

DETEKSI METILAMINA MENGGUNAKAN *QUARTZ CRYSTAL MICROBALANCE* TERMODIFIKASI LAPISAN AKTIF NANOFIBER POLIVINIL ASETAT DENGAN DOPING Fe₃O₄

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INTISARI

Metilamina banyak digunakan dalam berbagai aplikasi, seperti pada industri pertanian, farmasi, teknik kimia, dan pertambangan. Meskipun demikian, metilamina sendiri merupakan senyawa beracun yang dapat menyebabkan kerusakan pada sistem pernapasan dan saraf tubuh manusia. Penelitian ini dilakukan untuk mengembangkan sensor metilamina berbasis *Quartz crystal microbalance* (QCM) yang dimodifikasi dengan nanofiber polivinil asetat (PVAc) dan doping Fe₃O₄.

Nanofiber PVAc dibuat menggunakan metode *electrospinning* dan Fe₃O₄ ditambahkan menggunakan metode *drop-casting*. Variasi sensor yang dibuat adalah PVAc, PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0,001%, dan PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0,01%. Komposisi kimia dan morfologi permukaan lapisan aktif sensor dianalisis menggunakan *Fourier-transform infrared* (FTIR) dan *Scanning electron microscopy* dengan *Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy* (SEM-EDX).

Hasil FTIR tidak menunjukkan perbedaan antara nanofiber PVAc dengan doping maupun tanpa doping Fe₃O₄. Gambar SEM menunjukkan bahwa penambahan doping Fe₃O₄ mempengaruhi diameter nanofiber. Hasil penelitian membuktikan bahwa peningkatan konsentrasi doping Fe₃O₄ pada nanofiber PVAc dapat meningkatkan respons sensor. Sensor QCM dengan lapisan aktif nanofiber PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0,01% memiliki sensitivitas tertinggi terhadap metilamina sebesar 0,681 Hz/ppm dengan waktu respons 14 s dan limit deteksi (LOD) sebesar 3,63 ppm. Sensor tersebut juga selektif untuk mendeteksi metilamina terhadap senyawa alkohol, aseton, formaldehida, benzena, toluena, dan xilena.

Kata kunci: Fe₃O₄, metilamina, PVAc, sensor QCM

**DETECTION OF METHYLAMINE USING QUARTZ CRYSTAL
MICROBALANCE MODIFIED WITH POLYVINYL ACETATE
NANOFIBER ACTIVE LAYER DOPED WITH Fe₃O₄**

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ABSTRACT

Methylamine is widely used in various applications, including agriculture, pharmaceuticals, chemical engineering, and mining industries. However, methylamine itself is a toxic compound that can cause damage to the respiratory and nervous systems of the human body. This research developed a methylamine sensor based on Quartz crystal microbalance (QCM) modified with polyvinyl acetate (PVAc) nanofiber and Fe₃O₄ doping.

The PVAc nanofiber was fabricated using the electrospinning method and then overlaid with Fe₃O₄ using the drop-casting process. The variation sensors used were PVAc, PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0.001%, and PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0.01%. The chemical composition and surface morphology of the active layer were analyzed using Fourier-transform infrared (FTIR) and Scanning electron microscopy with Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (SEM-EDX).

The FTIR data showed no difference between PVAc nanofibers with or without Fe₃O₄ doping. The SEM images show that Fe₃O₄ doping impacts the nanofiber's diameter. The research results prove that increasing the concentration of Fe₃O₄ doping on PVAc nanofibers can improve the sensor response. The QCM sensor with a PVAc/Fe₃O₄ 0.01% nanofiber layer showed the highest sensitivity to methylamine of 0.681 Hz/ppm with a response time of 14 s and a limit of detection (LOD) of 3.63 ppm. The sensor exhibited selectivity for methylamine detection, differentiating it from other gases or vapors, including alcohol, acetone, formaldehyde, benzene, toluene, and xylene compounds.

Keywords: Fe₃O₄, methylamine, PVAc, QCM sensor