

Physical, Chemical, and Functional Characteristic of ‘Wader’(*Rasbora jacobsoni*), ‘Bader’(*Puntius javanicus*), and ‘Patin’(*Pangasius hypophthalmus*) Fillet

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ABSTRACT

Common water fish are abundant in Indonesia, but has low economic value due to its strong smell and softening of its flesh as well as ‘wader’ (*Rasbora jacobsoni*), ‘bader’ (*Puntius javanicus*), and ‘patin’ (*Pangasius hypophthalmus*). This study describes the variability of important quality of this fish including physical, chemical and functional properties as the basic knowledge for further exploration primarily as an industrial raw material of food ingredient. The result showed that wader, bader, and patin fillet have high yield (64.71; 45.26; and 57.97% respectively), high content of protein (12.56; 15.08; and 11.38% respectively) and high emulsifying activity index (2.42; 2.37; and 2.98 m²/g respectively). Total amino Acids were identified by HPLC of all the study fishes. Patin contained the highest percentage 19.06%, followed by wader 17.09%, and bader revealed having the least content 11.54%. It is indicated that this fish was suitable to be applied on food product and high nutritive value of water fish products.

Keywords: wader, bader, patin, physical, chemical, and functional

I. INTRODUCTION

Approximately 15% of the total dietary intake of animal protein for all people in the world comes from fish, with world per capita fish consumption almost doubled from an average of 9.9 kg in the 1960s to 18.4 kg in 2009 (FAO, 2012). With the growth of consumption, customers have developed higher standards for the quality of products. Therefore, stronger attention to procedures for maintaining freshness and quality of the fish is needed on behalf of processors (Valtysdottir *et al.*, 2010).

Fish has several important nutritional higher than other meat types, that is low in cholesterol and high in good quality protein (Terry *et al.*, 2001). They are practically the sole source of long chain polyunsaturated fatty acids such as those of the Omega-3 series, which decreased risk of prostate cancer (Jabeen and Chaudhry, 2011).

‘Wader’ (*Rasbora jacobsoni*), ‘bader’ (*Puntius javanicus*), and ‘patin’ (*Pangasius hypophthalmus*) are found in freshwater fish that abundant in Indonesia. The fish still have a low economic value because have strong smell and softening of its flesh. The aim of the research was to characterises the physical, chemical, and functional properties those fish to provides the elements for decisions on the follow-up of industrial processes or research in the future.

II. MATERIAL AND METHODS

2.1 Material

‘Wader’ (*Rasbora jacobsoni*), ‘bader’ (*Puntius javanicus*), and ‘patin’ (*Pangasius hypophthalmus*) was purchased from Tanjung Market, a local market of Jember district, Indonesia. Amino acid standards were purchased from Pierce (Rockford, IL, USA) and other chemical of analytical grade were purchased from Sigma (Sigma – Aldrich).

2.2 Preparation of fillets

A weight of 500 g of wader, bader, and patin were obtained from the local fish market in Jember, Indonesia. They were kept in a plastic container and transported to the laboratory. Upon arrival at the laboratory, the fish were washed with tap water several times to remove adhering blood and excessive mucus. The fish were then placed in ice-cold water (hypothermia) for five minutes prior to eviscerating and beheading. Subsequently the fish samples were filleted and fillets were weighed .

2.3 Chemical and functional properties

Crude protein content was determined using Kjeldahl method (AOAC, 2005). Moisture content was determined with a modified version of the AOAC (AOAC, 2005). Fat content was determined by using Soxhlet extractor (Behrotest, Behr Labor Technik Gro bH, Dusseldorf, Germany). The dried sample was inserted into a Soxhlet tube and petroleum ether was recycled through the sample for 2 hr. Remaining ether was evaporated and the sample was dried at 105°C overnight. Fat content was then calculated gravimetrically. The ash content was analyzed using a modified version of AOAC (AOAC, 2005). Determination of the emulsion stability (ES) based on the method of Chobert *et al.* (1988) with modification. Determination of emulsifying activity index (EAI) based on the method of Pearce and Kinsella (1978). Amino acid analysis of samples was based on methodology previously reported by Vázquez-Ortiz *et al.* (1995). A gradient mobile phase of sodium acetate 0.1 M pH

7.2 and methanol (9:1) elute sample for amino acid separation through C18 column reversed-phase octadecyl dimethylsilane particles (100 x 4.6 mm x 1/4" Microsorb 100-3 C18). Fluorescence detection was realized using an excitation-emission wavelength of 360 and 455 nm respectively.

2.5 Statistical Analysis

All the data have been showed as average value \pm standar deviation.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

a. Fillet yield

Average fillet weight of wader, bader, and patin were 64.71; 45.26; and 57.97% respectively (**Fig. 1**). Fillet yields depend on several factors, such as size, age, sex, anatomic shape of the body, head size and weight of viscera, skin and fins. The efficiency of the fillet machine and the expertise in handling are aspects that should be taken into account (De Souza *et al.*, 2015). Moreover, yields in farmed fish may also be influenced by culture conditions such as feed, water temperature and breeding structures (Borderías and Sánchez-Alonso, 2011).

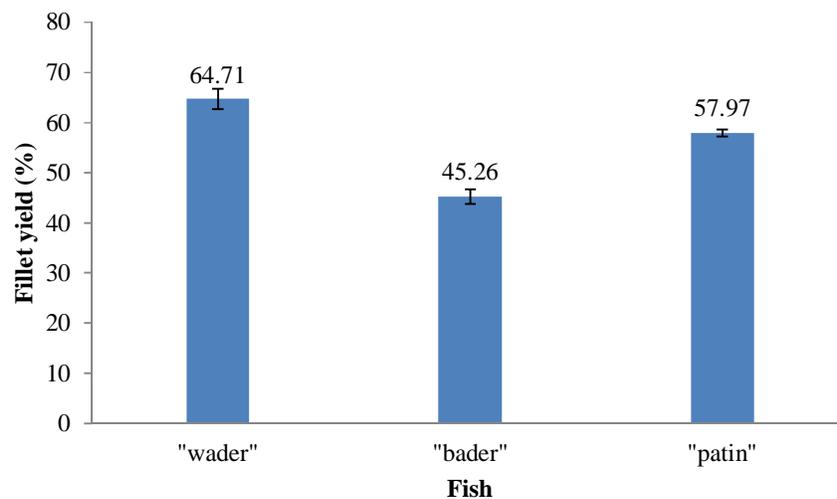


Figure 1. The fillet yields of wader, bader, and patin

Further, information on the processing yield may be of great help for fish quality control and for the tracing system, with an increase in profits in the processing chain (Galvão *et al.*, 2010).

b. Chemical composition

The chemical composition of fish fillets are presented in Table 1. The highest protein content was recorded in bader(15.08 %) followed by wader(12.56%), and the lowest was patin (11.38%).

Table 1. Proximate composition of wader, bader, and patin fillets

Parameter	(% w/w)		
	“wader”	“bader”	“patin”
Protein	12.56 ± 0.54	15.08 ± 1.35	11.38 ± 0.40
Fat	9.10 ± 0.16	7.60 ± 0.69	18.30 ± 0.76
Ash	0.85 ± 0.14	0.96 ± 0.12	1.02 ± 0.24

Fish are normally classified according to their fatty contents, or rather, lean fish (fat rate less than 5%); moderately fat fish (fat rate between 5 and 10%) and fat fish (over 10% fat) (Jabeen and Chaudhry, 2011). The wader (9.10%) and bader (7.60%) were classified as moderately fat, and patin was classified as fat fish (18.30%). Variations in the fish's chemical composition are closely related to ration intake since protein rates in the muscle tissue slightly increase during the feed period and consequently fat rates have a sharp and fast increase (Boran and Karaçam, 2011).

The highest ash content was patin (1.02%) followed by bader (0.96%), and wader (0.85%). According to Rasmussen and Ostfeld (2000), ash rates of fish range between 0.8 and 1.4%, but may exceed this percentage due to the number of intramuscle fish bones in the fillet. The same author reports that fresh water fish have greater fluctuations, ranging between 0.98 and 3.29%.

The chemical composition of fish meat depends on biotic and abiotic factors related to the species and culture, such as age, season, sex, gonadal development and diet (Burkert *et al.*, 2008) which affected the physical and organoleptic characteristics and shelf life of fish and derivatives (Burkert *et al.*, 2008). Information on fish chemical composition is important in the development product based on those fish.

c. Emulsifying activity index (EAI) and emulsion stability (ES)

Proteins are surface active agents that can form and stabilize the emulsion by creating electrostatic repulsion on oil droplet surface (Makri *et al.* 2005). The ability of proteins to

form emulsion is important showing to the interactions between proteins and lipids in the food systems. EAI of wader, bade dan patin was 2.42; 2.37; and 2.98 (m^2/g) respectively, while as the ES was 0.55; 0.93; and 0.84 (min) respectively.

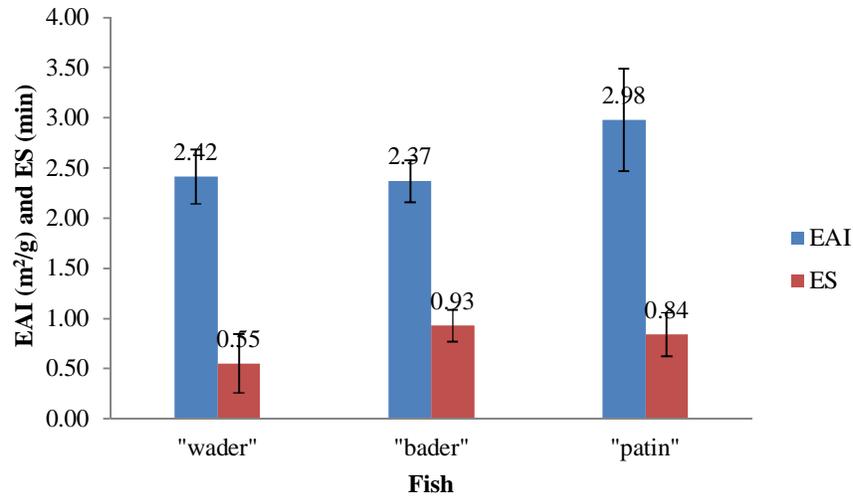


Figure 2. The emulsifying activity index (EAI) (m^2/g) and emulsion stability (ES) (min) of wader, bader, and patin fillet

d. Amino acid composition

Table 2 showed the amino acid composition in wader, bader, and patin fillet. The highest total amino acid was patin (19.06%) followed by wader (17.09%) and bader (11.54%). Glutamic acid was the most rich amino acid in all the fish. According to Chen *et al.* (1996), amino acids such as tyrosine, histidine, lysine, tryptophan and methionine were generally accepted as antioxidants. The result showed that wader, bader, and patin also may be a good source of antioxidant to be incorporated into other products as supplement due to the presence of hydrophobic amino acids.

Table 2. Amino acid composition of wader, bader, and patin fillet

Parameter	(% w/w)		
	"wader"	"bader"	"patin"
Aspartic acid	1.80	1.20	2.13
Glutamic acid	3.15	1.99	3.61
Serine	0.82	0.50	0.89
Histidine	0.39	0.25	0.40
Glycine	0.98	1.26	0.99
Threonine	0.86	0.53	1.02
Arginine	1.19	0.78	1.36
Alanine	1.13	0.96	1.19

Tyrosine	0.62	0.29	0.74
Methionine	0.59	0.32	0.60
Valine	0.81	0.53	0.86
Phenylalanine	0.72	0.48	0.77
l-leucine	0.75	0.45	0.88
Leucine	1.49	0.93	1.69
Lysine	1.80	1.06	1.91
Amino Acid Total	17.09	11.54	19.06

IV. CONCLUSIONS

The physico, chemical and functional properties of wader, bader, and patin provides useful information to great help for fish quality control and for the tracing system, with an increase in profits in the processing chain. Results indicated that, due to the presentation form of the wader, bader, and patin fillet contain of high protein and amino acid and more appropriate to be consumed or developed into another food product. The fish also have high fillet yield and good emulsion properties.

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