

Corrosion Modeling Software and Corrosion Prediction  
Software Series

## **CUI-Compass®: A Software Tool for the Prediction and Assessment of Corrosion Under Insulation and Fireproofing**

Version 11.3.11

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### **Overview and Application Examples of CUI-Compass**

CUI-Compass is the only device and OS independent software tool on the market for the prediction and assessment of corrosion under insulation and fireproofing (CUI and CUF).




Designers, engineers, architects, consultants, maintenance and inspection personnel can quickly assess and quantify the CUI and CUF likelihood ratings and risk rankings of their components or systems, anytime, anywhere, on any device running any OS without the need to install or download anything. CUI-Compass also predicts external chloride stress corrosion cracking, or ECSCC, and the temperature and chloride application limits for stainless steels and alloys.

CUI-Compass has 4 modules under the CUI, Spot Analysis, ECSCC, and CUF tabs. The CUI module is for the prediction and assessment of corrosion under insulation for carbon and low alloy steels, austenitic and duplex stainless steels. The Spot Analysis module is for CUI corrosion rate prediction at a particular spot based on site-specific data (temperature, water content in insulation, chloride content on steel surface). The ECSCC module is for the prediction and assessment of external chloride stress corrosion cracking (ECSCC), SCC crack growth rate, maximum pit depth, the temperature limit, and the chloride concentration limit for stainless steels and alloys. The CUF module is for the prediction and assessment of corrosion under fireproofing. Figures below show the screen shots of CUI-Compass.

CUI
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CUF

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Equipment Location/ID	Line#1 at ABC	Line#9 at XYZ
Material	Carbon and Low Alloy Steels	Austenitic and Duplex Stainless Steels
Temperature	100°F to 170°F or 230°F to 270°F	120°F to 140°F (47°C to 60°C)
System Age (years)	15.000	15.000
Coating/Age	Quality coating within 8 years	Quality coating within 8 years
Jacketing/Insulation Condition	Damaged condition with several deficiencies	Damaged condition with several deficiencies
Heat Tracing	Steam system with medium integrity	Steam system with medium integrity
External Environment	No sweating	No sweating
Insulation Type	Insulating coatings	Insulating coatings
Line Size or Nozzle Size	>2 in. to 6 in.	>2 in. to 6 in.
API 583 CUI Likelihood Rating	C	B
CUI Risk Ranking	Medium Risk	Low Risk
Corrosion Rate at System Age (mm/y)	0.073	0.004
Corrosion Depth at System Age (mm)	0.354	0.076

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Figure 1a CUI-Compass Predicts the CUI Likelihood Rating and CUI Risk Ranking.

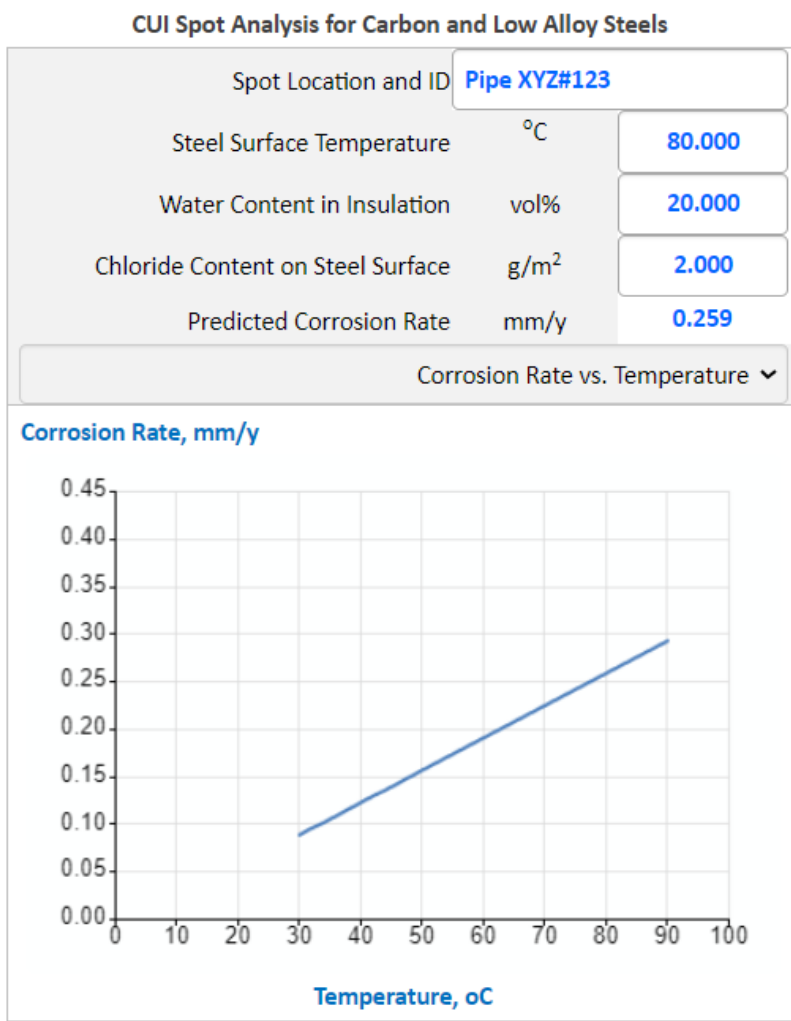


Figure 1b Spot Analysis for prediction of CUI corrosion rate at a specific site spot.

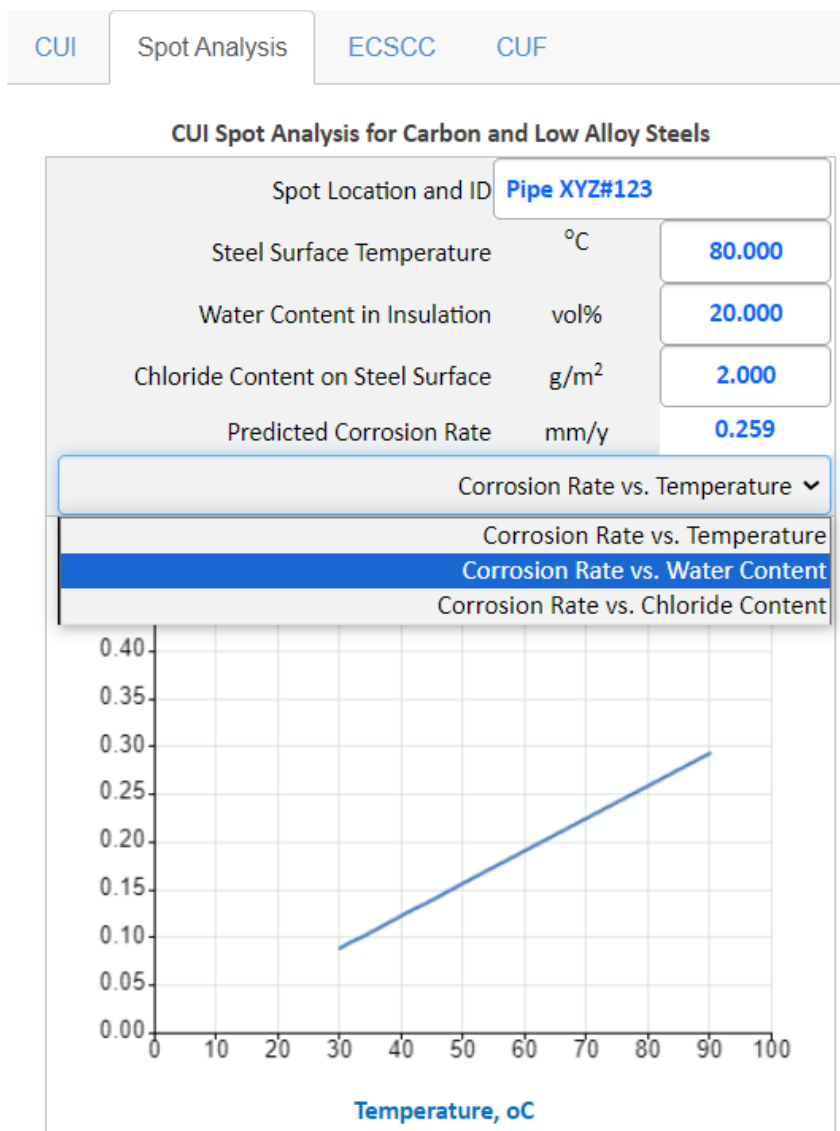


Figure 1c Plot options under Spot Analysis for prediction of CUI corrosion rate at a specific site spot.

### Prediction and Assessment of Corrosion Under Insulation for Carbon and Low Alloy Steels, Austenitic and Duplex Stainless Steels

CUI-Compass models the effects of the following 7 parameters on the likelihood and risk of corrosion under insulation for carbon and low alloy steels, austenitic and duplex stainless steels:

- (1) Temperature
- (2) Coating condition and age
- (3) Jacketing and insulation condition
- (4) Heat tracing
- (5) External environment
- (6) Insulation type

#### (7) Line size or nozzle size

Users of CUI-Compass simply select the parameters from the dropdown list. CUI-Compass makes an overall assessment of the contributing factors to corrosion under insulation and computes the CUI likelihood rating and CUI risk ranking in compliance with the latest edition of API RP 583. The CUI likelihood rating and the CUI risk ranking can be used in Risk-Based Inspection (RBI) assessment (API 580, API 581) and Fitness-For-Service Assessments (API 579-1 / ASME FFS-1).

CUI-Compass can also be used for materials evaluation and selection. Figure 1 shows the CUI performance difference between carbon/low alloy steels and austenitic/duplex stainless steels under similar conditions.

### **Prediction and Assessment of External Chloride Stress Corrosion Cracking (ECSCC)**

Under the ECSCC tab, CUI-Compass models the effects of temperature and chloride concentration on the probability of external chloride stress corrosion cracking (ECSCC) and resistance to localized corrosion such as pitting and crevice corrosion. The outputs from CUI-Compass includes the following (Figure 2 and Figure 3):

- (1) The pitting index (PREN) of selected alloy in accordance with ISO 15156
- (2) The maximum temperature for resistance to localized corrosion such as pitting corrosion and crevice corrosion (when the user input is chloride concentration)
- (3) The maximum chloride concentration (when the user input is temperature, see Figure 2 and Figure 3)
- (4) The predicted open circuit potential of the selected alloy
- (5) The critical pitting potential of the selected alloy
- (6) The repassivation potential of the selected alloy
- (7) The probability of chloride stress corrosion cracking when the threshold temperature for SCC is exceeded.
- (8) The SCC crack growth rate after initiation of chloride stress corrosion cracking
- (9) The maximum pit depth
- (10) The rust rating number based on JIS G0595

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This module determines the temperature and [Cl-] **application limits** of austenitic and duplex stainless steels for their resistance to pitting, crevice corrosion and external chloride stress corrosion cracking (ECSCC)

Equipment Location/ID

Line#9 at XYZ

1. Select an Alloy =>

304

▼

PREN (ISO 15156) of the selected alloy:

19

2. Select an Input =>

Temperature

▼

°C

65.00

If the input is temperature, the output will be the application limit of chloride concentration.

3. Output on Application Limits

Maximum [Cl-], ppm

1,985

This is the application limit of chloride concentration.

Open Circuit Potential, E<sub>OC</sub>

-71 mV (SCE)

in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C

Critical Pitting Potential, E<sub>pit</sub>

128 mV (SCE)

in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C

Repassivation Potential, E<sub>rp</sub>

-311 mV (SCE)

in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C

Probability of Chloride Stress Corrosion Cracking:

97.84 %

Chloride SCC may initiate when the threshold T°C is exceeded at the critical [Cl-] for pitting or crevice corrosion.

Threshold Temperature for ECSCC

°C

52.57

SCC Crack Growth Rate After Initiation

µm/day

40.174

4. Performance in Marine Atmosphere (after 4 years exposure)

Max. Depth of Corrosion

Form of Corrosion

Rating Number (JIS G0595)

199 µm

pitting

2

Figure 2 CUI-Compass Predicts External Chloride Stress Corrosion Cracking (ECSCC), SCC Crack Growth Rate, Threshold Temperature and Chloride Concentration Limit.

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Equipment Location/ID **Line#9 at XYZ**

1. Select an Alloy => 304 ▼ PREN (ISO 15156) of the selected alloy: 19

2. Select an Input => Chloride concentration ▼ ppm **10,000.00**

*If the input is chloride concentration, the output will be the application limit of temperature.*

**3. Output on Application Limits**

Maximum Temperature, °C	15	This is the application limit of temperature for resistance to pitting.	
Open Circuit Potential, E <sub>OC</sub>	-71 mV (SCE)	in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C	
Critical Pitting Potential, E <sub>pit</sub>	128 mV (SCE)	in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C	
Repassivation Potential, E <sub>rp</sub>	-311 mV (SCE)	in 3.5 %NaCl solution at 27 ± 3°C	
Probability of Chloride Stress Corrosion Cracking:		97.84 %	Chloride SCC may initiate when the threshold T°C for SCC is exceeded at the specified 10000 ppm [Cl <sup>-</sup> ].
Threshold Temperature for ECSCC	°C	52.55	
SCC Crack Growth Rate After Initiation	µm/day	n/a	

**4. Performance in Marine Atmosphere (after 4 years exposure)**

Max. Depth of Corrosion	Form of Corrosion	Rating Number (JIS G0595)
199 µm	pitting	2

Figure 3 CUI-Compass Predicts External Chloride Stress Corrosion Cracking (ECSCC), Threshold Temperature for SCC and Temperature Limit for Pitting Resistance.

### Prediction and Assessment of Corrosion Under Fireproofing (CUF)

The CUF module is for the prediction and assessment of corrosion under fireproofing. CUI-Compass models the effects of the following 6 parameters on the likelihood and risk of corrosion under fireproofing (CUF):

- (1) Temperature
- (2) Coating condition and age
- (3) Fireproofing condition
- (4) Potential for water ingress
- (5) External environment
- (6) Materials type

Users of CUI-Compass simply select the parameters from the dropdown list (Figure 4). CUI-Compass makes an overall assessment of the contributing factors to corrosion under fireproofing (CUF) and computes the CUF likelihood rating and CUF risk ranking in compliance with the latest edition of API RP 583. The CUF likelihood rating and the CUF risk ranking can be used in Risk-Based Inspection (RBI) assessment (API 580, API 581) and Fitness-For-Service Assessments (API 579-1 / ASME FFS-1).

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CUF Assessment

Equipment Location/ID	Vessel ABC at XYZ
Operating Temperature	140°F to 250°F (60°C to 121°C) ▼
Coating/Age	General coating 8 to 15 years ▼
Fireproofing Condition	Average condition with cracking evident ▼
Potential for Water Ingress	Design allows for water ingress/travel from above ▼
External Environment	Coastal and marine, cooling tower overspray, or external water so ▼
Material Type	Calcium silicate ▼
API 583 CUF Likelihood Rating	E
CUF Risk Ranking	Very High Risk

Figure 4 CUI-Compass Predicts the CUF Likelihood Rating and CUF Risk Ranking.

The powerful applications of CUI-Compass are truly unlimited in engineering design, CUI-CUF prediction and risk assessment, materials selection, RBI inspection and RBI assessment, troubleshooting process-related issues and failure analysis of components and systems.

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