

# **Stabilization and Solubilization of Astaxanthin by Inclusion Complex Formation with Cyclodextrin**

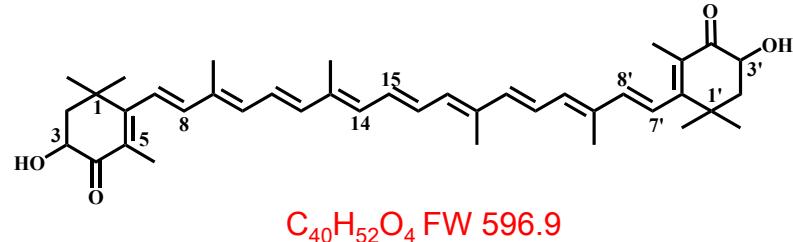
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# Introduction

## Astaxanthin



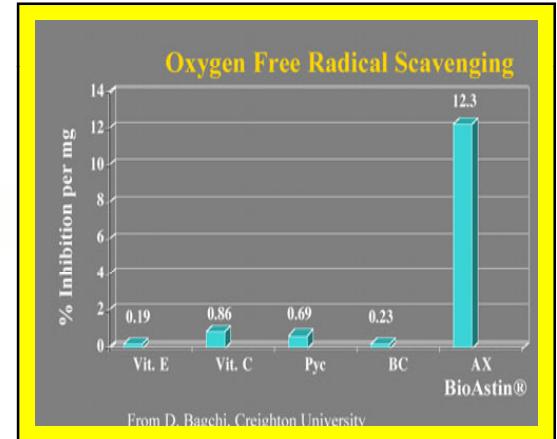
- A carotenoid pigment found in certain marine animals and plants such as shrimp and algae
- similar structure to beta-carotene
- protecting DNA, enzyme and cells against oxidative damage
- powerful antioxidant properties      **Astaxanthin (550 times) >> Vit E**

## Types of currently available astaxanthin

- Chemical synthetic forms : free

- Natural forms

- Krill and crayfish oils (~ 0.15 %), esterified
    - *Phaffia* yeast (~ 0.40 %), free
    - *Haematococcus* species (1.5-3.0 %), esterified



**Dosage of astaxanthin : 2 mg/day  
(FDA)**

## Research purpose

### The problem of astaxanthin

Poor aqueous solubility



limits its application  
in aqueous phase

Highly unsaturated molecule



damaged by heat or light

Water-solubilization  
and stabilization of astaxanthin  
for functional food & cosmetics



# Material and method

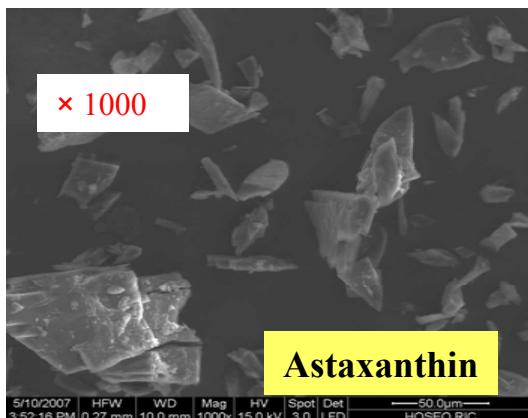
## ■ Material

- Astaxanthin
- $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -,  $\gamma$ - cyclodextrin(CD) : Wako, Japan
- HP $\beta$ -, HP $\gamma$ -CD : Sigma, USA
- Cyclo B( $\beta$ -CD) : Corn products, USA

## ■ Analysis

- particle size : Scanning electron microscope(SEM)
- Change of structure : FT-IR

## ■ Water-solubility & stability



Astaxanthin in dichlo:Ace.



Cyclodextrin in DW, 50 °C



Astaxanthin : CD = 1: 1 - 1: 200



Stirring (50°C, 7hr)



cooling

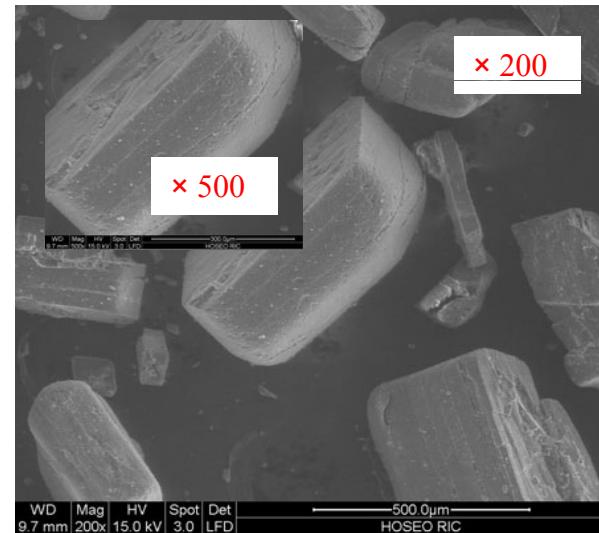
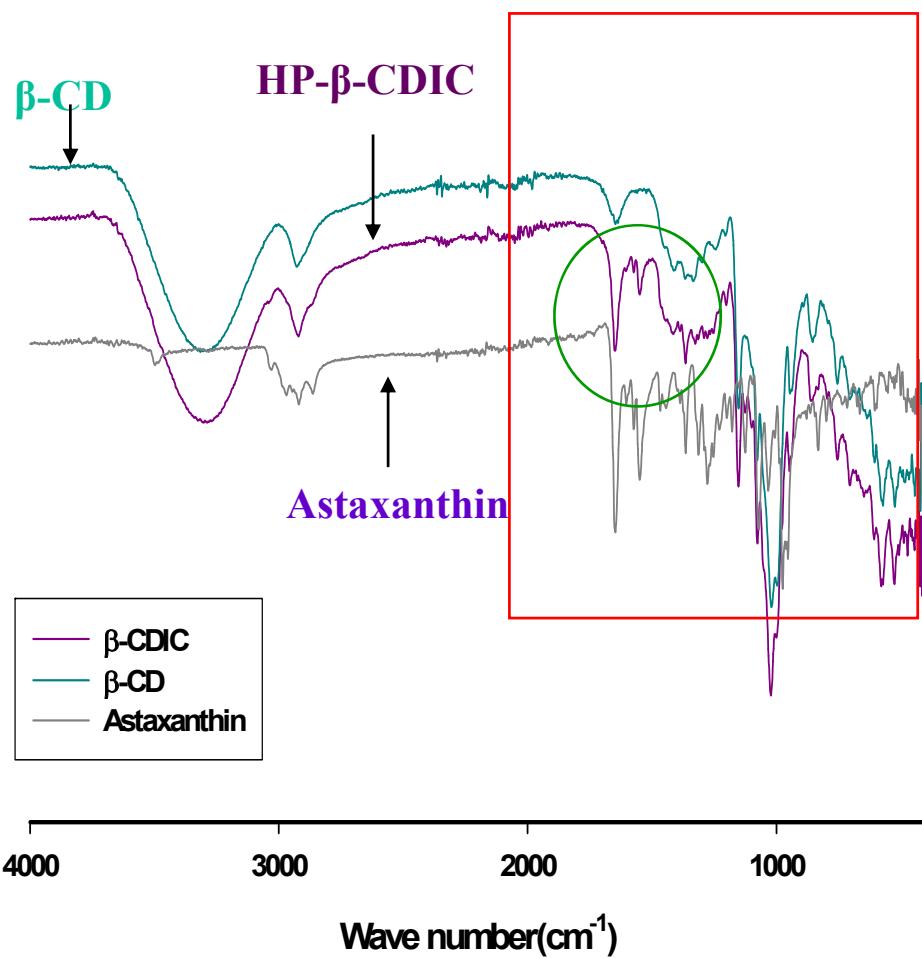
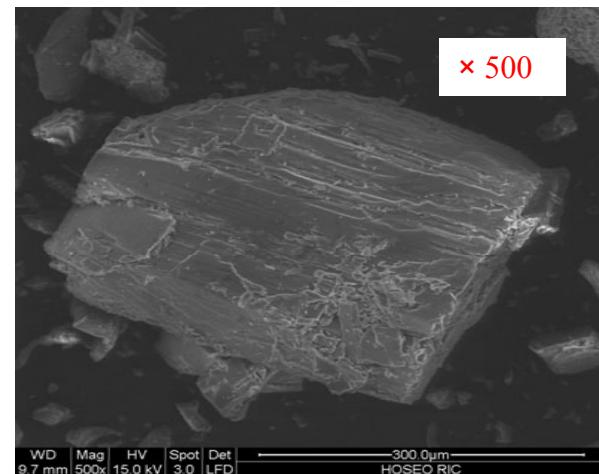


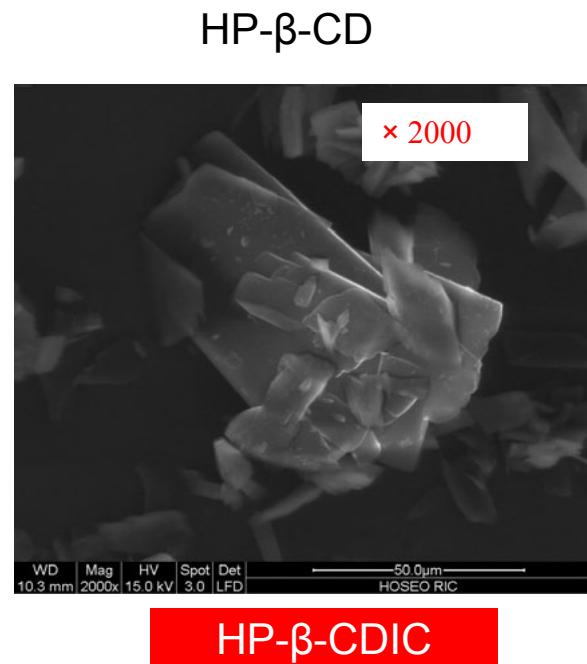
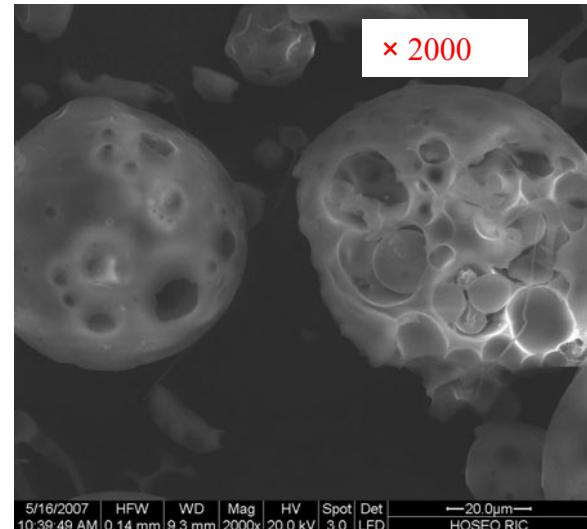
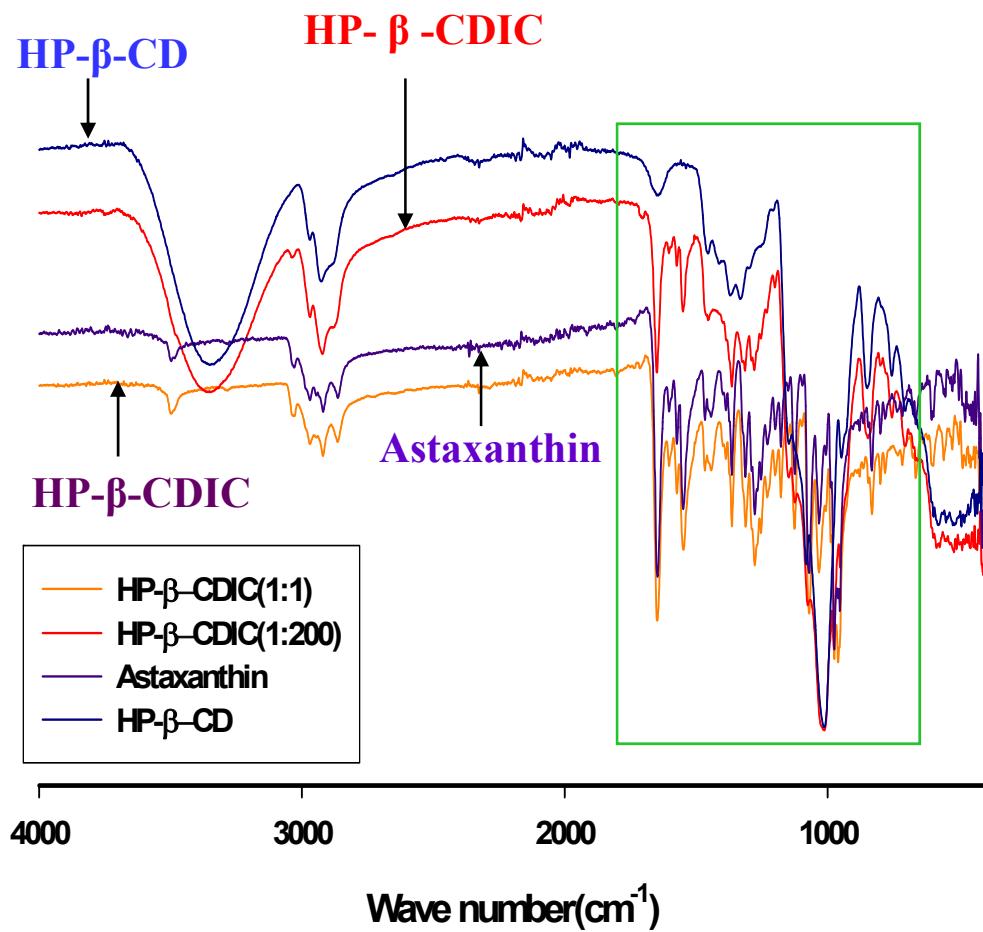
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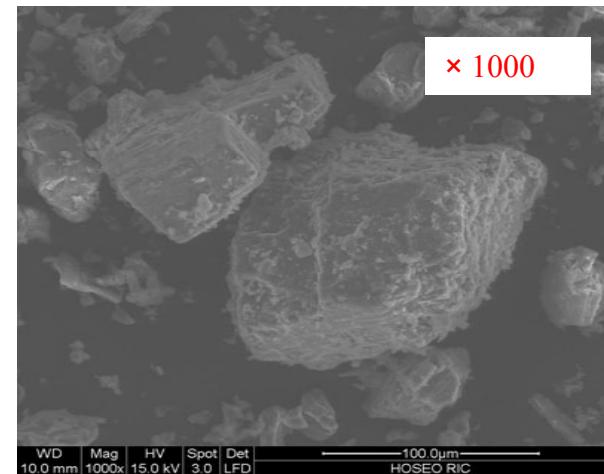
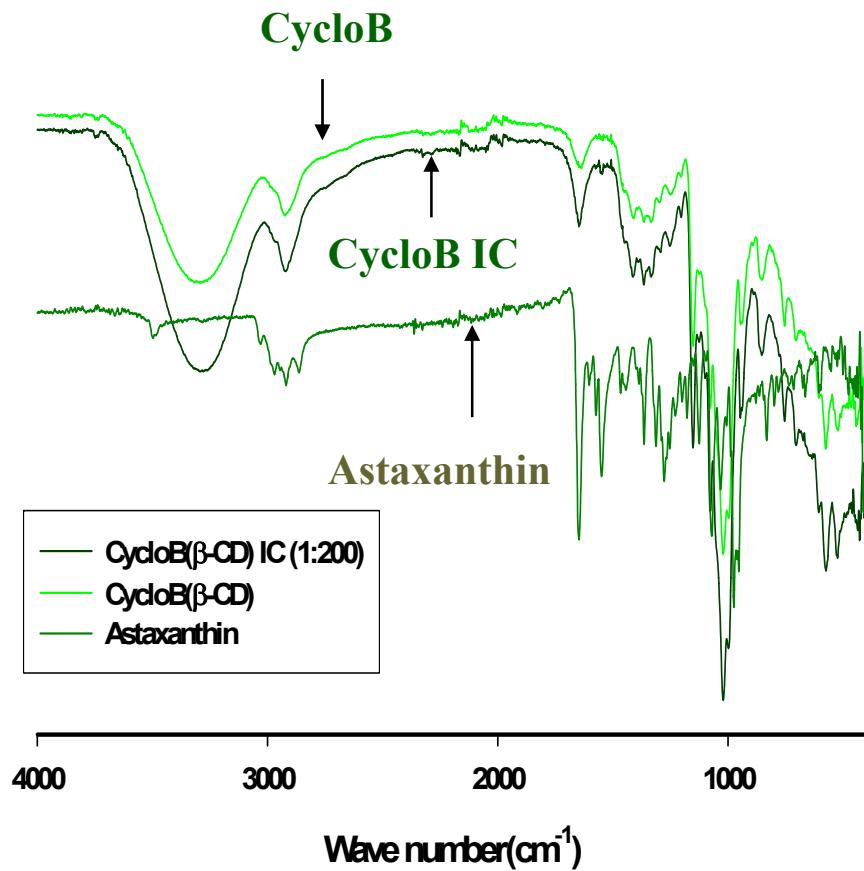
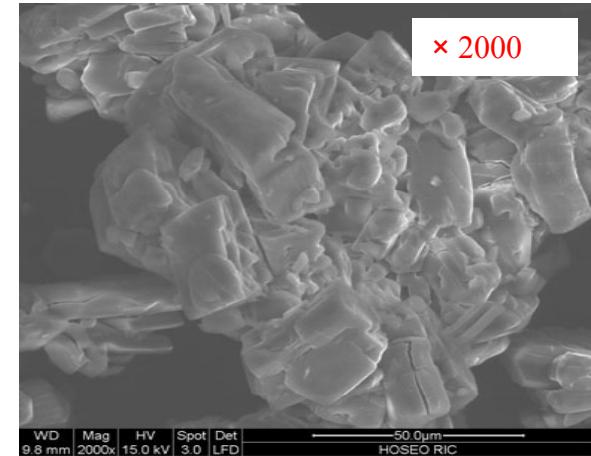


Inclusion complex

## Results

FTIR spectra and SEM :  $\beta$ -CD $\beta$ -CD $\beta$ -CD I

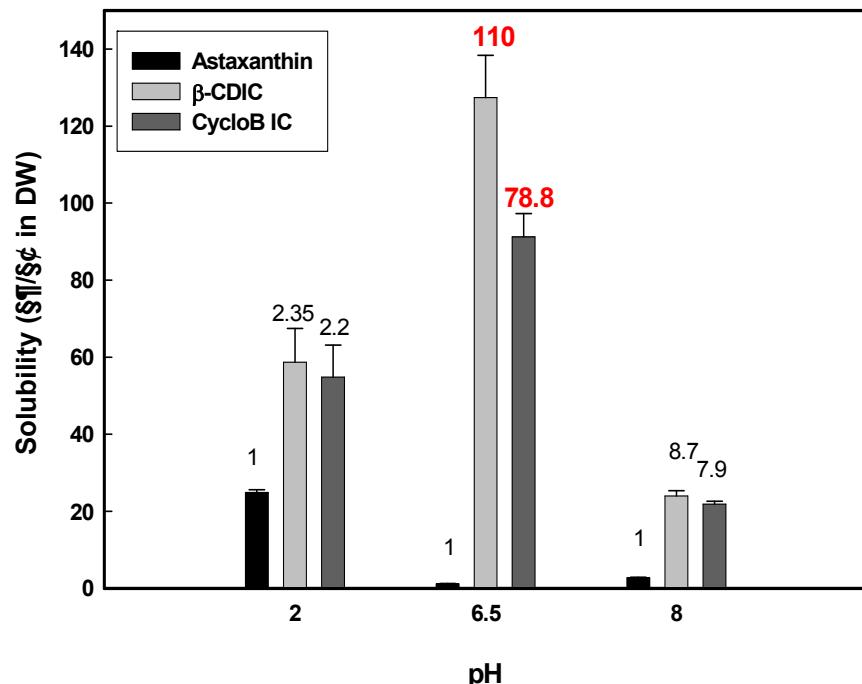
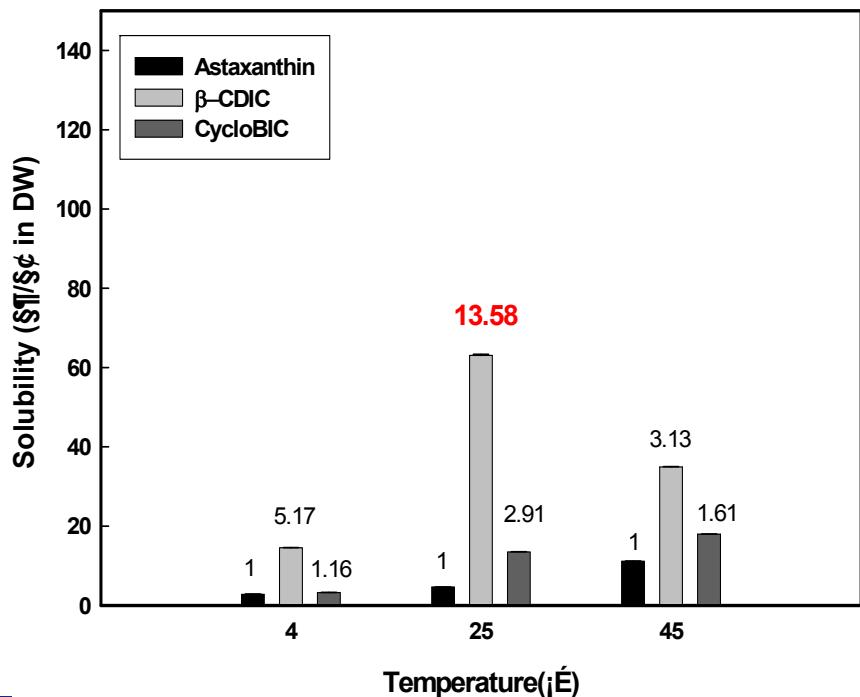
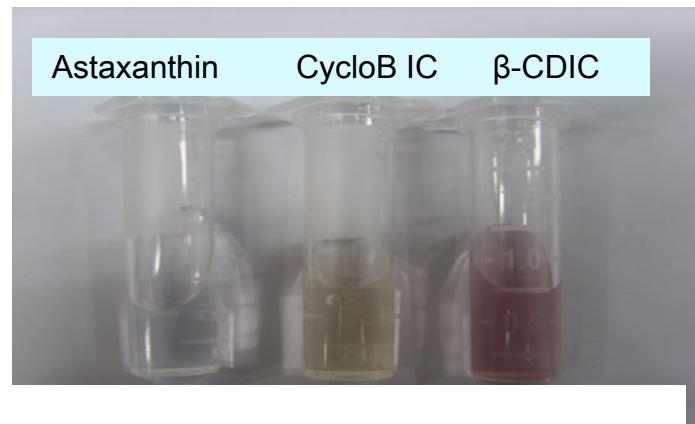
FTIR spectra and SEM : HP- $\beta$ -CDHP- $\beta$ -CDIC

FTIR spectra and SEM : Cyclo B( $\beta$ -CD)CycloB ( $\beta$ -CD)CycloB IC ( $\beta$ -CD)

## Water-solubility of inclusion complex in various pH and temperature

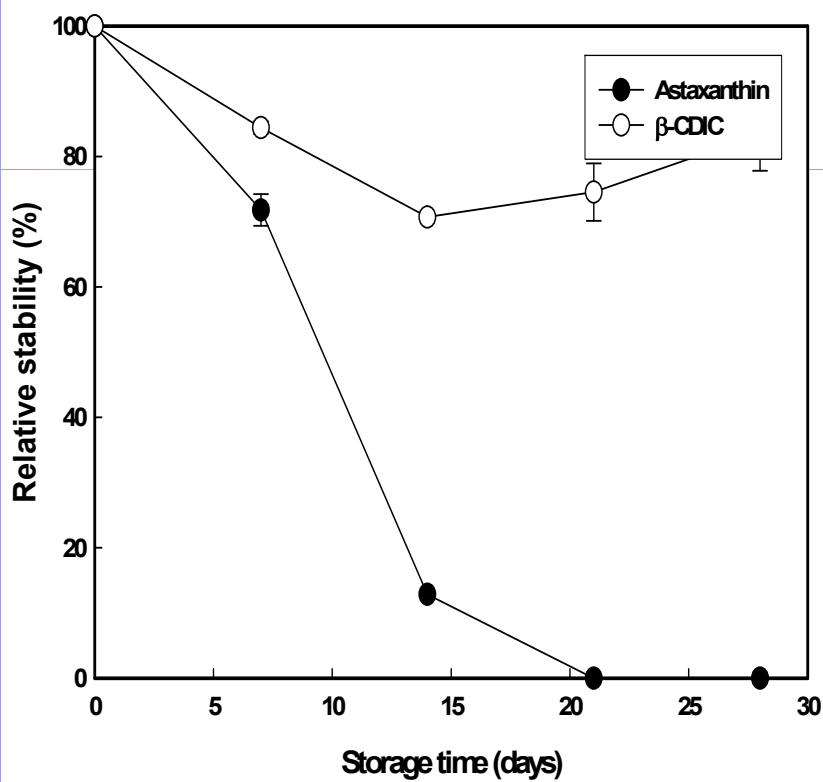
⇒  $\beta$ -CDIC is 13.6 times of free astaxanthin at 25°C

⇒  $\beta$ -CDIC is 110 times of free astaxanthin at pH 6.5



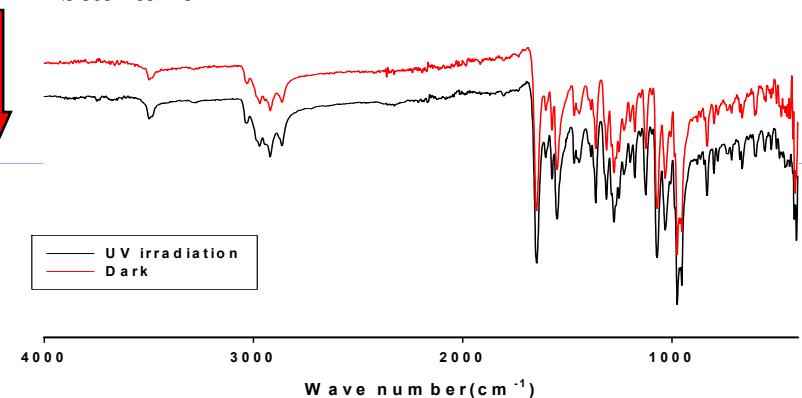
## Effects of UV irradiation on the long-term stability of synthetic astaxanthin and inclusion complex

Effect of light

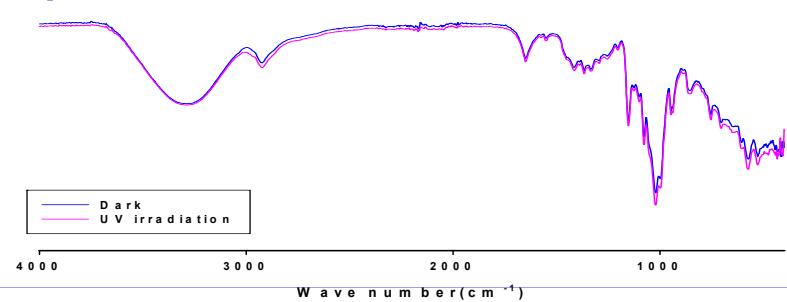


FTIR spectra

Astaxanthin

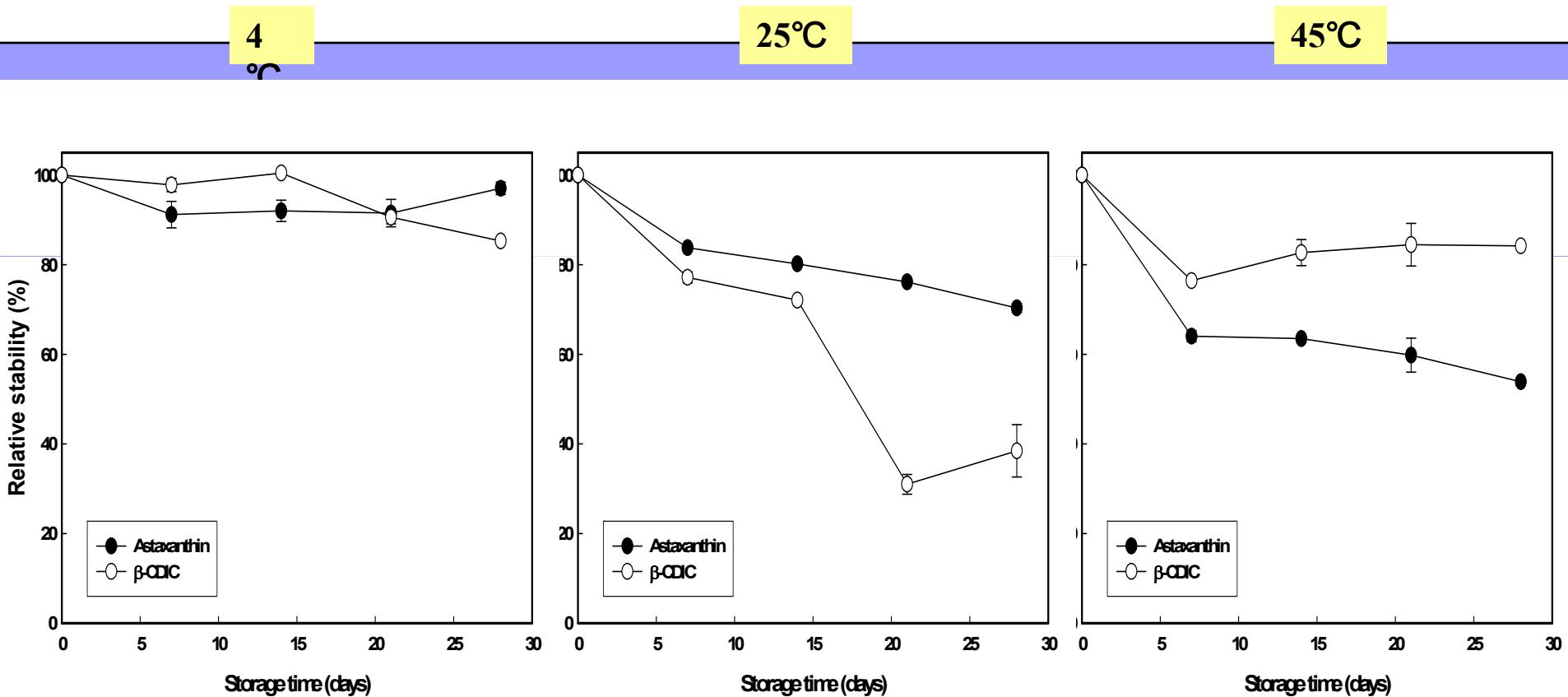


$\beta$ -CDIC



=>  $\beta$ -CDIC is 7 times compared with free astaxanthin(10%) after 14 days

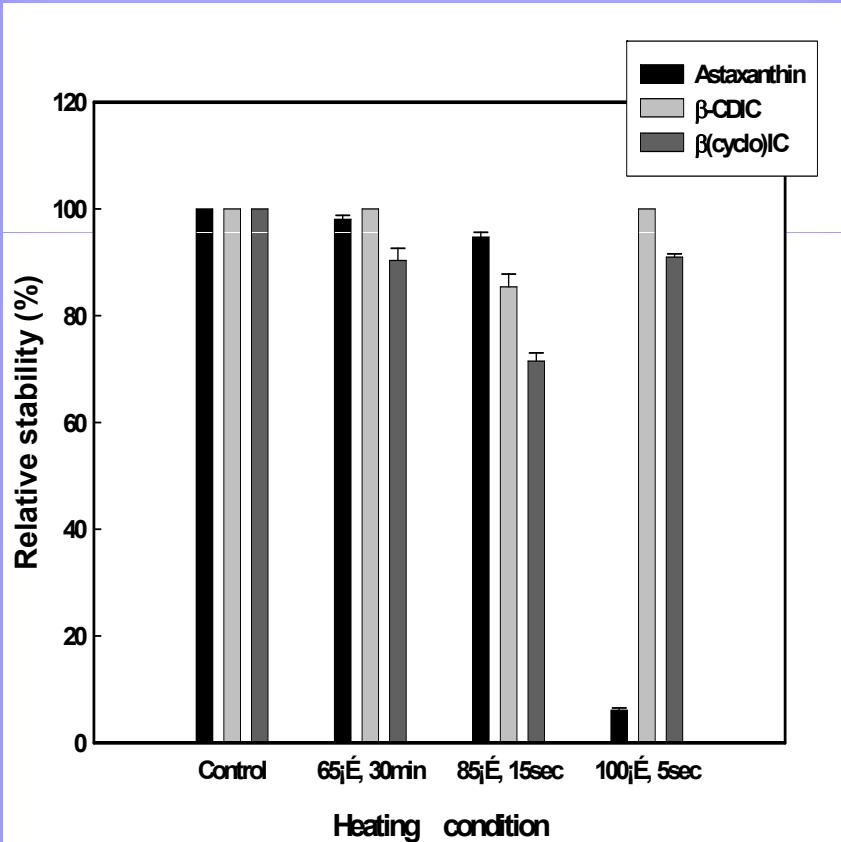
## Effects of temperature on the long-term stability of synthetic astaxanthin and inclusion complex



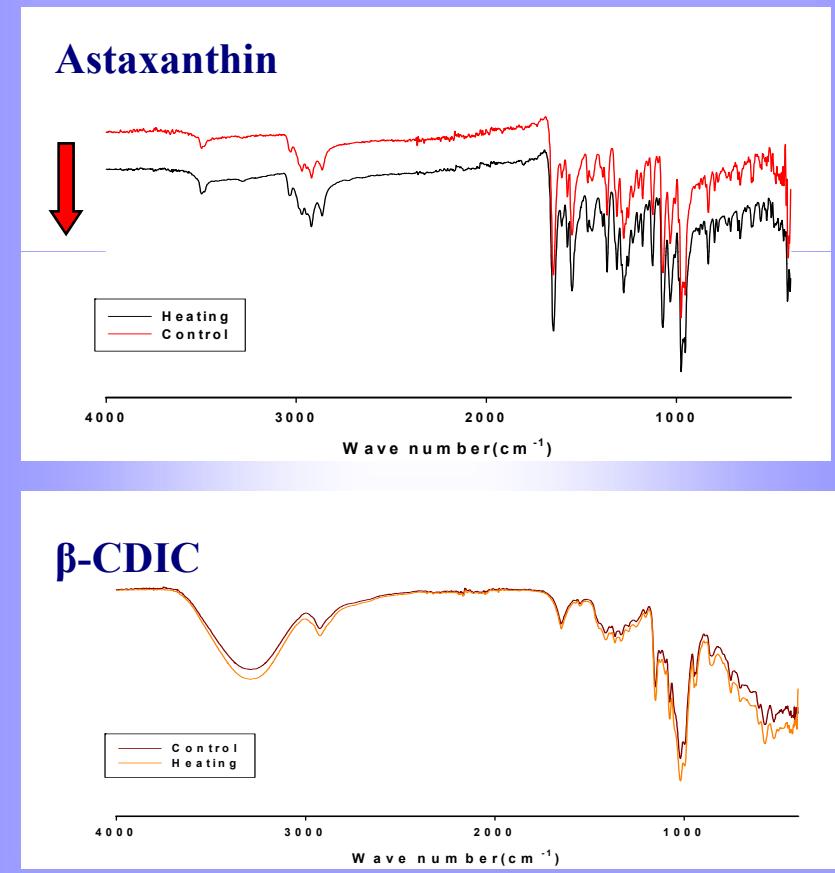
=> β-CDIC is stable than free astaxanthin at 45°C

## Effect of heating on the stability of synthetic astaxanthin and inclusion complexes

### Effect of heating

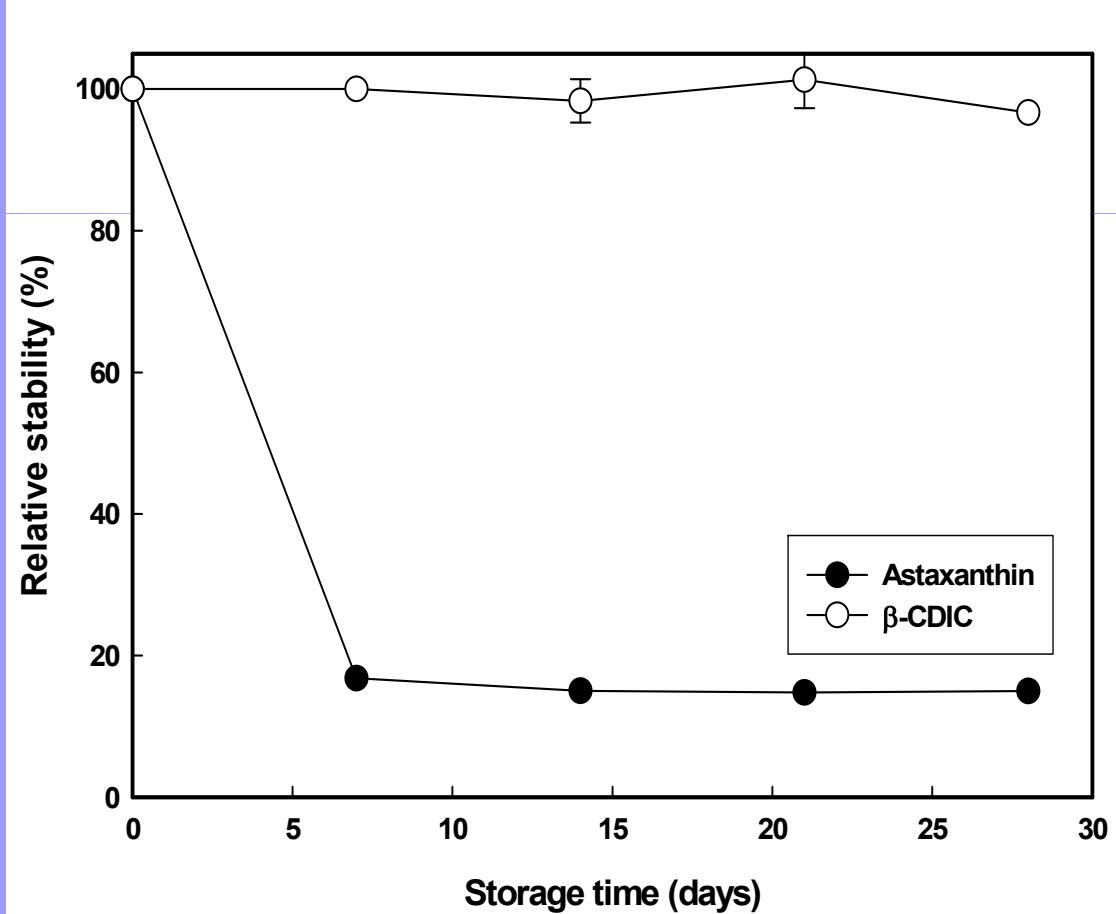


### FTIR spectra



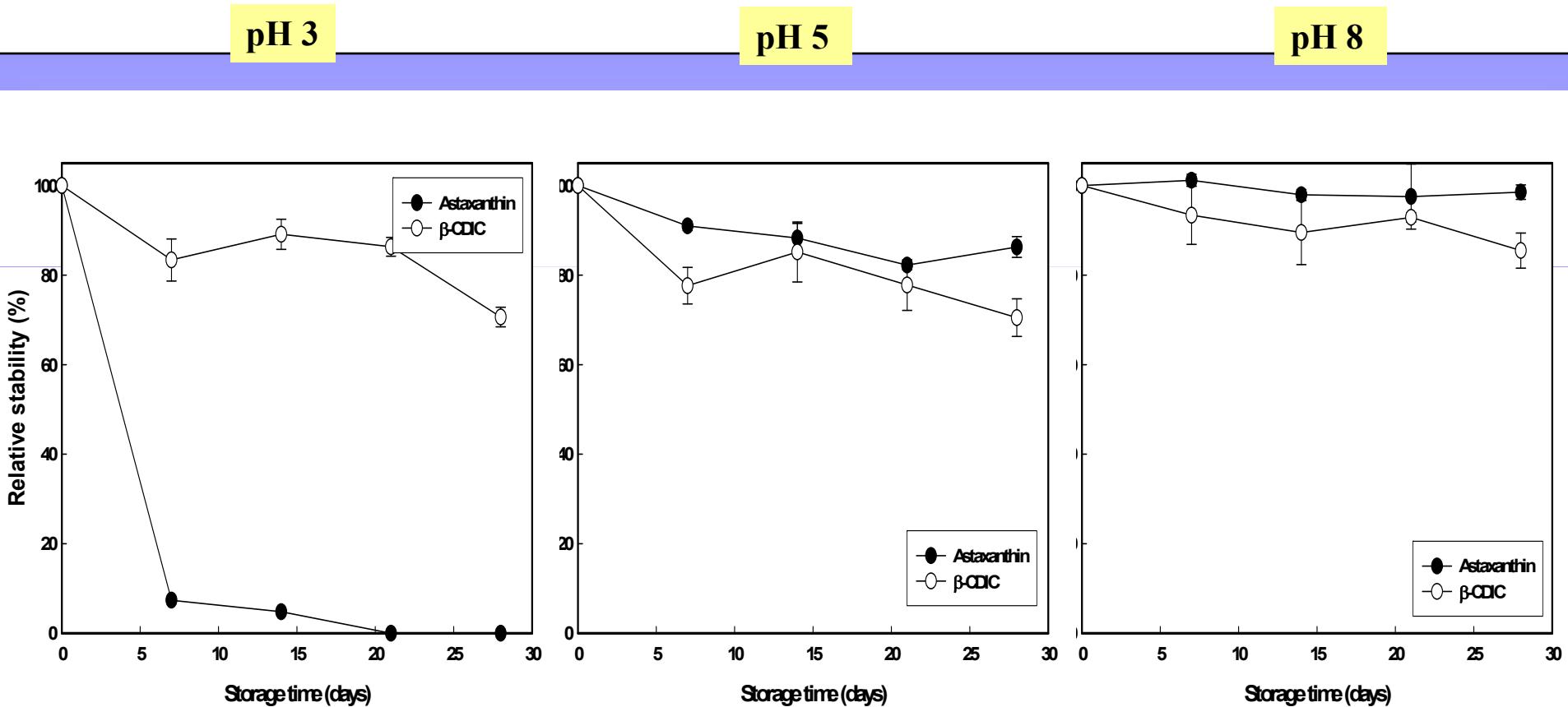
=>  $\beta$ -CDIC is 9 times compared with free astaxanthin after heating(100°C, 5sec)

## Effects of oxygen on the long-term stability of synthetic astaxanthin and inclusion complex



⇒  $\beta$ -CDIC is very stable  
than free astaxanthin  
after 28 days

## Effects of pH on the long-term stability of synthetic astaxanthin and inclusion complex



=>  $\beta$ -CDIC is stable than free astaxanthin in acidic condition

## Summary

### ▣ FTIR spectrum, SEM

- Best host material for inclusion of astaxanthin =>  $\beta$ -CD
- Reaction ratio between astaxanthin and host molecule  $\Rightarrow$  1 : 200

### ▣ Water-solubility of inclusion complex ( $\beta$ -CDIC & CycloB IC)

- at 25°C : 63.08 & 34.9 ug/ml  $\Rightarrow$  13.6 & 2.9 times of free astaxanthin
- at pH 6.5 : 127.4 & 91.2 ug/ml  $\Rightarrow$  110 & 78.7 times of free astaxanthin

### ▣ Stability of inclusion complex ( $\beta$ -CDIC)

- light : 7 times compared with free astaxanthin(10%) after 14 days
- Oxidation : very stable within 21 days
- heating : 9 times compared with free astaxanthin after heating(100°C, 5sec)
- Storage temperature : stable than free astaxanthin at 45°C