

## Inhibition of calcium carbonate ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ ) scale formation by calix [4] resorcinarene compounds

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### ABSTRACT

Inhibition effect of tetrakis(dimethylamino)methyl]C-methyl calix [4] resorcinarene (TDMACMKR) compound on calcium carbonate ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ ) scale formation has been studied using seeded experiment and bottle roller bath method. The effect of the addition TDMACMKR as inhibitor on  $\text{CaCO}_3$  scale formation was analyzed by measuring the weight of precipitation of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  formed. The morphology and particle size distribution of obtained  $\text{CaCO}_3$  crystals caused by the addition of TDMACMKR were analyzed by scanning electron microscopy (SEM), and particle size analyzer. The data obtained show that the TDMACMKR inhibits formation of  $\text{CaCO}_3$  scale at various inhibitor concentrations added.

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