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(57) Abstract :

ABSTRACT METHOD FOR PREPARING COBALT-DOPED COCONUT HUSK BIOCHAR (CO@CHBC) FOR EFFICIENT ADSORPTION OF ANIONIC DYES
The invention relates to a method for preparing cobalt-doped coconut husk biochar (Co@ChBc) for efficient removal of anionic azo dyes from wastewater. Coconut husks are impregnated with cobalt(II) acetate tetrahydrate [Co(OAc)₂·4H₂O] and pyrolyzed at about 600 °C for 3–5 hours. The biochar is washed, dried at 70–90 °C, and powdered. The resulting Co@ChBc, confirmed by FESEM as highly porous, removes mixtures of dyes such as Methyl Orange and Eriochrome Black T with 99% efficiency in 30 minutes at 20 mg/L concentration, 500 mg dosage, and pH 6. The material is recyclable with over 80% efficiency retention, providing an economical and eco-friendly wastewater treatment solution. Reference Figure 1

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