PARAMETER	UNIT	VALUE	REFERENCES		
GENERAL					
Common name	-	starch			
ACS name	-	starch			
Acronym	-	ST			
CAS number	-	9005-25-8			
EC number	-	232-679-6			
RETECS number	-	GM5090000			
HISTORY					
Person to discover	-	Beccari, J			
Date	-	1745			
Details	-	Prof. Beccari separated wheat flour to starch and protein; starch grains were grounded on stone about 30,000 years ago in Europe. Egyptians are known to use wheat starch to stiffen cloth. Romans used it as thickening agent for sauces but also in cosmetics. Chinese used rice starch for smoothing paper.			
SYNTHESIS					
Monomer(s) structure	-	glucose			
Monomer(s) CAS number(s)	-	50-99-7			
Monomer(s) molecular weight(s)	dalton, g/ mol, amu	180.16			
Amylose contents	%	1-30; 20-30 (typical; non-modified); 50-80 (modified starch, e. g., amylomaize); 26 (corn); 22 (potato); 3 (modified potato); 25.5-30.9 (wheat)	Lotti, C L; Corradini, E; de Medeiros, E S; Mattoso, L H C, Antec, 3994-98, 2002; arocas, A; Sanz, T; Hernando, M I; Fiszman, S M, Food Hydrocolloids, 25, 1554-62, 2011.		
Number average molecular weight, M _n	dalton, g/ mol, amu	1,800,000 (amylopectin in potato)	Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009.		
Mass average molecular weight, $\rm M_{_{\rm w}}$	dalton, g/ mol, amu	10,000,000-100,000,000 (amylopectin); 10,000-1,000,000 (amylose); 200,000-3,900,000 (amylose in potato starch); 60,900,000 (amylopectin in potato); 260,000,000-700,000,000 (amylopectin in wheat); 280,000,000 (amylopectin in corn); 340,000,000 (amylopectin in rice)	Mischnick, P; Momcilovic, D, Adv. Carbohydrate Chem. Biochem., 64, 117-210, 2010; Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009; Maningat, C C; Seib, P A; Bassi, S D; Woo, K S; Lasater, G D, Starch, 3rd Ed., 441-510, Elsevier, 2009.		
Polydispersity, $\mathbf{M}_{\mathrm{w}}/\mathbf{M}_{\mathrm{n}}$	-	1.29-6.9 (amylose in potato)	Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009.		
Polymerization degree (number of monomer units)	-	840-21,800 (amylose in potato); 11,200 (amylopectin in potato); 1,000-5,000 (amylose in wheat); 10,000 (amylopectin in wheat); 4,700-15,000 (amylopectin from various sources)	Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009; Maningat, C C; Seib, P A; Bassi, S D; Woo, K S; Lasater, G D, Starch, 3rd Ed., 441-510, Elsevier, 2009.		
Molar volume at 298K	cm ³ mol ⁻¹	97.5 (wheat)	Habeych, E; Guo, X; van Soest, J; van der Goot, A J; Boom, R, Carbohydrate Polym., 77, 703-12, 2009.		
Radius of gyration	nm	104-217; 244.3 (amylopectin in potato); 78.4-88.6 (tacca starch)	Tan, H-Z; Li, Z-G; Tan, B, Food Res. Int., 42, 551-76, 2009; Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009; Nwokocha, L M; Senan, C; Williams, P A, Car- bohydrate Polym., in press, 2011.		

PARAMETER	UNIT	VALUE	REFERENCES				
STRUCTURE	STRUCTURE						
Crystallinity	%	25-45; 32-36 (wheat starch); 57.6 (amorphous content in native maize starch); 100 (amorphous content in processed maize starch)	Lotti, C L; Corradini, E; de Medeiros, E S; Mattoso, L H C, Antec, 3994-98, 2002; Du, X; Mac- Naughtan, B; Mitchell, J R, Food Chem., 127, 188-91, 2011.				
Cell type (lattice)	-	monoclinic; hexagonal	Perez, S; Baldwin, P M; Gallant, D J, Starch, 3rd Ed., 149-192, Elsevier, 2009.				
Cell dimensions	nm	a:b:c= 2.124:1.172:1.069 (B2); a:b:c= 1.85:1.85:1.04 (B)	Perez, S; Baldwin, P M; Gallant, D J, Starch, 3rd Ed., 149-192, Elsevier, 2009.				
Unit cell angles	degree	γ=123.5	Perez, S; Baldwin, P M; Gallant, D J, Starch, 3rd Ed., 149-192, Elsevier, 2009.				
Crystallite size	nm	7-10 (wheat)	Maningat, C C; Seib, P A; Bassi, S D; Woo, K S; Lasater, G D, Starch, 3rd Ed., 441-510, Elsevier, 2009.				
Spacing between crystallites	nm	3.5-3.7 (amylopectin in potato)	Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009.				
Polymorphs	-	A, B, V, I, II	Biliaderis, C G; Starch, 3rd Ed., 293-372, Elsevier, 2009.				
Chain conformation	-	double helix (both amylose and amylopectin); diameter of 1 nm	Momany, F A; Willett, Antec, 1999.				
Lamellae thickness	nm	5.3-5.8 (amylopectin in potato)	Bertoft, E; Blennow, A, Adv. Potato Chem. Technol., 83-98, 2009.				
Avrami constants, k/n	-	k=0.14-0.54 and n=0.47-0.96 (rice)	Hu, X; Xu, X; Jin, Z; Tian, Y; Bai, Y; Xie, Z, J. Food Eng., 106, 262-66, 2011.				
COMMERCIAL POLYMERS							
Some manufacturers	-	BIOP, Novamont					
Trade names	-	Biopar					
DUVELCAL PROPERTIES							
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	3	1.34-1.65					
Density at 20°C	g cm ⁻³						
Color	-	white					
Birefringence	-	1.0131, 0.0139					
Odor	-	odorless					
Melting temperature, DSC	°C	decomposition; 240-250 (estimated above degradation temperature)					
Gelatinization temperature	°C	58-78	Biliaderis, C G; Starch, 3rd Ed., 293-372, Elsevier, 2009.				
Glass transition temperature	°C	-55 and 27-43 (two transitions)	Lotti, C L; Corradini, E; de Medeiros, E S; Mattoso, L H C, Antec, 3994-98, 2002.				
Enthalpy of gelatinization	J g ⁻¹	0.9-4.2 (wheat)	Maningat, C C; Seib, P A; Bassi, S D; Woo, K S; Lasater, G D, Starch, 3rd Ed., 441-510, Elsevier, 2009.				
Surface tension	mN m ⁻¹	39					
MECHANICAL & RHEOLOGICAL PROPERTIES							
Tensile strength	MPa	1.6-2.1					
Tensile modulus	MPa	1,020-1,140					
Tensile stress at yield	MPa	1.4-22					
	%	27-84					
Elongation	/0	21-04					

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Tensile yield strain	%	3-104	
Elastic modulus	MPa	9-38.7	
Intrinsic viscosity, 25°C	dl g ⁻¹	118-384 (amylose); 116-171 (amylopectin)	
Water absorption, equilibrium in water at 23°C	%	22.5	
Moisture absorption, equilibrium 23°C/50% RH	%	10.2-13.3	
CHEMICAL RESISTANCE			
Good solvent	_	liquid ammonium	
Non-solvent	_	alkalies, diethyl ether	
FLAMMABILITY			
Ignition temperature	°C	>93.3	
Autoignition temperature	°C	>400	
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WEATHER STABILITY			
Spectral sensitivity	nm	644-662 (amylose, maximum absorption); 531-575 (amylopectin, maximum absorption)	
BIODEGRADATION			
		anzymalysia; hisdogradation in compactor	Jayasekara, R; Sheridan, S;
Typical biodegradants	-	enzymolysis; biodegradation in composter	G B Y; Jenkins, M; Halley, P B; McGlashan, S; Lonergan, G T, Int. Biodeter. Biodeg., 51, 77-81, 2003.
TOXICITY			
NFPA: Health, Flammability, Reactivity rating	-	1/1/0	
Carcinogenic effect	_	not listed by ACGIH, NIOSH, NTP	
	-	-	
Mutagenic effect	-	not known	
Teratogenic effect		not known	
_	-	not known not known	
Teratogenic effect	-	not known	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity	-	not known not known	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH	- - - mg m ⁻³	not known not known 10	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA	- - mg m ⁻³ mg m ⁻³	not known not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total)	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀	- - mg m ⁻³ mg m ⁻³	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀ Skin rabbit, LD ₅₀	- - mg m ⁻³ mg m ⁻³	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀ Skin rabbit, LD ₅₀	- - mg m ⁻³ mg kg ⁻¹ mg kg ⁻¹	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀ Skin rabbit, LD ₅₀ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT Toxic products of degradation	- - mg m ⁻³ mg kg ⁻¹ mg kg ⁻¹	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000 >2,000	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀ Skin rabbit, LD ₅₀ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT Toxic products of degradation Biological oxygen demand, BOD ₅	- mg m ⁻³ mg kg ⁻¹ mg kg ⁻¹	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000 >2,000	
Teratogenic effect Reproductive toxicity TLV, ACGIH OSHA Oral rat, LD ₅₀ Skin rabbit, LD ₅₀ ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT Toxic products of degradation Biological oxygen demand, BOD ₅ Chemical oxygen demand	- mg m ⁻³ mg kg ⁻¹ mg kg ⁻¹	not known not known 10 5 (respirable), 15 (total) >5,000 >2,000	
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PARAMETER	UNIT	VALUE	REFERENCES	
Additives used in final products	-	Plasticizers: diethylene glycol dibenzoate, dipropylene glycol dibenzoate, glycerin, glycerol esters, polyethylene and polypropylene glycols, sorbitol, soybean oil, succinate polyester, sunflower oil, triacetin, tributyl acetyl citrate, vegetable oil; Antistatics: dicoconut alkyl dimethyl ammonium methyl sulfate, graft polymerized starch, polymeric systems based on polyamide/polyether block amides; Release: magnesium stearate, polymethylhydrogensiloxane, potassium stearate, starch ester		
Applications	-	biodegradable plastics		
Outstanding properties	-	sustainable, biodegradable		
BLENDS				
Suitable polymers	-	CA, chitosan, HDPE, LPDE, PCL, PEO, PLA, PR, PVOH		
ANALYSIS				
FTIR (wavenumber-assignment)	cm ⁻¹ /-	starch conformation – 1045, 1022; COH – 1080, 1047, 1022, 995, 928; COC – 860	Wei, C; Qin, F; Zhou, W; Xu, B; Chen, C; Chen, Y; Wang, Y; Gu, M; Liu, Q, Food Chem., 128, 645-52, 2011; Mutungi, C; Onyango, C; Doert, T; Paasch, S; Thiele, S; Machill, S; Jaros, D; Rohm, H, Food Hydrocolloids, 25, 477-85, 2011.	
Raman (wavenumber- assignment)	cm ⁻¹ /-	confocal Raman imaging	Wetzel, D L; Shi, Y-C; Schmidt, U, Vibrational Spect., 53, 173-77, 2010.	
NMR (chemical shifts)	ppm	high-resolution solid-state NMR records characteristic spectra of ordered helices; C NMR permits determination of double helix contents	Lin, J-H; Singh, H; Wen, C-Y; Chang, Y-H, Cereal Sci., in press, 2011.	
x-ray diffraction peaks	degree	15, 17, 18, 23 (A polymorph); 5, 17, 22, 24 (B polymorph)	Maningat, C C; Seib, P A; Bassi, S D; Woo, K S; Lasater, G D, Starch, 3rd Ed., 441-510, Elsevier, 2009.	