

## Supplementary Materials

# Development of starch-based antifungal coatings by incorporation of natamycin/methyl- $\beta$ -cyclodextrin inclusion complex for postharvest treatments on cherry tomato against *Botrytis cinerea*

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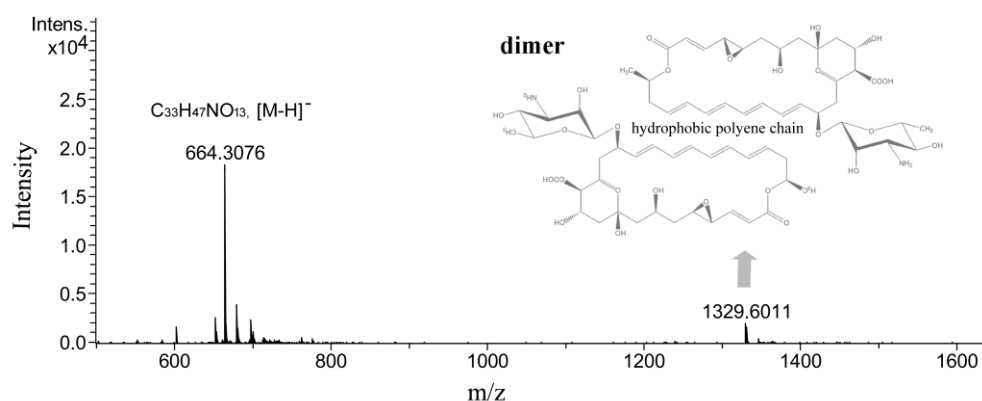


Figure S1. Mass spectrum of natamycin and its dimer.

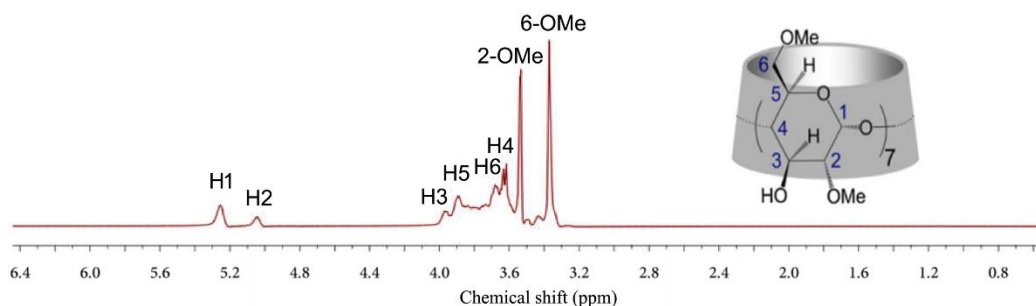
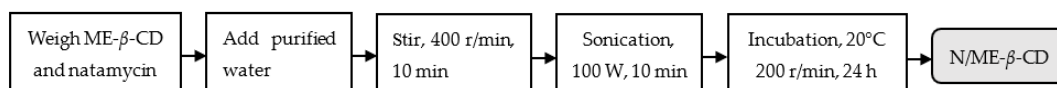


Figure S2. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR assignment of ME- $\beta$ -CD and its molecular structure in D<sub>2</sub>O.



**Figure S3.** Schematic diagram of the formation of N/ME- $\beta$ -CD complex.

#### **Method S1:** Molecular docking

The structures of  $\beta$ -CD and natamycin were got from the crystallographic parameters provided by the Structural Data Base System of the RCSB Protein Data Bank. The structure of ME- $\beta$ -CD was modified using GaussView by adding 14 methyl groups in position 2 and 6 of the  $\beta$ -CD. Then the ME- $\beta$ -CD molecule was optimized using PM3. Molecular docking study was carried out with the automated docking program (AutoDock 4.0.1) with Lamarckian genetic algorithm (LGA) [1,2]. AutoDock defines the conformational space implementing grids over all the possible search space. A grid of 100 Å by the side and 0.375 Å spacing between each point. The center of the ME- $\beta$ -CD was set as the center of the box. The initial torsions and positions of natamycin were generated randomly. The ligand and receptor files were processed using the AutoDock Tools [1,2].

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