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## APPENDIX A

**The composition of the clinoptilolite modified by ion-exchange with 1 M of chloride salt at 80°C for 30 hours and at 80°C for 5 hours.**

**Table A.1** Composition of clinoptilolite modified by ion exchange with two different conditions.

Adsorbent	Si (%wt)	Al (%wt)	Na (%wt)	K (%wt)	Mg (%wt)	Ca (%wt)	Si/Al
Na-clino-30	67.87	13.11	12.57	5.02	0.87	0.56	5.18
Na-clino	65.85	12.74	12.74	5.56	1.67	1.44	5.17
K-clino-30	64.11	11.95	1.78	20.17	1.33	0.68	5.36
K-clino	64.47	12.13	2.08	19.48	1.08	0.75	5.31
Mg-clino-30	69.39	15.53	2.91	6.49	2.22	3.47	4.47
Mg-clino	70.61	13.39	2.07	7.60	1.98	4.35	5.27
Ca-clino-30	69.03	12.04	6.03	6.06	1.69	5.23	5.73
Ca-clino	69.91	12.89	3.54	6.44	1.55	5.84	5.42

## APPENDIX B

**The pore size of the pretreated clinoptilolite and clinoptilolite modified by the thermal treatment, acid treatment, ion exchange, and acid treatment prior to ion exchange resulted from BET surface area measurement.**

**Table B.1** The comparison of the pore size of the pretreated clinoptilolite and modified clinoptilolite.

Modification technique	Adsorbent	Pore size (nm)
Thermal treatment	Pretreated clino	12.90
	Clino (300)	15.03
	Clino (400)	14.72
	Clino (500)	17.65
Acid treatment	H-clino (0.1)	4.69
	H-clino (1)	3.76
	H-clino (3)	3.52
Ion exchange	Na-clino	11.37
	K-clino	13.39
	Mg-clino	11.35
	Ca-clino	13.83
Acid treatment prior to ion exchange	Acid-Na-clino	3.61
	Acid-K-clino	3.64
	Acid-Mg-clino	3.50
	Acid-Ca-clino	3.66

## APPENDIX C

**The d-spacings of the pretreated clinoptilolite and clinoptilolite modified by thermal treatment, acid treatment, ion exchange, and acid treatment prior to ion exchange resulted from x-ray diffraction.**

**Table C.1** The comparison of the four most intense d-spacings from literature, the pretreated clinoptilolite and modified clinoptilolite.

<b>Adsorbent</b>	<b>The four most intense d-spacings (°A)</b>			
Literature	8.9200	3.9640	3.8970	2.9740
Pretreated clino	8.9996	3.9727	3.9140	2.9742
Clino (300)	8.9996	3.9727	3.9174	2.9742
Clino (400)	8.9632	3.9622	3.8937	2.9684
Clino (500)	9.1862	3.9868	3.9242	2.9723
H-clino (0.1)	8.9996	3.9798	3.9106	2.9723
H-clino (1)	8.9632	3.9868	3.9072	2.9703
H-clino (3)	8.9813	3.9798	3.9072	2.9703
Na-clino	8.9996	3.9798	3.9106	2.9723
K-clino	8.9632	3.9868	3.9072	2.9703
Mg-clino	8.9813	3.9798	3.9072	2.9703
Ca-clino	8.9996	3.9692	3.9140	2.9723
Acid-Na-clino	8.9996	3.9868	3.9140	2.9723
Acid-K-clino	8.9813	3.9762	3.9106	2.9761
Acid-Mg-clino	8.9996	3.9868	3.9174	2.9742
Acid-Ca-clino	8.9813	3.9762	3.9004	2.9588

**An estimate of the dimension of the crystallites calculated by the Scherrer equation.**

Crystallites can be obtained through the three most intense d-spacings of x-ray diffraction peaks, measured at one-half of the height.

**The Scherrer equation.**

$$d = 0.89\lambda / \beta \cos\theta \quad (C-1)$$

where

$d$  = crystallite size

$\lambda$  = wave length ( $1.5406^{\circ}\text{A}$  for CuK radiation)

$\beta$  = peak width at the half height

$\theta$  = diffraction angle

## APPENDIX D

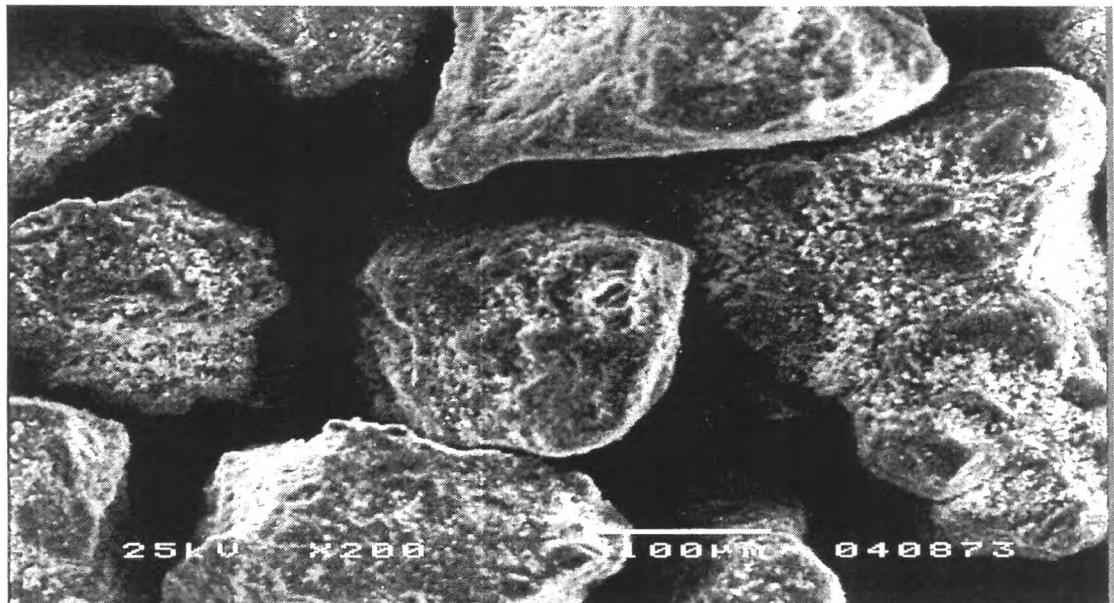
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**Table D.1** Zeolite infrared assignments.

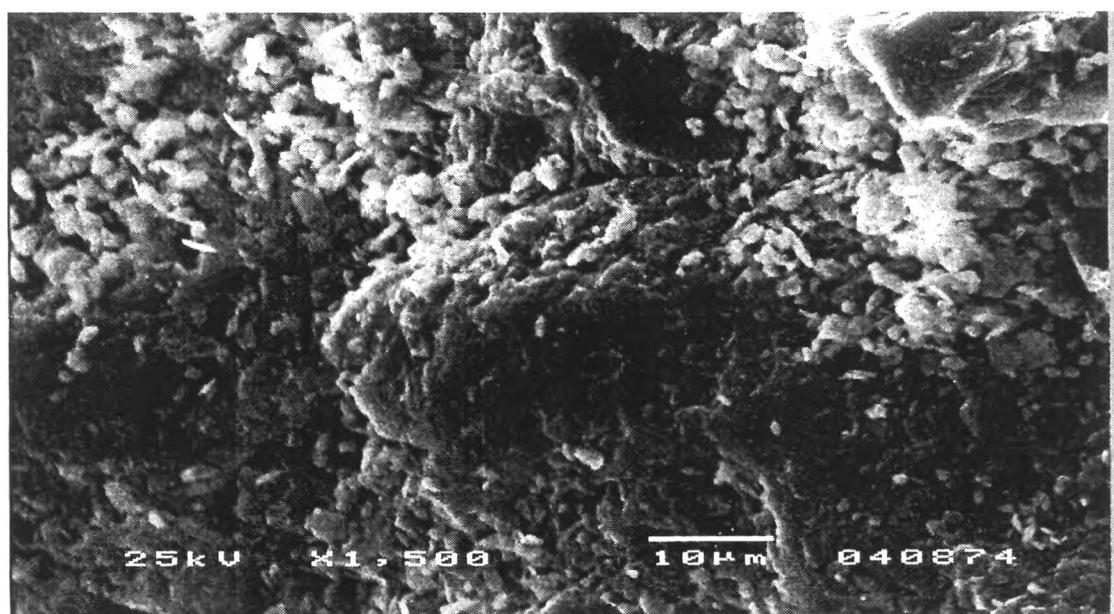
Vibration type	Wavenumber (cm <sup>-1</sup> )
<i>Internal tetrahedra:</i>	
Asymmetric stretching Si(Al)-O	1250-950
Symmetric stretching Si(Al)-O	720-650
Bending O-Si(Al)-O	420-500
<i>External linkages:</i>	
Double ring vibrations	650-500
Pore opening modes	300-420
Symmetric stretching Si(Al)-O	750-820
Asymmetric stretching Si(Al)-O	1050-1150

## APPENDIX E

Scanning electron micrographs of the pretreated clinoptilolite.



**Figure E.1** Scanning electron micrograph of the pretreated clinoptilolite at 200 X Magnification.



**Figure E.2** Scanning electron micrograph of the pretreated clinoptilolite at 1500 X Magnification.

## APPENDIX F

### **The adsorption capacity of the clinoptilolite column.**

The mass balance for the whole column:

$$\frac{\rho V C_0}{M} \int_0^t \left(1 - \frac{C}{C_0}\right) dt = \int_0^q dq \quad (E-1)$$

where

$C_0$  = initial concentration (%vol)

$C$  = concentration at any time (%vol)

$M$  = mass of the dry zeolite in the column (g)

$q$  = adsorbate concentration (%vol/g zeolite)

$t$  = adsorption time (minute)

$V$  = volumetric flow rate (ml/min)

$\rho$  = gas density (g/cm<sup>3</sup>)

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