

## Comparison of the Adsorption Ability of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC Composite Materials Based on Duku Peel Hydrochar in Adsorption of Direct Green Anionic Dyes

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**Abstract:** Preparation of composite material from layered double hydroxide (LDH) with hydrochar (HC) from duku peel produces CaAl-HC, MgAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC have shown the success of the preparation process as evidenced by characterizations such as XRD and FT-IR. The XRD characterization data evidenced the typical diffraction of the hydrochar around  $2\theta = 20^\circ$  in the composite material. FTIR analysis is a characterization that supports the success of composite materials, which showed the presence of typical vibrations of HC at 3245, 2931, and 1635  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  contained in the composite spectrum. The application of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites as adsorbents showed  $Q_{\max}$  (adsorption ability) values of 94.340 mg/g, 128.205 mg/g, and 89.286 mg/g. Overall the adsorption process is endothermic with a positive enthalpy value, and a negative Gibbs free energy value indicates a spontaneous adsorption process. The isotherm model of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC show that the Langmuir isotherm model is more dominant, as indicated by the  $R^2$  value closer to 1 which indicates that the adsorption process takes place in a monolayer.

**Keywords:** duku peel; hydrochar; adsorption; regeneration; dyes

### ■ INTRODUCTION

Lately, synthetic dyes have been in great demand in textiles, printing, paper, food, and pharmaceuticals. Synthetic dyes consist of cationic and anionic dyes, but most industries prefer the use of anionic dyes. Synthetic dyes are widely used as a substitute for natural dyes, which are unstable, and quickly decompose under sunlight, and the storage process must be precise. Synthetic dyes are the right choice because they are stable, do not break down quickly, and have many color variations [1].

Some of the advantages obtained from dyes can lead to uncontrolled use. Excessive use of dyes will harm the

environment. Synthetic textile dyes have a complex aromatic molecular structure that makes them difficult to break down when disposed of in the ecosystem [2], which makes necessary efforts to overcome these harmful effects. Many methods can be used, such as ion exchange [3], biodegradation [4], chemical coagulation [5], catalytic reduction [6], and adsorption [7].

According to Milagres et al., adsorption is the most promising method for dealing with contamination, with an economic value, easy to do, and very efficient, making adsorption the suitable method for dealing with contamination [8]. Adsorption is an effective and

practical method for treating polluted water dyes due to its high efficiency, simplicity, and availability of many adsorbents [2]. Some adsorbents widely used for adsorption include activated carbon, graphene, zeolites, polymers, clays, and layered double hydroxides.

Layered double hydroxide is a natural inorganic lamellar compound that can be easily synthesized. Some of the advantages of layered double hydroxide that are the current attraction, such as large surface area [9], ion exchangeability [10], and can be regenerated [11], make this material continues to be developed. Layered double hydroxide has the general formula  $[M^{2+}_{1-x}M^{3+}_x(OH)_2]^{x+} [(A^{m-})_{x/m}.nH_2O]^x$ , where  $M^{2+}$  and  $M^{3+}$  are divalent and trivalent cations, and  $A^{m-}$  is charge balancing interlayer anion [9].

Layered double hydroxide (LDH) is a material that can be modified by intercalation and composite. The use of LDH as a composite can increase the  $Q_{max}$  of the material. This ability makes LDH-based composite materials an effective adsorbent to overcome contamination [13]. The adsorption ability of MgAl composites has been demonstrated in several studies. Badri et al. [12] studied rhodamine-B and methylene blue adsorption using MgAl-Biochar. The  $Q_{max}$  obtained from the adsorption process was 38.49 and 91.44 mg/g, respectively. Another study conducted by He et al. [13] using the MgAl-HC composite as a phosphate adsorbent resulted in a  $Q_{max}$  of 41.16 mg/g.

In this study, the direct green (DG) dye adsorption process was carried out using MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC. The success of material preparation is proven through XRD, FT-IR, and SEM characterization data. The adsorption ability of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites was confirmed by several parameters: regeneration, selectivity, kinetics, isotherm, and thermodynamics.

## ■ EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

### Materials

The chemicals used in this experiment were  $Mg(NO_3)_2 \cdot 6H_2O$  (Merck, 256.41 g/mol),  $Ca(NO_3)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$  (Merck, 236.15 g/mol),  $Al(NO_3)_3 \cdot 9H_2O$  (Merck, 375.13 g/mol),  $Na_2CO_3$  (Merck, 105.88 g/mol), NaOH (Merck, 40.00 g/mol), HCl 37% by MallinckrodtAR<sup>®</sup>,

$C_2H_5OH$  (Avantor, 99%). Hydrochar prepared from duku peel, anionic dyes direct green (DG), procion red (PR), methyl orange (MO). Water was obtained using a Purite<sup>®</sup> water purification system from the Research Center of Inorganic Materials and Complexes.

### Instrumentation

The material characterization was performed using XRD Rigaku mini flex-6000. The concentration of the dye was analyzed using spectrophotometer UV-Visible Biobase BK-UV 1800PC.

### Procedure

#### Duku peel preparation

As much as 1 kg duku peel that has been prepared is washed and cleaned and dried for 3 h in the sun. The dried duku peel was cut into several pieces and then baked for 8 h at a temperature of 100 °C. Then the resulting duku peel is left at room temperature, then mashed and filtered with a size of 40 mesh.

#### Hydrochar preparation

A total of 2.5 g of duku peel and 50 mL of water were put into a 100 mL Hydrothermal Stainless-steel Autoclave, then baked at 200 °C for 12 h. After that, the hydrochar was cooled at room temperature and then washed with distilled water. Drying was carried out in an oven at a temperature of 100 °C for 24 h to obtain a hydrochar product which was further characterized using FT-IR, XRD, BET, and SEM analysis.

#### Composite material preparation

Composite materials were prepared using the coprecipitation method. As much as 100 mL of  $M^{2+}$  (Ca, Mg, and Zn) 0.75 M solution was mixed with 100 mL of  $Al^{3+}$  0.25 M solution. The mixture was stirred for 1 h and then added 2.5 g of hydrochar. The mixture was adjusted to pH 10 using 2 M NaOH to form a gel. Then continued stirring for 10 h for MgAl-HC (85 °C), 4 h for ZnAl-HC (60 °C), and 6 h for CaAl-HC (85 °C) to form a precipitate. The precipitation obtained was dried at 100 °C and then characterized using XRD, FT-IR, BET, and SEM.

#### Adsorption studies

Adsorption studies were carried out to determine selectivity, regeneration, isotherm, and thermodynamic

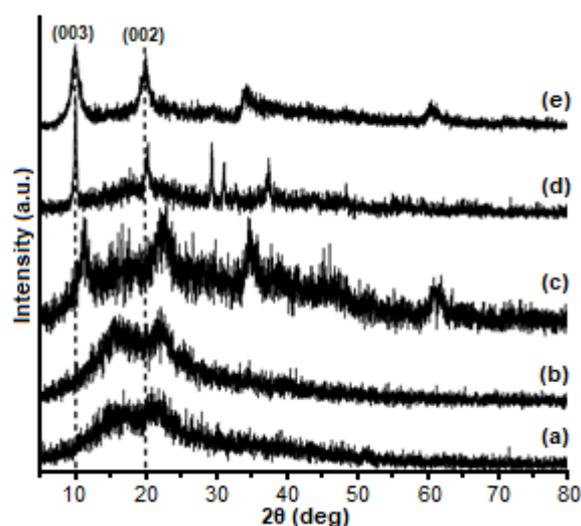
parameters. The selectivity process was carried out by mixing 25 mg/L of MO (methyl orange), PR (procion red), and DG (direct green) dye as much as 10 mL each. Then, the dye mixture was adsorbed with 0.02 g duku peel, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC with time variations (0, 30, 60, 90, 120, and 150) min. After the adsorption process, the separation was carried out to obtain the filtrate. Then a scan was carried out and measured the wavelength using a UV-Vis spectrophotometer. After obtaining a selective dye, proceed to the adsorbent regeneration stage. The regeneration process was carried out to determine the ability of the adsorbent when used repeatedly by adsorption of 1000 mg/L DG. After the dye is absorbed in the adsorbent, the desorption process is done using ultrasonic water. This adsorption-desorption process is repeated for up to five cycles. Kinetic studies were carried out by varying the time 0, 10, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, and 180 min, then measured the absorbance using a UV-Vis spectrophotometer to determine the tendency of the pseudo-first-order (PFO) and pseudo-second-order (PSO) kinetic models. The adsorption isotherm model that has been determined includes Langmuir and Freundlich. The Langmuir isotherm model can determine the parameter  $k_L$ , which is the adsorption affinity constant (L/mg), and  $Q_{max}$ , which indicates the adsorption ability of the adsorbent. At the same time, the Freundlich isotherm model can determine the parameter  $K_f$  which states the level of adsorption (mg/g), and  $1/n$ , which is the Freundlich constant which states the heterogeneity factor. While thermodynamics was carried out to determine the adsorption energy, which includes enthalpy ( $\Delta H$ ), entropy ( $\Delta S$ ), and Gibbs free energy ( $\Delta G$ ). A total of 50 mL of DG 1000 mg/L was adsorbed using duku peel, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC varied the concentration (50, 75, 100, 125, and 150) mg/L and temperature (30, 40, 50, and 60) °C. Then the absorbance was measured using a UV-Vis spectrophotometer.

## ■ RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The success of preparing composite materials consisting of layered double hydroxide as a precursor and hydrochar as a support material is proven by

characterization data such as XRD, FT-IR, and SEM. Fig. 1(a) presents a peel duku XRD diffractogram with two specific peaks appearing at diffraction angles of 16.9° and 21.8°. Duku peel treated through hydrothermal carbonization produces HC with almost the same diffraction pattern as Fig. 1(b). XRD characterization was carried out to confirm the presence of typical diffraction peaks of the layered double hydroxide according to JCPDS data No. 87.0493 for Ca/Al, No. 20-0658 for Mg/Al (Balcomb et al. 2015) [14] and No. 48.2023 for Zn/Al (Liu et al. 2019) [6]. The diffraction patterns of the MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites are presented in Fig. 1.

Based on Fig. 1, the appearance of the MgAl-HC diffraction peaks at 11.47°(003), 22.86°(006), 61.62°(113), 65.50°(116) has been confirmed as typical diffraction peaks of layered double hydroxide. These data follow JCPDS 20-0658, where the LDH diffraction peaks are around 11.8°(003), 62.3°(113), and 66.3°(116). In addition, there is a confirmed diffraction peak of HC around 22 (002), which indicates the characteristics of cellulose (Castro et al thermal decomposition). The diffraction of the CaAl-HC composite (Fig. 1(b)) at 10.16°(003), 18.0°(002), and 20.25°(006) confirmed the diffraction of the layered double hydroxide according to JCPDS No. 87-0493. Fig. 1 shows the diffraction of ZnAl-HC at 10.05°(003), 19.92°(002), 34.10°(006), and



**Fig 1.** Diffraction pattern of (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, and (e) ZnAl-HC

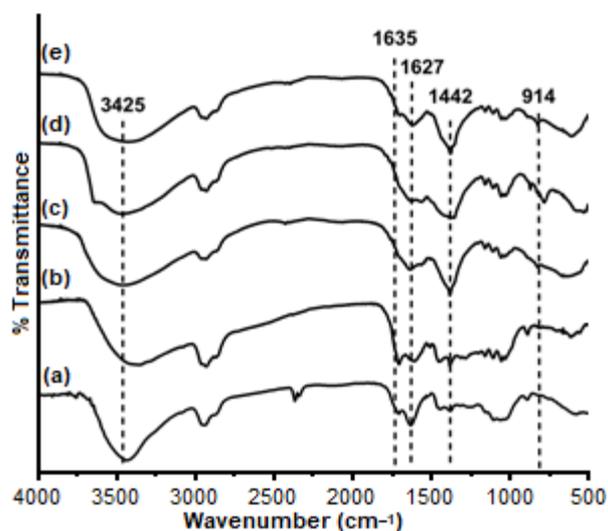
60.22°(110). Based on JCPDS data No. 48.2023 confirmed the successful preparation of ZnAl-HC composites. The diffraction pattern in Fig. 1 shows the presence of diffraction at  $2\theta$  around  $19^\circ$ , approved as a diffraction peak from hydrochar. Based on these data, the preparation of composite material in the form of Zn/Al-Hc has been successfully carried out, judging from the diffraction peaks of the supporting material, which are within the characteristics of the composite.

The success of composite preparation using HC is also supported by the FT-IR analysis presented in Fig. 2. The composite spectra of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC have the characteristics of HC found at  $3425$  and  $1627\text{ cm}^{-1}$  which were confirmed as vibrations of the hydroxyl and carbonyl OH groups [15]. There is also a C-H vibration of the cellulose at  $2931\text{ cm}^{-1}$  [16]. The primary amide content in the duku peel indicated the presence of a C=O group seen at  $1635\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . Another vibration at  $1442\text{ cm}^{-1}$  revealed the C=C strain of the aromatic compounds, and there is a characteristic vibration of the layered double hydroxide (M-O), which is below  $1000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

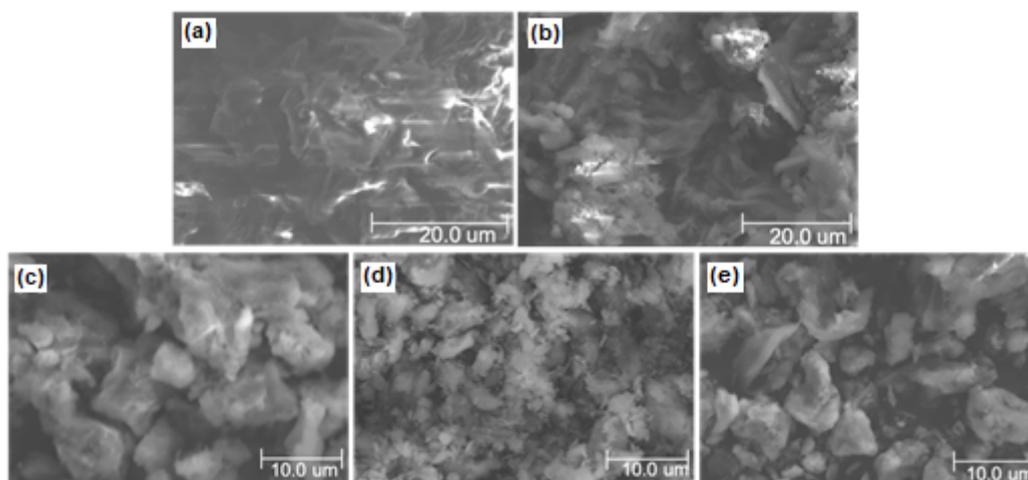
Determine the morphological characteristics of the material conducted by SEM analysis. The SEM's characterization results presented in Fig. 3 show the morphology of the duku peel adsorbent particles, which tend to agglomerate in the same phase or are commonly referred to as aggregation. While Fig. 3(b) shows the particle morphology pattern of the hydrochar adsorbent at a temperature of  $200\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , which tends to be

heterogeneous and has an irregular shape, this is due to the hydrothermal carbonization treatment given, causing the particles to undergo splitting or commonly referred to as deaggregation. The morphology of MgAl-HC in Fig. 3(c) shows the presence of agglomerates with large and irregular pore sizes. While CaAl-HC has a small pore size with a smooth surface. On the other hand, ZnAl-HC has a heterogeneous pore size, with a lower agglomeration rate than MgAl-HC.

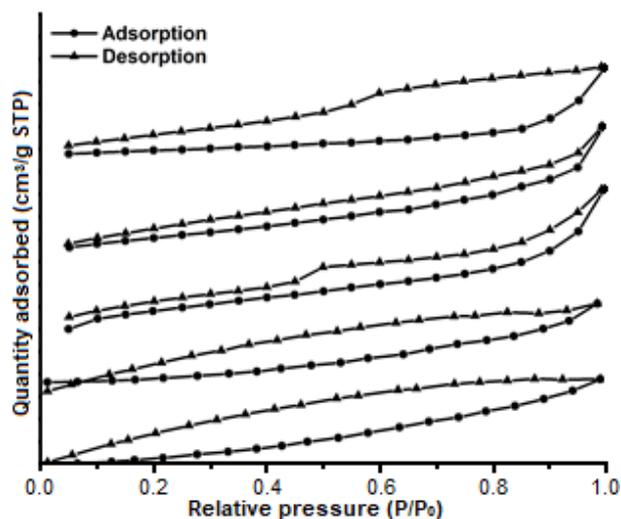
The large surface area is one of the advantages of the prepared composite material. The characterization evidences the increase in surface area in  $\text{N}_2$  adsorption-desorption, whose profile can be seen in Fig. 4 and Table 1.



**Fig 2.** FT-IR spectra of (a) duku peel, (b) HC, composite materials (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, dan (e) ZnAl-HC



**Fig 3.** Surface morphology of (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, and (e) ZnAl-HC



**Fig 4.** N<sub>2</sub> Adsorption-desorption profile of (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, and (e) ZnAl-HC

**Table 1.** BET surface area analysis

Material	Surface area (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	Pore volume (cm <sup>3</sup> /g)	Pore diameter (nm)
Duku peel	12.34	0.02	2.65
HC	22.63	0.04	2.77
MgAl-HC	11.84	0.03	17.06
CaAl-HC	74.21	0.15	19.10
ZnAl-HC	29.87	0.04	24.42

The N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption process produces a profile that describes the pore of the material. Fig. 4 shows the change in profile shape from LDH to composite.

According to Alsamman [17], the isotherm pattern (Fig. 4) of duku peel, HC, and composites (MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC) resembled type IV. The type IV isotherm pattern indicates a mesoporous material that shows non-overlapping adsorption and desorption patterns. The adsorption-desorption profile of N<sub>2</sub> on MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites stated the occurrence of H4 hysteresis. The hysteresis occurs in the adsorption-desorption process with a different mechanism on the adsorbent with pores that form gaps and is indicated by the adsorbent having a mesoporous size.

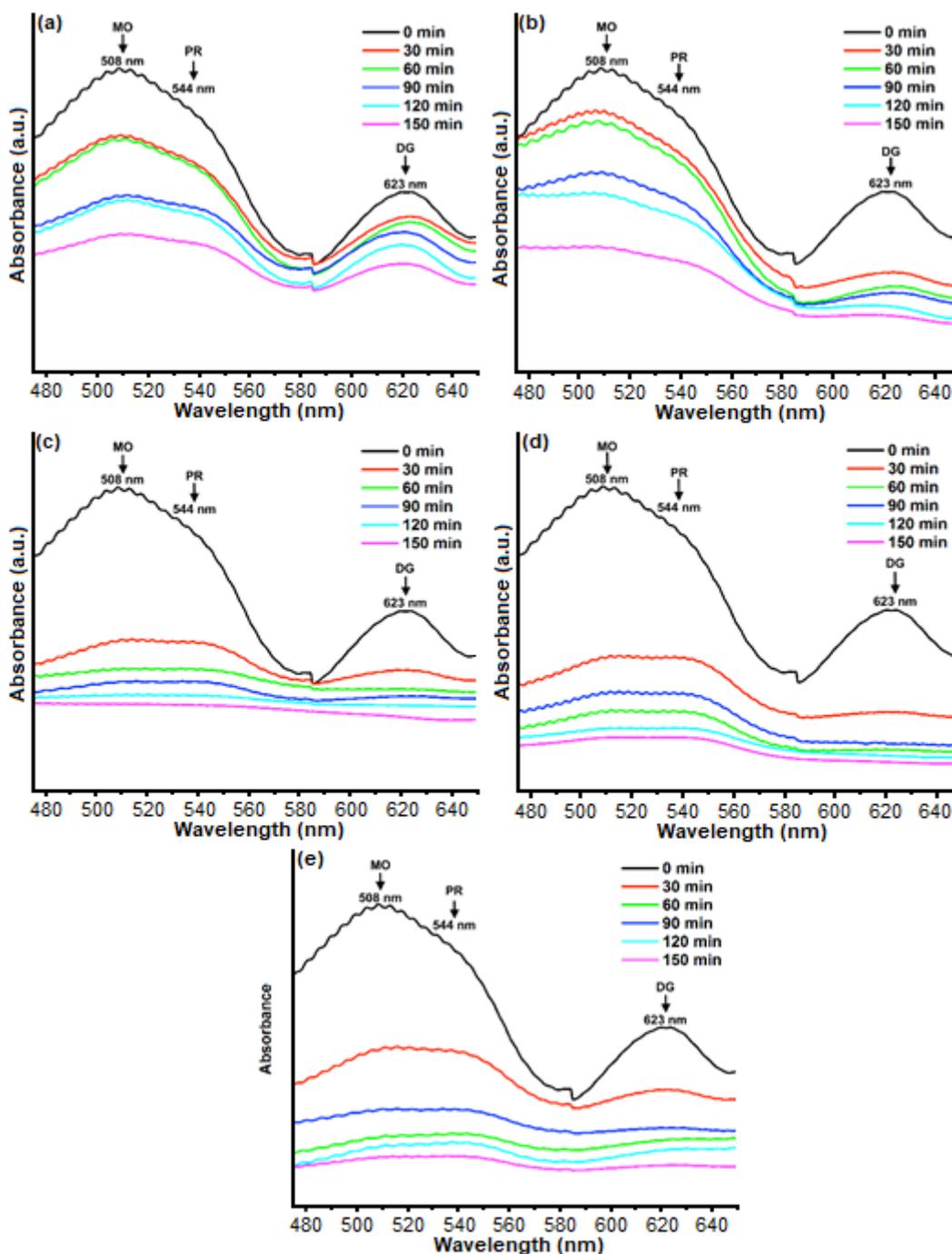
The surface area of MgAl-HC is 11.84 m<sup>2</sup>/g, CaAl/Hc is 74.21 m<sup>2</sup>/g, and ZnAl-HC is 29.87 m<sup>2</sup>/g. Based on the data in Table 1, the value of the pore volume is proportional to the surface area. The large surface area

results in a comparable pore volume. The pore diameter size shows a tendency inversely proportional to the surface area and pore volume values. The increase in surface area and the pore volume is inversely proportional to the small pore diameter size.

Based on the described characterization data, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, ZnAl-HC composites have been successfully prepared as adsorbents. Proving the ability of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, ZnAl-HC composites was determined through several parameters. The determination of selectivity is the first parameter that is carried out to see the ability of the adsorbent in the adsorption of mixed dyes. The adsorption process carried out selectivity on mixed dyes consisting of PR, MO, and DG. Results of the selectivity process presented in Fig. 5 show the change in absorbance before and after the adsorption process to the effect of time. Overall, the absorbance decreased with increasing time.

The spectrum in Fig. 5 shows that PR is at 544 nm, MO is 504 nm, and DG is at 623 nm. Before the adsorption process occurs, each dye is mixed with the same concentration, 25 mg/g. The adsorption process of mixed dyes was carried out with time variations of 0, 30, 60, 90, 120, and 150 min. After the adsorption process was carried out, there was a decrease in the concentration of each dye. The decrease in concentration in MO reached 12.49 mg/g in duku peel, 12.05 mg/g in HC, 0.558 in MgAl/Hc, 3.32 mg/g in CaAl/Hc, and 9.95 mg/g in ZnAl/Hc. The decrease in concentration in PR reached 7.94 mg/g in duku peel, 8.77 mg/g in HC, 7.40 mg/g in MgAl/Hc, 7.23 mg/g in CaAl/Hc, and 7.22 mg/g in ZnAl/Hc. While the spectrum in Fig. 5 shows a decrease in concentration in DG reaching 23.32 mg/g in duku peel, 10.65 in HC, 0.32 mg/g in MgAl/Hc, 0.76 mg/g in CaAl/Hc, and 1.26 mg/g in ZnAl/Hc. Based on these data, DG showed a significant decrease compared to MO and PR. The duku peel adsorbents, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC, showed a selective adsorption tendency towards DG. Based on these results, the next adsorption process was carried out with a DG selective dye.

Furthermore, the regeneration process is carried out to determine the ability of the adsorbent during



**Fig 5.** UV-Visible spectra of mixture anionic dyes (PR, MO, and DG) using (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, dan (e) ZnAl-HC

repeated use. The duku peel regeneration process results, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC, are presented in Fig. 6. duku peel and HC show a decrease in the adsorption ability of the regeneration product. The first cycle of duku peel was 54.54% which decreased to 2.04%

in the last cycle. The regeneration results on HC showed a more excellent value than duku peel. The first cycle showed an HC adsorption ability of 70.31%, but its ability also decreased to 8.41% at the last cycle.

The results of composite regeneration showed a

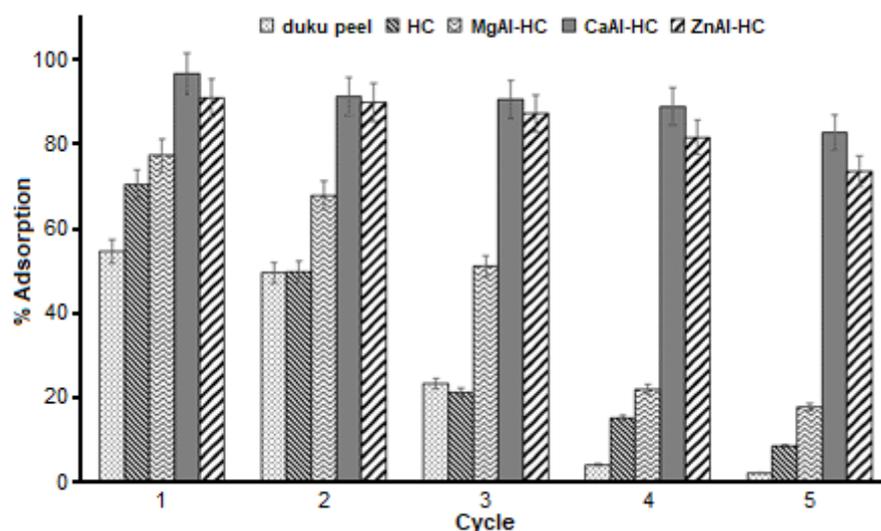


Fig 6. Regeneration process of duku peel, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC

stable curve, where the change in adsorption ability was not so significant from the first to the last cycle. The first cycle in MgAl-HC reached 77.27%, then became 51.02% in the third cycle to 17.57% in the previous cycle. CaAl-HC showed the first regeneration yield of 96.66% and remained 90.55% in the third cycle until it decreased to 82.70% in the last cycle. ZnAl-HC regeneration in the first cycle reached 90.91% and fell to 73.52% in the previous cycle. Based on these data, CaAl-HC achieved the best regeneration ability compared to MgAl-HC and ZnAl-HC.

The adsorption ability of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, ZnAl-HC composite adsorbents was determined by isotherm parameters which can be seen in Table 2.  $Q_{max}$  in Table 2 shows the  $Q_{max}$  that the adsorbent can do. MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites showed a higher  $Q_{max}$  than duku peel and HC. The  $Q_{max}$  of MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites, respectively 94.34 mg/g, 128.20 mg/g, and 89.28 mg/g, show that CaAl-HC has the best ability in the DG adsorption process. The ability of CaAl-HC is supported by surface area data from

CaAl-HC in Table 1, which has the largest surface area compared to MgAl-HC and ZnAl-HC, where surface area is one of the parameters that most affect the adsorption capacity of the adsorbent. Several other studies have also carried out the adsorption process on DG, the results of which are presented in Table 3.

In addition to the  $Q_{max}$  value, Table 2 also shows the trend of the Langmuir and Freundlich isotherm models. The isotherm model is determined based on the linear regression value ( $R^2$ ) closer to 1. Table 2 shows that the MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC composites have an  $R^2$  value in the Langmuir isotherm model, which is more dominant close to 1 than the Freundlich isotherm model. Based on these data, the DG adsorption process using MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC occurs monolayer. Furthermore, determine the thermodynamic parameters consisting of Gibbs free energy ( $\Delta G$ ), enthalpy ( $\Delta H$ ), and entropy ( $\Delta S$ ) which are presented in Table 3. Overall,  $\Delta G$  in Table 3 shows negative values.

Table 2. Isotherm parameters

Materials	Langmuir			Freundlich		
	$k_L$	$Q_{max}$ (mg/g)	$R^2$	$k_F$	$1/n$	$R^2$
Duku peel	0.76	46.99	0.99	1.36	0.61	0.97
HC	0.10	48.78	0.98	11.26	0.84	0.98
MgAl-HC	1.12	94.34	0.99	1.09	0.52	0.96
CaAl-HC	0.09	128.20	0.96	4.99	1.20	0.69
ZnAl-HC	0.04	89.29	0.91	2.56	0.91	0.64

**Table 3.** Thermodynamic parameters

Adsorbent	T (K)	$\Delta H$ (kJ/mol)	$\Delta S$ (J/mol.K)	$\Delta G$ (kJ/mol)
Duku peel	303	41.75	0.14	-0.34
	313			-1.73
	323			-3.12
	333			-4.51
Hc	303	20.13	0.07	-0.83
	313			-1.52
	323			-2.21
	333			-2.91
MgAl-Hc	303	20.68	0.07	0.78
	313			0.13
	323			-0.53
	333			-1.19
CaAl-Hc	303	26.13	0.09	-1.12
	313			-2.02
	323			-2.92
	333			-3.82
ZnAl-Hc	303	65.65	0.22	-0.48
	313			-2.67
	323			-4.85
	333			-7.03

According to Siregar et al., a negative  $\Delta G$  delta value indicates a spontaneous adsorption process [18]. The positive enthalpy in Table 3 shows the adsorption process that takes place endothermic. The enthalpy value in the 20.13–65.65 kJ/mol range indicates the physical and chemical adsorption process. According to Ngah et al., the range of enthalpy values at 40–120 kJ/mol is a chemisorption process [19]. However, if the enthalpy has a value below that range, the adsorption process takes place physisorption [20]. The entropy value, which tends to be minor, close to zero, indicates increased randomness at the solid/solution interface [21]. Table 4 present the adsorption capacity of several adsorbents for DG.

The Van't Hoff equation is used to determine the change in the equilibrium constant concerning temperature variations (Fig. 7). Based on some literature, the Van't Hoff equation in linear form is most widely used by applying Ln.

$$\ln K_e^\circ = \frac{\Delta S^\circ}{R} - \left( \frac{\Delta H^\circ}{R} \right) \frac{1}{T} \quad (1)$$

The equation is used to calculate the entropy and enthalpy changes in the adsorption process, where the  $K_e$

**Table 4.** comparison of sorption capacities of various adsorbents for DG, MO, and PR

Adsorbent	Maximum Capacity (mg.g <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref
ZFN-CTAB	64.10	[22]
Cationized sawdust	35.70	[23]
Natural sawdust	9.30	[23]
Biochar-CMC	39.47	[24]
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @C	38.03	[25]
CoAl-LDH	32.27	[26]
Magnetic geopolymer	25.46	[27]
Corncob	2.86	[28]
Duku peel	46.99	
HC	48.78	
MgAl-HC	94.34	This work
CaAl-HC	128.20	
ZnAl-HC	89.28	

constant is obtained from the adsorption isotherm.

The kinetic parameters determined in the DG adsorption process using duku peel, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC include pseudo-first-order (PFO) and pseudo-second-order (PSO). Determination

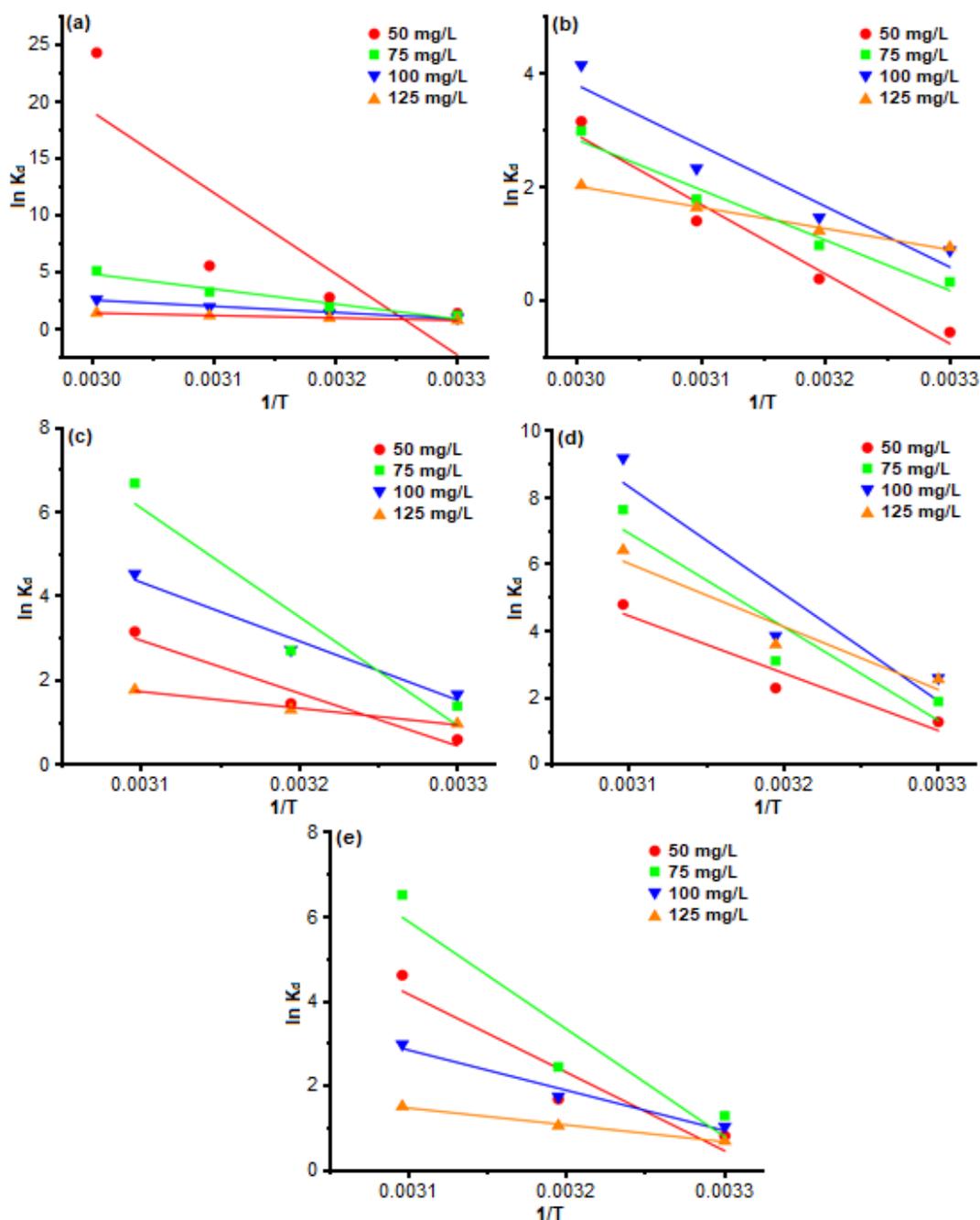


Fig 7. Van't Hoff linear plot for DG adsorption on (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, and (e) ZnAl-HC

of kinetic parameters is done by varying the adsorption contact time from 0–150 min, presented in Fig. 8. Variations in contact time are carried out until the adsorption process reaches equilibrium time. Overall, the DG adsorption process got an equilibrium time of 90 min, indicating that the adsorption process after that minute has been saturated.

In addition, variations in adsorption time are also

used to determine the adsorption kinetics model, which is presented in Table 5. The PFO kinetics model explains that the adsorption process is influenced by one of the components between the adsorbent or only the adsorbate. The PSO kinetic model demonstrates that the adsorption process occurs under the influence of both the adsorbent and the adsorbate components. The linear regression value ( $R^2$ ), which tends to be closer to 1, as

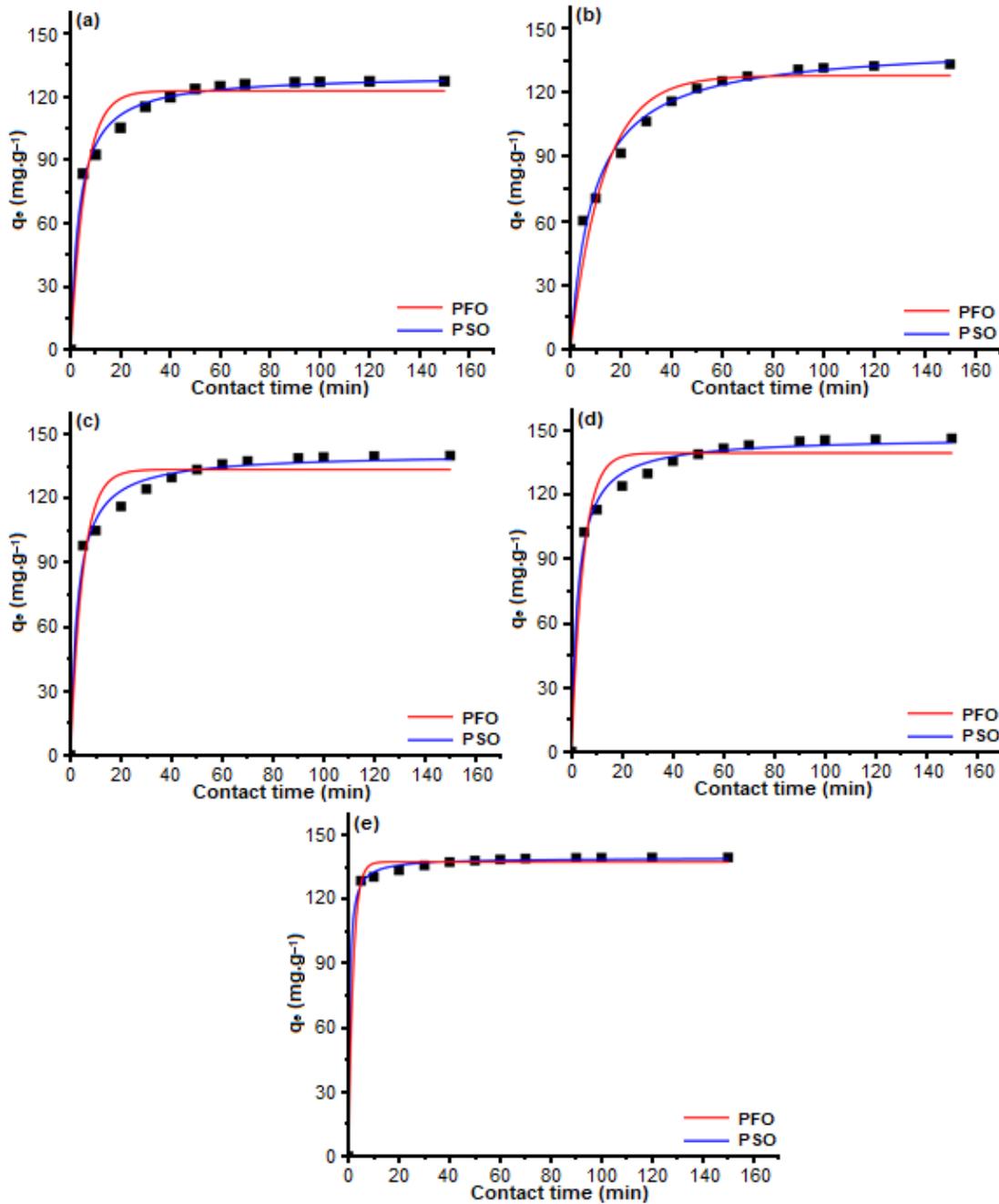


Fig 8. Variations in adsorption time of DG on (a) duku peel, (b) HC, (c) MgAl-HC, (d) CaAl-HC, dan (e) ZnAl-HC

Table 5. Adsorption kinetic models of DG on duku peel, HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC

Adsorbent	$Q_{e,exp}$ (mg/g)	PFO			PSO		
		$Q_{e,Calc}$ (mg/g)	$R^2$	$k_1$	$Q_{e,Calc}$ (mg/g)	$R^2$	$k_2$
Duku peel	127.22	69.21	0.99	0.05	131.58	0.99	0.002
HC	133.13	96.94	0.99	0.04	142.86	0.99	0.0007
MgAl-HC	139.96	70.39	0.98	0.05	144.93	0.99	0.001
CaAl-HC	146.39	67.20	0.97	0.04	149.25	0.99	0.001
ZnAl-HC	139.50	24.02	0.92	0.05	140.84	0.99	0.008

shown in Table 5, determined the adsorption kinetics model.

In addition, variations in adsorption time are also used to determine the adsorption kinetics model, which is presented in Table 5. The PFO kinetics model explains that the adsorption process is influenced by one of the components between the adsorbent or only the adsorbate. The PSO kinetic model demonstrates that the adsorption process occurs under the influence of both the adsorbent and the adsorbate components. The linear regression value ( $R^2$ ), which tends to be closer to 1, as shown in Table 5, determined the adsorption kinetics model.

Duku peel shows the tendency of the PSO kinetic model as seen from the  $R^2$  value in the kinetic model, which is closer to 1. The same thing also happened to the DG adsorption process using HC, MgAl-HC, CaAl-HC, and ZnAl-HC. The  $R^2$  value from Table 5 of the adsorbent shows a tendency to the PSO kinetic model so that the overall adsorption process tends to follow the PSO kinetic model.

## ■ CONCLUSION

Composite materials have proven adsorption capabilities, as evidenced by the  $Q_{\max}$  value. CaAl-HC has the highest  $Q_{\max}$  among other composites, which reach 128.205 mg/g, while MgAl-HC has a  $Q_{\max}$  of 94.34 mg/g and ZnAl-HC 89.286 mg/g. The adsorption ability of CaAl-HC was also proven by the regeneration process which lasted until the fifth cycle. The first cycle in the regeneration process showed 96.658% and in the last cycle 82.697%. This shows that CaAl-HC has potential as a superior adsorbent with good adsorption ability and is effective for regeneration.

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