**TABLE 1**

*Water physico-chemical properties in the experimental tanks, results for the 0, 24th and 72nd h. (average ± SD).*

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| **Metal concentration,**  **µg/L** | **pH** | **Conductivity, µS/cm** | **Temperature, ˚C** | **Oxygen level, mg/L** |
| Ni 1000 | 7.98 ± 0.5 | 492 ± 1.5 | 21.75 ± 1 | 6.3 ± 0.5 |
| Ni 750 | 8.1 ± 0.5 | 490 ± 1 | 20.75 ± 1.5 | 6.3 ± 0.3 |
| Ni 500 | 8.15 ± 0.5 | 489.5 ± 0.5 | 22.75 ± 1.3 | 6.5 ± 0.5 |
| Ni 250 | 8.02 ± 0.3 | 489 ± 0.5 | 22 ± 0.5 | 6.6 ± 0.1 |
| Pb 360 | 8.12 ± 0.5 | 486.5 ± 0.5 | 23.5 ± 0.5 | 6.2 ± 0.5 |
| Pb 270 | 8.13 ± 0.3 | 488 ± 0.3 | 22.75 ± 0.5 | 6.4 ± 0.5 |
| Pb 180 | 8.2± 0.5 | 483.5 ± 0.3 | 21.75 ± 0.5 | 6.5 ± 0.3 |
| Pb 70 | 8.195 ± 0.3 | 480.5 ± 1.5 | 21.75 ± 0.3 | 6.5 ± 0.3 |