

Reply to "Comments on" Involvement of Free Radicals in the Aqueous-Phase Catalytic Oxidation of Phenol over CuO

We wish to thank Njiribeako, Hudgins and Silveston (1) for their comments and clarification concerning phenol analysis. Their comments concerning long retention times are most definitely true; our initial attempts with what probably was Porapak N gave unacceptably long retention times, leading ultimately to our using another Porapak, which was apparently mislabeled in Sadana's thesis and thus in the paper also.

REFERENCE

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