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**Covalent triazine framework-decorated phenyl-functionalized SBA-15:
Synthesis and application as a novel nanoporous adsorbent**

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Table S1. The list of adsorption equilibrium, kinetics, and thermodynamic equations.

Adsorption equilibrium equations	$\% \text{Removal} = 100 \cdot (C_0 - C_e)/C_0 \quad (1)$	$Q_e = (C_0 - C_e) \cdot V/W \quad (2)$
	$K_d = Q_e/C_e \quad (3)$	$R_L = 1/(1 + (K_L \cdot C_e)) \quad (4)$
Thermodynamic		
	$\Delta G^\circ = -R \cdot T(\ln K_d) \quad (5)$	$\ln K_d = (-\Delta H^\circ/R \cdot T) + (-\Delta S^\circ/R) \quad (6)$
Isotherms		
	Non-linear	Linear
Langmuir	$Q_e = (Q_m \cdot K_L \cdot C_e)/(1 + K_L \cdot C_e) \quad (7)$	$C_e/Q_e = (1/K_L \cdot Q_m) + (C_e/Q_m) \quad (8)$
Freundlich	$Q_e = K_F \cdot C_e^{1/n_F} \quad (9)$	$\log Q_e = \log K_F + (1/n_F) \log C_e \quad (10)$
Temkin	$Q_e = (R \cdot T/b_T) \ln(K_T \cdot C_e) \quad (11)$	$Q_e = (R \cdot T/b_T) \ln K_T + (R \cdot T/b_T) \ln C_e \quad (12)$
Dubinin-Radushkevich (D-R)	$Q_e = Q_m^{DR} \cdot \exp(-K_{DR} \cdot \varepsilon^2) \quad (13)$	$\ln Q_e = \ln Q_m^{DR} - K_{DR} \cdot \varepsilon^2 \quad (14)$
Redlich-Peterson (R-P)	$Q_e = (K_{RP} \cdot C_e)/(1 + \alpha_{RP} \cdot C_e^g) \quad \text{where } g \leq 1 \quad (15)$	-
Sips	$Q_e = (Q_{max}^S \cdot K_S \cdot C_e^{1/nS})/(1 + K_S \cdot C_e^{1/nS}) \quad (16)$	-
Koble-Corrigan (K-C)	$Q_e = (A \cdot C_e^\beta)/(1 + B \cdot C_e^\beta) \quad (17)$	-
Kinetics		
	Non-linear	Linear
Pseudo-First order (PFO)	$Q_t = Q_e \cdot (1 - \exp(-k_1 \cdot t)) \quad (18)$	$\log(Q_e - Q_t) = \log Q_e - (k_1 \cdot t/2.303) \quad (19)$
Pseudo-Second order (PSO)	$Q_t = (k_2 \cdot Q_{e,calc}^2 \cdot t)/(1 + k_2 \cdot Q_{e,calc} \cdot t) \quad (20)$	$(t/Q_t) = (1/k_2 \cdot Q_e^2) + (t/Q_e) \quad (21)$
Elovich	$Q_t = (1/\beta) \ln h \cdot \beta + (1/\beta) \ln t \quad (22)$	$Q_t = (1/\beta) \ln h \cdot \beta + (1/\beta) \ln t \quad (23)$
Intra-particle diffusion (IPD)	$Q_t = k_{IPD} \cdot t^{0.5} + C \quad (24)$	$Q_t = k_{IPD} \cdot t^{0.5} + C \quad (25)$

Nomenclature:

C_0 (mg·L⁻¹): Adsorbate initial concentration; C_e (mg·L⁻¹): Equilibrium concentration; Q_e (mg·g⁻¹): Amount of adsorbate in the adsorbent at equilibrium (adsorption capacity); Q_t (mg·g⁻¹): Amount of adsorbate in the adsorbent at any time t ; $Q_{e,calc}$ (mg·g⁻¹): calculated amount of adsorbate in equilibrium; Q_m (mg·g⁻¹): Maximum monolayer coverage capacities; Q_m^{DR} (mg·g⁻¹): D-R maximum adsorption capacity; R_L : Separation factor; Calculated adsorption capacity; K_d (L·g⁻¹): distribution coefficient; K_L (L·mg⁻¹): Langmuir isotherm constant; K_{DR} (mol²·kJ⁻²): Dubinin–Radushkevich isotherm constant; K_F (mg·g⁻¹): Freundlich constant related to the rate of adsorption; K_{RP} (L·g⁻¹): Redlich–Peterson isotherm constant; K_{max}^S (L·mg⁻¹): Sips isotherm model constant; K_T (L·g⁻¹): Temkin isotherm binding constant; k_1 (min⁻¹): Rate constant of the pseudo-first-order kinetic model; k_2 (g·mg⁻¹·min⁻¹): Rate constant of the pseudo-second-order kinetic model; k_{ipd} (mg·g⁻¹·min⁻¹): Redlich–Peterson isotherm constant; b_T (kJ·mol⁻¹): Temkin isotherm constant related to the heat of sorption; n_F : adsorption intensity; n_S : Sips isotherm model exponent; ε : Adsorption intensity; β : Dubinin–Radushkevich isotherm constant (β (Polanyi potential) is equal to $RT \ln(1 + 1/C_e)$); A (Lⁿ·mg¹⁻ⁿ·g⁻¹): Koble–Corrigan isotherm constant; B ((L·mg⁻¹)ⁿ): Koble–Corrigan isotherm constant (L·mg⁻¹)ⁿ; R (8.314 J·K⁻¹·mol⁻¹): Universal gas constant ; V (L): Volume of the aqueous phase; W (g): Dry weight of the adsorbent; T (K): Temperature; ΔG° (kJ·mol⁻¹): Standard Gibbs free energy change; ΔH° (kJ·mol⁻¹): Standard enthalpy change; ΔS° (J·K⁻¹·mol⁻¹): Standard entropy change.

Table S2. Comparison of the adsorption isotherms, kinetics, and thermodynamic constants.

Thermodynamic						
$\Delta G^\circ/(kJ \cdot mol^{-1})$				$\Delta H^\circ/(kJ \cdot mol^{-1})$	$\Delta S^\circ/(J \cdot K \cdot mol^{-1})$	
	293 K	313 K	333 K			
	-10.670	-5.2550	-1.8150	-75.8570	-223.4637	
Isotherm						
Langmuir	R^2	$Q_m/mg \cdot g^{-1}$	$K_L/L \cdot mg^{-1}$	PFO	R^2	k_1/min^{-1}
Nonlinear	0.9688	569.049	0.0307	Nonlinear	0.8855	1.9321
Linear	0.9910	555.555	0.0508	Linear	0.9932	0.0836
Freundlich	R^2	$K_F/mg \cdot g^{-1}$	n_F	PSO	R^2	$Q_{e,calc}/mg \cdot g^{-1}$
Nonlinear	0.8851	38.897	1.000	Non-linear	0.8122	296.794
Linear	0.9012	56.754	2.236	Linear	0.9999	294.118
Temkin	R^2	$K_T/L \cdot g^{-1}$	$b_T/kJ \cdot mol^{-1}$	Elovich	R^2	β
Nonlinear	0.9373	1.9172	32.5338	Nonlinear	0.7401	0.3448
Linear	0.9321		31.7312	Linear	0.9790	0.5415
D-R	R^2	$Q_m^{DR}/mg \cdot g^{-1}$	ε	IPD	R^2	$K_{IPD}/L \cdot g^{-1}$
Nonlinear	0.8179	449.0837	1	Non-linear	0.9505	0.9563
Linear	0.7779			Linear 1 (y_1)	0.9956	1.3082
R-P	R^2	$K_{RP}/L \cdot g^{-1}$	α_{RP}/mg^{-1}	Linear 2 (y_2)	0.9486	289.49
Nonlinear	0.9798	94.884	0.8006	Linear 2 (y_2)	0.2121	295.37
Sips	R^2	$Q_m^S/mg \cdot g^{-1}$	$K_S/L \cdot mg^{-1}$			
Nonlinear	0.9625	569.473	7.407			
K-C	R^2	A	B			
Nonlinear	0.9623	17.830	0.0312			
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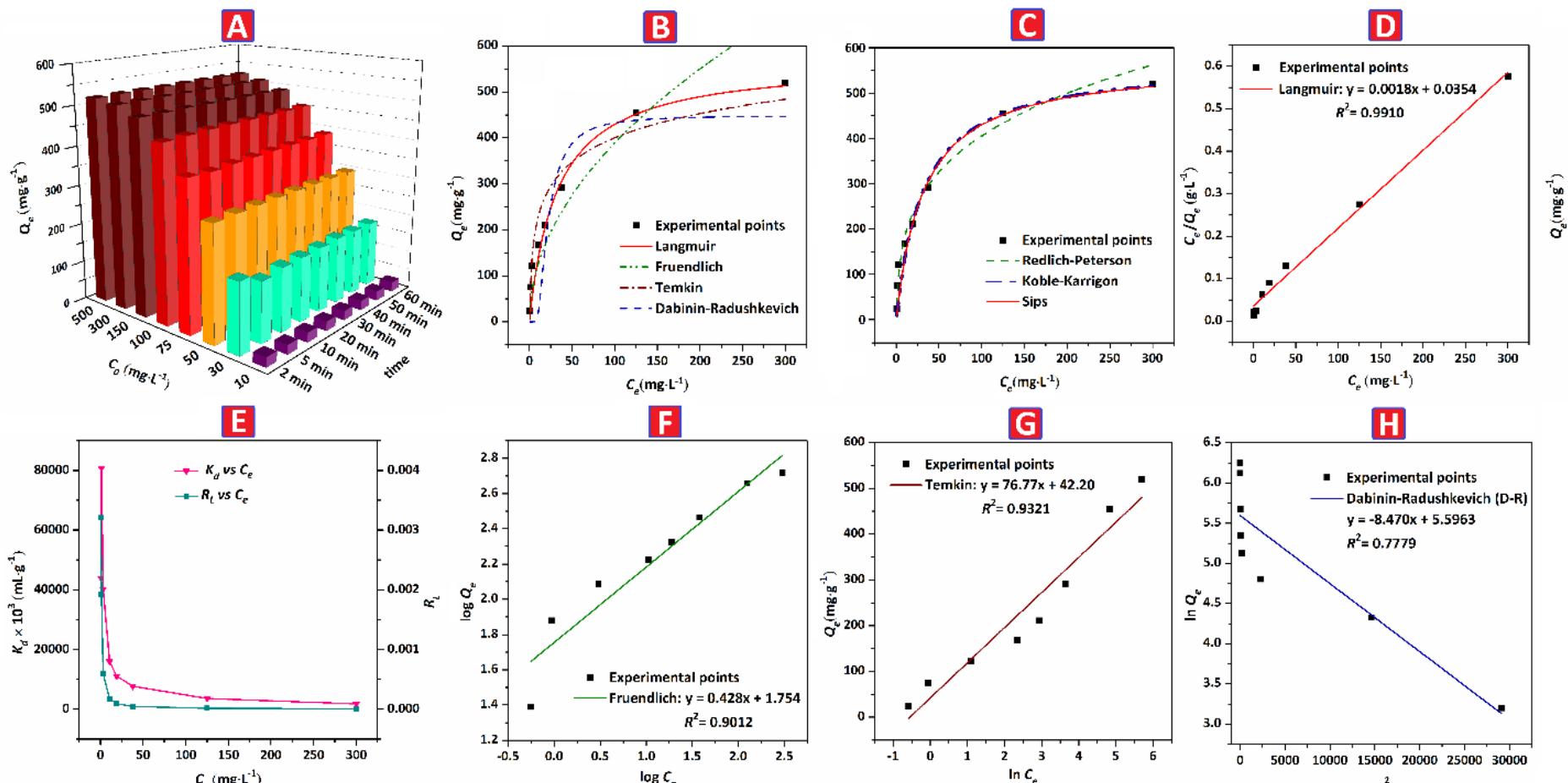


Figure S1. (A) Time-concentration profile for the MB adsorption onto the RS-3. (B) The Langmuir, Freundlich, Temkin, D-R and (C) R-P, K-C and Sips isotherms plots in the non-linear regression analysis. (D) The Langmuir, (F) Freundlich, (G) Temkin, and (H) D-R isotherms plots in the linear regression analysis. (E) the values of R_L and K_d .

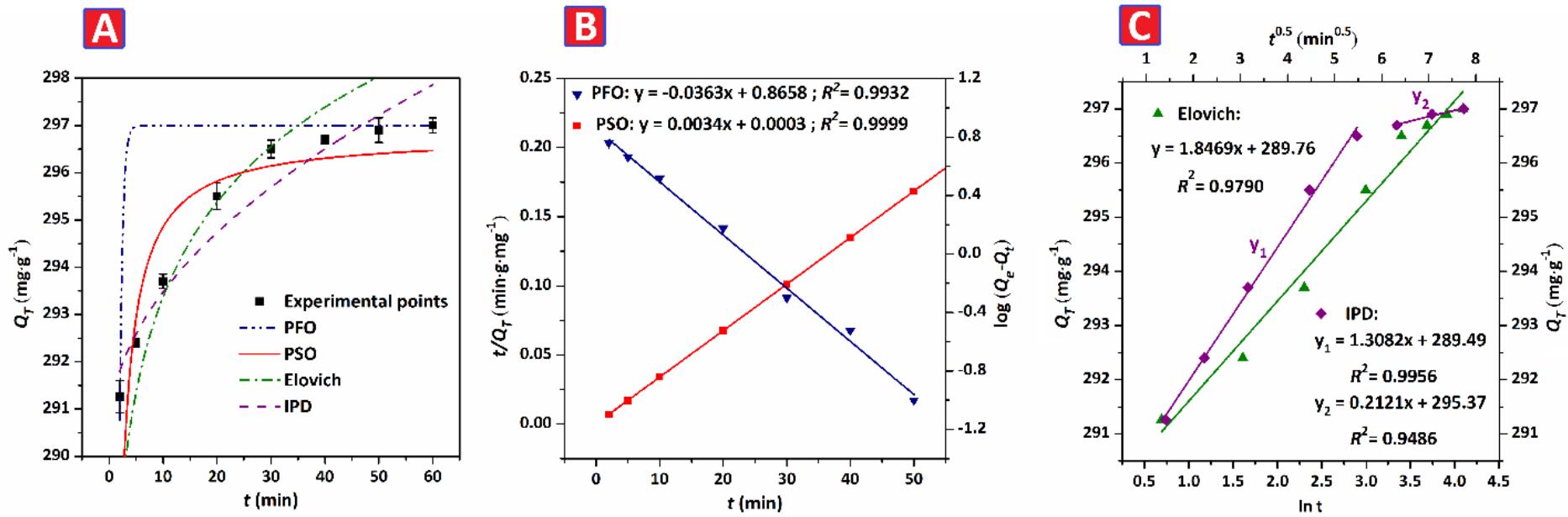


Figure S2. (A) The PFO, PSO, Elovich, and IPD kinetics plots in the non-linear regression analysis. (B) The PFO, PSO, (C) Elovich, and IPD kinetics plots in the linear regression analysis.