

# Biodiesel Fuel Standard in Japan

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**DME Vehicle**

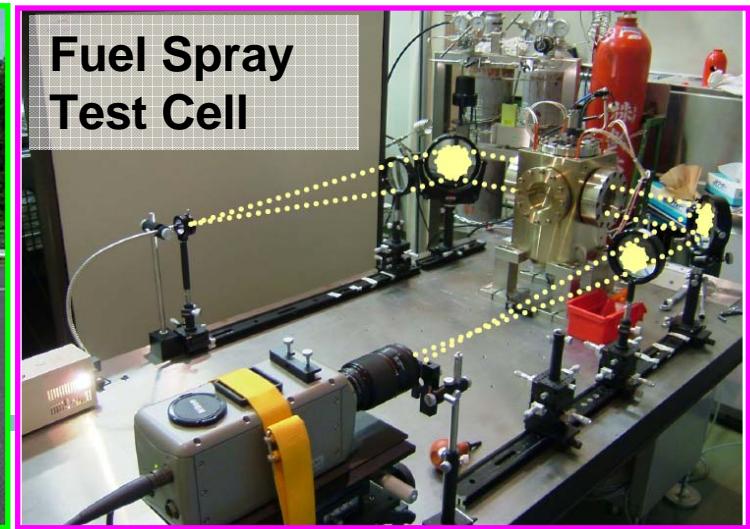


**BDF Mini Bus**



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# Major Materials of Biodiesel Fuel

	Palm oil	Soybean oil	Rapeseed oil
Area	Asia	U.S.	Europa
Major component	Palmitic acid	Linoleic acid	Oleic acid
Production (kton)	33,328	32,857	15,734
Oil Yield at 1ha (kg)	5,000	375	1,000

Source : [http://www.oil.or.jp/seisan/seisan02\\_01.html](http://www.oil.or.jp/seisan/seisan02_01.html)



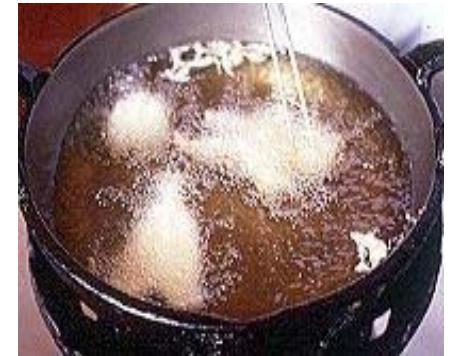
**Palm**



**Soybean**



**Rapeseed**



**Waste  
cooking oil**

# Introduction of Biodiesel Fuel (Europe and America)

'5th Eco Fuel Use Promotion Meeting', Document 2-2, Ministry of the Environment

	Country	Mixing rate	Material	Goals / Strategy
Europe	EU	-	-	Bio fuel usage 2% into transportation fuel in 2005 Bio fuel usage 5.75% into transportation fuel in 2010 (EUBD)
	Germany	5% 100%	Rapeseed	Bio fuel usage 3.8% in 2005
	France	5% 30%	Rapeseed	Bio fuel usage 1% in 2005 Make bio fuel usage 2% compulsory from 2005
	Italia	5% 30%	Rapeseed Sunflower	Bio fuel usage 2% in 2005 Apply B20 and B100 standard from 2007
	Poland	5% 20% 100%	Rapeseed	Bio fuel usage 0.48% in 2005 Apply B20 and B100 standard from 2007
North America	U.S.	2-5% 20% 100%	Soybean Waste cooking oil	Make bio fuel usage compulsory by Energy Policy Act of 2005 (4 billion gallon in 2006, 7 billion gallon in 2007)
	Canada	2-5%	Soybean Waste cooking oil	Introduction of B2 in 2010
Latin America	Brazil	2%	Soybean	Make BDF blend compulsory

# Introduction of Biodiesel Fuel (Asia and Oceania)

'5th Eco Fuel Use Promotion Meeting', Document 2-2, Ministry of the Environment

	Country	Mixing rate	Material	Goals / Strategy
Asia	Malaysia	2-5%	Palm	National Biofuel Policy, 2006 B5
	Indonesia	-	Palm	National Energy Program BDF usage 47 million kL in 2025
	Thailand	2%	Palm	Biodiesel Development and Promotion Strategy B5 in 2007, B10 in 2012
	Philippines	1% 100%	Coconut	Bio fuel Strategy 2006 BDF mixing rate 1% in 3 months, 2% in 2 years
	India	5%	Jatropha	Jatropha BDF demonstration 2005-2007 Jatropha BDF introduction 2011-2012
	China	5% 2%	Waste cooking oil Jatropha	now under consideration in BDF standardization
Oceania	Australia	5% 20% 100%	Palm Soybean	Bio fuel introduction 35 million kL in 2010 Under consideration in B5 and B20 standardization
	New Zealand	5%	Animal fat Waste cooking oil	Bio fuel introduction 2PJ in 2012

# Biodiesel Fuel Program in Japan

## Kyoto City (Waste cooking oil)



Source : Kyoto city

## Shizuoka Truck Association (Rapeseed oil)



Source : NEPS  
(New Energy Partnership),  
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# Japanese Biodiesel Fuel Applications

NPO juridical person biomass industrial society network, <http://www.npobin.net/hakusho/2005/>

Area	Raw Materials		Application
	Rapeseed Oil	Waste Cooking Oil	
Nagano-ken	○	○	Food Center Car, Machine for Agriculture, Tourist Facility
Joetsu-shi, Niigata	—	○	Public Car, Garbage Collection Car
Chiba-ken	○	○	Soap, BDF
Shizuoka Trucking Association	○	—	BDF for Diesel Truck, Demonstration Bus
Shiga-ken	—	—	Eco Bus crossing Biwako
Shinasahi-machi, Shiga	○	○	Circulation Type Recycling System
Aito-machi, Shiga	○	—	Circulation Type Foothold Institution
Kyoto-shi	—	○	Garbage Collection Car, Municipal Bus
Oasa-machi, Hiroshima	○	○	School Bus, Municipal Bus
Zentsuji-shi, Kagawa	—	○	Garbage Collection Car
Soo-gun, Kagoshima	—	○	Garbage Collection Car

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# Fatty Acid Components of Raw Materials

		Palm	Jatropha	Coconut	Rapeseed	Soybean	Sunflower
Caprylic acid	(C8:0)	—	—	8.3	—	—	—
Capric acid	(C10:0)	—	—	5.8	—	—	—
Lauric acid	(C12:0)	—	—	48.7	—	—	—
Myristic acid	(C14:0)	1.0	—	18.0	—	—	—
Palmitic acid	(C16:0)	44.2	14.0	8.6	4.0	10.3	6.7
Stearic acid	(C18:0)	4.5	8.0	2.6	1.7	3.8	3.7
Oleic acid	(C18:1)	39.3	34.0	6.5	58.6	24.3	19.0
Linoleic acid	(C18:2)	9.6	43.0	—	21.8	52.7	69.9
Linolenic acid	(C18:3)	0.3	—	—	10.8	7.9	0.7

Source : <http://www.suncarefuels.com/bdfoil.html>

( $C_{xx}:x$ )  
 Carbon number  
 Number of double bond

## Influence of double bond

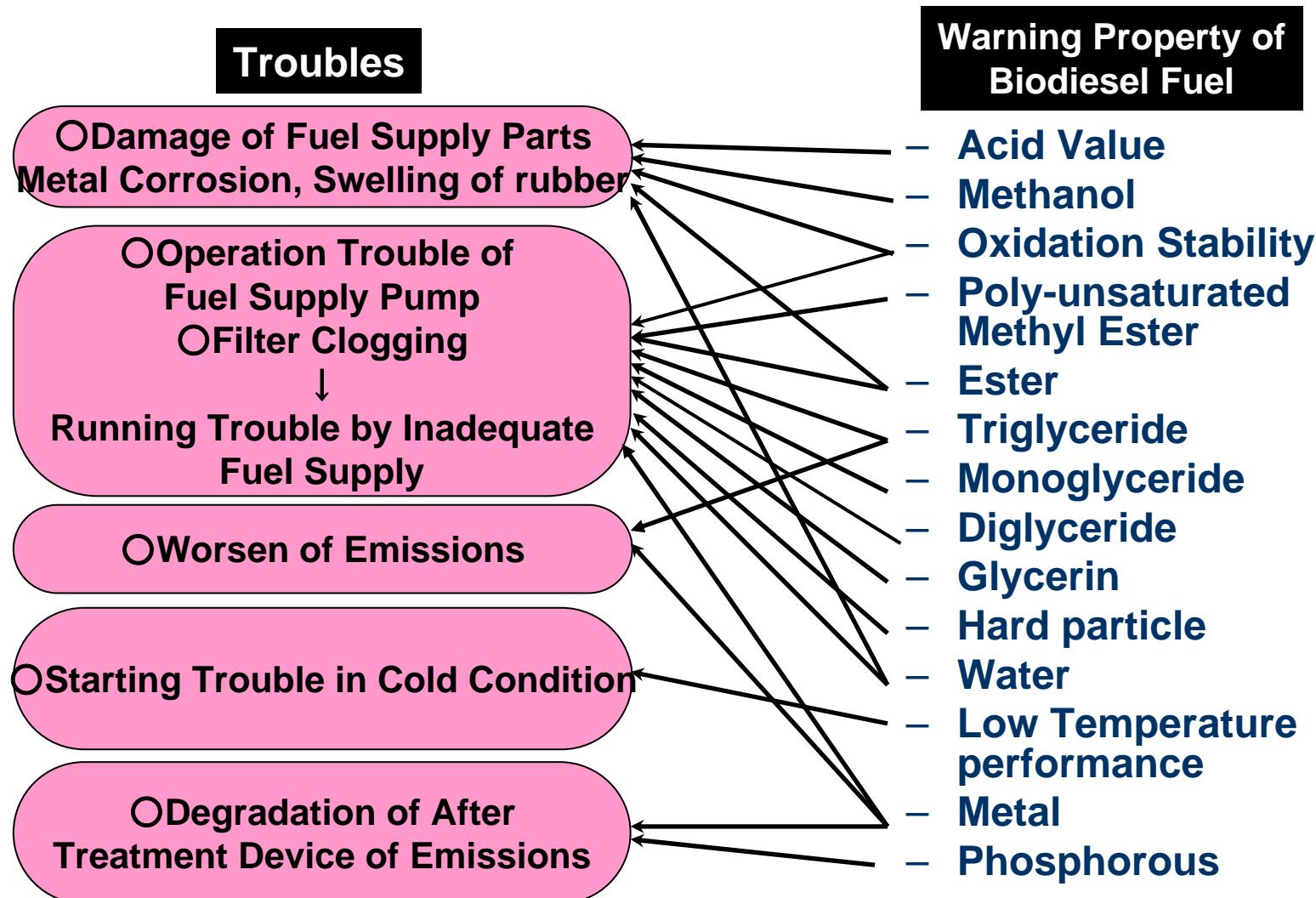
Low ←	Number of double bond	→ High
Good ←	Oxidation stability	→ Poor
Poor ←	Low temperature performance	→ Good <sub>10</sub>

# Properties of FAMEs

Items	Unit	Palm oil methyl ester (PME)	Rapeseed oil methyl ester (RME)	Soybean oil methyl ester (SME)
Oxidation stability	Hours	6.65	4.5	1.28
Iodine number		50.2	110	128
Methyl Linolenate	mass%	0.3	7.7	7.2
CFPP	°C	12	-11	-3

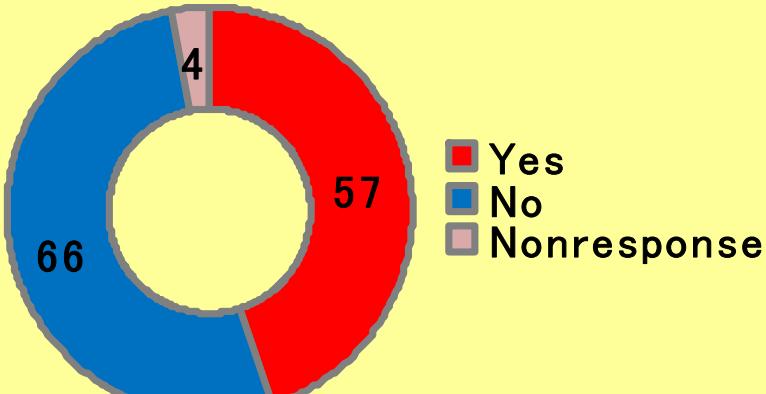
**Fuel properties depend on material oil**

# Envisioned Troubles by Biodiesel Fuel



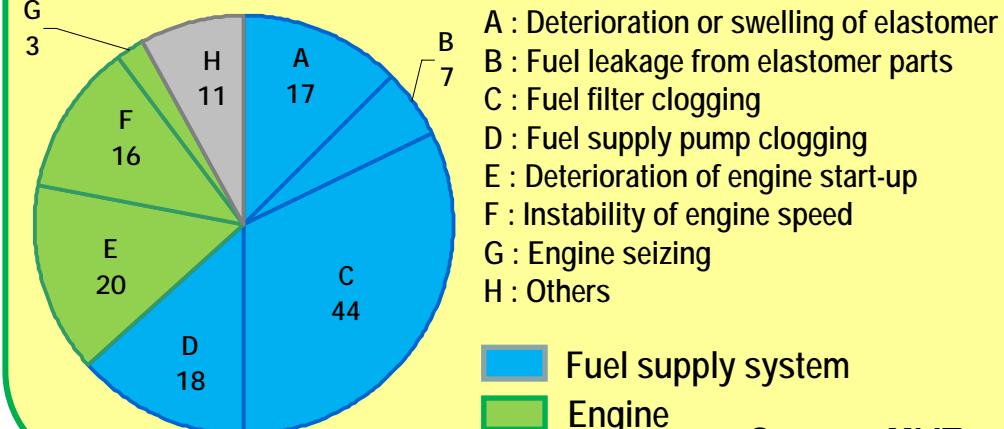
# Trouble Case Derived from Biodiesel Fuel (1)

Existence of trouble



Source : MLIT

Contents of trouble report by using BDF in Japan



Source : MLIT

Fuel filter clogging (by FAME solidification)



Source : MLIT

Coating detachment



Source  
: MLIT

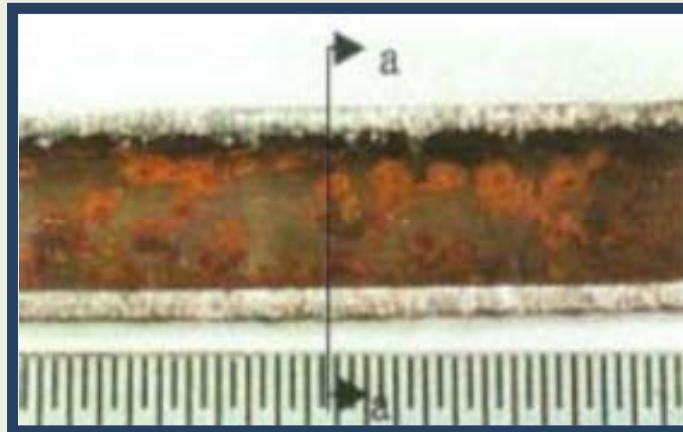
# Trouble Case Derived from Biodiesel Fuel (2)

Fuel filter clogging (by impurity)



Source  
: Kyoto

Fuel pipe corrosion



Source  
: Kyoto

Nozzle coking



Source  
: JAMA

Soap formation



Source  
: JAMA

# Terne Sheet Corrosion by Biodiesel Fuel

Terne sheet : steel plate coated with Pb-Sn alloy



Diesel oil



FAME5%

	TAN	Pb (ppm)	Sn (ppm)
Diesel fuel	0.05	2	1>
FAME 1 %	0.05	8	1>
FAME 2 %	0.06	460	1>
FAME 3 %	0.06	40	1>
FAME 4 %	0.07	88	1>
FAME 5 %	0.07	1800	12

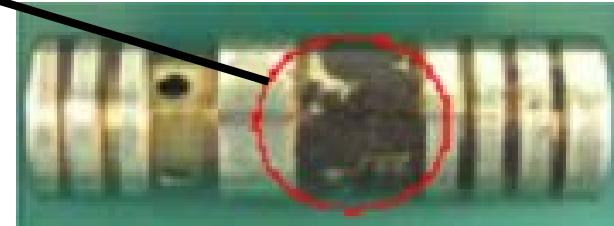
Takehiro Tsuchiya et al., "Japanese Standards for Diesel fuel containing 5% FAME:  
Investigation of Acid Generation in FAME Blended Diesel Fuels and its Impact on Corrosion, SAE paper 2006-01-3303

# Influence of Oxidation Degradation



Fuel tank corrosion  
by organic acid

Sludge production  
Risk of poor sliding



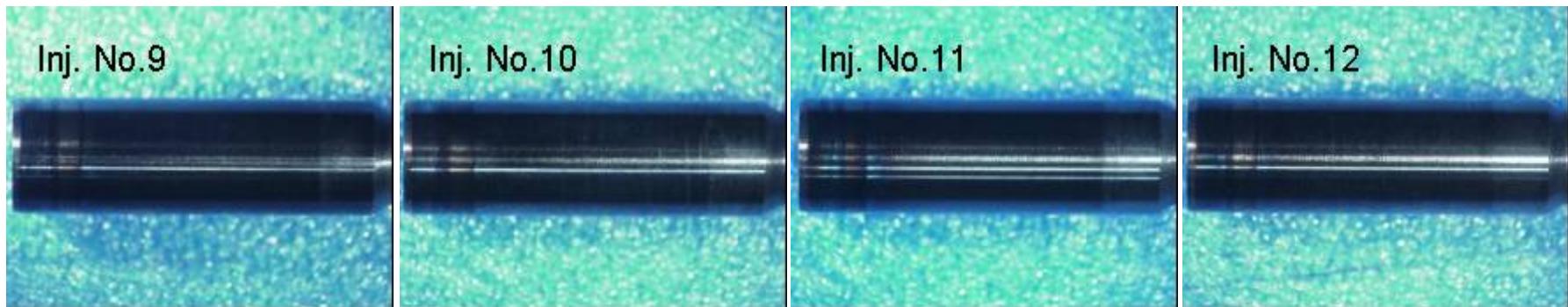
# Influence of Organic Acid and Oxidation Stability on Fuel Tank Corrosion

	FAME5%+Organic acid	FAME5%+Antioxidant
Lower		
Upper		

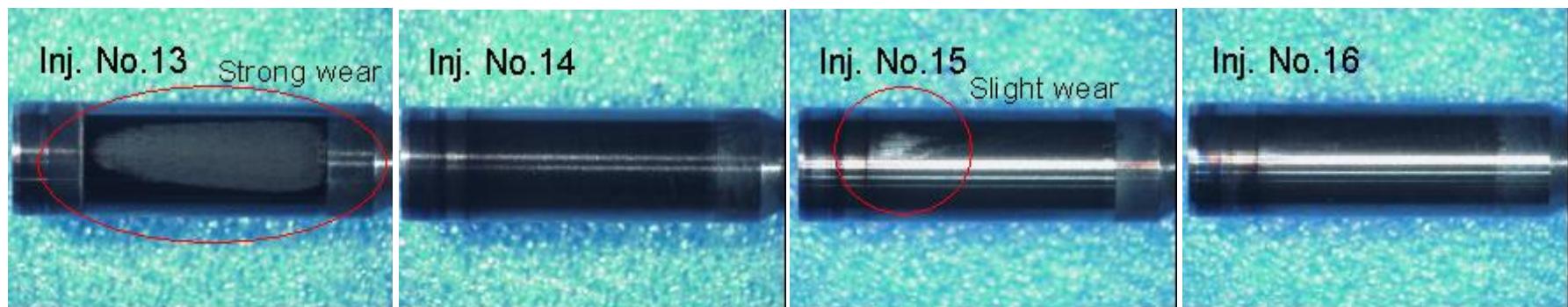
# Injector Abrasion

## Sliding part of nozzle needle

Diesel oil



FAME5%



# Biodiesel Fuel Standards in Other Countries

**AIST**

		U.S.	EU	Australia	Brazil
Ester content	mass%	—	96.5 min.	96.5 min.	—
Density	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	—	0.86-0.9	0.86-0.89	equal to diesel oil
Kinetic viscosity	mm <sup>2</sup> /s	1.9-6.0	3.5-5.0	3.5-5.0	equal to diesel oil
Flash point	°C	130 min.	120 min.	120 min.	100 min.
Sulfur content	mg/kg	0.0015 max.	0.001 max.	0.005 /0.001 max.	0.001 max.
Distillation (95%)	°C	360 max. (90%)	—	360 max.	360 max.
Carbon residue (100%)	mass%	0.05 max.	—	0.05 max.	0.05 max.
Carbon residue (10%)	mass%	—	0.3 max.	0.3 max.	—
Cetane number		47 min.	51 min.	51 min.	45 min.
Sulfated ash	mass%	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	0.02 max.
Water content	mg/kg	0.05[vol%] max.	500 max.	0.05[vol%] max.	—
Total contamination	mg/kg	—	24 max.	24 max.	—
Copper corrosion		No.3	Class-1	No.3	No.1
Total acid number	mgKOH/g	0.50 max.	0.5 max.	0.80 max.	0.80 max.
Oxidation stability	hr.	3 min.	6 min.	6 min.	6 min.
Iodine number		—	120 max.	—	required report
Linolenic acid methyl ester	mass%	—	12 max.	—	—
poly unsaturated methyl ester	mass%	—	1 max.	—	—
Methanol content	mass%	0.2 max.	0.2 max.	0.2 max.	0.5 max.
Mono-glyceride	mass%	—	0.80 max.	—	1.0 max.
Di-glyceride	mass%	—	0.2 max.	—	0.25 max.
Tri-glyceride	mass%	—	0.2 max.	—	0.25 max.
Free glycerol	mass%	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	0.02 max.
Total glycerol	mass%	0.24 max.	0.25 max.	0.25 max.	0.38 max.
Na+K	mg/kg	5 max.	5 max.	5 max.	10 max.
Ca+Mg	mg/kg	5 max.	5 max.	5 max.	—
Phosphorus	mg/kg	10 max.	10 max.	10 max.	10 max.
CFPP	°C	—	equal to diesel oil	suspension	—
Pour point	°C	—	0 max.	—	equal to diesel oil

# Concept of FAME Blended Diesel Oil Regulation

## ① Maximum concentration

→ swelling and deterioration of elastomer

## ② Purity

→ sludge production by unreacted components  
metal corrosion by methanol

## ③ Freshness

→ metal corrosion by lower organic acid

## ④ Oxidation stability

→ acid and sludge production by oxidation degradation

# Diesel Fuel Regulation in Japan

Items	FAME blended diesel oil	Diesel oil
<b>Sulfur Contents</b>	<b>10ppm max</b>	<b>10ppm max</b>
<b>Cetane Index</b>	<b>45 min</b>	<b>45 min</b>
<b>T90</b>	<b>360°C max</b>	<b>360°C max</b>
<b>FAME content</b>	<b>5mass% max</b>	<b>0.1mass% max</b>
<b>Triglyceride</b>	<b>0.01mass% max</b>	<b>0.01mass% max</b>
<b>Methanol</b>	<b>0.01mass% max</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Total Acid Number (TAN)</b>	<b>0.13mgKOH/g max</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Total contents of Formic acid, Acetic acid and Propionic acid</b>	<b>30ppm max</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Oxidation Stability (TAN Growth)</b>	<b>0.12mgKOH/g max</b>	<b>—</b>

# JASO M360

## Automotive fuel : FAME as blend stock

Items	Specification				
	Limit	Test method			
Ester content mass%	96.5 min	EN 14103			
Density g/ml	0.86 - 0.90	JIS K 2249			
Kinematic Viscosity mm <sup>2</sup> /s	3.5 - 5.0	JIS K 2283			
Flash Point Deg.C	120 min	JIS K 2265			
Sulfur ppm	10 max	JIS K 2541-1, -2, -6 or-7			
10% Carbon Residue mass%	0.3 max	JIS K 2270			
Cetane number	51 min	JIS K 2280			
Sulfated Ash mass%	0.02 max	JIS K 2272			
Water ppm	500 max	JIS K 2275			
Total contamination ppm	24 max	EN 12662			
Copper Corrosion	1 max	JIS K 2513			
Total acid number mgKOH/g	0.5 max	JIS K 2501, JIS K0070			
Oxidation Stability	Agreement between producer and distributor				
Iodine Number gl/100g	120 max	JIS K 0070			
Methyl linolenate mass%	12.0 max	EN 14103			
Methanol mass%	0.20 max	JIS K 2536, EN14110			
Monoglyceride mass%	0.80 max	EN 14105			
Diglyceride mass%	0.20 max	EN 14105			
Triglyceride mass%	0.20 max	EN 14105			
Free glycerol mass%	0.02max	EN 14105, EN14106			
Total glycerol mass%	0.25 max	EN 14105			
Metals (Na + K) ppm	5max	EN 14108, EN 14109			
Metals (Ca + Mg) ppm	5 max	EN 14538			
Phosphorous ppm	10 max	EN 14107			
Pour point Deg.C	Agreement between producer and distributor				
CFPP Deg.C	Agreement between producer and distributor				

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# Policy Relevance in Asia

- The importance of biofuels has been recognized in the Cebu Declaration on East Asian Energy Security on 15 January, 2007, in which the standardization was encouraged for practical use.
- On the same occasion, Japan announced four-pillar initiative entitled “Fueling Asia-Cooperation Initiative for Clean Energy and Sustainable Growth”, including the promotion of biomass energy. It was welcomed by all participating countries.
- Energy Cooperation Task Force (ECTF) will discuss the concrete measures, and then the results will be reported in the 3<sup>rd</sup> EAS to be held in Singapore.

2nd East Asia Summit



Source : The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

# Standardization of Biodiesel Fuel for Vehicles in East Asia

- Share the same recognition concerning the importance of ensuring BDF quality and the basic measurements for BDF standardization
- Study the characteristics of BDF and current situation in each country, and gather necessary information to formulate BDF standards
- Focus on Japanese standards (B5) as a typical example



- Working group

Information sharing, promoting standardization

- Research and Survey

Establishment of database

# WG members

Country	Name	Title/Institute
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# Recommendation Value in WG (tentative)

Items	Unit	JASO M 360	Recommendation in ERIA WG	Check items at plant
Ester content	mass%	96.5 min.	96.5 min.	
Density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.860 - 0.900	0.860 - 0.900	
Viscosity	mm <sup>2</sup> /s	3.50 - 5.00	Equal to Diesel oil	
Flash point	°C	120 min.	Equal to Diesel oil	
Sulfur content	mass%	0.0010 max.	0.0010 max.	
Carbon residue (10%)	mass%	0.3 max.	0.3 max.	
Cetane number		51.0 min.	51.0 min.	
Sulfated ash	mass%	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	
<b>Water content</b>	<b>mg/kg</b>	<b>500 max.</b>	<b>500 max.</b>	<b>O</b>
Total contamination	mg/kg	24 max.	24 max.	
Copper strip corrosion		1	1	
<b>Oxidation stability</b>	<b>hr.</b>	<b>(*)</b>	<b>10 min.</b>	<b>O</b>
<b>Total acid number</b>	<b>mgKOH/g</b>	<b>0.50 max.</b>	<b>0.50 max.</b>	<b>O</b>
Iodine number		120 max.	130 max.	
Methyl linolenate	mass%	12.0 max.	12.0 max.	
<b>Methanol content</b>	<b>mass%</b>	<b>0.20 max.</b>	<b>0.20 max.</b>	<b>O</b>
Monoglyceride	mass%	0.80 max.	0.80 max.	
Diglyceride	mass%	0.20 max.	0.20 max.	
<b>Triglyceride</b>	<b>mass%</b>	<b>0.20 max.</b>	<b>0.20 max.</b>	<b>O</b>
Free glycerol	mass%	0.02 max.	0.02 max.	
<b>Total glycerol</b>	<b>mass%</b>	<b>0.25 max.</b>	<b>0.25 max.</b>	<b>O</b>
Na+K	mg/kg	5.0 max.	5.0 max.	
Ca+Mg	mg/kg	5.0 max.	5.0 max.	
Phosphorous	mg/kg	10.0 max.	10.0 max.	
Pout point	°C	(*)	(*)	
CFPP	°C	(*)	(*)	

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- The Japanese standard was examined considering the European standard as a starting point.
- FAME content, triglyceride content, methanol content, TAN, individual acid content and oxidation stability are mainly regulated.
- The regulations of acid and oxidation stability had to be improved from European standard.
- In acid content, regulation of lower acid content is needed.
- WG which supports the standardization of biodiesel fuel in East Asia is ongoing.