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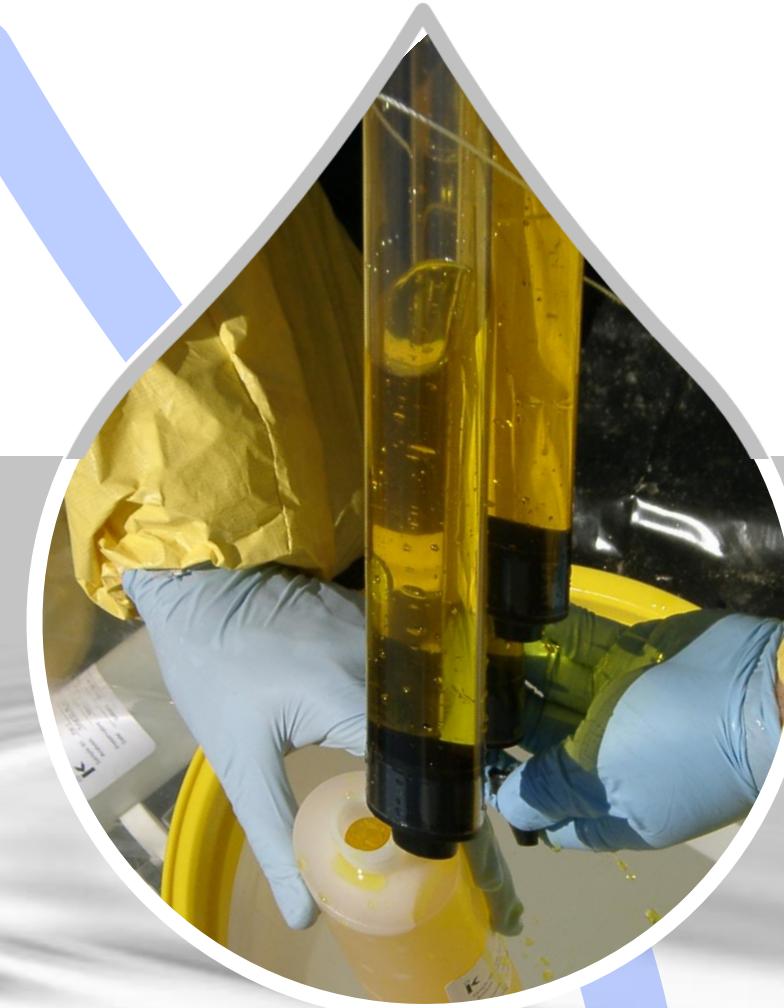
Hexavalent Chromium

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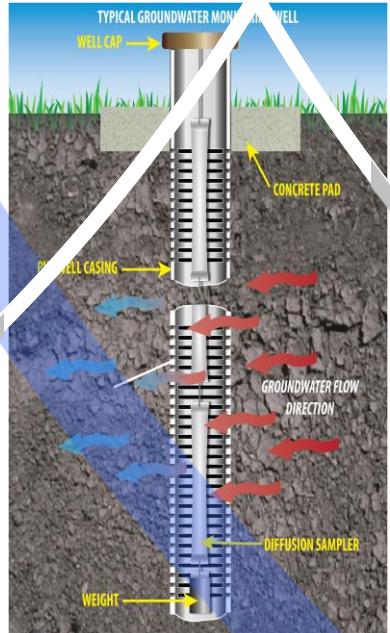
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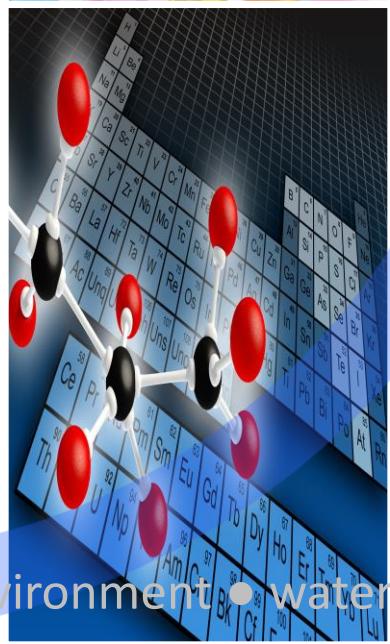
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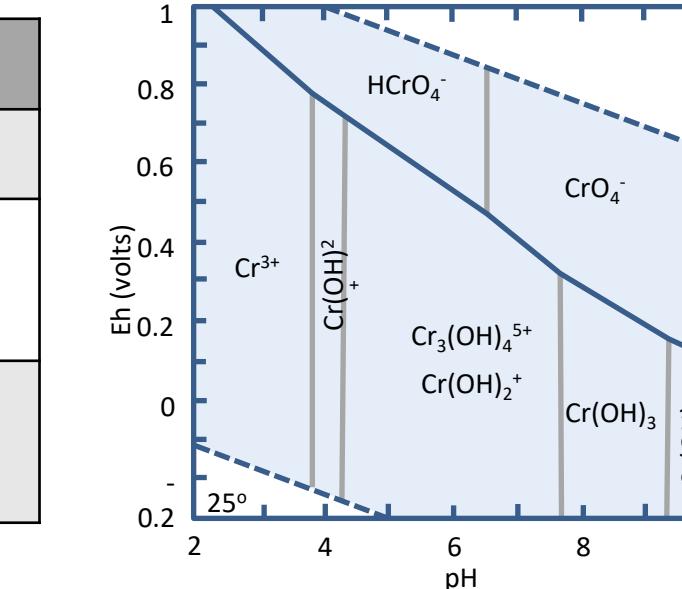


Natural Chromium Oxidation States

| Oxidation State | Compound Name | Formula |
|-----------------|--|---|
| 0 | Chromium (0) (elemental, metal) Chromium (0) carbonyl | Cr_0 $\text{Cr}(\text{CO})_6$ |
| +3 | Chromium (III) oxide Chromium (III) fluoride Chromium (III) chloride Chromium (III) hydroxide | Cr_2O_3 CrF_3 CrCl_3 $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_3$ |
| +6 | Barium chromate Chromate anion Sodium dichromate Dichromate anion | BaCrO_4 CrO_4^{2-} $\text{Na}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$ $\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$ |



Eh-pH Diagram



Redox Potential

| | |
|--|--|
| $2\text{NO}_3^- + 12\text{H}^+ + 10\text{e}^-$ | $\text{N}_2 + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ |
| $\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 2\text{e}^-$ | $\text{Mn}^{2+} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ |
| $\text{O}_2 + 4\text{H}^+ + 4\text{e}^-$ | H_2O |
| $\text{HCrO}_4^- + 5\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$ | $\text{Cr}(\text{OH})_2^+ + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ |
| $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3 + 3\text{H}^+ + 3\text{e}^-$ | |
| $\text{SO}_4^{2-} + 10\text{H}^+ + 8\text{e}^-$ | |
| $\text{CO}_2 + 8\text{H}^+ + 8\text{e}^-$ | |
| $\text{CH}_4(g) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ | |

Water Quality Criteria and Guidelines¹

| Analysis | Regulatory Limit (ug/L) | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| | Preliminary Health Goal | Maximum Contaminant Level |
| Total Chromium (USEPA) | --- | 100 |
| Total Chromium (CA) | --- | 50 |
| Hexavalent Chromium (CA) | 0.02 | 10 |

Hexavalent Chromium Detections in California Drinking Water Sources (2000 - 2012)²

| Maximum Detected Concentration (ug/L) | Number of Sources | % of Detections |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| > 50 | 4 | < 1 |
| 41 - 50 | 5 | < 1 |
| 31 - 40 | 17 | < 1 |
| 21 - 30 | 66 | 3 |
| 11 - 20 | 247 | 10 |
| 6 - 10 | 496 | 20 |
| 1 - 5 | 1,596 | 66 |
| Total | 2,432 | -- |

Sources:

- CDPH. (2014). MCLs, DLRs, and PHGs for Regulated Drinking Water Contaminants.
- CDPH. (2012). Chromium-6 in Drinking Water Sources: Sampling Results. From 2000 through November 2012. http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/drinkingwater/Chromium6sampling.shtml

