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Insights into influence of aging processes on zero-valent iron modified biochar in copper(II) immobilization: from batch solution to pilot-scale investigation

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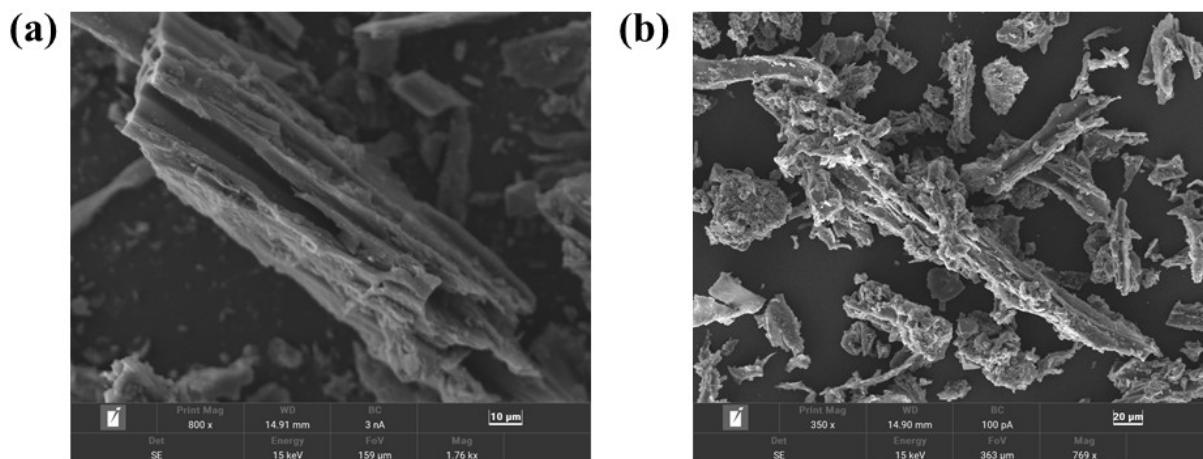


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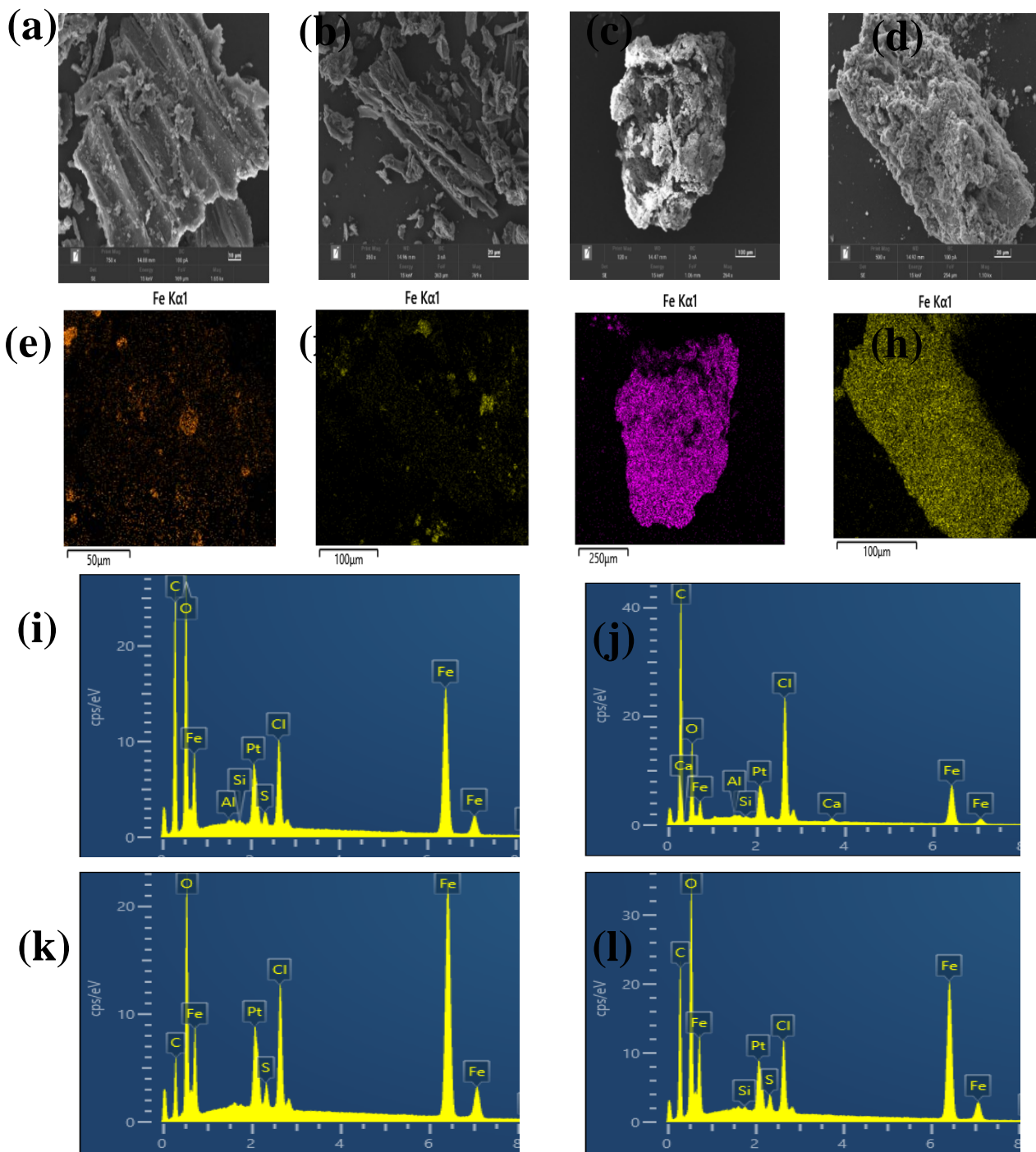


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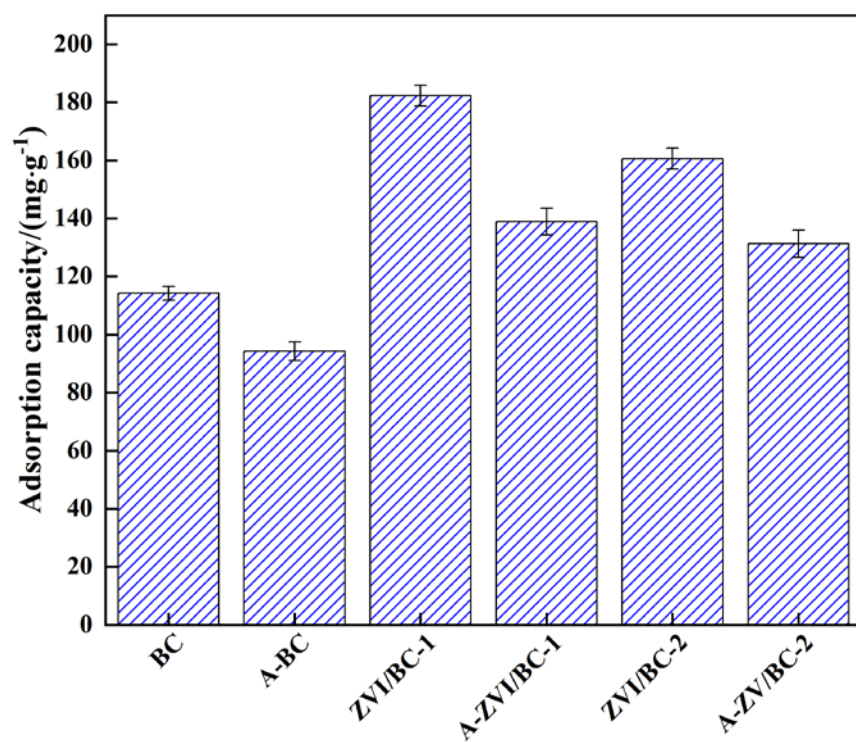


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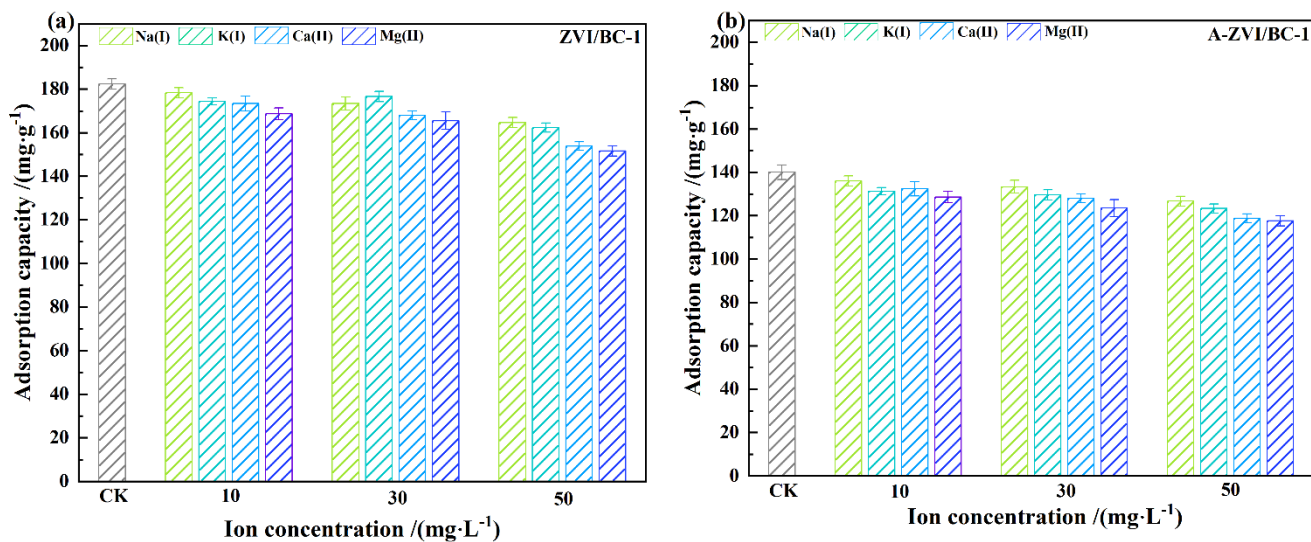


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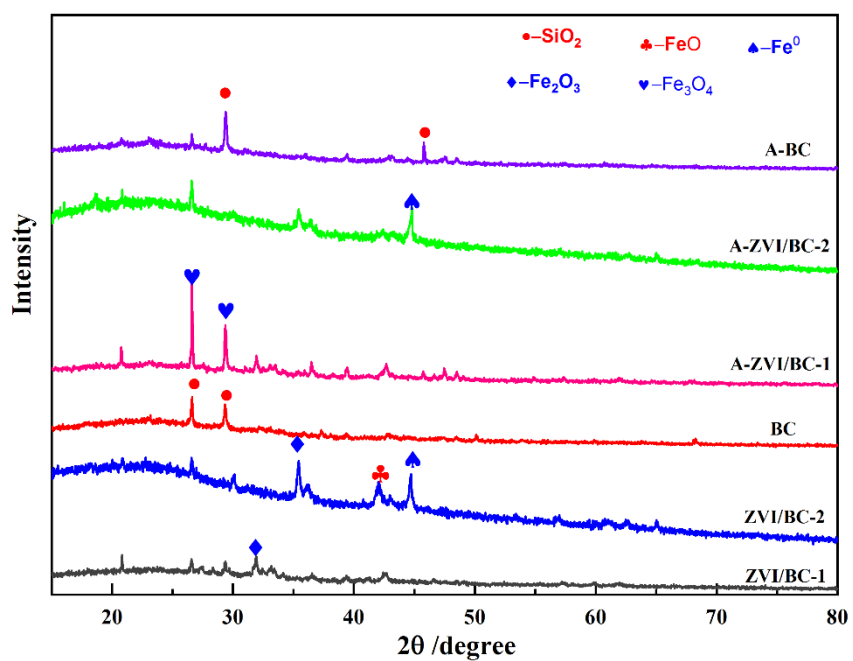


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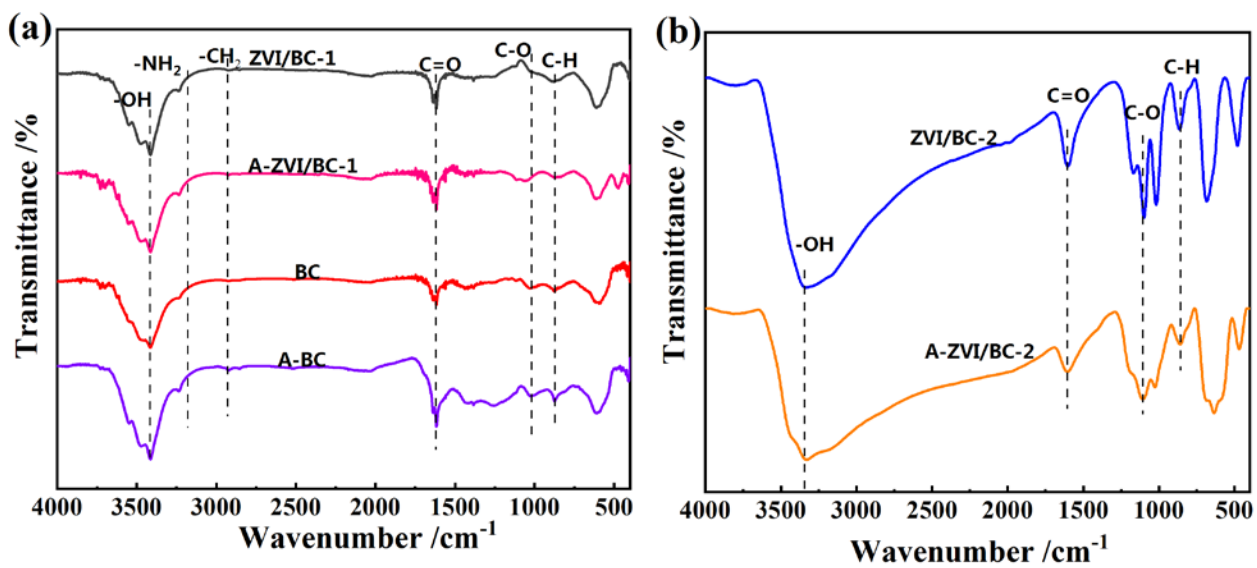


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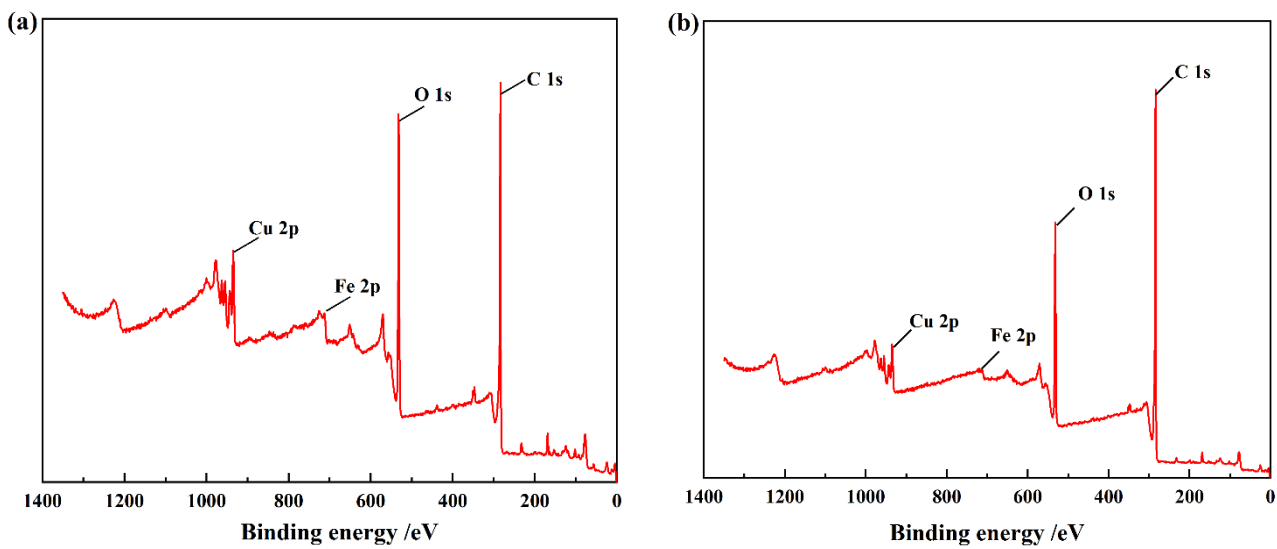


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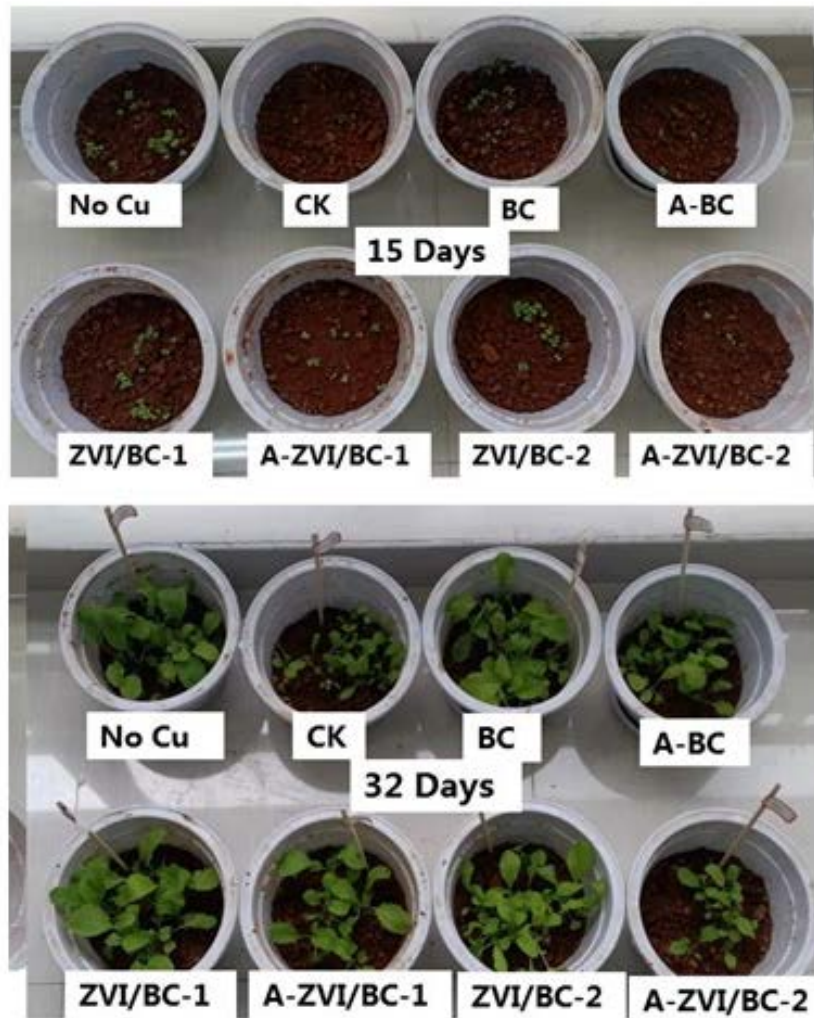


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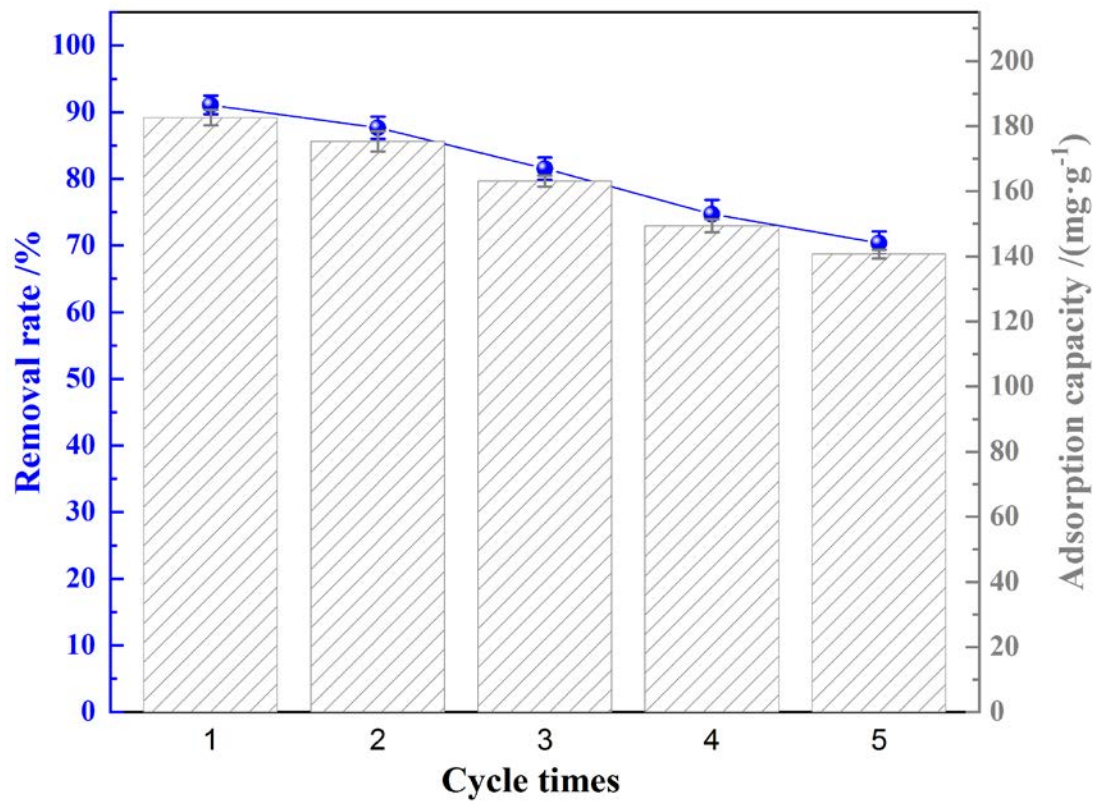


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	Pseudo-first-order			Pseudo-second-order		
	$q_e /(\text{mg} \cdot \text{g}^{-1})$	K_1 / min^{-1}	R^2	$q_e /(\text{mg} \cdot \text{g}^{-1})$	$K_2 /(\text{mg} \cdot \text{g}^{-1} \cdot \text{min}^{-1})$	R^2
BC	102.56	0.028	0.872	108.72	0.112	0.969
A-BC	98.06	0.011	0.903	94.78	0.126	0.929
ZVI/BC-1	160.52	0.059	0.886	172.34	0.313	0.969
A-ZVI/BC-1	135.61	0.019	0.902	146.82	0.094	0.921
ZVI/BC-2	154.11	0.026	0.911	163.70	0.189	0.971
A-ZVI/BC-2	122.18	0.008	0.876	139.46	0.378	0.917

Table. S2 Langmuir and Freundlich isothermal adsorption model parameters for Cu(II).

		Langmuir isotherm			Freundlich isotherm		
		$q_m/(\text{mg}\cdot\text{g}^{-1})$	$K/(\text{L}\cdot\text{mg}^{-1})$	R^2	$K_F/(\text{mg}\cdot\text{g}^{-1})$	$1/n$	R^2
298 K	BC	206.34	0.0067	0.975	8.84	0.392	0.956
	A-BC	188.72	0.0055	0.971	7.90	0.432	0.964
	ZVI/BC-1	334.75	0.0059	0.955	20.12	0.409	0.967
	A-ZVI/BC-1	254.90	0.0059	0.975	14.59	0.415	0.988
	ZVI/BC-2	269.77	0.0078	0.980	19.85	0.383	0.994
	A-ZVI/BC-2	231.59	0.0044	0.976	12.05	0.482	0.984
308 K	BC	217.55	0.0087	0.993	17.36	0.397	0.984
	A-BC	197.41	0.0049	0.982	9.77	0.456	0.971
	ZVI/BC-1	363.36	0.0051	0.978	20.14	0.416	0.996
	A-ZVI/BC-1	243.27	0.0064	0.985	17.14	0.383	0.994
	ZVI/BC-2	296.51	0.0063	0.917	19.80	0.391	0.814
	A-ZVI/BC-2	239.35	0.0050	0.970	10.37	0.449	0.954
318 K	BC	245.04	0.0056	0.995	15.85	0.382	0.970
	A-BC	217.42	0.0057	0.986	9.88	0.425	0.971
	ZVI/BC-1	422.70	0.0046	0.943	19.25	0.471	0.973
	A-ZVI/BC-1	307.53	0.0046	0.977	12.16	0.466	0.986
	ZVI/BC-2	323.78	0.0067	0.986	18.73	0.434	0.997
	A-ZVI/BC-2	262.42	0.0047	0.955	11.30	0.464	0.973

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	Sample	Cationic concentration (mg·L ⁻¹)	
		Ca(II)	Mg(II)
Before	BC	74.92	1.37
	A-BC	28.95	0.10
	ZVI/BC-1	31.85	0.18
	A-ZVI/BC-1	15.03	0.59
	ZVI/BC-2	20.12	0.07
	A-ZVI/BC-2	5.49	0.18
		BC	228.86
After	A-BC	55.81	5.57
	ZVI/BC-1	50.07	9.21
	A-ZVI/BC-1	16.03	0.95
	ZVI/BC-2	18.67	2.40
	A-ZVI/BC-2	7.32	0.29