

**ABSTRACT:**

Activated sludge models (ASMs) have been widely used as a basis for further model development in wastewater treatment processes. Values for parameters to be used are vital for the accuracy of the modeling approach. A continuous stirred tank reactor (CSTR), as open respirometer with continuous flow for 20 h is used in ASMs. The dissolved oxygen (DO) profile for 11 days was monitored. It was found the mass transfer coefficient  $K_L a$  is  $0.3 \text{ h}^{-1}$  during lag and start feed phase and  $0.01 \text{ h}^{-1}$  during stop feed phase, while the heterotrophic yield coefficient  $Y_H$  is 0.44. Some of the chemical oxygen demand (COD) fractionations of palm oil mill effluent (POME) using respirometric test in ASM models are  $S_s$  50 mg/L,  $S_I$  16,600 mg/L,  $X_S$  25,550 mg/L, and  $X_I$  2,800 mg/L. The comparison of experimental and ASM1 from OUR concentration is found to fit well.