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3 **NORI LEVEL OF PREFERENCE**

4 **WITH MIXED *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma***

5 ***spinosum* SEAWEED AS RAW MATERIAL**

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9 **ABSTRACT**

10 The aim of this research was to obtain the best nori from a mixture of *Sargassum sp* and  
11 *Eucheuma spinosum* seaweed and the most preferred by panelists. The research's  
12 method used in this study is an experimental method with 3 treatments comparing the  
13 seaweed between *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* that is 1:1, 2:1, 3:1 then  
14 tests that used are hedonic test with 20 semi-trained panelists who have experience in  
15 organoleptic assessment as replications, physical and chemical tests were also tested  
16 for the best treatment according to hedonic test. This research was conducted at the  
17 Fisheries Product Processing Technology Laboratory of the Faculty of Fisheries and  
18 Marine Sciences, Universitas Padjadjaran, while the chemical and physical testing of the  
19 final results of the research was conducted at the Laboratory of Biological Resources  
20 and Biotechnology at LPPM Institut Pertanian Bogor. This research was conducted on  
21 February 28, 2019 until March 8, 2019. Based on the results of the research level of  
22 preference of nori, it was found that all treatments carried out were still acceptable to the  
23 panelists, but the treatment with a ratio of 1: 1 was more preferred by panelists.  
24 Chemical characteristics of the *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum*, namely water  
25 content contained in the amount of 15.67%, crude fiber content of 11.7% and physical  
26 characteristics of hardness of 300.78 gf, also thickness with nori 0.347 mm.

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28 **Keywords:** *Eucheuma spinosum*, Hedonic test, Nori, *Sargassum sp.*, Seaweed

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32 **1. INTRODUCTION**

33 Nori is a food made from seaweed (usually red or brown seaweed) that is dried  
34 or baked (Giury 2006 in Lalopua 2017). Nori is an authentic Japanese food from a group  
35 of marine vegetables that are rich in nutritional sources such as: protein, minerals, crude  
36 fiber and vitamins needed by the body. Processed seaweed also contain several  
37 essential amino acids such as glutamate, glycine and alanine which play a role in  
38 creating a distinctive taste of nori and iodine minerals needed for normal functioning of  
39 the thyroid gland in the body (Winarno 1996). In addition to being consumed directly as a  
40 snack, nori is also used as a decoration and flavoring for various dishes (Lalopua 2017).  
41 Nori in Indonesia is much needed, especially in Chinese and Japanese restaurants that  
42 serve ready-to-serve menus that use Nori as flavoring and to add aesthetic value to the  
43 food (Sinaga 2018). The raw material that usually used to make nori, *Porphyra sp.* is not  
44 found in Indonesia because *Porphyra sp.* only grows in subtropical waters (Loupatty  
45 2014), therefore, it is necessary to have alternative materials that can replace seaweed

46 both in terms of nutritional value and in terms of availability of ingredients in tropical  
47 Indonesia.

48 New innovations that can be developed in making nori are by looking at the  
49 similarities in physical characteristics between nori and edible films, especially in terms  
50 of shapes in the form of sheets (Riyanto, Wini and Lianny, 2014). The research  
51 conducted by Hasanah (2007) in Ihsan (2016), made nori from *Gelidium sp.* flour jelly  
52 and succeeded in resembling sheet nori with edible film techniques. Visual  
53 characteristics similar to sheet nori are an inspiration to develop nori from many types of  
54 seaweed that are widely distributed in Indonesian waters such as *Sargassum sp.*  
55 (Handayani et al. 2004) and *Eucheuma spinosum* (Wahyuni 2016). Both *Sargassum sp.*  
56 and *Eucheuma spinosum* also has nutrition value parallel to *Porphyra sp.* (Sormin 2011).  
57 The aim of this study was to obtain the best nori from a mixture of *Sargassum sp.* and  
58 *Eucheuma spinosum* seaweed and the most preferred by panelists. The results of this  
59 study are expected to provide information about the comparison of the mixture of  
60 *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* which is the best and preferred in making nori  
61 based on organoleptic characteristics, increasing the diversity of processed seaweed in  
62 Indonesia, and increasing the economic value of seaweed in Indonesia.

## 64 2. MATERIALS AND METHOD

### 65 2.1 Time And Place of Research

66 Research on the production of nori and organoleptic tests was carried out at the  
67 Fisheries and Marine Sciences and Fisheries Science Processing Technology  
68 Laboratory of the Universitas Padjadjaran, while the chemical and physical testing of the  
69 final results of the research was conducted at the Biological Recourses Research and  
70 Biotechnology Laboratory LPPM Institut Pertanian Bogor. This research was conducted  
71 on February 28, 2019 until March 8, 2019.

### 72 2.2 Tools and Material

73 The tools used in this research are basin (3 liters) as a container for storing and  
74 washing the seaweed, blender to make puree seaweed, baking pan (17 cm x 23 cm) for  
75 baking container, electric scales with a precision of 0.01 gram to measure the spices,  
76 measuring cup (10 mL) to measure sesame oil, olive oil and fish sauce, oven for baking  
77 nori, spoon to stir and flatten the nori dough, spatula to even out nori dough beaker glass  
78 (80 mL) to measure the volume of nori dough, label stickers for labeling samples. While  
79 the material used are dried *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* (Indonesian  
80 standard: SNI 2690:2015), clean water, rice, sugar, salt, flavoring, pepper, sesame oil,  
81 olive oil, and fish sauce.

### 82 2.3 Observation Parameters

83 The observed parameters used are hedonic, physical test and chemical test.  
84 Organoleptic test aims to determine the appearance, aroma, taste and texture produced  
85 based on the level of preference (Jauzak 2012). Physical Test aims to determine the  
86 thickness and flexibility or attraction. Furthermore, the chemical test aims to determine  
87 the water content and the level of crude fiber contained in the nori product. The method  
88 used for chemical testing are referring to SNI 1992 01-2891 for crude fiber test, SNI  
89 01.2354.2-2006 for water content test, while the physical tests are referring to Faridah et  
90 al. (2014).

91 **2.4 Data Analysis**

92 Non-parametric analysis performed for organoleptic testing using a two-way  
 93 analysis of the Friedman test using the Chi-square test. The statistical formula used in  
 94 the Friedman test is as follows (Sudrajat 1999):

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$$\chi^2 = \frac{12}{bk(k+1)} \sum_{i=1}^k (R_j)^2 - 3b(k+1)$$

100 Rj = Total ranking of each treatment

101 If there is the same number, a correction factor (FK) is calculated using the  
 102 following formula:

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$$FK = 1 - \frac{\sum T^2}{bk(k^2 - 1)}$$

$$HC = \frac{\chi^2}{FK}$$

107 Information :  
 108 T = N (t3-t)  
 109 t = The same number of observations for one rank.  
 110 N = The same number of observations for a number with the same value of t.

111 Multiple Comparisons using the following formula (Sudrajat 1999):

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$$|R_i - R_j| \leq Z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{bk(k-1)}{6}}$$

115 Information :  
 116 Ri - Rj = Difference in average rank  
 117 Ri = Average rating of the i sample  
 118 Rj = Average rating of the j sample  
 119 α = Experiment wise error  
 120 b = Number of data  
 121 k = Number of treatments  
 122 Z = Value in table Z for multiple comparison

123 Bayes Equation :

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$$Total\ value^i = \sum_{i=1}^n value_{ij} (krit_j)$$

129 Information :  
 130 Total value = Total final value of alternative to - i  
 131 Value = alternative value to - i in the criteria to j  
 132 Kritj = Level of importance (value) criteria to - j  
 133 i = 1,2,3, ..... n; n = number of alternatives  
 134 j = 1,2,3, ..... n; n = number of criteria

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## 137 2.5 Experimentation Process

138 The following is a research procedure that has been modified from previous  
139 research in Teddy (2009) in the preliminary test:

- 140 1. Preparation of ingredients, *Sargassum sp.*, *Eucheuma spinosum*, salt, sugar,  
141 flavorings, pepper, sesame oil, olive oil, and fish sauce.
- 142 2. *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is cleaned from dirt using clean water
- 143 3. Seaweeds are then soaked using rice water for 24 hours with a ratio of 1:3 between  
144 seaweed and rice water
- 145 4. The seaweeds are again soaked in clean water for 48 hours with the same ratio and  
146 the water is replaced every 24 hours
- 147 5. Sugar, salt, flavor, and pepper are then weighed. Sesame oil, olive oil, and fish  
148 sauce are measured in accordance with the nori formula according to the table  
149 below

150 **Table 1. Seasoning Formula for Making Nori**

Bumbu	Persentase yang digunakan
Salt	0,7%
Sugar	1%
Flavoring	0,3%
Pepper	0,3%
Sesame oil	2 mL
Olive oil	2 mL
Fish sauce	3,4 mL

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- 152 6. Next is the mixing of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* uses a blender  
153 according to the following treatment: 1:1, 2:1, and 3:1
- 154 7. The seaweed that has been mixed according to the treatment is blended for 3  
155 minutes to become puree
- 156 8. Puree is then cooked over medium heat for 5 minutes while adding the spices that  
157 have been weighed
- 158 9. Cooked puree is measured as much as 60 mL using a measuring cup then printed  
159 into a baking pan and leveled and arranged in thickness
- 160 10. Puree that has been printed on the baking pan is baked using oven with a  
161 temperature of 70°C for 180 minutes
- 162 11. Then carried out observations with hedonic tests with 20 semi-trained panelists and  
163 then carried out chemical tests and physical tests.

## 164 3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

### 165 3.1 Hedonic Test

166 Hedonic test or preference test is one type of testing that aims to determine the  
167 level of preference of a panelist for a product. The parameters tested included the  
168 appearance, aroma, texture, and taste of the mixed mixture of *Sargassum sp.* and  
169 *Eucheuma spinosum*. The observation results of these parameters are as follows

170 **Table 2. Average Appearance of Nori Based on Comparative Differences**  
171 ***Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum***

<i>Sargassum</i> dan <i>E. spinosum</i>	Median	Average
1:1	7	7,4 b
2:1	5	5,1 a
3:1	5	5,1 a

172 Description: The number followed by the same letter shows no significant  
173 difference according to F test at the error level of 5%

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175 The 1:1 treatment has a blackish brown appearance with fibers that look not too  
 176 dense but evenly distributed and the surface is flat and thin. While the treatment of 2:1  
 177 has a blackish brown appearance that is more concentrated than the ratio of 1: 1, while  
 178 the seaweed fibers in this treatment are quite dense but not evenly distributed but still  
 179 have a fairly flat and thin appearance. The 3: 1 treatment has a brownish-black  
 180 appearance but has uneven and very dense seaweed fibers but the surface of the nori in  
 181 this treatment is slightly broken in several parts. The presence of cracked surfaces in the  
 182 treatment with a ratio of 3: 1 was due to the lack of gel content as a form of the texture of  
 183 *Euचेuma spinosum* compared to 1: 3 with *Sargassum sp.* so that a broken surface  
 184 forms on some surfaces of nori with this treatment. This is consistent with Sidi's  
 185 statement (2014) that the addition of carrageenan to form a gel as a texture can affect  
 186 significantly the texture of the product in the form of sheets.  
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 189 **Fig 1. Appearance of Nori with Comparative Differences *Sargassum sp.* and**  
 190 ***Euचेuma spinosum*, 1: 1 (Left), 2: 1 (Middle), 3: 1 (Right)**

191 Lalopua (2017) stated that uneven nori color is caused by a lack of stirring or  
 192 mixing the mixture well before pouring it into the mold. Lalopua (2017) also stated that  
 193 the color of nori relies heavily on the color pigments of seaweed used for the  
 194 manufacture of nori, from his research which made artificial nori from seaweed *Ulva spp.*  
 195 and *Hypnea saidana* has different colors according to the color pigments of seaweed  
 196 used. Blackish brown color from nori made from a mixture of *Sargassum sp.* and  
 197 *Euचेuma spinosum* comes from the *Sargassum sp.* pigment of dark brown that is  
 198 xanthophyll, while the white *Euचेuma spinosum* does not provide additional color to the  
 199 end result of this mixture (Anton 2017).

200 The results of statistical tests using the Friedman method show that the mixing  
 201 treatment of 1: 1 has a significant difference to the appearance of nori from a mixture of  
 202 seaweed *Sargassum sp.* and *Euचेuma spinosum* with other treatments, meaning that  
 203 this treatment has an effect on the preference of the panelists on the appearance of the  
 204 nori when compared with other treatments. While the mixing treatment of 2: 1 and 3: 1  
 205 did not have a significant difference, meaning mixing *Sargassum sp.* and *Euचेuma*  
 206 *spinosum* with such comparisons does not affect panelists' preference for appearance of  
 207 nori. The results of the Friedman test also show that the treatment of 1: 1 has the  
 208 appearance that is most preferred by panelists with a median number of 7 while  
 209 treatment for 2: 1 and 3: 1 has a median value of 5, which means the panelists do not  
 210 really like the appearance of those two treatments.

211 **Table 3. Average Aroma of Nori Based on Comparative Differences *Sargassum sp.***  
 212 **and *Euचेuma spinosum***

<i>Sargassum</i> dan <i>E. spinosum</i>	Median	Average
1:1	7	6,4 a
2:1	5	5,2 a

<i>Sargassum</i> dan <i>E. spinosum</i>	Median	Average
3:1	5	5,3 a

213 Description: The number followed by the same letter shows no significant difference  
214 according to F test at the error level of 5%

215 The difference in mixing between seaweed *Sargassum sp.* and *Euचेuma*  
216 *spinosum* does not affect the aroma of this nori mixture, some aromas on nori are  
217 produced from spices that have a distinctive aroma such as fish sauce, sesame oil, and  
218 olive oil which are mixed when making the nori so that the distinctive aroma of seaweed  
219 is covered because previously most of the distinctive aroma of seaweed has been  
220 removed in the process of soaking using rice water (Putri and Ningtyas, 2017). This is in  
221 accordance with Hendrastry's statement (2003) which stated that the process of aroma  
222 formation occurs when mixing all ingredients including spices that have a distinctive  
223 aroma.

224 Nori from a mixture of *Sargassum sp.* and *Euचेuma spinosum* which does not  
225 affect the aroma of the nori is reinforced by the results of the Friedman statistical test  
226 which shows that the three treatments did not have a significant difference at the 5%  
227 error level where the ratio of total ranking between treatments was not higher than the  
228 final Friedman test result which means no there is a significant difference between the  
229 differences in the comparison of *Sargassum sp.* and *Euचेuma spinosum* to the aroma  
230 of nori.

231 **Table 4. Average Nori Texture Based on Comparative Differences *Sargassum sp.***  
232 **and *Euचेuma spinosum***

<i>Sargassum</i> dan <i>E. spinosum</i>	Median	Average
1:1	7	7,1 b
2:1	7	6,1 ab
3:1	5	5,2 a

233 Description: The number followed by the same letter shows no significant difference  
234 according to F test at the error level of 5%

235 The difference in the ratio of mixing between the two seaweeds provides a  
236 different texture both in the texture of drought or crispness of the nori and the flexibility of  
237 nori. According to Zakaria et al. (2017) the more dough used in making nori, the thicker,  
238 heavier, and not crisper will be. This statement is proven by the increasing number of  
239 *Sargassum sp.* added to the dough the nori crispness decreases. The crispness of the  
240 product is also influenced by the water content of the sample. Increased thickness of nori  
241 dried at the same temperature and time contains higher water content. Product  
242 crispness decreases with increasing product water content (Cauvain and Young 2008).  
243 Beckett (1995) also explained that the biggest component of food is water (55-85%), so  
244 that the component is the main factor that will affect the structure and texture of  
245 foodstuffs processed. The formation of nori sheets occurs when the water content in the  
246 nori is reduced so that the water content does not dominate the gel and fiber content in  
247 nori. Therefore the formation of texture in thicker nori is due to the addition of more  
248 dough which causes the nori with the treatment of 3: 1 and 2: 1 which have similar  
249 texture not crisper compared to the treatment of 1: 1 which has a thin and crispy texture.

250 Flexibility is another factor besides crispness that is considered in this texture  
251 parameter. In this case, the treatment of 1:1 and 2:1 has a fairly high flexibility, so that

252 the nori can be rolled or folded without causing damage to the appearance of the nori,  
 253 while in the 3: 1 treatment the texture of the nori is slightly stiff even though it is still  
 254 flexible . This explains that the more the percentage of *Eucheuma spinosum* added to  
 255 the mixture, the higher the flexibility than nori.

256 The Friedman test results on these three treatments of texture are quite  
 257 preferred and / or can still be accepted by the panelists, this can be seen from the  
 258 median value of each treatment more than 5. It is also obtained from the results of  
 259 Friedman's test that 1: 1 treatment has a real difference to the treatment of 3:1, while  
 260 treatment 2:1 did not have a significant difference both in treatment 1:1 and 3:1 in the  
 261 texture parameters of nori.

263 **Table 5. Average Nori Taste Based on Comparative Differences *Sargassum sp.*  
 264 and *Eucheuma spinosum***

<i>Sargassum dan E. spinosum</i>	Median	Average
1:1	7	7,2 b
2:1	5	5,3 a
3:1	5	4,7 a

265 Description: The number followed by the same letter shows no significant difference  
 266 according to F test at the error level of 5%

267 Addition of more *Sargassum sp.* the dough gives a different taste, the 1:1  
 268 treatment has a savory taste, but it still feels the distinctive taste of seaweed also has a  
 269 slightly bitter after taste. Whereas the 2:1 treatment had a slightly more bitter after taste  
 270 compared to 1:1 treatment and the 3:1 treatment had even more bitter after taste and not  
 271 as savory as other treatments. The bitter after taste is distinctive taste from seaweed that  
 272 containing glutamate, glycine and alanine (Winarno 1996).

273 The results of statistical tests using the Friedman method show that the  
 274 difference in the ratio of seaweed made by nori has a significant difference. Treatment  
 275 with a ratio of 1: 1 seaweed has a different and higher median value than treatment 2:1  
 276 and 3:1, therefore the nori with a ratio of 1:1 seaweed is preferred by panelists. The  
 277 results of the follow-up test showed that treatment 2: 1 and 3: 1 did not show a  
 278 significant difference in the 5% error rate of the mixed flavor parameters of *Sargassum*  
 279 *sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum*.

### 280 3.2 Decision Making with The Bayes Method

281 Decision making by looking at the relative weight values of the appearance  
 282 criteria, aroma, texture, and taste of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is done by  
 283 pairwise comparisons by changing the comparison in pairs with a set of numbers that  
 284 present the relative priorities of the criteria and alternatives (treatment).  
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286 **Table 6. Weight Value of the Nori Criteria Based on Comparative Differences  
 287 *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum***

Criteria	Weight Value
Apperance	0,153
Aroma	0,125
Texture	0,142
Taste	0,580

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289 The table above shows the results of the calculation of the weighting criteria of  
 290 the appearance, aroma, texture, and taste of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum*.  
 291 From the table above, it can be seen that the highest criterion weight is in the taste  
 292 criteria, which means that the taste criteria are the most important criteria according to  
 293 the panelists with a weighting criteria of 0.580 followed by the appearance criteria with  
 294 criteria weight 0.153, then texture with 0.142, and finally aroma with 0.125 . These  
 295 results indicate that if the flavor of the mixture is nori *Sargassum sp.* and this *Eucheuma*  
 296 *spinosum* is not liked by the panelists, so the nori product will be rejected by the  
 297 panelists.

298 The Bayes method is one method used to carry out analysis in the best decision  
 299 making from a number of alternatives or treatments taking into account the criteria. The  
 300 calculation results in determining the best treatment taking into account the appearance  
 301 criteria, aroma, texture, and taste of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* are  
 302 presented in Table 6

303 **Table 7. Assessment Decision Matrix of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum***  
 304 **with the Bayes Method**

Treatments	Criteria				Alternative value	Ranking
	Apperance	Aroma	Texture	Taste		
1:1	7	7	7	7	<b>7,00</b>	<b>1</b>
2:1	5	5	7	5	5,28	2
3:1	5	5	5	5	5,00	3
Weight Value	0,15	0,12	0,14	<b>0,58</b>		

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 306 The results of the calculation of alternative values to determine which treatment  
 307 is the best treatment and the preferred panelists indicate that the treatment with a ratio of  
 308 1: 1 seaweed has the highest alternative value, 7 then followed by a treatment ratio of 2:  
 309 1 seaweed with an alternative value of 5.28 and the last treatment is a ratio of 3: 1 with  
 310 an alternative value of 3: 1. These results indicate that the comparison of *Sargassum sp.*  
 311 and 1: 1 *Eucheuma spinosum* is the best and most preferred treatment by panelists.

### 312 **3.3 CHEMICAL TEST**

#### 313 **3.3.1 Water Content**

314 Testing the water content in the best treatment, namely treatment with a  
 315 comparison between seaweed *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* 1: 1 produced  
 316 water content in the nori of 15.67%. Water content contained in the mixture of  
 317 *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is lower than commercial nori made from the  
 318 type of seaweed *Porphyra sp.* mentioned in the study conducted by Lalopua (2017)  
 319 which has a water content of 16.09% and from nori made from *Gracillaria sp.* which was  
 320 examined by Teddy (2009) which contained water content of 17.17%. Less water  
 321 content in nori from a mixture of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* shows that  
 322 nori made from this material has a higher crispness, this is in accordance with the  
 323 statement from Andarwulan et al. (2011) which states that the lower the water content,  
 324 the higher the crispness of nori and conversely the higher the water content, the lower  
 325 the crispness of nori.

### 326 **3.3.1 Crude Fiber Content**

327 Crude fiber content in the best treatment of mixed nori from *Sargassum sp.* and  
328 *Eucheuma spinosum* is 11.7%. The fiber content in the nori of the seaweed mixture is  
329 quite high when compared to the nori of the *Hypnea saidana* type studied by Lalopua  
330 (2017), whose crude fiber content is only 4.09%. According to Lalopua (2017), foods with  
331 relatively high crude fiber content usually contain low calories, low sugar and fat levels  
332 which can prevent obesity and heart disease. Foods with high crude fiber content are  
333 reported to reduce weight. The main role of fiber in food is in its ability to bind water,  
334 cellulose and pectin (Putri, 2011). With the presence of fiber can help speed up food  
335 debris through the digestive tract to be excreted out. Without the help of fiber, feces with  
336 a low water content will stay longer in the intestinal tract and experience difficulty through  
337 the intestine to be excreted because the large intestine peristaltic movements are slower  
338 (Lalopua 2017).

## 339 **3.4 Physical Test**

### 340 **3.4.1 Hardness**

341 Praphesti (2017) stated that the smaller the value of hardness in a product, the  
342 higher the crispness of the product, so the force needed to break and tear the product  
343 will also be low. The hardness value of *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum*  
344 measured using the TA-XT2i Stable micro-system with a probe of 0.25 s, amounting to  
345 300.78 gf, this value is quite low compared to commercial nori which has a hardness  
346 value of 408 gf (Zakaria et al. 2017) but still more high from nori made from *Gracillaria*  
347 *sp.* and *Ulva lactula* which has a hardness value of 282.56 gf (Praphesti 2017).

348 Low hardness in *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is caused because  
349 the nori has a low water content, because according to Zakaria et al. (2017) texture  
350 hardness is influenced by the water content contained in the product, an increase in  
351 water content causes an increase in hardness in food products. While the reason why  
352 hardness from *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is higher than nori *Gracillaria*  
353 *sp.* *Ulva lactula* is caused due to crude fiber content in *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma*  
354 *spinosum* is higher than that of *Gracillaria sp* and *Ulva lactula*. This is consistent with the  
355 statement of Cofradez (2000) which states that fiber content in food products can  
356 increase product hardness.

### 357 **3.4.2 Thickness**

358 The results of thickness measurements from *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma*  
359 *spinosum* which uses a screw micrometer is 0.347 mm. Thickness value in *Sargassum*  
360 *sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum* is quite high when compared to the commercial nori  
361 thickness of 0.224 mm. Nori thickness has an influence on the drying time and product  
362 crispness. The more amount of dough used produces inori which is thicker, heavier and  
363 not crispy (Cauvain and Young 2008).

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## 365 **4. CONCLUSION**

366 Based on the results of the study the level of preference seen from the  
367 comparison of the composition of nori between seaweed *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma*  
368 *spinosum*, it was found that all treatments carried out were still acceptable to panelists,  
369 but treatment with a ratio of 1: 1 was preferred by panelists. Chemical characteristics of  
370 the *Sargassum sp.* and *Eucheuma spinosum*, namely water content contained in the

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