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Dear Pr. A. Souizi,

Find attached a copy of our manuscript submitted for consideration as an Original Paper contribution to the Mediterranean Journal of Chemistry “**Use of Moroccan Clay for Removal of Basic Dyes From Aqueous Solution**” by: Zineb Bencheqroun, Imane El Mrabet, Zineb Chaouki, Mohammed Kachabi, Mostafa Nawdali, Isabel.C.Neves and Hicham Zaitan

This work was presented at the 3MA congress at the FST Fez.

The main objective of this study was to investigate the potential of natural clay from Fez city as adsorbent for the removal of dyes (Astrazon Blue BG and Astrazon Yellow 7GLL) from liquid effluents.

This work come as result of an on-going international project among the LCMC Matter Laboratory (Fez, Morocco) and CEB Center, University of Minho Portugal.

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