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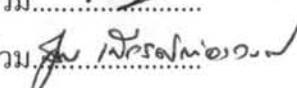
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Quaternization of amino groups of chitosan has been recognized as a potential way to enhance the antibacterial activity of chitosan in a broader pH range. The reaction can simultaneously introduce both positive charge and hydrophobicity, the two parameters that are believed to affect the antibacterial activity. This research aims to increase the antibacterial activity of chitosan surface by introducing quaternary ammonium groups via a heterogeneous two-step process: reductive alkylation using selected aldehydes followed by methylation with methyl iodide. Results from ATR-FTIR analysis, water contact angle and zeta potential measurements confirmed the success of surface quaternization. As determined from an optical density (OD_{600}), scanning electron microscopy (SEM) image and viable cell counting method, the antibacterial activity of the surface-modified chitosan film against *Staphylococcus aureus* (gram positive bacteria) and *Escherichia coli* (gram negative bacteria) were superior to that of the virgin chitosan film. The additional positive charge and hydrophobicity introduced to the chitosan film after surface quaternization apparently make the quaternary ammonium-containing chitosan film a more favorable substrate for interacting with the negatively-charged membrane of the bacteria.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATION

ATR-FTIR	: Attenuated Total Reflectance-Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy
BuI	: Butyl iodide
DBuM	: <i>N</i> - methyl- <i>N,N</i> -dibutyl chitosan
DEM	: <i>N</i> -methyl- <i>N,N</i> -diethyl chitosan
DOM	: <i>N</i> -methyl- <i>N,N</i> -dioctyl chitosan
DMBu	: <i>N</i> -butyl- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl chitosan
DMBz	: <i>N</i> -benzyl- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl chitosan
DME	: <i>N</i> -ethyl- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl chitosan
DMP	: <i>N</i> -propyl- <i>N,N</i> -dimethyl chitosan
<i>E.coli</i>	: <i>Escherichia coli</i>
EtI	: Ethyl iodide
MeI	: Methyl iodide
OcI	: Octyl iodide
OD	: Optical Density
PBS	: Phosphate buffer saline
<i>S.aureus</i>	: <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>
SEM	: Scanning Electron Microscopy