

METHODS OF DETERMINATION OF PARAMETERS OF WHEY WITH FOOD FIBERS

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Abstract

The article presents fixation methods of parameters of whey with food fibers for fermentation with lacto-fermentative *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K yeast for getting a non-alcoholic fermented beverage.

As a result of the analysis of conditions of preparation and introduction of food fibers – apple pectin in cellulose and orange Citri-Fi into whey, there were determined optimal parameters of the process of increasing viscosity of whey-vegetable mixtures.

The method of IR-spectroscopy fixed the influence of different forms of bonds of food fibers' moisture in mixtures with water and whey. There was revealed the continuous absorption of moisture of spectrums of samples with food fibers and apple pectin in cellulose in strips of 2668 and 2723 cm^{-1} , that testifies to the presence of strong hydrogenous bonds and high concentration of a mobile proton and, as a result, the high sorption ability to water.

There were offered methods and gotten results of the analysis of the carbon dioxide content, amount of formed ethyl alcohol and yeast cells, allowing to determine rational conditions of fermentation of whey-vegetable wort of the increased viscosity. At fermentation using *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K race, the most intensive increment of yeast cells was observed before 30 hours of fermentation. There was established the rational temperature of fermentation of whey-vegetable wort with the increased viscosity – 30...32 °C, at which the maximal accumulation of yeast cells – 70,5...71,2 mm^3/cm^3 and ethyl alcohol 0,69...1,02 % was observed.

The presented information was enough for grounding parameters of technological stages of whey fermented beverages with the high viscosity.

Keywords: whey, IR-spectrometry, full-facto experiment, fermentation, whey-vegetable wort of increased viscosity.

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1. Introduction

Fermented beverages production is the one of rational ways of using whey that is an accessible form of correcting the human food status by enriching with physiological functional ingredients with the favorable influence on metabolism and immunity [1–3]. All non-alcoholic beverages including whey ones are refreshing products in the human everyday ration. Their food value is connected with providing the water balance and energy of the organism [4–6].

The problems that need scientific foundation at developing technologies of whey beverages with the increased viscosity are: choice of an available vegetable ingredient; regulation of its guaranteed content; rationalization of the production process [7–12].

Alternative ingredients of the vegetable generation for regulating the consistence of beverages can be dry concentrates of citrus plants – Citri-Fi (Fiberstar Inc., USA) – a series of natural improved food fibers. According to producer's information, their introduction in recipes of milk products positively influences not only their biological value, but also technological properties. Orange fibers have structure-creating and antioxidant properties [13, 14]. Their introduction in recipes allows to stabilize viscosity characteristics, to enrich whey-based beverages with food fibers, accent the taste, widen the assortment. The special interest is caused by apple pectin in cellulose (APC), produced in Ukraine according to TC U 30335750.001-2000. It consists of extruded wheat bran (60 %), apple powder (38 %), and pectin (2 %). The concentrate has solubility (33,0±0,99) %, moisture-absorbing ability in water – (90,0±2,70) % and in whey, correspondingly, – (84,0±2,52) %.

The aim of the work is to determine methods of studying whey-vegetable mixtures that allows to develop fermented beverages with the increased viscosity.

2. Materials and Methods

Apple pectin in cellulose was used for preparing whey with food fibers. The chemical composition of the apple powder is presented in **Table 1** [15–18].

Citri-Fi 200 – is an orange food fiber, gotten of cellular tissues of dried pulp without using chemical reagents by mechanical processing. Citri-Fi 200 has the sanitary-epidemiological conclusion of HM of Ukraine [19]. Orange fibers by organoleptic parameters – a powder of the light-cream color with the neutral taste and smell with storage term 36 months. According to producers' data, «Citri-Fi 200» is able to absorb from 8 to 13 mass shares of water for 1 mass share of fiber, pH is 4,0–5,0. The food value 100 g – 224 kcal. The physical-chemical and microbiological parameters of orange food fibers «Citri-Fi 200» are presented in **Table 2**.

Table 1
Chemical composition of the apple powder

Parameter	Chemical composition of 100g of product
Mass share of moisture, %	6,0
Mass share of sugars, %	48,7
Including reducing ones	40,9
Saccharose	7,8
Mass share of organic acids (for apple acid) ,%	5,0
Mass share of cellulose, %	13,4
Mass share of pectin substances, %	12,4
Including soluble in water	5,1
Insoluble	7,3
Proteins, %	6,7
Fats, %	6,8
Mineral substances, %	
Potassium	0,080
Magnesium	0,073
Calcium	0,320
Phosphorus	0,240
Vitamins, mg	
Carotenoids	0,80
Ascorbic acid	76,4

Table 2
Parameters of «Citri-Fi 200»

Physical-chemical parameters		Microbiological parameters	
Total fat, %	1,08	Number of bacteria, CFU/g	<10 ⁵
Total carbohydrates, %	82,55	Yeast, mold, in 1g	<500
Total amount of cellulose, %:	75,3		
soluble	39,6	Coliform bacillus, in 1 g	<10
insoluble	35,7		
Sugar, %	5,38	Salmonella, in 1 g	negatively
Proteins, %	7,38	E. coli, CFU/g	<10
Ash, %	2,46		

Samples of food fibers Citri-Fi were studied using an ultraviolet microscope (Axioskop 40, Carl Zeiss, Germany), equipped by the optic system of the luminescent lighting and universal condenser (**Fig. 1**). It works in the magnification diapason from $\times 1$ to $\times 100$ with the possible fast change of light filters.

**Fig. 1.** Ultraviolet microscope Axioskop 40, Carl Zeiss

For fixing transformations of dry Citri-Fi at swelling in whey, a dye Acridine Orange (BD Difco, China), was used.

For realizing the study, there were developed different mixtures, based on whey without vegetable ingredients (control) with following parameters: $(6,5 \pm 0,33)$ % of dry substance, $(4,6 \pm 0,23)$ % of lactose, $(1,3 \pm 0,07)$ % of protein, pH $(4,5 \pm 0,23)$, and also with APC and Citri-Fi.

At first APC was introduced in a whey share in amount of 20...22 %, intermixed for 10...15 min and swelled at the temperature 35...40 °C. For preparing wort with the increased viscosity, the prepared whey-vegetable whey in amount of 10...15 % was introduced in the main whey volume at the temperature 50...60 °C and intermixed for 8...10 min. After the thermal processing at the temperature (74 ± 2) °C and keeping for 15...20 s, wort was cooled to the fermentation temperature (30 ± 2) °C. Wort based on whey with Citri-Fi was prepared at the same temperature regimes.

The control – whey without vegetable ingredients

After introducing lacto-fermenting yeast *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K before fermentation, wort has the following initial parameters: content of dry substances – 8,5 %; concentration of reducing substances – 4,5 %; active acidity – 4,6; yeast cells concentration – 42 mln/cm³.

IR-spectroscopy

The method of IR-spectroscopy determined the influence of food fibers on forms of moisture bonds in mixtures. For that, there were prepared mixtures, based both on water and whey with orange food fibers and apple pectin in cellulose. The obtained samples were dried, comminuted, intermixed 1–2 g with 3–4 drops of pure vaseline oil (nuyol) to suspension.

Nuyol without additional strips in the area of absorbing water was used as an internal standard. The infrared spectrum of suspension was filmed by the method of crushed drop between windows KRS-5 on FTIR-spectrophotometer «Nexus», made by «Nicotel», USA. Filming regime: scanning diapason – 400–4000 cm⁻¹, number f scans in second – 7, scanning interval – 1 cm⁻¹. The picture of FTIR-spectrophotometer «Nexus» is presented on **Fig. 2**.



Fig. 2. FTIR-spectrophotometer «Nexus»

Rheological studies

The determination of the optimal composition for rationalizing technical conditions for getting a homogenous beverage with the increased viscosity was realized in two stages.

Whey-vegetable mixtures with different amounts of Citri-Fi – from 1 to 11 % were produced at the first stage. For this aim food fibers were introduced in the whey share. This way of mixtures preparation allows to dissolve food fibers better and to intensify wort fermentation in further.

Viscosity was chosen as a main parameter that characterizes the optimal composition of the model mixture. Viscosity with the maximal value 30 Pa·s [20] determines the consistence and essentially influences fluidity of the whey-vegetable mixture. This parameter is important from the point of view of its further transportation and introduction in the whey main volume. It was taken into account at determining the optimal amount of food fibers, temperature and swelling duration.

The full-factor experiment was realized with data processing using the applied mathematical package MathCad 15.

Whey-vegetable mixtures were studied. The native whey, heated to the temperature (30 ± 2) °C was added with orange fibers in amounts from 1 to 11 %. After that the mixture swelled for 5...15 min at the temperature from 20 to 40 °C.

The effective viscosity of the received model mixtures was measured using a viscosimeter «Rheotest II» (Labtech, Russian Federation). It uses the double-cylinder measuring system that allows to determine structural mechanical characteristics of the studied samples.

The measurement of the shear stress τ (Pa) was realized with changing gradients of the shear stress γ in the diapason 0,33...145,8 s⁻¹ at the direct movement. Data of the viscosimeter indicated the maximal deflection angle of a pointer on the gage dial. The value of the shear stress (Pa) was calculated by the formula:

$$\tau = Z \cdot \alpha, \quad (1)$$

where Z – cylinder constant, Pa-un of scale; α – measuring index.

Effective viscosity (Pa·s) was calculated by the formula:

$$\eta_{\text{ef}} = \frac{\tau}{\gamma}, \quad (2)$$

where γ – gradient of the hearing force, s⁻¹.

The main aim of the second stage was to determine the optimal amount of the model whey-vegetable mixture, introduced in the main volume of whey for getting a fermented beverage, enriched with food fibers, saturated with carbon and so on.

The full-factor experiment was realized with the further data processing using the program package MathCAD 15. In sum there were produced fourteen different samples of whey-vegetable mixtures, later on subjected to fermentation with *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K.

The aforesaid samples were obtained as following: whey-vegetable mixtures, prepared according to the first stage, were added to the main whey share. The amount of food fibers in the prepared samples varied from 5 to 15 %. The mixing temperature was within 30...60 °C. Then the mixture was intermixed for 6–10 min then pasteurized at the temperature (78 ± 2) °C and kept for 2–3 min. The dynamic viscosity parameter in the prepared samples was determined using a viscosimeter of Heppler VH-2 (Standard-M, Ukraine). The dynamic viscosity coefficient was calculated by the formula:

$$\eta = K \cdot (\rho - \rho_0) \cdot \tau, \quad (3)$$

where η – dynamic viscosity, 10⁻³ Pa·s; τ – time of the ball movement, s; ρ – density of the ball material, kg/m³; ρ_0 – density of the studied product, g/cm³; K – ball constant, (10⁻³ Pa·s·cm³/g·s).

At this stage of the experiment we studied beverages with different viscosity. The sample with the stabilizer Grindsted SB 251 (DuPont (Danisco), USA) (its composition: gelatin, starch, acetylated distarch adipate (E 1422), pectin, (E 440)) was chosen as a control. It has the stable dynamic viscosity at the level $(2,55\pm 0,13) \cdot 10^{-3}$ Pa·s. This parameter was used as a standard criterion for determining the optimal amount of the mixture and conditions of intermixing with the main whey volume.

The analysis of fermentation parameters of whey-vegetable mixtures

All samples, prepared as it was described above, were fermented at the first stage. The process was organized as following: immediately after pasteurization they were cooled to the temperature 30 °C, then each sample was added with lacto-fermenting yeast *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K. This yeast culture was grown on stroke plates with whey wort in a thermostat at temperature (30 ± 2) °C during 24 hours. Then cells were transferred in the amount of 1·10⁶ CFU/cm³ of the medium in flasks with the volume 2 dm³ with 1 dm³ of sterile whey wort (8 % of dry substances). Yeast cultivation was realized on a rocker, at 220 turns/min during 24 hours at the temperature (30 ± 2) °C. The grown biomass was separated in the cultural liquid, filtered on a vacuum-filter.

The choice of *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K was substantiated by the fact that this type of microorganisms is rather effective for fermentation activity of wort, based on whey with food fibers (APC and Citri-Fi). Lacto-fermenting yeast *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K is obtained from the museum of SI “Institute of food biotechnology and genomics”, NAS, Ukraine (Kiev).

The change of activity of lacto-fermenting yeast in the process of fermentation of wort with the increased viscosity was determined by excreted carbon dioxide. The weight method was used.

The fermented whey-vegetable wort was distilled for determining the alcohol mass share in distillate. The total number of yeast cells with staining by Lugol's solution in 1 cm³ was determined by the direct calculation in Goryaev's chamber. Indications were taken each 6 hours of fermentation during 36 hours.

The statistical analysis of parameters of fermentation of wort with the increased viscosity

Data present the mean value of three independent experiments ± SD. Statistical differences between experimental groups were assessed by the dispersion analysis (ANOVA) using the program package COSTAT (Cohort Software, CA, USA).

3. Experimental procedures

Using the full-factor experiment, there were established the optimal parameters for preparing whey-vegetable mixtures: Citri-Fi amount – 4...5 %, intermixing duration – 10...15 min, swelling temperature – 30...35 °C. There was also determined the rational amount of the whey-vegetable mixture as 10...12,5 % for introducing in the main whey volume. It is necessary to observe the regimes: temperature – 50...60 °C, intermixing duration – 8...10 min.

There were obtained IR-spectrums of transmission for dry whey (control), dry APC and Citri-Fi, and also, correspondingly, mixtures of food fibers APC and Citri-Fi with water and whey. The typical feature of compositional mixtures with Citri-Fi is a distinct increase of relative intensity of a strip 1741 cm⁻¹, typical for H⁺-form of the carboxyl group.

The appearance of the strips 2668 and 2723 cm⁻¹ in dry samples of Citri-Fi and also Citri-Fi mixtures with water and whey may testify to the formation of strong H⁺-bonds of the bridge type and dissociated mobile proton. Spectral manifestations of such bonds are detected in the sample of the water mixture with orange food fibers (strip 2159 cm⁻¹). The relative intensity of water strips is the most in the water mixture with Citri-Fi, where the salt form of the carboxyl group is fixed together with H⁺-form (strip 1534 cm⁻¹).

The presented studies of IR-spectrums of transmission of APC Citri-Fi mixtures with water and whey testify to manifestations of distinct strips of spectral bonds in the area of valent fluctuations C=O (1748 cm⁻¹), C–O (1151 cm⁻¹) of groups. Two strips C=O, and also C–O and OH may testify to the presence of two types of carboxyl groups ($\text{-(N}\overset{\uparrow}{\text{C}}\text{)}_1^-$).

The microphoto Citri-Fi 200, visualizing the open and soluble structure of cells of fibers, which links are able to bind the essential amount of liquid and to keep it, was obtained using auto-fluorescence. The picture indirectly confirms moisture-binding properties, declared by the producer.

The rational conditions of fermentation of wort with the yeast cells concentration 40 mln/cm³ of wort were determined by the aforesaid methods. The fermentation dynamics of whey-vegetable wort of the increased viscosity by indices of carbon dioxide emission was studied during 36 hours. The obtained values are presented on **Fig. 3**. For establishing the rational temperature of fermentation, there was determined the amount of accumulated yeast cells in wort with the increased viscosity depending on temperature (24...36 °C). The results of the experimental studies are presented on **Fig. 4**.

According to the data, presented on **Fig. 3**, the maximal accumulation of CO₂ was observed in 30 hours of cultivation (1,2 and 1,45 g/100 ml at fermentation of wort with apple pectin in cellulose and in control, respectively). Then fermentation activity of yeast decreases because of decreasing the amount of nutrients. At the additional fermentation almost all monosaccharides were utilized by yeast cells.

According to the data (**Fig. 4**), the maximal accumulation of yeast cells – 70,5...71,2 mln/cm³ is observed at using *Zygosaccharomyces lactis* 868-K yeast at the temperature of whey-vegetable wort

fermentation 30...32 °C. The further increase or decrease of the temperature diminishes this index that testifies to the decrease of enzymes' activity in cells. There was also determined the amount of ethyl alcohol in whey-vegetable wort, observed as 1,02 % in the control sample at the temperature 32 °C. This parameter was fixed in whey with APC at the level 0,69 %. According to the requirements of normative documents for alcohol-free beverages (SSTU 4069:2002), the amount of ethyl alcohol no more than 1,2 % of a product is allowed. The obtained results are agreed and may be used for realizing the technology of fermented whey beverages with the increased viscosity.

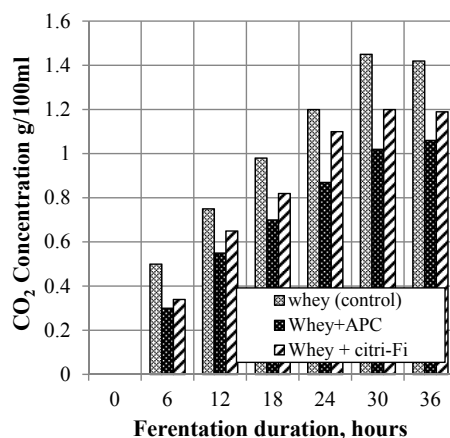


Fig. 3. Dynamics of carbon dioxide accumulation in whey-vegetable wort

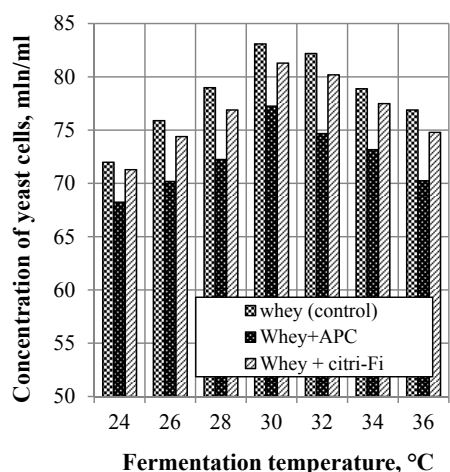


Fig. 4. Change of yeast cells concentration depending on fermentation temperature in whey-vegetable wort

4. Conclusions

The method of IR-spectroscopy determined the high moisture-binding abilities of the food fibers Citri-Fi and APC, found by the continuous absorption of IR-spectrums of water strips in the fluctuation zone 2668 and 2723 cm^{-1} in whey.

The full-factor experiment with data processing using the applied mathematical package MathCad 15 allowed to determine the optimal parameters of the process of increasing viscosity of whey-vegetable mixtures: Citri-Fi amount – 4...5 %, intermixing duration – 10...15 min, swelling temperature – 30...35 °C. There was also determined the rational amount of the whey-vegetable mixture (10...12,5 %), at the following regimes of introducing in the main whey volume: temperature – 50...60 °C, intermixing duration – 8...10 min.

The presented results are the base for determining the parameters of fermentation of whey beverages with vegetable ingredients. The amount of ethanol in the control sample at the temperature 32 °C was 1,02 %. And for whey and Citri-Fi this index reached 0,79 %. The presence of

Citri-Fi in wort, as it has been already noted, results in decreasing yeast activity and, as a result, decreasing the ethyl alcohol amount.

The presented information is recommended to be used for substantiating the parameters of stages of the technology of whey fermented beverages with the increased viscosity.

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