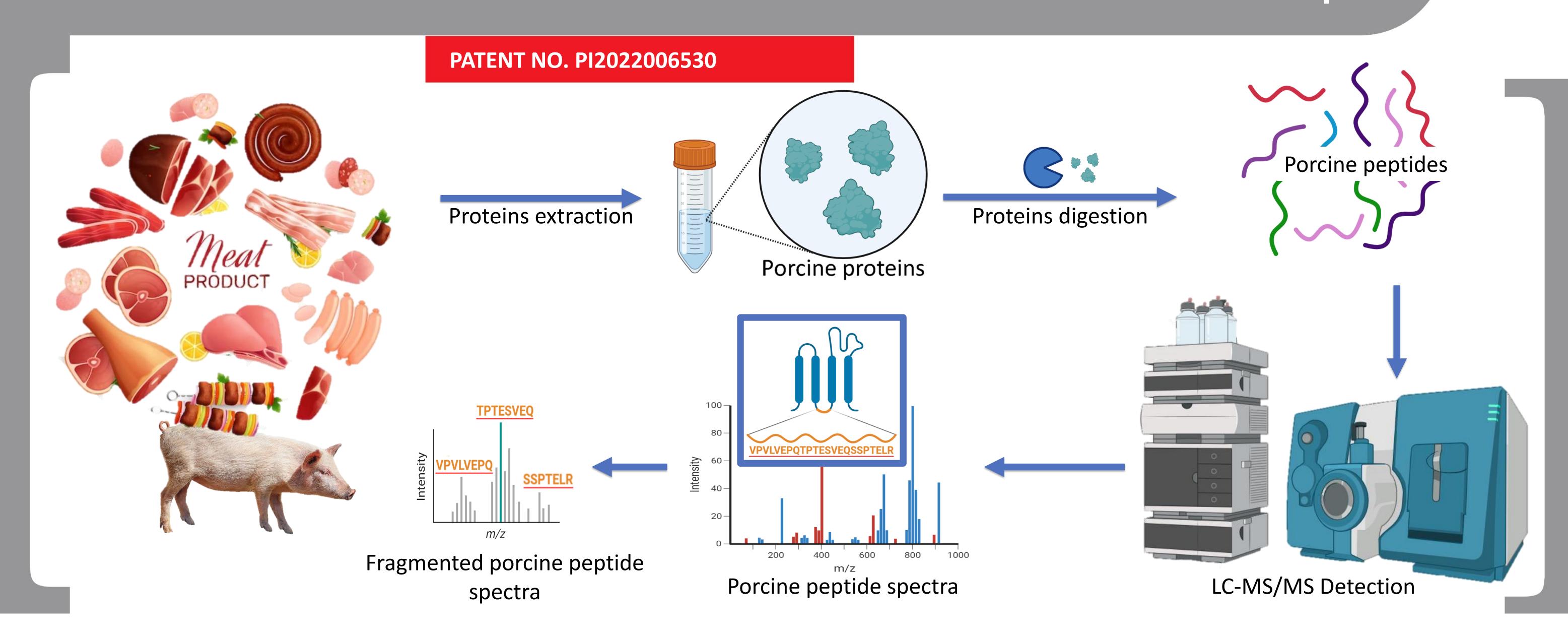


LC-MS/MS Method For Non-Halal Authentication of Raw or Processed Meat Sample



BRIEF TECHNOLOGY

The invention relates to porcine peptides, in particular to a method for non-halal authentication of raw and processed meat sample through liquid chromatography tandem spectrometry (LC-MS/MS).

CURRENT ISSUES

- There is no alternative and complementary approach for halal meat authentication, which currently relies solely on the detection of porcine DNA through the qPCR method.
- The qPCR method can give incorrect results due to DNA degradation or contamination, especially for the highlyprocessed industrial meat samples.
- The qPCR method involves complex laboratory procedures, sterile reagents/tools, and a clean environment.

INVENTIVENESS & NOVELTY

- These porcine peptides have been confirmed as porcinespecific using the UniProt database (a trusted resource for protein data), to ensure the effectiveness of the LC-MS/MS method in non-halal meat authentication.
- The LC-MS/MS method identifies porcine peptides by their mass-over-charge (m/z) ratio and then focuses on their fragmented peptides *m/z* to ensure specificity in non-halal meat authentication.
- The LC-MS/MS method employs a consensus approach by detecting these porcine peptides as well as their fragmented peptides for non-halal meat authentication.

USEFULNESS & APPLICATION

- As an alternative method and biomolecule, it enhances the confidence level in the qPCR result for non-halal meat authentication.
- The LC-MS/MS method remains reliable and robust because the porcine peptides remain intact even though the meat samples undergo harsh industrial processes.
- The LC-MS/MS method involves simple laboratory procedures and does not require sterile reagents/tools.

IMPACT OF THE PRODUCT

- The integrity of halal analysis is enhanced when combined with the qPCR method for non-halal meat authentication. The target biomolecule is porcine peptides rather than porcine DNA.
- The porcine peptides have the potential to be used in the development of a rapid test kit for non-halal authentication.

MARKET POTENTIAL

- Halal industry in Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Brunei, and Thailand market.
- Private company/GLC/enforcement agencies in providing laboratory testing, inspection, certification, and verification solutions.
- Cultured/lab-grown meat company.

TECHNOLOGY READINESS LEVEL (TRL)

TRL 6 -Demonstration in real environment



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