

The aluminium alloy Al-12Si has been polarized by potentiodynamic method at 25 °C under magnetic stirring and in an aerated solution. Its electrochemical behaviour was tested first by varying the concentration of NaI or NaCl (10^{-4} , 10^{-3} , 10^{-2}) added respectively to NaCl or NaI (10^{-3} M), and the pH of NaCl 10^{-3} M (pH = 2.3, 7.3, 10) when adding HCl or NaOH (i.e. the composition of the solution), then by incorporating different ions familiar to an industrial atmosphere (Cu^{2+} , Zn^{2+} , SO_4^{2-} , NO_3^- , PO_4^{3-} at 10^{-6} M to NaCl 10^{-3} M (i.e. the electrolyte nature). The use of the electrokinetic curves obtained allowed the access to the passivation (i_{pass} , E_{rup} and E_{rep}) and to the electrokinetic parameters (i_{corr} , R_p and P). They prove the behaviour dependence of the above alloy on the composition and nature of the electrolyte.

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