

Improvement of carbon dioxide capture using graphite waste/ fe₃o₄ composites

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Abstrak

The abundance of graphite waste can be processed into valuable materials; one alternative is by making it into an adsorbent. Graphite-based adsorbent modification can be accomplished by adding magnetite nanoparticles Fe₃O₄. The addition of magnetite nanoparticles has been reported to improve the adsorption ability of the graphite waste. In this study, we have developed a new carbon dioxide (CO₂) adsorbent based on graphite waste modified with magnetite nanoparticle Fe₃O₄. The Fe₃O₄ were prepared using an impregnation technique. The graphite/Fe₃O₄ composites were characterized by scanning electron microscopy with an energy-dispersive X-ray system (SEM-EDX) and Brunauer, Emmett, and Teller (BET). The CO₂ adsorption performance was evaluated using an isothermal adsorption method at various temperatures (30, 35, and 45oC) and pressures (3, 5, 8, 15, and 20 bar). This resulted in graphite with different magnetite modification levels, namely non-modified graphite (GNM), a graphite/Fe₃O₄ 20% (w/w) composite (G/Fe₃O₄ 20%), and a graphite/Fe₃O₄ 35% (w/w) (G/Fe₃O₄ 35%), which indicated that the largest adsorption capacity is 10.305 mmol.g⁻¹ at 30oC and 20 bar pressure for the G/Fe₃O₄ 20% composite. This finding further revealed that modifying graphite waste with magnetite nanoparticles Fe₃O₄ has been proved to increase the capacity for adsorbing CO₂ gas.