Reference data for the adsorption of methanol on

carbon materials

The adsorption of methanol at 298 K on carbon blacks and microporous carbons,

including Carbosieve, Takeda molecular sieves, Maxsorb superactivated carbons and an

activated charcoal cloth, has been studied. Analysis of the results indicates that the

mechanism of adsorption of methanol on carbon blacks shows some similarities to that

of water vapour. However, it is still possible to define reference data which can be used

to obtain estimates of the surface area of carbon blacks, provided that the surface is

reasonably polar, and of external surface area and micropore volume of microporous

carbon adsorbents, provided that the pore size is not very large.

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