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## RESEARCH ARTICLE

# AN EXPERIMENTAL INVESTIGATION ON PERFORMANCE AND EXHAUST EMISSIONS OF COMPRESSION IGNITION ENGINE FULLED WITH SOYABEAN BLENDED WITH METHANOL

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#### ABSTRACT

In view of the existing fossil fuel deposits may come for another 30 to 40 years and Costs of these Fissile Fuels are day by day increasing. As we know that all over the world the diesel vehicle population is growing at an alarming rate. The emission will irritate skin, eyes, nose and throat and also leads to bronchitis asthma in the long run and has been led to air pollution. It is a serious concern with the pollution point of view. Developing Countries like India depends on its fossil fuel requirements on foreign countries for which spars a huge foreign currency in purchase of crude oil. The increasing pressure on crude oil reserves and environmental degradation as an outcome. Hence in view of the above drawbacks there is an urgent need to find an alternative fuels in the existing engines. Fuelslike (Low Cetane Fuels) like Soyabean oil blended with Methanol may promise and present a sustainable solution as it can be produced from a wide range of plants and seeds.

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# **INTRODUCTION**

Rising petroleum prices, increasing threat to the environment from vehicle exhaust emissions and fastly depleting stock of fossil fuels have generated an intense international interest in developing alternative renewable fuels for IC engines. Bio fuel is an oxygenated fuel which increases the combustion and makes reduce exhaust emission. It can be produced from crops with high sugar or starch content. Some of these crops include sugarcane, sorghum, corn, barley, cassava, linseedplants, sugar beets etc. Numerical Investigation and Fatigue Life estimation of modified Diesel Engine Piston (Dr Hiregoudaru Yerrannagoudaru et al., 2014), Experimental Investigation of Twin Cylinder Diesel Engine Using Methanol Piston (Dr Hiregoudaru Yerrannagoudaru et al., 2014), Performance & emission of Twin Cylinder Diesel Engine Using Ethanol Piston (Dr Hiregoudaru Yerrannagoudaru et al., 2014), Experimental Investigation of Twin Cylinder Diesel Engine Using Diesel & Methanol (Dr Hiregoudaru Yerrannagoudaru et al., 2014), Performance & emission of Twin Cylinder

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### **EXPERIMENTAL SETUP**



Fig. 1. Test engine (Twin cylinder Diesel Engine)

## **Objective**

Objective of the present study is to:

- It is proposed to use Bio Fuel blended with Methanol in the diesel engine.
- The emissions like HC, CO<sub>2</sub>, NOx and Smoke in the exhaust gases are proposed to reduce during the combustion itself.
- To study the performance evaluation of the using Bio fuel blended with Methanol in the diesel engine.
- To analyse the exhaust emissions and measurement, reduction in the exhaust gas.

#### Properties of Bio Fuel Blended With Alcohol Table-1

S.No	Biofuel	CV KJ/Kg
1.	Diesel	44,800
2.	Soyabean oil blended with Methanol	30,950

#### **Engine Specification Table-2**

Test Engine specification	
Injection Pressure	1800 bar
Engine type	Four stroke Twin cylinder diesel engine
No. of cylinders	02
Stroke	100 mm
Bore Diameter	87 mm
Engine Power	15KVA
Compression ratio	17.5:1
RPM	1500

## **RESULTS**

# **Performance Graphs**

## **Brake Specific Energy Consumption**

	BSEC					
%	Diesel	Diesel	50% Soyabean	50% Soyabean		
	Conventional	Modified	oil + 50%	oil + 50%		
	Piston	Piston	Methanol	Methanol		
			conventional	Modified Piston		
			Piston			
0	23214.5	24762.23	13693.07	10871.04		
10	18779.1	19822.43	10471.49	9698.68		
25	14243.4	13587.15	8770.73	8126.74		
50	12082.4	11406.47	7512.95	7631.56		
75	11157	10758.58	7614.94	7710.79		
100	11548.2	11315.11	7484.8	7721.23		

#### **Brake Thermal Efficiency**

BRAKE THERMAL EFFICIENCY					
%	Diesel	Diesel	50% Soyabean oil +	50% Soyabean	
	Conventional	Modified	50% Methanol	oil + 50%	
	Piston	Piston	conventional Piston	Methanol	
				Modified Piston	
0	15.50749	14.53827	26.2906	33.11	
10	19.1702	18.16124	34.37	37.11	
25	25.27472	26.49562	41.04	44.29	
50	29.79532	31.56104	47.91	47.17	
75	32.2666	33.46166	47.27	46.68	
100	31.1735	31.81586	48.09	46.62	

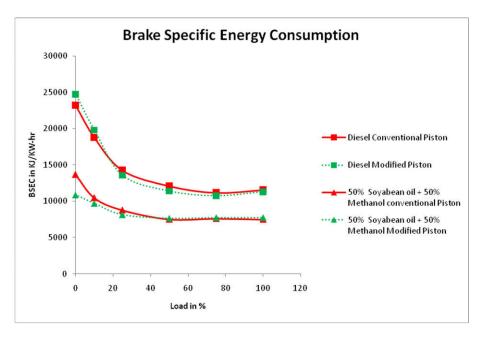


Fig.2. The variations of Brake Specific Energy Consumption for Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanol in Conventional and Modified pistons

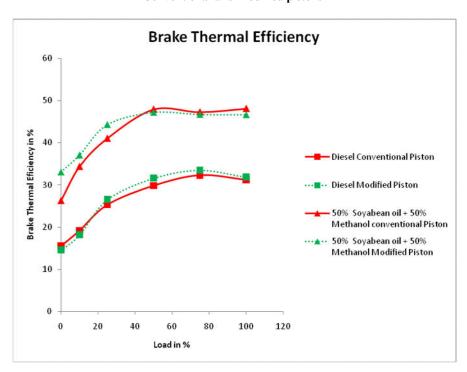


Fig. 3. The variations of Brake Thermal Efficiencyfor Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanolin Conventional and Modified pistons

# **Emission Graphs**

# Unburnt Hydro Carbon

НС					
%	Diesel Conventional Piston	Diesel Modified Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol conventional Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol Modified Piston	
0	145	110	142	98	
10	155	125	154	120	
25	175	140	170	142	
50	180	155	178	163	
75	190	170	186	172	
100	200	185	194	180	

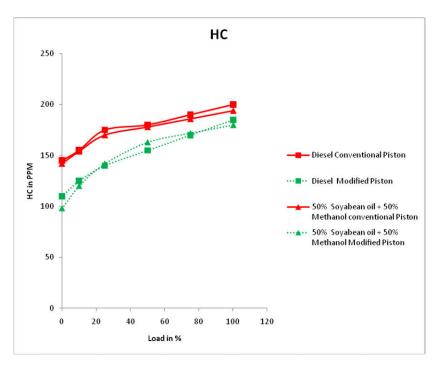


Fig 4. The variations of Unburnt Hydro Carbonfor Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanolin Conventional and Modified pistons

# Nitrogen Dioxide

	$NO_X$					
%	Diesel Conventional Piston	Diesel Modified Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol conventional Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol Modified Piston		
0	164	84	68	40		
10	192	132	92	56		
25	280	219	180	64		
50	445	317	250	120		
75	550	380	490	196		
100	682	450	590	320		

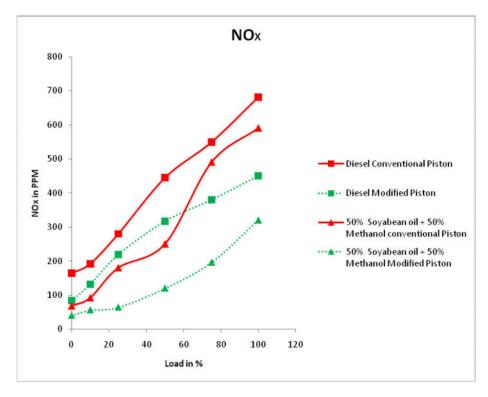


Fig.5. The variations of Nitrogen dioxidefor Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanolin Conventional and Modified pistons

## Carbon Dioxide

	$\mathrm{CO}_2$					
%	Diesel Conventional Piston	Diesel Modified Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol conventional Piston	50% Soyabean oil + 50% Methanol Modified Piston		
0	15	1.03	15	4		
10	18	1.82	17	6		
25	20	2.82	20	7		
50	25	3.1	24	10		
75	26	5.06	26	14		
100	28	8.07	28	16		

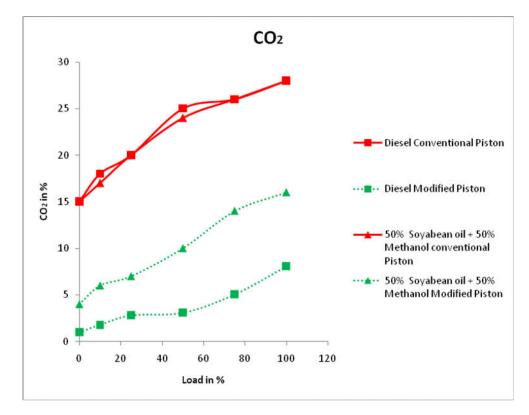


Fig. 6. The variations of Carbon dioxidefor Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanolin Conventional and Modified pistons

## Smoke

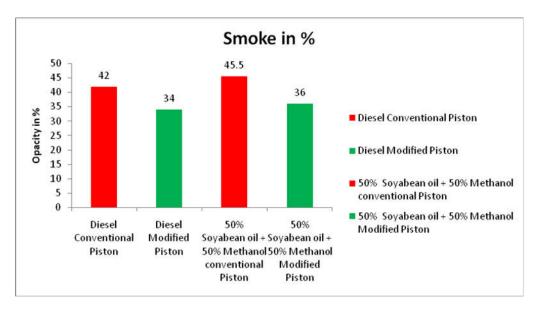


Fig. 7. The variations of Smoke for Diesel and Soyabean oil blended with Methanolin Conventional and Modified pistons

#### Conclusion

Based on the performance and emissions of Soyabean oil blended with Methanol, it is concluded that the Soyabean oil blended with Methanol represents a good alternative fuel with closer performance and better emission characteristics to that of a twin cylinder diesel fuel engine. From the above analysis the Soyabean oil blended with Methanolshows better performance compared to the Diesel in the sense of better performance characteristics like Brake thermal efficiency, Specific fuel consumption and decrease in the emission parameters like HC, CO<sub>2</sub>, NOx and in Conventional as well in Modified Piston.

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