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## POLISHING GOAT FARM WASTE WATER IN VIEW OF ADVANCED PHOSPHATE REMOVAL

The objective of this study is to fully characterise a waste substrate from drinking water industry (IOS) in view of $P$ removal and recovery in lab and field scale.


Lab Test

(a) adsorption kinetics model fit and (b) Weber-Morris (WB) intraparticle diffusion model fits


P adsorption breakthrough curve using (a) Bohart-Adams model fit and (b) BDST model fit



Characterization and Field Test


SEM micrographs (a) pristine IOS and (b) after adsorption (used IOS)


Adsorbent characterisation results in (a) FT-IR spectra and (b) XRD spectra


## Conclusion

- IOS gives nearly $100 \%$ TP removal efficiency within a wide pH range (2-9) which was much better than the other materials
- SEM and EDS showed that the surface of IOS has become rough after adsorption and Si and Ca was released in the process of P adsorption.
- FTIR and XRD results showed that the active sites of IOS remained almost unchanged which means the potential good reusability of IOS.
- In a regeneration and reusability test, KOH gave better results than NaOH , and IOS can remain above $70 \%$ adsorption capacity after five adsorption/desorption cycles.
- BDST and Bohart-Adams model were used to predict breakthrough curve from lab scale to field scale
- The designed granular filter as a polishing step of goat farm constructed wetland system has kept TP below $0.2 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{L}$ for more than 180 days
- IOS is a promising, ecological material which can be widely used in decentralized wastewater treatment for Premoval

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