



remains at a certain value, without returning to the original value, and for these conditions (Figure-2a, curve 4), the

violation of the stoichiometry of the reaction (1) is observed.

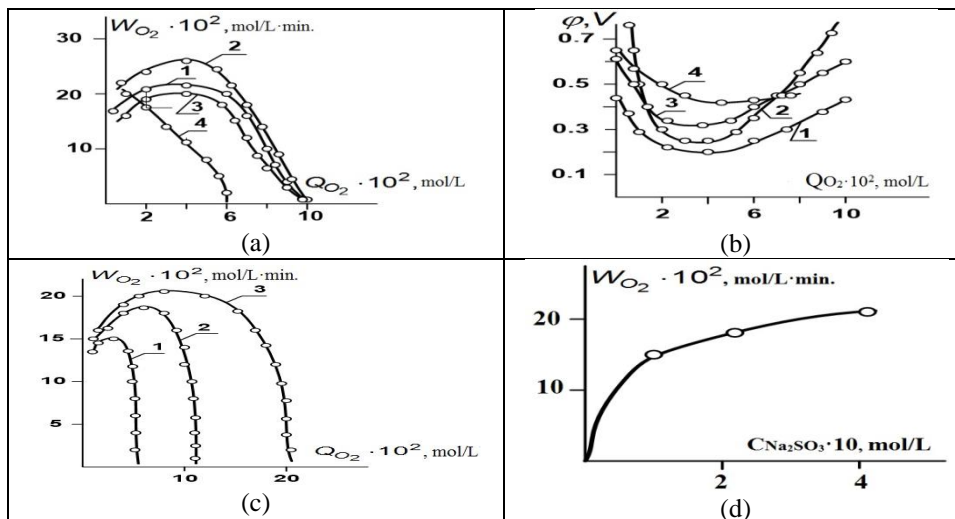
**Table-3.** Oxidation of sodium sulfite by oxygen in the presence of a microspherical catalyst at T=40°C.

No of a test	Ash, g	Concentration, mol/l			Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> conversion degree, %	W <sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub> , max, ml/min
		Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>3</sub>	FeSO <sub>4</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>		
1	0	0.4	-	-	100.0	0.6
2	0.1	0.4	-	-	100.0	5.4
3	0.5	0.4	-	-	100.0	4.4
4	1.0	0.4	-	-	100.0	4.0
5	2.0	0.4	-	-	-	3.4
6	0.1	0.2	-	-	100.0	4.8
7	0.1	0.1	-	-	100.0	3.6
8	0.1	0.2	1·10 <sup>-4</sup>	-	100.0	4.0
9	0.1	0.2	0.5·10 <sup>-5</sup>	-	100.0	4.6
10	0.1	0.2	1·10 <sup>-5</sup>	-	100.0	6.8
11	0.1	0.2	1·10 <sup>-2</sup>	-	79.0	3.8
12	0.1	0.2	-	-	100.0	4.8
13	0.1	0.2	-	1.75·10 <sup>-2</sup>	100.0	5.2
14	0.1	0.2	-	5.2·10 <sup>-2</sup>	100.0	3.8
15	0.1	0.2	-	8.75·10 <sup>-2</sup>	100.0	3.0

The conversion curves obtained by varying in the range from 0.11 to 0.4 mol/L are presented in the Figure-2c. The correlation  $C_{Na_2SO_3}/Q_{O_2}=2$  and the correspondence of the stoichiometry of the reaction (1) are preserved throughout the studied interval. The dependence (Figure 2d) of the oxygen absorption rate ( $Q_{O_2}$  at  $Q_{O_2} = 1/2$  from  $\Sigma Q_{O_2}$ ) is described by the equation (2):

$$W_{O_2} = (k_1 \cdot \beta_1 \cdot C_{Na_2SO_3}) / (1 + \beta_1 \cdot C_{Na_2SO_3}) \quad (2)$$

where  $\beta$  is the constant of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> adsorption on the surface of aluminosilicate microspheres. The data of the Table-3 also indicate on the Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> sorption.



**Figure-2.** Oxidation of sodium sulfite by oxygen in the presence of microspherical aluminosilicates at T=40°C, P<sub>O<sub>2</sub></sub>= 0.1 MPa; a, b: C<sub>Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub></sub>= 0.2 mol/l, C<sub>H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub></sub>=10<sup>2</sup> mol/l; 1 - 1.75; 2 - 3.50; 3 - 5.25; 4 - 7.0; c, d: C<sub>Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub></sub>: 1 - 0.1; 2 - 0.2; 3 - 0.4 mol/L.