# Evaluation of a charcoal from cistus Ladaniferus seeds used as an adsorbent for anionic dye removal from aqueous phases 

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#### Abstract

Environmental pollution by either solid or liquid pollutants is a big problem in our ecosystem. The environmental cleanup can be carried out according to several types of processes by; solid waste discharge, coagulation flocculation, chemical precipitation, decantation, floating, filtration, etc. But all these techniques are used to transfer pollution from one environment to another. The increasing demand for adsorbents used in environmental protection processes has made their price more and more expensive, leading to further research into the production of new, cheaper adsorbent materials from non-conventional materials, concretely from biomass. The valorization of the charcoal of seeds from cistus Ladaniferus, produced by pyrolysis as a bioadsorbant of anionic dyes, the red reactive 23 (RR-23) was carried out. The influence study of the various parameters such as temperature, pH , adsorbent dose, initial concentration and contact time were carried out. The kinetics adsorption of dye by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and Cab-CLS are correctly described by the pseudo-second order model with a correlation factor ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.997$ ), $\left(\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.996\right)$ and $\left(\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.995\right)$ respectively. As for the modeling of the adsorption isotherm, among the four models tested, Langmuir model is most appropriate with a correlation factor equal to ( $R^{2}=0.9948$ ), ( $R^{2}=0.9969$ and $\left(R^{2}=0.9966\right)$ for the BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and the Cab-CLS respectively. On the other hand, the ability to remove the dye by the BC-CLS is advantageous and the elimination efficiency reaches a maximum value of $99.237 \%$ for the CAa-CLS and $92 \%$ for the CAb-CLS.


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Morocco has a large forest area which ensures a large annual production of biomass for different purposes (timber, firewood, fire charcoal production, pulp production etc ...), but the seeds and shells of some wild biomass follow no valorization except some production of essential oils. Fixed-bed pyrolysis of cistus Ladaniferus seeds produced the biochar [1].

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The growth of the textile industry is expected to produce several effluents in the factories, the latter are rich in dyes that pose several problems. The elimination of these dyes by the adsorption method is the most used. Several studies have been done on the elimination of dyes by activated charcoal of different biomass but the activated charcoal of cistus seeds was never made, so the valorization of bioressource such as biochar of seeds and shells in the removal of red reactive dye 23 (RR-23) [2], [3], presents very encouraging results, the activated biochar due to increased number of active sites and the increase of the adsorption surface by creation of new pores, so study that are made on the elimination of red reactive dye 23 on chitosan extracted from shrimp waste [4], [5]. The elimination study of methylene blue on Fish Coal (FBC) isothermal follows the Langmuir and Freundlich model and the kinetics the pseudo-second order model, the maximum amount of adsorption of BM by $\mathrm{NaOH}-\mathrm{BCF}$ was $605.82 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ [6]. The same studies that are done in the removal of cadmium and methylene blue from wastewater by charcoal ( BC ), activated charcoal (BCA) and BCA/TiO2 mixture (BCA-D), the maximum adsorbed amount varies from $100 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}, 200 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ and $250 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ respectively [7].

## 2. MATERIAL AND METHODS

### 2.1. Preparation of activated carbon

In general, charcoal is a porous carbonaceous material. It can be prepared from several types of raw materials such as oil shale, wood, coconut shell, almond hull, olive pomace and olive kernels, etc. In this study, a charcoal is prepared from the cistus Ladaniferus by a thermal route called pyrolysis under optimal conditions the temperature equals reaches $450{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for, the speed heating is $21^{\circ} \mathrm{C} . \mathrm{min}^{-1}$, and the sizes of particles for seeds between 0.3 to 0.6 mm . Then we are interested in the chemical activation of our biochar[1].

### 2.1. Carbon Activation <br> 2.1.1. Activation with phosphoric acid $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$

Among the acids, phosphoric acid has been widely used for the activation of charcoal [8-10]. The acid activation is carried out using phosphoric acid $\left(\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}\right)$ with some minor modifications. BC-CLS is impregnated with a solution of $\mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{PO}_{4}$ at a purity percentage $\geq 85 \%$ with a weight ratio of $1: 1$. The mixture is heated in an oven at $100{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 24 hours. The char of seeds acidactivated (CAa-CLS) are washed with distilled water and then with $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ solution (2M) to neutralize the acidity. Before drying at $100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, the CAa-CLS is washed again with distilled water, until a $\mathrm{pH}=6$ are reached in the residual water. The obtained samples are noted: Charcoal of the Cistus Ladaniferus seeds (BC-CLS), and Charcoal of the cistus Ladaniferus acid-activated seeds (CAa-CLS)

### 2.1.2. Activation with sodium hydroxide ( NaOH )

Sodium hydroxide has also been cited in literature for the activation of coals[11, 12], 10 g of the BC-CLS is first soaked in the $97 \%$ sulfuric acid $\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)$ solution (desiccant, oxidizer and mineral-removing agent) for 24 hours and then washed with distilled water until to reach a $\mathrm{pH}=6$ in the residual liquid. BC -CLS is then immersed in 200 ml of $\mathrm{NaOH}(4 \mathrm{M})$ with stirring at $85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 2 h . The liquid is then filtered off and the seed powder thus activated by the base (CAb-CLS) is dried at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 24 hours. The obtained samples are noted: charcoal of the seeds of cistus Ladaniferus (BC-CLS) and charcoal of the seeds of cistus Ladaniferus activated (CAb-CLS)

### 2.2. Characterization of BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS.

The characterization of the BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS obtained were characterized by different analysis techniques. X-Ray Diffraction, SEM with Scanning Electron Microscope and Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR).

Figure 1 and 2 shows the X-ray diffractograms of CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS activated carbons. Acid activated charcoal Figure 1 and 2 (a) (CAa-CLS) have characteristic peaks at $2 \theta=10.48^{\circ} ; 21.08^{\circ} ; 30.08^{\circ}$ by diffraction of the (002) and (013) planes and the planes (105) of the monoclinic P21 (4) crystalline lattices of ascorbic acid $\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)$, characteristic peaks at $2 \theta=13{ }^{\circ} ; 15^{\circ} ; 25^{\circ}$ and $28.5^{\circ}$ representing the crystal structure of 2-butanone semicarbazone $\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}\right)$ and characteristic peaks at $2 \theta=16.4^{\circ} ; 18.9^{\circ} ; 26.9^{\circ}$ by diffraction of the planes (011) and (200) and the planes (220) of the cubic crystalline lattice of piperadinium nitrate $\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right)$.



Figure .1. X-ray diffractograms of the CAa-CLS (a), CAb-CLS (b)


Figure. 2. X-ray diffractograms of CAa-CLS (a), CAb-CLS (b) with identifying crystals in activated carbon
The X-ray diffractograms of the basic activated carbon CAb-CLS (Figure 1 and 2, (b)) shows characteristic peaks at $2 \theta=21^{\circ} ; 35.2^{\circ} ; 41.2^{\circ} ; 46.3^{\circ}$ and $48.5^{\circ}$ correspond to the crystalline structure of 3-methyl-5-nitro-1H-1,2,4triazole $\left(\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right)$, which gives our charcoal very important properties such as chemical stability, characteristic peaks in $2 \theta=12^{\circ} ; 28.8^{\circ}, 54.7^{\circ}$ and $65^{\circ}$ by diffraction from the (001), (012), (-401) and (232) planes of the $\mathrm{P} 21 / \mathrm{m}(11)$ monoclinic crystal lattice of picolinic acid N -oxide ( $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{NO}_{3}$ ) and finally characteristic peaks at $2 \theta=28.9^{\circ} ; 38.2^{\circ} ; 66^{\circ} ; 75.3^{\circ}$ correspond to an organometallic of a crystal lattice of magnesium aluminum chloride diethyl ether $\left(\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{30} \mathrm{O}_{3} \mathrm{MgAlCl}_{5}\right)$. But most of the activated carbon structure is either a base or an acid is amorphous.

The SEM analysis gives a clear idea of the morphology of our materials and the number of pores increases with activation (Figure 3). This promotes the adsorption of RR-23 on the three materials.


Figure. 3. SEM micrographs of BC-CLS (a), CAa-CLS (b) and CAbCLS (c).


Figure .4. EDXA diffractograms of the BC-CLS (a), CAa-CLS (b) and CAb-CLS (c) before adsorption.

The EDXA spectrum of BC-CLS (a), CAa-CLS (b) and CAb-CLS (c) (Figure 4) also confirms the presence of a high percentage of carbon and oxygen in the three materials, in addition to the presence of other elements such as $\mathrm{K}, \mathrm{P}, \mathrm{Mg}, \mathrm{Ca}$ and Si in BC-CLS.



Figure .5. SEM micrographs of BC-CLS (a), CAa-CLS (b) and CAbCLS (c) after adsorption.


Figure .6. EDXA diffractograms of the BC-CLS (a), CAa-CLS (b) and CAb-CLS (c) after adsorption.

The figure 6 shows the EDXA spectrum of RR-23 dye adsorption on CAa-CLS (a) and CAb-CLS (b) after adsorption. The spectrum has fairly high percentages of carbon and oxygen. This is due to the fixation of the dye inside the pores and the surface of the activated carbon. Just as the SEM image also shows that the morphology of our active charcoal is modified after the adsorption and the presence of the dye in charcoal presented by the circles red in figure 5.

Infrared spectroscopy analysis of CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS, (figure7) show the OH - bonds associating phenol and alcohol functions between 3200 to $3400 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, the C-H of cycloalkane bonds between 2850 to $2925 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, the phosphines between 2280 to $2410 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{H}$ of the primary amines between 1550 to $1650 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, the $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ carboxylic acid from 1400 to $1450 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}, \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{N}$ of aromatic amines from 1180 to $1360 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, C-O of primary alcohol from 1050 to $1080 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, the C-O of ethers between 1000 to $1090 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$, the Ar-C between 850 to $890 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ and finally mono substituted aromatic from 780 to $800 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.


### 2.4. Adsorption Process

### 2.4.1. Adsorption kinetics.

The adsorption kinetics are studied only on the BCCLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS, operating under optimum conditions ( $\mathrm{PH}=10 \pm 0.3$, adsorbent dose [0.1-0.2 mm] $=$ 50 mg , dye concentration $300 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$, stirring speed $=$ $200 \mathrm{tr} . \mathrm{min}^{-1}$ In Erlenmeyer rode 50 mg of the adsorbent are mixed with 50 ml of the RR-23 solution ( $\mathrm{C}_{0}=300 \mathrm{mg}$. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$ ). The suspension is stirred at 200 rpm at room temperature ( $30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). At defined time intervals ranging from 10 to 120 min , the BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS are separated from the liquid by centrifugation. The concentration of the RR- 23 in the liquid phase is then determined by measuring the absorbance at 511 nm and reading on a calibration curve established from a range of RR-23 concentrations ranging from 0.0 to $400 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$. The amount of RR-23 ( $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{t}}$ ) adsorbed by two materials as a function of time are calculated according to the following formula (eq.1).

$$
\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}=\frac{\left(\mathrm{C}_{0}-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}\right) * V}{\mathrm{~m}} \quad \text { (eq.1) } \quad \mathrm{R} \%=\frac{\left(\mathrm{C}_{0}-\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}\right)}{\mathrm{C}_{0}} * 100 \quad \text { (eq.2) }
$$

Co: concentration initial dye in (mg.L-1); Ce: final dye concentration in solution (mg. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$ ); V: volume of the dye solution in L; m: mass of -CLS or CAa-CLS or CAb-CLS in g; R\%: Removal; Qe: Amount adsorbed in (mg. $\mathrm{g}^{-1}$ )

The four linear models tested for adsorption kinetics of RR-23 dye by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS are shown in table 1.

Table 1. The four linear models of kinetics

| Models | Plotting | Linear Equation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pseudo- } 1^{\text {st_ }} \\ & \text { order } \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{Ln}\left(\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}-\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{t}}\right)=\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{t})$ | $\begin{gathered} \operatorname{Ln}\left(Q_{e}-Q_{t}\right)=-K_{1} t+\operatorname{Ln} Q_{e} \\ {[13],[14]} \end{gathered}$ |
| Pseudo-2 ${ }^{\text {nd_ }}$ order | $=\mathrm{f}(\mathrm{t}) \frac{t}{Q_{t}}$ | [15], [16] $\frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{t}}}=\frac{\mathrm{t}}{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}}+\frac{1}{\mathrm{~K}_{2} \mathrm{Q}_{e}^{2}}$ |
| Elovich | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{t}}=\mathrm{f}(\operatorname{Ln}(\mathrm{t}))$ | $[17] Q_{e}=\frac{1}{\beta} \operatorname{Ln} t+\frac{1}{\beta} \operatorname{Ln}(\alpha \beta)$ |
| Intraparticule diffusion | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{t}}=\mathrm{f}(\sqrt{t})$ | $[18] Q_{e}=K_{i} \sqrt{t}+C$ |

Where qe: the dye amount adsorbed at equilibrium (mg. $g^{-1}$ ), $q_{t}$ : the dye amount adsorbed at time $t$ (mg. $\mathrm{g}^{-1}$ ), $K_{1}$ is the adsorption rate constant (mL.min ${ }^{-1}$ ), $t$ : contact time (min), K2 (g.mg ${ }^{-1} . \mathrm{min}$ ), $\alpha$ is the initial adsorption capacity (mg. $\left.g^{-1} . \mathrm{min}\right), \beta$ is the desorption constant (g.mg ${ }^{-1}$ ), $K_{i}$ is the intraparticule diffusion rate constant. The value of the ordinate at the origin C provides an indication of the thickness of the boundary layer.

### 2.4.2. Obtaining and modeling of the adsorption isotherm.

To obtain the adsorption isotherm, a series of Erlenmeyer is used. In each Erlenmeyer are poured 50 ml of RR-23 solution dye of varying concentrations: $0 ; 50$; 100; 150; 200; 250; 300; 350; 400; 450 and $500 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$. The adsorption equilibrium study is carried out under the same optimum conditions indicated above. After equilibration, the particles of the adsorbent are separated by centrifugation and the clarified solution is analyzed by determination of the equilibrium concentration ( $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}$ ) of RR-23 using the same calibration curve used previously. The quantity of the adsorbed reagent at equilibrium ( $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}$, in mg. $\mathrm{g}^{-1}$ ) is calculated by equation (eq- 1 ). The four linear models describe the adsorption isotherms tested are the Tempkin Model, Dubinin-Radushkevich Model, Freundlich Model and Langmuir Model. The latter is the most applicable for the three adsorbents. The linearization of this model is given by the following equation.

$$
\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}=\frac{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{~K}_{\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}}{1+\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}} \text { (eq.3) }
$$

This equation can be reshaped and rearranged into linear of the following equations [19].

$$
\frac{\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}}{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}}=\frac{\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{e}}}{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}}}+\frac{1}{\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{~K}_{\mathrm{L}}}(\mathrm{eq} .4)
$$

$\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}$ is the amount (mg. $\mathrm{g}^{-1}$ ) of RR-23 adsorbed at equilibrium; this is the equilibrium concentration (mg. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$ ); $\mathrm{Q}_{0}$ : the monolayer adsorption capacity ( $\mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ ); $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{L}}$ : the Langmuir constant (L. $\mathrm{mg}^{-1}$ ) related to the adsorption free energy.
An essential characteristic of the Langmuir isotherm can be expressed in terms of a dimensionless constant called the separation factor and defined by the equation below [20].

$$
\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{L}}=\frac{1}{1+\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{L}} \mathrm{C}_{0}}
$$

Where $\mathrm{C}_{0}$ is the initial concentration of the adsorbate (mg. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$ ) and $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{L}}$ is the Langmuir constant (L. $\mathrm{mg}^{-1}$ ). A
separation factor $R_{\mathrm{L}}>1$ indicates that the adsorption is unfavorable, if $R_{L}=1$ the adsorption is said to be linear, adsorption is said to be favorable when $0<R_{\mathrm{L}}<1$, and a zero separation factor ( $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{L}}=0$ ) Indicates that adsorption is irreversible. In our case, the found values of $R_{\mathrm{L}}$ are all between 0 and 1 , which reveals favorable adsorption.

## 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 3.1. Study of the elimination of RR-23 dye by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS.

The study of the adsorption kinetics is carried out on the pyrolyzed and activated carbon of cistus Ladaniferus seeds, operating under optimal conditions ( $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$, the mass $=50 \mathrm{mg}$, the concentration $\mathrm{C}_{0}=$ $300 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$, the temperature $\mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and stirring 200 $\mathrm{rpm})$. In Erlenmyer flasks 50 mg of the adsorbent are mixed with 50 ml of the RR- 23 solution ( $\mathrm{C}_{0}=300 \mathrm{mg}$. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$ ). The suspension is stirred at 200 rpm at room temperature ( $30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ). At previously defined time intervals (in the range of 10 to 120 min ), $\mathrm{BC}-\mathrm{CLS}, \mathrm{CAa}-\mathrm{CLS}$ and CAb-CLS are separated from the liquid by centrifugation. The concentration of RR-23 in the liquid phase is then determined by measuring the absorbance at 511 nm and reading on a calibration curve established from a range of RR-23 concentrations ranging from 0.0 to $45 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$. The amount of RR-23 $\left(\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}\right)$ adsorbed by the BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS as a function of time is calculated according to the formula equation (eq 1).

### 3.2. Influence of pH on the adsorption capacity of RR23

The effect of pH on the adsorption of $\mathrm{RR}-23$ on the bio-char is shown in figure 8. The nearly constant adsorption efficiency from $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ shows a significant effect of pH on the bio-coal in the adsorbed quantity increases with the increase of the pH same observation on the raw material of the rockrose and also for the bio-coal of the seeds. On the other hand, the quantities adsorbed by the activated carbons do not have a significant change with the increase of the pH , the adsorbed quantity varies between 271.22 to $283.2 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for CAa-CLS and 293 to $294.02 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for CAb-CLS.

It can be concluded that the acid protons which block the active adsorption sites are neutralized by the addition of $\mathrm{NaHCO}_{3}$ in the acid activation by contrast in the basic activation in addition to $\mathrm{HO}^{-}$ions at the surface of adsorbents.


Figure .8. Effect of pH on RR-23 dye adsorption by (BC-CLS, CAaCLS and CAb-CLS) ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{~T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose $50 \mathrm{mg}, \mathrm{Co}=300 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}-1)$ stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm})$

### 3.3. The effect of the adsorbent dose on the adsorption capacity of RR-23.

The figure 9 shows that the yield of RR-23 adsorbed increases with increasing mass of BC-CLS, CAaCLS and CAb-CLS up to an optimal value of 140 mg for BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and 100 mg for CAb-CLS. The dye removal efficiency of $80.89 \%, 95.85 \%$ and $99.9 \%$ respectively


Figure 9. Effect of adsorbent quantity (BC-CL, CAa-CLS and CAbCLS) on RR-23 dye adsorption ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{~T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Co}=$
$300 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}-1$; stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )

### 3.4. The effect of the initial concentration

The effect of the initial concentration of RR-23 in the range of 50 to $600 \mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{L}^{-1}$ on the removal efficiency and the amount of adsorption of RR-23. The Figure 10 shows the variation of the adsorbed quantity depending on the concentration. As the concentration increases, the elimination efficiencies of RR-23 by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS are reduced from $86.78 \%$ to $43.84 \%$ and from $93.76 \%$ to $60 \%$. $16 \%$ and $99.29 \%$ to $70.31 \%$ respectively. The RR-23 ratio at vacant BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS sites is high, resulting in increased dye removal and transfer to the absorbing surface by migration and convection at lower concentrations. 400 mg . $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$. At higher RR-23 concentrations $\geq 400 \mathrm{mg}$. $\mathrm{L}^{-1}$, the lower clearance percentage is due to saturation of the

BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS sites or a possible repulsive force between the adsorbed layers and the remaining molecules in bulk. The data show that the RR23 uptake increases from 262.62 to $263.03 \mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{g}^{-1}$, from 315.88 to $360.93 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ and from 366.39 to $421.87 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ respectively when the concentration of the dye increases from 400 to $600 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$.


Figure .10. Effect of initial dye concentration on RR-23 adsorption by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min}, \mathrm{~T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg , stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )

In fact, the increase in concentration induces the elevation of the driving force of the concentration gradient; hence the increase in diffusion of the dye molecules in solution across the surface of the adsorbent which involves the adsorbed amount remains constant.

### 3.5. The effect of contact time



Figure .11. Effect of contact time on dye adsorption by BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS ( $\mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg , $\mathrm{C}_{0}=300 \mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{L}^{-1}$, stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )

The figure 11 showing the evolution of the adsorbed quantity of the RR-23 dye per gram of BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS as a function of the contact time at an initial concentration of the dye is $300 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{L}^{-1}$, Figure 10 shows that the amount of adsorbate attached to BCCLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-LSC increase with increasing time from 10 to 40 min with adsorbed amount ranging
from 144.88 to $244.09 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$, from 150.43 to $282.98 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ and from 152.35 to $299.66 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ respectively. Thus the adsorption is done with a high speed in the first interval [ 10.40 min . At times greater than 40 min the adsorbed quantity remains almost constant with a low rate of variation almost equal to $0.15 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$.

### 3.6. Kinetics of Adsorption

The best established model for studying adsorption kinetics is selected based on the correlation factor. From the results of figure 12 and table 2, we find that the model with the highest correlation factor is the pseudo-second-order model ( $\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.997, \mathrm{R}^{2}=0.996$, and $\mathrm{R}^{2}=0.995$ ), can infer that the pseudo-second-order model is the one that describes the RR-23 dye adsorption process on the BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS respectively, we also see that the calculated adsorbed quantities $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e},}$ cal by this model are closer to experimentally adsorbed quantities $Q_{\text {e, exp }}$.

Table 2. Adsorption kinetics constants of RR-23 on BC-CLS, CAA-CLS AND CAb-CLS ( $\mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 Mg , $\mathrm{C}_{0}=300 \mathrm{MG} \cdot \mathrm{L}^{-1}$, STIRRING $=200 \mathrm{RPM}$ AND PH $=10 \pm 0.3$ )

| Model |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BC- } \\ & \text { CLS } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CAa- } \\ & \text { CLS } \end{aligned}$ | CAbCLS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pseudo -1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ | $\mathbf{R}^{\mathbf{2}}$ | 0.900 | 0.885 | 0.889 |
| Order | $\mathrm{K}_{1}\left(\mathrm{ml}^{\text {min }}{ }^{-1}\right)$ | 0.119 | 0.109 | 0.11 |
|  | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}\left(m g \cdot g^{-1}\right)$ | 382.98 | 80.399 | 142.31 |
| Pseudo-2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ | $\mathbf{R}^{2}$ | 0.997 | 0.996 | 0.995 |
| Order | $\mathrm{K}_{2}\left(\mathrm{~g} \cdot \mathrm{mg}^{-1} \cdot \mathrm{~min}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.0005 | 0.0007 | 0.0007 |
| Elovich | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{e}}\left(m g \cdot g^{-1}\right)$ | 333.33 | 333.33 | 333.33 |
|  | $\mathbf{R}^{\mathbf{2}}$ | 0.643 | 0.425 | 0.462 |
|  | $\alpha\left(m g \cdot g^{-1} \cdot m i n^{-1}\right)$ | 310.03 | 799.39 | 488.09 |
|  | $\beta\left(\mathrm{g} \cdot \mathrm{mg}^{-1}\right)$ | 0.026 | 0.026 | 0.022 |
| Intraparticular diffusion | $\mathbf{R}^{\mathbf{2}}$ | 0.796 | 0.585 | 0.625 |
|  | $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{i}}\left(m g \cdot g^{-1} \min ^{0.5}\right)$ | 10.65 | 10.08 | 11.69 |
|  | $\mathrm{C}\left(\mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{g}^{-1}\right)$ | 151.9 | 192.3 | 194.1 |



Figure. 12. The four kinetic model of dye adsorption on BC-CLS, CAa-CLS and CAb-CLS ( $\mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg , $\mathrm{C}_{0}=300 \mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{L}-1$, stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )

### 3.7. Adsorption isotherms

In this study, the studied models are the model of Langmuir, model of Freundlich, Tempkin and the model dubinin Radushkevich. The most frequently established model for the study of adsorption isotherms is the Langmuir model in Figure 13- (a), 13- (b) and 13- (c). The results obtained are shown in Table 3.


Figure. 13-(a). The Langmuir Isotherms for the adsorption of RR-23 on the BC-CLS ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min} ; \mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg , stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )


Figure .13 - (b). The Langmuir Isotherms for the adsorption of RR23 on the CAa-CLS ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min} ; \mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg ; stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3)$ )


Figure. 13 - (c). The Langmuir Isotherms for the adsorption of RR23 on the CAb-CLS ( $\mathrm{t}=60 \mathrm{~min}$; $\mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Adsorbent dose 50 mg ; stirring $=200 \mathrm{rpm}$ and $\mathrm{pH}=10 \pm 0.3$ )

TABLE 3. CONSTANT ADSORPTION ISOTHERMS OF RR- 23 on BC-CLS, CAA-CLS AND CAB-CLS ( $\mathrm{T}=60 \mathrm{MIN} ; \mathrm{T}=30 \pm 1^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, AdSORBENT DOSE 50 MG, STIRRING $=200$ RPM AND PH $=10 \pm 0.3$ )

| Models | Constants | BC-CLS | CAa- CLS | CAb- CLS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Langmuir | $\mathbf{R}^{2}$ | 0.9948 | 0.9969 | 0.9966 |
|  | RL | 0.0644-0.04524 | 0.1018-0.5763 | 0.0173-0.1742 |
|  | $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{L}}\left(\right.$ L.mg $\left.^{-1}\right)$ | 0.0242 | 0.0147 | 0.0948 |
|  | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}}\left(m g \cdot g^{-1}\right)$ | 357.143 | 769.231 | 909.10 |
| Freundlich | $\mathbf{R}^{2}$ | 0.9132 | 0.9422 | 0.8983 |
|  | $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{F}}$ | 25.559 | 31.218 | 103.544 |
|  | n | 2.257 | 2.150 | 2.513 |
| Tempkin | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | 0.9565 | 0.9882 | 0.9654 |
|  | $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{T}}\left(L . g^{-1}\right)$ | 3.271 | 2.772 | 3.276 |
|  | $\mathrm{B}_{1}\left(\mathrm{~J} . \mathrm{mol}^{-1}\right)$ | 62.380 | 77.240 | 88.230 |
|  | b | 40.364 | 32.598 | 28.538 |
|  | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | 0.7693 | 0.7626 | 0.6227 |
| Dubinin-Radushkevich | Kad ( $\left.\mathrm{mol}^{2} \cdot \mathrm{Kj}^{-2}\right)^{*} 10^{-5}$ | 0.142 | 0.074 | 0.001 |
|  | $\mathrm{E}\left(\mathrm{Kj}^{\text {mol }}{ }^{-1}\right)$ | 18.76 | 25.99 | 22.36 |
|  | $\mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}}\left(m g \cdot g^{-1}\right)$ | 213.151 | 265.336 | 307.969 |



### 3.8. Comparison of adsorption capacity with various adsorbents

Table 4 shows the adsorption capacity of dyes and heavy metals in aqueous solutions by activated carbons of different biomass.

TABLE .4. COMPARISON OF ADSORPTION CAPACITIES OF VARIOUS ADSORBENTS FOR THE REMOVAL OF DYES AND HEAVY METALS ON CHARCOAL ACTIVATED.

| Adsorbents | Adsorbent Pollutants | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dose } \\ & (\mathrm{mg}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{C}_{0} \\ (\mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{L}) \end{gathered}$ | pH | kinetic | isotherm | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Q}_{\mathrm{m}} \\ (\mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{g}) \end{gathered}$ | Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Zinc oxid loeded activated char (ZnO-AC) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OG } \\ & \text { Rh-b } \end{aligned}$ | 8 à 30 | 50 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{aligned} & 153.8 \\ & 128.2 \end{aligned}$ | [21] |
| Actif charcoal (AC) <br> Rice straw biochar (RS) <br> Wood chip biochar (WC) | CV-CR | 01 | 500 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{aligned} & 271.0 \\ & 620.3 \\ & 195.6 \end{aligned}$ | [22] |
| Charcoal (tree branches) ( $\mathrm{BCA}-\mathrm{TiO}_{2}$ ) | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MB} \\ & \mathrm{Cd}^{2+} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & * * \\ & * * \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.4 \\ & 600 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \\ & 8 \end{aligned}$ | Pseudo-second order | *** | $\begin{aligned} & 200 \\ & 250 \end{aligned}$ | [7] |
| Sulfonated peanut shell (PNS-SO ${ }_{3} \mathrm{H}$ ) | $\begin{gathered} \text { MB } \\ \text { TC } \end{gathered}$ | 20 | $\begin{gathered} 900 \\ \mathrm{ppm} \end{gathered}$ | 10 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{gathered} 1250 \\ 303 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} {[23],} \\ {[24]} \end{gathered}$ |
| Shrimp shell (SS) Coal acid mine drainage (AMD) | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mn} \\ & \mathrm{Fe} \end{aligned}$ | ** | $\begin{gathered} \leq 1 \\ \leq 15 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6-9 \\ & 5-9 \end{aligned}$ | Pseudo-second order | Freundlich | $\begin{gathered} 17.43 \\ 3.87 \end{gathered}$ | [25] |
| Coal fly ash (CFA) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MG } \\ & \text { R6G } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \\ \mathrm{ppm} \end{gathered}$ | 8 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{aligned} & 233.3 \\ & 381.7 \end{aligned}$ | [26] |
| Biomass CLS <br> Biochar (BCCLS) | RR-23 | 50 | 50 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{gathered} 62.5 \\ 166.67 \end{gathered}$ | [2] |
| Biomass CLSh Biochar (BCCLSh) | RR-23 | 50 | 50 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{gathered} 90.91 \\ 354.82 \end{gathered}$ | [3] |
| Biochar BC CLS <br> Biochar (BCCLSh) | AO-52 | 50 | 300 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{gathered} 333.33 \\ 500 \end{gathered}$ | [27] |
| Silica-Chitosan Composite | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RR-23 } \\ & \text { RB19 } \end{aligned}$ | 40 | 60 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{gathered} 128.2 \\ 156.25 \end{gathered}$ | [5] |
| Chitosan Composite MCs/MS | $\begin{gathered} \text { RR-23 } \\ \text { RB19 } \\ \mathrm{Fe}^{2+} \end{gathered}$ | 70 | 50 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir <br> Freundlich <br> Freundlich | $\begin{gathered} 71.94 \\ 175.44 \\ 62.11 \end{gathered}$ | [4] |
| Activated Carbon Derived From Phragmites Australis | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MO} \\ & \mathrm{MV} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \\ & 50 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 500 \\ & 400 \end{aligned}$ | ** | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | $\begin{aligned} & 238.11 \\ & 476.19 \end{aligned}$ | [28] |
| Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) | MO | $200 \mathrm{mg} / \mathrm{L}$ | 10 | ** | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | 55.2 | [29] |
| Charbon of Quercus Brantii (Oak) | $\begin{gathered} \text { ACT } \\ \text { IBP } \end{gathered}$ | 1g/L | 100 | 7 | Pseudo-second order | Freundlich | $\begin{aligned} & 45.45 \\ & 96.15 \end{aligned}$ | [30] |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { BC-CLS } \\ \text { CAa-CLS } \\ \text { CAb-CLS } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RR-23 } \\ & \text { RR-23 } \\ & \text { RR-23 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 50 \\ & 50 \\ & 50 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 300 \\ 300 \\ 300 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Pseudo-second order | Langmuir | 357.143 769.23 909.1 | This Work |

The Table 4 shows, the majority of the activated carbons used in the removal of the anionic dyes, cationic dyes and heavy metals have adsorbed quantities of less than $500 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$, except that Rice straw charcoal has an adsorbed quantity equal to $620.3 \mathrm{mg} \cdot \mathrm{g}^{-1}$, that the Sulfonated peanut shell that presents the maximum order quantity $1250 \mathrm{mg} . g^{-1}$. But we result for the elimination of the most used textile dyes and the most existing in the
effluent as RR-23 in industrial waters by the activated charcoal of the cistusLadaniferus seeds presents a very important adsorbed quantity $769.23 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for the CAaCLS and $909.1 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for CAb-CLS.

## 4. CONCLUSION

The valorization of activated charcoal obtained by fixed bed pyrolysis from cistus Ladaniferus seeds as bioadsorbents of anionic dyes in water treatment and especially for the discoloration of effluents used in the textile industry (elimination of anionic dyes RR-23). The raw materials we used as adsorbents are 03, which are derived from forest waste. These are BC-CLS, CAa-CLS, and CAb-CLS. These materials have been characterized by DRX, IRTF, MEB, and EDXA. Next, we studied several parameters such as pH effect, adsorbent dose, contact time and initial concentration. The adsorption kinetics of these three materials described by the pseudo-secondorder model and the adsorption isotherms follow the Langmuir isotherm. The adsorption capacity of the RR-23 dye is equal to $357.143 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for BC-CLS, $769.231 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for CAa-CLS and $909.1 \mathrm{mg} . \mathrm{g}^{-1}$ for CAb-CLS. The elimination yield reached $86.77 \%$ for BC-CLS shell biochar and $91.11 \%$ for CAa-CLS and $99.29 \%$ for CAbCLS.

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