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# **Corrosion inhibition by seeds extract on mild steel – An overview**

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#### Abstract

Corrosion inhibition process helps in reducing the safety and economic input of corrosion damage environmentally and ecologically. The use of inhibitors is one of the most practical options to preserve metal from corrosion and they are required to be acceptable and eco-friendly. Some of the researchers are tried to make use of green/natural seed extract products as corrosion inhibitors. In this review paper, corrosion inhibition of different kind of medium and green inhibitors (seeds extract) have been reported. Among the studied many green seed extract are showed better inhibition performance 98.68 % in Mustard seed in  $H_2SO_4$ . As a part of our ongoing reported work regarding an utilization of seed extracts as corrosion inhibitor for mild steel and its alloys inhibition was analyzed by weight loss, thermodynamic and kinetic parameters as well as hydrogen evolution methods. Electrochemical methods such as, Potentiodynamic polarization, Linear polarization resistance and Electrochemical Impedance Spectra (EIS) were also used. The protective film formation on mild steel surface have been analyzed by different techniques such as Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM), AFM, FT-IR, UV-Visible spectra, X-ray Diffraction spectroscopy (XRD). This review paper provides new information on the possible application some of seed extract as eco-friendly inhibitor.

Keywords: Mild steel, Seed extract, Medium, Corrosion inhibition, Adsorption, SEM.

### Introduction

Corrosion is determine as the reasonable process that causes the modification of pure metals to undesirable substances when they react with substances such water or air. This reaction causes damage and decentralization of the metal starting from the portion of the metal exposed to the environment and spreading to the entire bulk of the metal. As per IUPAC, Corrosion is an irreversible interfacial reaction of a material such as metal, ceramic, polymer with its environment which results in its consumption or dissolution into the material of a component of the environment. Oftenally, but not necessary, corrosion results in effects detrimental to the usage of the material considered. Exclusively physical or mechanical processes such as melting and evaporation, abrasion or mechanical fracture are not included in the term corrosion Mild steel, also known as plaincarbon steel, is now the most common form of steel because its price is comparatively low, while it provides constructional material properties that are tolerable for many industrial applications included chemical processing, construction, petroleum production and refining, metal processing, marine application and other industries. Solution of acid, it is widely used in the industry with the main area of applications being cleaning and elimination of localized deposition such as bacterial, rusting, deposits etc., the aggressiveness of these acid solutions leads to the use of essential corrosion inhibitors in order to limit the attack of metallic materials.

Corrosion inhibitors are chemicals which when add on to the corrosion nature has the ability to cut down the corrosion rate. Synthetic organic and inorganic inhibitors had extensively applied in the industries due to their excellent corrosive properties but their use is now being marred by their toxicity and high cost of building. However, most of them cause damages to environment. At present environmentally concern related to the use of various organic compounds has received universal attentiveness. Green technology is a new extent that is come out rapidly at both the national and international level. In this think of 'green chemistry' provides many environmentallyfriendly corrosion inhibitors, called 'green inhibitors'. This has give rise to researchers to survey other areas to construct ecofriendly, cheap, and biodegradable green corrosion inhibitors to replace inorganic and synthetic organic inhibitors. Plant extracts are viewed as rich source of naturally synthesized chemical compounds that can be extracted by simple procedures with low cost. These natural extracts are corresponding to the synthetic organic inhibitors and are being proven to work as much as their synthetic counterparts. This review gives an overview of recent work on the inhibitive effect of different seed extracts on mild steel in acidic medium so as to provide industrialists with vital relative literature for possible large scale use of natural inhibitors in their operations. This will be contribute to sustainable and green manufacturing. The effects of temperature, concentration, and reaction medium on the inhibition efficiency were compared.

Seeds extract were used to control the corrosion of mild steel and its alloy. In this overview, various seeds extracts in controlling corrosion on mild steel in acidic environments has been investigated. This review is mainly focused on acidic medium.

Various methods such as weight loss, hydrogen evaluation, potentiodynamic polarization (PDP) and Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy (EIS) were used to study the percentage of inhibition efficiency of different seeds extract on mild steel of corrosion inhibition. The adsorption isotherm model of the active-chemicals present in the different seeds extract onto the mild steel surface has been investigated. For this, different kind of adsorption isotherms, such as Langmuir, Temkin, Freundlich and Flory-Huggins observed.

**Metal Used:** Seed extracts as a green inhibitors were used to control the corrosion of different grades mild steel<sup>1-3,5-17, 19-40</sup> and its alloy<sup>4,18</sup>.

**Medium:** Different seed extracts for corrosion control of mild steel and its alloy in acidic medium such as  $HCl^{2.4,6-12,14,15,18,20,21,23,25-28,30-32,35-40}$ ,  $H_2SO_4^{1,4,5,13,17,19,20,22,24,29,33-35}$  and alkaline medium such as  $NaCl^{16}$  has been investigated.

**Methods:** Various methods such as Weight loss method<sup>1-4,6-15,17-21,23,25,27-40</sup>, Thermodynamic method<sup>1,3,5,7,8,10,11,13-16,18,19,23,24,27-33,35-37,40</sup>, Kinetic parameters<sup>9,15,19,22,28,35</sup>, Potentiodynamic polarization<sup>1,2,4,6-8,10,11,13,14,16,20,21,25,26,28-32,34,35,37,39</sup> and Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy (EIS)<sup>1,3-6,8,10-14,16,18,20-22,25,26,29-31,33,35,37-40</sup> were used for consideration of corrosion

inhibition mechanism and to calculate the percentage of inhibition efficiency of different seed extract as a green inhibitors.

**Adsorption isotherms:** The adsorption isotherm representation for phyto-chemicals present in different seed extracts as a green inhibitors into the metallic surface has been studied. For this, different kind of adsorption isotherms, such as Langmuir<sup>1,2,4,6-</sup><sup>16,19,20,25,28-31,33,35-37,39,40</sup>, Temkin<sup>2,3,5,9,23,33,35</sup>, Fruendlich<sup>15,19,35</sup> and Flory-Huggins<sup>17</sup>.

**Surface Morphological Studies:** Seeds extract are added in corrosive solutions to prevent the corrosion of mild steel a protective films formed on metal surface which is confirmed by various surface examination technique, such as Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)<sup>1,3,4,6,7,10,21,26,30,31,34,35,40</sup>, Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)<sup>1,30,31</sup>, Fourier Transform-Infrared Spectroscopy (FT-IR)<sup>1,11,30,31,34,35,37,40</sup>, Ultra Violet (UV) visible spectroscopy <sup>1,8,30,31</sup>, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)<sup>40</sup> technique, Open Circuit Potential (OCP)<sup>4,40</sup>, X-Ray Diffraction (XRD)<sup>26</sup>, Infrared (IR) spectroscopy<sup>3,17</sup>, Response Surface Methodology (RSM)<sup>27</sup>, Gas chromatography-Mass spectroscopy (GC-MS)<sup>8</sup>, Density Functional Theory (DFT)<sup>1,23</sup>, Linear Polarization Resistance (LPR)<sup>4,11,20,25,26,37</sup>.

The protection of mild steel and its oxide film against the corrosive action of acids has been extensively investigated and a great number of inhibitors have been studied by several authors on the inhibition of mild steel and its alloy by different seeds extract are shown in Table-1.

| Inhibitor                  | Metal &<br>Medium                       | Finding                                    | Method   | I.E.<br>(%)    | Remark  | Ref. |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|----------------|---|------|
| Saraca ashoka              | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS, AFM, FT-IR, UV<br>visible spectra, SEM<br>and Quantum chemical<br>studied like HOMO<br>and LUMO | 89.98          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm               | 1    |
| Cyamopsis<br>tetragonaloba | MS in<br>HCl                            | Weight loss method                         | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter  | 92.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>and Temkin<br>adsorption isotherm | 2    |
| Areca catechu              | MS in<br>HCl                            | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method | Electrochemical<br>parameters, IR and<br>SEM technique   | 96.97          | Temkin adsorption<br>isotherm   | 3    |
| Mustard                    | X60 MS in<br>HCl and<br>$H_2SO_4$       | Weight loss method                         | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS, OCP, LPR and<br>SEM technique   | 68.49<br>98.68 | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm               | 4    |
| Radish                     | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | Thermodynamic method                       | Electrochemical measurement  | 80.18          | Temkin adsorption<br>isotherm   | 5    |

 Table-1: Green corrosion inhibitors (seeds extract) for mild steel in different medium.

|  |   |   |   |                | I   |    |
|--|---|---|---|----------------|---|----|
| Cotton                                 | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss method                                      | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS and SEM<br>technique          | 95.70          | mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 6  |
| Mangifera odorata<br>Griff             | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter<br>and SEM technique                  | 90.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 7  |
| Sunflower                              | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS, GC, UV visible               | 98.00          | Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                             | 8  |
| Prunus dulcis<br>(Almond)              | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and kinetic method                          | -   | 69.95          | Langmuir and<br>Temkin adsorption<br>isotherm               | 9  |
| Mangala dry areca<br>nut               | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Tafel polarization,<br>impedance and SEM<br>techniques                          | 93.04          | Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                             | 10 |
| Pongamia pinnata<br>(Karanj)           | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS, LPR, and FT-IR<br>techniques | 98.00          | mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 11 |
| Allium cepa L.                         | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss method                                      | Electrochemical techniques  | 94.50          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 12 |
| Abelmoschus<br>esculentus              | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization and EIS<br>techniques                           | 90.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 13 |
| Foeniculum vulgare<br>Mill<br>(Fennel) | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization and EIS<br>techniques                           | 89.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 14 |
| <i>Coffea arabica</i> (roasted coffee) | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss,<br>thermodynamic and<br>kinetic method     | -   | 74.11          | Langmuir and<br>Fruendlich<br>adsorption isotherm           | 15 |
| Nigella sativa                         | MS in NaCl                                      | Thermodynamic method                                    | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter<br>and electrochemical<br>techniques  | 91.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 16 |
| Azadirachta indica                     | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss and<br>hydrogen evolution<br>method         | IR technique  | 94.24          | Flory-Huggins<br>adsorption isotherm                        | 17 |
| Cucumis sativus<br>(Cucumber)          | AISI 1007<br>steel in HCl                       | Weight loss and temperature effect                      | Electrochemical technique   | 39.23          | Mixed type of inhibitor                                     | 18 |
| Citrus aurantifolia<br>(Lime)          | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss,<br>thermodynamics and<br>kinetic method    | -   | 66.67          | Langmuir and<br>Freundlich<br>adsorption isotherm           | 19 |
| Syzygium cumini<br>(Jamun)             | MS in HCl<br>and H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | Weight loss method                                      | Potentiodynamic and<br>linear polarization<br>parameter, EIS                    | 94.28          | Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                             | 20 |
| Pithecellobium<br>dulce                | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss method                                      | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS and SEM<br>technique          | 79.76          | Mixed type of inhibitor                                     | 21 |
| Azadirachta indica<br>(Neem)           | MS and Cu<br>in H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>  | Hydrogen evaluation<br>method and kinetic<br>parameters | Electrochemical potential technique   | 54.74<br>60.00 | Using a zero order<br>kinetic mode                          | 22 |
| Cucumeropsis                           | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss,  | Atomic absorption   | 82.70          | Temkin adsorption   | 23 |

| mannii N                              |   | thermodynamic and                                      | spectrophoto-metric   |                | isotherm   |    |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------|--|----|
| (Melon)                               |   | hydrogen evaluation                                    | assessment and DFT  |                | 15001001111  |    |
|                                       |   | method   | technique such as   |                |  |    |
|                                       |   | <b></b>  | HOMO and LUMO   |                |  |    |
| Garcinia kola                         | MS in HCl and H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>    | Hydrogen evolution<br>method and<br>temperature effect | -   | 92.85<br>93.17 | -  | 24 |
| Cuminum cyminum<br>(Jeera)            | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss method                                     | Potentiodynamic and<br>Linear polarization<br>parameter, EIS<br>technique                                     | 93.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                              | 25 |
| Phoenix dactylifera<br>(date palm)    | MS in HCl                                       | Hydrogen evolution<br>method                           | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>LPR, EIS, SEM, XRD<br>and chrono-ampero<br>metry (CA) technique | 97.30          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor   | 26 |
| Katemfe seed                          | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method             | Phyto- chemical<br>analysis, response<br>surface methodology<br>(RSM)   | -              | -  | 27 |
| Phaseolus aureus                      | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss,<br>thermodynamic and<br>kinetic method    | Potentiodynamic polarization parameter  | 93.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                              | 28 |
| Ceiba pentandra                       | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method             | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter<br>and EIS technique  | 90.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                              | 29 |
| Mustard seed                          | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method             | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>EIS, FT-IR, SEM,<br>AFM and UV-visible<br>technique             | 97.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                              | 30 |
| Peganum harmala                       | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method             | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>FT-IR, SEM, AFM,<br>UV-Visible and EIS<br>technique             | 95.00          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm                              | 31 |
| Mucuna pruriens                       | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermodynamic<br>method             | Potentiodynamic polarization parameter  | 92.89          | Mixed type of inhibitor  | 32 |
| Benincasa hispida                     | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss and temperature effect                     | Electrochemical technique   | 94.70          | mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>and Temkin<br>adsorption isotherm                | 33 |
| Persea americana<br>mill<br>(Avocado) | MS in<br>H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>         | Weight loss method                                     | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>SEM and FT-IR<br>technique                                      | 74.56          | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor   | 34 |
| Coriandrum sativum<br>L.              | MS in HCl<br>and H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | Weight loss,<br>temperature and<br>kinetic effect      | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter,<br>Bode plots, EIS, SEM<br>and FT-IR techniques                    | 93.70<br>96.70 | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir,<br>Temkin and<br>Freundlich<br>adsorption isotherm | 35 |
| Blighia sapida<br>(Akee Apple)        | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and<br>thermometric method                 | -   | 86.90          | Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm  | 36 |
| Strychnos                             | MS in HCl                                       | Weight loss and  | Potentiodynamic   | 98.00          | Mixed type of  | 37 |

| nuxvomica                       |           | Thermodynamic                                   | and Linear   |       | inhibitor Langmuir  |    |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---|--|-------|---|----|
| (Kuchla)                        |           | method  | polarization parameter,  |       | adsorption isotherm   |    |
|                                 |           |   | EIS and FT-IR  |       |   |    |
|                                 |           |   | technique  |       |   |    |
| Moroccan flax                   | MS in HCl | Weight loss and<br>physico-chemical<br>analysis | EIS technique  | 94.00 | -   | 38 |
| <i>Kimbiolongo</i><br>seed      | MS in HCl | Weight loss method                              | Potentiodynamic<br>polarization parameter<br>and EIS technique | 96.00 | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 39 |
| Dipteryx<br>odorata<br>(Cumaru) | MS in HCl | Weight loss,<br>thermodynamic<br>method         | OCP, EIS, FT-IR,<br>NMR and SEM<br>technique                   | 98.00 | Mixed type of<br>inhibitor, Langmuir<br>adsorption isotherm | 40 |

## Conclusion

In this review paper, reported research works produced over the past background on the corrosion of mild steel and its alloy in various medium and their corrosion inhibition by using a variety of seeds extract as green inhibitors was presented. Mild Steel and its alloy material were tested where inhibition efficiency increases with their concentration of the seeds extract as green inhibitors increased. Corrosion rate and inhibition efficiency of green inhibitors were found using methods like, weight loss, thermodynamic and kinetic studies. Inhibition efficiency was found good agreement in almost all green inhibitors. Many investigators were performed Potentio-dynamic polarization, LPR and EIS and found mixed type inhibition in most of the green inhibitors. Investigators were also investigated adsorption isotherm through the Langmuir, Temkin and Fruendlich. Investigators were used methods like, SEM, AFM, FT-IR, UV visible spectroscopy, RSM, DFT and Quantum Chemical study such as HOMO and LUMO of the molecular modeling for the understand surface morphological studied.

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