Anonymous. (2003). Red menace -- Alumina waste products neutralised - As a result of the standard aluminium extraction process, a large amount of of highly alkaline 'red mud' is produced, containing various minerals left over from the bauxite, and this must be disposed of safely, treated or stored. Using a partial-neutralising process involving sea water, Virotec has developed an environmentally responsible process that turns the mud into a mild alkali that is very good at neutralising acid in, for example, acid mine waste. *Materials world*, 11(6), 22–25.