

# Functionalization of Citrus Pectin as a Green Corrosion Inhibitor for Gas Pipelines



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**Research question:** To what extent is citrus pectin an effective green corrosion inhibitor for gas pipelines?

## Background

- The U.S. economy incurs an annual cost of \$276 billion due to corrosion.
- Common corrosion inhibitors like N-Methyl Diethanolamine are widely used in industry and effective but not environmentally friendly.
- Citrus pectin, a renewable biopolymer, is traditionally used as a gelling agent, but now being used for broader applications.

## Future Work

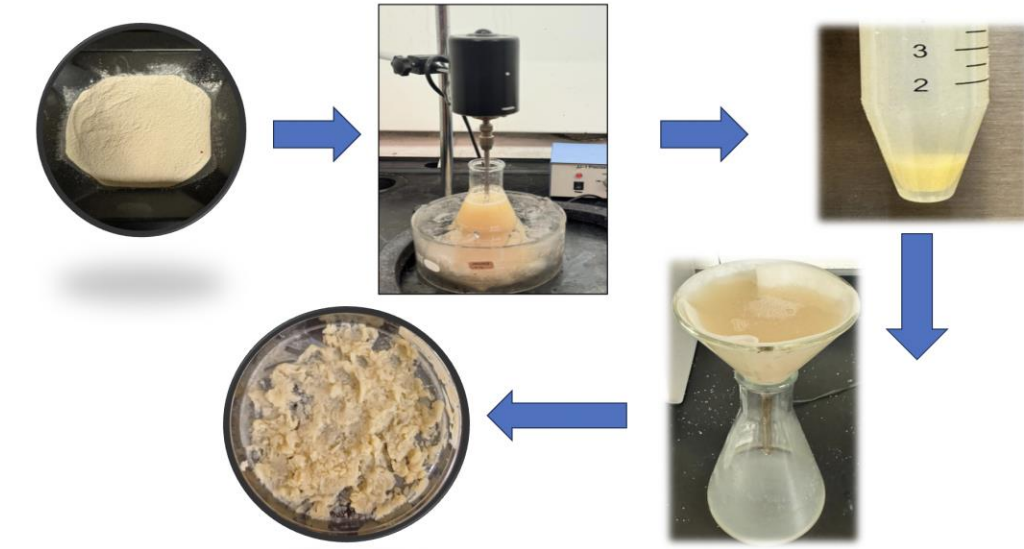
- Optimization of citrus pectin by potentially adding polymers or additives, or testing different concentrations.
- Environmental impact testing of citrus pectin compared to standard corrosion inhibitors.
- Testing with different types of steel to observe variable effects.

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## Research Methods

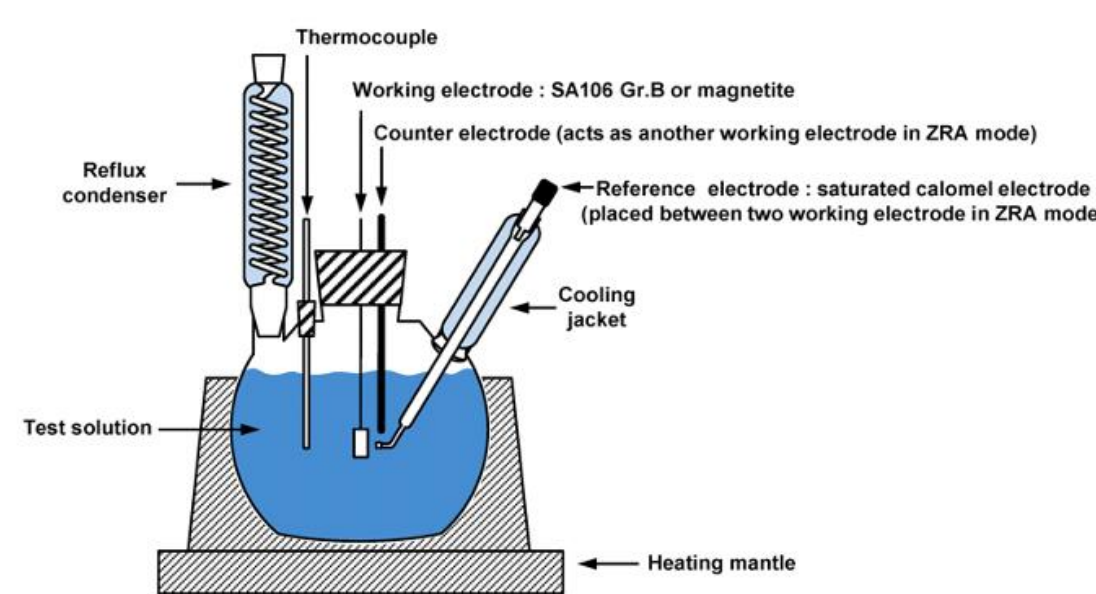
Step 1: Modify Citrus Pectin



Step 2: Analysis Using Weight



Step 3: Analysis with Electrochemistry

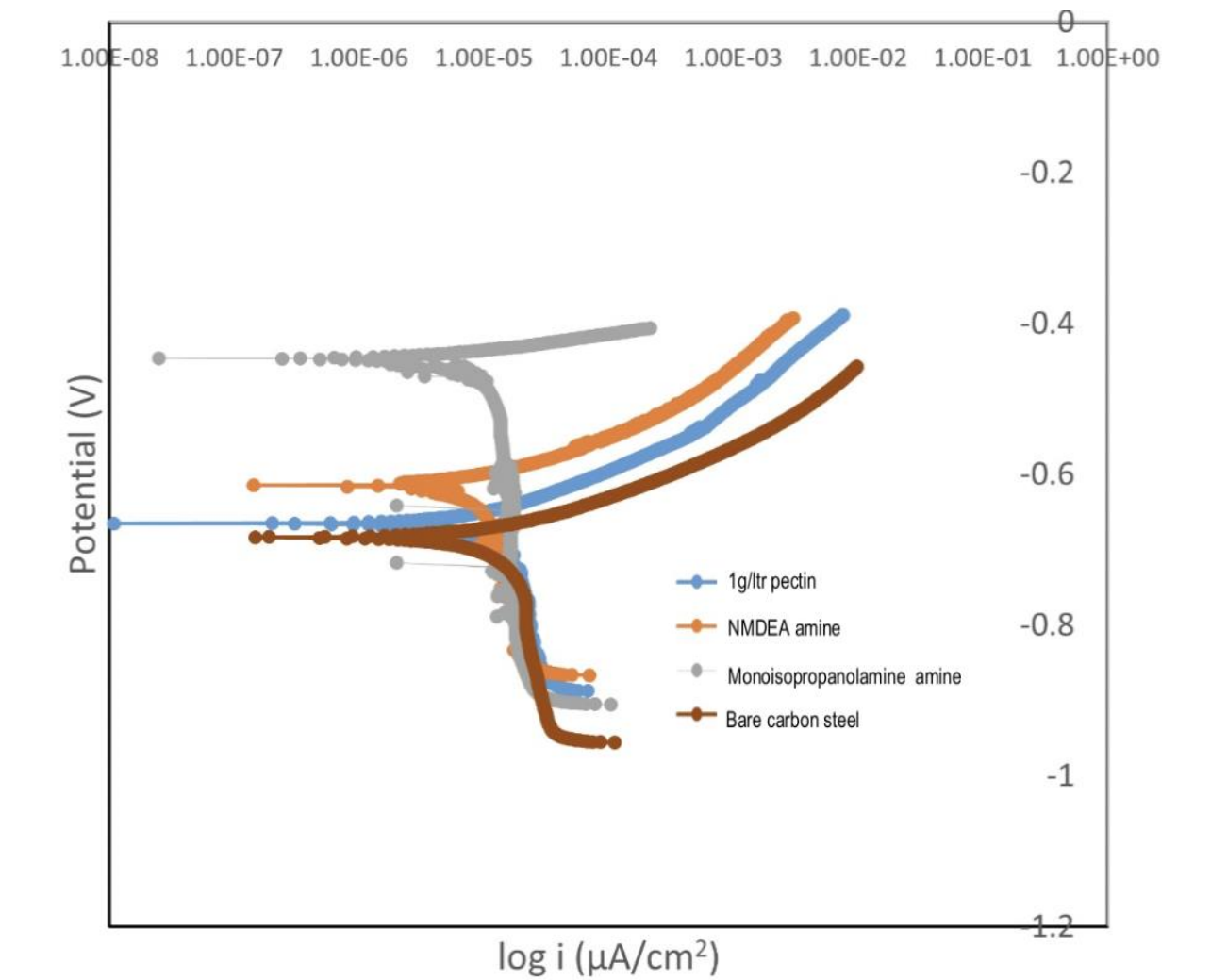
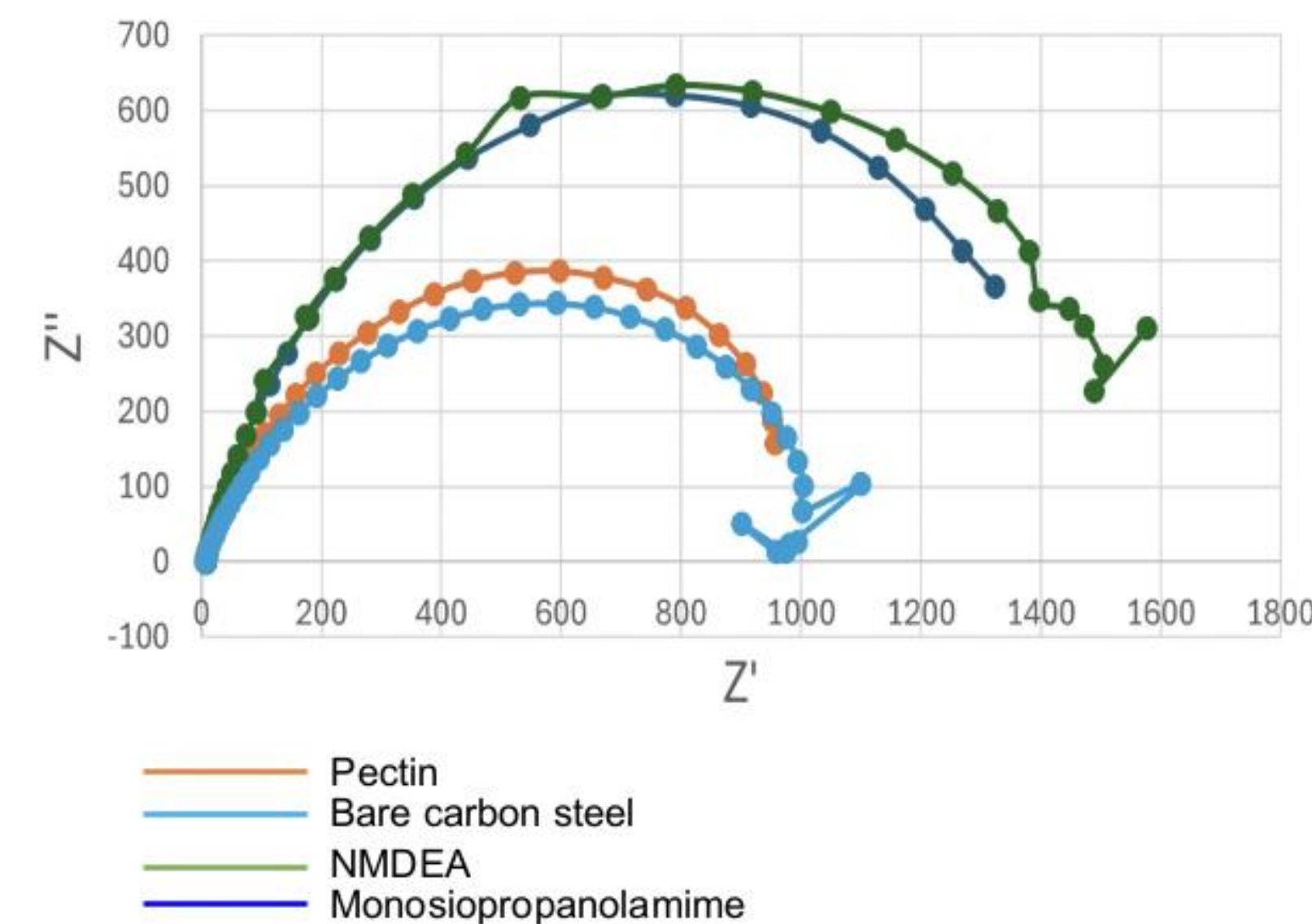


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## Results

Sample	$E_{corr}$ (mV)	$i_{corr}$ ( $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$ )	CR (mmpy)	Inhibition efficiency (%)
NMDEA	-612.88	10.372	0.1194	54.10
Monoisopropanolamine	-444.41	13.69	0.158	39.424
Pectin 1g/Ltr	-664.99	19.789	0.2300	12.4
Bare Carbon steel	-683.5	22.6	0.261	-



Sample	$R_s$ (solution resistance) ( $\Omega \text{ cm}^2$ )	RP (Polarization resistance) ( $\Omega \text{ cm}^2$ )	CPE (constant phase element) (F/s)	n	Inhibition efficiency (%)
EIS NMDEA	6.76	1662.3	$5.5 \times 10^{-4}$	0.83736	37
EIS Monoisopropanolamine	6.74	1509.2	$5.5 \times 10^{-4}$	0.83553	30.61
EIS NaCl 3.5 1 PECTIN	6.0	1247.4	$2.32 \times 10^{-4}$	0.76676	16
Bare carbon steel	4.964	1047	$4.3 \times 10^{-4}$	0.79745	-

Before and after	Inhibitor	Average Weight(g)	Weight Loss(g)	Corrosion percentage(%)	Inhibition efficiency(%)
Before corrosion	Control Sample	3.8212	0.0091	-0.2381	
After corrosion	(Pure NaCl)	3.8121			
Before corrosion	3.5 NaCl with Pectin	3.78071	0.00882	-0.2333	3.1746
After corrosion	in Solution 1g/L	3.77189			
Before corrosion	Dipped modified pectin	3.81407	0.00593	-0.1556	53.3708
After corrosion		3.80813			
Before corrosion	Amine Dip N Methyl-Diethanol Amine(99%)	3.7854	0.0049	-0.1294	85.7143
After corrosion		3.7805			