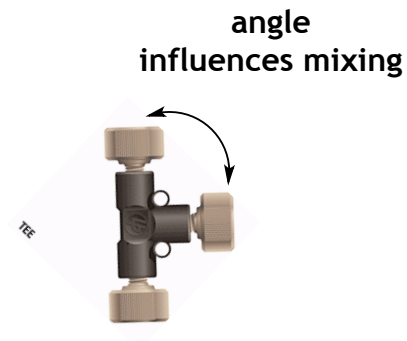
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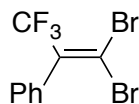
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$t^R = 40$ ms

(in hexanes)

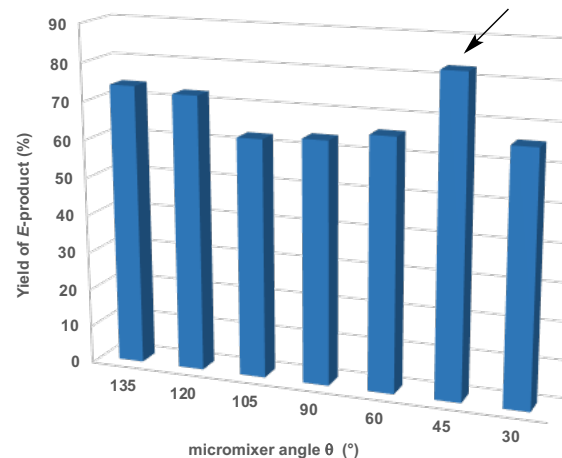
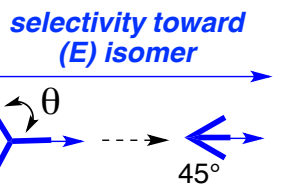
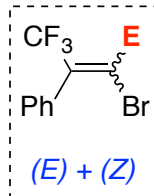
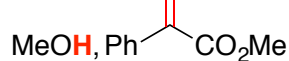
n -BuLi



(in THF)

20 °C

Electrophile **E**



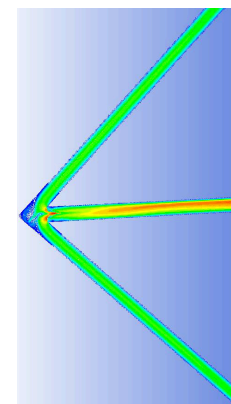
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Productivity = 6.7 g/h

45° angle favors mixing of THF and hexane phases

Space-time yield = 81 kg/L/h



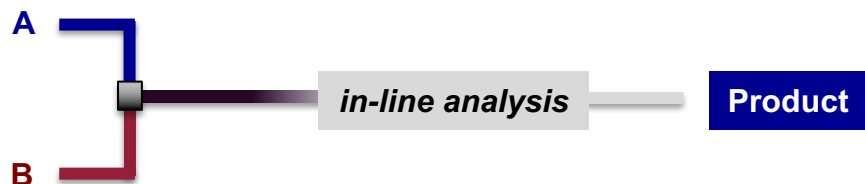
On-board devices / In-line analysis

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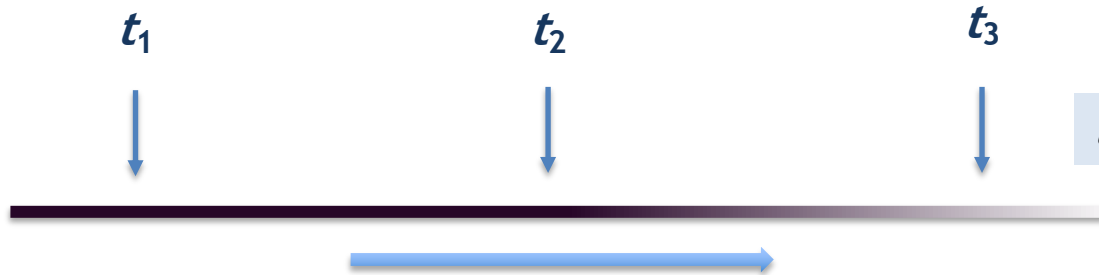
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t_n

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t decreases when Q increases (and vice versa)

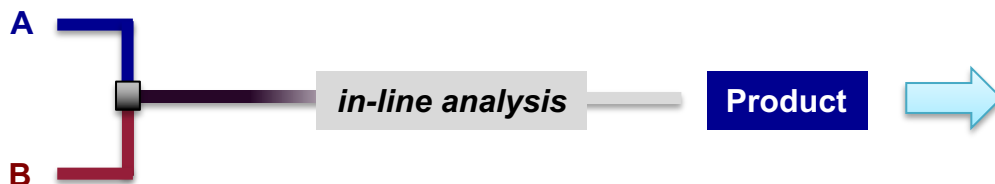
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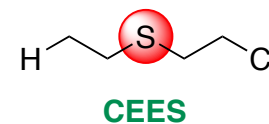
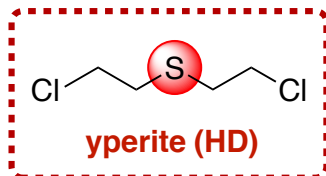
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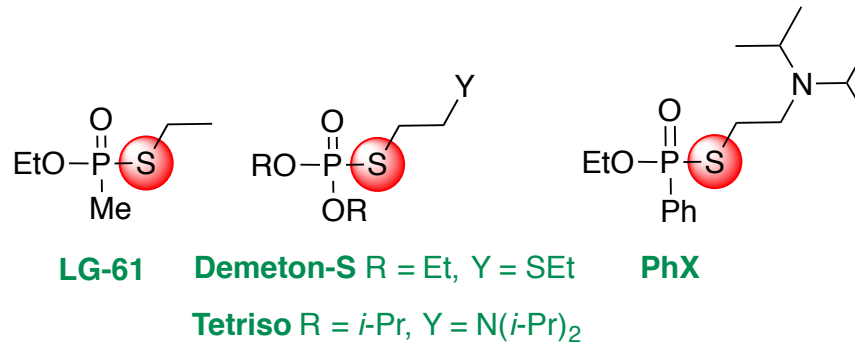
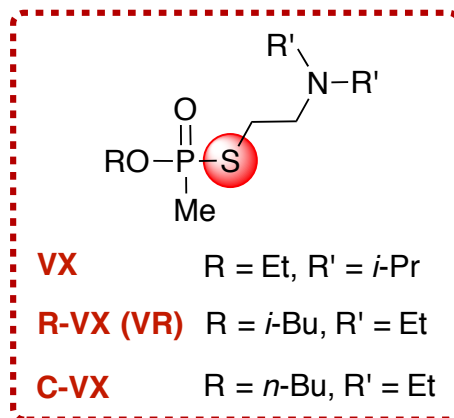
Application to the on-field and sustainable
Neutralisation of chemical warfare agents
(CWA)



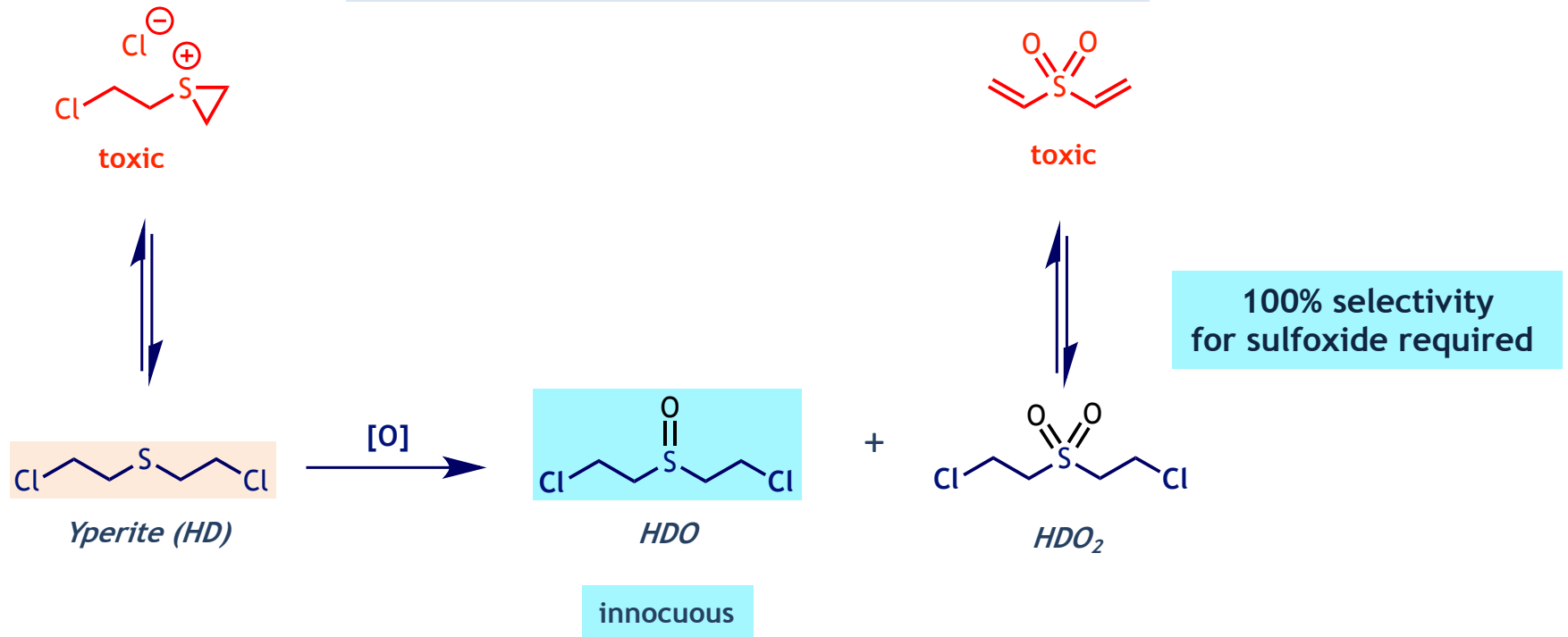
Blistering agents



Nerve agents



Neutralisation of « mustard gas » yperite



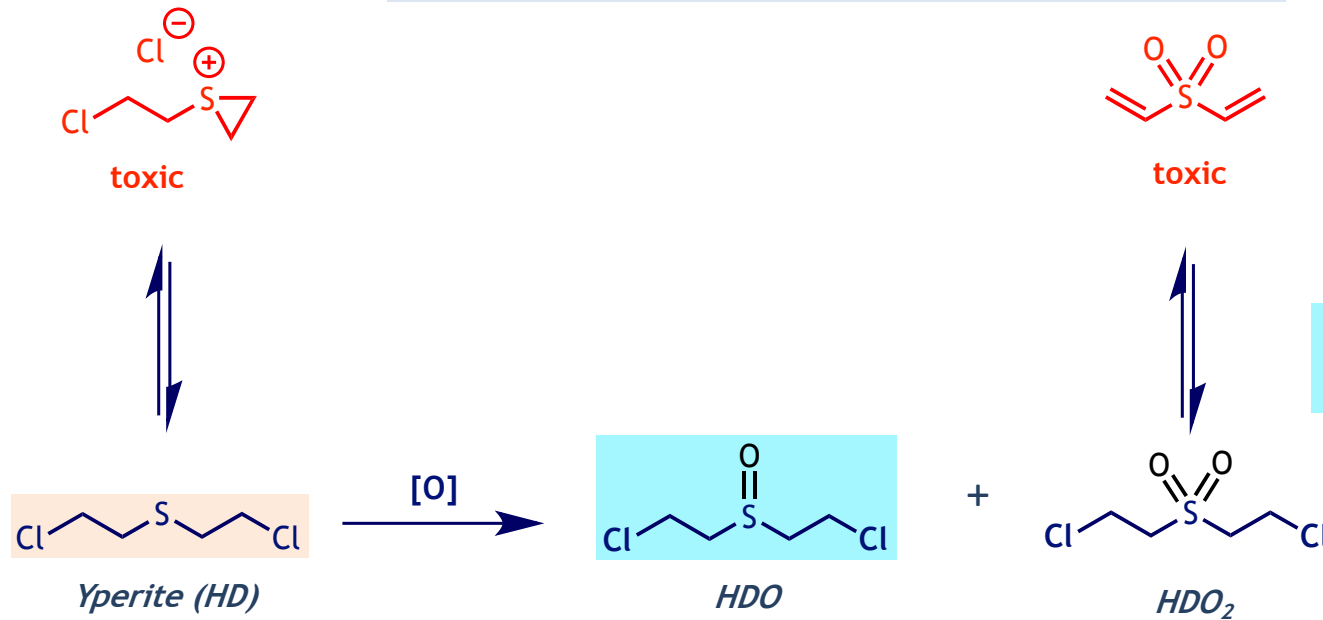
neutralisation by pulverisation of Decon Green

Potential threat of « mustard gas »

moved and destroyed in a secured remote place

- Simple
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Neutralisation of « mustard gas » yperite



100% selectivity
for sulfoxide required

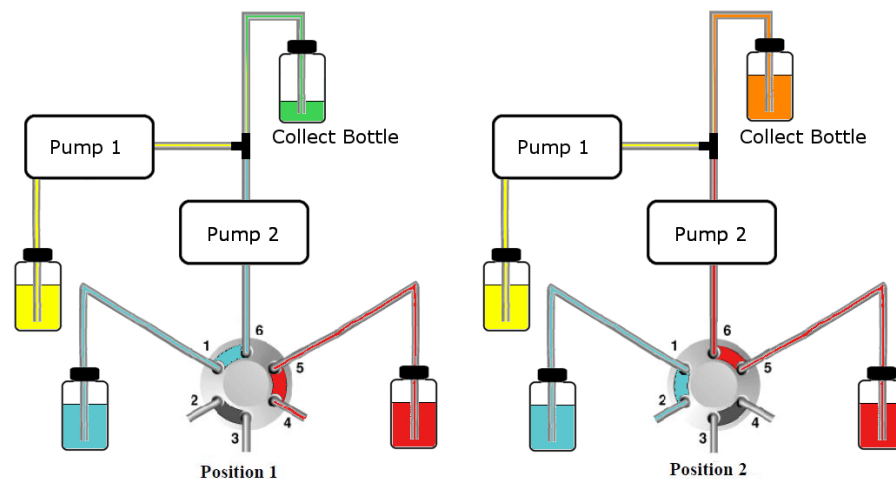
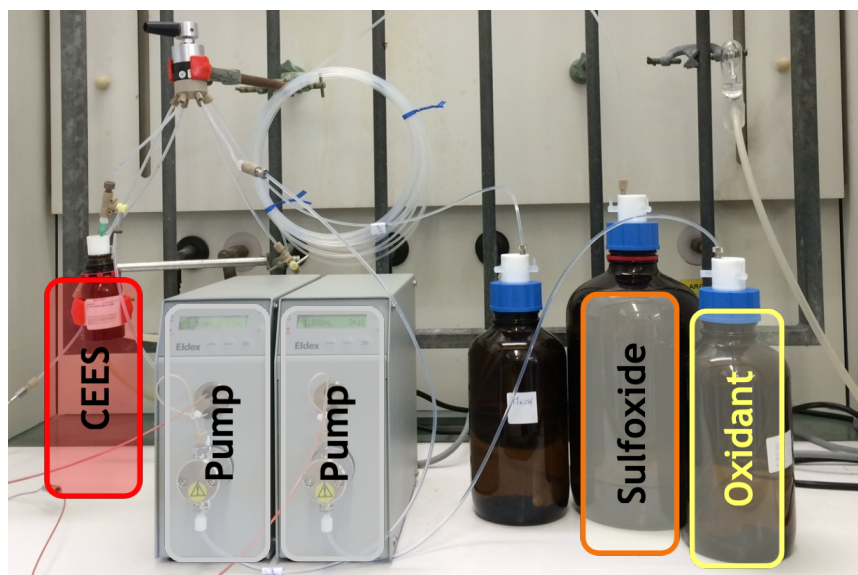
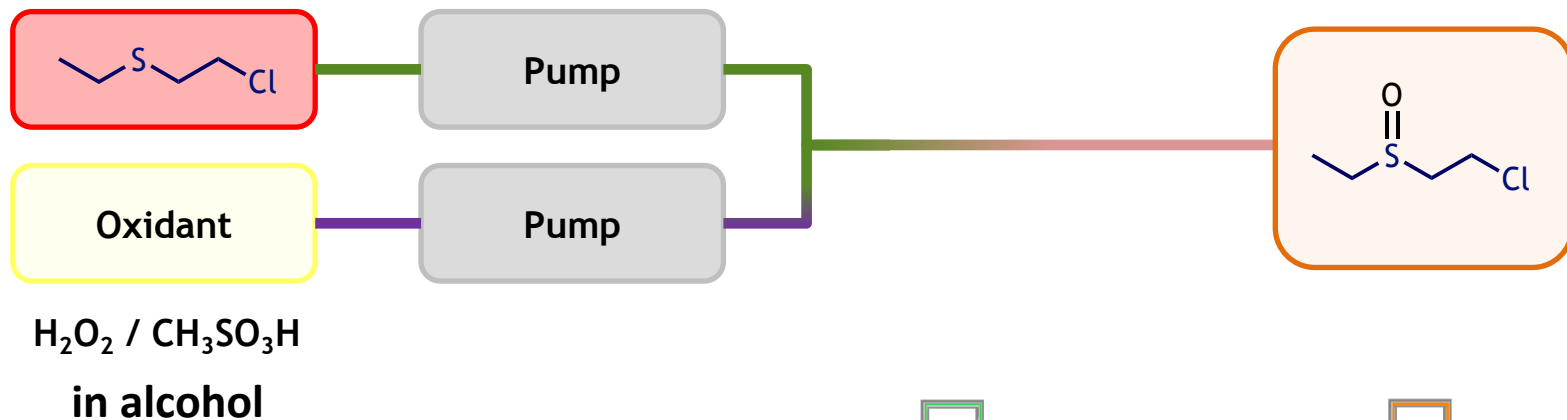
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flow device ?



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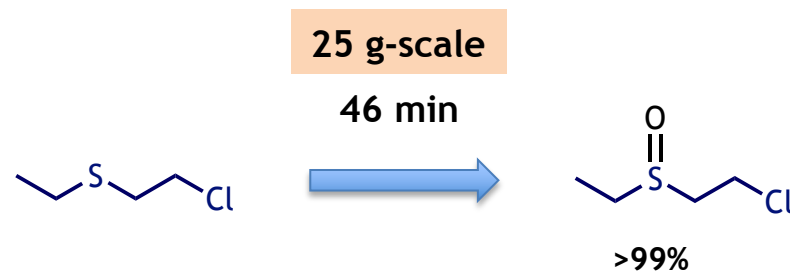
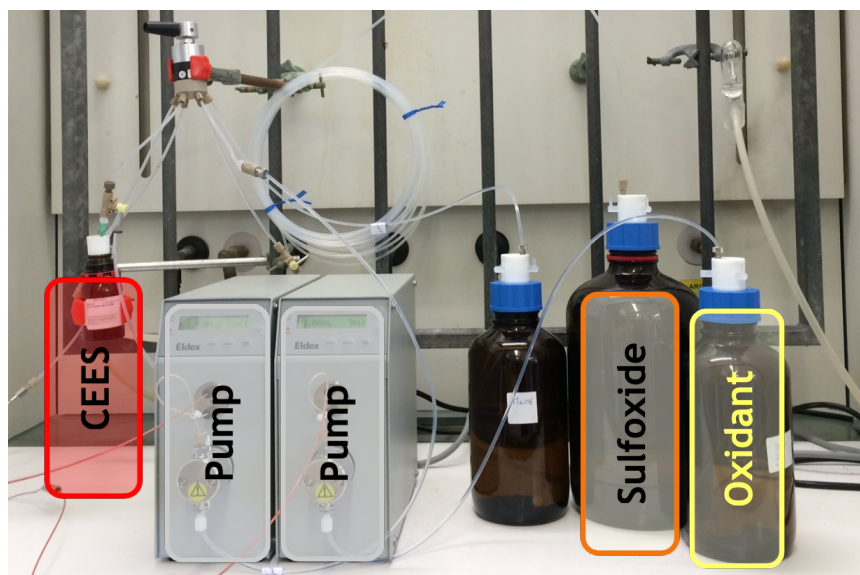
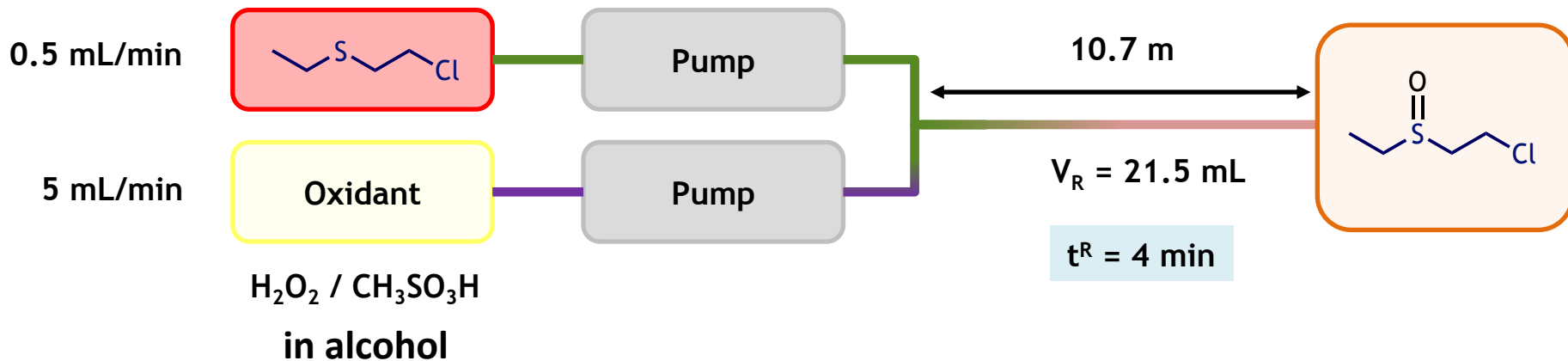
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Legend :

- █ CWA Simulant
- █ Oxidative Solution
- █ Methanol
- T-shaped Micromixer

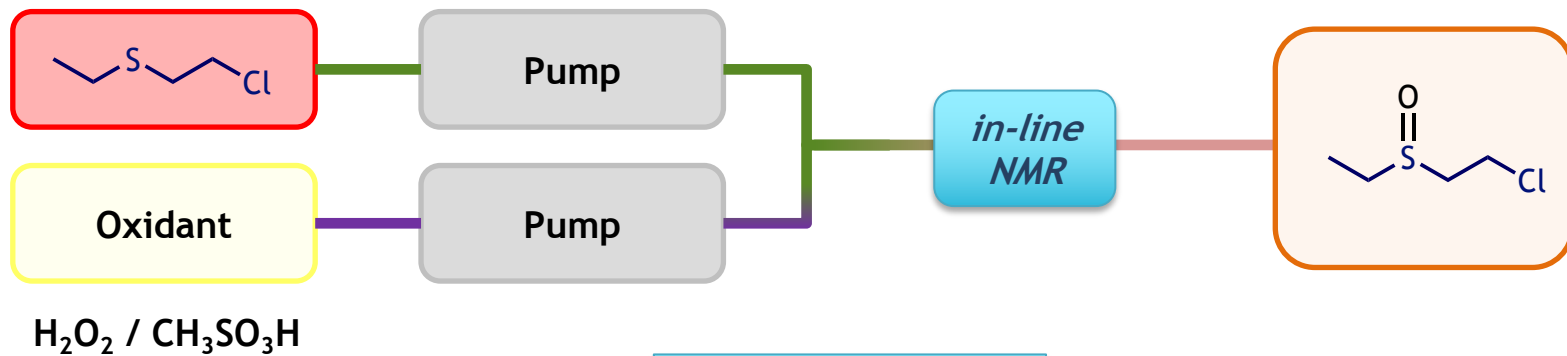
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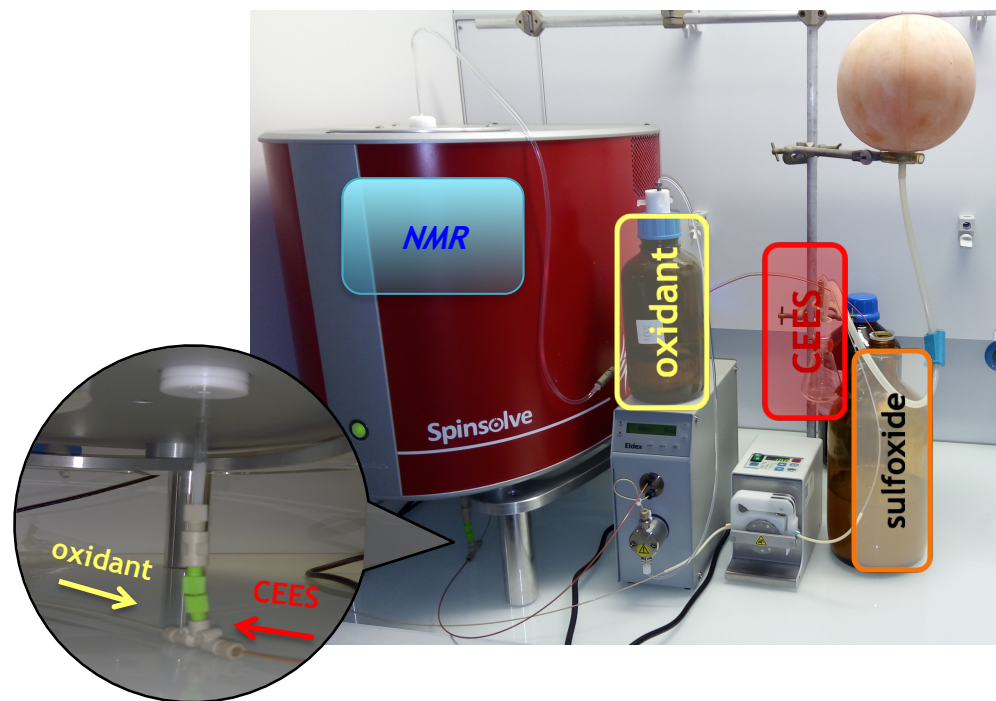
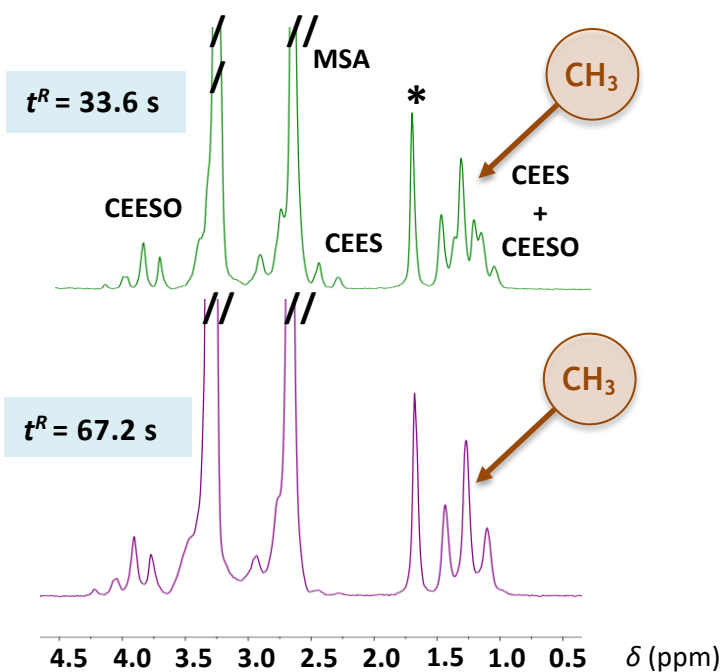
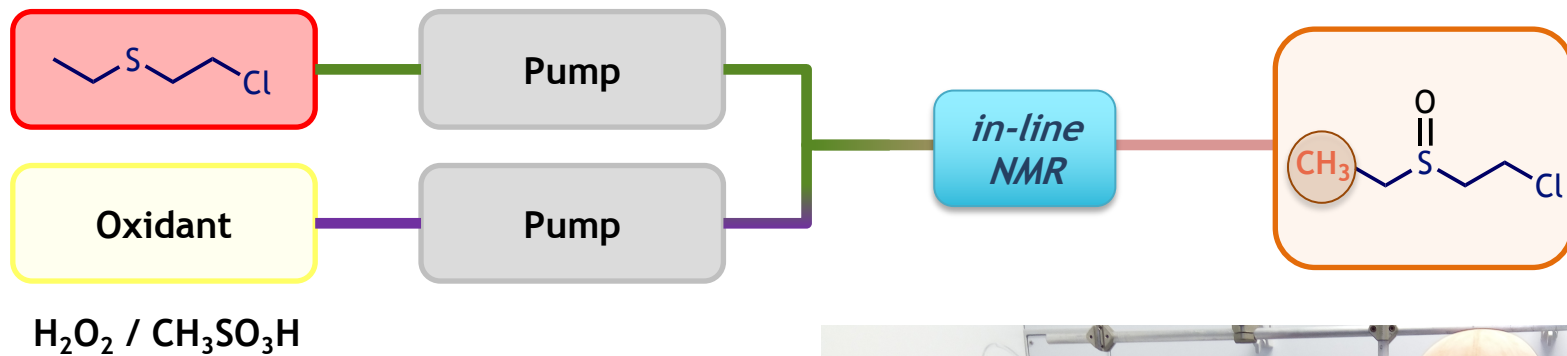


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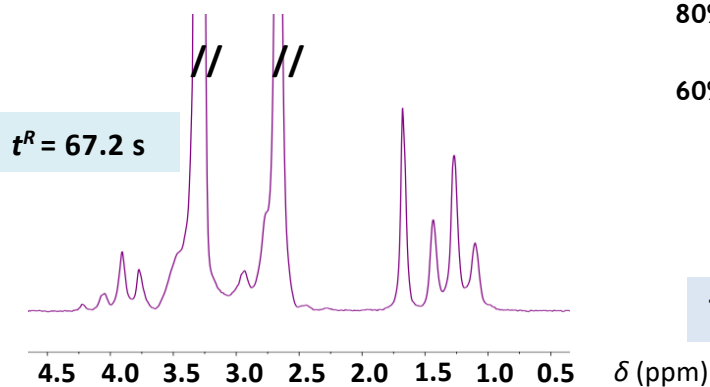
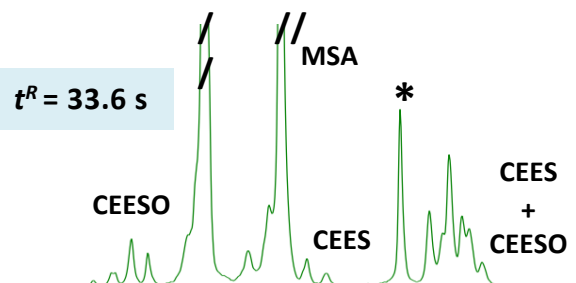
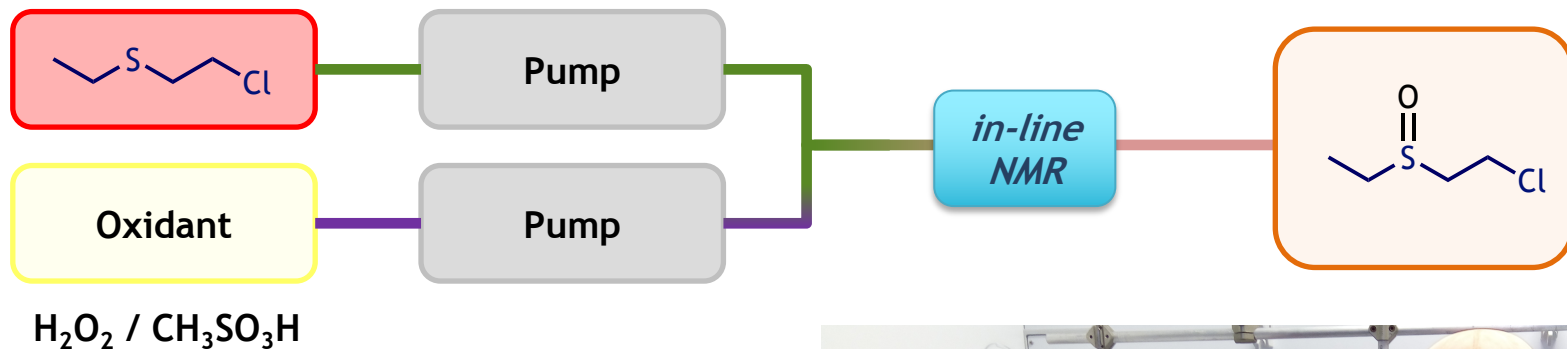
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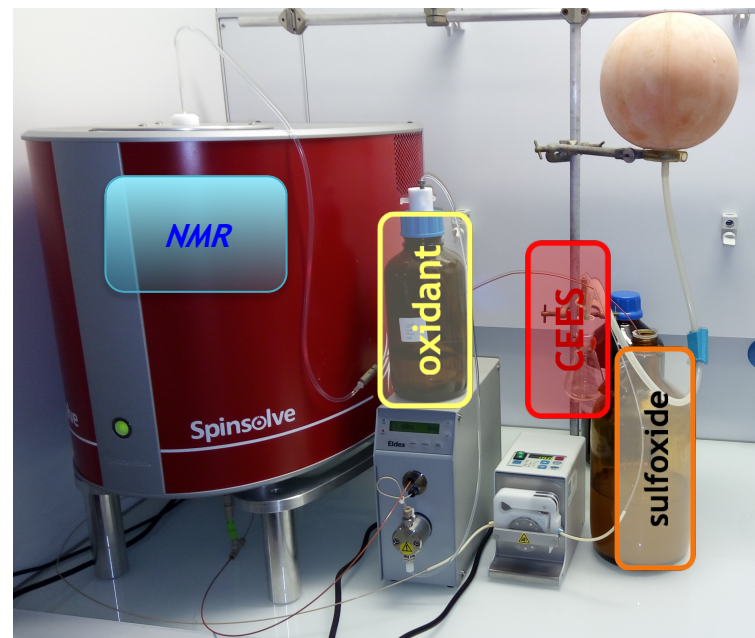
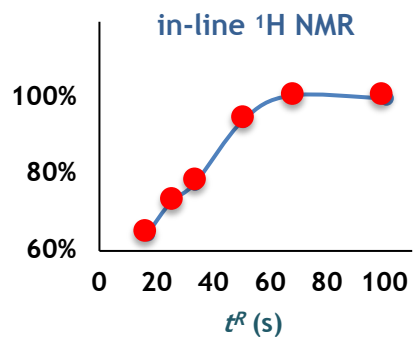
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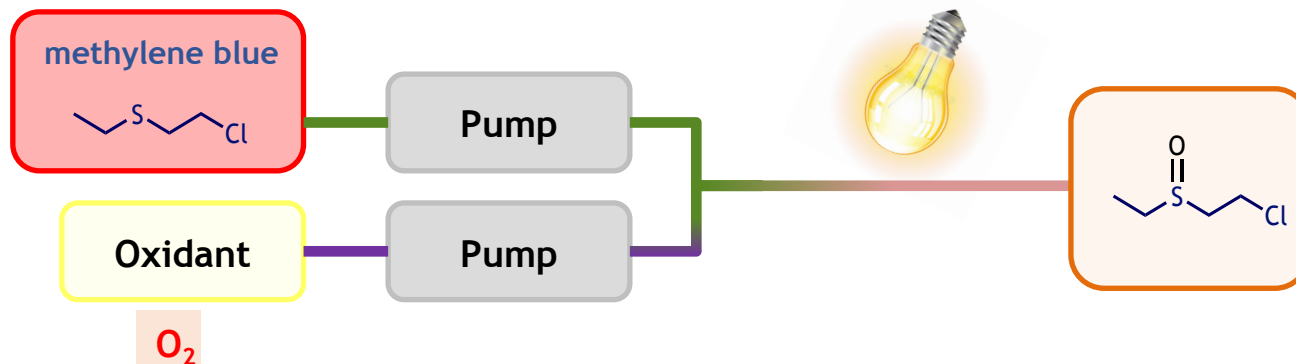
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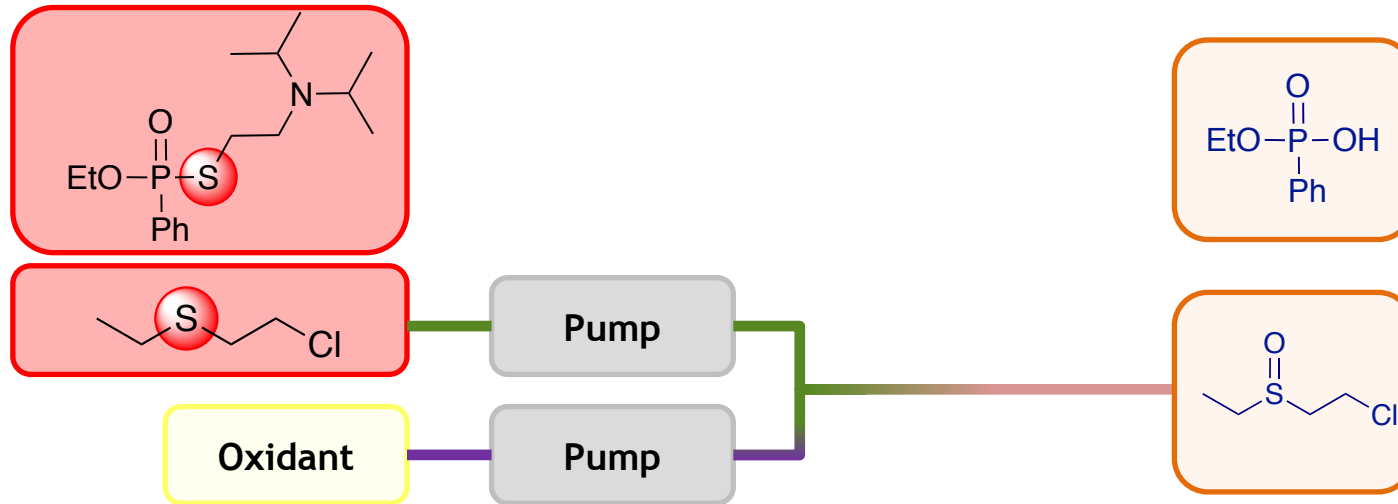
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Oxidative flow neutralisation of CWA simulants

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J.-C. M. Monbaliu et al., *Green Chem.*, 2020, 4105



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Other projects related to sustainable chemistry in flow

Flow polymerisation of biobased monomers

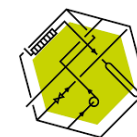
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Conclusion

Miniaturized reactors in continuous flow



- ✓ fast thermalisation and mass transfer
- ✓ fine reaction time control
- ✓ scalability



Friendlier reaction conditions and higher selectivity for fast reactions

- ✓ Organolithium chemistry
- ✓ Neutralisation of mustard gas and VX simulants

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