

## Supplementary Information

### Recent developments in polysaccharide-based technologies for phosphorus removal and recovery from wastewater: A review

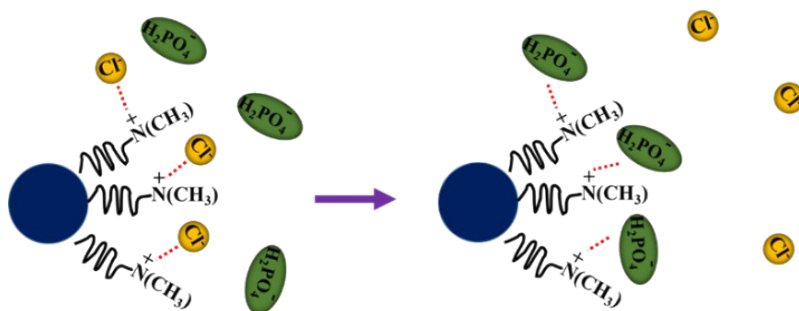
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**Table S1** Benefits and drawbacks of different techniques for P recovery and removal

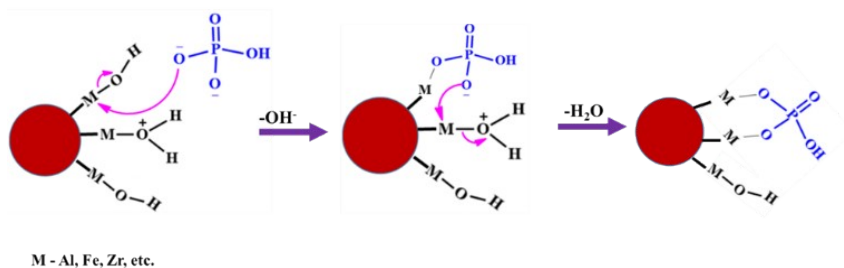
| Techniques             | Advantages                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Disadvantages                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Refs.   |
|------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Adsorption             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– less costly, rapid, and extremely effective</li> <li>– Reduced disposal issues as a result of little sludge/waste formation</li> <li>– Possibility of recovery of adsorbed phosphate</li> <li>– Variety of adsorbents available</li> <li>– Reusability of adsorbent</li> <li>– Low-concentration phosphate removal</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Foreign ion interference with adsorption</li> <li>– Low selectivity</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1-5     |
| Chemical precipitation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Easy to setup</li> <li>– Reliable and flexible</li> <li>– A well-established procedure</li> <li>– Easy to implement and operate.</li> <li>– Can achieve high P removal</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Slow reaction</li> <li>– Produce additional amount of sludge</li> <li>– High chemical consumption</li> <li>– Require continuous neutralization of the Effluent</li> <li>– Low efficiency for dilute P solutions</li> <li>– Difficult to recover bonded P recovery</li> </ul> | 6-8     |
| Biological processes   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Less chemicals required</li> <li>– Less expensive method</li> <li>– Low waste production</li> <li>– Effective in removing of amounts of P</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Need a source of carbon and nitrogen</li> <li>– Ineffective with low concentrations of phosphate</li> <li>– Expensive infrastructure</li> </ul>                                                                                                                              | 2, 9-11 |
| Membrane filtration    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Highly effective</li> <li>– Less waste production</li> <li>– pH sensitive</li> <li>– possible recovery of phosphate</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Expensive</li> <li>– Require extensive pretreatment</li> <li>– Less selective in the presence of interfering anions</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                               | 5, 12   |
| Crystallization        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Recyclable</li> <li>– Low nitrogen loss</li> <li>– Possible to utilize struvite as a fertilizer directly</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Heavy metal can coprecipitate at times.</li> <li>– Slow process</li> <li>– High production costs for struvite</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                     | 13, 14  |
| Ion Exchange           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Effective for low phosphate concentration</li> <li>– Less waste production</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Regeneration cost is high</li> <li>– Disposal of waste/sludge is difficult</li> <li>– Need a significant quantity of resins.</li> <li>– Lifetime of resin is limited</li> <li>– Regeneration requires significant amount of Chemicals</li> </ul>                             | 15, 16  |

**Table S2** Absorbent materials for P removal and recovery

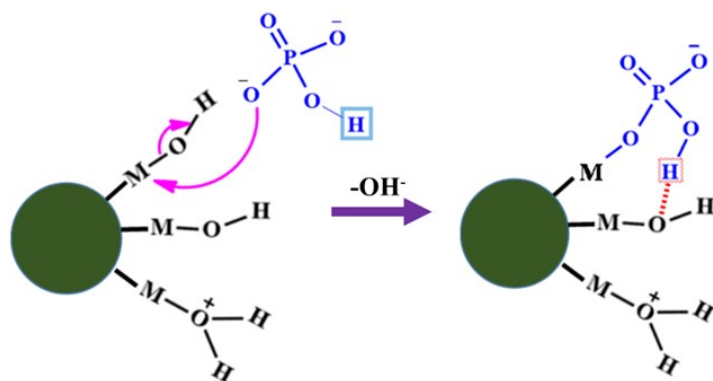
| Materials                                        | Examples                                                                                                                                                                                      | Refs.                   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Minerals                                         | Hydroxy-aluminum (Al) pillared, zeolites, calcite, tourmaline, opoka, bentonite, bentonite, dolomite, sepiolite, gibbsite, La-modified                                                        | 17-26                   |
| Industrial byproducts                            | Slag, including fly ash, modified steel slag, bottom ash, sludge, red mud, iron oxide ( $\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ) tailing skin split waste, and alum sludge                                   | 27-37                   |
| Natural materials                                | Rice, marble dust, soil, and sawdust                                                                                                                                                          | 38-42                   |
| Building waste                                   | Bricks, cement which rich in calcium (Ca), magnesium (Mg), Al, Fe                                                                                                                             | 43                      |
| Composites                                       | Casium (Ce)- zirconium (Zr) binary oxide, Fe-manganese (Mn) binary oxide, Fe-copper (Cu) binary oxide, tertiary-metal Fe-Mg-Al composites, Fe-titanium (Ti) bimetal oxide, Fe-Zr binary oxide | 44-54                   |
| Nanoparticles (NPs)                              | Zirconium oxide ( $\text{ZrO}_2$ ) NPs, ferrihydrite ( $\text{Fe}_{10}\text{O}_{14}(\text{OH})_2 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) NPs                                                             | 11, 16, 55-58           |
| Magnetic adsorbents                              | Magnetic Ca, magnetic $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4@\text{C}@\text{ZrO}_2$ , amine functionalized silicamagnetite, Mg modified iron oxide                                                            | 56, 59-61               |
| Polymeric adsorbents                             | Polypropylene-g-N,N-dimethylamino ethyl methacrylate, chitosan, Duolite C 466                                                                                                                 | 62-66                   |
| Metal oxide/hydroxide                            | Bayoxide (B33), lanthanum hydroxide ( $\text{La}(\text{OH})_3$ ), aluminum oxide ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ )                                                                                  | 7, 67-69                |
| Carbonaceous materials (Modified and unmodified) | Activated carbon, metal-doped activated carbon, graphene oxide (GO), carbon nanotubes (CNTs), graphite, graphite oxide, graphene, charcoal, carbon nanofibers, biochar and its derivatives,   | 11, 55, 70-78           |
| Bioadsorbents                                    | Wood particles, oyster shell, fruit juice residue, eucalyptus, palm fiber, wheat residue, okara                                                                                               | 4, 8, 41, 42, 52, 79-85 |



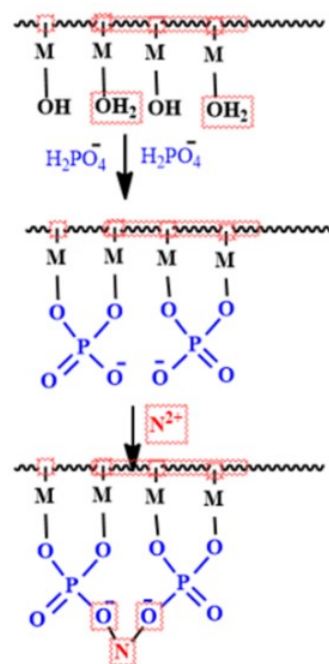
**Fig.S1** Schematic representation of phosphate adsorption mechanisms via ion-exchange.



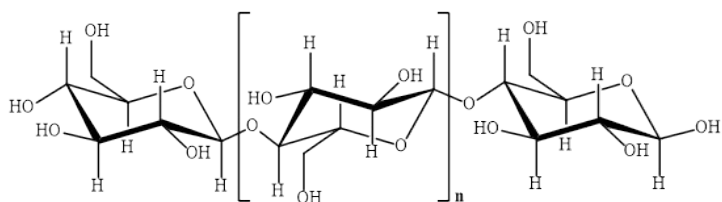
**Fig.S2** Schematic representation of phosphate adsorption mechanisms via ligand exchange.



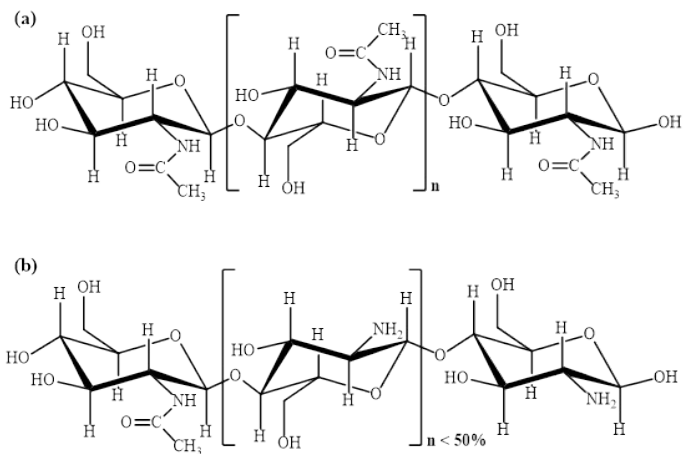
**Fig.S3** Schematic representation of phosphate adsorption mechanisms via H-bonding.



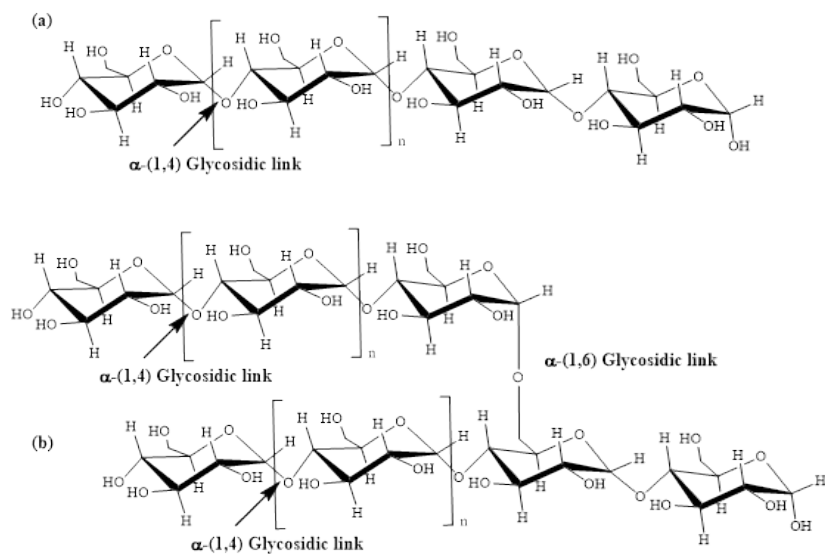
**Fig.S4** Schematic representation of phosphate adsorption mechanisms via surface precipitation.



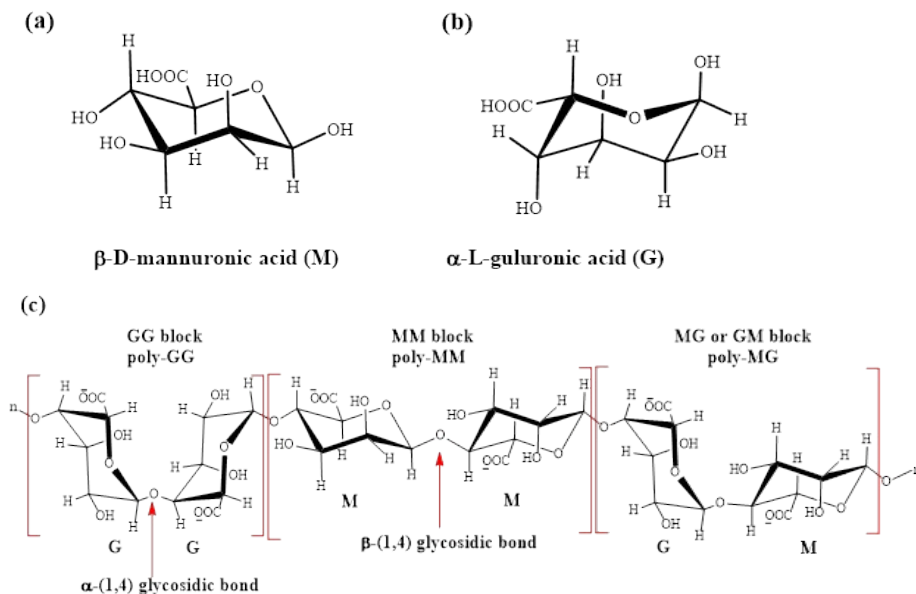
**Fig.S5** Chemical structure of cellulose.



**Fig. S6** Chemical structure of (a) Chitin (< 50% acetylated) and (b) Chitosan (< 50% acetylated).



**Fig.S7** Chemical structure of (a) amylose and (b) amylopectin.



**Fig.S8** Chemical structures of (a)  $\beta$ -D-mannuronic acid, (b)  $\alpha$ -L-guluronic acid, and (c) alginate.

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