

## A Study on the General Characteristics and Instrumental Analysis of Natural Omija Extract

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**Abstract :** Omija component was known to possess natural odor, taste, color, and various general characteristics. Omija extraction was extracted using ethanol as a solvent. Omija extract showed a red-purple color of some viscous liquid state. Some conclusions from natural Omija extract were obtained as follow. The result of antimicrobial experiment to add Omija extract, the number of microbial population showed negative reaction from 3 days after it cultivated. This phenomenon could confirm that Omija component affected to antimicrobial effect. The result of dyeing experiment to add Omija extract, fiber dyeing effect showed with some ivory color after dyed to cotton and silk. Also, this phenomenon could confirm that Omija component affected to natural dyeing effect from observed dye state with biological microscope(BM). The result of instrumental analysis, inorganic components of K(109.60ppm), Na(3.500ppm), Ca(1.205ppm), Mg(0.900ppm), Li(0.350ppm), Si(0.380ppm), Cu(0.250ppm), Fe(0.125ppm), Zn(0.090ppm), etc from Omija were ascertained with ICP/OES, and organic components of benzene(10.808), bornyl acetate(11.289), phenol(14.183),  $\beta$ -terpinene(15.840),  $\alpha$ -terpinolene(17.616) etc from Omija were ascertained with GC/MSD.

**Keywords :** *Natural Omija extract , antimicrobial experiment , dyeing experiment, biological microscope(BM), instrument analysis(ICP/OES, GC/MSD).*

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Natural Omija (五味子) belongs to magnoliaceae has natural odor, taste, color, and the others general characteristics [1]. It is called Omija because it contain five tastes including sour, sweet, bitter, salty, and pungent taste[2].

Omija blooms annually in about the middle of June, and it forms a size and a shape from the middle of July[2]. Omija is used as a mellow fruit in the middle of september such as it is shown in Fig.1.

Omija is known to be some difference to natural odor, taste, color, and the others pharmaceutical and chemical characteristics according to species or cultivate circumstances [3]. In general, Omija is composed of water, protein, fat, and the others organic and

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inorganic component etc[3]. Omija is consisted of three main parts of pericap, fruit and seed such as it is shown in Fig. 2.



Fig. 1. A mellow fruit of Omija.

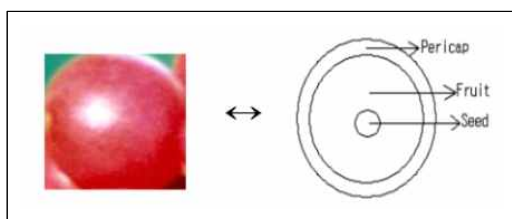


Fig. 2. Three main parts of Omija.

Pericap of Omija is made up as anthocyanin color, and it is changed from purple color in red color[4]. Fruit of Omija is contained in organic components of citric acid, malic acid, succinic acid, tannic acid, and glucose etc. and its show various tastes[5].

Seed of Omija consisted of various aromatic components of benzene and phenol etc, and it contained in essential oil components such as lignan and citral etc [6].

Glucose component in fruit of Omija can obtain Omija-wine by fermentation process of enzyme such as it is shown in Fig. 3.[7].

Historically, Omija has come to be used in various materials of traditionally oriental medicine food of Omija-tea, Omija-wine, Omija-drink, Omija-confection, Omija-vermicelli etc, and it is interested in new materials of chinese medicine, chinese cosmetics, traditionally natural dye as well as chinese food[3].

Specially, Omija has come to be recognized that it has various pharmaceutical and chemical characteristics. Accordingly, Omija is used to adopt in various field including traditional oriental medicine to use for efficacy and effect of antimicrobial, anticancer, antioxidation, antiaging, etc, and chinese cosmetics and traditional natural dye etc[8-12]. Also, Omija is known that aromatic components of flavonoid, phenol, terpene etc have control action against microbe as physiological activity, and anthocyanine color shows environmental affinity as traditional natural dye[13].

In tendency of domestic research, Cho et al.[14] studied on the physiological activity of Omija extract, and Ko etc[15] studied on the dropping of blood sugar of Omija extract, and Song[16] studied on the pharmaceutical effect of Omija in cosmetics and the application of Omija in cosmetics industry.

This research extracted Omija component from natural Omija, and tested using Omija extract on the antimicrobial experiment (pharmaceutical characteristics) and dyeing experiment(chemical characteristics), and instrument analysis of Omija extract analyzed in order to confirm inorganic components with ICP/OES, and analyzed in order to confirm organic components with GC/MSD.

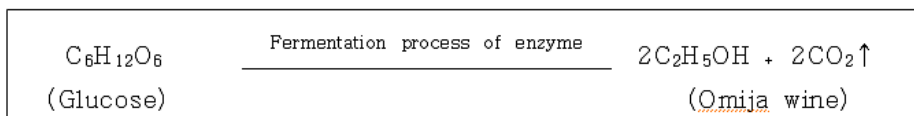


Fig.3. Fermentation process of Omija by enzyme.

## 2. EXPERIMENTAL

### 2.1. EXTRACTION EXPERIMENT

This experiment pulverized natural Omija(This purchased at korean traditional market) 100.0g to grind containing Omija pericap, fruit and seed in the ceramic bowl, and mixed in 93.0% ethanol ( $C_2H_5OH$  : Korea), 900.0mL as solvent.

Next experiment concentrated to heat this mixture in the natural extract equipment(made in Korea) at below  $85^{\circ}C$ , and reacted for about 6 hrs.

Solid components of Omija extraction solution removed using 200 mesh sieve, and Omija extract was finally obtained after it separated ethanol with rotary vacuum evaporator (model No. NE-100S, Eyela Co., Japan).

### 2.2. ANTIMICROBIAL EXPERIMENT

(Pharmaceutical Effect)

Natural Omija extract tested for verification of pharmaceutical effect using microbes such as staphylococcus aureus (Bacteria ; requested cooperation from microorganism center in Han Kuk Cosmetics Co. Ltd) and aspergillus niger(Fungus ; also, requested cooperation from the same company).

Microbes were cultivated in the mueller hilton broth (Difco .Lab. Co., USA), and incubated in the incubator (model No. Pl. Labtec. Co., Korea). Incubated microbes then analyzed number of microbial population to measure with optical electron microscope (model No. Li-Lh. 100-3, Olympus Co., Japan) and colony counter apparatus (Korea).

### 2.3. DYEING EXPERIMENT (Natural Dyeing Effect)

In order to test the natural dyeing effect, dyeing experiment was carried out to use natural Omija extract to cotton and silk as fiber. This experiment used the alum mordant [ $Al_2(SO_4)_3 \cdot 13-14 H_2O$  ; Sam Chun Chemical Co., Ltd ; Korea] in order to

conduct dyeing experiment against fiber, and dyed color(cotton and silk) was measured with color difference meter of spectraflash (model No. SF-600 plus CT. Co., USA) and biological microscope(model No. BA-210, Motic Incorporation Ltd., Hong Kong).

Fiber(cotton and silk) purchased from Young shin Textile Co. Ltd., (Korea).

### 2.4. INSTRUMENTAL ANALYSIS

#### 2.4.1. ICP/OES MEASUREMENT

In order to confirm inorganic components, this experiment dissolved to dilute Omija extract(0.1g) in 5%- $HNO_3$  solution(100.0 mL), and analyzed this sample solution with ICP/OES. ICP/OES analysis measured inorganic components from Omija using standard inorganic elements (28-inorganic elements) including Ag, Al, As, B, Ba, Be, Ca, Co, Cd, Cr, Cu, K, Li, Fe, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Ni, Pb, Se, Si, Sr, Ti, Tl, V, Zn.

#### 2.4.2. GC/MSD MEASUREMENT

In order to confirm organic components, this experiment dissolved to dilute Omija extract (0.1g) in di-ethyl ether [ $(C_2H_5)_2O$ ] (100.0mL), and analyzed this sample solution with GC/MSD. GC/MSD used Hp-5MS detector (model No. Agilent 19091 S-433) and Hp-5MS column (30m \*  $250\mu m$  \*  $0.25\mu m$ ). Split flow operated in 50.0mL/min while saver flow operated in 20.0mL/min, temperature controlled with MSD transfer heater.

Helium gas(He-gas) used as carrier gas. Flow rate of He-gas operated in 1.0mL/min and pressure carried in 7.06psi. Detector injection temperature of this sample measured in  $250-280^{\circ}C$  respectively.

## 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 3.1. RESULT OF EXTRACTION EXPERIMENT

Result of extraction experiment, Omija extract was obtained about 18.0g after it made

to separate the ethanol. And, Omija extract showed some viscous liquid state and red–purple color. Accordingly, the yield of Omija extract was obtained about 1.8% from following formula (1).

$$\text{Yield of Omija extract} = \frac{\text{Amount of Omija extract}}{(\text{Amount of Omija sample} + \text{Amount of added ethanol})} \times 100 \text{ -(1)}$$

### 3.2. RESULT OF ANTIMICROBIAL

#### EXPERIMENT (Pharmaceutical Effect)

This experiment dissolved to dilute Omija extract(0.5g) in distilled water(100.0mL), and mixed 0.5%–Omija extract solution(1.0mL) in mueller hilton broth (10.0mL), and incubated microbes of staphylococcus aureus (ATCC–001) and aspergillus niger (ATCC–002) as fixed microbial population ( $1\sim 2 \times 10^3$  CFU/mL) by plate culture method [17,18].

Also, Control–001, 002 prepared to compare with ATCC–001, 002 without addition of Omija extract. Result of antimicrobial experimenet against Omija extract was tested such as it shown in Table 1.

Result of antimicrobial experiment against Omija extract could confirm that ATCC–001,002 showed positive reaction untill 2 days after cultivated, however it showed

negative reaction from 3 days. Also, result of antimicrobial experiment by plate culture method, ATCC–001 and 002 could confirm that number of microbial population didn't show from 3 days after it has cultivated such as it shown in Fig. 3.

But, Control–001, 002 showed positive reaction, and number of microbial population rapidly increased from 3 days after it has cultivated such as it shown in Fig. 4.

Finally, Omija extract could know that it was pharmaceutical effect to control the growth against microbes.

### 3.3. RESULT OF DYEING EXPERIMENT

#### (Natural Dyeing Effect)

This experiment dyed with 0.5%–Omija extract solution to the cotton and silk as fiber using alum mordant [ $\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 13\sim 14\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ], and dyed fiber (cotton and silk) measured  $\text{DL}^*$  (degree of brightness),  $\text{Da}^*$  and  $\text{Db}^*$  (direction of color), and  $\text{DE}^*$  (color difference) with color difference meter of spectraflash. Result of color dyed to fiber measured such as it shown in Table 2.

Table 1. Result of Antimicrobial Experiment against Omija Extract Shown according to Culture Time and Temperature of Microbe (Culture Temp. : 36°C)

Microbe Time(day)	Staphylococcus aureus		Aspergillus niger	
	ATCC–001	Control–001	ATCC–002	Control–002
0	+	+	+	+
1	+	+	+	+
2	+	+	+	+
3	–	+	–	+

–Positive reaction(+) : This means positive reaction that microbe shows activity in culture test.

–Negative reaction(–) : This means negative reaction that microbe does not shows activity in the culture test.

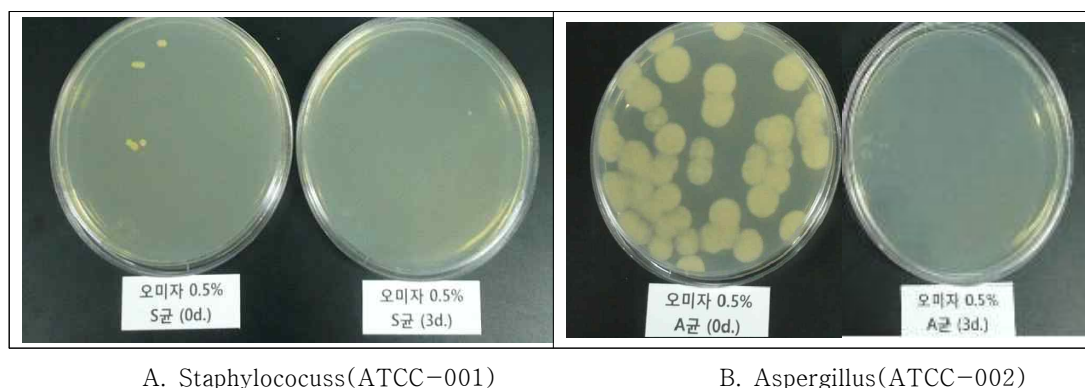


Fig. 3. Result of antimicrobial experiment against staphylococcus(ATCC-001) and aspergillus (ATCC-002) added Omija extract according to culture time and temp.

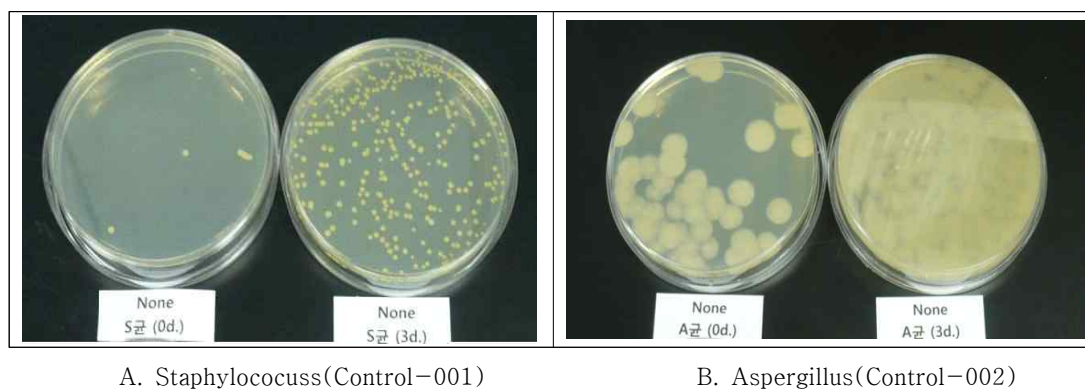


Fig. 4. Result of antimicrobial experiment against staphylococcus(Control-001) and aspergillus (Control-002) did not add Omija extract according to culture time and temp.

Table 2. Result of Color Dyed to Fiber Using Natural Omija Extract by Mordant Method

Fiber	Mordant Method	DL*	Da*	Db*	DE*
Cotton	First mordant	45.500	1.200	6.500	45.97
	After mordant	87.750	1.600	12.000	88.58
Silk	First mordant	45.800	1.750	6.000	46.22
	After mordant	84.900	2.500	13.200	85.92

Remark : First mordant : This used alum mordant when dyed to fiber.

After mordant : This used alum mordant again after dyed to fiber.

Color difference ( $DE^*$ ) was calculated between degree of brightness and direction of color, and it is calculate by following formula (2).

$$DE^* = [(DL^*)^2 + (Da^*)^2 + (Db^*)^2]^{0.5} \quad (2)$$

Following picture took cotton and silk to dye with biological microscope(BM), and it showed into some ivory color, and it shown in Fig. 5 and Fig. 6.

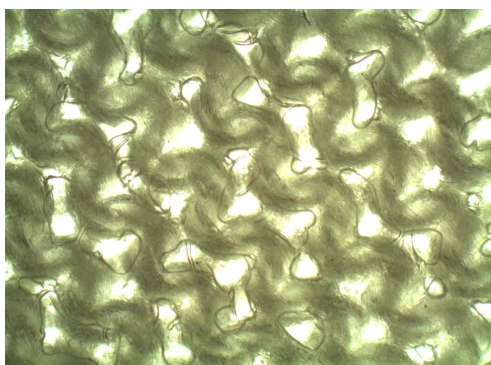


Fig. 5. This picture took a dyed cotton using Omija extract to apply after alum mordant with biological microscope (BM).

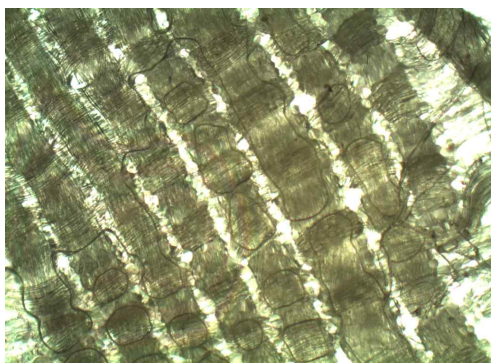


Fig. 6. This picture took a dyed silk using Omija extract to apply after alum mordant with biological microscope (BM).

Finally, Omija extract could confirm that it apply to fiber (cotton and silk) as a natural

dye.

### 3.4. RESULT OF INSTRUMENTAL ANALYSIS

#### 3.4.1. ICP/OES ANALYSIS

Result of ICP/OES analysis, inorganic components such as K(109.600ppm), Na(3.500ppm), Ca(1.205ppm), Mg(0.900ppm), Si(0.380ppm), Li(0.350ppm), Cu(0.250ppm), Fe(0.125ppm), Zn(0.090ppm), etc in Omija material confirmed as shown in Fig. 7.

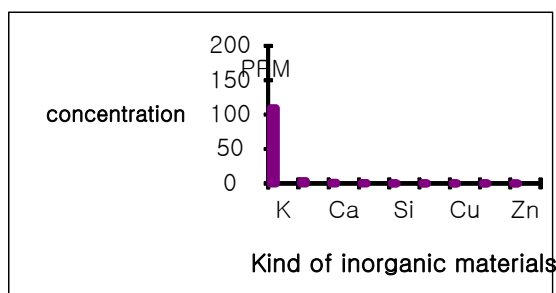


Fig. 7. Analysis result of inorganic materials in Omija component.

#### 3.4.2. GC/MSD ANALYSIS

Result of GC/MSD analysis, organic components such as benzene(10.808), bornyl acetate(11.289), phenol(14.183),  $\beta$ -terpinene (15.840),  $\alpha$ -terpinolene(17.616), etc in Omija material confirmed as shown in Fig. 8.

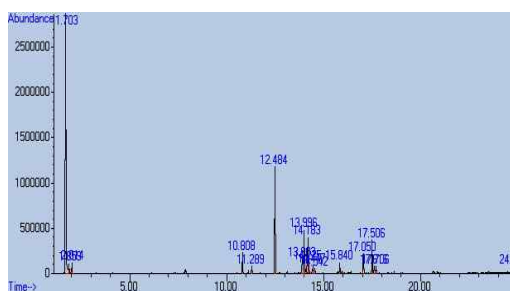


Fig. 8. Analysis result of organic materials in Omija component.

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

The general characteristic of Omija extract that was gotten to concentrate and to extract from natural Omija component could obtain some conclusions as follow.

1. Natural Omija extract that was gotten to concentrate and to extract from Omija component (100.0g) was obtained about 18.0g. Finally, yield of Omija extraction was obtained about 1.80%, and Omija extract showed some viscous liquid state and red-purple color.
2. Antimicrobial experiment against staphylococcus aureus (ATCC-001) and aspergillus niger (ATCC-002) as microbes showed in negative reaction from 3 days after it has cultivated, but in case of Control-001, 002 did not add Omija extract, number of microbial population rapidly increased according to cultivation time. This phenomenon confirmed that Omija component has pharmaceutical effect to control the growth against microbe.
3. Dyeing experiment against fiber(cotton and silk) showed into some ivory color. And dyeing test used first and after alum mordant  $[Al_2(SO_4)_3 \cdot 13-14H_2O]$  to fiber. Chemical dyeing effect against fiber confirmed that Omija extract was possible as natural dye and took a dyeing fiber state with biological microscope(BM).
4. The result of instrument analysis, inorganic components of K(109.600ppm), Na (3.500ppm), Ca(1.205ppm), Mg(0.900ppm), Li(0.350ppm), etc from Omija extract were ascertained with ICP/OES, and organics components of benzene(10.808), bromyl acetate(11.298), phenol(14.183),  $\beta$ -terpinene(15.840),  $\alpha$ -terpinolene (17.616) etc from Omija extract were

ascertained with GC/MSD.

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