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ABSTRACT

The search on alternative fuels for compression ignition engine has become essential due to depletion of petroleum products, their increasing costs and its major contribution for pollutants. Biodiesel has become one of the most versatile alternative fuel options for diesel engine applications. Most researchs on biodiesel have focused on using plant based oils as feed stocks. There have been much less researchs on converting animal-based oils into biodiesel. One potential source of biodiesel is fish oil. The objective of this study was to produce and evaluate using Tilapia viscera biodiesel as a substitute for petrodiesel in compression ignition engine. Experiments were designed to investigate three points, the first was to study the applicability of producing and characterizing of oil from Tilapia viscera, the second point was to investigate the applicability of producing biodiesel from Tilapia visceral oil and characterizing and the third was to study the performance characteristics as fuel consumption, brake specific fuel consumption, brake thermal efficiency and the opacity of a six cylinder, direct injection diesel engine using B20 (20% Tilaipia viscera biodiesel with 80% petrodiesel). The results showed that fish waste (Tilapia viscera) can be converted to oil with percentage about 22%, and the characteristics of oil were a good indicator for the applicability of producing biodiesel. The results also reached that biodiesel can be produced from extracted oil from Tilapia viscera and this biodiesel was characterized by physicochemical properties and the properties were compared with international biodiesel standard specifications. The results revealed acceptable performance parameters of the engine by using B20. It was found that Fuel Consumption increases as the load increases. The Fuel Consumption of B20 was slightly higher than petrodiesel with average difference 2.4%. Brake Specific Fuel Consumption for B20 was higher than petrodiesel nearly 6.73% as average. Brake thermal efficiency for B20 was slightly lower than petrodiesel with average difference 5.2%. The results of environmental assessment showed that The Opacity of petrodiesel and B20 was 3.75% and 2.85% respectively, opacity of B20 was 24% lower than petrodiesel. Costs of using B20 increased nearly by 80 piasters (4.5 cents) comparing with petrodiesel for one liter.

Keywords: Fish waste, Biodiesel, Alternative fuel, Diesel engine, Opacity.

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LIST OF ABBRIVIATIONS

ANOVA Analysis of variance

ASTM American Society for Testing and Materials
ASTM Biodiesel standard ASTM D6751 (United States)

D6751

Biodiesel with 5% biodiesel in blend with petrodiesel **B5 B10** Biodiesel with 10 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiesel B20 Biodiesel with 20% biodiesel in blend with petrodiesel Biodiesel with 25 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiese B25 B50 Biodiesel with 50 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiesel B60 Biodiesel with 60 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiese Biodiesel with 75 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiese B75 Biodiesel with 80 % biodiesel in blend with petrodiese B80 B100 Biodiesel with 100% biodiesel in blend with petrodiesel

BSFC Brake specific fuel consumption

C Carbone

CI compression ignition

CN Cetane number
CO Carbone monoxide
CO2 Carbone dioxide

cp Centi Poise cSt Centi stock D2 Diesel no. 2

DHA Docosahexaenoic acid

EN 14213 European biodiesel standard (EN 14213) EN 14214 European biodiesel standard (EN 14214)

EPA Eicosapentaenoic acid

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

FAME Fatty acid methyl ester

FAO Food and agricultural organization

FC Fuel Consumption FFA Free fatty acid

FIN Fishmeal Information Network

GAFRD General Authority for Fisheries Resource Development

GC Gas chromatography

HC Hydrocarbons

IFFO International Fishmeal and Fish Oil Organization

IFOMA International Fish Meal and Oil Manufacturers

Association

ISCT Illinois Sustainable Technology Center

KOH Potassium Hydroxide

LC Long chain

LHV lower heating value
NaOH Sodium Hydroxide
NO_x Nitrogen dioxides
PM Particulate matter

PUFA Polyunsaturated fatty acid

S Sulfur

SCFE supercritical fluid extraction

SI spark ignition SO₂ Sulfur dioxides

UHC unburned hydrocarbons
USA United States of America

WFO Waste fish oil

75D20B5E 75 petrodiesel, 20 % biodiesel and 5% ethanol

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INTRODUCTION

The world is on the brink of energy crisis. The need for energy is increasing with the development of technology. This needed energy should be supplied from fossil based sources (coal, petroleum and natural gas) or from other alternative sources (solar, wind, geothermal, biogas, hydrogen). The limited fossil fuel sources are unable to cover for the continuously increasing demand of energy. This associated with increasing price of fossil fuels and the awareness of the impacts of environmental pollution and global warming, has forced a search for an alternative source of energy, which is renewable, safe and non-polluting.

Almost all countries are dependent on petroleum fuel to fulfil their energy requirements. Increase in energy demand due to growth in population has affected the underground fossil fuel resources. Since compression ignition (CI) engines are more widely used compared to spark ignition (SI) engines, greater attention is being devoted to develop an alternative source of fuel for the same.

Biodiesel is one of the potential alternatives to petrodiesel, as its properties are very comparable to petrodiesel. It is derived from the transesterification of vegetable oils, animal fats, or waste frying oils with alcohols to give the corresponding fatty acid methyl esters.

The most preferred raw materials for biodiesel are vegetable oil, animal oil and waste oil. Producing biodiesel from edible oils

may leave negative effect on agriculture in terms of scarcity of food crops so non-edible oils are preferred for production of biodiesel. Used cooking oil collected from restaurants is cheaper but it is a limited and unstable source for biodiesel production. Algae have promising potential however, it is still under study. The search for different kinds of low-cost feed stocks is the first step towards establishing a long-term commercially viable and sustainable biodiesel industry (Xiaohu *et al.*, 2010).

The fish processing industry generates large quantities of tissue waste and by-products which tend to be either discarded or retailed at low value for fertilizer or animal feed. Another way to utilize from these by products is to transesterify the fish oils for the purpose of using in internal combustion engines. Many studies were carried out for fish oil as fuel for diesel engines (Lin and Li, 2009a).

Fish is an important source of high quality animal protein, essential fatty acids, and micronutrients, which are found at much higher level in fish than in terrestrial animals source foods. The fish sector is very important not only to ensure food security but also to improve employment and income for poverty elimination especially in developing countries. Egypt is the largest aquaculture producer in Africa and the 8th largest globally. The Egyptian aquaculture increased from 367,000 tonnes in year 2002 to 1,018,000 tonnes in year 2012, to 1.48 million tonnes in 2014, and to 1.53 million tonnes in 2015 (GAFRD, 2002-2015).