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	400-4000 cm ⁻¹ spectral region

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS/SYMBOLS

CA Citric acid

DMP Dimethyl phthalate

EIS Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy

EO Ethylene oxide

FTIR Fourier transforms infrared

KBr Kalium bromide

LiBF₄ Lithium tetrafluoroborate

LiCF₃SO₃ Lithium trifluoremethane sulfonate

LiClO₄ Lithium perchlorate

LiN(CF₃SO₂)₂ Lithium bis(trifluoromethanesulfonimide)

LiOAc Lithium acetate

LiPF₆ Lithium hexafluorophosphate

LiTFSI Lithium trifluoromethanesulfoimide

MW Molecular weight

PEO Poly(ethylene oxide)

PMMA Poly(methyl methacrylate)

PPO Polypropylene oxide

PVC Polyvinyl chloride

PVP Polyvinyl pyridine

TCNQ Tetracyanoquinodimethane

A Area of the cross-section of the film

 C_o Geometrical capacitance

 E_a Activation energy

eV Electron volt

 K_B Boltzmann constant

 M_I Imaginary electrical modulus

 M_R Real electrical modulus

 R_b Bulk impedance

 R^2 Regression value

S cm⁻¹ Siemens per centimeter

T Absolute temperature

T_g	Glass-transition temperature
t	Thickness of the film
wt.%	Weight percent
Z_I	Imaginary impedance
Z_R	Real impedance
σ	Conductivity
σ_o	Pre-exponential factor
δ_s	Symmetric deformation
\mathcal{E}_{o}	The permittivity of the space area
ε_I	Dielectric loss
\mathcal{E}_R	Dielectric constant
ω	Angular frequency
v_{as}	Asymmetric vibration

 v_{as}

ABSTRACT

Solid polymer electrolytes composed of chitosan and PEO as the host polymer and LiCF₃SO₃ as the doping salt were prepared by the solution cast technique. These complexes with different amounts of salts were investigated as possible ionic conducting polymers by using the electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS). At room temperature, the highest ionic conductivity of the complexes was observed at 5.74×10^{-6} S cm⁻¹ for the film containing chitosan (0.35 g)-PEO (0.35 g) and 30 wt.% of LiCF₃SO₃. Conductivity for all samples was also studied as a function of temperature in range 303-393 K. Dielectric data were analyzed using complex permittivity, ε^* and complex electrical modulus, M^* for the sample with the highest ionic conductivity at room temperature. The temperature dependent conductivity data obeys the Arrhenius plot. The film exhibiting the highest ionic conductivity has the lowest activation energy 0.19 eV. Further, the interaction of the polymer chains with the different salt concentration is substantiated by Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy. From the infrared spectra of chitosan-PEO blends and chitosan-PEO with different salt concentration show that the complexation are miscible.

ABSTRAK

Elektrolit polimer pepejal menggunakan kitosan dan PEO sebagai hos polimer dan LiCF₃SO₃ sebagai pengedopan garam telah disediakan daripada teknik 'solution casting'. Kompleks-kompleks ini disediakan dengan amaun garam yang berbeza-beza telah dianalisis sebagai polimer pengaliran ion dengan menggunakan spektroskopi impedan elektrokimia (EIS). Pada suhu bilik, konduktiviti yang paling tinggi telah dikenalpasti pada 5.74 × 10⁻⁶ S cm⁻¹ bagi filem yang mengandungi kitosan (0.35 g)-PEO (0.35 g) dan 30 wt.% LiCF₃SO₃. Konduktiviti bagi semua sampel juga turut dikaji sebagai satu fungsi suhu dalam julat 303-393 K. Data dielectric dianalisis dengan menggunakan kompleks ketelusan, ε^* dan modulus elektrik, \boldsymbol{M}^* untuk sampel yang mempunyai konduktiviti yang paling tinggi pada suhu bilik. Suhu yang bergantung dengan konduktiviti adalah mematuhi plot Arrhenius. Filem yang mempunyai ionik konduktiviti yang paling tinggi memberikan nilai tenaga pengaktifan yang paling rendah iaitu 0.19 eV. Seterusnya, interaksi antara rantairantai polimer dengan kepekatan garam yang berbeza-beza dianalisis oleh spektroskopi Fourier transform inframerah (FTIR). Daripada spektrum inframerah, adunan kitosan-PEO dan kitosan-PEO dengan kepekatan garam yang berbeza-beza menunjukkan bahawa kompleks ini adalah boleh bercampur.