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# PREFACE

**Opening Remark from The Chairman of The 3<sup>th</sup>-NPSEA**

Dear researchers and friends,

On behalf of the organizing committee, I would like to give you a warm welcome in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Natural Pigments Conference for South-East Asia (NP-SEA) 2016.

Natural pigments are the most obvious and eye-catching substances that can be found in flowers, leaves, bird feather, algae, photosynthetic bacteria, and many more. These pigments have been used as bountiful colorants for food, cosmetics, and textiles and very close connected to the culture of South-East Asia. If we look closely, pigments such as chlorophylls and carotenoids play importance role as key pigments, which capture radiant of energy from the Sun in the process called photosynthesis – a process that convert solar energy into fuels. In agriculture, the natural pigments are important photosensors and indicators for health status. There are many applications that have been revealed through the study of structure and function of natural pigments.

We are looking forward of your active participation during the Natural Pigment Conference for South-East Asia to present your works, to raise questions, and triggers discussion on the recent research and development of pigment-based innovation and technology. We are inviting high profile scientists and practitioner in the industry as the keynote and plenary speakers. We wish that their presence would be a great encouragement and motivation for students and young researchers in the South-East Asia to take part in the research and development of natural pigments.

We are very happy to have 125 participants including the keynote speaker, plenary speakers, invited speakers, poster speakers, students and other participants from Germany, Switzerland, France, US, the Philippines, Singapore, and Indonesia. In this event, we would like to extend our acknowledgement to our partners, who support us financially, i.e. Kemenristekdikti, DAAD, ITS Scientific as well as PT Ditek Jaya and Shimadzu (Asia Pacific) Pte Ltd. We thanks to the Indonesian Society Pigment Researchers (Himpunan Peneliti Pigmen Indonesia, HP2I) for cooperation as steering committee, the Indonesia Pharmacist Association (Ikatan Apoteker Indonesia, IAI) for certifying this event with 6 credit points, the Indonesian Chemical Society (Himpunan Kimia Indonesia, HKI) and Indonesian-German Network (IGN) for disseminating this event to their members. We thanks also to Universitas Ma Chung for having this venue with superb facilities and supports from the staffs.

I do hope that you will find your time here enjoyable and a source of many insights that will help to advance the understanding of natural pigments and to encourage the collaborations and friendship, scientific exchange, the development of joint interests and project that are of scientific and economic importance in order to exploit the natural pigments and their importance in the most aspect of living, e.g. food and health, fashion, agriculture and advanced technologies.

Thank you very much and please enjoy this event.

Yours sincerely,

Tatas H.P. Brotosudarmo, Dipl.Chem., Ph.D

Chair of the NP-SEA 2016

## Opening Remark from The Rector of Universitas Ma Chung

Dear Friends, participants of the Natural Pigments Conference for South East Asia 2016.

Welcome to Universitas Ma Chung, welcome to Malang, a beautiful city in Indonesia. We are happy that natural pigments experts from several countries, Indonesia, German, Switzerland, USA, France, the Philippines and Singapore gathered together here to share their knowledge and research results. We hold the NP Conference South East Asia this year in Universitas Ma Chung, Malang. It is not by chance that the international conference is holding here, because Universitas Ma Chung has an expertise in Natural Pigments which is institutionally embodied as Ma Chung Research Center for Photosynthetic Pigments (MRCPP). MRCPP is not only supported by Universitas Ma Chung but also by Indonesian government by recognizing MRCPP as one of the national scientific center of excellence.

Indonesia is one of the countries with a rich biodiversity, and consequently rich of natural pigments source. However, natural pigments industry in Indonesia and South East Asia is still lag behind the developed countries, whereas it is expected that the demands of natural pigments in various industries will increasing in the future. Therefore the research on natural pigments is one of the important research field. Indonesian government is also promoting the dissemination of research results to be applied in industry, not only finish in scientific publication.

Many kind of natural pigments in Indonesia and their properties are still unknown, they are remains to be investigated to provide benefit for human welfare. The international research cooperation in natural pigments will accelerate the rate of discovery and innovation in applying the knowledge for human welfare. Therefore, this conference is an important conference not only for the pigments research society but also for other research field and industry.

Besides the conference I hope the participants can also enjoy the natural beauty of Malang and its historic heritage.

I hope you enjoy staying in Malang, obtain a great benefit from the conference, and develop cooperation framework with other conference participants.

I wish to thank the speakers, poster presenters, students, and other attenders for attending the conference also partners who supported the conference.

Malang, August 18, 2016

Rector of Universitas Ma Chung

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## GENERAL SCHEDULE

THE 3<sup>RD</sup> NATURAL PIGMENTS CONFERENCE FOR SOUTH-EAST ASIA (NP-SEA) 2016  
August 22, R&D Center Universitas Ma Chung

Monday, August 22, 2014		
The 3rd Natural Pigments Conference for South-East Asia (NP-SEA) 2016		
Time	Program	Room
07:00 – 08:00	Registration	R&D Center 1 <sup>st</sup> floor
08:00 – 08:10	Opening Remark by Conference Chairman by Tatas H. P. Brotosudarmo, Ph.D.	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
08:10 – 08:45	Keynote Speaker : [ <i>Chlorophylls: From Photosynthesis to Photodynamic Therapy</i> ] by Prof. Dr. Hugo Scheer (Moderator : Leenawaty Limantara, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
08:45 – 09:10	Plenary Speaker : [ <i>Chlorophyll Breakdown During Leaf Senescence: A Novel Role for TIC55 as a Hydroxylase of Phyllobilins, the Products of Chlorophyll Breakdown</i> ] by Prof. Stefan Hörtensteiner (Moderator : Leenawaty Limantara, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
09:10 – 09:35	Plenary Speaker : [ <i>The Untapped Richness of Pigment-producing Marine Organisms and Their Associates</i> ] by Prof. Ocky Karna Radjasa (Moderator : Leenawaty Limantara, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
09:35 – 10:00	Plenary Speaker : [ <i>Marine Fungal Pigments Diversity and Potential Use</i> ] by Dr. Kustiariyah Tarman (Moderator : Leenawaty Limantara, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
10:00 – 10:15	Coffee break	R&D Center Hall 4 <sup>th</sup> floor
10:15 – 10:50	Keynote Speaker : [ <i>Potential Market of Pigments in Daily Life: Food, Health and Fashion in Indonesia</i> ] by Ir. Thomas Darmawan (Moderator : Ferry F. Karwur, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
10:50 – 11:15	Plenary Speaker : [ <i>Review on the Metabolites of Monascus</i> ] by Dr. Philippe J. Blanc (Moderator : Ferry F. Karwur, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
11:15 – 11:40	Plenary Speaker : [ <i>Nexera UC, New Concept On-pine SFE-SFC-MS: Principles and Applications of SFE-SFC-MS/MS</i> ] by Dr. Xing Jie (Moderator : Ferry F. Karwur, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
11:40 – 12:05	Plenary Speaker : by Prof. Sherry A. Tanumihardjo, Ph.D. (Moderator : Ferry F. Karwur, Ph.D.)	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
12:05 – 13:30	Lunch	R&D Center Hall 4 <sup>th</sup> floor

Time	Program	Room
13:30 – 14:45	Invited speaker – Session 1	R&D Center 6 <sup>th</sup> floor (Class A)
		R&D Center 6 <sup>th</sup> floor (Class B)
14:45 – 15:45	Coffee Break Poster Session	R&D Center Hall 4 <sup>th</sup> floor
15:45 – 16:45	Invited speaker – Session 2	R&D Center 6 <sup>th</sup> floor (Class A)
		R&D Center 6 <sup>th</sup> floor (Class B)
16:45 – 17:15	3 <sup>rd</sup> NP-SEA Awards for Best Poster and Closing Remark	R&D Center Hall 6 <sup>th</sup> floor
17:15 – 18:00	Preparation for Gala dinner	-
18:00 – 20:00	Gala dinner	Balai Pertiwi

**Tuesday, August 23, 2014**

**Shimadzu Advance Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectrometry (LCMS/MS) Technologies and Applications Workshop in Junction with The Natural Pigments Conference for South-East Asia**

Time	Program	Room
07:00 – 8:00	Registration	MRCPP R&D Center Hall 3rd floor
08:00 – 09:00	Session 1 : Introduction of LCMS/MS and Application	
09:00 – 12:00	Session 2 : Technical Workshop (I)	
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch	
13:00 – 16:00	Session 3 : Technical Workshop (II)	
16:00 – 16:15	Closing	

## Schedule of Oral Presentation

Oral Presentation – Session 1			
Meeting Hall at 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor of The R&D Center (Class A)			
Moderator: Dr. Ir. Edia Rahayuningsih, M.S.			
Time	Authors	Title	Code
13:30-13:45	Delianis Pringgenies, Riyanda Idris, Muhammad Zainudin	The Antioxidant Activity of Carotenoid Pigments in the Bacterial Symbionts of Seagrass <i>Syringodium isoetifolium</i>	ON-01
13:45-14:00	Victor Aprilyanto, Andrea Putri Subroto, Chris Darmawan, Reno Tryono, Condro Utomo, and Tony Liwang	In Vitro Selection of single guide RNA for Effective Cleavage of Exon-3 VIRESCENS Gene in Oil Palm Using CRISPR/Cas9 System	ON-02
14:00-14:15	Abdullah Muzi Marpaung, Nuri Andarwulan, Purwiyatno Hariyadi and Didah Nur Faridah	The Color Stability of Butterfly Pea ( <i>Clitoria ternatea</i> L.) Petal Extract at pH 6 to 8 are Highly Uncertain	ON-03
14:15-14:30	Mohammad Junus	Algae Cells Density in Various Planting Period and Liquid Sludge Biogas Unit Proportion	ON-04
14:30-14:45	Uun Yanuhar	The Involvement Fragment Pigment Protein (FPP) Microalga <i>Nanochloropsis oculata</i> of Response Heat Shock Protein 70 (HSP70) of Infection Nervous Necrotic Viral (NNV) on Grouper	ON-05
Room at 6 <sup>th</sup> floor of The R&D Center (Class B)			
Moderator: Prof. Erlinda A. Vasquez			
13:30-13:45	Windu Merdekawati	The Uniqueness of Seaweed Pigments	ON-06
13:45-14:00	Ermiziar, T., Saragih, R., Hanum, L.	Natural Pigment from Red Colour Melinjo Peels	ON-07
14:00-14:15	Pujiyanto, Muhammad Iqbal Prawira Atmadja and Dadan Rohdiana	Theaflavin, Natural Pigment on Black Tea and Its Pharmacological Activities	ON-08
14:15-14:30	Failisnur, Sofyan and Anwar Kasim	Dyeing of Cotton Fabric with Natural Dye from Gambier ( <i>Uncaria gambir</i> Roxb.)	ON-09
14:30-14:45	Defri Yona and Park Mi Ok	Seasonal variation of phycoerythrin chromophores of <i>Synechococcus</i> spp. in the East Sea, Korea	ON-10

Oral Presentation – Session 2			
Meeting Hall at 6 <sup>th</sup> floor of The R&D Center (Class A)			
Moderator: Mr. Victor Aprilyanto			
15:45-16:00	Darda * Efendi, H. Muthmainnah, T.S. Arzam, I. H. Sumiasih, R. Poerwanto, and Y.A. Purwanto, A. Agusta, and S. Yuliarni	Degradation of Chlorophyll and formation of $\beta$ -cryptoxanthin and $\beta$ -citraurin in Citrus Degreening	ON-11
16:00-16:15	Edia Rahayuningsih	The Sustainable Economic Development through Research, Production, and Application of Natural Dye	ON-12
16:15-16:30	Delicia Yunita Rahman, Dwi Susilaningsih and Marc J.E.C. van der Maarel	Heterotrophic growth of LIPI13-AD014 for Phycocyanin Production	ON-13
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Moderator: Dr. Dadan Rohdiana			
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16:30-16:45	Mada Triandala Sibero, Kustiariyah Tarman, Rita Sahara	Exploration of Red Pigment from Coastal Endophyte Fungi Isolated from <i>Hydnophytum formicarum</i>	ON-18

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2	Andreas Lucky Effendy, Rollando	In silico screening study of potent human breast cancer drug from natural pigments	PN-02
3	Antonius Herry Cahyana, Kam Natania and Hong Fu Sheng	Study on Antioxidant Activity, Binding Capacity and Stability of Curcumin-Functionalized Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Magnetic Nanoparticles	PN-03
4	Ayda Krisnawati and M. Muchlish Adie	Consistency of Biomass Production from Several Soybean Genotypes in Various Agro Ecology of Indonesia	PN-04
5	Diah Mustika Lukitasari, Rosita Dwi Chandra, Heriyanto, Renny Indrawati	Stability and Antioxidant Activity of Microencapsulated Pigment from Red Spinach ( <i>Amaranthus tricolor</i> ) for Food Colourants	PN-05
6	Elin Julianti, Laida Neti Mulyani, Marlia Singgih Wibowo, Susanti	Comparison Different Extraction method of C-Phycocyanin, a Phycobiliprotein from Dry Biomass of <i>Spirulina platensis</i>	PN-06
7	Ervika Rahayu NH, Dini Ariani, Miftakhussolikah, Maharani P.E., Yudi P	The Effect of Yellow Natural Color from Turmeric on Physical and Sensory Properties of Arenga Starch- <i>Colocasia Esculanta</i> L. Noodle	PN-07
8	Giacinta Mutiara Beta Maharani, Filiana Santoso, and Abdullah Muzi Marpaung	Stability Improvement of Anthocyanin from Various Local Plants using Metal Complexation	PN-08
9	Kam Natania, Antonius Herry Cahyana, Melanie Cornelia dan Edison Sutyono	Microencapsulation of Soursop ( <i>Annona muricata</i> Linn.) Leaf Tea Extract Using Natural Mucilages	PN-09

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11	Melanie Cornelia and Oktafielia Putri	Application of Goji Berry Fruit ( <i>Lycium barbarum</i> L.) extract as Food colorant in Dried Noodle	PN-11
12	Miftakhussolikah, Dini Ariani, Ervika RNH, Azkia Nastiti, Yudi Pranoto	Effect of Additional Suji Leaves and Turmeric Extract on Physicochemical Characteristic and Antioxidant Activity of Arenga-Canna Noodle	PN-12
13	Selfina Gala, Dhaniar Rulandri Widoretno, Delita Kunhermanti, Lailatul Qadariyah, Sumarno and Mahfud	Microwave-assisted Extraction of Natural Dyes from Jackfruit Wood Waste ( <i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i> Lamk)	PN-13
14	Renny Indrawati, Gita, Kristine, Melissa, Yuyun Yuniati, Leenawaty Limantara	How extensive does the artificial dye color our food?	PN-14
15	Swanty Rahmazania Mustika and Abdullah Muzi Marpaung M.P	Color properties and Stabilizing Effect of Metal ion on Blue Anthocyanin Color from Buni ( <i>Antidesma bunius</i> ) Fruit	PN-15
16	Rosita Dwi Chandra, Renny Indrawati, Mario Sent Anugrah, Jodiawan, Ricky Santoso, Tatas H. P. Brotosudarmo, Leenawaty Limantara	Uncovering the Availability of Products Enriched with Vitamin A in Local Supermarket	PN-16

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17	Yudi Purnomo, Fajar Audra Pratama, Nur Rohman	Hepatoprotector and Anti-Hemolysis Activity of Tommato ( <i>Lycopersicon pimpinellifolium</i> ) Juices In Rats Induced Alum	PN-17
18	Endang Kusdiyantini, Iffan Alif, Salma Fuadiyah, Dyah Wulandari, Anto Budiharjo	Identification of Red-Pigmented Thermophile Bacteria Isolated from Gedong Songo Hot Spring, Semarang – Central Jawa	PN-18
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20	Husnatain, I.D., Salim, K.P., Heriyanto, Purwantiningrum, I., Harijono, Limantara, L.	Effect of Dried Fruit Processing on Lycopene Content and Pigment Composition of Tommato ( <i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> var Marta)	PN-20
21	Wibowo, A.A., Elim, P.E., Heriyanto, Prihastyanti, M.N.U, Shioi, Y., Brotosudarmo, T.H.P	Effect of Drying Treatments on the Concentration of Fucoxanthin and Chlorophyll <i>a</i> and Pigment composition of Three <i>Sargassum</i> Species	PN-21
22	Yuyun Yuniati, Renny Indrawati, Jovine, Tantianna, Wynona	Tracing the antioxidant-rich products in local groceries: naturalness, biofunctionality, and price	PN-22
23	Yuyun Yuniati, Juliana, Lidwina Angelica Soetantijo, and Ratna Yulianti Wijaya, Renny Indrawati	Preparation of Antioxidant Drinks from Mulberry <i>Morus nigra</i> L.	PN-23

# Analysis of Carotenoids from *Erythrobacter flavus* Isolated from Soft-Coral *Acropora nasuta*

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## Abstract

Separation and composition of carotenoids from *Erythrobacter flavus* are reported. *E. flavus* is a yellow aerobic marine bacterium. It was isolated from soft-coral *Acropora nasuta*. *E. flavus* was cultured in Shioi medium at 28°C for 3 days. The cells of *E. flavus* from each growth phase were extracted with a mixture of methanol and acetone (7:3, v/v). The crude pigment extract was injected into a reverse-phase of high performance liquid chromatography using C8 column. The results showed that *E. flavus* contain of 18 carotenoids pigments with 3 dominant carotenoids eluted at 18.7, 20.5, and 21.1 min. Zeaxanthin (at 28.3 min) and  $\beta$ -carotene (at 37.3 min) were minor carotenoids and the identification refers to their spectral, chromatographic and mass properties. The area of peak 1 and peak 2 increased 46% and 735%, respectively from 15 hour to 90 hour of culture, whereas the area of peak 3 did not change in each growth phase.

**Keywords:**  $\beta$ -carotene, carotenoids, *Erythrobacter flavus*, high-performance liquid chromatography, co-chromatography, zeaxanthin

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## 1. Introduction

Carotenoids, found in plants, animal, and microorganism (bacterium and microalgae), play a critical role in the photosynthetic process to collect light energy in the visible region and to protect against photooxidation [1]. In addition, carotenoids have been reported to have significant value to support human health, i.e. antioxidant, anticancer, antiobesity [4]. Cars are consisted of 40-carbon atom to form 8-isoprena and have yellow, orange, and red colour [2,3]. *E. flavus* is a yellow aerobic marine bacterium. It was isolated from soft-coral *Acropora nasuta* [5]. This study was aimed to separate and identify cars from *E. flavus* and to determine the Cars composition from its growth phases by reverse phase-high performance liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC).

## 2. Methodology

### 2.1. Cells culture

The cells were grown in Shioi liquid medium [6]. The culture was incubated by shaking (100 rpm) at 28°C under the dark condition. The cells were harvested after each growth phase, i.e. 15, 22, 46 and 90 hour, by centrifugation at 15,880 g, 4°C for 10 min. The cells were collected and then stored at -30°C until used.

### 2.2. Cells extraction

The cells (0.1 g) were homogenized in a mixture of methanol and acetone (7:3, v/v; 1 mL) by vortexing for 3 times (1 min vortex, 1 min on ice) and then lysed by sonication. Sonication process was carried out at a pulse mode with 60% amplitude and 10-s on/30-s off for 10 min (QSonica, Newtown, US). The crude pigment extract was separated by a centrifuge at 8,000 g for 2 min. The extract was dried by N<sub>2</sub> gas and stored at -30°C until used.

### 2.3. Separation, identification and composition of cars

The cars of *E. flavus* were separated by a RP-HPLC using C<sub>8</sub> column (150 x 4.6 mm; Water) according to the method of Zapata *et al.* [7]. Elution gradient of 2 solvents, i.e. solvent A (methanol:acetonitril:pyridine solution (0.25 M) = 50:25:25 (v/v/v)) and solvent B (methanol:acetonitril:acetone = 20:60:20 (v/v/v)) was performed at the flow rate of 1 ml/min with the temperature of column oven at 30°C. Chromatographic, spectral and mass properties were used for identification of Cars. Co-chromatography with the standard pigments and the saponification



process were done to support the identification. The content of Cars for each growth phase was determined from the peak area of the dominant Cars detected at 450 nm.

### 3. Results and discussion

Cars separation of crude pigment extract from *E. flavus* is shown in Figure 1. At least 18 Cars have been well separated by RP-HPLC with three dominant Cars appeared at retention time ( $t_R$ ) of 18.7 (peak 1), 20.5 (peak 2), and 21.1 (peak 3) min. Most of the Cars of this marine bacterium have a similar of maximum absorption wavelength ( $\lambda_{max}$ ) at around 451-453 nm. This similarity of  $\lambda_{max}$  indicates that Cars of *E. flavus* have the same number of conjugated double bonds in their chromophore. Juliadiningtyas *et al* (2016) reported most of the Cars of this bacterium have similar core chemical structure.

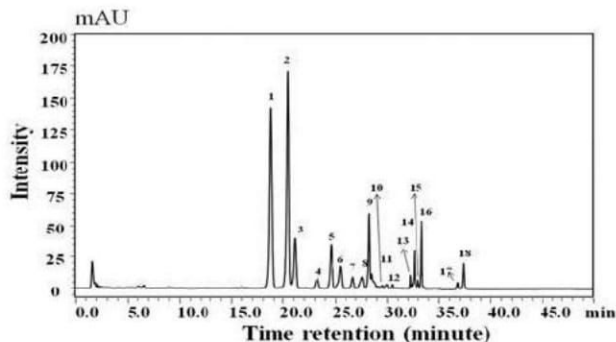


Figure 1. HPLC Chromatogram of crude pigment extract from *E. flavus* detected at 450 nm. The number of peak is described in the text.

Co-chromatography results with zeaxanthin and  $\beta$ -carotene standards suggested peak 9 at 28.3 min and peak 18 at 37.3 min were identified as zeaxanthin and  $\beta$ -carotene, respectively. Mass spectra of these Cars confirm the identification. In addition, the  $\lambda_{max}$  of zeaxanthin (at 453) and  $\beta$ -carotene (at 452 nm) is in agreement with the values in Zapata *et al* [7]. Zeaxanthin is one of bacterial Cars produced by several marine bacteria, such as *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Vibrio psychroerythrus*, *Streptomyces sp.*, and *Hahella chejuensis* [9]. Peak 1 and peak 3 were identified as the esterified Car according to the HPLC result of saponificated pigment extract. These peaks decreased and on other

hand other peak increased as a free Car compared to the result of unsaponificated sample. The other dominant Car (peak 2) was a free pigment due to no effect on the saponification treatment.

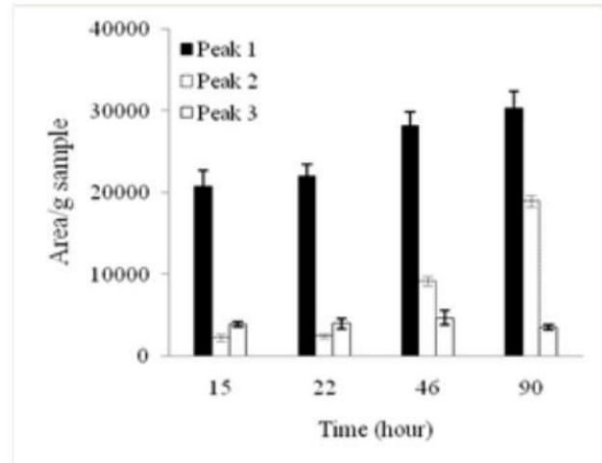


Figure 2. The Cars concentration (area per 1 g of the cell) of three dominant Cars in every growth phase

In this study Cars biosynthesis of *E. flavus* was determined from the peak area of the dominant Cars. The result of Cars composition from peak 1, 2, 3 at each growth phase is shown in Figure 2. The growth phase of *E. flavus* culture was classified into three phases, such as lag phase (0-15 hour), exponential phase (22-46 hour), and stationary phase (90 hour). The total area (per 1 g of the cells) of peak 1 increased 46% from 15 hour to 90 hour, whereas peak 2 accumulated 735% and it was higher than the peak 1. The total area of peak 3 was relatively same in each growth phase. The cars biosynthesis of *E. flavus* was continuously occurred to the peak 1 and peak 2, whereas peak 3 did not change. The cars composition from purple bacterium was influenced by species, age of the cell, and culture condition [10]. Taylor *et al* reported total Cars lineary increased with the curve of growth in *Streptococcus faecium* [11].

### 4. Conclusion

At least 18 Cars have been separated by RP-HPLC from the crude pigment extract of *E. flavus*. Zeaxanthin and  $\beta$ -carotene were identified as the minor Cars, while the three dominant Cars were eluted in front of the zeaxanthin peak and have the same  $\lambda_{max}$  as those minor Cars. Cars at peak 1 and peak 2 were extensively biosynthesized by *E. flavus*.

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