

# Screening of Inhibitors for Amine Degradation

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#### **Abstract**

Hindering the degradation of amines in the CO<sub>2</sub>-capturing process is important both for economical purposes when it comes to loss of solvent and impacts on the process, and to prevent emissions of volatile degradation compounds such as ammonia, nitrosamines and formaldehyde. To prevent the absorbent from degrading, either a non-degrading absorbent can be developed or a degradation inhibitor can be added to minimize the degradation.

The degradation inhibitors tested in this thesis are meant to inhibit the oxidative degradation that mainly occurs in the absorber. The carbamate polymerization degradation due to  $CO_2$  and temperature has to be addressed on its own. The inhibitor screening apparatus was new, and a part of the assignment was testing this setup.

The first experiment conducted on the inhibitor screening apparatus used a gas blend of  $6\%~O_2/2~\%~CO_2$  (N<sub>2</sub> balance). This did not give enough degradation, which caused the need for rebuilding the rig. In the other experiments on the screening apparatus, a gas composition of  $98~\%~O_2/2~\%~CO_2$  was used to get sufficient amount of degradation for inhibitor screening. Inhibitor screening experiments were done using 150 mL of a 30 weight% (wt%) 2-aminoethanol (MEA) solution loaded with 0,4 mol  $CO_2/mol~MEA$ , at 55 °C with a gas flow of 10~mL/min. To test the stability of the inhibitors at higher temperature, thermal experiments with inhibitors were conducted. 7 mL solution was filled in stainless steel cylinders and heated at 135~°C, for a period of five weeks. The solution was 30~wt%~MEA loaded with 0,5 mol  $CO_2/mol~MEA$ . Hydrazine was screened for inhibitory effect using a circulative closed loop apparatus because of the hazards related to this compound. The experiment was run with air, using a 30~wt%~MEA solution loaded with 0,4 mol  $CO_2/mol~MEA$ , at 55~°C.

Since experiments with both 6 % and 98 % oxygen were conducted, it was natural to compare the impact of oxygen concentration on the degradation products. Results indicated that 2-oxazolidinone (OZD) was preferred at the conditions with high oxygen, while N-(2-hydroxyethyl) glycine (HeGly) concentrations increased with decreasing oxygen content. The effect of metals on product composition was also investigated. The degradation compound N-(2-hydroxyethyl) imidazole (HEI) seems to be dependent on the metal concentrations, increasing in the presence of metals. For the inhibitors screened, the inhibition ranged from 23,59-67,81 %. Two compounds gave an increase in degradation. 1-hydroxyethane 1,1-diphosphonic acid (HEDP) was the only chelating agent stable at thermal conditions. The inhibitors did not appear to have a substantial effect on the carbamate polymerization.

Quantification of degradation compounds in the samples was done using liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (LC-MS) and anion chromatography-electrochemical detector (IC-EC). Amine loss and CO<sub>2</sub>-loading were determined using titration methods. Metal concentrations were determined using inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry (ICP-MS). Some analyses were done gravimetrically while

others were done volumetrically. For comparison purposes, simple density measurements were done, and the data converted according to the amine loss in the sample.

The initial intention was to use gas chromatography - mass spectrometry (GC-MS) to analyze the samples from the thermal experiments. The system was however not operable during the time available. ICP-MS analysis was not done in time for the last experiment. Ammonia analyses were not conducted in time for this thesis.

# Samandrag

Å hindre degradering av aminer i CO<sub>2</sub>-reinsing er viktig både på grunn av økonomiske faktorar som tap av amin og operasjonelle konsekvensar for prosessen, og for å hindre utslepp av flyktige degraderingsprodukt som ammoniakk, nitrosaminer og formaldehyd. For å forhindre absorbenten frå å degradere, kan anten ein ikkje-degraderande absorbent utviklast, eller ein inhibitor kan tilsetjast for å minimere degraderinga.

Degraderingsinhibitorane som er testa i denne oppgåva er først og fremst meint for å inhibere den oksidative degraderinga som føregår i absorberen. Karbamatpolymeriseringa grunna  $CO_2$  og temperatur må sjåast på separat. Inhibitor screening apparaturen var utesta før denne oppgåva, og ein del av oppgåva var å teste denne.

Det fyrste eksperimentet utført på inhibitor screening apparaturen brukte ei gassblanding av 6 %  $O_2/2$  %  $CO_2$  (resten  $N_2$ ). Dette gav ikkje nok degradering, noko som gav eit behov for å bygge om riggen. I dei andre eksperimenta på screening apparaturen vart ei gassblanding av 98 %  $O_2/2$  %  $CO_2$  nytta for å få nok degradering til å teste inhibitorar. Eksperimenta der inhibitorane vart testa brukte ei 30 vekt% løysing av 2-aminoetanol (MEA) i avionisert vatn, loada med 0,4 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA, ved ein temperatur på 55 °C og ein gasstraum på 10 mL/min. For å teste stabiliteten til inhibitorane ved høgare temperaturar vart termiske eksperiment med inhibitorar vart utførd i 7 mL rustfrie stålsylindrar ved 135 °C, over ein periode på fem veker. For dette vart det brukt ei 30 vekt% MEA løysing loada med 0,5 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA. Hydrazin vart testa for inhiberande effekt ved å bruke ein sirkulativ lukka sløyfe apparatur. Årsaka til at dette stoffet ikkje vart testa i screeningsapparaturen var at dette stoffet er ansett som eit potensielt karsinogen. Dette eksperimentet vart kjørt med luft, med ei 30 vekt% MEA løysing loada med 0,4 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA, og temperaturen var på 50-55 °C.

Sidan eksperiment med både 6 % og 98 % oksygen vart utførde var det naturleg å samanlikna desse resultata og sjå kva verknad oksygenkonsentrasjonen har på degraderingsprodukta. Resultata tyda på at OZD var føretrukken ved høg oksygenkonsentrasjon, medan HeGly konsentrasjonane auka med minkande oksygenkonsentrasjon. Effekten av tilsats av metaller vart òg undersøkt. Degraderingsproduktet N-(2-hydroksyetyl) imidazol HEI ser ut til auke ved tilsats av metaller. For inhibitorane som vart testa, vart degraderinga hindra med 23,59-67,81 %. To inhibitorar gav ei auke i degraderinga. Stabiliteten til dei chelaterande inhibitorane vart testa, der HEDP var den einaste som var stabil ved termiske betingingar. Ingen av inhibitorane såg ut til å ha nokon spesiell verknad på den termiske karbamatpolymeriseringa.

Kvantifisering av degraderingsprodukt vart gjort med væskekromatografimassespektrometri (LC-MS) og ionekromatografi-elektrokjemisk detektor (IC-EC). Amintap og CO<sub>2</sub>-innhald vart bestemd ved titreringsmetodar. Metallkonsentrasjonane vart bestemt med bruk av induktivt kopla plasma-massespektrometri (ICP-MS). Nokon analysar vart gjort på vektbasis, medan andre vart gjort på volumbasis. For samanlikningsføremål vart enkle tettleiksmålingar gjort og dataa vart omgjorte i samsvar med amintapet i prøven.

I utgangspunktet var det meininga å bruke gasskromatografi-massespektrometri (GC-MS) for å analysere prøvane frå dei termiske eksperimenta. Dette systemet var midlertidig ute av drift, så desse analysane kunne ikkje gjennomførast. ICP-MS analysane for det siste eksperimentet vart ikkje utførte i tide for det siste eksperimentet. Kvantifisering av ammoniakk i væskefasen vart heller ikkje utført i tide for denne oppgåva.

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#### Nomenclature

Equivalence factor

h Hours L Liter

M Molar mol/L 106 M Mega Molal mol/kg m 10-3 Milli m  $10^{-3} \, \mathrm{g}$ Milligram mg 10<sup>-3</sup> L Milliliter mL

min Minutes

N Normality Eq/L n Nano  $10^{-9}$  ng Nanograms  $10^{-9}$  g

 $\Omega$  Electrical resistance

ppm Parts per million 10-6

rpm Rounds per minute

 $\mu g$  Microgram  $10^{-6} g$ 

wt % Weight percent

# Abbreviations

AED Atomic emission detector

AEHEIA N-(2-aminoethyl)-N'-(2-hydroxyethyl) imidazolidinone

As Arsenic

BHEOX N, N'-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) oxalamide

CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon dioxide
Cr Chromium
Cu Copper

DEA Diethanolamine

DEHA Diethylhydroxylamine

DGA Diglycolamine

ELSD Evaporative light scattering detection

ESI Electrospray ionization source

Fe Iron

 $Fe^{2+}$  Ferrous iron  $Fe^{3+}$  Ferric iron

FTIR Fourier transform infrared

GC-MS Gas chromatography-mass spectroscopy

H<sub>2</sub> Hydrogen gas

H<sup>+</sup> Proton

HCl Hydrochloric acid

HEA N-(2-hydroxyethyl) acetamide

HEDP 1-hydroxyethane 1,1-diphosphonic acid

HEEDA N-(2-hydroxyethyl)ethylenediamine
HEF N-(2-hydroxyethyl)formamide
HeGly N-(2-hydroxyethyl)glycine

HEHEAA N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-(2-hydroxyethylamino)acetamide

HEI N-(2-hydroxyethyl)imidazole

HEIA N-(2-hydroxyethyl)imidazolidinone HEPO 4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-2-one

HPLC High performance liquid chromatography
IC-EC Ion chromatography-electrochemical detector
ICP-MS Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry
IPCC Intergovernmental panel on climate change
LC-MS Liquid chromatography-mass spectroscopy

MDEA N-methyl diethanolamine

MEA 2-aminoethanol

MEKO Methylethyl ketoxime MFC Mass flow controller

 $\begin{array}{ccc} N & & Nitrogen \\ N_2 & & Nitrogen \ gas \\ NaOH & & Sodium \ hydroxide \end{array}$ 

NDELA N-nitrosodiethanolamine

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ni} & & \text{Nickel} \\ \text{O} & & \text{Oxygen} \\ \text{O}_2 & & \text{Oxygen gas} \end{array}$ 

OH- Hydroxide anion
OZD 2-oxazolidinone
P Phosphorous

RID Refractive index detector

S Sulfur
Se Selenium
V Vanadium

#### Introduction

Global atmospheric concentrations of  $CO_2$ , methane and nitrous oxide have since 1750 increased markedly as a result of human activity. The increase in  $CO_2$  is primarily a result of land-use change and the use of fossil fuels. Sources of methane and nitrous oxide are mainly due to agriculture. [1]

The atmospheric concentration of  $CO_2$  has increased from 250 ppm in pre-industrial times to 379 ppm in 2005. This exceeds by far the natural variations from the last 650 000 years (determined by ice cores). The average annual  $CO_2$  concentration growth-rate in the period 1995-2005 was larger than the average growth rate since the measures started in 1960. From 1960-2005 the annual carbon dioxide growth rate was 1,4 ppm/year, while it in the period 1995-2005 increased to 1,9 ppm/year. Figure 1 shows the changes in carbon dioxide concentration from the last 10 000 years. [1]

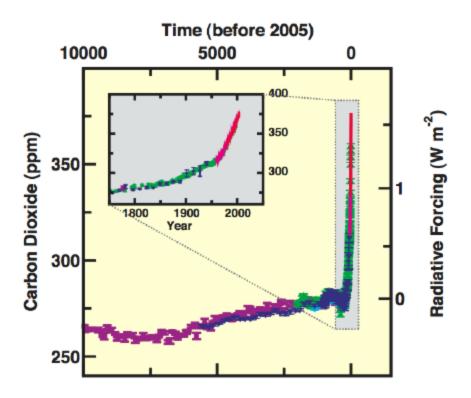


Figure 1: Changes in atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> from ice-core and modern data. [1]

Radiative forcing is a term employed by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) to denote an externally imposed perturbation in the radiative energy system of the earth's climate. This can be brought about by changes in concentrations of radiatively active species, such as  $CO_2$  and aerosols. It can also be caused by changes in the solar irradiance on the planet, or other changes affecting the reflective properties of the planet's surface, such as land-use change. [1, 2]

The increase in radiative forcing as a result of increased greenhouse gas emissions and deforestation is believed to be the reason for the rising of the earth's average temperature since the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. This increase in temperature cause glaciers to melt, the sea levels to rise, an expansion of subtropical deserts as well as more extreme weather. The extreme weather includes heat waves, heavy rainfall and droughts. Extinction of species and differences in crop yields are other predicted results due to climate change. [1, 3]

To limit the global warming as a result of anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions several technologies have been developed. In the case of CO<sub>2</sub>-removal from flue gas there are multiple technologies available. These can be classified into three main groups; precombustion, post-combustion and oxy-fuel. [4]

The main principle in oxy-fuel technology is to use pure oxygen for the combustion instead of air. This gives a flue gas containing mainly water vapor and  $CO_2$ . By condensing the water, a  $CO_2$ -rich stream is obtained. In pre-combustion  $CO_2$ -capture, the first step is to convert the fossile fuel into  $CO_2$  and  $H_2$  by a steam reforming process. The  $CO_2$  can be captured using post-combustion technology, while the  $H_2$  is used as fuel in for example a gas turbine. Post-combustion  $CO_2$ -capturing technology is based on removing the  $CO_2$  after the combustion. Several absorbents are being researched for absorbing  $CO_2$  from the flue gas, among those chilled ammonia and amine absorption. Chemical absorption with amines is recognized as the most cost effective technology available today, and is applicable to already existing plants. [4, 5]

In post-combustion  $CO_2$ -capture, the combination of high temperatures, oxygen in the flue gas and dissolved metals cause the amine solution to degrade. The degradation of the amine solution lowers the concentration of amine, thus lowering the capacity of the solution. The performance of the plant can also be affected by the degradation of the amine solution due to increased viscosity, changed vapor-liquid equilibria, increased foaming and increased corrosivity. Formation and emissions of toxic volatile degradation compounds also give cause for concern. The replacement cost for lost amine in a MEA system has been estimated to 4-10% of the total cost. [6-12]

2-aminoalcohol (MEA) is considered to be the benchmark solvent in  $CO_2$ -capture because of its good properties; fast absorption rate, cheap, non-volatile. However, this solvent has its flaws. In addition to its high energy requirements in the stripping stage, the degradation and corrosivity of this solvent are important issues for industrial applications. [9, 13]

The use of inhibitors to hinder the oxidative degradation of the amine solution has been proposed as one solution for the problem. Inhibitors are compounds designed to interfere with one or more of the degradation routes to decrease the degradation. [14, 15]

# 1. Background and theory

In this chapter, some background and theory about the  $CO_2$ -absorption process with amines is presented. Then a review of the mechanisms for amine degradation, and earlier studies is presented. Theory of the different types of inhibitors and earlier work on inhibitors is presented in the end of this chapter.

# 1.1. CO<sub>2</sub>-capture with amine absorbents

The process of capturing  $CO_2$  from flue gas using amine absorbents is based on the reversible reaction between the sour gas and a weak base. The equilibrium reactions shown in Equation 1 and Equation 2 are the competing reactions in the process. Which of these are the preferred is dependent on the properties of the amine. These reactions are temperature dependent, and the reverse reaction is favored at higher temperatures. [16]

$$2R_1NH_2 + CO_2 = R_1NH_3^+ + R_1NHCO_2^- \tag{1}$$

$$R_1 N H_2 + C O_2 + H_2 O \leftrightharpoons R_1 N H_3^+ + H C O_3^-$$
 (2)

Here  $R_1NH_2$  is an amine with  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  as side chains.

A simplified scheme of a CO<sub>2</sub>-capturing process with amines is shown in Figure 2.

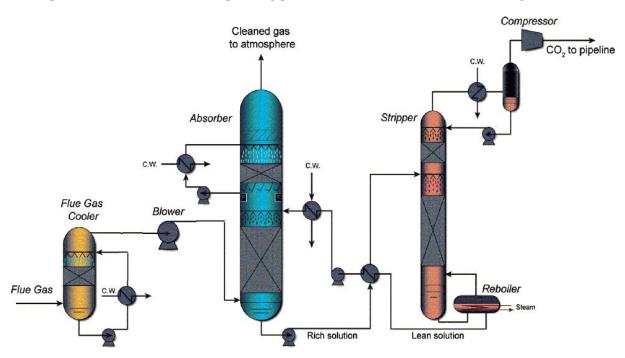


Figure 2: Scheme of a CO<sub>2</sub>-capturing plant based on amine technology.[17]

In this process, the first stage is cooling the flue gas with water, before it is introduced to the absorber. In the absorber, the flue gas countercurrently meets an amine solution with contact via a structured packing, and the  $CO_2$  in the flue gas reacts with the amine in the solution. The rest of the flue gas, containing mainly nitrogen and oxygen, leaves

through the top of the absorber, via a washing stage. The purpose of the washing stage is to prevent emissions of water soluble degradation compounds and amine to the atmosphere. The rich amine solution (high loading) goes via a heat exchanger, where it is heated by the stream coming from the stripping stage. The solution is pumped into the top of the stripper, where the equilibrium between CO<sub>2</sub> and amine is reversed using high temperature steam produced in the reboiler. The released CO<sub>2</sub>-gas goes through the top of the column and through a condenser where water and other condensable compounds are removed. The gas is compressed and goes to a pipeline. Some of the lean amine solution (low loading) goes to the reboiler where stripping steam is produced, while the rest is transferred back to the absorber. [16]

# 1.2. Degradation of amine solvents

The degradation of amines in  $CO_2$ -capture is related to the conditions found in the capturing plant. Oxidative degradation mainly occurs in the absorber where typical temperatures are 40-60 °C. The carbamate polymerization occurs in the stripper and reboiler where the temperatures usually are 100-125 °C. A thermal degradation, with anaerobic cleavage of the amine bonds, does not occur in significant amounts at the conditions used today. [6, 16, 18]

#### 1.2.1. Oxidative degradation

The oxidative degradation is a result of oxygen from the flue gas reacting with the amine at elevated temperatures. The reaction is assumed to be catalyzed by dissolved metals, and initiated by the formation of radicals. These radicals are believed to be the product of either a direct interaction between a metal ion and the amine, or by an oxidation of variable valence metal ions by dissolved oxygen. [18, 19]

#### 1.2.1.1. Oxidative degradation mechanism

Bedell [18] proposes a mechanism where oxygen from the flue gas is reduced to radicals in a reaction (I) with metal ions. These radicals go on to react with the amine (II) to give degradation products. A scheme of this is shown in Figure 3.

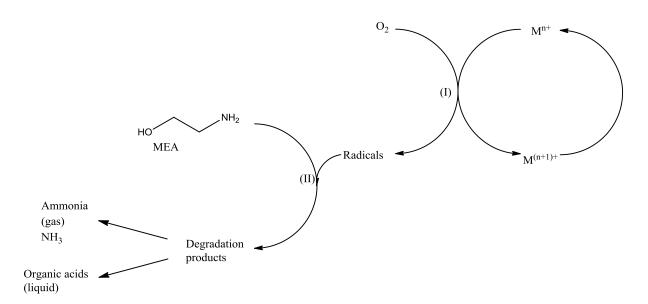


Figure 3: Amine autoxidation overall mechanism, according to Bedell and Aouini. [11, 18]

The reaction between the amine and radicals (II) is believed to go via either the electron- or hydrogen abstraction mechanism.

The electron abstraction mechanism is based on a radical (Fe<sup>3+</sup> or R<sup>-</sup>) which abstract an electron from the lone pair of the amine nitrogen (I). The abstraction of the proton in  $\alpha$  position of the amine (II), causes a reorganization of the amine, giving a carbon centered radical. This radical can react directly with dissolved oxygen to give a peroxyl radical which decomposes into the degradation products (III). It can react also with another radical to give molecular products (IV). An example of this mechanism with MEA is shown in Figure 4. [20-22]

$$H_{2}$$
 $H_{3}$ 
 $H_{4}$ 
 $H_{5}$ 
 $H_{5$ 

Figure 4: Electron abstraction mechanism according to Chi and Rochelle. [21]

Sexton described another plausible route for the electron abstraction mechanism, without an imine intermediate. This mechanism is given in Figure 5.

Figure 5: Electron abstraction mechanism described by Sexton. [20]

The difference from the mechanism proposed by Chi and Rochelle is the reaction of the the aminoperoxide (II). The carbon centered imine radical (I) can still lose a proton to form an imine as in Figure 4.

A study by Petryaev et al. [23] claim MEA to degrade via the hydrogen abstraction mechanism. In this study, alkanolamines were degraded using ionizing radiation to form initiating radicals for the reaction. The reaction was proposed to proceed via a five membered ring conformation, formed via the hydrogen bonds between the amine- and alcohol function of the molecule. A radical will abstract a hydrogen radical from the molecule, causing a radical chain reaction within the molecule, resulting in the cleavage of the C-N-bond. [22, 23]

Sexton [20] give the mechanism based on the work by Petryaev et al. [23] shown in Figure 6.

Figure 6: Hydrogen abstraction mechanism given by Sexton [20] based on the work by Petryaev et al. [23]

The radicals formed in these reactions can participate in further oxidation of the solvent by abstracting hydrogens. Imines can hydrolyze to aldehydes, which again can be oxidized to carboxylic acids.

#### 1.2.2. Carbamate polymerization

The degradation in the stripper due to temperature and  $CO_2$  is called carbamate polymerization. This is believed to be initiated by the formation of 2-oxazolidone (OZD), from the cyclization of MEA-carbamate. OZD (1) can react with MEA to give new polymerization products such as 1-(2-hydroxyethyl) imidazolidin-2-one (HEIA, 3), 2-((aminoethyl)aminoethanol (HEEDA, 2) and N-(2-aminoethyl)-N'-(2-hydroxyethyl) imidazolidinone (AEHEIA, 4). A proposed mechanism for the formation is given in Figure 7. [13, 20]

2 HO NH2 
$$CO_2$$
 HO NH3  $OODD$   $OODD$ 

Figure 7: Proposed mechanism for the thermal degradation. [13]

#### 1.2.3. Nitrosamines

Nitrosamines are a class of carcinogenic compounds with the general structure  $R_1R_2N$ -N=O. Sun et al. [24] studied the formation of nitrosamines from secondary amines. They found that the nitrosation using a weak nitrosing agent, such as nitrite (NO<sub>2</sub>-) or peroxynitrite (ONOO-), could be catalyzed by carbonyl compounds such as aldehydes and CO<sub>2</sub>. Figure 8 shows the mechanism for formation of N-nitrosodiethanolamine (NDELA) from the nitrosation of DEA with nitrite.

Figure 8: Formation of NDELA from nitrite and DEA.

Nitrite, together with nitrate, is a known oxidation product of ammonia [25, 26], and has earlier been reported as minor products by Voice [8] and Sexton et al. [27, 28]

#### 1.2.4. Earlier studies

Blachly and Ravner [29, 30] conducted experiments by sparging a 4 M MEA solution with 1 mL air/mL solution at 55°C. Evolution of ammonia was measured by trapping in a 2% boric acid solution, peroxide concentrations by iodine-thiosulfate method and total nitrogen using Kjeldahl analysis. This study showed no degradation without  $CO_2$  present in the gas phase.

Rooney [31] studied the degradation of 50% and 30% methyldiethanolamine (MDEA), 30% diehanolamine (DEA), 50% diglycolamine (DGA) and 20% MEA unloaded and loaded with 0,25 mol CO<sub>2</sub>/mol amine, over a period of 28 days. These experiments were conducted at 82 °C (180 °F) with a gas flow rate of 5,5 mL/min of compressed air. This study identified acetate, formate, glycolate and oxalate as degradation products. The oxidation resistance was given as DEA>DGA>MEA>MDEA. The amount of anions was reported to be much less for loaded than unloaded solutions of DEA, DGA and MEA. An oxidation route from MEA to oxalic acid was also proposed.

Strazisar [10] analyzed degraded MEA samples from the reclaimer bottoms from the IMC Chemicals Factory in Trona, California. This study focused on identification of degradation compounds. This was done using GC-MS, gas chromatography-Fourier transform infrared (GC-FTIR) and gas chromatography-atomic emission detection (GC-AED). This study identified several new degradation compounds.

Chi and Rochelle [21] studied the oxidative degradation at  $55^{\circ}$ C using 5 L/min air or nitrogen sparged through a MEA solution using concentrations of 13-42 wt%. The rate of degradation was determined by measuring gas phase ammonia concentration by FTIR. Ferrous iron (Fe<sup>2+</sup>) was found to have a catalytic effect, increasing the ammonia evolution by a factor of five with the addition of 1 mM iron in a solution loaded with 0,4 mol CO<sub>2</sub>/mol MEA. This study saw no difference in adding ferrous- or ferric (Fe<sup>3+</sup>) iron, as the ferrous would be expected to be oxidized by the oxygen present.

Bello and Idem [32] conducted experiments at  $55-120^{\circ}$ C, with MEA concentrations of 5 and 7 M with  $O_2$  pressures of 250 and 350 kPa and  $CO_2$ -loading ranging from 0-0,44 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA. Results showed that an increase in temperature or  $O_2$  pressure increased degradation in both loaded and unloaded systems. However, an increase in MEA concentration gave the opposite effect for all the systems.

Goff and Rochelle [22] studied the degradation of 7,0 m MEA at 55 °C, with loadings of 0,15 (lean loading) and 0,40 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA (rich loading). The gas used was air for the lean loading, and air with 2%  $CO_2$  for the rich loading. The gas flow rates ranged up to 8 L/min. A FTIR was used for gas phase analysis, and ammonia evolution was used as a measure of MEA degradation. This study found that, with iron present, the solution with lean loading degraded more than the one with rich loading. They claimed the rate of ammonia evolution to be dependent on the mass transfer of  $O_2$ , and not degradation kinetics.

Sexton and Rochelle [27] studied the degradation of MEA in two experimental setups. One called the low-gas-flow apparatus, using 5 and 7 M MEA with a gas flow of 100 mL/min of a 98%  $O_2/2\%$   $CO_2$  gas blend. The other setup, called the high-gas-flow apparatus, a 5 M MEA solution was degraded using a gas flow of 7,5 L/min with a gas consisting of 15%  $O_2/2\%$   $CO_2$  (rest  $N_2$ ). This apparatus was coupled with a FTIR analyzer continuously collecting gas-phase data. Degraded samples were analysed with ion chromatography (IC) and high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) with evaporative light scattering detector (ELSD). Formate, N-(2-hydroxyethyl) formamide (HEF), N-(2-hydroxyethyl) imidazole (HEI) and ammonia were found to be the major degradation compounds in this study. Formate, HEF and HEI were found to account for 92% of the degraded carbon in the low gas flow apparatus and 18-59% in the high-gas-flow apparatus. HEF, HEI and ammonia were found to account for 84% of the degradation in the low-gas-flow apparatus and 83-92% in the high gas flow apparatus.

Lepaumier et al. [13] studied oxidative and thermal degradation at 55 and 135 °C respectively. The experiments were conducted using 30 wt% MEA solutions, with loading 0,4 mol  $CO_2/mol$  MEA for the oxidative, and 0,5 mol  $CO_2/mol$  MEA for the thermal experiments. Quantification of the main degradation compounds were done by GC-MS and LC-MS. When they compared the products from lab experiments with Strazisar [10], they concluded pilot plant degradation to be dominated by products from the oxidative degradation. They also found the reactions between MEA and carboxylic acid degradation products to play a significant role in the degradation.

da Silva et al. [9] analyzed degraded MEA samples from three different pilot plants from Tiller, Esbjerg and Longannet. The samples were compared with lab scale experiments done at oxidative and thermal conditions. Deviations between pilot plant- and lab experiments were thought to be a result of the cycling of the solvent. A new degradation product, N-(2-hydroxyethyl) glycine (HeGly), was found in high concentrations in the pilot plant samples. This was thought as a precursor of another major degradation product 4-(2-hydroxyethyl) piperazin-2-one (HEPO).

#### 1.3. Inhibitors for oxidative degradation

Inhibitors can work via different mechanisms to inhibit the oxidation. The main groups of inhibitors and how they work are presented in this part chapter. A review of earlier studies is also presented.

#### 1.3.1. Radical scavengers

Chain breaking antioxidants, or radical scavengers, react with free radicals to delay or inhibit the initiation step or interrupt the propagation step of autoxidation. This is done by donating a hydrogen atom to the radicals to produce molecular products and low energy antioxidant radicals. The antioxidant radicals can also work in a chain termination step where they react with another radical to give molecular products. For

optimal effect, these inhibitors should be added before the autoxidation reaction begins, as this will quench the initiation step. [33]

Equations 3-8 show reactions between chain breaking antioxidants (AH) and peroxyl radicals (RO $\cdot$ ), alkyl radicals (R $\cdot$ ) and alkoxy radicals (RO $\cdot$ ). [33, 34]

$$ROO \cdot + AH \to ROOH + A \cdot \tag{3}$$

$$R \cdot + AH \to RH + A \cdot \tag{4}$$

$$ROO \cdot +A \cdot \rightarrow ROOA$$
 (5)

$$RO \cdot + AH \rightarrow RH + A \cdot$$
 (6)

$$RO \cdot +A \cdot \rightarrow ROA$$
 (7)

$$A \cdot + A \cdot \to AA \tag{8}$$

The radical products of the chain breaking antioxidants are low energy molecules which, as long as they are present in low concentrations, should not initiate or participate in autoxidation reactions. If they are present in higher concentrations they can act as prooxidants. A such pro-oxidative effect was seen for hydroquinone in the experiments conducted by Goff and Rochelle [14]. At elevated temperatures, the chain breaking antioxidants can lose their efficiency due to homolytic decomposition of the peroxides formed in Equations 3 and 5, and because of reactions with oxygen as shown in Equation 9. [33, 35]

$$AH + O_2 \rightarrow radical \ products$$
 (9)

Many of the chain breaking antioxidants are mono- or polyhydroxy phenols with various ring substitutions which can influence the reactivity. Molecules with electron donating groups in ortho or para position to the hydroxyl group will increase the antioxidant activity of the compound by inductive effect. [33]

#### 1.3.2. Chelating agents

Since the oxidative degradation is catalyzed by dissolved metals, reducing their activity is a good way to reduce autoxidation of the amines. By adding a compound that tie up the metals, they are prevented from participating in the reactions.

A chelating agent is a molecule that contains two or more electron donating atoms that can form coordination bonds to a metal ion. The resulting complex is called a chelate. This chelate has properties markedly different from both the metal ion and the chelating agents. The chelating agents can therefore be used to control metals in a solution and preventing metal redox cycling. The pro-oxidant activity of the metal is thus reduced by increasing the energy of activation for metal initiated reactions. The amount of chelating groups on one molecule is called the denticity, likewise the number of groups that can coordinate to the metal is called the coordination number. [33, 36, 37]

The equilibrium between the chelating agent, the metal ion and the chelate is dependent on the number of chelating groups of the chelating agent. The equilibrium constants are often magnitudes greater for chelating agents than for complexing molecules containing only one donor atom. The greater stability of the chelate compared to the monodentate complexes is largely a result of an increase in the number of free molecules, usually the solvent, liberated as the chelate is formed. [36]

Molecules having only one donor atom, like water, are called monodentates and can form coordination complexes, but not chelates. The chelating agents can be bidentate, tridentate, tetradentate etc. according to whether they contain two, three, four or more chelating groups. N, O and S are the most common electron donating atoms, but P, Se and As can also form chelates. The most stable compounds form five- or six ringed complexes. Steric hindrance on the chelating compounds can also stabilize the complex from competing ligands. [36]

Metal ions are considered Lewis acids, and the chelating agents Lewis bases. This means that there are competing reactions with other acids and bases in the system, and that the equilibrium changes with the pH. Equations 10-12 show the pH dependency in the equilibrium between a protonated bidentate chelant,  $A^{-}$ , and a tetracoordinated metal ion,  $M^{2+}$ .

$$HA \rightleftharpoons H^{+} + A^{-}$$
  $K_{a} = \frac{[H^{+}][A^{-}]}{[HA]}$  (10)

$$M^{2+} + 2A^- \rightleftharpoons MA_2$$
  $K = \frac{[MA_2]}{[M^{2+}][A^-]^2}$  (11)

Giving the relation:

$$[M^{2+}] = [H^+]^2 \times \frac{[MA_2]}{[HA]^2} \times \frac{1}{K \times K_a^2}$$
 (12)

Equation 12 shows that a decrease in pH will cause an increase in the concentration of free metal ions in the solution. Some of the chelating agents have multiple acid dissociation stages and chelates can be formed from the different protonation stages, according to the pH in the solution. The activity is also dependent on the presence of other chelatable ions in the solution. [33, 36, 38]

#### 1.3.3. Oxygen scavengers

Since oxygen is essential to the degradation in the absorber, removing dissolved oxygen is one way to inhibit the degradation. Oxygen scavengers inhibit degradation by reacting with the dissolved oxygen before it can react with the amine. Since the oxygen scavengers are used in the reactions, continuous addition is needed to withhold concentrations. Some of the oxygen scavengers give water soluble oxidation products, which will have to be removed from the solution. [39]

Oxygen scavengers are widely used in steam plants to prevent corrosion. Some of the oxygen scavengers used in these facilities show metal passivating properties. This means that they can reduce metals. [39] In amine systems, this means that the oxygen scavengers can reduce, for example, ferric- to ferrous iron, making the ferric unable to participate in reactions. This gives the inhibitors a combined effect.

#### 1.3.4. Synergy of inhibitors

Synergism is the cooperative effect where an antioxidant together with another antioxidant exhibits a larger inhibitory effect than the sum of the activities of the compounds. This can be through either a catalytic effect, where one of the inhibitors increases the rate of the other, or that the two through different mechanisms increase the total inhibitory effect. [33, 35]

In lipid oxidation in food chemistry, significant synergism is usually observed when a chain breaking antioxidant is used together with a chelating agent or oxygen scavenger. By adding these together both the initiation and the propagation steps are suppressed, and the total effect is increased. It is also possible to use several chain breaking antioxidants in the same system and get a synergistic effect. Since the compounds have different bond dissociation energies, they have different reaction rates with the radicals. This makes it possible for the most reactive of the antioxidants to react with the radicals, while the other is used in a regeneration step of the first inhibitor. [35]

In boiler systems, hydroquinone, a chain breaking antioxidant, can be added together with sodium sulfite, an oxygen scavenger, or diethyl hydroxylamine (DEHA), a radical and oxygen scavenger, to increase the reaction rate with dissolved oxygen. In degradation experiments, by Supap et al., sodium sulfite and potassium sodium tartrate, a chelating agent, were added together to give a combined effect. [15, 39, 40]

#### 1.3.5. Earlier studies

Blachly and Ravner [29, 30] studied the degradation of MEA for submarine  $CO_2$ -scrubbers. Experiments were conducted at 55, 98, 138 and 149 °C, using a 4 M MEA solution and a gas consisting of air and 1%  $CO_2$ . Of several screened inhibitors, the monosodium salt of N,N-diethanol glycine (VFS) and ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA) at 1,5 wt% were found to be the most effective. At 98 °C, in a MEA solution containing metal salts, VFS and EDTA were found to give a synergist effect. With higher temperatures, the inhibitors did not have any effect.

Goff and Rochelle [14, 22] examined the effect of a number of additives on oxidative degradation of MEA in the presence of dissolved copper and iron. Experiments were done using 7,0 m MEA, loaded with 0,4 mol  $CO_2/mol$  MEA, 55 °C and the stirring speed of 1450 rpm. Gas used was air with 2 %  $CO_2$  at a flow rate of 8 L/min. Gas phase ammonia analysis by FTIR was used to monitor degradation. An undisclosed compound, inhibitor A, together with sodium sulfite and formaldehyde were found to effectively inhibit degradation at concentrations below 100 mM. EDTA was found to be an effective chelating agent, but unstable. Sodium phosphate was a weak chelating agent. Heat stable

salts were tested for oxygen salting out effect, with the most effective, potassium formate, decreasing degradation with 15 %. Hydroquinone, ascorbic acid, manganese sulfate and potassium permanganate all increased degradation.

Sexton and Rochelle [28] degraded MEA solutions using a 98 %  $O_2/2$  %  $CO_2$  gas at a flow rate of 100 mL/min. Parallel experiments were run using 15 %  $O_2/2$  %  $CO_2$  at a flow rate of 7,5 L/min. The effect of metals as catalysts were assessed, and the oxidative degradation potential was found to be as follows:  $Cu^{2+}>Cr^{3+}/Ni^{2+}>Fe^{2+}>V^{5+}$ . In this study, undisclosed inhibitor A and B together with EDTA were all found to be effective degradation inhibitors. Sodium sulfite, formaldehyde and formate were all ineffective as degradation inhibitors.

Supap and Idem [15, 41] investigated  $O_2$  and  $SO_2$  induced degradation of amines in sour gas capture. 3-7 M MEA solutions, loaded with 0-0,52 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA were used in the experiments at 120 °C (393 K) with a stirring speed of 500 rpm.  $O_2$  and  $SO_2$  concentrations used were 6-100 % and 0-196 ppm respectively ( $N_2$  balance). Sample analysis was conducted on a HPLC with a refractive index detector (RID). Successful inhibitors from this study were sodium sulfite, potassium sodium tartrate, EDTA and hydroxylamine. The optimum concentrations were found to be 0,05, 0,01, 0,0025, and 0,025M respectively. A mix of sodium sulfite and potassium sodium tartrate (0,05 M:0,015 M) was found to be the most efficient. Figure 9 displays the average degradation of a 5 M MEA solution loaded with 0,33 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA, using 6 % oxygen, 196 ppm  $SO_2$  at 120 °C, with inhibitors added.

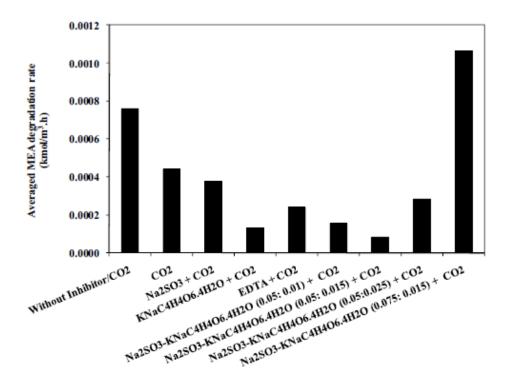


Figure 9: Effect of inhibitors in the presence of CO2 (5 kmol/m³, 6 % O2, 196 ppm SO2, 0.33 CO2 loading, 393 K). [15]

# 2. Experimental

This part gives an overview of the analytical methods and experimental setups and procedures used to obtain the results in this thesis.

# 2.1. Analytical methods

Both chromatographic analyses and titration methods were used to analyze the samples from the experiments. The different methods are presented in this chapter.

#### 2.1.1. Chromatographic methods

Different chromatographic methods were used in order to identify and quantify degradation compounds and inhibitors in the experiments. For the experiments regarding oxidative degradation, IC-EC and LC-MS/MS were used to quantify degradation compounds. LC-MS/MS was also used for determining MEA concentrations in selected samples from the thermal degradation experiments. The standards for the analyses are given in Appendix A – Chemicals, while the degradation compounds with structure and analytical method is given in Appendix K: Degradation products.

#### 2.1.1.1. *LC-MS/MS*

The *Liquid Chromatography* analyses of the degraded samples were carried out on a LC-MS/MS system, 6460 Triple Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer coupled with 1290 Infinity LC Chromatograph and Infinity Autosampler 1200 Series G4226A from the supplier Agilent Technologies. The molecules were converted to ions by an electrospray ionization source (ESI). The analytical column was an Ascentis® Express RP-Amide HPLC Column (4.6 mm\*150mm, 2.7  $\mu$ m, Cat#:53931-U, Supelco Analytical, Bellefonte, USA). The eluent was 25 mM formic acid in water, with a 0.6 ml/min flow rate. For more details around the method used see [9]. Analyses were performed by Kai Vernstad, SINTEF biotechnology.

### 2.1.1.2. IC-EC

The *Anion Chromatography* analyses were carried out on a Dionex ICS-5000 system equipped with an Autosampler (AS-50), Gradient pump (GP50), Column Oven (TCC-3000), CD conductivity detector, CRD200 carbonate removal device, eluent generator system and a ASR300 suppressor. The column used was an Ion Pac AS11-HC column (2mm\*250mm) with an Ion Pac AG11-HC guard column (2mm\*50mm). The mobile phase used was potassium hydroxide solution diluted in deionized water (18,2 M $\Omega$ ) obtained from ICW-3000 water purification system. The system has an eluent generator that was used in a gradient method for separation of the analytes. The samples and standards were prepared using deionized water (18,2 M $\Omega$ ). The samples from experiments were diluted 1/500 for analyses, except for the experiment using 6% O<sub>2</sub> where the samples were diluted 1/50 due to low degradation. Quantification was done using external standards.

An assessment on the standard deviations for procedures on the IC-EC was performed. These are described in 3.2.5., results are given in part chapter 3.2.3 in Results and discussion.

#### 2.1.1.3. *ICP-MS*

Inductively coupled plasma mass spectroscopy (ICP-MS) was conducted on the samples for quantification of metals. The metals assessed were iron, chromium and nickel. System used was an Element 2 from Thermo Fisher (Bremen, Germany). Analyses were performed by Per Ole M. Gundersen, St. Olav hospital.

#### 2.1.2. Titration methods

Two different titration methods were used to measure the total alkalinity and  $CO_2$  content in the samples. Assessments on the uncertainties for these methods were performed, and are described in 3.2.5.

#### 2.1.2.1. Total alkalinity titration method

Total alkalinity titration was used to measure the loss of alkalinity in the samples from the experiments. Approximately 0,3 grams of sample was weighed out and diluted in water (50 mL), this was titrated with sulfuric acid (0,2 N) on a Mettler Toledo G20 Compact titrator equipped with a Mettler Toledo Rondolino carousel and a Mettler Toledo DGi115-SC pH probe.

#### 2.1.2.2. CO<sub>2</sub> titration method

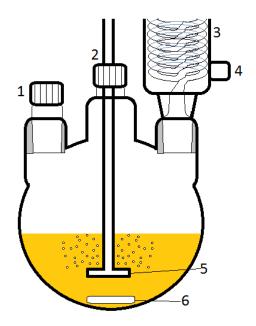
To determine the  $CO_2$ -concentration in the samples, approximately 0,5 grams of sample was weighed out to a solution consisting of barium chloride (0,1 N, 25 mL) and sodium hydroxide (0,1 N, 50 mL). To precipitate the barium carbonate, the solution was boiled for approximately three minutes. The solution was filtrated, and hydrochloric acid (0,1 N, 40 mL) was weighed in and added to the precipitate. The excess hydrochloric acid was titrated with sodium hydroxide (0,1 N) on a Metrohm 809 Titrando, with a Metrohm 814 Sample processer, a Metrohm 800 Dosino dosing unit and a Metrohm 6.0262.100 pH probe. A blank sample was used to determine the  $CO_2$  concentration in the solutions used for analysis.

# 2.2. Experimental setups

#### 2.2.1. Inhibitor screening apparatus

The apparatus used for the inhibitor screening experiments was a Heidolph Starfish Multi-Experiment work station with 5 parallels. The magnetic stirrer used was a MR Hei-End, temperature sensor PT1000, with gas coolers used for hindering evaporative losses (400 mm coolers with spiral vapor tubing). The reactors used were three-necked 250 mL round bottom flasks, with connections to a cooler, gas sparger (8\*250mm tube with a 25 mm diameter plate of porosity 4), via a porous sinter, and a septum, which allowed for taking samples with a syringe without opening the system. The system was delivered

by Chiron AS. Figure 10 shows a drawing of a reactor on the inhibitor screening apparatus.



- 1. Septum for sample taking
- 2. Gas inlet
- 3. Spiral gas cooler
- 4. Water inlet gas cooler
- 5. Porous sinter for gas bubbling
- 6. Magnetic stirrer

Figure 10: Scheme of a reactor in the inhibitor screening apparatus.

Hamilton 5 mL glass syringes, 1005TLL with 150 mm stainless steel needles, provided by VWR, were used in the sampling procedure.

The gas used in the initial experiment was a premixed gas consisting of 2,03% CO<sub>2</sub>, 5,94% O<sub>2</sub> ("6 %")and 92,03% N<sub>2</sub>, delivered by Yara Praxair. The gas flow was controlled by gas flow meters calibrated with N<sub>2</sub> prior to the experiments.

#### 2.2.2. Rebuilt inhibitor screening apparatus

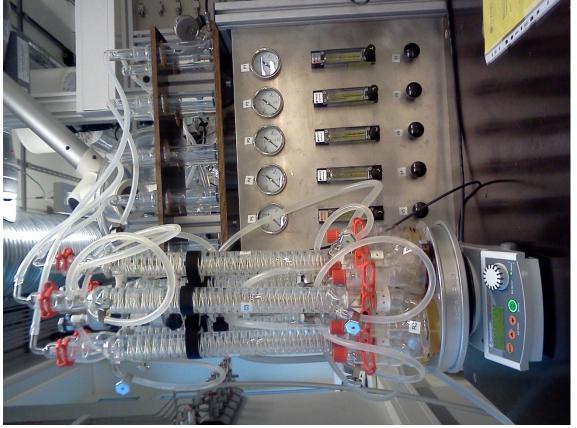
After the first experiment, a rebuild of the apparatus was conducted. The single gas flask with a premixed gas was switched with two gas flasks respectively containing  $O_2$  (5.0 purity, Yara Praxair) and  $CO_2$  (5.0 purity, Yara Praxair) to obtain a mixed gas of 98 %  $O_2$  and 2 %  $CO_2$ . Gas lines from the flasks were connected to mass flow meters controlled by a mass flow controller (MFC) to obtain the preferred gas composition. The MFC's were calibrated using  $N_2$  gas, and corrected for the gas used using a table from the manufacturer. A purge valve was also installed to prevent overpressure in the gas lines. The mass flow meters and the MFC were manufactured by Bronkhorst High Tech and delivered by Flow-Teknikk AS, specifications are given in Table 1.

Table 1: Specifications mass flow meters and -controller.

| Equipment                       | Specification                                   |  |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| Mass flow meter O <sub>2</sub>  | F-201C-FAC-22-Z, 200 mLn/min $CO_2$             |  |
| Mass flow meter CO <sub>2</sub> | F-201CV-050-RAD22-V, 20 mLn/min CO <sub>2</sub> |  |
| Mass flow controller            | E-5714-AAA                                      |  |

The other part of the rebuild was that gas washing flasks were connected to the out streams. The flasks were filled with sulfuric acid to trap ammonia developed in the degradation. Pictures of the rebuilt inhibitor screening apparatus are shown in Figure 11, while a flowchart of the set-up is shown in Figure 12.





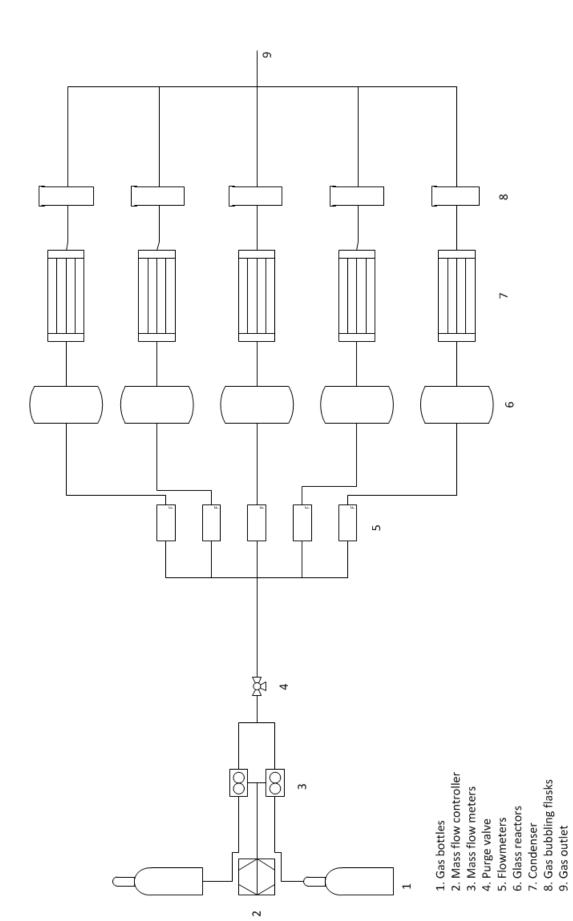


Figure 12: Flowchart of the rebuilt screening apparatus.

#### 2.2.3. Circulative closed loop apparatus

The circulative closed loop apparatus is a closed setup of an absorber used for oxidative degradation experiments. Gas and liquid are circulated in the system, with countercurrent contact via a Sulzer DX stainless steel packing with diameter 80 mm and total height of 275 mm. The column was heated and insulated to keep the temperature stable. The temperature in the liquid phase was measured by a probe placed in the liquid sump, while a Servomex 5200 multipurpose and a Rosemount Binos 100 measured the gas phase concentrations of  $O_2$  and  $CO_2$  respectively. These were connected to a computer with continuous logging. Samples were taken via the liquid pump.

Standard operational parameters used in experiments are given in Table 2.

Table 2: Operational parameters for circulative closed loop apparatus.

| Parameter                | Value |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Gas flow rate [L/min]    | 24,6  |
| Liquid flow rate [L/min] | 0,91  |
| Temperature [°C]         | 50-55 |

Figure 13 shows a picture of the circulative closed loop apparatus.

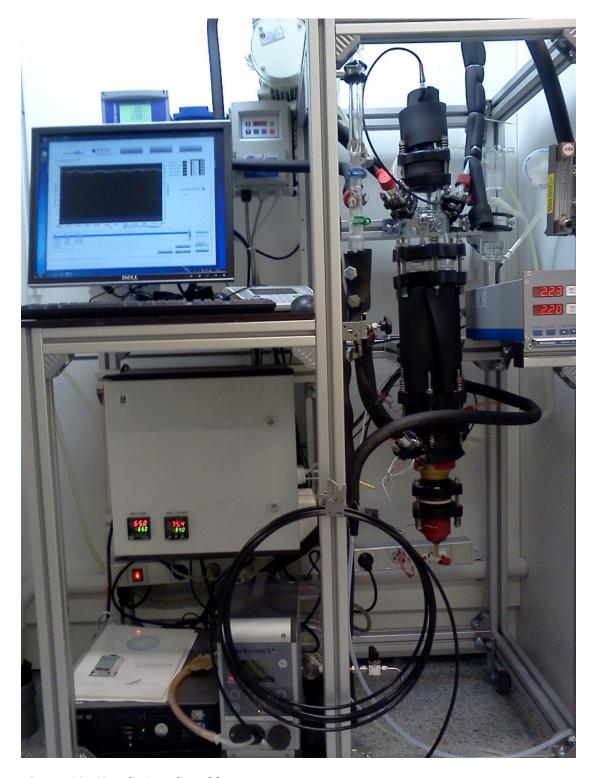


Figure 13: Circulative closed loop apparatus.

## 2.2.4. Thermal degradation

The experiments at thermal conditions were conducted in stainless steel cylinders with Swagelok fittings. Figure 14 shows a picture of a cylinder used in experiments.



Figure 14: Stainless steel cylinder used for thermal experiments.

# 2.3. Experimental procedures

All chemicals were bought in analytical grade if available. More information about the chemicals used is given in Appendix A – Chemicals. All solutions were made gravimetrically using deionized water.  $CO_2$  loading was done by sparging  $CO_2$  gas through the amine solution. For the oxidative degradation experiments, all the solutions and samples were weighed to check the water loss. The inhibitors tested in this thesis are presented in Table 3 together with the concentrations used in experiments. The calculated concentrations for the experiments are given in the results.

Table 3: Presentation of inhibitors tested in this thesis.

| Inhibitor                          | Final<br>products<br>[39]  | Theroretical concentration | Inhibitor function                               | Reference           |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|--|---------------------|
| Potassium<br>sodium tartrate       | -  | 0,01 M                     | Chelating agent                                  | [15, 36]            |
| HEDP<br>(etidronic ecid)           | -  | 0,20%                      | Chelating agent                                  | [36, 42]            |
| Sodium<br>triphosphate             | -  | 0,01M                      | Chelating agent                                  | [36]                |
| Citric acid                        | -  | 0,50%                      | Chelating agent                                  | [36, 43]            |
| Hydroquinone                       | HCO <sub>3</sub> -,H <sub>2</sub> O                                    | 0,011 M                    | Oxygen/radical<br>scavenger                      | [14, 39]            |
| Methallyl<br>alcohol               | -  | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen scavenger                                 |                     |
| Sodium sulfite                     | SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2</sup> -   | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen scavenger                                 | [15, 22, 39,<br>40] |
| Hydrazine                          | $N_2$ , $H_2O$   | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen scavenger,<br>metal passivator            | [39, 40, 44]        |
| Carbohydrazide                     | N <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, CO <sub>2</sub>                     | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen scavenger,<br>metal passivator            | [39, 40, 44]        |
| Erythorbic acid                    | $C_6H_6O_6$ , $H_2O$   | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen scavenger,<br>metal passivator            | [39, 40, 44]        |
| MEKO<br>(methylethyl<br>ketoxime)  | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O, N <sub>2</sub> O,<br>H <sub>2</sub> O | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen/radical<br>scavenger, metal<br>passivator | [39, 40, 44,<br>45] |
| DEHA<br>(diethyl<br>hydroxylamine) | CH <sub>3</sub> COOH, N <sub>2</sub> ,<br>H <sub>2</sub> O             | 0,05 M                     | Oxygen/radical<br>scavenger, metal<br>passivator | [39, 40, 45,<br>46] |

## 2.3.1. Inhibitor screening experiments

A 30 wt% MEA solution was prepared using deionized water, and loaded with 0,4 mol CO<sub>2</sub>/mol MEA. Ferrous sulfate (FeSO<sub>4</sub>, 400  $\mu$ M), Nickel(II) sulfate (NiSO<sub>4</sub>, 50  $\mu$ M), chromium(III) sulfate (Cr<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, 100  $\mu$ M), and sodium sulfate (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) were added as aqueous solutions. For the experiments containing inhibitors, aqueous inhibitor solutions were added to the MEA solution before filling the reactors. Approximately 150 mL was filled in each reactor. The temperature was set to 55 °C and a gas mixture of 98 % O<sub>2</sub>/2 % CO<sub>2</sub> was bubbled through the solutions at a rate of 10 mL/min. Stirring was performed with a magnetic stirring bar at 500 rpm. Samples were taken after 0, 1, 4,

9 and 13 days and analyzed using total alkalinity titration, IC-EC, LC-MS, ICP-MS in addition to CO<sub>2</sub>-titration on the initial and end samples.

The first experiment used 6 %  $O_2$  and 2 %  $CO_2$  ( $N_2$  balance). The other experimental parameters were the same as the other experiments on the setup, but with samples after 0, 1, 4, 8, 13, 21 and 25 days.

Gas bubbling flasks containing  $H_2SO_4$  (1 M, 150 mL) were connected to the outgoing gas lines to capture ammonia. Samples from these were taken after 2, 6, 10 and 13 days. Ammonia analyses were however not done in time for this thesis.

### 2.3.2. Circulative closed loop experiment

A 30 wt% MEA solution was prepared using deionized water, and loaded with 0,4 mol  $CO_2/mol$  MEA. Hydrazine was added and the solution was pumped into the apparatus. The temperature was adjusted to 50-55 °C, gas- and liquid pumps were turned on according to Table 2, and temperature- and gas phase logging were started. Samples were taken after 0, 1, 2, 7, 11, 15, 19 and 21 days and analyzed with total alkalinity titration, IC-EC, LC-MS, ICP-MS in addition to  $CO_2$ -titration on the initial and end samples.

#### 2.3.3. Thermal experiment

A 30 wt% MEA solution was prepared using deionized water. The solution was degassed with nitrogen for 15 minutes to remove air contamination, and loaded with  $CO_2$  to 0,5 mol  $CO_2$ /mol MEA. Aqueous solutions of the inhibitors were added to the loaded MEA solution allocated on different containers. An initial sample was taken from all the solutions before 7 mL of each solution were introduced to stainless steel cylinders, five parallels for each inhibitor. The chelating agents were also added to 3 mL glass tubes and placed inside stainless steel cylinders. The transfer of the solutions was done in a gloves box under  $N_2$ -gas to ensure air free conditions. The cylinders were placed in an oven that held 135 °C. One cylinder was taken out every week for a total of five weeks. The cylinders were weighed prior to and after the experiment to check for leakages. All samples were analyzed using total alkalinity titration,  $CO_2$ -titration was conducted on the start and end samples to check the  $CO_2$ -loading. Three samples were chosen for LC-MS analysis to determine the MEA concentration for comparison with earlier results and with the total alkalinity titration.

# 2.3.4. Density

Density measurements were performed to convert analytical data from  $\mu g/mL$  to mg/kg. These were conducted by weighing known volumes of oxidative degraded solutions from the experiments. The densities were corrected by weighing deionized water by the same procedure and correcting the values according to literature values. Ten parallels were done for each sample.

#### 2.3.5. Uncertainty assessments

Four different tests were conducted on the IC-EC to check the standard deviations for the analyses. 1/500 was the standard dilution used for most of the samples, and was therefore natural to use this dilution in the tests. The method used was the same as in the experiments. These tests are described below, while the results are displayed in Section 3.2.3.

In the first test (Test 1), the purpose was to see how the dilution of the sample affected the final concentration. This was done by diluting a sample in dilutions 1/100, 1/200, 1/300, 1/400, 1/500, 1/600 and 1/700. The second test (Test 2) was developed to see if the results were consistent when several analyses were run from the same vial. A sample was diluted 1/500 and run seven times on the IC-EC. The third test (Test 3) was almost like the second test, but with several vials; a degraded solvent was diluted 1/500 and distributed on ten vials. The fourth test (Test 4) was a test of the analytical balance by diluting the same sample ten times in parallel to give ten vials diluted 1/500.

To determine the standard deviation for the total alkalinity titration method, eight parallels of a degraded amine solution were run on the same sample in accordance to the procedure described in 2.1.2.1.

Eight samples of a degraded amine solution were run in accordance to the CO<sub>2</sub>-titration procedure described in 2.1.2.2 to check the standard deviations.

The calculations in this procedure assume that 0,1 M HCl and 0,1 M NaOH have the same density and are done by Equation 13.

$$C_{CO_2} = \frac{1}{20} * (m_{HCl} - V_{NaOH} - (m_{HCl}^{Blank} - V_{NaOH}^{Blank}))$$
 (13)

#### 3. Results and discussion

In the first experiment, using  $6\%~O_2/2\%~CO_2$ , the system gave on average 4,66% degradation over a period of 25 days. At this low degradation, seeing the effect of inhibitors would be hard, and the uncertainties large. Therefore, it was determined that the gas composition should be changed to  $98\%~O_2/2\%~CO_2$  to increase the degradation. Alternate ways to increase the degradation were reviewed, but increasing the oxygen content was seen to be the best way. The alternate ways to increase degradation assessed were increasing temperature or -metal concentrations. A metal mix was added to get more realistic conditions since the experiments are conducted in glass reactors.

In the first part of this chapter, the results from a simplistic density measurement and an assessment on the uncertainties in experiments and analytical methods are presented. This gives a better ground for evaluating the results from the inhibitor experiments.

Standard deviation calculations were done using Equation 14, where S is the standard deviation,  $x_i$  is the value for sample i,  $\bar{x}$  is the mean value for the selection and n is the number of values in the selection.

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}} \tag{14}$$

Next, an assessment on the influence of metals and oxygen content on the degradation and distribution of degradation compounds will be presented. Then the inhibitors will be evaluated, both how good they inhibit degradation and how they impact the formation of different degradation compounds. The oxidative and thermal stability of the chelating agents is discussed, before a summarizing discussion of the chapter.

The experiments run with metal mix and a gas blend of  $98 \% O_2/2 \% CO_2$  are regarded the base case experiments. Because of the large deviations between the reactors in the base case experiments, the experiments containing inhibitors are compared with the respective reactors before they are compared with each other. The concentrations of the inhibitors used were based on the concentrations used in literature. The previously not tested inhibitors were chosen to have the same concentration as an inhibitor of similar function referred to in literature. The oxygen- and radical scavengers are assessed together as many of these have a combined effect.

Since the data from chromatographic analysis methods are given in ppm, no decimals are given in the results part due to the uncertainties, both from analyses and from the conversion.

The inhibitor screening apparatus was untested before this thesis, therefore the consistency of the experiments on the set-up cannot be guaranteed.

For the IC-EC analyses a detection limit is given. This limit is calculated according to the lowest concentration of the standard and the dilution of the specific sample. For simplicity, the mean detection limits are displayed in the charts and tables.

## 3.1. Density

The density of water at  $25\,^{\circ}$ C and atmospheric pressure was given by Kell [47] to be  $0.9970752\,$  kg/m³. This value was used to correct the water density to obtain the calculated densities shown in Table 4. Standard deviations were calculated according to Equation 14.

Table 4: Density measurements of degraded samples with standard deviations.

| Amine loss [%] | Measured<br>density [g/mL] | Calculated density<br>[g/mL] | Standard<br>deviation [g/mL] |
|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 0,00           | 1,084                      | 1,085                        | 0,000                        |
| 4,31           | 1,104                      | 1,105                        | 0,002                        |
| 5,70           | 1,097                      | 1,097                        | 0,002                        |
| 21,68          | 1,108                      | 1,108                        | 0,002                        |
| 25,33          | 1,114                      | 1,115                        | 0,001                        |
| 37,63          | 1,130                      | 1,131                        | 0,002                        |

Figure 15 shows a plot for the calculated density versus the amine loss in the samples.

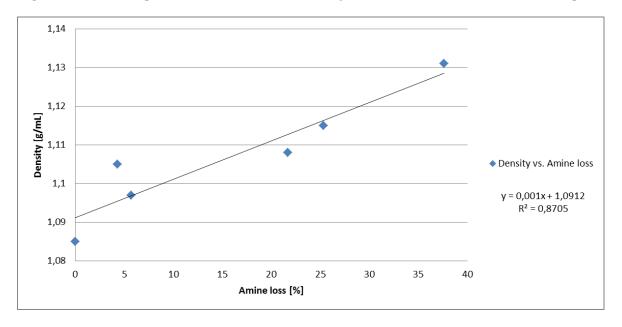


Figure 15: Plot of calculated density versus amine loss for the samples.

The formula given in Figure 15, y=0.001x+1.0912 [g/mL], is used to convert the LC-MS-and ICP-MS data for comparison purposes. The conversion is done in a linear manner, where the density is calculated as a function of the percentage amine loss, x. This implies larger uncertainties, but makes it easier to discuss the data. In the future, analyses should be done on the same basis to avoid these problems and reduce uncertainties.

## 3.2. Uncertainties in analyses and experiments

The results from the standard deviation calculations for the titration methods and the IC-EC method are given in this subchapter. The standard deviations were calculated using Equation 14.

## 3.2.1. Total alkalinity titration

The data from the test of the total alkalinity titration method is given in Table 5

Table 5: Experimental data for determination of standard deviation of amine analysis.

| Parallel | Concentration [mol/kg] |
|----------|------------------------|
| 1        | 3,61                   |
| 2        | 3,61                   |
| 3        | 3,61                   |
| 4        | 3,60                   |
| 5        | 3,61                   |
| 6        | 3,60                   |
| 7        | 3,60                   |
| 8        | 3,59                   |

These data gave a mean concentration of 3,60 mol/kg amine, with a standard deviation of 0,01 mol/kg. This correspond to a deviation of 0,23%.

When using this method, it is important to remember that it measures the alkalinity of the solution and not the MEA concentration. This is especially important for the experiments performed at thermal conditions, where some of the main degradation products are amines. For the oxidative degradation experiments, this method is used as a measure of the amine loss, since low concentrations of alkaline degradation compounds are expected.

#### 3.2.2. CO<sub>2</sub>-titration method

The data from the test of the CO<sub>2</sub>-titration method is given in Table 6.

Table 6: Experimental data for determination of standard deviation of CO<sub>2</sub>-analysis.

| Parallel | Concentration CO <sub>2</sub> [mol/kg] |
|----------|--|
| 1        | 1,71                                   |
| 2        | 1,72                                   |
| 3        | 1,70                                   |
| 4        | 1,73                                   |
| 5        | 1,71                                   |
| 6        | 1,72                                   |
| 7        | 1,72                                   |
| 8        | 1,72                                   |

These data gave a mean concentration of  $1,72 \text{ mol/L CO}_2$ , with a standard deviation of 0,01 mol/L. This corresponds to a deviation of 0,44%.

## 3.2.3. Assesment of IC-EC analytical method

The concentration of oxalate in the sample used was below the detection limit, therefore the standard deviation for this anion is not assessed for the IC-EC. The tables present the average concentrations of the anions together with the standard deviation in mg/kg and per cent of the mean values.

The standard deviations for Test 1 are presented in Table 7.

Table 7: Results from Test 1, checking the effect of different dilutions.

|                               | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate | Sulfate |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average concentration [mg/kg] | 612     | 765     | 459     | 1456    |
| Standard deviation [mg/kg]    | 19      | 73      | 31      | 79      |
| Standard deviation [%]        | 3,2     | 9,5     | 6,7     | 5,5     |

The standard deviations from this test are the largest from all the tests performed on the IC-EC. Figure 16 show a plot of dilution versus the calculated anion concentrations.

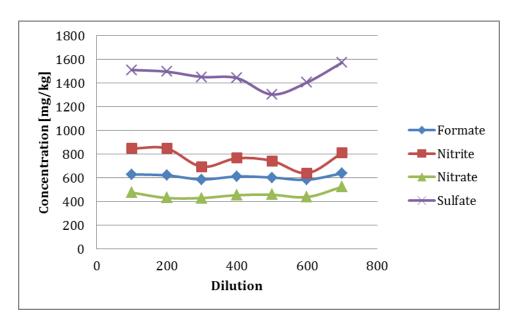


Figure 16: Effect of dilution on the calculated concentrations in a degraded amine solution.

In this plot it can be seen that the variation in concentrations of the anions does not seem to follow any specific trends according to the dilution.

In Test 2, where seven analyses were run on the same vial, the smallest standard deviations were found. This was also the expected result. Table 8 shows the values obtained from Test 2.

Table 8: Results from Test 2, running seven analyses on the same vial.

|                               | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate | Sulfate |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average concentration [mg/kg] | 636     | 680     | 456     | 1456    |
| Standard deviation [mg/kg]    | 11      | 20      | 6       | 8       |
| Standard deviation [%]        | 1,7     | 2,9     | 1,3     | 0,6     |

The exact same solution used in Test 2, was used in Test 3, shown in Table 9. The only difference between these two tests was the use of one vial in Test 2 compared to ten vials in Test 3.

Table 9: Results from Test 3, with ten vials containing the same solution.

|                               | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate | Sulfate |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average concentration [mg/kg] | 613     | 721     | 467     | 1471    |
| Standard deviation [mg/kg]    | 12      | 21      | 18      | 16      |
| Standard deviation [%]        | 2,0     | 3,0     | 3,8     | 1,1     |

The results indicate that there are bigger deviations when using several vials. There are no apparent reasons for why the amount of vials should affect the results. The tops of the vials were pre-slit, so the material should not interfere with the injector needle. Contamination from the vials is also unlikely, as these are single use only.

Test 4 is the most representative test according to the analyses in this thesis. Ten samples were diluted and analyzed in the same manner as the samples from experiments. Table 10 gives the average concentrations and standard deviations for the anions in this test.

Table 10: Results from Test 4, with ten samples diluted separately.

|                               | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate | Sulfate |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Average concentration [mg/kg] | 597     | 720     | 446     | 1446    |
| Standard deviation [mg/kg]    | 34      | 50      | 15      | 70      |
| Standard deviation [%]        | 5,7     | 6,9     | 3,4     | 4,8     |

Test 4 shows the standard deviations which are expected to be applicable to the analyses used in this assignment. The deviations between this test and Test 3 would be related to the dilution process. Since the dilution is done on weight basis, the uncertainty is in the analytical balance. The analytical balance used in these dilutions has three digits on a gram scale, by using a more precise balance, the uncertainties would be reduced.

The variations between the different anions can be related to the individual peak properties. Figure 17 shows a chromatogram from this test.

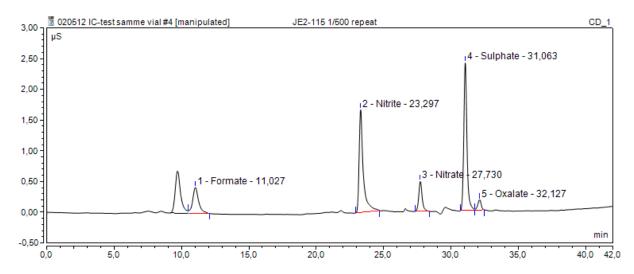


Figure 17: Chromatogram from the IC-EC tests, showing peak properties.

Here it can be seen that neither the formate peak nor the sulfate and oxalate peaks have baseline separation. This overlap will cause an uncertainty in the measured areas of the peaks, and thus the calculated concentrations. The peak with retention time of approximately ten minutes is assumed to be the single condensation product of MEA and oxalic acid as discussed by da Silva [9]. No standard was available for quantification of this compound. The nitrite peak has quite a long tail which makes it hard to determine the borders of the peak for the integration of the chromatogram. Since the tail sometimes overlaps with smaller peaks, this gives cause for some uncertainties for this peak. The nitrate has baseline separation and no tail, but the uncertainties related to this anion are in the same range as for the others. This indicates that the uncertainties found in these tests are not only related to the integration of the peaks, which is done manually.

#### 3.2.4. Reproducibility

In this part chapter the reproducibility for the reactors are assessed. Two experiments were run where the same solution was loaded in all the reactors. The gas contained 6% oxygen for the first run, and 98% oxygen for the second run. Other conditions were equal, as explained in experimental part 2.3.1.

The degradation using 6% oxygen in the gas was very low. With a mean value of 4,66% amine loss after 25 days, the system had to be modified to give more degradation. The low rate of degradation means that the uncertainties in the analyses are larger relative to the experiments with higher degradation. For the experiment using 98% oxygen, major leaks were found in the system. The concentrations were corrected for the water loss using the sulfate concentration from the IC-EC analysis. This gives an extra uncertainty due to the uncertainty from the IC-EC analysis. Since the water loss was quite substantial, the concentration of the degradation compounds increased as well. This can give basis to a higher amount of reactions in the reactors, giving more degradation.

Table 11 gives the amine loss and standard deviations for experiments at 98% and 6%  $0_2$  after 13 days.

Table 11: Amine loss for reactors at 6% and 98% oxygen.

| Reactor                | Amine loss 6 % O <sub>2</sub> [%] | Amine loss 98 % O <sub>2</sub> [%] | 98 %/6 % |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|
| R1                     | 2,92                              | 21,68                              | 7,40     |
| R2                     | 2,66                              | 37,63                              | 14,10    |
| R3                     | 3,04                              | 17,20                              | 5,70     |
| R4                     | 3,11                              | 14,06                              | 4,50     |
| R5                     | 3,32                              | 25,33                              | 7,60     |
| Mean                   | 3,01                              | 23,18                              | 7,90     |
| Standard deviation     | 0,22                              | 8,18                               | 3,34     |
| Standard deviation [%] | 7,2                               | 35,3                               | 42,4     |

The large deviations between the reactors support the decision to compare the inhibitor screening experiments with the base case for the given reactor. With a standard deviation of 35,3% for the average base case, comparing the inhibitor screening experiments directly with each other would be wrong. The factors between the 98% and 6% varies a lot, which support the need for more experiments to determine a good baseline for comparison.

The large differences between the degradation in the separate reactors give ground to a discussion to whether the results are comparable. If the oxidative degradation is controlled by the oxygen mass transfer, as claimed by Goff [22], the relative concentrations of the some inhibitors would be affected by this. The concentration of an oxygen scavenger will be dependent on the amount of dissolved oxygen present, and therefore it will disappear faster in R2 compared to R4. By observation, it seems like the gas spargers in the reactors giving more degradation (in base case) also give a finer dispersion of the gas compared with the reactors with lower degradation. It should be considered to replace these spargers to get more equal conditions in the reactors for easier comparison.

An additional parallel was conducted on reactor R4 without metals by Solrun J. Vevelstad. The standard deviation calculated for the two experiments is shown in Table 12.

Table 12: Standard deviation calculation for the two parallels run on reactor R4.

| Run                    | Amine loss [%] |
|------------------------|----------------|
| 1                      | 9,10           |
| 2                      | 7,05           |
| Mean                   | 8,08           |
| Standard deviation     | 1,03           |
| Standard deviation [%] | 12,7           |

Although this standard deviation is based on two experiments, the value is quite large. It has to be taken into account that the first of the experiments had a substantial water loss, concentrating the solution which may have increased the degradation. Regardless, this shows the need for running more baseline experiments, testing the reproducibility of the reactors.

Sexton [27] analyzed the degradation compounds in an experiment using a 98%  $O_2/2\%$   $CO_2$  gas blend at a gas flow of 100 mL/min. The experiments were conducted using 5 M MEA, loaded with 0,4 mol  $CO_2$ / mol MEA, with 1,0 mM iron, at 55 °C, and ran for 20,8 days (500 hours). The product rate formation is given in Table 13, and compared to the mean formation rates for the base case experiments. These are calculated using a linear approach. In the experiments, the oxalate concentration was below the detection limit for three of five experiments. The values given are for the two where the oxalate was above the detection limit.

Table 13: Comparison of degradation product formation rates between Sexton low gas flow apparatus [27] and base case experiments.

| Experiment                 | HEF<br>[mM/h] | HEI<br>[mM/h] | Formate [mM/h] |      |      |      | Amine loss [mM/h] |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------|------|------|-------------------|
| Mean<br>98% O <sub>2</sub> | 0,33          | 0,26          | 0,07           | 0,03 | 0,01 | 0,11 | 3,6               |
| Sexton 2011                | 0,77          | 0,66          | 0,29           | 0,09 | 0,02 | 0,21 | 3,8               |

It seems like although the amine loss is approximately the same, the formation rate of the degradation compounds in the experiments done by Sexton are higher. The three main differences between the experiments are the flowrates (100 mL/min vs. 10 mL/min), iron concentrations (1,0 mM vs. 0,4 mM) and time used for the experiment. The amine concentration was also slightly higher in Sextons experiment. It may be that the harsher conditions in Sextons experiment account for a higher degree of oxidation of the degradation products, while the rate of amine loss is the same. For example, if the oxidation of formaldehyde is favored compared to the oxidation of MEA, a larger concentration of formate will be detected, while the amine loss is the same. The length of the experiment will also affect the results, since the degradation not is linear.

### 3.3. Effect of metals

Since one of the reactors on the inhibitor screening apparatus was run both with and without metals added, it is natural to look at the differences between these two experiments. Table 14 gives the LC-MS and Table 15 gives the IC-EC data for the end samples in reactor R4 run with and without metals added at the same conditions.

Table 14: LC-MS data for end samples with- and without metals added.

| Campla         | OZD     | BHEOX   | HEA     | HeGly   | HEPO    | HEF     | HEI     |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Sample         | [mg/kg] |
| Without metals | 886     | 1090    | 56      | 170     | 42      | 3927    | 696     |
| With metals    | 1243    | 1758    | 163     | 150     | 55      | 5682    | 5087    |
| Ratio          | 1,40    | 1,61    | 2,90    | 0,88    | 1,30    | 1,45    | 7,31    |

Table 15: IC-EC data for end samples with- and without metals added.

| Sample         |      | Nitrate<br>[mg/kg] |   |      |
|----------------|------|--------------------|---|------|
| Without metals | 291  | 70                 | 0 | 231  |
| With metals    | 418  | 336                | 0 | 482  |
| Ratio          | 1,44 | 4,83               | - | 2,09 |

The total degradation in the experiment without metals was 9,10% and 14,06% in the experiment with metals added. The ratios are calculated by dividing the concentrations with metals on the concentrations without metals. Ratio for the degradation is 1,55.

The two most significant differences between these experiments are regarding HeGly and HEI. The mechanism for the formation of HEI is not known, but there are several patents based on synthesizing it from glyoxal, MEA, ammonia and formaldehyde, with water as a solvent at low temperatures. [48-50] From the literature, this reaction does not appear to need metal catalysis; it is therefore natural to assume that the effect of metals is due to the formation of its precursors. Ammonia and formaldehyde are primary degradation products and are not assumed to be the limiting factor for this reaction. Glyoxal has not been reported as a degradation product, but is a two carbon oxidation product of MEA, so its presence is not unlikely.

The mechanism for formation of HeGly is not known, but it seems to be dependent on metal concentrations, since the concentration is higher in the sample without metals added. da Silva [9] claim HeGly to be the precursor of another degradation compound, HEPO. It may be that it is the formation of HEPO that is affected by metals, and not the formation of HeGly. The condensation product of HeGly and MEA, N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-2-(2-hydroxyethylamino) acetamide (HEHEAA), is believed to be an intermediate in the formation of HEPO. A quantification of HEHEAA or more experiments around this reaction could clear up how the metals affect the formation of HeGly and HEPO.

2-hydroxyethyl acetamide (HEA), nitrite and nitrate also seem to increase more than the overall degradation by the addition of metals. This implies a catalytic effect in the formation of these species. HEA is assumed to be the condensation product between acetic acid and MEA. [13] Such condensation reactions are often metal catalyzed, but since acetate is not detectable in the samples it is hard to say how the formation of HEA is affected by metals. Transition metals have proved effective in the wet oxidation of ammonia to nitrous oxides [25, 26]; this is likely to be the background of the increased concentrations of nitrite and nitrate. If the addition of metals both increase ammonia evolution and –oxidation, an increase in nitrite and nitrate would be expected.

According to Lepaumier and da Silva [9, 13], OZD is the precursor in the carbamate polymerization at thermal conditions. They do not see an effect of metals in the thermal degradation, something that would be expected if the precursor was affected by metals. Since the concentration of OZD increase with the addition of metals, there is a possibility that the MEA-carbamate cyclization is metal catalyzed. It is possible that this effect is not seen at higher temperatures because metal catalysis is unnecessary at those conditions. Another possibility is that there is another mechanism for the formation of OZD at absorber conditions. This is discussed further in Section 3.4.

# 3.4. Effect of oxygen content

As discussed in 3.2.4, the low degree of degradation in the experiment run with  $6\%~O_2$  give larger uncertainties. Some of the values are very close to the detection limits, which are given together with the raw data in Appendix B: LC-MS raw data and Appendix I: IC-EC raw data. Table 16 and Table 17 give the average concentrations of degradation products and ratios between them from LC-MS and IC-EC analyses respectively, after 13 days.

Table 16: Average concentrations of degradation compounds from 98%  $O_2$  and 6%  $O_2$ , from LC-MS analysis.

|                     | OZD     | BHEOX   | HEA     | HeGly   | HEPO    | HEF     | HEI     |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                     | [mg/kg] |
| 6 % O <sub>2</sub>  | 87      | 268     | 74      | 283     | 21      | 2165    | 2978    |
| 98 % O <sub>2</sub> | 1559    | 2043    | 226     | 132     | 69      | 6845    | 6552    |
| Ratio               | 17,92   | 7,62    | 3,05    | 0,47    | 3,29    | 3,16    | 2,20    |

Table 17: Average concentrations of degradation compounds from 98%  $O_2$  and 6%  $O_2$ , from IC-EC analysis.

|                     | Formate<br>[mg/kg] | Nitrate<br>[mg/kg] | Oxalate<br>[mg/kg] | Nitrite<br>[mg/kg] |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 6 % O <sub>2</sub>  | 144                | 57                 | 24                 | 67                 |
| 98 % O <sub>2</sub> | 876                | 569                | 153                | 1453               |
| Ratio               | 6,08               | 9,98               | 6,38               | 21,69              |

Formate, oxalate and BHEOX increase approximately with the same factor as the overall degradation. The formation of HEA, HEPO, HEF and HEI is not increased as much as the overall degradation. In the formation of HEF, it is likely that the reaction between formate and MEA is limiting, since the formate concentration follows the overall degradation. Similar reasons may be limiting HEA, but acetate is not detectable. HEI is assumed to have several precursors, of which only MEA concentration is known. If glyoxal is the limiting factor, as discussed in 3.3., it may be the formation of this that is limiting HEI formation. The total mechanism for the formation of HEPO is not known, but da Silva [9] suggest a mechanism with HeGly as a precursor. Since the HeGly concentrations are lower at 98% O<sub>2</sub> compared with the 6% O<sub>2</sub>, the HEPO concentration would not be expected to increase.

Nitrite and nitrate also increase more than the average degradation. This might be a result of the oxygen dependency of the oxidation of ammonia, or the formation of ammonia, as discussed in Section 3.3.. Ammonia analyses were however not performed in time for this thesis.

Both OZD and HeGly seem to be affected by oxygen concentration. OZD has been reported as a product in both thermal and oxidative degradation. According to da Silva [9], the formation of OZD at absorber conditions follow the same mechanism as at thermal conditions; by MEA-carbamate ring closure. This mechanism should not be affected by the amount of oxygen present. As clearly seen in Table 16, the formation of OZD is markedly (factor of eighteen) larger at the experiments conducted at  $98\%~O_2$  compared to  $6\%~O_2$ . To explain the increased formation of OZD at increased oxygen concentrations, a proposition for a new mechanism for the formation of OZD at absorber conditions is given in Figure 18.

Figure 18: Proposed mechanism for the formation of OZD at absorber conditions.

This mechanism is based on the work of Patil et al. [51] where cyclic carbonates, formed by reactions between an epoxide and CO<sub>2</sub>, react with alkanolamines to give 2-oxazolidinones in good yields using a phosphonium based catalyst. Ethylene oxide has been believed to be the product of the deamination of MEA, and is a reported product in the degradation of methyl diethanolamine (MDEA). [52, 53] If ethylene oxide is a degradation product affected by the oxygen concentration, by for example a radical initiated deamination, this could be a plausible route for formation of OZD at absorber

conditions. An effect of metals was also detected in Section 3.3., which means this reaction may be metal catalyzed.

da Silva [9] reported HeGly to be the most abundant degradation compound in Esbjerg pilot plant samples, and second most abundant in samples from the Tiller pilot plant. The Esbjerg pilot plant used pulverized coal, which means 6-7% oxygen in the flue gas. The oxygen content in the flue gas used in the Tiller pilot plant was was 7% oxygen (Personal communication Andreas Grimstvedt). In the experiments in this thesis, it is seen that the formation of HeGly is favored at lower oxygen concentrations. The concentrations of HeGly are on average two times higher at 6% O<sub>2</sub> compared to 98% O<sub>2</sub>, even though the degradation is only one eighth. This supports the claim that HeGly is favored at lower oxygen concentrations. The mechanism of HeGly is unknown, but the results suggest that the precursor of this compound is an intermediate in the oxidation of MEA. In the oxidation route from MEA to oxalic acid described by Rooney [31], some of the intermediates have structures which makes them possible precursors for HeGly. None of these are quantified in the experiments, but the final oxidation product, oxalic acid, is. Oxalic acid is generally found in small amounts, but is just above detection limit in reactor R4 for the experiment with 6% O<sub>2</sub> in a concentration of 24 mg/kg. The same reactor ran with 98% O<sub>2</sub> gave in comparison a concentration of 203 mg/kg, this is a factor of about eight. The double condensation product of MEA and oxalic acid, N,N'bis(2-hydroxyethyl) oxalamide (BHEOX) [9], is also present at in average eight times higher concentrations in the same samples. Since the concentration of these higher oxidation products is larger at higher oxygen concentrations, HeGly may be favored at lower oxygen concentrations due to a higher availability of its precursors.

An oxidation of HeGly would most likely yield MEA and glyoxylic acid, as glycine and sarcosine give similar products in aerobic, enzymatic oxidation. [54] Glyoxylic acid is one of the precursors of oxalic acid in the oxidation route proposed by Rooney. [31] Thus, the reason that higher concentrations of HeGly are present at low oxygen concentration may be due to its destruction at higher oxygen concentrations.

Since HeGly is such an important degradation product in pilot samples, further work should be put into determining the mechanism for its formation. This work should focus on precursors favored at less oxidizing conditions, in reactions that do not require metal catalysis. The stability and reactions of HeGly should also be studied to see how it fits into the full picture of amine degradation.

#### 3.5. Inhibitors

The results of the experiments screening inhibitors for antioxidative effect are presented first in this chapter. Next, it is discussed whether the inhibitors have an effect on the carbamate polymerization. Lastly are the results from the tests of the stability of the chelating agents presented.

### 3.5.1. Screening experiments

The effect of the inhibitors was determined by amine loss, found using total alkalinity titration. The amine losses were compared with the respective reactors for the base case to calculate the percentage inhibition. This, together with the calculated concentrations of the inhibitors is shown in Table 18.

Table 18: Inhibitory effect and concentrations used of the inhibitors for screening experiments.

| Inhibitor                 | Calculated concentration [wt%] | Calculated<br>concentration<br>[mol/kg] | Reduction<br>in<br>degradation<br>[%] | Class            |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 0,25                           | 0,009                                   | 23,59                                 |                  |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 0,37                           | 0,01                                    | 64,42                                 | Chelating agents |
| Citric acid               | 0,46                           | 0,024                                   | 32,05                                 | 0 0              |
| HEDP                      | 0,18                           | 0,008                                   | 67,81                                 |                  |
| Hydroquinone              | 0,12                           | 0,011                                   | -17,19                                |                  |
| Erythorbic acid           | 0,89                           | 0,051                                   | 57,42                                 |                  |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,45                           | 0,05                                    | 59,69                                 | Ovygon /radical  |
| Methallyl alcohol         | 0,35                           | 0,049                                   | -21,36                                | Oxygen/radical   |
| Sodium sulfite            | 0,59                           | 0,047                                   | 50,34                                 | scavengers       |
| DEHA                      | 0,4                            | 0,044                                   | 37,60                                 |                  |
| MEKO                      | 0,41                           | 0,047                                   | 55,67                                 |                  |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 0,36                           | 0,01                                    | 61,90                                 |                  |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,43                           | 0,048                                   | 01,90                                 |                  |
| Citric acid               | 0,48                           | 0,025                                   | 51,04                                 | Cumonary         |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,43                           | 0,048                                   | 31,04                                 | Synergy          |
| HEDP                      | 0,2                            | 0,009                                   | F0 F7                                 |                  |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,45                           | 0,05                                    | 58,57                                 |                  |

From Table 18 it can be seen that most of the inhibitors did exhibit antioxidative effect, except for two; hydroquinone and methallyl alcohol which increased the rate of degradation.

## 3.5.1.1. *Unsuccessful inhibitors*

Hydroquinone seems to increase the overall oxidation of the solution. It gives a decrease in HeGly concentration, which supports HeGly formation to be favored in a less oxidizing environment. See Appendix B: LC-MS raw data.

Hydroquinone is an oxygen- and radical scavenger used to scavenge oxygen in boiler systems. [39] The radicals formed in the oxidation of hydroquinone may have been unstable, and participated in oxidation of the amine. [14] This can be a result of too high concentrations being added [33], or that the intermediate is too unstable to work in a system like this. If further work should be done using this chemical, lower concentration should be used.

Methallyl alcohol is a water soluble alkene which has not previously been used as an antioxidant. This compound was screened for inhibitory effect due to the transition metal catalyzed reaction between alkenes and oxygen to form epoxides. [55, 56] The experimental results indicate that this was not the case. There is a possibility that the alkene reacted with the amine in a metal catalyzed amination of the alkene, but the increase in typical MEA oxidative degradation compounds suggest that it increased oxidation. [57]

Table 19 shows the LC-MS data for the end samples with the calculated ratio between them while Table 20 shows the concentrations of the anionic species from these two experiments.

Table 19: End sample concentrations of compounds quantified by LC-MS for methallyl alcohol- and base case experiments.

|                           | OZD    | BHEOX  | HEA   | HeGly | НЕРО | HEF    | HEI    |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|--------|--------|
| Methallyl alcohol [mg/kg] | 1735,9 | 2712,8 | 206,9 | 101,8 | 46,6 | 7818,1 | 6322,5 |
| Base case [mg/kg]         | 1242,8 | 1758,5 | 163,4 | 150   | 54,9 | 5682,3 | 5086,9 |
| Ratio                     | 1,40   | 1,54   | 1,27  | 0,68  | 0,85 | 1,38   | 1,24   |

Table 20: End sample concentrations of anionic species quantified on IC-EC for methallyl alcohol- and base case experiments.

|                           | Formate | Nitrate | Oxalate | Nitrite |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Methallyl alcohol [mg/kg] | 627     | 398     | 0       | 674     |
| Base case [mg/kg]         | 418     | 336     | 0       | 482     |
| Ratio                     | 1,50    | 1,19    | -       | 1,40    |

The ratio between the degradation with methallyl alcohol and the base case is 1,21. The concentrations of the products favored at higher oxygen concentrations, such as formate, BHEOX and OZD, have slightly higher relative values in samples from the experiment with methallyl alcohol added compared with the base case. The concentration of HeGly, favored at low oxygen concentrations, is lower. This indicate that the alkene increase the solubility of oxygen in the solution to increase the oxidation rate. HEPO, which increased with higher oxygen concentration shown in Table 16, do however decrease in the experiment with methallyl alcohol added. HEPO is a compound present at low concentrations, so the uncertainties in its values are large.

#### 3.5.1.2. Oxygen/radical scavengers

Out of seven oxygen/radical scavengers screened for antioxidative effect in amine systems, five gave an inhibitory effect. The percentage of inhibitory effect ranges from 37,60-59,69 % inhibition, with carbohydrazide as the best and DEHA as the least good. It has to be included that only one concentration has been tested for each of the inhibitors.

The ratios between degradation compounds for the respective base case experiments and the experiments with oxygen scavengers added are shown in Table 21 and Table 22. Table 22 also shows the relative degradation in the samples.

Table 21: Ratios of LC-MS degradation products in base case experiments compared with experiments containing oxygen scavengers.

|                 | OZD  | BHEOX | HEA  | HeGly | HEPO | HEF  | HEI  |
|-----------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| DEHA            | 1,57 | 1,18  | 0,13 | 1,46  | 2,02 | 1,49 | 1,70 |
| Erythorbic acid | 2,74 | 1,42  | 1,71 | 0,88  | 2,60 | 1,86 | 1,57 |
| Sodium sulfite  | 1,56 | 2,67  | 2,53 | 1,16  | 1,78 | 2,40 | 1,90 |
| Carbohydrazide  | 1,30 | 2,05  | 1,53 | 1,65  | 2,18 | 1,53 | 1,51 |
| MEKO            | 1,67 | 1,62  | 0,92 | 1,00  | 1,18 | 1,94 | 2,68 |

Table 22: Ratios of IC-EC degradation products in base case experiments compared with experiments containing oxygen scavengers, as well as degradation ratios.

|                 | Formate | Nitrate | Oxalate | Nitrite | Degradation |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| DEHA            | 2,15    | 1,42    | -       | 2,21    | 1,60        |
| Erythorbic acid | 1,96    | 1,71    | 0,45    | 11,80   | 2,35        |
| Sodium sulfite  | 2,42    | 2,26    | -       | -       | 2,01        |
| Carbohydrazide  | 2,48    | 2,05    | -       | 7,60    | 2,48        |
| МЕКО            | 2,91    | 1,55    | -       | 3,39    | 2,26        |

In these tables, high numbers compared to the degradation mean that the amount of the degradation product is reduced. For oxalate and nitrite, the empty fields mean that the concentration was below the detection limit for the sample containing inhibitor. The base case experiment conducted on the same reactor as carbohydrazide did not show any oxalate in the end sample.

The only degradation product reduced more than the overall degradation for all the inhibitors is nitrite. The reduction of nitrite may be due to a decrease in the oxidation of ammonia and in an overall reduction in ammonia formation. Nitrate seems to be more favored than nitrite with oxygen scavengers added. In the comparison between 6% and 98%  $O_2$  in the gas (Section 3.4), it is also seen that nitrite increased more when the oxygen was increased. Thus it seems like oxygen scavengers can be efficient in reducing nitrite formation. HeGly is reduced less than the overall degradation for all these inhibitors. This can be related to this compound being favored at less oxidizing conditions, as discussed in Section 3.4. For the other degradation compounds, no apparent trend is present.

None of the other compounds follow a specific trend. The scavengers can favor different reactions and reactants in the solutions, which affect the product composition. DEHA and MEKO are reported to be both radical and oxygen scavengers. [44, 46] It is seen from Table 21 and Table 22 that these favor the same degradation products, except for

HEPO. This indicates that they work by the same mechanisms, although MEKO is more efficient.

It also has to be considered that the stoichiometries in the reactions with oxygen are not the same for all the inhibitors. The most efficient oxygen scavenger, carbohydrazide, react 1:2 with oxygen, compared to erythorbic acid, the second most efficient which react 2:1 with oxygen.[39] These are added in approximately the same molar amounts and inhibit degradation to approximately the same degree (59,69 vs. 57,42 % inhibition). This implies that it is not the amount of the inhibitors that gives the difference in inhibitory effect. It suggests that it is the kinetics of the oxygen scavenging reactions that is determining for the effect in these experiments. The scavengers should anyway be tested in different concentrations before any conclusions can be drawn.

Since the scavengers are to be added continuously, it is important that their products do not affect the process. In Table 3 the products from the oxidation of the scavengers are reported. For DEHA, acetic acid is a reported oxidation product, which is likely to be the reason for the increase in the concentration of HEA seen in Table 21. It would be preferred for an inhibitor that its oxidation products do not accumulate or react with the other species in the solution.

### 3.5.1.3. Chelating agents

All of the chelating agents gave inhibitory effect, with HEDP as the most efficient, inhibiting 67,81 % of the degradation. Potassium sodium tartrate was the least efficient, reducing the degradation with 23,59 %. It has to be mentioned that citric acid was added in a different concentrations from the others, the concentrations are given in Table 18.

Table 23 and Table 24 show the relative concentrations in the base case experiments compared to the concentrations in the samples containing chelating agents. The relative degradation is also shown in Table 24.

Table 23: Ratios of LC-MS degradation products in base case experiments compared with experiments containing chelating agents.

|                           | OZD  | BHEOX | HEA  | HeGly | HEPO | HEF  | HEI   |
|---------------------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|-------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 0,98 | 0,92  | 0,75 | 0,93  | 0,77 | 0,90 | 0,86  |
| Citric acid               | 1,05 | 1,54  | 0,87 | 0,94  | 1,49 | 1,54 | 2,05  |
| HEDP                      | 2,96 | 2,40  | 1,73 | 1,13  | 4,47 | 1,37 | 34,37 |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 2,29 | 2,00  | 2,73 | 0,77  | 2,56 | 2,31 | 2,63  |

Table 24: Ratios of IC-EC degradation compounds in base case experiments compared with experiments containing chelating agents, as well as the degradation ratios.

|                           | Formate | Nitrate | Oxalate | Nitrite | Degradation |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 0,97    | 0,74    | -       | 1,32    | 1,31        |
| Citric acid               | 2,06    | 2,14    | -       | 3,10    | 1,47        |
| HEDP                      | 1,39    | -       | -       | -       | 3,10        |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 2,96    | -       | -       | 11,46   | 2,81        |

HeGly, OZD and HEA are all reduced less than the overall degradation in the experiments with chelating agents added. This is also seen for HeGly in the chapter discussing the effect of metals (Section 3.3.).

For the experiment with HEDP added, the nitrite and nitrate concentrations were reduced to below the detection limit. The amount of HEI was also strongly reduced. This reduction in HEI can be related to the metal dependency of this compound discussed in Section 3.3.

Sodium triphosphate did also reduce the nitrite and nitrate formations markedly more than the change in degradation. The rest of the degradation compounds do not deviate very much from the total degradation.

It may be that a salting out effect, decreasing the solubility of oxygen, is present by the addition of the chelating agents. This effect has earlier been observed from other ionic species in experiments by Goff. [14]

A common effect found in the chelating agents, was that they seemed to keep the metal concentrations constant throughout the experiments. For the other experiments, the iron and chromium concentrations decreased continuously, probably due to precipitation of iron oxides/hydroxides. The nickel concentrations were relatively stable throughout the experiments. There was also observed a presence of a rust-colored layer on the spargers in the base case experiment, which assumedly were precipitated metal salts. This layer was not present in the experiments containing chelating agents. Erythorbic acid, which was added as an oxygen scavenger did also keep the iron concentrations constant, which indicates that this compound also have metal chelating properties.

Figure 19 shows a plot of the metal concentrations in the samples containing citric acid and the base case from the same reactor.

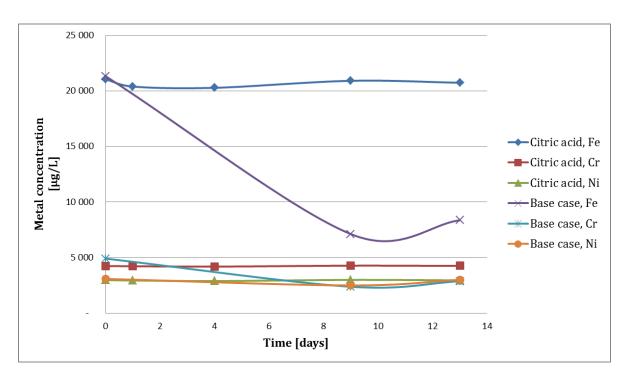


Figure 19: Plot of metal concentrations in experiments with- and without citric acid added.

The chelating agents seem to hold the metals in solution. It is important to see how this affects the corrosion if the inhibitors are to be used in industrial applications.

Since one metal ion can coordinate to several chelating groups, calculations were made to check that the concentrations of inhibitors were sufficient to chelate the metal present in the solutions. The highest possible coordination number for transition metals is nine [58]. This coordination number is therefore used for the metal ions present here, as a "worst case scenario". For potassium sodium tartrate, sodium triphosphate, citric acid and HEDP, the denticity (amount of chelating groups) are set to 4, 5, 4 and 7 respectively. By calculating the total coordination numbers and total denticity in the start samples, the results in Table 25 were obtained.

Table 25: Total coordination numbers and -denticity in samples containing chelating agents.

| Inhibitor       | Total<br>coordination<br>numbers<br>[mol/kg] | Total denticity<br>[mol/kg] |
|-----------------|--|-----------------------------|
| K Na tartrate   | 0,0042                                       | 0,0359                      |
| Na triphosphate | 0,0051                                       | 0,0507                      |
| Citric acid     | 0,0042                                       | 0,0957                      |
| HEDP            | 0,0041                                       | 0,0570                      |

The unit is given based on the calculations. From this table, it is clear that there is an excess of chelating agents. The concentrations should in other words not be the reason for the differences between the chelating agents.

#### 3.5.1.4. Synergy experiments

No synergy effect was seen for the experiments with two different inhibitors added. In Table 18, the inhibitory effect was not larger than the best inhibitor alone in any of the experiments. The reason for this is suspected to be the metal passivating properties of carbohydrazide interfering with the chelation of the metal ions. The relative concentrations of the degradation compounds seem to follow the same trends as for the chelating agents added.

For further experiments containing a chelating agent and oxygen scavenger, the oxygen scavenger should be chosen to not have metal passivating properties. Other types of inhibitors should also be tested for synergy effects.

#### 3.5.2. Effect of inhibitors on distribution of degradation compounds

Table 26 gives the rating of the products in the different experiments containing inhibitors.

| Inhibitor                 |       |         |          |           |             |           | Class      |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Formate  |            |
| Sodium triphosphate       | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Nitrate  | Chelating  |
| Citric acid               | HEF   | >HEI    | >OZD     | >BHEOX    | >Nitrite    | >Formate  | agents     |
| HEDP                      | HEF   | >BHEOX  | >Nitrite | >Formate  | >OZD        | >Nitrate  |            |
| Hydroquinone              | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Formate  |            |
| Erythorbic acid           | HEI   | >HEF    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Formate    | >Nitrate  |            |
| Carbohydrazide            | HEF   | >HEI    | >OZD     | >BHEOX    | >Formate    | >Nitrite  | Oxygen and |
| Methallyl alcohol         | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Formate  | radical    |
| Sodium sulfite            | HEI   | >HEF    | >OZD     | >BHEOX    | >Formate    | >Nitrate  | scavengers |
| DEHA                      | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >HEA        | >Nitrite  |            |
| MEKO                      | HEF   | >HEI    | >BHEOX   | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Nitrate  |            |
| Sodium triphosphate       | HEI   | >HEF    | >OZD     | >BHEOX    | >Formate    | > Nitrito |            |
| Carbohydrazide            | 11151 | >11E1   | ~0ZD     | >DIIEOX   | >roi illate | -Nitifite |            |
| Citric acid               | HEF   | >BHEOX  | LIEI     | >OZD      | >Nitrite    | >Nitrate  | Cronsware  |
| Carbohydrazide            | пег   | >D∏EUX  | ∠ΠEI     | >ULD      | >NIUIU      | >niu ate  | Synergy    |
| HEDP                      | HEE   | - DHEOV | - 07D    | . Nitwite | . Forms ato | s IIIII   |            |
| Carbohydrazide            | HEF   | >BHEOX  | >07D     | >Nitrite  | >Formate    | >UEI      |            |

HEF and HEI seem to be the most abundant degradation products for most of the samples. HEI concentrations are reduced in some of the experiments with chelating agents added, which can be related to the metal dependence of this compound, as discussed in 3.5.1.3.

An interesting observation is seen in the synergy experiment using citric acid and carbohydrazide. The formation of HEI has been reduced more than in the separate experiments, and BHEOX is the second most abundant degradation product. This is not seen for e. g. sodium triphosphate and carbohydrazide. This implies a synergy effect

between citric acid and carbohydrazide not present in the other synergy experiments. It may be that citric acid chelate ferrous iron better than ferric, and that the carbohydrazide reduce the ferric to ferrous. The overall degradation is still larger than with only carbohydrazide added, so the net effect does not imply synergy.

HEDP also reduce HEI formation marketly, but to a bigger extent in the experiment without carbohydrazide. This has been discussed earlier, and is believed to be due to the strong chelation of metal ions, which have a distinctive effect on HEI formation.

Formate is not among the six largest degradation compounds for the experiments containing MEKO and citric acid/carbohydrazide. The reason seems to be that nitrite is favored compared to formate in these samples, and not that the formation of formate is inhibited.

Table 27 gives the relative concentrations of the degradation compounds compared to their respective reactors. The relative amine losses are also given. These values are calculated by dividing the concentration in the base case experiments on the concentrations in the experiments containing inhibitors.

Table 27: Relative concentration of degradation products compared to the respective reactors.

| Inhibitor                 | OZD  | ОZD ВНЕОХ | HEA  | HeGly | HEPO  | HEF    | HEI   | Formate | Nitrate | Oxalate | Nitrite | Relative<br>amine<br>loss |
|---------------------------|------|-----------|------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 66'0 | 0,92      | 0,75 | 0,93  | 0,77  | 06'0   | 0,87  | 26'0    | 0,74    | ,       | 1,32    | 1,32                      |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 2,32 | 2,03      | 2,77 | 0,78  | 2,60  | 2,34   | 2,67  | 2,96    |         |         | 11,46   | 2,78                      |
| Citric acid               | 1,06 | 1,55      | 0,87 | 0,95  | 1,49  | 1,55   | 2,06  | 2,06    | 2,14    | ı       | 3,10    | 1,47                      |
| HEDP                      | 2,98 | 2,42      | 1,75 | 1,14  | 4,50  | 1,38   | 34,67 | 1,39    |         |         |         | 3,13                      |
| Hydroquinone              | 0,82 | 0,64      | 86'0 | 1,79  | 3,76  | 92'0   | 0,71  | 0,67    | 0,85    | 0,55    | 1,01    | 0,85                      |
| Erythorbicacid            | 2,79 | 1,44      | 1,74 | 06'0  | 2,65  | 1,90   | 1,60  | 1,96    | 1,71    | 0,45    | 11,80   | 2,33                      |
| Carbohydrazide            | 1,31 | 2,07      | 1,55 | 1,66  | 2,20  | 1,54   | 1,53  | 2,48    | 2,05    |         | 2,60    | 2,50                      |
| Methallyl alcohol         | 0,71 | 0,65      | 62'0 | 1,47  | 1,17  | 08'0   | 08'0  | 0,67    | 0,84    |         | 0,71    | 0,83                      |
| Sodium sulfite            | 1,59 | 2,72      | 2,57 | 1,18  | 1,81  | 2,44   | 1,93  | 2,42    | 2,26    |         |         | 2,00                      |
| DEHA                      | 1,58 | 1,18      | 0,13 | 1,47  | 2,04  | 1,50   | 1,71  | 2,15    | 1,42    |         | 2,21    | 1,61                      |
| MEKO                      | 1,69 | 1,64      | 0,94 | 1,01  | 1,20  | 1,97   | 2,71  | 2,91    | 1,55    |         | 3,39    | 2,27                      |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 1 07 | 2.01      | 2.70 | 000   | 1 0 7 | 1 70   | 165   | 2 11    | 0 11    |         | 2 10    | 296                       |
| Carbohydrazide            | 1,77 | 3,01      | 67,7 | 0,0   | 1,74  | 1,70   | 1,03  | 77,7    | 00,7    | •       | 3,40    | 60,7                      |
| Citric acid               | 7    | 1 00      | 0    | 116   | 1 00  | Д<br>7 | 7 7   | 206     | 1.62    |         | 7       | 700                       |
| Carbohydrazide            | 1,40 | 1,00      | 66,0 | 01,1  | 1,30  | 1,34   | 5,43  | 2,00    | 1,03    | •       | 1,34    | 4,04                      |
| HEDP                      | 000  | 7         | 70   | 000   |       | 7      | 2000  |         | 246     |         | ,,,,    | 77 C                      |
| Carbohydrazide            | 2,03 | 1,44      | 1,24 | 0,70  | •     | 7,10   | 20,27 | 66,7    | 5,40    | •       | 7,27    | 7,44                      |

The values given in Table 27 show some interesting points. Potassium sodium tartrate gives higher concentrations of all degradation products except for nitrite. The total degradation is still lower than in the base case. This can mean that the antioxidative effect lies in the first step of the oxidation of MEA, or a reduction in the formation of compounds not analyzed for here.

HeGly concentration is relatively higher compared with the change in degradation for the experiments with inhibitors exhibiting metal chelating properties. It is lower for HEDP, but it is the compound with the least reduction. This can be the same effect seen in the experiments without metals added, in Section 3.3.

Erythorbic acid gave a slight increase in HeGly concentration, which both can be due to its chelating and oxygen scavenging properties. The oxalate concentration in the end sample for this inhibitor was quite high compared to the base case. In Appendix B: LC-MS raw data, where the LC-MS data is given, it can be seen that the BHEOX concentration in this sample also is acting weird. It starts with a value of  $5406~\mu g/mL$  and ends up at  $2130~\mu g/mL$ . Erythorbic acid was tested on the LC-MS to see if it could be mistaken for BHEOX, as they have the same molecular weight. The results from this test did not indicate that erythorbic acid should be able to be mistaken for BHEOX. There is a possibility that the inhibitor has reacted with MEA to form BHEOX, but this will need further investigation.

Goff [14] found that 65,5 mM ascorbic acid added to 7,0 m MEA increased the ammonia evolution by a factor of more than 2,5. Erythorbic acid is a stereoisomer of ascorbic acid and would be assumed to react by the same mechanisms. The concentration used in the experiment with erythorbic acid was 51 mmol/kg, and gave 57,4% inhibition. These differences in activity show how important it is to test inhibitors in different concentrations and systems.

In the end sample from the MEKO experiment, HEA is the only degradation compound present in higher quantities than in the base case. Based on the structure of the inhibitor, it is not plausible that it degrades to a precursor of HEA. It is more likely that it affect the degradation mechanism to give more acetaldehyde in the initial step.

NDELA was found in two of the experiments, in the base case for reactor R2, and for the experiment with hydroquinone added. Both these reactors had high degradation and -concentrations of nitrite. In the base case for reactor R5, the nitrite concentration was higher than in the hydroquinone experiment. The actual concentrations in the base case experiments were actually higher than the numbers given, as the leaks in these experiments concentrated the solutions. This indicates that hydroquinone can increase NDELA formation. The raw data for the IC-EC analyses are given in Appendix I: IC-EC . Table 28 shows the amine loss, nitrite- and NDELA concentrations for the two experiments where NDELA was detected.

Table 28: Amine loss, nitrite- and NDELA concentrations for base case R2 and hydroquinone experiment.

| Experiment   | Amine loss | Nitrite<br>concentration<br>[mg/kg] | NDELA<br>n concentration<br>[ng/mL] |  |
|--------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Base case R2 | 37,63      | 2146                                | 955                                 |  |
| Hydroquinone | 29,68      | 1664                                | 607                                 |  |

#### 3.5.3. Circulative experiment with hydrazine

Hydrazine was screened for inhibitory effect in a closed system because of its hazardous properties. The background for screening hydrazine was for mechanistic purposes, rather than as an actual alternative for industrial use.

Data for MEA without additives run on the same apparatus were obtained from unpublished work by Solrun J. Vevelstad. Figure 20 shows a plot for the amine loss withand without hydrazine added.

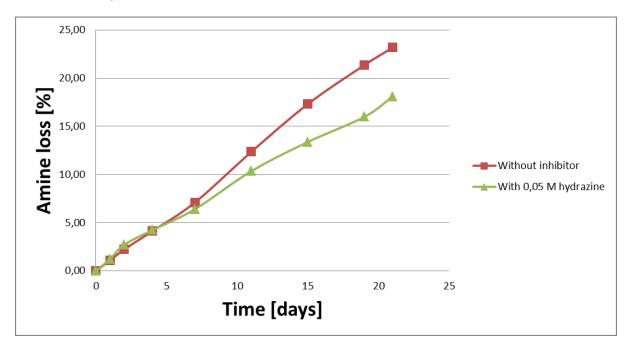


Figure 20: Comparison of MEA with- and without hydrazine added, run on the closed circulative apparatus.

It is seen from this plot that hydrazine, at the given concentration, do not inhibit degradation very well. The difference in amine loss between the two cases is 21,93%.

Table 29 shows how the ranking of the largest degradation compounds change between the two experiments.

Table 29: Ranking of the largest degradation products for experiments with- and without hydrazine added.

| MEA + 0,005M<br>hydrazine | HEI | >HEF | >BHEOX | >OZD   | >HeGly | >HEA |
|---------------------------|-----|------|--------|--------|--------|------|
| MEA                       | HEI | >HEF | >HeGly | >BHEOX | >OZD   | >HEA |

HeGly seems to be favored in the experiment without hydrazine added. This is not the expected result, as an oxygen scavenger would decrease the overall oxidation and thus favor HeGly, as discussed in Section 3.5.1.2.

It is hard to compare the results from this experiment with the results from inhibitor screening apparatus, since the experimental conditions are so different. By running some of the other inhibitors on the circulative closed loop apparatus, comparable data would be obtained.

## 3.5.4. Thermal experiments

Experiments at thermal conditions were performed to see whether the inhibitors were stable at higher temperatures, resembling stripper conditions. Since the samples were available, it was natural to see if the inhibitors affected the carbamate polymerization degradation that occurs at these conditions. Inhibitors were added to a 30 wt% MEA solution loaded with 0,5 mol  $CO_2/mol$  MEA, degassed with  $N_2$ . Figure 21 show the results from the total alkalinity titration conducted on the samples.

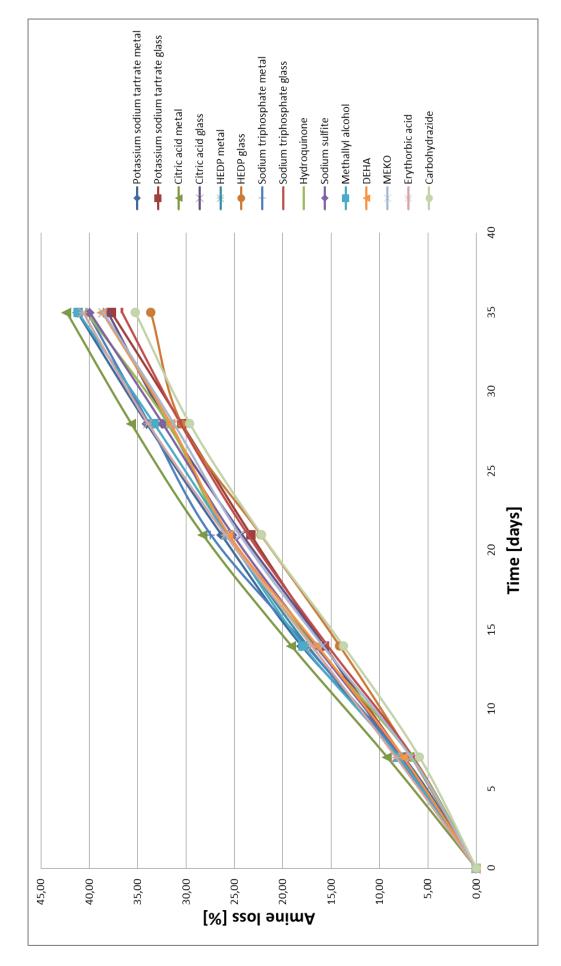


Figure 21: Amine loss in thermal degradation experiments with inhibitors added (30 wt% MEA,  $\alpha$ =0,5, 135 °C).

From Figure 21, it can be seen that the total loss in alkalinity varies from 33-43%. All the samples follow a somewhat straight line, and the inhibitors do not appear to affect the carbamate polymerization to any extent. For hydroquinone, the starting concentration was set to 4,25 mol /kg MEA as the initial sample was lost.

AEHEIA and HEEDA (shown in Figure 7) is reported by Lepaumier [13] and da Silva [9] to be major products from experiments conducted at similar conditions as here. These have primary and secondary amine functions that will respond to the total alkalinity titration. Therefore LC-MS analysis was conducted on selected samples from the experiment to compare with values similar experiments without inhibitor by Eide-Haugmo [16]. This is shown in Figure 22.

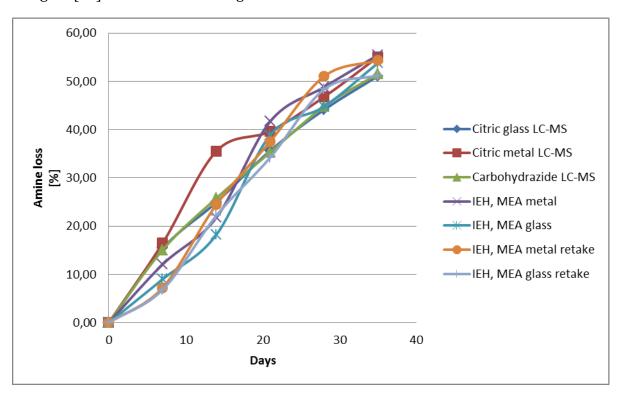


Figure 22: LC-MS analysis on selected samples in comparison with data from Eide-Haugmo [16].

There are differences between the end points for these analyses, but the deviations are not very big. It may be that the addition of inhibitors has affected the distribution of the degradation compounds. To determine if this is the case, the samples have to be analyzed by GC-MS to see if there are variations in the amounts of degradation products. It would however not be expected that the inhibitors would affect the carbamate polymerization. A more plausible explanation is that the concentrations of MEA and  $CO_2$  are not the same in all parallels, since the inhibitors were added as aqueous solutions of different concentrations. The more concentrated solutions would have a higher degradation, giving a spread. The effect of metals is also low, which is in accordance with literature. [9]

#### 3.5.5. Stability of chelating agents

By determining the concentrations of the chelating agents throughout the experiments conducted at thermal and oxidative conditions, the stability could be assessed. Initially, the plan was to determine the thermal stability of all the inhibitors, but analytical methods were not available for other than the anionic compounds. The oxygen/radical scavengers would be analyzed on LC-MS or GC-MS if methods and/or apparatuses were available.

The concentrations of the chelating agents were determined using the IC-EC. By using the samples from the oxidative inhibitor screening- and thermal experiments, the stability could be determined. It was necessary to adjust the pH in the standards for HEDP to make the external standard curve. A pH-adjustment of the citric acid gave less accurate concentrations. The method for HEDP would need some work, since the calculated concentrations deviate from the concentrations found on the IC-EC. In this assignment however, the most important was to see if the concentrations changed throughout the experiments. The calculated concentrations and concentrations from analyses are given in Appendix J: Calculated concentrations of inhibitors and Appendix I: IC-EC raw data respectively.

Figure 23 shows the measured concentrations of the chelating agents from the oxidative screening apparatus.

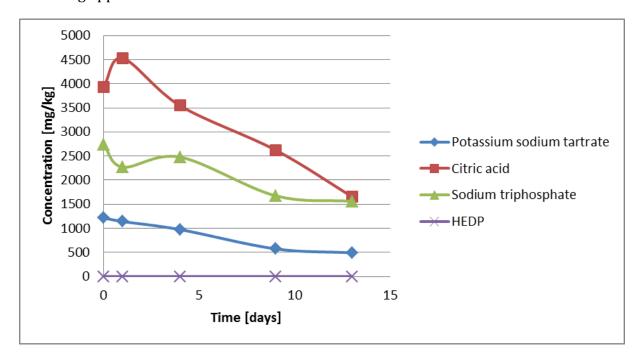


Figure 23: Plot of chelating inhibitor concentrations at oxidative conditions.

Figure 24 show a plot of the concentrations of the chelating agents from the experiment at thermal conditions.

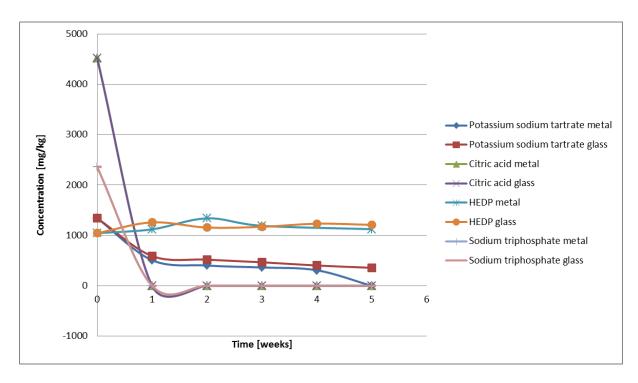


Figure 24: Plot of chelating inhibitor concentrations at thermal conditions.

HEDP was not detectable on the IC-EC in the samples from the inhibitor screening experiments. Since this compound was stable at 135 °C for five weeks, and gave the least degradation from all the inhibitor screening experiments, the probability that it has been degraded in the solution is low. A more plausible explanation is that the HEDP is bonded so strongly to the metal ions in the solution that it is not ionized in the IC-EC and thus not detectable. In the IC-EC analysis done on HEDP in the thermal experiments, seen in Figure 24, only minor variations are present, showing no sign of degradation.

The other inhibitors do not seem to be stable at neither absorber nor stripper conditions. In the experiments conducted using the inhibitor screening apparatus, the degradation of the inhibitors would be most likely to go by either an oxidation or a hydrolysis. At stripper conditions, either a thermal decomposition or a hydrolysis would be most likely. For the experiments containing citric acid and sodium triphosphate, the anion chromatography of the thermal experiments showed a new peak at a new retention time for the samples where the inhibitor disappeared. Sodium triphosphate has been reported to readily hydrolyze to ortho- and pyrophosphate at 70 and 100°C. [59] Potassium sodium tartrate is not stable at either of the conditions it was exposed for.

The figures on the next page show chromatograms from the IC-EC in the quantification of the chelating agents. Figure 25 shows an overlaid chromatogram for the samples containing citric acid from the inhibitor screening apparatus.

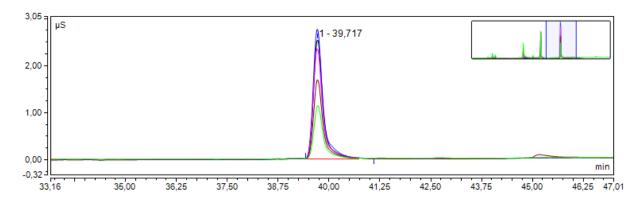


Figure 25: Overlaid IC-EC chromatogram of citric acid from the oxidative inhibitor screening experiment.

By this figure it is clearly seen that the concentration of citric acid continuously decrease throughout the experiment. Figure 26 shows an overlaid chromatogram for the thermal experiment with sodium triphosphate, for the initial sample and after one week.

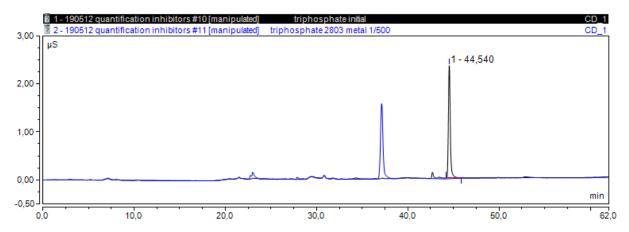


Figure 26: Overlaid IC-EC chromatograms for the initial sample and after one week for sodium triphosphate for the thermal experiment.

Here it is clearly seen how the initial peak for the triphosphate anion disappear completely after one week, and a new peak appears at a new retention time.

Figure 27 shows an overlaid chromatogram of HEDP from the thermal experiment, showing its stability.

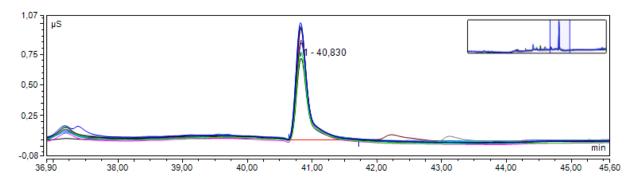


Figure 27: Overlaid IC-EC chromatogram for HEDP from the thermal experiment.

The variations in HEDP signals in the chromatograms shown in Figure 27 are not due to degradation, but a result of the variations in the dilution step. The concentrations from the analyses given in Appendix I: IC-EC raw data can confirm that.

#### 4. Conclusions

The densities of the samples from the different experiments do vary quite a bit. In the future, all the analyses should be conducted on the same basis, to avoid unnecessary uncertainties in the results.

The largest uncertainty is due to the reproducibility of the reactors, especially since some of these experiments had substantial water loss. Concentration of solutions due to evaporative losses of water may increase the overall degradation, causing large uncertainties in the base case experiments.

The titration methods show low uncertainties in the results. Having standard deviations of 0,23% and 0,44%, these methods are considered quite good.

For the IC-EC method, the largest deviations were found when different dilutions were used. The second largest source of deviations in this test was in the dilution step, due to uncertainties in the weighing. When determining concentrations of anionic inhibitors the pH should be adjusted to ensure that the inhibitors have the same protonation stage in the standards as in the samples.

The degradation increases with the addition of metals. The amount of the different degradation compounds is also affected by the metal concentration. This is best seen for HEI, but also HEA and nitrate concentrations are increased more than the overall degradation when metals are added. This is a result of metal catalyzed reactions to get either the precursor or the given degradation product, or a combination of the two. HeGly is favored at low metal concentration, which indicates that the precursor of this compound is an intermediate in the oxidation route.

The effect of oxygen content in the gas on both degradation and relative concentrations of the degradation compounds is clearly seen. HeGly is favored at lower oxygen concentrations, which support that its precursor is a partial oxidation product. The amount of nitrate and nitrite increase more than the overall degradation, which can be a result of an increase in both evolution and oxidation of ammonia. The amount of OZD also increases more than the overall degradation, which causes ground for a new mechanism for its formation at absorber conditions. HEA, HEPO, HEF and HEI do not show the same increase as the overall degradation.

HEDP is the most efficient of the inhibitors tested in this thesis. It is also the only of the chelating agents that appears to be stable at both absorber and stripper conditions. Sodium triphosphate proved to be a good inhibitor, but is not stable in this process. A salting out effect of  $O_2$  may be present for the chelating agents, giving a combined effect of inhibition. It has been raised concern about whether the chelating agents are corrosive.

The best oxygen scavengers were found to be carbohydrazide, erythorbic acid and MEKO. Whether these are stable at thermal conditions is unknown, since no suitable

analytical method was available at the time. The stability of the oxygen scavengers at stripper conditions should also be determined when an analytical method is available. It is important to consider the oxidation products of the scavengers, and how these affect the process through formation of dissolved solids and potential hazardous volatile products. Hydrazine was not effective in the concentration used in the experiment in this thesis.

In the experiments where carbohydrazide was added together with HEDP, citric acid and sodium triphosphate, respectively, no synergy effect was seen. All of these mixes gave more degradation than the best inhibitor added in the experiment. This may have been a result of the reducing properties of carbohydrazide interfering with the chelation.

None of the inhibitors had any specific effect on the thermal degradation. This was as expected, since the inhibitors were not believed to interfere with the carbamate polymerization mechanism. The total alkalinity titration did not give a good picture of the overall degradation, since two of the main thermal degradation compounds have amine functionality.

#### 5. Further work

For further work on the inhibitor screening apparatus, more experiments with base case conditions should be conducted to check the reproducibility. It should also be considered to replace the spargers, to give more similar distribution of the gas in the separate reactors. This will require new inhibitor experiments.

The effect of different oxygen concentrations should be studied further. By using a lower oxygen concentration, the relative amount of primary degradation products would be higher, which could help to determine the primary mechanism. The mechanism for formation of HeGly should be investigated further, focusing on precursors favored at less oxidizing conditions, in reactions that do not require metal catalysis. The stability and further reactions of HeGly should also be investigated to determine the connection to HEPO. Work should be done to determine if glyoxal is present in the solutions to validate if this is the limiting precursor for formation of HEI.

The inhibitors should be tested in different concentrations to determine efficiency, keeping in mind the reaction stoichiometry of the inhibitors. The thermal stability of the oxygen/radical scavengers should be examined when an analytical method is available. To see if a salting out effect is present in the experiments containing chelating agents, degradation experiments using high purity MEA with chelating agents added can be conducted. If a chelating agent is to be used in industrial applications, it is important that corrosivity tests are performed, to see if they increase the corrosiveness of the solution. If radical/oxygen scavengers are considered to be used, it is important to see which oxidation products they yield, and how these can affect the process.

More work should be done in the quantification of HEDP, since the IC-EC method used in this thesis does not seem to give a concentration in accordance with the calculated value.

For further work regarding synergy experiments, an oxygen scavenger without metal passivating properties, such as sodium sulfite, should be used instead of carbohydrazide when combining with a chelating agent. Catalyzed oxygen scavengers, as used in boiler systems, should also be investigated.

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#### Appendices

Appendix A – Chemicals

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Appendix I: IC-EC

Appendix J: Calculated concentrations of inhibitors

Appendix K: Degradation products

## Appendix A – Chemicals Table 30: Overview of the chemicals used in this thesis.

| Chemical name                                | CAS nr.        | Quality      | Supplier          | Cat. Nr. | Lot nr.    |
|--|----------------|--------------|-------------------|----------|------------|
| Sulfuric acid                                | 7664-93-9      | 95-97%       | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 84720    | -          |
| Ferrous sulfate heptahydrate                 | 7782-63-0      | >99,5%       | Merck             | 7475628  | -          |
| 2-aminoethanol                               | 141-43-5       | ≥99,0%       | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 398136   | BCBF8098V  |
| 2-methyl-2-propen-<br>1-ol                   | 513-42-8       | 98 %         | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 112046   | BCBB2690V  |
| Sodium<br>triphosphate<br>pentabasic         | 7758-29-4      | ≥98%         | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 72061    | BCBF7795V  |
| Potassium sodium<br>tartrate<br>tetrahydrate | 6381-59-5      | 99 %         | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 217-255  | MKBF8214V  |
| Hydroquinone                                 | 123-31-9       | ≥99%         | Fluka             | 53960    | BCBF2364V  |
| Etidronic acid<br>monohydrate                | 25211-86-<br>3 | ≥95%         | Aldrich           | 54342    | BCBC7777V  |
| Citric acid                                  | 77-92-9        | 99 %         | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | C0759    | 120M0061V  |
| Formic acid                                  | 64-18-6        | 98 %         | Fluka             | 6440     | 1434094    |
| Oxalic acid                                  | 144-62-7       | ≥99,0%       | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 75688    | BCBD6467V  |
| Sodium nitrate                               | 7757-79-1      | ≥99+%        | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 221295   | 06228CJ    |
| Sodium nitrite                               | 7632-00-0      | ≥97,0%       | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 237213   | 1451880    |
| Sodium hydroxide                             | 1310-73-2      | 50% in water | J. T. Baker       | -        | 1029301033 |
| Sodium sulfate                               | 7757-82-6      | ≥99,0%       | Sigma-<br>Aldrich | 23,859-7 | MKAA4008F9 |

#### Appendix B: LC-MS raw data

Table 31: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data inhibitor screening experiment 1.

| Reactor | Additive      | Day | Journal<br>ID | OZD   | внеох | HEA   | HeGly  | НЕРО | HEF    | HEI    | Unit  |
|---------|---------------|-----|---------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 0   | P12626        | < 10  | 56,1  | < 10  | < 10   | < 10 | 459,2  | 188,7  | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 1   | P12627        | < 10  | 100,1 | 20,2  | 12,4   | < 10 | 722,7  | 348,7  | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 4   | P12628        | < 10  | 122,6 | 16,0  | 30,2   | < 10 | 976,2  | 659,4  | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 8   | P12629        | 34,6  | 269,7 | 34,3  | 81,0   | < 10 | 1578,9 | 1385,9 | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 13  | P12630        | 65,4  | 395,1 | 60,3  | 134,7  | < 10 | 2275,0 | 2231,3 | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 21  | P12631        | 123,1 | 552,7 | 116,0 | 228,4  | 15,0 | 3178,7 | 3487,5 | μg/mL |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 24  | P12632        | 213,9 | 657,1 | 148,2 | 301,2  | 18,0 | 3873,6 | 4441,2 | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 0   | P12633        | < 10  | 52,8  | < 10  | 10,3   | < 10 | 489,3  | 173,5  | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 1   | P12634        | < 10  | 77,0  | < 10  | 30,5   | < 10 | 623,0  | 397,8  | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 4   | P12635        | < 10  | 130,6 | 39,9  | 146,9  | < 10 | 1236,7 | 1357,9 | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 8   | P12636        | 25,5  | 170,2 | 68,8  | 322,6  | 19,3 | 1694,1 | 2952,3 | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 13  | P12637        | 62,6  | 229,2 | 121,0 | 680,1  | 36,2 | 2155,7 | 4772,3 | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 21  | P12638        | 77,9  | 331,5 | 239,6 | 962,9  | 54,1 | 3075,1 | 7110,5 | μg/mL |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 24  | P12639        | 186,4 | 389,5 | 333,5 | 1293,5 | 76,9 | 3599,9 | 8836,8 | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 0   | P12640        | < 10  | 33,6  | < 10  | < 10   | < 10 | 374,4  | 138,5  | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 1   | P12641        | < 10  | 85,9  | 15,2  | 22,1   | 10,1 | 595,5  | 271,2  | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 4   | P12642        | < 10  | 119,8 | 24,0  | 51,1   | < 10 | 928,1  | 807,4  | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 8   | P12643        | 45,2  | 253,8 | 57,6  | 109,8  | 10,4 | 1631,2 | 1705,3 | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 13  | P12644        | 113,7 | 348,5 | 73,6  | 205,8  | 20,6 | 2639,6 | 2850,4 | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 21  | P12645        | 150,7 | 496,1 | 130,9 | 325,8  | 21,0 | 3312,0 | 4469,1 | μg/mL |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 24  | P12646        | 239,1 | 574,0 | 169,8 | 473,0  | 36,3 | 4027,6 | 5614,0 | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 0   | P12647        | < 10  | 51,9  | < 10  | 12,0   | < 10 | 452,0  | 153,4  | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 1   | P12648        | < 10  | 52,9  | < 10  | 23,0   | < 10 | 566,0  | 289,4  | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 4   | P12649        | 21,5  | 91,4  | 15,5  | 68,8   | 10,1 | 942,1  | 901,8  | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 8   | P12650        | 33,0  | 136,4 | 34,5  | 114,9  | < 10 | 1458,2 | 1709,1 | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 13  | P12651        | 116,1 | 212,2 | 60,2  | 218,8  | 14,5 | 2015,4 | 2802,6 | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 21  | P12652        | 241,0 | 283,8 | 111,4 | 384,2  | 20,5 | 2748,0 | 4327,4 | μg/mL |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 24  | P12653        | 432,4 | 336,6 | 144,6 | 449,9  | 31,4 | 3347,0 | 5276,5 | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 0   | P12654        | < 10  | 50,2  | < 10  | 18,9   | < 10 | 568,0  | 182,0  | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 1   | P12655        | < 10  | 62,8  | < 10  | 14,7   | < 10 | 586,3  | 302,6  | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 4   | P12656        | 14,2  | 92,8  | 22,0  | 59,4   | < 10 | 1021,1 | 863,7  | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 8   | P12657        | 63,8  | 146,8 | 50,2  | 127,7  | 11,8 | 1642,6 | 1794,2 | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 13  | P12658        | 115,7 | 281,7 | 92,1  | 311,2  | 21,9 | 2759,8 | 3635,3 | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 21  | P12659        | 176,3 | 319,1 | 131,0 | 415,0  | 22,8 | 3199,9 | 4669,7 | μg/mL |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 24  | P12660        | 528,9 | 378,2 | 178,8 | 503,2  | 32,6 | 3704,6 | 5526,2 | μg/mL |

Table 32: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data inhibitor screening experiment 2.

| Unit     | µg/mL          | hg/mr          | µg/mL          | μg/mL          | hg/mL          | hg/mL          | µg/mL          | hg/mr          | µg/mL          | µg/mL  | µg/mL  | μg/mL  | µg/mL  | µg/mL  | µg/mL          | μg/mL          | µg/mL          | µg/mL          | 100/200       |
|----------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| 포        | 77,3           | 806'8          | 2092,0         | 4173,0         | 6154,7         | 152,2          | 2162,4         | 6823,5         | 15488,0        | 17239,0        | 101,9          | 985,2          | 2811,4         | 5547,9         | 7481,8         | 26,1   | 82,3   | 250,4  | 487,6  | 765,5  | 81,1           | 1068,3         | 3103,8         | 6146,0         | 0 000         |
| Ŧ        | 361,9          | 1587,6         | 3605,0         | 6146,9         | 7966,5         | 529,7          | 2760,9         | 6941,8         | 11527,2        | 13865,4        | 384,1          | 1716,4         | 4171,3         | 6'0999         | 8310,1         | 217,6  | 725,2  | 2025,6 | 3113,4 | 4320,8 | 409,0          | 1883,1         | 4438,4         | 7332,8         | 000 0         |
| НЕРО     | < 10           | < 10           | 15,1           | 19,1           | 29,8           | 10,6           | 11,2           | 38,7           | 121,7          | 301,3          | < 10           | < 10           | < 10           | 34,8           | 52,4           | < 10   | < 10   | < 10   | 15,3   | 46,4   | < 10           | < 10           | 11,2           | 30,0           | 9 29          |
| HeGly    | < 10           | < 10           | 35,4           | 65,2           | 83,5           | < 10           | 41,3           | 120,5          | 270,9          | 451,2          | < 10           | 14,7           | 46,4           | 79,2           | 118,7          | < 10   | < 10   | 45,7   | 126,4  | 187,0  | < 10           | 13,7           | 50,4           | 91,4           | 120.0         |
| НЕА      | < 10           | 14,9           | 31,8           | 7,76           | 132,3          | 15,3           | 47,6           | 218,0          | 570,3          | 868,1          | < 10           | < 10           | 27,8           | 126,1          | 204,8          | < 10   | 15,8   | 26,2   | 35,3   | 62,0   | 14,7           | 24,3           | 64,5           | 139,6          | 259.2         |
| внеох    | 26,4           | 316,8          | 1125,2         | 2115,4         | 2735,6         | 73,0           | 2'699          | 2209,7         | 2989,7         | 3077,7         | 26,3           | 337,7          | 1338,8         | 2252,3         | 2641,5         | 18,2   | 74,0   | 412,8  | 821,2  | 1199,6 | 48,9           | 395,5          | 1466,1         | 2485,7         | 3000 6        |
| OZD      | 54,4           | 328,9          | 977,5          | 1571,2         | 1908,6         | < 10           | 624,9          | 1647,5         | 2339,7         | 2853,1         | < 10           | 291,7          | 1171,6         | 1694,2         | 1932,7         | < 10   | 135,2  | 309,9  | 723,7  | 975,0  | 2'66           | 537,2          | 1290,2         | 2072,7         | 2397 5        |
| Journal  | P12735         | P12736         | P12737         | P12738         | P12739         | P12740         | P12741         | P12742         | P12743         | P12744         | P12745         | P12746         | P12747         | P12748         | P12749         | P12750 | P12751 | P12752 | P12753 | P12754 | P12755         | P12756         | P12757         | P12758         | D12759        |
| Day      | 0              | 1              | 4              | 6              | 13             | 0              | 1              | 4              | 6              | 13             | 0              | 1              | 4              | 6              | 13             | 0      | 1      | 4      | 6      | 13     | 0              | 1              | 4              | 6              | 13            |
| Additive | Metal mix, 98% | None   | None   | None   | None   | None   | Metal mix, 98% | Metal mix, 98% | Metal mix, 98% | Metal mix, 98% | Metal mix 98% |
| Reactor  | R1             | R1             | R1 I           | R1             | R1             | R2             | R2             | R2             | R2             | R2             | R3             | R3             | R3             | R3             | R3             | R4     | R4     | R4     | R4     | R4     | R5             | R5 I           | R5 I           | R5 I           | RS            |

Table 33: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data inhibitor screening experiment 3.

| Reactor | Additive      | Day | Journal<br>ID | OZD    | внеох  | неа   | HeGly | НЕРО  | HEF     | HEI     | Unit  |
|---------|---------------|-----|---------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|-------|
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 0   | P12817        | < 10   | 13,5   | 12,5  | < 10  | < 10  | 183,8   | 30'8    | µg/mL |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 1   | P12818        | 233,5  | 294,0  | 23,6  | < 10  | < 10  | 1425,0  | 756,6   | µg/mL |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 4   | P12819        | 1068,4 | 1256,3 | 61,7  | 45,2  | < 10  | 4028,8  | 2384,7  | µg/mL |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 6   | P12820        | 1665,6 | 2401,0 | 114,8 | 8′99  | 13,7  | 6934,3  | 5119,9  | µg/mL |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 13  | P12821        | 1930,7 | 2975,8 | 175,4 | 89,6  | 38,6  | 8807,5  | 7113,0  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 0   | P12822        | < 10   | 12,0   | 14,3  | < 10  | < 10  | 70,0    | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 1   | P12823        | 194,2  | 330,1  | 37,8  | 34,6  | < 10  | 1168,4  | 545,2   | µg/mL |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 4   | P12824        | 820,1  | 639,3  | 102,3 | 139,5 | 31,2  | 2691,8  | 2595,3  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 6   | P12825        | 1191,9 | 958,3  | 248,4 | 288,5 | 109,2 | 4806,6  | 5907,8  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 13  | P12826        | 1794,9 | 1132,6 | 337,6 | 382,8 | 166,5 | 5685,5  | 8638,8  | µg/mL |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 0   | P12827        | < 10   | 13,5   | 10,0  | < 10  | < 10  | 118,8   | 211,4   | mg/mr |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 1   | P12828        | 177,5  | 169,4  | 27,5  | 17,3  | < 10  | 932,7   | 337,4   | µg/mL |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 4   | P12829        | 1018,8 | 688,3  | 9'29  | 8'£9  | < 10  | 2482,7  | 1086,7  | µg/mL |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 6   | P12830        | 1438,4 | 1230,4 | 132,5 | 100,0 | 26,0  | 3931,1  | 2234,1  | µg/mL |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 13  | P12831        | 1831,5 | 1707,9 | 234,6 | 125,0 | 35,1  | 5354,9  | 3630,4  | µg/mL |
| R4      | НЕDP          | 0   | P12832        | < 10   | 16,7   | 21,8  | < 10  | < 10  | 152,1   | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R4      | НЕDР          | 1   | P12833        | < 10   | 6′89   | 41,9  | 35,4  | < 10  | 598,4   | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R4      | HEDP          | 4   | P12834        | < 10   | 241,4  | 43,1  | 36,7  | < 10  | 2060,8  | 35,2    | µg/mL |
| R4      | НЕDP          | 6   | P12835        | < 10   | 591,6  | 9'22  | 87,2  | 12,0  | 3385,2  | 99,1    | µg/mL |
| R4      | HEDP          | 13  | P12836        | 460,3  | 804,2  | 103,3 | 146,0 | 13,5  | 4537,4  | 162,2   | µg/mL |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 0   | P12837        | < 10   | 32,5   | 23,2  | < 10  | < 10  | 348,6   | 256,3   | µg/mL |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 1   | P12838        | 1043,7 | 1386,2 | 45,2  | 20,0  | < 10  | 4364,3  | 3924,8  | µg/mL |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 4   | P12839        | 2022,8 | 3829,3 | 111,3 | 43,5  | < 10  | 8463,2  | 7379,6  | µg/mL |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 6   | P12840        | 2584,3 | 4697,3 | 192,2 | 6'89  | 12,6  | 11369,2 | 10386,3 | µg/mL |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 13  | P12841        | 2913,5 | 4822,7 | 265,1 | 67,2  | 17,4  | 13014,1 | 12548,5 | µg/mL |

Table 34: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data inhibitor screening experiment 4.

| Reactor | Additive          | Day | Journal | OZD    | внеох   | НЕА    | HeGly | НЕРО  | HEF    | HEI     | Unit  |
|---------|-------------------|-----|---------|--------|---------|--------|-------|-------|--------|---------|-------|
| R1      | DEHA              | 0   | P12874  | < 10   | < 100   | < 10   | < 10  | < 10  | 19,3   | 16,2    | µg/mL |
| R1      | DEHA              | 1   | P12875  | < 10   | < 100   | 119,7  | < 10  | < 10  | 479,6  | 195,5   | µg/mL |
| R1      | DEHA              | 4   | P12876  | 730,4  | 959,4   | 459,6  | < 10  | < 10  | 2372,3 | 963,6   | µg/mL |
| R1      | DEHA              | 10  | P12877  | 1031,7 | 1958,1  | 813,8  | 46,7  | 12,4  | 4339,6 | 2601,5  | µg/mL |
| R1      | DEHA              | 13  | P12878  | 1210,4 | 2310,6  | 1006,8 | 56,8  | 14,6  | 5316,0 | 3594,0  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 0   | P12879  | < 10   | 6'402'6 | 15,0   | < 10  | < 10  | 16,6   | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 1   | P12880  | 90,8   | 2'889'5 | 111,9  | 51,1  | < 10  | 843,9  | 419,7   | µg/mL |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 4   | P12881  | 380,3  | 3426,7  | 191,8  | 207,6 | 12,7  | 2953,0 | 4080,3  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 10  | P12882  | 692,8  | 2107,2  | 8′698  | 413,4 | 88,1  | 5848,5 | 8560,3  | µg/mL |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 13  | P12883  | 1021,7 | 2130,2  | 498,6  | 502,0 | 113,8 | 7309,3 | 10766,3 | µg/mL |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 0   | P12884  | < 10   | < 100   | < 10   | < 10  | < 10  | 180,4  | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 1   | P12885  | 134,2  | < 100   | < 10   | < 10  | < 10  | 1023,0 | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 4   | P12886  | 734,1  | 227,6   | 50,6   | 12,1  | < 10  | 2092,9 | 6'992   | µg/mL |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 10  | P12887  | 1324,5 | 965,3   | 88,2   | 54,2  | 17,2  | 4190,8 | 3513,6  | µg/mL |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 13  | P12888  | 1477,2 | 1278,3  | 132,5  | 71,4  | 23,8  | 5388,4 | 4893,0  | µg/mL |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 0   | P12889  | < 10   | < 100   | 11,1   | < 10  | < 10  | 71,9   | 13,3    | µg/mL |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 1   | P12890  | 54,5   | 108,0   | 14,4   | < 10  | < 10  | 850,3  | 514,6   | µg/mL |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 4   | P12891  | 951,8  | 1536,2  | 23,5   | 44,5  | < 10  | 3309,7 | 2253,4  | µg/mL |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 10  | P12892  | 1748,1 | 2400,1  | 148,4  | 84,4  | 40,9  | 6303,7 | 5236,6  | µg/mL |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 13  | P12893  | 1923,8 | 3006,5  | 229,3  | 112,8 | 51,6  | 7818,1 | 7007,0  | µg/mL |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 0   | P12894  | < 10   | < 100   | < 10   | < 10  | < 10  | 44,2   | < 10    | µg/mL |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 1   | P12895  | 38,1   | < 100   | < 10   | 16,0  | < 10  | 631,3  | 340,8   | µg/mL |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 4   | P12896  | 320,2  | 653,5   | 23,5   | 31,9  | < 10  | 2008,5 | 1301,0  | µg/mL |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 10  | P12897  | 863,8  | 1088,9  | 68,3   | 97,2  | 18,5  | 3597,0 | 2608,1  | µg/mL |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 13  | P12898  | 1031,9 | 1525,2  | 93,4   | 153,6 | 25,2  | 4195,9 | 3344,2  | µg/mL |

Table 35: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data inhibitor screening experiment 5.

|            |                                  |     | Journal | 020    | RHEOX  | HFA   | HoGIV | HEDO  | ij       | <u> </u> | ÷     |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----|---------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|----------|----------|-------|
| Reactor    | Additive                         | Day | ID      |        | 200    |       |       |       | <u>-</u> |          |       |
| R1         | Citric acid + carbohydrazide     | 0   | P121035 | < 10   | < 100  | < 10  | <10   | < 10  | 62,1     | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R1         | Citric acid + carbohy drazide    | 1   | P121036 | 95,8   | < 100  | < 10  | <10   | < 10  | 657,7    | 10,4     | µg/mL |
| R1         | Citric acid + carbohy drazide    | 4   | P121037 | 428,8  | 452,5  | 33,5  | 14,3  | < 10  | 1812,2   | 107,8    | µg/mL |
| R1         | Citric acid + carbohydrazide     | 6   | P121038 | 1048,5 | 1483,1 | 134,4 | 47,9  | < 10  | 3769,6   | 855,9    | µg/mL |
| R1         | Citric acid + carbohydrazide     | 13  | P121039 | 1359,8 | 2532,7 | 224,1 | 71,9  | 15,7  | 5175,2   | 1784,4   | µg/mL |
| R2         | Na triphosphate + carbohydrazide | 0   | P121040 | < 10   | 105,8  | < 10  | < 10  | < 10  | 322,8    | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R2         | Na triphosphate + carbohydrazide | 1   | P121041 | 569,4  | 204,1  | 28,0  | 11,8  | 11,6  | 1787,7   | 541,8    | µg/mL |
| R2         | Na triphosphate + carbohydrazide | 4   | P121042 | 1014,1 | 760,8  | 92,2  | 115,9 | 44,0  | 3848,0   | 4244,1   | µg/mL |
| <b>K</b> 2 | Na triphosphate + carbohydrazide | 6   | P121043 | 1340,1 | 1077,5 | 205,2 | 347,6 | 110,7 | 6317,9   | 8140,0   | µg/mL |
| R2         | Na triphosphate + carbohydrazide | 13  | P121044 | 1446,7 | 1023,3 | 311,6 | 531,5 | 155,5 | 7799,3   | 10460,5  | µg/mL |
| R3         | HEDP + carbohy drazide           | 0   | P121045 | < 10   | < 100  | < 10  | < 10  | < 10  | 55,1     | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R3         | HEDP + carbohydrazide            | 1   | P121046 | < 10   | < 100  | 13,7  | < 10  | < 10  | 121,6    | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R3         | HEDP + carbohydrazide            | 4   | P121047 | 219,6  | 278,0  | 44,4  | 14,4  | < 10  | 906,6    | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R3         | HEDP + carbohydrazide            | 6   | P121048 | 588,3  | 1051,7 | 96,6  | 70,2  | < 10  | 2515,1   | 10,8     | µg/mL |
| R3         | HEDP + carbohydrazide            | 13  | P121049 | 950,2  | 1829,4 | 164,8 | 121,4 | < 10  | 3953,9   | 206,3    | µg/mL |
| R4         | Metal mix, 98%                   | 0   | P121050 | < 10   | < 100  | < 10  | < 10  | < 10  | 119,2    | 13,3     | µg/mL |
| R4         | Metal mix, 98%                   | 1   | P121051 | 168,9  | 387,8  | 15,9  | 16,5  | < 10  | 1105,9   | 664,8    | µg/mL |
| R4         | Metal mix, 98%                   | 4   | P121052 | 742,4  | 682,9  | 44,3  | 65,2  | < 10  | 3034,9   | 2088,4   | µg/mL |
| R4         | Metal mix, 98%                   | 9   | P121053 | 1175,3 | 1417,2 | 113,8 | 124,8 | 28,4  | 5050,8   | 4113,8   | µg/mL |
| R4         | Metal mix, 98%                   | 13  | P121054 | 1373,6 | 1943,6 | 180,6 | 165,7 | 60,7  | 6280,4   | 5622,3   | µg/mL |
| R5         | MEKO                             | 0   | P121055 | < 10   | < 100  | < 10  | <10   | < 10  | 97,4     | < 10     | µg/mL |
| R5         | MEKO                             | _   | P121056 | 308,7  | < 100  | 23,3  | < 10  | < 10  | 677,4    | 121,9    | µg/mL |
| R5         | MEKO                             | 4   | P121057 | 962,2  | 604,9  | 91,4  | 37,8  | < 10  | 2340,0   | 608,1    | µg/mL |
| R5         | MEKO                             | 6   | P121058 | 1422,5 | 1366,5 | 204,3 | 84,8  | 34,0  | 3939,9   | 1959,0   | µg/mL |
| R5         | МЕКО                             | 13  | P121059 | 1420,5 | 1893,8 | 276,7 | 119,1 | 54,8  | 5001,4   | 3296,7   | µg/mL |

Table 36: LC-MS degradation mix, raw data circulative experiment with hydrazine.

|             |                       |     | Journal | 0,70   | YOU I  |       | .1001 |       | 1      |        | <u> </u> |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------|
| Reactor     | Additive              | Day | ID      | OZD    | БПЕОЛ  | ПЕA   | песіу | HEPO  | UEL    | ПEI    | OMIT     |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 0   | P121060 | < 10   | < 100  | < 10  | < 10  | < 10  | 13,8   | < 10   | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 1   | P121061 | < 10   | 854,5  | 14,0  | < 10  | 17,9  | 320,3  | 57,2   | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 2   | P121062 | 19,5   | 1688,2 | 37,4  | 19,3  | 26,6  | 654,7  | 318,5  | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 4   | P121063 | 264,7  | 2146,2 | 81,6  | 52,3  | 36,4  | 1525,3 | 1365,7 | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 2   | P121064 | 545,5  | 2569,2 | 159,1 | 185,5 | 56,0  | 2793,6 | 3336,8 | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 11  | P121065 | 833,5  | 2123,5 | 222,4 | 295,4 | 101,1 | 3954,9 | 5277,8 | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 15  | P121066 | 995,9  | 1885,0 | 316,0 | 407,6 | 155,8 | 4887,4 | 7071,9 | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Sirculative Hydrazine | 19  | P121067 | 1235,4 | 1468,5 | 404,0 | 492,3 | 205,8 | 5974,3 | 9367,4 | µg/mL    |
| Circulative | Circulative Hydrazine | 21  | P121068 | 1252,6 | 1260,2 | 441,2 | 510,7 | 225,3 | 6254,4 | 0,9986 | mg/mr    |

#### Appendix C: LC-MS NDELA raw data

Table 37: LC-MS NDELA quantification inhibitor screening experiment 1.

| Prøve ID                       | Journal<br>ID | NDELA | Unit  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| R1 - Metal mix 6% - end sample | P12632        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R2 - Metal mix 6% - end sample | P12639        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R3 - Metal mix 6% - end sample | P12646        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R4 - Metal mix 6% - end sample | P12653        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R5 - Metal mix 6% - end sample | P12660        | < 500 | ng/ml |

Table 38: LC-MS NDELA quantification inhibitor screening experiment 2.

| Prøve ID                        | Journal<br>ID | NDELA | Unit  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| R1 - Metal mix 98% - end sample | P12739        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R2 - Metal mix 98% - end sample | P12744        | 955   | ng/ml |
| R3 - Metal mix 98% - end sample | P12749        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R4 - Metal mix 98% - end sample | P12754        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R5 - Metal mix 98% - end sample | P12759        | < 500 | ng/ml |

Table 39: LC-MS NDELA quantification inhibitor screening experiment 3.

| Prøve ID                        | Journal<br>ID | NDELA | Unit  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| R1 - K Na tartrate - end sample | P12821        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R2 - Na sulfite - end sample    | P12826        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R3 - Citric acid - end sample   | P12831        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R4 - HEDP - end sample          | P12836        | < 500 | ng/ml |
| R5 - Hydroquinone - end sample  | P12841        | 607   | ng/ml |

Table 40: LC-MS NDELA quantification inhibitor screening experiment 4.

| Prøve ID                            | Journal<br>ID | NDELA | Unit  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|
| R1 - DEHA - end sample              | P12878        | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R2 - Erythorbic acid - end sample   | P12883        | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R3 - Carbohydrazide - end sample    | P12888        | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R4 - Methallyl alcohol - end sample | P12893        | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R5 - Na triphosphate - end sample   | P12898        | < 100 | ng/ml |

Table 41: LC-MS NDELA quantification inhibitor screening experiment 5 and circulative with hydrazine.

| Prøve ID                                       | Journal<br>ID | NDELA | Unit  |
|--|---------------|-------|-------|
| R1 - citric acid + carbohydrazide - end sample | P121039       | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R1 - citric acid + carbohydrazide - end sample | P121044       | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R1 - citric acid + carbohydrazide - end sample | P121049       | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R1 - metal mix - end sample                    | P121054       | < 100 | ng/ml |
| R1 - MEKO - end sample                         | P121059       | < 100 | ng/ml |
| Circulative - hydrazine - end sample           | P121067       | 144   | ng/ml |

Appendix D: ICP-MS raw data

RSD% ₹ > lod < loa <u>80 80</u> v v < loa bol > | | | **bol** > bol > | | | bol > bol > < loq <u>80</u> v [hg/L] 6,0 2,4 4,9 2,4 3,6 3,6 2,7 4,7 2,7 2,1 0,1 က RSD% ź 3 016 2 844 2 916 3 038 3 056 3 066 3 200 2 984 3 024 3 163 2 794 2 936 2 987 3 040 2 973 [hg/L] 2,6 1,5 2,5 6,0 1,4 2,8 3,2 0,9 6,7 4, ပ် 2 912 2 589 2 764 2 423 3 875 2 578 2 599 2 779 2 380 2 630 4 048 3 197 2 461 2 657 2 491 [hg/L] 5,9 0,9 2,3 0,3 0,1 2,3 2,4 0,8 3,1 Бe 11 046 18 079 6 081 5 978 12 475 17 412 6 279 5 769 6 129 4 123 4 928 4 948 5 365 13 651 3 997 [hg/L] Journal ID 8 P12643 25 P12646 8 P12650 25 P12653 0 P12633 8 P12636 8 P12629 25 P12632 0 P12647 0 P12626 25 P12639 0 P12640 0 P12654 8 P12657 25 P12660 Day Metal mix, 6% 88 88 88 22222222222 찐

Table 42:ICP-MS raw data inhibitor screening experiment 1.

Table 43: ICP-MS raw data inhibitor screening experiment 2.

|         |                |     |            | Ľ.      | Fe   | ن<br>د | Į.   | Ż      | <u>.</u> | ,      | Al   |
|---------|----------------|-----|------------|---------|------|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|------|
| Reactor | Additive       | Day | Journal ID | [ŋ/6rl] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD%     | [µg/L] | RSD% |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | )   | 0 P12735   | 20 363  | 2'8  | 4 835  | 4,2  | 2 982  | 2,6      | bol >  | •    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% |     | 9 P12738   | 6 158   | 1    | 1 967  | 6'0  | 2 101  | 2'0      | bol >  | •    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | 3 P12739   | 10 033  | 1,6  | 3 252  | 9'0  | 3 311  | 2,8      | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | )   | 0 P12740   | 20 418  | 8    | 4 630  | 9'9  | 2 980  | 3,5      | bol >  | •    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 3   | 9 P12743   | 8 531   | 1,4  | 3 511  | 5,1  | 4 065  | 2        | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | 3 P12744   | 999 6   | 2'0  | 4 037  | 1,4  | 4 604  | 1,2      | bol >  | -    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | )   | 0 P12745   | 21 339  | 5,1  | 4 907  | 4,7  | 3 075  | 4        | bol >  | •    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 3   | 9 P12748   | 7 116   | 1,8  | 2 371  | 8,3  | 2 491  | 6'0      | bol >  | -    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | 3 P12749   | 8 360   | 3    | 2 870  | 1,2  | 2 991  | 2,4      | bol >  | -    |
| R4      | None           | )   | ) P12750   | 140     | 2,2  | 5,82   | 9'9  | 5,44   | 8,5      | bol >  | 1    |
| R4      | None           | 3   | 9 P12753   | 122     | 1,7  | 7,06   | 6'0  | 1,94   | 16,6     | bol >  | -    |
| R4      | None           | 13  | 3 P12754   | 104     | 1    | 7,00   | 1,6  | 2,35   | 20,4     | > lod  | -    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | )   | 0 P12755   | 24 463  | 2,2  | 2 580  | ε    | 3 149  | 9,0      | bol >  | -    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 3   | 9 P12758   | 8 854   | 2,7  | 3 022  | 6,0  | 3 169  | 1,4      | bol >  | -    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | 3 P12759   | 10 186  | 4,3  | 3 484  | 2,7  | 3 590  | 3,7      | > lod  | 1    |

Table 44: ICP-MS raw data inhibitor screening experiment 3.

|         |               |     |            | Fe     | Ф    | )      | Cr   | _      | Ż    | 1      | AI   |
|---------|---------------|-----|------------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|--------|------|
| Reactor | Additive      | Day | Journal ID | [hg/L] | RSD% | [µg/L] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD% |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 0   | 0 P12817   | 20 751 | 2,1  | 4 367  | 9    | 2 986  | 2,2  | 253    | 4,1  |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 1   | 1 P12818   | 19     | 2,9  | 669 E  | 4,1  | 2 634  | 3,3  | > lod  |      |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 4   | 4 P12819   | 20 604 | 1,8  | 4 332  | 0,5  | 2 990  | 2,3  | > lod  | -    |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 6   | 9 P12820   | 20 290 | 2,7  | 4 160  | 8'9  | 3 032  | 1,5  | > lod  | -    |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 13  | 13 P12821  | 20 421 | 1,5  | 4 341  | 0,5  | 3 044  | 6'0  | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 0   | 0 P12822   | 8 651  | 2,7  | 1 816  | 1,4  | 2 785  | 5,9  | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 1   | 1 P12823   | 12 923 | 3    | 3 004  | 1,3  | 2 988  | 1,7  | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 4   | 4 P12824   | 109    | 3,8  | 3 864  | 4,5  | 2 913  | 1    | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 6   | 9 P12825   | 11 058 | 4,9  | 2 872  | 2,9  | 2 855  | 3,2  | > lod  | -    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 13  | 13 P12826  | 13 294 | 9    | 3 266  | 5,4  | 2 947  | 2,3  | bol >  | -    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 0   | 0 P12827   | 21 057 | 2,5  | 4 234  | 1,9  | 2 973  | 3,6  | 269    | 2,8  |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 1   | 1 P12828   | 20 395 | 3,6  | 4 219  | 2,7  | 2 935  | 1,8  | 454    | 2,5  |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 4   | 4 P12829   | 20 280 | 1,1  | 4 185  | 6'0  | 2 884  | 0,5  | 218    | 3,7  |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 6   | 9 P12830   | 20 911 | 0,1  | 4 269  | 0,5  | 2 987  | 2,1  | < loq  | -    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 13  | 13 P12831  | 20 737 | 1,6  | 4 249  | 2,2  | 2 948  | 1,5  | < loq  | ı    |
| R4      | HEDP          | 0   | 0 P12832   | 20 706 | 1,3  | 4 221  | 1,9  | 2 944  | 2,1  | 2 404  | 1,3  |
| R4      | HEDP          | 1   | 1 P12833   | 21 409 | 2,2  | 4 176  | 1,5  | 2 957  | 1,8  | 2 163  | 1,5  |
| R4      | HEDP          | 4   | 4 P12834   | 20 775 | 0,1  | 4 190  | 9,0  | 2 962  | 1,3  | 1 996  | 6'0  |
| R4      | HEDP          | 6   | 9 P12835   | 20 658 | 2,4  | 4 210  | 4    | 2 965  | 3,6  | 2 076  | 5,2  |
| R4      | HEDP          | 13  | 13 P12836  | 20 050 | 6,0  | 4 103  | 1,5  | 2 872  | 1,2  | 2 361  | 1,8  |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 0   | 0 P12837   | 20 752 | 1,8  | 4 380  | 2,5  | 3 043  | 1,7  | bol >  | -    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 1   | 1 P12838   | 15 106 | 2    | 3 177  | 3,9  | 2 940  | 1,2  | < loq  | 1    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 4   | 4 P12839   | 11 826 | 1,6  | 2 803  | 4,3  | 2 910  | 1    | bol >  | -    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 6   | 9 P12840   | 11 154 | 3,1  | 2 806  | 4    | 2 875  | 1,5  | < loq  | -    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 13  | 13 P12841  | 11 114 | 1,2  | 2 878  | 2,9  | 2 929  | 1,7  | > lod  | 1    |

Table 45: ICP-MS raw data inhibitor screening experiment 4.

|         |                   |     |            | L      | Fe   | Ö      | <u>.</u> | _      | Ē    |        | A    |
|---------|-------------------|-----|------------|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|------|--------|------|
| Reactor | Additive          | Day | Journal ID | [ŋ/6r] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD%     | [hg/L] | RSD% | [hg/L] | RSD% |
| R1      | DEHA              | 0   | 0 P12874   | 10 476 | 8,0  | 2 465  | 9,0      | 2 823  | 1,7  | bol >  | 1    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 1   | 1 P12875   | 21 111 | 4,5  | 3 998  | 5,6      | 2 982  | 0,5  | bol >  | •    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 4   | 4 P12876   | 10 339 | 2,4  | 2 562  | 1,7      | 2 910  | 2,2  | bol >  | •    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 10  | 10 P12877  | 10 038 | 1,6  | 2 582  | 4,1      | 2 980  | 2,5  | bol >  | ı    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 13  | 13 P12878  | 10 418 | 2,5  | 2 675  | 2,1      | 2 853  | 4,1  | bol >  | •    |
| R2      | Erythrobic acid   | 0   | 0 P12879   | 23 531 | 1,9  | 4 309  | 2,9      | 2 781  | 2,1  | 1 346  | 4,4  |
| R2      | Erythrobic acid   | 1   | 1 P12880   | 22 815 | 3,3  | 4 325  | 1,4      | 2 858  | 3,5  | 227    | 1,7  |
| R2      | Erythrobic acid   | 4   | 4 P12881   | 22 533 | 2,3  | 4 222  | 3,8      | 2 795  | 2    | bol >  | -    |
| R2      | Erythrobic acid   | 10  | 10 P12882  | 72 427 | 3,5  | 4 361  | 6,5      | 2 788  | 3,8  | bol >  | •    |
| R2      | Erythrobic acid   | 13  | 13 P12883  | 22 283 | 4,2  | 4 265  | 5,6      | 2 797  | 1,4  | > lod  | •    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 0   | 0 P12884   | 29 618 | 1,3  | 209 5  | 3,9      | 2 959  | 1,7  | bol >  | •    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 1   | 1 P12885   | 17 399 | 2,5  | 3 528  | 2,2      | 2 950  | 3,1  | bol >  | •    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 4   | 4 P12886   | 699 8  | 0,8  | 2 377  | 1,4      | 2 806  | 1    | > lod  | -    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 10  | 10 P12887  | 8 286  | 0,5  | 2 450  | 1,6      | 2 809  | 0,7  | bol >  | -    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 13  | 13 P12888  | 7 319  | 1,9  | 2 341  | 2,5      | 2 829  | 2,9  | > lod  | 1    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 0   | 0 P12889   | 23 113 | 9,0  | 4 300  | 1,2      | 2 910  | 0,5  | bol >  | •    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 1   | 1 P12890   | 21 711 | 4,4  | 4 103  | 5,8      | 2 906  | 3,6  | > lod  | ı    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 4   | 4 P12891   | 20 425 | 2,3  | 3 873  | 3,7      | 2 976  | 0,1  | > lod  | 1    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 10  | 10 P12892  | 14 214 | 1,6  | 3 075  | 9        | 2 859  | 3,3  | > lod  | 1    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 13  | 13 P12893  | 13 204 | 5,5  | 3 004  | 12,2     | 2 809  | 3,6  | > lod  | 1    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 0   | 0 P12894   | 25 824 | 1,8  | 5 110  | 1,7      | 3 000  | 1,4  | bol >  | -    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 1   | 1 P12895   | 23 497 | 0,8  | 4 331  | 2,7      | 2 959  | 2,2  | > lod  | 1    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 4   | 4 P12896   | 23 519 | 2,2  | 4 434  | 2,9      | 2 967  | 2,8  | > lod  | 1    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 10  | 10 P12897  | 23 380 | 3,5  | 4 356  | 3,9      | 2 957  | 2,4  | > lod  | 1    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 13  | 13 P12898  | 23 773 | 3    | 4 445  | 4        | 2 985  | 2,1  | bol >  | •    |

# Appendix E: Total alkalinity and CO<sub>2</sub>-titration inhibitor screening apparatus

Table 46: Titration data inhibitor screening experiment 1.

| Do o oto u | A d distinct  | Davi | 10     | Amine concentration | CO2-<br>concentration |
|------------|---------------|------|--------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Reactor    | Additive      | Day  | ID     | [mol/kg]            | [mol/kg]              |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12626 | 4,40                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12627 | 4,33                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12628 | 4,29                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12629 | 4,26                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12630 | 4,27                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12631 | 4,25                |                       |
| R1         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12632 | 4,24                | •                     |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12633 | 4,45                | 1,77                  |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 1    | P12634 | 4,44                |                       |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 4    | P12635 | 4,43                |                       |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 8    | P12636 | 4,41                |                       |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 13   | P12637 | 4,34                |                       |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 21   | P12638 | 4,25                |                       |
| R2         | Metal mix, 6% | 25   | P12639 | 4,20                | 1,83                  |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 0    | P12640 | 4,51                | 1,80                  |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 1    | P12641 | 4,42                |                       |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 4    | P12642 | 4,41                |                       |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 8    | P12643 | 4,38                |                       |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 13   | P12644 | 4,37                |                       |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 21   | P12645 | 4,31                |                       |
| R3         | Metal mix, 6% | 25   | P12646 | 4,29                | 2,00                  |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 0    | P12647 | 4,39                | 1,69                  |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 1    | P12648 | 4,40                |                       |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 4    | P12649 | 4,34                |                       |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 8    | P12650 | 4,28                |                       |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 13   | P12651 | 4,25                |                       |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 21   | P12652 | 4,22                |                       |
| R4         | Metal mix, 6% | 25   | P12653 | 4,18                | 1,88                  |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% | 0    | P12654 | 4,49                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12655 | 4,45                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12656 | 4,37                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12657 | 4,34                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12658 | 4,34                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12659 | 4,31                |                       |
| R5         | Metal mix, 6% |      | P12660 | 4,30                |                       |

 $Table\ 47: Titration\ data\ inhibitor\ screening\ experiment\ 2.$ 

|         |                |     |        | Amine         | CO2-          |
|---------|----------------|-----|--------|---------------|---------------|
|         |                |     |        | concentration | concentration |
| Reactor | Additive       | Day | ID     | [mol/kg]      | [mol/kg]      |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 0   | P12735 | 4,34          | 1,75          |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 1   | P12736 | 4,26          |               |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 4   | P12737 | 4,01          |               |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 9   | P12738 | 4,03          |               |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | P12739 | 4,07          | 1,91          |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 0   | P12740 | 4,35          | 1,75          |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 1   | P12741 | 4,30          |               |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 4   | P12742 | 4,27          |               |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 9   | P12743 | 4,23          |               |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | P12744 | 4,32          | 1,82          |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 0   | P12745 | 4,36          | 1,75          |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 1   | P12746 | 4,22          |               |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 4   | P12747 | 3,98          |               |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 9   | P12748 | 3,75          |               |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | P12749 | 3,56          | 1,64          |
| R4      | None           | 0   | P12750 | 4,43          | 1,78          |
| R4      | None           | 1   | P12751 | 4,39          |               |
| R4      | None           | 4   | P12752 | 4,38          |               |
| R4      | None           | 9   | P12753 | 4,58          |               |
| R4      | None           | 13  | P12754 | 4,81          | 2,21          |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 0   | P12755 | 4,47          | 1,78          |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 1   | P12756 | 4,33          |               |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 4   | P12757 | 4,08          |               |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 9   | P12758 | 3,90          |               |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98% | 13  | P12759 | 4,08          | 1,88          |

 $Table\ 48:\ Titration\ data\ inhibitor\ screening\ experiment\ 3.$ 

|         |               |     |        | Amine         | CO2-     |
|---------|---------------|-----|--------|---------------|----------|
|         |               |     |        | concentration |          |
| Reactor | Additive      | Day | ID     | [mol/kg]      | [mol/kg] |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 0   | P12817 | 4,35          | 1,75     |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 1   | P12818 | 4,27          |          |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 4   | P12819 | 4,07          |          |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 9   | P12820 | 3,79          |          |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 13  | P12821 | 3,63          | 1,73     |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 0   | P12822 | 4,34          | 1,74     |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 1   | P12823 | 4,19          |          |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 4   | P12824 | 4,02          |          |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 9   | P12825 | 3,75          |          |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 13  | P12826 | 3,53          | 1,54     |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 0   | P12827 | 4,23          | 1,71     |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 1   | P12828 | 4,17          |          |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 4   | P12829 | 4,06          |          |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 9   | P12830 | 3,85          |          |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 13  | P12831 | 3,73          | 1,75     |
| R4      | HEDP          | 0   | P12832 | 4,19          | 1,68     |
| R4      | HEDP          | 1   | P12833 | 4,18          |          |
| R4      | HEDP          | 4   | P12834 | 4,26          |          |
| R4      | HEDP          | 9   | P12835 | 4,06          |          |
| R4      | HEDP          | 13  | P12836 | 4,00          | 1,89     |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 0   | P12837 | 4,33          | 1,72     |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 1   | P12838 | 4,03          |          |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 4   | P12839 | 3,66          |          |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 9   | P12840 | 3,23          |          |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 13  | P12841 | 3,04          | 1,40     |

Table 49: Titration data inhibitor screening experiment 4.

|         |                   |     |        | Amine         | CO2-          |
|---------|-------------------|-----|--------|---------------|---------------|
|         |                   |     |        | concentration | concentration |
| Reactor | Additive          | Day | ID     | [mol/kg]      | [mol/kg]      |
| R1      | DEHA              | 0   | P12874 | 4,44          | 1,78          |
| R1      | DEHA              | 1   | P12875 | 4,33          |               |
| R1      | DEHA              | 4   | P12876 | 4,10          |               |
| R1      | DEHA              | 10  | P12877 | 3,91          |               |
| R1      | DEHA              | 13  | P12878 | 3,84          | 1,85          |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 0   | P12879 | 4,16          | 1,74          |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 1   | P12880 | 4,07          |               |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 4   | P12881 | 3,90          |               |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 10  | P12882 | 3,65          |               |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 13  | P12883 | 3,50          | 1,52          |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 0   | P12884 | 4,40          | 1,79          |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 1   | P12885 | 4,40          |               |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 4   | P12886 | 4,32          |               |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 10  | P12887 | 4,14          |               |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 13  | P12888 | 4,10          | 1,93          |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 0   | P12889 | 4,34          | 1,77          |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 1   | P12890 | 4,32          |               |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 4   | P12891 | 4,04          |               |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 10  | P12892 | 3,75          |               |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 13  | P12893 | 3,60          | 1,68          |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 0   | P12894 | 4,37          | 1,79          |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 1   | P12895 | 4,34          |               |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 4   | P12896 | 4,19          |               |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 10  | P12897 | 4,04          |               |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 13  | P12898 | 3,98          | 1,89          |

 $Table\ 50: Titration\ data\ inhibitor\ screening\ experiment\ 5.$ 

|         |                                  |     |         | Amine         | CO2-          |
|---------|----------------------------------|-----|---------|---------------|---------------|
|         |                                  |     |         | concentration | concentration |
| Reactor | Additive                         | Day | ID      | [mol/kg]      | [mol/kg]      |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 0   | P121035 | 4,12          | 1,66          |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 1   | P121036 | 4,03          |               |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 4   | P121037 | 3,93          |               |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 9   | P121038 | 3,78          |               |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 13  | P121039 | 3,68          | 1,75          |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 0   | P121040 | 4,25          | 1,71          |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 1   | P121041 | 4,15          |               |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 4   | P121042 | 4,01          |               |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 9   | P121043 | 3,79          |               |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 13  | P121044 | 3,64          | 1,56          |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 0   | P121045 | 4,14          | 1,65          |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 1   | P121046 | 4,12          |               |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 4   | P121047 | 4,02          |               |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 9   | P121048 | 3,94          |               |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 13  | P121049 | 3,84          | 1,79          |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 0   | P121050 | 4,43          | 1,79          |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 1   | P121051 | 4,31          |               |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 4   | P121052 | 4,13          |               |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 9   | P121053 | 3,95          |               |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 13  | P121054 | 3,81          | 1,76          |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 0   | P121055 | 4,38          | 1,79          |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 1   | P121056 | 4,32          |               |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 4   | P121057 | 4,18          |               |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 9   | P121058 | 4,02          |               |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 13  | P121059 | 3,89          | 1,81          |

### Appendix F: Total alkalinity- and CO<sub>2</sub>-titration circulative experiment

Table 51: Titration data circulative experiment with hydrazine.

| Secretary.  |           |     |         | Amine concentration | CO2-<br>concentration |
|-------------|-----------|-----|---------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Reactor     | Additive  | Day | ID      | [mol/kg]            | [mol/kg]              |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 0   | P121060 | 4,23                | 1,73                  |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 1   | P121061 | 4,18                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 2   | P121062 | 4,12                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 4   | P121063 | 4,05                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 7   | P121064 | 3,96                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 11  | P121065 | 3,79                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 15  | P121066 | 3,67                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 19  | P121067 | 3,56                |                       |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 21  | P121068 | 3,47                | 1,45                  |

### Appendix G: Total alkalinity- and CO<sub>2</sub>-titration thermal experiments

 $Table\ 52: Titration\ data\ thermal\ experiments;\ citric\ acid\ and\ potassium\ sodium\ tartrate.$ 

| A delitions   | Cylinder<br>material | Davis | Amine concentration | CO2-<br>concentration |
|---------------|----------------------|-------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Additive      | Metal                | Day   | [mol/kg]            | [mol/kg]              |
| Citric acid   |                      | 7     | 4,30                | 2,15                  |
| Citric acid   | Metal                |       | 3,90                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Metal                | 14    | 3,48                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Metal                | 21    | 3,08                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Metal                | 28    | 2,77                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Metal                | 35    | 2,48                | 1,25                  |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 0     | 4,30                | 2,15                  |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 7     | 3,95                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 14    | 3,62                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 21    | 3,26                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 28    | 2,93                |                       |
| Citric acid   | Glass                | 35    | 2,66                | 1,40                  |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 0     | 4,38                | 2,20                  |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 7     | 4,05                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 14    | 3,59                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 21    | 3,23                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 28    | 2,89                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Metal                | 35    | 2,58                | 1,31                  |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 0     | 4,38                | 2,20                  |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 7     | 4,05                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 14    | 3,70                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 21    | 3,36                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 28    | 3,05                |                       |
| K Na tartrate | Glass                | 35    | 2,73                | 1,40                  |

 $Table\ 53:\ Titration\ data\ thermal\ experiments;\ HEDP\ and\ so dium\ triphosphate$ 

|                 |          |     | Amine       | CO2-        |
|-----------------|----------|-----|-------------|-------------|
|                 |          |     | concentrati | concentrati |
| Additive        | Material | Day | on [mol/kg] | on [mol/kg] |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 0   | 4,25        | 4,25        |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 7   | 3,91        |             |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 14  | 3,51        |             |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 21  | 3,15        |             |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 28  | -           |             |
| HEDP            | Metal    | 35  | 2,55        | 1,30        |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 0   | 4,25        | 2,14        |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 7   | 3,96        |             |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 14  | 3,65        |             |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 21  | 3,30        |             |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 28  | 2,95        |             |
| HEDP            | Glass    | 35  | 2,82        | 1,31        |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 0   | 4,33        | 2,15        |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 7   | 3,99        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 14  | 3,57        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 21  | 3,14        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 28  | 2,87        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Metal    | 35  | 2,59        | 1,37        |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 0   | 4,33        | 2,15        |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 7   | 4,05        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 14  | 3,67        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 21  | 3,31        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 28  | 3,01        |             |
| Na triphosphate | Glass    | 35  | 2,75        | 1,44        |

Table 54: Titration data thermal experiments; sodium sulfite, methallyl alcohol, hydroquinone and DEHA.

|                   |          |     | Amine       | CO2-        |
|-------------------|----------|-----|-------------|-------------|
|                   |          |     | concentrati | concentrati |
| Additive          | Material | Day | on [mol/kg] | on [mol/kg] |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 0   | 4,36        | 2,17        |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 7   | 4,03        |             |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 14  | 3,64        |             |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 21  | 3,26        |             |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 28  | 2,95        |             |
| Na sulfite        | Metal    | 35  | 2,62        | 1,31        |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 0   | 4,25        | 2,14        |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 7   | 3,90        |             |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 14  | 3,49        |             |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 21  | 3,15        |             |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 28  | 2,83        |             |
| Methallyl alcohol | Metal    | 35  | 2,50        | 1,26        |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 0   | -           | -           |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 7   | 3,96        |             |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 14  | 3,54        |             |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 21  | 3,15        |             |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 28  | 2,90        |             |
| Hydroquinone      | Metal    | 35  | 2,54        | 1,28        |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 0   | 4,28        | 2,15        |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 7   | 3,96        |             |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 14  | 3,58        |             |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 21  | 3,19        |             |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 28  | 2,93        |             |
| DEHA              | Metal    | 35  | 2,63        | 1,30        |

|                 |          |     | Amine       | CO2-        |
|-----------------|----------|-----|-------------|-------------|
|                 |          |     | concentrati | concentrati |
| Additive        | Material | Day | on [mol/kg] | on [mol/kg] |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 0   | 4,21        | 2,12        |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 7   | 3,93        |             |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 14  | 3,54        |             |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 21  | 3,18        |             |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 28  | 2,89        |             |
| MEKO            | Metal    | 35  | 2,59        | 1,29        |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 0   | 4,11        | 2,09        |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 7   | 3,77        |             |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 14  | 3,41        |             |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 21  | 3,05        |             |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 28  | 2,72        |             |
| Erythorbic acid | Metal    | 35  | 2,44        | 1,29        |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 0   | 4,04        | 1,99        |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 7   | 3,80        |             |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 14  | 3,48        |             |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 21  | 3,14        |             |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 28  | 2,84        |             |
| Carbohydrazide  | Metal    | 35  | 2,61        | 1,30        |

#### Appendix H: LC-MS MEA thermal experiments

 $Table\ 56: LC\text{-MS}\ quantification\ of\ MEA\ for\ selected\ samples\ from\ the\ thermal\ degradation.$ 

| Additive       | Week | Journal<br>ID | MEA  | Unit  | MEA  | Unit   |
|----------------|------|---------------|------|-------|------|--------|
| Citric acid    | 0    | P121085       | 4,78 | mol/L | 0,00 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 1    | P121069       | 3,99 | mol/L | 3,63 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 2    | P121070       | 3,08 | mol/L | 2,80 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 3    | P121071       | 2,88 | mol/L | 2,63 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 4    | P121072       | 2,54 | mol/L | 2,33 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 5    | P121073       | 2,15 | mol/L | 1,96 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 0    | P121085       | 4,78 | mol/L | 4,38 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 1    | P121074       | 4,05 | mol/L | 3,72 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 2    | P121075       | 3,59 | mol/L | 3,27 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 3    | P121076       | 3,08 | mol/L | 2,81 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 4    | P121077       | 2,67 | mol/L | 2,45 | mol/kg |
| Citric acid    | 5    | P121078       | 2,34 | mol/L | 2,15 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide | 0    | P121084       | 4,45 | mol/L | 4,09 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide |      | P121079       | 3,78 | mol/L | 3,46 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide |      | P121080       | 3,30 | mol/L | 3,04 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide |      | P121081       | 2,88 | mol/L | 2,67 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide |      | P121082       | 2,46 | mol/L | 2,27 | mol/kg |
| Carbohydrazide |      | P121083       | 2,16 | mol/L | 1,98 | mol/kg |

### Appendix I: IC-EC raw data

Table 57: IC-EC raw data for experiment 1.

|         |               |    |        |           |         | Concentra | tion (ppm) |         |          |
|---------|---------------|----|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------|---------|----------|
| Reactor | Additive      |    | Pnr    | Glycolate | Formate | Nitrite   | Oxalate    | Nitrate | Sulphate |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 0  | P12626 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 41,3     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 1  | P12627 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 39,0     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 4  | P12628 | <25       | 35,2    | 27,9      | <23        | <23     | 40,8     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 8  | P12629 | <25       | 77,1    | 67,7      | <23        | 34,2    | 43,7     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 13 | P12630 | <25       | 106,2   | 82,7      | <23        | 48,6    | 42,5     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 21 | P12631 | <25       | 207,0   | 151,2     | 28,9       | 86,6    | 42,1     |
| R1      | Metal mix, 6% | 25 | P12632 | <25       | 259,7   | 168,5     | 37,7       | 115,6   | 43,4     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 0  | P12633 | <25       | 30,2    | <22       | <23        | <23     | 46,1     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 1  | P12634 | <25       | 25,9    | <22       | <23        | <23     | 41,0     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 4  | P12635 | <25       | 57,1    | 23,1      | <23        | 32,3    | 43,0     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 8  | P12636 | <25       | 130,8   | 56,2      | <23        | 53,8    | 42,7     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 13 | P12637 | <25       | 245,3   | 71,9      | 24,1       | 85,9    | 44,5     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 21 | P12638 | <25       | 477,3   | 135,7     | 47,0       | 165,7   | 44,5     |
| R2      | Metal mix, 6% | 25 | P12639 | <25       | 678,0   | 200,1     | 70,0       | 235,1   | 42,5     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 0  | P12640 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 40,6     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 1  | P12641 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 41,0     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 4  | P12642 | <25       | 38,6    | 22,7      | <23        | 24,0    | 44,7     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 8  | P12643 | <25       | 73,6    | 54,6      | <23        | 36,9    | 40,9     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 13 | P12644 | <25       | 123,1   | 72,8      | <23        | 55,1    | 42,5     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 21 | P12645 | <25       | 235,9   | 126,8     | 31,0       | 102,2   | 46,4     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 6% | 25 | P12646 | <25       | 350,3   | 188,9     | 42,5       | 152,1   | 46,0     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 0  | P12647 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 40,2     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 1  | P12648 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 39,1     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 4  | P12649 | <25       | 38,1    | <22       | <23        | <23     | 38,8     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 8  | P12650 | <25       | 82,7    | 46,9      | 25,0       | 34,8    | 41,4     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 13 | P12651 | <25       | 115,4   | 53,1      | <23        | 45,9    | 39,9     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 21 | P12652 | <25       | 236,1   | 104,3     | 27,5       | 89,7    | 47,0     |
| R4      | Metal mix, 6% | 25 | P12653 | <25       | 295,4   | 126,1     | 35,8       | 115,8   | 41,5     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 0  | P12654 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 44,8     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% |    | P12655 | <25       | <27     | <22       | <23        | <23     | 40,4     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 4  | P12656 | <25       | 38,6    | <22       | <23        | <23     | 38,9     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 8  | P12657 | <25       | 75,0    | 42,6      | <23        | 32,7    | 41,2     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 13 | P12658 | <25       | 128,1   | 56,4      | <23        | 48,1    | 42,2     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 21 | P12659 | <25       | 244,0   | 98,7      | 28,8       | 85,5    | 41,5     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 6% | 25 | P12660 | <25       | 344,7   | 131,1     | 38,8       | 121,1   | 40,8     |

Table 58: IC-EC raw data for experiment 2.

|         |                 |      |        |         | Cond    | centration [m | ng/kg]   |         |
|---------|-----------------|------|--------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|---------|
| Reactor | Additive        | Days | Sample | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate       | Sulphate | Oxalate |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98 % | 0    | P12735 | <52     | <227    | <225          | 1222     | <228    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98 % | 1    | P12736 | <50     | 276     | <223          | 1237     | <226    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98 % | 4    | P12737 | 157     | 707     | <223          | 1271     | <226    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98 % | 9    | P12738 | 364     | 1227    | 348           | 1369     | <226    |
| R1      | Metal mix, 98 % | 13   | P12739 | 587     | 1636    | 502           | 1463     | <226    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98 % | 0    | P12740 | <51     | <227    | <224          | 1072     | <228    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98 % | 1    | P12741 | 105     | 374     | <222          | 1107     | <226    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98 % | 4    | P12742 | 528     | 1150    | 405           | 1315     | <224    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98 % | 9    | P12743 | 1697    | 2540    | 957           | 1475     | <222    |
| R2      | Metal mix, 98 % | 13   | P12744 | 3124    | 3418    | 1546          | 1707     | 323     |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98 % | 0    | P12745 | <51     | <238    | <236          | 1281     | <239    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98 % | 1    | P12746 | 51      | 242     | <223          | 1243     | <226    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98 % | 4    | P12747 | 197     | 666     | 230           | 1245     | <225    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98 % | 9    | P12748 | 464     | 1216    | 396           | 1278     | <226    |
| R3      | Metal mix, 98 % | 13   | P12749 | 728     | 1560    | 540           | 1261     | <225    |
| R4      | None            | 0    | P12750 | <51     | <47     | <47           | 1169     | <47     |
| R4      | None            | 1    | P12751 | <49     | <46     | <46           | 1175     | <46     |
| R4      | None            | 4    | P12752 | 78      | 103     | <46           | 1239     | <47     |
| R4      | None            | 9    | P12753 | 208     | 197     | 61            | 1340     | <47     |
| R4      | None            | 13   | P12754 | 347     | 275     | 83            | 1396     | <47     |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98 % | 0    | P12755 | <50     | <224    | <222          | 1008     | <225    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98 % | 1    | P12756 | 57      | 291     | <220          | 1022     | <223    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98 % | 4    | P12757 | 212     | 825     | 250           | 1110     | <227    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98 % | 9    | P12758 | 535     | 1449    | 452           | 1133     | <236    |
| R5      | Metal mix, 98 % | 13   | P12759 | 938     | 2056    | 695           | 1230     | 125     |

Table 59: IC-EC raw data for experiment 3.

|         |               |     |        |          | Formate | Nitrate | Sulphate | Oxalate | Nitrite |
|---------|---------------|-----|--------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| Reactor | Additive      | Day | Prøve  | Dilution | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg]  | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 0   | P12817 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1238,2   | <183    | <134    |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 1   | P12818 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1298,1   | <183    | <134    |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 4   | P12819 | 1/500    | 180,7   | <130    | 1248,8   | <183    | <134    |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 9   | P12820 | 1/500    | 270,9   | 278,2   | 1065,2   | <183    | 541,2   |
| R1      | K Na tartrate | 13  | P12821 | 1/500    | 506,5   | 568,3   | 1348,4   | <183    | 1031,8  |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 0   | P12822 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 2627,4   | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 1   | P12823 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 4408,8   | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 4   | P12824 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 4987,0   | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 9   | P12825 | 1/500    | 474,3   | 264,6   | 5106,2   | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na sulfite    | 13  | P12826 | 1/500    | 810,7   | 429,9   | 4783,1   | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 0   | P12827 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 946,0    | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 1   | P12828 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1135,5   | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 4   | P12829 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1080,8   | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 9   | P12830 | 1/500    | 232,4   | 169,6   | 1155,2   | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | Citric acid   | 13  | P12831 | 1/500    | 359,7   | 255,8   | 1151,8   | <183    | 510,7   |
| R4      | HEDP          | 0   | P12832 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1345,4   | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | HEDP          | 1   | P12833 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1496,9   | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | HEDP          | 4   | P12834 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1347,3   | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | HEDP          | 9   | P12835 | 1/500    | 198,8   | <130    | 1409,7   | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | HEDP          | 13  | P12836 | 1/500    | 300,1   | <130    | 1443,6   | <183    | <134    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 0   | P12837 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 1046,7   | <183    | <134    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 1   | P12838 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 954,5    | <183    | <134    |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 4   | P12839 | 1/500    | 294,1   | 330,2   | 1051,2   | <183    | 921,8   |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 9   | P12840 | 1/500    | 852,1   | 483,4   | 987,9    | <183    | 1358,8  |
| R5      | Hydroquinone  | 13  | P12841 | 1/500    | 1140,2  | 670,8   | 982,3    | 186,3   | 1664,3  |

Table 60: IC-EC raw data for experiment 4.

|         |                   |     |        |            | Formate | Nitrate | Sulphate | Oxalate | Nitrite |
|---------|-------------------|-----|--------|------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| Reactor | Additive          | Day | Prøve  | Fortynning | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg]  | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] |
| R1      | DEHA              | 0   | P12874 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 684      | <164    | <128    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 1   | P12875 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 633      | <164    | <128    |
| R1      | DEHA              | 4   | P12876 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 676      | <164    | 287     |
| R1      | DEHA              | 10  | P12877 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 652      | <164    | 568     |
| R1      | DEHA              | 13  | P12878 | 1/500      | 228     | 295     | 681      | <164    | 619     |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 0   | P12879 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 626      | <164    | <128    |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 1   | P12880 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 602      | <164    | <128    |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 4   | P12881 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 593      | 170     | <128    |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 10  | P12882 | 1/500      | 598     | 345     | 637      | 348     | <128    |
| R2      | Erythorbic acid   | 13  | P12883 | 1/500      | 1002    | 569     | 622      | 447     | 182     |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 0   | P12884 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 564      | <164    | <128    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 1   | P12885 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 627      | <164    | <128    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 4   | P12886 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 687      | <164    | <128    |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 10  | P12887 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 696      | <164    | 145     |
| R3      | Carbohydrazide    | 13  | P12888 | 1/500      | 299     | 267     | 697      | <164    | 209     |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 0   | P12889 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 657      | <164    | <128    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 1   | P12890 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 653      | <164    | <128    |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 4   | P12891 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 638      | <164    | 188     |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 10  | P12892 | 1/500      | 364     | 276     | 583      | <164    | 491     |
| R4      | Methallyl alcohol | 13  | P12893 | 1/500      | 627     | 398     | 638      | <164    | 674     |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 0   | P12894 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 666      | <164    | <128    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 1   | P12895 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 607      | <164    | <128    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 4   | P12896 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 635      | <164    | <128    |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 10  | P12897 | 1/500      | <213    | <246    | 583      | <164    | 129     |
| R5      | Na triphosphate   | 13  | P12898 | 1/500      | 259     | <246    | 581      | <164    | 147     |

Table 61:IC-EC raw data for experiment 5.

|         |                                  |      |         | Fortynni | Formate | Nitrate | Sulphate | Oxalate | Nitrite |
|---------|----------------------------------|------|---------|----------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| Reactor | Additive                         | Days | Prøve   | ng       | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg]  | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 0    | P121035 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 643,4    | <183    | <134    |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 1    | P121036 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 667,7    | <183    | <134    |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 4    | P121037 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 623,5    | <183    | 178,2   |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 9    | P121038 | 1/500    | 149,6   | 184,8   | 644,5    | <183    | 582,6   |
| R1      | Citric acid + Carbohydrazide     | 13   | P121039 | 1/500    | 238,5   | 257,1   | 668,3    | <183    | 890,2   |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 0    | P121040 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 652,3    | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 1    | P121041 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 623,0    | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 4    | P121042 | 1/500    | 202,1   | 170,5   | 672,0    | <183    | <134    |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 9    | P121043 | 1/500    | 570,3   | 293,3   | 679,5    | <183    | 381,0   |
| R2      | Na triphosphate + Carbohydrazide | 13   | P121044 | 1/500    | 927,6   | 387,5   | 690,3    | <183    | 617,0   |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 0    | P121045 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 631,3    | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 1    | P121046 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 726,1    | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 4    | P121047 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 691,4    | <183    | <134    |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 9    | P121048 | 1/500    | 156,8   | 131,6   | 749,7    | <183    | 390,3   |
| R3      | HEDP + Carbohydrazide            | 13   | P121049 | 1/500    | 247,7   | 158,7   | 760,5    | <183    | 682,5   |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 0    | P121050 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 630,6    | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 1    | P121051 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 716,7    | <183    | <134    |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 4    | P121052 | 1/500    | <135    | 155,8   | 715,9    | <183    | 140,8   |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 9    | P121053 | 1/500    | 249,9   | 227,5   | 650,9    | <183    | 323,4   |
| R4      | Metal mix, 98%                   | 13   | P121054 | 1/500    | 417,8   | 335,8   | 694,3    | <183    | 481,5   |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 0    | P121055 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 713,2    | <183    | <134    |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 1    | P121056 | 1/500    | <135    | <130    | 686,6    | <183    | <134    |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 4    | P121057 | 1/500    | <135    | 219,6   | 765,0    | <183    | 207,2   |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 9    | P121058 | 1/500    | 176,0   | 302,8   | 725,9    | <183    | 340,7   |
| R5      | MEKO                             | 13   | P121059 | 1/500    | 264,3   | 366,6   | 699,6    | <183    | 496,7   |

Table 62:IC-EC raw data circulative experiment with hydrazine.

|             |           |     |         | Formate | Nitrite | Nitrate | Sulfate | Oxalate |
|-------------|-----------|-----|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Reactor     | Additive  | Day | Sample  | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] | [mg/kg] |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 0   | P121060 | <218    | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 1   | P121061 | <218    | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 2   | P121062 | <218    | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 4   | P121063 | <218    | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 7   | P121064 | <218    | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 11  | P121065 | 383     | <139    | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 15  | P121066 | 652     | 258     | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 19  | P121067 | 1094    | 149     | <256    | <242    | <172    |
| Circulative | Hydrazine | 23  | P121068 | 1312    | 211     | <256    | <242    | <172    |

Table 63: IC-EC raw data for quantification of chelating agents from experiments on the inhibitor screening apparatus.

|              |        |            |                  | Concentration inhibitor |                 |
|--------------|--------|------------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Inhibitor    | P. nr. | Dilutions  | Signal inhibitor | [mg/kg]                 | Detection limit |
|              | P12817 | 0,00220886 | 0,3036           | 1215                    | 317             |
|              | P12818 | 0,00220891 | 0,2865           | 1142                    | 317             |
| Potassium    | P12819 | 0,00235683 | 0,2628           | 974                     | 297             |
| sodium       | P12820 | 0,00232398 | 0,1616           | 575                     | 301             |
| tartrate     | P12821 | 0,00221561 | 0,1358           | 492                     | 316             |
|              | P12827 | 0,00231931 | 0,7093           | 3926                    | 367             |
|              | P12828 | 0,00222006 | 0,7795           | 4525                    | 384             |
|              | P12829 | 0,0023334  | 0,6472           | 3545                    | 365             |
|              | P12830 | 0,00220888 | 0,4625           | 2625                    | 386             |
| Citric acid  | P12831 | 0,00221111 | 0,3035           | 1658                    | 385             |
|              | P12832 | 0,00243228 | no signal        | -                       | -               |
|              | P12833 | 0,00220666 | no signal        | -                       | -               |
|              | P12834 | 0,00224457 | no signal        | -                       | -               |
|              | P12835 | 0,00244695 | no signal        | -                       | -               |
| HEDP         | P12836 | 0,00233573 | no signal        | -                       | -               |
|              | P12894 | 0,00219757 | 0,642            | 2737                    | 434             |
|              | P12895 | 0,00244193 | 0,5891           | 2270                    | 391             |
|              | P12896 | 0,00226034 | 0,5957           | 2478                    | 422             |
| Sodium       | P12897 | 0,00260423 | 0,4568           | 1676                    | 366             |
| triphosphate | P12898 | 0,00249897 | 0,4043           | 1560                    | 382             |

 $\label{thm:conducted} \textbf{Table 64: IC-EC raw data for the quantification of chelating agents from the experiments conducted at thermal conditions.}$ 

|                            |                   |                | Concentration |
|----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Inhibitor                  | Cylinder material | Week           | [mg/kg]       |
|                            | -                 | 0              | 1343          |
|                            | Metal             | 1              | 509           |
|                            | Metal             | 2              | 402           |
|                            | Metal             | 3              | 363           |
|                            | Metal             | 4              | 309           |
| Potassium sodium tartrate  | Metal             | <del></del> 5  | <274          |
| 1 otassiam sociam tarriate | Glass             | 1              | 591           |
|                            | Glass             | 2              | 519           |
|                            | Glass             | 3              | 467           |
|                            | Glass             | 3<br>4         |               |
|                            |                   |                | 403           |
|                            | Glass             | 5              | 357           |
|                            | -                 | 0              | 4520          |
|                            | Metal             | 1              | <354          |
|                            | Metal             | 2              | <354          |
|                            | Metal             | 3              | <354          |
|                            | Metal             | 4              | <354          |
| Citric acid                | Metal             | 5              | <354          |
|                            | Glass             | 1              | <354          |
|                            | Glass             | 2              | <354          |
|                            | Glass             | 3              | <354          |
|                            | Glass             | 4              | <354          |
|                            | Glass             | 5              | <354          |
|                            | -                 | 0              | 818           |
|                            | Metal             | 1              | 891           |
|                            | Metal             | 2              | 1078          |
|                            | Metal             | 3              | 949           |
|                            | Metal             | 4              | -             |
| HEDP                       | Metal             | 5              | 887           |
|                            | Glass             | 1              | 1013          |
|                            | Glass             | 2              | 930           |
|                            | Glass             | 3              | 942           |
|                            | Glass             | 4              | 991           |
|                            | Glass             | 5              | 975           |
|                            | -                 | 0              | 2361          |
|                            | Metal             | 1              | <412          |
|                            | Metal             | 2              | <412          |
|                            | Metal             | 3              | <412          |
|                            | Metal             | 4              | <412          |
| Sodium triphosphate        | Metal             | <del>-</del> 5 | <412          |
| Committee the second       | Glass             | 1              | <412          |
|                            | Glass             | 2              | <412          |
|                            | Glass             | 3              | <412          |
|                            | Glass             | <u>5</u><br>4  | <412          |
|                            |                   |                |               |
|                            | Glass             | 5              | <412          |

#### Appendix J: Calculated concentrations of inhibitors

Table 65: Calculated concentrations for the inhibitors added in the experiments on the inhibitor screening apparatus.

| Inhibitor                 | C inhibitor [wt%] | C inhibitor<br>[mg/kg] | C inhibitor [mol/kg] |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 0,25              | 2535                   | 0,009                |
| Sodium sulfite            | 0,59              | 5929                   | 0,047                |
| Citric acid               | 0,46              | 4598                   | 0,024                |
| HEDP                      | 0,18              | 1823                   | 0,008                |
| Hydroquinone              | 0,12              | 1158                   | 0,011                |
| Methallyl alcohol         | 0,35              | 3544                   | 0,049                |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 0,37              | 3727                   | 0,01                 |
| DEHA                      | 0,4               | 3962                   | 0,044                |
| MEKO                      | 0,41              | 4064                   | 0,047                |
| Erythorbic acid           | 0,89              | 8939                   | 0,051                |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,45              | 4467                   | 0,05                 |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,45              | 4491                   | 0,05                 |
| HEDP                      | 0,2               | 1982                   | 0,009                |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,43              | 4340                   | 0,048                |
| Citric acid               | 0,48              | 4788                   | 0,025                |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,43              | 4345                   | 0,048                |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 0,36              | 3623                   | 0,01                 |

Table 66: Calculated concentrations for the inhibitors added in the experiments at thermal conditions.

|                           |                   | C inhibitor |                      |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Inhibitor                 | C inhibitor [wt%] | [mg/kg]     | C inhibitor [mol/kg] |
| Potassium sodium tartrate | 0,28              | 2778        | 0,010                |
| Sodium sulfite            | 0,71              | 7094        | 0,056                |
| Citric acid               | 0,50              | 4968        | 0,026                |
| HEDP                      | 0,19              | 1915        | 0,009                |
| Hydroquinone              | 0,12              | 1178        | 0,011                |
| Methallyl alcohol         | 0,37              | 3659        | 0,051                |
| Sodium triphosphate       | 0,36              | 3583        | 0,010                |
| DEHA                      | 0,48              | 4820        | 0,054                |
| MEKO                      | 0,44              | 4386        | 0,050                |
| Erythorbic acid           | 0,88              | 8758        | 0,050                |
| Carbohydrazide            | 0,47              | 4692        | 0,052                |

 $\label{thm:continuous} Table~67: Calculated~concentration~of~hydrazine~in~the~experiment~screening~hydrazine~on~the~circulative~closed~loop~apparatus.$ 

|                          |                   |                     | C inhibitor |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Inhibitor                | C inhibitor [wt%] | C inhibitor [mg/kg] | [mol/kg]    |
| Hydrazine hydrate 50-60% | 0,29              | 2928                | 0,05        |

#### Appendix K: Degradation products

Table 68: Specification of degradation products and analytical methods for their quantification in this thesis.

| Name                                | Abbreviation | Structure                               | Cas. No.   | Analytical method |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|---|------------|-------------------|
| N, N'-bis(2-hydroxyethyl) oxalamide | внеох        | D N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N N | 1871-89-2  | LC-MS             |
| -                                   | Formate      | -000                                    | -          | IC-EC             |
| N-(2-hydroxyethyl) acetamide        | HEA          | ОН                                      | 142-26-7   | LC-MS             |
| N-(2-hydroxyethyl)formamide         | HEF          | OH OH                                   | 693-26-1   | LC-MS             |
| N-(2-hydroxyethyl)glycine           | HeGly        | HO OH                                   | -          | LC-MS             |
| N-(2-hydroxyethyl)imidazole         | HEI          | N OH                                    | 1615-14-1  | LC-MS             |
| 4-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazin-2-one   | НЕРО         | N OH                                    | 23936-04-1 | LC-MS             |
| -                                   | Nitrate      | 0<br>N* 0.                              |            | IC-EC             |
| -                                   | Nitrite      | -0 N                                    |            | IC-EC             |
| -                                   | Oxalate      |   |            | IC-EC             |
| 2-oxazolidinone                     | OZD          | O NH                                    | 497-25-6   | LC-MS             |
| -                                   | Sulfate      | -o—s—o                                  |            | IC-EC             |

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