## Measurement of Oxygen Supersaturation in the Vicinity of Porous Microfibrous Ni Anodes During Water Electrolysis.

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A method for the determination of Supersaturation of oxygen in the vicinity of an O2 evolving porous nickel microfibrous anode in alkaline solution was developed. With the help of a microsensor, the concentration of oxygen in the distance x from the anode was measured. The supersaturation was found to be 200 times the nominal oxygen saturation in water from atmospheric air, termed as the Oxygen Supersaturation Factor (7.8 mg/l = solubility of oxygen in water). The amount of oxygen supersaturation as a function of current density has been established for the porous nickel microfibrous electrodes.