



Adsorption of Acid violet 4BS from aqueous solutions onto *Lagerstroemia indica* seeds as a low cost biosorbent

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Abstract: The use of low-cost and ecofriendly adsorbents was investigated as an ideal alternative to the current expensive methods of removing dyes from wastewater. *Lagerstroemia indica* seeds (LIS) was used as an adsorbent for the removal of Acid violet 4BS from aqueous solutions. The rate of adsorption was investigated under various parameters such as contact time, carbon dosage, pH and temperature for the removal of these dyes. Kinetic study showed that the adsorption of dyes on *Lagerstroemia indica* seeds (LIS) was a gradual process. Adsorption rate increased with the increase in carbon dosage, temperature and decreases with increase in pH. Pseudo-first-order, the Elvovich equation, pseudo-second order, and intra-particle diffusion models were used to fit the experimental data. The sorption kinetics of Acid violet onto LIS was described by the pseudo-second-order kinetic equation. Intra-particle diffusion process was identified as the main mechanism controlling the rate of the dye sorption. Thermodynamic activation parameters such as ΔG^0 , ΔS^0 and ΔH^0 were also calculated.

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