

## **SINTESIS MAGNETIT (Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) DAN MAGNETIT TERLAPIS ASAM FULVAT (AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) UNTUK ADSORPSI p-KLOROFENOL**

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### **INTISARI**

Isolasi, sintesis dan karakterisasi asam fulvat (AF) serta magnetit terlapis asam fulvat (AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) telah berhasil dilakukan dan diaplikasikan untuk adsorpsi p-klorofenol dalam larutan. Penelitian diawali dengan ekstraksi AF, dilanjutkan dengan sintesis Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> dan magnetit terlapis asam fulvat (AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) pada pH 11 secara ko-presipitasi menggunakan NH<sub>4</sub>OH sebagai agen pengendap, dengan variasi penambahan AF dengan perbandingan massa AF dan Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> yaitu 1:20, 2:20, 4:20 dan 6:20. Ekstraksi asam fulvat diawali dengan melarutkan tanah gambut Rawa Pening ke dalam larutan NaOH 0,1 M di bawah atmosfer nitrogen, kemudian supernatan diasamkan menggunakan HCl 6 M hingga pH = 1 dan disentrifugasi kembali dan terakhir diuapkan pada suhu 60 °C. Material dikarakterisasi menggunakan metode spektroskopi *Fourier transform infrared* (FTIR), *X-ray diffraction* (XRD) dan *Scanning electron microscopy* (SEM).

Hasil penelitian menunjukkan pelapisan magnetit dengan asam fulvat (AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) berhasil dilakukan. Karakterisasi dengan XRD menunjukkan bahwa AF terlapis Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> tidak mengubah struktur kristal Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> namun menghasilkan intensitas puncak dan jarak antar lapis lebih kecil daripada Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, ukuran *d-spacing* Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> dan AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> secara berturut-turut adalah 14,41; 11,46; 11,79; 12,60 dan 11,41 nm. Kajian adsorpsi p-klorofenol dengan Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> optimum pada pH 5 sedangkan pada AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> optimum pada pH 7. Model kinetika adsorpsi p-klorofenol pada Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> dan AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> dapat dijelaskan dengan persamaan model kinetika adsorpsi pseudo orde dua. Keseimbangan adsorpsi mengikuti isoterm Langmuir dengan kapasitas ( $q_{\max}$ ) sebesar  $4,61 \times 10^{-4}$  mol g<sup>-1</sup> pada Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> dan  $6,69 \times 10^{-4}$  mol g<sup>-1</sup> pada AF-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. Hasil ini menunjukkan magnetit terlapis asam fulvat dapat digunakan sebagai adsorben yang efisien untuk adsorpsi p-klorofenol.

Kata kunci: Asam fulvat, magnetit, p-klorofenol, adsorpsi.

## **SYNTHESIS OF MAGNETITE ( $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ) AND MAGNETITE COATED BY FULVIC ACID (FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ) FOR ADSORPTION of p-CHLOROPHENOL**

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### **ABSTRACT**

Isolation, synthesis and characterization of fulvic acid (FA) as well as magnetite (FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ) coated with fulvic acid have been successfully carried out and applied for the adsorption of p-chlorophenol in solution. The study began with FA extraction, followed by the synthesis of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  and magnetite coated with fulvic acid (FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ) at pH 11 by the coprecipitation using  $\text{NH}_4\text{OH}$  as a precipitating agent. The addition of FA was varied with a mass ratio of FA and  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  namely 1:20, 2:20, 4:20 and 6:20. Fulvic acid extraction was initiated by dissolving peat soil from the Rawa Pening area into 0.1 M NaOH solution under nitrogen atmosphere, then precipitated by acidifying it using 0.1 M HCl solution until pH = 1. The material was characterized using the Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), X-ray diffraction (XRD) and scanning electron microscopy (SEM).

The results showed that coating of magnetite with fulvic acid (FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ ) was successfully carried out. Characterization using XRD showed that FA coated  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  did not change the crystalline structure of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  but produced peak intensity and size or distance between layers smaller than  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ . d-spacing size of  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  and FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  were 14.41; 11.46; 11.79; 12.60 and 11.41 nm respectively. The study of p-chlorophenol adsorption with  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  was optimum at pH 5 whereas FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  was optimum at pH 7. Adsorption kinetics model of p-chlorophenol on  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  and FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  can be described with pseudo-second-order kinetics model equation. The adsorption equilibrium followed the Langmuir isotherm with a capacity ( $q_{\text{max}}$ ) of  $4.61 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol g}^{-1}$  at  $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$  and  $6.69 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mol g}^{-1}$  at FA- $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$ . These results indicated that FA coated magnetite can be used as an efficient adsorbent for the adsorption of p-chlorophenol.

**Keywords:** *fulvic acid, magnetite, p-chlorophenol, adsorption*