



## Volatile Compounds, Phenolics and Microstructure of Aloe Vera Peel Powder Cells with Maltodextrin as their Capsules and Variations in Drying Temperature

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### Abstract

The purpose of this study was to determine the quantity and quality of active compounds in aloe vera peel powder which was dried by foam mat drying method at a temperature of 60, 70, and 80°C for 6 hours. Aloe vera peel powder in this study came from aloe vera peel extract added with maltodextrin as a filler. The results of the study concluded that the volatile components by gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) at each temperature have different types of compounds. Consecutively with drying temperatures of 60, 70, and 80°C detected as 21, 19, and 19 types of compounds, but there are 3 similar dominant compounds, namely menthone, 1-anthrol and anthranol. Analysis using HPLC produce 9 compounds different temperatures, but only 3 that had similarities, namely pyrogallol,  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid, and caffeic acid. Pyrogallol compounds in aloe vera peel powder dried at 60, 70, and 80°C were 513.44, 464.12, 606.76  $\mu\text{g} / \text{g}$  respectively. The  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid that has been produced from drying temperatures 60, 70, and 80°C is 605.43, 547.33, and 715.37  $\mu\text{g} / \text{g}$  respectively and the caffeic acid compound was resulting from drying temperatures 60, 70, and 80°C is 734.4, 664.00 and 867.85  $\mu\text{g} / \text{g}$ . Microstructure analysis was only carried out on powder which is dried at 60°C, there are fine bubbles on the surface of the powder, this concludes that the powder has good solubility as one of the requirements of powdered products.



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### Introduction


This research focused on the study of the use of different drying temperature variations in protecting active compounds on the peel of the aloe vera that

was crushed, because the heating process such as drying in addition to affecting the chemical and biological processes in the material, also affects the number of active compounds contained therein.

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According to Narsih *et al.*<sup>1</sup> aloe vera peel contains many active compounds that have the ability as antioxidants to be sensitive, so the handling must be appropriate. The availability of active compounds on the peel of aloe vera contains compounds that are volatile and sensitive to heat, so that proper handling must be done such as temperature regulation and proper drying method in its crushing.

The use of drying temperature in a number of studies that have been conducted, concluded that it can affect the quantity and quality of the desired compound, so the preparation as a raw material is difficult to meet the standard criteria, therefore the drying temperature must be determined which can provide the maximum protective effect of the active compound. Pengseng *et al.*<sup>2</sup> concluded that the use of temperatures in the range of 25-90°C did not cause antioxidant damage to raw material components and Rajkumar *et al.*<sup>3</sup> stated that the drying process with the addition of foaming agent would produce a product that has good quality. This is also supported by Kudra and Ratti<sup>4</sup> which states that drying with the addition of foaming agent can shorten the drying time. The problem to be investigated in this research is how to protect the maximum quantity and quality of active compounds on the peel of aloe vera to be applied to functional food products. The purpose of this study was to determine the quantity and quality of active compounds in aloe vera peel powder.

## Materials and Method

### Materials

Aloe vera (*Aloe chinensis*) used in harvested by farmers in Pontianak, West Kalimantan, Indonesia, with 8 months old and weight of 1 kg with the condition that it has a uniform green color on the top and bottom peel surfaces. Maltodextrin with DE 20 specifications was obtained from chemical stores in the city of Pontianak.

### Sample Preparation

Aloe vera is sorted to remove mucus and other impurities, then washed with running water, blended by adding 1: 5 water the results obtained are then filtered. The filtrate is evaporated to remove water. Evaporation results added 15% maltodextrin and 0.1% Tween 80, homogenized with a mixer for 3 minutes. Samples were spread over aluminum foil and dried at 60,70 and 80°C for 6 hours. The dried

aloe vera was milled and sieved using a 80- mesh sieve to obtain aloe vera powder.

## Biochemical Assays

### Volatile Compound Test

The Aloe vera (L.) peel powder were analyzed for phytocomponent using GC-MS QP2010S-Shimadzu under the following conditions: column used were Rtx-5MS, 30 m length and inner diameter of 0.25 mm and the initial column temperature was 40°C and final temperature was 260°C (5°C/min), while the injector temperature was 250°C with split mode injector and split ratio of 68 and pressure of 14.0 kPa. The flow rate was 1.3 ml/min and the flow within the column was 0.50 ml/min. The detector temperature was 300°C and using Helium as the gas carrier with EI (Electron Impact); and the samples volume injected was 1 µl. Compounds were identified by comparing retention indices/comparing mass spectra of each compound with those of authentic samples and library.

### Phenolate Compound Test

Aloe vera peel powder was analyzed with phenolic compounds using HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) Shimadzu under the following conditions: SPD 20-A UV Vis Detector Detector, Column Shim-pack VP ODS 5 µm 150 x 4.6 mm, Column temperature 25°C, Mobile phase 0.1% TFA in acetonitrile. Mobile phase method Isocratic method, Flow rate 0.45 ml / min Wavelength detector 280 nm and run time 25 minutes.

### Cell Microstructure Test

The structure of Aloe vera peel powder produced was analyzed using SEM (Scan Electron Microscope) JSM T-100, JEOL, Japan. Samples were dehydrated by placing them in critical point drying equipment and then fastened with a special glue to the stub (samples holder). Samples were left to dry for ± 1 day. Samples were coated with pure gold or carbon for 1 h at a coating evaporator machine prior to being observed and their microscopic photos were taken by scanning electron microscope (SEM) machine.

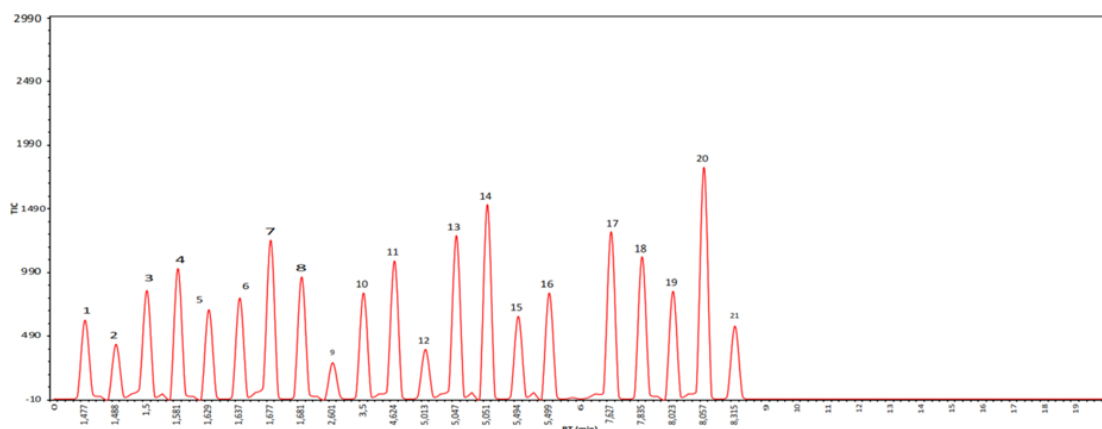
## Results and Discussion

### Volatile compounds

Volatile compounds detected at 60°C drying temperature within 6 hours. Chromatogram GC-MS constituent of the identification results of the aloe

vera powder which was dried at 60°C for 6 hours is presented in Figure 1 and Table 1. In Figure 1 there are 21 constituent compounds identified in aloe verapeel powder crushed with maltodextrin at 60°C within 6 hours and the constituent compounds are presented in Table 1. The compounds identified in aloe verapeel powder added with maltodextrin and dried at 60°C within 6 hours include:  $\alpha$  Pinene, Limonene, Mycerene, Benzylacetone, Carvone, Linalool, Mentone, Menthol, 7 Hydroxychromone, Anthracene, Conyferilalkohol, 9 Metylphenanthrene, 1 Anthrol, Anthranol,  $\beta$ -caryophyllene,  $\beta$ -Selinene, Aloesone, Aloesol, Dodecylbenzene, Chrysophanol,

Thidecybenzene. Based on Figure 1 and Table 1, the most dominant compounds were Chrysophanol 9.49% at peak 20, Anthranol 7.96% at peak 14, Aloesone 6.85% at peak 17, Menthone 6.50% at peak 7 and 1 Anthrol 6.09% at peak 13. Generally, the compounds detected are monoterpeneoid compounds which have antioxidant properties. This result is different from the research of Narsih *et al.* 1 which identified compounds in aloe verapeel powder which was dried at 60°C for 6 hours with 10% maltodextrin concentration that obtained 11 compounds with 5 dominant compounds.



**Fig. 1: GC-MS Chromatogram of Compounds in Aloe Vera Peel Powder, Drying Temperature 60°C within 6 hours**

**Volatile Compounds Detected at 70°C Drying Temperature within 6 Hours**

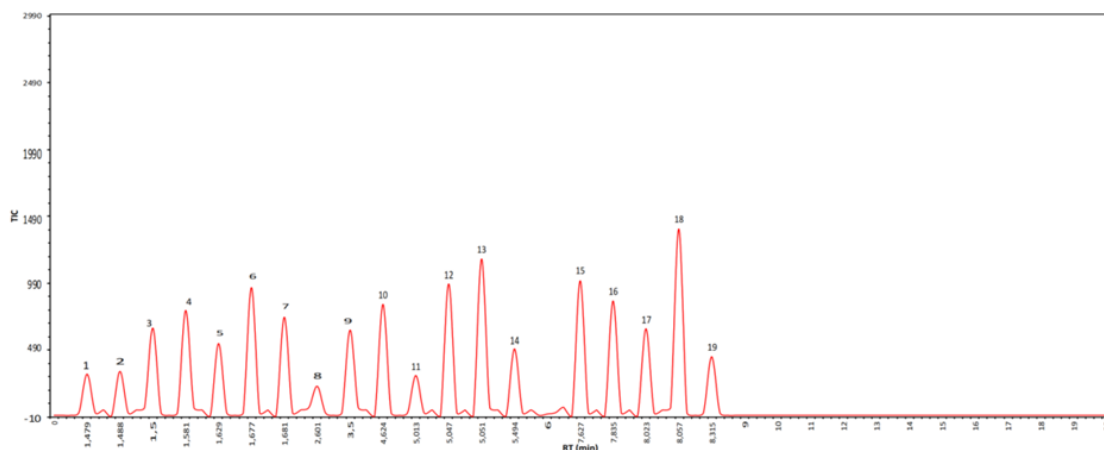
Chromatogram GC-MS of the constituent compounds resulting from identification of aloe vera shell powder dried at 70°C for 6 hours is presented in Figure 2 and Table 1. In Figure 2 there are 19 constituent compounds identified in aloe verapeel powder crushed with maltodextrin at 70°C within 6 hours and the constituent compounds are presented in Table 1. In the treatment of drying temperature of 70°C with 6 hours identified 19 compounds namely  $\alpha$  Pinene, Limonene, Mycerene, Benzylacetone, Carvone, Menthone, Menthol, 7 Hydroxychromone, Anthracene, Conyferilalkohol, 9 Metylphenanthrene, 1 Anthrol, Anthranol,  $\beta$ -caryophyllene, Aloesone, Aloesol, Dodecylbenzene, Chysophanol, Tridecylbenzene. The dominant compounds were

Chysophanol 10.49% at peak 18, Anthranol 8.81 peak 13, 1 Anthrol 7.40 peak 12, Menthone 7.19 peak 6 and Aloesol 6.14 peak 16. When compared with the same sample but drying treatments using different temperatures and times (Figure 1 and Table 1) then in Figure 2 and Table 2 there is a loss of 2 compounds namely Linalool and  $\beta$ -Selinene.

Linalool and linalyl acetate are monoterpene compounds which are the main volatile components of essential oils from several aromatic species and according to Peana and Moretti, 5 have pharmacological activities and research conclusions that linalool and linalyl acetate have anti-inflammatory activity. The next compound is  $\beta$ -Selinene which is a group of sesquiterpene compounds.

**Table 1: Volatile Components at Different Temperatures (60°C, 70°C, 80°C)**

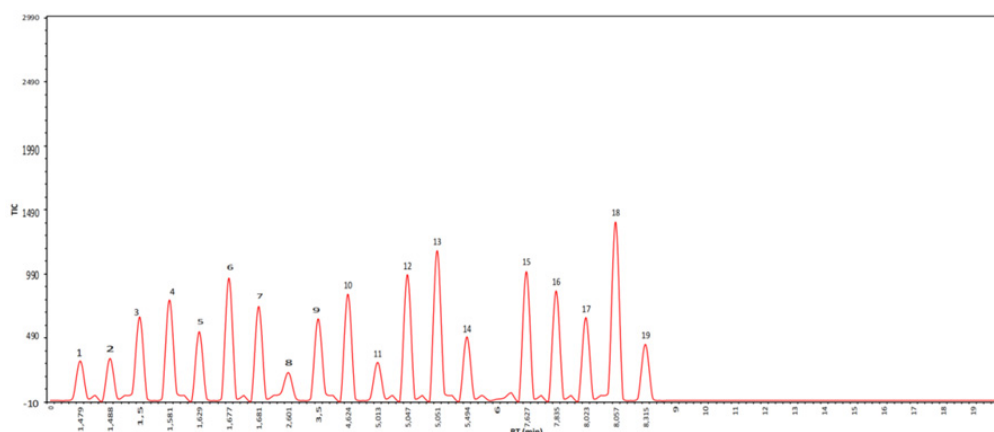
Volatile Powder Components Temperature 60°C			Volatile Powder Components Temperature 70°C		Volatile Powder Components Temperature 80°C	
Peak No.	Compound Names	Composition (%)	Compound Names	Composition (%)	Compound Names	Composition (%)
1	α Pinene	3,22	α Pinene	2,32	α Pinene	3,01
2	Limonene	2,23	Limonene	2,47	β-Pirene	1,96
3	Myrcene	4,44	Mycerene	4,91	Limonene	2,08
4	Benzylacetone	5,34	Benzylacetone	5,91	Myrcene	4,14
5	Carvone	3,65	Carvone	4,04	Benzylacetone	4,98
6	Linalool	4,13	Menthone	7,19	Carvone	3,40
7	Menthone	6,50	Menthol	5,52	Linalool	3,80
8	Menthol	4,99	7 Hydroxychromone	1,64	α Terpineol	2,78
9	7 Hydroxychromone	1,48	Anthracene	4,80	Menthone	6,07
10	Anthracene	4,34	Conyferilalkohol	6,25	Menthol	4,60
11	Conyferilalkohol	5,65	9 Metylphenanthrene	2,24	Hydroxychromone7	1,30
12	9 Metylphenanthrene	2,02	1 Anthrol	7,40	Anthracene	4,05
13	1 Anthrol	6,09	Anthranol	8,81	Coniferylalcohol	5,27
14	Anthranol	7,96	β-caryophyllene	3,74	9 Methylphenantherene	1,89
15	β-caryophyllene	3,38	Aloesone	7,75	1 Anthrol	6,24
16	β-Selinene	4,34	Aloesol	6,14	Anthranol	7,43
17	Aloesone	6,85	Dodecylbenzene	4,87	β-Caryophyllene	3,15
18	Aloesol	5,82	Chysophanol	10,49	β-Selinene	4,05
19	Dodecylbenzene	4,40	Tridecylbenzene	3,30	Decylcyclohexane	1,89
20	Chrysophanol	9,49	-	-		
21	Thidecylbenzene	2,98	-	-		



**Fig. 2: GC-MS Chromatogram of Compounds in Aloe Vera Peel Powder, Drying Temperature 70°C, Time 6 hours**

**Table 2: Components of Phenol Compounds at Different Temperature (60°C, 70°C, 80°C)**

Components of Phenol Powder Temperature 60°C			Components of Phenol Powder Temperature 70°C		Components of Phenol Powder Temperature 80°C	
Peak No.	Compound Names	Results (µg/g)	Compound Names	Results (µg/g)	Compound Names	Results (µg/g)
1	Catechol	350,55	Catechol	316,86	Catechol	414,30
2	Pyrogallol	513,44	Pyrogallol	464,12	Pyrogallol	606,76
3	Salicylic	125,24	Salicylic	113,16	Salicylic	148,09
4	Protocatechuic acid	422,11	Protocatechuic acid	381,54	Protocatechuic acid	498,88
5	β-Coumaric acid	605,43	β-Coumaric acid	547,33	β-Coumaric acid	715,37
6	Gallic acid	528,56	Gallic acid	477,82	Gallic acid	624,57
7	Caffeic acid	734,49	Caffeic acid	664,00	Caffeic acid	867,85
8	Ferrulic acid	365,12	Ferrulic acid	330,04	Ferrulic acid	431,49
9	Cholorogenic acid	488,26	Cholorogenic acid	441,38	Cholorogenic acid	576,96



**Fig. 3: GC-MS Chromatogram of Compounds in Aloe Vera Peel Powder, Temperature 80°C, Time 6 hours**

**Volatile Compounds Detected at 80°C Crying Temperature within 6 hours**

Chromatogram GC-MS of the constituent compounds resulting from identification of aloe vera peel powder dried at 80°C for 6 hours is presented in Figure 3 and Table 1. In Figure 3 there are 19 constituent compounds identified in the Aloe vera peel powder which are crushed with maltodextrin at 80°C within 6 hours and the constituent compounds are presented in Table 1. In the drying treatment temperature of 80°C with 6 hours identified 19 compounds namely: α Pinene, β-Pinene, Limonene, Myrcene, Benzylacetone, Carvone, Linalool, α Terpineol, Menthone, Menthol, 7-Hydroxychromone, Anthracene, Coniferylalcohol,

9 Methylphenanthrene, 1 Anthrol, Anthranol, β-Caryophyllene, β-Selinene, Decylcyclohexane. The dominant compound was detected at Anthranol 7.43% peak 16, 1 Anthrol 6.24% peak 15, Menthone 6.07% peak 9, Coniferylalcohol 5.27% peak 13, Benzylacetone 4.98% peak 5.

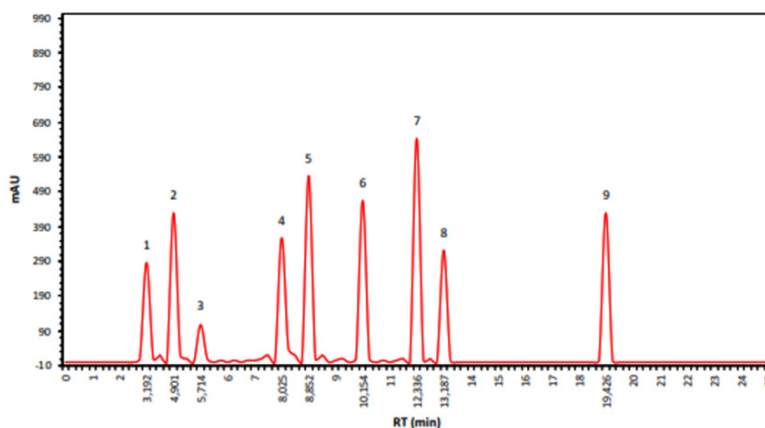
There are differences in the amount and type of compound that appears in the previous drying treatment. Drying at 60°C produces 21 types of compounds, at temperatures of 70 and 80°C in producing 19 types of compounds but has a number of different percentages and types of compounds that appear. At a temperature of 70°C Chysophanol and Tridecylbenzene compounds appear but when

the temperature is raised these compounds are not detected.

At 80°C, Linalool and β-Selinene compounds were detected. Based on the three GC-MS chromatograms obtained from five dominant compounds obtained, there were generally 4 of the same compounds detected at 60°C and 70°C namely: Chrysophanol, Anthranol, Menthone and 1 Anthrol, while at 80°C Anthranol, 1 Anthrol 6.24% and Menthone.

Chrysophanol is a compound that has a positive effect as a medicine. According to Prateeksha *et al.*<sup>6</sup> Chrysophanol is a unique anthraquinone that has very important therapeutic potential that has beneficial effects on human health and generally these

compounds provide pharmacological properties as anticancer, hepatoprotective, neuroprotective, anti-inflammatory and antimicrobial. Anthranol is a type of anthraquinone compound, according to Doughari *et al.*<sup>7</sup> it provides potential therapeutic uses as an antibacterial, antiviral, antifungal and antioxidant, anti-inflammatory and cytotoxic agent. Antimicrobial activity of some anthraquinone derivatives such as anthraquinone and emodin shows activity against *E. coli* and *S. aureus* and anti-yeast activity against *C. Albicans* and the combination of both shows a negative effect on *A. niger* (Hamed *et al.*<sup>8</sup> The next compound is aloesone. Iscan *et al.*<sup>9</sup> mention that menthone and piperitone which have antimicrobial properties and are widely used in the fragrance and pharmaceutical industries and the last dominant compound is compound 1 Anthrol.



**Fig. 4: HPLC Chromatogram of Aloe Vera Peel Powder Phenol Compounds, Drying 60°C in 6 hours**

**Phenolate Compounds**

Phenolate compounds detected at 60°C temperature within 6 hours. The dominant compound contained in aloe vera peel powder is generally classified as monoterpenoid which has high antioxidant properties. One of which is included is a phenol compound. The results of the detection of phenol compounds using HPLC chromatograms are presented in Figure 4 and Table 2. In Figure 4, there are 9 types of phenol compounds identified in aloe vera peel powder and 9 of these compounds are presented in Table 2. Nine types of phenol compounds were detected based on their retention time in succession, namely: Catechol, Pyrogallol, Salicylic, Protocatechuic acid, β-Coumaric acid, Gallic acid, Caffeic acid, Ferrulic acid and Chlorogenic acid, but there were three

dominant compounds namely: Caffeic acid 734.49 (µg/g) peak 7, β-Coumaric acid 605.43 (µg/g) peak 5 and Pyrogallol 513.44 (µg/g) peak 2.

**Phenolate Compounds Detected at 70°C Temperature within 6 Hours**

The results of the detection of phenol compounds using HPLC chromatograms are presented in Figure 5 and Table 2. Nine types of phenol compounds detected based on their retention time are Catechol, Pyrogallol, Salicylic, Protocatechuic acid, β-Coumaric acid, Gallic acid, Caffeic acid, Ferrulic acid and Chlorogenic acid, but there are three dominant compounds: Caffeic acid 664.00 (µg / g) peak 7, β-Coumaric acid 547.33 (µg/g) peak 5 and Pyrogallol 464.12 (µg/g) peak 2.

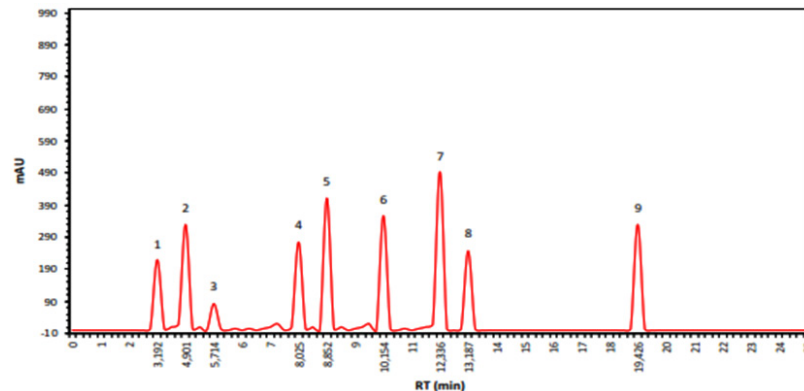


Fig. 5: HPLC Chromatogram of Aloe Vera Powder Phenol Compounds, Drying 70°C in 6 hours

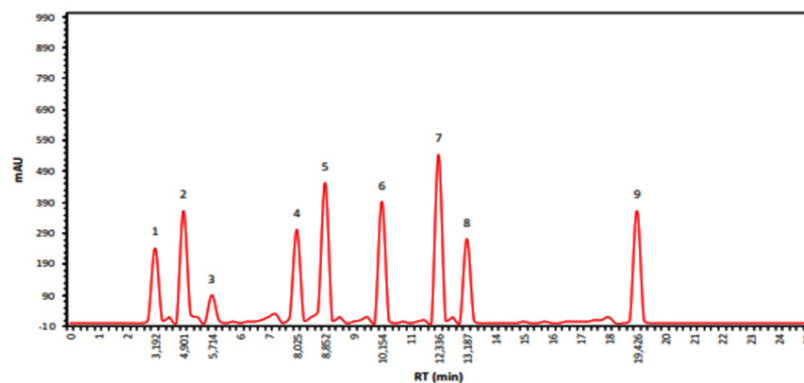


Fig. 6: HPLC Chromatogram of Aloe Vera Powder Phenol Compounds, Drying 80 °C in 6 hours

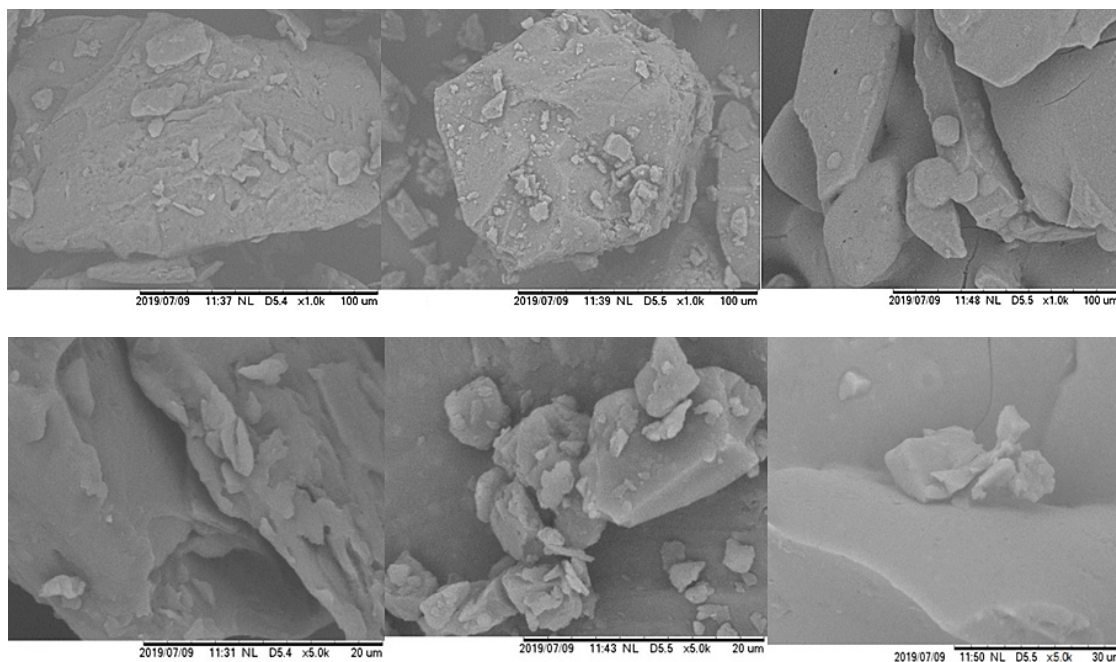
#### Phenolate Compounds Detected at 80°C Temperature within 6 Hours

The results of the detection of phenol compounds using HPLC chromatograms are presented in Figure 6 and Table 2. In Figure 6 there are 9 types of phenol compounds. The results of the detection of phenol compounds using HPLC chromatograms are presented in Figure 6 and Table 2. In Figure 6 there are 9 types of phenol compounds identified in the powdered powder of the aloe vera peel and 9 of these compounds are presented in Table 2.

Nine types of phenol compounds detected based on retention time are Catechol, Pyrogallol, Salicylic, Protocatechuic acid,  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid, Gallic acid, Caffeic acid, Ferrulic acid and Chlorogenic acid. There are three dominant compounds Caffeic acid 867.85 ( $\mu\text{g/g}$ ) peak 7<sup>th</sup>,  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid 715.37 ( $\mu\text{g/g}$ ) peak 5 and Pyrogallol 606.76 ( $\mu\text{g/g}$ ) peak 2. Thus the compound detected from the HPLC chromatogram of aloe vera peel powder with

different drying temperatures produced the same type of dominant compound but had different percentage namely: Caffeic acid,  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid and Pyrogallol. Caffeic acid according to Laranjinha,<sup>10</sup> had been shown to have a protective effect on  $\alpha$ -tocopherol in low-density lipoprotein (LDL).

$\beta$ -Coumaric acid is a phenol compound that has strong antioxidant properties and according to Salameh *et al.*<sup>11</sup> this acid is unstable at high temperatures. Campos, Couto and Hogg,<sup>12</sup> Some phenylpropanoid compounds including caffeic acid, p-coumaric acid and ferulic acid, are able to provide inhibition of bacterial growth, including *E. coli*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Bacillus cereus*, *Listeria monocytogenes* and some yeast. Pyrogallol according to Furuno, Akasako and Sugihara<sup>13</sup> has antioxidant activity and according to Lima<sup>14</sup> is a compound that has antibacterial activity.



**Fig. 7: Aloe Vera Peel Micrograph Powder with magnification 1000 and 5000**

#### Cell Microstructure

Aloe vera peel powder added with maltodextrin was then analyzed by cell microstructure using Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM), which was carried out at magnifications of 1000 and 5000 times. Cell microstructure analysis was performed on aloe vera peel powder with maltodextrin which was dried at 60°C for 6 hours because it was the best treatment process based on the test of volatile components and phenol compounds. Fig 7. Shows the microstructure of aloe vera powder which was dried at 60°C for 6 hours. On the surface there were bubbles or spots that vary in size. This proved that micrographs with the addition of foaming agents, resulting in bubbles or spots caused by tween 80 as an agent that encourages foam forming can form cavities, making it easier to evaporate water during drying and the resulting powder has good solubility.

#### Conclusions

There are different amounts and types of compounds that appear in different drying treatments. Drying at 60°C, 70°C and 80°C in 6 hours resulted in 21, 19

and 19 compounds respectively. The same three compounds from different temperature treatments were Menthone, 1- Anthrol and Anthranol. HPLC chromatogram of aloe vera peel powder also produced the same type of dominant compounds namely: Caffeic acid,  $\beta$ -Coumaric acid and Pyrogallol and SEM test with magnification of 500 and 1000 times showed small spots that indicate the presence of cavities and identified the resulting powder had good solubility.

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