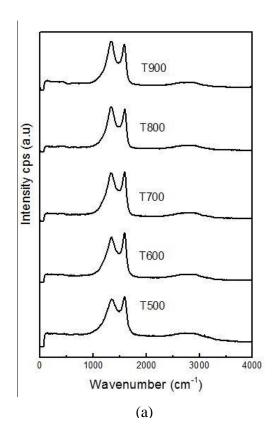
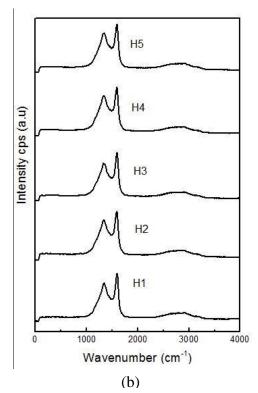
## **Supporting Information**





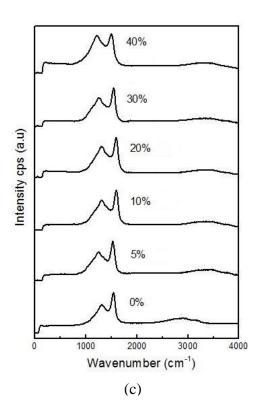


Fig.1 Raman spectra of PKSAC prepared using three different parameters (a) carbonization temperature, (b) carbonization holding time and (c) concentration of  $H_3PO_4$ .

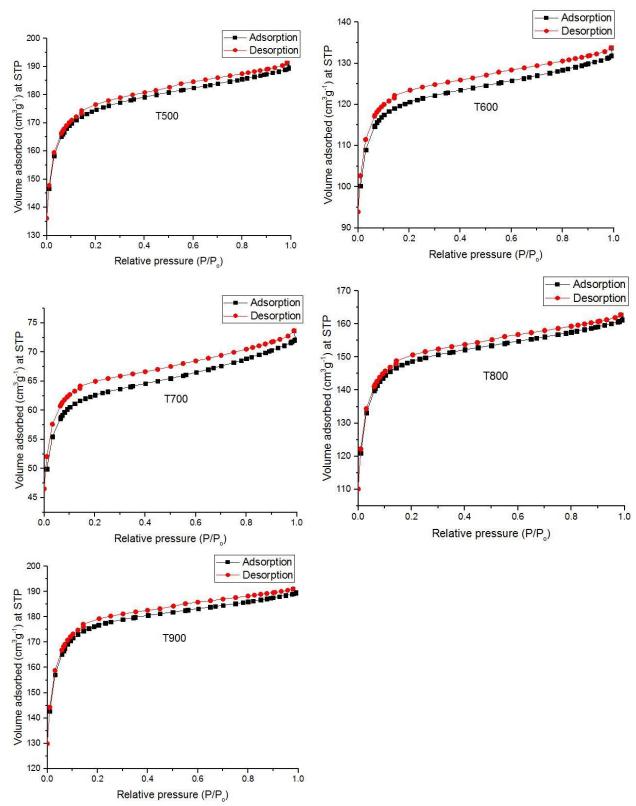


Fig.2a Adsorption-desorption isotherms of activated carbons prepared at various activation temperatures (°C) as indicated by the last 3 digits of the sample's name.

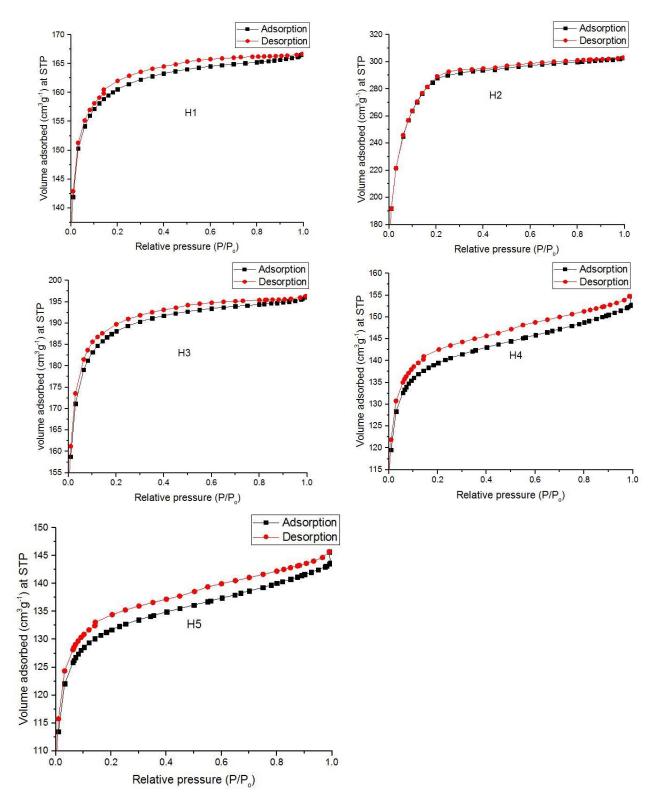


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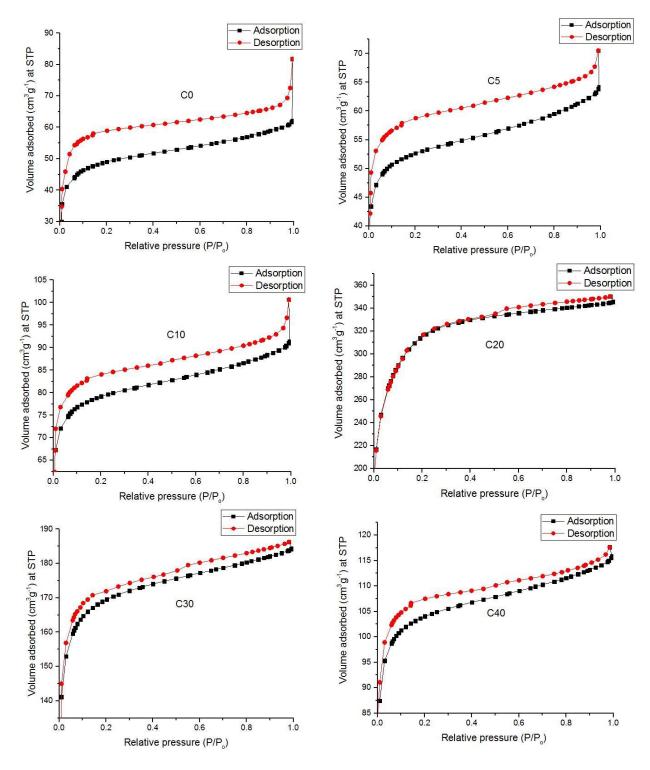


Fig.2c Adsorption-desoprtion isotherm of activated carbons prepared using various concentrations of H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (%) as indicated by the last 2 digits of the sample's name.