Jongporn Mahadlek 2012: Adsorption of Fat and Oil from Canteen Wastewater in Kasetsart University by *Typha angustifolia* Linn. and *Cyperus corymbosus* Rottb. Master of Science (Environmental Science), Major Field: Environmental Science, College of Enviroment. Thesis Advisor: Associate Professor Nipon Tungkananuruk, Ph.D. 84 pages.

This research was to study the fat and oil removal from canteen wastewater in Kasetsart University using low-cost bioadsorbents as Typha angustifolia Linn. and Cuperus corybosus Rottb. Several factors influencing the fat and oil adsorption were including pH (3-10), mixing speed (50-200 rpm), shaking time (10-120 min), contact time (10-120 min), concentration of fat and oil (5,000-25,000 mg/L) and adsorbent dose (0.5 -3 g/L). It was found that the optimal conditions for fat and oil adsorption by 0.5 gram of Typha angustifolia Linn. and 1 gram of Cyperus corymbosus Rottb. were pH 7, 100 rpm of mixing speed for Cyperus corymbosus Rottb. and 150 rpm of mixing speed for Typha angustifolia Linn., 30 min of shaking time, 30 min of contact time, Under the conditions, the adsorption efficiency of oil in 5,000 mg/L of synthetic wastewater by Typha angustifolia Linn. was 63.71% and in 15,000 mg/L of synthetic wastewater by Cyperus corybosus Rottb. was 87.49 %. The adsorption in batch process for both absorbents followed Freundlich isotherms and Langmuir isotherm. Under this adsorption process, Typha angustifolia Linn. and Cyperus corybosus Rottb. can remove fat and oil in canteen wastewater from Kasetsart University at 32.23% and 43.80% respectively. For application, the adsorption efficiency of oil by Typha augustifolia Linn. 140 g and Cuperus corybosus Rottb. 80 g in 10 L of canteen wastewater in Kasetsart University was 50.27% and 86.26% respectively. Both Typha augustifolia Linn. and Cyperus corybosus Rottb can be used to remove not only oil in wastewater but also other parameters such as COD, TDS, TSS and conductivity can be reduced.

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