Supporting Information

Nanocapsules formed by interactions between chondroitin sulfate and egg white protein for

encapsulating hydrophilic ingredients

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Figure 1 FTIR spectra of CS (a) and its second derivative spectra (b) from 1800 to 600 cm⁻¹.



Figure 2 The FTIR spectra of CS, EWP, nanocapsules synthesized at the CS:EWP ratio of 6:4 (a), and the absorption spectra of nanocapsules synthesized at the CS:EWP ratio of 6:4 (b).



Figure 3 The secondary structural analysis of EWP by the amide I band (1600-1700 cm⁻¹). Results showed the definitions and peak areas of β -sheet, random coil, α -helix, and β -turn according to (a) the secondary derivation and (b) the deconvolution of EWP.



Figure 4 The best 10 conformations ranked by ZDOCK scores of protein poses in Corey-Pauling-Koltun models. The four chains of EWP were marked as yellow (A Chain), blue (B Chain), orange (C Chain), and green (D Chain), respectively.

NO.	Chain	Pose	ZDOCK Score
1	A chain	Pose126	17.66
2	B Chain	Pose92	17.6
3	D Chain	Pose88	17.42
4	A chain	Pose127	17.3
5	D Chain	Pose89	17.28
6	A chain	Pose128	17.1
7	C Chain	Pose95	17.08
8	A chain	Pose129	16.88
9	A chain	Pose130	16.54
10	A chain	Pose131	16.12

Table 1 The best 10 protein poses ranked by ZDOCK scores in different chains of EWP

Types	H-Donor	H-Acceptor	distance
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	A:LYS296:HZ3	CS:O611	3.006
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	C:ALA28:HN	CS:O471	2.872
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	C:GLN87G:HE22	CS:O612	2.092
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	C:ASN91:HD21	CS:O520	2.221
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	C:HIS376:HD1	CS:O516	2.610
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	C:ASN380:HD21	CS:O482	2.607
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	CS:H462	C:ASN380:OD1	2.683
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	CS:H603	A:GLU295:OE1	2.594
Conventional Hydrogen Bond	CS:H604	A:GLU295:OE2	2.554
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	A:SER215:HB2	CS:O389	2.516
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	A:LYS296:HE1	CS:O611	2.300
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	A:SER301:HA	CS:0659	1.957
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	C:SER278:HB1	CS:O336	1.542
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	C:THR379:HB	CS:O481	2.779
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H404	C:ASN279:OD1	2.702
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H452	A:SER215:O	2.376
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H501	C:ALA378:O	2.428
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H507	C:ALA378:O	2.352
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H550	C:ASP98:OD2	2.054
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H553	C:ASP98:OD2	3.094
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H592	A:LYS296:O	2.251
Carbon Hydrogen Bond	CS:H594	A:LYS296:O	2.526
Pi-Sulfur	CS:S468	C:PHE269	5.293
Pi-Sulfur	CS:S515	C:HIS376	4.313

Table 2 The non-bonds between EWP and CS at the highest ZDOCK scores (A Chain Pose 126)

Example: A:LYS296:HZ3 means the HZ3 of the 296th Lysine (LYS296) from the A Chain of egg white protein (EWP). CS:O611 means the 611th O atom from chondroitin sulfate (CS).