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ABSTRACT

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Starch is the major polysaccharide consumed by human being. It is not classified as a dietary fiber as it is digestible by the enzymes present in the saliva and small intestines. However, it could become possible to modify the starch with thermal and non-thermal techniques. High Hydrostatic Pressure (HHP) is a cold pasteurization technique that has increased application in the food industry with minimum effect on the nutritional quality of the products. It is hypothesized that the use of HHP could be a modification strategy for starch. In this study, the effects of different HHP parameters (400 and 500 MPa) at different temperature (20°C, 30°C, and 40°C) for 5, 15 and 30 min on in vitro digestibility and physicochemical properties of cornstarch were studied. The results showed that HHP treatment increased SDS (Slowly Digestible Starch) and RDS

(Rapid Digestible Starch) significantly ($p \leq 0.05$). In addition to this, it was shown that HHP treatment decreased the solubility and swelling power of the cornstarch and T_2 relaxation times increased with HHP treatment as measured by NMR (Nuclear Magnetic Resonance) Relaxometry experiments.

Keywords: Corn Starch, HHP, NMR, Digestibility

ÖZ

Yüksek Hidrostatik Basıncın (YHB) Nişastanın Fizikokimyasal ve Dokusal Özelliklerini Üzerine Etkisi

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Nişasta, insanlar tarafından tüketilen başlıca polisakkarittir. Tükürükte ve ince bağırsakta bulunan enzimler tarafından sindirilebildiği için diyet lifi olarak sınıflandırılmaz. Bununla birlikte, nişastayı termal ve termal olmayan tekniklerle değiştirmek mümkün olabilir. Yüksek Hidrostatik Basınç (YHB), gıda endüstrisinde ürünün besin kalitesine en az etkisi ile gıda uygulamalarında kullanımı artan soğuk bir pastörizasyon tekniğidir. YHB kullanımının nişastayı modifiye etmek için yeni stratejisi olabileceği düşünülmektedir. Bu tez kapsamında, Farklı YHB parametrelerinin (400 ve 500 MPa) farklı sıcaklıklarda (20°C, 30°C ve 40°C) 5, 15 ve 30 dakika boyunca *in vitro* sindirilebilirlik üzerindeki etkileri, mısır nişastasının fiziko-kimyasal özellikleri incelenmiştir. Sonuçlara göre YHB işleminin YSN (Yavaşça Sindirilebilir Nişasta) ve HSN'yi (Hızlı Sindirilebilir Nişasta) önemli ölçüde arttırdığını göstermiştir ($p \leq 0.05$). Buna ek olarak YHB'nin, mısır nişastasının çözünürlüğünü ve şişme gücünü azalttığı

ancak NMR (Nükleer Manyetik Rezonans) Relaxometri ile ölçülen T_2 rahatlama sürelerini arttırdığı gözlenmiştir.

Anahtar Kelimeler: Mısır Nişastası, Yüksek Hidrostatik Basınç (YHB), NMR (Nükleer Manyetik Rezonans) Relaxometri, *in vitro* Sindirilebilirlik

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Starch

Starch has a major role in supplying metabolic energy in human nutrition and it is the reserve carbohydrate in plants found in many different plant organs such as seeds, fruits, tubers, and roots. Due to being a cheap material and easy to change its physicochemical properties with thermal treatment, starch has been widely used in the food industry (Jobling, 2004). Starch has been a widely available ingredient in the food industry as a gelling agent, thickener, bulking agent and water retention agent (Singh, Singh, Kaur, Singh Sodhi, & Singh Gill, 2003). Starch consists of essentially linear amylose and highly branched amylopectin molecules and it is digested in the gastrointestinal tract by α -amylases from pancreas and saliva. These enzymes belong to the family of α -glucosidases and after consuming cornstarch, it is firstly digested by α -amylase to α -limit dextrins. Then, oligosaccharides that are then cleaved by the brush border enzymes into glucose (Pencek et al., 2002).

The rate of glucose release and absorption from digesting starch plays an important role in human health (Zhang & Hamaker, 2009). Therefore, starch is classified into three groups according to the rate and extent of digestion *in vitro* which are rapidly digestible starch (RDS), slowly digestible starch (SDS) and resistant starch (RS) (Table 1). The starch fraction digested within 20 minutes of incubation corresponds to rapidly digestible starch (RDS) and, the starch fraction digested between 20 and 120 minutes is accepted as slowly digestible starch (SDS) and the remaining fraction corresponds to resistant starch (RS) (Figure 1) (Englyst, Kingman, & Cummings, 1992).

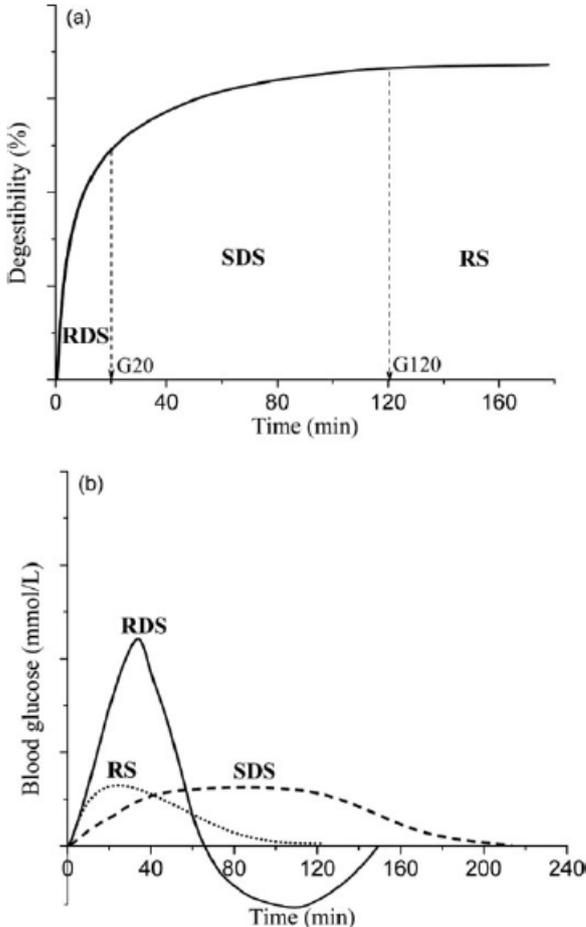


Figure 1. Classification of the starch. (a) *In vitro* digestion according to Englyst assay, and (b) *in vivo* glycemic response to RDS, SDS, and RS (Zhang & Hamaker, 2009).

RDS is rapidly digested since it is absorbed in the proximal and regions of the small intestine causing to a fast elevation of blood glucose. However, this rapid increases in blood glucose levels may further lead to some problems such as cell, tissue, and organ damage. On the other hand, SDS is digested slowly and this provides sustained glucose release and subsequently a slow and prolonged release of glucose, causing to prolonged energy availability compared to RDS. RS cannot be digested in the upper gastrointestinal tract but it is fermented by the colonic microflora, producing short-chain fatty acids that provide additional energy to the body along with butyrate that is beneficial to colonic health. RS is divided into three types which are physically indigestible starch, resistant starch granules and retrograded starch (Annison & Topping, 1994).

SDS is digested completely in the small intestine at a lower rate than RDS so SDS tends to provide a sustained supply of glucose with a low glycemic index (GI). This contributes to the control and prevention of various hyperglycaemia related diseases (Cummings, Beatty, Kingman, Bingham, & Englyst, 1996). In addition, SDS is beneficial to maintain body weight when it is used as a raw material in the production of foodstuffs (Jenkins et al., 2002). As a result, foods having a high percent of SDS are accepted as functional foods with a low GI. Because of this, SDS has aroused interest in recent years (Zhang & Hamaker, 2009).

Table 1. Classification of starch according to digestion rate

Starch type	Examples	Digestion rate in the small intestine
Rapidly digestible starch (RDS)	White bread, Freshly cooked starch	~30 min peak blood glucose
Slowly digestible starch (SDS)	Most raw cereal starches	Complete digestion slowly
Resistant starch (RS)		
1. Physically inaccessible (RS1)	Partially milled grain	Resistant
2. Resistant starch granule (RS2)	Raw potato, Maize starch, banana starch	Resistant
3. Retrogradated starch (RS3)	Cooled and cooked potato	Resistant
4. Chemical modified starch (RS4)	Cross-linking starch	Slow to Resistant (depending on the modification types)

The gelatinization is a vital process for starch before use in the food industry because this process determines the proper conversion of starch in the processing of foods and emerging biodegradable starch-based materials (Luo, Li, & Lin, 2012). Normally, starch granules are insoluble in cold water. However, starch granules absorb water and swell when cornstarch is heated in water. This destabilizes starch' crystalline structure and this leads to loss of birefringence and this is called gelatinization (Donovan, 1979; Parker & Ring, 2001). During continuous heating, starch granules tend to swell to greater extents, and the crystallites melt. This leads to increase in molecular motion that causes to complete separation of amylose and amylopectin of the starch. The temperature when granules lose their birefringence is called as the gelatinization temperature. The swelling of the starch granules begins after the completion of this stage of gelatinization. This process is affected by several factors such as crystalline

order, structural changes in the amorphous region, amylose content (Levine & Slade, 1990).

Starch gelatinization is determined by many methods such Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR), enzymatic digestibility, solubility and swelling power. All of these methods measure physicochemical properties and have advantages and disadvantages. As a result, it is important to use several different methods to characterize starch gelatinization properties (Lund, 1984).

1.2 High Hydrostatic Pressure (HHP)

Nowadays, nearly all of the processed foods such as juice, milk and canned products are treated at a high temperature to kill microorganism. However, applying high temperature on foods results in decreasing nutritional quality of foods because many nutrients are heat sensitive. Several vitamins, enzymes, and proteins degrade under heat treatments. These changes do not only affect nutritional value but also they may affect color, texture, and flavor of processed foods (Khan et al., 2018; Rendueles et al., 2011). For example, vegetable tissues become soft and chemical compounds need to be added to regain firmness. In addition to these, consumers prefer foods that have longer shelf-life than fresh ones and have similar characteristics to the original product. This view brings a new challenge for the food industry so new processes need to be developed and adopted to satisfy consumer demands (Chawla, Patil, & Singh, 2011). As a result, novel technologies such as pulsed electric fields (PEF), irradiation, high-intensity light pulses, and high hydrostatic pressures (HHP) are currently under extensive research. Among novel technologies, HHP is one of the widest application in the food industry especially for extending the shelf-life of food products. By affecting the molecular structure of chemical compounds, necessary for metabolic metabolism, HHP inactivates molds, bacteria, viruses, and parasites (Alpas et al., 1999; Alpas, Kalchayanand, Bozoglu, & Ray, 2000; Alpas, Lee, Bozoglu, & Kaletunç, 2003). Also, bacterial spores partially destroyed by HHP. Furthermore, HHP does not destroy the food because it is applied all sides of food. Therefore, HHP is a powerful tool to improve food products of better nutritional and sensory quality, novel texture, and increased shelf-life (j. doona, Kustin, & Feeherry, 2010).

In the last decades, HHP become popular in the food industry (Dalai & Sahu, 2010). The first report about HHP treatment of food is about the effect of HHP on foodborne microorganisms in milk by applying 650 MPa pressure (Hite, 1899). The result of this report is that HHP provided a significant reduction in the number of viable microbes.

The typical HHP system consists of a high-pressure vessel and its closure, pressure generation device, temperature and pressure control device (Figure 2). Water is used mostly for pressure-transferring medium and pressure is applied uniformly on food and instantaneous manner throughout the whole biological sample regardless of direct contact with the pressure medium (Durance, 2002).

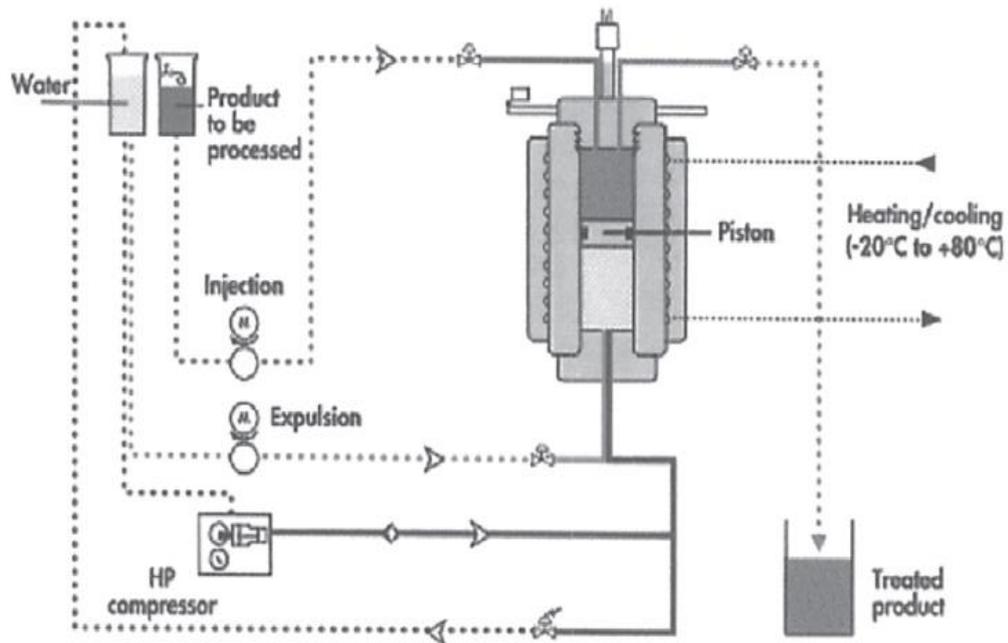


Figure 2. HHP processing

There are two operating principles which explain HHP technology. The first principle is Le Chatelier's principle. At this principle, equilibrium chemical reaction, phase transition and/or change in molecular configuration is performed by reducing the volume and this can be enhanced by pressure (j. doona et al., 2010). The second principle is an isostatic principle. At this principle, the transmittance of pressure is uniform and instantaneous and it is independent of the size and geometry of food (j. doona et al., 2010).

Because of the increasing popularity of HHP, food companies adopt HHP for production of microbiologically safe food products with better quality and taste. Nowadays, pressure-treated fresh fruit juices are available in commercial markets in the United States, Canada, Australia, Europe and East Asia countries like India, Taiwan, South Korea, and Japan. In 2016, the HHP food market was worth 11.03 billion USD and the HHP equipment market had a value of 0.47 billion USD. The market value of pressure-treated foods is expected to be worth 12 billion USD in 2018 (Grumezescu & Holban, 2018).

HHP was expended in the food industry and it is applied into a variety of food products (j. doona et al., 2010). Nowadays, HHP treated vegetable products, seafood, meat products, fresh fruits, and beverages are sold in the commercial markets on the world. HHP treated soups and sauces are also in the markets. Vegetables and meat take the lead with 27% each of the total, followed by juices and beverages with a 14% percentage. Seafood comes up with 12%, and other products completed the table with a percentage near to 20% (Elamin, Endan, Yosuf, Shamsudin, & Ahmedov, 2015).



Figure 3. Total number of HHP industrial machines in production (Elamin et al., 2015)



Figure 4: Some examples of HHP treated food products

1.2.1. Effects of HHP treatment on Starch

In recent years, it is found that starch can be gelatinized and modified by using HHP (Yang, Chaib, Gu, & Hemar, 2017). Gelatinization by HHP treatment is similar to gelatinization by heating but pressure-induced gelatinization of starch much better preserves the granular structure of starch than the traditional heating process. However, there is a lack of knowledge on the use of HHP in starch chemical modification (Kim et al., 2012).

In literature, it is shown that HHP has an effect on the physicochemical properties of starches (Hu, Zhang, Jin, Xu, & Chen, 2017; W. Li et al., 2015; Oh, Pinder, Hemar, Anema, & Wong, 2008). Liu et al. (2017) stated that swelling power, hardness, and viscosity of tartary buckwheat starch (TBS) is decreased significantly with HHP treatment ($p \leq 0.05$). It is also shown that HHP is an important nonthermal modification method of TBS that can change the textural properties and *in vitro* digestibility of TBS and all of these changed were pressure-dependent. Another study related with starch indicated that HHP treatment causes to increase SDS content of waxy wheat starch (Hu et al., 2017). According to this study, SDS content reached a maximum (31.12%) at 600 MPa. Furthermore, HHP treatment leads to a structural change of wheat starch and this affects to the digestibility of wheat starch. Li & Zhu, (2018) showed that HHP causes to reduce solubility and swelling power of quinoa starch because HHP treatment decreases the amylose leaching and increase the formation of amylose-lipid complexes.

1.3 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Relaxometry

NMR (Nuclear Magnetic Resonance) spectroscopy, which is the non-invasive and non-destructive method, is widely used for the analysis of physiological and biochemical changes in food samples in recent years because qualitative and quantitative data on physical and chemical properties of a wide range of samples can be gathered (Marcone et al., 2013; Spyros & Dais, 2012). NMR has the origins within the nucleus of atom types such as H, C, O and P and these individual atoms have the net nuclear spin. The effects of spin are noted in a magnetic field and this involves the energy exchange at least two levels (resonance) (Gidley, 2014). NMR experiments don't require to do separation of diverse food components but need relatively a small amount of efforts for sample pretreatment and preparation than traditional methods (Spyros & Dais, 2012). For the experiment, the food samples can be semi-solid, solid, and lipid. The obtained complex NMR spectra can be further treated with multivariate statistical analysis to get additional structural information of food systems (Flanagan, Gidley, & Warren, 2015) and this provides a characterization of these systems. Among nucleus of atom types, hydrogen is preferred mostly for the experiments because of hydrogen's abundance in food samples and high MR sensitivity (Kirtil & Oztop, 2016).

The working principle of NMR is the following: The sample has protons within itself which are randomly aligned without an external magnetic field. Then, it is put into magnets and this creates an external static magnetic field (B_0). The protons align themselves with the external magnetic field and they start to spin at the frequency that is proportional to magnetic field strength. Next, a radio frequency (RF) is applied and the protons come back the lowest energy state when RF is turned off. Finally, the relaxation signal is obtained (Figure 3).

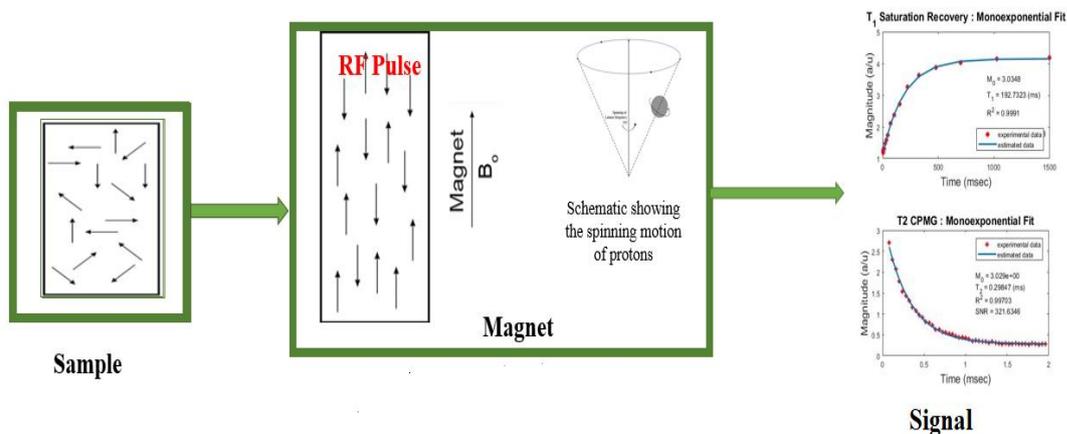


Figure 5. Schematic representation of NMR signal acquisition

Transverse relaxation time (T_2) is also called as spin-spin relaxation time that is the time constant for the transverse magnetization decay and the equilibrium value of zero (Figure 4).

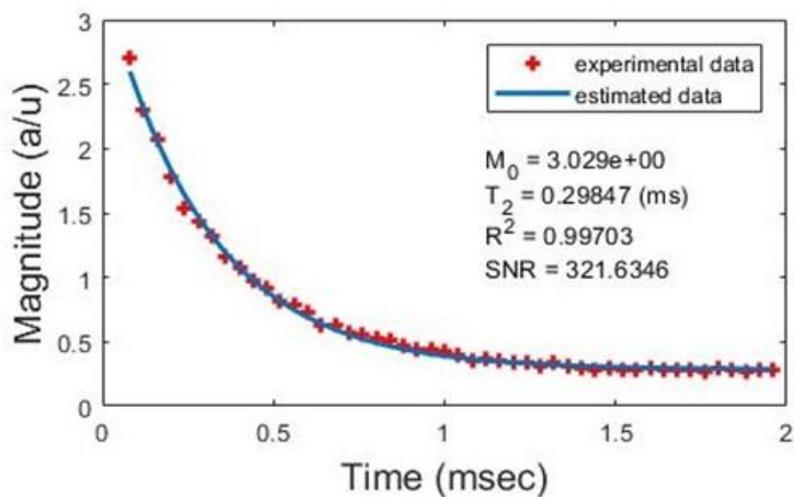


Figure 6. Representative T_2 relaxation Curve

1.3.1. Physicochemical properties of Starch by NMR Relaxometry

Gelatinization is related to starch interactions with water and it is fundamental for starch applications. Different NMR techniques such time-domain ^1H , as ^{13}C CP/MAS, ^{17}O , and ^{31}P NMR have been used to interpret the structural changes of starch (Zhu, 2017). ^1H NMR relaxometry is a practical tool to analyze proton relaxation in starch gels because signals come from all protons in a sample so that distribution and mobility of protons could be well expressed (Hansen et al., 2009; W. Li et al., 2015). In literature, there are many research related with measuring starch gelatinization by NMR. According to Ritota, Gianferri, Bucci, & Brosio (2008), four water populations were observed in starch-water systems and one of them was related with the bulk of water. The others were related with chemical and diffusive exchanges of water with starch components and there was water uptake during gelatinization process. Another study showed that T_2 relaxation time was related with the nonexchangeable protons in CH of amylose and amylopectin (Rondeau-Mouro et al., 2015).

The changes in T_2 depend on water content and the degree of gelatinization (Cheetham & Tao, 1998). At heat set gelling, starch granules disintegrate during heating process and this leads to decrease T_2 values (Tananuwong & Reid, 2004). On the other hand, at HHP treatment, less broken-intact starch granules cannot interact with the continuous liquid phase intensely so the free portion of the water molecules is increased and this causes to increase the T_2 value.

1.4 Objectives of The Study

The aim of the study is to investigate the effects of different HHP parameters on the solubility, swelling power and *in vitro* digestibility of starch. In addition to this, it is also aimed to interpret the effects of different HHP parameters on physicochemical properties of starch by Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Relaxometry.

CHAPTER 2

MATERIALS AND METHODS

2.1 Material

Cornstarch (Kenton, Turkey) was supplied from the local market (Ankara, Turkey). Before HHP treatment, cornstarch slurries (10%, w/v) was prepared with water and equilibrated at room temperature for a day.

2.2 High Hydrostatic Pressure (HHP) Treatment

High Hydrostatic Pressure (HHP) treatment was performed with 760.0118 type pressure equipment supplied by SITEC-Sieber Engineering AG, Zurich, Switzerland (Figure 5). Pressure equipment has 100 ml volume and a heating-cooling system whose internal diameter is 24 mm and length is 153 mm. The rate of pressure increase and pressure release was approximately 5-10 s for the designed system and pressurization time reported in this study exclude the pressure increase and release times. Control group was prepared with cornstarch slurries (10%, w/v) without any heat and pressure treatment. Prepared cornstarch slurries (10%, w/v) were pressured in 25 ml sterile polyethylene cryotubes (Biosigma Sri, CLEARLINE®, CryoGen®Tubes) at two different pressure (400 and 500 MPa) at three different temperature (20,30 and 40 °C) for 5,15 and 30 min.



Figure 7. HHP equipment

2.2 Experimental Design

HHP treatment conditions were determined according to primary studies in literature (Hu, Xie, Jin, Xu, & Chen, 2014; Hu et al., 2017; H Liu et al., 2016; Tian, Li, Zhao, Xu, & Jin, 2014). After HHP treatment, samples were lyophilized (LGJ-10, China) for 48 hours to obtain powder form. For each sample, scanning electron microscope (SEM), *in vitro* digestibility, NMR, solubility, and swelling power analysis were done in triplicate. Experimental design is shown at Table 2.

Table 2. Independent Variables

Pressure (MPa)	Temperature (°C)	Time (Min)
400	20	5
400	30	5
400	40	5
400	20	15
400	30	15
400	40	15
400	20	30
400	30	30
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500	40	30

2.4 *in vitro* Digestibility

200 mg cornstarch sample was dissolved into 15 ml phosphate buffer (Sigma, Germany) at pH 5.2 by using seven glass balls having 10 mm diameter. After this, the mixture was equilibrated at 37 °C for 5 min. Next, the mixture was hydrolyzed by 5 ml mixed enzyme mixture which included porcine pancreatic α -amylase (Sigma, Germany), 290 U/ml; amyloglucosidase (Sigma, Germany), 15 U/ml where U is defined as the amount of enzyme that liberates 1.0 mg glucose from starch in 1 min at pH 5.2 and in a water bath shaker at 37 °C. At time intervals of 20 and 120 min, 500 μ l aliquots of the hydrolyzed solution were taken from the sample. Then, samples mixed with 4 ml of absolute ethanol (Sigma, Germany) to deactivate the enzyme and they were centrifuged at 385 g for 10 min (Hettich EBA 20, Germany).

The reducing sugar content in the supernatant was measured by 3, 5-dinitrosalicylic acid (DNS) method (Miller, 1959). 20 μ l of sample mixed with 980 μ l of distilled water. Next, 15 ml DNS solution was put into samples and vortex the mixtures. After this, all prepared mixtures was put into a water bath at 90-100°C until a color change at mixtures was observed. Then, all mixtures were measured at 540 nm by using spectrophotometer (Shimadzu UV-1700, Japan). Absorbance value was converted into reducing sugar concentration by using a glucose standard curve. The percentage of the hydrolyzed sample was calculated by multiplying the reducing sugar content by a conversion factor from glucose to starch of 0.9, which considering the removal of one water molecule per glucose unit.

The percentages of rapidly digestible starch (RDS), slowly digestible starch (SDS) and resistance (RS) fractions in starch samples were calculated by using the following formula:

$$\text{RDS (\%)} = \frac{(G_{20} - \text{FG})}{\text{TS}} \times 0.9 \times 100$$

$$\text{SDS (\%)} = \frac{(G_{120} - G_{20})}{\text{TS}} \times 0.9 \times 100$$

$$\text{RDS (\%)} = \frac{(\text{TS} - \text{SDS} - \text{RDS})}{\text{TS}} \times 0.9 \times 100$$

G_{20} and G_{120} denoted the amounts of glucose released at 20 and 120 min hydrolyzation; respectively. Furthermore, FG denoted the amount of free glucose in starch and TS means total starch weight (G. Li & Zhu, 2018).

2.5 Solubility (SI)

At 60,70,80 and 90°C, solubility (SI) was calculated in triplicate. In brief, 200 mg cornstarch sample and 10 ml of distilled water were mixed in 15 ml centrifuge tubes and kept in a water bath for 30 min at the solubility temperature. While samples were in a water bath, the sample-water mixture was vortexed every 5 minutes. After 30 min, the mixture was centrifuged at 2408 g for 15 min and the supernatant was removed and incubated at 110 °C for 8 h. Then, the sample was cooled at room temperature at desiccator. The solubility of the starch was measured according to the following formula (Hang Liu, Guo, et al., 2016):

$$\text{Solubility} = \frac{\text{Weight of dried supernatant}}{\text{weight of starch}}$$

2.6 Swelling Power (SP)

At 60,70,80 and 90°C, the swelling power (SP) was measured in triplicate. 200 mg cornstarch sample and 10 ml of distilled water were put into 15 ml centrifuge tubes and kept in a water bath for 30 min at swelling power temperature. While samples were in a water bath, the sample-water mixture was vortexed every 5 minutes. After 30 min, the mixture was centrifuged at 2408 g for 15 min and the supernatant was

removed and incubated at 110 °C for 8 h. Then, the sample was cooled at room temperature at desiccator. SP of the starch was measured according to following formula:

$$\text{Swelling Power (SP)} = \frac{W_2 - W_1}{\text{weight of starch}}$$

where W_2 means the weight of starch in the tube with precipitate after cooling in a water bath (after decanting supernatant) and W_1 means the weight of the tube with starch sample after cooling desiccator (Liu et al., 2016).

2.7 Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Relaxometry Measurements

Spin-spin relaxation time experiments (T_2) were carried out on a 0.5 T NMR spectrometer operating at a Larmor frequency of 20.34 MHz, equipped with a 10-mm diameter radio frequency coil (Spin Track SB, Russia) (Figure 6). Carr-Purcell-Meiboom-Gill (CPMG) pulse sequence was used to record relaxation data with 50 ms echo time, 50 echoes, 4 scans and 3s repetition time.



Figure 8. NMR relaxometry

2.8 Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)

To interpret the morphological analysis of samples after HHP treatment, scanning electron microscopy (SEM) was used. The analysis was performed with a scanning electron microscope (SEM, Quanta SC7620, England) and samples were coated with a thin layer of Au-Pd (6–11 nm; 10 mA; 40 s) at room temperature before imaging.

2.9 Statistical Analysis

Sigma Plot software package (SigmaPlot Ver.12, Chicago, IL, USA) was used to analyze the results and using p-values less than 0.05 was considered as statistically significant. Three-way ANOVA was used to determine those parameters (pressure, time and temperature) significantly effecting the physicochemical properties of cornstarch. Tukey's multiple range test was implemented to assess significant differences among the experimental mean values ($\alpha < 0.05$).

CHAPTER 3

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Solubility (SI) and Swelling Power (SP)

The effect of HHP on the solubility (SI) and swelling power (SP) of cornstarch is shown in Fig.7 and Fig.8. According to these figures, the SI and SP of all samples reduced with HHP treatment and the reduction of SI and SP were correlated with pressure, temperature and time parameters. Furthermore, the highest value for the SI and SP of all samples was found at 90 °C. Pressure, temperature and time were statistically significant at 60 °C, 70 °C, 80 °C ($p \leq 0.05$). On the other hand, pressure, temperature and time were not statistically significant at 90°C ($p > 0.05$). The previous studies also showed that the SI and SP of the starch decrease by HHP treatment and this is in agreement with our findings (Kim, Choi, Kim, & Baik, 2010; G. Li & Zhu, 2018; W. Li et al., 2015).

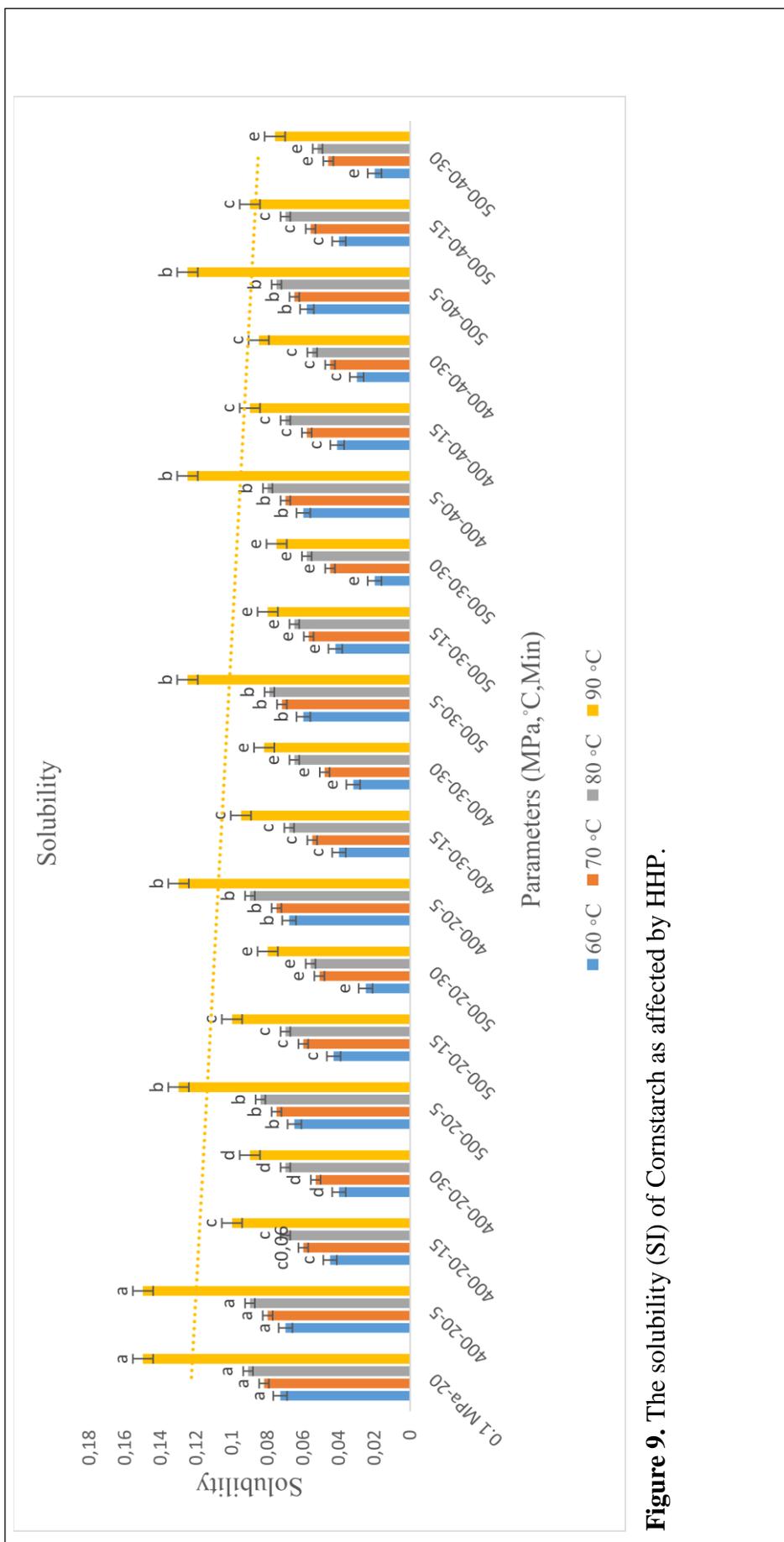


Figure 9. The solubility (SD) of Cornstarch as affected by HHP.

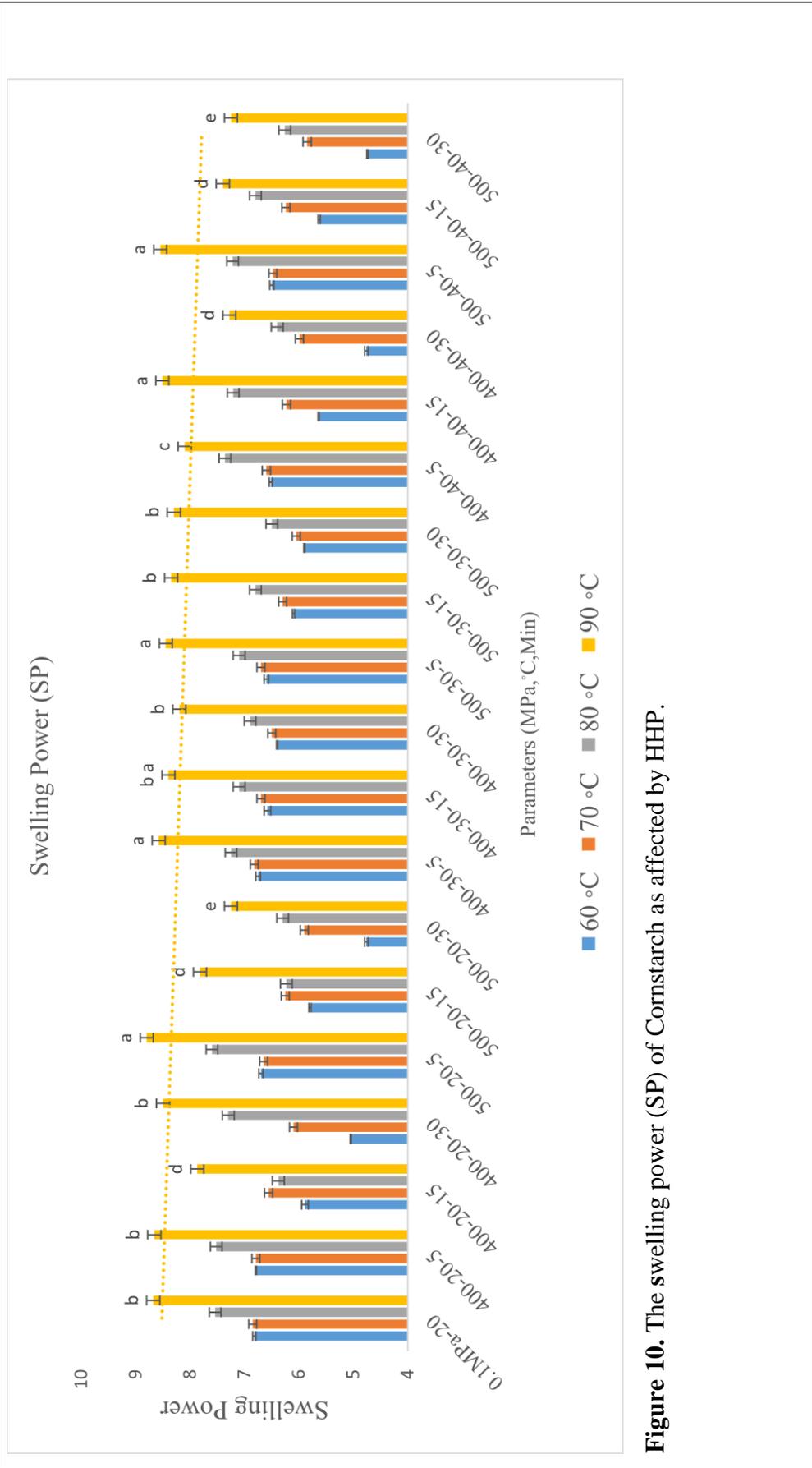


Figure 10. The swelling power (SP) of Cornstarch as affected by HHP.

The SI and SP analysis of the starch show an evidence about structural changes of the starch granules after HHP treatment (Singh & Kaur, 2004) and this analysis is affected by different factors like amylose content, amylose-amylopectin ratio and length of branching (Hoover, 2001). Rearrangement of starch molecules may occur due to HHP treatment and this further inhibits swelling of cornstarch and disintegrated starch granules limited the solubilization of amylose (Oh et al., 2008). Although the reduction of the SI and SP of the starch occurred because of HHP treatment, more studies are required to explain the mechanism of HHP treatment inhibiting SI and SP of starch which is beyond the main aim of this study.

3.2 *in vitro* Digestibility

Rapidly digestible starch (RDS), slowly digestible starch (SDS) and resistant starch (RS) content of the cornstarch at different HHP treatment were shown in Fig. 9. According to the results, RDS and SDS were raised but RS decreased by HHP treatment. HHP treatment destroyed the structure of starch granules and disrupted the double helix. This caused a decrease in the percentage of RS fraction. Highest RS content was observed at native starch (62.5%). On the other hand, the highest RDS and SDS content (30% and 45% respectively) were observed at 500 MPa-40 °C- 30 min. Pressure and temperature were statistically significant ($p \leq 0.05$). However, time was not statistically significant ($p > 0.05$).

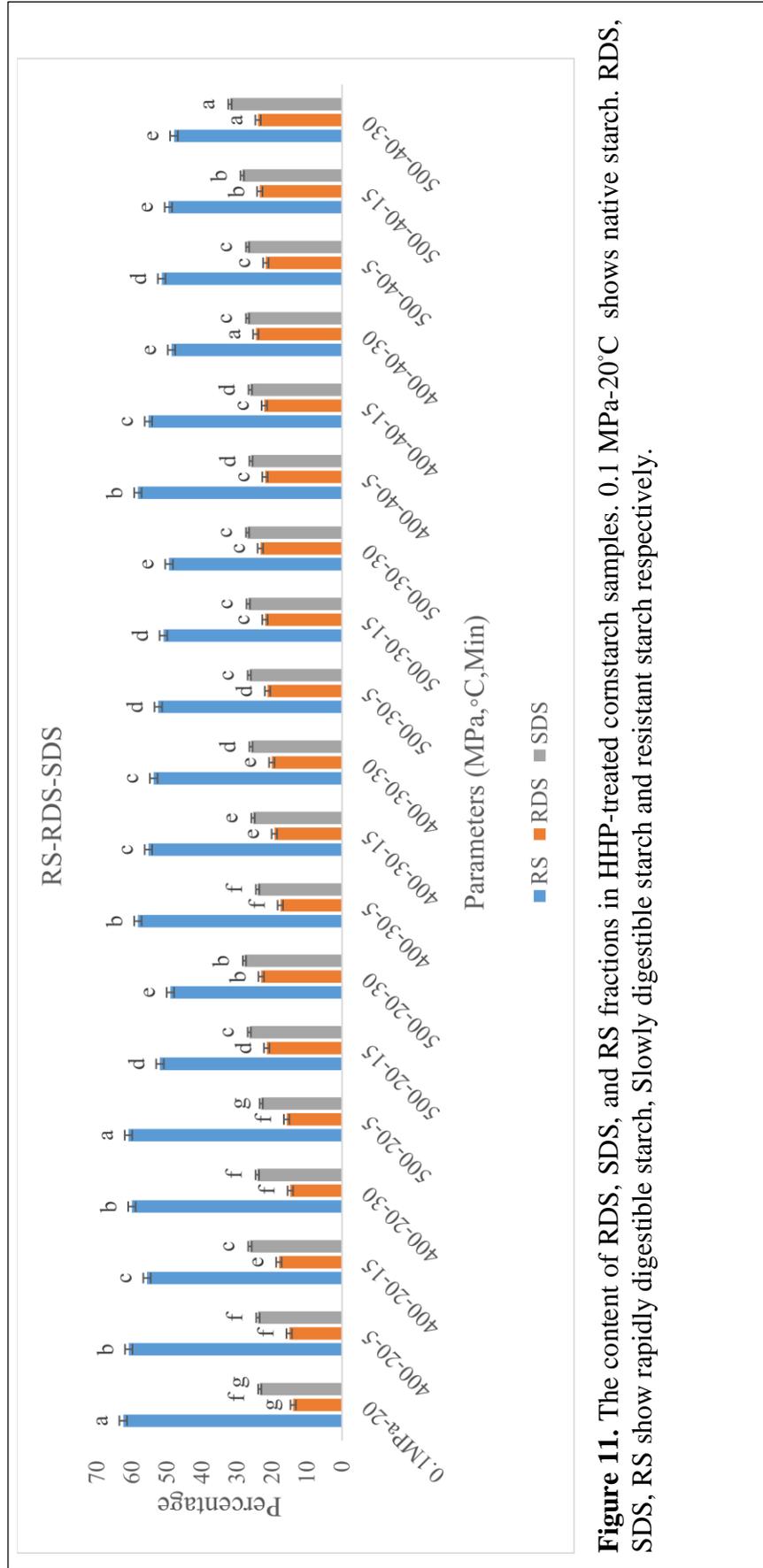


Figure 11. The content of RDS, SDS, and RS fractions in HHP-treated comstarch samples. 0.1 MPa-20°C shows native starch. RDS, SDS, RS show rapidly digestible starch, Slowly digestible starch and resistant starch respectively.

The results showed that HHP treatment could change the structure of starch (Hu et al., 2017). Also, a high enough level of pressure is reported to destroy the helical form of the amylopectin chains and these reasons may lead to a decrease in the percentage of RS content in starch and raise the percentage of SDS and RDS content as our pressure range was within these reported limits (Hu et al., 2017; W. Li, Bai, Mousaa, Zhang, & Shen, 2012).

3.3 Nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) relaxometry

Spin-spin relaxation time experiments (T_2) result at different HHP parameters were shown in Fig. 10. T_2 values by HHP treatment raised with respect to T_2 values of control according to results. Pressure, temperature and time were not statistically significant on T_2 ($p>0.05$) except for the HHP treatment of 500 MPa-40°C-30 min. At 500 MPa-40°C-30 min, T_2 of the samples also increased significantly with respect to other HHP treated samples ($p<0.05$). Despite the T_2 increasing effect of HHP treatment on starch-water systems, several studies indicated a decrease in T_2 values during heat-induced starch gelatinization without HHP treatment (Gonera & Cornillon, 2002; Ozel, Dag, Kilercioglu, Sumnu, & Oztop, 2017; Tananuwong & Reid, 2004). The possible reasons behind this phenomenon are mainly related to the effect of HHP on the crystalline and supramolecular structures (lamellae characteristics, fractal structures etc.) of starch granules (Yang, Gu, et al., 2016). Also, differences in the nature of heat and HHP induced starch gelling also contribute to this reverse T_2 correlation between conventional and HHP methods regarding starch gelatinization (Yang et al., 2017). One of the differences in the shear forces (i.e. stirring) applied during conventional heating of a starch suspension. Stirring provokes granule disintegration which is an absent incident in starch gelatinization by HHP (BeMiller & Huber, 2015).

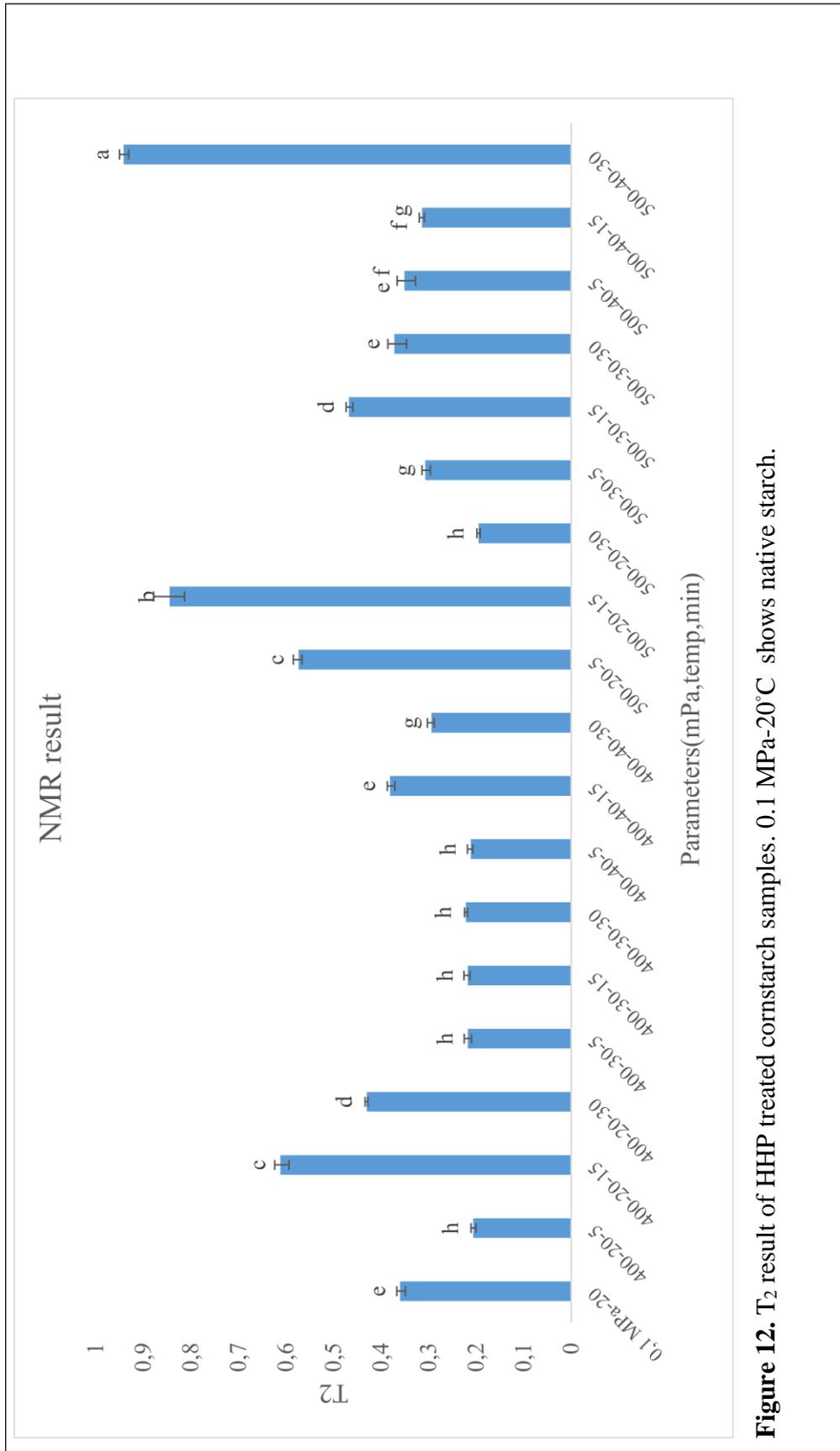


Figure 12. T₂ result of HHP treated cornstarch samples. 0.1 MPa-20°C shows native starch.

Starch granules include amorphous rings having disordered amylose and amylopectin conformations and semi-crystalline rings having a lamellar structure with alternating crystalline and amorphous regions. The semicrystalline structure of starches plays an important role in starch gelatinization by HHP (Yang, Gu, et al., 2016). HHP is effective both on the lamellar and crystal structures. Firstly, HHP treatment of starch-water slurries can result in a transition from A-type to B-type crystalline structures (Katopo, Song, & Jane, 2002). Native corn starch mainly consists of an A-type crystalline structure (Tananuwong & Reid, 2004). Because of its staggered lattice unit, A-type crystalline structures contain less water molecules per unit cell with respect to B-type crystallines having a more open packing helices inducing a more linear structure. B-type crystalline starches possess a larger amount of interhelical water leading to better hydrogen bonding networks. The helix structure is stabilized by a high number of associated water molecules via van der Waals forces (Yang, Gu, & Hemar, 2013). As a result, B-type crystalline starches are more resistant to pressure. By HHP treatment, the A-type crystalline structure of corn starch granules starts to partially convert into B-type structures (Yang, Swedlund, et al., 2016). The emergence of B-type crystals favors less double helix dissociation contrary to intense double helix dissociation promoted by conventional heat induced starch gelatinization (Figure 11) (Pei-Ling, Xiao-Song, & Qun, 2010). This distinct impact of HHP treatment on the starch crystalline structure during gelatinization causes to less swelling of starch granules due to poor amylose leaching and granules remain intact (Yang et al., 2017). Restricted granule swelling is also induced by the presence of minor amount of lipids within the starch molecules since starch gelatinization under HHP could form amylose-fatty acid complexes (Katopo et al., 2002). During HHP treatment, most of the amylose were retained within the granules so that the formation of these complexes limited the gelatinization of starch granules. These effects of HHP treatment on starch granules supported the decrease in SI and SP of our samples. HHP caused limited granule swelling thus lower SP and SI were enhanced by granule disintegration because of the increased hydrogen bonding capability between the exposed starch amorphous regions and water which could not be achieved by HHP, completely (Yang et al., 2017). Although swelling and solubilization properties of HHP treated starch granules depend on the type of the starch, similar trends for SI and SP of different types of HHP treated starches were also observed by several studies (Guo et al., 2015; W. Li et al., 2012; Oh et al., 2008). In heat set gelling, on the other hand, starch

granules swell and disintegrate. This promotes more interaction between the starch and water molecules resulting in decreasing T_2 values (Tananuwong & Reid, 2004). However, less broken-intact HHP treated starch granules cannot interact with the continuous liquid phase intensely and the free portion of the water molecules increases the T_2 values.

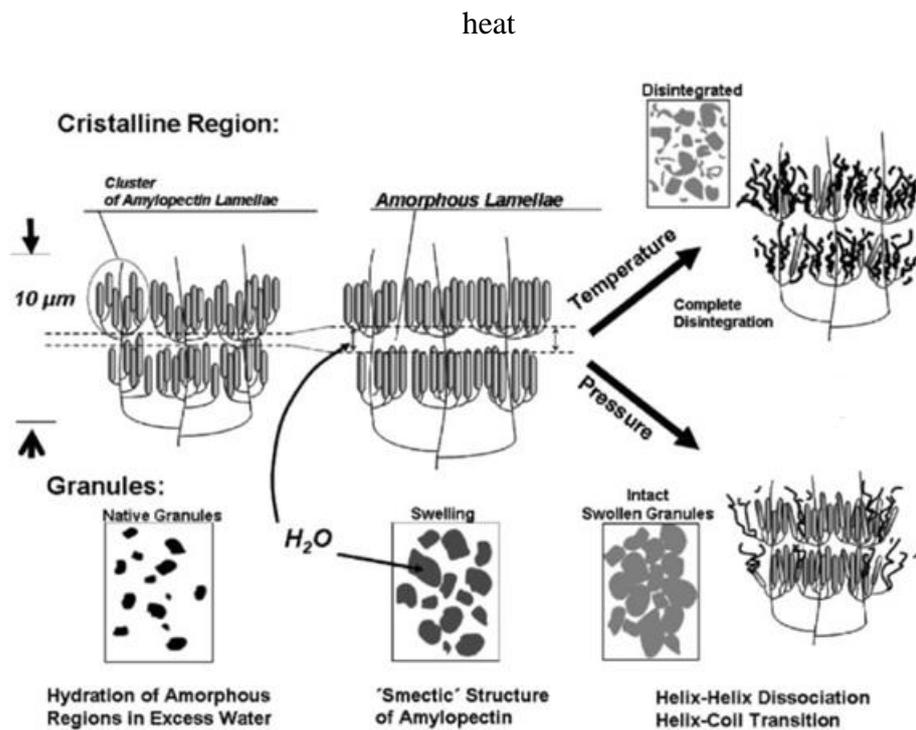


Figure 13: Schematic diagrams of starch granule gelatinization induced by heat treatment or HHP treatment (Pei-Ling et al., 2010).

In our study, at 500 MPa pressure, water was forced into starch granules and increased their degree of hydration (Buckow, Jankowiak, Knorr, & Versteeg, 2009). This was mainly achieved by the effect of HHP on the lamellar and lattice structure of starch. At first, pressure induced compression decreased both the lamellar distance and lattice space but, at the onset of gelatinization, water penetrated into the lamellar blocks. After water migration, both the lamellar distance and lattice space increased (Yang et al., 2017). Diffused water was entrapped within the starch crystalline structure by high pressure and this entrapped water was another reason for the increased T_2 value of starch powders that were obtained from starch-water slurries exposed to 500 MPa-40 °C-30 min HHP treatment. Therefore, we could possibly propose that 30 min HHP

treatment at 500 MPa and 40 °C is the onset for cornstarch gelatinization. Shen et al. (2018) reported that HHP treatment on high amylose maize starch under 400 MPa did not change the fractal dimension significantly indicating that the 400 MPa and lower pressures had no significant influence on starch structure. In contrast, they reported a reduction in fractal dimension when the pressure was increased beyond 400 MPa, suggesting a minimum pressure value around 500 MPa for the beginning of starch gelatinization (Shen et al., 2018). Furthermore, complete gelatinization of starch granules under HHP treatment through strong interactions between the amylose and amylopectin chains leading to the formation of cavities and fractures on the granule surface was observed starting from 600 MPa pressure (Hang Liu, Wang, Cao, Fan, & Wang, 2016; Shen et al., 2018). All of these reported findings are in agreement with the proposed cornstarch gelatinization onset claim of this study. The distinct increase in T_2 value for 500 MPa-40 °C-30 min HHP treatment revealed that the starch gelatinization under HHP could be monitored by NMR Relaxometry via transverse relaxation parameters.

3.4 Morphological Changes

Morphological changes of cornstarch granules were performed by Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM). Native cornstarch granules were smooth and had irregularly oval, spherical, and polygonal shapes with no cavities or fissures on their surfaces (Fig. 12A). When compared with native cornstarch, morphological changes started to form slowly at HHP treated samples especially at 500 MPa-40 °C-30 min (Fig. 12B,12C, and 12D). These samples' granules collapsed and gained an erythrocyte shape which is the typical granular structure upon pressure gelatinization as reported in literature (Douzals, Perrier Cornet, Gervais, & Coquille, 1998).

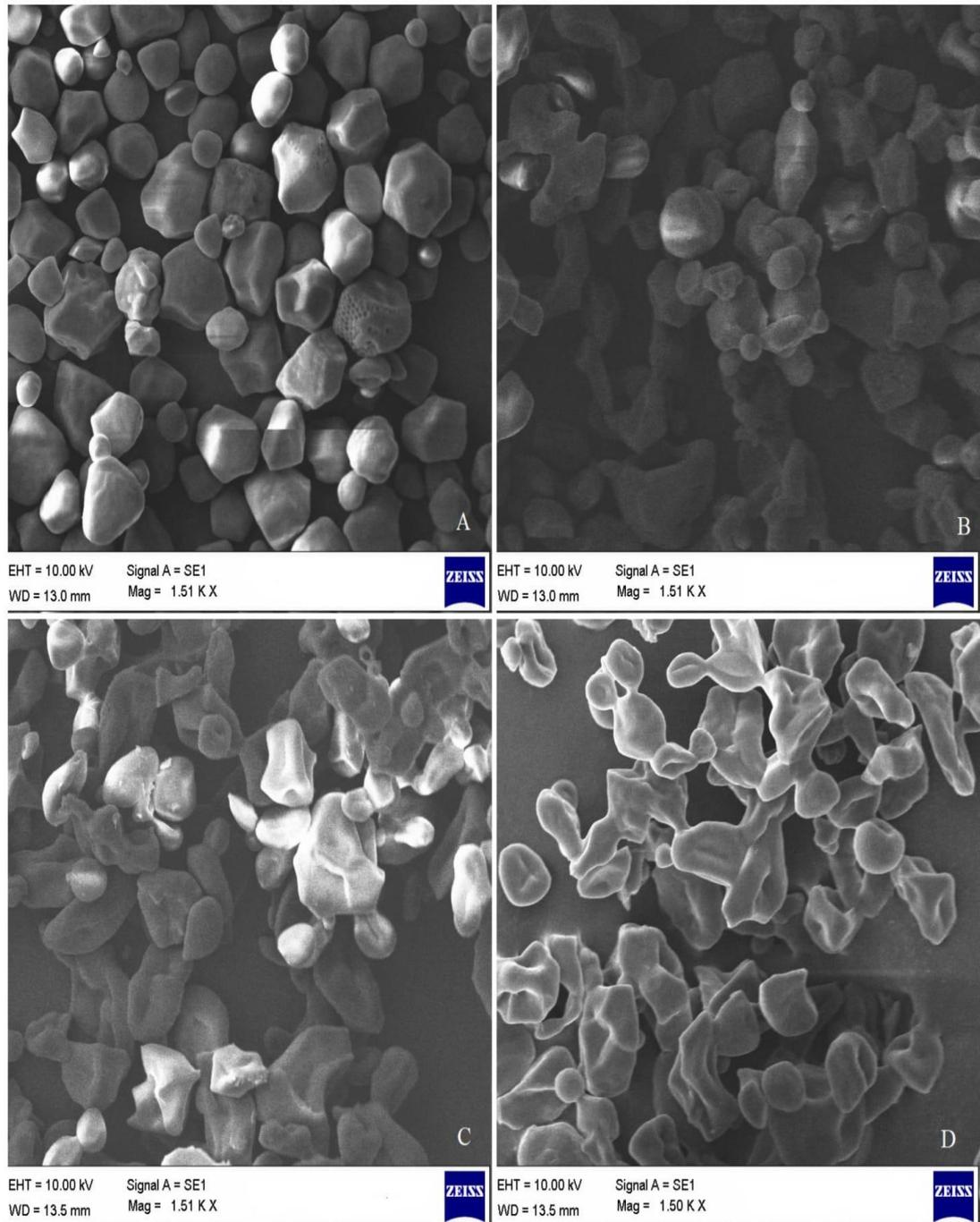


Figure 14. SEM images of HHP-treated cornstarch samples, Panel (A) 0.1 MPa-20°C (Native Starch) Panel (B) HHP treatment (500 MPa-40°C-5 min). Panel (C) HHP treatment (500 MPa-40°C-15 min). Panel (D) HHP treatment (500 MPa-40°C-30 min)

The results indicated that cornstarch morphological properties was affected by HHP treatment time. HHP treatment caused strong interactions between amylose and amylopectin chains and this is related with a compact structure with cavities, fissures, and holes on the surface (Błaszczak, Valverde, & Fornal, 2005). These observations were also in good agreement with previous studies (Katopo et al., 2002; W. Li et al., 2012).

CHAPTER 4

Conclusion

As far as we know that there is no report on the effect of High Hydrostatic Pressure (HHP) on physicochemical properties of cornstarch by Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Relaxometry. HHP treatment caused an increase in SDS and RDS content of cornstarch. On the other hand, RS content of cornstarch decreased by HHP treatment. The SI and SP of cornstarch decreased. According to NMR results, the T_2 values increased by HHP treatment since less broken-intact HHP treated starch granules cannot interact with the continuous liquid phase intensely and the free portion of the water molecules. In addition to these, HHP treatment affected the morphological properties of cornstarch. These results indicated that HHP treatment causes structural changes of cornstarch and this had an effect upon physicochemical properties of cornstarch. Because of starch gelatinization occurs during HHP treatment, HHP treatment can be applied on some food products like pudding without applying any heat treatment during production.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A. ANOVA Results of General Full Factorial Regressions

General Full Factorial Regressions: Solubility of Cornstarch (60°C); Pressure, Temperature, Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in Notebook1

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 4

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.356)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.000	1560.000	156	48.431	0.002
Temperature	20.000	1310.000	65.5	20.397	0.008
Time	20.003	388 0.001	194	601.310	<0.001
Residual	40.000	01290.000	00322		
Total	170.004	310.000	254		

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.002). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences

in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.008$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
400.000 vs. 500.0000	0.00589	29.842	0.002		Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
20.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00650	38.870	0.007		Yes
20.000 vs. 30.0000	0.00433	35.913	0.030		Yes
30.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00217	32.957	0.207		No

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	0.0357	348.670	<0.001		Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.0217	329.566	<0.001		Yes
15.000 vs. 30.0000	0.0140	319.104	<0.001		Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.999

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.955

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0000.0473

500.0000.0414

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000598

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0000.0480

30.0000.0437

40.0000.0415

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000733

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0000.0635

15.0000.0418

30.0000.0278

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000733

General Full Factorial Regressions: Solubility of Cornstarch (70°C); Pressure. Temperature. Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 70-solubility.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 4

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.520)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.0000	1610.0000	161	7.225	0.050
Temperature	20.0001	1330.0000	665	29.925	0.004
Time	20.00188	0.000940		423.075	<0.001
Residual	40.00000	8890.00000	222		
Total	170.00209	0.000123			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.050).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.004). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
20.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00650	310.681	0.004		Yes
20.000 vs. 30.0000	0.00450	37.394	0.014		Yes
30.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00200	33.286	0.163		No

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	0.0248	340.805	<0.001		Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.0152	324.921	<0.001		Yes
15.000 vs. 30.0000	0.00967	315.884	<0.001		Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.474

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.993

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0000.0604

500.0000.0586

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000497

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0000.0632

30.0000.0587

40.0000.0567

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000609

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0000.0728

15.0000.0577

30.0000.0480

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000609

General Full Factorial Regressions: Solubility of Cornstarch (80°C); Pressure. Temperature. Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 80-solubility.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 4

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.437)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.000	1330.000	133	19.843	0.011
Temperature	20.000	1220.000	61	9.083	0.033
Time	20.001	700.000	851	126.603	<0.001
Residual	40.000	02690.000	0672		
Total	170.002	140.000	126		

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.011). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.033). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
400.000 vs. 500.0000	0.00544	26.300	0.011		Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
20.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00633	35.983	0.029		Yes
20.000 vs. 30.0000	0.00250	32.362	0.321		No
30.000 vs. 40.0000	0.00383	33.622	0.128		No

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	0.0237	322.359	<0.001		Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.0142	313.384	0.002		Yes
15.000 vs. 30.0000	0.00950	38.975	0.007		Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.899

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.666

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0000.0731

500.0000.0677

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.000864

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0000.0733

30.0000.0708

40.0000.0670

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.00106

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0000.0830

15.0000.0688

30.0000.0593

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.00106

General Full Factorial Regressions: Solubility of Cornstarch (90°C); Pressure. Temperature. Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 80-solubility.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 4

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.841)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.000242	0.000242		6.785	0.060
Temperature	20.000415	0.000207		5.815	0.046
Time	20.00809	0.00404		113.394	0.066
Residual	40.000143	0.000357			
Total	170.00901	0.000530			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.060).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.046).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is a not statistically significant difference ($P = 0.066$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	0.0495	320.303	<0.001		Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.0383	315.722	0.001		Yes
15.000 vs. 30.000	0.0112	34.580	0.067		No

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.447

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.453

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0000.105

500.0000.0979

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.00199

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0000.108

30.0000.0978

40.0000.0985

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.00244

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0000.131

15.0000.0925

30.0000.0813

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.00244

General Full Factorial Regressions: The Swelling Power of Cornstarch (60°C);Pressure.Temperature.Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 60-Swelling.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: 70

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.498)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.194	0.194	25.712	0.007	
Temperature	20.235	0.118	15.568	0.013	
Time	21.111	0.555	73.501	<0.001	
Residual	40.030	20.00756			
Total	171.660	0.0976			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.007). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.013). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure

and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Holm-Sidak method):

Overall significance level = 0.05

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	t	P	P<0.050
400.000 vs. 500.000	0.183	4.772	0.009	Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	t	P	P<0.050
30.000 vs. 40.000	0.757	16.082	<0.001	Yes
30.000 vs. 20.000	0.557	11.831	<0.001	Yes
20.000 vs. 40.000	0.200	4.251	0.013	Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	t	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	1.375	29.223	<0.001	Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.703	14.948	<0.001	Yes
15.000 vs. 30.000	0.672	14.275	<0.001	Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.934

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 1.000

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0006.042

500.0005.859

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0272

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0005.832

30.0006.388

40.0005.632

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0333

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0006.643

15.0005.940

30.0005.268

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0333

**General Full Factorial Regressions: The Swelling Power of Cornstarch
(70°C); Pressure. Temperature. Time**

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 70-Swelling.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: 60

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.770)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.151	0.151	22.773	0.009	
Temperature	21.845	0.922	138.884	<0.001	
Time	25.673	2.836	427.067	<0.001	
Residual	40.02660	0.00664			
Total	178.913	0.524			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.009). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = <0.001). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
400.000 vs. 500.000	0.183		26.749	0.009	Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
30.000 vs. 40.000	0.757		322.743	<0.001	Yes
30.000 vs. 20.000	0.557		316.731	<0.001	Yes
20.000 vs. 40.000	0.200		36.011	0.029	Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	1.375		341.328	<0.001	Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.703		321.140	<0.001	Yes
15.000 vs. 30.000	0.672		320.188	<0.001	Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.934

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 1.000

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 1.000

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0006.042

500.0005.859

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0272

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0005.832

30.0006.388

40.0005.632

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0333

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0006.643

15.0005.940

30.0005.268

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0333

**General Full Factorial Regressions: The Swelling Power of Cornstarch
(80°C);Pressure.Temperature.Time**

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in Notebook1

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: 60

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.770)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.151	0.151	22.773	0.009	
Temperature	21.845	0.922	138.884	<0.001	
Time	25.673	2.836	427.067	<0.001	
Residual		40.02660	0.00664		
Total	178.913	0.524			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.009). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = <0.001). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure

and Temperature. There is a statistically significant difference ($P = <0.001$). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Time**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
5.000 vs. 30.000	0.732	37.706	0.012		Yes
5.000 vs. 15.000	0.588	36.197	0.026		Yes
15.000 vs. 30.000	0.143	31.510	0.580		No

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.460

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.0514

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 0.911

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0007.047

500.0006.757

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0775

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0006.888

30.0006.942

40.0006.875

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0949

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0007.342

15.0006.753

30.0006.610

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0949

**General Full Factorial Regressions: The Swelling Power of Cornstarch
(90°C); Pressure. Temperature. Time**

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in 90-Swelling.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: 90

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.114)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.207	0.207	0.904	0.396	
Temperature	20.853	0.427	1.863	0.268	
Time	21.625	0.813	3.550	0.130	
Residual	40.916	0.229			
Total	174.616	0.272			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.396).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.268).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling

variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature.
There is not a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.130$).

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Pressure : 0.0503

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Temperature : 0.120

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Time : 0.266

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0008.233

500.0008.019

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.159

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0008.150

30.0008.380

40.0007.848

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.195

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0008.523

15.0008.058

30.0007.797

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.195

**General Full Factorial Regressions: Spin-spin relaxation time experiments (T2)
result; Pressure. Temperature. Time**

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in Notebook1

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 7

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.168)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	10.138	0.138	2.308	0.203	
Temperature	20.0960	0.0480	0.805	0.509	
Time	20.0796	0.0398	0.667	0.562	
Residual	40.239	0.0597			
Total	170.815	0.0480			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.203).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.509).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling

variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature.
There is not a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.562$).

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Pressure : 0.142

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Temperature : 0.0514

Power of performed test with $\alpha = 0.0500$: for Time : 0.0514

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.0000.310

500.0000.485

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0814

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.0000.477

30.0000.301

40.0000.415

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0997

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.0000.311

15.0000.473

30.0000.409

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.0997

General Full Factorial Regressions: RDS; Pressure.Temperature.Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in RS.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: SDS

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.972)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	1	28.376	28.376	9.239	0.038
Temperature	2	74.021	37.011	12.050	0.020
Time	2	24.648	12.324	4.012	0.111
Residual	4	12.286	3.071		
Total		17163.324	9.607		

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.038). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.020). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is not a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.111$).

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
500.000 vs. 400.000	2.511		24.299	0.039	Yes

Comparisons for factor: **Temperature**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
40.000 vs. 20.000	4.967		36.942	0.018	Yes
40.000 vs. 30.000	2.417		33.378	0.152	No
30.000 vs. 20.000	2.550		33.564	0.133	No

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.584

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.796

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 0.305

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.00019.300

500.00021.811

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.584

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.00018.050

30.00020.600

40.00023.017

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.715

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.00018.933

15.00021.083

30.00021.650

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.715

General Full Factorial Regressions: SDS;Pressure.Temperature.Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in rds.JNB

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: SDS

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.960)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	114.401	14.401	10.294	0.033	
Temperature	219.408	9.704	6.937	0.050	
Time	215.551	7.776	5.558	0.070	
Residual	4	5.596	1.399		
Total	1767.403	3.965			

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.033). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.050).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling

variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is not a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.070$).

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
500.000 vs. 400.000	1.789		24.537	0.033	Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.634

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.535

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 0.433

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.00025.467

500.00027.256

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.394

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.00025.333

30.00025.967

40.00027.783

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.483

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.00025.117

15.00026.617

30.00027.350

Std Err of LS Mean = 0.483

General Full Factorial Regressions: RS;Pressure.Temperature.Time

Three Way Analysis of Variance

Data source: Data 1 in Notebook1

Balanced Design (No Interactions)

Dependent Variable: Col 4

Normality Test (Shapiro-Wilk) Passed (P = 0.407)

Equal Variance Test: Passed (P = 1.000)

Source of Variation	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Pressure	1	99.405	99.405	9.472	0.037
Temperature	2	64.108	32.054	3.054	0.157
Time	2	99.218	49.609	4.727	0.088
Residual	4	41.977	10.494		
Total	17	326.849	19.226		

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Pressure are greater than would be expected by chance after allowing for the effects of differences in Temperature and Time. There is a statistically significant difference (P = 0.037). To isolate which group(s) differ from the others use a multiple comparison procedure.

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Temperature are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Time. There is not a statistically significant difference (P = 0.157).

The difference in the mean values among the different levels of Time are not great enough to exclude the possibility that the difference is just due to random sampling

variability after allowing for the effects of differences in Pressure and Temperature. There is not a statistically significant difference ($P = 0.088$).

All Pairwise Multiple Comparison Procedures (Tukey Test):

Comparisons for factor: **Pressure**

Comparison	Diff of Means	p	q	P	P<0.050
400.000 vs. 500.000	4.700	24.353	0.037		Yes

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Pressure : 0.596

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Temperature : 0.222

Power of performed test with alpha = 0.0500: for Time : 0.366

Least square means for Pressure :

Group Mean

400.00056.256

500.00051.556

Std Err of LS Mean = 1.080

Least square means for Temperature :

Group Mean

20.00056.433

30.00053.383

40.00051.900

Std Err of LS Mean = 1.323

Least square means for Time :

Group Mean

5.00057.083

15.00053.150

30.00051.483

Std Err of LS Mean = 1.323

APPENDIX B: Glucose Standard Curve

