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Highlights

- > Complexation of Hg with the antibiotics resulting in the dissolution of Hg compounds from the sediment.
- > Hg ions in the sediment can also promote the degradation of antibiotics.
- > The degradation of TC/OTC radicals generates CH³⁺ groups which can react with Hg⁰ to form MeHg.

Abstract

The role of antibiotics commonly used in fish culture activities in methylmercury (MeHg) formation in mariculture sediments (MS) and in reference sediments (RS)

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