

## Supporting Information

### **Natural zeolite Clinoptilolite application in wastewater treatment: Methylene Blue, Zinc and Cadmium abatement tests and kinetic studies.**

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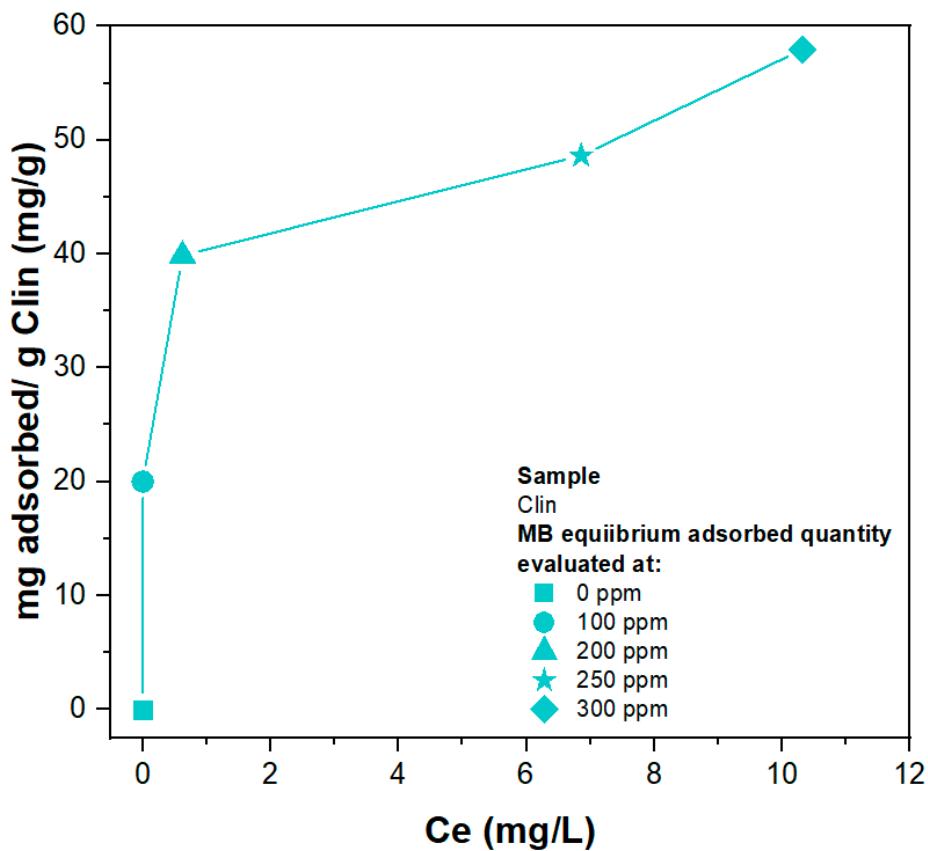
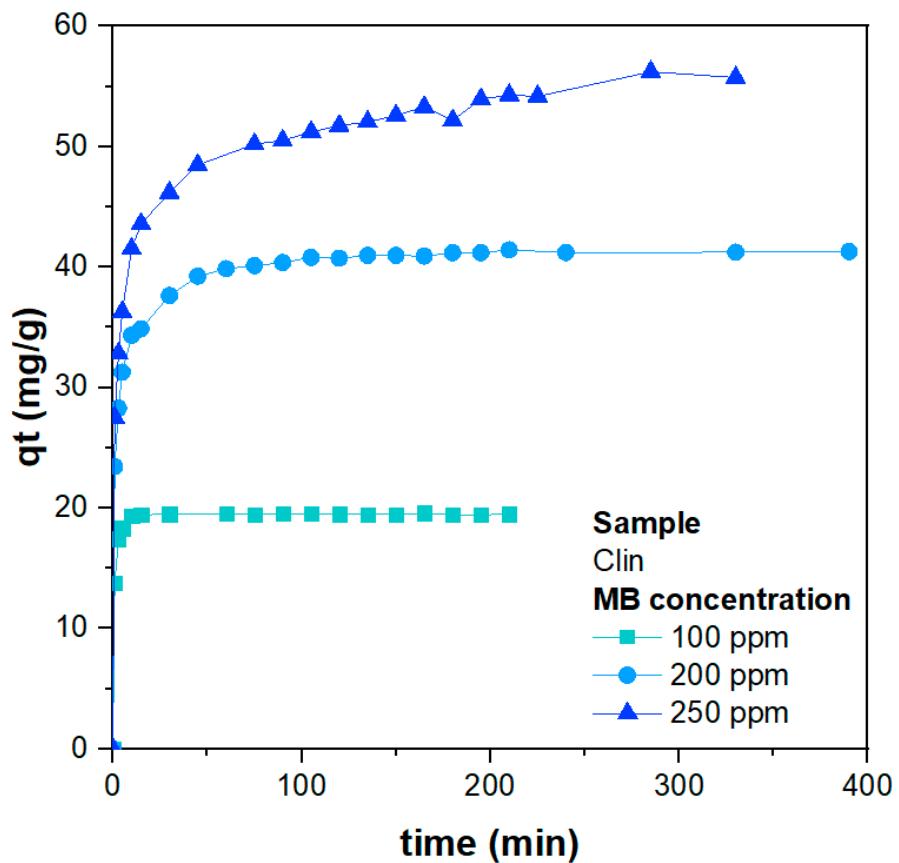
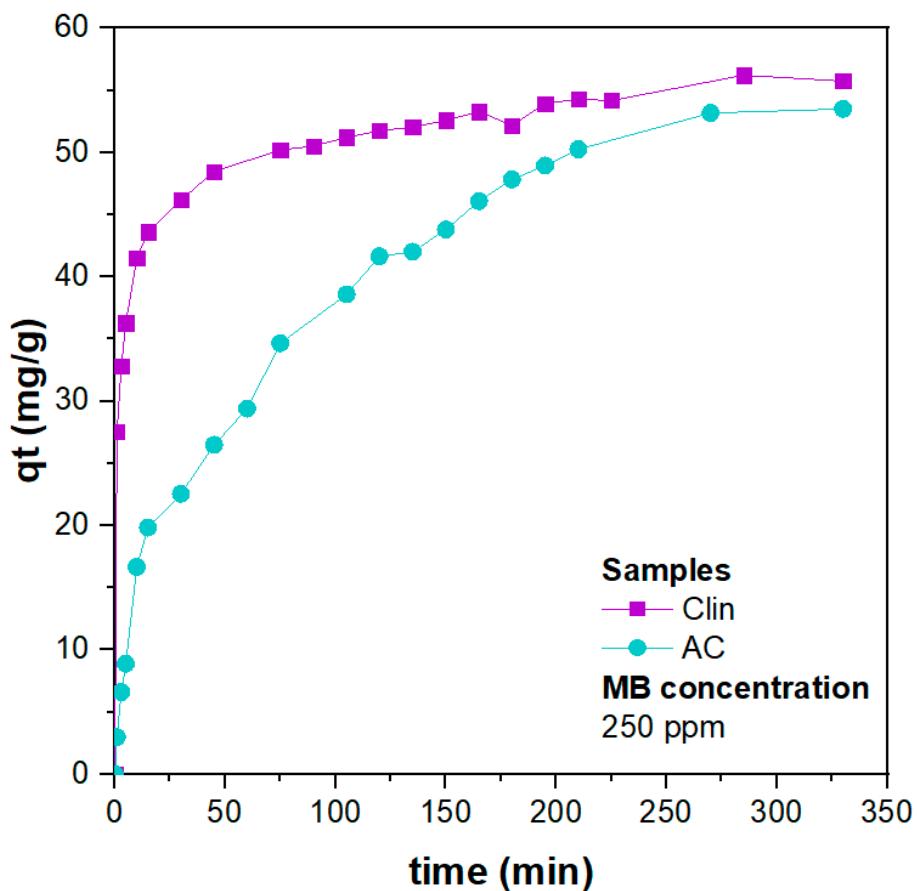


Figure S1. Methylene Blue adsorption isotherm on Clinoptilolite.



**Figure S2.** Methylene Blue adsorption capacity on Clinoptilolite at different concentrations.



**Figure S3.** Methylene Blue adsorption capacity at 250 ppm on Clinoptilolite and Activated Charcoal.

**Table S1.** QPA results obtained with Clinoptilolite.

Adsorbent material: Clin		
QPA results (wt.%)	Clinoptilolite	66.4 (1)
	Illite	0.8 (2)
	Kaolinite	4.0 (2)
	Amorphous phase	28.8 (1)
Refinement statistic	$R_{wp}$ (%)	0.089
	$R_p$ (%)	0.059
	$RF^2$ (%)	0.086

**Table S2.** Average costs of Activated Charcoal [72].

Matrix	Cost (USD kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Reference
Pecan shell	2.72-2.89	Ng et al. [73]
Poultry waste	1.44	Lima et al. [74]
Tires	2.23	
Wood,	2.49	
Petroleum coke	1.08	
Carbon black	1.22	Stavropoulos et al. [75]
Coal	1.25	
Lignite	2.18	

**Table S3. Comparison of adsorption performance between Clin and other adsorbents in literature toward different pollutants.**

Adsorbent	Pollutant	Initial concentrations of the dyes	Abatement	Time	pH	Adsorbed dye over mass of adsorbent (mg/g)	Comments <sup>a</sup>	Ref.		
Clin	MB	100 ppm	100%	Few min		19.49	5 g/L of Clin	This work		
		200 ppm	99%	210 min	6-7	41.3				
		250 ppm	93%	210 min		55.74				
Clin	MB	250 ppm MB	99.9%			22.21	10 g/L of Clin	This work		
	Zn	10 ppm Zn	57%	130 min	6-7	1.982				
	Cd	10 ppm Cd	51%			0.643				
Peptide (hydrogel)	Rhodamine B	0.479 mg/mL	83.9%	28h		7.36	-	1		
	Reactive blue 4	0.637 mg/mL	87.9%	30h		11.5				
	Direct red 80	1.373 mg/mL	97.2%	32h		13.5				
Fe-Clin	AO7	1.42 mM	60%	10 min	-	10.56	100 ml AO7 (1.42 mM)+0.1 g Fe-Clin+AA(2.6 7mM)	4		
Fe-MT			90%				0.1 g/L of catalysts + 0.8 M of H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	7		
Fe-IT			80%							
V-MT	AO7	1 g/L	60%	96 h	-	-				
MT			60%							
V-IT			30%							
P25			20%							
MT			66%				0.8M H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	8		
P25			25%							
Fe2.5-MT <sub>d</sub>	AO7	1 g/L	90%	96 h	6.8	-				
Fe0.8-IT			98%							

Fe2.5-MTi			100%					
Fe2.5-IT			79%					
Clin	Zn Cd	10 g/L	98% 100%	180 min Few min	4.5	1 0,97	$C_{\text{Clin}} = 10 \text{ g/L}$ with 10 mg/L of metal	9
Peat-resin particle	Basic Magenta	200 g/L	n. g.*	700 min	-	40		13
Clin	MB	250 mg/L 500 mg/L	96% 92.5%	130 min 120 min	-	24 46.2	50 mg/L of MB with 5 g of Clin	15
Indian Rosewood sawdust	MB	50 g/L	99.9%	120 min				16
$\text{Co}_{0.1}\text{Al}_{0.03}\text{Fe}_{0.17}\text{O}_{0.4}$	MB	10 mg/L	83%	120 min	11		0.5 g/L of adsorbent	17
Zeolite ZK ZD ZS	MB	10 mg/L	97% 95% 92%	120 min	7	21.4 13.49 11.13	100 ml dye solution with 0.1 g of zeolite	20
Elecopper 25A	Cu Cu + Cr Cu+ Ni	7.84 mol/m <sup>3</sup> 7.84 +10.06 mol/ m <sup>3</sup> 7.84 + 8.26 mol/m3	100% 96%Cu (<10%Cr) <10%Cu (<10%Ni)	4 h 7 h 7 h	1	-	Electrolysis $j= 10 \text{ A/m}^2$ 0.15 vol% brightener	33

<sup>a</sup> Temperature: RT. \* Not given.