

Enhanced Adsorption Removal of Pb(II) and Cr(III) by Using Nickel Ferrite-Reduced Graphene Oxide Nanocomposite

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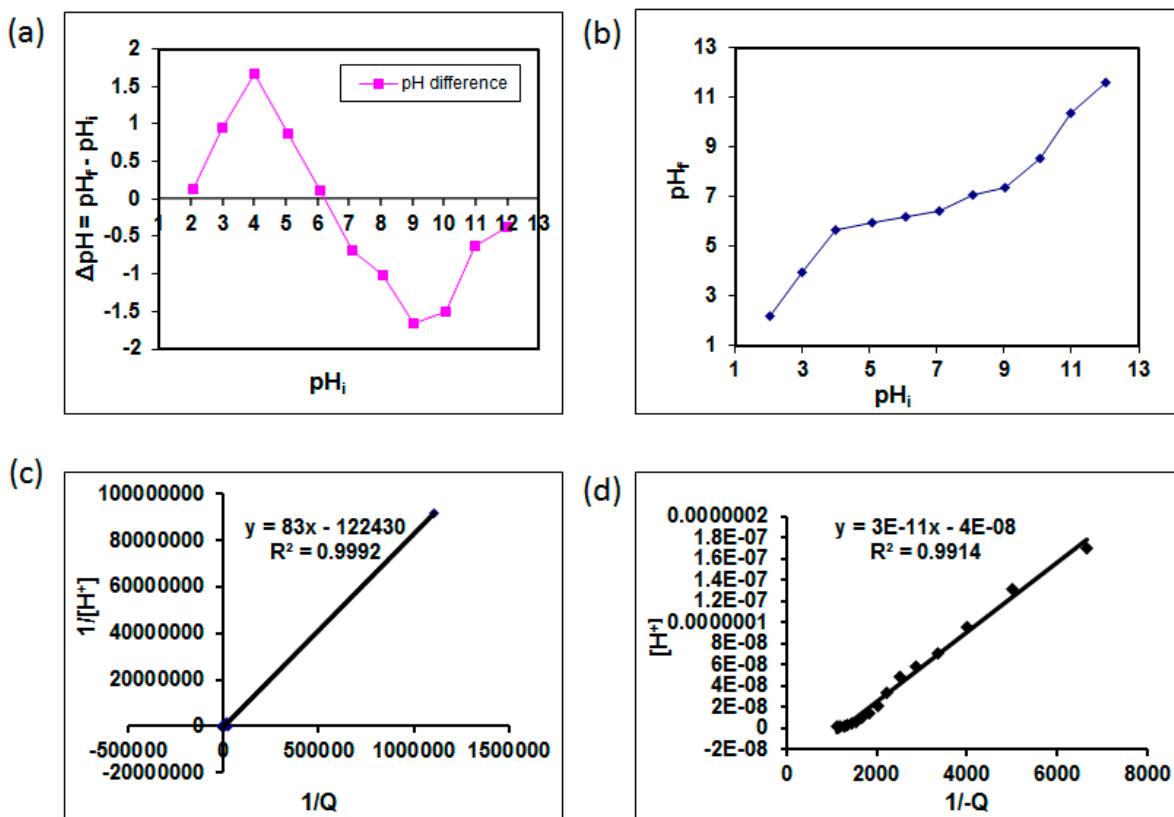


Figure S1. Acid-base properties of rGONF in aqueous suspension. pH changes with rGONF alone in aqueous solutions (a,b). The acid-base titration curves of rGONF with 0.1 mol L^{-1} HNO_3 (c) and 0.1 mol L^{-1} NaOH (d) for measuring $\text{pK}_{\text{a}1}$ and $\text{pK}_{\text{a}2}$ to calculate pHzpc of rGONF. (Note: pH_i : initial pH; pH_f : final pH, ΔpH : difference in pH_i and pH_f ; $[\text{H}^{\text{+}}]$: $\text{H}^{\text{+}}$ concentration; Q = Coulomb charge density). The $\text{pK}_{\text{a}1}$ and $\text{pK}_{\text{a}2}$ were measured from the intercepts of the curves (c) and (d), respectively. Where $K_{\text{a}1} = 1/\text{Intercept of curve (c)}$, $K_{\text{a}2} = \text{Intercept of curve (d)}$. Hence, $\text{pK}_{\text{a}1} = -\text{Log}(1/\text{Intercept})$; $\text{pK}_{\text{a}2} = -\text{Log}(\text{Intercept})$.

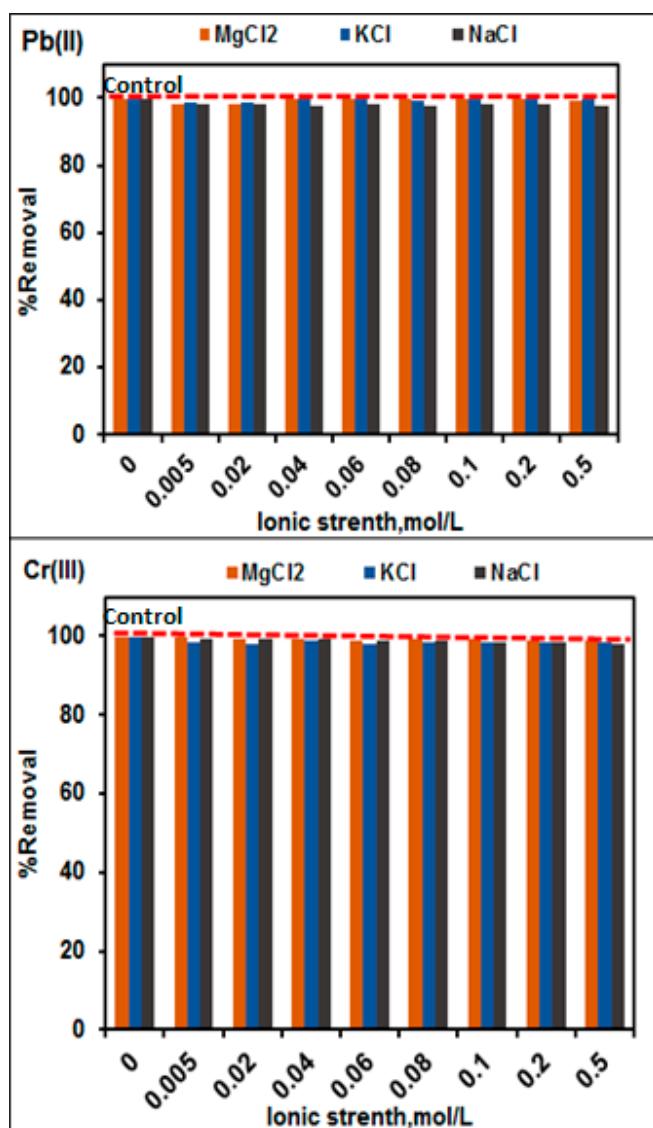


Figure S2. Ionic strength effect on adsorptive removal of Pb(II) and Cr(III) by using rGONF at pH 5.0 for Pb(II) (10 mg L⁻¹) and pH 4.0 for Cr(III) (10 mg L⁻¹), and 30 min equilibrium time for the range of reaction temperature, 298–328 ± 2.0 K.

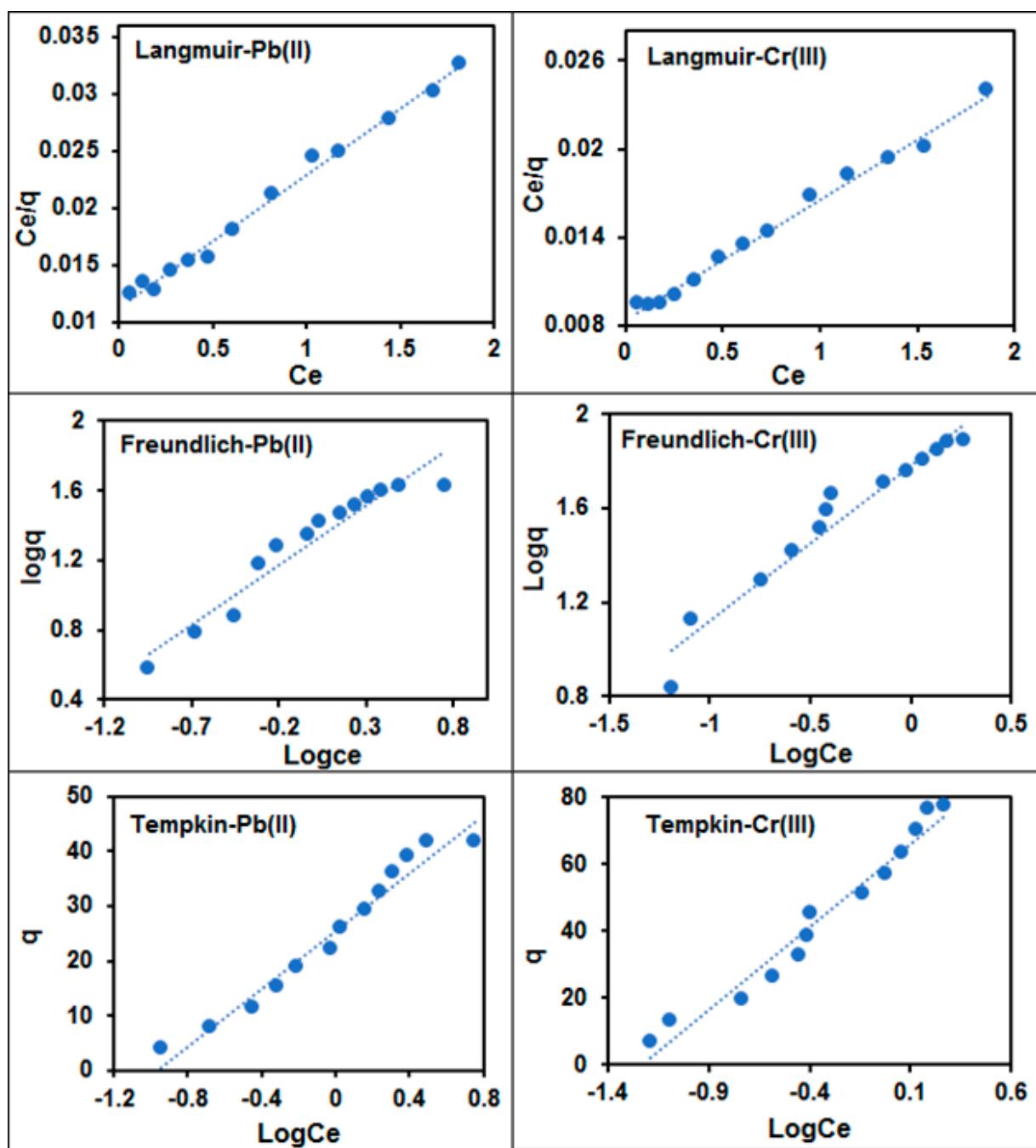


Figure S3. Linear fitting of adsorption isotherm models to the adsorption isotherm data of Pb(II) and Cr(III) ($C_0 = 2.0$ to 25 mg L^{-1}) onto rGONF at pH 5.0 for Pb(II) and pH 4.0 for Cr(III), and 30 min equilibrium time for the range of reaction temperature, $298\text{--}328 \pm 2.0\text{ K}$.

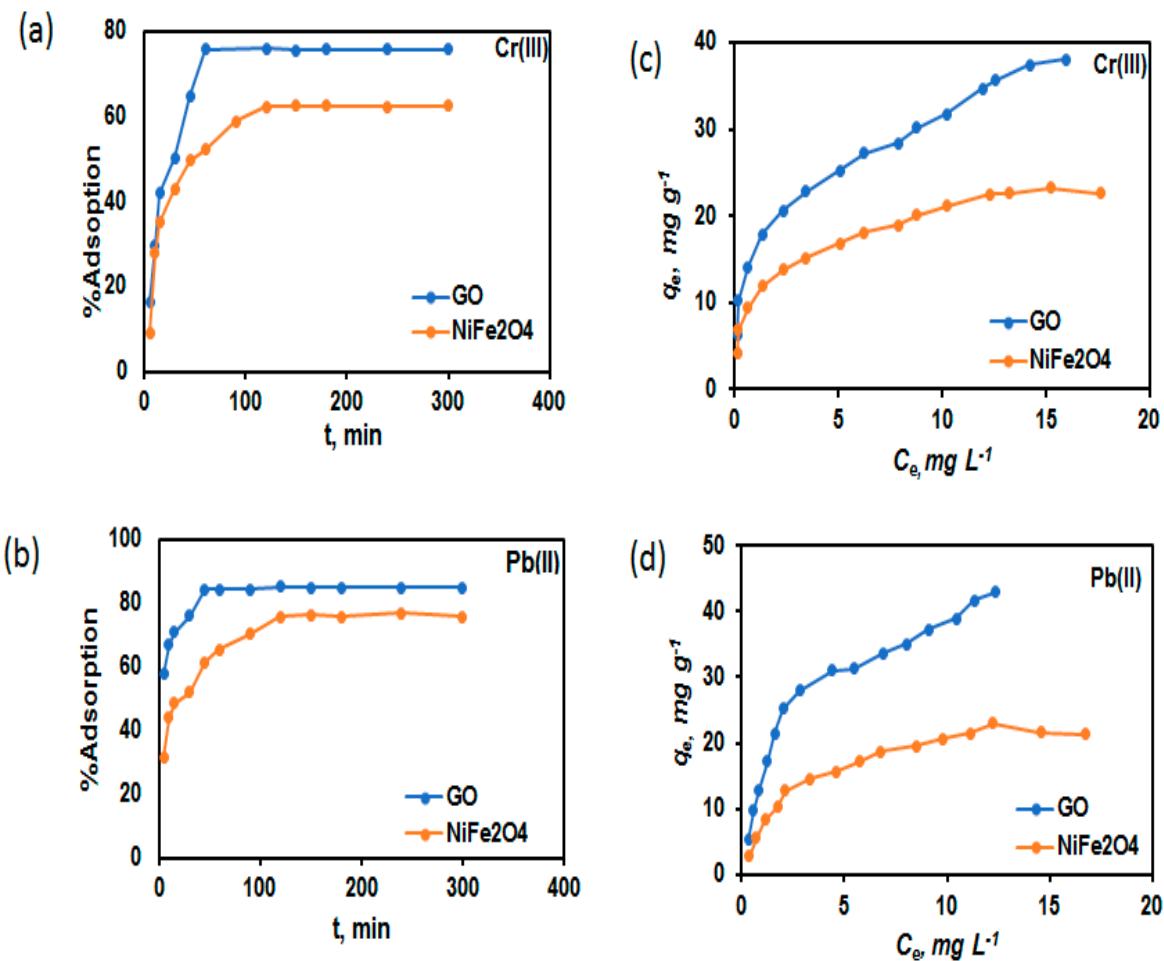


Figure S4. Adsorptive kinetics (a,b) and isotherms (c,d) of Pb(II) and Cr(III) ($C_0 = 2.0$ to 25 mg L^{-1}) onto GO and NiFe2O4 at pH 5.0 for Pb(II) and pH 4.0 for Cr(III), and 30 min equilibrium time for the range of reaction temperature, $298\text{--}328 \pm 2.0 \text{ K}$.