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Reviewer(s)' Comments to Author:

#### Reviewer: 1 (with attachment)

#### Comments to the Corresponding Author

Since a discussion on the determination of bentonite and Na-bentonite CEC value was provided, the author should elaborate and give qualitative insight based on the result in Table 1. What does it mean through the CEC value toward the bentonite and Na-bentonite? What would the author anticipate through this result?

X-ray diffractogram in Figure 1 is recommended to label the peaks with different symbols representing montmorillonite, Mo and MoP. This would easily engage the reader by looking at the diffractogram.

"...while MoP-Bentonite has many gaps and is covered by small oval-shaped spots indicating the presence of molybdenum phosphide."

The description of the small oval-shaped spots on the SEM micrograph for MoP-bentonite is not distinct. It could be improved by circling the small oval-shaped on the MoP-bentonite.

In the EDS analysis, why P element is present at 0.24% before introducing MoP?

Why did the percentage of DIPE conversion show a slight increase from 2 to 4 mEq but the acidity of the catalysts indicated a significant difference from 2 to 4 mEq?

#### Reviewer: 2

Comments to the Corresponding Author

Dear Author:

This paper, presented a very interesting report for Dehydration Isopropyl Alcohol to Diisopropyl Ether over Molybdenum Phosphide Pillared Bentonite. The overall structure and writing indeed require a significant improvement. I really would like to see this article in Journal of Science and Technology after minor revisions.

1. Add the type of devices used to the MATERIALS AND METHODS section.

2. The conclusion should only include the achievements and benefits of the study. No further explanation is needed.

Best Regards

#### Reviewer: 3 (with attachment)

Comments to the Corresponding Author

General comments

The authors study the dehydration of isopropyl alcohol to diisopropyl ether over MoP-Pillared Bentonite catalyst. The work is nicely done, with appropriate analysis and discussion. However, several points of attentions are needed:

The authors should indicate in Fig.1 the significant peak at 2theta that belong to N-bentonite and MoP-bentonite

The authors said that pillarization of bentonite is successful when there is a shift at 2theta below 5degree but why the XRD was conducted above 5degree?

The authors should mark or spot the presence of MoP on bentonite in the SEM images (Fig.2) as the author's explained by "covered by a small oval-shaped spots"

The text needs English syntax revision, the authors use a mix of present, past, active form and passive form.

Other comments can be found in the manuscripts.

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Thank you for giving us the opportunity to submit a revised draft of the manuscript "Dehydration Isopropyl Alcohol to Diisopropyl Ether over Molybdenum Phosphide Pillared Bentonite" for publication in the Journal of Science and Technology. We appreciate the time and effort that you and the reviewers dedicated to providing feedback on our manuscript and are grateful for the insightful comments on and valuable improvements to our paper. We have incorporated most of the suggestions made by the reviewers. Those changes are highlighted within the manuscript. Please see below, in red, for a point-by-point response to the reviewers' comments and concerns.

### **Reviewers' Comments to the Authors:**

### **Reviewer 1**

Comment : Since a discussion on the determination of bentonite and Na-bentonite CEC value was provided, the author should elaborate and give qualitative insight based on the result in Table 1. What does it mean through the CEC value toward the bentonite and Na-bentonite? What would the author anticipate through this result? (page 7, line 41)
 Response: Thank you for pointing this out. We have added the explanation regarding CEC value toward the bentonite and Na-bentonite.

The revised text reads as follows:

"The CEC value obtained from natural bentonite was 165.85 mEq/100g and Na-Bentonite was 279.15 mEq/100 g. The increase of CEC indicates that Na<sup>+</sup> cations would be easily exchanged through pillarization by Mo<sup>6+</sup> metal (Mnasri-Ghnimi & Frini-Srasra, 2014). This trend was consistent with a previous report (Kıpçak & Kalpazan, 2020). The greater the CEC value, the more Mo<sup>6+</sup> metal could replace the Na<sup>+</sup> cations. If the CEC value of Na-Bentonite was smaller than bentonite, it indicates that the cationic exchange would occur irreversibly and was difficult to exchange with other ions (Mnasri et al., 2017)."

• **Comment :** Check the reference format (page 5, line 30)

**Response:** We thank the reviewer for pointing this out. We think we've used an appropriate reference format based on the Journal of Science and Technology, APA-reference style (7th edition). However, we have fixed some errors.

• **Comment :** In the EDS analysis, why P element is present at 0.24% before introducing MoP? (page 8, line 49)

**Reponse:** Thank you for pointing this out. Since the bentonite material we used was from nature (natural bentonite), hence it might be possible to contain elements such as P. Similar result was reported by (Abdou et al., 2013), which contained  $P_2O_5$  of 0.16 % (for local bentonite).

Reference: Abdou, M. I., Al-sabagh, A. M., & Dardir, M. M. (2013). Evaluation of Egyptian bentonite and nano-bentonite as drilling mud. Egyptian Journal of Petroleum, 22(1), 53–59. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejpe.2012.07.002

- **Comment :** Typo on the chemical formula (page 14, line 18)
- **Response:** Thank you for pointing this out. We have corrected the typo.
- **Comment :** X-ray diffractogram in Figure 1 is recommended to label the peaks with different symbols representing montmorillonite, Mo and MoP. This would easily engage the reader by looking at the diffractogram.

**Response:** We agree with this and have incorporated the reviewer suggestion throughout the manuscript. Thank you. However, we would like to inform that we have changed the term of montmorillonite into bentonite for the consistency purpose, since the bentonite and montmorillonite are the same thing.

• **Comment** : '...while MoP-Bentonite has many gaps and is covered by small oval-shaped spots indicating the presence of molybdenum phosphide.' The description of the small oval-shaped spots on the SEM micrograph for MoP-bentonite is not distinct. It could be improved by circling the small oval-shaped on the MoP-bentonite.

**Response**: We think this is an excellent suggestion. We have circled the small oval-shaped on the MoP-Bentonite. We also would like to clarify that our first SEM micrograph was at 10k magnification. We changed the magnification to 5k in order to see the small oval-shaped more clearly on the MoP-bentonite

Comment : Why did the percentage of DIPE conversion show a slight increase from 2 to 4 mEq but the acidity of the catalysts indicated a significant difference from 2 to 4 mEq?
 Response: Thank you for pointing this out. The acidity value indeed directly proportional to the catalyst's ability, but the acidity is not the only determinant of conversion yield. In addition, it is necessary to optimize the variable in the dehydration process.

#### Reviewer 2

Comment : Add the type of devices used to the MATERIALS AND METHODS section.
 Response: Thank you to the reviewer. As suggested by the reviewer, we have added the type of devices used to the materials and methods section as follows:
 X-Ray Diffraction (Rigaku Minu Flex 600)
 GC-MS (Thermo Scientific)
 SEM-EDX (JSM 6510)
 UV-Vis spectrophotometer (Shimadzu)
 GC-MS (Thermo Scientific)

• **Comment :** The conclusion should only include the achievements and benefits of the study. No further explanation is needed.

**Response:** Thank you for the reviewer suggestion. We have removed the specific explanation and changed with the achievements and benefits of the study.

The revised text as follows:

"The characterization showed that the pillarization of bentonite using molybdenum phosphide had been successfully synthesized and inherently increased the surface area, pore-volume, diameter volume, and total acidity of the Na-Bentonite catalyst. The highest conversion of DIPE product formed using 4 mEq/g MoP-Bentonite catalysts and gave the highest total acidity compared to Na-Bentonite and other catalysts. The MoP-Bentonite catalyst showed good catalytic activity for DIPE production."

#### Reviewer 3

- Comment : What technique/analysis is used? (line 23, page 2)
   Response : Thank you for pointing this out. We used the gravimetric method to determine total acidity. We have added it to the abstract.
- Comment : write in full GS-MS (line 25, page 2)
   Response : Thank you. We have written GC-MS in full text. GC-MS is the acronym of Gas Chromatography-Mass Spectroscopy
- Comment : check unit (line 32, page 2)
   Response : Thank you for pointing this out. We have checked and revised the unit. It should be mEq/g
- Comment : indicate the source (company etc) (line 5, page 11)
   Response : Thank you. As suggested by the reviewer, we have added the source of bentonite.
   We used natural bentonite from Bayan, Central Java
- Comment : contradict from previous sentence. pls check the value 3 mEg/g? (line 54, page 9) Response : Thank you for pointing this out. The reviewer is correct. We made mistake, It should be 4 mEq/g. The conversion yield of 3 mEq/g catalyst was 62.89 %, it was clearly not the highest conversion yield.
- **Comment** : please state the percentage of the previous study by other researchers. **Response** : Thank you for pointing this out. We have added the suggested content to the manuscript. We have stated the percentage of the previous study by other researchers.

- Comment : mEq/g formatting correct accordingly (Table 4)
   Response : Thank you. We have changed the format from "mEq / g" to "mEq/g"
- Comment : The authors should indicate in Fig.1 the significant peak at 2theta that belong to N-bentonite and MoP-bentonite
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   Response: Thank you for pointing this out. We have deleted the sentence. It is not appropriate for inclusion in this manuscript and cannot be analyzed because we did not conduct the small angle X-ray Diffraction Analysis (below 5 degree).
- Comment : The authors should mark or spot the presence of MoP on bentonite in the SEM images (Fig.2) as the author's explained by "covered by a small oval-shaped spots"
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- Comment : The text needs English syntax revision, the authors use a mix of present, past, active form and passive form.
   Response: In addition to the above comments, all spelling and grammatical errors pointed out by the reviewers have been corrected. Thank for the valuable reviewer comments and corrections.



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Reviewer(s)' Comments to Author:

Reviewer: 3 (with attachment)

Comments to the Corresponding Author The manuscript has been revised and acceptable for publication. There are typos that need to be corrected.

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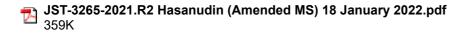
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**RESPONSE TO EDITOR** 

Comment: Not listed in references list?

Response: We have added the references accordingly as follows:

"Mnasri-Ghnimi, S., & Frini-Srasra, N. (2014). Promoting effect of cerium on the characteristic and catalytic activity of Al, Zr, and Al-Zr pillared clay. *Applied Clay Science*, *88–89*, 214–220. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.clay.2013.10.030"



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We thank you for all your hard work in processing our manuscript publication.

Sincerely



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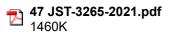
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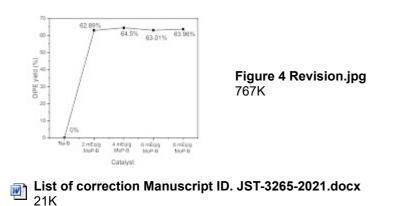
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Dear Editor,

We have proofread the manuscript, and we have decided to make a change in order to make the manuscript clearer and more understandable. We attached the list of corrections as well as the revised Figure. We appreciate Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly and hope that the correction will meet with approval. Thank you.

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Dear author,

#### Greetings. Thank you for getting back to us so promptly. We received the attachment and we have made the corrections to the paper.

#### Take care and have a nice day.

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List of the corrections and Clarification

Dear Editor, we are sorry for the inconvenience. We have proofread the manuscript and considered changing the term "conversion" to "yield". Since we studied the conversion of isopropyl alcohol to isopropyl ether, we calculated the yield product of DIPE; therefore, the phrase of DIPE conversion should be inaccurate. Consequently, we also changed the y-axis label (The revised figure was attached). Hence, for the purpose of clarity, we hope Editor considers our request and revision. Since we cannot use the PDF editor, herein, we list all the corrections along with the words and page as clearly as possible. We appreciate Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly and hope that the correction will meet with approval.

No	Correction	Page
1	CHANGE dehydration conversion activity TO DIPE yield	Page 1, in abstract
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	increase DIPE conversion	
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	DIPE conversion	Page 6, catalyst characterization section, first paragraph
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8	The percentage conversion of DIPE	Page 10, Isopropyl Alcohol Dehydration Conversion section, first paragraph
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Dear Author(s),

I am writing to you in reference to an article entitled, "Dehydration Isopropyl Alcohol to Diisopropyl Ether over Molybdenum Phosphide Pillared Bentonite" author(s): Hasanudin, Hasanudin; Asri, Wan ; Tampubolon, Kristina; Riyanti, Fahma; Purwaningrum, Widia; Wijaya, Karna submitted to Pertanika on 27-Oct-2021 for intended publication in JST.

Your paper has been anonymously peer-reviewed by two to three referees competent in the specialized areas appropriate to your manuscript independently evaluating the scientific quality of the manuscript.

I am pleased to tell you that based on the clarity, technical approach and scientific validity presented; your paper has been accepted by the Editorial Board on 19-Jan-2022, and is TENTATIVELY scheduled for publication in JST Vol. 30 (2) Apr. 2022.

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