

**Highly efficient immobilization of laminarinases  
from marine mollusks in novel hybrid  
polysaccharide-silica nanocomposites**

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*The sol-gel technology is presently believed to be one of the most promising approaches for the immobilization of enzymes. Its main advantage lies in the fact that the entrapment of proteins proceeds without formation of covalent linkages between biomolecules and matrix. As a result, the enzymes are in their intact state after the immobilization. This is the reason why they hold functionality that is supplemented by a substantial increase in their long-term and thermal stability.*

*The aim of this study was to extend our method for the immobilization of a highly labile enzymes, laminarinases.*



1,3- $\beta$ -D-glucanases –  
laminarinases (EC 3.2.1.6)  
**from marine mollusks**  
*Spisula sachalinensis* and  
*Chlamys albidus*  
belonging to O-glycoside  
hydrolyses (EC 3.2.1)

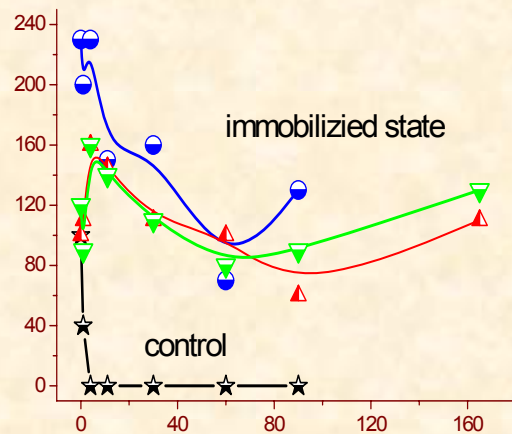
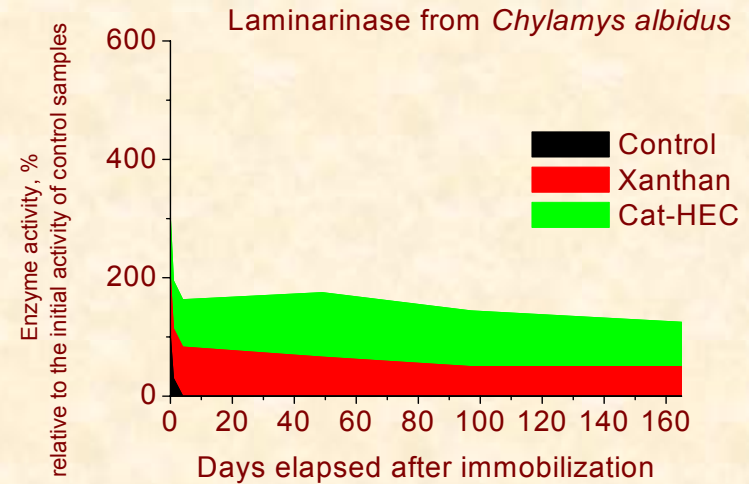
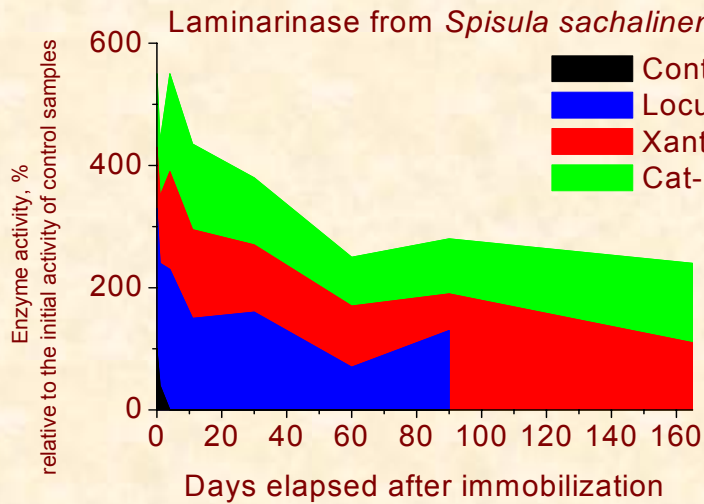
Tetrakis(2-hydroxyethyl) orthosilicate (THEOS) was taken as a precursor. Silica nanocomposites were synthesized in aqueous solutions containing xanthan, locust bean gum or cationic derivative of hydroxyethylcellulose (KAT-HEC)

# The successful immobilization

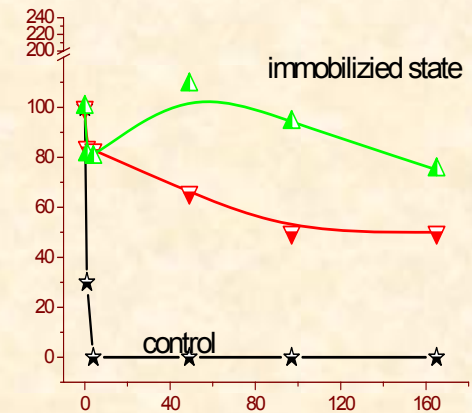
is due to advantages of the new precursor and synthesized biocatalysts

- ❖ *The entrapment conditions are dictated by the enzyme, but not the sol-gel processes;*
- ❖ *It can be performed at pH and temperature suitable for the enzyme functioning.*
- ❖ *The organic solvents are not used to solubilize the precursor;*
- ❖ *Catalysts for the promotion of the sol-gel process are not added because of the catalytic action of the polysaccharides inside the matrix;*
- ❖ *A biocatalyst can be prepared at reduced concentrations of THEOS that reduces the heat release in the course of the precursor hydrolysis;*
- ❖ *The porous structure of hybrid nanocomposite provides the accessibility of immobilized enzyme by the enzymatic substrate and proper functioning, whereas the protein molecules are not easily washed out of the matrix;*
- ❖ *The immobilized enzymes demonstrated activity at low concentration comparable to their content in the living cells.*

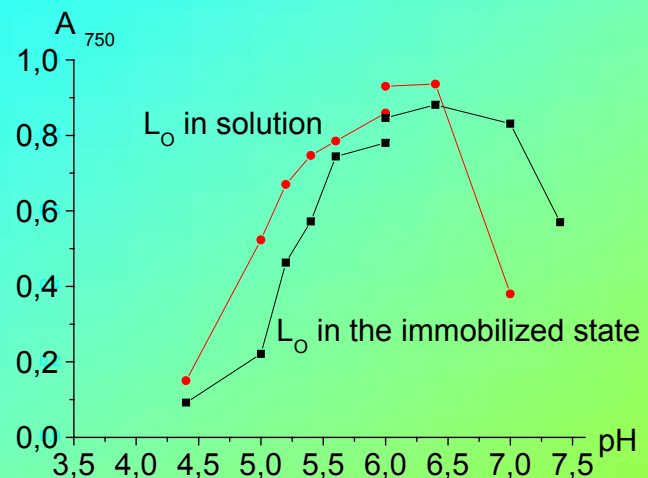
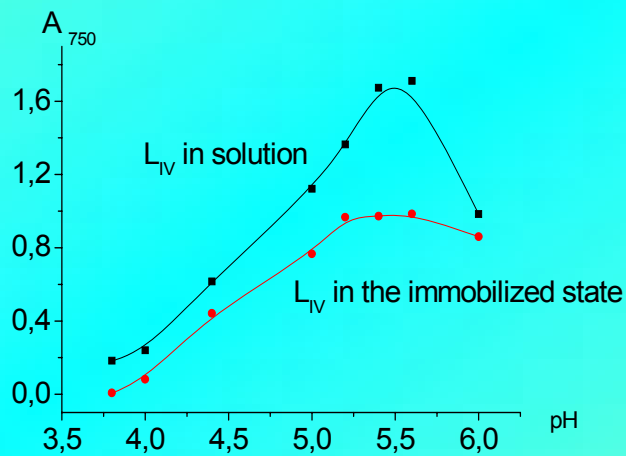
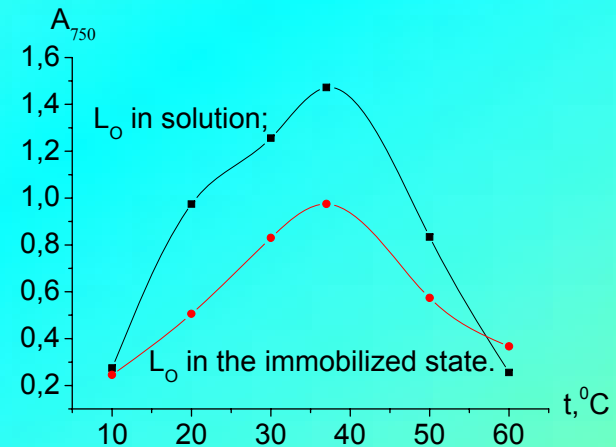
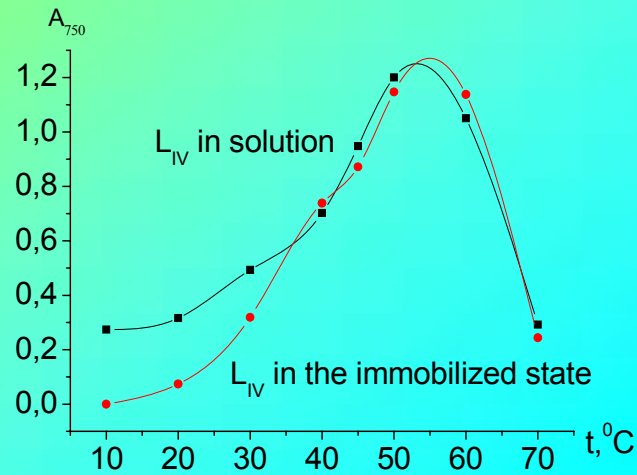
The control experiment is the activity of laminarinases in the aqueous solution and immobilized state in matrices with various polysaccharides (0.3 wt. %) is experiment. The biocatalysts were prepared in the initial solution with 10-20 wt. % of THEOS



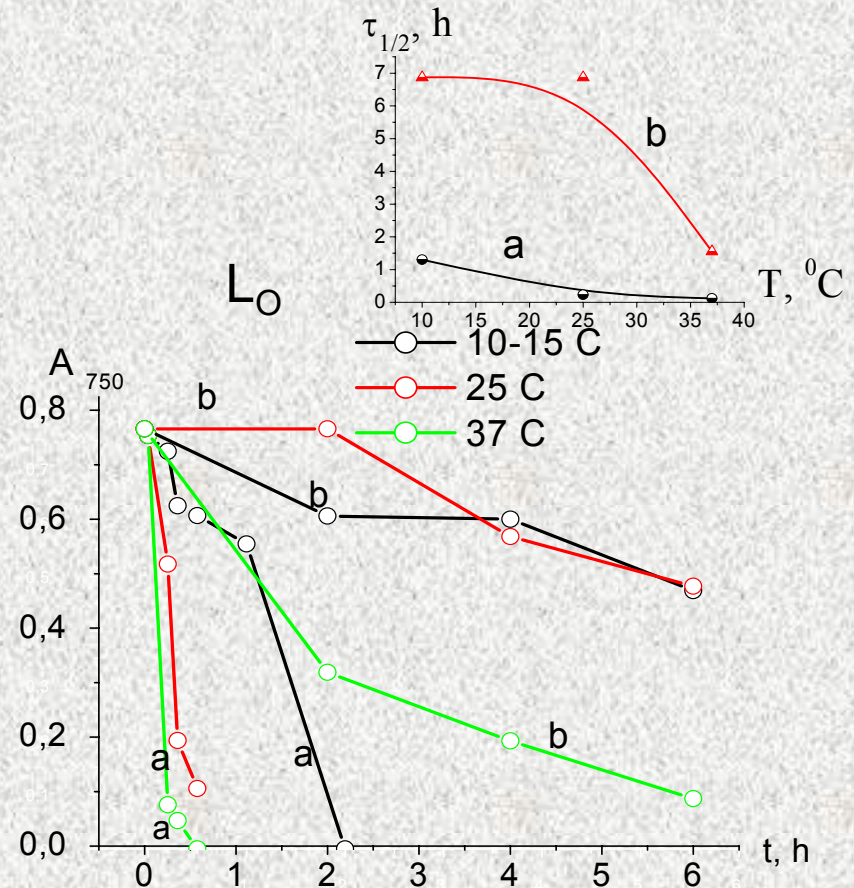
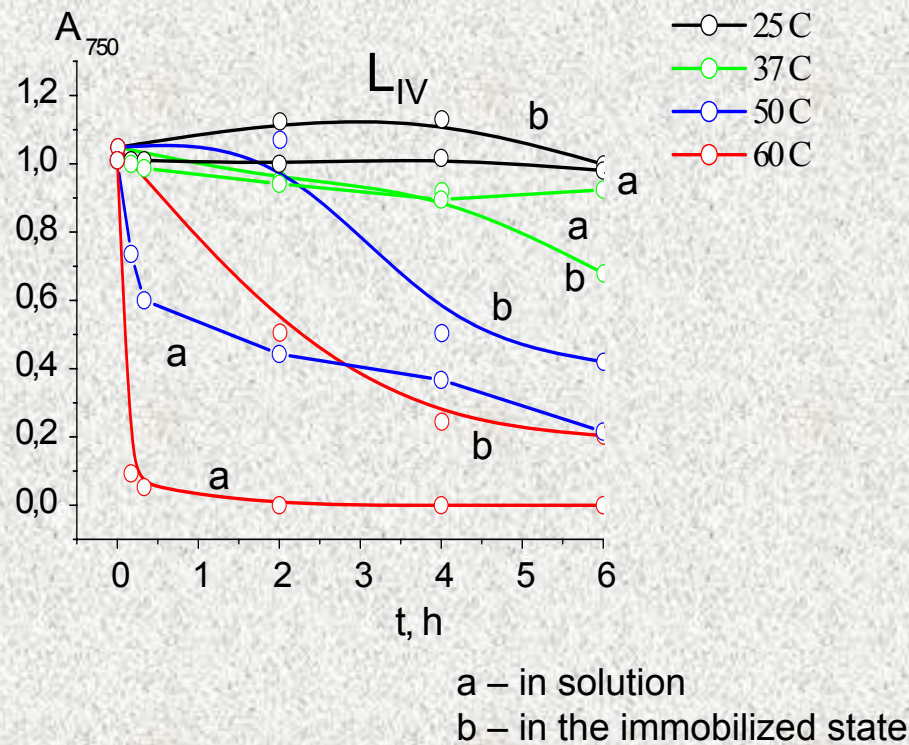
The comparison of both laminarinases functioning in the immobilized state makes it obvious that they exhibit various sensitivity to the composition of hybrid nanocomposites



A further study of glucanases was performed to characterize some details of their functioning in the immobilized state. When comparing them with similar parameters determined for the free enzymes in solution, one does not find notable differences. It is only necessary to add that there was extending of temperature and optimal region pH.



The immobilization gave prominent rise to the temperature stability of glucanase  $L_0$  in comparison with that in the solution. The former demonstrates a time dependence of the concentration of sugars released in the course of an enzymatic hydrolysis at 37°C. The latter represents the half-life times of enzyme at various temperatures. It was determined on the example of enzymatic reaction performed at 37°C.



## Characteristics of laminarinases in solution and immobilized state

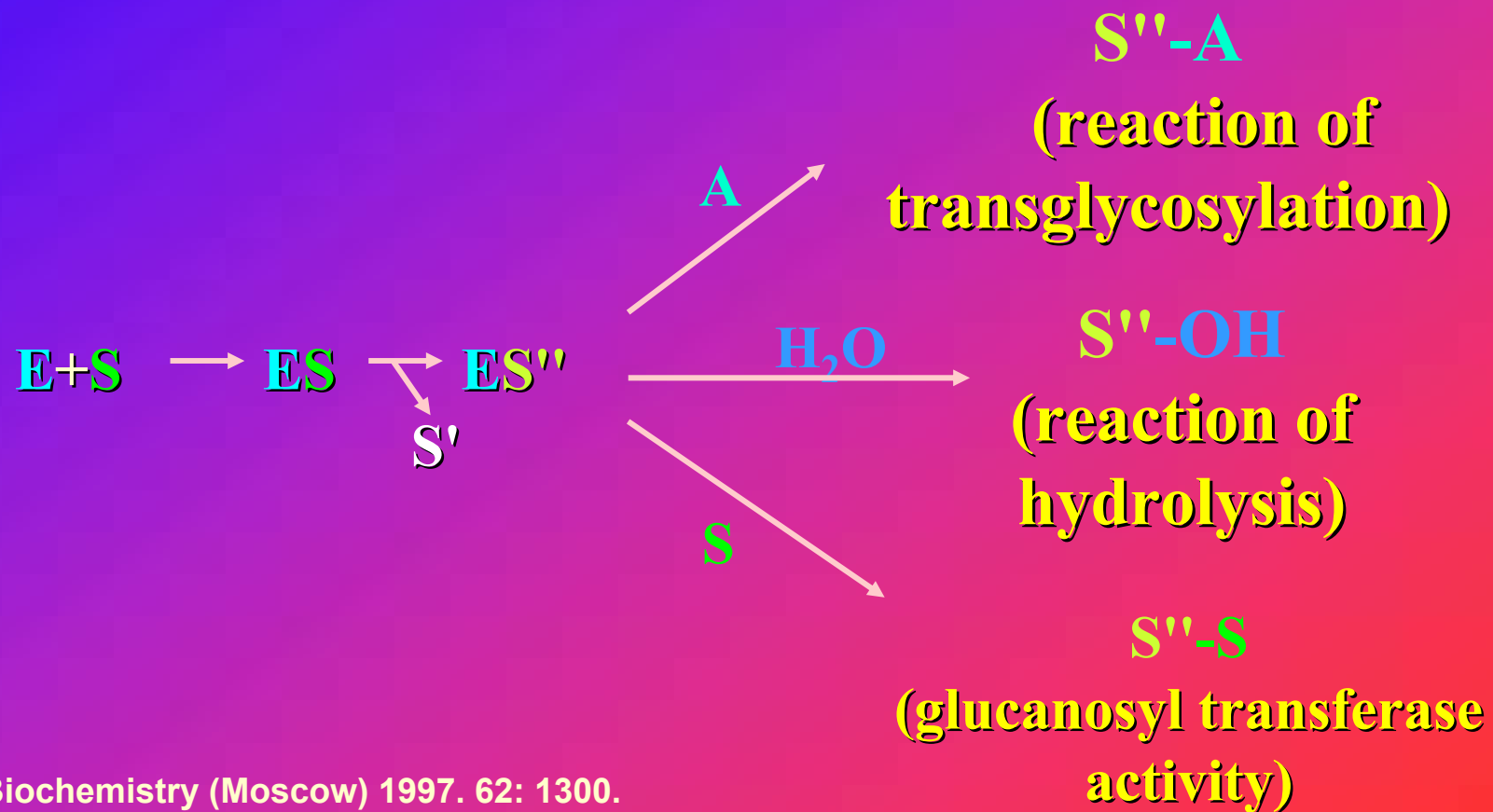
Enzyme, source	Type of hydrolysing bond	Mw (kDa)	Location	K <sub>m</sub> (mg/ml)	Optimum conditions		
					pH	T °C	NaCl, M
L <sub>O</sub> , <i>Chlamys albidus</i>	Glc -1→3	20 <sup>a</sup> /38 <sup>b</sup>	Solution	0.7	6.0	36	0.1-0.25
			Immobilized state	4.0	6.0	37	
L <sub>IV</sub> , <i>Spisula sachalinensis</i>	Glc -1→3	22-39	Solution	0.25	5.6	50	0.01-0.3
			Immobilized state	3.0	5.6	55	

<sup>a</sup> determined by the gel filtration -

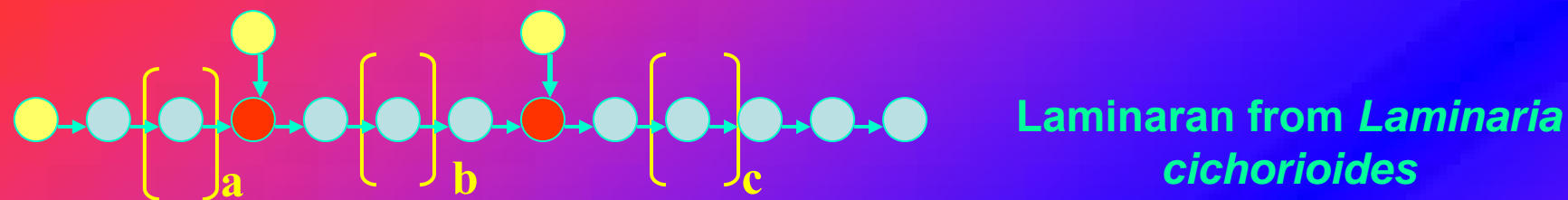
<sup>b</sup> determined by the electrophoresis (SDS-PAGE)



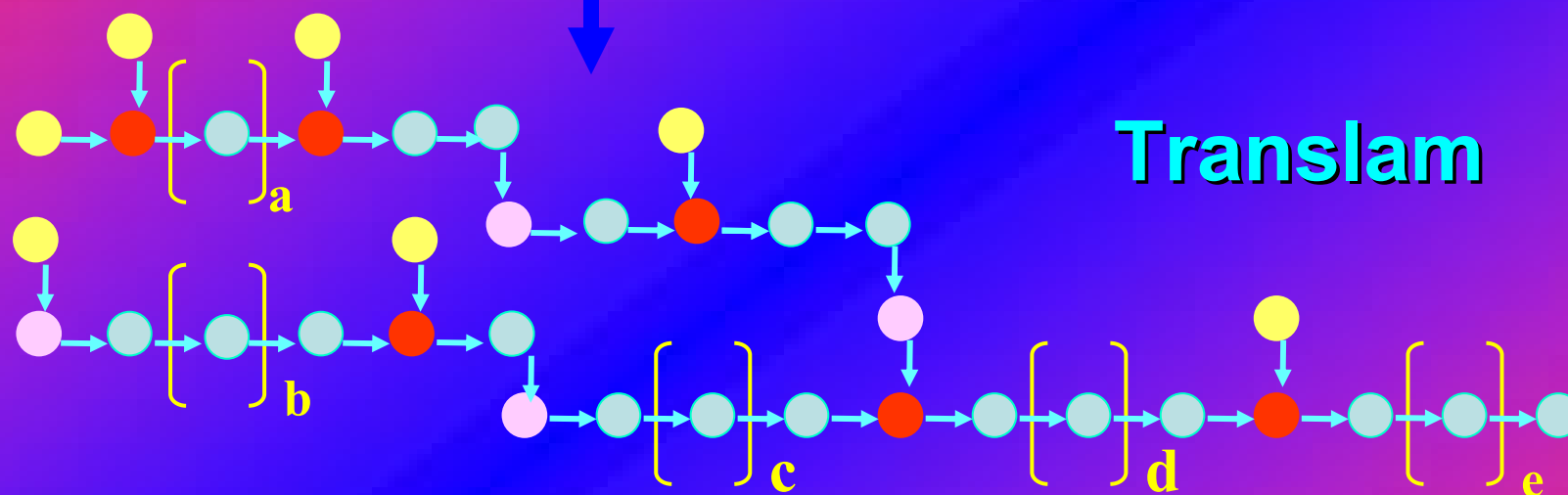
**Endo-1,3-β-D-glucanases of marine organisms, found at first as hydrolases, catalyze three reactions running simultaneously and practically with almost equal efficiency.**



# The hypothetical mechanism of the reception of translam



1,3-β-D-glucanase from *Chlamys albidus*



- - 3,6-O-di-substituted Glc residue
- - 3-O-substituted Glc residue
- - 6-O-substituted Glc residue
- - nonsubstituted Glc residue

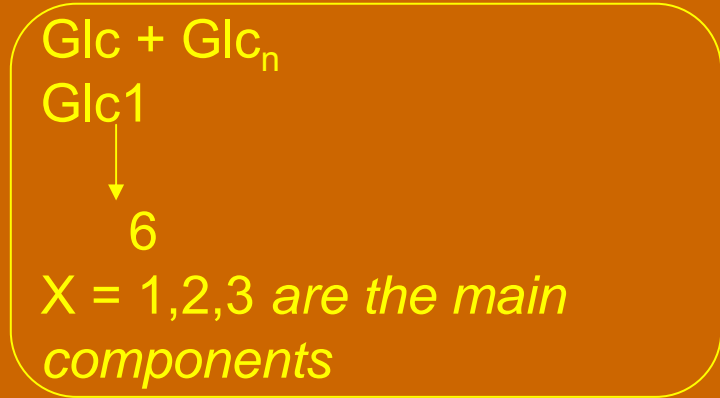
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# Products of Enzymatic Transformation of laminaran from *Laminaria cichorioides* and Their Properties

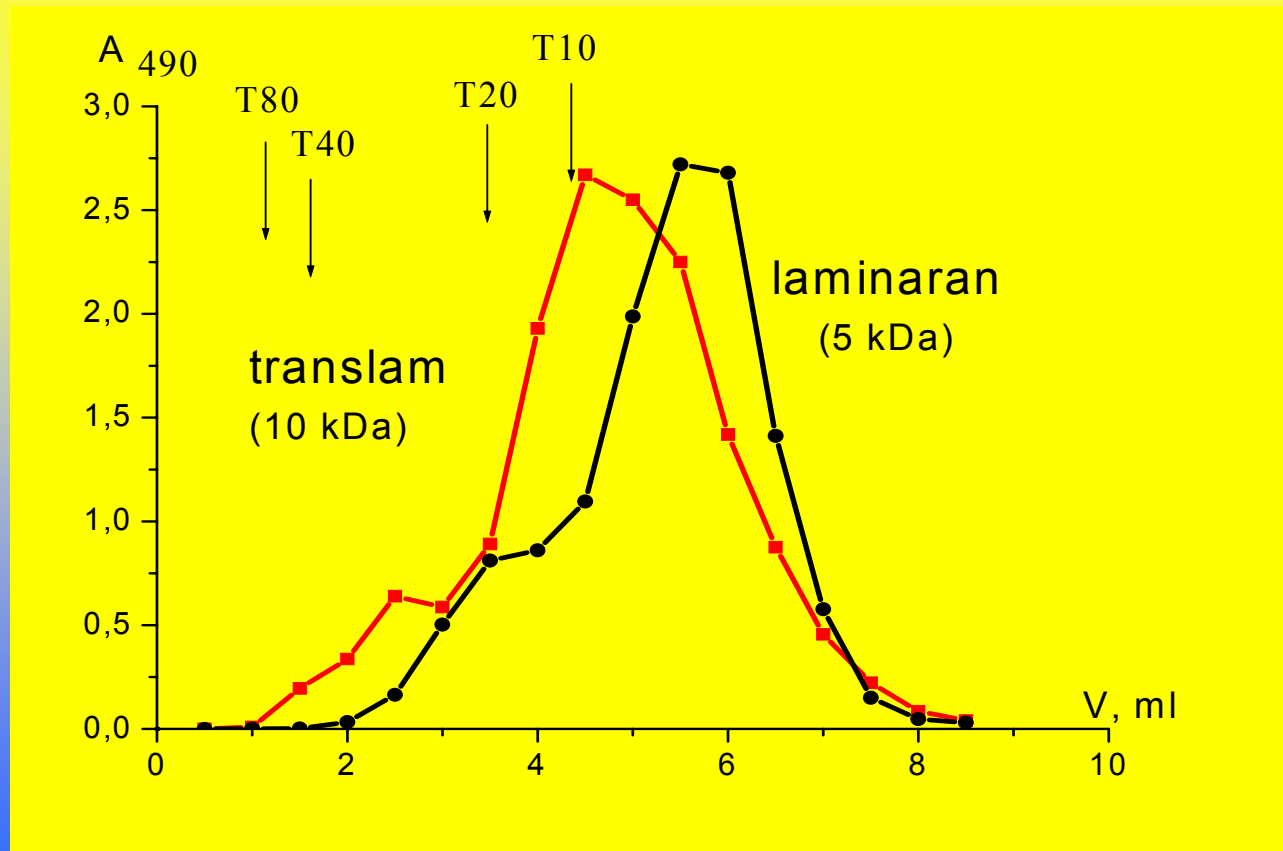
Laminaran  $\xrightarrow{E (Lo)}$  TRANSLAM  
*immunostimulator, radioprotector, crioprotector and antitumor agent*

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*Phytoimmunostimulator: potato, tobacco, tomato, soybean*

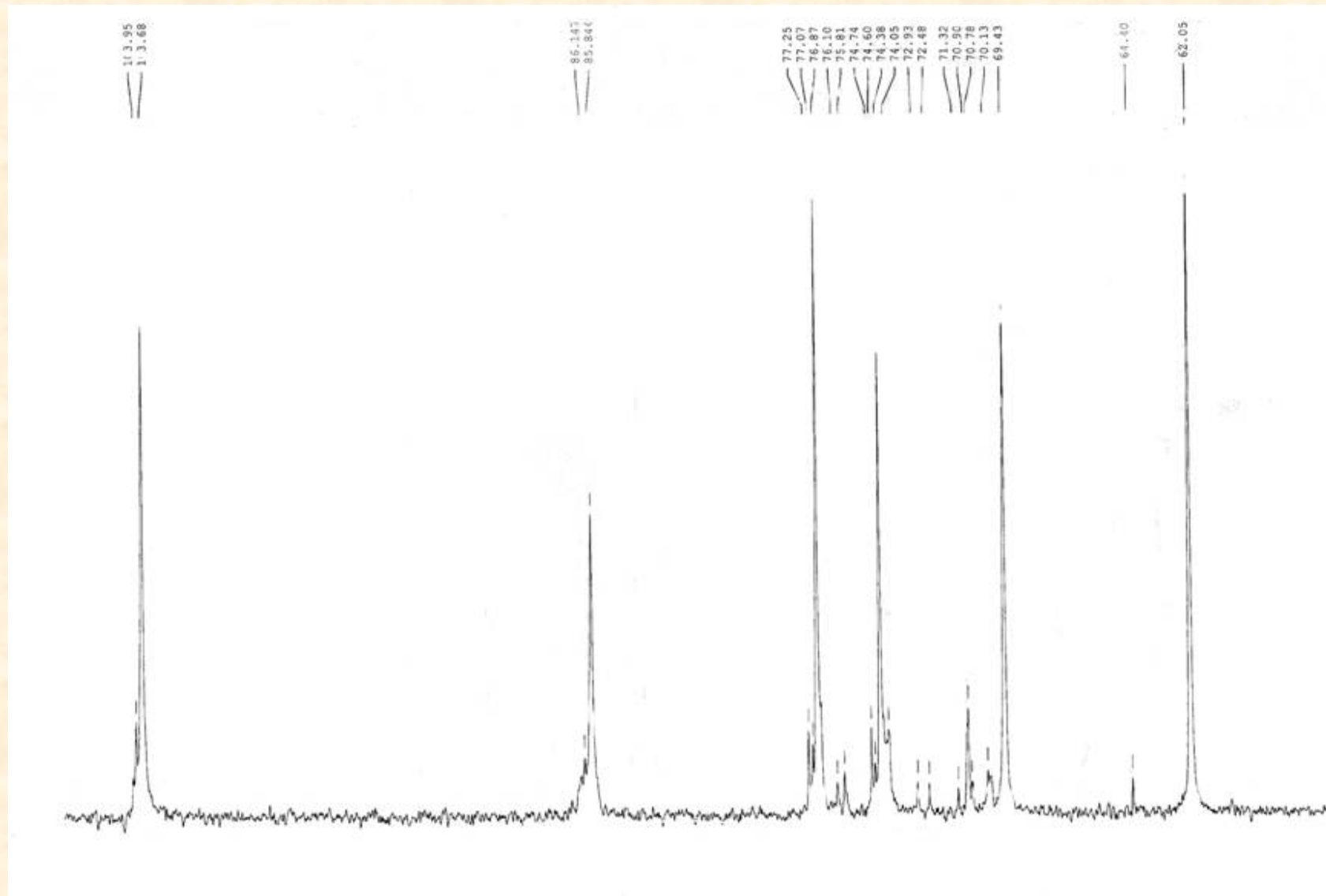
Glucan	1→3:1→6	Yield, %	M.m., kDa
Laminaran	90:10		3-5
Translam	75:25	25	8-10
Antivir	80:20	20	6-8



Gel permeation chromatography on Superdex 75 HR 10/30 of laminaran from *L. cichorioides* and translam obtained by action laminarinase L<sub>0</sub> in the immobilized state.

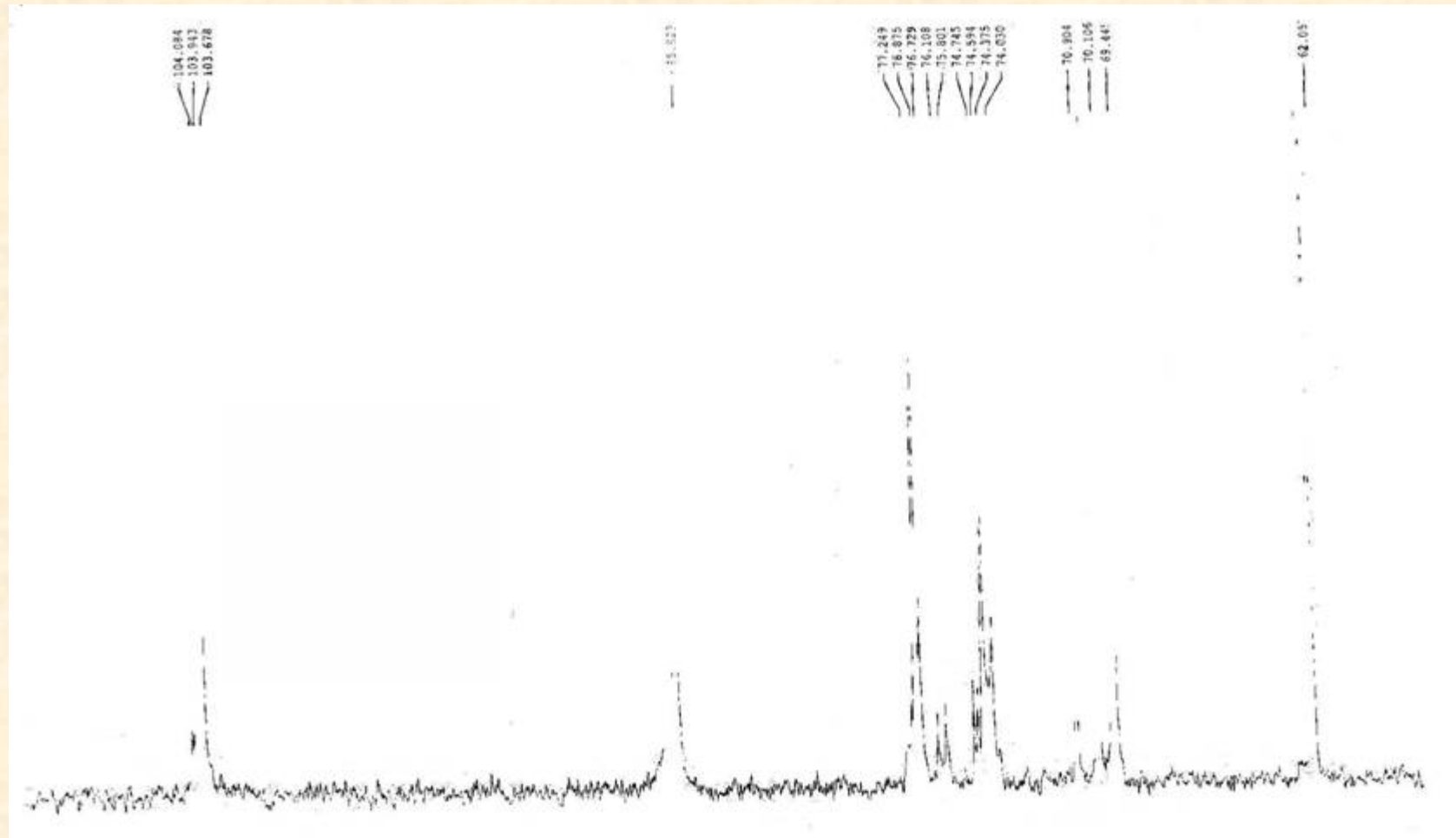


## $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR-spectra of initial laminaran



A 1,3;1,6- $\beta$ -D-glucan (laminaran) contains  $\beta$ -1,6-bound glucose residues (10%) and mannitol

## $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR-spectra of translam



**A new 1,3;1,6- $\beta$ -D-glucan (translam) contains  $\beta$ -1,6-bound glucose residues (20-25%), but no mannitol**

# Conclusions

The results presented in the article demonstrated that the 1,3- $\beta$ -D-glucanases were successfully immobilized in the novel hybrid polysaccharide-silica nanocomposites.

## 1,3- $\beta$ -D-Glucanases

- ✓ had the maximal activity at conditions (pH, temperature and ionic strength) that were optimal for them in solutions before the entrapment;
- ✓ provided the synthesis biologically active, branched 1,3;1,6- $\beta$ -D-glucan (translam);
- ✓ retained or even had sometimes an increased activity, became more thermally stable and demonstrated prolonged long-term stability.

These facts give evidence that the suggested immobilizing method is ideally suited for the entrapment of enzymes and development of biocatalyst for biotechnological applications.

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