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Microbiological and Physicochemical Properties of Mayonnaise Using Biopolymer of Whey Protein-Gelatin-Chitosan during Storage

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Abstract

The aim of this research was to know the effect of Whey protein-gelatin-chitosan biopolymer and storage time on microbiological and physicochemical properties of mayonnaise. The treatment was biopolymer content (0, 1%, 2% and 3% (w/v)) and storage time (0, 2, 4 and 6 weeks). The results showed that the addition of biopolymer gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on emulsion stability, emulsion activity, viscosity, particle size, and total microorganism, however didn’t gave significant effect (P>0.05) on mayonnaise pH. The microscopics showed that biopolymer capable to decreased oil droplet size, however there are enlargement oil droplet during storage. It concluded that biopolymer of whey protein-gelatin-chitosan stabilize microbiological and physicochemical properties of mayonnaise during 4 weeks storage.

Keywords
pH, emulsion stability, emulsion activity, viscosity, microscopic, particle size, and total microorganism.

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Introduction

Biopolymer is a natural polymer which produced using natural polymer monomers, it can be obtained from plants and animals. Biopolymer origin animals are gelatin, whey protein and chitosan. According to Cho et al. (2004), gelatin is one of natural biopolymer derivative protein and derived from collagen which denatured as a result of thermo hydrolysis. Sobral and Habitante (2001) explained that gelatin obtained by means the hydrolysis of collagen and it soluble in water. The use of gelatin in food products is as a stabilizer, in the form of gel, a fastener, a thickener and emulsifier (Hernandez et al., 2009).

Whey protein according to Korhonen (2009) is a globular protein cluster of hydrophobic and sulphhydryl. Biopolymer of gelatin and whey protein mixed through a crosslink process using plants polyphenol containing chatecin. Chatecin is one of the chemical content which is found in plants. The chemical content is readily soluble in water.
Hernandez-balada et al., (2009) explained that the purpose of crosslink addition is stabilization an emulsion and increase viscosity. Previous research conducted by Liang and Xu (2001), that tea catechin capable to stabilize cream because catechin may be act as a crosslink agent. According to Wu et al., (2013), that catechin have ability through interaction with milk protein. Rahayu et al., (2015) noted that whey protein and gelatin crosslinked is capable to raising molecular weights of whey protein and gelatin. Li et al., (2009) explained that crosslink method can be shown with an increase in molecules weight of a biopolymer.

Whey protein and gelatin crosslinked biopolymer need to be added with chitosan to increase biopolymer properties. Chitosan is a natural product obtained from shrimp exoskeletons. Chitosan processed using alkaline deacетilation and potential as a preservative of certain kinds of food (Rhoades and Roller, 2000). Characteristic of chitosan as described by Tamura et al. (2002), that the more acetyl group is missing from the polymer chitin, the more strong interactions between ion and hydrogen bonds and peroxide. Chitosan potential as an antibacterial agent because of an enzyme lysosyme aminopolysachcharide act as delayed microbes growth (Cruz et al., 2012), and as a forming good texture (Tang et al., 2007).

Mayonnaise is food products which have low emulsion stability during storage. Mayonnaise is a vegetable oils emulsion in an acid that stabilized by lecithin, egg yolk lipoprotein that acts as an emulsifier agent (Gaonkar et al., 2010). Mayonnaise emulsion is stable with egg yolk addition as an emulsifier, because lecithin which contained in egg yolk act as emulsifier (Davis and Reeves, 2002). Instability an emulsion resulting in the separation oil and vinegar caused increasing microbes growth of food products (Morhed, 2011).

The benefit of mixing crosslinked gelatin-whey protein biopolymer with chitosan as emulsifier and antimicrobial agent, the biopolymers to be added to mayonnaise for maintaining emulsion stability and inhibit microbial growth of mayonnaise during storage.

Materials and Methods

Material

Gelatin (Gelita NZLTD), Whey protein isolated (Musclefeastindo), Chitosan, NaN₃ (Merck) (to retard spoilage), sodium carbonate, soy bean oil, sodium dedocyl sulfate (Merck), buffer pH 4 and pH 7, acetic acid (Merck), bromphenol blue (Merck), rhodamin, PCA (Oxoid), pepton (Oxoid). The tool used were spectrophotometer, pH meters, Particle Size Analyser (PSA), autoclave, waterbath, incubator, microscope fluorescence, viscometer, test tube.

Methods

Formulated mayonnaise

Formulated mayonnaise shown at Table 1.

Mayonnaise manufacturing (Thaiudom and Kallaya, 2011)

1. Yolks, sugar, salt and water shaken with a mixer at 1150 rpm speed for 5 minutes
2. Add vinegar and mix using mixer at 400 rpm speed for 5 minutes
3. Mixed biopolymer with soy bean oil on a mixer at 1150 rpm speed for 4-5 minutes
4. Step 2 and 3 mixed with a mixer at 1150 rpm speed for 1-5 minutes
5. Finally, added soy bean oils slowly and done mixing with a mixer on 1150-1750 rpm speed for 10 minutes

Preparation of biopolymer of crosslinked gelatin-whey protein and chitosan

Add 1 g chitosan on solution containing 10 ml acetic acid and 30 ml aquadest, stirred at temperature 50°C until homogen. Add chitosan solution to biopolymer of crosslinked gelatin and whey protein crosslink with concentration 10:15 (b/v) at temperature 50°C. The mixture storage for 24 h at room temperature, furthermore at at 4°C for 24 h and returned to room temperature (Thaiudom and Kallaya, 2011).

Emulsion stability and emulsion activity measurement

Emulsion stability index (ESI) defined as the ability of a product to maintain the quality, strength and purity products (El–Kheir et al., 2008). Emulsion stability is a capacity to sustain physical properties or emulsion the material. Emulsion activity index (EAI) was determined as describe by Zheng and Jiang (2014) with a slight modification and emulsion stability index (ESI). The procedure of emulsion stability index (ESI) was sample mixed with soy bean oils at 1 min, then it was mixed thoroughly for 10 s using a vortex mixer with 0.1% SDS diluted 100-fold. After that emulsion were wait at 10 minutes. The resulting dispersion was measured using spectrophotometer (El–Kheir et al., 2008).

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\text{ESI} \, (\%) = \frac{A_{10}}{A_0} \times 100
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Where; \( A_0 = A_{500} \) at time of 0 minutes, \( A_{10} = A_{500} \) at time of 10 minutes

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\text{EAI} \, (\text{m}^2/\text{g}) = \frac{2 \times 2.303 \times A \times DF}{I \times C}
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Viscosity measurement

100 ml of mayonnaise placed in to container sample. Immers the spindle designated in the product specification into the sample to the groove on the spindle shaft. Do not allow air bubbles to be formed. Attach the spindle to the viscometer. The spindle should not touch the bottom or sides of the container and should be centered. Reconfirm that the viscometer is level (Aluko and McIntosh, 2005).

Microscopic observation

Microscopic observation using fluorescent microscope to observe the mayonnaise structure. Add 0.015 g rhodamin B on 10 ml aquadest stirred until homogeneous. Stain 5 g mayonnaise using 100 μL rhodamin B. to test tube until homogeneous (Strauss and Gibson, 2004).

Determination of Microbes

Enumeration of microbes in mayonnaise using pour plate method as total plate count (TPC). Mayonnaise with a serial dilution in sterilized pepton water (0.1%) poured into plates, and allowed PCA to solidify. The plates are then incubated at 37°C for 24 h, to permit microbial reproduction so that colonies develop that can be seen without the aid of a microscope. It is assumed that each bacterial colony arises from an individual cell that has undergone cell division. Therefore, by counting the number of colonies and accounting for the dilution factor, the number of bacteria in the original sample can be determined (Fardiaz, 1993):
colony per ml = (∑ colony per plate) / (1 / fp)
where: ∑ colony per plate: total of colony per plate
fp: dilution

Particle Size Distribution measurement

Drop size distribution was determined by the Horiba LA 500 (Horiba Instrument, Irvine CA) laser diffraction particle size distribution analyzer, 5 g sample added 15 ml aquadest then mixed so homogeneous. The result of the analysis is a volume weight distribution over the size limits of the optical configuration used. The measurement using Particle Size Analyzer (PSA), that the principle of PSA using dynamic light scattering (DLS) (Gaonkar et al., 2010).

pH Measurement

Suwetja (2007) explained that the measurement of pH using pH meters. 10 g sample mixed with 20 ml aquadest during 1 minute, then measured pH using pH meters

Result and Discussion

Emulsion Stability

Whey protein-gelatin-chitosan biopolymer and storage time gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on emulsion stability of mayonnaise as shown at Table 2. Biopolymer addition at 1% and control decreased emulsion stability sharply during storage from 81.94 to 33.70 and 71.87 to 23.50 respectively, decreased gradually at 2% treatment from 91.94 to 56.89 and stabilize enough at 3% treatment from 98.91 to 71.42.

Higher emulsion stability of mayonnaise may be due to interaction between biopolymer component with fat or oil in mayonnaise. Whey protein and gelatin crosslinked may be more adsorbed on the surface of mayonnaise oil droplets, both of protein are emulsion forming and stabilizing agent, whereas chitosan as a polysaccharide used as thickening and water holding agents (Dickinson, 1992).

Polysaccharides have capacity to bind and immobilize a large amount of water stabilizing the emulsion (Koocheki, Kadkhodaee, Mortazavi, Shahidi, & Taherian, 2009) and reduce repulsion force between oil droplet thus affect the stability of an emulsion.

Lower emulsion stability of mayonnaise during storage may be due to decreasing of mayonnaise pH, acidification of aqueous phase of mayonnaise caused destabilization of electrostatic interaction between protein thereby decreasing the emulsion stability of mayonnaise.

Emulsion activity

Whey protein-gelatin-chitosan biopolymer and storage time gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on emulsion activity of mayonnaise as shown at Table 2. Biopolymer stabilize emulsion activity during storage, however the biopolymer treatment at 3% gave higher emulsion activity of mayonnaise. Emulsion activity of mayonnaise using biopolymer at 0%, 1%, 2% and 3% gave emulsion activity 72.95, 75.65, 78.63, 82.62 m²/g respectively

The enhancement of emulsion activity may be act the crosslinked biopolymer as an emulsifier, according to Rahayu et al (2015), that whey protein and gelatin crosslinked capable to increasing emulsion activity. The higher concentration of biopolymer, the higher emulsion activity of mayonnaise
Viscosity

Whey protein-gelatin-chitosan biopolymer and storage time gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on viscosity of mayonnaise as shown at Table 2. Biopolymer addition gave higher viscosity of mayonnaise than control, higher biopolymer gave higher viscosity of mayonnaise.

Biopolymer addition increased mayonnaise viscosity, however mayonnaise viscosity decreased during storage for all treatment. Increasing viscosity due to whey protein and gelatin crosslinked and chitosan contained in biopolymer have high capacity to bind free water and act as a stabilizer caused inhibition of continuous phase mobility.

Decreasing mayonnaise viscosity during storage attributed with decreasing mayonnaise pH, longer storage caused decreasing pH. Decreasing pH caused lowering water binding capacity of protein contained within biopolymer, at lower pH protein neutralized by acid and aggregate formed. Aggregate forming as an indicator increasing intermolecular interaction between protein, and decreasing water binding of protein. Decreasing viscosity during storage may be due to mayonnaise structure as shown at Fig 1. Prolonging mayonnaise storage produced bigger oil droplet, this result may be attributed with lowering emulsion stability during storage.

pH

Whey protein-gelatin-chitosan biopolymer and storage time didn’t gave significant effect (P>0.05) on mayonnaise pH as shown at Table 2, however biopolymer addition decreased gradually mayonnaise pH during storage. Decreasing mayonnaise pH attributed with microbial growth during storage, increasing microbial growth in mayonnaise produced more organic acid. Higher organic acid content in mayonnaise decreased mayonnaise pH, decreasing pH caused some physical properties changes of mayonnaise.

Microscopics

Figure 1 shown the microstructure of mayonnaise with biopolymer addition during storage. Fig 1 showed that biopolymer addition produced small oil droplet than control, the more biopolymer addition, the more small oil droplet formed in mayonnaise. Storage time affect oil droplet size, prolonging storage time of mayonnaise produced bigger oil droplet.

Smaller oil droplet of mayonnaise that using biopolymer indicated that whey protein and gelatin crosslinked in biopolymer act as emulsifier agent, both of the protein may be absorbed on the surface of oil droplet caused increasing opposite force between oil droplet and decreasing surface tension of oil droplet in mayonnaise. Chitosan in biopolymer more act as stabilizer the emulsion that formed by whey protein and gelatin. Chitosan have high capacity to bind water surrounded oil droplet, this result caused viscosity increasing.

Increasing oil droplet size in mayonnaise during storage may be due to decreasing emulsion stability. Microbial growth of mayonnaise during storage increased, this result caused decreasing mayonnaise pH due to organic acid produced by microba.

Decreasing pH of mayonnaise caused decreasing capability of biopolymer on emulsion stability, because at lower pH caused aggregate forming of whey protein and gelatin.
Table 1: Formulation of mayonnaise

| Materials (%) | P0 | P1 | P2 | P3 |
|---------------|----|----|----|----|
| Soy bean oil  | 81.82 | 81.82 | 81.82 | 81.82 |
| Yolk          | 5.46 | 5.46 | 5.46 | 5.46 |
| Apple vinegar | 5.46 | 5.46 | 5.46 | 5.46 |
| Water         | 5.46 | 4.46 | 4.26 | 3.26 |
| Sugar         | 0.9  | 0.9  | 0.9  | 0.9  |
| Salt          | 0.9  | 0.9  | 0.9  | 0.9  |
| Biopolymer    | 0    | 1    | 2    | 3    |

Table 2: Physical properties of mayonnaise

| Biopolymer (%) | 0 (control) | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|----------------|-------------|---|---|---|
| Storage (weeks)| 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Emulsion stability | 71.8 | 51.5 | 33.7 | 23.5 |
| Emulsion activity   | 72.9 | 72.5 | 81.6 | 1 |
| Viscosity         | 48.4 | 41.5 | 27.4 | 13.9 |
| pH               | 5.1  | 4.8  | 4.7  | 4.3  |

Table 3: Particles size of mayonnaise

| Biopolymer (%) | 0 (control) | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
|----------------|-------------|---|---|---|---|
| Storage (weeks)| 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Emulsion stability | 106.40 | 110.06 | 112.58 | 115.29 |
| Emulsion activity   | 95.82 | 108.09 | 109.58 | 110.53 |
| Viscosity         | 82.90 | 83.36 | 100.16 | 102.72 |
| pH               | 38.66 | 68.45 | 92.11 | 95.82 |

Table 4: Total microbe of mayonnaise during storage (log CFU/ml/g)

| Biopolymer (%) | 0 (control) | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
|----------------|-------------|---|---|---|---|
| Storage (weeks)| 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| Emulsion stability | 3.64 | 5.82 | 6.63 | 7.47 |
| Emulsion activity   | 2.92 | 4.93 | 5.24 | 6.15 |
| Viscosity         | 2.26 | 4.34 | 5.10 | 6.66 |
| pH               | 2.21 | 2.25 | 2.46 | 5.58 |
**Fig. 1** Microscopic of mayonnaise contained biopolymer during storage.

![Microscopic images](image)

- a. Fresh mayonnaise (control)
- b. Fresh mayonnaise, 1% biopolymer
- c. Fresh mayonnaise, 2% biopolymer
- d. Fresh mayonnaise, 3% biopolymer
- e. Storage mayonnaise, (control)
- f. Storage mayonnaise, 1% biopolymer
- g. Storage mayonnaise, 2% biopolymer
- h. Storage mayonnaise, 3% biopolymer

**Fig. 2** Particle size of mayonnaise

![Particle size chart](image)

**Particles size**

The result of analysis of varian showed that biopolymer addition and storage time gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on particles size of mayonnaise as shown at Table 3 and Fig 2. Biopolymer of whey protein and gelatin crosslink and chitosan act as emulsifier and stabilizer agent in mayonnaise, the higher addition of biopolymer, the smaller particle size of mayonnaise. This result indicated that there are some intensive interaction between biopolymer and mayonnaise component. These interactions prevent enlargement aggregate and ion droplet forming in mayonnaise. However, Its ability to maintain small aggregate during storage was decreased. This result may be attributed with pH changes and increasing microbial growth during storage of mayonnaise. Decreasing pH caused decreasing ability of biopolymer to prevent enlargement of mayonnaise particle size during storage.
Total microbe

The result of analysis ANOVA showed that biopolymer addition and storage time gave highly significant effect (P<0.01) on total of microbe in mayonnaise as shown at Table 4. The higher biopolymer addition, the higher antimicrobial activity of biopolymer to retard microbial growth during storage of mayonnaise, prolonging storage of mayonnaise increased microbial growth of mayonnaise.

Antimicrobial activity of the biopolymer attributed with antimicrobial properties of chitosan, it is a positive charge polycationic that capable to inhibit bacteria and mold growth (Chaïyakosha et al., 2007), positive charge of amino acid in chitosan capable to interacted with negative charge at microbial cell membrane caused destroying lipoprotein layer and intracellular material, chitosan as oligomer capable to penetrate in intracellular to inhibit transformation from DNA to RNA and inhibition nutrient transport via cell wall protection (Killay, 2013; Pereda, 2011).

It concluded that biopolymer of whey protein-gelatin-chitosan capable to stabilize emulsion stability and emulsion index, increased viscosity, decreased particle size, oil droplet size and microbial growth in mayonnaise during storage. Biopolymer addition at 3% gave better physical and microbial properties of mayonnaise.

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