



## A simple method for the determination of adsorption kinetic parameters using circulating-type shallow bed reactor (CSBR)

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### ABSTRACT

This study focuses on a novel technique for determining intraparticle diffusivity ( $D_p$ ) and fluid-film mass transfer coefficient ( $k_f$ ) using a recycling type fixed-bed reactor. The detail analysis technique is established in this study. The  $D_p$  and  $k_f$  values of phenol on XAD-2000 are  $7.26\text{--}11.4 \times 10^{-6}$  ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ) and  $0.0035\text{--}0.0062 \times 10^{-3}$  ( $\text{cm s}^{-1}$ ), respectively. The obtained  $D_p$  values are similar to the values obtained in the shallow bed reactor  $1.6\text{--}2.7 \times 10^{-6}$  ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ). The method has significant advantages over the conventional shallow bed method in chemical/solution saving with easy operation. This technique is useful to estimate diffusivities of phenolic compounds onto resins, especially when the fluid-film mass transfer resistance cannot be negligible.

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