Electrophysical characteristics of an activated adsorbent from humic acid

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Electrophysical properties are the main indicator of carbon materials used in electrothermal processes, as well as for the manufacture of superconducting materials, capacitors and fuel cells from them [1]. Measurements of electrophysical properties were carried out according to the method [2].

The electrophysical characteristics of an activated adsorbent from humic acid based on coal from the Maykuben deposit (Kazakhstan) were investigated. Porous-carbon material was obtained by carbonization and activation in argon and water vapor. The study of electrophysical properties (dielectric constant (ϵ), electrical resistance (R)) was carried out by measuring the electrical intensity of the samples on a LCR-800 serial device (Taiwan) at an operating frequency of 1 kHz, 5 kHz and 10 kHz continuously in dry air in thermostatic mode with exposure time at each fixed temperature (293–483 K). Based on the data obtained, the band gap (ΔE) of the samples was calculated.

When comparing the electrophysical characteristics of the activated adsorbent from humic acid at various frequencies, it was found that a change in frequency from 1 kHz to 10 kHz does not strongly affect the value of electrical resistance in the range 293-483 K. For example, the lgR values at 293 K and at 1 kHz are 4, 03 ohms, at 5 kHz - 3.99 ohms and at 10 kHz - 3.97 ohms, and at 483 K and at 1 kHz - 2.93 ohms, at 5 kHz - 2.92 ohms and at 10 kHz - 2, 92 ohms. The values of dielectric constant (ϵ) at various frequencies varies with decreasing transition from 1 kHz to 10 kHz. For example, the value of ϵ at 293 K and 5 kHz - 3.295 \cdot 10⁵, at 293 K and 10 kHz - 1.462 \cdot 10⁵, and at 483 K and 1 kHz - 4.336 \cdot 10⁸, at 483 K and 5 kHz - 5.474 \cdot 10⁷ and at 483 K and 10 kHz - 2.013 \cdot 10⁷. The above data show that the maximum values of ϵ are obtained by measuring a frequency of 1 kHz.

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