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Editor and Reviewer comments:

Reviewer #1: The authors reported the Coconut Waste-based Cellulose Microfiber/ZIF-8 (CMF/ZIF-8) for drug release of curcumin. This manuscript seems organized well, with little to no significant issues. Therefore I see no reason to prevent this manuscript from being published. The submission can be accepted after minor revision taking into account the following points:-

1. The title should be revised to be short, precise, and informative. Redundant words such as 'Composite for High-Performance Curcumin Uptake and Controlled Release' should be removed. It is enough to mention ' for curcumin drug delivery'.

2. The mechanism of the drug release should be further discussed. The authors should note that PBS causes the decomposition of ZIF-8 to ZnPO4. Please, see these References;

3. A camera image showing the materials before and after Curcumin adsorption should be added.

4. ZIF-8 application for drug release should be updated including these References; https://doi.org/10.1021/ acsabm.0c00300; https://doi.org/10.1002/adfm.201805372; https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-017-12786-6; DOI: 10.1039/D1RA09450E

5. The language should be improved and typos should be corrected.

Reviewer #2: In this study, the authors prepared microfiber and zeolite imidazole frame8 (CMF/ZIF-8) composites based on coconut waste for the absorption/release of curcumin. The absorption behavior of curcumin by CMF/ZIF-8 was elucidated by kinetics, isotherm and thermodynamics. Under the conditions of CMF/ZIF-8 loading (MC)=0.1%(w/w), adsorption time (T)=1440 min, temperature (T)=30°C and initial concentration of curcumin of 626.4 mg L-1, the maximum adsorption capacity of curcumin could reach 1000 mg g-1. Therefore, CMF/ZIF-8 would be a potential smart drug carrier that could be implemented in controlled drug delivery systems with stimulus-response mechanisms. In my opinion, there are still some problems in this manuscript that need to be revised.

1. APTES functionalized CMF/ZIF-8 is the same as non-functionalized CMF/ZIF-8. Please make a distinction.

2. The ruler on the high-resolution picture in Figure C is too small to be distinguishable. The author is advised to add a ruler that is clearly visible.

3. The aperture distribution curve is described in the paper, but the relevant curve is not shown in the paper.

4. Some related works are suggested to be cited, such as: Carbohyd. Polym. 2022, 296, 119969; Chem. Eng. J. 2018, 349, 766-774.

5. According to the study in the paper, the adsorption performance decreases with the increase of temperature from 30 $^{\circ}$ C to 50 $^{\circ}$ C, so why not study the adsorption behavior below 30 $^{\circ}$ C?

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Reviewer #1: The authors addressed most of the comments and the revised version can be accepted.

Reviewer #2: No further revision is needed.

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