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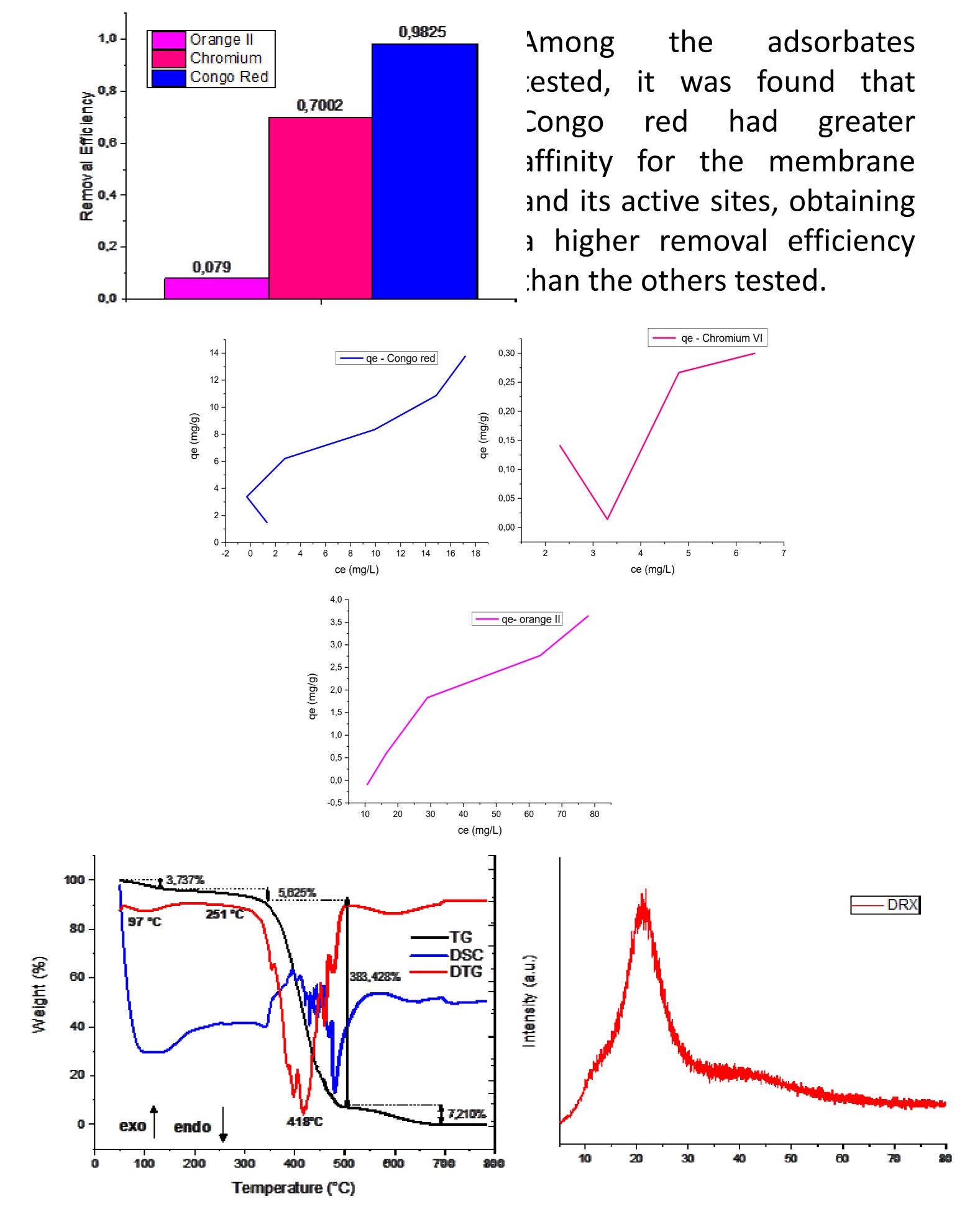
## Introduction

Over the years, environmental awareness has increased due to this, several technologies are being used to try to remove these pollutants from industrial and residential waste. Adsorption, oxidative processes, membrane separation, among others, are methods studied for this purpose. The adsorption process is a methodology that offers a high degree of purification and removal of contaminants for both high and low concentrations; the operational easiness and the low cost of implementation are great attractions of this technique<sup>1,2</sup>. The use of polymers as adsorbents is a feasible route, however little studied with a view to film deposition or surface modification, as well as much of the literature that deals with adsorption focuses a lot on the foundation of the phenomenon<sup>3,4</sup>.

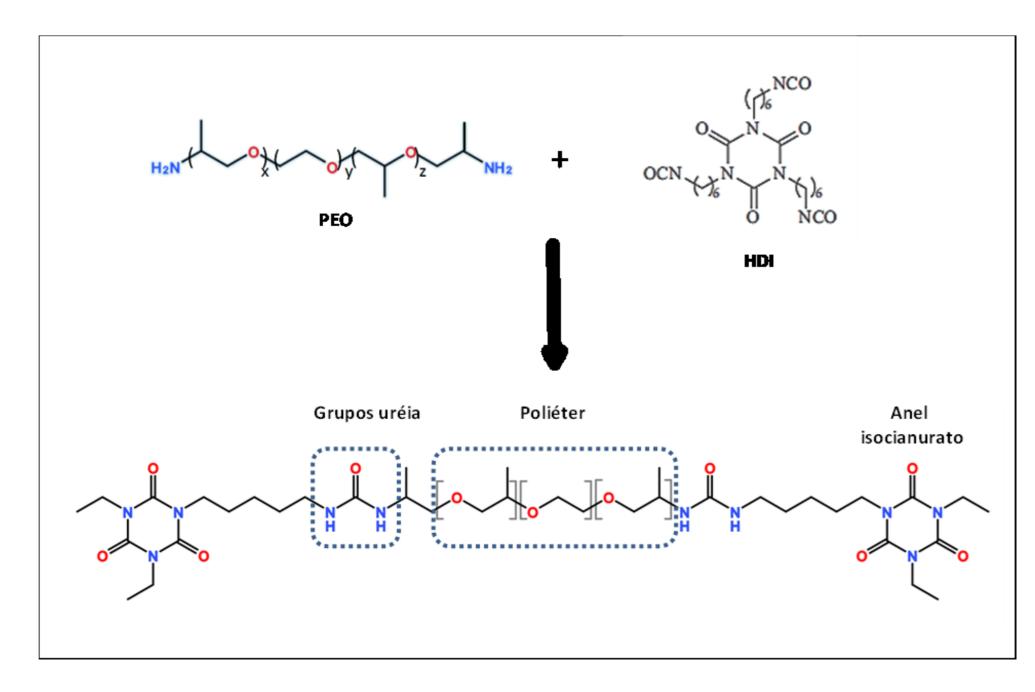
#### Methodology

Samples of polyurea membranes were synthesized using

## Results / Discussions



jeffamine<sup>®</sup>ED-2003 Polyetherdiamine dissolved in acetone with HDI using a molar ratio of 1:1.



#### Adsorption experiment

To carry out the chromium adsorption experiments, solutions with potassium dichromate were prepared, with concentrations ranging from 4 to 10ppm. These solutions are subjected to contact with polyurea membranes with predetermined mass and surface area. The same process was realized for azo dye congo

### Conclusions

The adsorption of dyes follows an L-type isotherm, while that of chromium follows an H. The adsorption of chromium VI, despite being slow, occurs in a greater proportion, possibly due to the absence of spatial limitations and competition for active sites, which tend to L-type adsorptions occur. However, the adsorbent proved to be effective in removing all tested adsorbates.

red and orange II with concentrations rangins from 10 to 100ppm.

#### Processing of UV-VIS spectra

To process the experiments, a calibration curve was made in the region of 540nm for chromium and 499 and 487 for dyes, which is the optimal absorption region for. The solutions were periodically evaluated to evaluate the removal rate. The membranes were also periodically evaluated for their mass to measure the rate of mass gain.

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