



Investigation of Adsorption Isotherm of Oxymetholone as a Kind of Steroid Drug by Multi-Wall Carbon Nanotube

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ABSTRACT

In this experimental research the adsorption of the isotherm of Oxymetholone as a kind of steroid drug is studied on the multi-wall carbon nanotube (MWCNT) with the spectrophotometer. The amount of adsorption in various concentration was calculated and its related diagram was drawn. The result, which was obtained by Langmuir, Freundlich and Temkin in $296 \pm 2^\circ\text{K}$, compared coefficient parameters show that the Temkin model has the most accordance.

Key words: Adsorption; Isotherm; Oxymetholone; Steroid; Multi-wall carbon nanotube.

INTRODUCTION

Beside the fatness, Phospholipid and Terepene, the lipid essence of plant and animal is consisted of steroids ¹. The structure of these molecules is a 4-ring shaped system. Steroids are the modified Terepene which are made up of non-ring shaped Squalene ² hydrocarbon in the live parts of the body. The exact way of this wonderful change is so time consuming and complex, but the key steps of them are known. It is due to Conrad Block and John Conford, who awarded the noble prize for their discoveries. Beside the derivation of steroids, which are gained by plant and animals, hundreds of other steroids are synthesized in medical laboratories to reach the new drugs. Oxymetholone is a kind of synthesized drug which is sold in the name of Androl ³ in commercial market. Oxymetholone is an edible steroid, when added to

water causes muscles of the body seem larger so quickly and the user becomes so bulky in a short while. Over consumption of this drug causes serious injuries on liver. It causes the liver become toxic and it leads to creation of benign & malignant tumors in the liver. The first carbon allotrope which was discovered in 1985 was named Buckminsterfullerene. This material is also known as Bukyball and Fullerene. But in 1991 a scientist, Soumia Iijima, discovered and produced another structure of carbon so accidentally. This kind of structure has such identical properties. At first, he imagined this structure as a kind fullerene which extended in the same direction. But after a while he understood that this sample has different advantages from the fullerenes. So he called that the carbon nanotube, which is of two kinds: The single-wall and multi-wall carbon nanotube ⁴. The first one is made up of graphonic cylinder which a

diameter of 1 to 2 nanometer. Now if we put 3 or 4 of these nanotubes together, then the multi-wall nanotube will produce. Its external diameter 2 to 25 nanometer and its internal diameter is about 1 to 8 nanometer. The average length of nanometer can be multi micron kind. The discovery of multi-wall nanotube in 1991 resulted in vast survey activities in science about the carbon nano structures ⁵ and their applications. The main reason of this predicted structure is their small size, low density, high hardness, high strength (the external traction of the multi-wall carbon nano tube is 100 fold of aluminum and their excellent electrical properties. So it is possible that these carbon nanotubes use widely for firmness of materials, the flat monitors in the field distribution, chemical sensor, drug transition and nano technology. The recent studies suggest the usage of carbon nanotube for biologic purposes like crystallization of protein, building the bioreactors and biosensors. These carbon nanotubes are un-soluble in water. So it is necessary to overcome this problem for biological applications. The bonding of functional groups to carbon nanotubes ⁶ is so useful in medical applications. For example the conjunction of nanotubes to a DNA series can lead to connection of protein in a cancerous cell. The connection of cells to another part of carbone nanotubes can make a «guidance vector» to attack to the cancerous cell and its eradication. The carbon nanotubes especially their multi-layer kind with a definite structures have the capability of producing biosensors.

EXPERIMENTAL

Material

We used the carbon nanotube with 95% pure degree, production of neutrino Company, the Oxymetalone pill in Alhavi pharmaceutical. The ethanol solvent (96%) which is product of Merck Company was used in this experimental.

Apparatus

In this survey the spectrophotometer (Jenway6505, Model, England) magnetic stirrer (Heidolph, Mr3001 Model), Analytical balance (Sartorius Model), Filter paper (Albet), were used.

Method

At first we solved 50mg of Oxymethanole in 50ml of ethanol and make (1000ppm) solution.

After dilution of this solution the consistencies (50-100-150-200) ppm were produced. 10ml of each concentration was taken and 0.01gr of carbon nanotube (MWCNT) was added to each part.

This solution was mixed about 20min with magnetic stirrer. Then amount of concentration was measured with spectrophotometer before and after adding carbon nanotube .

DISCUSSIONS AND RESULTS

Study of adsorption isotherms

At first we used this relation ⁷ for assessing the adsorption capacity:

$$q_e = \frac{(c_o - c_e)V}{M} \quad \dots(1)$$

In this equation C_o and C_e are related to the primary concentration and final concentration of Oxymethalone in the solution (mg/L) and V is volume solution (L) and M is mass of adsorbate (g).

Langmuir adsorption model

This model used for monolayer adsorptions. This model formed by the supposition of the equality of energy in the of all the Adsorb sites on this Adsorbent surface. This model is described in this equation which is its liner form ⁸.

$$\frac{1}{q_e} = \frac{1}{(k_a c_e)} + \frac{1}{q_m} \quad \dots(2)$$

Here q_e and c_e are the amount of adsorption dissolve at equilibrium (mgg^{-1}) and the equilibrium concentration (mg^{-1}) respectively. Langmuir constants, k_a (mgL^{-1}) and q_m (mgg^{-1}) are related to the energy of adsorption and the adsorption capacity respectively. One of the characteristic Langmuir equation is Dimensionless of detachment coefficient RL ⁹ can be gained from (3) relationship.

$$RL = \frac{1}{(k_a c_o)} \quad \dots(3)$$

By regarding adsorption with the help of spectrophotometer and the above relation, adsorption Langmuir graph to the $1/q_e$ against $1/c_e$ is plotted (Fig. 1) and its calculated parameters can be seen in Table 1.

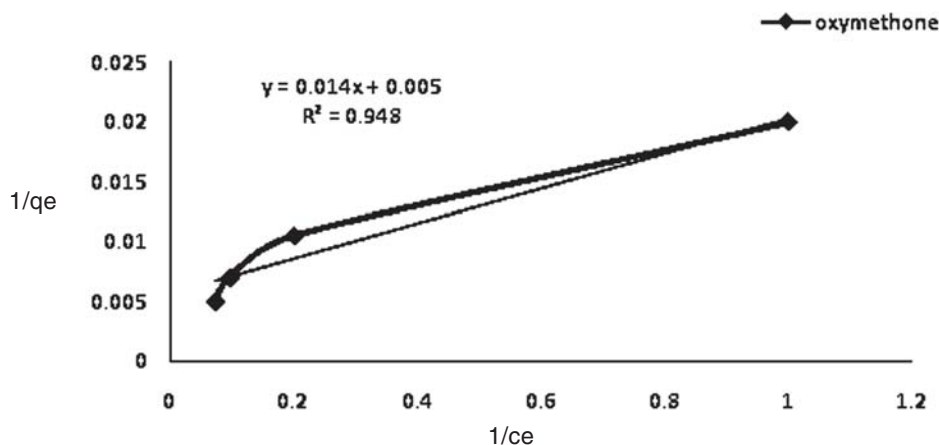


Fig 1: Adsorption equilibrium of Oxymetholone based Langmuir isotherm.

Temkin model

Temkin isotherm has one factor which shown the interaction between adsorbent and adsorbing particle so vividly. This model was applied in forms, given as equation 4 bellow:

$$q_e = BLNA + BLNC_e \quad \dots(4)$$

$$B = RT/b \quad \dots(5)$$

By plotting q_e against $\ln c_e$ gave the constants, A And B which are the Temkin isotherm constants $(l/mg)^{10}$ and the Temkin constant related to heat of adsorption $(jmol^{-1})$ respectively is the gas constant $(8.314mol/k)B$ is also a Temkin isotherm constant while is the absolute temperature in Kelvin.

By regarding adsorption with the help of spectrophotometer and the above relation, adsorption Temkin graph to the q_e against $\ln c_e$ is

plotted (Fig. 2) and its calculated parameters can be seen in table(1).

Freundlich model

It is an experimental equation which in used more in adsorption metallic ions on Heterogeneous surface with the multilayer adsorption. The amount of dissolved solvent will increase infinitely with increase of consecration. The linear Freundlich model is expressed as shown in equation 3;

$$\ln q_e = \ln k_f + \ln c_e \quad \dots(6)$$

q_e and c_e is the amount of dissolve adsorption at equilibrium (mg/g) and equilibrium concentration (mg/L) respectively. k_f and are factor which affect the adsorption process (adsorption capacity and intensity respectively).

Table 1: parameters and correlation coefficient of Langmuire ,Temkin and Freundlich model for Oxymetholone

Langmuir model				Temkin model				Freundlich model			Isotherm
R^2	$K_a(L/mg)$	$q(mg/g)$	RL	R^2	A(L/mg)	b	B	n	$k_f(mg/g)$	R^2	parameters
0.948	0.357	200	0.73	0.980	0.24	9.47	10.31	0.5	5.15×10^{-4}	0.966	values

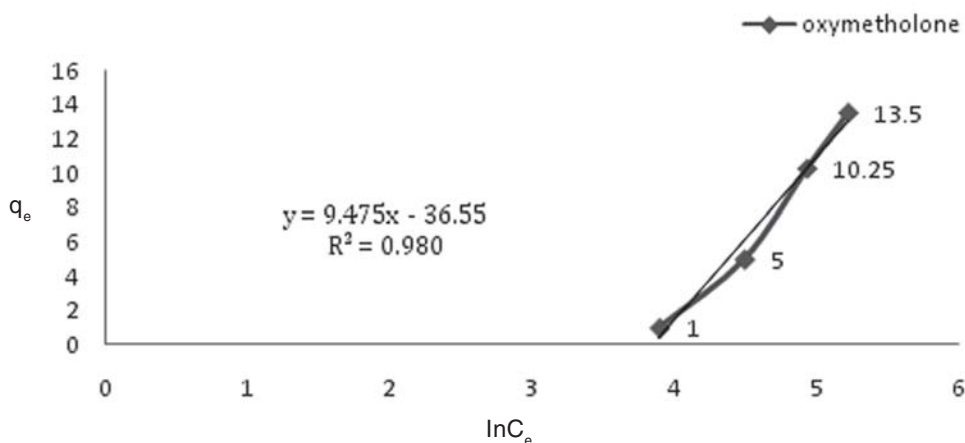


Fig 2: Adsorption equilibrium of Oxymetholone based Temkin isotherm.

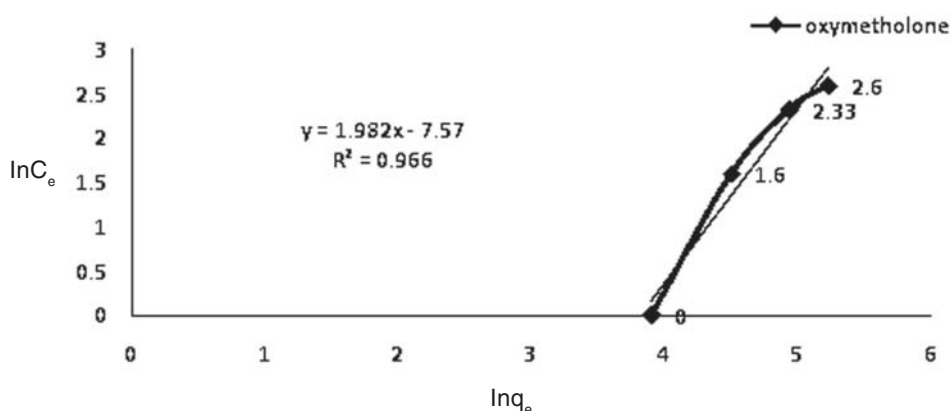


Fig 3: Adsorption equilibrium of Oxymetholone based Freundlich isotherm.

By regarding adsorption¹¹ with the help of spectrophotometer and the above relation, adsorption Freundlich graph to the $\ln C_e$ against $\ln q_e$ is plotted (Fig. 3) and its calculated parameters can be seen in Table 1.

Investigation the results of table 1

The result of isotherms show the R^2 value range obtained for the temkin model is high compared to those of both the Freundlich and Langmuir models. It therefore stands for this adsorption studies, the Temkin model is most suitable and that applicability flows the order; Temkin > Freundlich > Langmuir adsorption model. n Constant is adsorption intensity. If the value of n becomes between 0.1 to 1, then it shows a suitable flowing from Freundlich isotherm. It is shown that the adsorption is desirable. If in Langmuir isotherm¹²,

$RL > 1$ then the kind of Langmuir model is undesirable for the experiment. For $RL = 1$ there exist a linear process, and if $1 > RL > 0$, the process is desirable. If $RL = 0$ then the isotherm is irreversible.

CONCLUSION

The results of this survey show the correlation coefficient of Temkin isotherm equation has the best accordance and its adsorption energy is high. The result of parameters, show the suitable efficiency of multi-wall carbon nanotube in adsorption Oxymetholone. However, multi-wall carbon nanotube, has the ability to intake the steroid drugs in alive creatures, and or, with steroids adsorption by multi-wall carbon nanotube, and direct the drugs to the interested cells.

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