

**Impact of ClO₂ Pre-oxidation of Ozone
on Bromate Formation**

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Study Objectives

1. **Determine effect of O_3 residual & O_3 contact time on Bromates**
2. **Determine effect of ClO_2 on reducing BrO_3^- .**
3. **Determine effect of ozonation on chlorite and chlorate levels.**
4. **Maintain chlorite level at less than 0.1 mg/L in the finish water.**
5. **Develop predictive BrO_3^- equations for O_3 alone and O_3 w/ ClO_2**
6. **Increase disinfection capability of the ozone while lowering bromate levels.**

Initial Assumptions

* BrO_3 Formation is due to O_3 Concentration & Contact Time

* Peroxone Treatment prevents Bromate Formation

* ClO_2 reduces BrO_3 formation from Ozonation

Background

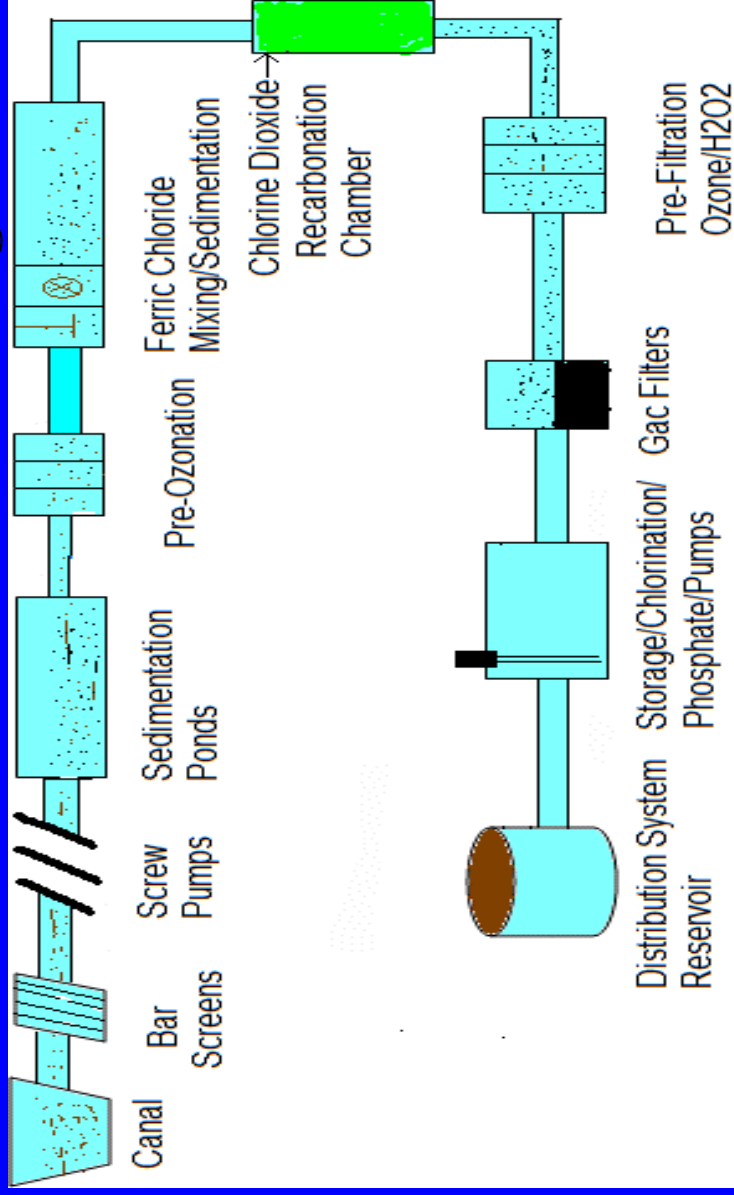


Figure 1. Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant Flow Schematic

Bromate Formation during July, 2002 @ Contra Costa

Condition	Ozone Dose, mg/L	Bromide, ppb	TOC, mg/L	UV 254	Bromate, ppb
Ozone only	2	160	2.0	0.085	24.7
0.5 ClO₂	2	180	2.1	0.095	14.3
1.0 ClO₂	2	180	2.1	0.095	5.2
0.5 NH₃-N	2	210	2.0	0.087	16.9
pH 6.5	2	180	2.0	0.085	13.3
pH 6.0	2	180	2.0	0.085	5.6
Ozone only	4	180	2.1	0.095	60.3
0.7 ClO₂	4	180	2.0	0.085	51.1
1.0 ClO₂	4	160	2.0	0.085	57.3

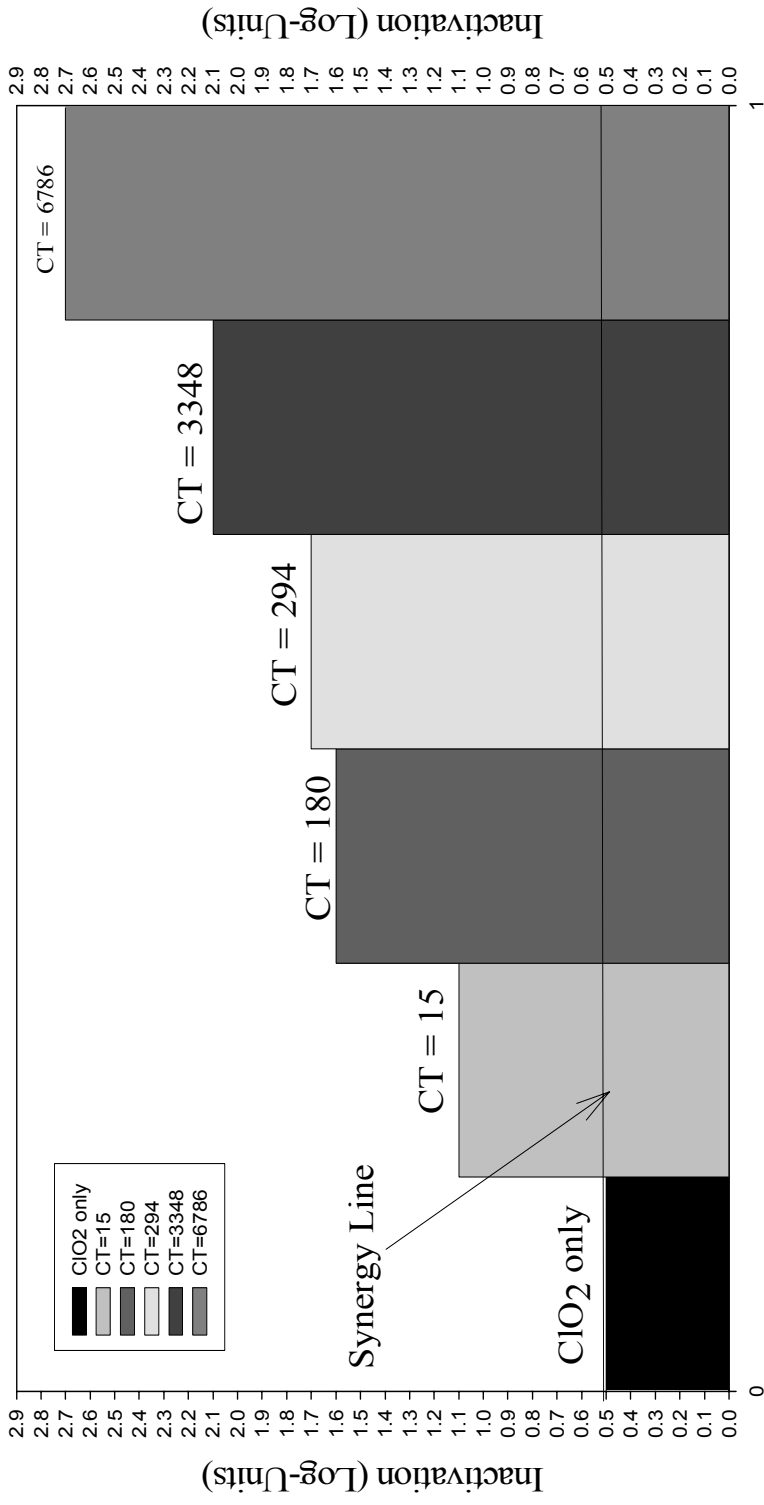
Eka ClO₂ Generator & Rotometers



Purate & Acid Storage



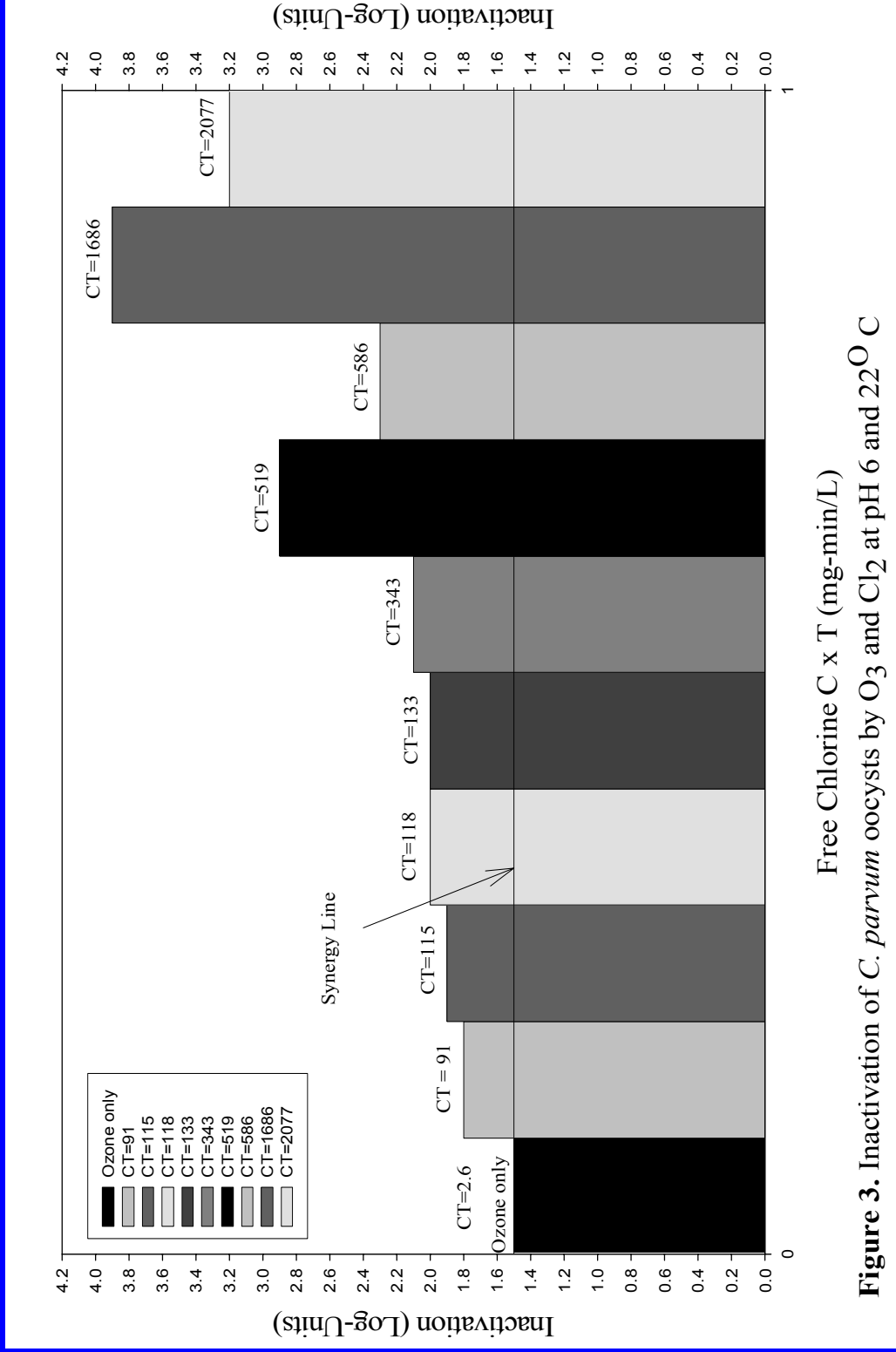
Disinfection Synergy from Combined Oxidants



Free Chlorine C x T (mg-min/L)

Figure 2. Cryptosporidium Log-Kill by Synergism of Cl₂ after 1.0 mg/l of ClO₂ for 45 minutes

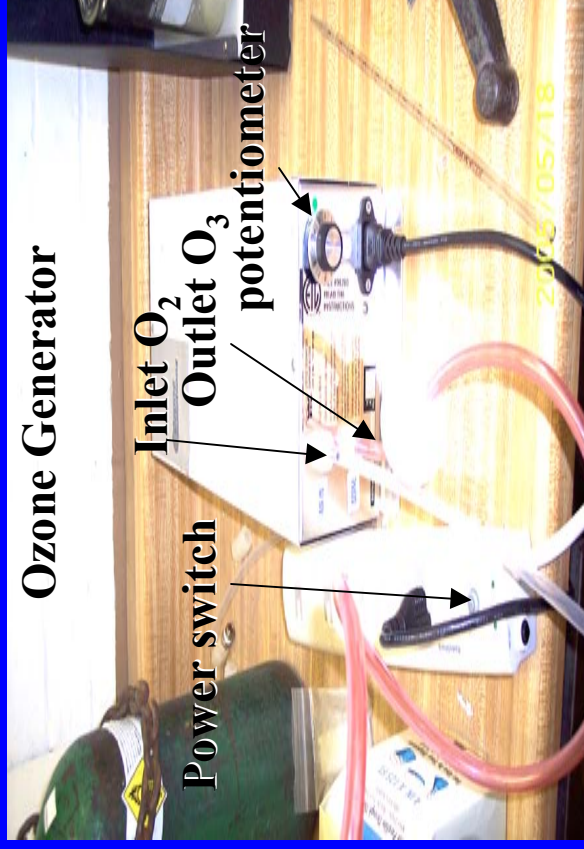
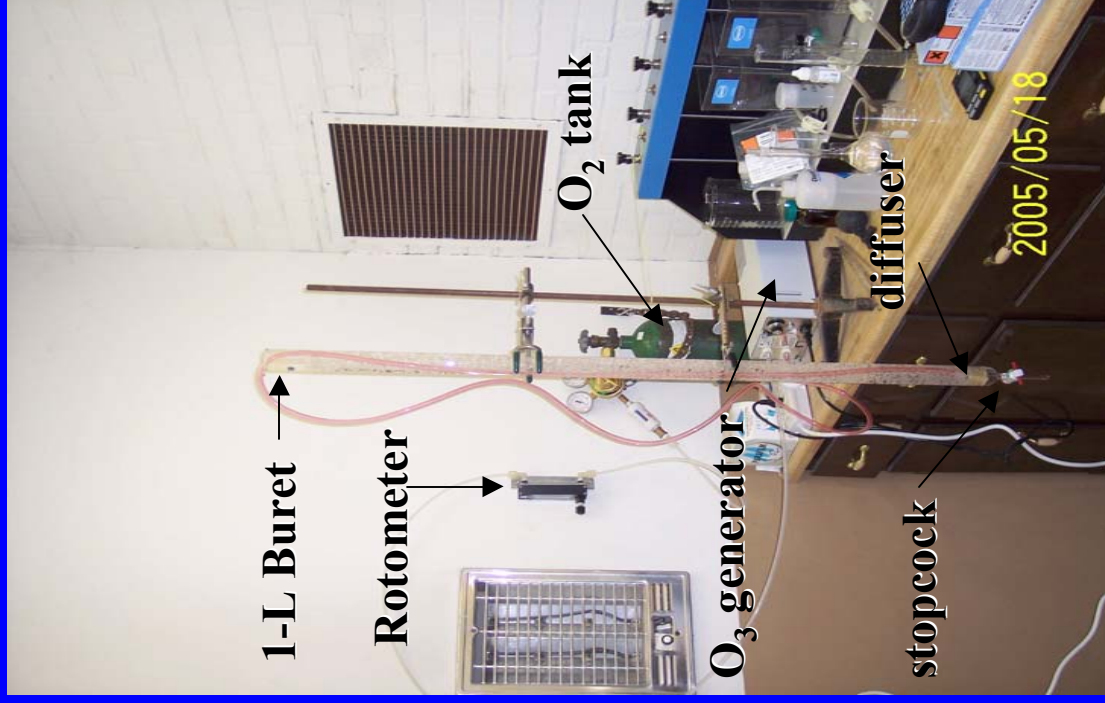
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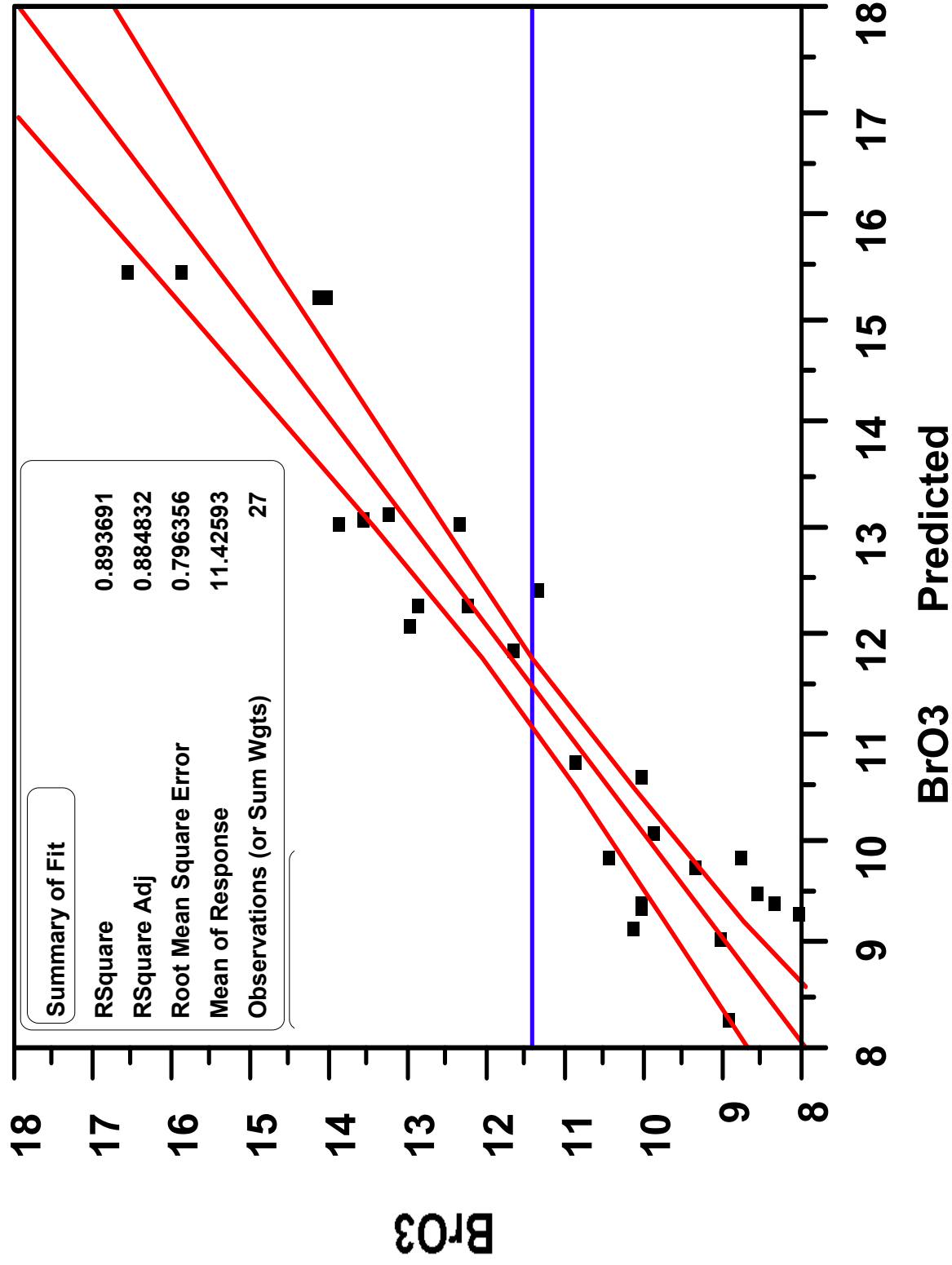
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Figure 3. Inactivation of *C. parvum* oocysts by O₃ and Cl₂ at pH 6 and 22°C

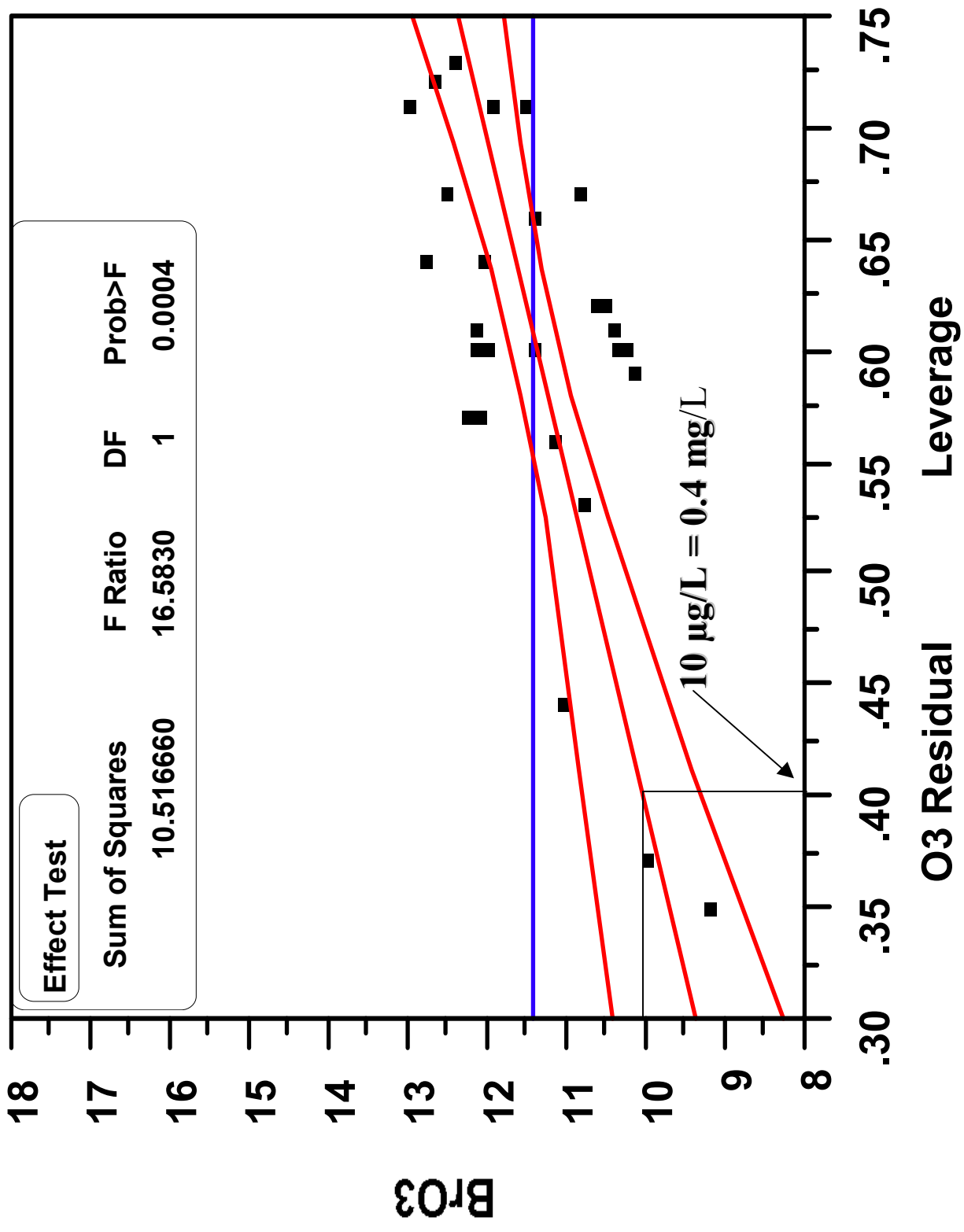
2005 Lab Procedures



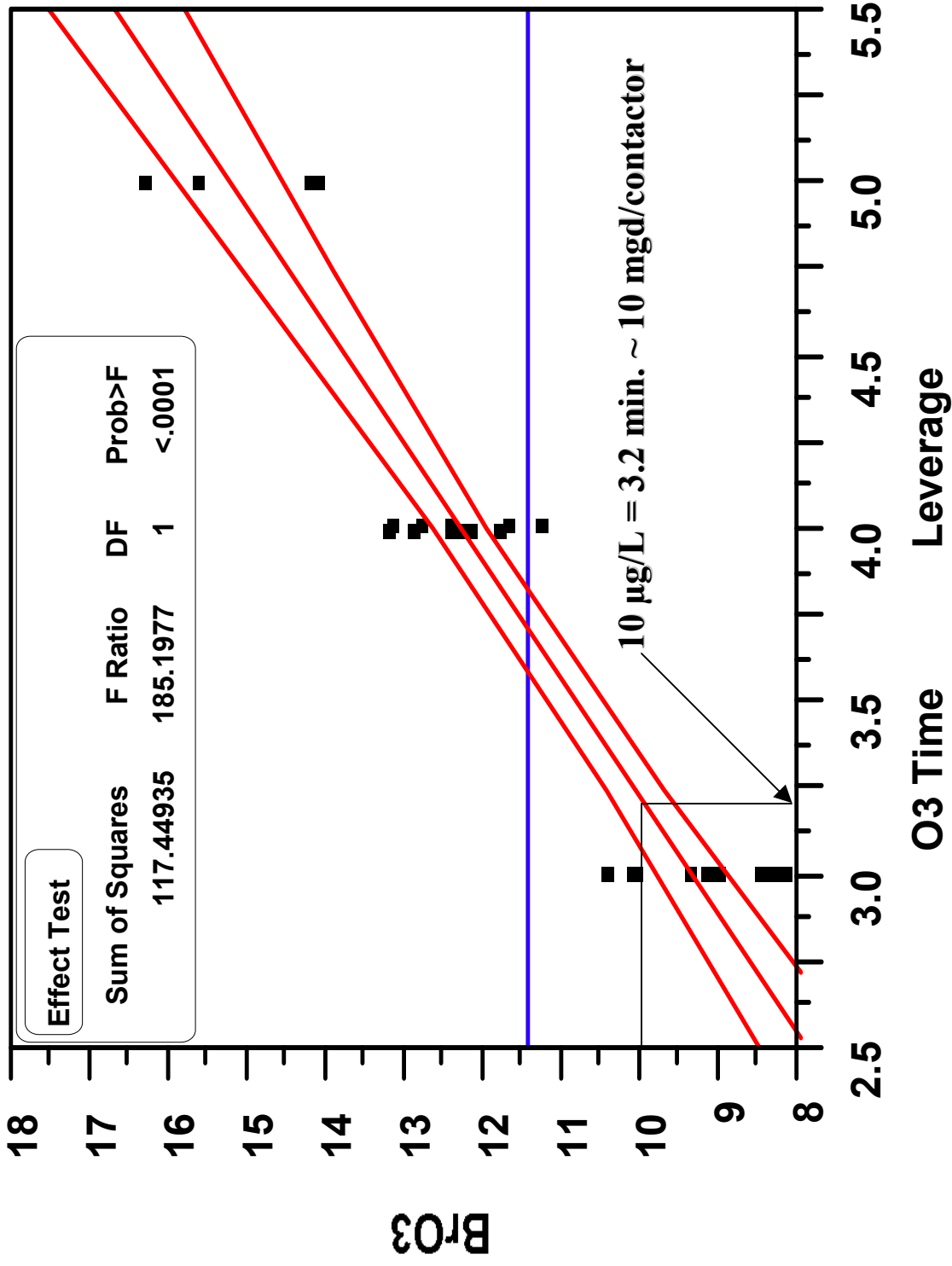
Predicted vs. Actual Bromates Model with O₃ Only



BrO₃ vs. O₃ Residual with O₃ only



BrO₃ vs. O₃ Time with O₃ only



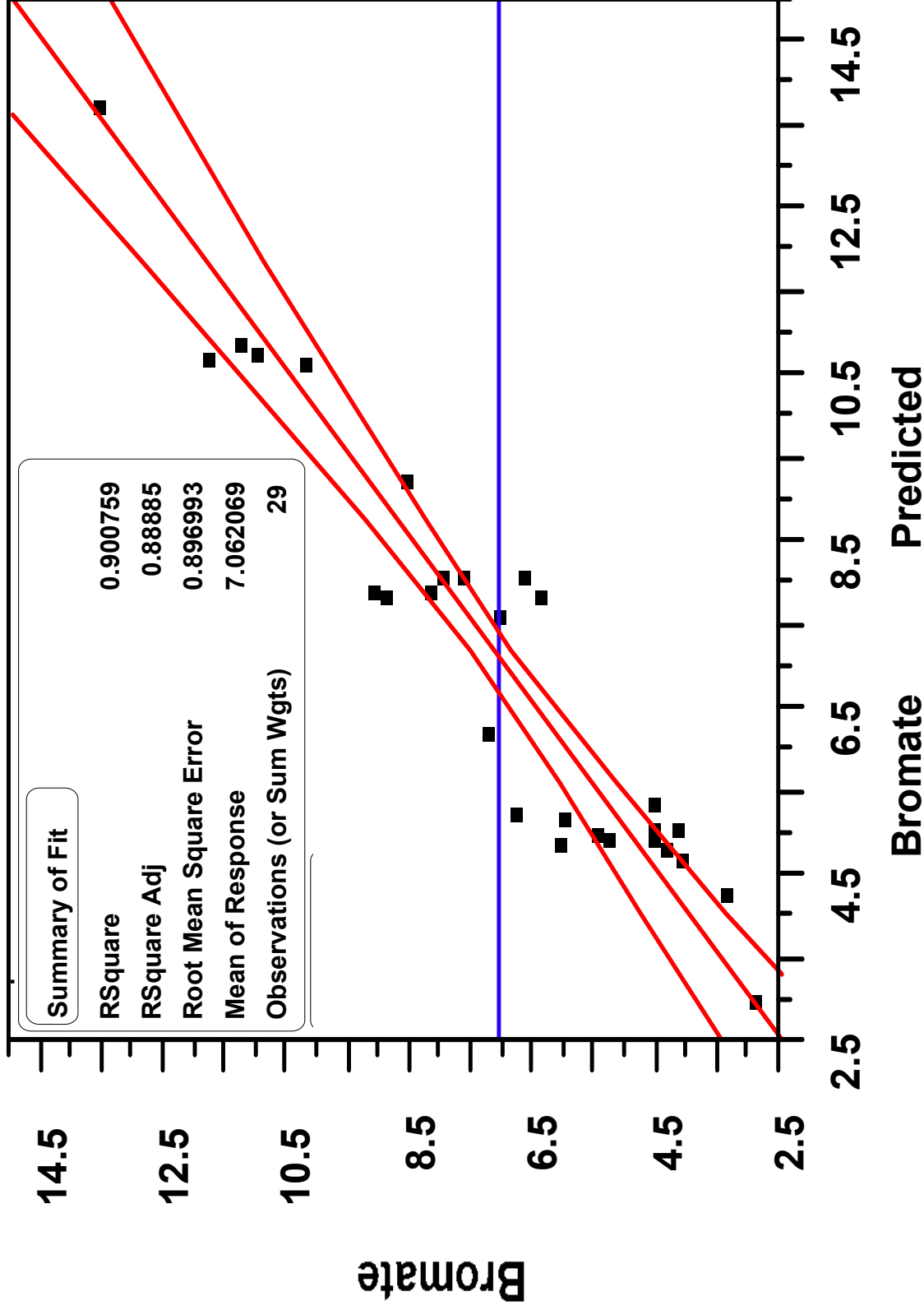
Prediction Equation for Bromate Formation with O₃ only

**Bromates, µg/L = -3.49 + (2.94 * O₃ Time, minutes) + (6.70 * O₃ Residual, mg/L)
R² = 0.89, N = 27**

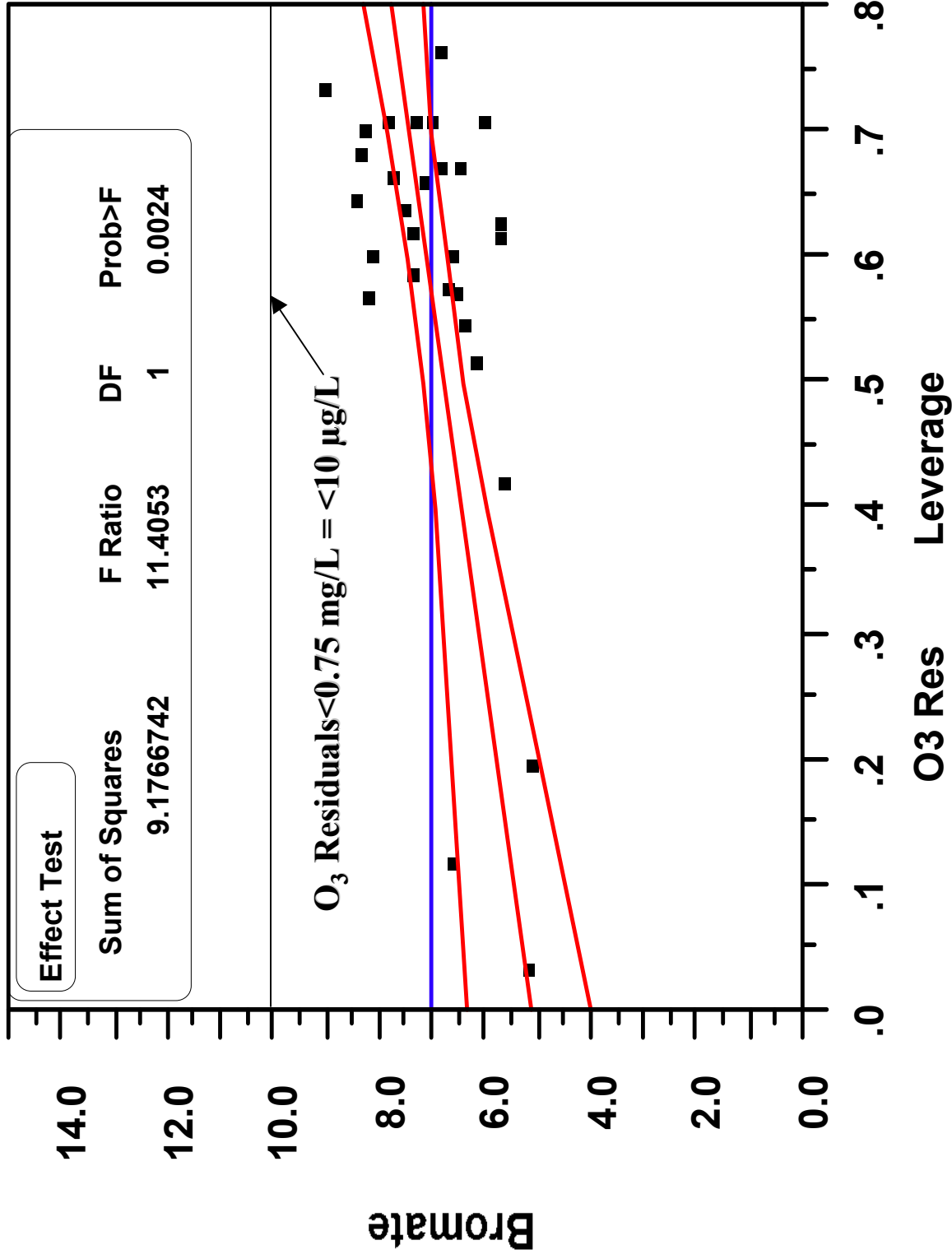
Prediction Parameters are:

- 1. Range of Ozone Residuals = 0.35 to 0.73**
- 2. Range of Ozone Contact Times = 3 to 5 minutes**
- 3. Range of Actual Bromates = 8.1 to 16.6 µg/L**
- 4. Range of Predicted Bromates = 8.3 to 15.5 µg/L**
- 5. Range of Residuals = -1.2 µg/L to +1.1 µg/L**
- 6. Range of Bromide Levels = 170 to 220 µg/L**

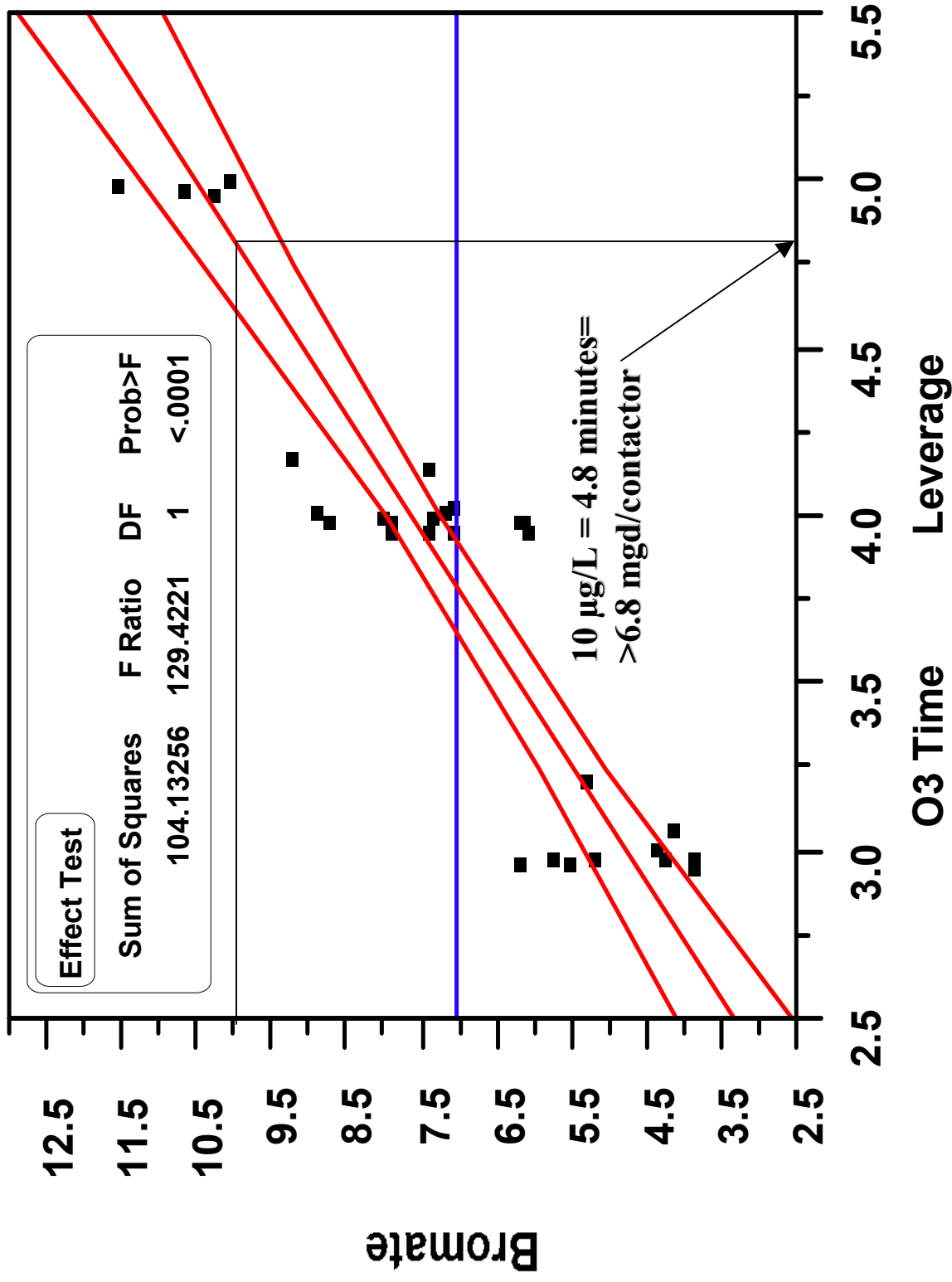
Predicted vs. Actual Bromate Model with ClO₂



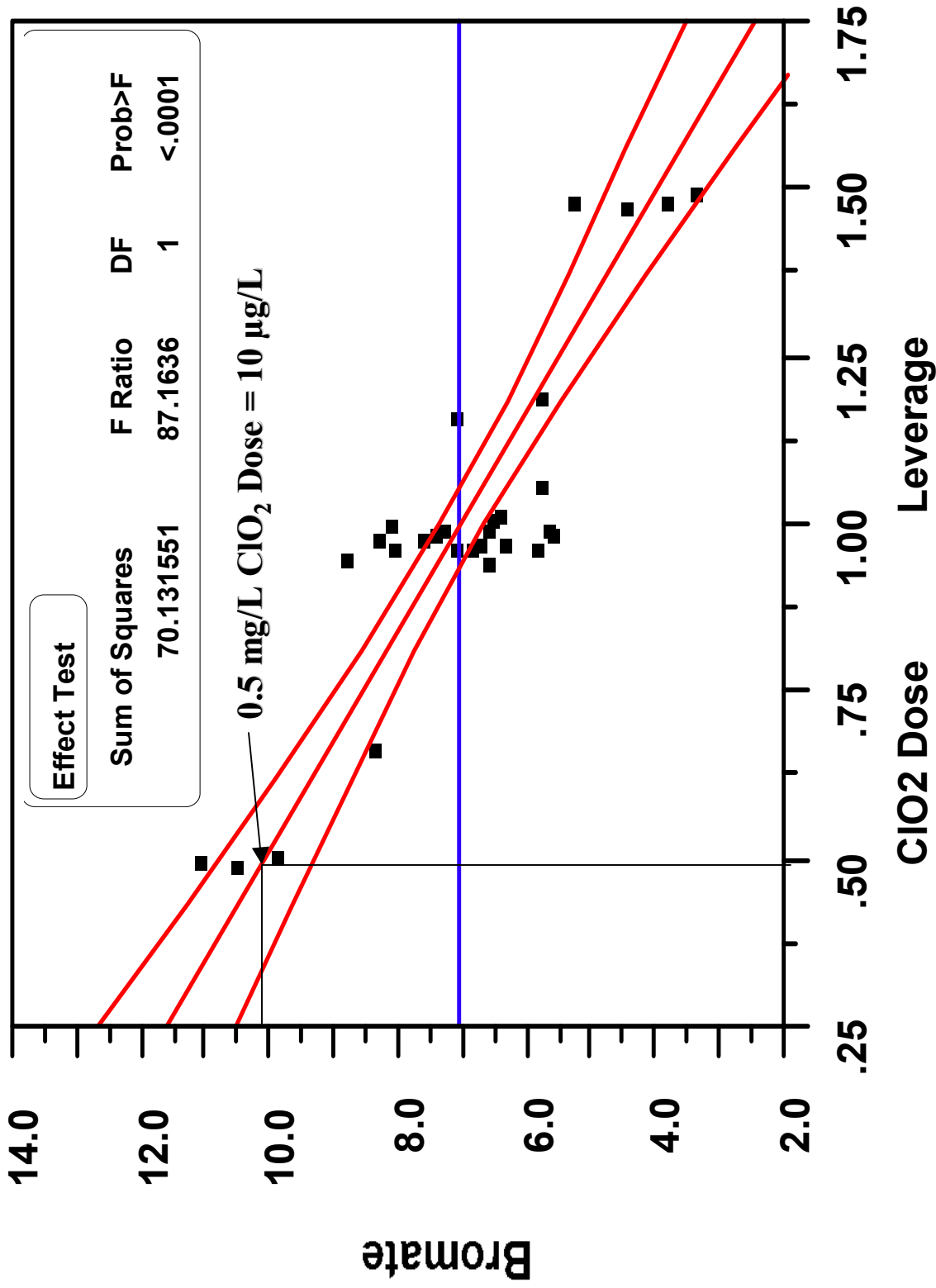
Bromates vs. O₃ Residuals with ClO₂



Bromate vs. O₃ Time with ClO₂



Bromates vs. ClO₂ Dose



Predictive Equation for Bromate Formation with ClO₂

**Bromates, µg/L = 0.40 + (2.87 * O₃ Time, minutes) + (3.23 * O₃ Residual, mg/L)
+ (-6.09 * ClO₂ Dose, mg/L) R²= 0.90, N = 29**

**Bromates, µg/L = -3.49 + (2.94 * O₃ Time, minutes) + (6.70 * O₃ Residual, mg/L)
R² = 0.89, N = 27 Ozone Dose Only Equation**

Prediction Parameters are:

- 1. Range of Ozone Residuals = 0.01 to 0.74 mg/L**
- 2. Range of Ozone Contact Times = 3 – 5 minutes**
- 3. Range of ClO₂ Dosage = 0.5 to 1.5 mg/L**
- 4. ClO₂ contact time = 1 to 2 minutes**
- 5. Range of Actual Bromates = 2.9 to 13.6 µg/L**
- 6. Range of Predicted Bromates = 2.9 to 13.7 µg/L**
- 7. Range of Residuals = -1.4 to 1.3 µg/L**
- 8. Range of Bromide Levels = 170 µg/L to 220 µg/L**

Table 1 - Comparison of Lab Bromate Levels

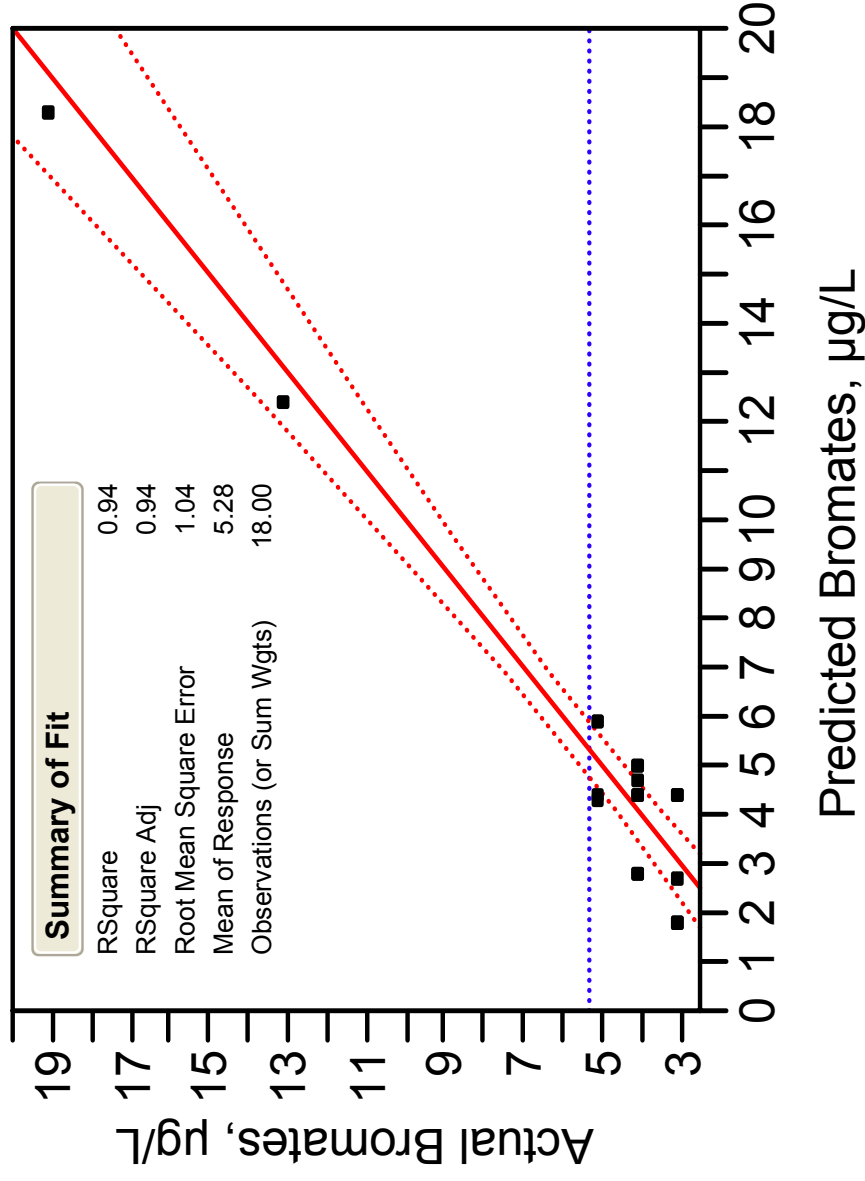
MGD Per Contactor	Contact Minutes	O₃ Residual, mg/L	1.5 mg/L ClO₂, µg/L	1.0 mg/L ClO₂, µg/L	0.5 mg/L ClO₂, µg/L	Ozone only, µg/L	% Reduction Range with ClO₂
5.0	6.5	0.3	10.0	13.1	16.2	17.6	8% to 42%
6.0	5.4	0.3	7.0	9.9	13.4	14.4	7% to 51%
7.0	4.64	0.3	5.2	7.8	10.8	12.2	11% to 57%
8.0	4.06	0.3	3.1	6.1	9.2	10.5	12% to 70%
9.0	3.61	0.3	1.8 (<2.0)	4.8	7.9	9.1	13% to 80%
10.0	3.25	0.3	0.76 (<2.0)	3.8	6.9	8.1	15% to 91%

2005 Lab Study of ClO₂ Dose versus ClO₂⁻ & ClO₃⁻ Levels

Sample ID	ClO ₂ Dose, mg/L	ClO ₂ ⁻ , mg/L	ClO ₃ ⁻ , mg/L	% Total Oxidants of ClO ₂ dose
137	1.0	0.0	0.731	73.1
138	1.0	0.0	0.731	73.1
139	1.0	0.0	0.734	73.4
140	1.0	0.0	0.691	69.1
141	1.0	0.0	0.671	67.1
142	1.0	0.0	0.664	66.4
143	0.5	0.0	0.293	58.6
144	0.5	0.0	0.284	56.8
145	0.5	0.0	0.293	58.6
156	1.0	0.0	0.716	71.6
157	1.0	0.0	0.718	71.8
158	1.0	0.0	0.72	72.0

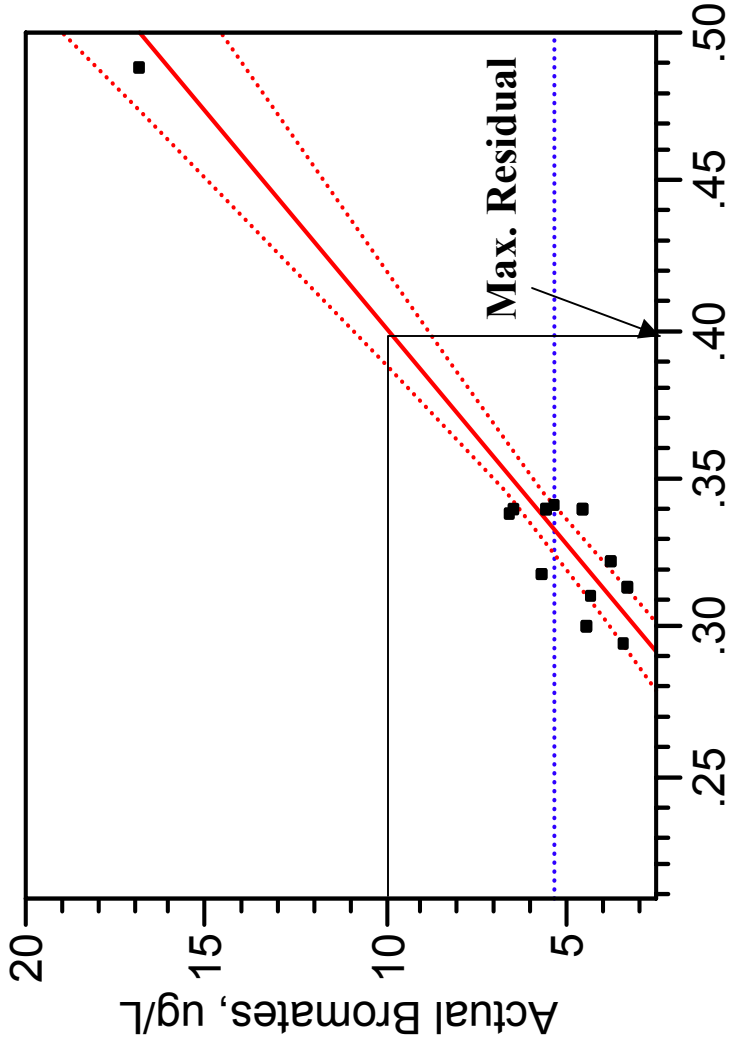
* Plant Study averaged 62% total oxidants of ClO₂ Dose

Plant Study for Actual versus Predicted Bromates Using O₃ Only



$$\text{Bromates, } \mu\text{g/L} = -43.8 + (68.6 \times \text{O}_3 \text{ Res., mg/L}) + (7.46 \times \text{Time, minute})$$

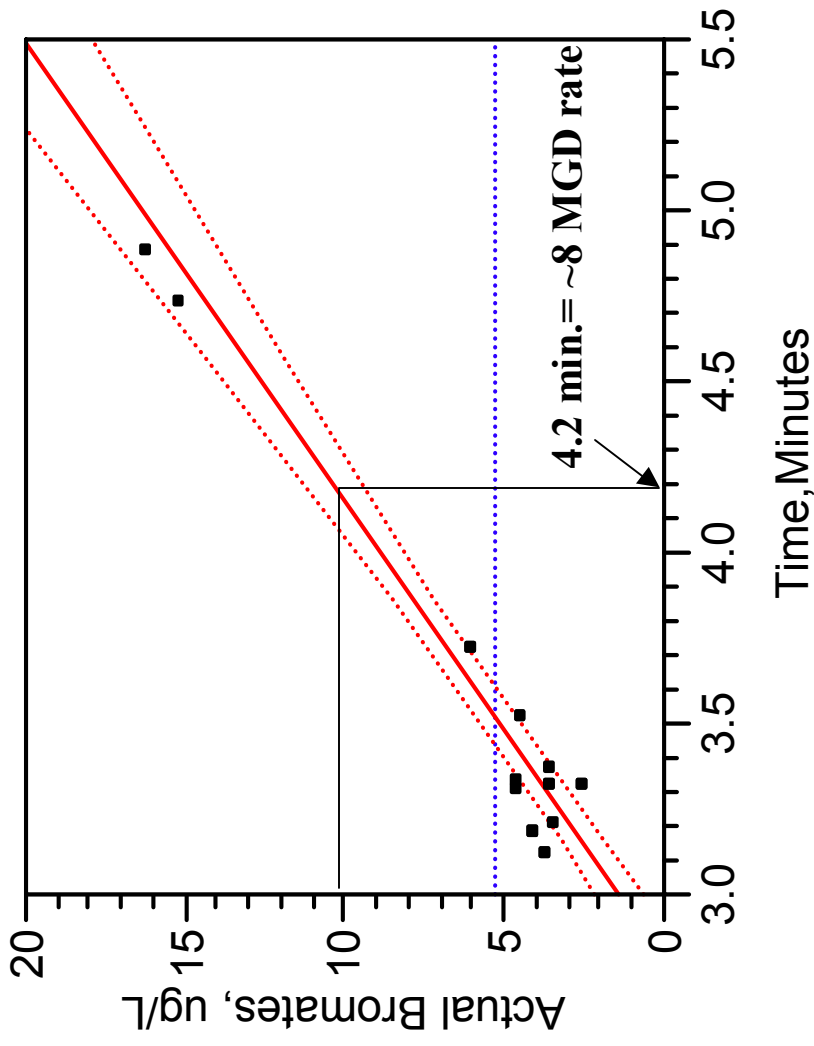
Plant Study of Bromates versus Ozone Residuals for O₃ Only



Ozone Residual, mg/L

Leverage, $P < .0001$

Plant Study of Bromates versus Time, Minutes for O₃ Only



Leverage, $P < .0001$

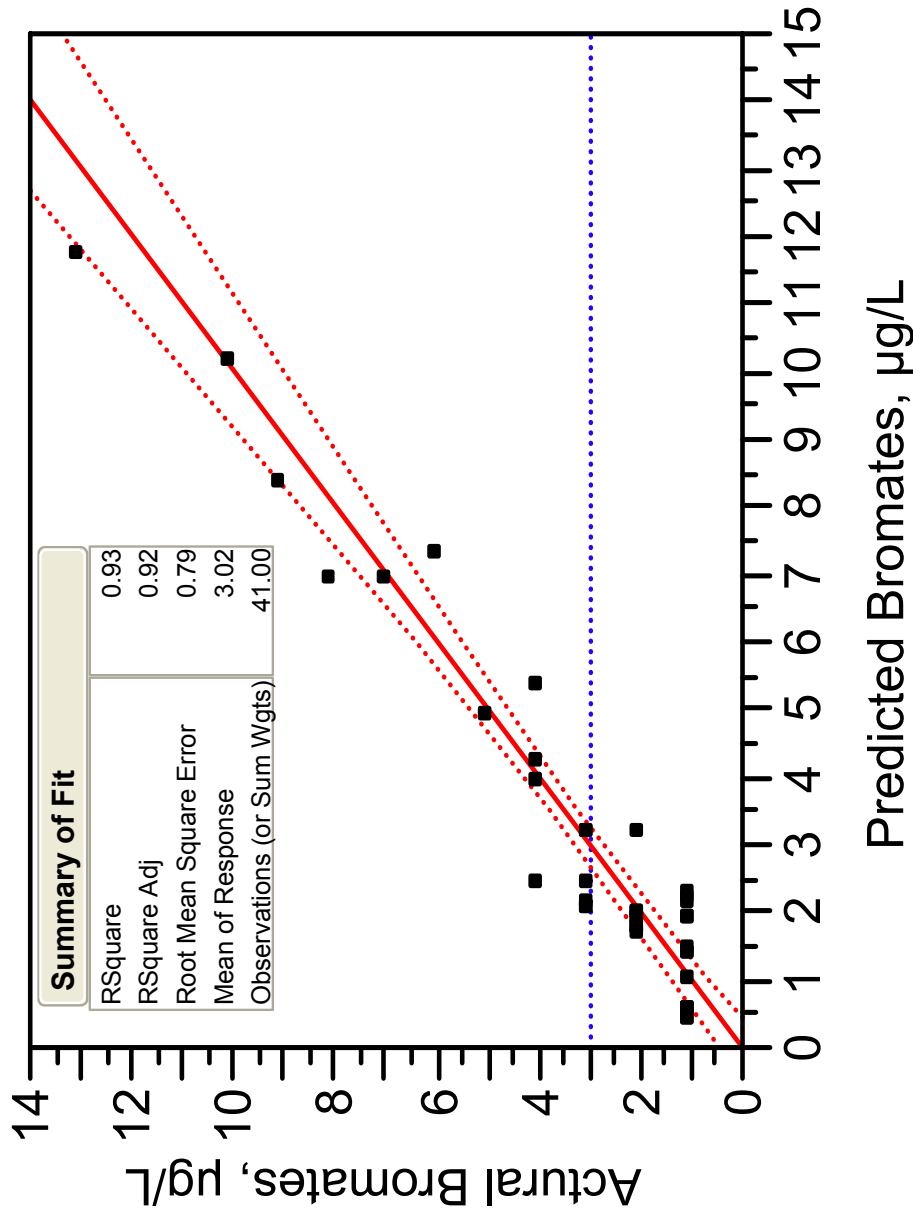
Predictive Equation for Bromate Formation with O₃ alone in Plant Study

$$\text{Bromates, } \mu\text{g/L} = -43.8 + (68.6 \times \text{O}_3 \text{ Res., mg/L}) + (7.46 \times \text{Time, minute})$$

Prediction Parameters are:

- 1. Range of Ozone Residuals = 0.22 to 0.47 mg/L**
- 2. Range of Ozone Contact Times = 3.20 to 5.5 minutes**
- 3. Range of Actual Bromates = 3.0 to 19.0 µg/L**
- 4. Range of Predicted Bromates = 1.8 to 18.3 µg/L**
- 5. Range of Residuals = -1.4 to +1.2 µg/L**
- 6. Range of Bromide Levels = 170 µg/L to 220 µg/L**

Plants Study for Actual versus Predicted Bromates with O₃ & ClO₂



$$\text{Bromates, } \mu\text{g/L} = -1.95 + 4.0 \times \text{O}_3 \text{ Res, mg/L} + 2.09 \times \text{Time, min.} + (-6.35 \times \text{ClO}_2, \text{ mg/L})$$

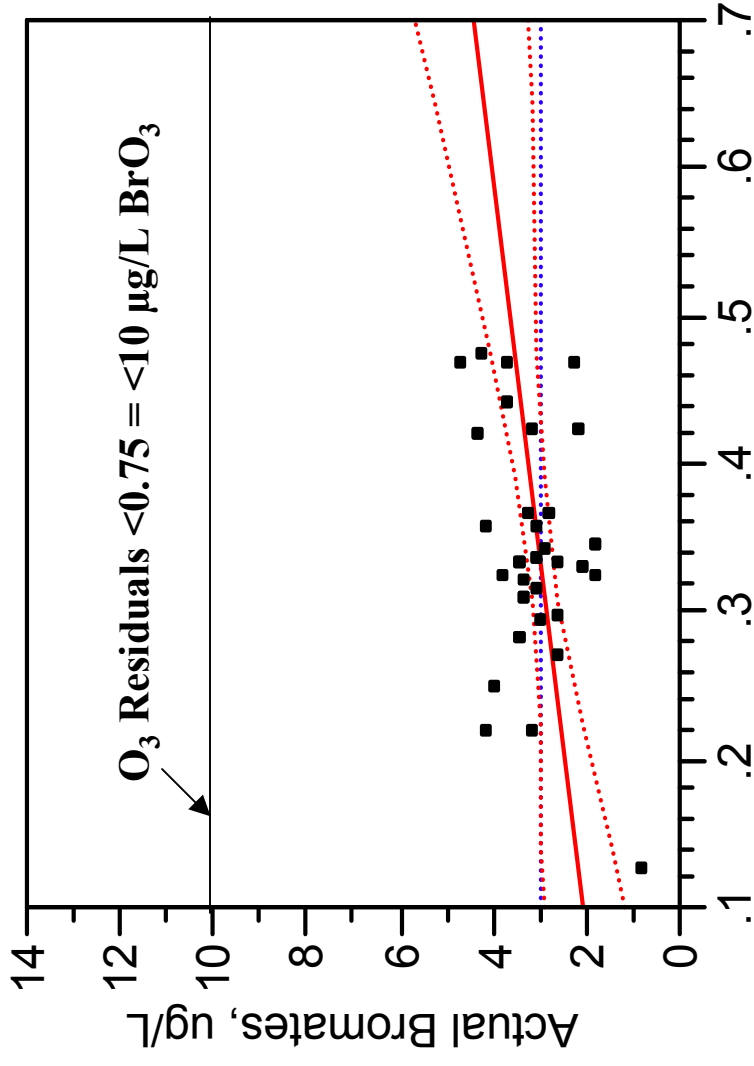
Predictive Equation for Bromate Formation with ClO₂ in Plant Study

Bromates, µg/L = -1.95 + 4.0 x O₃ Res, mg/L + 2.09 x Time, minutes + (-6.35 x ClO₂, mg/L). R square = 0.93, N = 41 observations.

Prediction Parameters are:

- 1. Range of Ozone Residuals = 0.15 to 0.65 mg/L**
- 2. Range of Ozone Contact Times = 3.28 to 5.01 minutes**
- 3. Range of ClO₂ Dosage = 0.44 to 1.67 mg/L**
- 4. Range of Actual Bromates = 1.0 to 13.0 µg/L**
- 5. Range of Predicted Bromates = 0.5 to 11.7 µg/L**
- 6. Range of Residuals = -1.4 to 1.6 µg/L**
- 7. Range of Bromide Levels = 170 µg/L to 220 µg/L**

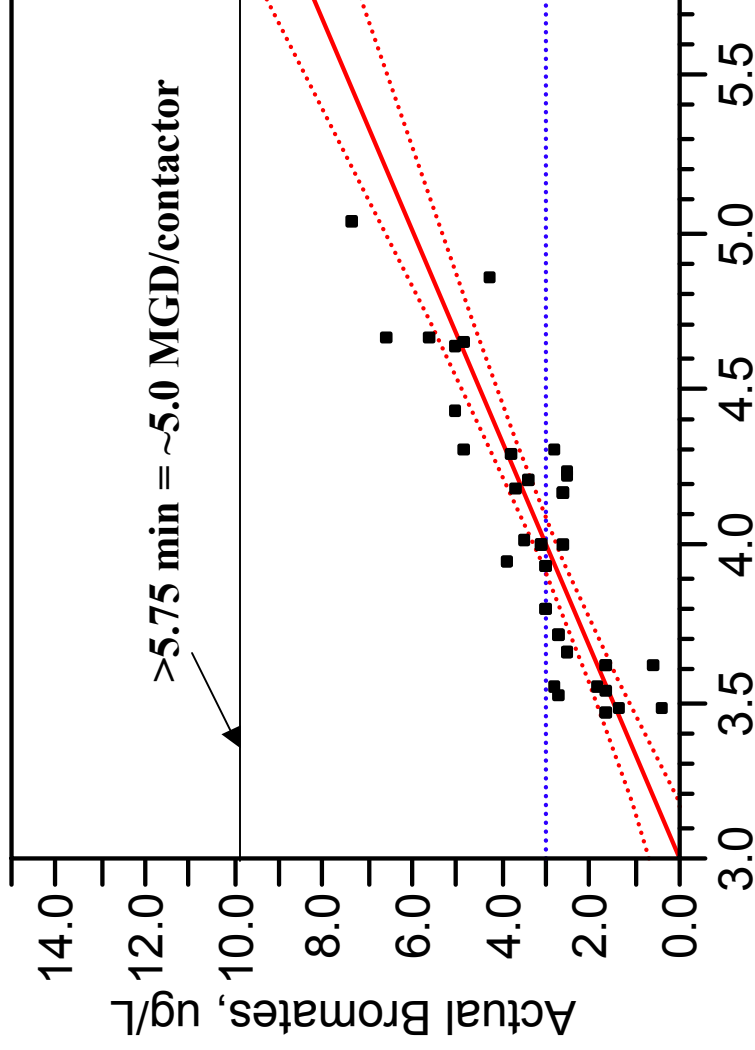
Plant Study of Bromates versus Ozone Residuals with ClO_2



Ozone Residual, mg/L

Leverage, $P=0.0226$

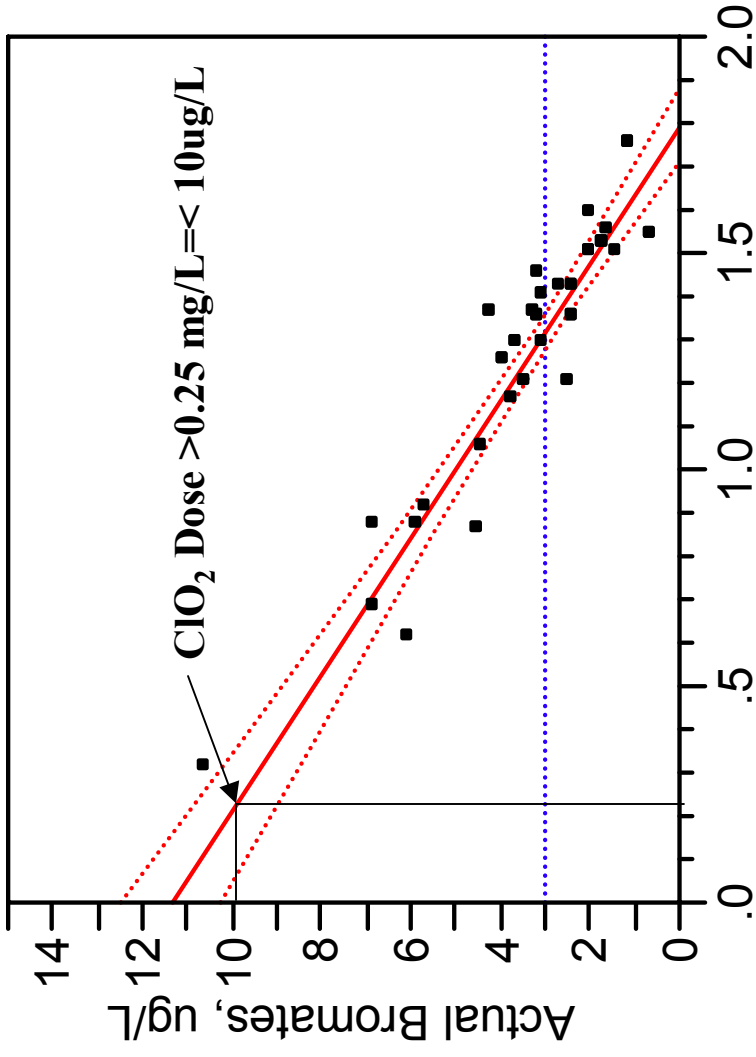
Plant Study of Bromates versus Time, minutes with ClO₂



Time, minutes

Leverage, $P < .0001$

Plant Study of Bromates versus ClO₂ Dose Leverage



Chlorine Dioxide, mg/L Leverage

P<.0001

**Table 7. Bromate Formation for 3 Chlorine Dioxide Doses and Ozone only
at 0.3 Ozone Residual in Plant Study**

Flow, MGD	Time, minutes	Ozone Residual mg/L	1.5 mg/L ClO₂ Dose, µg/L	1.0 mg/L ClO₂ dose, µg/L	0.5 mg/L ClO₂ dose, µg/L	Ozone Dose only, µg/L	% Reduction Range
5.0	6.5	0.3	9.1	12.3	15.4	25.3	39 to 64
6.0	5.4	0.3	5.8	9.0	12.2	17.1	29 to 79
7.0	4.64	0.3	3.6	6.7	9.9	11.4	13 to 68
8.0	4.06	0.3	1.8	5.0	8.2	7.1	0 to 75
9.0	3.61	0.3	<1.0	3.7	6.8	3.8	0 to ~80
10.0	3.25	0.3	<1.0	2.6	5.8	<1.0	0

Bromates, µg/L = -43.8 + (68.6 x O₃ Res., mg/L) + (7.46 x Time, minute)

Bromates, µg/L = -1.95 + (4.0 x O₃ Res, mg/L) + (2.09 x Time, min.) + (-6.35 x ClO₂, mg/L)

Table 8. Bromate Formation for 3 Chlorine Dioxide Doses and Ozone Only at 0.4 mg/L Ozone Residual in Plant Study

Flow, MGD	Time, minute	Ozone Residual, mg/L	1.5 mg/L ClO ₂ Dose, µg/L	1.0 mg/L ClO ₂ dose, µg/L	0.5 mg/L ClO ₂ dose, µg/L	Ozone Dose only	% Reduction Range
5.0	6.5	0.4	9.5	12.7	15.8	32.2	51 to 70
6.0	5.4	0.4	6.2	9.4	12.6	24.0	48 to 74
7.0	4.64	0.4	4.0	7.1	10.3	18.3	44 to 78
8.0	4.06	0.4	2.2	5.3	8.6	14.0	39 to 84
9.0	3.61	0.4	<1.0	4.0	7.2	10.6	32 to 91
10.0	3.25	0.4	<1.0	2.9	6.1	7.9	23 to ~94

Bromates, µg/L = -43.8 + (68.6 x O₃ Res., mg/L) + (7.46 x Time, minute)

Bromates, µg/L = -1.95 + (4.0 x O₃ Res, mg/L) + (2.09 x Time, min.) + (-6.35 x ClO₂, mg/L)

Conclusions

The following conclusions from the 2005 Laboratory and Plant Studies, can be made with reasonable certainty:

1. The lab and plant studies predict accurately the effect of ozone residual, contact time, and chlorine dioxide dose on bromate formation.
2. Bromates were reduced by 6.1 µg/L and 6.34 µg/L of chlorine dioxide dose in the lab and the plant studies respectively.
3. Chlorite residuals were less than 0.01 mg/L after ozonation at all chlorine dioxide doses.
4. Chlorate levels were 67% and 62% of the applied chlorine dioxide dose in the lab and plant studies, respectively.
5. Ozone alone can comply with the 10 µg/L bromate MCL at contact times of 4.06 minutes or less (>8.0 MGD rate per contactor) with 0.3 mg/L ozone residual but at the 0.4 mg/L ozone residual level, the contact time of 3.61 minutes or less (>9.0 MGD rate per contactor) is necessary to comply with the bromate MCL.
6. The average bromate reduction was 78% at 1.5 mg/L chlorine dioxide dose compared to the Contra Costa study of 78% reduction at 1.0 mg/L chlorine dioxide dose.
7. Since the plant can now operate at the higher ozone residual level of 0.4 mg/L, the plant should have consistent disinfection capability for *Giardia sp* inactivation while increasing TOC removal and resulting in lower TTHM levels in the distribution system.

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Questions???

