



# The knowledge maps using data analytics on the raw material plants, the phytochemical ingredients, and the pharmaceutical efficacy in the tea drinks

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## 차음료의 원료식물, 식물화학성분, 약리학적 효능에 대한 빅데이터를 적용한 지식지도

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### Abstract

This study deals with constructing knowledge maps using social network analysis, which is one of the data analytics techniques. A total of 892 scientific journals related to tea beverage drinking were used as the raw data to build two knowledge maps. One map showed the association between the plant raw material and phytochemical ingredients, while the other presented the association between the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy. The two knowledge maps used hierarchy to identify the relationship between the plant raw material and its pharmaceutical efficacy and applied the concept of centrality and cohesion. Data analysis indicated that the tea (*Camellia sinensis*), citrus, dandelion plants showed a high centrality and predominance. Furthermore, the phytochemical ingredients with a high centrality were phenols, flavonoids, and vitamin C. Pertaining to the pharmaceutical efficacy, the antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and antimicrobial functions showed a high centrality. Therefore, this study confirmed the usefulness of tea ingredients through the knowledge maps linking the plant raw material, phytochemical ingredients, and pharmaceutical efficacy. Our findings provided insights into future directions for tea product development in the food industry.

**Key words** : raw material tea plant, pharmacological efficacy, social network analysis, knowledge map, data analytic

### Introduction

Along with the economic improvement and a rapidly changing society, modern people gradually have showed more attention to the functional health such as anti-aging, and the prevention of disease (Choi et al., 2003). Therefore,

it is predicted that the demand for functional products to maintain good health will increase. The tea, one of the major favorite foods, has been getting more attention due to not only the simple thirst-quenching role, but also the pharmaceutical efficacies such as the antioxidant, the anti-cancer or the immune enhancement effects activated by the

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phytochemicals. Je (2015) reported that the important physiological activities of the plant compounds are important anti-inflammatory, anti-hypertensive, and anti-oxidant physiological effects. Recently, the increased interest of the natural substances as an alternative medicine and the market expansion for the tea drinks using health functional extracts have been reported in many researches (Cho et al., 2010; Lee, 2011; Mun et al, 2007; Park et al., 2000).

In a situation where tea can be noticed, in order for tea-related researches to be used as the useful resource for the future tea drink research and development, it is necessary to classify the plants, and the phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy of the plants. Such systemic classification and organization of the data will be used for future research as the sources and the knowledge for the tea research.

Social network analysis has been used as a way to build a knowledge system for the subject and keywords of recent studies. Social network analysis can make it possible to macroscopically understand the research trends in a particular field with a variety of perspectives. In particular, if the research data is large, it is possible to analyze the relationship and attribute related to the individual perspective not well identified by the traditional approaches (Kwahk, 2017).

In the research for determining the relationship between the raw material and its efficacy as shown in this study, the research, and for identifying the plant, chemical composition and the hierarchy of its efficacy, the analysis with a measurement method capable of comparing the positional advantage and effect in the overall research trend is needed (Kim and Kim, 2016). Social network analysis has been widely utilized in various fields such as the tourism field (Chung et al., 2019), the restaurant menu (Kong and Yu, 2014), the education (Heo, 2016b), the sports psychology (Park et al., 2016) and new product recommendations (Cho and Bang, 2009). Social network analysis using the keywords related to the business administration research made it possible to confirm the main research theme of future business administration based on the appearance frequency analysis, the centrality analysis, the aggregation group analysis and the awareness analysis, and to understand the process of changing knowledge structure in business administration research (Kim et al., 2015).

Thus, we investigated the plant compounds as the easy-drinking tea and their pharmaceutical efficacies. However, the classification of the tea is so vast that it is difficult for non-professional people to figure out the results. So we analyzed more than 50 domestic scientific articles and classified them into seven major categories based on the keyword "tea drink"; 1. Advertising marketing with the brands (3 scientific articles), 2. Quality-related investigation (5 scientific articles), 3. New products and preference market trends (11 scientific articles), 4. Tea drinks and health-related functionality (19 scientific articles), 5. Analysis of the compounds (3 scientific articles), 6. Designs (7 scientific articles), and 7. Manufacturing processes (3 scientific articles). Among the categories above, tea drinks and health-related functionality were the most studied topics followed by new products and preference, market trends and then designs. Surprisingly, the study of ingredient analysis and manufacturing processes was relatively fewer (data not shown). Researches on tea drinks are mainly related to the chemical properties, the functional components and the anti-oxidants (Ahn et al., 2012; Kang et al., 2009; Ko et al., 2006), and safety and activity tests for the heavy metal toxicity by using the *in vivo* animal experiments (Choi et al., 1994; Ji and Ha, 2012). However, there still need more studies in terms of quantity compared to the researches related to the humanities and social issues.

Therefore, this study suggests a knowledge map as an appropriate methodology to provide an explanation of the relationship between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy of the tea drink in situations in which tea is likely to draw attention. This methodology is a tool for applying social networks analysis, a technique in data analytics. In this study, knowledge maps context the relationship between raw materials plants and the phytochemical ingredients and the relationship between the chemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy. Also, the hierarchical matching of two knowledge maps enables the matching of integrated information. Through this process, we intend to infer the relationship between raw materials plants and pharmaceutical efficacy and provide objective information based on data for the development or research of tea drink products. And we want to provide insightful information in identifying

research trends in plant-related fields for the food industry.

## Materials and methods

### Collection of the data

In order to collect the data on the tea drinks, three experts in the field of plants and food participated in this study for searching scientific articles. Experts found out the names of the plants from the tea drinks and then searched the scientific articles by using these plant names as the key words.

The scientific articles containing the selected key words in the abstracts and the body of the scientific articles were collected. The scientific articles were collected without the year limitation because raw material plant names and their pharmaceutical efficacy were not affected by the year of paper publication. Based on these criteria, 892 scientific articles were selected.

When the published year of the scientific articles was compared, there were 7 scientific articles before the year 1990, 30 scientific articles from the year 1991 to the year 2000, 245 scientific articles from the year 2001 to the year 2010, and 610 scientific articles from the year 2011 to the year 2019, respectively. About or the 96% of all selected scientific articles was after the year 2000.

As the most mentioned names of the tea plants, there were the *Camellia sinensis*, the citrus, the *Panax ginseng*, the pomegranate, the chamomile, the strawberry, the blueberry, the dandelion, the lemonbalm and the ginger in many order.

### Analysis procedures

The data collected in this study was compiled in the form of analyzabel data. The data is reconstructed through clustering and data transformation. Once the data is available for analysis, the social network analysis proceeds.

### Keyword extraction

The types of the raw material plants, the chemical ingredients, and the pharmaceutical efficacy sorted from the 890 scientific articles were 232, 1114 and 275, respectively. The clustering process was carried out to increase the usefulness of the data because there were the numbers of the raw plants, chemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy that were broken down into one or two.

### Clustering and re-extraction

Through clustering, the structure of the data has been reclassified to reflect specific phenomena more clearly. This course was conducted by expert evaluation. Three experts related to plants and food were reclassified and categorized according to the similarity of contents of the raw material plants, the phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy. Clustering focused on targets with one or two frequencies. The reclassified data through clustering consisted of 115 raw material plants, 540 phytochemical ingredients and 116 pharmaceutical efficacy.

### Modification of the data

After clustering names of the categories, conversion of the data was performed to build a knowledge map of the names of the raw material plants and their pharmaceutical efficacy. To match the name of the raw material plant to the pharmaceutical efficacy, the data were organized based on the phytochemical ingredients related to the raw material plants and the pharmaceutical efficacy. For this purpose, the selected scientific articles were classified into two groups; a group of the raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients, and a group of the phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy (Table 1 and Table 2).

According to the Kwahk (2017), the data distinguished from each other by the rows and columns were named as the 2-mode, and two measured objects belonged to two different social entities. The association between the social entities corresponding to the row and the column was converted into a vector value distinguished by the cell value of the matrix and the binary number of 0 and 1. If two social entities were associated or not associated with each other, the vector value was described as the 0 and the 1, respectively. As described in Kwahk (2017), the rows and columns will be described as the actor and the event for technological convenience, respectively. The 2-mode matrix in this study is an asymmetric matrix with different lengths of rows and columns.

There are two 2-mode data matrices in this study. One is a data matrix in which the action is a raw material plant and the event is a phytochemical ingredient, as shown in Table 1. The other is a data matrix in which the action is a phytochemical ingredient and the event is the pharmaceutical efficacy, as shown in Table 2. The blank in the table

**Table 1. The 2-mode matrix between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients in the tea drink**

Plants	Chemical				
	Acaricide	Acetaldehyde	Acetaminophen	Acetic acid	...
Acai berry					...
Adzuki bean					...
Angelica					...
Apple	1				...
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮

The blank is zero (data not shown).

**Table 2. The 2-mode matrix between the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy in the tea drink**

Chemical	Efficacy				
	DNA damage relief	Liver function improvement	Tonic effect	Menopause symptom relief	...
Acaricide					...
Acetaldehyde					...
Acetaminophen		1			...
Acetic acid					...
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮

The blank is zero (data not shown).

means the case where it has not been studied in the collected scientific articles.

### Construct keyword network

To build a knowledge map for the raw material plants, the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy, social network analysis was carried out in the data that were converted into the two-mode matrix. The social network analysis was performed by the UCINET1 program (Borgatti et al., 2002) that can analyze a key concept representing the characteristics of the network and that is able to utilize the various network analysis techniques (Kim and Kim, 2016). In this study, the relationship of the networks was analyzed by using the 2-mode network graph applying graph theory layout.

### The central concept

This study utilized the density, degree of centrality, closeness centrality, betweenness centrality among the central concepts of social network analysis. A mathematical

description of each concept is shown below.

### Node and link

The node called a node or a vertex (Butts, 2008). Each element of a row and column placed in a data matrix, such as the above-mentioned actor or event (Denny, 2014). In this study, all raw material plants and phytochemical compounds and pharmacological potency collected correspond to nodes. And connections or relationships between nodes are called links (Butts, 2008).

### Density

The density was examined to confirm the cohesion of the network as follows below.

$$D = \frac{L}{n_1 n_2}$$

The density refers to the number of the links that are maximally connected to the 2-mode network consisted of

the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients (de Laat et al., 2007). The density  $D$  is the value that the number of links  $L$  in the network is divided by the product of the number of nodes  $n_1$  in the raw material plants and the number of nodes  $n_2$  in the phytochemical ingredient.

### Degree of centrality

Relationship of the connections can be shown not only from the entire network perspective, but also from the perspective of individual nodes.

The Centrality focuses on each node in the network. Measures how much nodes interact with other nodes in the network. The more nodes connect to other nodes in the network, the greater the Centrality becomes (de Laat et al., 2007). Centrality is an indicator of the connection, and 10

objects with high centrality were summarized (Table 3). From a node perspective, the connection shows the first connection centrality. Kwahk (2017) suggested that the Degree of Centrality of 2-mode network is defined as the number of relationship connected to other social entities and standardized to the size of the network. The expression of the connection centrality of the actor is as follows.

$$C'_D(N_i) = \frac{C_D(N_i)}{n_2}, N_i \in A$$

$C'_D(N_i)$  of the actor is the standardized value of the connection centrality  $C_D(N_i)$  of the node  $N_i$  and the  $n_2$  is the number of nodes in the event mode set  $A$ . In addition, connection centrality of the event has the same structure as

**Table 3. The centrality between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients in the tea drink<sup>1)</sup>**

NO.	Plant	Degree centrality	Plant	Closeness centrality	Plant	Betweenness centrality
1	Tea	0.211	Red chicory	379.500	Tea	0.177
2	Hop	0.19	Tea	0.475	Citrus	0.114
3	Citrus	0.141	Citrus	0.454	Pomegranate	0.070
4	Dandelion	0.111	Dandelion	0.443	Dandelion	0.069
5	Pomegranate	0.105	Pomegranate	0.442	Ginger	0.055
6	Ginger	0.083	Ginger	0.435	Rosemary	0.054
7	Crategus	0.077	Cinnamon	0.433	Thistle	0.052
8	Rosemary	0.077	Coconut	0.433	Cinnamon	0.049
9	Cinnamon	0.075	Rosemary	0.433	Grape	0.047
10	Coconut	0.073	Crategus	0.432	Chamomile	0.042
NO.	Chemical	Degree centrality	Chemical	Closeness centrality	Chemical	Betweenness centrality
1	Phenol	0.791	Aglycone	391.667	Phenol	0.210
2	Flavonoid	0.652	Penolic acid	391.667	Flavonoid	0.150
3	Vitamin C	0.409	Phenol	0.943	Vitamin C	0.051
4	Phenolic acid	0.252	Flavonoid	0.892	Terpene	0.033
5	Carotenoid	0.243	Vitamin C	0.772	Catechin	0.021
6	Tannin	0.243	Tocopherol	0.677	Tocopherol	0.019
7	Anthocyanin	0.235	Terpene	0.676	Carotenoid	0.018
8	Terpene	0.235	Mineral	0.667	Anthocyanin	0.017
9	Mineral	0.226	Catechin	0.664	Mineral	0.017
10	Catechin	0.217	Tannin	0.662	Saponin	0.017

<sup>1)</sup>Table 4 is arranged in descending order according to the centrality in a two-mode network consisting of the raw material plants and the chemical ingredients. The three values were bolded in the order in which the centrality was highest.

the connection centrality of the actor (e.g. the raw material plant) does.

### Closeness centrality

In the graph, the Closing Centrality is a measure of the Centrality in the network, calculated as the reciprocal of the shortest path length sum between the nodes and all other nodes in the graph (Bavelas, 1950). Thus, the more nodes are in the center, the closer they are to all other nodes. The Closeness Centrality is expressed as a reciprocal of the sum of the distance between all other nodes in the network (Sabidussi, 1966). The closeness centrality of the actor is as follows.

$$C'_C(N_i) = \frac{n_2 + (2n_1 - 1)}{C_D(N_i)}, N_i \in A$$

The  $C'_C(N_i)$  of the actor(e.g. the raw material plant) is the standardized closeness centrality of the node  $N_i$ , and  $C_C(N_i)$  as the sum of the shortest distance is the closeness centrality of the  $N_i$ . The  $n_2 + (2n_1 - 1)$  is connected to all nodes with the shortest distance 1 in the 2-mode network, and to the other nodes belonging to the same node with the shortest distance 2. The closeness centrality of the event is also expressed in the same structure as that of the actor.

### Betweenness centrality

To confirm the importance of a particular node, this study compared the degree of passage through a particular node. Betweenness Centrality represent the ratio of the path containing a node in the shortest path of all node pairs (Anthonisse, 1971; Freeman, 1977). The equation on the Betweenness Centrality of the actor is as follows.

$$C'_B(A^*) = \frac{n_2^2 + (s+1)^2 + n_2(s+1)(2t-s-1) - t(2s-t+3)}{2}$$

$$s = \text{quotient of } (n_1 - 1)/n_2$$

$$t = \text{remainder of } (n_1 - 1)/n_2$$

$$C'_B(N_i) = \frac{C_B(N_i)}{C_B(A^*)}, N_i \in A$$

The standardized betweenness centrality  $C'_B(N_i)$  of the node  $N_i$  is the maximum betweenness centrality  $C_B(N_i)$  of the actor(e.g. the raw material plant) mode A divided by the value of the betweenness centrality  $C'_B(A^*)$  of the actor(e.g. the raw material plant)  $i$ .

## Results

### Analysis of the frequency

The frequency analysis were to the raw material plants, phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy of the tea drinks. Twenty names were selected from the scientific articles based on the frequency of raw material plants, phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy. As three major names of the raw material plants, tea (*C. sinensis*) with 373 cases, citrus with 248 cases and dandelion with 137 cases were 11%, 7.9% and 4.4%, respectively. In the names of phytochemical ingredients, the frequency rates of phenol with 392 cases, flavonoid with 249 cases and Catechin with 108 cases were 12.5%, 7.9% and 3.4%, respectively. In the names of pharmaceutical efficacy, the frequency rates of the anti-oxidants with 1960 cases, anti-inflammatory with 771 cases and anti-cancer with 685 cases were 28.3%, 10.3% and 9.9%, respectively.

### Raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients

The 2-mode data between the raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients were expressed in a 2-mode network graph (Fig. 1). The raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients were expressed as a circles and a square. The raw material plants and their The phytochemical ingredients was applied to the directional link. The raw material plants and their The phytochemical ingredients was applied to the directional link. In this study there are large number of objects, and the number of links was limited to make the graph visually clear.

As you can see in Fig. 1, the network graph of the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients are a single circular structure. In the analysis of social networks about general articles, nodes that deviated from the central circle are found (Heo, 2016a), but in this study, no deviated nodes were found. So, it can be seen that the most raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients were used redundantly in many studies.



In Fig. 1, the tea (*C. sinensis*), the citrus and the dandelion with high frequency would be likely located near the center according to the graph mechanism of the social network. The phytochemical ingredients showing high frequency of connections to the raw material plants were the phenol which was located near the center of the network by the mechanism of the graph and of which the connected link was most dense.

The density of the 2-mode network between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients was 0.029. The results show that the density of the link connected to the node corresponding to the raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients was not high. The density of the link by the bidirectional network graph seemed to appear dense due to a large number of categories for raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients. However, the results

suggest that it would still need the further studies on the various raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients.

Three names of the raw material plants with the high connection centrality were the *C. sinensis*, the hop and the citrus, and names of phytochemical ingredients with the high connection centrality are the phenol, the flavonoid and the vitamin C in many order (Table 3), respectively. These data indicate that the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients with the highest research frequency were the *C. sinensis* and the phenol, respectively, and have the greatest influence in tea drink research.

The raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients with the high closeness centrality were the red chicory, the tea (*C. sinensis*), the citrus, the aglycone, the phenolic acid and the phenol, respectively. The raw material

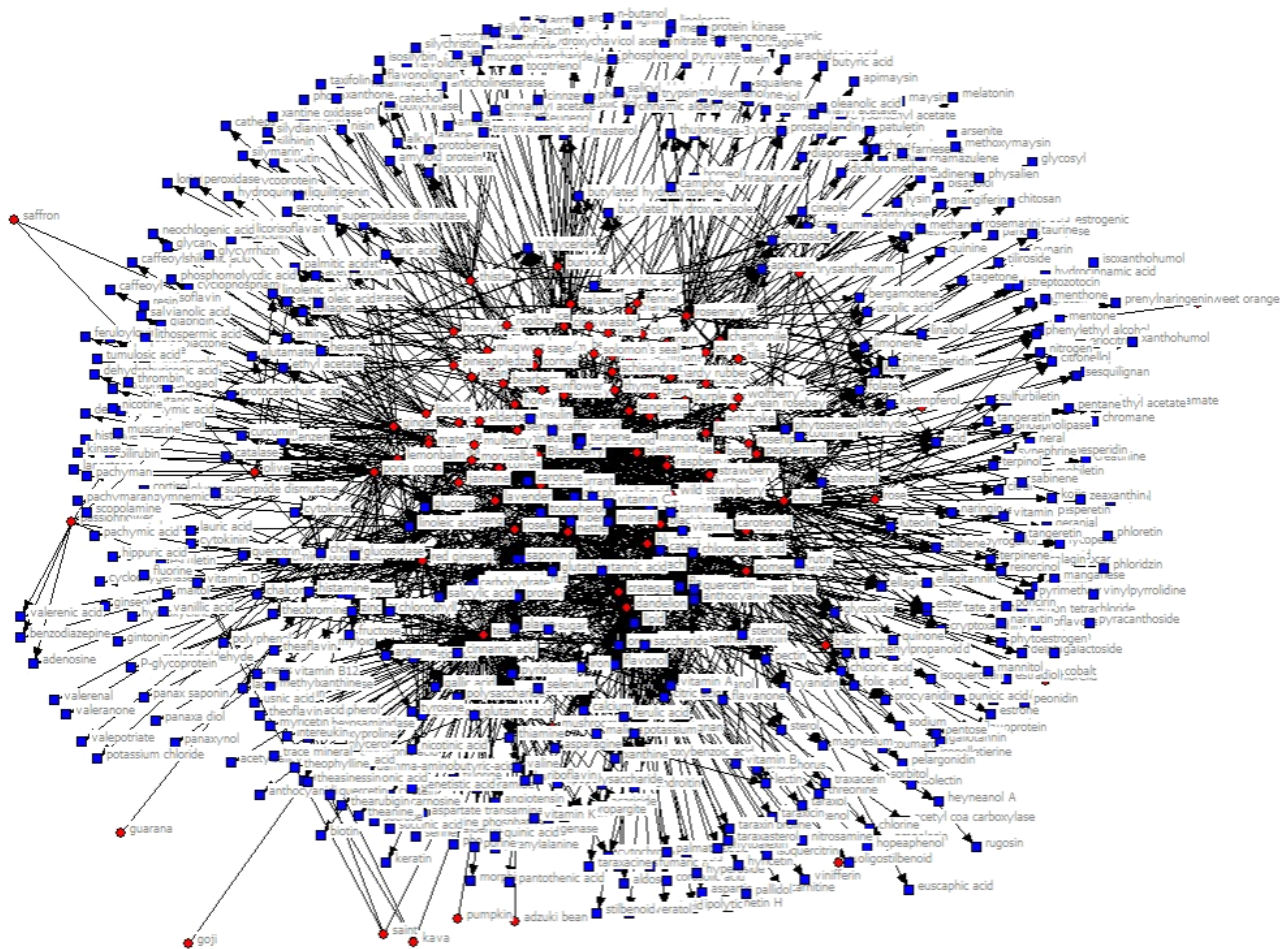


Fig. 1. The 2-mode network graph between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients in the tea drink.  
 ●, plant; ■, chemical.

plants and phytochemical ingredients with high closeness centrality play a role in the connection as a hub does.

The results show that the raw material plants with high betweenness centrality are the tea (*C. sinensis*), the citrus and the pomegranate, and that the phytochemical ingredients with high betweenness centrality are the phenol, the flavonoid and the vitamin C, respectively, suggesting that the raw material plants with high betweenness centrality have been mentioned as various phytochemical ingredients in tea drink related studies and that the phytochemical ingredients with high betweenness centrality have been relatively more studied in other raw material plants compared to other phytochemical ingredients with low betweenness centrality.

Among major three raw material plants showing high connection, closeness and betweenness centralities between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients, tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus as the raw material plants and the phenol as the phytochemical ingredient were observed in common, respectively. From the points of view of connection and closeness centralities, we identified that the tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus as the raw material plants and the phenol as a phytochemical ingredient have a positional advantage in the study of tea drinks. Also, our data suggest that tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus as the raw material plants and the phenol as a phytochemical ingredient have been actively studied as the major subjects of the researches. According to the betweenness centrality, the raw material

plants *C. sinensis* and citrus were most likely to have the same ingredients as the those of other raw material plants, and the phytochemical ingredient phenol can be considered as the most actively studied chemical ingredient of the raw material plants.

### Phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy

The 2-mode data between the phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy were obtained by using a 2-mode graph (Fig. 2). To distinguish between the two elements, such as Fig. 1, the phytochemical ingredients were set as circles and their physical effects were set as squares. For the reasons shown in Fig. 1, the graphs of phytochemical ingredients and their physical efficacy also have a limit on the number of links. Also, the number of links was set to more than one case because the graph is focused on determining the distribution of the data as the form of the distribution.

According to the analysis results, there was no isolated network in the shape of the graph when the number of links was more than one. The most important phytochemical ingredients were central, and the pharmaceutical efficacy was in the periphery. Fig. 1 was a circular model while Fig. 2 was an oval shape. The centrality of phytochemical ingredients and the neighboring pharmaceutical efficacy was not uniform, unlike those of raw material plants and phytochemical ingredients.

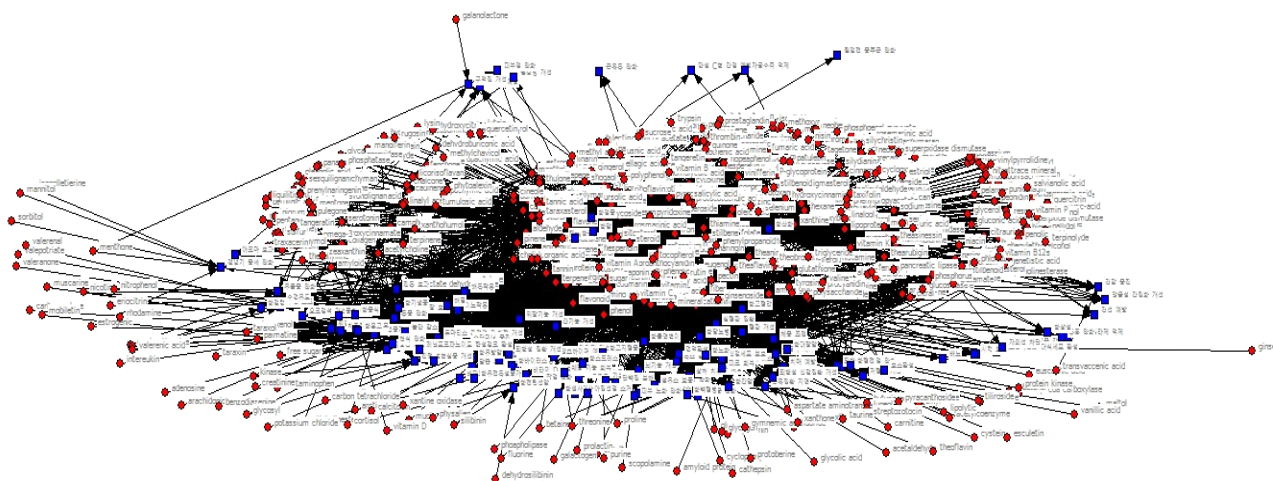


Fig. 2. The 2-mode network graph between the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy in the tea drink.

●, chemical; ■, benefit.



In the analysis results, the density of the association between the phytochemical ingredients and their physical effectiveness was higher than that between the original material plants and the phytochemical ingredients. In relationship between phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacies, connection density with the 0.45 showing the cohesion of the network was also higher than that between the raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients. This observation suggests that the matching between phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy is more active than that between raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients.

The centrality of the 2-mode network between the phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy was summarized only 10 objects with a high centrality as shown in the Table 4. The phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy with high connection centrality were the phenol, the flavonoid and the mineral in the raw material plants, and the anti-oxidant, the anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions in the pharmaceutical efficacy, respectively. The phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy with third rank closeness centrality were the phenol, the flavonoid and the mineral in the chemical ingredients and the anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions in the pharmaceutical efficacy, respectively. The phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy with third rank betweenness centrality were the phenol, the flavonoid and the catechin in the phytochemical ingredients, and the anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial effects in the pharmaceutical efficacy, respectively. Specially, the phenol and flavonoid among the phytochemical ingredients were mostly connected to the pharmaceutical efficacy, and then showed the highest degree of the connection with the various pharmaceutical efficacy.

Pharmaceutical efficacy including anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and antimicrobial functions also showed high degree of connection to the connection, closeness and betweenness centralities. In this study, the anti-oxidant was the most frequently mentioned as the pharmaceutical efficacy of the various phytochemical ingredients.

Among connection, closeness and betweenness centralities between phytochemical ingredients and their efficacies, the phenol was one of three phytochemical ingredients showing

the highest centrality. Also, anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions were most common three pharmaceutical efficacy. From the centrality point of view, the phenol is most actively associated with the pharmaceutical efficacy and is likely to share the same pharmaceutical efficacy with other phytochemical ingredients. The anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions as the leading pharmaceutical efficacies have been seen most actively. Specially, the flavonoid is a major phytochemical ingredient in the field of tea research because it is connected to the various phytochemical ingredients and pharmaceutical efficacy.

## Discussion

This study identified the characteristics of the relationship between keywords in tea drink-related research through social network analysis. Unlike general keyword analysis (Heo, 2016a), the social network analysis was conducted hierarchically on the matching between the raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients and between the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy. Hierarchical analysis was conducted in two procedures: the network between the raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients and their pharmaceutical efficacy.

The density of the 2-mode network was not high in the matching results through network analysis between the raw material plants and their chemical ingredients. This means that studies on the raw material plants and their phytochemical ingredients are biased. In particular, tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus among the raw material plants and phenol, flavonoid among the phytochemical ingredients belong to them. This biased research trend can also be seen in the connection center, proximity center, and mediated center between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients. tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus, phenol and flavonoid can see that they can have multiple connection opportunities with the raw material plants or the phytochemical ingredients (Heo, 2016a; Jung and son, 2015). Thus, tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus, phenol and flavonoid can be seen as the keywords for the most notable research in tea drink-related studies. From the point of view of the mediated center, tea (*C. sinensis*) and citrus were most likely to have the same phytochemical ingredients as

**Table 4. The centrality between the phytochemical ingredients and the pharmaceutical efficacy in the tea drink<sup>1)</sup>**

NO.	Chemical	Degree centrality	Chemical	Closeness centrality	Chemical	Betweenness centrality
1	Phenol	0.681	Phenol	0.928	Phenol	0.076
2	Flavonoid	0.448	Flavonoid	0.883	Flavonoid	0.030
3	Mineral	0.353	Mineral	0.851	Catechin	0.019
4	Vitamin C	0.328	Vitamin C	0.851	Vitamin C	0.016
5	Terpene	0.293	Terpene	0.845	Anthocyanin	0.016
6	Catechin	0.293	Amino acid	0.839	Mineral	0.015
7	Carotenoid	0.284	Anthocyanin	0.839	Terpene	0.015
8	Amino acid	0.276	Catechin	0.833	Ginsenoside	0.011
9	Anthocyanin	0.276	Carotenoid	0.823	Amino acid	0.010
10	Vitamin	0.233	Quercetin	0.819	Carotenoid	0.009
NO.	Efficacy	Degree centrality	Efficacy	Closeness centrality	Efficacy	Betweenness centrality
1	Antioxidant	0.670	Antioxidant	0.689	Antioxidant	0.383
2	Antiinflammatory	0.452	Antiinflammatory	0.570	Antiinflammatory	0.165
3	Antimicrobial	0.396	Antimicrobial	0.544	Antimicrobial	0.136
4	Anticancer	0.385	Anticancer	0.539	Anticancer	0.116
5	Cardiovascular disease	0.182	Cardiovascular disease	0.464	Hepatic-health	0.040
6	Anti-diabetes	0.167	Anti-diabetes	0.459	Weight control	0.039
7	Antihypertensive	0.165	Antihypertensive	0.459	Anti-diabetes	0.036
8	Hepatic-health	0.148	Hepatic-health	0.454	Cardiovascular disease	0.034
9	Weight control	0.141	Weight control	0.453	Antihypertensive	0.022
10	Gastric function improve	0.129	Gastric function improve	0.449	Gastric function improve	0.018

<sup>1)</sup>Table 4 is organized in descending order according to the centrality in a 2-mode network consisting of chemical ingredient and pharmaceutical efficacy. The three values were bolded in the order in which the centrality was highest.

the other raw material plants.

The density between the phytochemical ingredients and the efficacy of pharmaceuticals was higher than that of raw materials and the phytochemical ingredients. This can be said to be more active in the study of tea drinks than in matching the phytochemical ingredients according to the raw materials. Results showed that the raw material plants with high frequency were the tea (*C. sinensis*) and the citrus, and the pharmaceutical efficacy with high frequency were the anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions in this study of tea drinks, respectively.

In tea drink research, the tea (*C. sinensis*) and the citrus as the raw material plants and the phenol as a phytochemical ingredient are the major research topics with the most attentions (Zhao et al., 2019). The anti-oxidant, anti-inflammatory and anti-microbial functions have most frequently appeared as a mediator between the raw material plants and the phytochemical ingredients, and been considered as the key pharmaceutical efficacy of the phytochemical ingredients in the tea research (Bhatt et al., 2010; Mahmood et al., 2010; Namita et al., 2012). The tendency of high centrality in the raw material plants and the pharmaceutical efficacy

may be likely due to the consequence of the social interest. Recently, the research using the social network analysis has increased as seen in widely used market analysis cases (Hwang et al., 2019). In the future studies, it would be necessary to directly match the pharmaceutical efficacy to the raw material plants based on the knowledge maps, and then understand and standardize the relationship of the pharmaceutical efficacy to the raw material plants.

As shown in earlier researches recommending the new products based on the social network analysis (Cho and Bang, 2009), the knowledge maps of this study on the raw material plants and the pharmaceutical efficacy would give new insight into the tea drink researches and industry. Most of the 892 scientific articles used in this study were based on *in vitro* or animal *in vivo* experiments rather than direct experiments on humans. This study, which applied social network analysis corresponding to data analytics, provides information on trends in tea beverage-related research from a macroscopic perspective, as in other keyword analysis articles (Heo, 2016a; Jung and son, 2015) on research subjects. It also provides the quantitative information into enabled and somewhat disabled topics. This information will provide a methodological perspective on how active research can be conducted between various topics by allowing the research characteristics of the subject to be identified in the course of research and development on tea drinks.

## 요 약

본 연구는 거시적인 관점에서 차음료와 관련된 연구와 개발 방향에 대하여 데이터 분석학을 적용한 새로운 방법론 관점을 제시하는데 목적이 있다. 최근 연구의 주제와 방향을 모색하기 위하여 사회연결망 분석을 통해 키워드 단위의 지식지도를 구축하였다. 지식지도 구축을 위하여 차원료와 약리학적 효능 간 관계를 확인하기 위하여 관련 논문 890편을 선별하여 키워드를 추출하고, 클러스터링을 통하여 키워드를 의미단위로 분류하는 과정을 거쳐 키워드 네트워크를 구축하였다. 사회연결망 분석결과에서 중심성과 우세성이 높은 원료식물은 tea(*Camellia sinensis*), citrus, dandelion이었다. 식물화합성분으로는 phenol, flavonoids, vitamin C가, 약리학적 효능으로는 항산화, 항염증, 항균이 우세성과 중심성을 나타내었다. 본 연구는 차음료 관련 연구의 키워드 경향을 파악하여 선행연구에 대한 정보를 제공하고, 개관 연구에 대한 방법론적 시사점을 제시하고자 한다. 바이오산업 및 식품산업의 후방산업에

위치하는 식물원료에 관한 통찰력을 제공함으로써 향후 고부가가치 신성장동력의 기초자료로 활용할 수 있도록 한다.

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