

J.H. Lehr, Wiley's Remediation Technologies Handbook: Major Contaminant Chemicals and Chemical Groups, Wiley-Interscience, John Wiley & Sons Inc., Hoboken, NJ, 2004, 1281 pp. + CD-ROM, US\$ 150.00, ISBN 0-471-45599-7

This handbook reports on 901 innovative and emerging technologies used to remediate contaminated sites. For each technique, Lehr gives a brief summary of the process, technical and cost data (if available), source documents, and a list of vendors that may specialize in the cited application.

To make the information available, the author sorted chemicals of concern into chemical groups; this information is found in the first index. The available techniques are then listed for each chemical in the appropriate chemical group in the handbook's second index. Each technique is listed by a numerical code, along with its title and company specializing in its use. This extensive index utilizes just over 300 pages.

The next section in the book reports on 901 techniques given in numerical order. Data include (when available) description of the technology, case studies, costs, and references (the bibliographical reference data are found on the accompanying CD-ROM).

Most entries refer to specific remedial techniques and their development but interspersed in these are organization specific summaries of general techniques such as found in Section T0106 entitled "Biological Activated Carbon-General."

Needless to say, the amount of information given for each topic is highly variable in amount, but in total the book represents a very useful compilation of site remediation information. It should save those seeking cost and technical data much time in literature search.

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