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Measurement Conditions

Samples:

(1) Effluent from a metal-plating factory

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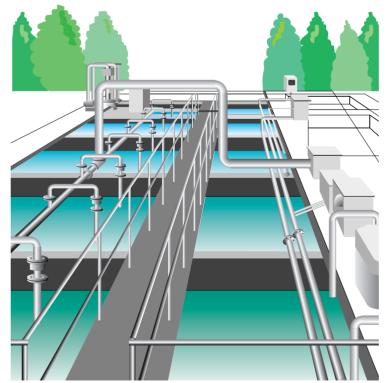
Instrument used: Shimadzu Total Organic Carbon

Analyzer TOC-VcsH with TN

measurement unit TNM-1

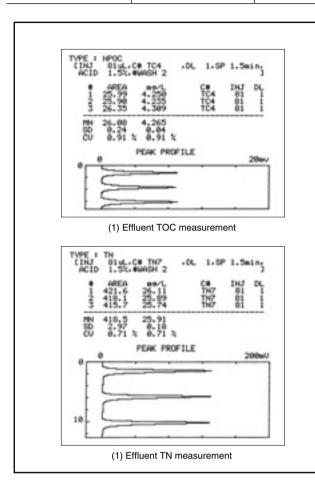
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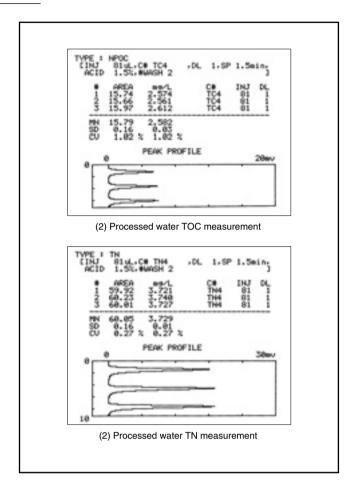
sparging), TN



Results

| Sample | TOC (mgC/L) | TN (mgN/L) |
|---------------------|-------------|------------|
| (1) Effluent | 4.27 | 25.9 |
| (2) Processed water | 2.58 | 3.73 |





Features of TOC-V and TN Measurement Unit

- TOC and TN are measured simultaneously, enabling quick determination of TOC and TN concentrations.
- The same combustion tube and oxidation catalyst are used for TOC and TN measurements, eliminating the need of special maintenance for the TN measurement unit.



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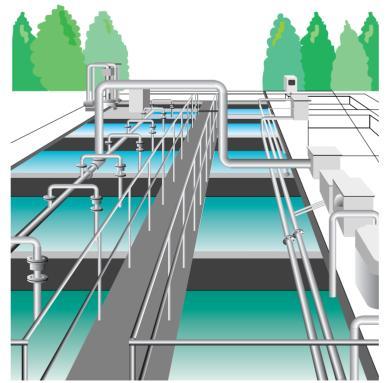
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