



## Comparison of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) Extraction with Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction and Microwave-Assisted Extraction Methods Using Response Surface Methodology

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**Abstract.** Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) is one of the herbaceous plants that grow, and flowers throughout the year. Pegagan has been used for hundreds of years, especially in the dermatology, and cosmetology industries. Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) has distinctive bioactive components, namely triterpene ester glycoside compounds in the form of asiaticoside, and madecoside as well as triterpene group compounds in the form of asiatic acid, and madecasic acid. There are various extraction methods to produce the following compounds namely, conventional extraction methods, and modern extraction methods. The two methods have differences in the results obtained. Therefore, the difference in the extraction method will determine the result of the difference in the levels of a compound. So that this research was carried out on the effect of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) extraction using a comparison of the Microwave-Assisted Extraction (MAE), and Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction (UAE) methods on the total phenol content in the Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) extracted. Analysis of the extracted bioactive content was carried out by analyzing the total phenol content using the Folin-Ciocalteu reagent method and analyzing the data through the Analysis of Response Surface Design expert 11 to see the significance of the research variables. The results obtained from the study are in the form of a comparison of the optimal conditions for the total phenol content, namely, the comparison between the UAE, and MAE methods for *Centella asiatica* (L.) extracted with ethanol solvent which is more optimal by using the MAE method because in a short time it can produce 1130,7882 mg.

**Keywords:** *Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction, Microwave-Assisted Extraction, Centella asiatica* (L.), *Phenolic Test*.

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## 1. Introduction

Lately, there are many types of new modern medicines on the market, there is a global tendency to return to nature (back to nature). Some of the factors that encourage people to utilize natural medicines, among others, are the high prices of modern/synthetic medicines, and the many side effects contained in these drugs. Therefore, natural medicines are now increasingly popular, and in demand, and by the public, and their use is increasing not only in developing countries such as Indonesia, but also in developed countries such as Germany, and the United States. One of the plants that have medicinal properties is Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) [1].

Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) is one of the herbaceous plants that grow, and flowers throughout the year. Pegagan is often found in rice fields, between grasses, on slightly moist soil, and can also be found in the lowland, and to the highland. This plant grows in tropical Asia, and grows in various countries such as the Philippines, China, India, Sri Lanka, Madagascar, and Indonesia [2]. Pegagan is one type of plant that has been widely used by people in Asian countries. Pegagan contains various beneficial compounds that can be used as medicines, natural fungicides, and antimicrobials [3]. The Pegagan herb is used to treat abdominal pain, cough, bloody cough, wound healing, dysentery, inflammation, aches, and pains, asthma, hemorrhoids, tuberculosis, leprosy, fever, diabetes, and appetite enhancer [1]. Several researchers have tested the content of Pegagan compounds, such as: Pegagan extracted contains compounds that are antimicrobial, and anti-fungal [4], as an antioxidant [5] and anticancer [6].

The components of the compounds contained in Pegagan are triterpenoids, including pentacyclic triterpenic acids, and glycosides, which consist of: asiatic acid, asiaticoside, mandecassic acid, mandecassoside, brahmoside, brahmioside, thankuniside, isothankuniside, centalloside, madasiatic acid, centic acid. Pegagan also contains flavonoid compounds such as: quercetin, kaempferol, and astragaloside. Hydrocotylin alkaloids, as well as phytosterols, stigmasterol, and sitosterol. Several other compounds are tannins, amino acids, B vitamins, and resins [3]. There are various extraction methods to produce the following compounds namely, conventional extraction methods, and modern extraction methods.

Conventional extraction methods include maceration, and reflux. Meanwhile, modern extraction methods include Microwave-Assisted Extraction (MAE), and Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction (UAE) according to [7], extraction using the MAE method on onion skin with a power of 800 watts for 6 minutes produces a flavonoid level of 17.18% and extraction using the maceration method for 3 days at room temperature produces a flavonoid level of 14.92%.

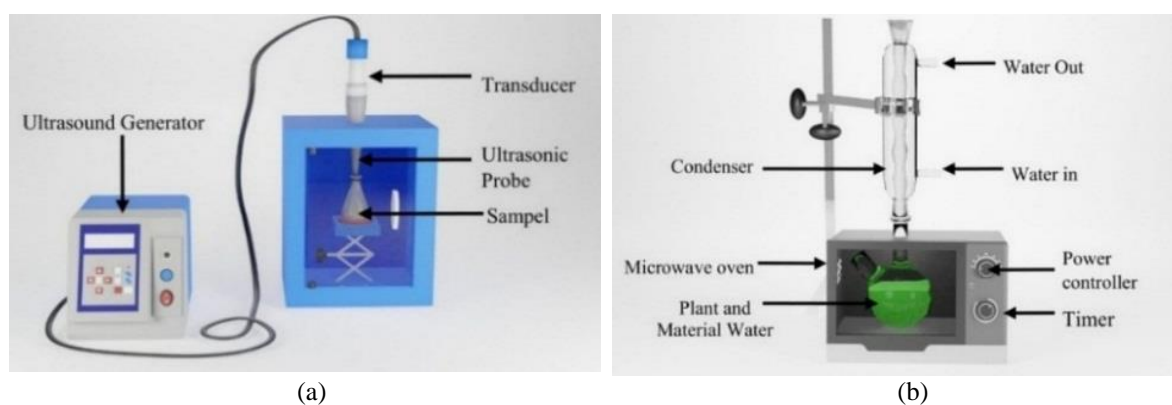
The results of another study conducted on white tea leaves showed that the optimum time, and temperature obtained for the UAE method was 40 for 19.5152 minutes with a flavonoid content of 0.39%.°C [7]. In addition, research conducted on corn cobs showed that extraction using the reflux method with a temperature of 50 for 2 hours produced a phenolic content of 0.03%.°C [8]. Therefore, the difference in the extraction method will determine the result of the difference in the levels of a compound.

Based on the problems and facts above, a study was conducted on the effect of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) extraction by using a comparison of the Microwave-Assisted Extraction (MAE) and Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction (UAE) methods on the total phenol content of the Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) extracted. With this research, it is expected to find out the most optimum method to be able to determine the optimal conditions by producing the highest total phenol content in the Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) extracted.

## 2. Materials and Methods

### 2.1. Materials

Pegagan leaves (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) were obtained from the Sumberarum area, Songgon District, Banyuwangi. The Pegagan leaves are dried in the sun for 2 days, the dried Pegagan leaves are crushed using a blender until they become powder, the Pegagan powder is sifted using a 40mesh sieve. Data processing using expert design.



**Figure 1.** Tool Schematic (a) Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction (b)

In Figure 1 (a) this *Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction* method uses a probe-type Sonicator while for Figure 1 (b) *Microwave-Assisted Extraction* uses a microwave oven type Electrolux model EMM2308X, 23 liters, max temperature 250, dimensions 292.5 x 485 x 370 mm. Uses 800 W of power °C.

The research procedure was carried out through 3 stages, including, (1) sample preparation, extraction using the method *Ultrasound-Assisted Extraction*, and *Microwave-*

*Assisted Extraction*, (3) Analysis of research results. Pegagan leaves were dried in the sun for 2 days with the determination of physical drying. Then mashed with a size of 40 mesh with a mass of 1 gram. Furthermore, the extraction was carried out with several variables including the UAE method of concentration variables of 25%, 50%, 75%, time variables 20 minutes, 40 minutes, and 60 minutes, power variables of 30 watts, 150 watts, and 270 watts. As for the MAE method, the variables are concentration variables of 25%, 50%, and 75%, time variables are 5 minutes, 10 minutes, and 15 minutes. Variable power of 150 watts, 300 watts, 450 watts. The extraction results were stored in an 8 ml vial at a temperature of 4°C.

#### 2.2. *Preparation of standart solution of gallic acid 100 ppm*

Weighed 0.01 grams of gallic acid, then added 1 ml of ethanol, and added 1 distilled water until the volume became 100 ml.

#### 2.3. *Determination of the maximum wavelength of gallic acid*

Take 1 ml of 100 ppm gallic acid mother liquor, put it in a test tube, and add 1 ml of Folin's reagent. Then the solution mixture was shaken until homogeneous, and allowed to stand, and at room temperature for 4-8 minutes. Added 4 ml of 10% Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> solution into a test tube shaken until homogeneous, and allowed to stand, and for 15 minutes at room temperature. Analyzed using UV-vis spectrophotometer with a wavelength range of 700 – 800 nm [9].

#### 2.4. *Preparation of Gallic Acid Calibration Curve with Folin-Ciocalteu Reagent*

Take 100 ppm gallic acid mother liquor, take 1 ml each, 3 ml, 5 ml, and 7 ml. Then diluted with distilled water to a final volume of 10 ml, so that a solution with a concentration of 10 ppm, 30 ppm, 50 ppm, and 70 ppm will be obtained. 0.2 ml of each solution was taken, and put into a test tube, and added 1 ml of Folin Ciocalteu reagent, shaken until homogeneous, allowed to stand for 8 minutes. Then 3 ml of 10% Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> was added, shaken until homogeneous, allowed to stand for 30 minutes at room temperature. Measure the absorption with the maximum wavelength that has been obtained previously. Then a calibration curve is made with the regression equation  $y = ax + b$  [9].

#### 2.5. *Determination of total phenol content using the Folin-Ciocalteu method*

Take 0.1 ml of extracted, add 9.9 ml of distilled water (dilution 100 times), and add 1 ml of Folin-Ciocalteu reagent then shake until homogeneous, and let stand for 8 minutes. Then add 3 ml of 10% Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> to the mixture, shake until homogeneous, and leave the solution for 1 hour at room temperature. Measure the absorption with a UV-vis spectrophotometer at its maximum wavelength. The content analysis was repeated 3 times so that the phenol content

obtained was as mg gallic acid equivalent/gram of fresh sample. Repeat 3 times so that the total phenol level is expressed as equivalent gallic acid (Acid Equivalent Gallic/AGE) [9].

### 3. Result and Discussion

#### 3.1. Gallic acid standart curve

Determination of total phenol content begins with determining the standartgallic acid curve. The aim is to determine a linear regression equation which is then used in determining the total phenol content in the sample. The standartgallic acid curve was obtained by measuring the absorbance of a series of standard solutions of gallic acid with several concentrations of gallic acid, namely 10 ppm, 30 ppm, 50 ppm, and 70 ppm. Results From the measurement of the maximum wavelength of 765 nm. Based the results of making a standart curve using a UV-vis spectrophotometer, the absorbance measurement of the standartsolution of gallic acid from several concentrations was measured based on the maximum wavelength obtained, namely 765 nm. The following are the results of the standartgallic acid curve, and the straight-line equation that will be used to determine the total concentration of phenol.

Based the curve in figure 2, the equation of a straight line is obtained, namely  $y = 0.0078x + 0.2144$ . With the value of the correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ) = 0.9949. The correlation coefficient value shows the strength of the relationship between two variables. The strength and weakness of the relationship between the two variables, measured on an interval scale of 0-1. If the correlation coefficient value is close to 1, then the two variables have a very strong relationship [10].

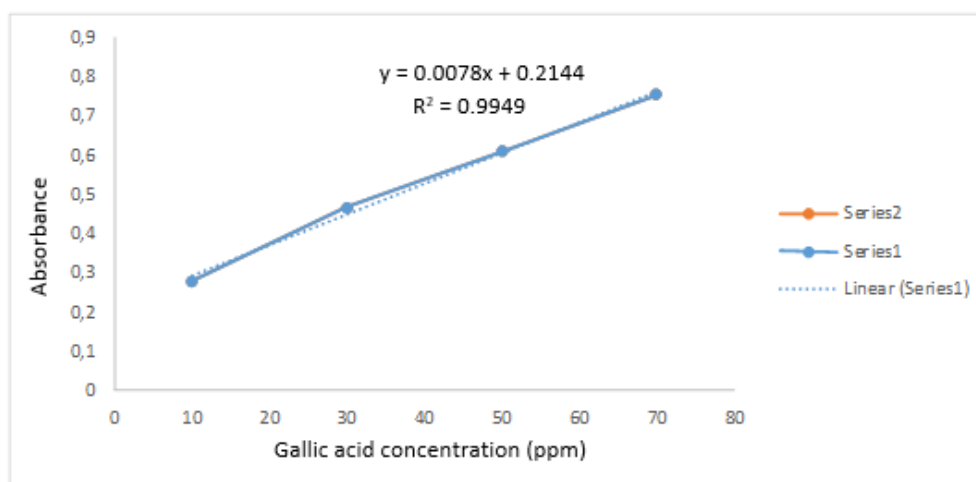


Figure 2. Gallic acid calibration curve at 765nm wavelength.

#### 3.2. Extraction results of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) Using the UAE method

The results of absorbance and total phenol resulting from the research that has been done can be seen in Table 1 below.

**Table 1.** Total Phenol Content in Pegagan Plant Extracted (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) in UAE

No	Solvent Concentration (%)	Time (Min)	Power (Watts)	Absorbance (Average)	Total Phenol (mg.AGE/g)
1	50	40	150	0.675	589.87
2	50	40	150	0.704	627.05
3	50	40	150	0.656	566.15
4	75	20	150	0.507	357.13
5	75	40	270	0.621	521.28
6	50	40	150	0.682	598.85
7	75	40	30	0.432	278.97
8	25	40	30	0.442	291.79
9	25	60	150	0.531	405.90
10	50	20	270	0.732	662.95
11	50	60	270	0.867	836.67
12	25	40	270	0.662	573.21
13	50	40	150	0.707	631.54
14	50	60	30	0.561	443.72
15	75	60	150	0.563	446.92
16	25	20	150	0.544	422.56
17	50	20	30	0.603	498.21

It can be seen from the Table above that the highest total phenol content was 836.67 mg.AGE/g of the sample in the UAE variable power of 270 watts with a concentration of 50% for 60 minutes.

#### **Analysis of response surface design with ANOVA (*Analysis of Variance*)**

From Table 2 it can be seen from the significance of the variables used, the variable is said to be significant or significant if the p-value <0.05. The F-value of the model obtained from the calculation is 62.19. In the F distribution Table, it can be seen that the value of the F Table with the df model is 9, and the df error value is 4 at a probability of 0.05, the percentage point is 6.00 which means that the F-value is greater than the F Table. The hypothesis used in the F-value, namely,  $H_0$  is the absence of a relationship between the independent, and dependent variables, while for  $H_1$  is the presence of a relationship between the independent, and dependent variables.  $H_1$  is accepted if the F-value is greater than the F-Table, while  $H_0$  is accepted if the F-value is smaller than the F-Table. So that based on the existing F-value shows that F-value > F-Table, then this indicates a rejection of  $H_0$  which means that  $H_1$  is accepted.  $H_1$  is a hypothesis which states that there is a significant or significant effect between the dependent variable, and the independent variable that has been tested, and analyzed.

**Table 2.** Results of ANOVA Analysis on Pegagan Plant Extracted UAE Method

Source	Sum of Square	df	Mean Square	F-Value	P-Value	
Model	3.217E+05	9	35742.48	62.19	<0.0001	Significant
A-Concentration	632.97	1	632.97	1.10	0.3289	
B-Time	3800.18	1	3800.18	6.61	0.0369	
C-Power	1.426E+05	1	1.426E+05	254.35	<0.0001	
AB	1955.85	1	1955.85	3.40	0.1076	
air conditioning	382.40	1	382.40	0.6653	0.4415	
BC	13019.95	1	13019.95	22.65	0.0021	
A2	1.553E+05	1	1.553E+05	270.26	<0.0001	
B2	16.93	1	16.93	0.0295	0.8686	
C2	136.33	1	136.33	0.2372	0.6411	
<b>Residual</b>	4023.21	7	574.74			
Lack of Fit	1083.21	3	361.07	0.4912	0.7072	Not Significant
Pure Error	2940.00	4	735.00			
<b>Total Cast</b>	3.257E+05	16				

In addition, the F-value is inversely proportional to the value of the p-value, in Table 2. The P-value is said to be significant or significant if the P-value <0.05. The value of the P-value can be seen as 0.0001, which means that the value is smaller than the set probability of 5% or 0.05. So that the research model of *Centella asaitica* (L.) extracted has a significant or significant effect on the total phenol content of the extracted.

The results of the analysis in Table 2, it also shows that the UAE power variable, and extraction time have a significant effect on the total phenol content with p-values of 0.0001, and 0.03695. For the interaction between variables on the response, the interaction of time on power has a real or significant effect on the total phenol content with a p-value of 0.0021. However, the concentration variable has a p-value of 0.3289, which means that the p-value is greater than 0.005 so that the concentration variable in the Pegagan extracted with the UAE method does not have a significant or significant effect the total phenol content, this is because the extraction power is too high so that can damage the compounds in the material. This is by following per under research conducted by [11], the use of sonication in the extraction process can cause vibrations that have the potential to cause heat so that it can damage the extracted content which causes the acquisition of the total phenol content to below so that it can affect the significance of the model which means it has no real or insignificant effect on the total phenol content. For the inaccuracy of the test or the Lack of Fit value, which means that the deviation or inaccuracy of the model. Lack of Fit testing is required if there are repeated observations. The hypotheses used in the Lack of Fit test are:

$$H_0 = \text{There is no Lack of Fit in the research model}$$

$H_1$  = There is a lack of fit in the research model

The Lack of Fit test is carried out to determine whether the research model is appropriate or not [12]. In Table 2, based on the ANOVA Table, it is found that Lack of fit has a P-value of 0.7072 or more than 0.05 so that  $H_0$  is acceptable or which means there is no lack of fit in the research model. So it can be interpreted that the research model used is suitable for predicting the total phenol content in the conditions of the extraction process.

From the ANOVA analysis, the R square value of 0.9876 or 98.76% is more than 75% which indicates that the model is by following per under the research results. An adjusted  $R^2$  value of 0.9718 indicates that there is a significant relationship between ethanol concentration, extraction time, and UAE power on response. The value of R square is declared according to the model if it is more than 75% [13]. So it can be said that the equation of the model can be used to predict the actual results of the study. Based on the regression equation obtained, it can be concluded that the effect of concentration, time, and power variables can affect the total phenol concentration. The regression equation is as follows:

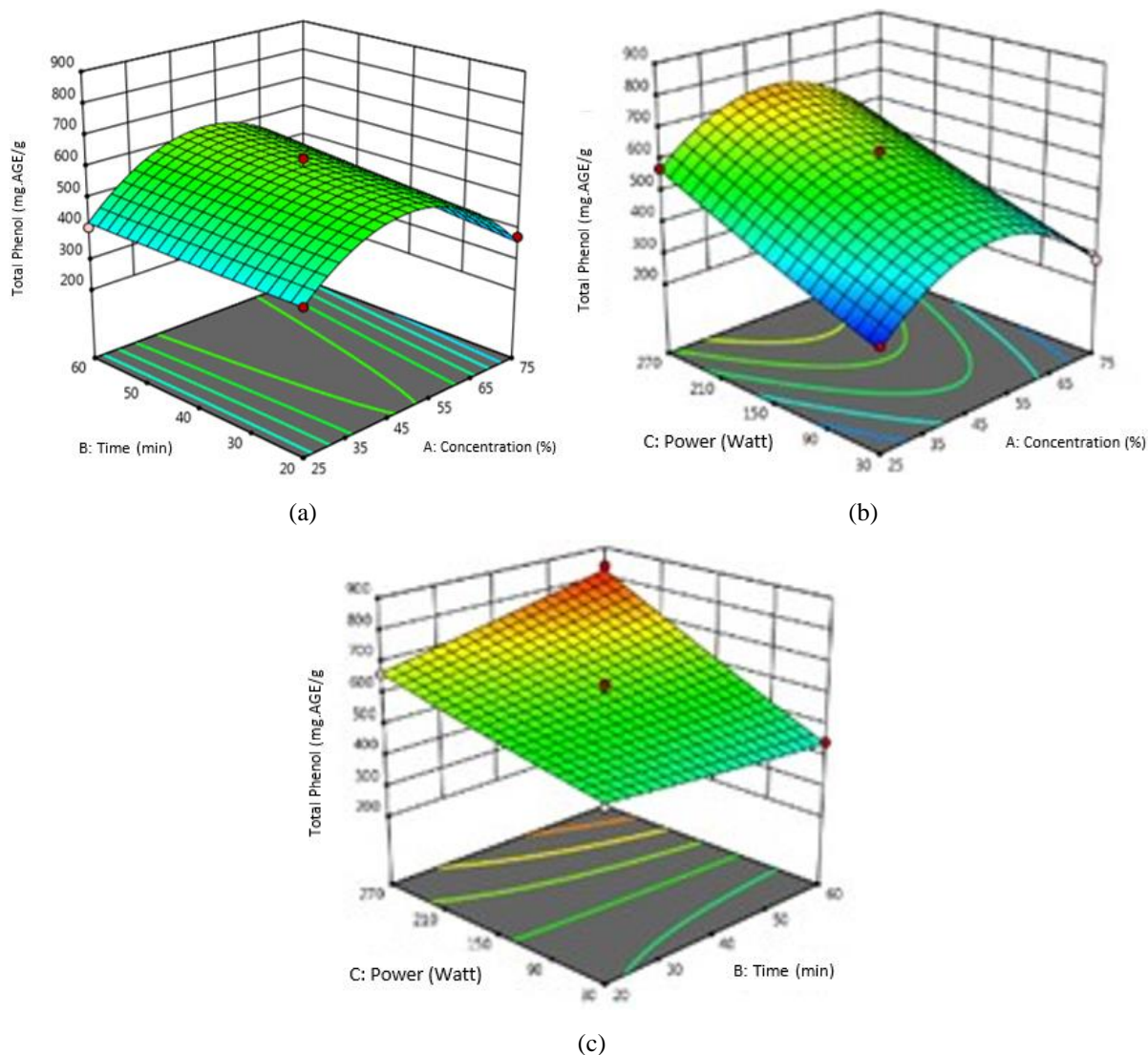
$$\text{Total Fenol} = 602.692 - 8.895A + 21.795B + 135.178C + 22.1125AB - 9.7775AC + 57.0525BC - 192.07A^2 + 2.00525B^2 + 5.69025C^2$$

The equation shows that the extraction time response will increase directly proportional to power, the interaction between concentration, and time, the interaction between time, and power, the interaction between time, and power, and the interaction between power, and power. This is indicated by a positive constant. The response of total phenol concentration will decrease with increasing concentration, the interaction between concentration and power, and the interaction between concentrations. This is indicated by a constant which is negative.

### **Optimization of total phenol content using response surface methodology with the UAE method**

The results of the extraction and testing of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) at various conditions of time, power, and concentration are presented in Table 4.1 shows that the value of total phenol content of Pegagan extracted was the highest (836.67 mg.AGE/g sample). The results of the measurement data were analyzed statistically using the help of Design Expert ver.11 software (response of the contour plot, and surface response in each variable as well as the optimum condition of total phenol content of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.))). In this study, the variables that used, among others, solvent concentration, time, and power.





**Figure 3.** (a) Effect of concentration, and time, (b) Concentration, and power, and (c) Time, and power on total phenol bioactive compounds using the UAE method

Pay attention to the graph in Figure 3. point (a) The graph shows the effect of the variable concentration of solvent, and extraction time on the levels of total phenol bioactive compounds. From the graph, it can be observed that at the time of the extraction for 20 minutes with ethanol concentration of 25%, and 150 watts of power produced a total phenol content of 422.56 mg AGE/g, the total phenol content produced increased with increasing time. The increase in extraction time can result in longer contact between the material, and the solvent. The longer the extraction time, the higher the levels of compounds extracted. This is by following per under research conducted by [14] which states that the longer the time, the more levels of bioactive compounds obtained. The longer the sonication time, the longer the contact of the mixture with the microbubble so that the more compounds contained in the sample cells are diffused with the solvent [15].

However, at a certain point when the ethanol concentration is 50%, and the power is 150 watts for 40 minutes with the optimum total phenol content of 631.54 mg.AGE/g after being at the optimum point the total phenol content produced or obtained begins to decrease. The decrease in phenol levels occurred at the highest point or optimum point due to the high temperature which was possible due to the increase in extracted time so that it was possible to experience the degradation process of bioactive compounds. Degradation is a process of termination or breaking of bonds in bioactive compounds so that the number of bioactive produced decreases. Steam distillation is one example of factors that can affect the chemical composition of bioactive compounds because heat, and water vapor can damage the molecular structure, and hydrolyze double bonds [16].

The effect of ethanol concentration showed that at the time of extraction using a solvent concentration of 25% for 20 minutes with a power of 150 watts resulted in a total phenol content of 422.56 mg.AGE/g, the higher the ethanol concentration, the higher the total phenol content obtained. This is because the solvent diffusion process into natural materials is getting better. Extraction of polyphenolic components from natural ingredients using solvents consists of two stages, namely the initiation, and diffusion stages. At the initiation stage, the natural material particles will absorb the solvent so that the particles experience bubbles. The diffusion stage is characterized by the diffusion of the solvent to a deeper part, and the polyphenol component will also be extracted. This is by following per under research conducted by [17], indicating that the higher the concentration of ethanol, the more metabolites extracted, either patterned or semipolar. The high concentration of ethanol gives a higher total phenol value.

However, at a certain point when the ethanol concentration is 50% and the power is 150 watts for 40 minutes with the optimum total phenol content of 631.54 mg.AGE/g after being at the optimum point the total phenol content produced or obtained begins to decrease. This indicates that there is a saturation point limit for the variable solvent concentration at the specified operating conditions. The decrease in phenol content occurs at the highest point or optimum point due to differences in the concentration of ethanol that can affect the solubility of phenolic compounds in the solvent. The higher the concentration of ethanol, the lower the polarity of the solvent. This is by following per under research [18], in *Centella asiatica* (L.) extracted which decreased in total phenol with treatment concentrations above 50%.

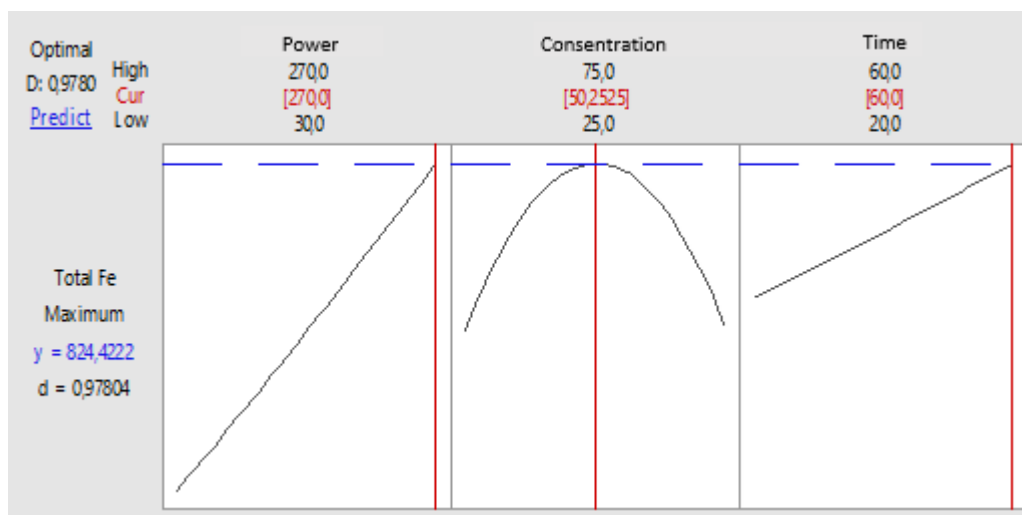
The effect of the power used by extraction using the UAE method can be seen in Figure 3 point (b) that the optimum conditions at the time of the extraction for 40 minutes with an

ethanol concentration of 50%, and a power of 150 watts resulted in a total phenol content of 627.05 mg.AGE/g. The greater the power used, the higher the phenol content obtained. So that the results of this study are by following per under the results of research from [19] which shows that the addition of power in the UAE can provide an increase in the total phenol content. The greater the power given, the greater the ultrasonic waves used in the sample. The magnitude of the vibration of the ultrasonic wave will make it easier for the solvent to diffuse on the surface of the material. The high power provided will accelerate the damage to the surface of the material so that the extracted compounds will be more easily obtained so that the total phenol content is greater. However, it should be noted that too high a power can potentially damage the content of compounds present in the extracted. An increase in power will result in a decrease in the total phenol content. This is because the operating conditions with a power of 270 watts have exceeded the optimum point. The optimum point in this study is in operating conditions with a power of 150 watts. This is by following per under research [20], The operating conditions that have passed the saturation point will not increase the extraction yield even though the solvent continues to be added.

Figure 3 point (c) show the relationship between extraction power, and extraction time to the total phenol produced. In the graph, the optimum condition for operating power is 150 watts with a concentration of 50% for 40 minutes to get a total phenol of 631.54 mg.AGE/g sample. The greater the power in the UAE, and the time it takes, the greater the total phenol obtained. This is because the longer the extraction time, the more compounds are extracted, and the power required is also greater so that when the power is large, the ultrasonic wave used for the sample is also greater because the magnitude of the vibration of the ultrasonic wave will facilitate the solvent diffusion. on the surface of the material. This is by following per under research [21], high power because the power acts as a driving force to break the structure of plant cell membranes so that the oil can diffuse out, and dissolve in the solvent. Thus, adding power will generally increase the phenol content, and speed up the extraction time.

#### **The results of the optimization of Pegagan extraction conditions with the UAE method**

Optimization of total phenol extraction the Pegagan plant (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) using the UAE method can be seen in Figure 5. shows that the optimal value for the total phenol concentration-response was obtained at 270 watts of power, 50.2525% concentration, and within 60 minutes with a value of 824.422 mg.AGE/g sample obtained when the desirability value reaches 0.97804.



**Figure 4.** Graph of optimization plot with UAE method

### 3.3. Extraction results of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) using MAE method

The measurement results of the total phenol content in the Pegagan extracted can be seen in Table 3.

**Table 3.** Total phenol content in pegagan plant extracted by MAE method

No.	Power (Watts)	Solvent Concentration (%)	Time (minutes)	Average Absorbance	Total Phenol (mg.AGE/g sample)
1	150	75	10	0.681	597.56
2	450	25	10	0.673	587.31
3	450	50	5	0.64765	553.97
4	300	75	5	0.571	456.54
5	150	50	15	0.687	605.90
6	300	50	10	0.715	641.79
7	450	50	15	0.857	823.85
8	300	75	15	0.951	943.72
9	300	25	15	0.687	605.90
10	300	50	10	0.83	789.23
11	450	75	10	1.191	1251.41
12	150	50	5	0.558	440.51
13	150	25	10	0.584	473.21
14	300	25	5	0.575	462.31
15	300	50	10	0.689	607.82
16	300	50	10	0.697	618.08
17	300	50	10	0.686	604.62

It can be seen from Table 3. that the highest total phenol content is 1251.41 mg.AGE/g of sample at 450Watt MAE power variable with 75% concentration for 10 minutes. The results of the analysis in this study can be seen in Table 5.

### Analysis of response surface design with ANOVA (Analysis of Variance)

Statistical analysis was carried out to prove whether the variables used for the *Centella asiatica* (L.) extraction process affects the resulting product, and the variable can be said to be significant if the p-value of the Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) method has a value of less than (5%) or  $< 5\%$ . Using the Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) method because can test the difference from the average of more than two independent groups. This is related to the research variables which amounted to more than two, namely concentration, power, and extraction time. Each variant will be compared to determine the presence of significance in the data.

**Table 4.** Results of ANOVA analysis on pegagan plant extracted on MAE method

Source	Sum of Square	df	Mean Square	F-Value	P-Value	
Model	5.912E+05	9	65683.91	5.83	0.0150	Significant
There is	1.511E+05	1	1.511E+05	13.40	0.0081	
B-Concentration	1.569E+05	1	1.569E+05	13.92	0.0073	
C-Time	1.421E+05	1	1.421E+05	12.60	0.0093	
AB	72832.52	1	72832.52	2.46	0.0386	
air conditioning	2729.54	1	2729.54	0.2421	0.6378	
BC	29513.52	1	29513.52	2.62	0.1497	
A2	4312.19	1	4312.19	0.3825	0.5559	
B2	7807.82	1	7807.82	0.6925	0.4328	
C2	25783.13	1	25783.13	2.29	0.1742	
<b>Residual</b>	78919.19	7	11274.17			
Lack of Fit	54636.05	3	18212.02	3.00	0.1581	Not Significant
Pure Error	2483.15	4	6070.79			
<b>Total Cast</b>	6.701E+05	16				

From Table 4 it can be seen from the significance of the variables used, the variable is said to be significant or significant if the p-value  $< 0.05$ .

The F-value of the model obtained from the calculation is 5.83. In the F distribution Table, it can be seen that the value of the F Table with a model of 9, and a df error of 4 at a probability of 0.05 then the percentage point is 6.00 which means that the F-value is greater than the F Table.

In addition, the value of the F-value is inversely proportional to the value of the p-value, in Table 4.2. If the F-value has no significant effect on the variable, then the P-value has a significant value or has a significant effect on the variable. The value of the P-value can be seen as 0.0150 which means that the value is smaller than the set probability of 5% or 0.05. So that the analysis model of the *Centella asiatica* (L.) extracted has a significant or significant effect on the total phenol content of the extracted.

From the results of the analysis in Table 4, it also shows that the MAE power, extraction time, and solvent concentration have a significant effect on the total phenol content with p-values of 0.0081, 0.0093, and 0.0073. Related to the inaccuracy of the test or the value of Lack of Fit, which means that the deviation or imprecision of the model.

In Table 4 it can be seen that the P-value on the Lack of Fit is 0.1581, and the F-value on the lack of fit is 3.00. This value is greater than the probability of 0.05 so that  $H_0$  is accepted, and declared insignificant, meaning that there is a suitability of the model or a discrepancy in the research model. The model is said to be appropriate if the p-value lack of fit is inversely proportional to the p-value of the model, so based on the data from Table 4, it can be interpreted that the model is appropriate.

From the ANOVA analysis, the R square value was 0.8822 or 88.22% which indicated that the model was by following per under the research results. An adjusted  $R^2$  value of 0.7308 indicates that there is a close relationship between ethanol concentration, extraction time, and MAE power on the response. The value of R square is declared according to the model if it is more than 75% [13]. So it can be said that the equation of the model can be used to predict the actual results of the study. Based on the regression equation obtained, it can be concluded that the effect of concentration, time, and power variables can affect the total phenol concentration. The regression equation is as follows:

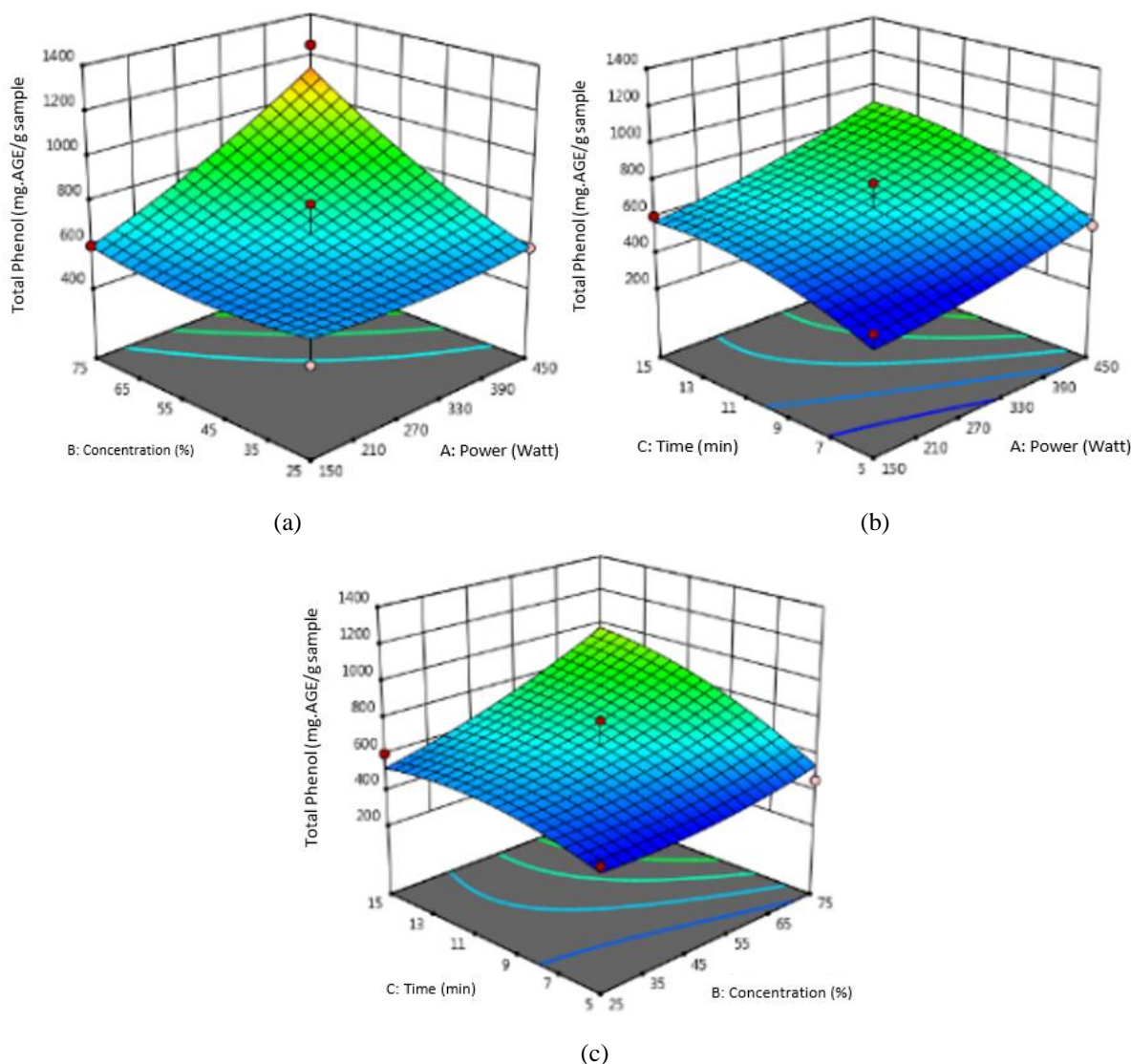
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total Fenol} = & 652.308 + 137.42A + 140.063B + 133.255C + 134.937AB + 26.1225AC \\ & + 85.8975BC + 32.0022A^2 + 43.0622B^2 - 78.2527C^2 \end{aligned}$$

The total phenol concentration response will decrease with increasing time. This is indicated by a constant which is negative.

### **Optimization of Total Phenol Content Using Responses Surface Methodology (RSM) with MAE Method.**

Pay attention to the graph in Figure 5 point (a) the graph shows the effect of variable concentration of solvent, and operating power on MAE on total phenol bioactive compounds. From the graph, it can be observed that at the time of the lowest extraction with operating conditions for 10 minutes in a microwave of 150 watts, and a solvent concentration of 25% ethanol produced a total phenol content of 473.21 mg.AGE/g sample. Along with the increase in power, and concentration, the total phenol content also increases. Thus, it will increase directly proportional to the increase in power, and concentration. This is by following per under research conducted by [22] the higher the ethanol concentration, the higher the total phenol

obtained. The increase in ethanol concentration is directly proportional to the total phenol obtained [23]. Similarly, the effect of power according to research conducted by [24] the higher the power on the MAE used, the hotter the resulting temperature, so that the energy produced in the MAE is radiation, and rotation, therefore the presence of microwave radiation, and rotating vibrations will cause the pressure on the cell wall to increase, then the cell swells and more bioactive compounds are released or obtained.



**Figure 5.** (a) Effect of concentration and power, (b) Effect of power and time, (c) concentration and time on total phenolic bioactive compounds using MAE method

On the graph in Figure 5 points (b) shows the effect of variable operating conditions of microwave power, and extraction time on total phenol bioactive compounds. From the graph it can be observed that at the time of the lowest extraction with operating conditions of 150 watts of power for 5 minutes with a solvent concentration of 50% ethanol with a low total phenol

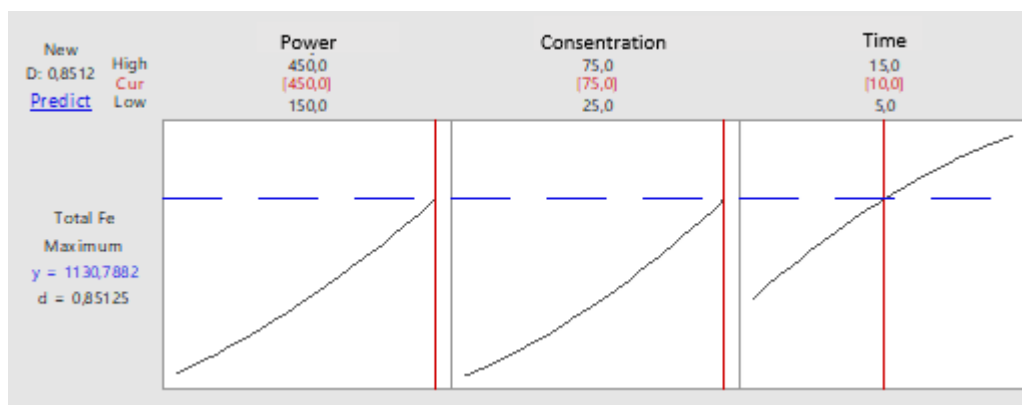
content of 440.51 mg.AGE/g sample. However, when the time, and operating conditions increase, the total phenol content obtained is greater with the optimum condition for the total phenol content of 789.23 at operating conditions of 300 watts of power, and extraction for 10 minutes with a concentration of 50%. Thus, it will increase directly proportional to the increase in power, and time. This is by following per under research conducted by [25], the increase in the extraction time used will increase the penetration of the solvent into the material so that it is easier for the solvent to pull chemicals out of the material, while the less extraction time used will make it more difficult for the solvent to penetrate the walls of the material, so that the increase in time will directly proportional. Likewise, the effect of power as shown in Figure 5 point (b) shows that the higher the power, the higher the total phenol content obtained. This is by following per under research conducted by [21], the higher the microwave power produced, the tendency to increase the total phenol obtained. This is because the greater the power, the operating temperature increases, and the rate of distillation (*evaporation*) becomes greater. The greater the power, the greater the energy received by the material to be converted into heat so that the total phenol produced is greater.

Pay attention to the graph in Figure 5 point (c) the graph shows the effect of the variable length of extraction, and the concentration of ethanol solvent on total phenol bioactive compounds. From the graph it can be observed that at the time of the lowest extraction with a solvent concentration of 25% ethanol, for 5 minutes, and 300 watts of power with a low total phenol content of 462.31 mg.AGE/g sample. at the operating conditions of 300 watts of power, and extraction for 10 minutes with a concentration of 50%. Thus, it will increase directly proportional to the increase in concentration, and time. This is by following per under the research conducted [26], which states that the total phenol will increase followed by an increase in extraction time until it reaches the optimum limit. If it exceeds the optimum limit, the total phenol will decrease because the compounds contained are degraded due to too long time which can cause the temperature to increase. Microwave heating will cause the extraction temperature to continue to increase along with the increase in extraction time which will cause the degradation of phenol compounds. Microwaves can also damage enzymatic compounds that can reduce the activity of the phenolase enzyme. Likewise, the increasing concentration of total phenol increases with increasing solvent concentration. The more the amount of ethanol solvent used, the more the target compound dissolved in the ethanol [27] .



### Result of optimizing conditions for extraction of pegagan with MAE method

Figure 6. shows that the desirability (D) value reaches its maximum value when the factor value is on the red line. The graph in Figure 9 can be seen that the optimal value for the response to the total phenol concentration was obtained at 450 watts of power, 75% concentration, and within 10 minutes by obtaining a value of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g sample obtained when the desirability value reached 0.8513.



**Figure 6.** Graph of optimization plot with MAE method

#### 3.4. Comparison of extraction results of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) using the UAE method with extraction results using the MAE method.

The results of the extraction process for the content of bioactive compounds are represented by analysis of the total phenol content. From the UAE method using ethanol solvent, the optimal value for the total phenol concentration response was obtained at the power the optimal value for the total phenol concentration response was obtained at 270 watts, 50.2525% concentration, and within 60 minutes obtained a value of 824.422 mg.AGE/g sample. obtained when the desirability value reaches 0.97804. While the results of the extraction process using the MAE method with ethanol solvent the optimal value in response to the total phenol concentration was obtained at 450 watts of power, 75% concentration, and within 10 minutes by obtaining a value of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g sample obtained when the desirability value reached 0.8513. So it can be concluded that the extraction of Pegagan (*Centella asiatica* (L.)) using the microwave method gives the most maximum results. However, extraction using the UAE method also gives significant results, and the difference is not far from the MAE extraction method, so it can be said that the MAE method is the most optimal for producing bioactive compounds through testing for total phenol in the extraction of Pegagan. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE,

and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study. extraction using the UAE method also gives significant results, and the difference is not far from the extraction of the MAE method, so it can be said that the MAE method is the most optimal for producing bioactive compounds through testing of total phenol in the Pegagan extracted. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE, and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study. extraction using the UAE method also gives significant results, and the difference is not far from the extraction of the MAE method, so it can be said that the MAE method is the most optimal for producing bioactive compounds through testing of total phenol in the Pegagan extracted. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE, and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE, and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE, and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study. With a short time can produce a fairly high total phenol content of 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g. This study is quite high for the value of total phenol content compared to similar studies by comparing the UAE, and MAE methods, because of the difference in which extraction method is in this study [28] this study used the maceration method for *Centella asiatica* (L.) extracted with a maximum wavelength of 765 nm to determine the total phenol content, with a sample weight of 150 g in powder form resulting in a total phenol content of only 3.67 mg.AGE/g sample for 30 minutes with a concentration of 3.67 mg.AGE/g sample for 30 minutes with a concentration 70% ethanol solvent. This has a big difference from the total phenol results obtained in the UAE method with a lower ethanol concentration of 52.77%, and the MAE method with a shorter time of 10 minutes, and both only use 1 gram of sample, but have the higher total phenol content was 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g for the MAE method while the UAE method had a total phenol content of 824.422 mg.AGE/g sample.

#### 4. Conclusion

In the ANOVA analysis using the UAE method, variables that gave a significant response to the total phenol content were power, time, and ethanol concentration with an R

square value of 0.9876 or 98.76%. The optimum condition of the total phenol content using the UAE method is the optimal value for the response to the total phenol concentration obtained at 270 watts of power, 50.2525% concentration, and within 60 minutes by obtaining a value of 824,422 mg.AGE/g sample. In the ANOVA analysis using the MAE method, variables that gave a significant response to the total phenol content were power, time, and ethanol concentration with an R square value of 0.8822 or 88.22%.

So that the comparison between the UAE, and MAE methods for *Centella asiatica* (L.) extracted with ethanol solvent is more optimal, namely using the MAE method because in a short time of only 10 minutes it can produce 1130.7882 mg.AGE/g of total phenol sample, and also the concentration of ethanol. which is getting purer at 75% so that the MAE method is more efficient to use.

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