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# DEPOSITION OF Ni-Co ALLOY COATING ON MILD STEEL FOR IMPROVED CORROSION PROTECTION.

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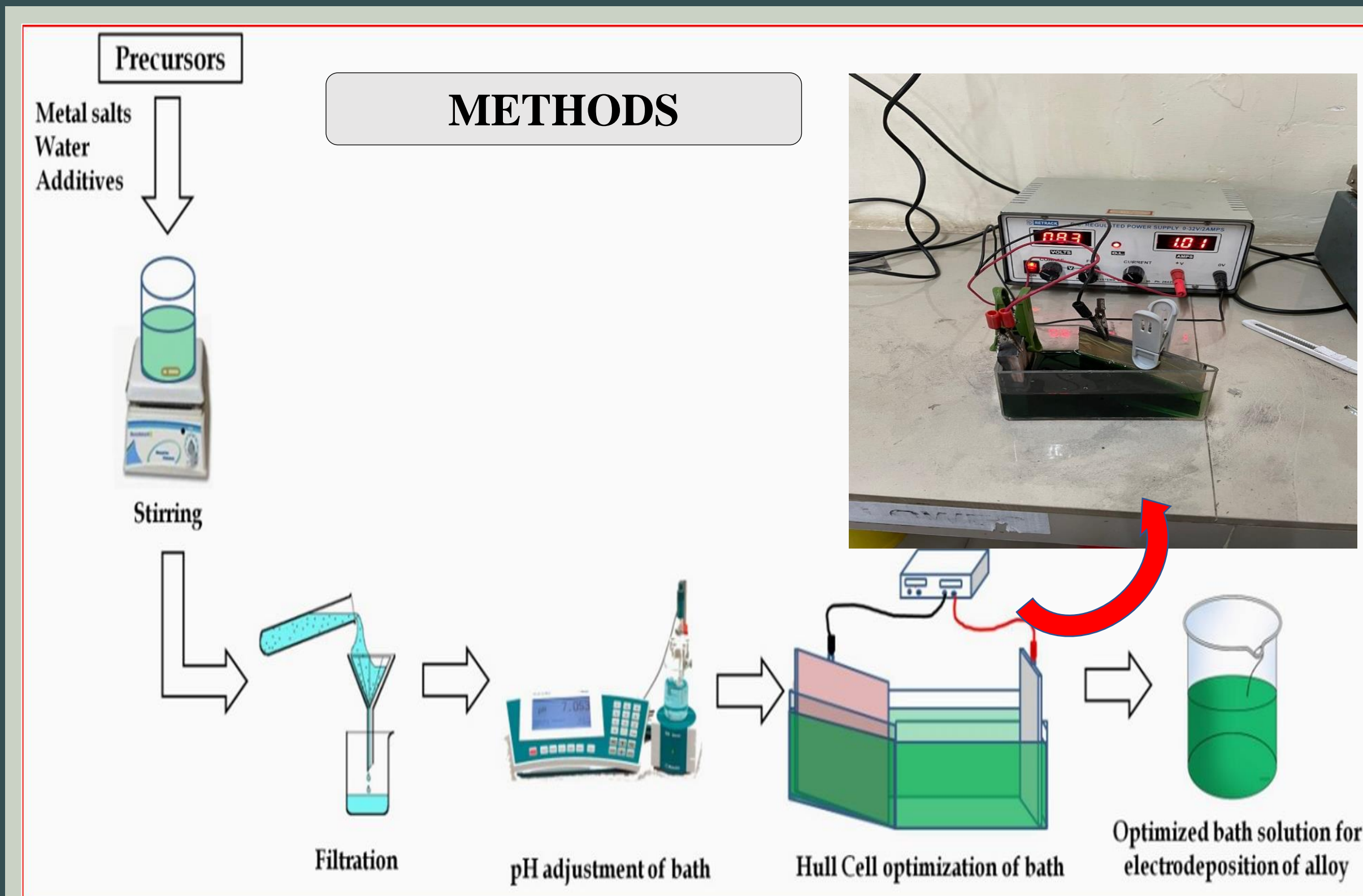
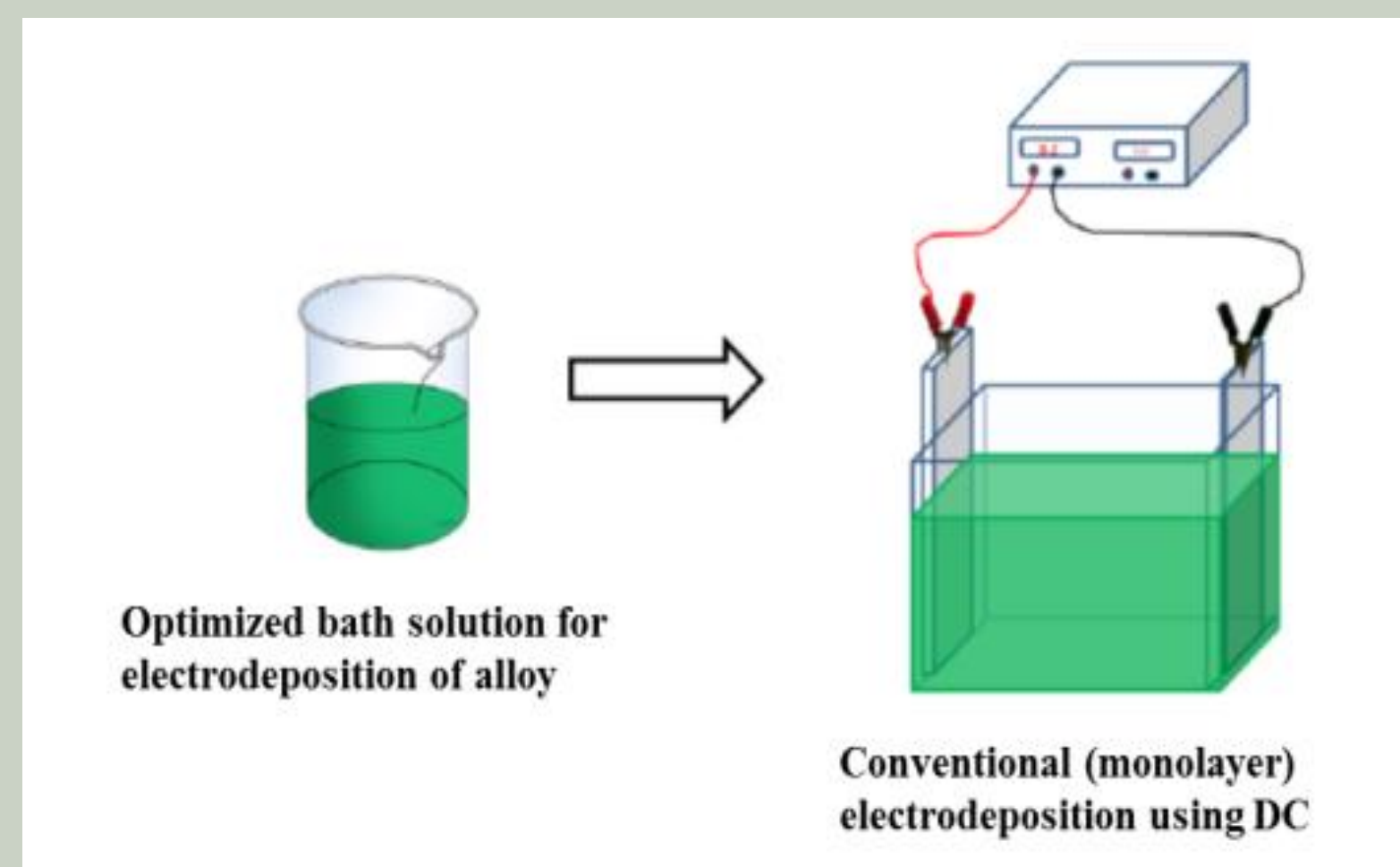
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## INTRODUCTION

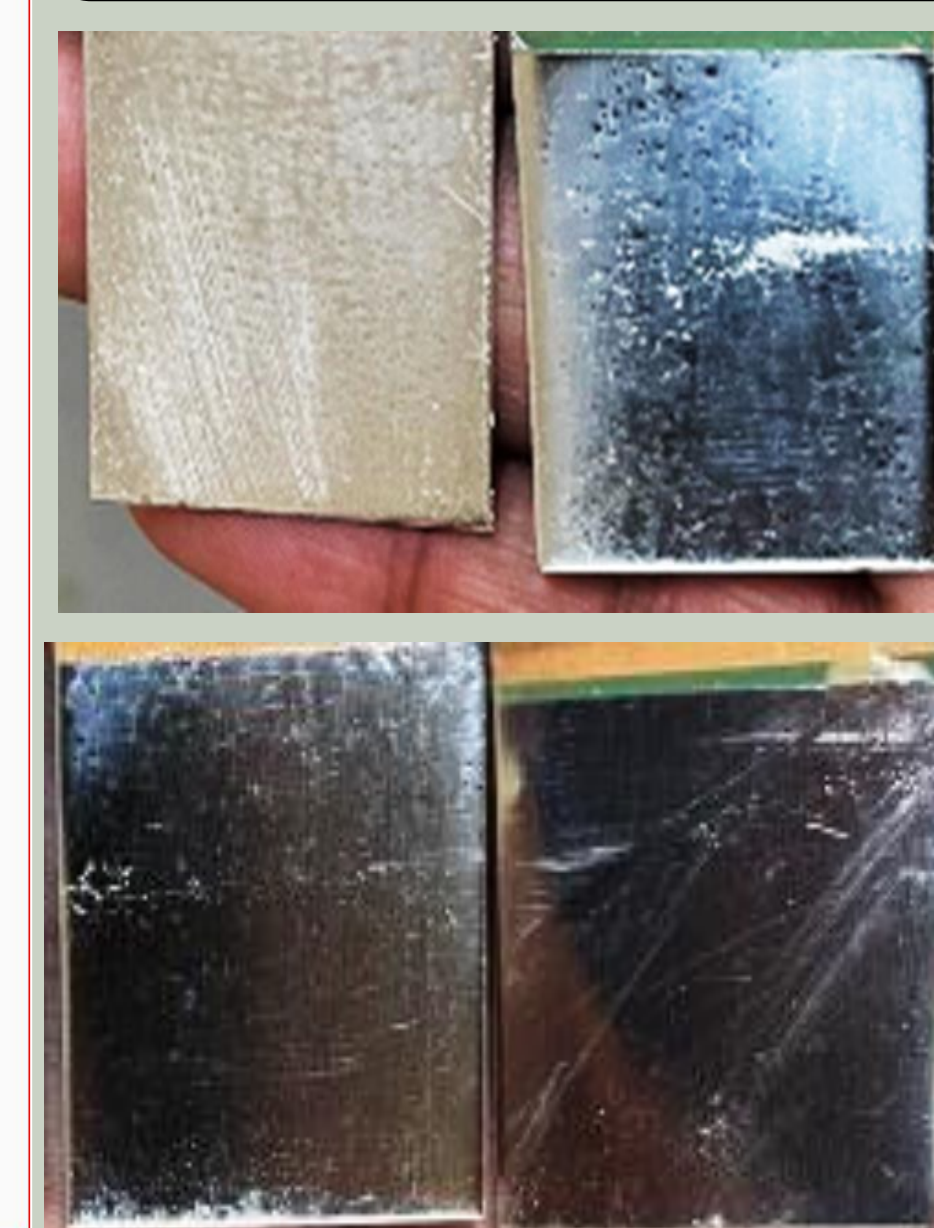
### CORROSION



### ELECTROPLATING



Ni-Co alloy coated on mild steel material at different c.d's



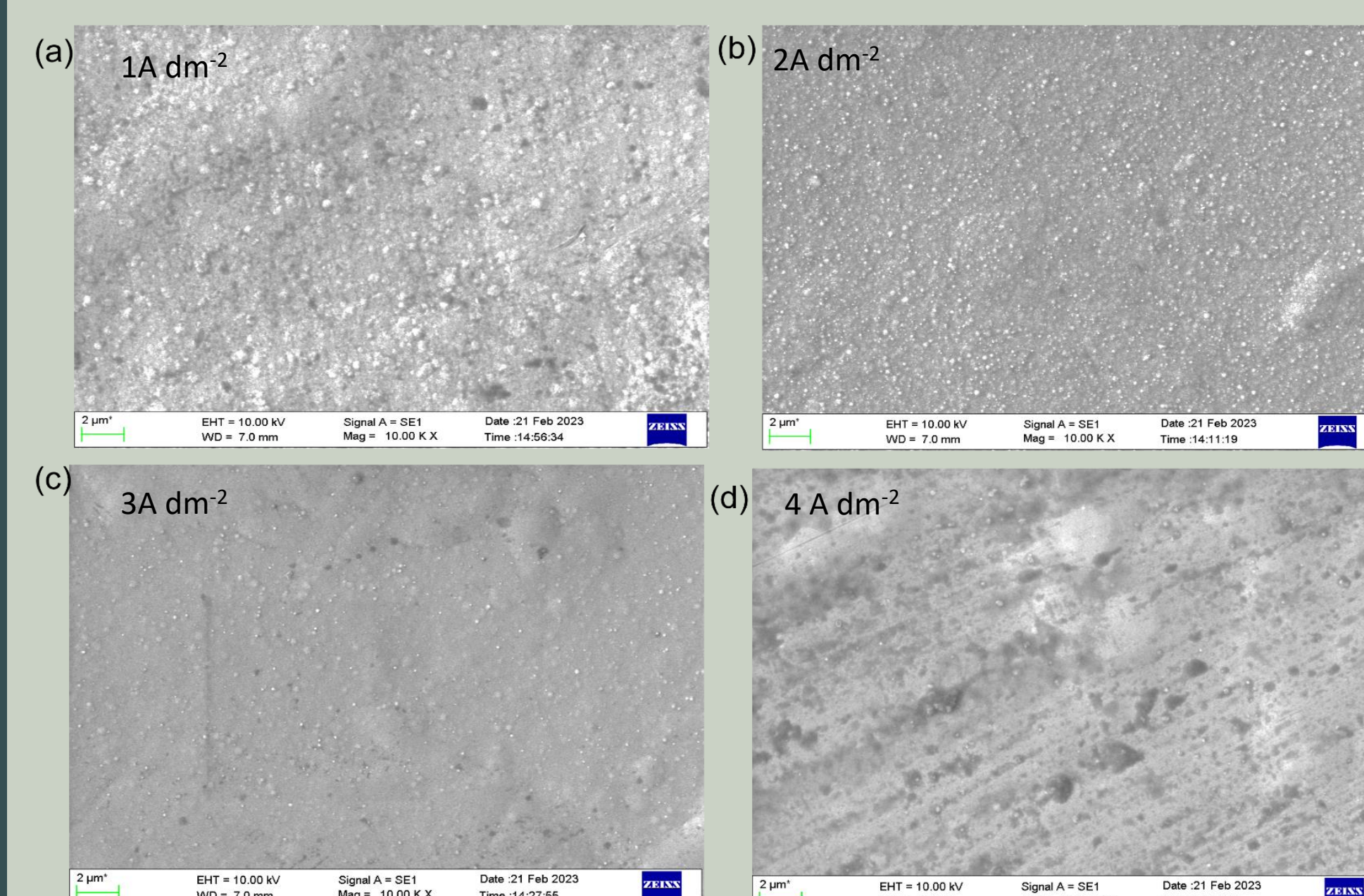
## OBJECTIVES

- To optimize the new Ni-Co bath by using the Hull cell study.
- To develop a monolayer of Ni-Co alloy coating on mild steel by using the single bath technique.
- To investigate the effect of current density on Ni-Co alloy coating on mild steel through different characterization tools such as SEM, EDX, AFM and XRD.
- To analyze the corrosion behavior of electrodeposited Ni-Co alloy coatings through electrochemical characterization such as electrochemical impedance spectroscopy and potentiodynamic polarization methods in 3.5 wt% NaCl solution.

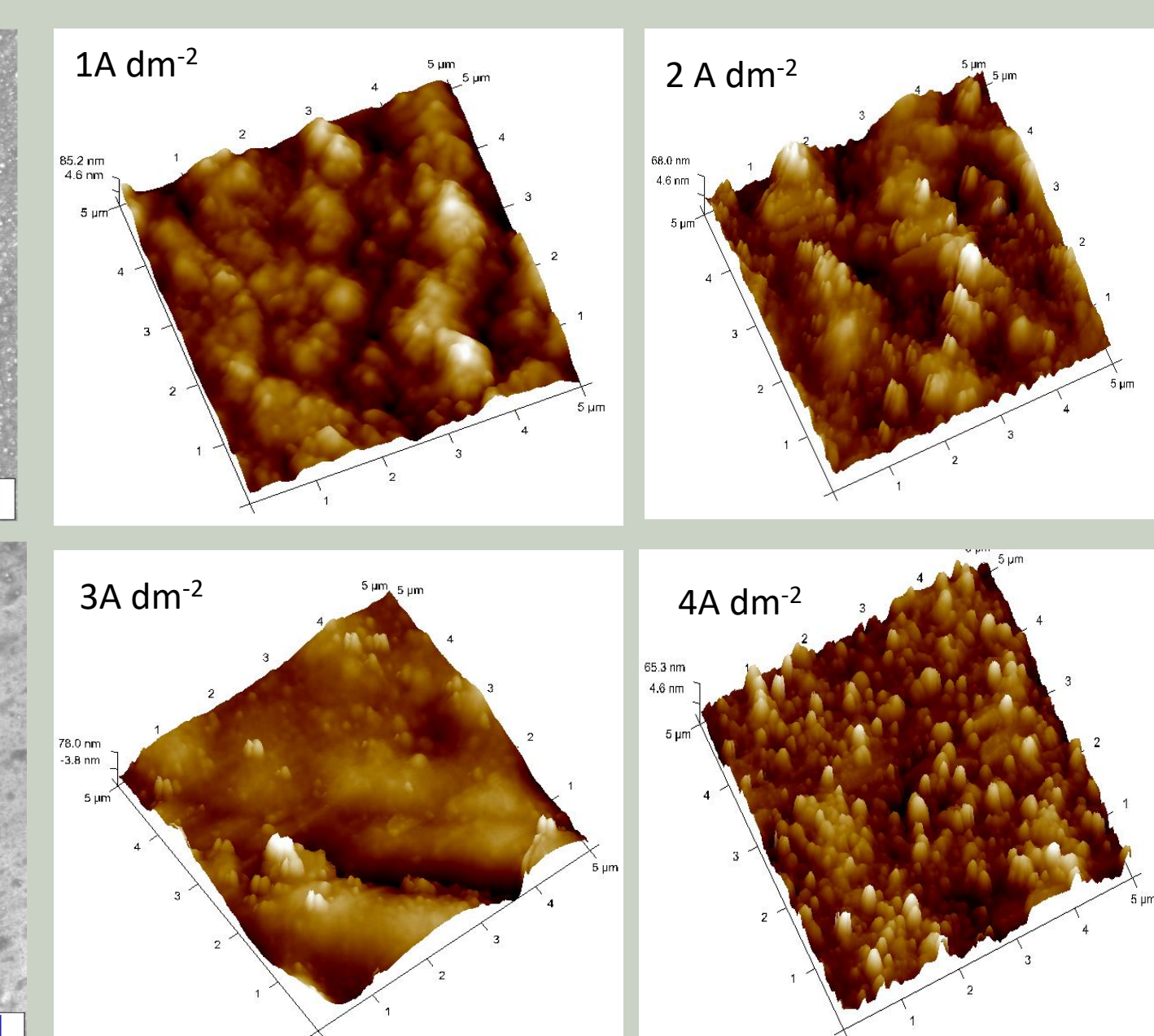
## EXPERIMENTAL

The optimized Ni-Co electrolytic bath consists of nickel sulphate, cobalt sulphate, boric acid, sulphalnic acid, ascorbic acid, and glycerol at pH 3.5. Using a 200mL PVC cell and a DC power analyzer (Retrack, India), all Ni-Co alloy depositions (monolayer) were done for 10 minutes with varying current densities from 1.0 to 4.0 A dm<sup>-2</sup>. After being developed, each of the Ni-Co coated plates are analyzed for their morphology and tested for corrosion rates in which platinumized platinum used as counter electrode, calomel as reference electrode and deposited material as working electrode.

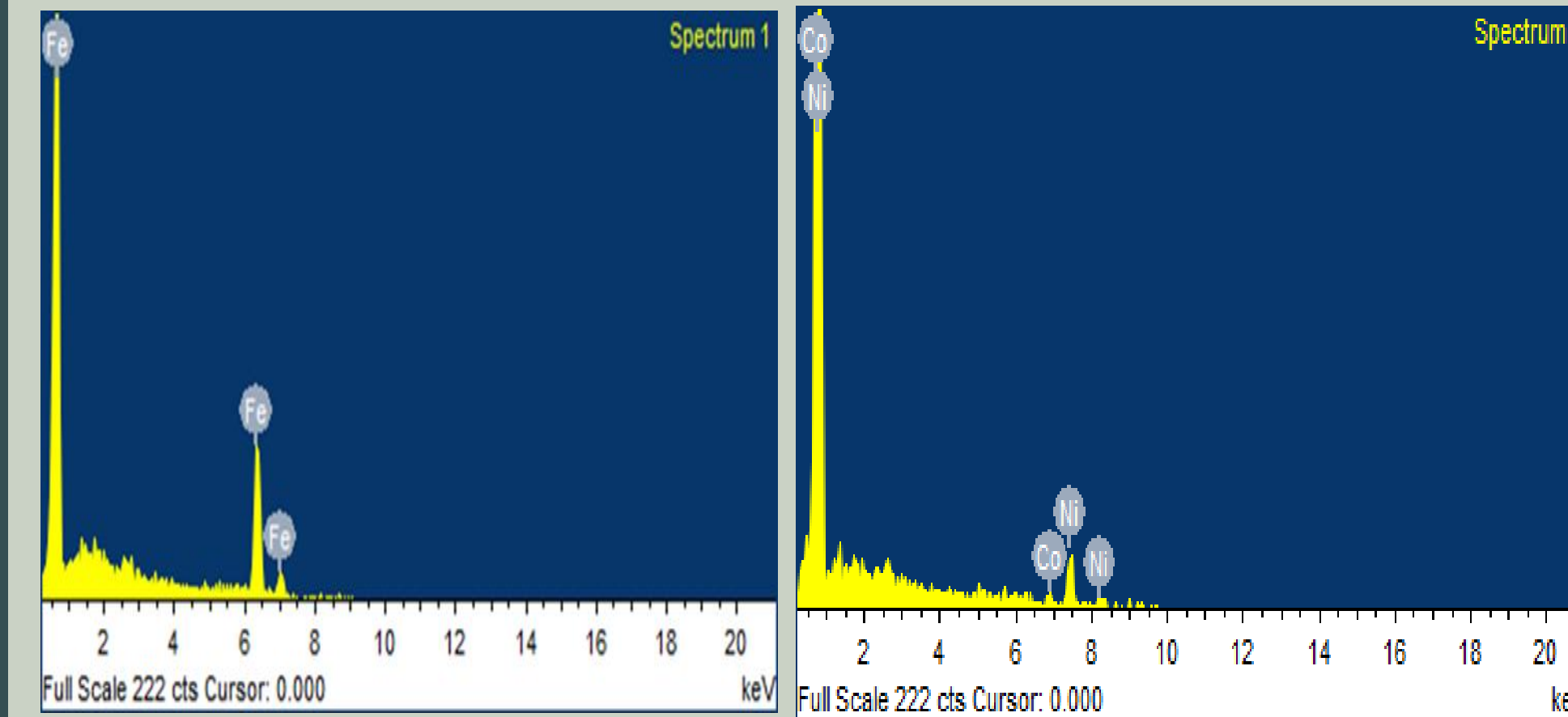
## SEM STUDY



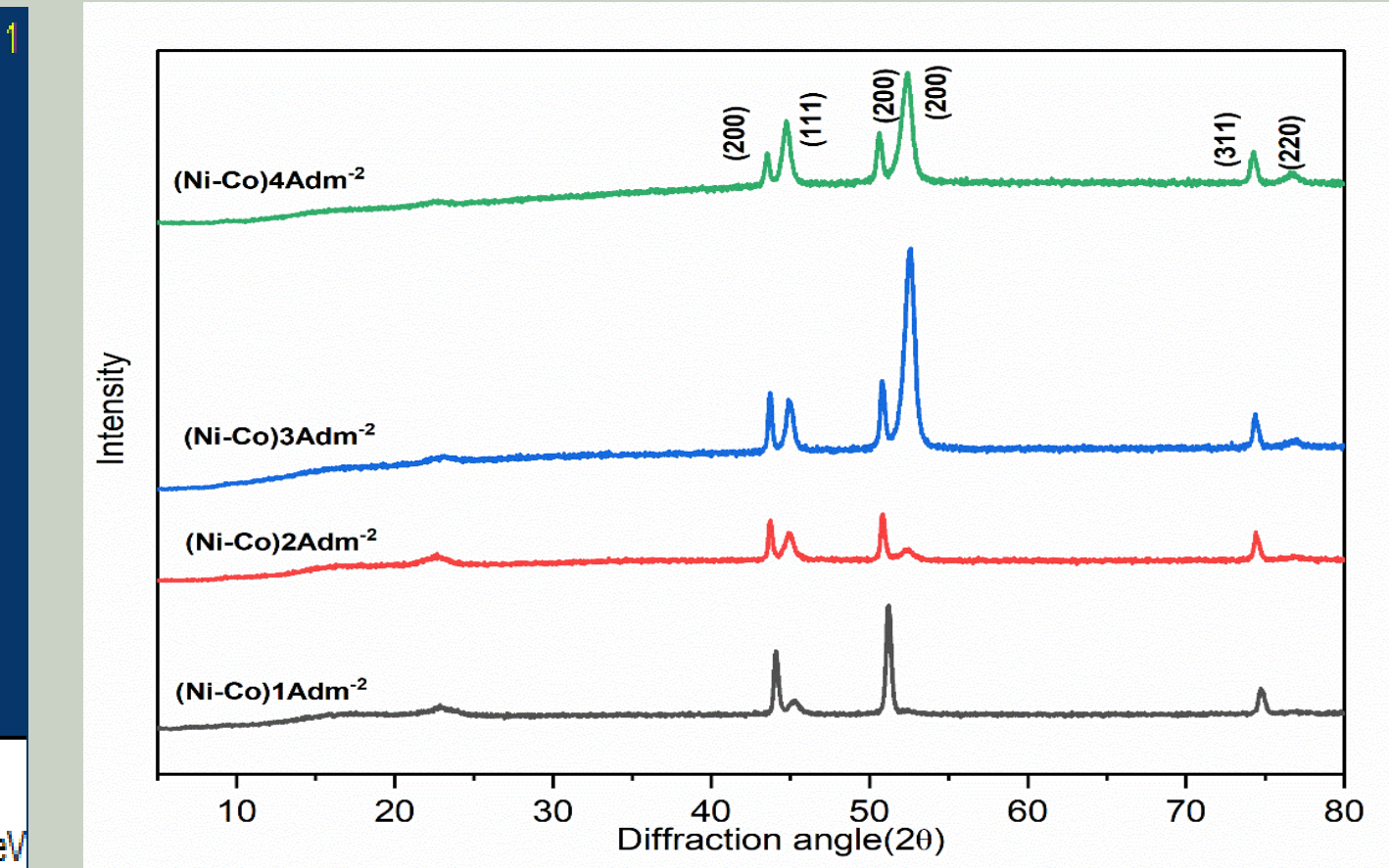
## AFM STUDY



## EDX STUDY



## XRD STUDY



## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

### Corrosion and roughness parameter of the deposited Ni-Co alloy coatings

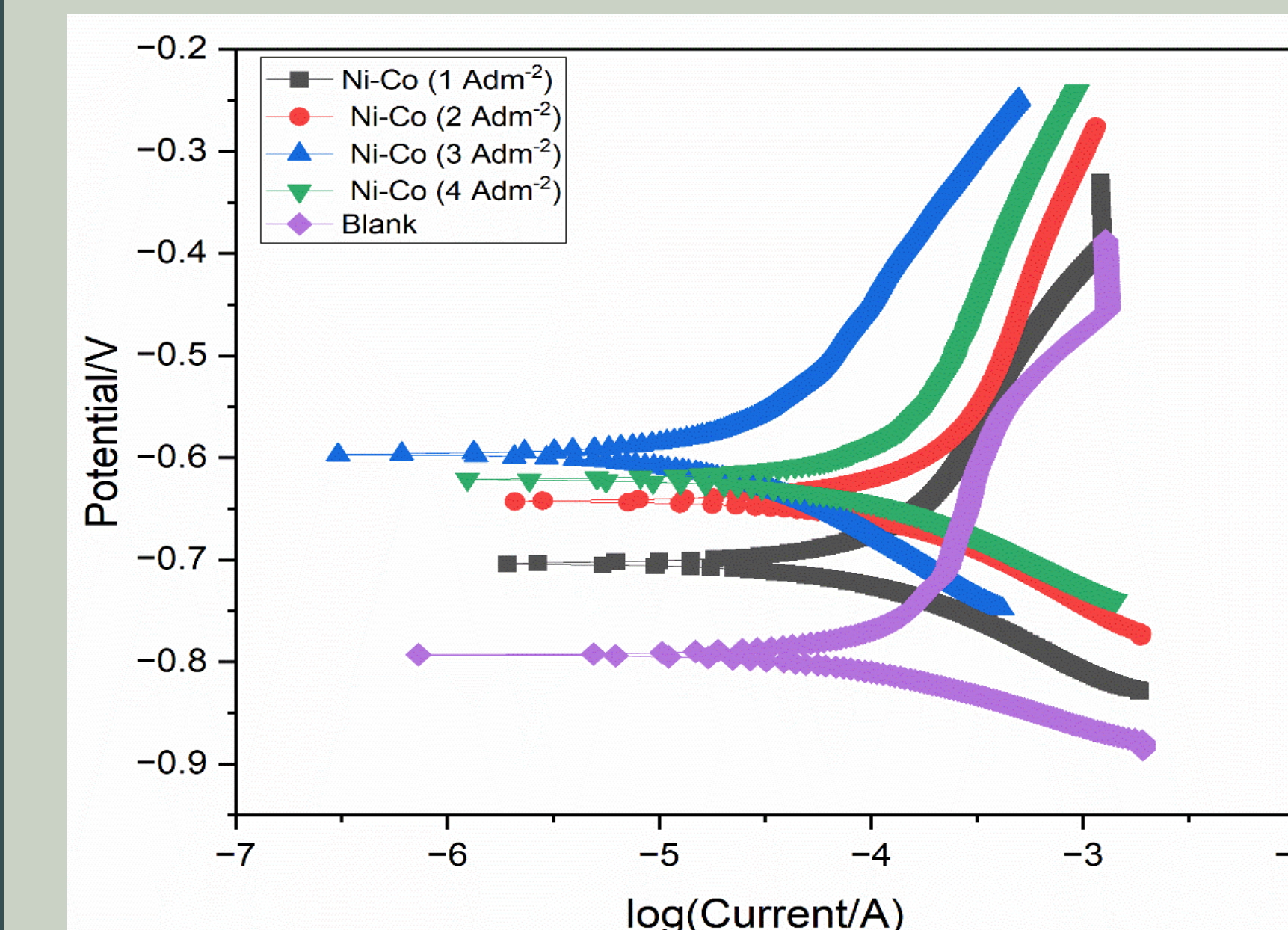
| C.d(A dm <sup>-2</sup> ) | Wt% Ni in the deposit | Wt% Co in the deposit | Average Roughness (Ra nm) | -E <sub>corr</sub> (mV vs SCE) | I <sub>corr</sub> (μA cm <sup>-2</sup> ) | Corrosion Rate X 10 <sup>1</sup> (mil/year) |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Blank                    | -                     | -                     | -                         | 791.0                          | 188.0                                    | 7.10                                        |
| 1.0                      | 73.74                 | 26.26                 | 14.9                      | 704.9                          | 133.0                                    | 5.36                                        |
| 2.0                      | 79.75                 | 20.25                 | 14.2                      | 643.6                          | 114.6                                    | 5.18                                        |
| 3.0                      | 85.19                 | 14.81                 | 13.1                      | 597.6                          | 29.5                                     | 1.18                                        |
| 4.0                      | 72.12                 | 27.88                 | 36.8                      | 622.1                          | 113.0                                    | 4.62                                        |

### Bath composition and operating parameters for the optimized Ni-Co bath

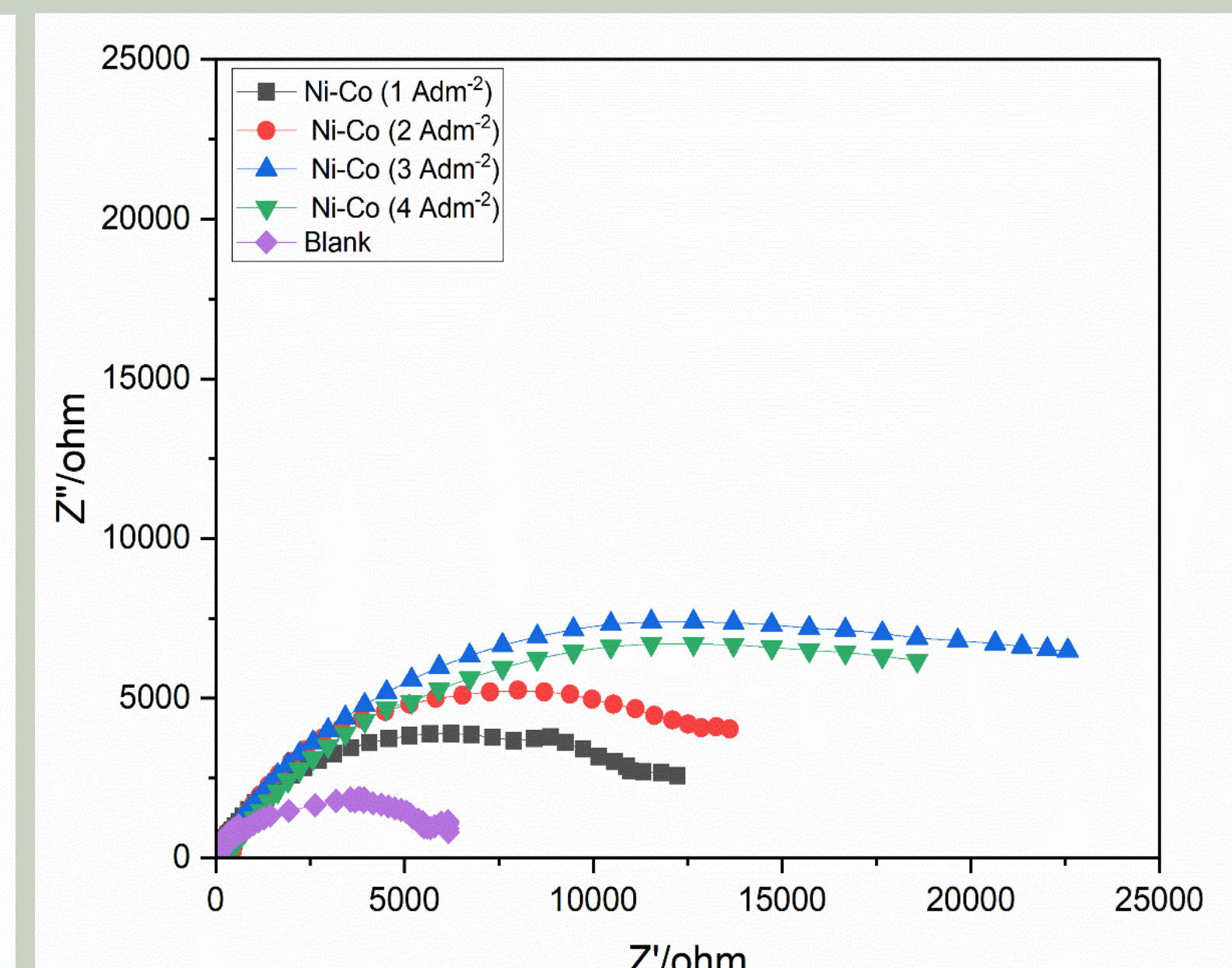
| Bath constituents | Composition, g L <sup>-1</sup> | Operating parameters |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Cobalt Sulphate   | 8                              | Anode: Graphite      |
| Nickel Sulphate   | 266.67                         | Cathode: Mild Steel  |
| Boric Acid        | 15                             | pH: 3.5              |
| Sulfalnic Acid    | 0.5                            | Temp: 303 K          |
| Ascorbic Acid     | 2                              |                      |
| Glycerol          | 8mL/L                          |                      |

## CORROSION STUDY OF Ni-Co ALLOY COATINGS

### TAFEL EXTRAPOLATION METHOD



### EIS STUDY



## CONCLUSIONS

- Ni-Co alloy coating has been developed from a sulfate bath at different current densities, and their corrosion resistance activity was studied in 3.5 wt% of NaCl medium.
- Ni-Co alloy coating deposited at 3.0 A dm<sup>-2</sup> showed the highest corrosion resistance at 1.18 X 10<sup>1</sup> mil/year as compared to other c.d deposited coatings.
- The decrease in corrosion rate is attributed to increase of more noble Ni content in the deposited coatings.

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