Supporting Information

Significantly enhanced antioxidant activity of chitosan through chemical modification with thiourea salts

Types of antioxidant activity	Sample	Antioxidant effect
DPPH radicals' scavenging ability	The oligo-maltose fraction from Polygonum Cillinerve [2]	26.67% (5mg\ml)
	A new polysaccharide from Bletilla striata fibrous roots [1]	64.67% (5mg\ml)
	Different phenolic acids grafted onto chitosan[3]	80% (2mg\ml)
	Carboxymethyl chitosan derivatives containing thiourea salts	More than 80%, even up to 100% (1.6mg\ml)
Hydroxyl radicals' scavenging activity	The oligo-maltose fraction from Polygonum Cillinerve [2]	91.83% (4.5mg\ml)
	Different phenolic acids grafted onto chitosan [3]	70% (2mg\ml)
	Carboxymethyl chitosan derivatives containing thiourea salts	More than 55%, even up to 100% (1.6mg\ml)
Superoxide radicals' scavenging ability	A new polysaccharide from Bletilla striata fibrous roots [1]	72.27% (5mg\ml)
	Different phenolic acids grafted onto chitosan [3]	80% (2mg\ml)
	Carboxymethyl chitosan derivatives containing thiourea salts	More than 90%, even up to 100% (1.6mg\ml)

Table S1. Antioxidant activity comparison

References	[1]. Z. Chen, Y. Zhao, X.Wei, Structural characterization and antioxidant
	activity of a new polysaccharide from Bletilla striata fibrous roots,
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