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Effective Removal of Humic Acid by Zr-MOFs with Surface Modification

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Table S1. The applied materials properties


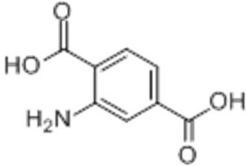
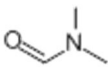
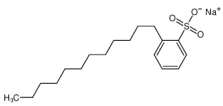

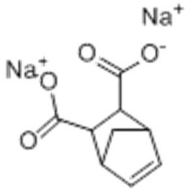
Material	Company	CAS number	Molecular weight (g mol ⁻¹)	Purity (%)	Molecular formula
Zirconium tetrachloride	Sinopharm	10036-11-6	233.04	98% ≤ purity	
2-aminoterephthalic acid	Sinopharm	10312-55-7	181.14	95% ≤ purity	
Dimethylformamide	Sinopharm	68-12-2	73.09	99.5% ≤ purity	
Sodium dodecyl benzene sulfonate	Sinopharm	25155-30-0	348.48	99.7% ≤ purity	
Ethanol absolute	Sinopharm	64-17-5	46.07	99.7% ≤ purity	
Humic acid, sodium salt	Sigma Aldrich	68131-04-4	-	95% ≤ purity	

Table S2. Zeta potential of HA in water under different pH

pH	2	3	4	5	6
Zeta	-16.08 ±	-0.39 ±	-33.69 ±	-41.92 ±	-35.11±
potential/mV	4.02	0.13	4.20	3.48	5.86

pH	7	8	9	10	11
Zeta	-44.25 ±	-39.93	-39.22 ±	-39.60 ±	-48.43±
potential/mV	7.19	±4.44	5.87	5.79	9.04

Megha syam Rauthula[1] et al. inspected a sorption of HA on activated carbon as 97.35 mg g⁻¹ (pH5.6, T=303 k). Jianwei Lin[2] et al. investigated the adsorption of HA on surfactant-modified chitosan/zeolite composites and identified the adsorption capacity was 74.1 mg g⁻¹ on chitosan/zeolite composites (pH7, T=30 °C). Jihong Wang[3] et al. investigated HA adsorption on magnetically separable polyaniline and found the capacity of 36.36 mg g⁻¹ (pH5.5-6, T=25 °C). Jianchao Wang[4] et al. prepared Graphitic Carbon Nitride derived from urea by thermal polycondensation method and tested for HA adsorption. The maximum adsorption capacity was 73.24 mg g⁻¹ (pH3, T=298K). Lingling Wang[5] et al. reported HA and Cr (VI) adsorption on ZnO-30N-zeolite as 33.4 mg g⁻¹. Therefore, it follows that the Zr-MOF exhibits much higher adsorption capacity than other adsorbents (pH under natural conditions, T=25 °C).

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