

The recuperation of petroleum equivalent products from biomass and their mixtures with plastics via catalytic thermochemical conversion process

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The increasing energy demands and the impact of fossil fuel usage on environment, make searching alternative routes for both energy technologies and living style. These studies are mainly on reduction of emission of hazardous gasses, elimination of solid wastes and searching alternative sources of energy and chemicals. The pyrolysis is the outstanding process in which the raw solid materials such as biomass, plastic and its wastes, and municipal solid wastes which are organic based are converted into precious solid, liquid and gas materials. The variables in pyrolysis process are temperature programming, pyrolysis atmosphere, residence time, reactor design and additives mainly catalysts. Pyrolysis of mono-constituent materials either biomass or polymeric materials in the presence of various catalysts was studied extensively. However, the pyrolysis of mixtures and effect of the catalysts on them have been rarely investigated probably due to need of high labor. The co-pyrolysis of biomass and plastics is really compulsory study. The diversity of biomass and plastic material, and their permutational probability of co-existence make the situation more troublesome and exciting. The plastics and their possible mixtures or produced materials with biomass with the consideration of catalysts or in general additives (pigments, dyes, stabilizers, filling materials etc.) should also be concentrated on their physical and structural nature along with their chemical properties for possible recycling technologies for acquisition of valuable substances. And these studies are inevitably based on trial and error method, due to improbability of simulation of such a high temperature pyrolysis medium theoretically.

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