

# Pemanfaatan *Chlorella Vulgaris* untuk fiksasi karbon dioksida dan produksi bahan baku biodiesel dalam media berbasis pupuk organik cair = Utilizing *chlorella vulgaris* to fixate carbon dioxide and produce raw material of biodiesel in liquid organic fertilizer based medium

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Penggunaan bahan bakar oleh industri secara masif meningkatkan emisi karbon dioksida secara signifikan. Hal ini menyebabkan dua permasalahan besar, yakni pemanasan global dan krisis energi. Untuk mengatasi kedua masalah tersebut, mikroalga klorofita, seperti *Chlorella vulgaris*, dikenal memiliki kemampuan fiksasi karbon dioksida yang baik. Karbon dioksida yang terikat kemudian disintesis menjadi lipid. Lipid yang dihasilkan merupakan bahan baku biodiesel. Pada studi kali ini, mikroalga *Chlorella vulgaris* dikultivasi dalam fotobioreaktor 18 liter dan medium kompos pada pencahayaan 3000 lux selama 90 jam sebagai prototipe skala besar dengan variasi densitas sel awal dan konsentrasi karbon dioksida. Kultivasi pada densitas sel awal 0,137 g.dm<sup>-3</sup> mampu memfiksasi karbon dioksida hingga 30,38 g.dm<sup>-3</sup>.hari<sup>-1</sup> (93,56%) pada pengaliran karbon dioksida 23,80 g.jam<sup>-1</sup> dengan produktivitas biomassa 0,44 g.dm<sup>-3</sup>.hari<sup>-1</sup> dan yield lipid 0,0795 glipid.gsel<sup>-1</sup>, serta menunjukkan potensi fiksasi karbon dioksida (31,51%) dan produksi lipid (0,0739g.g<sup>-1</sup>) yang baik pada pengaliran karbon dioksida 48,17 g.jam<sup>-1</sup>. Kultivasi pada densitas sel awal lebih tinggi (0,325 g.dm<sup>-3</sup>) menunjukkan resistansi lebih baik pada pengaliran karbon dioksida 48,17 g.jam<sup>-1</sup> dengan fiksasi karbon 37,95 g.dm<sup>-3</sup>.hari<sup>-1</sup> (58%) , produksi biomassa 0,82 g.dm<sup>-3</sup>.hari<sup>-1</sup> dan yield lipid 0,0834 g.g<sup>-1</sup>serta potensi yang baik pada pengaliran karbon dioksida 65,96 g.jam<sup>-1</sup>. Dengan efisiensi fotosintesis mencapai 26,3% pada densitas awal sel rendah dan 8,31% pada densitas awal sel tinggi, model kinetika Haldane mampu memberikan pendekatan (R=0,957) pada kurva pertumbuhan, mengindikasikan besarnya pengaruh inhibisi substrat. Penelitian ini menunjukkan potensi mikroalga klorophyta serta memberikan dasar empiris model dalam mereduksi karbon dioksida berkonsentrasi tinggi dan sekaligus memproduksi lipid sebagai bahan dasar biodiesel pada skala besar. Studi lebih lanjut diperlukan untuk adaptasi skala komersial.

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