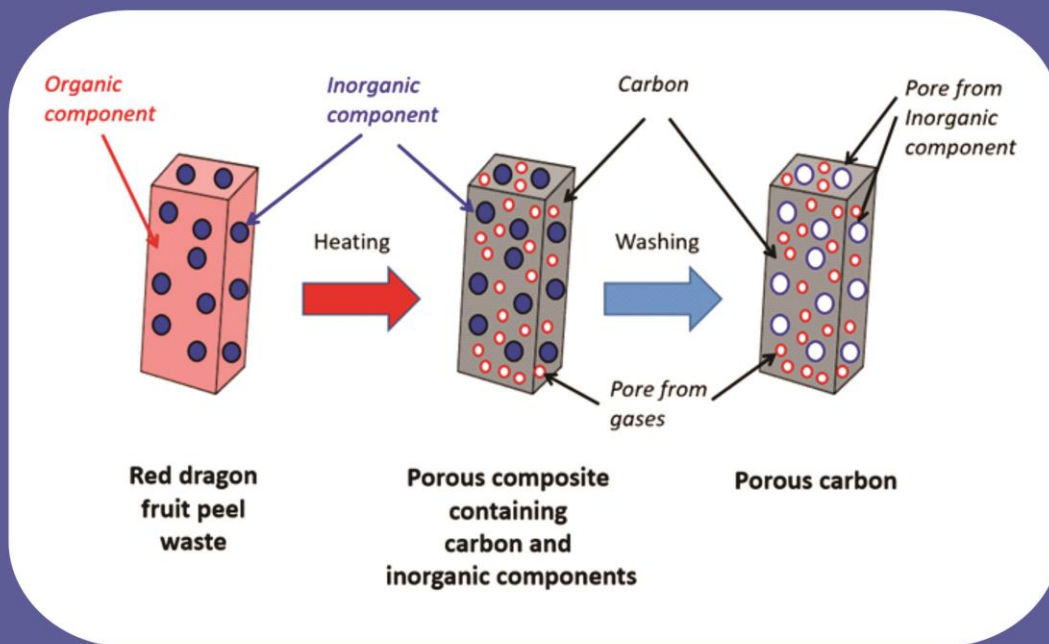


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In this volume of 15 issue 3, the highlight topics of natural products of Indonesia studies were antibacterial activity of Rosemytle leaves (*Rhodomyrtus tomentosa* (Ait.) Hassk), antioxidant activity of The Stem Bark of *Syzygium samarangense* L., molecular profile of Salinity-Resistant Soybean (*Glycine max* (L.) Merr.) and the Red Dragon Fruit (*Hylocereus undatus*) Peel Waste for microparticle carbon synthesis and characterization. This issue was also reported the environment toxicant of endosulfan effect to the local fish of Hard-Lipped Barb (*Osteochilus vittatus* C.V.) GnRh and GTH genes expression. Another environmental studies report was the removing of copper ion using TiO₂-chitosan nanocomposite and the removing of iron(II) ion using Layered double hydroxide (LDH) Ni/Al-NO₃.

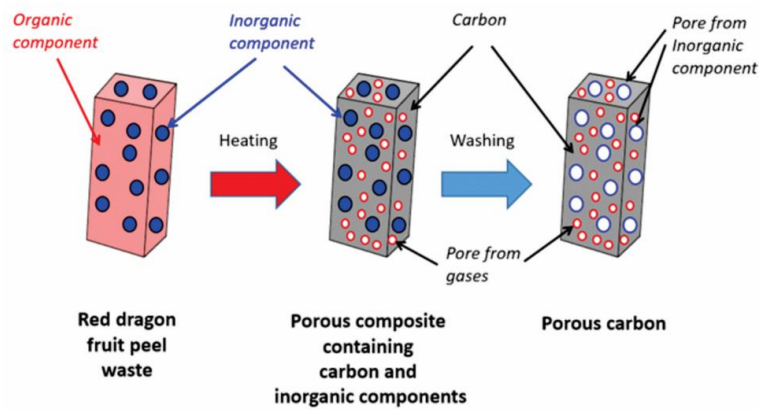
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Proposal illustration of the formation of carbon with pores from red dragon fruit peel waste (see Asep Bayu Dani Nandiyanto, et al., pp 199 – 209)