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**Abstract** 

In this study, hollow mesoporous carbon nanospheres (HMCN) prepared from core-

shell structured mesoporous silica sphere using chemical vapor deposition were used as a

novel adsorbent for the investigation of the adsorption of two acid dyes: Acid Orange 8 (AO8)

and Acid Red 88 (AR88) from aqueous solutions. The adsorbent was characterized by X-ray

diffraction XRD, high-resolution transmission electron microscopy HRTEM, Raman

spectroscopy, Fourier infrared spectroscopy FTIR, N2 adsorption/desorption isotherms and

zeta potential measurements. The effects of initial dye concentration, pH and temperature on

adsorption capacity were studied. The experimental data were analyzed by the Langmuir and

Freundlich models of adsorption. Equilibrium data fitted well with the Langmuir model. The

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