Formulation of Payasam with Germinated Buckwheat Milk

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Abstract

Germination is an effective process to improve sensory properties, nutrients and can decrease the anti-nutrient contents of the seeds. Buckwheat is rich in fibre, phenolic compounds and protein of balanced aminoacid composition. The aim of the present work was to evaluate the suitability of germinated buckwheat milk for development of traditional recipe i.e. payasam. Three types of formulations were prepared with germinated buckwheat milk ranged from 25, 50 and 75%. These products were evaluated for sensory attributes. Payasam prepared with 100% milk was served as control. Evaluation resulted that addition of 25% of germinated buckwheat milk was more acceptable.

Keywords
Germinated buckwheat, Buckwheat milk, Payasam

Introduction

The family Polygonaceae is a group of plants composed by approximately 1200 species. Buckwheat, which belongs to this family, is found almost everywhere but grows mainly in the northern hemisphere. Russia and China are the main producers of buckwheat in the world. The consumption has become increasingly popular in the United States, Canada, and Europe. Among the main nine species with agricultural meaning, common buckwheat (Fagopyrum esculentum Moench) and tartary buckwheat (Fagopyrum tataricum Gaertn.) are the most widely grown species (Gimenez-Bastida and Zielinski, 2015).

Buckwheat seeds are the main form of consumption of pseudocereal.

These seeds are principally used for human consumption as breakfast cereals or as processed flour for making different bakery products (bread, cookies, snacks, and noodles) enriched with buckwheat flour (0.3–60%) and buckwheat enhanced non-bakery products (tea, honey, tarhana, and sprouts) (Saturni, 2010).
Buckwheat is recognized as a good source of nutritionally valuable protein, lipid, dietary fiber, and minerals, and in combination with other health-promoting components, such as phenolic compounds and sterols, it has received increasing attention as a potential functional food. Functional foods are those that exert a scientifically proven specific health benefit (health claim) beyond their nutritional properties, although the consumption of its specific formulation is not essential for human life (Krkoskova and Mrazova, 2005).

Zhang et al., (2007) described that the consumption of buckwheat and buckwheat-enriched products is related to a wide range of biological and healthy activities: hypocholesterolemic, hypoglucemic, anticancer, and anti-inflammatory. Processing can modify the polyphenol content of foods in several ways. In particular, sprouting has been reported as a means of increasing the polyphenol content of buckwheat seeds.

Materials and Methods

Procurement of raw materials

Buckwheat was procured from Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat. All the other ingredients used for the study vermicelli, milk, sugar, ghee, cardamom and dry nuts were obtained from local markets.

Processing of germinated buckwheat milk (GBM)

The grain was cleaned and soaked in distilled water for 12 hours and spread on Whatman filter paper in trays and covered with the filter paper to hydrate the seeds by capillarity. Trays were incubated at 30°C in a dark chamber for 48 hours. Then the sprouts were grinded, squeezed and obtained milk was used for development of the germinated buckwheat milk payasam (GBMP).

Preparation of payasam

Present study was carried out to develop a product with different combinations of milk and germinated buckwheat milk. Three different compositions of payasam was prepared (Control: 100% milk payasam; GBMP₁: 75% milk + 25% GBM; GBMP₂: 50% milk +50% GBM; GBMP₃: 25% milk+ 75% GBM) and subjected to sensory evaluation. Payasam was prepared by roasting the vermicelli with little ghee milk was heated and sugar was added. To the boiling milk roasted vermicelli was added and cooked. Cardamom and dry nuts were added finally.

Sensory evaluation of payasam

A semi-trained panel of 15 members from PG&RC, PJTSAU using 9 point hedonic scale evaluated the products for colour, texture, flavour, taste and overall acceptability. Scores were based on a hedonic scale of 1 to 9 where: 1= I dislike extremely (very bad) and 9 = I like extremely (excellent) (Meilgaard et al., 1999). The samples were presented in plates coded with three digit numbers in individual booths in sensory evaluation lab. Panelists rinsed their mouth with water after testing each sample.

Statistical analysis

All the analysis was performed in replications and the results were presented as mean ± standard deviation. Difference between the variables was tested for significance by (ANOVA) using SAS version 9.1.

Results and Discussion

The mean sensory scores of payasam prepared with germinated buckwheat milk were presented in Table 1. The sensory attributes of payasam was plotted in Figure 1. The mean sensory scores of color for
germinated buckwheat milk payasam ranged from 7.46±0.91 to 8.66±0.48. Among incorporated varieties best mean scores of color was for payasam at 25% incorporation (8.60 ± 0.73) and the least for 75% GBMP incorporation (7.46 ± 0.91). GBMP1 (8.60) was significantly on par with the control (8.66).

The mean scores of texture increased from 6.40±0.82 to 8.53±0.51 (Table 1). The control sample had the highest score (8.53±0.51) followed by GBMP1 (8.40±0.82), GBMP2 (7.00±0.75) while GBMP3 (6.40±0.82) had least score with 75% incorporation. The mean sensory scores for taste ranged from 8.80±0.41 to 6.53±0.83. The control sample had the highest score (8.80±0.41) followed by GBMP1 (8.46±0.51), GBMP2 (6.53±0.83) while GBMP3 had least mean score for taste.

The mean scores of flavor for payasam varied from 8.46±0.83 to 7.13±1.06 (Table 1). GBMP1 scored highest (8.46±0.83) followed by control (8.20±0.41), GBMP2 (7.53±0.83), while GBMP3 had least mean score for flavor but it was significantly on par with GBMP2.

Incorporation of germinated buckwheat milk has added more flavor to payasam.

The mean scores of overall acceptability for payasam increased from 6.86 to 8.33. The control had highest mean score for overall acceptability (8.66±0.48) followed by GBMP1 (8.33±0.81), GBMP2 (7.33±0.97), whereas GBMP3 (6.86±0.91) had lowest mean score for overall acceptability. The mean scores of the control were significantly differed with GBMP2 and GBMP3 for colour, texture, taste, flavor and overall acceptability (p≤ 0.05). The mean scores of all sensory attributes have increased with decrease in percentage of germinated buckwheat flour incorporation.

Sattar et al., (2017) developed the rice pudding with germinated and ungerminated legumes of lentils, black gram and green gram at 5, 15 and 25% of milk. Rice pudding incorporation with 5-25% green gram, 5% lentils and black gram upon germination showed peak viscosity similar to that of the control, suggesting that the germinated seeds could be incorporated into pudding.

| Payasam       | Colour    | Texture | Taste    | Flavor    | Overall acceptability |
|---------------|-----------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Control       | 8.66±0.48 | 8.53±0.51 | 8.80±0.41 | 8.20±0.41 | 8.66±0.48             |
| BWP1          | 8.60±0.73 | 8.40±0.82 | 8.46±0.51 | 8.46±0.83 | 8.33±0.81             |
| BWP2          | 7.80±0.64 | 7.00±0.75 | 7.13±0.88 | 7.53±0.83 | 7.33±0.97             |
| BWP3          | 7.46±0.91 | 6.40±0.82 | 6.53±0.83 | 7.13±1.06 | 6.86±0.91             |
| Mean          | 8.15      | 7.58    | 7.65     | 7.83      | 7.80                  |
| CD            | 0.48      | 0.36    | 0.41     | 0.48      | 0.42                  |
| SE of mean    | 0.24      | 0.17    | 0.20     | 0.24      | 0.21                  |
| CV (%)        | 8.14      | 6.46    | 7.29     | 8.14      | 7.43                  |

Note: Values are expressed as mean ± standard deviation of fifteen determinations. Means within the same column followed by common letter do not significantly differ at p≤ 0.05.
GBMP: germinated buckwheat milk payasam
Control: 100% milk payasam
GBMP1: 75% milk+ 25% GBM
GBMP2: 50% milk 50% GBM
GBMP3: 25% milk 75% GBM
Fig. 1 Sensory attributes of developed payasam

The payasam with 25% incorporation showed the best score for colour (8.60±0.73), flavour (8.46±0.83), taste (8.46±0.51), texture (8.33±0.82) and overall acceptability (8.33±0.81) in comparison to other formulations. The mean scores of the control were on par with GBMP₁ (25% incorporation) at p≤ 0.05 (Table 1.1). This results shows that 25% incorporation is suitable for the payasam of germinated buckwheat milk.

Hence, concluded as an attempt was made to improve the sensory and nutritional quality characteristics like minerals and antioxidant activity by substituting germinated buckwheat milk with regular animal milk. The germinated buckwheat payasam at 25% was found to be the most acceptable among all the products developed from sensory evaluation scores.

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