

Supporting Information

Platform Selection of Engineered Nanomaterials for Water Decontamination Applications

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Table S1. Literature used for evaluation of the efficiency criterion for selected supports for metal oxide nanoadsorbents. The table summarizes the calculations and assumptions taken into account when adsorption performance of the supported nanomaterial (NM@S) was normalized to the performance of the nanomaterial in suspended form (NM).

Article	Platform group	Nanoadsorbent (NM)	Adsorbate	Nanoadsorbent performance (NM)	Nanoadsorbent performance on substrate (NM@S)	NM@S/NM	Assumptions
O. Thirunavukkarasu, Arsenic removal from drinking water using iron oxide-coated sand, 2003, Water, Air, and Soil Pollution ¹	Natural media Bead - Sand	α -FeOOH	As (III)	23 mg/g FeOOH ²	41.1ug/gNM@S/45mgFe/gNM@S*65Fe/100FeO(OH)=0.59mgAs/g FeOOH	0.026	Iron oxide content 45 mg/g (4.5%) pH 7.6 phase: combination of goethite and hematite
			As(V)	1.14 mg/g FeOOH ³	42.6ug/gNM@S/45mgFe/gNM@S*65Fe/100FeO(OH)=0.615mgAs/g FeOOH	0.539	
S.Lee, Iron oxide nano-particles-immobilized-sand material in the treatment of Cu(II), Cd(II) and Pb(II) contaminated waste waters, 2012, Chemical Engineering Journal ⁴	Natural media Bead - Sand	Iron oxide	Cd(II)	7.4 mg/g Iron oxide ⁵	0.5282/5.7*0.65*1000=60.23 mg/g Iron oxide	8.139	pH 4 and not 5 as in the NM@S paper
			Pb(II)	22.83 mg/g Iron oxide ⁵	2.0877/5.7*0.65*1000=238.07 mg/g Iron oxide	10.43	
S. Kundu, Adsorptive removal of As(III) from aqueous solution using iron oxide coated cement (IOCC): Evaluation of kinetic, equilibrium and thermodynamic models Sanghamitra, 2006, Separation and Purification Technology ⁶	Natural media - Cement	Fe ₃ O ₄	As(III)	2.63 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ³	0.69*0.2353=0.16 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	0.061	
		Fe ₃ O ₄	As(V)	2.63 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ³	3.86*0.025*231/55.8=0.4 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	0.152	
A. Yurum, Fast deposition of porous iron oxide on activated carbon by microwave heating and arsenic (V) removal from water, 2014, Chemical Engineering Journal ⁷	Granular activated carbon	α -Fe ₂ O ₃	As(V)	0.827 mg/g Fe ₂ O ₃ ⁸	136.37 mg/g Fe ₂ O ₃	164.897	Took the oxidized activated carbon. WT%(Fe)=20.37% <u>Assumption:</u> Same pH range (pH=6.27 for N _{ads} -S, pH=7 for N _{ads})
A.M. Cooper, The effect of carbon type on arsenic and trichloroethylene removal capabilities of iron (hydr)oxide nanoparticle-impregnated granulated activated carbons, 2010, Journal of Hazardous Materials ⁹	Granular activated carbon	δ -FeOOH	As(V)	7 mg/g δ -FeOOH ¹⁰	45.1 mg/g FeOOH	6.443	<u>Assumption:</u> The same N _{ads} phase in both articles The same condition used to measure the adsorption capacity.

K. Hristovski, Effect of synthesis conditions on nano-iron (hydr)oxide impregnated granulated activated carbon, 2009, Chemical Engineering Journal ¹¹	Granular activated carbon	Amorphous FeOOH	As(V)	7 mg/g Amorphous FeOOH ¹²	21.7 mg/g Amorphous FeOOH	3.100	Assumption: Adsorption capacity: the average amount of adsorption capacity (15.2-28.2 mg/g amorphous FeOOH)
M. Jain, Development of iron oxide/activated carbon nanoparticle composite for the removal of Cr(VI), Cu(II) and Cd(II) ions from aqueous solution, 2018, Water Resources and Industry ¹³	Activated carbon	Fe ₃ O ₄ magnetite	Cr(IV)	5.5 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	8.06/0.184*0.72 = 31.54 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	5.727	Phase: magnetite
			Cu(II)	2.7 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	3.2/0.184*0.72 = 12.52 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	4.637	
			Cd(II)	0.09 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	2.15/0.184*0.72 = 8.41 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	93.444	
D. Mohan, Cadmium and lead remediation using magnetic oak wood and oak bark fast pyrolysis bio-chars, 2014, Chemical Engineering Journal ¹⁴	Carbon biochar	Fe ₃ O ₄ magnetite	Cd(II)	0.09 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ¹³	7.4/0.513*0.72 = 10.39 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	115.444	pH=5
			Cd(II)	0.09 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ¹³	2.87/0.806*0.72 = 2.56 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	28.444	
			Pb(II)	22.89 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ¹⁵	30.2/0.513*0.72 = 42.39 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	1.852	
			Pb(II)	0.1105 mmol/g * 207.2 = 22.89 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ¹⁵	10.13/0.806*0.72 = 9.05 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	0.395	
S.M, Miller, Novel, bio-based, photoactive arsenic sorbent: TiO ₂ -impregnated chitosan bead, 2010, Water Research P.A. Nishad, Enhancing the antimony sorption properties of nano titania -chitosan beads using epichlorohydrin as the crosslinker, 2017, Journal of Hazardous Materials ¹⁶	Chitosan beads	TiO ₂	As(III)	3 mg/g TiO ₂	2.099/0.298 = 7.04 mg/g TiO ₂	2.347	Data for NM is taken from fig. 4 in article, so we assume the experiment conditions are the same as for the NM@S. In article mentioned that TiO ₂ mass is 29.8%. Assumption: pH is similar (pH=3.3 for N _{ads} and pH=4.3 for NM@S). Same NM used. ¹⁷ The ration between N _{ads} to S is given (1:5)
			As (V)	5.5 mg/g TiO ₂	2.050/0.298 = 6.88 mg/g TiO ₂	1.251	
P.A. Nishad, Nano-titania-crosslinked chitosan composite as a superior sorbent for antimony (III) and (V), 2014, Carbohydrate	Chitosan beads	TiO ₂	Sb(III)	173.2 μmol/g TiO ₂	170.3 / 6 = 1021.8 μmol/g TiO ₂	5.9	pH=6.9 NM to S ration is 1:5
			Sv(III)	187.7 μmol/g TiO ₂	1089 μmol/g TiO ₂	5.802	pH=3.06

Polymers ¹⁷			Sb(V)	799.1 $\mu\text{mol/g TiO}_2$	1215 $\mu\text{mol/g TiO}_2$	1.519	pH=3.33
J. Yamani, Enhanced arsenic removal using mixed metal oxide impregnated chitosan beads, 2012, Water Research ¹⁸	Chitosan beads	Al_2O_3	As(V)	12 mg/g Al_2O_3	8.4 mg/g Al_2O_3	0.7	
A. I. Zouboulis, Arsenic Removal Using Iron Oxide Loaded Alginate Beads, 2002, Industrial and Engineering Chemistry Research ¹⁹	Alginate beads	Hydrous FeO(OH)	As(V)	9 mg As / g-Fe ²⁰	5.79 mg As / g-Fe	0.643	Assumption: Same N_{ads} phase and experiment conditions.
J. Min, Removal of Selenite and Chromate Using Iron(III)-Doped Alginate Gels, 1999, Water Environment Research ²¹	Alginate gel beads	Iron oxyhydroxide Fe(OH)_3	Se(IV)	2.4 mg / g-Fe ²²	0.15 g Se(IV) / g-Fe	0.062	
W. Biftu, Synthesis of nano ZrO_2 via simple new green routes and its effective application as adsorbent in phosphate remediation of water with or without immobilization in Al-alginate beads, 2020, Water Science & Technology ²³	Al-alginate beads	n ZrO_2	PO_4^{3-}	126.2 mg/g - n ZrO_2	173.0 mg/g n ZrO_2 -Al-alginate = 24.22 mg/g n ZrO_2	0.192	1.5 g of nano ZrO_2 was added => $1.5/173 = 86 \Rightarrow 86\%$ Al-alginate beads and 14% NM
R. Pineda, Removal of Arsenic from Aqueous Solutions with Alginate Based-Magnetic Nanocomposites, 2009, Clean Technology ²⁴	Alginate	Magnetite (Fe_3O_4)	As(V)	11-17 mg/g Fe_3O_4 ^{25,26}	1.1 mg/g	0.418	Assumption: Same N_{ads} phase and experiment conditions. For NM@S/NM calculation we took the NM average
			As(III)	20-22 mg/g Fe_3O_4 ^{25,26}	1.04 mg/g	0.495	Assumption: Same N_{ads} phase and experiment conditions. For NM@S/NM calculation we took the NM average
J. Elton, Titanium Dioxide-Based Hybrid Ion-Exchange Media for Simultaneous Removal of Arsenic and Nitrate, 2013, Novel Solutions to Water Pollution ²⁷	Ion-Exchange beads	TiO_2	As	7 mg/g TiO_2 ²⁸	— 9.95 mg/g TiO_2	1.421	MW(Ti)=47.8 g/mol MW(TiO_2)=79.8 g/mol Assumption: Same N_{ads} phase and experiment conditions.

					— 14.92 mg/g TiO ₂	2.131	MW(Ti)=47.8 g/mol MW(TiO ₂)=79.8 g/mol Assumption: Same N _{ads} phase and experiment conditions.
					— 16.36 mg/g TiO ₂	2.336	MW(Ti)=47.8 g/mol MW(TiO ₂)=79.8 g/mol Assumption: Same N _{ads} phase and experiment conditions.
M. Gifford, Ranking traditional and nano-enabled sorbents for simultaneous removal of arsenic and chromium from simulated groundwater, 2017, Science of the Total Environment ²⁹	Ion-Exchange beads	TiO ₂	As	107.5 μmol/g TiO ₂	12.4/0.16 μmol/g = 77.5 μmol/g TiO ₂	0.721	From J. Elton et al. assuming mass of synthesized TiO ₂ @S is 11-21% (16% avg) ²⁷ . From K. Hristovski et al. assuming that mass of amorphous iron (hydro)oxide synthesized is 16% of Fe ³⁰ . Mw(Fe) = 55.8 g/mol Mw(Fe(OH) ₂) = 89.8 g/mol
			Cr	5.7 μmol/g Fe(OH) ₂	— — Fe(OH) ₂	8.246	
		amorphous Fe(OH) ₂	As	172.1 μmol/g Fe(OH) ₂	— — Fe(OH) ₂	0.341	

							of amorphous iron (hydro)oxide synthesized is 16% of Fe ³⁰ . Mw(Fe) = 55.8 g/mol Mw(Fe(OH) ₂) = 89.8 g/mol
J. Wang, Hydrous ferric oxide–resin nanocomposites of tunable structure for arsenite removal: Effect of the host pore structure, 2011, Journal of Hazardous Materials ³¹	Ion-Exchange beads	Amorphous Fe(OH) ₂	As(III)	28.0 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂ ¹⁶	225*0.65=146.25 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂	4.223	
					200*0.65=130 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂	4.643	
					190*0.65=123.5 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂	4.411	
					200*0.65=130 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂	4.643	
					175*0.65=113.75 mg/g Fe(OH) ₂	4.063	
Q. Su, Fabrication of polymer-supported nanosized hydrous manganese dioxide (HMO) for enhanced lead removal from waters, 2009, Science of the Total Environment ³²	Ion-Exchange beads	Mn(OH) ₂	Pb(II)	352.55 mg/g Mn(OH) ₂	395 mg/g / (7.33%Mn*55/89Mn in MN(OH)2)= 3381.85 mg/g Mn(OH) ₂	9.592	
L. Zhang, Removal of phosphate from water by activated carbon fiber loaded with lanthanum oxide, 2011, Journal of Hazardous Materials ³³	Carbon fibers	LaO	PO ₄ ³⁻	46.95 mg/g LaO ³⁴	5.85/0.1178 = 49.66 mg/g LaO	1.058	WT%(LaO)=11.78% Assumption: Same LaO phase and experiment condition
J. Zhang, Synthesis of magnetic iron oxide nanoparticles onto fluorinated carbon fabrics for contaminant removal and oil-water separation, 2017, Separation and Purification Technology ³⁵	Carbon fibers	Fe ₃ O ₄	Cu(II)	8.9 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄ ³⁶	62.5 mg/g Fe ₃ O ₄	7.022	pH=5
Q. Zhou, Phosphorus removal from wastewater using nano-particulates of hydrated ferric oxide doped activated carbon fiber prepared by Sol–Gel method, 2012, Chemical Engineering Journal journal ³⁷	Carbon fibers	FeOOH	P	139.5 mg/g FeOOH ³⁸	12.86/0.44=29.227 mg/g FeOOH	0.21	From fig2 WT% (FeOOH)=44 12.86 mg/g-NM@S 12.86/0.44 = 29.227 mg/g FeOOH pH range of 2.0–6.0 assume: amorphous phase, FeOOH adsorption capacity:

							134-145 mg/g ³⁸ , we took the average
Y. Zheng, Adsorptive removal of arsenic from aqueous solution by a PVDF/zirconia blend flat sheet membrane, 2011, Journal of Membrane Science ³⁹	Carbon fibers	Zr(OH) ₄	As	38.9 mg/g Zr(OH) ₄	43 mg/g mg/g Zr(OH) ₄	1.105	
K.E. Greenstein, Performance comparison of hematite (α-Fe ₂ O ₃)-polymer composite and core-shell nanofibers as point-of-use filtration platforms for metal sequestration, 2019, Water Research ⁴⁰	Polymeric fibers	α-Fe ₂ O ₃	As(V)	17 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	9.3 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.547	
			Cu(II)	70 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	35 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.5	
			Cr(VI)	9.5 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	7.3 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.768	
			Pb(II)	94 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	57 mg/g α-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.606	
K.T. Peter, Functionalized polymer-iron oxide hybrid nanofibers: Electrospun filtration devices for metal oxyanion removal, 2017, Water Research ⁴¹	Polymeric fibers (polyacrylonitrile, PAN)	Ferrihydrite iron oxide	Cr	19 mg-Cr/g-Fh	17 mg-Cr/g-Fh	0.89	
			As	31 mg-As/g-Fh	26 mg-As/g-Fh	0.84	
K.T. Peter, Surfactant-assisted fabrication of porous polymeric nanofibers with surface-enriched iron oxide nanoparticles: composite filtration materials for removal of metal cations, 2018, Environmental Science ⁴²	Polymeric fibers (PAN)	Amorphous Fe ₂ O ₃	Pb	13 mg-Pb/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	27 mg-Pb/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	2.08	
			Cu	75 mg-Cu/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	25 mg-Cu/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.33	
			Cd	105 mg-Cd/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	100 mg-Cd/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.95	
	Polymeric fibers (PAN-based)	Amorphous Fe ₂ O ₃	Pb	13 mg-Pb/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	101 mg-Pb/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	7.77	
			Cu	75 mg-Cu/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	170 mg-Cu/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	2.27	
			Cd	105 mg-Cd/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	57 mg-Cd/g-Fe ₂ O ₃	0.54	
X.Zhang, Preparation, performance and adsorption activity of TiO ₂ nanoparticles entrapped PVDF hybrid membranes, 2012, Applied Surface Science ⁴³	PVDF membrane	TiO ₂	Cu(II)	6.86 mg/g TiO ₂ ⁴⁴	86 ug/cm ² / (1.087*1.78)g/cm ³ density of pVDF and added weight by TiO ₂ / 0.1 cm thick mem / 8.76% TiO ₂ = 0.5 mg/g TiO ₂	0.073	8.74% loaded TiO ₂ 20mm×20mm membrane area (4cm ²) pH>7 (for pH>7 adsorption is the same) Lagergren model
B. Gohari, Polyethersulfone Membranes Prepared with 3-Aminopropyltriethoxysilane Modified Alumina Nanoparticles for Cu(II) Removal from Water, 2018, ACS OMEGA ⁴⁵	PES membrane	γ-alumina	Cu(II)	51.3 mg/g	$\frac{44.84 \frac{mg}{g}}{0.05} = 896.8 \text{ mg/g}$	17.48	5% alumina
X. Zhang, Preparation, performances of PVDF/ZnO hybrid	PVDF membrane	hexagonal ZnO	Cu(II)	54.3 mg/g ⁴⁷	87.5 ug/cm ² / (1.05*1.78)g/cm ³ density of pVDF and added	0.172	

membranes and their applications in the removal of copper ions, 2014, Applied Surface Science ⁴⁶					weight by ZnO / 0.1 cm thick mem / 5% ZnO = 9.35 mg/g ZnO		
L. Chen, In situ formation of La(OH) ₃ -poly(vinylidene fluoride) composite filtration membrane with superior phosphate removal properties, 2018, Chemical Engineering Journal ⁴⁸	PVDF membrane	La(OH) ₃	PO ₄	61.7 mg /g-La	256.6 mg/g-La	4.159	

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