Mixing Ratio Dependent Complex Coacervation Versus Bicontinuous Gelation Of Pectin
And In Situ Formed Zein Nanoparticles

Supplementary Information

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Fig. S1. Variation of absorbance of P-Z complex taken at 205 nm shown as function of mixing ratio. A-D are characteristic transition points depicting formation of complex at A, soluble complex at B, coacervate droplets at C, and gelation in the C-D region. See text for details.

Fig. S2. Variation of viscosity and low frequency storage modulus G₀ of Pectin-Zein complex as a function of mixing ratio (or Zein concentration) measured at 25 °C.
**Fig. S3.** Variation of elastic (storage) modulus $G'$ of Pectin-Zein complex as a function of frequency at variable mixing ratio (with fixed pectin= 1% (w/v)) measured at 25 °C.

**Fig.S4:** Variation of $\tan \delta$ of P-Z samples (coacervate and gel) (a) at 0.1% Z and (b) at 0.5% Z as a function of frequency. The measurements were performed at 25 °C using constant oscillation stresses of 6.3 Pa. Solid lines are guide to the eye.
Fig. S5: Variation of low frequency storage modulus $G_0$ of 2% (w/v) Pectin gel samples shown as function of temperature. Melting profiles were generated by using a temperature ramp of 1 °C/min. Sharp upturn in the data at 40 °C indicated drying of samples.

Fig. S6: Small angle neutron scattering intensity profile, fitting parameters (power-law exponent, and mesh size and cross-sectional radius) and cross-over wave vector of a P-Z (coacervate and gel) (a) 0.1 % and (b) 0.5 % (w/v) Zein at various mixing ratio measured at 25 °C.
**Fig. S7:** Turbidity titration profile as a function of pectin concentration with 27%v/v ethanol and 0.5%w/v zein.

**Fig. S8:** Variation of viscosity for pectin concentration.