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Preface

The 6th Veterinary Technology & Nursing for Healthcare Practices in the Era of Carbon Neutrality was organized by the Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart University, Bangkok, Thailand on December 12–13, 2024. This seminar aims to provide a platform for lecturers, scholars, researchers, students, and participants to exchange ideas and learn from leading experts in the fields of veterinary technology and nursing. Additionally, it seeks to strengthen educational programs and foster research networks both domestically and internationally, collaborating with esteemed universities and organizations.

The seminar addressed a range of timely and significant topics, including SARS-CoV-2 infections in animals, the impact of serotype switching on the virulence of *Streptococcus suis*, zoonotic and reverse zoonotic transmission potential of SARS-CoV-2 and its related coronaviruses, insights into current practices and innovations in pet rehabilitation, the benefits of using biochar in dairy cow diets for sustainable farming practices targeting carbon neutrality, potential antigens like glutathione-S-transferase for developing promising anti-tick vaccines, and ASAMCO Laos-Thailand initiative on preventing zoonotic diseases at the ecosystem level.

The knowledge and expertise shared throughout the seminar aim to inspire participants to pursue further research and drive innovative solutions that contribute to the betterment of the global community. We extend our sincere gratitude to the speakers from our international partner universities and organizations, as well as those from Thailand, for their invaluable contributions. Special thanks are also due to the organizing committee, whose dedication and effort have ensured the seminar's success.

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Conference Program

"The 6th Veterinary Technology & Nursing for Healthcare Practices in the Era of Carbon Neutrality"

12th December 2024

Chairman of the Conference: Assoc.Prof.Dr.Chainarong Sakulthaew 9.00 – 16.00 at Pibul Chai-Anan auditorium room (11th Floor)

Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart University, Bangkok, Thailand

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Time	Program/Topic	Presenter/co-authors	
8.30-9.00	Registration		
9.00-9.15	Opening Ceremony	Dr. Jongrak Watcharinrat, the President of	
		Kasetsart University	
		Assoc.Prof.Dr.Wuttinun Raksajit	
		Dean of Faculty of Veterinary Technology	
	-	aker session and Q&A 5 min)	
9.15-9.40		Professor Ken Maeda, D.V.M., Ph.D.	
		Department of Veterinary Science, National	
		Institute of Infectious Diseases, Japan	
9.40-10.05	Effect of Serotype Switching on	Dr.Masatoshi Okura	
	Virulence in Streptococcus suis	National Institute of Animal Health, Japan	
10.05-10.25	Coffee Break 20 min		
10.25-10.50	Zoonotic and Reverse Zoonotic	Professor Qian Zhaohui, Ph.D.	
	Transmission Potential of SARS-	National Institute of Pathology Biology, Chinese	
	CoV-2 and Its Related CoVs	Academy of Medical Sciences, China	
10.50-11.15	Insights into Current Practices and	Professor Cheng-Shu CHUNG, D.V.M, Ph.D.,	
	Innovations in Pet Rehabilitation	Department of Veterinary Medicine, National	
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11.15-11.40	The Overall Benefits of Biochar,	Dr. Sara Tahery
	Fed to Dairy Cows, for the	School of Materials Science & Engineering
	Farming System towards Carbon	University of New South Wales Sydney,
	neutrality	Australia
11.40-12.05	An Update of Potential Candidate	Professor Sathaporn Jittapalapong, D.V.M.,
	Antigens for the more Promising	Ph.D.
	Anti-Tick Vaccine: Glutathione S-	Faculty of Veterinary Technology Kasetsart
	Transferases	University, Thailand
12.05-13.00	Lunch at Building 3	
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Afternoon session I at 5 th Floor Upskill/Reskill in Thai session (Present 60 min and Q&A 10 min)		
13.00-14.10	Pitfalls In Analytical process of	คุณศุภกิจ บัวมาศ
15.00 14.10	Clinical Chemistry	
		หัวหน้าหน่วยวินิจฉัยโรงพยาบาลสัตว์ประศุอาทร
		คณะสัตวแพทยศาสตร์ มหาวิทยาลัยมหิดล
14.10-14.20	Ca	offee Break 10 min
14.20-15.30	การเตรียมความพร้อมในการผ่าตัด exotic	คุณปุณยนุช ธรรมรัตนนนท์
		โรงพยาบาลสัตว์พนาลัย
15.30-16.40	"Data Visualization"	คุณนริศ ปานศรีแก้ว
	สรุปข้อมูลด้วยภาพช่วยในการตัดสินใจ	้ ผู้ช่วยคณบดีฝ่ายกายภาพและสิ่งแวดล้อม คณะเทคนิคการ
		สัตวแพทย์
16.40-16.50	Clo	sing ceremony by
	Dean of Veterinary Technolog	y Faculty (Assoc.Prof.Dr.Wuttinun Raksajit)
A	Afternoon: session II at 11 th	Floor Young Scientist session
(Present 15 min and Q&A 5 min)		
13.00-13.20	Mxene/CuO/Y Nanocomposite-	Kitipong Poomipuen
	Enhanced BDD Electrochemical	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	Oxidation for Water Treatment	University, Bangkok
13.20-13.40	Molecular detection of	Phakorn Wilaisri
	Plasmodium spp. in Non-human	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	Primates in Thailand	University, Bangkok



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	Parasites in Turkeys in Thailand	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
		University, Bangkok
14.00-14.20	Optimization of Ultrasonic	Chawanakorn Thavornloha
	Assisted Extraction of Bioactive	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	Compounds and Antioxidant	University, Bangkok
	Activities from Caesalpinia	
	sappan Heartwood	
14.20-14.40	Molecular detection of	Thanisorn Konlertvanich
	Trypanosoma spp. in cattle	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	from Sa Kaeo Province,	University, Bangkok
	Thailand	
14.40-15.00	Improving UV-driven ozonation	Apiladda Pattanateeradetch
	technology through ultrasonic	Department of Environmental Technology and
	methods for the decomposition of	Management, Faculty of Environment, Kasetsart
	LDPE	University, Bangkok
15.00-15.20	SOD-Enhancing Properties of	Anchasa Laodumongchai
	Alpinia galanga Rhizome Extract	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	in RAW 264.7 and J774A.1	University, Bangkok
	Macrophage Cell Lines: An in	
	Vitro Study	
15.20-15.40	Impacts of Low-Density	Sekbunkorn Treenarat
	Polyethylene Microplastics on the	Faculty of Veterinary Technology, Kasetsart
	Microalga Arthrospira platensis	University, Bangkok
16.00.16.00		
16.00-16.20	-	young scientist session and Closing ceremony by
	Dean of Veterinary Technolog	y Faculty (Assoc.Prof.Dr.Wuttinun Raksajit)



"ASAMCO Laos-Thailand: Preventing zoonotic diseases at the ecosystem level (a new project of Prezode)"

12th December, 2024: 9.00 – 16.00 at 5th Floor 503

13th December 2024: 8.00 – 16.00 at Pibul Chai-Anan auditorium room (11th Floor)

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		Kasetsart University	
		Assoc.Prof.Dr.Wuttinun Raksajit	
		Dean of Faculty of Veterinary Technology	
9.45 - 10.00	Opening ceremony PREACT 1 – AfriCAM Cambodia	His Excellency Mr. Jean-Claude Poimbœuf Ambassador of France to Thailand Mr. Jean – Pirrer Marcelli Agence Francaise de Développement (AFD) Dr. Benjamin Roche (IRD) Dr. Flavie Goutard (CIRAD) Dr. Soawapak Hinjoy (OIC, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand) Prof. Serge Morand (IRL HealthDEEP – CNRS – Kasetsart University – Mahidol University) Dr. Anne-Laure Bañuls (IRD)	
10.00 10.15			
10.00 - 10.15	ASAMCO AmLat (video)	Dr. Audrey Arnal (IRD)	
	ASAMCO Republic Democratic of Congo (video)	ТВА	
10.15 - 10.45		Coffee break	
10.45 - 11.45	PREACT 2 - ASAMCO Lao &	Dr. Soawapak Hinjoy	
	Thai	Dr. Phimpha Paboriboune	
	- Partners	(CI Mérieux, Ministry of Health, Lao PDR)	
	 Geography, Methodology Expected impacts and outcomes 	All partners (DCDC Ministry of Health, Lao PDR, AVSF, WCS, WWF)	



11.45 - 12.00	PREACT 3 – ASEACA	Dr. Flavie Goutard
12.00 - 13.00		(CIRAD) Lunch
12.00 - 13.00 13.00 - 14.00	1 st round table: Presentations	Lunch
15.00 14.00	and questions to the	
	international organizations	
	Presentation of partnerships	Mr. André Furco,
	Presentation of WOAH	(WOAH)
	guidelines	
	TBA	Dr. Scott Newman,
		(FAO)
	TBA	Makiko Yashiro,
		(UNEP)
	TBA	Mr. Khalid Pacha,
		(IUCN)
	RECOFTC: Community Forests	TBC
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	and questions to the Academics	
	and research networks	
	INGSA-Asia and the U.S.	Dr. Hazel Yean Ru Ann
	National Academies of	(International Network for Governmental
	Sciences, Engineering, and	Science Advices)
	Medicine (NASEM): preventing	
	zoonotic diseases guidelines	
	SEAOHUN	ТВА
	LMI PRESTO	Ass. Prof. Woottichai Khamduang
		(Faculty of Associated Medical Sciences,
		Chiang University)
	IRL – HealthDEEP	Ass. Prof. Kittipong Chaisiri
		(Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol
		University)
	OHHLEP: One Health tools	TBC
	(video) 5-7 mins .	
15.15 - 15.30	Presenting of FEF-R Project	Juliette PERROT
	FEF-R: "One Health	(French Embassy)
	Community training"	
15.30 - 16.00	Conclusion	Dr. Saowapack Hinjoy /
		Dr. Serge Morand
		Mr. Jean – Pierre Marcelli
		Agence Francaise de Développement (Afd)



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SARS-CoV-2 infection in animals

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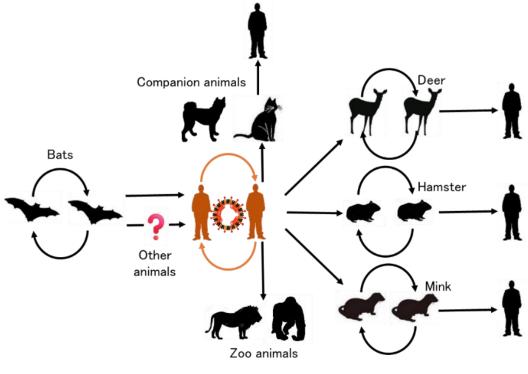
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Abstract

Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) emerged in 2019 and caused pandemic of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), leading to numerous human patients and deaths. SARS-CoV-2 might originate from bats in Asia by zoonotic transmission and now circulating among human populations. In addition, reverse zoonotic transmission from human to susceptible animal species has been also reported. Previously, we documented reverse zoonotic SARS-CoV-2 infection in dogs and cats from COVID-19 patients in Japan, with an approximate infection rate of 15% and an outbreak of SARS-CoV-2 omicron variant among lions at the zoo in Japan. In USA, SARS-CoV-2 has been circulating among deer through reverse zoonotic transmission from human. Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 from human to minks on farms has been confirmed in several countries in Europe, followed by spillback to humans. The information on SARS-CoV-2 infection among animals is important for countermeasure against SARS-CoV-2. Our studies on SARS-CoV-2 infection in animals, cats, dogs, lions and rodents will be introduced. These studies are implementations of the One Health Approach.

Keywords: SARS-CoV-2; reverse zoonosis; One Health





Transmission cycle of SARS-CoV-2



Effect of serotype switching on virulence in Streptococcus suis

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Abstract

Streptococcus suis is an important zoonotic pathogen causing various diseases in pigs and humans. Although strains of S. suis can be classified into different serotypes based on antigenic differences in capsular polysaccharide (CPS), serotype 2 is the most frequently associated with clinical cases in both pigs and humans. CPS of S. suis is known to be a major virulence factor contributing to protection against phagocytosis by host cells. However, it has been unknown whether differences in serotype (i.e. differences in CPS structure) directly affect S. suis virulence. To answer this question, we experimentally generated six serotype switched mutants using the reference serotype 2 strain P1/7 by exchanging the CPS synthesis gene cluster for those of serotypes 3, 4, 7, 8, 9 and 14, respectively, and investigated the effects of serotype switching on adhesion to/invasion of epithelial cells, killing by whole blood, virulence using mouse infection model. Our results indicated serotype switching can drastically alter S. suis virulence and host cell interactions. Switching to serotype 8 showed higher mortality and blood bacterial load than serotype 2 strain P1/7 in mice, whereas virulence in mice inoculated with the mutants switching to serotype 3 and 4 was remarkably reduced compared with that of P1/7. Switching to serotypes 7, 9 and 14 did not affect the virulence in mice. Our data suggested that CPS structure is an important factor in determining levels of S. suis virulence, although further studies are needed to elucidate the mechanisms behind the observed phenomena.

Keywords: *Streptococcus suis*; Serotype; Capsular polysaccharide; Serotype switch; Virulence



Zoonotic and reverse zoonotic transmission potential of SARS-CoV-2 and its related CoVs

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Abstract

SARS-CoV-2 is believed to have been originated from bat coronavirus (CoV), and both SARS-CoV-2 and its closely related bat CoVs not only infect humans but also various animals, posing zoonotic and reverse zoonotic risks. In this study, we first determined potential host susceptibility of two bat CoVs BANAL-20-52 and 236 among different bat species and animal species, and found both might have extensive host ranges, indicating high zoonotic transmission potential. We also determined the cryo-EM structures of BANAL-20-52 and BANAL-20-236 S proteins, and found that both trimeric S proteins adopt all three receptor binding domains (RBDs) in "closed" conformation and the unique sugar moiety at N370 of bat SC2r-CoVs acts like a "bolt" and crosses over two neighboring subunits, facilitating the S proteins in the "closed" conformation. We further found that the highly conserved sugar moiety at N370 might result from the selective advantages in stability of S prpotein during the fecaloral transmission and better immune evasion during virus evolution.

As SARS-CoV-2 rapidly evolves, newly emerged omicron variants like BA.2.86 and JN.1 have become dominant globally. We also determined the reverse zoonotic potential of XBB.1.16, EG.5.1, BA.2.86, and JN.1 among different animal species, and found that, similar to WT, the omicron variants also exhibited potential broad host ranges, but JN.1 displayed substantially higher overall reverse zoonotic risk potential than other variants except for EG.5.1. Further mechanistic analysis revealed that L455S mutation in JN.1 S proteins might be responsible for significant decrease in overall receptor binding affinity but substantial increase in overall fusogenecity and infectivity with various animal ACE2s and hACE2. L455S change slightly



decreased S protein thermostability, likely resulting in lower the overall energy barrier required for conformational changes of S protein after receptor binding.

Together, our findings aid a better understanding of the molecular basis of CoV entry, selective evolution, and immunogenicity and highlight the importance of surveillance of susceptible hosts of these viruses to prevent potential outbreaks.

Keywords: SARS-CoV-2, reverse zoonotic transmission, ACE2, bat coronavirus,



Insights into current practices and innovations in pet rehabilitation

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Abstract

For over two decades, pet rehabilitation has captured the attention of veterinarians and pet owners alike. Much like in human medicine, rehabilitation interventions can significantly enhance an animal's quality of life and accelerate recovery from illness, reducing the need for invasive surgical procedures and medication while fostering positive relationships between pet owners and healthcare providers. Today, advancements in rehabilitation equipment enable veterinarians to deliver these services more effectively in clinical settings. However, a thorough understanding of rehabilitation principles and accurate disease diagnosis is essential before implementing such procedures. In Taiwan, several challenges persist, including the education of veterinarians in pet rehabilitation, collaboration with veterinary assistants, access to equipment, and effective communication with animals. On the positive side, the growing demand from pet owners for rehabilitation services, fueled by their personal experiences, drives the rapid advancement and improvement of these treatments. Beyond clinical services, pet rehabilitation studies have explored areas such as regeneration therapy using platelet-rich plasma, mesenchymal stem cells, growth factors, gait analysis in dogs and cats, advance diagnostic imaging, the development of 3D-printed prostheses, and clinical methods for reducing anxiety. These studies offer veterinarians more treatment options and more sophisticated rehabilitation services. In conclusion, by addressing educational and technological gaps, the field of pet rehabilitation holds significant promise for improving animal well-being and strengthening human-animal bonds.

Keywords: Pet, Rehabilitation, Taiwan, Veterinary



Overall benefits of a carbon-based supplement, fed to dairy cows, for the farming system

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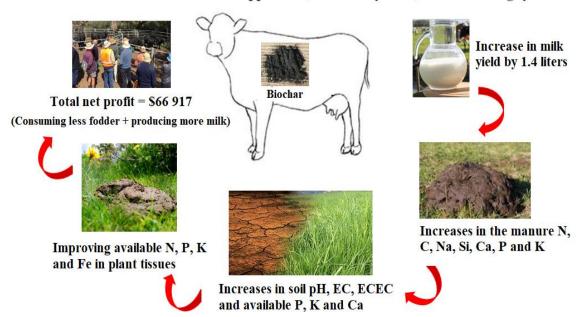
Abstract

Biochar, a porous carbon-rich material, has been used as a feed supplement for dairy cattle to improve animal productivity, soil and pasture health, and farm profitability. A mixedfeedstock biochar was produced from available agricultural waste biomass, including 50% eucalyptus wood chips, 25% soybean residue and 25% tea tree mulch, at a pyrolysis temperature of 450 °C. The microstructural and physicochemical properties of the biochar were characterized using advanced analytical techniques. A 9-month biochar feeding trial was conducted on a dairy in South Australia (SA) to investigate the effects of the biochar, mixed with supplement at a rate of 0.006% of the total dry matter (DM), on milk production, manure properties, soil and plant health. The resulting financial benefits were also assessed. The results showed that the average milk yield was higher (2.2%) compared to yield prior to this trial. There was also improvement in feed conversion with less fodder needed as a result of biochar inclusion. There were increases in mineral nutrients, such as N, Ca, P and K in the manure after feeding biochar to the cows. Consequently, increases in the concentrations of N, Ca, K and P in both soil and plant were observed following the burial of biochar-infused-manure. The increase in farm income, due to increased milk productivity and improvements in feed efficiency, was greater than the costs of the biochar. This study indicates that additions of small quantities of a carbon-based feed supplement can assist in improvements in health and productivity of a farm.

Keywords: Carbon-based feed supplement, Characterization, Livestock productivity, Soil and plant health.



Graphical abstract:



Overall benefits of a carbon-based supplement, fed to dairy cows, for the farming system



An Update of Potential Candidate Antigens for the more Promising Anti-Tick Vaccine: Glutathione S-Transferases

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Abstract

The cattle tick, *Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) microplus*, is a major ectoparasite affecting livestock, contributing to economic losses through blood depletion, immune suppression, reduced milk and meat production, and the transmission of hemoparasites such as *Anaplasma*, *Babesia*, and *Theileria* species. Current control measures rely heavily on chemical acaricides, but widespread use has led to acaricide resistance, environmental pollution, and product residues in food chains. These challenges have accelerated the need for alternative control strategies, including the development of anti-tick vaccines. Among the antigens previously explored, Bm86, 95, Serpins, and subolesin have shown potential; however, identifying more efficacious candidates is crucial for enhancing vaccine performance.

Glutathione S-transferases (GSTs) represent a promising target in this context due to their multifunctional role in cellular detoxification, immune modulation, and acaricide resistance. GSTs are involved in the neutralization of reactive oxygen species (ROS) and the conjugation of harmful substances, including acaricides, thus playing a critical role in the survival and adaptation of *R. microplus*. Moreover, their upregulation in acaricide-resistant tick populations has positioned them as biomarkers of resistance. In addition to their detoxification function, GSTs are immunogenic, making them viable candidates for vaccine development.

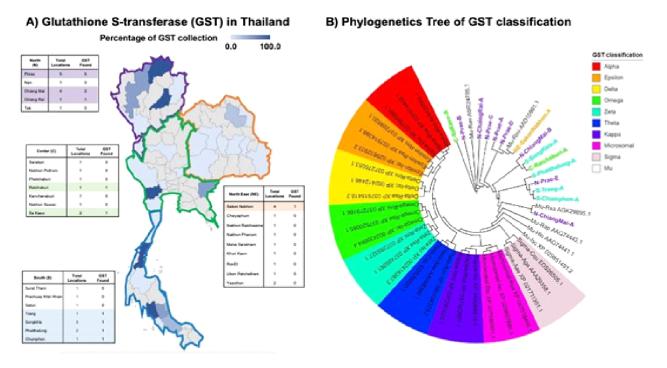
This study aimed to identify and characterize GST sequences from *R. microplus* ticks collected in Thailand and assess their potential as vaccine antigens through epitope prediction. Sequenceand structure-based analyses revealed conserved regions within GSTs that are suitable for vaccine targeting, showing the capacity to elicit robust immune responses while minimizing cross-reactivity. Importantly, these epitopes could provide cross-species protection, making GSTs a versatile component in anti-tick vaccine formulations. The findings offer new insights



into the mechanisms of acaricide resistance and the potential of GSTs to contribute to effective and sustainable tick control strategies. A GST-based vaccine could pave the way for more efficient and locally adapted tick control programs, addressing both resistance and environmental concerns.

Keywords: *Rhipicephalus (Boophilus) microplus*; glutathione S-transferase (GST); Epitope Prediction; Acaricide Resistance; Anti-Tick Vaccine

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Pitfalls In Analytical process of Clinical Chemistry

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In veterinary medicine, biochemical tests are essential for the diagnosis process. They have to follow suitable procedures to get test results that are appropriate for interpretation. The interpretation process requires an understanding of physiological principles and scientific approaches, which are important in considering treatment.

Incorrect test results may occur in any process of the analytical laboratory, from test requests to reports and interpretation. It affects the treatment plan.

"NO result is better than bad result"



การเตรียมความพร้อมในการผ่าตัด exotic

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การเตรียมความพร้อมสำหรับการผ่าตัดสัตว์เลี้ยงพิเศษ ที่มีความแตกต่างจากสุนัขและแมว โดย สัตว์แต่ละสปีชีส์ มี ความจำเพาะและการเตรียมความพร้อมที่แตกต่างกัน เราจึงควรรู้ข้อมูลเบื้องต้นของแต่ละตัว เพื่อจะได้สามารถ วางแผน เตรียมตัวสัตว์แต่ละชนิดได้ เริ่มจากการตรวจ Physical examination (PE) คือ การตรวจร่างกายเบื้องต้น ที่เราควรรู้ค่า พื้นฐานต่างๆ การดูสภาพสัตว์ การนับจังหวะการเต้นของหัวใจ การหายใจและการวัดอุณหภูมิร่างกาย เพื่อให้สามารถเตรียม ตัวสัตว์ก่อนการผ่าตัดได้อย่างถูกต้องและปลอดภัย

ในระหว่างการผ่าตัดจะต้องมีการมอนิเตอร์เพื่อจับสัญญาณชีพของสัตว์ที่อยู่ในระหว่างการวางยา ดังนั้นเราต้องรู้ วิธีการหรือตำแหน่งในการติดเครื่องมือมอนิเตอร์ต่างๆรวมถึงเครื่องมือบางชนิดที่ไม่สามารถติดในสัตว์ขนาดเล็กได้ เราจึง จำเป็นต้องรู้ว่าต้องมอนิเตอร์อย่างไรรวมถึงหลังจากการผ่าตัดแล้วสัตว์จะต้องถูกดูแลอย่างใกล้ชิด เนื่องจากยังอยู่ใน สภาพที่ ยังไม่รู้สึกตัวอาจจะทำให้เกิดอันตรายต่อสัตว์ได้ ดังนั้นจึงควรจะต้องหมั่นสังเกตอาการต่างๆของสัตว์ เช่นจังหวะ การหายใจ อุณหภูมิร่างกายหลังจากการผ่าตัด เพื่อให้สัตว์พ้นช่วงอันตรายและฟื้นตัวขึ้นมาอย่างปลอดภัย



Data Visualization สรุปข้อมูลด้วยภาพช่วยในการตัดสินใจ

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การนำเสนอข้อมูลด้วยภาพ (Data Visualization) เป็นเทคนิคการแปลงข้อมูลเชิงตัวเลขที่ซับซ้อนให้เป็นภาพกราฟิก ที่เข้าใจง่าย เพื่อช่วยให้ผู้คนมองเห็นรูปแบบแนวโน้มและข้อมูลเชิงลึกที่ซ่อนอยู่ในข้อมูลได้อย่างรวดเร็วและชัดเจน การนำเสนอ ข้อมูลในรูปแบบภาพนี้ไม่เพียงแต่ช่วยให้เข้าใจข้อมูลได้ง่ายขึ้น แต่ยังช่วยในการวิเคราะห์ข้อมูลการตัดสินใจ และการสื่อสาร ข้อมูลกับผู้อื่นได้อย่างมีประสิทธิภาพมากยิ่งขึ้น

การนำเสนอข้อมูลด้วยภาพ สามารถทำได้หลายรูปแบบ เช่น แผนภูมิแท่ง แผนภูมิเส้น แผนภูมิวงกลม กราฟเส้น กราฟกระจาย แผนที่แสดงข้อมูลที่เกี่ยวข้องกับตำแหน่งทางภูมิศาสตร์ และ อินโฟกราฟิก





Mxene/CuO/Y Nanocomposite-Enhanced BDD Electrochemical Oxidation

for Water Treatment

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Abstract

Electrochemical oxidation using boron-doped diamond (BDD) anodes has emerged as a promising technology for the treatment of recalcitrant organic pollutants in wastewater. However, further improvements in the efficiency and performance of BDD electrodes are still needed to enhance their practical application. This study investigates the enhancement of boron-doped diamond electrochemical oxidation for water treatment through the use of a Mxene/CuO/Y nanocomposite material. The catalyst was synthesized, characterized, and its application for BDD electrodes was evaluated. The degradation of methylene blue (MB) at 10 mg·L⁻¹ as a representative pollutant was studied under voltage 2.5 V and 50 mM of Na₂SO₄ condition. The pseudo-first-order rate constant (kobs) of BDD with MXene 5 to 20 mg was 1.22 to 10.87×10^{-2} min⁻¹ and BDD with MCY 50 to 200 mg was 0.97 to 1.72×10^{-2} min⁻¹, which were much higher than using only BDD in processes ($k_{BDD} = 0.71 \times 10^{-2} \text{ min}^{-1}$). These studies also demonstrated that the main reactive oxygen species (ROS) for the degradation of MB were $^{1}O_{2}$ and following with $\cdot OH$, SO₄⁻⁻ and O₂⁻⁻. Consequently, the Mxene/CuO/Y nanocomposite significantly can improve the electrochemical oxidation performance of the BDD electrodes, leading to enhanced degradation efficiency. Importantly, using Mxene/CuO/Y nanocomposite material can enhance the wastewater treatment efficiency, which is a significant advantage in terms of both cost-effectiveness and environmental sustainability for water treatment applications.

Keywords: Advance oxidation process, BDD electrode, Electro-catalytic oxidation, Methylene blues degradation, MXene/CuO/Yttrium catalyst



Molecular detection of *Plasmodium* spp. in non-human primates in Thailand

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Abstract

The expansion of agriculture and urban development had led to significant habitat loss for non-human primates (NHPs), resulting in increased interactions with humans. NHPs could harbor various infectious diseases that might have been transmitted to humans through bites or vectors. *Plasmodium* spp., which caused malaria, posed a significant global public health challenge. Malaria remained a leading cause of morbidity and mortality in many regions of the world. In addition to humans, *Plasmodium* spp. infected a variety of animals including NHPs, such as *Plasmodium knowlesi*, *Plasmodium cynomolgi* and *Plasmodium inui*. Previously studies documenting the detection of *Plasmodium* infections in NHPs in Thailand had remained limited. Therefore, the current study aimed to detect *Plasmodium* infection in NHPs in Thailand and to identify the species of *Plasmodium* spp. obtained using molecular methods. Blood samples were collected from NHPs in northern Thailand. DNA was extracted from whole blood and tested for *Plasmodium* using semi-nested polymerase chain reaction targeting the 18S *rRNA* gene followed by sequencing for spices identification. The results revealed that infection with P. knowlesi,, P. cynomolgi and P. inui were found in NHPs. This study highlighted the presence of *Plasmodium* infections in this macaque population, indicating that they serve as natural reservoirs for the parasite in the region.

Keywords: Malaria, non-human primate (NHPs), Plasmodium spp., Thailand



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Abstract

The poultry industry is the largest and most popular sector of the global livestock production, Turkey (Meleagris gallopavo) is a significant avian species widely distributed in North America and Europe. In Thailand, turkey farming has expanded significantly in Northeastern, especially in Nong Bua Lam Phu province. One of the major problems in turkey farming is gastrointestinal parasitic infections caused by parasites such as Heterakis gallinarum, Ascaridia dissimilis, Capillaria spp. and Eimeria spp. These parasites can lead to various health issues, including anorexia, weight loss, diarrhea, anemia, and reduced egg production. However, there have been limited studies on gastrointestinal parasitic infections in turkey in Thailand. Therefore, this research aimed to determine the prevalence of gastrointestinal parasites affecting turkeys in Nong Bua Lam Phu province using microscopic examination. A total of 213 fecal samples were collected from domestic turkey and the results showed that the infection rate for gastrointestinal parasites was 36.15% (77/213). The most parasite was Ascarid eggs found in 24.8% (53/213), followed by Eimeria spp. at 11.73% (25/213), *Capillaria* spp. at 2.81% (6/213) and Strongyle type egg at 1.4% (3/213). This study revealed the presence of the gastrointestinal parasites in Nong Bua Lam Phu province highlighting that turkeys serve as the primary host for these infection.

Keywords: Gastrointestinal parasites, Meleagris gallpavo, Turkey



Optimization of Ultrasonic Assisted Extraction of Bioactive Compounds and Antioxidant Activities from *Caesalpinia sappan* Heartwood

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Abstract

Sappan (*Caesalpinia sappan* L.) is a medicinal plant that can be used as an ingredient in food and beverages. Brazilin as major component and has various biological activities. The conventional method for extraction is takes a long time and uses a large volume of solvent. The objective of this work was to optimize the extraction of brazilin from *C.sappan* heartwood by ultrasonic extraction. The brazilin content and antioxidant activity of the crude extract was determined. The extraction condition was designed using Box-Behnken designs (BBD) by 3 factors and 3 levels. The brazilin content was determined by reverse phase high performance liquid chromatography. Then antioxidant activity was also tested by the DPPH and total phenolic method. The extract yield are between 1.72 - 8.8 %. The brazilin contents are in the range of 69.47 - 169.65 mg/kg extract. DPPH free radical inhibition value of the extract in term of IC50 was 3.77 - 11.71 ppm. and the total phenolic content are in the range of 42.88 - 77.84 mg GAE/g extract. From these study the optimal extract condition as 70% ethanol as the extraction solvent in the ratio of 1:20 for 40 min was obtained.

Keywords: Sappan Heartwood, Ultrasonic Assisted Extraction, Antioxidant Activities, Brazilin



Molecular detection of *Trypanosoma* spp. in cattle from Sa Kaeo Province, Thailand

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Abstract

Cattle are important economic animals in Thailand. According to a report from the Department of Livestock Development, Sa Kaeo Province are rearing more than 150,000 cattle, which is the most in the Eastern Thailand region. The most tick-borne diseases are economically important in cattle. Tick-borne diseases are important causes of sickness and death in cattle, including Trypanosomiasis which are caused by infection *Trypanosoma* spp. The standard method of examination is by looking for internal characteristics of the blood cells under a light microscope. Nowadays, the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) method is preferred because of its sensitivity and specificity. We designed a new genus-specific primer based on 18S rRNA gene used to identify *Trypanosoma* spp. We collected all 29 blood samples from Nong Sang, Sa-Kaeo province to identify these blood parasites by conventional PCR assay. The result, molecular prevalence of *Trypanosoma* spp. using the genus-specific based on 18S rRNA gene was 13.8% (4/29). The identification of *Trypanosoma* spp. in the current study indicates that a new primer efficiently detects *Trypanosoma* spp. and Precautions should be implemented to prevent trypanosoma spp. infection in Nong Sang, Sa Kaeo province.

Keyword: Cattle, PCR, Trypanosoma spp., Sa-Kaeo



Improving UV-driven ozonation technology through ultrasonic methods for the decomposition of LDPE

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Abstract

Microplastic (MP) pollution represents a longstanding environmental challenge, while the advancement of effective technologies for MP removal has been notably insufficient. This study presents O₃/US/UV oxidation in water as an alternative method for addressing MP pollution. Low-density polyethylene (LDPE) was selected as the representative target due to its extensive application, and its physical and chemical property alterations were assessed through various techniques. Multiple methods have demonstrated that the O₃/US/UV system surpasses single and dual systems through the synergistic generation of reactive radicals. The primary reactive species generated in the system was e-, succeeded by O_2^{-} , 1O_2 , and $^{\circ}OH$, in that order. LDPE demonstrated a loss of its original properties, as indicated by alterations in color and hydrophobicity, the presence of cracks, enlargement, and modifications in surface functional groups. The carbonyl index (CI) of O₃/US/UV-treated LDPE was 3.84 and 1.32 times greater than that of the O₃ alone and O₃/US samples, respectively. The scale-up experiments corroborated the batch experiments, demonstrating that the O₃/US/UV system outperformed the sequential system. The germination of three types of edible seedlings indicated that the treated water exhibited negligible toxic effects, as it resulted in no chemical residues following oxidation. Releasing less than 50% of the treated water is recommended to prevent adverse effects on sensitive species. The findings indicate that the O₃/US/UV system is an effective and sustainable approach for treating water contaminated with microplastics, contributing to improved water treatment solutions.

Keywords: Advanced oxidation processes; Enhanced ozonation; Microplastic decomposition; Seed germination; Ultrasonic-assisted ozonation; UV-assisted ozonation



SOD-Enhancing Properties of *Alpinia galanga* Rhizome Extract in RAW 264.7 and J774A.1 Macrophage Cell Lines: An In Vitro Study

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Abstract

Alpinia galanga is a medicinal herb rich in antioxidant compounds that help reduce the risk of oxidative stress and various chronic diseases. Superoxide dismutase (SOD), the enzyme of interest, plays a crucial role in inhibiting free radicals and maintaining cellular redox balance. This study investigated SOD activity levels in RAW 264.7 and J774A.1 macrophage cell lines treated with A.galanga rhizome extract. Non-cytotoxic concentrations of A.galanga rhizome extract at 250-1000 µg/mL were selected for RAW 264.7 and J774A.1, incubated for 24 hours, and evaluated using the SOD inhibitory activity assay. Treatment with A.galanga rhizome extract showed significant effects on SOD activity in both cell lines. RAW 264.7 cells treated with A.galanga rhizome extract at 1000 µg/mL exhibited significant SOD activity (p < 0.05) of 26.25±2.277% compared to untreated RAW 264.7 cells. The SOD activity level was comparable to cells treated with vitamin C at 62.5 µg/mL (Positive control). In J774A.1 cells, treatment with A.galanga rhizome extract at 500 µg/mL resulted in highly significant SOD activity (p < 0.0001) of 20.41±3.586% compared to untreated cells and cells treated with Vitamin C at 62.5 µg/mL (Positive control). Notably, A.galanga rhizome extract induced SOD activity in J774A.1 cell exceeded that observed in both control groups. These results demonstrate that A.galanga rhizome extract effectively enhances SOD activity in both macrophage cell lines, with J774A.1 cell shows higher sensitivity at a lower concentration than RAW 264.7 cells. These suggest that galangal extract enhances SOD activity in free radical inhibition.

Keywords: Superoxide dismutase; *Alpinia galanga* rhizome extract; RAW264.7 cell lines; J774A.1 cell lines



Impacts of low-density polyethylene microplastics on the microalga Arthrospira platensis

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Abstract

Presently, microplastics constitute a significant environmental concern as they undergo decomposition and fragmentation into smaller particles through various processes. These minute plastic particles disperse throughout the environment, accumulating in aquatic ecosystems and being absorbed and ingested by organisms. Microalgae are essential to the food web and biogeochemical cycles, producing commercially valuable compounds. However, their reactions and responses to microplastic contamination remain poorly understood. A recent study investigated the effects of low-density polyethylene (LDPE) microplastics on Arthrospira platensis by adding it to Zarrouk medium at concentrations of 0, 1, 10, 100, 300, and 500 mg per 100 ml. This was conducted over a 16-day period under controlled conditions, focusing on factors such as adaptation, pigmentation, external structure, and gene expression. The findings indicate that the logarithmic phase, adaptation, biomass, and pigment levels tended to decrease with exposures to 300 and 500 mg of microplastic. However, A. platensis was able to adapt to the microplastic-supplemented medium. Scanning Electron Microscopy revealed that microplastics and A. platensis form aggregates upon contact. In addition, substances were observed coating the outer surface of A. platensis cells. Based on the results, A. platensis has demonstrated an ability to thrive in conditions with high LDPE concentrations. However, microplastics impact the nutritional and pharmaceutical value of the microalgae. Further transcriptome sequencing analysis is needed to gain deeper insights.

Keywords: Arthrospira platensis, Microplastics, Low-density polyethylene







