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## Study of adsorption - desorption of ibuprofen on Perrenjas clay before and after its treatment with sulfuric acid

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Natural clays with a high smectite content are used widely in pharmaceutical industry as adsorbent, antidiuretic and drug carrier because of their physical - chemical properties. Clay may interact with drugs by reducing their absorption and slowing the release of drug towards the target organ. In this paper is studied the suitability of Prrenjas clay, from Albania, in its natural state and after its treatment with sulfuric acid, to adsorb-desorb ibuprofen out of its water and hexane solutions. Clays cation exchange capacity is measured before and after the treatment with 11.142 M sulfuric acid aqueous solution. Concentration of ibuprofen in its aqueous and hexane solutions, after reaching the adsorbtion - desorbtion equilibria, were determined by means of UV spectrophotometry. The respective absorption - desorbtion isotherms were drawn based on those measurements.

## Biography

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