Production and characteristics of fish protein hydrolysate from parrotfish (*Chlorurus sordidus*) head

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39 Introduction

- 40 Parrotfish (Chlorurus sordidus) are one of the most important fish commodities in Indonesia
- 41 (*Adrim, 2010*). Parrotfish have unique and exceptional arrangements of teeth and body shape
- 42 (*Chen, 2002*). The data In 2014, parrotfish fishing production increased by 18.8% (76 tons)
- 43 compared to all reef fish fisheries in the Asian region (FAO, 2015). In Indonesia, a total of 1,8
- ton parrotfish production was recorded for 2019 (Ministry of Marine Affair and Fisheries, 2019).
- 45 An increase in the number of catch means an increase in the amount of byproduct processing, as
- 46 processing requires the removal of bones, skin, head, scales, and viscera. Out of all the other
- body parts, the head accounts for approximately 19% of the total fish processing-byproducts
- 48 from fillet processing (*Anil, 2017*). Several parts of by product such as scales and bone was
- 49 applied as gelatin (Herpandi, Huda, & Adzitey, 2019). In contrast, fish head was still
- 50 underutilized.
- 51 Fish byproducts, commonly recognized as low-value resources, can be further developed into
- 52 products with high economic value if handled and processed appropriately (*Hapsari & Welasi*,
- 53 2013). In general, fish byproducts contain many elements, such as nitrogen, phosphorus,
- 54 potassium, and others, which are the constituents of proteins and fats (*Lepongbulan et al., 2017*).
- 55 Thus, the protein fraction of byproducts can be utilized for the production of fish protein
- 56 hydrolysate (FPH) with desirable functionality. In addition, FPH has reported to exhibit bioactive
- 57 properties, such as antihypertensive, antioxidant (*Yang et al. 2011*), antithrombotic (*Qiao et al.*
- 58 2018), anticancer, and immunomodulatory activities (Kim & Mendis 2006).
- 59 FPH can be manufactured from the decomposition of fish proteins into simple peptides (2-20
- 60 amino acids) through hydrolysis by adding enzymes, acids, or bases (Nurilmala, Nurhayati &
- 61 *Roskananda, 2018*). The characteristics and quality of FPH are highly influenced by several
- 62 factors, including the type of proteases or chemicals used, temperature, pH, and duration of
- 63 hydrolysis (Nazeer & Kulandai, 2012).
- 64 In previous studies, FPH was developed using various fisheries byproducts, including cod head
- 65 waste (Himonides Taylor & Morris, 2011), catfish (Nurilmala, Nurhayati & Roskananda, 2018),
- 66 tuna (Bougatef et al., 2012; Herpandi, Huda, & Adzitey, 2019), Sardinella (Jeevitha, Priya &
- 67 *Khora, 2014*), and tilapia (*Srikanya et al., 2017*). Nevertheless, the production of FPH from
- 68 parrotfish byproducts remains limited. This study aimed to determine the characteristics of
- 69 protein hydrolysates from parrotfish (*C. sordidus*) heads, extracted at different pHs and
- 70 hydrolysis duration periods.
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72 Materials & Methods

73 Materials

- All materials used in this experiment were of analytical grade and were purchased from Merck
- 75 (Darmstadt-Germany) (USA). Parrotfish (C. sordidus) heads with the average weight of $250 \pm$
- 76 18 gr were obtained from a local fish processing plant (PT. Alam, Surabaya). The heads were
- 77 transported to the laboratory using a storage box maintained at 4°C.
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79 Preparation of fish protein hydrolysate

- 80 Preliminary experiments on the optimum water: substrate ratios were conducted to obtain the
- 81 highest yield and antioxidant activity of hydrolysate. Fish heads were crushed in Philips-Food
- 82 Processor, model HR7627, 650 watt, capacity 2.1 L. Briefly, 20 g of minced fish head was mixed
- 83 with dH_2O in ratios of 1:0, 1:1, 1:2, and 1:3 (w/v). Hydrolysis for 18 h was conducted using an
- orbital shaker at 150 rpm at temperature of 30 ± 2 °C. Next, the mixture was centrifuged at 3000
- rpm for 30 min. Each layer formed after centrifugation was separated and weighed. The liquid
- 86 protein layer was also analyzed for antioxidant activity. The data were obtained by triplicate
- 87 analysis.
- 88 The effect of pH and duration of hydrolysis on the characteristics of FPH was investigated as per
- 89 a modified method of that previously described (Sabtecha, Jayapriya & Tamilselvi, 2014,
- 90 Nurdiani et al., 2016). Minced parrotfish head (20 g) was mixed with dH₂O (1:2 w/v). The pH of
- 91 the mixture was adjusted to 5, 7, and 9, and the hydrolysis was conducted for 12 and 24 h.
- 92 Samples without pH adjustment served as the control (pH 6.4). A similar procedure as the
- 93 preliminary experiments was carried out to obtain hydrolysate.
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95 **Process optimization**

- 96 An optimum process was obtained by analyzing the data using response surface methodology
- 97 (RSM). An overlaid contour plot was applied to select the best hydrolysis conditions for FPH.
- 98 Minitab version 18 was used for all statistical analysis.

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100 Yield

- 101 The yield of protein hydrolysate products is defined as the percentage of the number of
- 102 hydrolysate products produced against the raw materials used before hydrolysis. Yield is
- 103 calculated as per the following formula:
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- 107 Where A = final weight of hydrolysate (after centrifugation) (g), and B = initial weight of the 108 sample after mixing (before incubation) (g).
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110 Antioxidant assay (DPPH radical scavenging activity)

- 111 The antioxidant activity of FPH was examined according to a modified protocol described by
- 112 Donkor et al., (2012). As much as 100 μL of liquid protein was added to 3900 μL 0.075 mM 2,2-
- 113 Diphenyl-1-picrylhydrazyl (DPPH) in 95% methanol; the mixture was kept in the dark for 1 h.
- 114 The absorbance value of the solution was measured at a wavelength of 517 nm using an
- 115 ultraviolet-visible (UV-Vis) spectrophotometer. Antioxidant activity was calculated using the
- 116 following equation:
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% antioxidant activity = $\left[\frac{\text{blank absorbance - sample absorbance}}{\text{blank absorbance}}\right] \times 100\%$ 118

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120 **Proximate analysis**

121 Protein, fat, water content, and ash analyses were performed according to the method described

- 122 by AOAC (2005). Protein was analyzed following the Kjeldahl method, and fat was analyzed
- 123 using the Soxhlet method. Ash was determined by heating the samples in a furnace at 550°C for 124 8-12 h.
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126 Degree of hydrolysis (DH)

- 127 A slightly modified method of that described by Hoyle & Merritt, (1994) was employed for the
- 128 DH analysis. Liquid FPH (2 mL) was combined with Trichloroacetic acid (TCA) 20% (v/v); the
- 129 aliquot was left for 30 min prior to centrifugation (5000 rpm, 30 min). The supernatant was
- 130 decanted and analyzed for nitrogen content following the Kjeldahl method (AOAC, 2005). DH
- 131 was calculated using the following formula:
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Degree of Hydrolysis (DH) = $\frac{\text{TCA - soluble nitrogen}}{\text{Total nitrogen in sample}} \times 100\%$

Molecular weight analysis (SDS-PAGE) 134

- 135 FPH molecular weight was determined by sodium dodecyl sulfate-polyacrylamide gel
- 136 electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE), based on the Laemmli method (Laemmli, 1970). SDS-PAGE
- analysis utilized a 12% separating gel and 4% stacking gel. Mixed samples and loading buffers, 137
- 138 as much as 30 µL, were run at 20 mA and 100 V for 3 h. The gel was then stained with staining
- 139 solution Coomassie Brilliant Blue (CBB) R-250 1 g, methanol 450 mL, glacial acetic acid 100
- mL, and distilled water 450 mL). The stained gel was subsequently de-stained using the same 140
- 141 solution without CBB R-250.
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Free amino acid analysis 143

144 FPH free amino acid profiles were determined according to a slightly modified method of that

- described by Boogers et al., (2008). Ultra-High Performance Liquid Chromatography (UPLC), 145
- using an Acquity system (Waters), was utilized for free amino acid analysis. Sample (0.50 mL) 146
- was pipetted into a 100 mL volumetric flask, and 2.0 mL of alpha amino butyric acid (AABA) 147
- 148 10 mM internal standard solution was added. The solution was diluted to the limit mark with 0.1
- N HCl, before being homogenized. Next, the solution was filtered through a 0.22 µm membrane 149
- filter. Ten microliters of the solution was added to 70 µL of AccQ-Fluor Borate. After that, up to 150
- 20 µL fluorine reagent A was added, before being vortexed, and allowed to stand for 1 min. One 151
- 152 microliter of sample solution was injected into the UPLC system (ACCQ-Tag Ultra C18, fluid
- 153 rate system of 0.7 mL per minute, the column temperature was maintained at 55°C, and a
- 154 photodiode array detector at a wavelength of 260 nm).

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156 Statistical Analysis

157 All data and RSM optimizations were analyzed by using Minitab 18 Statistical software (Minitab

158 Pty Ltd. Australia). Except data for optimization, all data obtained were subjected to one-way

analysis of variance, followed by post-hoc test (Tukey analysis). Data are presented as the mean from three independent experiment \pm SD of the results

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163 **Results**

164 **Proximate composition of parrotfish heads**

165 The proximate composition of minced parrotfish (*C. sordidus*) heads is listed in Table 1. The

166 protein content, at 20.37±2.33%, was higher than salmon and Mackarel head. The fat content

167 (3.92 %) was slightly higher than Mackarel fish 3.70%, and far lower than salmon (17.4%). The

168 water content (71.68 \pm 2.33%) was higher than that of salmon (65.9%) but lower Mackarel fish (

169 65.9%).

170 Table 1: insert here..

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172 Fish Protein Hydrolysate (FPH) from parrotfish heads

173 Five layers were formed after centrifugation. The first layer was oil/fat, followed by light

- 174 lipoprotein, soluble protein, fine particles, and coarse particles layers (Fig. 1A). Soluble protein
- 175 layers were carefully separated and collected (Fig. 1B). The yield and antioxidant activity of
- 176 liquid/soluble protein were measured. The soluble protein layer was also spray-dried (Fig. 1C).
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179 Effect of substrate: water ratio on the yield and antioxidant activity of soluble

180 protein

- 181 The ratio of minced head: dH_2O significantly affected (p<0.05) the yield and antioxidant activity
- 182 of the FPH produced, as seen in Fig. 2. Among the four ratios (1:0, 1:1, 1:2, and 1:3), the highest
- 183 yield and antioxidant activity were obtained from the ratio of 1:2 (w/v), with values of
- 184 42.70±0.70 and 51.50±0.90 %, respectively. The ratio of 1:0 generated the lowest yield and
- 185 antioxidant activity.
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188 Effect of pH and hydrolysis duration on FPH characteristics

- 189 The characteristics of FPH from parrotfish head hydrolyzed at various pH and time durations are
- 190 shown in Table 2.
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- 193 Yield of FPH

- 194 Yields of FPH ranged from 4.96 ± 0.72 % to 49.0 ± 0.9 %. The highest yield (49.0 ± 0.9 %) was
- obtained at pH 9 after 24 h of hydrolysis The lowest yield (4.96±0.72%) was obtained at pH 7
- and 0 h of hydrolysis. The result suggested that pH, duration of hydrolysis, and its interaction
- 197 significantly affected the yield (p < 0.05).
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199 Antioxidant activity

- 200 The highest antioxidant activity (58.20±0.55%) was obtained after 24 h hydrolysis at pH 9. FPH
- showed the lowest antioxidant activity (5.69±4.57%) at pH 9 and 0 h of hydrolysis. Both pH and
- 202 duration of hydrolysis significantly affected the antioxidant activity (p<0.05).
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204 **Proximate composition**

- pH and hydrolysis time significantly affected (p<0.05) all proximate parameters. The highest
- protein content (69.15±1.11%) was obtained at pH 9, with 24 h of hydrolysis time. The fat
- content of parrotfish head FPH ranged from 0.68±0.13% to 5.882.99%; the highest fat content
- was obtained at pH 5 with 0 h of hydrolysis time and the lowest fat content was obtained at pH 9
- 209 with 24 h of hydrolysis time.
- 210 The ash content of the FPH of parrotfish head ranged from $4.55\pm0.35\%$ to $8.60\pm0.78\%$; the
- 211 highest ash content was obtained at pH 9 with a 12 h hydrolysis time, while the lowest was
- observed in the control treatment (pH 6.4) with a 12 h hydrolysis time (4.60±0.35%). ANOVA
- analysis revealed that different pH treatments resulted in significantly different results (p<0.05).
- The water content of the parrotfish FPH ranged from $7.25\pm1.06\%$ to $9.01\pm0.71\%$; the highest
- 215 water content was obtained at pH 9 with a 12 h hydrolysis time (9.01±0.71%), while the lowest
- 216 water content was obtained at pH 7 with a 24 h hydrolysis time ($7.25\pm1.06\%$).
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218 Degree of Hydrolysis (DH)

- 219 The essential properties of FPH rely on the DH of the process. A high DH can be used as an
- 220 indicator of effective hydrolysis. The result of DH analysis ranged from $0.26\pm0.11\%$ to
- 221 30.65±1.82%. The highest DH was observed at pH 9 after 24 h hydrolysis, while the lowest DH
- was obtained at pH 7 after 2 h hydrolysis. Both pH and duration of hydrolysis significantly
- **223** affected (p<0.05) DH.
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225 **Optimum conditions for preparation of FPH**

- 226 The optimum conditions for parrotfish FPH production were analyzed using the RSM, based on
- the yield, antioxidant activity, protein, fat, water, ash, and DH of the FPH. The overlaid contour
- 228 plot as a result of RSM analysis is shown in Fig. 3.
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- Based on Figure 3, it was apparent that pH 8-9 and 21.5-24 h of hydrolysis were considered the
- 232 optimum conditions for producing FPH. As the longer hydrolysis time gave better FPH



- characteristics, pH 9 and 24 h hydrolysis were considered the optimum conditions for generating
- FPH with the best characteristics from the head byproduct of parrotfish.
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236 SDS-PAGE analysis

- 237 SDS-PAGE analysis was carried out to observe the molecular weight range of the FPH obtained
- under optimum conditions (pH 9; 24 h hydrolysis). The result showed that the molecular weight
- 239 of FPH ranged from 18.05 kDa to 75.89 kDa (Fig. 4).
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242 Amino acid composition

- 243 The amino acid composition of the FPH from parrotfish heads extracted at pH 9 with 24 h
- hydrolysis was compared to the FPH from tuna heads (*Bougatef et al., 2012*) and commercial
- 245 FPH (*IQI*, 2015) (Table 3.)
- Table 3: insert here..
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- 248 Parrotfish FPH consists of essential amino acids (histidine, threonine, valine, isoleucine, leucine,
- 249 phenylalanine, and lysine) and non-essential amino acids (aspartic acid, glutamic acid, serine,
- arginine, glycine, alanine, tyrosine, and proline).
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253 **Discussion**

254 The yield of FPH from parrotfish heads is higher than that obtained from Yellow-Spotted Trivaly

- 255 fish heads (71.77%) (*Tawfik, 2009*), tuna fish heads (9.85%) (*Parvathy et al., 2018*), Grouper
- fish head (71.20) (*Tawfik*, 2009). The antioxidant activity of parrotfish heads was much lower
- than that derived from Catla fish heads (77.92%) (*Elavarasan, Kumar & Shamasundar, 2014*).
- 258 Heating can be applied to increase the yield, because it allows water unbound to materials to
- 259 dissipate (*Khan et al., 2017*). Furthermore, the longer the hydrolysis time, the higher the yield.
- 260 Kim (2013) stated that the FPH yield increases as a function of time of hydrolysis until its
- reaches a stationary phase. The highest yield obtained in this study (49.00±0.9%) was lower than
- that of tuna (60.73%) (*Ramakrishnan et al., 2013*) and codfish (75%) (*Himonides Taylor &*
- 263 Morris, 2011).
- 264 Compared to FPH from the heads of catfish and mackerel, the antioxidant activity of FPH from
- 265 parrotfish heads was still lower (Le Vo et al., 2016; Ediriweera, Aruppala & Abeyrathne, 2011).
- 266 The size of peptides and the composition of free amino acids affect the antioxidant activity of
- 267 FPH. The longer the hydrolysis time, the more abundant free amino acids become. Hydrophobic
- amino acids such as Pro, Leu, Ala, Trp, and Phe will increase antioxidant activity. In addition,
- 269 Tyr, Met, His, and Lys are able to act as antioxidants (Le Vo et al., 2016).
- 270 The protein content of parrotfish head FPH was higher than that obtained from catfish heads
- 271 (39.03%) (Utomo, Suryaningrum & Harianto 2014), tuna heads (28.39%) (Ramakrishnan et al.,
- 272 2013), but still lower than commercial FPH (73-75%) (IQI, 2005). According to Nurdiani et al.,

- 273 (2016), the protein content of FPH can be influenced by the amount of water dehydrated from
- the material. The Food and Agricultural Organization (2011) has categorized FPH into three
- types; type A (protein content is more than 80%), type B (protein content is less than 80%), and
- type C (low quality FPH). Based on its protein content, FPH from parrotfish heads could beclassified as a type B hydrolysate.
- 278 The fat content of parrotfish head FPH was lower than the FPH from croaker fish head waste
- 279 (5.1±4.0%) (*Amorim et al., 2016*) and commercial FPH (19-22%) (*IQI, 2005*). The low-fat
- 280 content of parrotfish head FPH was due to the low-fat content in fish head raw materials
- 281 (3.92%). According to Peter (2003), the fat content in hydrolysate products is influenced by the
- characteristics of the raw materials used and the process of separating fat after hydrolysis. The
- 283 fat was separated mechanically during the centrifugation process.
- The ash levels were higher than that of cod head waste FPH (1%) (*Himonides Taylor & Morris*,
- 285 2011), but still met commercial FPH standards (4-7%) (*IQI*, 2005). The ash content in FPH tends
- to increase with an increasing amount of buffer (HCl and NaOH) added. According to Salamah,
- 287 Nurhayati & Widadi, (2011), high ash content in FPH was a result of the addition of alkali
- 288 compounds, such as NaOH, or acid compounds, such as HCl, in the process of protein
- 289 hydrolysis. Mixing acid and alkali compounds in the protein hydrolysate solution will cause the
- 290 formation of salt compounds, which increases the ash content in protein hydrolysates. The water
- 291 content of parrotfish head FPH was higher than that of cod head FPH (5%) (*Himonides Taylor &*
- 292 *Morris*, 2011) and commercial FPH standards (3-5%) (*IQI*, 2005).
- 293 The optimization result indicated that the best FPH would be produced from pH 9 and a 24 h
- 294 hydrolysis time. pH 9 has previously been recorded as the best pH for hydrolyzing fish
- byproducts (Singh & Soottawat, 2018). One parameter that should be considered during this
- optimization process is the low protein content; the protein content was below commercial FPH
- 297 (*IQI, 2005*). This result was also corroborated by the DH result. Norma et al., (2005), and Hau et
- al., (2018), reported that a longer incubation time increased the DH.
- 299 The DH of parrotfish hydrolysate was higher than that of Nile fish heads (14.3%) (*Srikanya et*
- 300 al., 2017) and kurisi byproducts (15%) (Gajanan, Elavarasan & Shamasundar. 2016). This is
- 301 possibly due to the high level of endogenous parrotfish head proteases. For the first two hours,
- the DH was similar from the result from *Herpandi et al.*, (2012) and *Herpandi et al.*, (2013),
- 303 which use commercial enzymes for the hydrolysis. However, our result was lower in the third
- hours of hydrolysis. It is clear that the enzyme plays an important role in the DH. Furthermore,
- the physical structure and protein molecules, which exist in the sample, were affecting the DH
- 306 (*Kanu et al., 2009*).
- 307 The DH affects protein molecular weight and amino acids. FPH from Nile fish had a wider range
- 308 of molecular weight (14.4 to 116 kDa) (*Tejpal et al., 2017*) than that obtained in this study. The
- 309 dominance of small peptides will increase the potency of the FPH as a bioactive substance.
- 310 The total essential amino acids of FPH from parrotfish heads (41.69%) approached the
- 311 commercial standard of FPH (42.70%) (*IQI*, 2005), but was still lower than FPH from tuna heads
- 312 (46.90%) (Bougatef et al., 2012). According to Chobert, Bertrand-Herb & Nicolas (1998), the

- 313 content of essential amino acids indicates the potential of hydrolysates to serve as a useful source
- 314 of nutrition. The difference in amino acid composition between hydrolysates depends on
- 315 differences in enzyme specificity and hydrolysis conditions.
- 316 The total hydrophobic amino acid content of parrotfish FPH (41%) was higher than the FPH
- 317 from tuna heads (36.92%) (*Bougatef et al., 2012*) and commercial FPH (29.30%) (*IQI, 2005*).
- 318 The amino acid composition can also affect the functional properties of FPH, such as the nature
- 319 of the antioxidant activity. According to Zainol et al. (2003), hydrophobic amino acids (alanine,
- 320 leucine, and proline) have been shown to have free radical quenching activities. Hydrophobic
- aromatic amino acids (tyrosine and phenylalanine) can also function as antioxidants by donatingelectrons.
- 323 Analysis of amino acids can determine the quality of FPH manufactured, specifically from the
- 324 ratio of amino acids contained in these proteins (Nurilmala, Nurhayati & Roskananda, 2018).
- 325 According to Annisa, Darmanto & Amalia, (2017), the amino acids in each fish species vary
- 326 depending on internal and external factors. Internal factors include fish species, sex, age, and the
- 327 reproduction phase of the fish, while external factors are typically environmental.
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330 Conclusions

- Characteristics of FPH from the heads of parrotfish (*C. sordidus*) were affected by the ratio of
- 332 minced fish head:dH₂O, pH, and duration of hydrolysis. The yield, antioxidant activity, protein
- content, ash content, and DH of the FPH were dependent on pH and time of hydrolysis. The
- optimum conditions for the production of FPH from parrotfish heads include a minced
- head: dH_2O ratio of 1:2 (w/v), at pH 9, with a 24 h hydrolysis time. The process generated an
- essential amino acid profile of 41.69%. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first report on
- 337 the added value of *C. sordidus* heads.
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Figure 1

FPH from Parrotfish Head

(A) Formed layers after centrifugation. (B) Collected soluble protein layer (C). dried FPH.

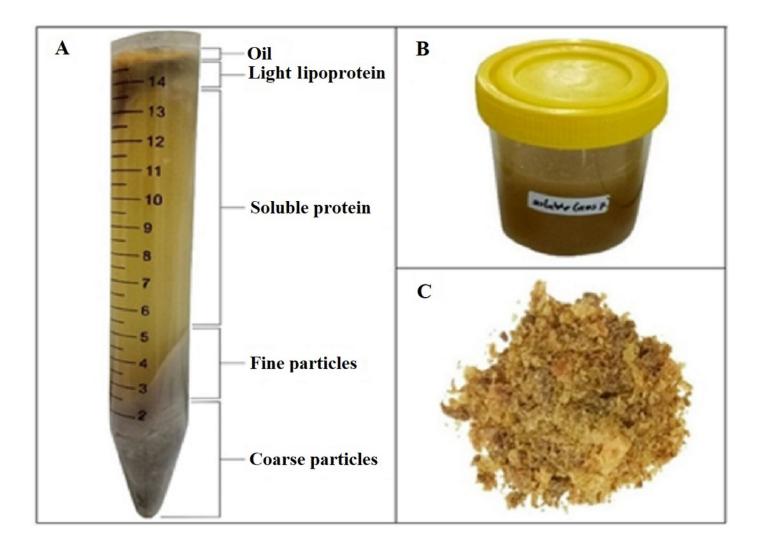


Figure 2

Yield and antioxidant activity of FPH

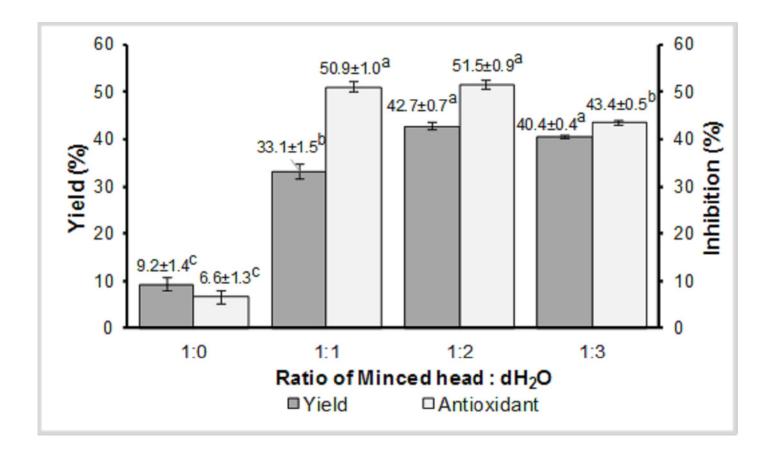


Figure 3

Overlaid Contour Plot for optimum FPH

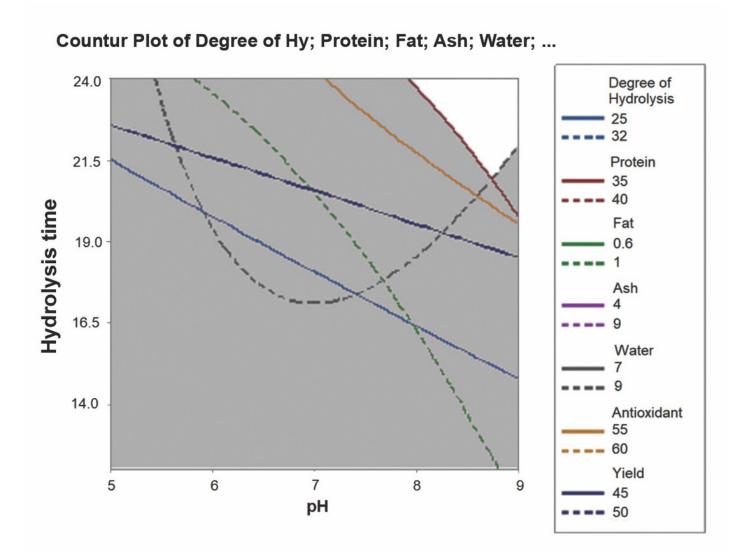


Figure 4

Molecular weight distribution of parrotfish FPH.

(A) Sample (pH 9 and 24 h). (M) Molecular weight of protein standard.

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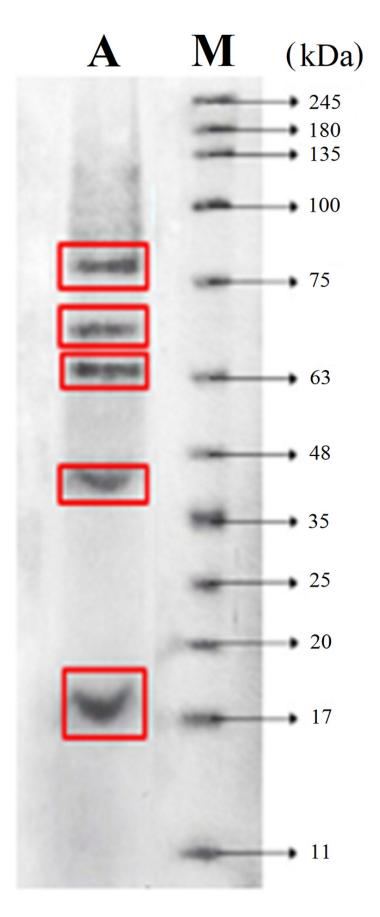


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Proximate composition of minced Parrotfish, Salmon, and Nile.

*) this study, **) Wu et al., 2011, ***) Kefas et al., 2014

Parameter	Parrotfish *)	Salmon **)	Nile ***)
Carbohydrate (%)	0.52± 0.13	-	37.78
Protein (%)	20.37 ± 2.33	11.90	29.80
Fat (%)	3.92 ± 0.38	17.40	3.10
Water (%)	71.68 ± 1.87	65.90	5.70
Ash (%)	4.19 ± 0.66	4.30	21.80

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Characteristics of FPH from parrotfish heads with different pH and hydrolysis duration

*Control was done without pH adjustment (pH 6.4).

**Control time for hydrolysis.

1 Table 2: Characteristics of FPH from parrotfish heads with different pH and hydrolysis duration

Parameter	Control*		5		7		9					
	0**	12	24	0**	12	24	0**	12	24	0**	12	24
yield	5.78±0.85ª	39.15±0.87 ^b	47.48±1.29 ^{cd}	5.50±2.03ª	37.73±0.92 ^b	45.4±1.17°	4.96±0.72ª	36.36±1.03b	48.37±0.63 ^{cd}	6.58±2.13ª	40.28±0.63bc	49.04±0.90°
antioxidant	6.22±2.28ª	43.79±1.13 ^b	54.58±1.31 ^d	6.53±0.67ª	44.5±1.5 ^b	49.24±1.35°	5.89±1.47ª	43.34±0.62 ^b	56.31±0.78°	5.69±4.57ª	48.85±1.57°	58.20 ± 0.55^{f}
DH	0.28±0.17ª	21.46±1.71°	28.09±1.75°	0.59±0.12ª	22.47±0.73 ^{cd}	24.77±1.69 ^{cd}	0.44±0.05ª	19.76±0.75 ^b	29.60±1.65°	0.26±0.11ª	24.04±1.36 ^{cd}	30.65±1.82 ^{ef}
protein	51.81±2.45 ^{bc}	48.98±2.45 ^b	63.16±1.11 ^{de}	49.3±2.89 ^b	50.72±0.89 ^{cbc}	59.69±0.89 ^d	49.3±2.00b	44.89±1.56ª	64.26±0.89e	48.98±2.48 ^b	55.13±1.78°	69.15±1.11 ^f
Fat	5.72±1.01	1.2±0.14ª	1±0.28ª	5.88±2.99	1.35±0.35ª	1.02±0.23ª	5.49±0.70	1.25±0.5ª	0.89±0.25ª	5.52±2.12	0.97±0.47ª	0.68±0.13ª
ash	7.00±2.83 ^b	4.55±0.35ª	4.85±0.35ª	6.5±0.71 ^{ab}	6.8±0.69 ^{ab}	7.04±1.06 ^b	8.00±1.41 ^{bc}	5.05±0.64ª	5.5±0.7ª	7.00±1.25 ^b	8.56±0.78°	8±0.17c
Water	8.38±0.74 ^{ab}	8.39±0.74 ^{ab}	7.82±0.55ª	8.64±0.98 ^{ab}	8.63±0.99 ^{ab}	8.24±1.06 ^{ab}	8.41±0.67 ^{ab}	8.41±0.67 ^{ab}	7.25±1.06ª	9.00±0.71 ^b	9.01±0.71b	7.85±1.2ª

*Control was done without pH adjustment (pH 6.4).

**Control time for hydrolysis.



Table 3(on next page)

Comparison of Amino acid composition of several FPH

No.	Amino acids	FPH from Parrotfish head (%)	FPH from Tuna (%)	Commercial FPH (%)
1.	L-Ser	1.81	5.18	4.90
2.	L- Glu	14.43	11.20	14.00
3.	L-Phe	5.53	06.18	3.70
4.	L- Ile	4.34	4.83	4.00
5.	L- Val	5.38	7.49	4.90
6.	L- Ala	7.41	2.88	7.30
7.	L- Arg	6.12	11.53	6.80
8.	L-Gly	7.63	3.32	11.00
9.	L- Lys	8.3	10.23	7.50
10.	L- Asp	11.06	9.91	9.50
11.	L-Leu	8.48	6.48	6.50
12.	L- Pro	5.64	3.62	-
13.	L-Tyr	4.22	5.44	2.90
14.	L- Thr	6.80	2.17	4.40
15.	L-His	2.85	9.52	2.60
Total Es	sential Amino Acid	41.69	46.90	42.70
Total Hy (HAA)	ydrophobic Amino Acid	41.00	36.92	29.30

1 Tabel 3: Comparison of Amino acid composition of several FPH

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