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研究成果の概要(和文)：グリーン法によるセルロースの取得と籾殻から得られるセルロースを使用した包装材料の製造の2つの主な目的。

最初の目的では、NaOHのグリーン法と弱酸前処理の組み合わせを使用してセルロースを取得し、塩素系法を使用している市販の溶媒と比較しました。グリーン法を使用して得られたセルロースは、塩素化法と比較してサイズが小さかった。セルロースは、包装目的の前にデンプンフィルムの強度と特性を改善するためにデンプンで強化されました。強化セルロース-デンプンマトリックスは、デンプンの機械的特性を向上させ、高い結晶化度と熱特性を実現します。

研究成果の学術的意義や社会的意義

Utilisation of untapped biomass resources by adopting green recovery method for cellulose extraction devoid the use of organic solvents, cheaper in cost and reduce amount of waste generated in the mill. Understanding and mechanisms of extraction process was documented for the scientific community.

研究成果の概要(英文)：The research project stated to achieve two main objective which are to obtain cellulose through green methods and production of packaging materials using cellulose obtained from rice husk.

In the first objective, cellulose was successfully obtained using combination of green methods of NaOH and weak acid pretreatment and compared with the commercial solvent used which is using chlorinated methods. The cellulose obtained using green methods was smaller particle in size as compared to chlorinated methods.

In second objective, cellulose was reinforced with starch in order to improve the strength and properties of starch film prior to packaging purposes. The reinforced cellulose-starch matrix increase the mechanical properties of starch with high crystallinity and thermal properties obtained.

研究分野：Pretreatment, material science

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## 1 . 研究開始当初の背景

The research project stated to achieve two main objective which are to obtain cellulose through green methods and production of packaging materials using cellulose obtained from rice husk. In the first objective, cellulose was successfully obtained using combination of green methods of NaOH and weak acid pretreatment and compared with the commercial solvent used which is using chlorinated methods. The cellulose obtained using green methods was smaller particle in size as compared to chlorinated methods. In second objective, cellulose was reinforced with starch in order to improve the strength and properties of starch film prior to packaging purposes. The reinforced cellulose-starch matrix increase the mechanical properties of starch with high crystallinity and thermal properties obtained.

## 2 . 研究の目的

An environmentally friendly strategy for the extraction of cellulose by integrated high pressure steam assisted total free chlorine method from rice fibre (straw, husk and bran) will be develop. This strategy is employed with the aims to increase the yield of cellulose obtained as compared to chemical extraction methods and reduce the disruption of fibre surface due to the harsh methods applied.

## 3 . 研究の方法

The project will be divided into three (2) stages;

i) Extraction of cellulose from rice fiber (straw, husk, and bran) using proposed environmental friendly method

Sample of rice fiber (straw, husk, and bran) will be collected from nearby rice-processing mill. Physicochemical analysis characteristic of the fiber will be carried out. Parameter of pretreatment that will be focus are ratio of solid to liquid during pretreatment, temperature and pressure of high pressure steam vessel, concentration of acid and alkaline used and retention time. The quality extracted CNF will be compared with commercial CNF obtained from hardwood or other biomass.

ii) Nanocellulose fiber biocomposite for food packaging standard

A blending commercial polymer/CNF will be prepared by melt blending using internal mixer at certain ratio of polymer/CNF, different temperature, time and rotation speed. For analysis of the biocomposite food packaging, mechanical properties analysis will be carried out.

## 4 . 研究成果

The results obtained from each chlorine and non-chlorine treatment RH after delignification are shown in Fig. 1. For delignification by NaOH, the treated RH was recovered on the basis of 400 g of initial dry RH. About 160 g of RH was recovered after delignification (5% of NaOH at 120°C for 45 min consecutively), which was equivalent to 40% of mass recovery. During this process, about 60% of loss, which was estimated in the form of lignin, hemicellulose, pectin, wax, and silica removal from raw RH. The lignin, cellulose, and hemicellulose content after delignification was 17.52%, 53.07%, and 17.89%, respectively, indicating 29.92% of lignin removal, yielding more cellulose constituents for further extraction. Effective treatment is aimed to disintegrate the lignin, cellulose, and hemicellulose complex matrix of RH by initially solubilizing lignin and hemicellulose before the cellulose fraction can be extracted. Lignin is associated with cellulose and hemicellulose that are deposited in the cell wall for mechanical strength, so NaOH treatment is initially introduced to remove noncellulosic constituents, such as lignin, hemicellulose fraction, pectin, and wax on the RH surface (Fig 2). The effect of NaOH treatment on the RH appearance. The color changes observed as the former NaOH solution extracted turned to black liquor could be associated with pigmentation of the lignin fraction removed from the RH. Simultaneously, the irregular rod-like shape of RH ruptured after NaOH treatment. The average 10 mm length of raw RH decreased to a length range of 5–8 mm after NaOH treatment.

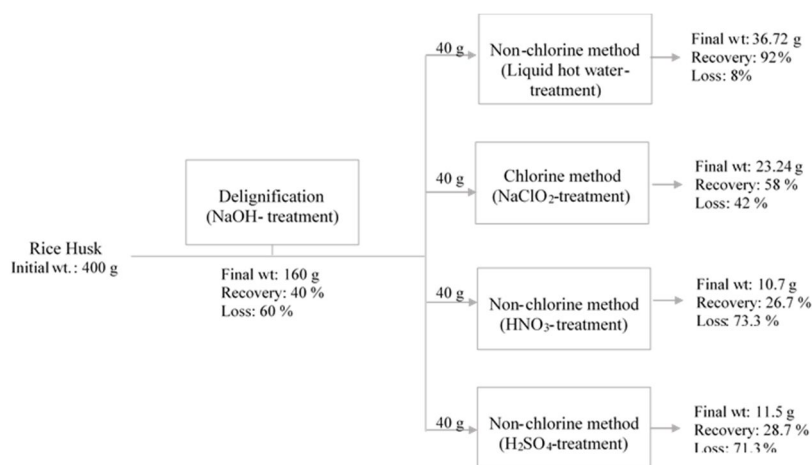


Fig 1: Mass of treated rice husk recovered after each pretreatment process

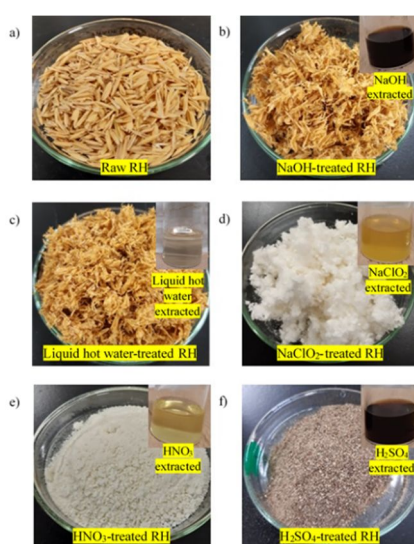


Fig 2: Photograph of RH-lignocellulosic dissolution and cellulose bleaching extraction process

TGA and DTG results are shown in Fig. 3a–b, and the thermal analysis is given in Table 2. Raw RH showed an endothermic peak at  $\sim 334.6^{\circ}\text{C}$ , where  $\sim 46.13\%$  of weight loss occurred. TGA curves for raw RH (Fig 3a) show four thermal degradation patterns translated into weight loss (%). Stage 1 is associated with a small weight loss due to the evaporation of water because of the hydrophilic character of lignocellulosic at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$ – $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Moisture and other volatile materials evaporate during this stage. In stage 2, hemicellulose is decomposed at  $200^{\circ}\text{C}$ – $300^{\circ}\text{C}$  in raw RH only. In stage 3, cellulose depolymerization begins at a decomposition temperature  $320^{\circ}\text{C}$ – $400^{\circ}\text{C}$  because of the dehydration and decomposition of glycosidic linkages with major weight loss occurring rapidly and distinct peaks in DTG at  $334.6^{\circ}\text{C}$ . In stage 4, at a temperature beyond  $400^{\circ}\text{C}$ , lignin and silica decompose with a small weight loss, leading to the formation of char residue after  $600^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

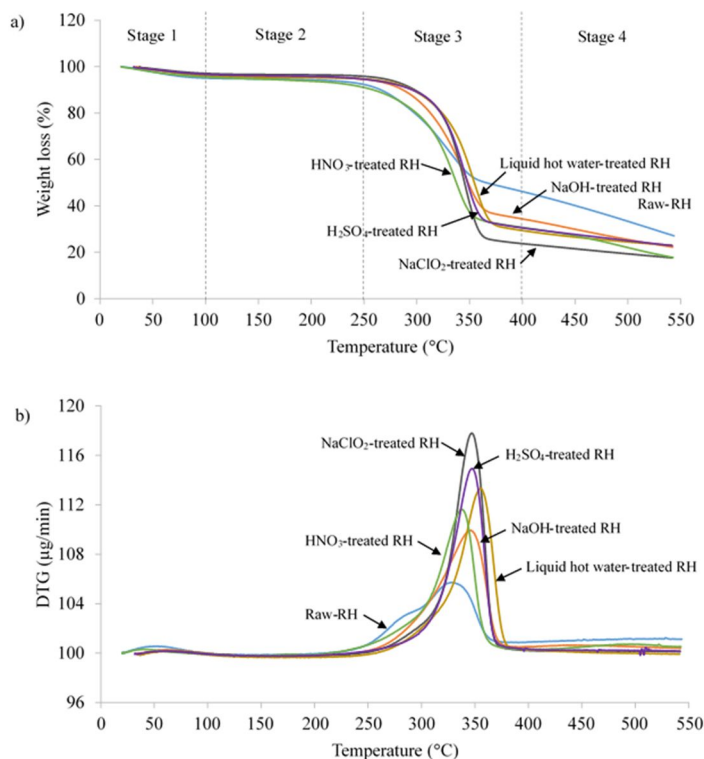


Fig. 3. Thermal analysis profile a) TGA and b) DTG treated RH with different stage of decomposition

The crystallinity of cellulose polymers is closely linked to hydrogen bonds and van der Waals forces between cellulose molecules in the crystallites of cellulose. Typically, crystalline cellulose-associated peaks are obtained in commercial cellulose spectra at  $2\theta = 15^\circ\text{--}17^\circ$ ,  $22.5^\circ$ , and  $35^\circ$ , indicating a high degree of crystallinity in the cellulose I structure (Campano et al., 2017). Figure 4 shows intense peaks of cellulose in raw and treated RH. It is expected that treated RH has higher cellulose crystallinity due to more hydrogen bonding, which causes treated RH to be more densely packed with close intertwining of fibrils. The crystallinity of hot-water-, NaClO<sub>2</sub>-, HNO<sub>3</sub>-, and H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>-treated RH was higher compared to raw RH and NaOH-treated RH. An increase of 3.28%–40.8% in the CrI of treated RH because of the applied delignification, bleaching, and acid hydrolysis, which facilitate partial removal of lignin and hemicellulose during chemical treatment compared to the initial CrI of raw RH (56.31%). The characteristic diffraction peaks of typical cellulose at  $2\theta = 22.5^\circ$  in all treated RH samples, indicating a highly crystalline cellulose I structure.

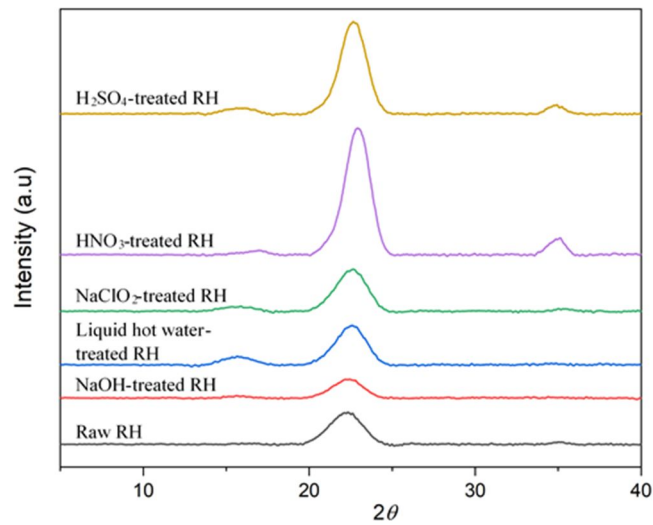


Fig 4: XRD pattern of rice husk under different treatment

As a conclusion, this is an environment-friendly process of cellulose extraction from RH through successive combination treatment of NaOH delignification with hydrolysis using weak acid mixtures containing  $\text{HNO}_3$  under mild conditions.  $\text{HNO}_3$  treatment showed an increment (2.01-fold) in the cellulose content and some enhancement in the crystallinity of cellulose (up to 40.8%). A slight increase was observed in thermal properties from  $334.6^\circ\text{C}$  to  $339.3^\circ\text{C}$ . This process will provide an in-depth understanding of the effectiveness of acid hydrolysis in extracting cellulose from rice husk.

5. 主な発表論文等

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