

Impact of Contaminants in Motor Oil on the Wear of Aluminum Parts of the Internal Combustion Engine

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The design of internal combustion engine use plain bearings, pistons and piston-rod which are based on aluminium, brass. Further are used steels with coating based on aluminium and bronze. The paper describes the impact of contaminants in motor oil on wear of materials, which are used in production of parts of internal combustion engine. Reichert tester M2 for evaluation the lubricity from Petrotest Company was used in order to assess ability of motor oils to create proper lubricating film. Reichert tester M2 belongs to a group of equipment simulating real frictional contact. Wear particles come into oil in lubrication system, where they cause contamination and degradation of lubricating properties and consequently it may result in major failure of machines. Among these contaminants are included mainly water, fuel, water coolant, adhesive, abrasive and fatigue particles wear. The aim of research was focused only on oil contaminated with fuel including petrol, diesel and biobutanol.

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