



# **Application of photo-catalytic technology in ships' ballast water treatment**

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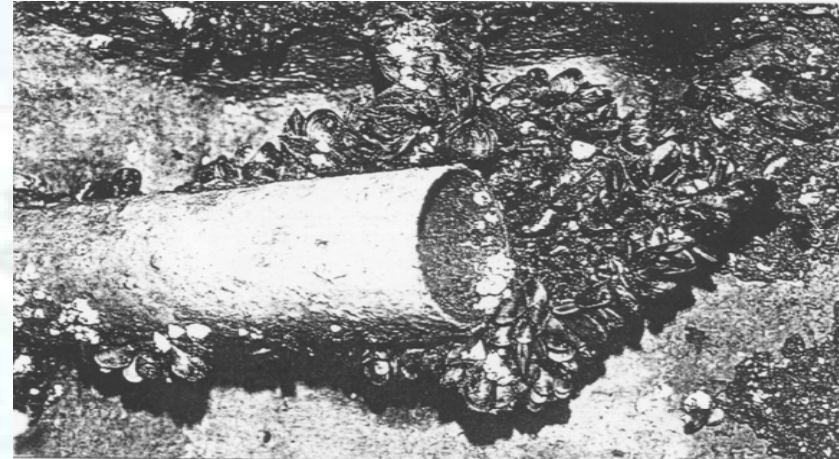
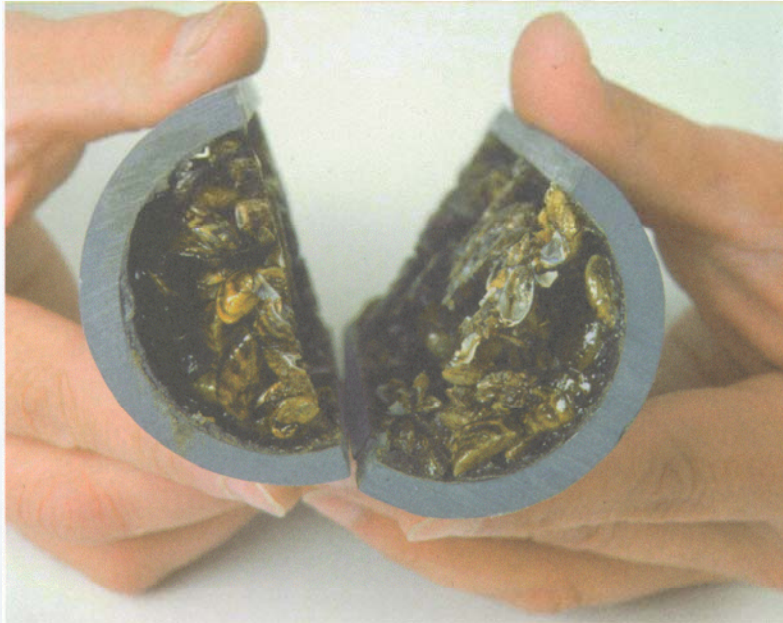


# Background

- 80% of the total cargo tonnage relies on ship transportation
- ballast water is indispensable to keep a safe, stable and reliable sailing of ship
- the unlimited ballast water discharging could induce serious ecological, economic and public health impact to the receiving environment



# Background



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- 2004, IMO 《the International convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediment》
- USCG and New York have established discharge standards of their own.



# Background

生物	IMO	California	HR2830	New York	USCG No 1	USCG No 2
$\geq 50\mu\text{m}$	<b>&lt;10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>&lt;0.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>&lt;10</b>	<b>&lt;1</b>
$< 50,$ $\geq 10\mu\text{m}$	<b>&lt;10</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.1</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;10</b>	<b>&lt;1</b>





# Current status of the Convention

- Entry into Force: 30 States / 35% of the world's the world tonnage
- To date: ratified by 38 countries representing just over 30% of the world tonnage
- USCG AMS: 2013-12-01



# Disinfection Mechanism

- The Photo-Catalysis Technology (PCT) is combination of UV irradiation and photo-catalytic oxidation
- UV irradiation , the DNA, RNA and proteins in cells of organism will absorb the UV light , the replication and reproduce of DNA will be inhibited

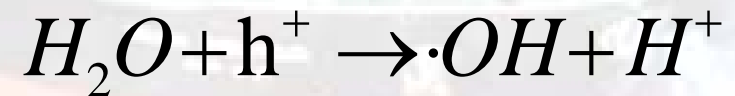
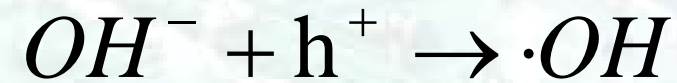
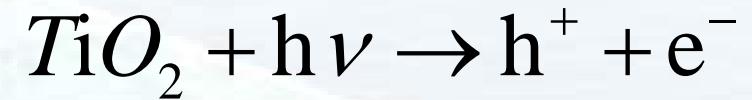
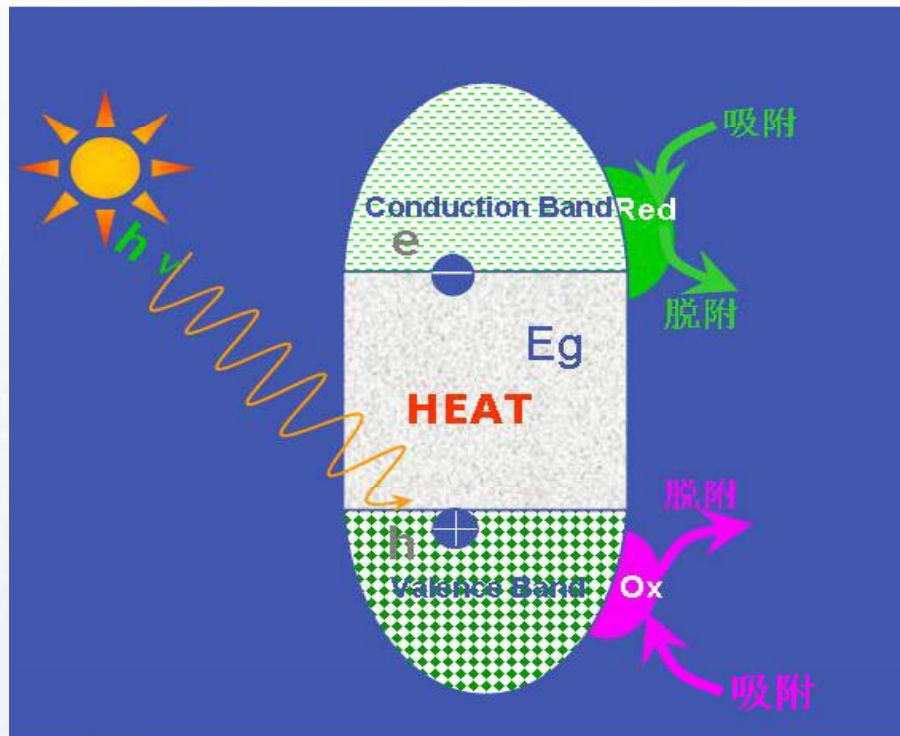




# Disinfection Mechanism

■ Photo-catalytic oxidation , the UV light irradiates on the surface of TiO<sub>2</sub> nano film , which generates hydroxyl radicals. The hydroxyl radical is a powerful oxidant which can react with hydrogen (H) in the cell membrane of the organisms and break up the cell membrane, further rupture substances such as protein, carbon hydrates and DNA of organisms; as a consequence, organisms are inactivated

# Disinfection Mechanism





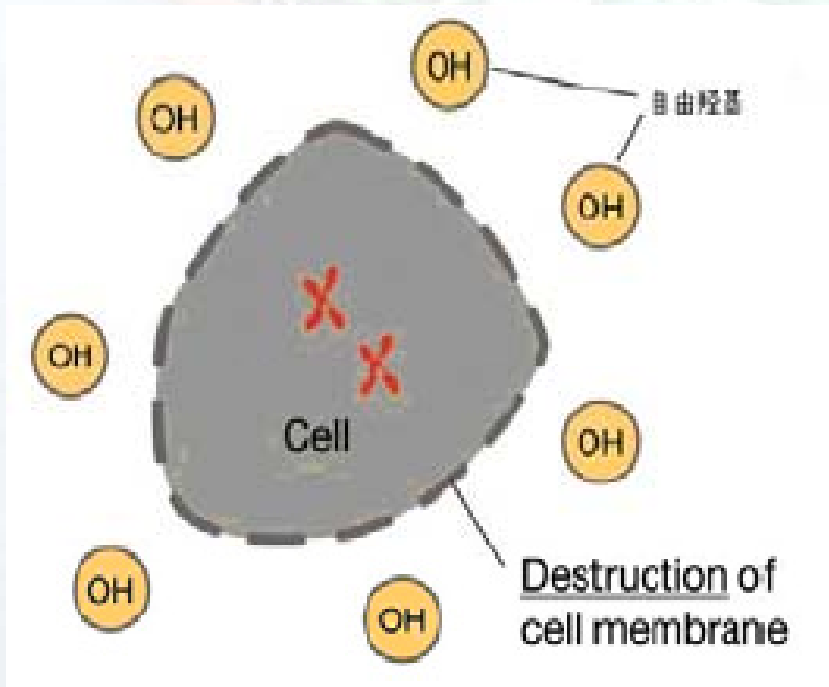
## Technical Features

- Only one stage treatment, and the treated ballast water is discharged directly
- Low operation and maintenance cost
- No ship corrosion risk

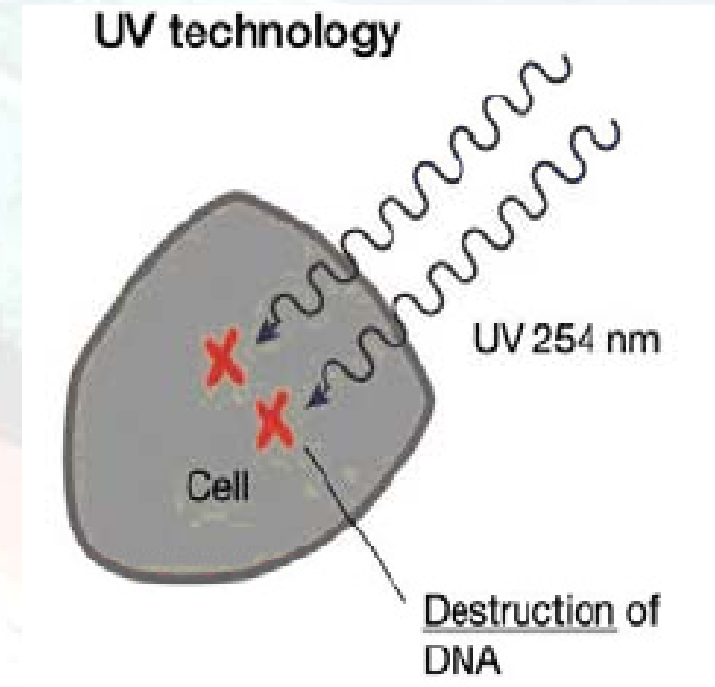


# Comparison of PCT with UV

**PCT**



**UV**



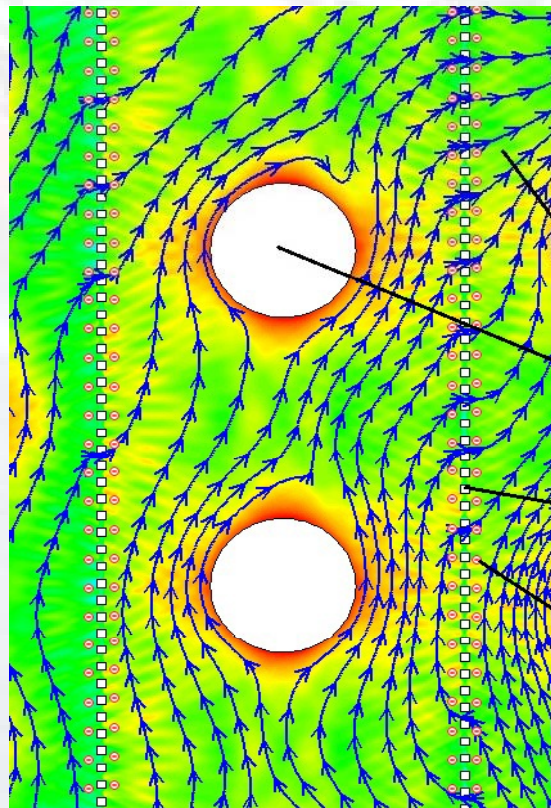


# Factors Determining

- the concentration of the Hydroxyl radicals,
- the sufficiency of contact between water to be treated and photo-catalytic film.



# Factors Determining



水流  
Water flow

紫外灯  
UV light

光催化膜  
Photo-catalytic film

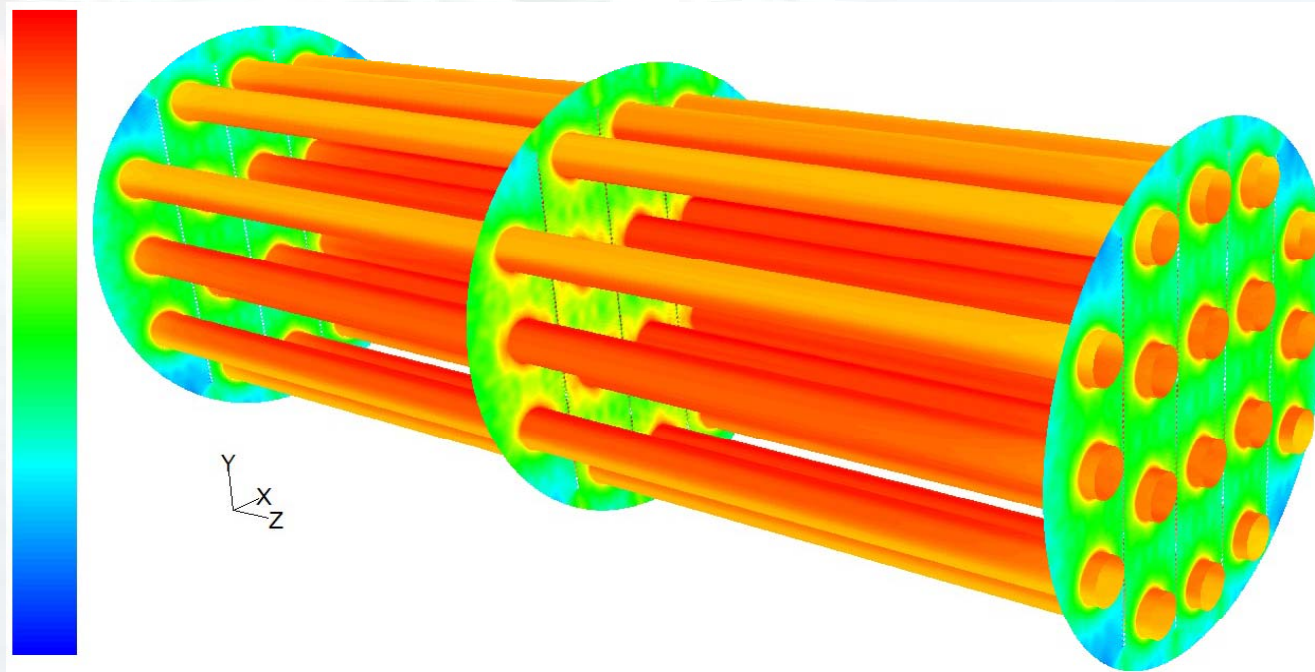
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fluid simulation





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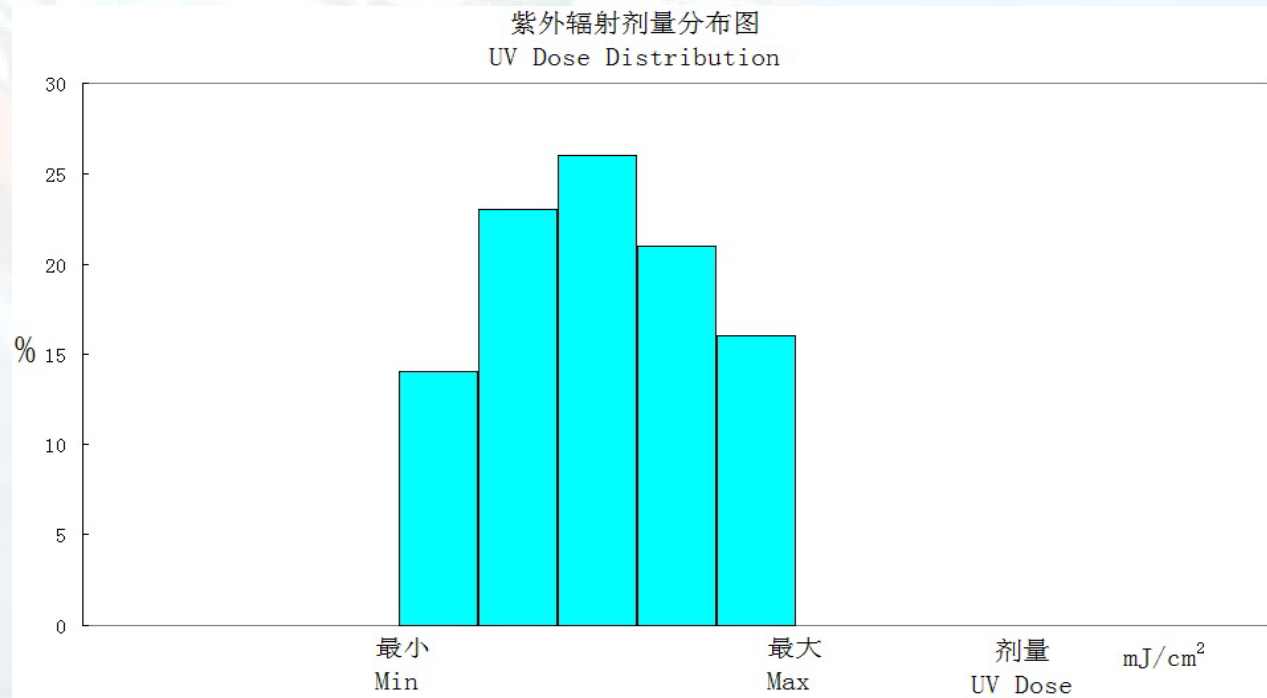


simulation of UV irradiation dose





# Factors Determining



UV dose distribution



# Ocean Doctor BWMS



Ocean Doctor BWMS with a TRC 500m<sup>3</sup>/h

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# Advantages

## ■ Great biological efficacy:

Innovative combined effect of UV disinfection and photo-catalytic oxidation, one stage treatment and high disinfection efficiency. The discharge can meet the requirements of more stringent standards as prescribed by US.



# Advantages

## ■ **Economical:**

combined effect of UV disinfection and photocatalytic oxidation, low operation and maintenance cost, essential components with a long lifespan extending the vessel's whole service life cycle



# Advantages

## ■ Environment benign:

No chemical substance is added during the disinfection treatment, no pollution will be caused by the treated discharge; no unacceptable risk will be posed to safety of the ship and its crew.



# Advantages

## ■ Wide application:

Modular design, small footprint, easy to install, suitable for newbuildings and retrofits. No chemical is added during treatment, and the system is effective under a wide range of challenging environmental conditions including variable temperature, salinity, nutrients and suspended solids (sea, brackish and fresh).



## Conclusion

Photo-catalytic disinfection is a highly promising technology in ballast water treatment. It is featured with high disinfection efficiency, low operation cost and environmental friendly. It is greener, cleaner and more economical.





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