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## LIST OF ABBREVIATION

### Abbreviations

<i>et al.</i> ,	and others
ppm	part per million
SEM	Scanning electron microscope
SCC	stress corrosion cracking
%P	inhibitor efficiency
<i>k</i>	constant = 87.6 mm/yr
<i>w</i>	weight change
<i>A</i>	area of test specimen
<i>ρ</i>	density of test specimen
<i>t</i>	time

## **ABSTRACT**

The corrosion inhibition of zinc by present of natural honey was investigated in the presence of South China seawater at atmospheric condition. The effects of South China seawater on the corrosion behavior of zinc, using natural honey inhibitor have been carried out by mass change monitoring. The morphology of the corroded zinc surface was observed using scanning electron microscope. Seawaters have the sufficient corrosive environment due to the chemical ingredients especially of the halides compounds. Natural honey is an organic compound, which can control the corrosion rates of zinc in seawater. The zinc samples were immersed in the South China seawater for a period of seven weeks and corrosion occurred. The rate of the corrosion has a inverse proportional relation to the amount of inhibitor used. The inhibition efficiency of the natural honey for zinc metal in 7 weeks of observation is approximately 83.18% for the average.

**MADU ASLI SEBAGAI PERENCAT PENGARATAN BAGI ZINK DALAM  
LARUTAN AIR LAUT.**

**ABSTRAK**

Kajian ini adalah mengenai keberkesanan penghalang pengaratan iaitu madu asli terhadap zink di dalam air Laut China Selatan pada suhu bilik. Kepengaruan madu asli terhadap pengaratan zink dapat dikaji melalui eksperimen perubahan berat sampel, pengiraan keberkesanan penghalang pengaratan dan kadar pengaratan. Struktur permukaan zink dapat ditinjau dengan menggunakan mikroskop ‘pengimbas electron’. Air laut mempunyai persekitaran yang amat tinggi untuk terjadinya pengaratan kerana kehadiran komposisi kimia terutamanya komponen halide. Madu asli adalah merupakan komponen organik yang berperanan dalam mengawal pengaratan zink. Sampel-sampel zink direndamkan di dalam air Laut China Selatan dalam jangka masa tujuh minggu dan didapati pengaratan berlaku. Kadar penghakisan adalah berkadar songsang dengan jumlah penghalang pengaratan yang digunakan.