

Biosorption of aniline blue from aqueous solution using a novel biosorbent *Zizyphus oenoplia* seeds: Modeling studies

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This article presents the feasibility for the removal of Aniline Blue dye (AB dye) from aqueous solution using a low cost biosorbent material *Zizyphus oenoplia* seeds. In this study, a batch mode experiments of the adsorption process were carried out as a function of pH, contact time, concentration of dye, adsorbent dosage and temperature. The experimental data were fitted with Freundlich and Langmuir isotherm equations. The feasibility of the isotherm was evaluated with dimensionless separation factor (R_L). The kinetic data of sorption process are evaluated by using pseudo-first order and pseudo-second order equations. The mode of diffusion process was evaluated with intra-particle diffusion model. The thermodynamic parameters like change in enthalpy (ΔH°); change in entropy (ΔS°) and Gibbs free energy change (ΔG°) were calculated using Van't Hoff plot. The biosorbent material was characterized with Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy and the morphology was identified with Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) in before and after adsorption of AB dye.

Keywords: aniline blue, removal, biosorption, *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed, modeling.

INTRODUCTION

The environmental pollution is a major problem in developing countries due to the rapid growth of economic, social, educational and industrial development. Most of the countries are extensively using various dyes in their industries like textile, paper, printing, cosmetics, plastics, rubber and dyestuff for coloration of the products. Textile industries consumes very large volumes of water for wet processing such as scouring, bleaching, mercerizing, dyeing, printing and final finishing. The worldwide annual productions of dyes are approximately 7×10^5 tons and 10–15% of them are discharged directly to the environment from textile industries¹. The dyes are usually having a synthetic origin and complex aromatic structures. They are stable to light, water, heat and oxidizing agents, therefore it is very difficult to degrade in chemical and biological methods. Some dyes causes allergy, dermatitis, cancer, skin irritation and mutation problems to human beings². Therefore, removal of dyes from effluent becomes most important for the prevention of environmental problems. There are various conventional methods like precipitation³, ion exchange⁴, solvent extraction⁵, filtration⁶, electrochemical treatment⁷ are used to remove dyes from the effluent water. But most of the methods have some disadvantages such as consumption of large quantity of chemicals, high cost and incomplete dye removal⁸. These methods are also generating large amount of toxic sludge during the treatment process⁹. Among these adsorption is a most effective method with variety of applications and it is considered as an economical and suitable method for the removal of dyes from wastewater¹⁰. Many researchers used variety of adsorbent materials for the removal of dyes from aqueous solution. Some researchers studied

with earthy clay materials like perlite, zeolite and gypsum^{11–13} for the removal of dyes. Activated carbon is widely used as adsorbents because it has excellent adsorption ability to remove organic compounds but they are having some disadvantages like high operation costs, regeneration and generate toxic sludge or other waste products that requires disposal problems¹⁴, which limits their usage¹⁵. Hence, there is a need to explore a locally available and cost effective adsorbent material having high contaminant sorption capacity material¹⁶. Generally the biosorption processes may reduce the capital costs by 20%, operational costs by 36% and total treatment costs by 28% compared with all other conventional methods¹⁷. There are numerous low cost biosorbents have been studied like Tamarind Fruit Shell¹⁸, wood sawdust^{19, 20}, fly ash²¹, tea waste²², coconut waste²³ and peanut hull²⁴ for the removal of various dyes from the waste water.

A detailed literature survey shows that *Zizyphus oenoplia* seeds has not been tried as biosorbent material for the removal of aniline blue dye. The *Zizyphus oenoplia* is a thorny straggling shrub found throughout the hotter parts of India. The objectives of the present study are to adsorb aniline blue dye from aqueous solution by batch mode studies by using *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed as a low-cost material. In the batch mode studies, the dynamic behavior of the adsorption was investigated on the effect of dye concentration, temperature, adsorbent dose, pH and contact time. The Langmuir and Freundlich adsorption isotherms and Lagergren's kinetics equations are used for the evaluation of sorption feasibility process. The thermodynamic parameters were predicted for the determination of the type of interaction between the dye and adsorbent. The surface characterization of the

biosorbent material was analyzed with FTIR spectroscopy and Scanning Electron Microscope.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

Preparation and characterization of biosorbent material

The biosorbent material was collected in the area of Anna University – University College of Engineering Pattukottai premises. The collected seeds are dried without sunlight for 7 days and free from seed shells. Seeds were dried in sunlight for 3 days and it was ground with desired size then washed with distilled water. The material was dried in a hot air oven at 70°C at 3 hours for the removal of volatile matters. The powdered biosorbent material was used for the removal of AB dye. The biosorbent material was characterized by Perkin-Elmer Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy and the morphology of the biosorbent material was determined by Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) before and after adsorption of dye.

Preparation of Dye solution

Aniline blue (Mol. Formula is $C_{32}H_{25}N_3Na_2O_9S_3$ and Formula Weight is 737.74) dye was purchased from Loba-chemie, India limited. The stock solution was prepared by adding 1 g of aniline blue in 1 liter of double distilled water. The biosorption studies were carried out with the desired dilution of the stock solution. The structure of AB dye is presented in the Figure 1.

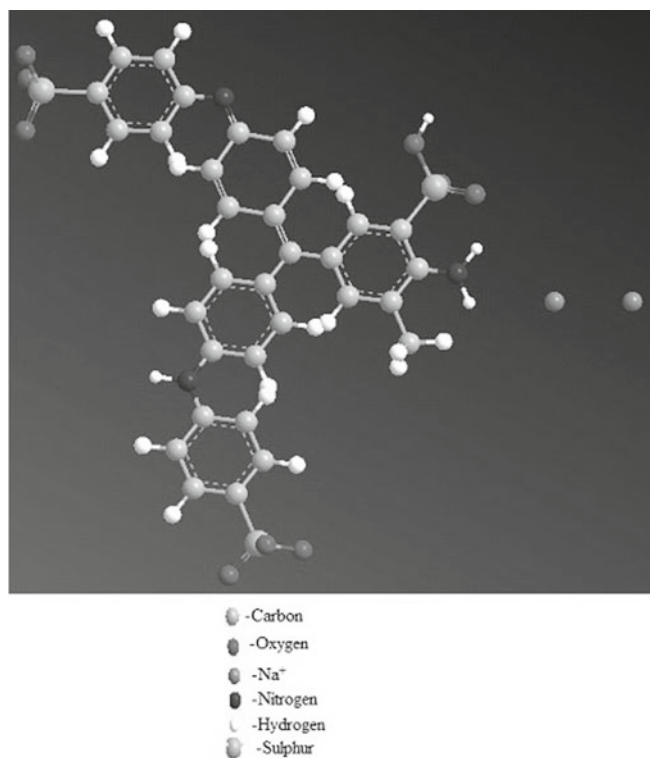


Figure 1. Structure of aniline blue

Biosorption studies

The biosorption study was carried out by varying the parameters such as pH, concentration of dye, adsorbent dose, agitation time and temperature. The solution pH was varied in the range of pH 3 to 10 using 0.1N HCl and 0.1N NaOH. The concentration of the dye was varied as 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70 mg/L. The dose of the

adsorbent was varied 0.05 g to 1g with the increment of 0.05 g. The effect temperature for the sorption was determined by varying the temperature from 30, 40, 50, 60 to 70°C. The effect of contact time of the biosorption process was found by varying the time from 10 to 90 minutes with 10 minutes variation.

The percentage removal of dye was calculated using an equation

$$R(\%) = \frac{C_0 - C_t}{C_0} \times 100 \quad (1)$$

where, C_0 and C_t are the initial concentration and final concentration of dye at time t .

Isotherm studies

The equilibrium data of the biosorption process was predicted with standard isotherm equations like Freundlich and Langmuir adsorption isotherms. In both equations a linear least-square method examined with various experimental conditions. The amount of sorption at time t , q_t (mg/g) was calculated by the following equation

$$q_t = \frac{(C_0 - C_t)V}{M} \quad (2)$$

where, C_0 is initial concentration of dye, C_t is the concentration of dye at a time t , V is the volume of dye in L and M is weight of activated carbon in g.

Kinetics and thermodynamic studies

The mode of affinity between dye and biosorbent material was identified using the Lagergren's kinetic equations like pseudo-first order and pseudo-second order equations. The type of diffusion of dye molecule through biosorbent material was found out with intraparticle diffusion model equation. The feasibility of the sorption process was evaluated from the thermodynamic parameters such as change in enthalpy (ΔH°), change in entropy (ΔS°) and change in Gibbs free energy (ΔG°) using Van't Hoff plot.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Characterization of Zizyphus oenoplia seeds

The Zizyphus oenoplia seed was characterized with FTIR spectroscopy and the spectrum was presented in Figure 2a and 2b. The Figure 2a shows various peaks in the position of 3400 cm^{-1} , 2926 cm^{-1} , 1648 cm^{-1} , 1534 cm^{-1} , 1248 cm^{-1} , 1046 cm^{-1} and 611 cm^{-1} . The strong and broad peak at 3400 cm^{-1} indicated that there is a presence of OH group. The medium resolution peak at 2926 cm^{-1} has shown the presence CH or CH_2 interaction of methyl or methylene group present in it. There is a presence of strong and weak band at 1648 cm^{-1} and 1534 cm^{-1} reveals that the $\text{C}=\text{O}$ stretching vibration of carboxylate ion. The peaks at 1248 cm^{-1} (weak band), (strong band) 1046 cm^{-1} and (broad band) 611 cm^{-1} positions represent the presence of C-O stretching, C-O-C stretching and aromatic nature of biosorbent material. The dye loaded biosorbent material (Fig. 2b) shows definite difference in the peak positions and the intensity of the band are get altered with some extent and there was reduction in the peak height also seen. These changes in the surface of the adsorbent reveals

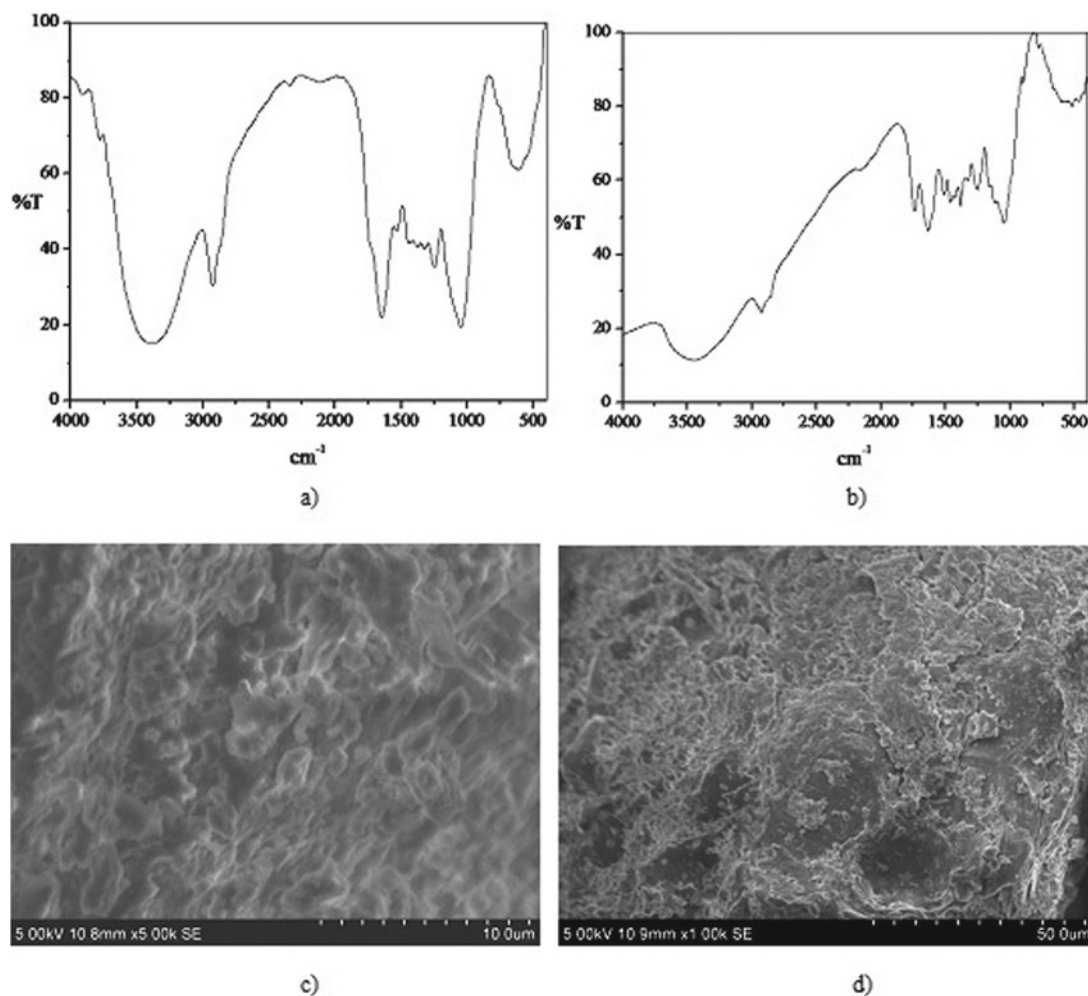


Figure 2. a) FTIR spectrum of biosorbent, b) FTIR spectrum of AB dye loaded biosorbent, c) SEM image of biosorbent, d) SEM image of AB dye loaded biosorbent

that there was a strong sorption process involved during biosorption and the interaction between the AB dye and *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed was predominant. The Scanning Electron Microscopic shows two different Morphological images and that were presented in Figure 2c and 2d. The Figure 2c shows a bright and on the surface. But in the case of Figure 2d, AB dye loaded biosorbent material does not show porous layered structure but it shows that the entire surface covered by the adsorbent.

Effect of pH

The solution pH plays a vital role in any sorption process. Depends on pH, the sorption capacity of the biosorbent material was altered with the type of functional groups present on the surface. If the solution pH attains high value, the biosorbent material is surrounded by the positively charged ions. Thereby negatively charged ions were tending to attract more rapidly rather than positive ions on the surface of the sorbent. On the other hand in low pH value, the progression of the process was involved in the reverse manner and vice versa. The pH was found out with the variation of pH value from 3 to 10. From the various pH values, the pH value 5 shows higher percentage removal of AB dye as compared to other pH values (Fig. 3).

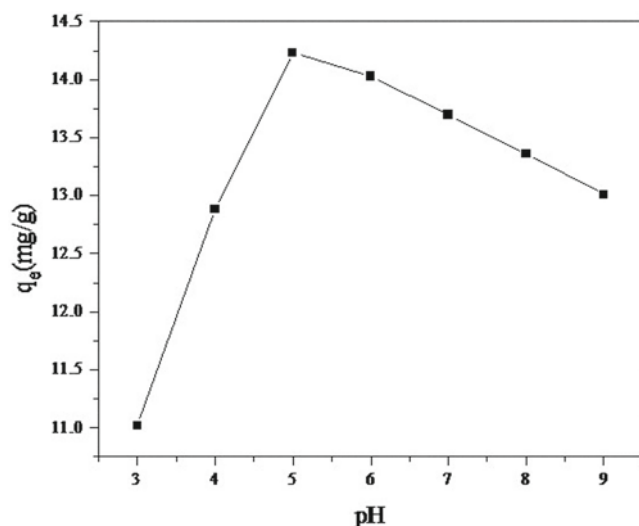


Figure 3. Effect of pH for the sorption AB dye

Effect of contact time and dye concentration

The determination of contact time is essential for any sorption process because it provide the prediction of the equilibrium time. In this sorption process, 100 mg of biosorbent was dispersed in 25 ml of dye solution with various concentrations as 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70 mg/L using Erlenmeyer flasks. From the various concentrations of AB dye 40 mg/L shows an effective dye removal (96%), as compared with other concentrations (Fig. 3). For the prediction of equilibrium contact time

various contact time was evaluated as 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90 minutes. From these the effective AB dye removal achieved in 40 minutes (Fig. 4). The other contact times does not provide an expected dye removal as much as 40 minutes. So 40 minutes of contact time and 40 mg/L of AB dye concentration are chosen as optimum experimental parameters for the removal of AB dye.

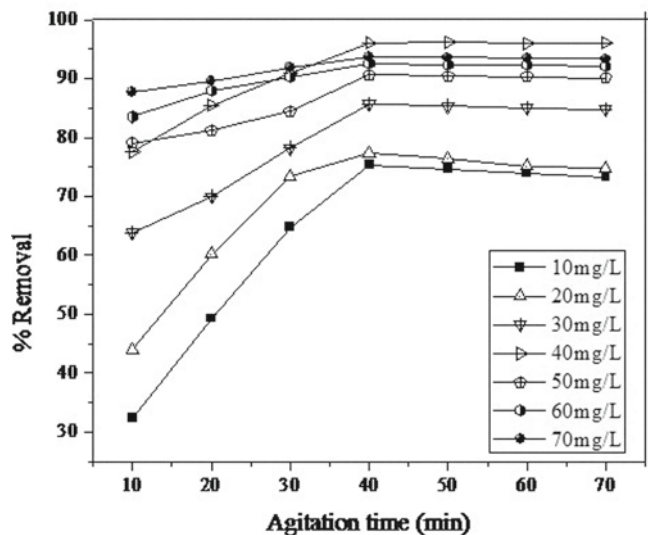


Figure 4. Effect of contact time and dye concentration for the sorption of AB dye

Effect of biosorbent dose and temperature

The prediction of an effective biosorbent dose of biosorption process for the removal of AB dye, various quantities of doses such as 0.05, 0.1, 0.15, 0.2, 0.25, 0.50, 0.75 and 1 g were used. The application of various quantity of biosorbent material, 0.1g of the biosorbent dose shows higher percentage removal of AB dye compared with other doses (Fig. 5). The effect of temperature of biosorption process was predicted in the range of 30 to 70°C with the variation of 10°C. Among various temperatures, 30°C (room temperature) shows an effective dye removal i.e 96% (Fig. 6) other then the higher

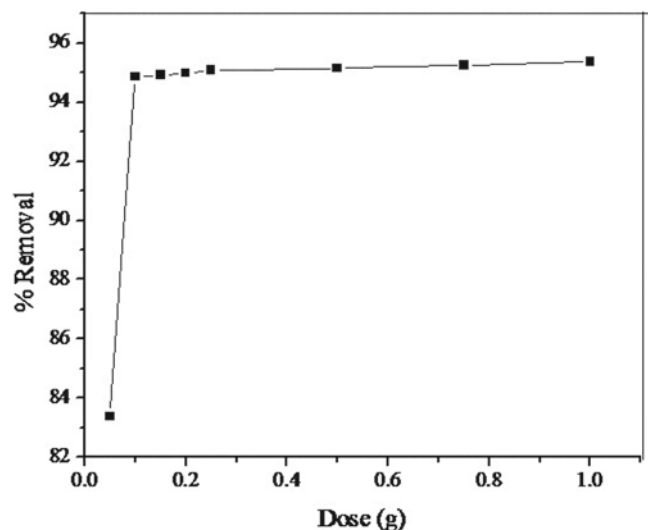


Figure 5. Effect of dose for the sorption of AB dye

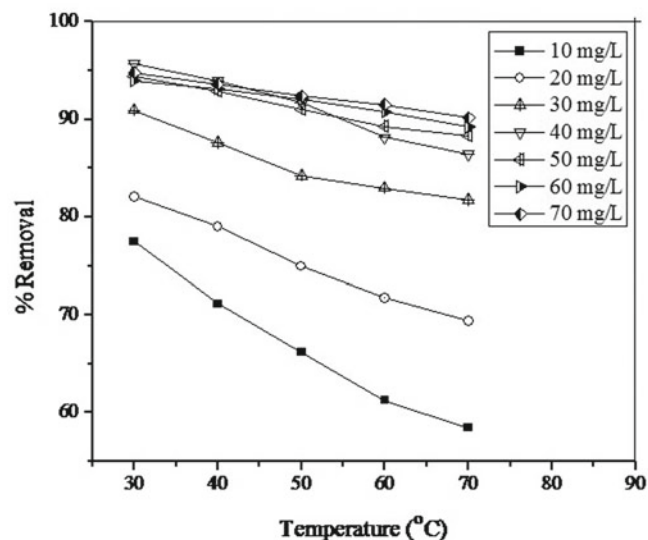


Figure 6. Effect of temperature for the sorption

temperatures. The increment of temperature does not favor the biosorption process.

Isotherm studies

The studies on the isotherms of sorption process are able to provide detailed information about the mode of biosorption (i.e) the interaction between the solute and biosorbent. In this study widely used standard isotherm equations like Freundlich and Langmuir isotherm equations were used to predict whether the biosorption involved between the solute and biosorbent material is monolayer or multilayer process. The Langmuir isotherm equation is used for the assumption that the process involved in a monolayer process. Once the solute particle adsorbed on the surface of the biosorbent active site there is no further sorption takes place on the same site²⁵.

The mathematical expression of the equation

$$q_e = \frac{q_m K_a C_e}{1 + K_a C_e} \quad (3)$$

The equation (3) can be rearranged in the linear form

$$\frac{C_e}{q_e} = \frac{1}{q_m} C_e + \frac{1}{K_a q_m} \quad (4)$$

where, q_e (mg/g) and C_e (mg/L) are the amount of dye adsorbed per unit mass of sorbent and unadsorbed dye concentration in solution, q_m is the maximum amount of dye adsorbed per unit mass of sorbent at complete monolayer on surface bound, and K_a (L/mg) is a constant related to the affinity of the binding sites. These values can be obtained from the linear plot of C_e vs. C_e/q_e . Apart from a common form of the Langmuir isotherm, on rearrangement, various linearized forms were obtained like Langmuir-1, Langmuir-2 and Langmuir-3. The corresponding Langmuir equation constant parameter values are obtained by plotting graph between $1/q_e$ vs. $1/C_e$, q_e vs. q_e/C_e and q_e/C_e vs. q_e ²⁶ and predicted values were presented in Table 2. Various forms of Langmuir equation was presented in Table 1.

The Freundlich isotherm equation used for an assumption that the solute-biosorbent interaction involves in a multilayer and non-uniform distribution of the solute particle on the surface of the biosorbent material²⁷.

Table 1. Isotherm equations and their forms

Isotherms	Non-linear	Linear	Plot	Reference
Freundlich	$q_e = K_F C_e^{1/nF}$	$\log(q_e) = \log(K_F) + \frac{1}{nF} \log(C_e)$	$\log(q_e)$ vs. $\log(C_e)$	27
Langmuir-1	$q_e = \frac{q_m K_a C_e}{1 + K_a C_e}$	$\frac{C_e}{q_e} = \frac{1}{q_m} C_e + \frac{1}{K_a q_m}$	$\frac{C_e}{q_e}$ vs C_e	28
Langmuir-2		$\frac{1}{q_e} = \left(\frac{1}{K_a q_m} \right) \frac{1}{C_e} + \frac{1}{q_m}$	$\frac{1}{q_e}$ vs. $\frac{1}{C_e}$	
Langmuir-3		$q_e = q_m - \left(\frac{1}{K_a} \right) \frac{q_e}{C_e}$	q_e vs. $\frac{q_e}{C_e}$	
Langmuir-4		$\frac{q_e}{C_e} = K_a q_m - K_a q_e$	$\frac{q_e}{C_e}$ vs q_e	

The mathematical expression of the equation

$$q_e = K_F C_e^{1/nF} \quad (5)$$

The equation (5) rearranged into the linear form

$$\log(q_e) = \log(K_F) + \frac{1}{nF} \log(C_e) \quad (6)$$

where, K_F (mg/g) and n are the Freundlich isotherm constants and indicate the adsorption capacity of the adsorbent and the adsorption affinity for the adsorbate, respectively. The value of n and K_F were calculated by plotting a graph between $\log C_e$ vs. $\log q_e$ of slope and intercept.

For the prediction of the best fitted isotherm equations, on comparison the Langmuir-1 isotherm shows a higher correlation coefficient (r^2) value 0.9997 while the other forms shows the correlation coefficient values are 0.9816, 0.9733 and 0.9822 in Langmuir-2, Langmuir-3 and Langmuir-4 equations respectively (Table 2). The Freundlich isotherm shows r^2 value 0.9915. This conclude that the sorption of AB dye onto *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed follow Langmuir isotherm and Freundlich isotherm. Thereby the sorption of the AB dye molecule on the surface of the biosorbent involves both monolayer and multilayer process.

The essential characteristics and feasibility of the isotherm equation is described in terms of dimensionless separation factor (R_L), which is defined as:

$$R_L = \frac{1}{1 + bC_0} \quad (7)$$

If the R_L value lies in between 1 and 0, the adsorption is favorable²⁸ if greater than 1, unfavorable adsorption, while a value attains 1 and 0, it represents unfavorable and irreversible isotherms, respectively. In our study, the experimental result reveals that the R_L values lies between 0 and 1. So, the biosorption of AB dye onto *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed was well favored.

Kinetic studies

The sorption mechanism of adsorption process was determined by various kinetic models. In the present study, the kinetics of the adsorption of AB dye onto *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed was determined by using the commonly used kinetic models of Lagergren's pseudo first-order model^{29, 30}, pseudo second-order model³¹ and the intra-particle diffusion model³². The pseudo first-order kinetic equation describes the mode of interaction between the sorbate and sorbent may attributed to the physical force of attraction. The mathematical form of the equation

$$\frac{dq_t}{dt} = k_1 (q_e - q_t) \quad (8)$$

where, q_e is the sorption capacity at equilibrium, q_t is the sorption capacity at equilibrium at time t (mg/g) and

Table 2. Isotherm parameters for the sorption of AB dye

Isotherm	Parameter	Concentration [mg/L]						
		10	20	30	40	50	60	70
Langmuir-1	q_m (mg/g)	0.6164	1.6993	4.1988	7.5936	9.0678	11.645	14.4487
	K_a (L/mg)	0.5850	0.3662	0.6322	2.5403	1.0355	1.3233	1.8555
	r^2	0.9941	0.9925	0.9942	0.9960	0.9990	0.9991	0.9997
Langmuir-2	q_m (mg/g)	0.8938	2.8601	4.3168	7.9428	9.1399	11.7855	14.5158
	K_a (L/mg)	0.7382	0.8422	0.6850	3.5828	1.0833	1.4366	1.9400
	r^2	0.9413	0.9816	0.9174	0.7864	0.9653	0.9357	0.9677
Langmuir-3	q_m (mg/g)	0.4353	0.7141	2.8579	10.8514	12.3194	16.2348	27.5389
	K_a (L/mg)	1.6464	2.5505	1.4970	0.6751	1.0143	0.7220	0.5259
	r^2	0.9141	0.9592	0.9536	0.9256	0.9707	0.9496	0.9733
Langmuir-4	q_m (mg/g)	0.5107	0.7613	3.0173	11.7444	12.3693	17.0562	28.2345
	K_a (L/mg)	1.5285	2.4639	1.4390	0.6332	1.0095	0.6917	0.5142
	r^2	0.9141	0.9592	0.9536	0.9256	0.9822	0.9496	0.9733
Freundlich	$1/n$	0.7899	0.6053	0.3025	0.16346	0.1632	0.1258	0.0963
	K_F (mg/g)(L/mg)	0.5036	0.0039	0.0031	0.0492	0.1524	0.2033	0.2448
	r^2	0.9302	0.97031	0.9777	0.9574	0.9903	0.9830	0.9915

k_1 is a rate constant of pseudo-first order sorption (L/min). By the rearrangement of the equation (8) as

$$\log(q_e - q_t) = \log(q_e) - \frac{k_1}{2.303} t \quad (9)$$

Values of k_1 were calculated from the plot of $\log(q_e - q_t)$ vs. t . The pseudo-first and pseudo-second order equations are presented in the Table 3.

The pseudo-second order equation states that the interaction between solute and sorbate molecule may be a chemical forces of attraction on the solid surface of the sorbent and the sorbate molecule. The mathematical form of the expression

$$\frac{dq}{dt} = k_2 (q_e - q_t)^2 \quad (10)$$

On rearrangement of equation (9) we get,

$$\frac{1}{(q_e - q_t)} = \frac{1}{q_e} + k_2 t \quad (11)$$

Where, k_2 is the pseudo-second order rate constant of sorption. The value of k_2 was obtained by plotting a graph between t vs. t/q_t of the slope and intercept.

The experimental values were depicted that the pseudo-second order model was the best fitted model compared with the pseudo-first order model. The second-order model shows the r^2 value 0.9887 whereas the pseudo-first order model shows the r^2 value 0.8589 (Table 4). Hence, it concluded that the interaction between the solute and sorbent may involve by chemical forces of attraction rather than the physical force for the sorption of AB dye on *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed.

The consideration of a sorption process, there are several diffusion process involved such as surface sorption, film diffusion etc... instead of all, the intra-particle diffusion plays a significant role for the determination

of adsorption mechanism. The prediction of the rate limiting step of the sorption process, the intra-particle diffusion model was tested³³

$$q_t = k_{ip} t^{1/2} + C \quad (12)$$

where, k_{ip} (mg/(g.min^{1/2})) is the intra-particle diffusion rate constant. The plot of q_t vs. $t^{1/2}$ of AB dye concentration, a multi linearity plot can be observed in Figure 7, indicating that intra-particle diffusion plays a significant role but not only in rate-controlling step. The first and sharper portion is attributed to the boundary layer diffusion of AB dye molecules. The second portion corresponds to the gradual adsorption stage, where intra-particle diffusion process was rate-limiting step.

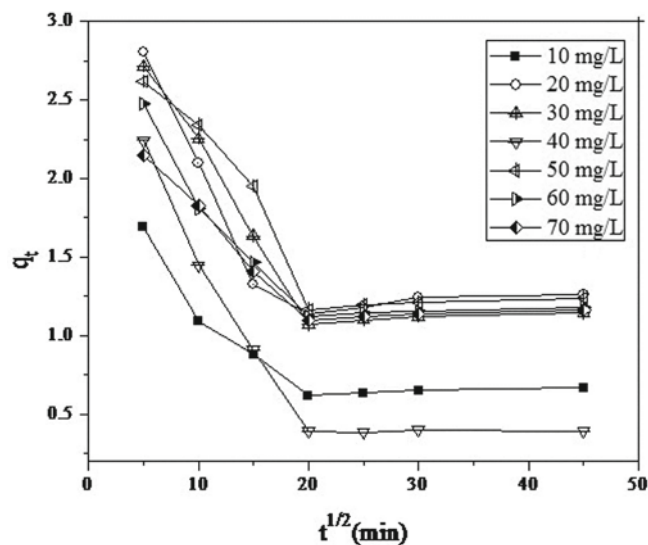


Figure 7. Intraparticle diffusion plot for the sorption of AB dye

Table 3. Pseudo-first order and pseudo-second order kinetic equations and their forms

Type	Non-linear	Linear	Plot	Reference
Pseudo first order	$q = q_e (1 - e^{-K_1 t})$	$\log(q_e - q) = \log q_e - \frac{K_1 t}{2.303}$	$\log(q_e - q)$ vs t	29
Pseudo second order	$q = \frac{K_2 q_e^2 t}{1 + K_2 q_e t}$	$\frac{t}{q} = \frac{1}{K_2 q_e^2} + \frac{1}{q_e} t$	$\frac{t}{q}$ vs t	30

Table 4. Kinetic parameters for the sorption of AB dye

Type	Parameter	C_0 [mg/L]						
		10	20	30	40	50	60	70
Pseudo-First order	K_1	0.0134	0.0191	0.0114	0.0055	0.0042	0.0024	0.0016
	q_e	0.3453	0.3223	0.4254	0.0941	0.0557	0.0144	0.0550
	r^2	0.8240	0.8589	0.6827	0.5058	0.5729	0.4583	0.5004
Pseudo-Second order	$q_{e,exp}$	1.85	3.76	6.38	9.60	11.29	13.85	16.37
	K_2	0.1359	0.2615	0.1233	0.1667	0.1793	0.2711	0.1944
	$q_{e,cal}$	1.0119	3.0311	5.0976	9.0727	10.058	12.599	15.154
	r^2	0.9781	0.9628	0.9744	0.9886	0.9876	0.9810	0.9803

Thermodynamic studies

The thermodynamic parameters were determined for the evaluation of the feasibility of the biosorption process. In this study, three parameters were evaluated such as Gibbs free energy (ΔG°), change in enthalpy (ΔH°) and change in entropy (ΔS°) from the equations 13 to 15 using Van't Hoff plot (Fig. 8).

$$K_d = \frac{q_e}{C_e} \quad (13)$$

$$\Delta G^\circ = -RT \ln K_d \quad (14)$$

$$\ln K_d = \frac{\Delta S^\circ}{R} - \frac{\Delta H^\circ}{RT} \quad (15)$$

The calculated values were presented in the Table 5. From the table the negative value of ΔG° shows the process was spontaneous and the interaction between the solute and sorbent particle was predominant. The positive value of ΔH° indicates that the process was endothermic in nature³⁴. The positive value of ΔS° shows that the increased randomness at the solid/solution interface³⁵ with some structural changes in the adsorbate and adsorbent and an affinity of the adsorbent toward AB dye on *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed.

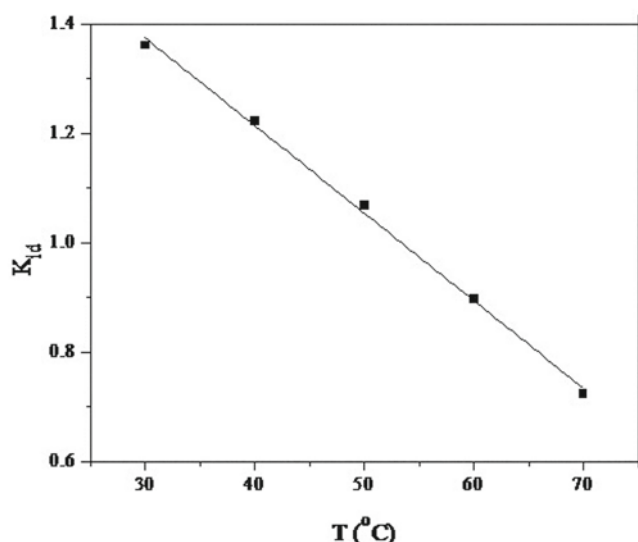


Figure 8. Van't Hoff plot for the sorption of AB dye

Table 5. Thermodynamic parameters for the sorption of AB dye

Temperature	ΔG° [KJ/mol]	ΔH° [KJ/mol]	ΔS° [J/mol/K]
30	-0.34	0.4	15.42
40	-0.41		
50	-0.44		
60	-0.45		
70	-0.42		

CONCLUSION

The FTIR spectrum of the before and after biosorption shows good resolution, reduction in peak heights and shifted peaks which indicates that a strong attraction between the adsorbent and adsorbate molecules. The SEM images shown a fully covered pores in the after sorption of AB dye molecule which supports the adsorption process. The feasibility of the sorption of AB dye onto *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed was evaluated by

varying experimental parameters like dye concentration, temperature, adsorbent dose, pH and contact time. The prediction of the pH of the optimum condition, the pH-5 shows well sorbed results compared to the other pH values. The contact time and dye concentration, 40 minutes of contact time shows an effective removal and 40 mg/L of the dye shows higher removal percentage of dye. The evaluation for the effect of temperature and adsorbent dose, 30°C shows a excellent removal percentage of AB dye while other temperature does not favor the sorption, the variation of dose of sorbent 0.1 g of the dose shows an effective removal than the other doses. The determination of the isotherm of the sorption process, Langmuir isotherm shows a well correlated results rather than Freundlich isotherm. This may concluded that the monolayer sorption between the AB dye and *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed moreover the evaluation of the Langmuir isotherm using dimension less separation factor R_L , the values of R_L lies between 0 to 1. This indicated that the sorption of the AB dye and *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed was favored. The prediction of the kinetic equation, the process follows the pseudo-second order model than the pseudo-first order model. This reveals that the interaction between the AB dye and *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed may be of chemical forces of attraction. The negative value of ΔG° shows that process was spontaneous and the interaction between the solute and sorbent particle was predominant. The positive value of ΔH° indicates that the process was endothermic in nature. The positive value of ΔS° shows that the randomness was increases at the solid/solution interfaces. This also support that some of the structural changes in the adsorbate and adsorbent and an affinity of the adsorbent toward AB dye on *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed. These analytics and experiments are evident that the AB dye was well adsorbed on the surface of the *Zizyphus oenoplia* seed.

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