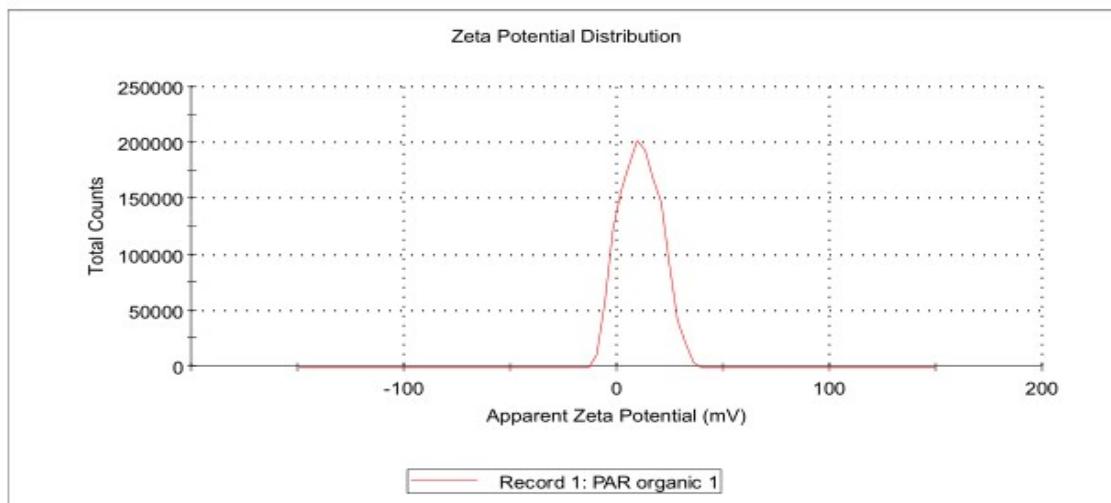


**PAR-intercalated Mg/Al layered double hydroxide for efficient adsorption of Acid Fuchsin: experimental study and molecular docking insights**

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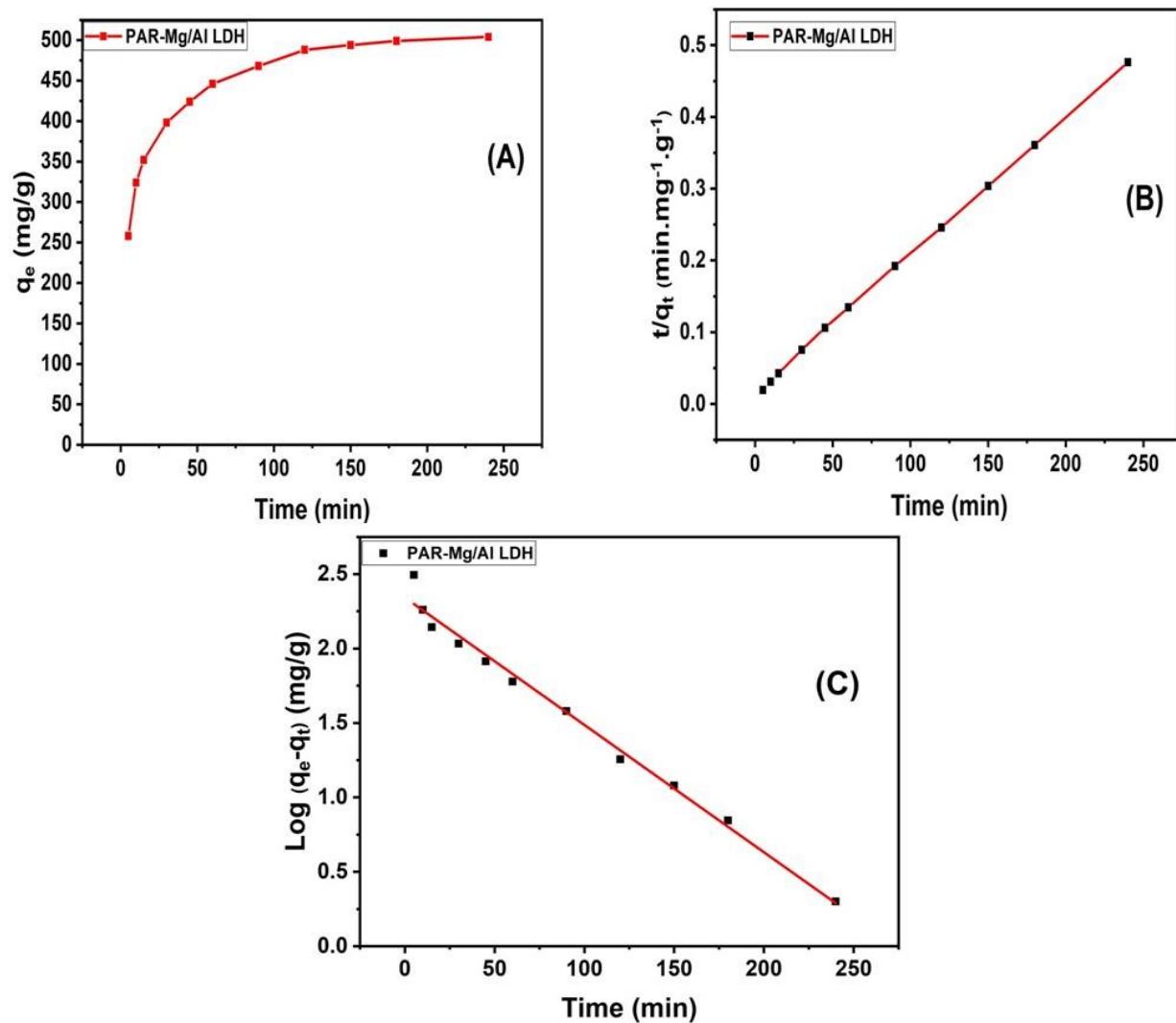


**Fig.S1.** Zeta Potential of PAR-Mg/Al LDH

**Table S1:** Remediation of various anionic dyes using MgAl LDHS and/or organic compounds prepared through different reported methods.

Adsorbent	Target dye	Q <sub>e</sub> (mg/g)	Ref
<b>LDH modified with anionic surfactant (SDS-templated)</b>	Methyl Orange (MO)	416.7	<sup>1</sup>
<b>Mg-Al LDH (hydrothermal) — baseline study on anionic dye</b>	Methyl Orange	148.3	<sup>2</sup>
<b>MgAl-LDH</b>	Methylene orange	197.62	<sup>3</sup>
<b>MgAl-Charcoal activated</b>	direct yellow	133.33	<sup>4</sup>

Pure Mg/Al-LDH	Reactive Brilliant Orange X-GN	$\approx 79-83$	5
CoAl-LDH	Acid fuchsin	384.62	6
PAR-Mg/Al LDH	Acid fuchsin	<b>568.18</b>	<b>Present work</b>



**Fig.S2.** (A) The adsorption capacity of PAR-Mg/Al LDH as a function of contact time; (B) PSO kinetic model; (C) PFO kinetic model.

### S1. Intraparticle Diffusion Model (Weber–Morris Model)

The Weber–Morris intraparticle diffusion model was applied to examine whether the adsorption process was controlled by film diffusion, intraparticle diffusion, or a combination of multiple steps, according to Eq. (1)<sup>7</sup>.

$$q_t = K_{id} t^{1/2} + C \quad (1)$$

In this model,  $k_{id}$  (mg g<sup>-1</sup> h<sup>-0.5</sup>) represents the intraparticle diffusion rate constant, and  $C$  is a constant related to the thickness of the boundary layer. If intraparticle diffusion is involved in the adsorption process, a plot of  $q_t$  versus  $t^{1/2}$  should yield a linear relationship. Furthermore, if intraparticle diffusion is the sole rate-limiting step, the plot should pass through the origin. The intercept  $C$  provides insight into the contribution of external mass transfer resistance, where higher  $C$  values indicate a greater boundary layer effect.

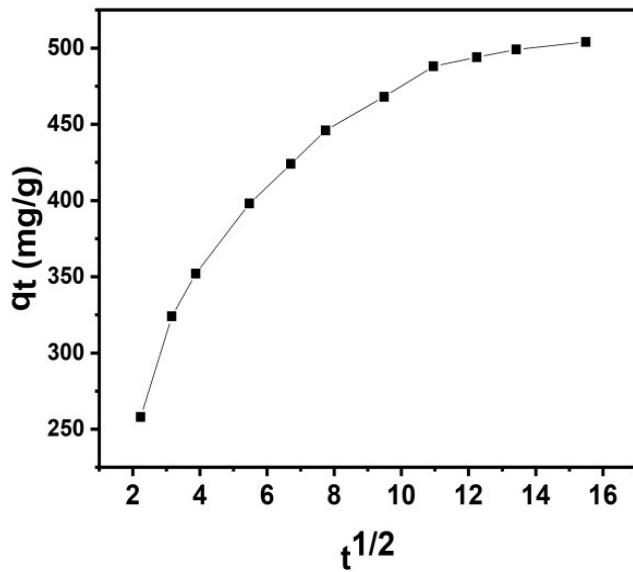


Fig. S3. Intraparticle diffusion plots for the adsorption of Acid Fuchsin on PAR-Mg/Al LDH.

## S2. Boyd Kinetic Model:

To further distinguish between film diffusion and intraparticle diffusion as the rate-limiting step, the Boyd kinetic model was employed and is expressed by Eq. (2)<sup>8</sup>.

$$F = 1 - \frac{6}{\pi^2} \exp(-B_t t) \quad (2)$$

In this model,  $F$  represents the fractional attainment of equilibrium at time  $t$ , and  $B_t$  is a function of  $F$ .

$$F = q_t/q_e \quad (3)$$

Where  $q_t$  and  $q_e$  are the dye uptake (mmol g<sup>-1</sup>) at time  $t$  and at equilibrium, respectively. Eq. (2) can be rearranged to Eq. (4).<sup>9</sup>

$$B_t = -0.4977 - \ln(1-F) \quad (4)$$

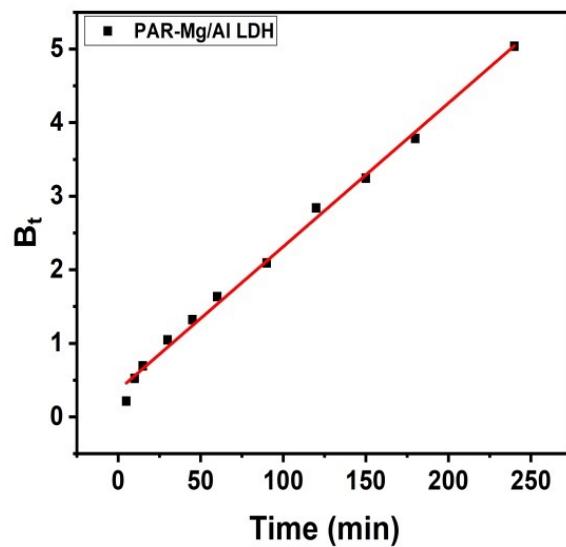
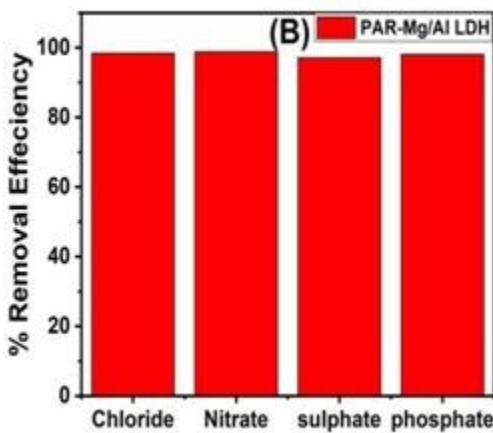


Fig. S4. Boyd plot ( $B_t$  versus  $t$ ) for the adsorption of Acid Fuchsin on PAR-Mg/Al LDH.



**Fig.S5.**Effect of interfering anions on acid fuchsin dye adsorption onto PAR-Mg/Al LDH.

**Table S2.** The docking interaction parameters of acid fuchsin with 7JWY: VIRAL PROTEIN / 7JWYCOVID -19.

Ligand	Receptor	Interaction	Distance	E (Kcal/mol)
Shape N13 16 O A	ASP 364 (A)	H-donor	3.22	-2.1

	O12	15	N	PHE	338	H-acceptor (A)	3.38	-1.2
Shape	N13	16		CYC	336	H-donor (A)	3.13	-0.7
B		O						
	O12	15	N	PHE	338	H-acceptor (A)	3.05	-0.7
	O12	15	N	GLY	339	H-acceptor (A)	3.03	-4.4
	6-ring			PHE	338	pi-H	4.04	-0.6
	CB							
	S			rmsd		E_conf	E_place	E_score1
1	-			1.2215178		-	-	E_refine
	5.83096695				145.591721	89.7915039	8.36091042	29.4026527
2	-			1.69807434	-	-	-	-
	5.69000053				143.553314	78.6248703	8.49876308	28.8788357
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