#### Impact of Landfill Leachate on Iron Release from Northwest Florida Iron Rich Soils

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#### Iron Release in NW Florida



#### Central Landfill Walton County



Fairgrounds Branch below Auto Shred Landfill

#### **Visible Iron Release near Landfills**





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#### Roles of Microorganisms in Iron Release



#### **NW Florida Iron Rich Soil**

#### **Microorganisms**



#### **Carbon and Nutrient Sources**



#### **Iron/Sulfur Bacteria Growth from Unlined Landfills**





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### **Objectives**

- To provide evidence iron can be released from the iron-rich soil
- To quantify the iron release processes





### <u>Outline</u>

- Soil sampling
- Batch experiments
- Results
- Future work
  - Column experiments
  - Soil iron quantification





# **Iron-Reducing Bacteria**



Shewanella oneidensis strain MR-1 growing on the surface of the iron oxide mineral hematite



- Iron-reducing bacteria to reduce iron oxides to ferrous iron
- Shewanella oneidensis strain MR-1 to conserve energy for growth with the structure Fe(III) bound in smectite clay
- Most of the iron on earth in the form of silicate minerals or iron oxides

 $CH_2O + 2Fe_2O_3 + 3H_2O = CO_2 + 4Fe^{2+} + 8OH^{-}$ 



# **Anaerobic Culture Cultivation**



- Sampled soil as base consortium
- Under anaerobic conditions
- Teflon-sealed container equipped with CO<sub>2</sub> entrapping devices
- Mineral salts media



- Glucose as carbon source
- In the presence of simulated leachate and Fe<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·7H<sub>2</sub>O





#### **Anaerobic Bacteria Culturing**







### **Leon County Landfill**









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### **Laboratory Experiments**



Leon County Landfill Soil



#### Iron Reducing Bacteria



**Artificial Leachate** 



### **Laboratory Experiment Results**







### Low Iron Content Soil Sample









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### **Laboratory Experiments**



#### Low Iron Content Soil



Iron Reducing Bacteria





**Artificial Leachate** 

### **Laboratory Experiment Results**



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# Soil and Leachate Sampling

#### Soil and leachate sampled from following landfills:

Landfill	County
Steelfield Landfill	Bay
Perdido Landfill	Escambia
Franklin County Central Landfill	Franklin
Quincy Byrd Landfill	Gadsden
Five Points Landfill	Gulf
Holmes County Landfill	Holmes
Springhill Regional Landfill	Jackson
Leon County Solid Waste Mgmt Facility	Leon
Wright Landfill	Okaloosa
Holley Navarre Landfill	Santa Rosa
Santa Rosa Central Landfill	Santa Rosa
Lower Bridge Landfill	Wakulla
Walton County Central Landfill	Walton





### **Representing NW Florida**







#### Santa Rosa Central Landfill







### **Perdido Landfill**







# **Soil Sampling**





#### Santa Rosa Central Landfill

#### **Holmes County Landfill**





# **Soil Sampling**



#### Franklin County Central

#### **Steelfield Landfill, Bay County**





# Soil Sampling





# Spring Hill South landfill Jackson County

#### Leon County Landfill





#### **Batch Experiments**







### **Results for 55 Days**







### **Student Training**



#### Microbial activity characterization nearby landfill sites





### **Student Training**



#### Microbial mediated iron transformation





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### **Future Work**







# **Support for Funding Acquisition from EPA**

- AGENCY: ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)
- TITLE: "OSWER INNOVATIONS PILOT PROJECTS"
- ACTION: Request for Applications (RFA) Initial Announcement
- RFA NO: EPA-OSWER-IO-06-08

Cooperative Partners. Provide names and phone numbers of individuals and organizations that have agreed to participate in the implementation of the project:

Letters of support from any partners involved with the proposal. If the applicant is including cooperative partners as part of the project team, a letter of support from each cooperative partner is required. The letter must be on the partner's letterhead and must be signed by a responsible official of the partner organization stating their intention to work on and/or contribute funds to the project including an estimate of the funding and time commitment. Letters of support must be provided to document any matching or supplemental funds that are described in the proposal. Letters of support must be received by the closing date and time for receipt of applications under this announcement.





#### **Questions?**



