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# **Rheological Characterization of Whey Protein-Stabilized Red Palm Oil (RPO) Emulsions**

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# Introduction



**TOCOLS**  
(i.e., tocotrienols, tocopherols)  
250-1000ppm

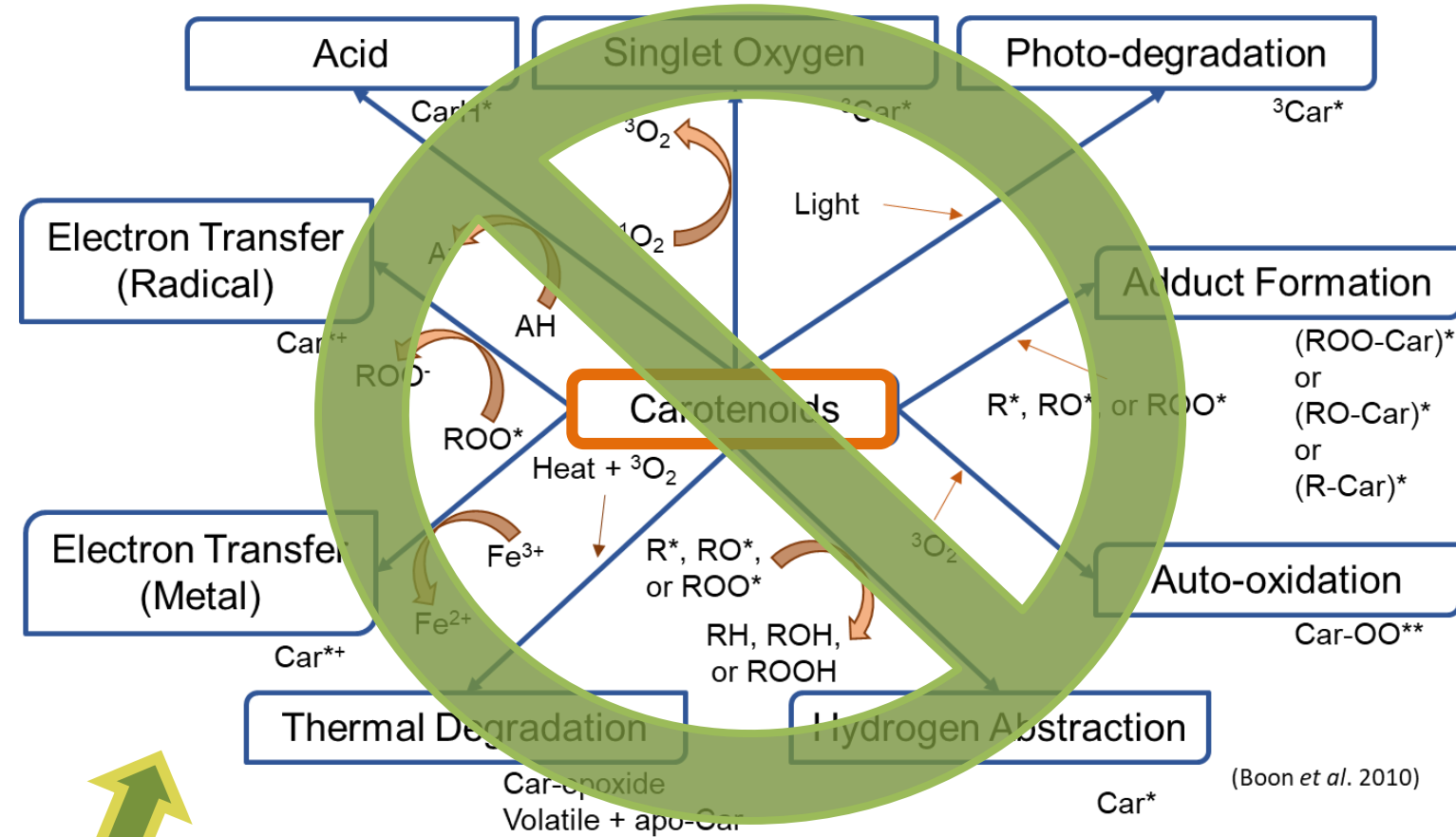
**SQUALENE**  
28-80 ppm

**COENZYME Q<sub>10</sub>**  
100-360 ppm

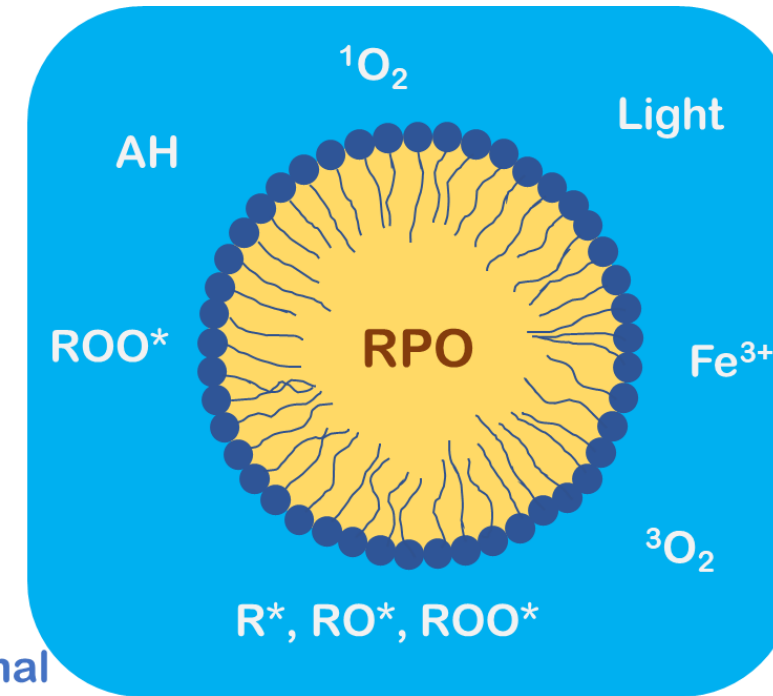


**CAROTENOIDS**  
(i.e., α-carotene, β-carotene)  
500-700 ppm

**PHYTOSTEROLS**  
200-400 ppm



by



thermal

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Stability?  
≈  
Physical properties

Rheology

# Objective



to investigate the rheological properties of the whey protein-stabilized RPO emulsions as affected by the type and concentration of whey proteins.

- flow behavior
- apparent viscosity
- viscoelastic properties
- linear viscoelastic range limit of the emulsions

# Materials



- Red Palm Oil  
(IOPRI, Medan, Indonesia)

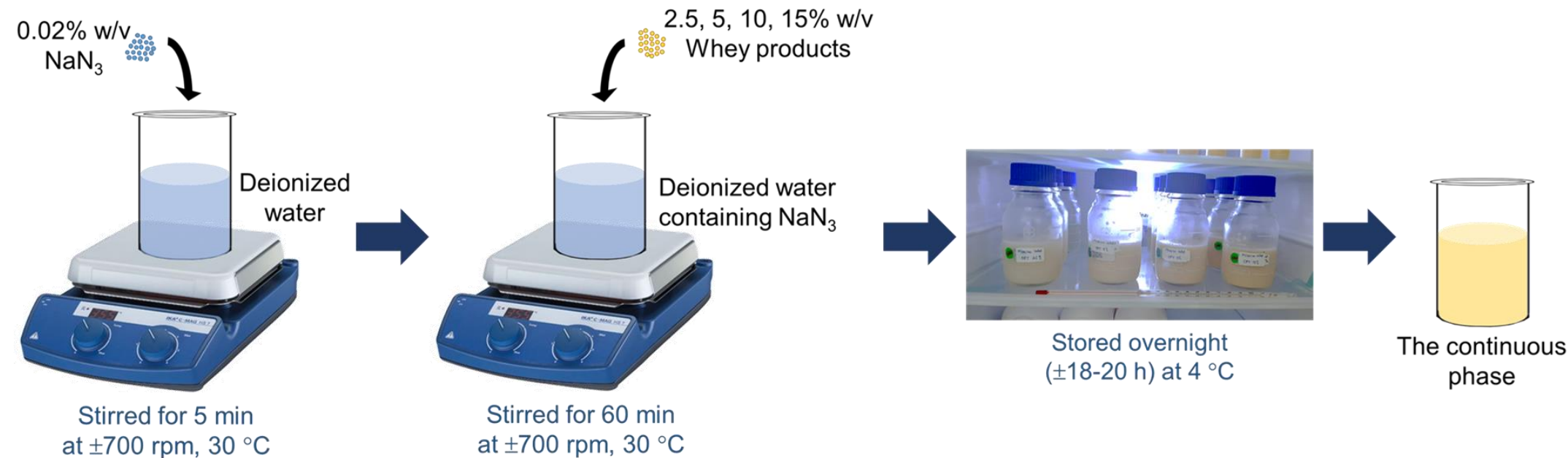


- WPC75, WPC80, WPI90  
(Glanbia Nutritionals, USA)

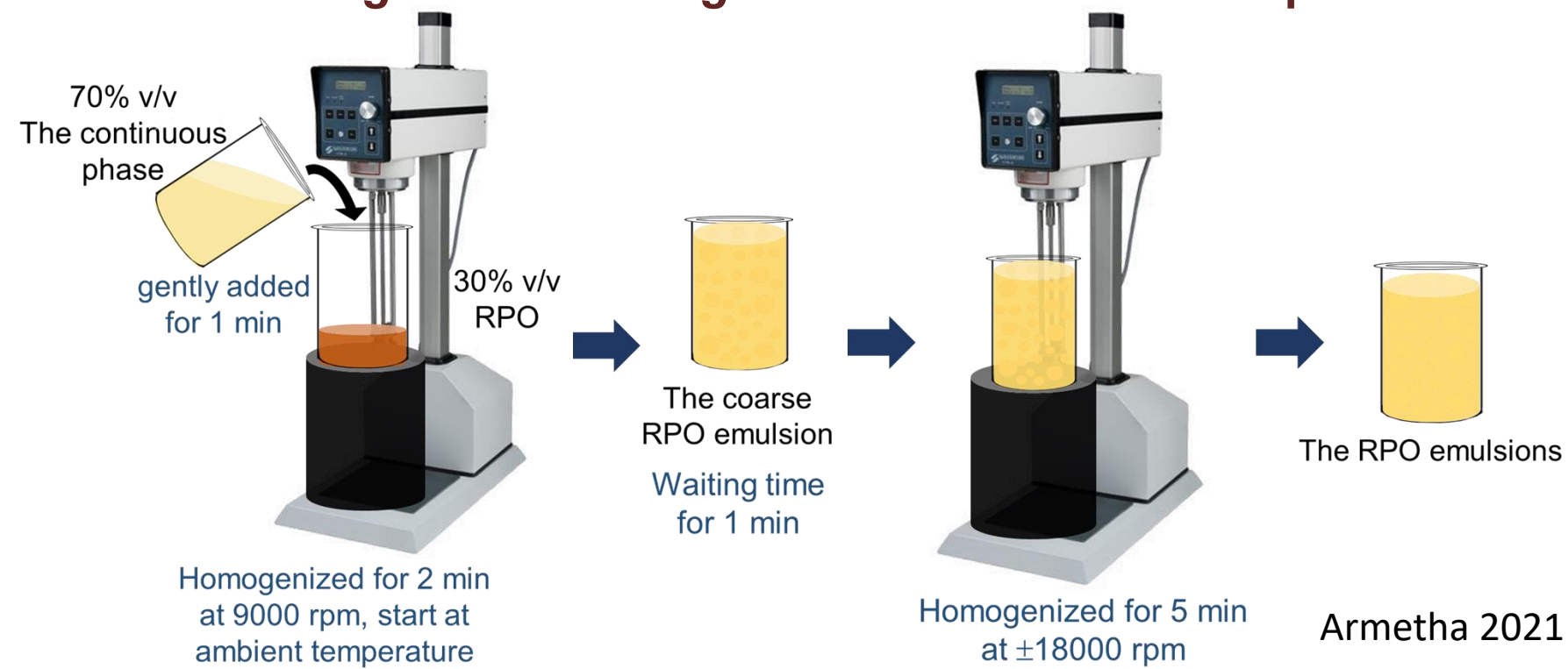
- Deionized water (Hach)
- Sodium Azide (Merck KGaA)

# Methods

## 1. Preparation of continuous phase



## 2. Emulsification: *high-shear homogenization* combined with phase inversion



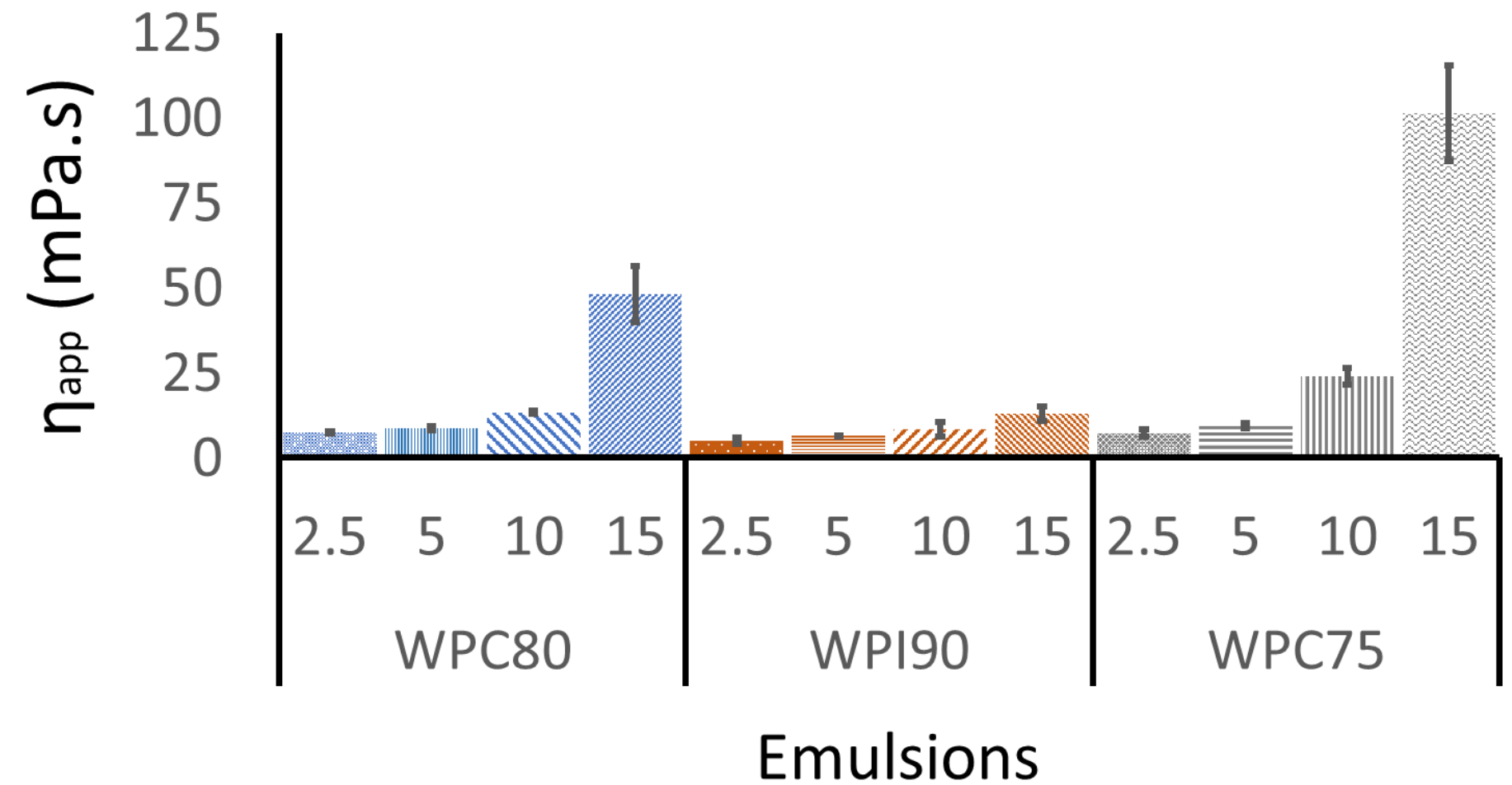
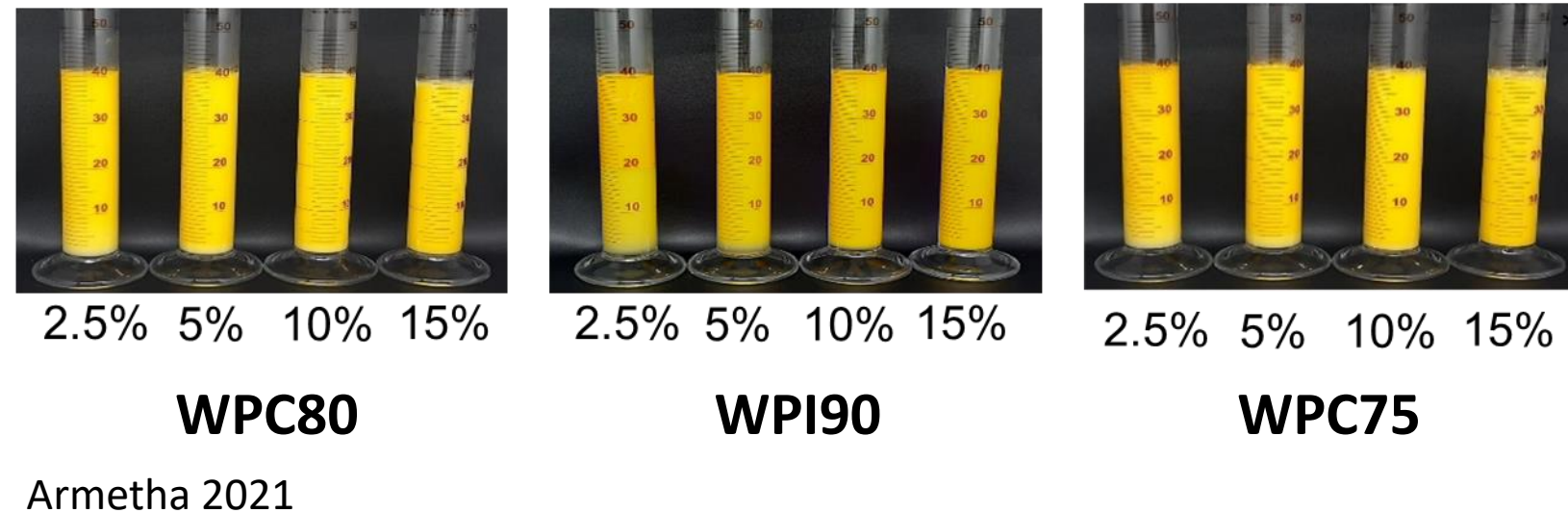
## Rheological Analysis

Modular Compact Rheometer (MCR) 92  
Anton Paar, GmbH

Sample amount/analysis : 1 mL  
Probe: *cone-plate* CP 50-1°  
Gap = 0.1 mm,  $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$

- **Flow behaviour**  
Method: *shear sweep*  $10^{-1}$  to  $10^3$   $\text{s}^{-1}$
- **Apparent viscosity ( $\eta_{app}$ )**  
Method: *shear sweep* at  $10^2$   $\text{s}^{-1}$
- **Dynamic Viscoelastic Properties**  
Method: *amplitude sweep*  $10^{-1}$  to  $10^3$  % from 1 Hz

# Important Findings



## Flow Behaviour

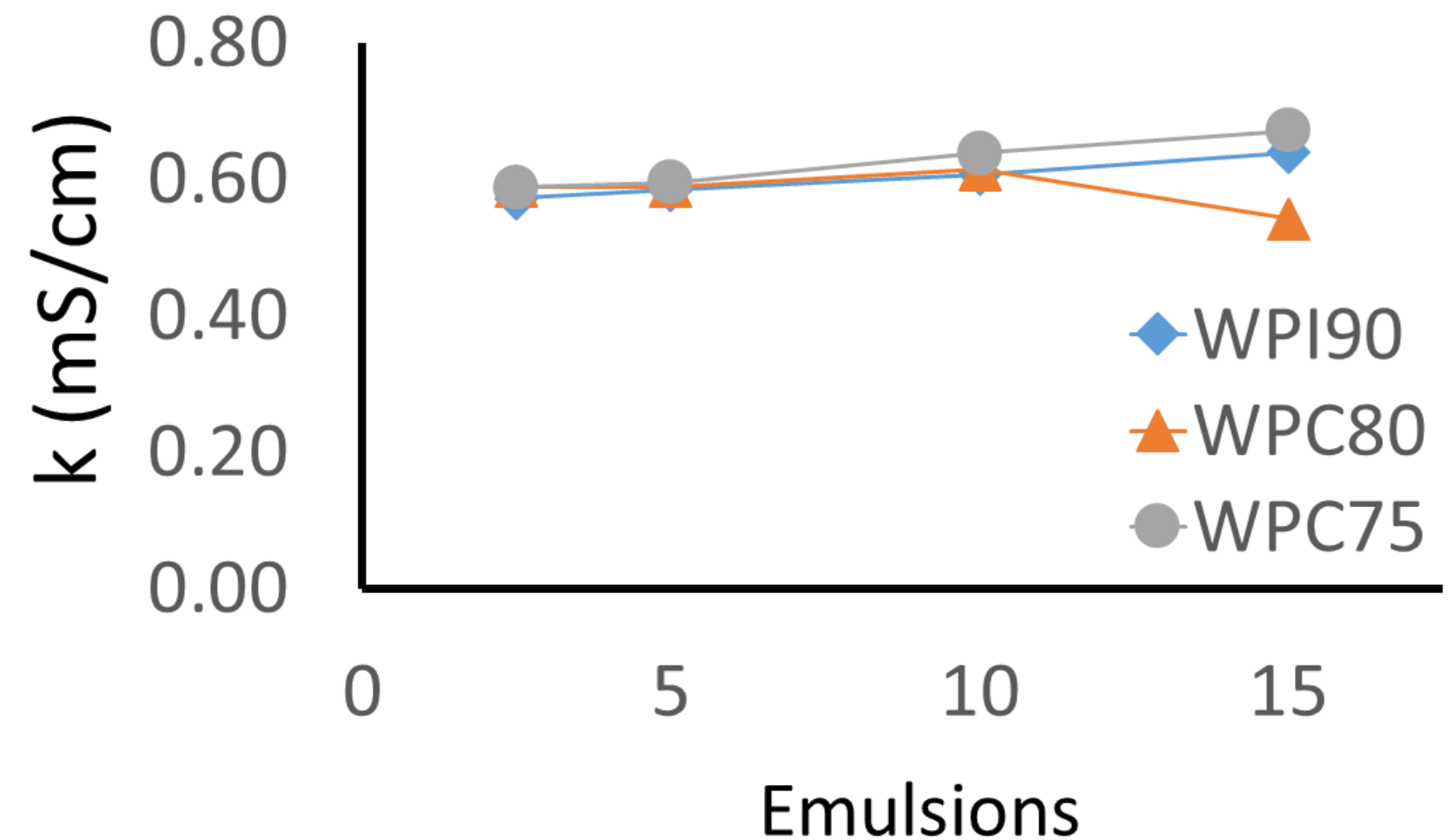
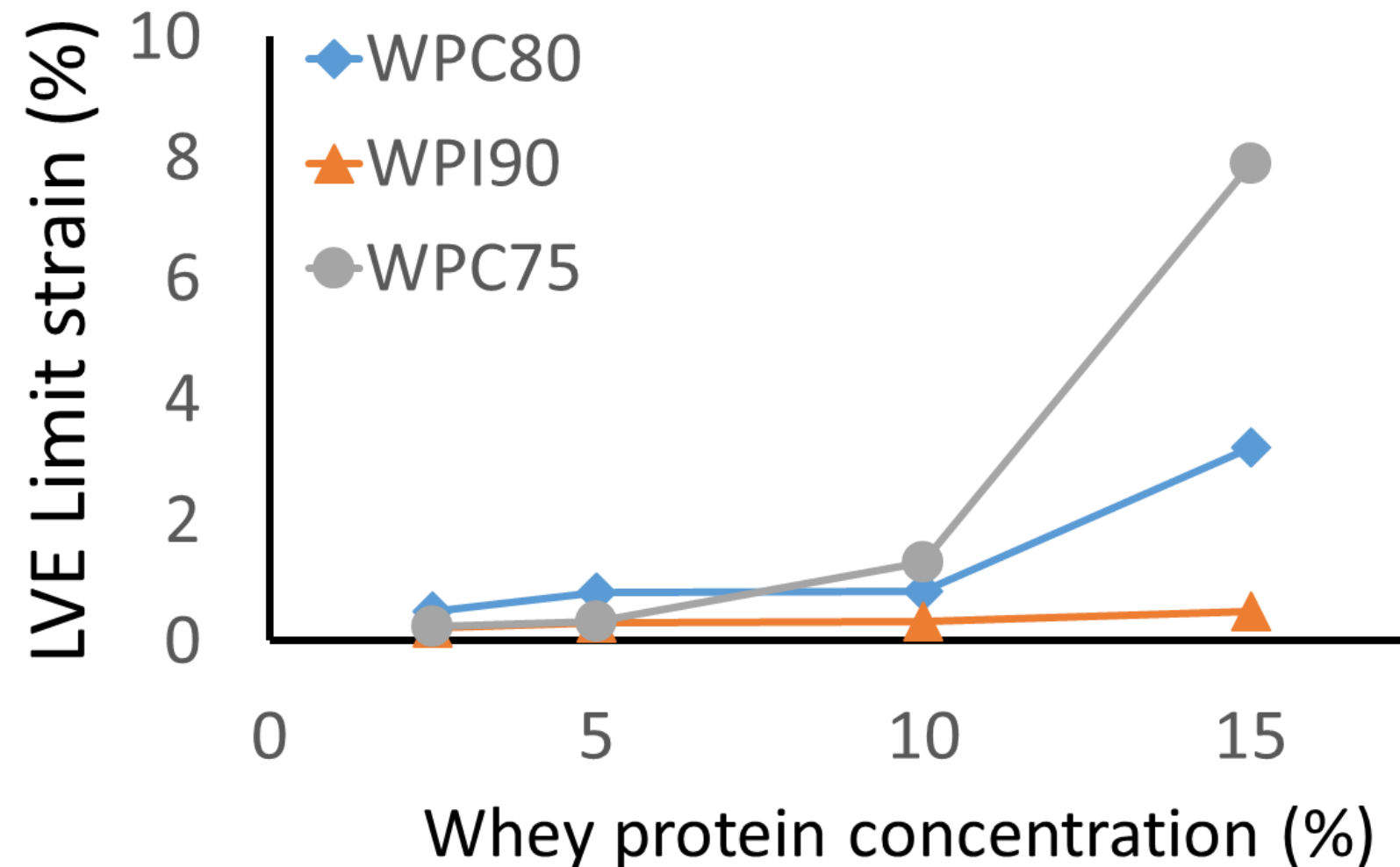
- Casson fluids :  
all emulsion tested, except 15% WPC80 & 15% WPC75
- Hershel-Bulkley fluids :  
15% WPC80 & 15% WPC75

# Important Findings



## Viscoelastic Behaviour

➤  $G'' \gg G'$  = viscous



Rheological properties of the whey protein-stabilized RPO emulsions was affected by the type and concentration of whey proteins.

- The flow behavior was varied for the certain type-concentration combination
  - ❖ 15% WPC80 and 15% WPC75-stabilized RPO emulsion was Hershel-Bulkley fluid, and the others were fitted to Casson fluid behavior
- apparent viscosity
  - ❖ higher with increasing whey protein concentration,  $WPI \lll WPC$
- viscoelastic properties
  - ❖ viscous behaviour
- linear viscoelastic range limit of the emulsions
  - ❖ higher with increasing whey protein concentration,  $WPI \lll WPC$



**15% WPC75-stabilized RPO emulsion**

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