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Ecofriendly and low-cost adsorbent for efficient removal of heavy metals from aqueous solution

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Consumer concerns about global issues vary by region

How much do you care about these global issues? Top issues of concern in specific regions (Highest responses of "I care a lot") (2021)

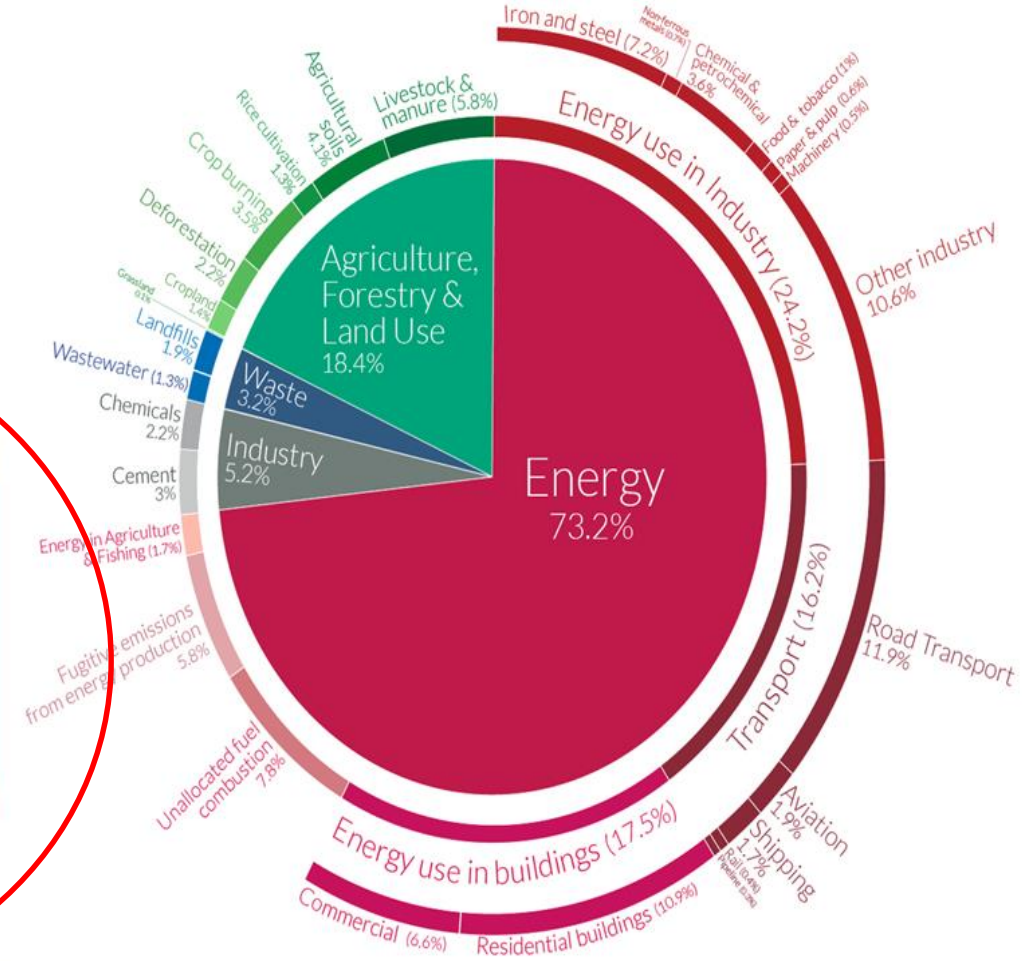


Overall, levels of concern are highest in Latin America and lowest in North America

Global greenhouse gas emissions by sector

This is shown for the year 2016 – global greenhouse gas emissions were 49.4 billion tonnes CO₂eq.

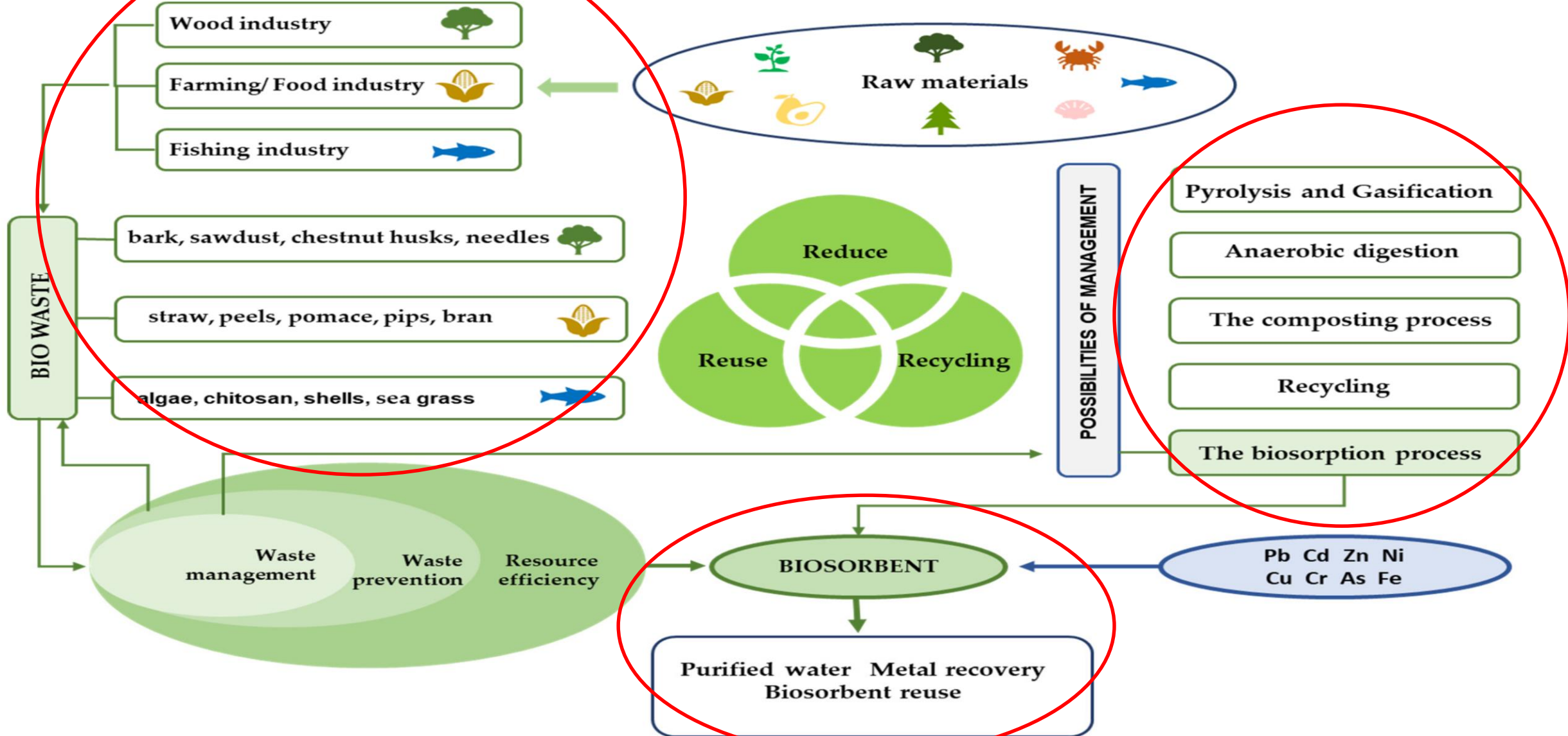
Our World in Data



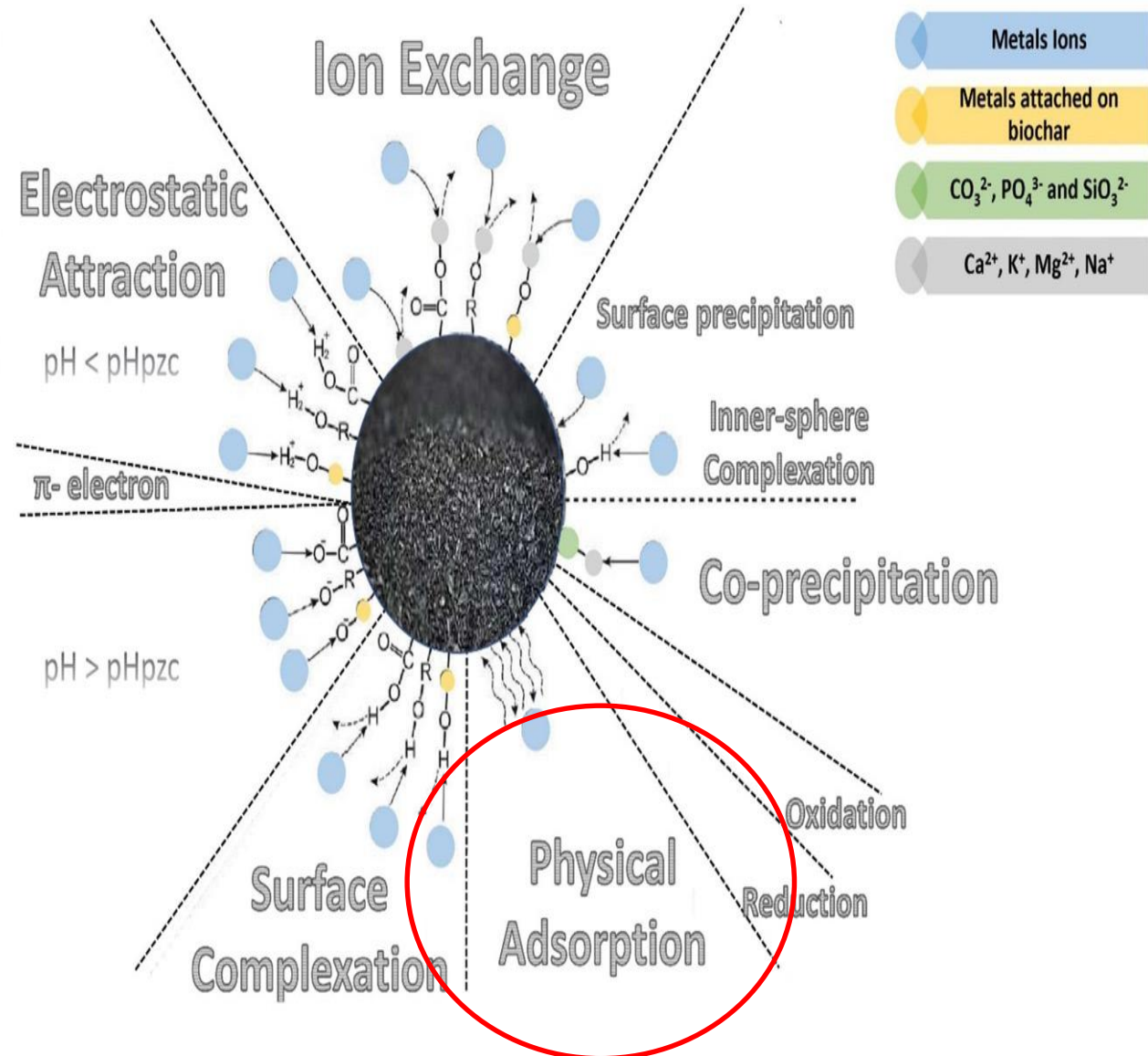
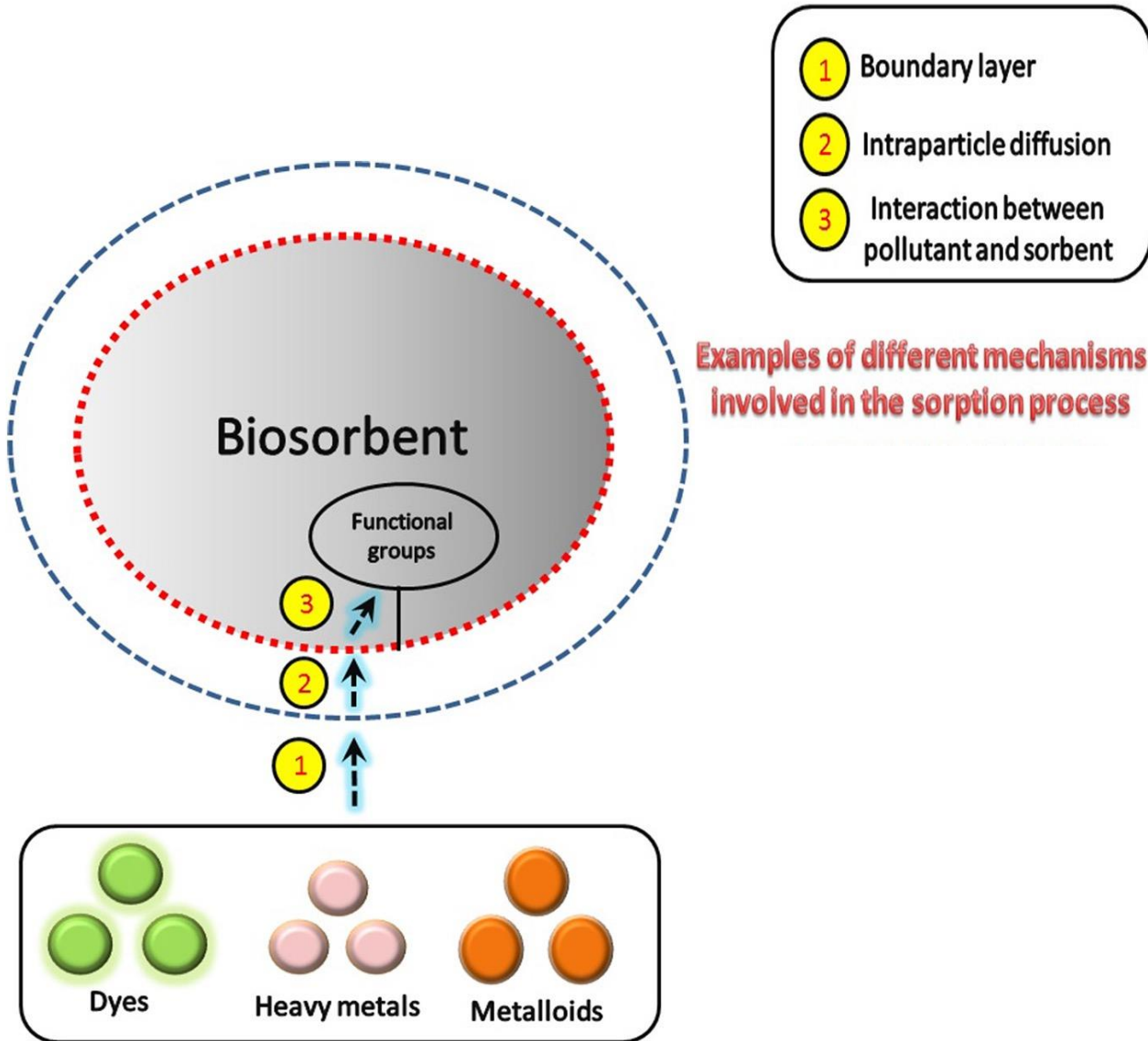
Fruit Waste

- A large amount of fruit waste is generated during agricultural and food production, mainly fruit residues such as peels, seeds, stones, and hulls.
- This waste is often problematic during disposal or recycling and has little or no economic value.
- The biochemical composition of agrifood waste includes, among others, cellulose, hemicellulose, lignin, lipids, simple sugars, proteins, hydrocarbons, and starch.
- These compounds contain various functional groups that are capable of binding and removing harmful substances from water and wastewater.

Introduction



Mechanisms involved in the biosorption process.



Methodology

Adsorbent preparation

Banana peels



Size reduction
+
Drying



Dried Banana Peel
(DBP)

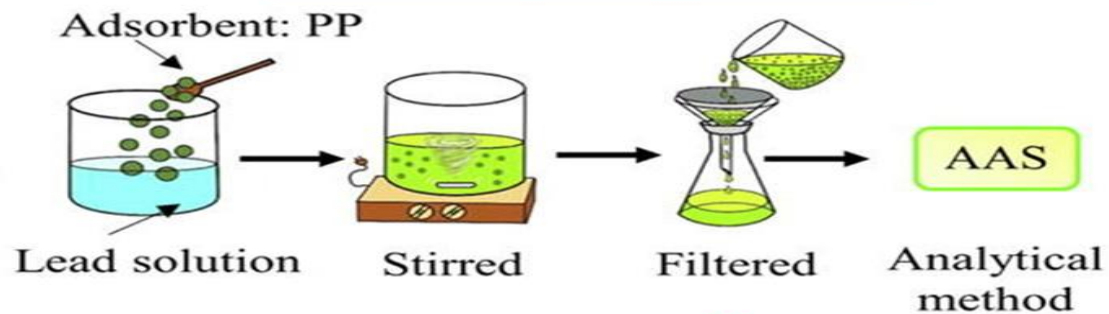
Phosphoric
Treatment
(PAP)

Stirred at 400
rpm for 2 hr.

Methanol
Treatment
(PAM)

Heated at 60
°C and stirred
for 48 hr.

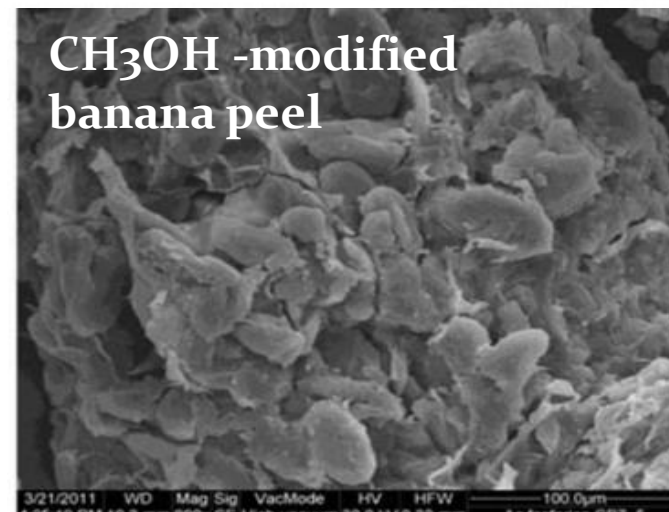
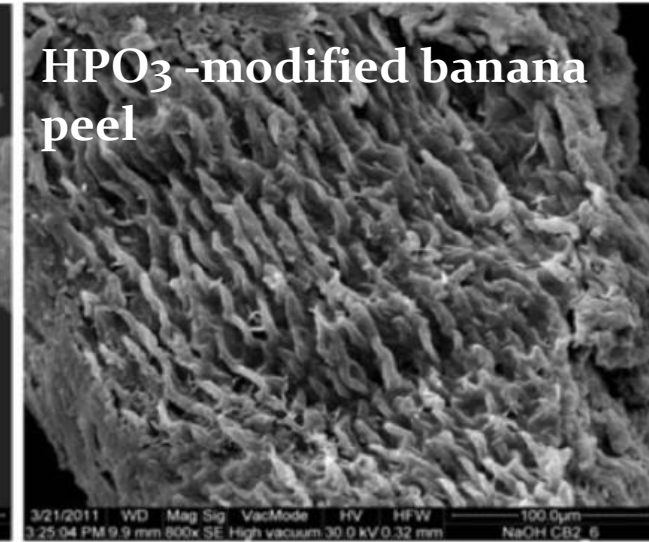
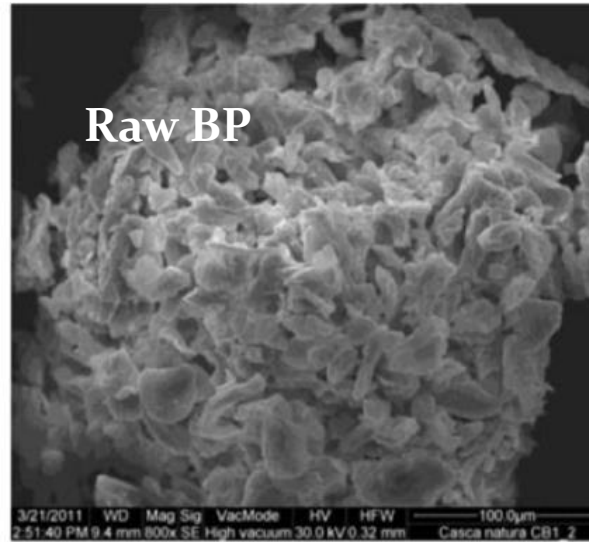
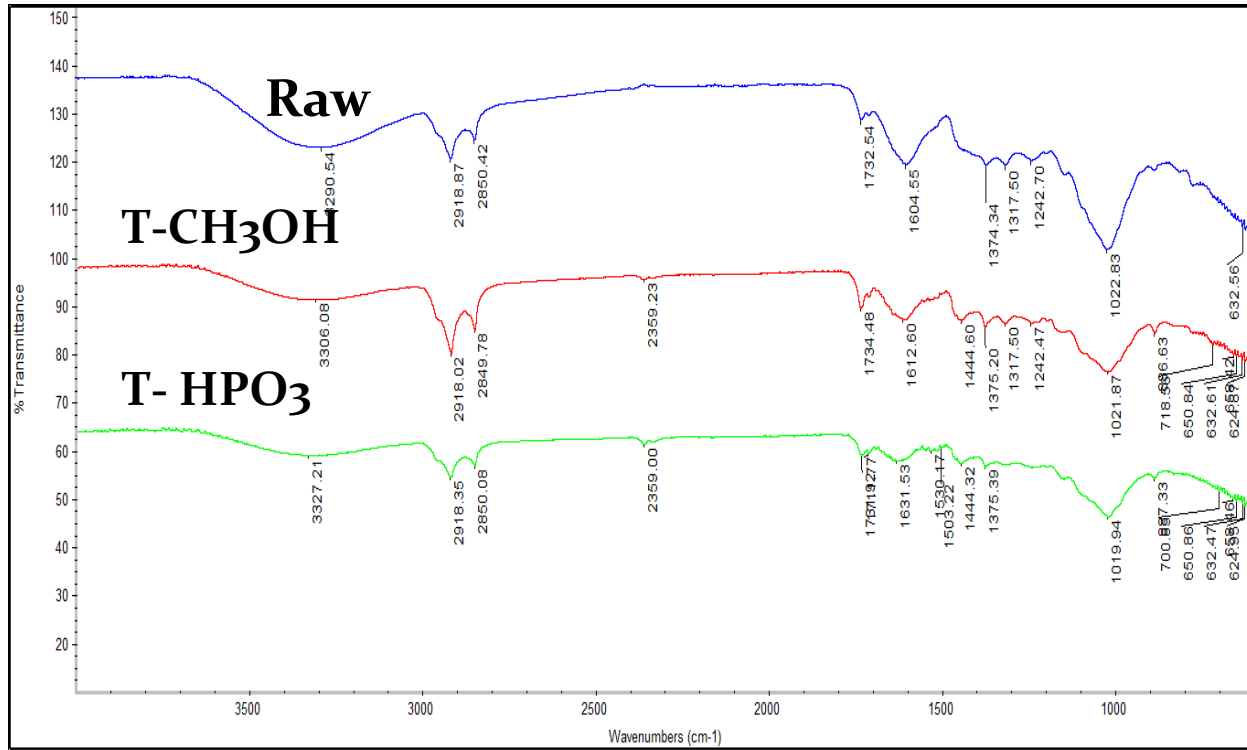
Adsorption experiment



PP-Pb

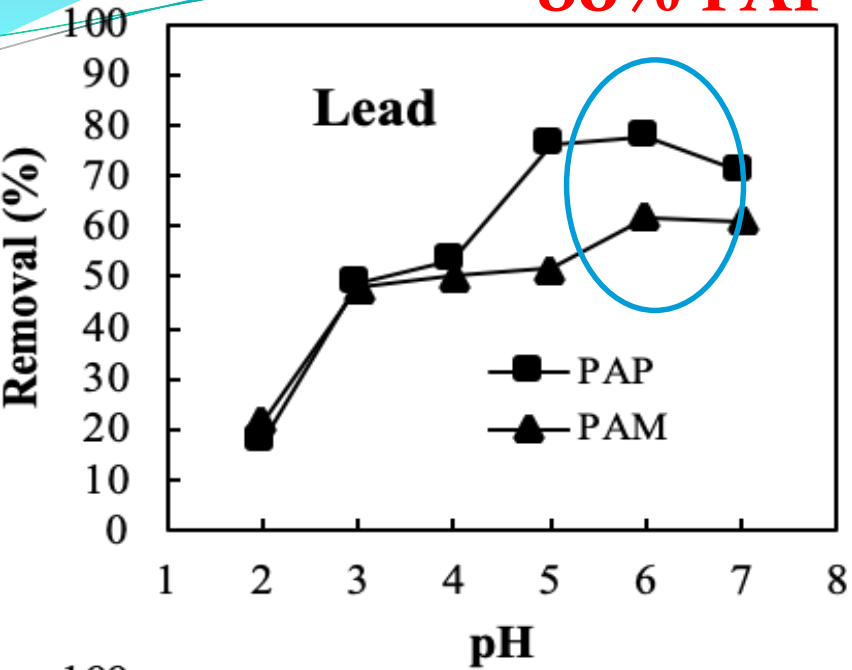


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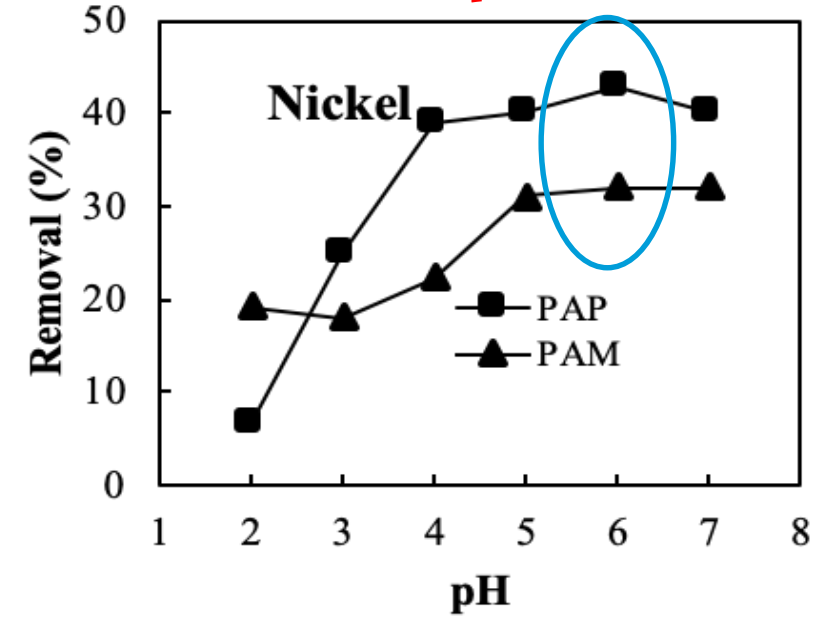


Results

80% PAP

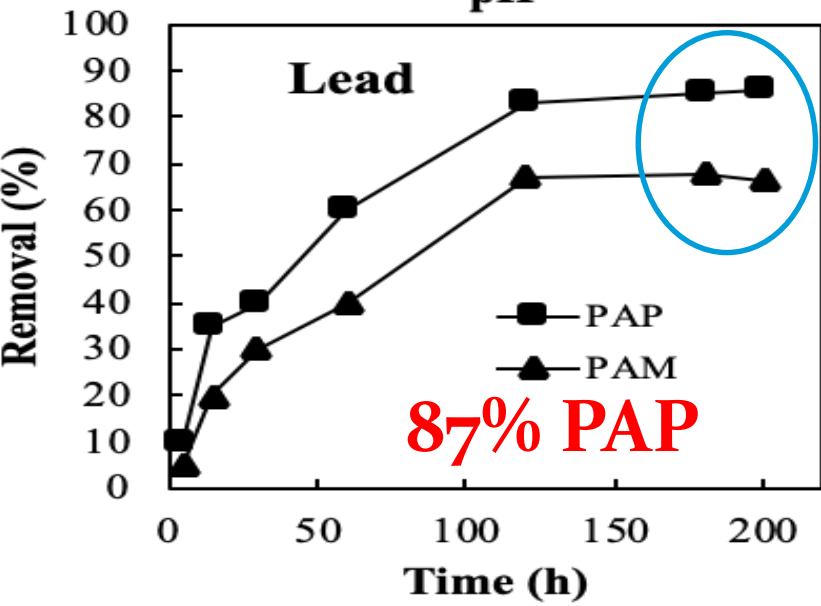


42% PAP

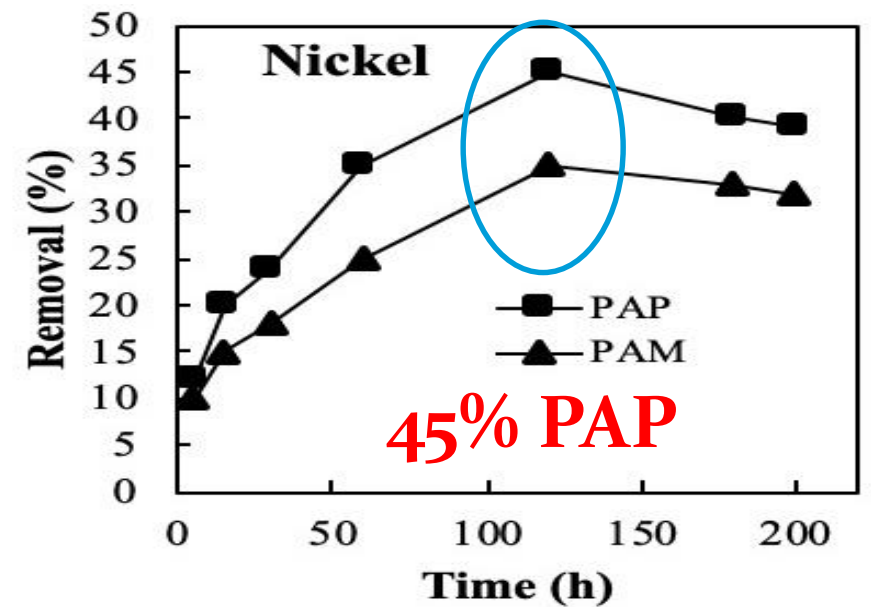


Adsorption
parametric
study

87% PAP



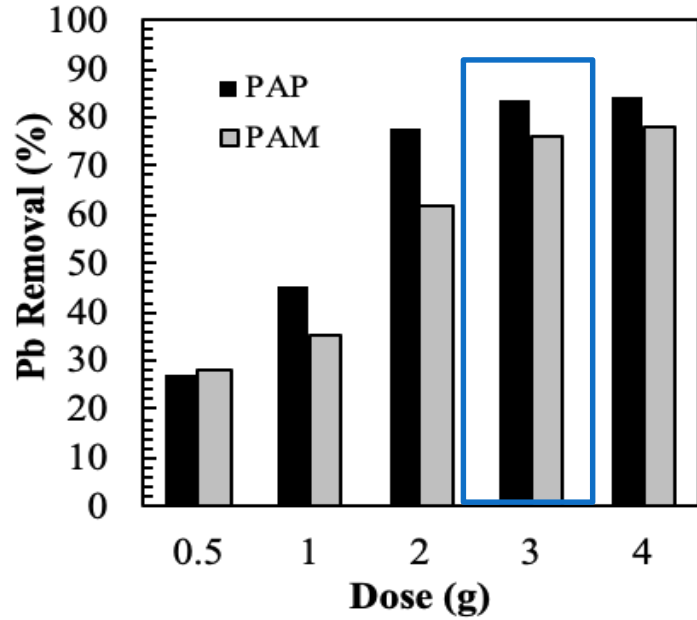
45% PAP



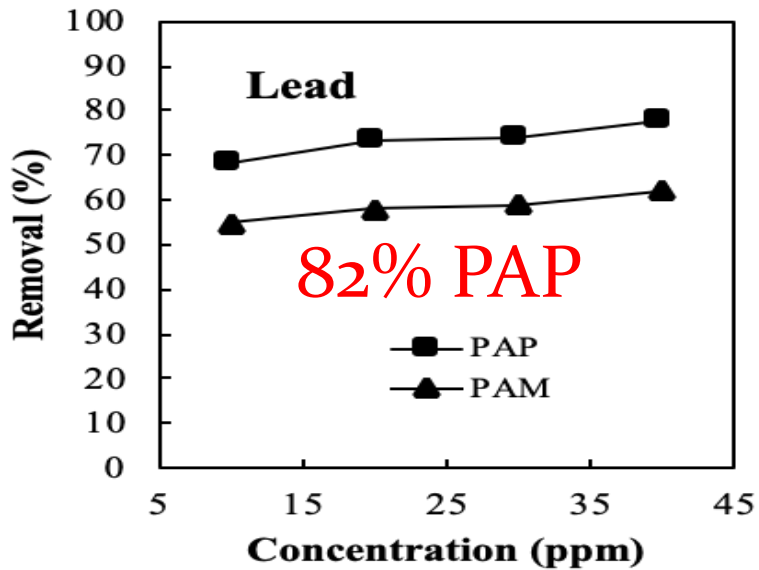
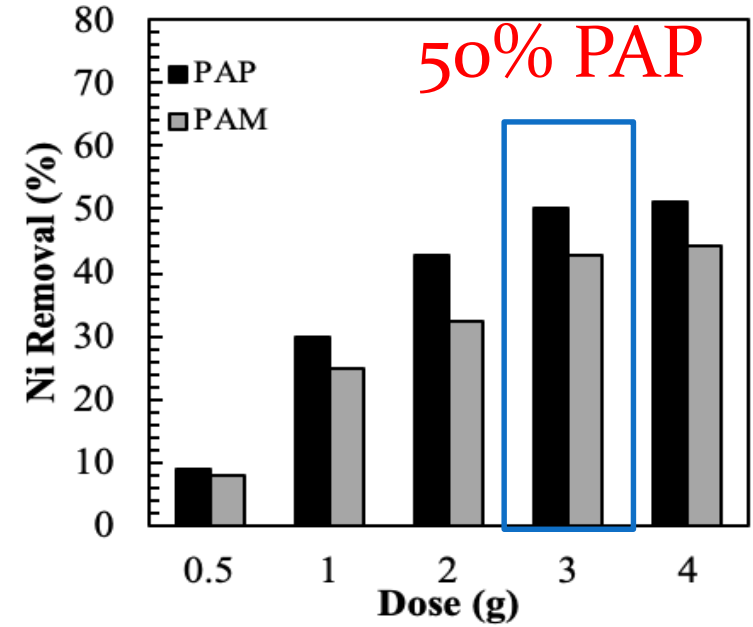
Results

Adsorption parametric study

82% PAP

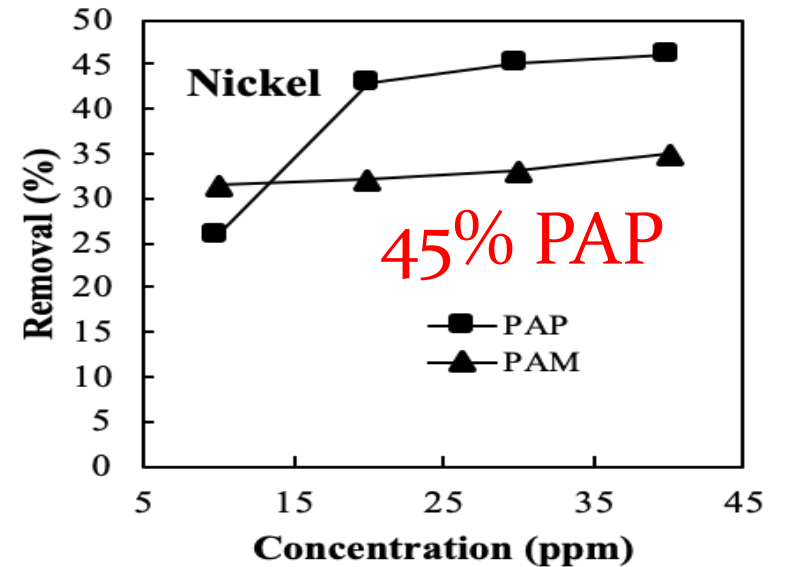


50% PAP



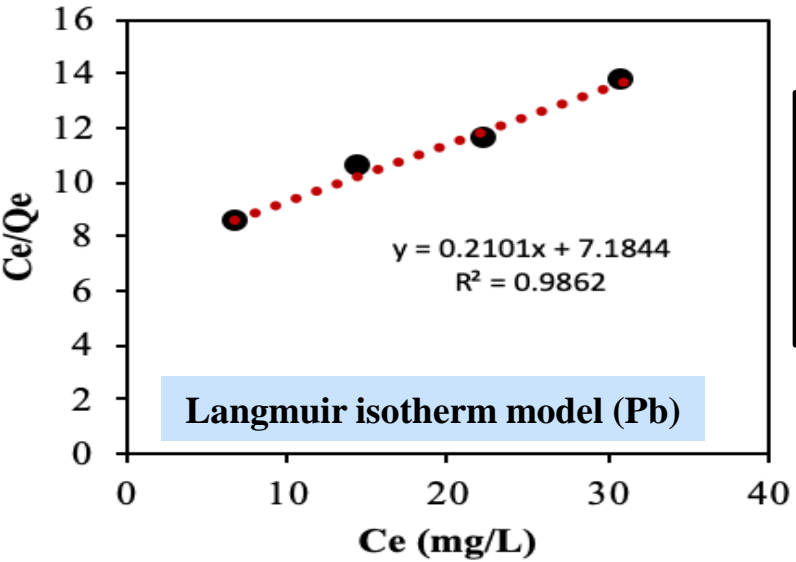
82% PAP

45% PAP

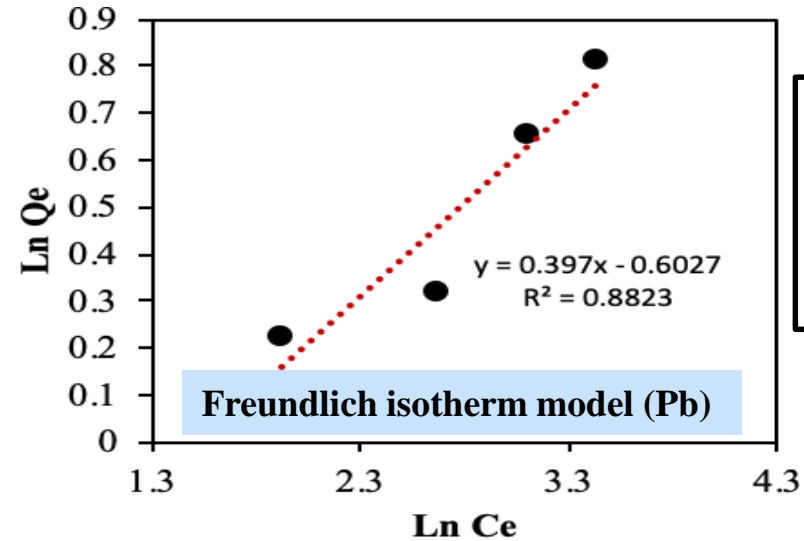
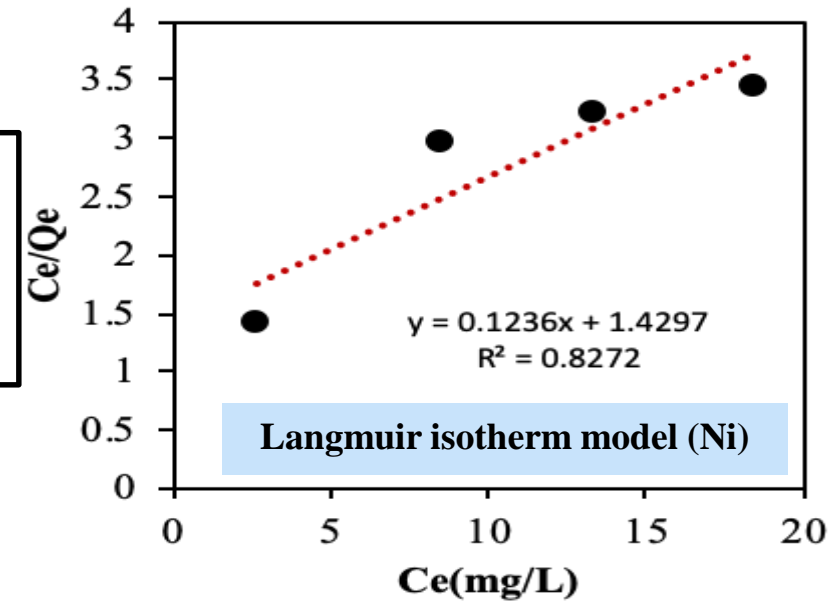


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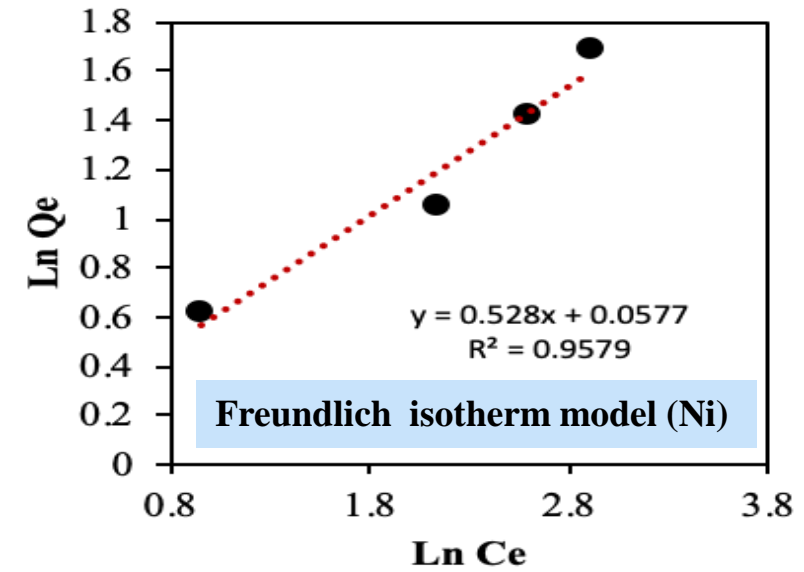
Kinetic study



Lead ion's highest surface coverage on the used adsorbent occurred in a monomolecular layer on the adsorbent surface.



Freundlich isotherm best explained the nickel ion adsorption. Surfaces that are extremely heterogeneous are typically described by Freundlich equation.



Applications of Biosorbents in Wastewater Treatment

1

Effluent Polishing

Biosorbents can be used as a final step to remove trace heavy metals from treated water.

2

Continuous Treatment

Biosorbents can be incorporated into fixed-bed or fluidized-bed reactors for ongoing metal removal.

3

Sludge Stabilization

Biosorbents can immobilize heavy metals in sludge, reducing their environmental impact.

Challenges and Future Prospects of Biosorption Technology

1 Scalability

Developing cost-effective, large-scale biosorption systems remains a key challenge.

2 Regeneration

Efficient methods for desorbing and regenerating spent biosorbents need further research.

3 Selectivity

Improving the selectivity of biosorbents for specific heavy metals is an active area of study.

Conclusion

- Banana peels were chemically treated methanol and phosphoric acid.
- Banana peels treated with phosphoric acid exhibited a higher lead removal (84%) as compared to nickel using the initial concentration of 40 ppm, dosage of 4 g and pH of 6.
- Biosorbents offer a sustainable and cost-effective solution for water purification.
- This waste can be used directly after recycling, with the preparation of particles of the desired size or after modification using specific methods of pretreatment of the material before use.

