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Air Pollution Method: A new method based on ionic liquid passed on mesoporous silica nanoparticles for removal of manganese dust in the workplace air

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ABSTRACT

Chronic effect of manganese exposure to humans caused the dysfunction of nervous system. An applied sorbent based on hydrophobic ionic liquid passed on mesoporous silica nanoparticles (IL/MSNPs) was used for adsorption/removal of manganese dust (Mn) from workplace air by solid phase adsorption method (SPAM). In bench scale set up, 5 mL of standard solution of nitrate and oxide of Mn (0.2-5 mg L^{-1}) was used for generation of manganese dust in pure air by drying procedure, and then was passed through column of IL/MSNPs by SKC pump with flow rate of 200-500 mL min⁻¹ by SKC pump. Moreover, Mn particles were become absorbed/removal from artificial air by IL/ MSNPs at 80 °C. The Mn particles separated from column of IL/MSNPs by irrigation of nitric acid solution (2 mL of 0.3 M) before determined by F-AAS/ET-AAS. In optimized conditions, the adsorption capacity of MSNPs and IL/MSNPs for Mn removal from air in batch system (1 Li) was obtained 118.5 mg g⁻¹ and 216.2 mg g⁻¹ respectively. Ultimately, for validation, spike of Mn particles (bag 1 Li) and ICP was used for dynamic system.

1. Introduction

Environmental pollution by heavy metals has become a serious problem in the world. The mobilization of heavy metals by man through extraction from ores and processing for different applications has led to the release of these elements into the environment. The problem of heavy metals' pollution is becoming more and more serious with increasing industrialization and disturbance of natural biogeochemical cycles. Unlike organic

* Corresponding Author: Ali Faghihi Zarandi Email: alifaghihi60@yahoo.com https://doi.org/10.24200/amecj.v2.i01.52 substances, heavy metals are essentially nonbiodegradable and therefore accumulate in the environment. This contamination poses a risk to environmental and human health. Some heavy metals are carcinogenic, mutagenic, teratogenic and endocrine disruptors while others cause neurological and behavioral changes especially in children. Thus remediation of heavy metal pollution deserves due attention. Different physical and chemical methods used for this purpose. Heavy metals enter the environment from natural and anthropogenic sources [1]. The most significant natural sources are weathering of minerals, erosion and volcanic activity while anthropogenic sources include mining, smelting, electroplating, use of pesticides, and (phosphate) fertilizers as well as bio-solids in agriculture, sludge dumping, industrial discharge, atmospheric deposition etc. [2]. Examples of essential heavy metals are Fe, Mn, Cu, Zn, and Ni [3,4]. Non-essential heavy metals are those, which are not needed by living organisms for any physiological and biochemical functions. Examples of nonessential heavy metals are Cd, Pb, As, Hg, and Cr [5,6]. Blood, urine, and hair are the most accessible tissues in which to measure an exposure or dose; they are sometimes referred to as indicator tissues. Blood and urine concentrations usually reflect recent exposure and correlate best with acute effects. In addition, air might be useful in assessing variations in exposure to metals over the long term. Manganese is one of the essential metals for the body. Also, this metal (Mn) is a required element and a metabolic byproduct of the contrast agent mangafodipirtrisodium (MnDPDP) [7]. In addition, exposure to manganese in the workplace is an occupational health concern, it is known that even at relatively low levels of exposure subtle neurological effects have been observed in workers [8]. Manganese is a transitional metal and can exist in 11 oxidation states, from 3^{-} to 7^{+} . The most common valences are 2^+ , 4^+ , and 7^+ . The most common valence in biological systems is 2^+ ; moreover, the valence of 4^+ is present as MnO₂. Mn⁺³ is also important in biological systems. Cycling between Mn⁺² and Mn⁺³ may be potentially deleterious to biological systems because it can involve the generation of free radicals. Manganese is an essential element and is a cofactor for a number of enzymatic reactions, particularly those involved in phosphorylation, cholesterol, and fatty acids synthesis. Manganese is present in all living organisms [9,10]. The industrial use of manganese has also expanded in recent years as a ferroalloy in the iron industry and as a component of alloys used in welding [11]. Manganese welding is one of the industries exposed to high concentrations of manganese. In this process, manganese metal fumes are produced. According to the NIOSH standard, the exposure limit for this metal is 0.2 mg m⁻³ [12]. The most common form of manganese toxicity is the result of chronic inhalation of airborne manganese in mines, steel mills, and some chemical industries [10]. Industrial toxicity from inhalation exposure, generally to manganese dioxide in mining or manufacturing, is of two types: The first, manganese pneumonitis, is the result of acute exposure. Men working in plants with high concentrations of manganese dust show an incidence of respiratory disease 30 times greater than normal. Pathologic changes include epithelial necrosis followed by mononuclear proliferation. Mn toxicity has been reported through occupational (e.g. welder) and dietary overexposure and is evidenced primarily in the central nervous system, although lung, cardiac, liver, reproductive, and fetal toxicity have been noted. Mn neurotoxicity results from an accumulation of the metal in brain tissue and results in a progressive disorder of the extrapyramidal system which is similar to Parkinson's disease. In order for Mn to distribute from blood into brain tissue, it must cross either the blood-brain barrier (BBB) or the bloodcerebrospinal fluid barrier (BCB). Brain import, with no evidence of export, would lead to brain Mn accumulation and neurotoxicity [13,14]. At the present time, the most commonly used methods for assessing workplace airborne metal exposures involve collecting air samples on filters and sending them to a fixed-site laboratory where a variety of analytical methods are used. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has developed one quantitative field-portable methods to measure airborne lead: NIOSH Method 7300, which uses inductively coupled argon plasma, atomic emission spectroscopy (ICP-AES) [15, 16]. Also, many analytical techniques have been employed for the determination of trace levels of lead in real samples such as, high performance liquid chromatography coupled to inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (HPLC-ICP-MS)[17], Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS)[18], inductively coupled plasma atomic emission spectrometry (ICP-AES)[19], flame atomic absorption spectrometry (F-AAS) [20],

electrothermal atomic absorption spectrometry (ET-AAS)[21], etc. Nowadays, considerable novel method has been introduced in solid-phase extraction (SPE) by applying new nanomaterials with remarkable physicochemical properties that improve the extraction of analytes. Thus, many carbonaceous materials such as activated carbons[22], carbon nanotubes[23], carbon nanohorns [24], carbon nanocones/disks [25] and graphene [26-28] have been applied for analytical preconcentration due to their unique properties, such as reduced particle size, big surface area, high adsorption capacity and good chemical stability [29]. Porous solids are used technically as adsorbents catalysts and catalyst supports owing to their high surface areas. According to the IUPAC definition [30]. Larger pores are present in porous glasses and porous gels which were known as mesoporous materials at the time of the discovery of MCM-41. With MCM (Mobil Composition of Matter) 41 the first mesoporous solid was synthesized that showed a regularly ordered pore arrangement and a very narrow pore-size distribution. After the discovery of MCM-41 in 1992. This material has a highly ordered mesoporous hexagonal structure with mesopore diameters varying from 5 to 30 nm porous materials are divided into three classes: pore-size distributions. Other mesoporous solids microporous (<2 nm), mesoporous (2-50 nm) and were synthesized via intercalation of layered mate macroporous (>50 nm). The pore size and the thickness of the silica walls can be adjusted by varying the heating temperature and time in the reaction solution [31]. Careful investigation of structure of SBA-15 showed that material has certain amount of micropores which connect neighboring mesopores [32,33]. The threshold limit values, permissible exposure limit and occupational exposure limits (TLV/ PEL/OEL) of manganese particles exposure in air determined by international organizations such as, occupational safety and health administration (OSHA, PEL), national institute of occupational safety and health (NIOSH, OEL) and American conference of governmental industrial hygienists (ACGIH, TLV) and were 5mg m⁻³, 3mg m⁻³, 5mg m⁻³ respectively [34].

So, adsorption/ removal of manganese particles from work place air has more important, due to the high toxicity in human body. In this study, IL/ MSNPs and MSNPs were used for adsorption/ removal of manganese dust (Mn) from workplace air by SPAM. The flow rate, mass / type of sorbent, temperature, and length column are important parameters which have more effected on removal efficiency of MSNPs from workplace and artificial air. The mean of relative standard deviation and preconcentration factor was less than 5% and 2.5, respectively.

2. Experimental procedure

2.1. Reagents and instrumental

Determination of manganese was performed with a spectra GBC flame or electro-thermal atomic absorption spectrometer (Model, Plus 932, Aus). A Mn hollow cathode lamp operating at a current of 5 mA and a wavelength of 279.5 nm with a spectral bandwidth of 0.2 nm was used. The GBC demountable torch of inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometer (ICP-OES, Integra XL, GBC, Aus) with efficient and high performance at reduced gas flow was used for manganese determination. The innovative bayonet mount torch design requires absolutely no re-alignment when replacing individual components. The Integra's standard set of sample introduction components offer unique capabilities that overcome traditional limitations. Optical detector based on dual photomultiplier system (R7154 solar blind tube) with UV detection was used. The plasma gas with 10 L min⁻¹ (Ar), auxiliary gas with 0.5 L min⁻¹ (Ar), and nebulizer gas with 0.5 L min⁻¹ (Ar) were used. The instrumental conditions are shown in Table 1. All reagents with analytical grade were purchased from Merck/Sigma (Darmstadt, Germany). Mn (II) and Mn (V) were prepared by dissolving appropriate amounts of Mn (NO₃)₂, MnO, and KMnO₄ in DW. The experimental and working standard solutions were prepared daily by diluting the stock solutions with DW. Deionized water

prepared by water purification system (Millipore, Bedford, MA, USA). Cetylmethyl NH_4Br (CTAB), Na_2SiO_2 (28 wt % SiO_2 , 8 wt % Na_2O , 64 wt % H_2O), silica gel, C_2H_5OH , NaOH, HCl and HNO₃ all were purchased from Merck, Germany. All chemicals such as HNO₃ and NaOH, acetone were used as purchased and no further purification was performed.

2.2. Synthesis

For synthesis, 3.13 grams of CTAB was added to 70.6 g of DW and stirred to change clear. First, 7.8 g of ethanol was added to the surfactant solution and then, 9.7 g of sodium silicate (28 wt.% SiO₂, 5 wt.% Na₂O, 65 wt.% H₂O) was mixed to surfactant solution (white suspension). Second, 24.6 g of sodium carboxyl methyl cellulose solution (12 wt.%) was added to the suspension and stirred for 3 h followed by 2 days aging in oven at 70 °C. Then, the precipitate of MSNPS was filtered, washed with deionized water and dried at 100°C overnight. The MSNPS was placed in a furnace and calcined with a heating rate of 1 K min⁻¹ to 550°C and held at this temperature for 6 hours in air. Then, hydrophobic ionic liquid (HIL) of 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate ([BMIM][PF6]) passed on mesoporous silica nanoparticles (IL/MSNPs). In addition, 0.4 g of the [BMIM][PF6] with 3 mL of acetone mixed with 20 mg of MSNPS and after shaking for 3 min, drying up to 75 °C. MSNPS modified with IL was made for further study.

2.3. Procedure

The dust of Mn nitrate and oxide in pure air was

Table 1. Instrumental Conditions for Mn determinationby ICP-OES and F-AAS.

	ICP-OES	F-AAS
Element	Mn	Mn
Wavelength (nm)	279.48	279.5
Lamp current (mA)		5.0
Slit (nm)		0.2
Volume spray injection	0.2 µL per min	2 mL
LOD (µg mL ⁻¹)	0.1	0.33
Range ^a ($\mu g \text{ mL}^{-1}$)	0.5-10	1-4
Mode	Peak area	Peak area

prepared and simulated in beach scale set up by standard solution of Mn (Fig. 1). The Mn nitrate and oxide was generated from 5 mL of standard solution $(0.1 - 5 \text{ mg L}^{-1})$ after drying up to 110 °C by which was mixed with pure air (210 mL of O_2/L ; 2.5 mL of H_2O/L) at 25 °C. This mixture was moved to column which was filled with 20 mg of IL/MSNPs, MSNPs and IL by flow rate of 450 mL min⁻¹. After adsorption Mn dusts on sorbent, the column irrigated with 2 mL of nitric acid (0.3 M) and concentration of Mn in final solution determined by F-AAS and ICP-OES. Note, the IL paste on MSNPs caused to increase the adsorption capacity of Mn dust from air as compared to MSNPs. By increasing temperature from 38-70°C, the removal efficiency was almost increased. The removal efficiency of proposed method was calculated by ratio of concentration of Mn in bulk of pilot to concentration of Mn which was determined by ICP-OES/F-AAS. For validation of methodology, different concentration of Mn was generated by pilot and spike to air samples dust. The recovery and adsorption capacity (mg g⁻¹) was calculated at 50°C as follows: $C_{_{s}}$ and $C_{_{b}}~(\mu g~mL^{\text{-1}}~\text{or}~mg~L^{\text{-1}})$ are concentration in sample and blank solution respectively. C_i and C_f are the initial and final concentrations of MnO/Mn(NO₃)₂. In addition, the V(mL) and m(mg) were the volume solution and mass of sorbent, respectively. The recovery was calculated by using Equation 2.

Eq. 1 Adsorption capacity (mg g^{-1}) = $[(C_i - C_{ij})_{ij}]/m$

Eq. 2 Recovery
$$= \frac{C_i - C_f}{C} \times 100$$

2.4. Characterizations

X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were reported by a GBC diffractometer with Be-filtered Cu K α radiation (1.54 Å) operating at 36.5 kV and 30 mA. Diffraction data was recorded between 1 and 10° 20 with a resolution of 0.01° 20 with the scan rate of 0.520 min⁻¹. Scanning electron micrograph was recorded using a Zeiss DSM 962 (Zeiss, Oberkochen, Germany). The sample was deposited



Fig. 1. Beach scale set up with standard solution of Mn by SPAM.

on a sample holder with an adhesive carbon foil and sputtered with gold. Adsorption/desorption of Nitrogen was carried out at 77 K using a BELSORP-mini porosimeter. Prior to analysis the samples were outgassed in-vacuo for 5 hours at 280 °C until a stable vacuum of 0.12 Pa was reached. The pore size distribution was calculated from the desorption branches of isotherms using the standard BJH procedure and also with geometrical (pressure independent) method. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) was performed on a LEO Zeiss 912 AB. The morphology of MSNPs was examined using scanning electron microscopy (SEM) by Phillips, PW3710, Netherland Company. Sample were dispersed in ethanol and sonicated for 30 minutes and deposited on a copper grid. The synthesis was prepared as the weight of calcined solid per grams of SiO₂ in the initial mixture. The elemental analyzer (CHNS/O, PerkinElmer, 2400

Series II) was used for determination of elemental composition of samples. CHN instrument perform elemental ratio calculations of H/C, N/C, S/C or C/N.

3. Results and discussion

3.1. SEM and TEM imaging

As shown in Figure 2, IL/MSNPs have a highly porous morphology and the mesoporous silica particles are in nanometer range (40-60 nm). Moreover, IL passed on MSNPs did not led to bulky silica nanoparticles. TEM image also illustrates pore structure of IL/MSNPs was shown in figure 5. Based on TEM, the mesoporous are clearly visible in the silica nanoparticles and particle size of the samples is in nanometer range as those observed in SEM image.



Fig. 2. TEM and SEM of IL/MSNPs sorbent

3.2. Effect of the Mass of MSNPs/IL

The removal efficiency of Mn particles from air with IL/MSNPs was examined between 5-50 mg. The results showed, 15 mg of sorbent had more efficiency for Mn dust removal from air (more than 95%). So, 20 mg of IL/MSNPs was selected as the optimum amounts of adsorbent in gas phase by proposed method. Based on results, 20 mg [BMIM] [PF6] and [EMIM][PF6] and [HMIM][PF6] can be removal Mn dust from air up to 38.4%, 26%, and 32%, respectively. So, [BMIM][PF6] was used as IL in this research.

3.3. Removal efficiency and Adsorption capacity

In this study, the parameters effected on removal efficiency and adsorption capacity were studied by different temperatures $(20 - 100^{\circ}C)$, flow rates (50, 100, 200,400 and 600 mL min⁻¹) and initial concentrations of 0.1-5 mg L^{-1} (ppm). Finally, the adsorption capacity of 216.2 mg g⁻¹, 118.5 mg g⁻¹ and 67.4 mg g⁻¹ was obtained for Mn dust removal from air with 20 mg IL/MSNPs, MSNPs and IL, respectively. Different ILs such as [BMIM][PF6] and [EMIM] [PF6] and [HMIM] [PF6] passed on MSNPs and effect of temperature on Mn adsorption process was investigated. The results showed, increasing of temperature between 38-70 °C, decreased the viscosity of ILs and caused to efficient removal of Mn dust from air, so, 50°C was selected as optimum temperature. Initial concentrations of 0.01-1 mg L⁻¹ (ppm) of Mn dust were examined by proposed procedure. It seems that, the initial concentrations of Mn dusts depended on mass of sorbent/IL and adsorption capacity. When the adsorption capacity of IL/MSNPs was increased, the more concentration of Mn can be used. As a 20 mg of sorbent and adsorption capacity of 216 mg g^{-1} , the maximum concentration of 4.32 mg of Mn was obtained.

3.4. Effect of air flow rate

By SPAM procedure, the effect of flow rate for Mn dust removal from air was studied for 30 samples. The effect of different flow rates for 20 mg IL/MSNPs, MSNPs, and IL between 50 to 800 mL min⁻¹ was tested at room temperature and 50°C. The flow rate was measured in output of solid phase by a rotameter. The removal efficiency and adsorption capacity of IL/MSNPs, MSNPs and IL for Mn dust were obtained less than 500 mL min⁻¹. So, 450 mL min⁻¹ was selected as optimum flow rate with IL/MSNPs phase for removal of Mn dust from air (Fig. 4).

3.5. Method Validation and Column Condition

The back extraction of Mn from IL/MSNPs was occurred with the minimal concentration of different acid solution. By SPAM method, the different acid solution was used for back extraction Mn ions from column. Reducing pH, leads to dissociation and



Fig. 2. The effect of concentration for manganese removal from air.



Fig. 3. The effect of temperature for manganese removal from air.



Fig. 4. Effect of flow rate on recovery percentage.

releasing of Mn (II) ions from IL/MSNPs, MSNPs and IL into acid phase. In order to determine the type and amount of mineral acidic solution for lead desorption from IL/MSNPs, different mineral acids such as HCl, HNO₃ and H₂SO₄ (0.1-1 mol L⁻¹) were studied by proposed procedure. The results showed, the 0.3 mol L⁻¹ of HNO₃ solution was selected as a quantitatively acid solution for back extraction of Mn(II) from IL/MSNPs. By experimental design, the interaction between manganese dust in air and IL/MSNPs as a sorbent was evaluated when the pilot set up correctly. In this method, the IL/ MSNPs, MSNPs and IL was used for removal of for Mn dust (MnO and $Mn(NO_3)_2$) from air by SPAM. For calculating of accuracy and precision of dynamic system, the initial Mn concentration in bench scale set up (bulk container) was determined by F-AAS and compared to proposed method by sorbents. By proposed method, the Mn dust with different concentration from 0.1-1 mg L⁻¹ was generated and passed through dynamic system with 450 mL min⁻¹ and removal from air by 20 mg of IL/MSNPs. The different concentration of standard of MnO and Mn(NO₂), in air bags and bulk container was determined by F-AAS before used by proposed method. Since standard reference material (SRM) for Mn nitrate and oxide in air dust are not currently available, the spiked of Mn concentration in air which was generated by bench set up $(0.1-5 \text{ mg L}^{-1}, 450 \text{ mL min}^{-1})$ were prepared to demonstrate the reliability of the method by IL/MSNPs, MSNPs and IL sorbents (Table 2, 3). For determination of manganese concentration in lower and upper linear range, the sample was preconcentration and dilution up to 2.5 and 12.5, respectively. At optimized set up, more than 98% of Mn oxide and nitrate in air dust were removed by IL/MSNPs at 50°C. The high recovery of spiked samples is satisfactorily reasonable and was confirmed using addition method, which indicates the capability of SPAM method for removal of Mn dust from air. After irrigation of column with 2 mL of nitric acid (0.3 M, pH < 4), the Mn ions was

back extracted from IL/MSNPs as a solid phase and Mn concentration determined by F-AAS. The validation of methodology was confirmed using power instrumental analyzer ICP (Table 4).

4. Conclusions

In this research, the adsorption/removal of pollutant Mn dust from air was achieved based on IL/MSNPs and MSNPs by SPAM. The results showed, the unique, efficient, and applied procedure which was used for removal of Mn particles dust from workplace and artificial air. For increasing of removal recovery, Mn concentration, amount of IL/MSNPs, temperature from 20-100 and flow rate were studied and optimized. The capacity adsorption, recovery, removal efficiency of sorbents was investigated and compared together by F-AAS and ICP-OES. Based on the results, the adsorption capacity IL/MSNPs were more than MSNPs for nitrate/oxide of Mn dust from workplace air. In addition, the efficiency of adsorption for MnO

 Table 2. Method validation for IL/MSNPs by spike of Mn oxide in dust air with F-AAS (mg L-1)

Bench	Bulk Bench	Added to bench	Found ^a	Recovery (%)
(Conc.)	(Conc.)	(Conc.)		
^b 0.2	0.16 ± 0.02	0.2	031 ± 0.03	96.8
^b 0.3	0.28 ± 0.02	0.3	0.53 ± 0.05	94.6
^b 0.5	0.44 ± 0.04	0.5	0.87 ± 0.07	98.9
1.0	0.95 ± 0.08	1.0	1.85 ± 0.11	97.3
°3.0	2.78 ± 0.16	3.0	5.62 ± 0.27	101.2
°5.0	$4.69 \pm .24$	5.0	9.02± •,48	96.1

^a Mean of three determinations \pm confidence interval (P = 0.95, n = 5)

^b (Preconcentration Factor=2.5, Injection volume=2 mL, 450 mL min⁻¹ air flow rate, Peak Area, 20 mg, T=50°C, pH<4)

^c (Dilution Factor=2.5, Injection volume=12.5 mL, 450 mL min⁻¹ air flow rate, Peak Area, 20 mg, T=50°C, pH<4)

Table 3. Method validation for IL/MSNPs by spike of Mn nitrate in dust air with	$F-AAS (mg L^{-1})$

Bench	Bulk Bench	Added to bench	Found ^a	Recovery (%)
(Conc.)	(Conc.)	(Conc.)		
^b 0.4	0.35 ± 0.02	0.4	067 ± 0.04	95.7
^b 0.6	0.52 ± 0.05	0.6	0.99 ± 0.10	95.2
1.0	0.92 ± 0.09	1.0	1.88 ± 0.12	102.3
2.0	1.86 ± 0.13	2.0	3.65 ± 0.18	98.1
°3.0	2.65 ± 0.17	3.0	5.18 ± 0.28	97.7
°5.0	4.51 ± 0.25	5.0	$8.94{\pm}~0.48$	99.1

^a Mean of three determinations \pm confidence interval (P = 0.95, n = 5)

^b (Preconcentration Factor=2.5, Injection volume=2 mL, 450 mL min⁻¹ air flow rate, Peak Area, 20 mg, T=50°C, pH<4)

^c (Dilution Factor=2.5, Injection volume=12.5 mL, 450 mL min⁻¹ air flow rate, Peak Area, 20 mg, T=50°C, pH<4)

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Sample*	Bulk Bench	Added	F-AAS ^a	ICP-OES ^a	FAAS	ICP-OES
	(Conc.)	(Conc.)	(Conc.)	(Conc.)	Recovery (%)	Recovery (%)
IL	1.0		0.26 ± 0.02	0.29 ± 0.02	26	29
		1.0	$0.54 {\pm}~ 0.03$	0.56 ± 0.04	28	27
		2.0	0.83 ± 0.04	0.88 ± 0.05	28.5	29.5
IL/MSNPs	1.0		0.98 ± 0.05	0.99 ± 0.06	98	99
		1.0	1.99 ± 0.09	1.97 ± 0.10	101	98
		2.0	2.96 ± 0.15	2.95 ± 0.16	99	98
MSNPs	1.0		0.52 ± 0.03	0.56 ± 0.02	52	56
		1.0	1.03 ± 0.05	1.11 ± 0.06	51	55
		2.0	1.49 ± 0.07	1.64 ± 0.08	48.5	54

Table 4. Comparing of different sorbents for removal of Mn oxide by ICP-OES/F-AAS (mg L⁻¹)

^a Mean of three determinations \pm confidence interval (P = 0.95, n = 5)

* (450 mL min⁻¹ air flow rate, Peak Area, 20 mg, T=50°C, pH<4)

and Mn $(NO_3)_2$ was increased at more than 38-70

^oC and decreased more than 90 °C. Finally, the results showed that the flow rate is important factor in dynamic system, and optimized flow rate was achieved less than 450 mL min⁻¹. The method had good ability for removal of Mn dust from air.

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