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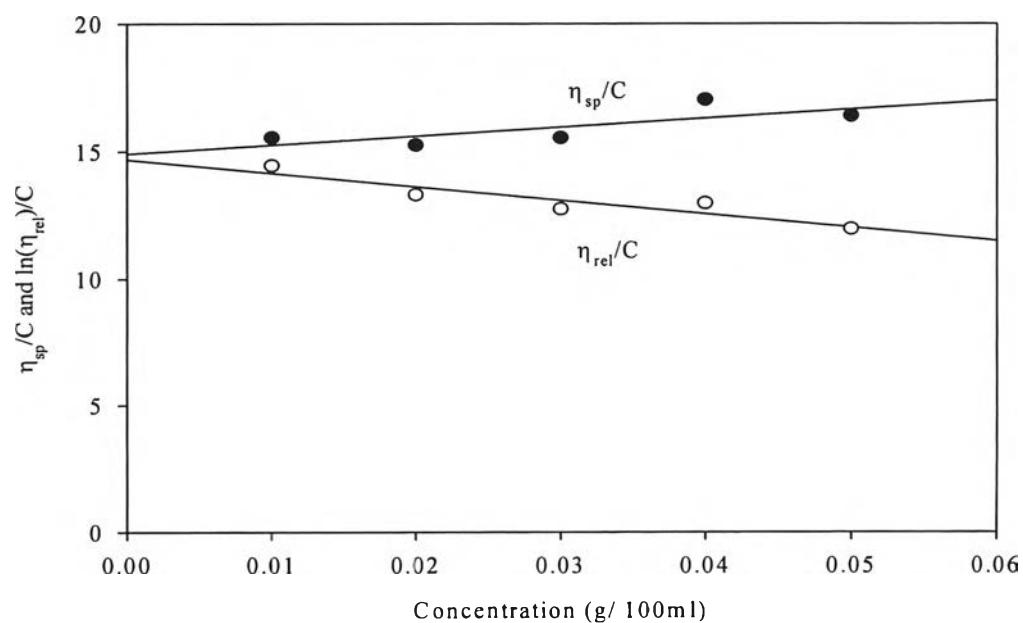
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## APPENDICES

### Appendix A Characterization of Chitin

**Table A1** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitin

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	352.00	406.69	459.10	516.08	581.02	640.17
X2	352.00	406.57	459.36	516.17	597.09	640.03
X3	352.00	406.93	459.78	516.04	597.02	641.71
Average	352.00	406.73	459.41	516.10	591.74	640.64
$\eta_{rel}$		1.1555	1.3052	1.4662	1.6811	1.9120
$\eta_{sp}$		0.1555	0.3052	0.4662	0.6811	0.9120
$\eta_{sp}/C$		15.55	15.26	15.54	17.03	16.40
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$		14.45	13.32	12.76	12.99	11.98



**Figure A1**  $\eta_{sp}/C$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitin solution.

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitin was determined based on Mark-Houwink equation. The K and a values were according to Lee *et al.*, (1974).

$$[\eta] = 8.93 \times 10^{-4} M^{0.71}$$

Where  $[\eta]$  = intrinsic viscosity

M = Viscosity-average molecular weight

Interception:  $[\eta] = 14.80$

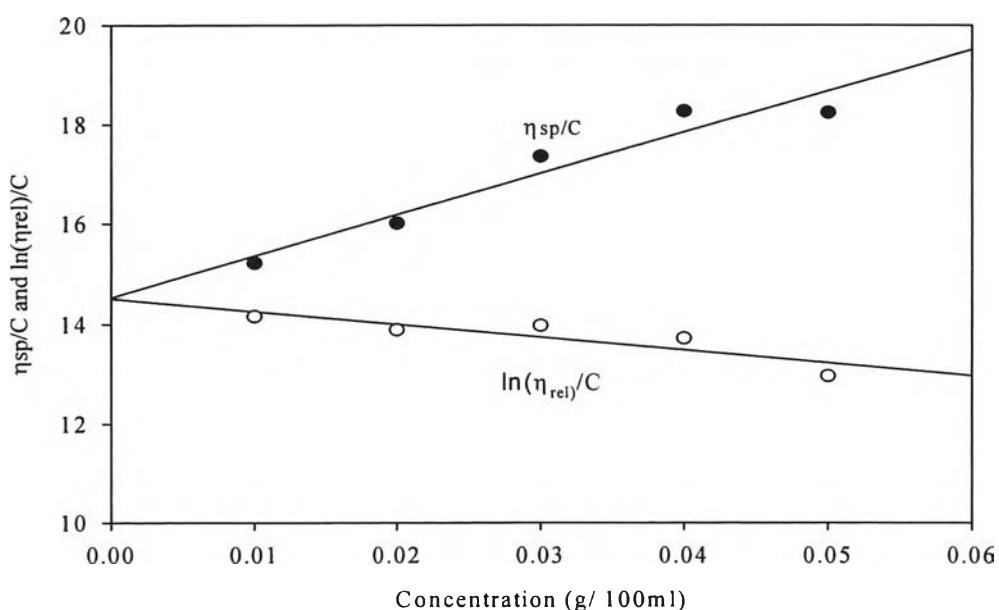
From calculation;  $M = 8.71 \times 10^5$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitin obtained from calculation was  $8.71 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

## Appendix B Characterization of Chitosan

**Table B1** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 1)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	214.90	247.28	283.68	326.18	371.32	570.72
X2	214.31	247.25	283.31	326.44	371.47	570.25
X3	241.72	247.31	283.09	326.62	371.72	570.81
Average	241.64	247.28	283.36	326.41	371.50	570.59
$\eta_{rel}$	1.1521	1.3202	1.5207	1.7308	1.9120	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.1521	0.3202	0.5207	0.7308	0.9120	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	15.21	16.01	17.36	18.27	18.24	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	14.16	13.89	13.97	13.71	12.96	



**Figure B1**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (I) solution (treatment 1).

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan was determined based on Mark-Houwink equation. The K and a values were according to Lee *et al.*, (1974).

$$[\eta] = 7.92 \times 10^{-5} M^1$$

Where  $[\eta]$  = intrinsic viscosity

$M$  = Viscosity-average molecular weight

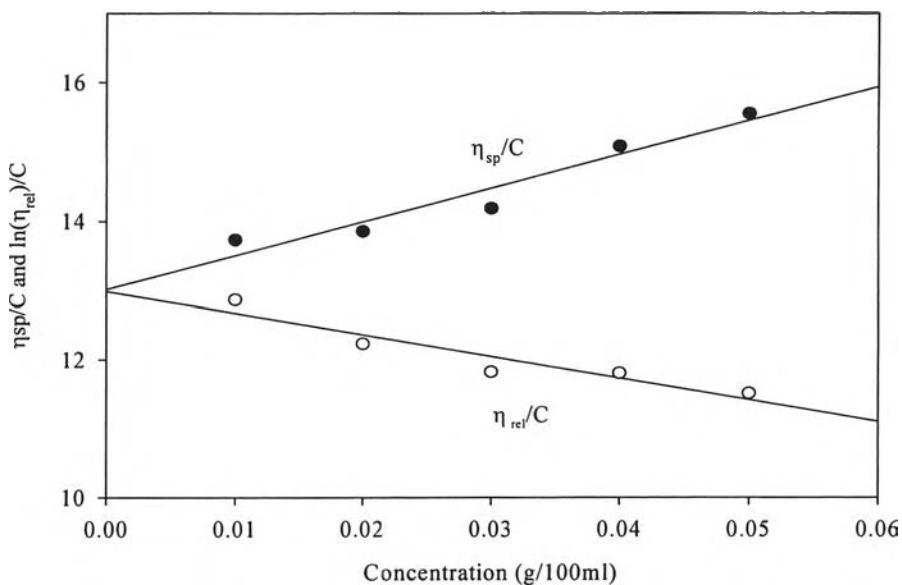
Interception:  $[\eta] = 14.51$

From calculation;  $M = 1.83 \times 10^5$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 1) obtained from calculation was  $1.83 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

**Table B2** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 2)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	213.19	242.91	272.91	304.25	342.03	379.35
X2	213.81	242.72	272.47	304.06	342.22	379.39
X3	213.13	242.41	272.13	304.28	342.08	379.25
Average	213.38	242.68	272.50	304.20	342.11	379.33
$\eta_{rel}$	1.1373	1.2771	1.4256	1.6033	1.7777	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.1373	0.2771	0.4256	0.6033	0.7777	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	13.73	13.85	14.19	15.08	15.55	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	12.87	12.23	11.82	11.80	11.51	



**Figure B2**  $\eta_{sp}/C$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (I) solution (treatment 2).

Interception:  $[\eta] = 13.00$

From calculation;  $M = 1.64 \times 10^5$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 2) obtained from calculation was  $1.64 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

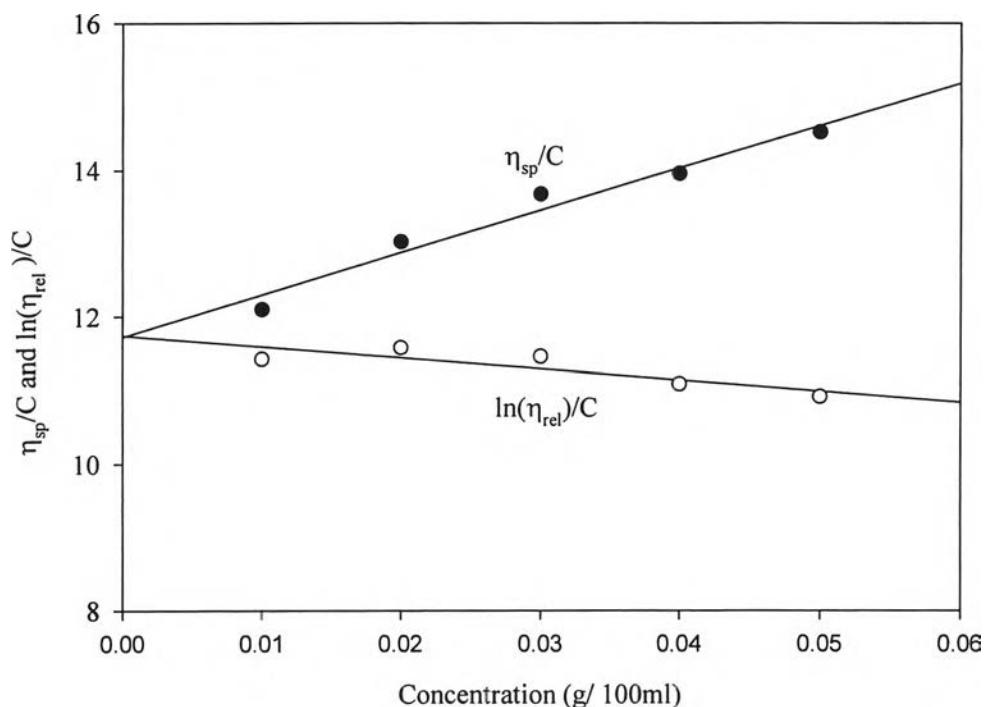
**Table B3** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 3)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	215.59	241.22	271.59	303.53	335.53	371.60
X2	215.18	241.38	271.06	303.46	335.13	371.72
X3	215.16	241.47	271.50	303.82	335.75	371.50
Average	215.31	241.36	271.38	303.60	335.47	371.61
$\eta_{rel}$		1.1210	1.2604	1.4101	1.5581	1.7259

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Table B3 (Continued)

	Conc.(g/100 ml)				
	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
$\eta_{sp}$	0.1210	0.2604	0.4101	0.5581	0.7259
$\eta_{sp}/C$	12.10	13.02	13.67	13.95	14.52
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	11.42	11.57	11.45	11.08	11.92



**Figure B3**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (I) solution (treatment 3).

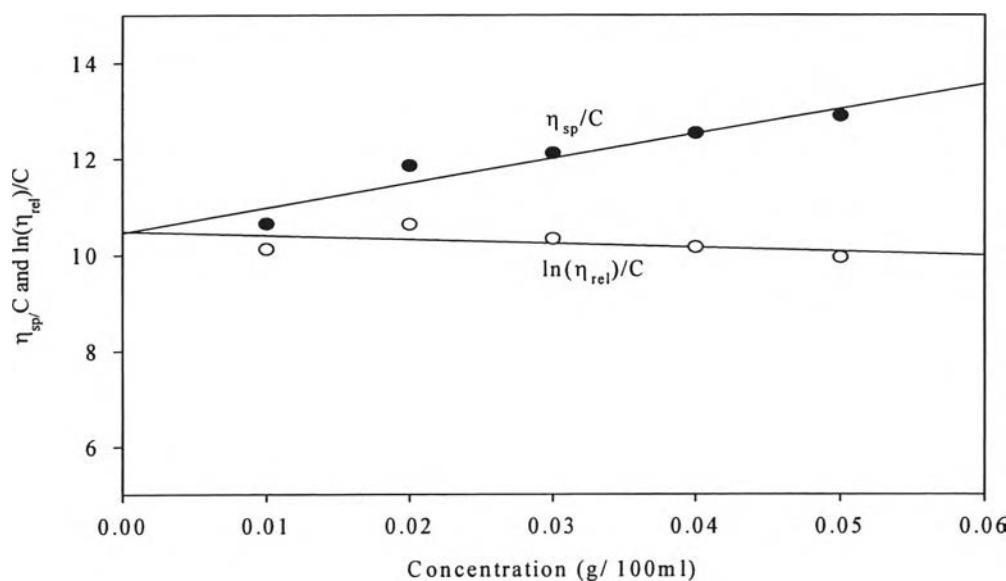
Interception:  $[\eta] = 11.73$

From calculation;  $M = 1.61 \times 10^5$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (treatment 3) obtained from calculation was  $1.61 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

**Table B4** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (treatment 4)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	215.06	238.50	266.15	293.47	323.06	355.35
X2	215.69	238.03	266.03	293.53	323.07	355.59
X3	215.16	238.16	266.84	293.67	323.53	355.31
Average	215.30	238.23	266.34	293.56	323.22	354.08
$\eta_{rel}$	1.1065	1.2371	1.3635	1.5013	1.6447	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.1065	0.2371	0.3635	0.5013	0.6447	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	10.65	11.85	12.11	12.53	12.89	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	10.12	10.63	10.33	10.16	9.95	

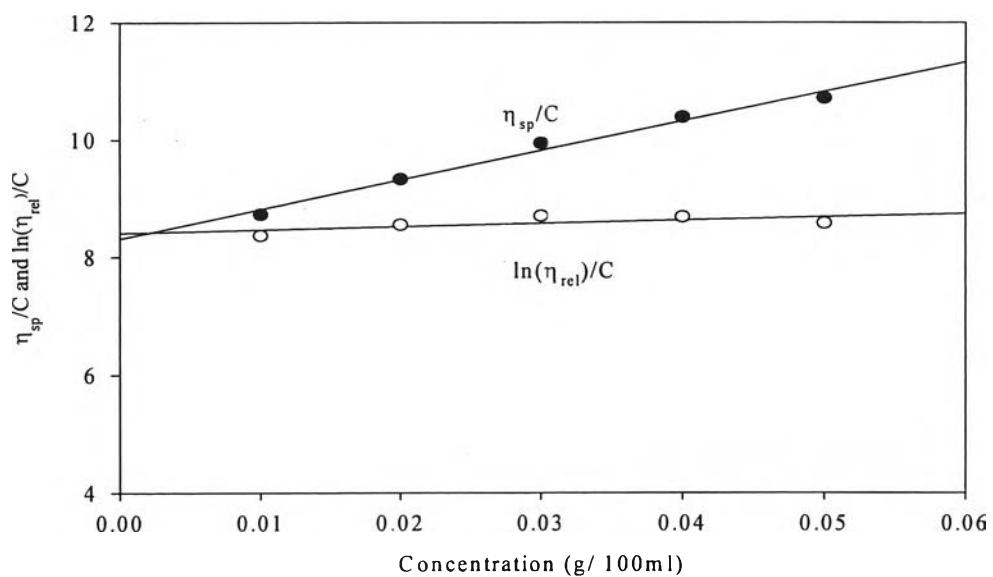
**Figure B4**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (I) solution (treatment 4).Interception:  $[\eta] = 10.46$ From calculation;  $M = 1.32 \times 10^5$ 

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 4) obtained from calculation was  $1.32 \times 10^5$  g/mol.



**Table B5** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 5)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	215.06	234.09	255.18	279.66	304.56	330.88
X2	215.69	234.03	255.82	279.81	304.91	330.59
X3	215.16	234.15	255.38	279.09	304.72	330.30
Average	215.30	234.09	255.46	279.52	304.73	330.59
$\eta_{rel}$	1.0872	1.1865	1.2983	1.4154	1.5355	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.0872	0.1865	0.2983	0.4154	0.5355	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	8.73	9.33	9.94	10.38	10.71	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	8.37	8.55	8.70	8.68	8.57	



**Figure B5**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (I) solution (treatment 5).

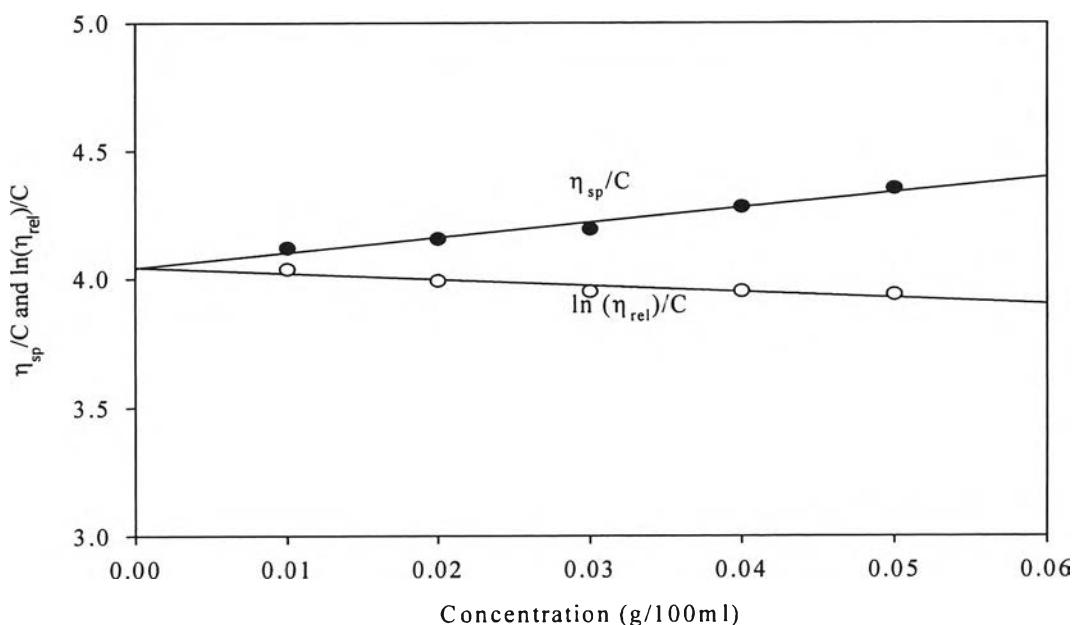
Interception:  $[\eta] = 8.36$

From calculation;  $M = 1.06 \times 10^5$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (I) (treatment 5) obtained from calculation was  $1.06 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

**Table B6** Viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (II)

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	237.91	247.00	257.43	267.85	278.35	289.80
X2	237.78	247.74	257.44	267.88	278.23	289.47
X3	237.48	247.79	257.54	267.12	278.68	289.08
Average	237.72	247.51	257.47	267.62	278.42	289.45
$\eta_{rel}$	1.0412	1.0831	1.1258	1.1712	1.2177	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.0412	0.0831	0.1258	0.1712	0.2177	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	4.12	4.15	4.19	4.28	4.35	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	4.03	3.99	3.95	3.95	3.93	

**Figure B6**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of chitosan (II) solution.

$$\text{Interception: } [\eta] = 4.04$$

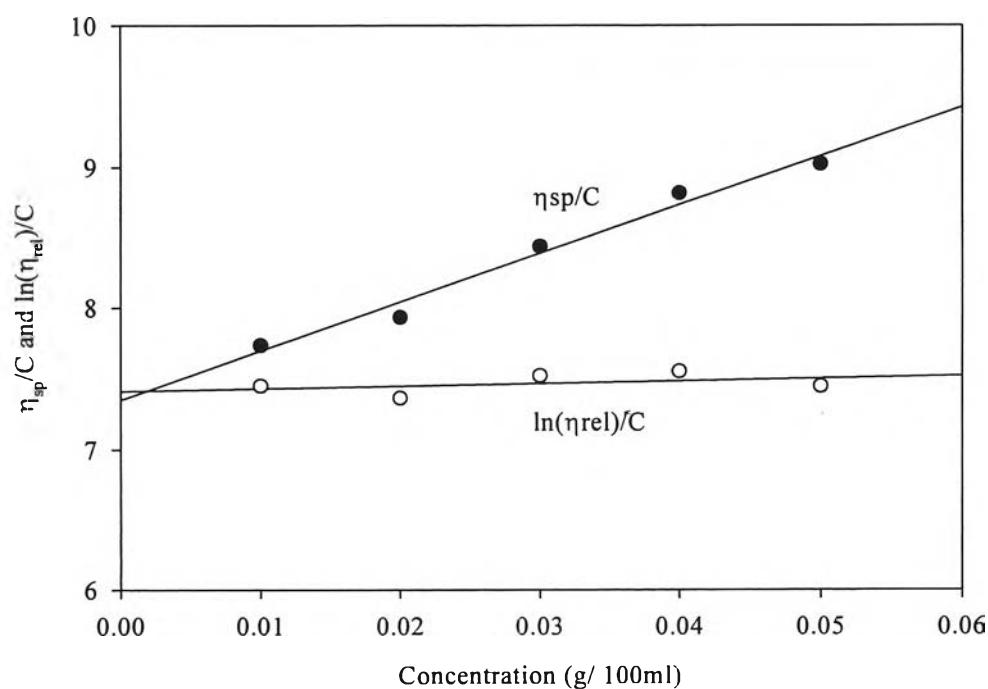
$$\text{From calculation: } M = 5.54 \times 10^5$$

The viscosity-average molecular weight of chitosan (II) obtained from calculation was  $5.54 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

### Appendix C Characterization of CM-chitin

**Table C1** Viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitin

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	228.28	246.10	264.72	286.22	309.10	331.65
X2	228.98	246.06	264.62	286.28	309.00	331.59
X3	228.15	246.25	264.81	286.38	309.00	331.35
Average	228.47	246.14	264.72	286.29	309.03	331.53
$\eta_{rel}$	1.0773	1.1587	1.2531	1.3526	1.4511	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.0773	0.1587	0.2531	0.3526	0.4511	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	7.73	7.93	8.44	8.82	9.02	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	7.45	7.36	7.52	7.55	7.45	



**Figure C1**  $\eta_{sp}/c$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of CM-chitin solution.

The viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitin was determined based on Mark-Houwink equation. The K and a values were according to Kaneko *et al.*, (1982).

$$[\eta] = 7.92 \times 10^{-5} M^1$$

Where  $[\eta]$  = intrinsic viscosity

M = Viscosity-average molecular weight

Interception:  $[\eta] = 7.38$

From calculation;  $M = 9.32 \times 10^5$

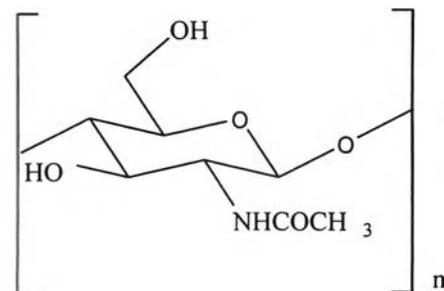
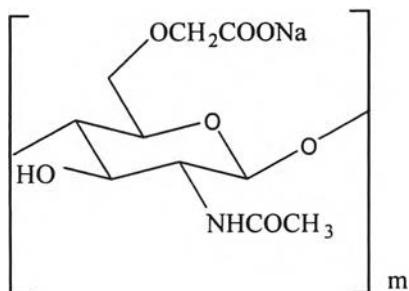
The viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitin obtained from calculation was  $9.32 \times 10^5$  g/mol.

**Table C2** Degree of substitution of CM-chitin from elemental analysis

Experimental values

	%C	%H	%N
1	37.892	5.878	5.496
2	37.809	6.289	5.474
Average	37.851	5.881	5.485

Calculation of Degree of Substitution of CM-chitin



$$\text{MW} = \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_7\text{NNa} = 283$$

$$\text{MW} = \text{C}_8\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_5\text{N} = 203$$

$$283m + 203n = 9.32 \times 10^4 \quad \text{---(1)}$$

From EA,

$$\%C = 37.851$$

$$\%H = 5.881$$

$$\%N = 5.485$$

We can find that in CM-chitin structure has N.

$$\text{That: } N = \frac{9.32 \times 10^4 \times 5.485}{100} = 5112.02$$

Thus,

$$14m + 14n = 5112.02 \quad \text{---(2)}$$

Divide (2) by 14

$$m + n = 365.144$$

$$m = 365.144 - n \quad \text{---(3)}$$

$$\text{Replace (3) in (1), } 283(365.144) - 283n + 203n = 9.32 \times 10^4$$

$$80n = 10135.75$$

$$n = 126.67$$

$$m = 238.45$$

$$\text{Therefore, fraction } m = 238.45/365.144 = 0.65$$

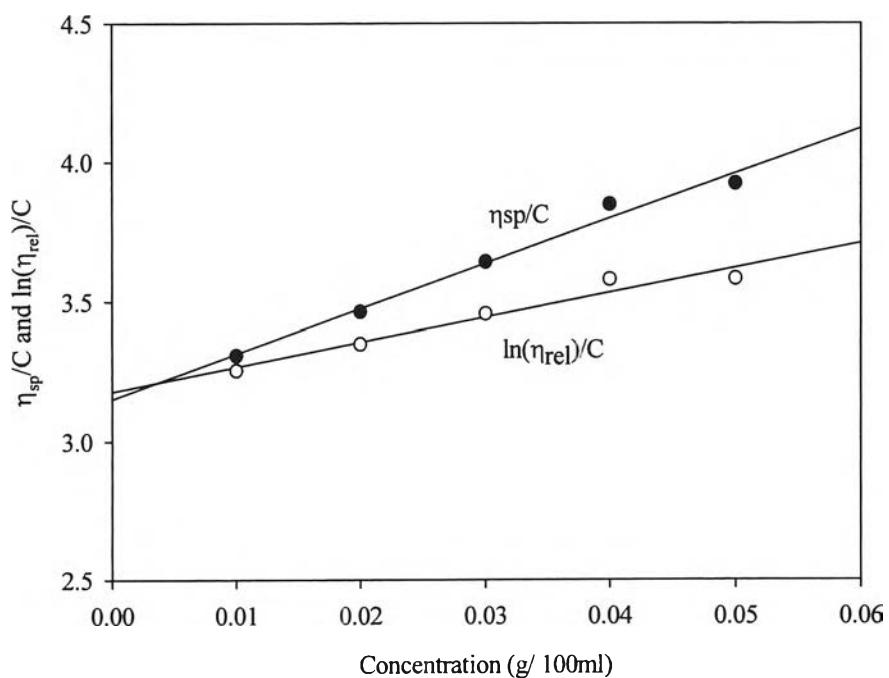
$$n = 126.67/365.144 = 0.35$$

The degree of carboxymethylation was estimated to be 0.65.

## Appendix D Characterization of CM-chitosan

**Table D1** Viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitosan

Time (sec)	Conc.(g/100 ml)					
	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05
X1	228.10	236.10	244.16	253.44	263.53	273.00
X2	228.28	236.11	244.37	253.23	263.06	273.23
X3	228.69	235.53	244.00	253.25	263.92	273.19
Average	228.36	235.91	244.18	253.31	263.50	273.14
$\eta_{rel}$	1.0331	1.0693	1.1092	1.1539	1.1961	
$\eta_{sp}$	0.0331	0.0693	0.1092	0.1539	0.1961	
$\eta_{sp}/C$	3.31	3.46	3.64	3.84	3.92	
$\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$	3.25	3.35	3.46	3.58	3.58	



**Figure D1**  $\eta_{sp}/C$  and  $\ln(\eta_{rel})/C$  against concentration of CM-chitosan solution.

The viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitin was determined based on Mark-Houwink equation. The K and a values were according to Kaneko *et al.*, (1982).

$$[\eta] = 7.92 \times 10^{-5} M^1$$

Where  $[\eta]$  = intrinsic viscosity

M = Viscosity-average molecular weight

Interception:  $[\eta] = 3.17$

From calculation;  $M = 4 \times 10^4$

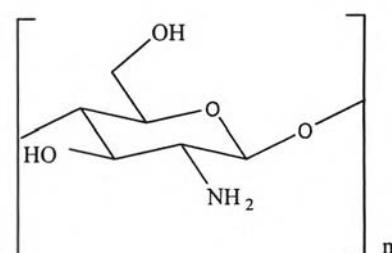
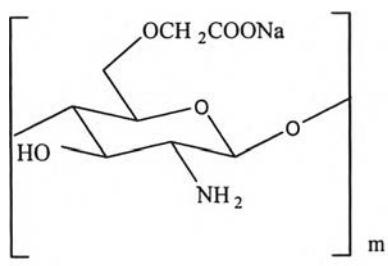
The viscosity-average molecular weight of CM-chitosan obtained from calculation was  $4 \times 10^4$  g/mol.

**Table D2** Degree of substitution of CM-chitosan from elemental analysis

Experimental values

	%C	%H	%N
1	36.069	5.902	5.956
2	37.074	5.760	5.974
Average	37.072	5.831	5.965

Calculation of Degree of Substitution of CM-chitosan



$$\text{MW} = \text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6\text{NNa} = 241$$

$$\text{MW} = \text{C}_6\text{H}_{11}\text{O}_4\text{N} = 161$$

$$241m + 161n = 3.997 \times 10^4 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

From EA, %C = 37.072

$$\%H = 5.831$$

$$\%N = 5.965$$

We can find that in CM-chitin structure has N.

$$\text{That: } N = \frac{3.997 \times 10^4 \times 5.965}{100} = 2384.21$$

$$\text{Thus, } 14m + 14n = 2384.21 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{Divide (2) by 14} \quad m + n = 170.301$$

$$m = 170.301 - n \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\text{Replace (3) in (1), } 241(170.301) - 241n + 161n = 3.997 \times 10^4$$

$$80n = 1072.54$$

$$n = 13.41$$

$$m = 156.89$$

$$\text{Therefore, fraction } m = 156.89/170.30 = 0.92$$

$$n = 13.41/170.30 = 0.08$$

The degree of carboxymethylation was estimated to be 0.92.

## Appendix E Weight Loss

**Table E1** Weight loss of steamed 6% chitosan (I) scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	17.56	14.94	16.26	16.25	1.31
115	14.18	15.23	13.77	14.39	0.75
121	13.68	14.05	14.11	13.95	0.24

**Table E2** Weight loss of steamed 2.5% chitosan (I) scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	29.16	29.00	29.98	29.37	0.53
115	25.63	24.68	24.47	24.93	0.62
121	18.86	19.27	16.05	18.06	1.75

**Table E3** Weight loss of steamed 2.5% chitosan (II) scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	28.78	29.64	30.33	29.58	0.78
115	24.67	26.75	26.91	26.11	1.25
121	21.17	20.87	18.55	20.20	1.44

**Table E4** Weight loss of steamed 2% CM-chitin scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	33.49	34.18	35.04	34.23	0.78
115	30.77	30.04	31.68	30.83	0.82
121	12.99	12.85	12.32	12.72	0.35

**Table E5** Weight loss of steamed 3% CM-chitosan scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	20.37	20.35	22.54	21.09	1.26
115	16.21	16.01	17.52	16.58	0.82
121	15.04	14.39	14.03	14.49	0.51

**Table E6** Weight loss of steamed 2.5% CM-chitosan scaffold in water

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	24.03	24.22	24.20	24.15	0.11
115	17.88	19.23	19.31	18.80	0.81
121	15.87	14.93	14.14	14.99	0.87

**Table E7** Weight loss of steamed 6% chitosan (I) scaffold in 0.2 M acetic acid

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	13.45	12.88	13.41	13.24	0.32
115	12.77	12.09	11.27	12.04	0.75
121	7.93	7.86	9.48	8.42	0.91

**Table E8** Weight loss of steamed 2.5% chitosan (I) scaffold in 0.2 M acetic acid

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	19.34	20.27	17.84	19.15	1.23
115	14.23	13.99	15.00	14.40	0.53
121	10.83	9.47	11.09	10.46	0.87

**Table E9** Weight loss of steamed 2.5% chitosan (II) scaffold in 0.2 M acetic acid

Temp (°C)	EWC (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
110	17.68	18.34	19.07	18.36	0.70
115	17.42	17.09	16.45	16.99	0.49
121	11.04	10.81	10.09	10.65	0.49

## Appendix F Degree of swelling

**Table F1** Degree of swelling of steamed 6% chitosan (I) scaffold at 110°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	10.85	11.03	11.37	11.09	0.27
5	10.99	11.32	11.57	11.30	0.29
10	11.03	11.44	11.78	11.42	0.37
15	11.15	11.39	11.84	11.46	0.35
20	11.17	11.34	11.89	11.46	0.38
25	11.19	11.37	11.73	11.43	0.27
30	11.07	11.35	11.57	11.33	0.25
35	11.19	11.50	11.72	11.47	0.26
40	11.15	11.28	11.73	11.39	0.30
45	11.13	11.41	11.58	11.37	0.23
50	11.25	11.20	11.78	11.41	0.32
55	11.13	11.54	11.85	11.51	0.36
60	11.17	11.56	11.77	11.50	0.30

**Table F2** Degree of swelling of steamed 6% chitosan (I) scaffold at 115°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	10.10	9.41	9.77	9.76	0.34
5	10.20	9.71	10.51	10.14	0.40
10	10.30	9.98	10.85	10.38	0.44
15	10.35	10.16	10.69	10.40	0.27
20	10.33	9.95	10.81	10.36	0.43
25	10.44	9.83	10.85	10.37	0.52
30	10.53	9.83	10.66	10.34	0.45
35	10.72	10.01	10.73	10.49	0.41
40	10.87	9.80	10.76	10.48	0.59

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Table F2 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
45	10.57	9.94	10.85	10.46	0.47
50	10.71	9.90	10.74	10.45	0.48
55	11.11	10.07	10.84	10.67	0.54
60	10.68	9.99	10.74	10.47	0.42

**Table F3** Degree of swelling of steamed 6% chitosan (I) scaffold at 121°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	9.23	9.32	9.03	9.19	0.15
5	9.61	9.85	9.50	9.66	0.18
10	9.83	9.89	9.61	9.78	0.15
15	9.63	9.90	9.78	9.77	0.14
20	9.59	9.66	9.62	9.62	0.03
25	9.61	9.51	9.64	9.59	0.07
30	9.52	9.46	9.89	9.62	0.24
35	9.54	9.95	9.75	9.75	0.21
40	9.63	9.51	9.65	9.60	0.08
45	9.72	10.07	9.54	9.78	0.27
50	9.34	9.49	9.73	9.52	0.20
55	9.34	9.93	9.45	9.57	0.32
60	9.29	10.28	9.45	9.68	0.53

**Table F4** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (I) scaffold at 110°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	14.00	14.13	13.91	14.01	0.11

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Table F4 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard
	X1	X2	X3		
5	14.57	14.57	14.09	14.41	0.28
10	14.74	14.85	14.12	14.57	0.40
15	14.31	15.09	14.41	14.60	0.43
20	14.76	14.83	14.71	14.77	0.06
25	15.06	15.02	14.46	14.85	0.33
30	15.19	14.82	14.62	14.88	0.29
35	14.47	14.67	15.28	14.81	0.42
40	15.00	15.06	14.32	14.79	0.41
45	14.27	14.32	15.17	14.58	0.51
50	14.72	14.60	14.62	14.65	0.07
55	14.33	15.63	15.23	15.06	0.66
60	15.03	14.73	14.65	14.80	0.20

**Table F5** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (I) scaffold at 115<sup>0</sup>C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	13.74	13.77	13.04	13.52	0.41
5	13.85	13.95	13.99	13.93	0.07
10	14.12	14.19	14.32	14.21	0.10
15	14.03	14.14	14.20	14.12	0.08
20	14.00	14.02	14.52	14.18	0.30
25	14.04	14.14	14.30	14.16	0.13
30	13.71	14.11	14.01	13.94	0.21
35	13.97	14.08	14.42	14.16	0.24
40	13.99	13.84	14.11	13.98	0.14
45	14.13	13.96	13.92	14.00	0.11
50	13.61	14.14	13.85	13.87	0.27
55	14.11	14.10	14.12	14.11	0.01
60	14.08	14.03	14.21	14.11	0.09

**Table F6** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (I) scaffold at 121°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	13.68	13.77	11.70	13.05	1.17
5	12.79	14.68	11.72	13.06	1.50
10	14.00	14.65	11.82	13.49	1.49
15	13.73	14.64	11.95	13.44	1.37
20	13.79	14.48	11.93	13.40	1.32
25	13.82	14.41	11.95	13.39	1.28
30	13.78	14.39	12.04	13.41	1.22
35	13.76	14.69	11.90	13.45	1.42
40	14.02	14.62	11.85	13.50	1.46
45	13.57	14.40	12.02	13.33	1.21
50	13.65	14.36	11.82	13.28	1.31
55	13.63	14.51	11.81	13.32	1.38
60	13.73	14.44	12.04	13.41	1.23

**Table F7** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (II) scaffold at 110°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	16.04	14.75	15.97	15.59	0.73
5	17.08	15.13	17.01	16.41	1.10
10	17.09	15.41	17.02	16.51	0.95
15	17.09	17.18	17.96	17.41	0.48
20	17.11	17.37	17.93	17.47	0.42
25	17.13	17.33	17.92	17.46	0.41
30	17.11	17.78	17.96	17.62	0.45
35	17.13	17.79	17.98	17.63	0.45
40	17.15	17.57	18.01	17.58	0.43
45	17.12	18.39	17.93	17.81	0.64
50	17.29	19.06	17.37	17.91	1.00

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Table F7 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard
	X1	X2	X3		
55	17.31	19.51	17.02	17.95	1.36
60	17.37	19.72	16.89	17.99	1.51

**Table F8** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (II) scaffold at 115°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	15.77	14.09	16.24	15.37	1.13
5	16.01	14.62	16.52	15.72	0.99
10	16.02	14.02	16.56	15.53	1.34
15	16.57	14.29	16.40	15.75	1.27
20	16.83	14.51	16.76	16.03	1.32
25	17.10	14.32	16.38	15.93	1.45
30	16.80	14.33	16.40	15.84	1.33
35	16.90	14.56	16.36	15.94	1.23
40	16.78	14.57	16.38	15.91	1.18
45	16.83	14.37	16.35	15.85	1.30
50	16.93	14.46	16.49	15.96	1.32
55	16.85	14.54	16.50	15.96	1.24
60	16.88	14.27	16.39	15.85	1.39

**Table F9** Degree of swelling of steamed 2.5% chitosan (II) scaffold at 121°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
2	13.94	14.34	13.92	14.07	0.24
5	14.35	14.64	14.38	14.46	0.16
10	14.37	14.66	14.85	14.63	0.24

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Table F9 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard
	X1	X2	X3		
15	14.38	14.68	15.23	14.77	0.43
20	14.32	14.71	15.40	14.81	0.54
25	14.39	15.08	15.19	14.89	0.44
30	14.37	15.02	15.22	14.87	0.44
35	14.38	15.11	15.23	14.91	0.46
40	14.39	14.74	15.37	14.83	0.50
45	14.33	14.62	15.94	14.96	0.86
50	14.35	14.68	15.79	14.94	0.75
55	14.39	14.69	15.38	14.82	0.51
60	14.36	14.72	15.56	14.88	0.61

**Table F10** Degree of swelling of steamed 2% CM-chitin scaffold at 110°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	32.03	31.13	28.62	30.59	1.77
5	32.78	32.08	29.29	31.38	1.85
10	35.34	34.94	30.30	33.53	2.80
15	34.13	35.08	34.07	34.43	0.56
20	35.80	36.58	37.50	36.62	0.85
25	36.08	36.63	36.23	36.31	0.29
30	35.30	36.87	38.98	37.05	1.85
35	38.05	37.13	36.96	37.38	0.59
40	36.48	37.35	40.00	37.94	1.84
45	37.45	36.60	39.49	37.85	1.49
50	36.84	36.87	38.41	37.37	0.89
55	37.39	37.30	37.59	37.43	0.15
60	37.66	37.69	37.49	37.61	0.11

**Table F11** Degree of swelling of steamed 2% CM-chitin scaffold at 115°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	28.63	28.98	27.23	28.28	0.93
5	29.49	29.93	28.33	29.25	0.83
10	30.64	29.54	28.34	29.51	1.15
15	30.18	30.35	29.13	29.89	0.66
20	29.43	32.94	29.06	30.48	2.14
25	30.73	32.11	28.25	30.36	1.96
30	29.63	30.29	31.62	30.51	1.01
35	29.74	33.60	29.20	30.84	2.40
40	29.90	34.11	29.69	31.23	2.49
45	29.18	35.24	31.53	31.98	3.05
50	31.68	31.73	30.70	31.37	0.58
55	31.34	31.38	30.27	31.00	0.63
60	30.26	30.54	32.59	31.13	1.27

**Table F12** Degree of swelling of steamed 2% CM-chitin scaffold at 121°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	23.75	24.14	22.57	23.48	0.82
5	24.56	25.93	23.43	24.64	1.25
10	25.07	25.65	24.23	24.98	0.71
15	24.87	25.96	24.00	24.94	0.98
20	25.09	26.96	24.46	25.50	1.30
25	25.21	26.98	23.18	25.12	1.90
30	25.36	27.39	23.29	25.34	2.05
35	25.85	26.84	24.45	25.71	1.20
40	24.44	27.40	23.70	25.18	1.96
45	25.66	26.41	24.55	25.54	0.93

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Table F12 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard
	X1	X2	X3		
50	24.99	27.46	23.14	25.20	2.17
55	25.36	27.45	24.22	25.68	1.64
60	25.50	26.78	22.96	25.08	1.94

**Table F13** Degree of swelling of steamed 3% CM-chitosan scaffold at 110°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	21.18	20.38	19.21	20.26	0.99
5	22.74	20.83	19.36	20.98	1.70
10	22.42	21.22	21.25	21.63	0.68
15	22.59	21.79	19.02	21.14	1.88
20	22.63	22.18	20.01	21.61	1.40
25	22.33	22.73	20.51	21.86	1.19
30	21.35	22.95	21.59	21.96	0.87
35	20.58	22.09	23.56	22.08	1.49
40	23.17	22.69	20.23	22.03	1.58
45	22.55	22.30	21.84	22.23	0.36
50	22.80	22.44	22.81	22.68	0.21
55	22.84	22.84	20.52	22.07	1.34
60	22.80	22.57	20.98	22.12	0.99

**Table F14** Degree of swelling of steamed 3% CM-chitosan scaffold at 115°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	19.20	20.42	20.21	20.21	0.93
5	18.65	20.77	19.84	19.84	1.08
10	19.70	21.09	20.70	20.70	0.87

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Table F14 (Continued)

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard
	X1	X2	X3		
15	19.43	20.97	20.68	20.68	1.14
20	19.62	20.93	20.65	20.65	0.92
25	20.31	20.69	20.50	20.50	0.19
30	19.63	20.98	20.69	20.69	0.96
35	20.10	20.67	20.93	20.93	0.99
40	19.24	20.86	20.94	20.94	1.74
45	20.02	21.10	21.05	21.05	1.01
50	19.31	20.95	20.87	20.87	1.52
55	19.30	20.67	20.50	20.50	1.12
60	20.59	20.72	20.84	20.84	0.34

**Table F15** Degree of swelling of steamed 3% CM-chitosan scaffold at 121°C for 15 minutes

Time (minutes)	Degree of Swelling (%)			Average	Standard deviation
	X1	X2	X3		
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	17.78	17.93	16.51	17.40	0.78
5	18.63	19.11	16.96	18.23	1.13
10	18.82	19.31	17.68	18.60	0.84
15	18.86	19.36	17.61	18.61	0.90
20	18.63	19.44	17.61	18.56	0.92
25	18.65	19.29	17.97	18.64	0.66
30	18.87	19.37	18.27	18.84	0.55
35	18.63	19.29	18.59	18.84	0.40
40	18.95	19.52	18.38	18.95	0.57
45	18.64	19.72	18.53	18.97	0.66
50	18.97	19.77	18.66	19.13	0.57
55	19.19	19.79	18.71	19.23	0.54
60	19.24	19.63	18.76	19.21	0.43

## Appendix G Mechanical Properties of Scaffolds

**Table G1** Tensile strength of non-steamed scaffolds

Tensile strength (MPa)	Type of polymer scaffolds				
	6% chitosan	2.5% chitosan (I)	2.5% chitosan (II)	2% CM-chitin	3% CM-chitosan
X1	0.22	0.07	0.07	0.14	0.18
X2	0.24	0.09	0.08	0.16	0.20
X3	0.25	0.08	0.07	0.13	0.17
X4	0.23	0.07	0.09	0.15	0.17
X5	0.24	0.09	0.08	0.14	0.15
X6	0.24	0.08	0.07	0.15	0.20
X7	0.25	0.07	0.08	0.15	0.18
X8	0.26	0.07	0.08	0.14	0.17
Average	0.24	0.08	0.08	0.15	0.18
Standard Deviation	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02

**Table G2** Tensile strength of steamed scaffolds at 121°C for 15 minutes

Tensile strength (MPa)	Type of polymer scaffolds		
	6% chitosan	2% CM-chitin	3% CM-chitosan
X1	0.07	0.11	0.09
X2	0.05	0.12	0.09
X3	0.07	0.10	0.07
X4	0.05	0.11	0.07
X5	0.07	0.09	0.08
X6	0.07	0.09	0.07
X7	0.07	0.08	0.07
X8	0.07	0.10	0.06
Average	0.06	0.10	0.07
Standard Deviation	0.01	0.01	0.01



**Table G3** Elongation at break of non-steamed scaffolds

Elongation at break (%)	Type of polymer scaffolds				
	6% chitosan	2.5% chitosan (I)	2.5% chitosan (II)	2% CM- chitin	3% CM- chitosan
X1	15.62	9.71	11.52	12.60	12.64
X2	16.75	8.62	11.13	13.13	14.09
X3	15.15	9.82	13.74	14.85	13.55
X4	16.46	11.50	12.92	12.97	15.48
X5	15.13	7.71	12.91	11.09	12.69
X6	16.83	7.69	11.52	16.00	13.28
X7	16.17	8.45	12.17	12.09	16.00
X8	18.50	9.06	13.02	14.35	15.07
Average	16.33	9.07	12.37	13.39	14.10
Standard Deviation	1.10	1.26	0.92	1.59	1.28

**Table G4** Elongation at break of steamed scaffolds at 121°C for 15 minutes

Elongation at break (%)	Type of polymer scaffolds		
	6% chitosan	2% CM-chitin	3% CM-chitosan
X1	6.31	7.86	5.37
X2	6.83	9.03	5.13
X3	4.74	7.34	3.19
X4	3.26	5.73	3.76
X5	5.86	5.31	2.52
X6	5.08	6.24	2.52
X7	4.29	6.90	3.66
X8	4.72	9.22	3.72
Average	5.14	7.21	3.73
Standard Deviation	1.15	1.44	1.06

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