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## ABSTRACT

Film of adipic acid doped chitosan based polymer electrolyte was prepared by the technique of solution casting. The samples were characterized by using Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR), Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy (EIS) with temperature ranging 298 and 353 K and transference number measurement. The highest conductivity at room temperature achieved is  $1.4 \times 10^{-9}$  S cm<sup>-1</sup> for sample containing 35 wt. % of AA. FTIR showed that complexation has occurred. FTIR exhibited shifts in amine and carbonyl bands at 1560 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1650 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Peak at 1689 cm<sup>-1</sup> has shifted to 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicates the deprotonation of COO<sup>-</sup> in adipic acid and proved that the electrolyte is a proton conductor. The temperature dependence of chitosan doped adipic acid shows Arrhenius behaviour with the highest conductivity gives the lowest activation energy. The Rice and Roth model was applied in calculating the ionic mobility,  $\mu$  and diffusion coefficient,  $D$ . The highest values of ionic mobility,  $\mu$  and diffusion coefficient,  $D$  are  $2.55 \times 10^{-13}$  cm<sup>2</sup> V<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> and  $6.56 \times 10^{-15}$  cm<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> respectively for sample with highest conductivity i.e. sample S6. The transference number measurements were conducted to correlate the diffusion phenomena to the conductivity behaviour of CA-AA polymer electrolyte. It has shown that the values of  $\mu_+$  is higher than  $\mu_-$  and  $D_+$  is higher than  $D_-$  and it proved that the samples are more cationic than anionic conductor.

## **ABSTRAK**

Filem kitosan polimer dicampurkan dengan asid adipik telah disediakan dengan menggunakan teknik sebaran larutan. Pencirian sampel dijalankan dengan menggunakan FTIR, EIS dengan suhu di antara 298 – 353 K dan pengukuran nombor pemindahan (transference number measurement). Kekonduksian yang tertinggi yang dicapai di dalam suhu bilik ialah  $1.4 \times 10^{-9}$  S cm $^{-1}$  untuk sampel yang mengandungi 35 wt. % asid adipik. Hasil daripada analisis FTIR menunjukkan berlakunya anjakan pada jalur amida dan karbonil pada 1560 cm $^{-1}$  dan 1650 cm $^{-1}$ . Puncak pada 1689 cm $^{-1}$  teranjak ke 1680 cm $^{-1}$  menunjukan diprotonasi COO $^-$  di dalam asid adipik dan membuktikan bahawa elektrolit adalah suatu konduktor proton. Data kekonduksian melawan suhu mematuhi sifat Arrhenius dengan menunjukkan bahawa kekonduksian menaik, tenaga pengaktifan menurun. Model Rice dan Roth telah digunakan untuk mengira ionik mobiliti dan angkli resapan. Nilai tertinggi ionik mobiliti dan angkli resapan yang diperolehi ialah  $2.55 \times 10^{-13}$  cm $^2$  V $^{-1}$  s $^{-1}$  dan  $6.56 \times 10^{-15}$  cm $^2$  s $^{-1}$  masing-masing untuk sampel S6 iaitu sampel yang mempunyai kekonduksian tertinggi. Pengukuran nombor pemindahan telah dijalankan dan ia menunjukkan bahawa nilai  $\mu_+$  adalah lebih tinggi daripada  $\mu_-$  dan nilai  $D_+$  adalah lebih tinggi daripada  $D_-$ . Ini telah terbukti bahawa sampel ini adalah konduktor kationik.