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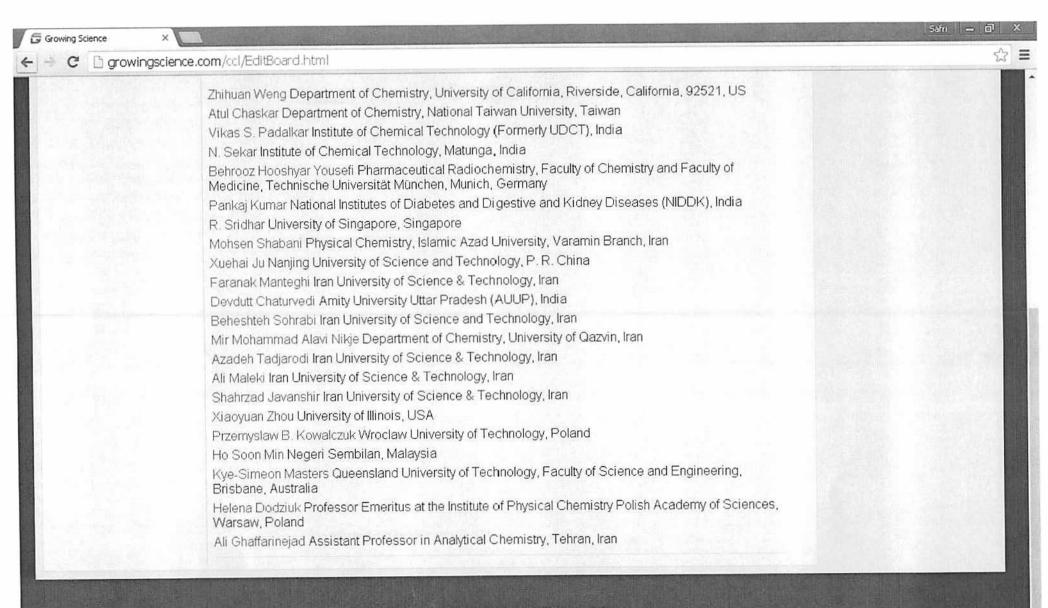
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isotherm. Thermodynamic parameters (Kads, $\Delta G0$ ads) were calculated using the adsorption isotherm. Activation parameters of the corrosion process (Ea, ΔH^* and ΔS^*) were also calculated from the corrosion rates obtained from temperature studies. Tafel plot analysis revealed that A9Y3PPA acts as a mixed type inhibitor. A probable inhibition mechanism was also proposed.

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1. Introduction

The importance of quantitative analysis of ethanol in foods, medicines, fuel products, and clinical applications require a powerful analysis method. Some of methods that are currently used for ethanol quantitation include high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC)¹, gas chromatography (GC)^{2, 3}, titration⁴, Fourier transform infrared (FTIR)⁵⁻⁷ and colorimetry^{8, 9}.

Enzymatic assay for ethanol determination using alcohol dehydrogenase has already proposed by some authors^{8, 10, 11}. The assay is based on the oxidation of ethanol to acetaldehyde which followed by conversion of β -Nicotinamide adenine dinucletide in the oxidized form (NAD⁺) to the reduced form (NADH) catalyzed by alcohol dehydrogenase (ADH). To force the reaction into completion, semicarbazide is added in the reaction buffer which will bind acetaldehyde. The amount of NADH,

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