

Title: Adsorption of cationic dye-neutral red on the graphene oxide nanocomposites

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The cancer treatment is still limited by barriers created by genetic changes such as mutations and gene polymorphisms. Such changes in certain malignant tissues render standard treatments of chemotherapy and radiation ineffective. It is also known that, in addition to the inconveniences caused by the surgical alternative, those methods have unintended consequences, such as non-specific distribution of antitumor drugs, cytotoxicity problems for healthy cells, development of multiple drug resistance, and standard antitumor drugs have immunosuppressive and cytotoxic properties, which can also damage cells normal, healthy cells. However, if the therapeutic drugs are directed at the sick spot, the side effects can be reduced. As a result, the option of exploring graphene oxide since a carrier and analyzing its properties, as it is a material of tremendous physicochemical potential, with new qualities, as well as the photo sensitizer and other additions, is being considered. The calibration curve of absorbance vs wavelength was used to create overlay graphs. The GraphPad Prism 8 program was utilized for the separated dye, the dye alone (neutral red=NR), the titrations, and the time variation, allowing us to determine the standard curves corresponding to concentration x absorbance and time x absorbance using the same software. The Hildebrand approach was found to be the mathematical solution that best suited the behavior of the titration curve with NO₂⁻ in both cases. As a result, it can be used to compare association constants (K). As a result of the exploratory practices, it was possible to conduct a comparative analysis of the binding of NR with nitrite in the presence and absence of graphene oxide, concluding through the variation of K and graph visualization that the presence of graphene oxide has no effect on the dye's association with the additive NO₂⁻. FAPDF, CNPq, FINATEC and CAPES supported this project.

Biography

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