

**Effect of different types of lipids  
and surfactants on starch  
properties in relation to their  
applications in food and industry**

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**Introduction**

■ **Starch**

- Plant Origin – via Glucose synthesized during photosynthesis
- Wide distribution- all vegetables, fruits, seeds and roots-especially in tuber crops
- Energy source – easily digestible

**Starch properties**

- **Granular size and shape**
- **Gelatinisation**
- **Viscosity**
- **Gel strength**
- **Stability of paste**

**Applications of starch**

- **Food**
- **Textile**
- **Paper**
- **Adhesive**
- **Sweetener**
- **Miscellaneous**

**Textile:** Sizing, Finishing

**Paper:** Sizing, Printing, Craft paper

**Adhesives:**

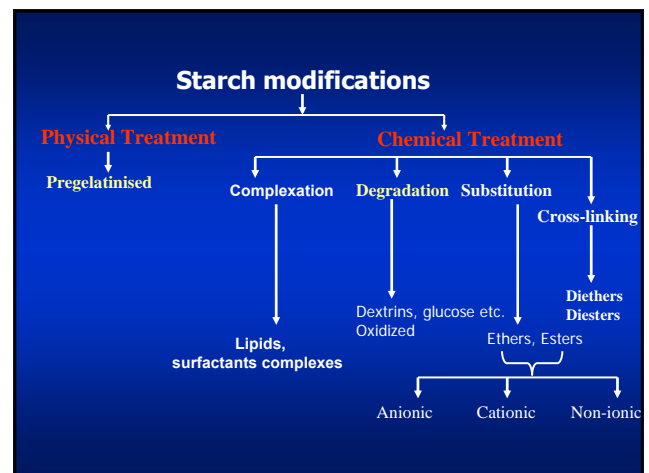
- Simple Stationery adhesives
- Special adhesives
- Dextrins- White, yellow, British Gum

## Sweeteners

- Liquid Glucose
- Dextrose
- Maltose
- High Fructose Syrups
- Sugar alcohols like Sorbitol, Maltitol, Erythritol etc.

## Other special products and applications

- Ethanol
- Lactic and Citric acids
- Soaps and Detergents
- Explosives
- Horticultural mulches
- Oil drilling muds
- Tablets and capsules
- Concrete



## Applications of modified starches

Area	Modification	Functions
Paper	Cationic starch	Binding cationic charge
Corrugating	Pregelatinized	Binding/ Glueing
Textile	Esters (Acetates)	Sizing/ Film formation
Coal briquetting	Esters	Binding Initial Tack
Adhesives	Esters	Adhesion / Quick drying
Oil well drilling	Esters/ ethers	Water binding/Thickening
Foundry	Pregelatinized starch	Binding/ Green Bond stability

## Application of Starch in food

- Viscosity, Viscosity stability
- Paste clarity
- Cohesiveness of paste
- Swelling and solubility
- Gelatinization temperature
- Thermal stability
- pH stability

## Tuber starches in food and industrial applications

- Cassava starch: high viscosity, good clarity, but poor viscosity stability and long cohesive texture for its paste
- Yam starch: high viscosity, stability and clarity
- Colocasia starch: small granules suitable in biodegradable plastics and toilet formulations, low but stable viscosity

In most applications starch is seldom used alone

- Salts, sugars, lipids and fibre affect starch properties
- Lipids and surfactants have strong interaction with starch
- Often Lipids and surfactants used to modify starch for various applications

## Objectives:

### To study the interaction of tuber starches with

- lipids of different chain length
- anionic, cationic and neutral surfactants using DSC, Viscography and iodimetry
- how the effect can be put to use in food and industrial applications

## Experimental

- Starches were extracted from fresh tubers harvested from CTCRI Farm
- Lysolecithin (C 6:0, C 10:0, C 14:0 and C 18:0): Sigma
- Cetyl trimethyl ammonium bromide, Sodium lauryl sulphate, Glycerol Mono stearate, potassium stearate, potassium palmitate: AR grade, CDH, Bombay

## Experimental...

- DSC –Seiko Instruments (Japan) with Modulation Facility
- Viscosity – Viscoamylograph (Brabender), RVA (Newport Scientific)
- Colorimetry- Pye unicam Spectrophotometer

## Experimental...

- DSC - adding 1% lipid solution to 5 mg of starch in aluminum pans, sealing hermetically and with the following heating cycle

Heating: 30-130° at 2°min<sup>-1</sup>

Cooling: 130-30° at 30°min<sup>-1</sup>

Reheating: 30-130° at 2°min<sup>-1</sup>

Cooling: to 30° at 30°min<sup>-1</sup>

Modulation cycle of 3° heating and 2° cooling

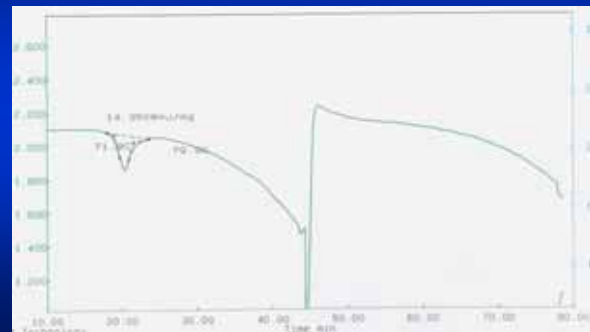
$T_{onset}$   $T_{end}$  Gel enthalpy ( $\Delta H$ ) obtained using built-in software

## Experimental...

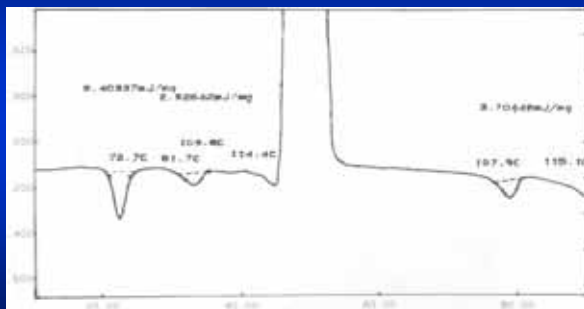
- Starch- surfactant complex prepared by mixing thoroughly starch with the surfactant in water, filtering and drying at room temperature
- The total and soluble amylose determined by standard iodimetric methods
- Viscosity determined for 3, 4 and 5% starch complexes in Brabender viscograph and 10% in RVA

## Results and Discussion

Figure: DSC pattern of native starch (*D.rotundata*)



## DSC patterns of starch-lipid complex



Effect of chain length of lysolecithin on gelatinisation temp. (°C)

Starch	C18 T <sub>init</sub>	C18 T <sub>end</sub>	C14 T <sub>end</sub>	C14 T <sub>init</sub>	C10 T <sub>init</sub>	C10 T <sub>end</sub>	C6 T <sub>init</sub>	C6 T <sub>end</sub>
<b>Cassava I</b>	64.3	76.5	65.4	77.4	63.4	76.0	64.3	77.5
<b>II</b>	106.0	114.8	93.7	103.4	-	-	-	-
<b>III</b>	108.7	116.4	98.2	104.9	73.5	81.0	-	-
<b>Xantho. I</b>	74.1	81.5	75.6	82.6	72.0	79.2	74.2	81.5
<b>I</b>	105.0	115.8	92.3	101.5	-	-	-	-
<b>III</b>	108.5	116.4	98.2	103.5	72.7	79.8	-	-
<b>Col. I</b>	79.5	86.9	79.5	86.6	77.2	85.1	-	-
<b>II</b>	104.2	112.5	95.1	102.0	-	-	-	-
<b>III</b>	108.0	115.4	99.5	105.2	80.2	87.3	-	-

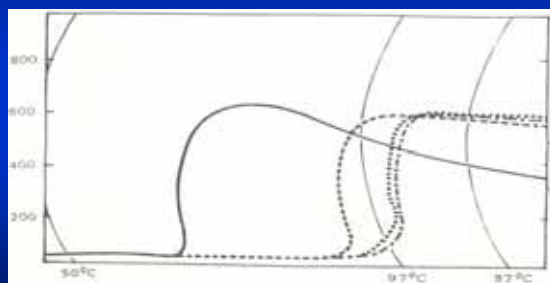
### Effect of chain length of lysolecithin on gelatinisation enthalpy ( $\Delta H$ j/g)

Starch	C18	C14	C10	C6
Cassava I	8.8	10.5	11.6	11.74
II	1.8	1.78	-	-
III	2.75	2.4	1.35	-
Xantho. I	9.3	11.38	12.8	13.1
II	3.0	2.3	-	-
III	3.75	2.82	1.86	-
Col. I	12.0	9.36	11.6	-
II	0.5	0.53	-	-
III	1.15	0.98	0.38	-

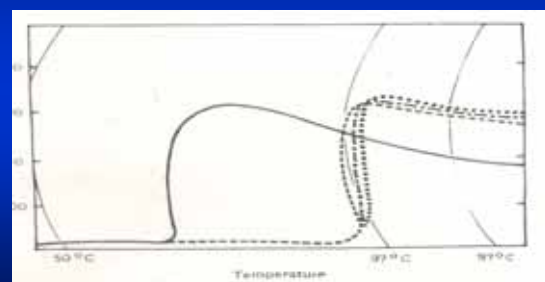
### The effect of chain length on the thermal parameters

- Increase in chain length leads to enhanced melting temp for starch lipid complex
- For C6 system, no peak indicating that more than 6 carbon chain required for effective complexation
- Higher enthalpy with longer chains

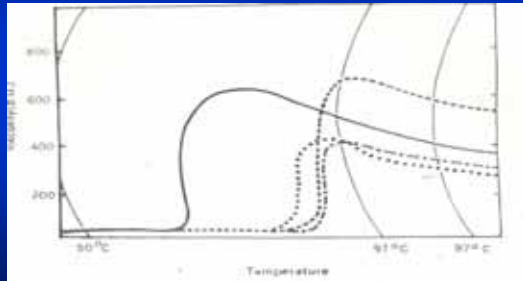
### Viscosity pattern of starch-potassium stearate complex



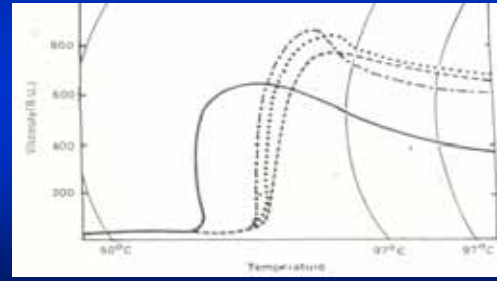
### Viscosity pattern of starch-potassium palmitate complex



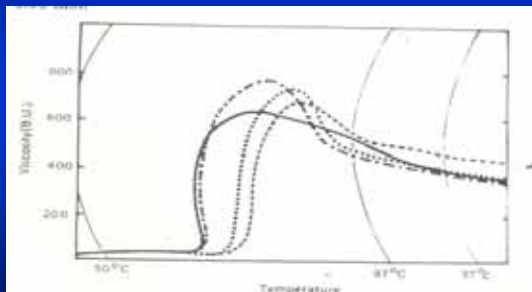
### Viscosity pattern of starch-GMS complex



### Viscosity pattern of starch-SLS complex



### Viscosity pattern of starch-CTAB complex



### Viscosity and gelatinisation temperatures of starch-surfactant complexes

Starch/ surfactant (mol/100gstarch)	Peak viscosity (BU)	Gel. temp °C
Starch	660	65-77
Starch+pot.st (0.02)	600	95-97
Starch+pot.st(0.06)	600	97-
Starch+pot.pal(0.02)	640	95-97
Starch+pot.pal(0.06)	660	97-
Starch+GMS(0.02)	680	90-97
Starch+GMS(0.06)	420	94-97
Starch+SLS (0.02)	800	78-84
Starch+SLS (0.06)	900	77-83
Starch+CTAB (0.02)	680	73-85
Starch+CTAB (0.06)	780	68-80

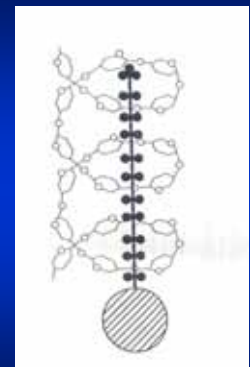
- Different surfactants have different effects on viscosity and swelling volumes
- Potassium stearate and palmitate lower the paste viscosity, but increase the stability viscosity
- Sodium lauryl sulphate increases peak viscosity but breakdown is also increased
- CTAB also enhances viscosity but not the viscosity stability

- Pasting temperature is enhanced considerably for potassium stearate and palmitate and GMS and slightly for GMS
- Swelling volumes are lowered for potassium stearate and palmitate and GMS, but increased for SLS and CTAB

**Effect of cetyl trimethyl ammonium bromide on amylose content (Blue Values) of tuber starches**

Starch	Total amylose	Soluble Amylose
■ Cassava	0.32	0.18
■ Cassava+CTAB	0.27	0.13
■ Colocasia	0.28	0.18
■ Colocasia+CTAB	0.20	0.07
■ D.esculenta	0.29	0.14
■ D.esculenta+CTAB	0.22	0.04
■ D.alata	0.43	0.18
■ D. alata+CTAB	0.38	0.11
■ D.rotundata	0.38	0.18
■ D.rotundata+CTAB	0.35	0.12
■ Sweet potato	0.36	0.13
■ Sweet potato+CTAB	0.34	0.09
■ Xanthosoma	0.38	0.21
■ Xanthosoma+CTAB	0.33	0.15

- The data of amylose contents in the starches treated with CTAB shows that reduction in soluble amylose is more pronounced in Colocasia and D. *esculenta* starches
- The amylose molecules in these starches possess helical structure suitable for receiving the surfactant molecule





## Conclusions

- Tuber starches can complex with lipids and surfactants and hence these can be incorporated to improve starch properties
- The lipids to be used to complex with starch should have longer methylene chains for effective complexation
- Lipids can be used to increase the gelatinisation temperatures where such property is required

## Conclusions....

- Surfactants can be selected according to the properties required for the starch applications
- Potassium stearate and palmitate can be used to increase viscosity stability and pasting temperatures (Food, Frozen foods, Canned foods, textile and paper sizing)
- SLS can be useful in products requiring high viscosity (Certain foods, sizing of textiles, adhesives)
- CTAB can be useful in lowering soluble amylose and thereby cohesiveness in food and industrial applications

