

Pengaruh Medan Magnet terhadap Konduktivitas Larutan NaCO₃ dan CaCl₂ serta Presipitasi dan Morfologi Partikel CaCO₃ pada Sistem Fluida Statis

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Abstrak

CaCO₃ scale formation on pipe walls and heat exchange equipments in industrial or domestic water processes is a serious problem. A great number of experimental researches on the prevention of the CaCO₃ precipitation process by magnetic field have been carried out. The efforts to understand the effect of the magnetic field on the CaCO₃ precipitation are still being developed. In this research, Na₂CO₃ solution was magnetized by 5200 gauss permanent magnet before mixed with CaCl₂ in quiescent condition (static fluid system). Magnetization time was varied to examine its influences to magnetization process. CaCO₃ content at solution and on deposit was measured by titration method of EDTA complexometry. Conductivity test was conducted to find out hydrate ion bonding. SEM (Scanning Electron Microscope) and XRD (X-Ray diffraction) tests were conducted to see the morphology of CaCO₃ crystal deposit. The results showed that magnetization decreases CaCO₃ precipitation rate at initial precipitation (nucleation period and optimum process reaches for 30 minutes magnetization. The magnetic field depresses precipitation rate but has no effect on the equilibrium of the reaction. Magnetic field increases the conductivities of Na₂CO₃ and CaCl₂ solution hence reducing its ion hydrate diameter and reinforcing ion hydrate bonding. SEM and XRD test results show that CaCO₃ crystal formed was predominated by calcite type and magnetization depressed the number of CaCO₃ crystals and enlarge the crystal size. These results show that magnetization is effective in controlling the CaCO₃ deposit by suppressing CaCO₃ precipitation on deposit and in solution.