

Materials Selection

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Outline

Types of corrosion Basic choices and considerations Standards and guidelines Other important considerations Typical material selections Further resources

Outline – oil and gas processing



Common types of corrosion

- Carbonic acid corrosion
- Environmental cracking
- Dissimilar metal/ galvanic corrosion
- Microbially-influence corrosion
- Oxygen corrosion
- Erosion

Common types of corrosion



General internal corrosion of carbon steel assisted by flow



Pitting corrosion of stainless steel pipe carrying seawater



Pitting corrosion of stainless steel





Localised internal corrosion of carbon steel

Common types of corrosion



Hydrogen-induced crack (HIC) in a high tensile steel wire exposed to corrosion and hydrogen sulphide



Chloride stress corrosion cracking of stainless steel





Sulphide stress cracking - corrosion, stress and hydrogen sulphide

Common types of corrosion



Flare tip – high temperature damage potential



High temperature damage of flare tip



Seawater corrosion of steel platform leg protected by coating



Corrosion under insulation

Basic choices and considerations



Carbon steel bars for mooring chain manufacture

Carbon steel clad with CRA

Corrosion resistant alloy (CRA)



Basic choices and considerations

- Choice: Carbon steel or corrosion resistant alloys?
- Key influencing parameters:
 - Corrosivity
 - Flow rates
 - Chloride and hydrogen sulphide
- Cost
- Mechanical properties
- Corrosion resistance
- Weldability
- Inspection, maintenance and repair

Standards and guidelines

- Norsok M-001
- ISO 21457
- ISO 15156 (NACE MR-0175)
- Company standards

Other important considerations

Once the basic selection has been made, consider also:

- Particular vulnerabilities & mitigations
- Materials heat treatment condition
- Mechanical property specification
- Quality control
- Manufacturer capability
- Welding

Typical material selection - mechanical



Typical material selection - corrosion

NORSOK standard M-001

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Systems/equipment	Materials		
Wellhead equipment/X-mas trees	Low alloy steel with alloy 625 weld overlay on wetted surfaces.		
Piping, valves, pumps and inline instruments	Type 22Cr duplex SS, type 25Cr duplex SS, type 6Mo SS.		
Pressure vessels	Type 22Cr duplex SS, type 25Cr duplex SS, carbon steel with alloy 625, alloy 825 or alloy 904 clad or weld overlay		
Vessel internals	316 SS, type 22Cr duplex SS, type 25Cr duplex SS		
Piping and vessels in low corrosivity systems	CRA, carbon steel.		
Flare systems			
Relief system	Type 6Mo SS, type 25Cr duplex SS for temperatures above – 46°C		
Burner components	Alloy 800H, alloy 800HT, alloy 625, 310 SS or temperatures below 650°C.		

Table 2 – Materials for production, process and produced water systems



Martensitic	Austenitic	Duplex	Ni alloys	Ti alloys
Stainless steels			Alloy 718	ASTM B265 Gr. 1
			Inconel 625	
	+ 6 Mo UNS S31254	25% Cr – UNS S32750		
	904L	22% Cr – UNS S31803	50	2 7 ° C
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	+ 2.5 Mo – 316	5 5 5		
	18 Cr - 304	0070		
13 Cr – L- 80				

Further resources

- Principles and prevention of corrosion, Denny A. Jones
- Guidance for Corrosion Management in oil and gas production and processing, Energy Institute
- ISO 21457-2010: Petroleum, petrochemical and natural gas industries
 Materials selection and corrosion control for oil and gas production systems
- Norsok M-001: Materials Selection
- Galvanic Corrosion A practical guide for engineers, R. Francis
- EEMUA 218: Quality requirements for the manufacture and supply of duplex stainless steels
- Norsok M-650: Qualification of manufacturers of special materials
- Metallurgy for engineers, E.C. Rollason
- Offshore Engineering, An Introduction, Angus Mather



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