

Propriedades de chocolate amargo enriquecido com ácidos clorogênicos livres e encapsulados extraído do café verde

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# Abstract

To increase the functionality of dark chocolate, chlorogenic acids extracted from green coffee were added in free or encapsulated forms at different concentration (10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 mg/5 kg of free chlorogenic acids and equal quantity of encapsulated form). The extraction of chlorogenic acids was carried out by maceration of ground green coffee beans in distilled water (30 min at 80 °C), then, cooling, filtration and adsorption by active carbon were done. The final step was filtration and desorption from active carbon and rotary drying (at 60 °C and 120 rpm). Encapsulation of chlorogenic acids was done by coacervation of pectin and gelatin. For quality assessment, several analysis on chocolate samples were performed included color index and melting behavior by Differential Scanning Calorimeter. Flow behavior of the chocolate samples melted at 40 °C was determined using stress or strain controlled rheometer. The microstructure of the chocolate samples was analyzed by Scanning Electron Microscope technique at 500-1000x magnification. Particle size distribution and sensory evaluation was also performed. Results showed addition of free and encapsulated forms of chlorogenic acids. Color indexes of chocolate samples were influenced by addition of chlorogenic acids. Particle size distribution decreased T<sub>onset</sub>. T<sub>peak</sub> and  $\Delta$ H of dark chocolate. Casson viscosity increased in the case of addition chlorogenic acids. Color indexes of chocolate samples were influenced by addition of free form was added. Sensory characteristics were also influenced by chocolate formulation and samples included encapsulated chlorogenic acids exhibit better sensory properties than samples enriched with free form.

Keywords: Coacervation; Encapsulation; Melting behavior; Casson viscosity.

# Resumo

Para aumentar a funcionalidade do chocolate amargo, os ácidos clorogênicos extraídos do grão de café verde foram adicionados ao produto na forma livre ou encapsulada, em diferentes concentrações (10, 20, 30, 40 e 50 mg/5 kg de ácidos clorogênicos livres e quantidade igual de forma encapsulada). A extração de ácidos clorogênicos foi realizada por maceração de grãos de café verde em água destilada (30 min a 80 °C); em seguida, foram realizados resfriamento, filtração e adsorção por carvão ativo. O passo final foi filtração e dessorção por meio de carvão ativo



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e secagem rotativa (a 60 °C e 120 rpm). O encapsulamento de ácidos clorogênicos foi realizado por coacervação de pectina e gelatina. Para avaliação da qualidade, foram realizadas diversas análises em amostras de chocolate, incluindo índice de cor, comportamento na fusão por calorimetria de varredura diferencial e comportamento de fluxo das amostras de chocolate derretido a 40 °C, utilizando reômetro controlado por tensão ou deformação. A microestrutura das amostras de chocolate foi analisada por microscopia eletrônica de varredura, com ampliação de 500-1000 vezes. Distribuição de tamanho de partícula e avaliação sensorial também foram realizadas. Os resultados mostraram que a adição de ácidos clorogênicos na forma livre e encapsulada diminuiu T<sub>onset</sub>, T<sub>peak</sub> e AH de chocolate amargo. A viscosidade de Casson aumentou com a adição de ácidos clorogênicos. Índices de cor das amostras de chocolate foram livre de ácidos clorogênicos e aumentou no caso da forma encapsulada. As características sensoriais também foram influenciadas pela formulação do chocolate e as amostras adicionadas de ácidos clorogênicos e napsuladas. As características sensoriais também foram influenciadas pela formulação do chocolate e as amostras adicionadas com a forma livre.

Palavras-chave: Coacervação; Encapsulamento; Comportamento na fusão; Viscosidade de Casson.

# **1** Introduction

Nowadays, natural antioxidants draw attention as food preservatives and preventing oxidation of foods. Furthermore, antioxidants have several health benefits such as anti- cancer activity, prevention of cardiovascular and neurological diseases and anti-inflammatory, antibacterial, anti-allergic, anti-hypertensive, antiviral and skin wound healing effects (Ozkan et al., 2019). Different food antioxidants have been classified into two main groups based on their chemical structure and functions: water soluble and lipid soluble bioactive compounds. Citrates, norbixin, betalains, most of the phenolics, flavanoids and anthocyanins are water soluble and carotenoids, tocopherols, terpenoids and vitamin E are lipid soluble bioactive components (Carocho et al., 2018). Chlorogenic acids (CGA) are a common name of different components composed of mono- and di-acyl quinic acids, with caffeic, ferulic, and p-coumaric acids as the main acylating residues. Chlorogenic acids are found widespread in plant materials and its antioxidant properties were reported (Yashin et al., 2013).

Several factors have adverse effect on antioxidant activity (light, oxygen, temperature, moisture and presence of unsaturated bonds in the molecular structures) which cause antioxidant degradation. Microencapsulation with a suitable carrier is an alternative method for enhancing the storage and environmental stability of bioactives. This method also masks flavor, bitter taste and astringency of polyphenols (Ballesteros et al., 2017). For efficient microencapsulation, the selection of suitable wall materials with the minimum adverse effect of different food properties is necessary. Complex coacervation is an approach that uses a combination of encapsulating substances. In this method, electrostatic attraction is provided between a minimum of two oppositely charged macromolecules. Although other weak interactions such as hydrogen bonding and hydrophobic interactions also may contribute to the complex formation (Jain et al., 2016), this method is commonly used for encapsulating materials with lipophilic nature such as palm oil (Rutz et al., 2017), Cinnamaldehyde (Muhoza et al., 2019).

Gelatin and pectin are two of the most biodegradable biopolymers commonly used in food and pharmaceutical industry (Wu & McClements, 2015). Gelatin and pectin coacervate are mainly prepared through electrostatic attraction between the positive charge on protein surface and negatively charged pectin carboxylic group (Xu et al., 2017). Their application for encapsulation were studied by some researchers (Muhoza et al., 2019).

Chocolate is the one of most popular foods around the world. They are divided into three main classes (dark, milk and white) according to their formulation (the content of cocoa solid, milk fat and cocoa butter) (Afoakwa, 2010, p. 275). Dark chocolate is a rich source of flavonoids with high antioxidant activity and

beneficial health effects such as free radical scavenging (Silva Medeiros et al., 2015), increased insulin sensitivity (Ramos et al., 2017). Some attempts to enhance functional activity of dark chocolate were done such as adding probiotic bacteria (Kemsawasd et al., 2016), eicosapentaenoic and docosahexaenoic acids (Toker et al., 2018).

This study was focused on assessing the effects of chlorogenic acids addition in different forms (free or encapsulated) into dark chocolate formulation and examining the quality characteristics of dark chocolates such as physical, physico-chemical, thermo-gravimetric, rheological, textural and sensory properties.

# 2 Material and methods

# 2.1 Materials

For preparing dark chocolate, specific amounts of the following materials were used. 43.81 g sugar, 44.91 g Cocoa, 10.78 g Cocoa butter, 0.52 g Soy lecithin (Son et al., 2018). Free and encapsulated chlorogenic acids were also added at the ratio of 10, 20, 30, 40 and 50 mg/5 kg. Considering the encapsulation efficiency equal to 99.71% and for equal addition of chlorogenic acids to chocolate formulation, the microcapsules of chlorogenic acids added to chocolate formulation were 10.02, 20.05, 30.08, 40.11 and 50.14 mg/5 kg). All chemicals used in this study were purchased from Merck.

# 2.2 Extraction of chlorogenic acids

Extraction of chlorogenic acids was carried out according to method demonstrated by Suarez-Quiroz et al. (2014). 100 g of green coffee powder was mixed with 500 mL distilled water, stirred for 30 min at 80 °C (in the dark condition). Thereafter, the mixture was cooled, and vacuum filtered through celite (1 cm). The pH of aqueous extract obtained from extraction step was adjusted to pH 3.0 with phosphoric acid. Active carbon (40 g/L) was added and magnetically stirred for 30 min at 60 °C, under dark condition. After cooling to ambient temperature, the mixture was vacuum filtered through celite (1 cm). Chlorogenic acids were desorbed from active carbon using ethanol 96% (v/v), and dried with a rotary evaporator at 60 °C and 120 rpm.

# 2.3 Encapsulation of chlorogenic acids

Pectin and gelatin were dissolved in deionized water at 60 °C for 2 h. For removing air bubbles, the biopolymer solutions were centrifuged at 5000 rpm for 30 min at room temperature.

The stock solution of gelatin/ pectin with ratio of 3:1 was prepared. The mixture was held at 45 °C for 30 min under a stirring rate of 300 rpm. Acetic acid (10% v/v) was used to adjust the pH at the coacervation optimum pH (equal to 3.8). Then, an ice-water bath was used to quickly decrease the temperature below 15 °C for 30 min at 300 rpm to induce complete formation of coacervates and enhance the number of intra molecular or intermolecular binding and formation of a gel network structure (Muhoza et al., 2019). The obtained coacervated microcapsules was stored at 6 °C for 24 h. The resulted coacervated microcapsules were freeze dried into powder.

# 2.4 Encapsulation efficiency

For encapsulation efficiency assessment, the chlorogenic acids content before and after encapsulation was measured according to spectrophotometric method outlined by Belay & Gholap (2009) at the wavelength region of 200 to 500 nm, (distilled water was used as blank) by Beer-Lambert's Law at  $\lambda max = 324$  nm by spectrophotometer (Jenway6305, UK). Extraction of chlorogenic acids from capsules were performed according to Cheraghali et al. (2016). 200 mg of microcapsule were dissolved in extraction solution

(methanol: acetic acid, distilled water in the ratio of 50:8:42), stirred for 1 min. Thereafter, sonication was performed for 20 min (Eurosonic 4D). Centrifugation at 5000 rpm for 10 min (ALC4232, Germany) was carried out. The collected supernant was used for chlorogenic acids content determination. Encapsulation efficiency was calculated as the Equation 1 below.

 $\% Encapsulation efficiency = \frac{Content of chlorogenic acids extracted from microcapsules}{Chlorogenic acids content used} \times 100$ (1)

## 2.5 Fourier-transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR)

Fourier-transform infrared spectroscopy is an approach for the analysis of materials structure and for the assessment of functional groups present in materials.

The Fourier-transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR) spectra analysis was performed before and after the encapsulation process. This analysis was carried out by a Perkin-Elmer FTIR spectrophotometer (model Spectroma2) in the range of 4000 to 500 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

#### 2.6 Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM)

Morphological observation was performed by scanning electron microscope (phenom proX) at 20 kV with magnification of 3000 and 5000 for microcapsules and magnification of 500-3000 for chocolate texture.

#### 2.7 Dark chocolate preparation

For dark chocolate preparation, 43.81 g sugar, 44.91 g cocoa, 10.78 g cocoa butter, 0.52 g soy lecithin were the original chocolate formulation ingredients (Son et al., 2018).

All ingredients were poured in a laboratory ball mill (Arman Co, Iran) and mixing, milling and crunching steps were simultaneously done at 60 °C, 100 rpm and 90min (Kiomarsi et al., 2017).

After crunching, chlorogenic acids were mixed to the chocolate mass at 35 °C (according to Table1). Thereafter, the mass was mixed about 5 min. Addition of chlorogenic acids was followed by a tempering three-stages process (33 to 35 °C, 24 to 25 °C and 25 to 26 °C). Subsequent stages included the molding in  $2 \times 2 \times 0.5$  cm plastic containers and vibration steps was carried out at 27 to 30 °C and cooling at 5 °C. Samples were kept at 13 to 15 °C prior to analysis (Konar et al., 2018).

#### 2.8 Color index and whiteness index

The surface color of dark chocolate samples was measured in triplicate. The CIE Lab color coordinates (L\* - lightness, a\* - redness to greenness and b\* - yellowness to blueness) were measured using MINOLTA Chroma Meter CR-400 (Minolta Co., Ltd., Osaka, Japan) (Lončarević et al., 2018).

#### 2.9 Melting properties

Melting behavior of the dark chocolate samples was determined using DSC (Differential Scanning Calorimeter) (TA Q20, TA Instruments, NewCastle, USA) according to the method pointed out by Glicerina et al. (2013). Samples (5 mg) were put into pans with hermetic lid. The samples were heated from 0 to 60 °C at 10 °C/min. Onset temperature (Tonset) and peak temperature (Tpeak) and energy required for the complete melting ( $\Delta$ H) of each sample were calculated using correspond thermograms.

## 2.10 Rheological properties

Flow behavior of the melted dark chocolate samples was determined at 40 °C using stress or strain controlled rheometer (MCR 302, Anton Paar, Graz, Austria). Cylindrical probe system was applied for the determination of rheological parameters. After melting the chocolate samples at 40 °C, parameters of the Casson model were calculated using the following Equation 2:

 $\tau^{0.5} = \tau_0^{0.5} + \eta_{pl,\gamma}^{.n} \tag{2}$ 

where  $\tau$  is shear stress (Pa),  $\gamma$  is shear rate (s<sup>-1</sup>),  $\tau_0$  is the yield stress (Pa) and  $\eta_{pl}$  is plastic viscosity (Pa s).

# 2.11 Particle size distribution

Particle size distribution was determined according to the method described by Sim et al. 2016 and carried out by laser diffraction particle size analyzer (Horiba, Irvine, California, USA). d50 (mm), d90 (mm) and d10 (mm) were determined (Sim et al., 2016).

## 2.12 Sensory properties

Sensory parameters of the samples were determined with "Multiple Comparison Technique" in chocolate samples (Shah et al., 2010). The sensory evaluation test was performed by ten panelists. Prior to sensory evaluation, panelists were asked to describe their sensory experiences using the following definitions (appearance, aroma and textural properties). Trained panelists evaluated the effects of addition of free or encapsulated chlorogenic acids on sensory characteristics of chocolate samples and consumed water and crackers between tests. Responses were recorded using a hedonic scale where the trained panelists scored from 1 to 7 for different attributes including appearance (blooming, color, surface brightness), texture (firmness), taste (sweetness, acidity, bitter), aroma (metallic taste) and overall acceptance.

# 2.13 Statistical analysis

All data were shown as the averages of triple replicates with standard deviations. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) was carried out using a SPSS program version 16.0 (SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA). Duncan's multiple range tests were used to examine the significant differences among the means of treatments ( $p \le 0.05$ ).

Samples	Code	Samples	Code	
Control (without chlorogenic acids)	A0	Control (without chlorogenic acids)	A0	
Dark chocolate enriched with free chlorogenic acids (10 mg/5 kg)	A1	Dark chocolate enriched with encapsulated chlorogenic acids (10.02 mg/5 kg)	AE1	
Dark chocolate enriched with free chlorogenic acids (20 mg/5 kg)	A2	Dark chocolate enriched with encapsulated chlorogenic acids (20.05 mg/5 kg)	AE2	
Dark chocolate enriched with free chlorogenic acids (30 mg/5 kg)	A3	Dark chocolate enriched with encapsulated chlorogenic acids (30.08 mg/5 kg)	AE3	
Dark chocolate enriched with free chlorogenic acids (40 mg/5 kg)	A4	Dark chocolate enriched with encapsulated chlorogenic acids (40.11 mg/5 kg)	AE4	
Dark chocolate enriched with free chlorogenic acids (50 mg/5 kg)	A5	Dark chocolate enriched with encapsulated chlorogenic acids (50.14 mg/5 kg)	AE5	

Table 1. Definition of tested sample	s.
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# **3 Results and discussions**

#### 3.1 Encapsulation efficiency

After measuring the chlorogenic acids content in microcapsules, the encapsulation efficiency calculated was of approximately 99.71%. This result implies that the encapsulation method chosen for this study has a desirable efficiency. This result was in accordance with other studies that reported high encapsulation efficiency. Outuki et al. (2016) reported the encapsulation efficiency for encapsulation extract of *Eschweilera nana Miers* leaves by Arabic and xanthan gum wall material equal to  $98.58\% \pm 0.69\%$ .

## **3.2 FTIR**

Figure 1 shows FTIR spectra of the chlorogenic acid and encapsulated chlorogenic acids. Accordingly, the remarkable peaks appeared at 3468 and 3344 cm<sup>-1</sup> which are attributed to OH groups. The presence of phenol functional groups was affirmed but there was a peak at 1383 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1443 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Peak observed at 1726 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponded to ascending C=O vibration of the carboxylic groups but peak at 1687 cm<sup>-1</sup> is due to C=O vibrations of the ester groups. C=C bonds cause a peak at 1639 cm<sup>-1</sup> and peal of 1600<sup>-1</sup> is resulted from aromatic ring. The presence of aromatic structure was confirmed by peaks at 1321 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 818 and 602 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Catauro & Pacifico, 2017).



Figure 1. The FTIR spectrum of chlorogenic acids (a) and encapsulated chlorogenic acids (b).

Figure 1b shows the FTIR spectrum of encapsulated chlorogenic acids by gelatin- pectin wall materials. Accordingly, the FTIR spectrum showed some more peaks due to the presence of functional groups in the wall materials of capsules. The main obvious peaks appeared at 1010,1750 and 3253 cm<sup>-1</sup> which are ascending to C-O bending vibration, carbonyl and hydroxyl group of pectin (Namanga et al., 2013) and other main peaks included peaks appeared at 2900 (resulted from C-H group vibration of protein) and 700 cm<sup>-1</sup> which attributed to gelatin structure (Pradini et al., 2018).

#### 3.3 SEM

SEM observation of microcapsules revealed the encapsulation process was successfully done and microcapsules formed (Figure 2). These observations along with FTIR analysis affirmed the encapsulation of chlorogenic acids was thoroughly performed.



Figure 2. SEM images of encapsulated chlorogenic acids at magnification of 3000 (a) and 5000 (b).

# 3.4 Thermal properties

Table 2 shows DSC parameters - onset temperature ( $T_{onset}$ ), peak temperature ( $T_{peak}$ ), and  $\Delta H$ . The addition of chlorogenic acids (both free and encapsulated) affects  $T_{onset}$  values of enriched chocolates at high concentrations which are significantly (p < 0.05) lower compared to control. Moreover,  $T_{peak}$  values of A4, A5, AE4 and AE5, were significantly (p < 0.05) lower than  $T_{peak}$  value of control sample. These observations can be explained by increasing of thin layers of fat phase which cover a larger specific surface area of particles in chocolate when chlorogenic acids is added to chocolate formulation. The effect of adding encapsulated materials to chocolate formulation on DSC parameters is reported by Lončarević et al. (2018), who mentioned that the addition of encapsulated blackberry juice resulted in decrease of  $T_{onset}$  values.

Sample code	Tonset (°C)	T <sub>peak</sub> (°C)	ΔH (J/g)	Sample code	Tonset (°C)	T <sub>peak</sub> (°C)	ΔH (J/g)
A0	$31\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$33.7\pm0.1^{\rm a}$	$3.15\pm0.3^{a}$	A0	$31\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$33.7\pm0.1^{\text{a}}$	$3.15\pm0.3^{\rm a}$
A1	$30.6\pm1^{a}$	$33\pm0.1^{\rm a}$	$3\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	AE1	$31\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$33\pm0.2^{\text{b}}$	$3.1\pm0.2^{\rm a}$
A2	$30.2\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$32.5\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$2.8\pm0.1^{\rm a}$	AE2	$30.8\pm0.1^{\rm a}$	$32.6\pm0.2^{\rm c}$	$3\pm0.1^{a}$
A3	$291\pm0.2^{\text{b}}$	$31.3\pm0.2^{b}$	$2.5\pm0.1^{b}$	AE3	$30.4\pm0.2^{\rm a}$	$32.5\pm0.1^{\text{c}}$	$2.8\pm0.1^{b}$
A4	$284\pm0.1^{\text{b}}$	$30.6\pm0.1^{b}$	$2.1\pm0.1^{\rm c}$	AE4	$29.3\pm0.1^{b}$	$32.1\pm0.1^{\text{c}}$	$2.6\pm0.1^{bc}$
A5	$27.8\pm0.1^{\text{c}}$	$30\pm0.2^{\rm c}$	$1.8\pm0.2^{\rm d}$	AE5	$28.9\pm0.2^{\rm c}$	$31.9\pm0.3^{d}$	$2.4\pm0.1^{\text{c}}$

Table 2. Melting properties of dark chocolates enriched with chlorogenic acids (free or encapsulated).

Different superscript lowercase letters show the significant differences between the samples (p < 0.05). ( $T_{onset}$ , onset temperature;  $T_{peak}$ , peak temperature;  $\Delta H$ , energy required for the complete melting of the samples) experiments were performed in triplicate.



Figure 3. Thermogram of dark chocolate samples.

Figure 3 exhibits the DSC curves of dark chocolate samples. The control sample starts to melt at higher temperature than the other samples. This means that the majority of fat was melted above room temperature and explains the distinctive hard texture than other samples.

Otherwise, the dark chocolate samples enriched with chlorogenic acids (free or encapsulate form) melted at lower temperature (Table 2).

Furthermore,  $T_{peak}$  values of enriched samples at high concentration of chlorogenic acids significantly differ compared to control.  $\Delta H$  energy required for the complete melting of the samples were also lower than control sample. These observations are attributable to the most compact structure of control sample and enriched samples with encapsulated chlorogenic acids than samples enriched with free chlorogenic acid. A reason which explains these observations is the effect of enriched material on fat crystallization and fat network formation.

## 3.5 Color

Table 3 shows the lightness (L\*), red tone (a\*), and yellow tone (b\*) measured on the surface of dark chocolate samples and results. Enriched chocolate with free chlorogenic acids had lower L\* value than control sample but enriched chocolate with encapsulated chlorogenic acids had higher L\* value than control sample (p < 0.05) (Table3).

a\* value had no differences among all samples (control or enriched). b\* values of enriched chocolate samples with free chlorogenic acids were higher than control sample but b\* values of enriched chocolate samples with encapsulated chlorogenic acids were lower than control sample (Table 3). This observation showed addition chlorogenic acids in free form cause decreasing in lightness (L\* value) of resulted chocolate as well as increasing yellowness (b\* values) of dark chocolate samples. Although, addition of encapsulated chlorogenic acids into dark chocolate resulted increasing lightness of dark chocolate (L\* value) as well as decreasing yellowness (b\* values) of dark chocolate samples (Table 3).

The color of chocolate was affected by several factors, such as processing parameters, the nature of added substances to formulation and crystal structure (Lindecrantz, 2014). According to the obtained results, the addition of chlorogenic acid (free or encapsulated) had little effect on color index of dark chocolate.

Sample code	L*	a*	b*	Sample code	L*	a*	b*
A0	$32.5\pm0.03a$	$12.85\pm0.01^{\text{a}}$	$13.42\pm0.02^{b}$	A0	$32.5\pm0.03^{b}$	$12.75\pm0.01^{d}$	$14.42\pm0.02^{\text{a}}$
A1	$32.4\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$12.84\pm0.001^{\mathtt{a}}$	$13.5\pm0.03^{\text{b}}$	AE1	$33\pm0.05^{\text{b}}$	$\textbf{-12.73}\pm0.001^{a}$	$13.6\pm0.03^{b}$
A2	$32.2\pm0.04^{\rm a}$	$12.83\pm0.002^{\mathtt{a}}$	$13\pm0.02^{b}$	AE2	$33.2\pm0.04^{\text{a}}$	$12.72\pm0.002^{\mathrm{a}}$	$13.6\pm0.02^{b}$
A3	$32\pm0.01^{\text{a}}$	$12.82\pm0.002^{\mathtt{a}}$	$13.5\pm0.02^{\text{b}}$	AE3	$33.5\pm0.04^{\text{a}}$	$12.71\pm0.001^{\text{a}}$	$13.4\pm0.03^{b}$
A4	$31.2\pm0.01^{\text{b}}$	$12.81\pm0.003^{\text{a}}$	$14\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	AE4	$33.7\pm0.02^{\text{a}}$	$12.68\pm0.002^{\text{a}}$	$13.03\pm0.01^{b}$
A5	$31.8\pm0.02^{\text{b}}$	$12.81 \pm 0.002^{a}$	$14.13 \pm 0.02^{a}$	AE5	$33.8\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$12.67 \pm 0.001^{a}$	$13.2\pm0.01^{\text{b}}$

Table 3. The Color index of dark chocolate samples.

Different superscript lowercase letters show the significant differences between the samples (p < 0.05).

#### 3.6 Particle size distribution

Table 4 shows the particle size distribution parameters of dark chocolates. Dark chocolate is a product with multimodal particle size distribution. Desirable particles in chocolate should be in interval 15 to 30  $\mu$ m (Bolenz et al., 2014), as in Table 4, the enriched dark chocolate with free chlorogenic acids has a lower percentage of particles with diameters in interval 15-30  $\mu$ m compared to control (p < 0.05). In general, enriched samples with free chlorogenic acids had lower particle sizes compared to control sample and this effect was in accordance with the concentrations of added chlorogenic acid.

Addition of encapsulated chlorogenic acids also influences the particle size distribution parameters of dark chocolate (increasing particle size). This phenomenon could be due to gelatin-pectin coating of chlorogenic acids.

Sample code	d(0.1)	d(0.5)	d(0.9)	Sample code	d(0.1)	d(0.5)	d(0.9)
A0	$2.57\pm0.01^{\text{a}}$	$9.16\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$29.21\pm0.02^{a}$	A0	$2.57\pm0.01^{\circ}$	$9.16\pm0.03^{d}$	$29.21\pm0.02^{\rm f}$
A1	$2.51\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$9\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$28.4\pm0.04^{b}$	AE1	$2.59\pm0.02^{\rm c}$	$9.64\pm0.04^{\rm c}$	$30.20\pm0.03^{\text{e}}$
A2	$2.42\pm0.02^{\text{b}}$	$8.66\pm0.04^{b}$	$28.1\pm.03^{\text{b}}$	AE2	$2.62\pm.03^{\rm c}$	$10.2\pm0.04^{b}$	$32.3\pm0.02^{d}$
A3	$2.34\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$8.61\pm0.04^{\text{b}}$	$27.3\pm0.04^{\rm c}$	AE3	$2.71\pm0.03^{b}$	$10.6\pm0.03^{b}$	$35\pm0.03^{\circ}$
A4	$2.26\pm0.02^{\text{d}}$	$8.60\pm0.05^{\text{b}}$	$27\pm0.05^{\rm c}$	AE4	$2.81\pm0.04^{\rm a}$	$11.3\pm0.04^{\rm a}$	$38.4\pm0.04^{\text{b}}$
A5	$2.21\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$8.53\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$26.6\pm0.03^{\text{c}}$	AE5	$2.96\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$12\pm0.01^{a}$	$41.4\pm0.02^{\rm a}$

Table 4. Particle size distribution of dark chocolate samples.

Different superscript lowercase letters show the significant differences between the samples (p < 0.05).

Bigger particles often cause a gritty mouth feeling and smaller particles increase the specific surface area, more liquid phase is needed to cover it and resulted in increasing the viscosity of molten chocolate at the same time (Bolenz et al., 2014).

## 3.7 Rheological properties

Table 5 shows the impact of added chlorogenic acids (free or encapsulated) on rheological properties of enriched chocolates.

Sample	Casson yield stress	Casson viscosity	Sample	Casson yield stress	Casson viscosity
code	(Pa)	(Pas)	code	(Pa)	(Pas)
A0	$21.29\pm0.1^{\text{a}}$	$1.26\pm0.02^{\rm c}$	A0	$21.29\pm0.1^{d}$	$1.26\pm0.1^{\text{b}}$
A1	$21.05\pm0.11^{b}$	$1.44\pm0.01^{b}$	AE1	$21.48\pm0.13^{\text{c}}$	$1.38\pm0.12^{\rm a}$
A2	$18.84\pm0.12^{\rm c}$	$1.44\pm0.01^{b}$	AE2	$21.51\pm0.11^{\circ}$	$1.38\pm0.13^{\rm a}$
A3	$18.84\pm0.1^{\circ}$	$1.44\pm0.01^{b}$	AE3	$21.57\pm0.12^{\rm c}$	$1.38\pm0.11^{\rm a}$
A4	$18.84\pm0.12^{\rm c}$	$1.47\pm0.01^{b}$	AE4	$21.7\pm0.12^{b}$	$1.35\pm0.12^{\rm a}$
A5	$18.48 \pm 0.12^{\circ}$	$1.5 \pm 0.02^{a}$	AE5	$21.89 \pm 0.12^{b}$	$1.35\pm0.12^{\rm a}$

Table 5. Rheological parameters of dark chocolate and enriched chocolates.

The addition of chlorogenic acids (both free and encapsulated) increased viscosity of dark chocolate mass in accordance with the added concentration (Table 5). These results match with other research in this context. Toker et al. (2018) reported that the addition of components of lipophilic nature causes increasing casson viscosity. The addition of encapsulated chlorogenic acids had slight impact on rheological parameters and this phenomenon is important from technology and processing viewpoint. The lower viscosity of chocolate resulted in easier processing of it (Toker et al., 2018).

Figures 2 and 3 show the flow behavior of dark chocolate samples as chlorogenic acids (free or encapsulated) were added. Chocolate rheology was affected by several factors (process condition, ingredient composition, fat content, choice of emulsifier, solid particle size distribution and the method of particle packing) (Pajin et al., 2013). All tested chocolate samples showed a thixotropic flow behavior.

As it is evident, the addition of chlorogenic acids to dark chocolate formulation resulted in changes in flow behavior. The addition of free chlorogenic acids caused lower shear stress in produced chocolate (Figure 4) but the addition of encapsulated chlorogenic acids caused more shear stress in related dark chocolate (Figure 5).



Figure 4. Flow curves of dark chocolate samples, showing shear stress as a function of shear rate.



Figure 5. Flow curves of dark chocolate samples, showing shear stress as a function of shear rate.

# 3.8 Appearance and microstructural examination

According to SEM images, the addition of encapsulated chlorogenic acids also influenced the appearance of the samples (included 50 mg/5 kg) in SEM images, which spatial distribution of uniform dense crystalline network within the structure was apparent (Figure 6). In other cases, a more uniform structure was observed.



Figure 6. SEM images of Dark chocolate. (A) 50.14 mg/5 kg encapsulated chlorogenic acids; (B) 50 mg/5 kg free chlorogenic acids).

#### 3.9 Sensory evaluation

The addition of chlorogenic acids (both free and encapsulated) had no significant effect on dark chocolate color (Table6). The addition of encapsulated and free chlorogenic acids cause lower hardness of chocolate than control one. The addition of free or encapsulated chlorogenic acids had a significant impact (p < 0.05) on chocolate flavor. The flavor score of all chocolate samples decreased as free chlorogenic acids were added. In the case of 40 and 50 mg/5 kg free chlorogenic acids addition, panelists also distinguished changes in flavor. The adverse effect of chlorogenic acids on chocolate flavor were lower in the case of the addition of encapsulated form (Table 6). Microencapsulation could mask unpleasant taste of natural antioxidants (Aguiar et al., 2016).

Sample code											
Sensory properties	A0	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	AE1	AE2	AE3	AE4	AE5
Blooming	$1 \pm 0.00^{h}$	$2.5 \pm 0.03^{e}$	$3\pm0.02^{d}$	$4\pm0.02^{\circ}$	$4.5\pm0.04^{b}$	$5\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$1.3 \pm 0.02^{g}$	$1.5\pm0.03^{\rm g}$	$2\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$2.5 \pm 0.02^{e}$	$3\pm0.02^{d}$
Surface brightness	$6.7\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$4\pm0.02^{\circ}$	$3.8\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$3.5\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$3\pm0.01^{\rm d}$	$2\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$5.2\pm0.02^{\text{b}}$	$5.2\pm0.02^{\rm b}$	$5\pm0.03^{\text{b}}$	$4\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$3.8\pm0.00^{\text{c}}$
Color	$6.8\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$6.5\pm0.01^{\rm a}$	$6.5\pm0.04^{\rm a}$	$6.2\pm0.01^{\rm a}$	$6\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$6\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$6.5\pm0.04^{\rm a}$	$6.5\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$6.5\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$6.4\pm0.01^{\rm a}$	$6.3\pm0.01^{\rm a}$
Hardness	$6.7\pm0.01^{\rm a}$	$3.5\pm0.00^{d}$	$3\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$2.8\pm0.02^{\text{e}}$	$2.5\pm0.02^{\rm f}$	$2\pm0.02^{\rm g}$	$4.3\pm0.02^{\texttt{c}}$	$4.2\pm0.03^{\rm c}$	$4.5\pm0.01^{\circ}$	$4.8\pm0.01^{b}$	$5\pm0.01^{\text{b}}$
Acidity	$6\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$4.5\pm0.02^{b}$	$3.8\pm0.01^{\text{c}}$	$2.3\pm0.03^{\text{d}}$	$1.9\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$1\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$0.92\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$0.9\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$1\pm0.00^{\rm f}$	$1.5\pm0.01$	$1.8\pm0.01$
Bitterness	$1\pm0.02^{\rm f}$	$1.5\pm0.00^{\text{e}}$	$2.5\pm0.04^{\rm d}$	$3.5\pm0.04^{\text{c}}$	$4.5\pm0.03^{b}$	$5\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$1.5\pm0.02^{\text{e}}$	$1.5\pm0.03^{\text{e}}$	$1.7\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$1.8\pm0.01^{\text{e}}$	$2\pm0.00^{\text{e}}$
Metallic taste	$1\pm0.02^{\rm f}$	$1.5\pm0.00^{\rm d}$	$2.5\pm0.04^{\rm c}$	$3.5\pm0.03^{\text{b}}$	$4.5\pm0.03^{\rm a}$	$4.8\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$1\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$1\pm0.02^{\rm f}$	$1\pm0.01^{\rm f}$	$1.3\pm0.00^{\text{e}}$	$1.5\pm0.01^{\rm d}$
Overall Acceptability	$6.8\pm0.02^{\rm a}$	$4.5\pm0.01^{\text{d}}$	$4.1\pm0.02^{\text{e}}$	$4\pm0.02^{\text{e}}$	$3\pm0.02^{\rm g}$	$3\pm0.02^{\rm g}$	$5.1\pm0.01^{\text{b}}$	$5.2\pm0.02^{b}$	$5\pm0.02^{\circ}$	$4\pm0.03^{\text{e}}$	$3.7\pm0.02^{\rm f}$

#### Table 6. Sensory properties of dark chocolate samples.

Different superscript lowercase letters show the significant differences between the samples (p < 0.05).

# **4** Conclusions

Chlorogenic acids are strong antioxidant found in different plant material. Results showed that the addition of free and encapsulated forms of chlorogenic acids decreased  $T_{onset}$ ,  $T_{peak}$  and  $\Delta H$  of dark chocolate. Casson viscosity increased in the case of chlorogenic acids addition.

Particle size distribution decreased with the addition of free form and increased in the case of encapsulated form. Sensory scores were also influenced by chocolate formulation and samples containing encapsulated chlorogenic acids had better sensory properties than samples enriched with free form. The best samples were those containing 10.02 and 20.05 mg/5 kg of encapsulated chlorogenic acids.

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