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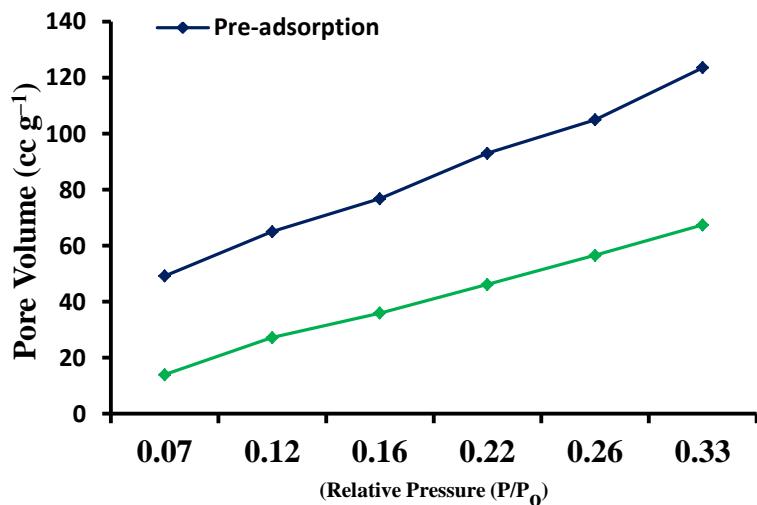
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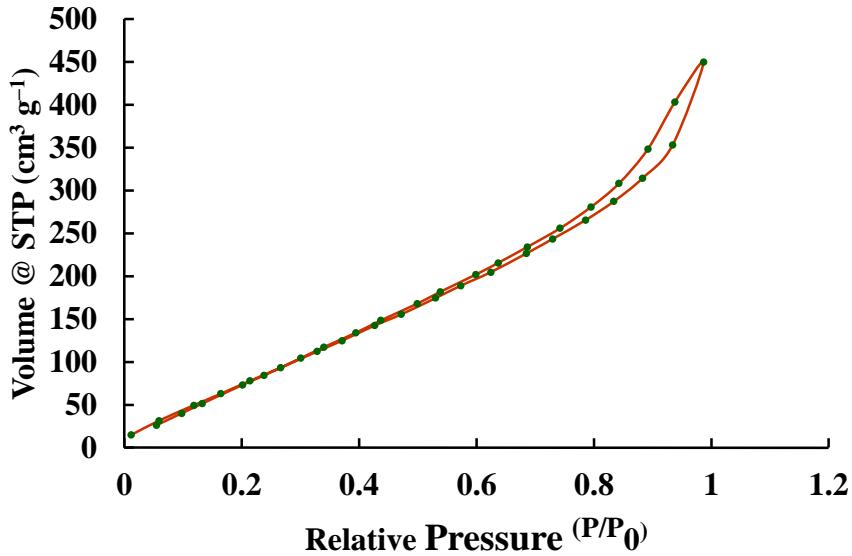
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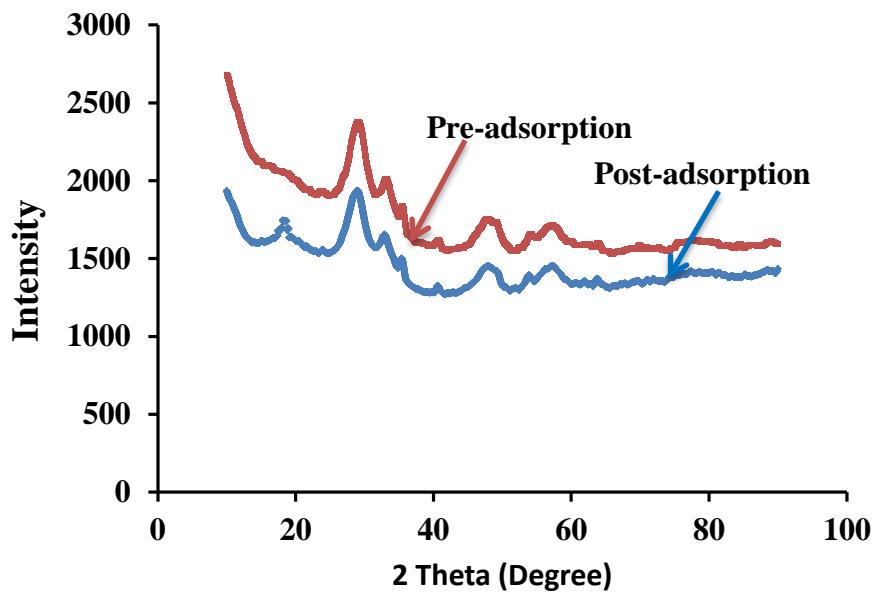
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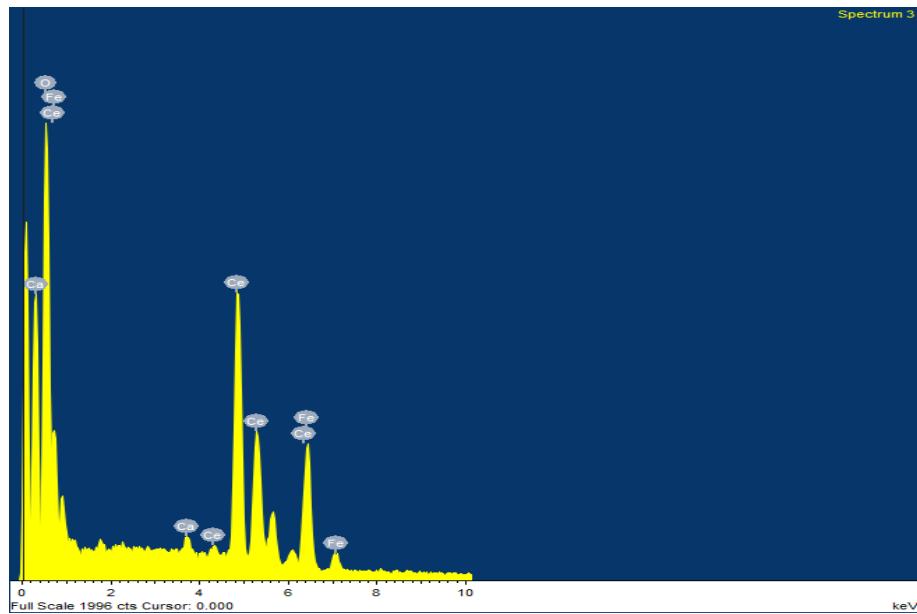
**Fig. S1** Effect of adsorption on pore volume.



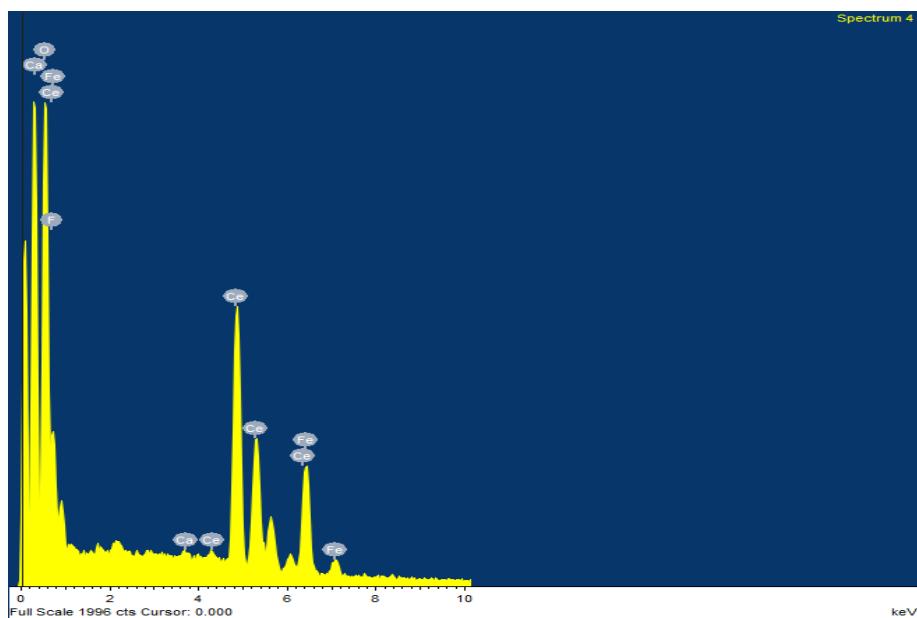
**Fig. S2:** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption–desorption isotherms.



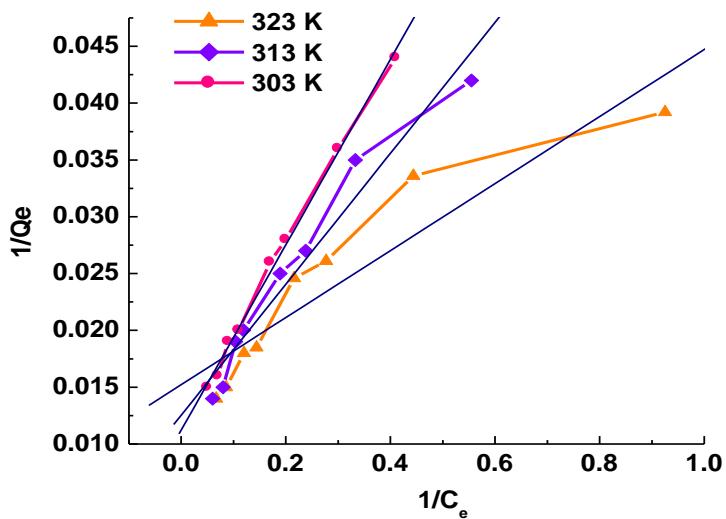
**Fig. S3:** XRD patterns of adsorbent.



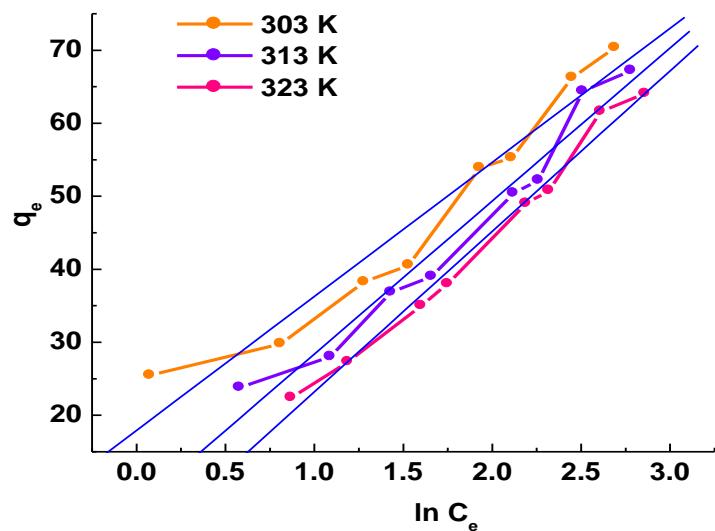
**Fig. S4:** EDS spectrum of adsorbent (pre-adsorption).



**Fig. S5:** EDS spectrum of adsorbent (post-adsorption).



**Fig. S6:** Langmuir isotherm outlines.



**Fig. S7:** Temkin isotherm outlines.

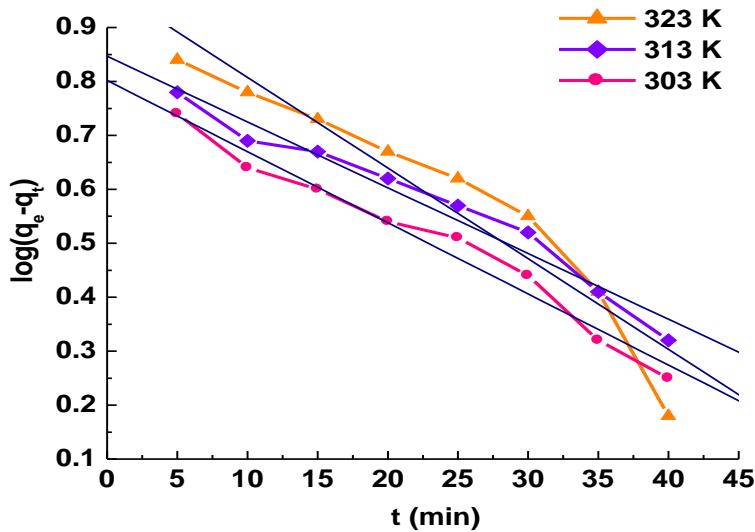
**Table S1:** Isotherm models and their linear forms

Isotherm	Linear form	Plot
Freundlich $q_e = k_F C_e^{1/n}$	$\log q_e = \log k_F + 1/n \times \log C_e$	$\log q_e$ vs $\log C_e$

Langmuir $q_e = Q^0 b C_e / (1 + b C_e)$	$C_e/q_e = (1/Q^0 b) + (C_e/Q^0)$	$1/q_e$ vs $1/C_e$
Temkin $q_e = \frac{RT}{b_T} \ln(A_T C_e)$	$q_e = \frac{RT}{b_T} \ln(C_e) + \frac{RT}{b_T} \ln(C_e)$	$q_e$ vs $\ln(C_e)$
D-R $q_e = (q_s) \exp(-K_{ad}\epsilon^2)$	$\ln(q_e) = \ln(q_s) - (K_{ad}\epsilon^2)$	$\ln(q_e)$ vs $\epsilon^2$

**Table S2: Langmuir and Temkin isotherm constants at different temperatures**

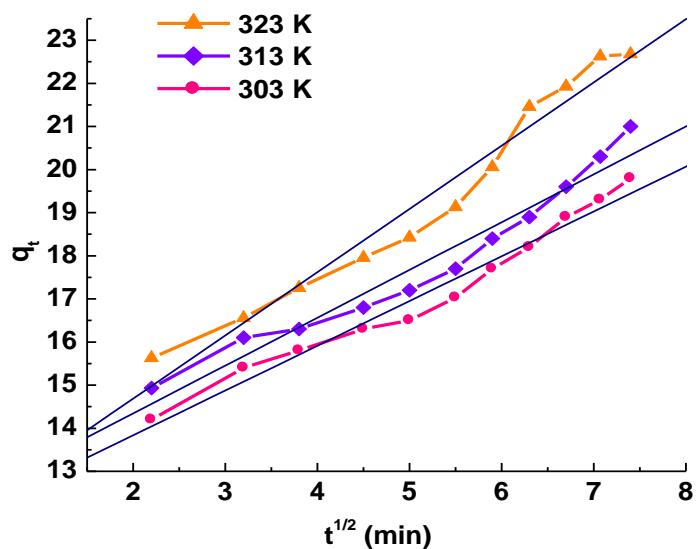
Temperature (K)	Langmuir isotherm			Temkin isotherm			
	$K_{ad}$ (mol <sup>2</sup> /kJ <sup>2</sup> )	$q_s$ (mg/g)	$\epsilon$	$R^2$	$b_T$ (kJ/mol)	$A_T$ (L/g)	$R^2$
303	-0.0147	4.10	151	0.952	12.21	1.05	0.944
313	-0.0154	4.10	174	0.973	12.41	1.44	0.956
323	-0.0160	4.20	151	0.941	13.72	2.70	0.914



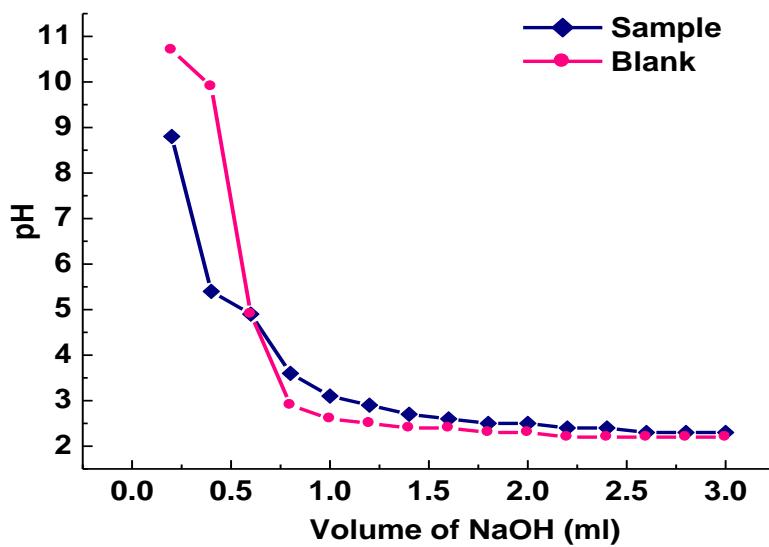
**Fig. S8:** The pseudo-first-order plots.

**Table S3: Kinetic rate constants and correlation coefficients at different temperatures**

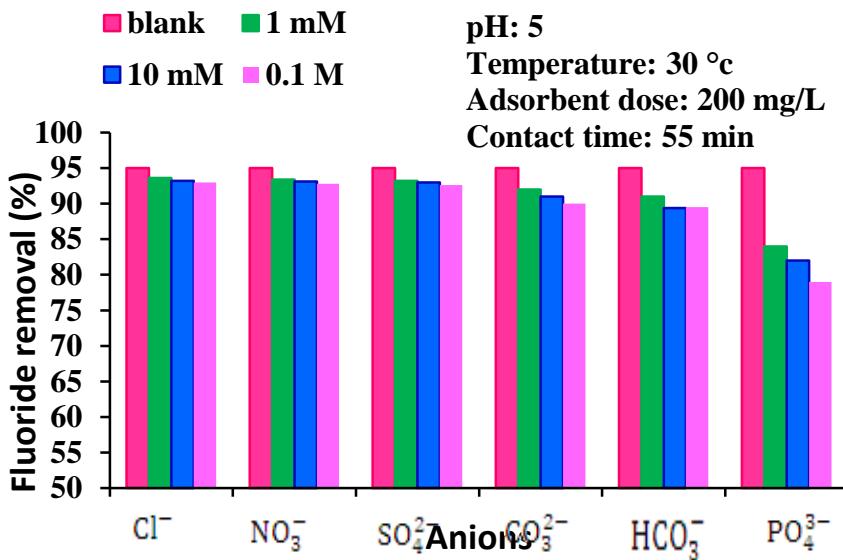
Pseudo-second-order			Pseudo-first-order			Intra-particle			
Temperature (K)	h	q <sub>e</sub>	R <sup>2</sup>	k <sub>ad</sub>	q <sub>e</sub>	R <sup>2</sup>	q <sub>t</sub>	C	R <sup>2</sup>
303	0.031	0.025	0.956	0.188	14.5	0.935	0.018	0.075	0.494
313	0.031	0.024	0.972	0.204	15	0.936	0.019	0.076	0.504
323	0.029	0.023	0.982	0.188	16	0.937	0.020	0.078	0.506



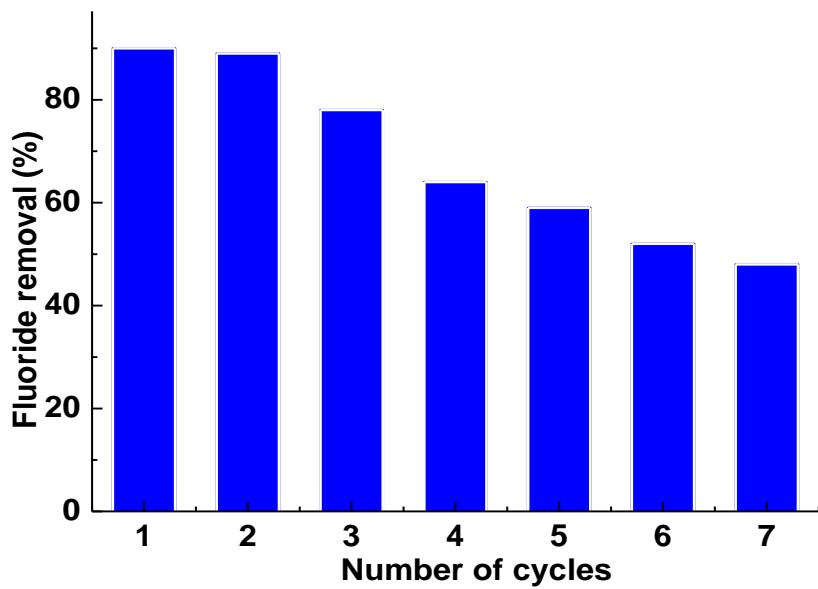
**Fig. S9:** The intra-particle plots.



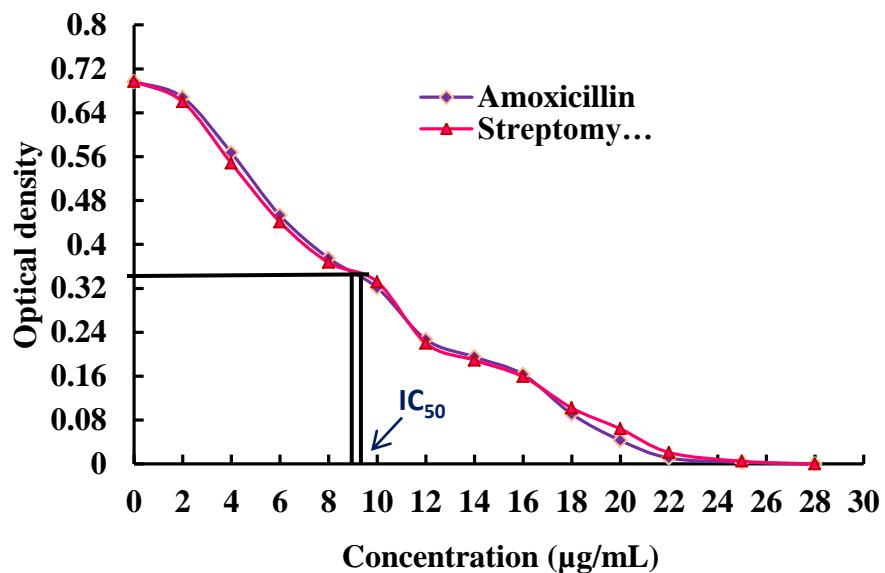
**Fig. S10:** Potentiometric titration curves.



**Fig. S11:** Effect of co-existing anions.



**Fig. S12:** Relationship between number of cycles and adsorption efficiency.



**Fig. S13:** UV–Visible spectrophotometric calculation of  $\text{IC}_{50}$  values of standard antibiotics.