

## **In-Situ Synthesis of Zinc-Containing MCM-41 and Investigation of Its Capacity for Removal of Hydrogen Sulfide from Crude Oil**

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**Abstract :** Hydrogen sulfide is the most toxic gas of crude oil. Adsorption is an energy-efficient process used to remove undesirable compounds such as H<sub>2</sub>S in gas or liquid streams by passing the stream through a media bed composed of an adsorbent. In this study, H<sub>2</sub>S of Iran crude oil was separated via cold stripping then zinc incorporated MCM-41 was synthesized via an in-situ method. ZnO functionalized mesoporous silica samples were characterized by XRD, N<sub>2</sub> adsorption and TEM. The obtained results of adsorption of H<sub>2</sub>S showed superior ability of all the materials and with an increase in ZnO amount adsorption was increased.

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