## Respirometry for Environmental Science and Engineering

by James C. Young and Robert M. Cowan

### **Contents:**

### • Fundamentals of respirometry

Covers biological growth relationships and their application to respirometry.

### • Features of commercial respirometers

Describes the basis for design and operation of commercial respirometers including discussions of their operating features.

### • Applications of respirometry

Covers biodegradation testing, toxicity assessment, anaerobic and anoxic tests, and biomass activity.

#### Biodegradation Kinetics

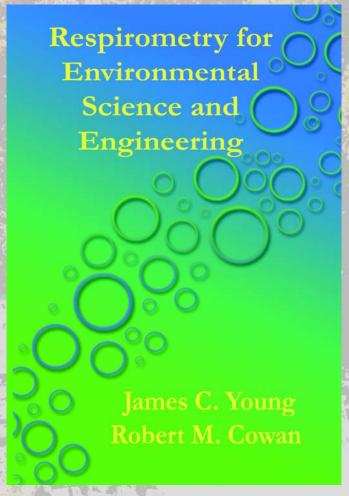
Describes protocols for kinetic analysis and shows how various kinetic parameters affect the modeling of microbiological reactions.

# • Respirometry for activated sludge process control

OUR fingerprints, estimating active biomass concentrations, continuous monitoring using online respirometers, and Short-Term BOD.

### Treatability testing

Describes batch and continuous methods for assessing treatability of wastewaters.



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