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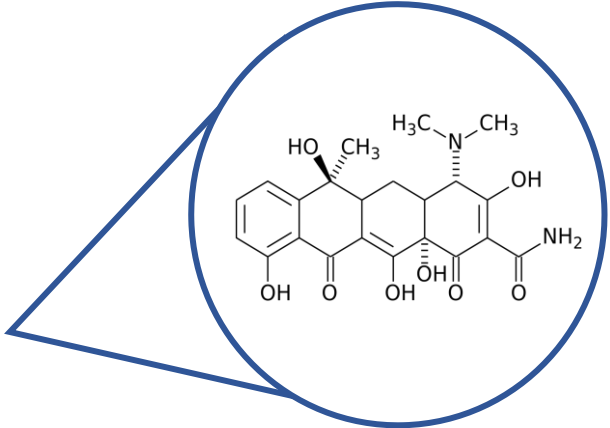
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# INTRODUCTION

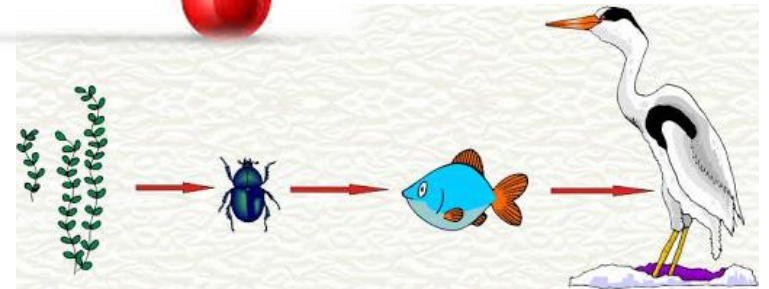


Tetracycline with 29% use of the annual consumption.



Direct

Indirect



# INTRODUCTION



Efficiencies greater than 80%

Less energy consumption

Higher chemical and thermal stability

# METODOLOGY

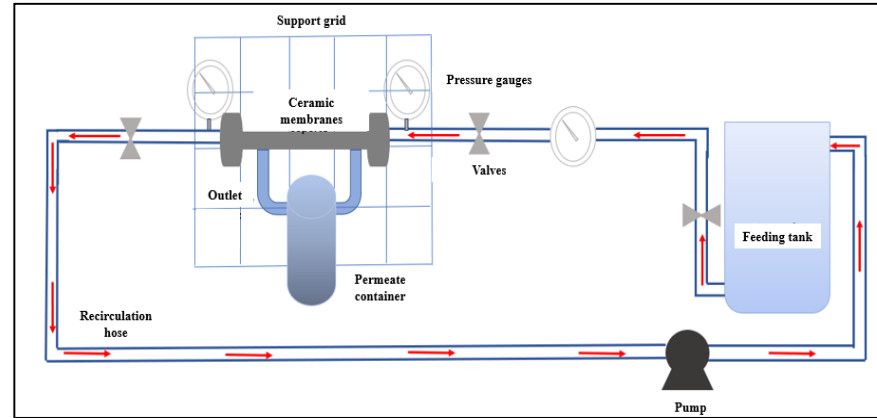
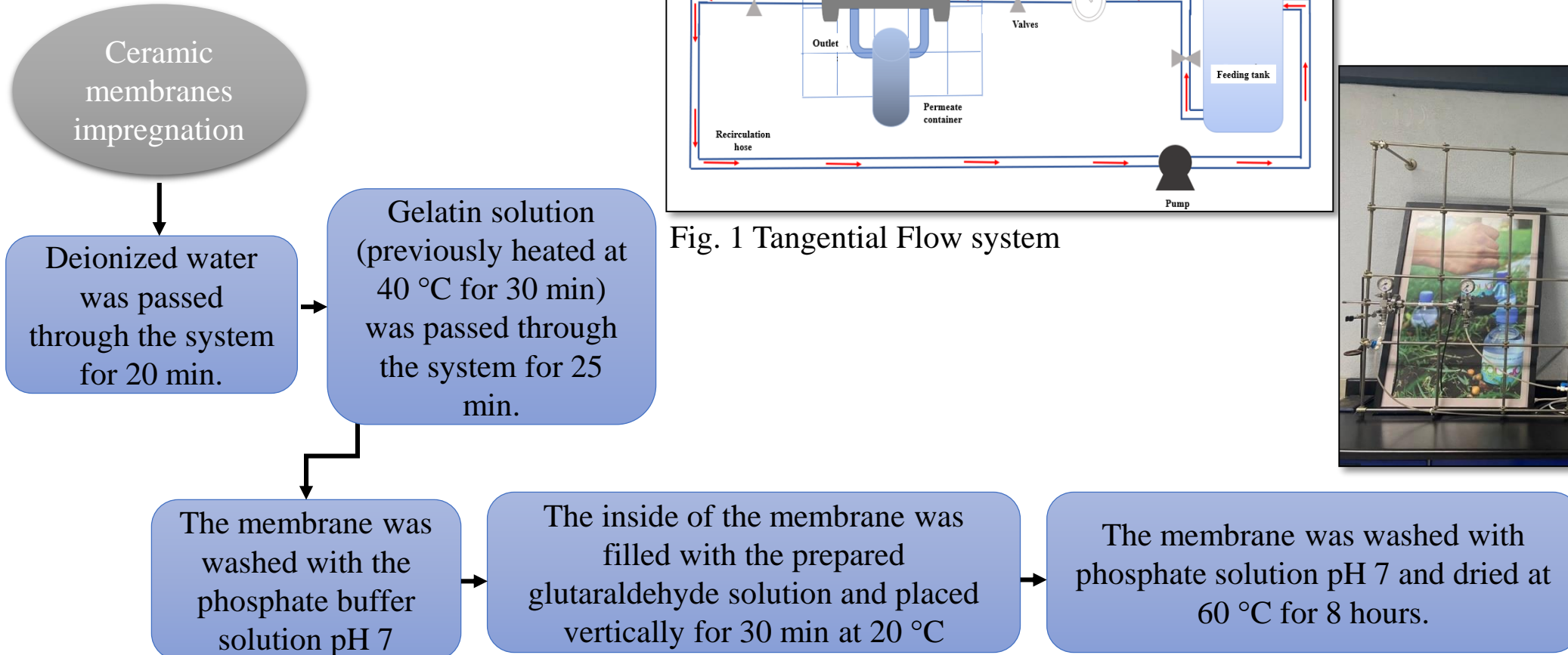


Fig. 1 Tangential Flow system



# METODOLOGY



The change in surface morphology was analyzed by Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM).

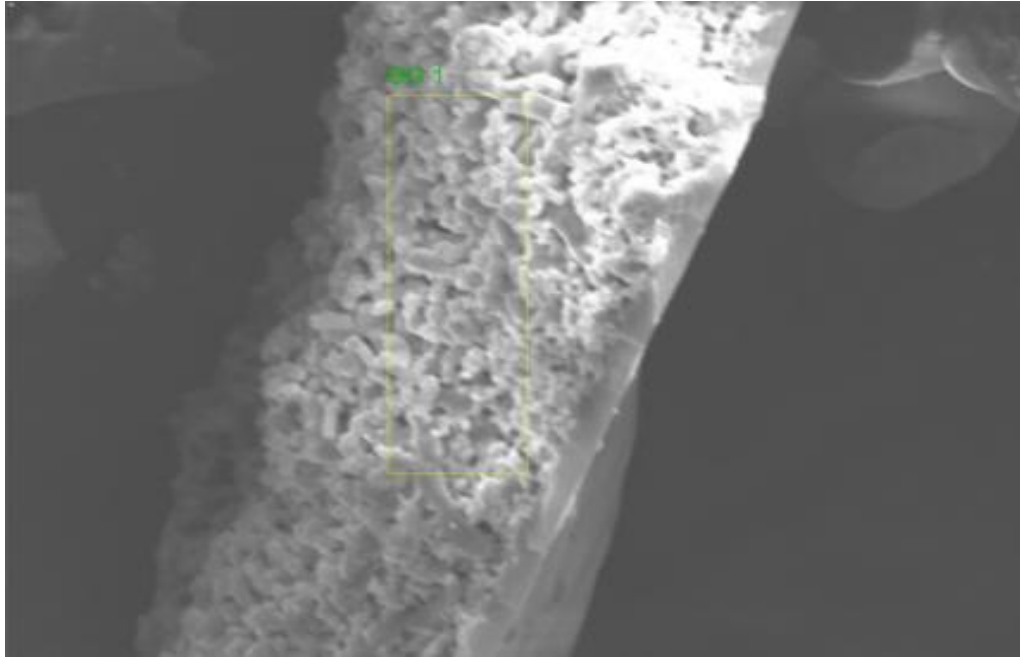
Remotion experiments were conducted with 80 mg/L TC pH 7.0 and room temperature for 60 minutes.

Samples were taken every 10 minutes and analyzed by ultraviolet-visible (UV-Vis) spectrophotometry at a maximum wavelength of 234 nm.

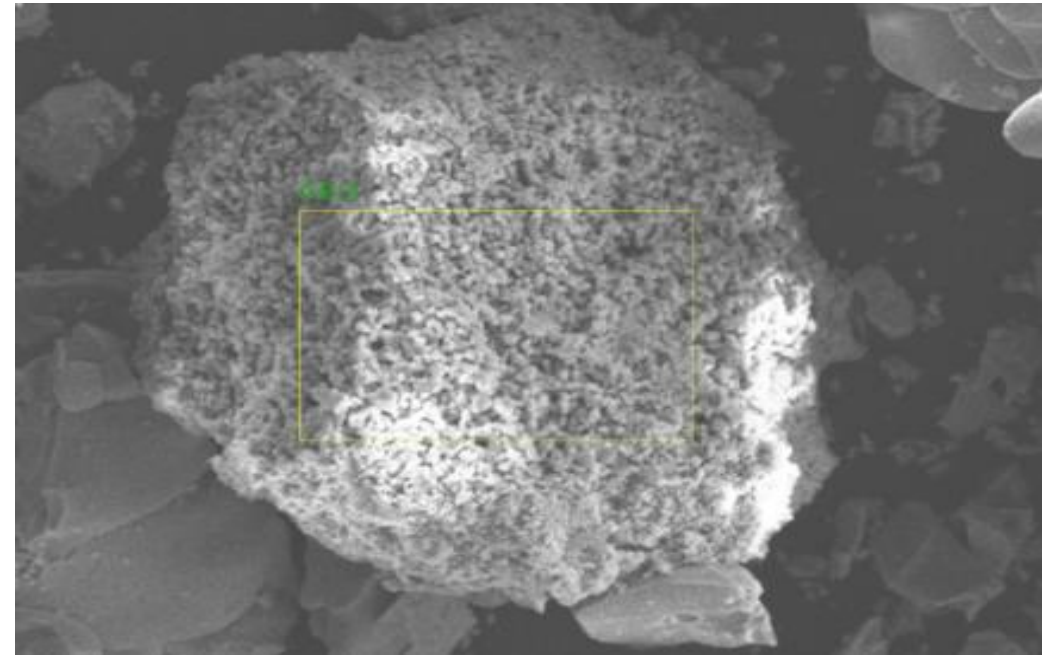


# RESULTS

Characterization of the ceramic membrane impregnated with porcine gelatin



a)



b)

Fig. 2 SEM images of ceramic membranes (a) before gelatin deposition and (b) after gelatin solution filtration (10 g L<sup>-1</sup>).

# RESULTS

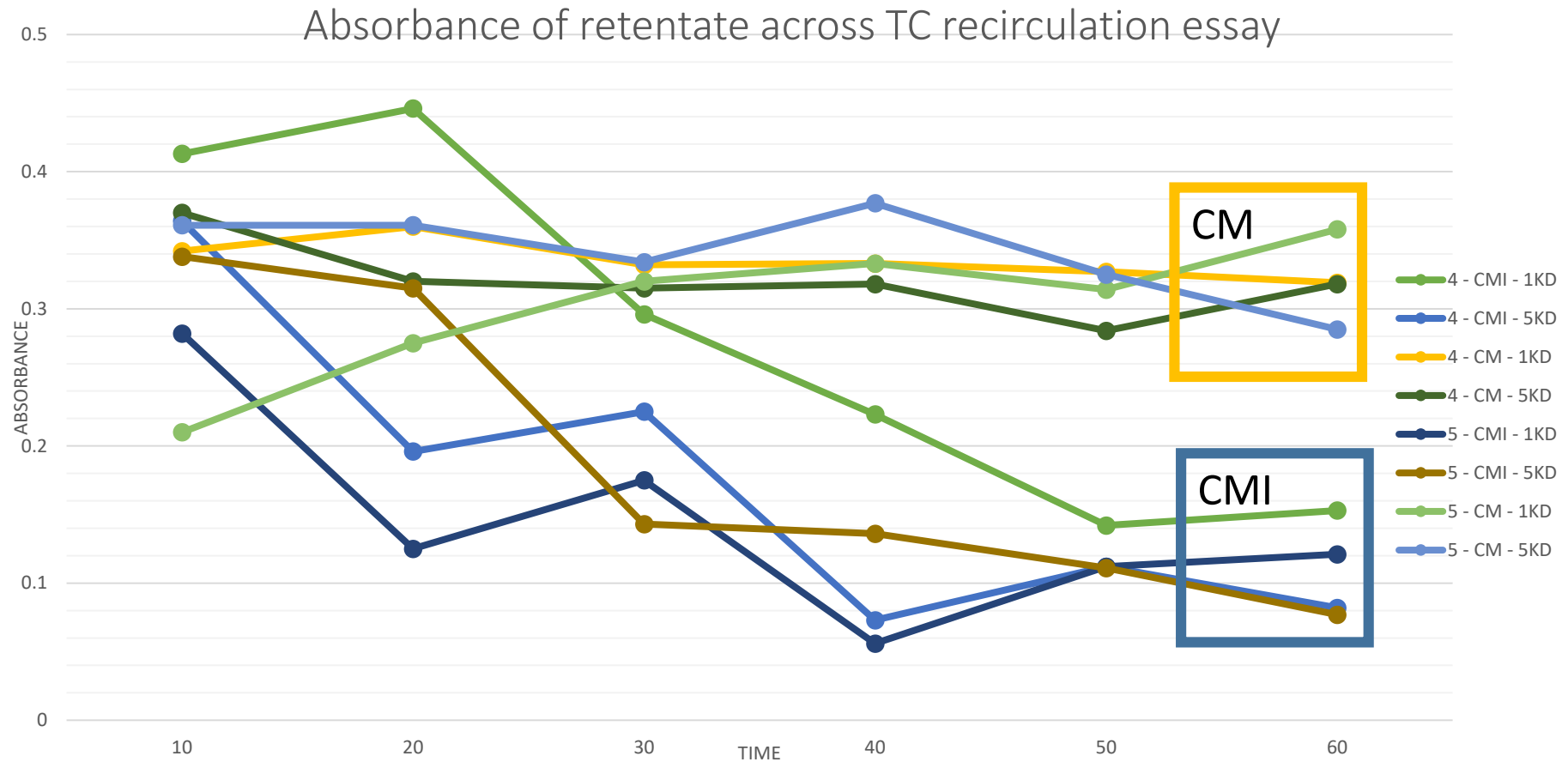


Fig. 3 Sample absorbance of tetracycline (au/min) over time of ceramic membranes impregnated with the porcine gelatin (CMI) compared with ceramic membranes (CM).

# CONCLUSIONS

Ceramic membranes were successfully impregnated with the porcine gelatin via crossflow. The mechanism of action with the impregnation of porcine gelatin was adsorption and this was probed by the absorbance obtained on the impregnated membranes.

The impregnation of porcine gelatin tests has proved to be an efficient treatment for ceramic membranes. It also demonstrates that it improves the removal of TC in water. These impregnated membranes have promising potential for the removal of lower or higher molecular weight like Sulfadiazine, Ciprofloxacin, Erythromycin and others or separation of mixtures of low and high molecular weight antibiotics.



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