

초임계 이산화탄소를 이용한 Palm oil /Palm kernel oil 의 상평형 실험

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Phase Equilibria of Palm Oil and Palm Kernel Oil with Supercritical Carbon Dioxide

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1. INTRODUCTION

More than 90% of the world production of fats and oils are used for foodstuff [1]. One of the major edible oils consumed worldwide is palm oil / palm kernel oil. Although it lies within the palm nut, palm kernel oil and palm oil differ greatly in their characteristics and properties.

Supercritical fluid extraction is a promising method to manufacture diet food from fatted raw material because CO₂ as a supercritical (SC) solvent is non toxic, cheap and clean. Phase equilibria data are necessary to develop the manufacturing process to produce the defatted food by SC carbon dioxide. Unfortunately, phase equilibria data between palm kernel oil and SC carbon dioxide are scarce at various ranges of temperature and pressure.

2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

2.1. Materials

The palm oil / palm kernel oil and CO₂, used in this experiment, was provided by Lotte Samgang Co. and Shinhan Sanso Co. respectively. The purity of CO₂ was 99.95 (wt%). Table. 1 shows the palm oil / palm kernel oil's property.

Table. 1. Palm oil / palm kernel oil's property

| | Acid Value | Saponification Value | Peroxide Value | Refractive Index (40.2°C) | Specific Gravity (40°C/25°C) |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Palm oil | 0.22 | 192 | 412 | 1.46 | 0.91 |
| Palm kernel oil | 0.87 | 241 | 41.7 | 1.45 | 1.04 |

2.2. Apparatus and procedure

A new circulation type experimental apparatus for measuring mutual solubilities between palm oil / palm kernel oil and SC carbon dioxide was installed. The schematic flow diagram of the experimental apparatus is shown in Figure 1. Experimental procedure is as follows: First,

palm oil was fed into the equilibrium cell and followed by CO₂. After confirming the temperature of the cell and bath were maintained constant ($\pm 0.1^\circ\text{C}$), CO₂ was supplied once more to the cell until it reach the desired pressure. CO₂ phase was selected and circulates first for six hours. As shown in Figure 2, it seems that six hours circulation is enough to reach the equilibrium.

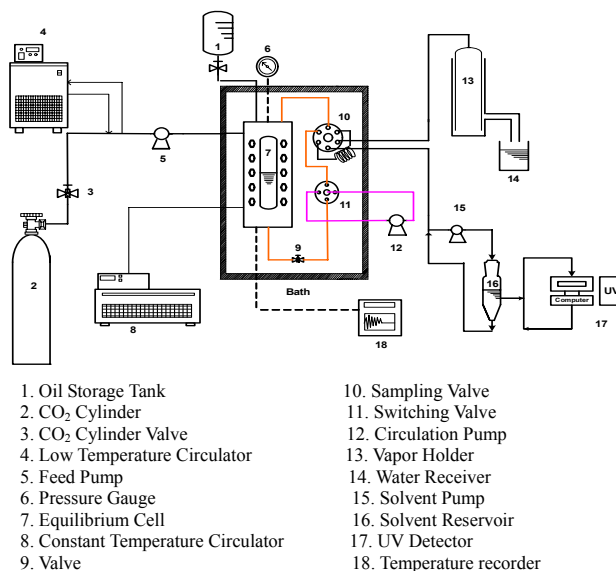


Figure 1. A schematic diagram of the experimental setup for phase equilibrium measurement

After convincing the equilibrium, sample was taken by sampling valve and determined the quantities of CO₂ and palm oil. CO₂ was depressurized to atmospheric pressure and measured the gas volume in the vapor holder. Palm oil, remained in sampling valve after CO₂ depressurization, was dissolve by n-Hexane and was analyzed by UV-VIS Spectrophotometer (Jasco V-500). Meanwhile, palm oil phase with dissolved CO₂ of the cell was selected and circulated secondly as that of carbon dioxide phase. The experiment on palm kernel oil is made in the same way of palm oil experiment.

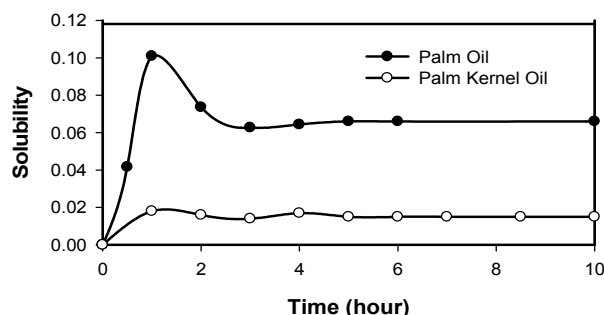


Figure 2. Solubility for the system Palm oil, Palm kernel oil with carbon dioxide

2.3. Fatty acid analysis

The fatty acid were analysed using a Hewlett Packard gas chromatography (Model HP5890)

equipped with an FID detector. The column used for the GC analysis was a 100/120 mesh Chromosorb W-HP packed column (10% Silar 7CP 1/8" 3.0 m coating). The oven temperature was 185 °C and raised to 240 °C at a gradient of 1.3 °C/min. The injector temperature was set at 250 °C. The detector temperature was set at 280 °C.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

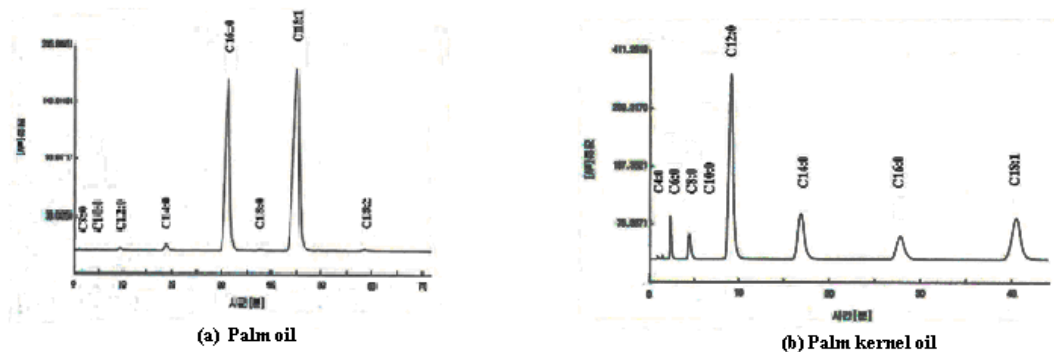


Figure 3. GC chromatogram of palm oil (a) / palm kernel oil fatty acid (b)

Main fatty acids of palm oil was: C8:0(0.04%), C10:0(0.01%), C12:0 (0.01%), C14:0(1.08%), C16:0(43.3%), C18:0(0.01%), C18:1(55.3%), C18:2(0.33%). Main fatty acids of palm kernel oil was: C4:0(0.11%), C6:0(3.57%), C8:0(3.43%), C12:0(47.0%), C14:0(16.4%), C16:0(9.69%), C18:1(19.7%). Figure 4 shows the results of experimental data of the palm oil / palm kernel oil with SC carbon dioxide system at 333.15, 353.15 and 373.15 K and 85 ~ 350 bar. For all isotherms condition in this experiment, the solubility of palm oil / palm kernel oil with SC carbon dioxide is increasing meanwhile the solubility of carbon dioxide in palm oil / palm kernel oil is decreasing at higher pressure. This phenomenon is always occurred in the phase equilibria data of the oil and SC carbon dioxide system [2].

Phase equilibria data were correlated using the Peng-Robinson EOS[3] with the van der Waals mixing rule for binary interaction parameters.:

$$P = \frac{RT}{V-b} - \frac{\Theta(T)}{V(V+b) + b(V-b)}$$

The van der Waals mixing rules with the combining rules for two binary interaction parameters are given by the following equations:

$$a_m = \sum \sum x_i x_j a_{ij} \qquad b = \sum \sum x_i x_j b_{ij}$$

$$a_{ij} = \sqrt{a_{ii} a_{jj}} (1 - k_{ij}) \qquad b_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (b_{ii} + b_{jj})$$

The lines in the Figure 4 were calculated by the Peng-Robinson EOS. As shown in Figure 4, experimental data were well correlated by the Peng-Robinson EOS with reasonable errors. Figure 5 presents the interaction parameter obtained when the equilibria data were optimized

by the Peng-Robinson EOS modeling.

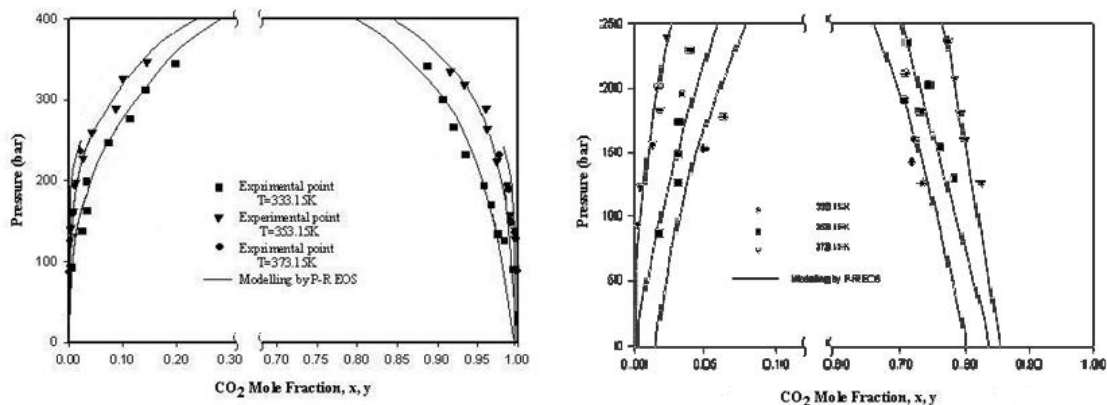


Figure 4. Experimental and calculated equilibrium data of palm oil(1) / palm kernel oil (2) and SC CO₂ system correlated with Peng-Robinson EOS

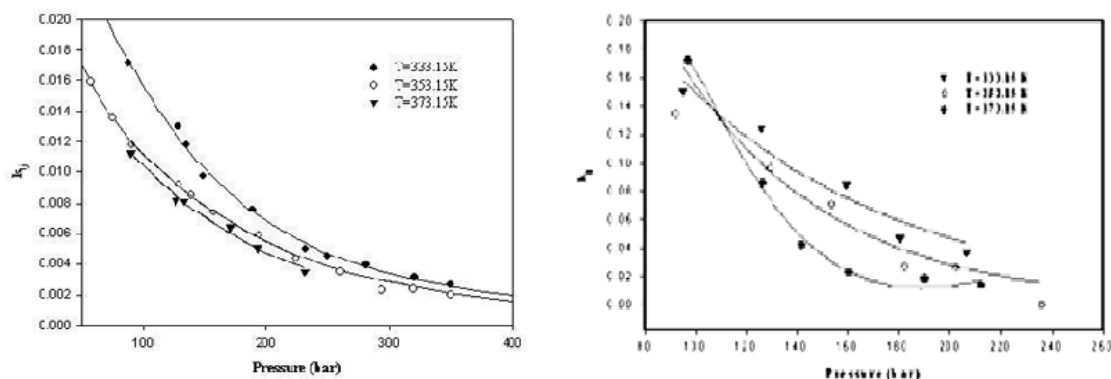


Figure 5. Binary interaction parameter of Peng-Robinson EOS

4. CONCLUSIONS

In this work, mutual solubilities of palm oil and palm kernel oil with carbon dioxide were measured in the new circulation type equilibria apparatus. The solubilities of palm oil and palm kernel oil in carbon dioxide were higher at lower temperature and higher pressure. The experimental data were well correlated with the Peng-Robinson EOS with van der Waals mixing rule.

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