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# Effect of ultrasonic and microwave processing on physicochemical property of silkworm pupae protein and mulberry seed meal protein to improve protein availability

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Introduction



Results



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Methods



Conclusions



**Reuse of by-products or wastes**



**Produce high value-added products**



**Reduce environmental pollution**



**Improve resource utilization**

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Oils

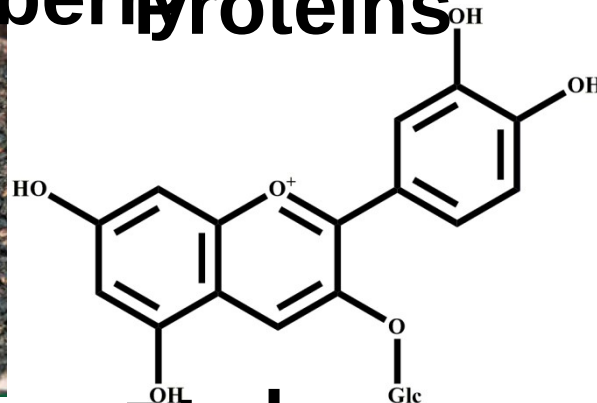
Silkworm pupaes



Mulberry proteins



Mulberry seeds



Large production  
High nutrition  
Multiple utilization



Edible fats



APA-Human milk  
fat-style products

Novel structure lipids  
enriched unsaturated  
fatty acids



Functional lipids



Oil



Health care products

transesterification Phenolic acid  
structured lipids

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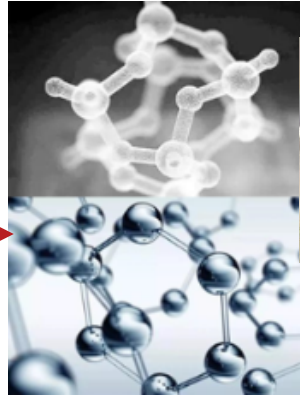


Feeding ingredients

Low protein solubility lead to low protein yield and affects the utilization of protein



Proteins

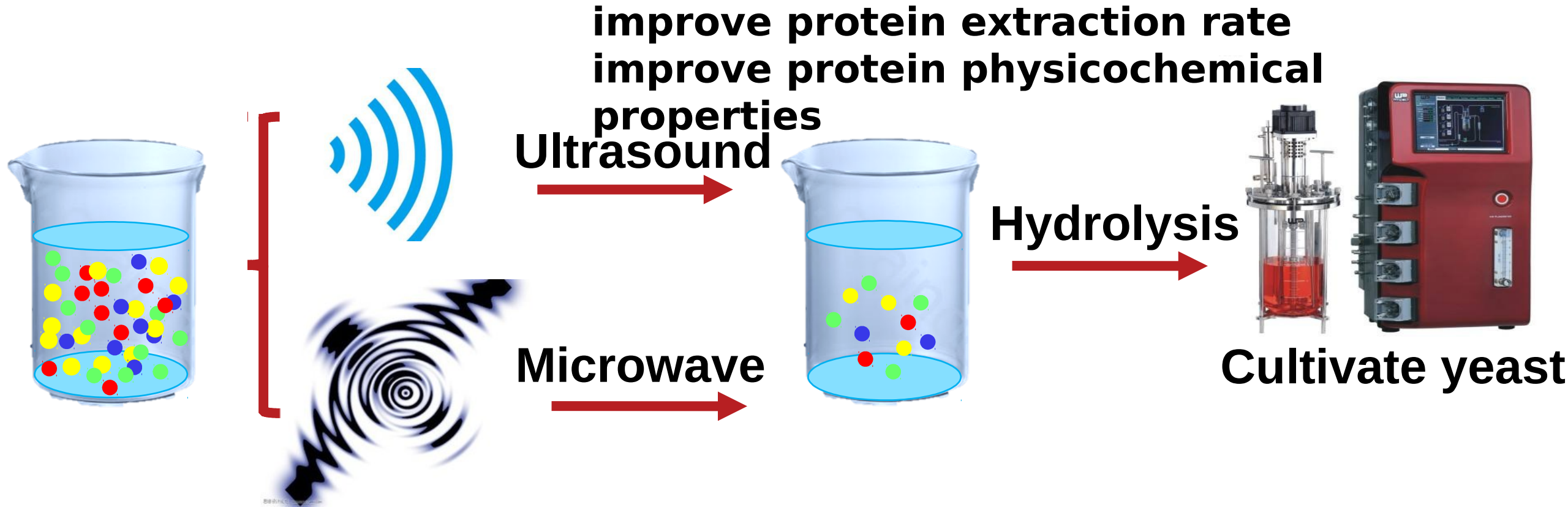


Flavor peptides



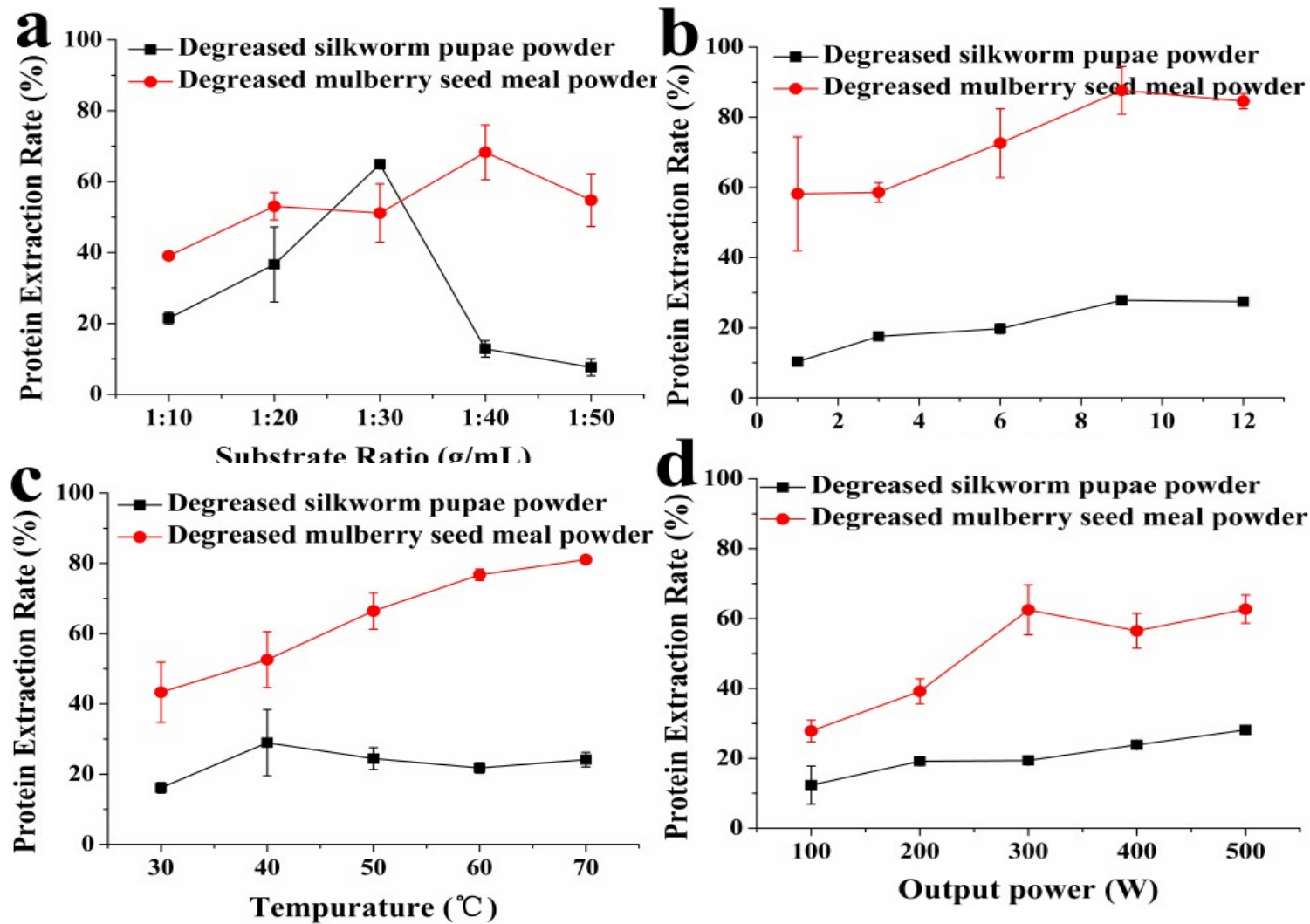
Skin care products

**How to improve the protein property and increase the protein yield ?**



After pretreatment a large amount of protein dissolved in solution

Low-cost nitrogen source substitutes for microbial culture

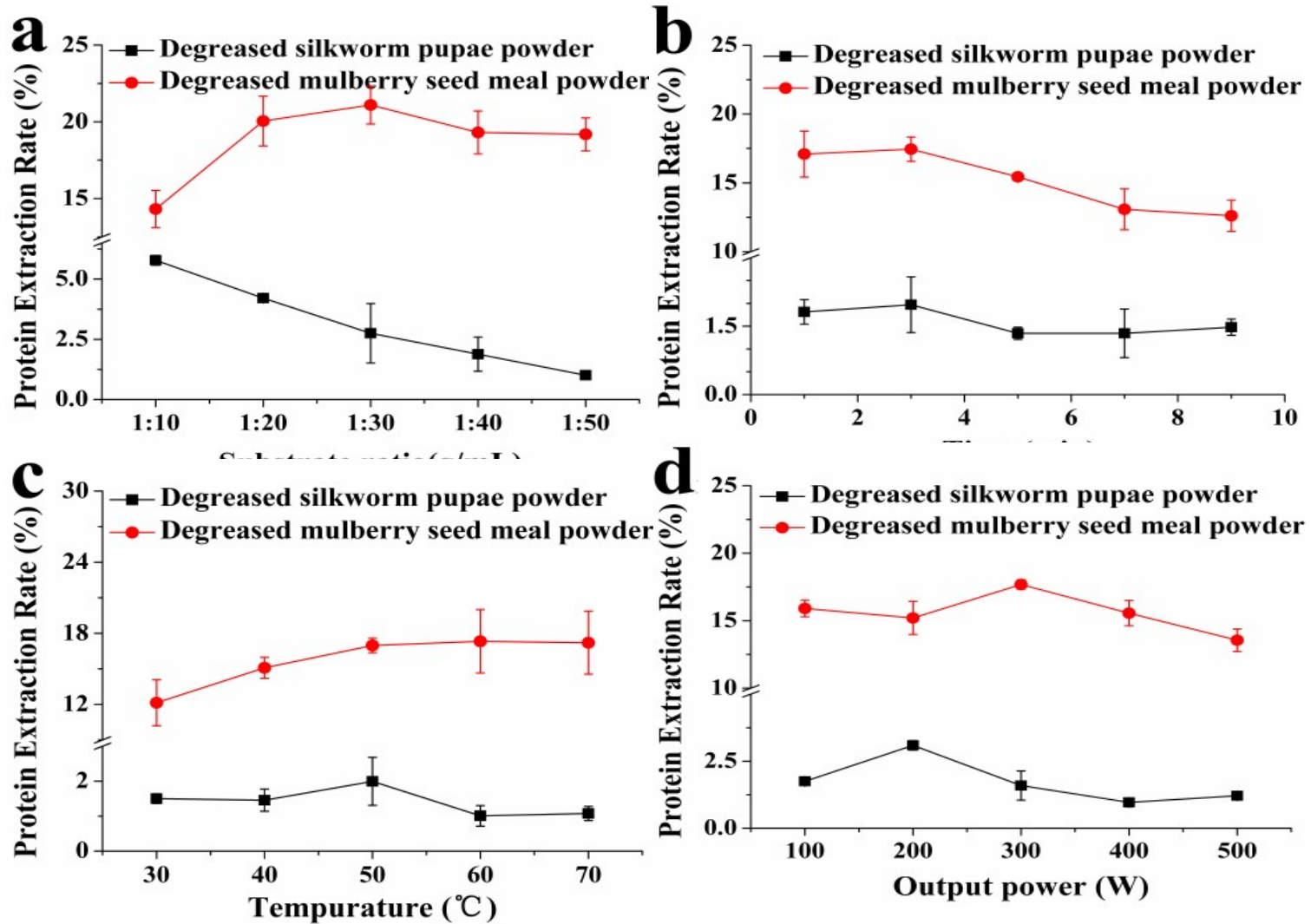


Mulberry seed meal:  
 a-1:40, b-9 min,  
 c-70  $^{\circ}$ C, d-300 W  
**Up 70%**

Silkworm pupae:  
 a-1:30, b-9 min,  
 c-70 $^{\circ}$ C, d-400 W  
**Up 30%**

**Fig. 1.** Effects of different factors on extraction rate of silkworm pupae protein and mulberry seed meal protein by ultrasonic treated. (a) Substrate concentrations; (b) Time; (c) Temperature; (d) Output power.





Mulberry seed meal:  
a-1:30, b-3 min,  
c-60 °C, d-300 W

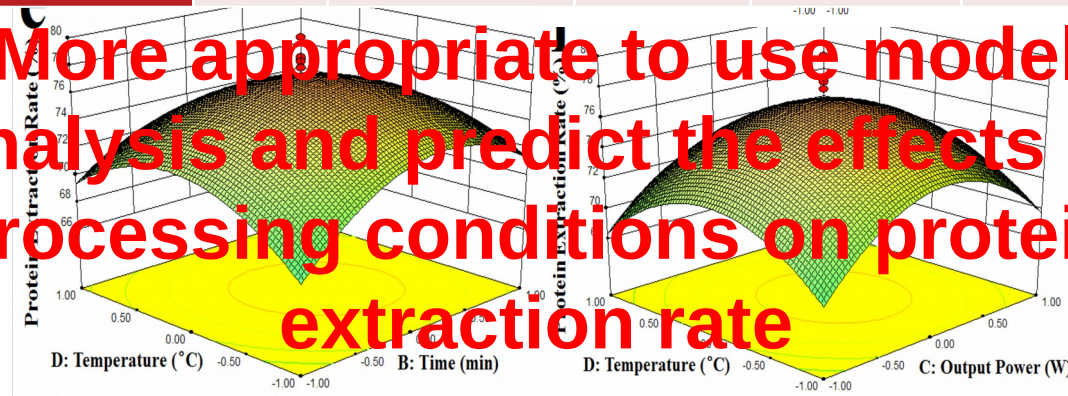
Silkworm pupae:  
a-1:20, b-3 min,  
c-50°C, d-200 W  
Low growth

**Fig. 2.** Effects of different factors on extraction rate of silkworm pupae protein and mulberry seed meal protein by microwave treated. (a. Substrate concentrations; b. Time; c. Temperature; d. Output power).

**Table 1.** Correlation parameters of ultrasonic processing regression model in response surface fitting

Source	df	Mean Square	F Value	p-value	
Silkworm pupae	14	27.19	15.84	<0.001	significant
Lack of fit	10	2.31	4.39	0.0581	Not significant
Mulberry seed peal	14	98.87	11.29	<0.0001	significant
Lack of fit	10	5.11	0.32	0.9418	Not significant

More appropriate to use model analysis and predict the effects of processing conditions on protein extraction rate



**Fig. 3.** Optimization of response surface for ultrasonic treatment of degreased mulberry seed peal

## Protein physicochemical properties

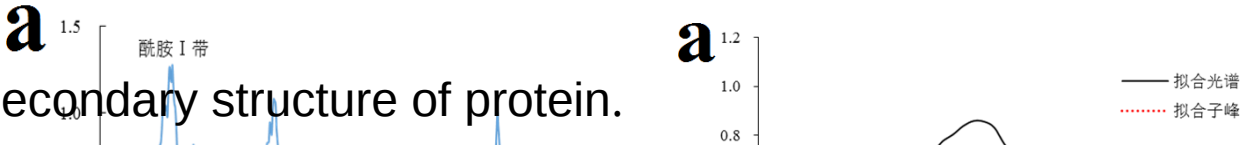
**Table 2.** Effect of ultrasonic and microwave on physicochemical properties of mulberry seed meal protein and silkworm pupae protein

Functional Properties	Mulberry seed meal protein	Protein treated by ultrasonic	Protein treated by microwave	Silkworm pupae protein	Protein treated by ultrasonic	Protein treated by microwave
Content of crude protein (%)	40.7±0.8	-	-	70.7±0.9	-	-
Solubility (%)	25.2±1.31	30.89±2.62	28.33±1.11	4.46±0.23	9.23±1.12	7.93±0.34
Foaming capacity (%)	20.00±4.3	27.63±2.31	22.2±4.0	21.50±1.12	47.38±1.21	42.15±1.12
Foam stability (%)	45.81±8.4	50.31±3.45	48.17±3.3	32.00±1.45	55.19±2.38	52.18±2.32
Emulsibility (m <sup>2</sup> /g)	83.35±10.8	100.82±2.38	90.0±2.5	79.49±4.87	88.19±4.12	82.34±5.12
Emulsion stability (min)	18.46±1.05	20.03±4.12	18.59±1.2	33.21±1.77	57.11±2.25	41.20±2.23
Holding oil capacity (%)	220.67±13.1	280.67±8.77	234.27±1.0	130.67±13.1	250.67±8.77	234.27±1.01
Water retention (%)	123.12±0.89	151.35±1.23	130.45±2.2	138.12±0.89	180.35±2.12	140.45±3.20

**Ultrasound & microwave destroying hydrophobic interactions of protein**

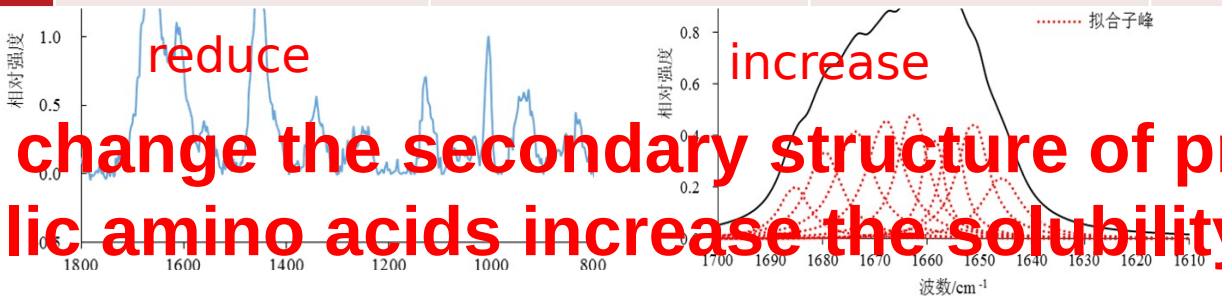
**Resulting in exposure of more hydrophobic groups**

**Table 3. Secondary structure of protein.**

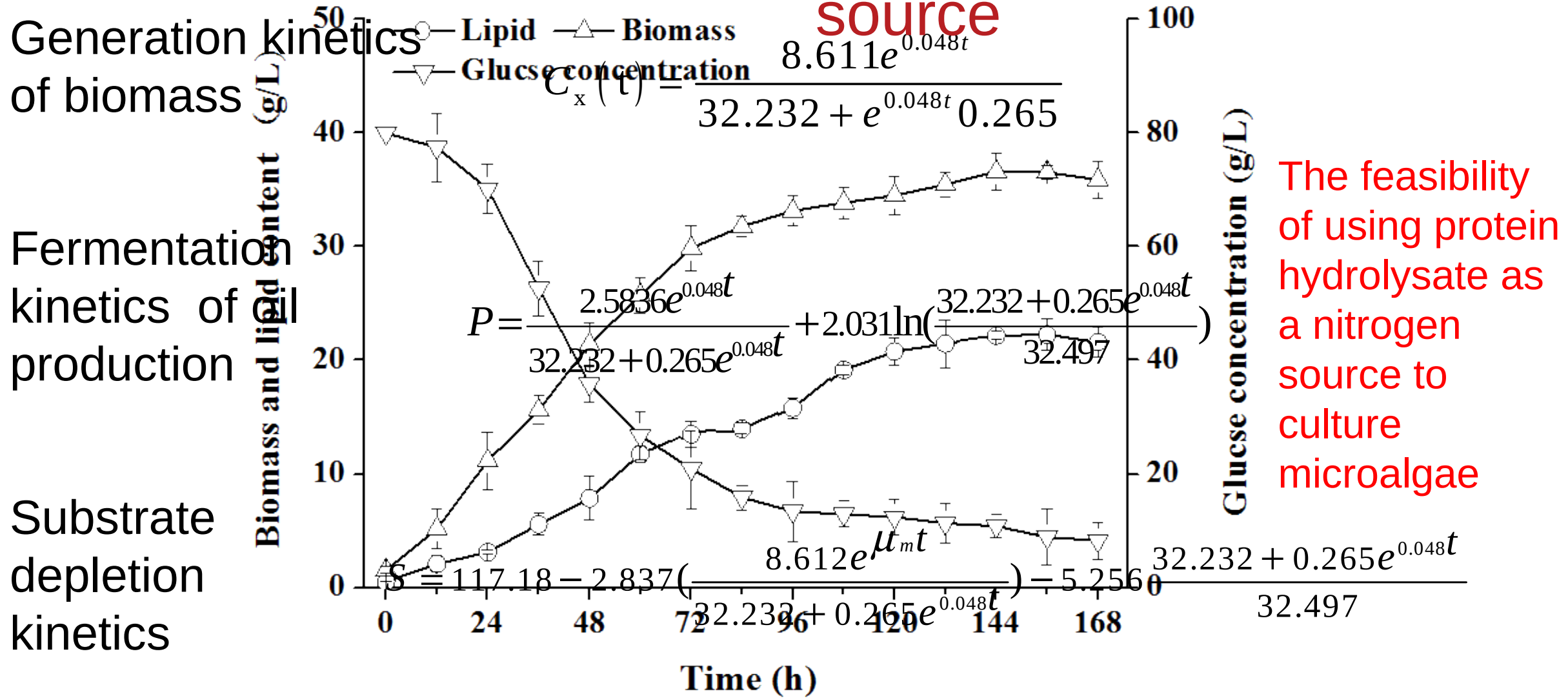


Simple	$\alpha$ -spiral (%)	Random coil (%)	$\beta$ -folding (%)	$\beta$ -concer (%)
UM	41.36 $\pm$ 0.30 <sup>a</sup>	13.50 $\pm$ 0.25 <sup>c</sup>	39.53 $\pm$ 0.28 <sup>b</sup>	6.51 $\pm$ 0.43 <sup>d</sup>
UM1	31.61 $\pm$ 0.45 <sup>b</sup>	18.01 $\pm$ 0.28 <sup>c</sup>	40.86 $\pm$ 0.63 <sup>a</sup>	9.52 $\pm$ 0.31 <sup>d</sup>
MM	39.92 $\pm$ 0.62 <sup>a</sup>	12.68 $\pm$ 0.33 <sup>b</sup>	40.24 $\pm$ 0.55 <sup>a</sup>	7.06 $\pm$ 0.27 <sup>c</sup>
US	52.22 $\pm$ 0.24 <sup>a</sup>	11.21 $\pm$ 0.47 <sup>d</sup>	25 $\pm$ 0.33 <sup>b</sup>	12.12 $\pm$ 0.24 <sup>c</sup>
US1	49.56 $\pm$ 0.32 <sup>a</sup>	17.31 $\pm$ 0.25 <sup>c</sup>	25.16 $\pm$ 0.42 <sup>b</sup>	8.11 $\pm$ 0.23 <sup>d</sup>
MS	50.17 $\pm$ 0.17 <sup>a</sup>	13.21 $\pm$ 0.32 <sup>c</sup>	30.15 $\pm$ 0.21 <sup>b</sup>	7.21 $\pm$ 0.25 <sup>d</sup>

**Ultrasound change the secondary structure of proteins, expose hydrophilic amino acids increase the solubility of proteins**



**Fig. 4 .** Raman spectra of protein from seed meal of mulberry (amide1 band and secondary structural sub-peaks).(a) Untreated; (b) Treated by ultrasound; (c) Treated by microwave.



**Fig. 5.** The growth of *S. limacinum* SR21 and its lipid yield during the fermentation with alternative nitrogen source.

# Conclusions



Protein modification was achieved by **ultrasound** and microwave treatment.



The solubility of silkworm pupae protein was **more than doubled**, and the solubility of mulberry seed protein was increased by **22.58%**.



The protein extraction rate of the two protein up to **77%** and **28%**.



The **degree of proteolysis** after modification increased making the protein easier.



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