Characterization of yeast extract co-product bioethanol from empty palm oil bunch

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Abstract. One of the potential co-product of the manufacture of bioethanol made from oil palm empty fruit bunches are yeasts, which have antioxidant activity. Source of antioxidants can be obtained from vitamins and enzymes. In the characterization study of the antioxidant properties of yeast extract refers to a method performed by Xiong, by varying solvent and extraction time using hot water and ethanol 25%. From the variation of time and solvent extraction will be tested with the GSH content of alloxan method, to obtain the maximum concentration. The results show the isolation of amino acids with a hot solvent, at 15 minutes is better. These results are then carried out the characterization of amino acids with LCMS methods. An amino acid which has antioxidant activity is methionine, using the solvent water and tested methods of abortion LCMS and 3402.91 ppm ethanol with LCMS method implies 4137.002 ppm. Characterization of amino acids can then be used as a source of raw materials economic cosmetics worth selling.

1 Introduction

The use of local isolate of microorganisms that play roles in the fermentation of sugars to ethanol, such as Saccharomyces cerevisiae, which is thermostolerant and ethanol tolerant, are expected could reduce production cost and could solve one of the problems in SSF by providing fermentation microorganisms that are more tolerant to heat and ethanol [1].

Indonesia has produced Empty Fruit Bunch (EFB) waste around 32 million tons per year from wide palm oil plantation [2]. Usually, EFB use for animal feed, while EFB is a potential material for bioethanol synthesis that in a pilot plant production of anhydrous ethanol using oil palm empty fruit bunch [3]. The bioconversion of oil palm empty fruit bunches to bioethanol was set up as a pilot scale unit for development and testing of a process for ethanol production based on enzymatic saccharification. The saccharification using local strains Saccharomyces cerevisiae, at 32°C for 48 h [4]. Formation of ethanol from raw material oil palm empty fruit bunches also produces co-product of bioethanol, Glutathione (GSH), that has a potential activity for the human body as antioxidants. Glutathione (GSH) resulting from intracellular derived from the yeast Saccharomyces cerevisiae was developed in the pharmaceutical and cosmetic industries [5].

The human body has some antioxidant defenses, such as superoxide dismutase (SOD) and glutathione reductase (GSH) which seemed very important. GSH captures free radicals and turns it into GSSG or GSSCy (mixed disulfide with cysteine) and then reduced back to GSH by the enzymatic activity of the GR. GSH protects cells from oxidative stress [6]. Antioxidants help stop the destruction of cells by providing electrons to the free radicals that antioxidants play a role in preventing degenerative diseases [7].

To follow up on this success, we need to study the process of isolation of yeast extract GSH is to get the maximum concentration [8]. In this research, yeast extract extraction will be done with a variety of solvents and extraction time. The isolation process is done with mass 5 g of yeast extract in 100 mL of solvent. Solvents used hot-water and 25% ethanol and then tested with samples of alloxan on solvent conditions and the best extraction time. The aim of this research to characterize the amino acids from yeast extract co-product bioethanol from empty palm oil bunch that have antioxidant activity. Amino acids analyzer were calculated using methods LCMS.

2 Material and Methods

2.1 Materials

Yeast extract Saccharomyces cerevisiae, KH₂PO₄-K₂HPO₄ buffer solution pH 7,6 (Merck), alloxan (Sigma-Aldrich), HCL solution (Merck), 0,1 M glycine solution (Merck), standard GSH-reduced form (Wako).
2.2 Extraction yeast extract *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

*Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast extract is obtained from the fermentation of empty palm oil bunch to produce ethanol for 72 hours in LIPI Serpong [4]. Then extraction of the yeast is done by using a beaker glass container and stirred with solvent variations in batch and triple. The extraction process is done with mass 5 g of yeast extract in 100 mL of solvent. The solvent used is a hot-water temperature of 95 °C and with a sampling time of each 3,6,9,12, and 15 min and 25% ethanol at room temperature and sampling time 30,60,90,120, and 150 minutes. Centrifuge with 4500/rpm for 10 minutes and the supernatant was obtained. The supernatant is then dried by freeze-drying and solids obtained as 1.9972 g.

2.3 Antioxidant test (GSH)

Testing is done by using alloxan [9]. The supernatant of each sample was taken one mL, put in a test tube, added 3.5 mL of buffer solution KH2PO4-K2HPO4, 0.5 ml glycine solution and one mL of alloxan and reaction occurred for 20 minutes. Absorbance was measured using UV spectrophotometry at a wavelength of 302 nm.

2.4 Amino Acid characterization

Samples with hot-water 95°C solvent at 15 minutes and 25% ethanol at room temperature with a time of 150 minutes using LCMS methods. The tools used water Alliance 2695 HPLC Pump Gradient Timetable, X-terra column C8 3.5 lm, eluent used methanol, water, water + 0.1 HFBA and water + 0.1 acetonitrile MFBA. Velocity in the column of 0.150 (ml/min) to perform test contained amino acids.

3 Results and Discussion

3.1 Test result antioxidant with water 95°C solvent

The results of measurements of the absorbance values at a wavelength of 302 nm produces the graph in Fig. 1 below. From the figure, it is seen that with the addition of time then the absorbance value is rising. From the results of measuring the maximum absorbance value maks in the 15 minute is 0.338. The best time of the solvent extraction of water that can be used to isolate the antioxidant content in yeast extracts. Solvent water is considered good enough to dissolve the antioxidant content in the form of amino acids.

3.2 Test result antioxidant with ethanol 25% solvent

The results of the measurement of absorbance at 302 nm wavelength shown in Fig. 2. Yeast extraction is done by using ethanol at room temperature conditions. The absorbance values obtained maximum antioxidant content in the 150 minute was 0.2. When compared to Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 absorbance results obtained are not so significant. The second use of this solvent is appropriate to isolate antioxidants contained in the yeast extract production byproduct of bioethanol. Antioxidants in the form of amino acid are soluble in water and other polar solvents, but insoluble in non-polar solvents such as diethyl ether or benzene. Amino acids have a great moment dipole and also less acidic than most of the carboxylic acids, and less able than most of the amine [10]. The calibration curves for both absorbances results from solvent water and ethanol 25% with a standard solution of GSH for 50-200μM concentration variations. Absorbance has optimum value in the range between 0.2 -0.8. From the resulting r² value, i.e. 0.9904. The isolation of antioxidants by extraction by maceration method has been successful for the presence of the antioxidant in yeast extract bioethanol side product of oil palm empty fruit bunches.

3.3 Amino Acid Analysis

The results of amino acid analysis using LC-MS method showed higher levels of the amino acid sample of yeast extract solvent of water and ethanol. The total amino acid content is known and has antioxidant content in the samples is shown in Table 1. Judging from the solvent
used one amino acid levels that act as antioxidants are L-Methionine

The amino acid L-Methionine had higher levels of 28.075 mg/g and 34.698 mg/g. The use of solvents in the extraction has the effect of dissolving ability of amino acids in the sample. The results of the combined detector LCMS MS (mass spectrometer) can be confirmed by the amino acid content of the sample selectively keep solvent used. Mass spectrometry analyzes compounds based on molecular weight and structure of organic compounds. Since each compound generally has a different molecular weight. But from the list for the Methionine amino acids have similar levels.

Table 1. Levels of Amino Acids by LCMS method

| Amino Acid       | yeast extract solvent of water | yeast extract solvent of ethanol |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| L-Alanine        | 445.867                       | 484.598                         |
| L-Arginine       | 129.190                       | 149.223                         |
| L-Aspartic Acid  | 154.730                       | 219.035                         |
| L-Glutamic Acid  | 91.740                        | 118.140                         |
| Glycine          | 241.080                       | 275.857                         |
| L-Histidine      | 91.153                        | 94.877                          |
| L-Isolauric acid | 105.487                       | 105.410                         |
| L-Lysine         | 336.130                       | 271.832                         |
| Methionine       | 28.075                        | 34.698                          |
| L-Phenylalanine  | 66.182                        | 68.467                          |
| L-Proline        | 92.147                        | 124.387                         |
| L-Serin          | 265.607                       | 475.608                         |
| L-Threonine      | 76.538                        | 79.277                          |
| L-Tyrosine       | 82.313                        | 84.400                          |
| L-Valine         | 1195.069                      | 1150.773                        |
| **Total**        | **3402.907**                  | **4137.002**                    |

Methionine is a sulfur-containing amino acid that is essential in the synthesis cannot be inside the living body so must be obtained from food and inorganic sulfur. Oxidation of methionine as a catcher molecules such as \( \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 \) efficient free, hydroxyl radicals, peroxynitrite, chloramine and hypochlorous acid. Methionine residue will act as an endogenous antioxidant, It along with protein susceptibility to oxidation. As a provider of molecular biological functions could be exposed to surface residues methionine very effective as catcher oxidation. There are two surface-exposed methionine residues in interferon or tissue plasminogen three methionine residues. The rate of oxidation of methionine residues in a protein molecule, such as interferon, calmodulin, human parathyroid hormone [11].

4 Conclusion

Extraction solvent by maceration using water at a temperature of 95 °C and 25% ethanol have isolated antioxidants in the extracted yeast side product of bioethanol made from oil palm empty fruit bunches. The total amino acid contained in the water and ethanol sample solvent by LCMS method were 3402.91 ppm and 4137.002 ppm, respectively. Characteristics of amino acids using LC-MS methods provide a more selective compound contained in the till. The amino acid methionine can be used as a reference antioxidant ingredients contained in the by-product of bioethanol to be developed further.

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