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ABSTRACT

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Food consists of several components of a complex structure and different shapes to suit different tastes of consumers. A protein is considered the most important component of milk, in addition to its role in nutrition, it is a food component which works to improve the functional properties of the structure, stability and handling of dairy products.

Because of the higher milk protein price compared to other plant proteins, the study suggested that a portion of bovine milk protein could be replaced by a protein from a plant source. Previous studies show that soybean proteins are the most suitable type of proteins that can be used in the food industry in general and dairy industries in particular because of its good functional characteristics in addition to its nutritional and technological characteristics. Thus, the study focused on the use of soybean milk as a source of plant protein. Despite all the benefits of soy milk, the main problem is the appearance of some defects when used with some dairy products, especially yoghurt or soft cheese, especially when using whole-fat soy milk such as the appearance of off-flavour compounds which necessitated the need to modify the composition of both cow's or soy milk.

One of the best method of modification used is enzymes due to its high specialized role and no toxic substance residues in food. The most important enzyme used is the transglutaminase EC(2.3.2.13). The objective of this study was the production of some dairy products fortified by soy proteins and treated with transglutaminase. In addition, reduce or overcome some of the disadvantages in the traditional dairy products manufactured using fortified soy proteins that have already been studied.

This study was conducted in two parts. The summary of the results obtained are:

Part I: Manufacture of yoghurt

In this part transglutaminase was used by 0.5, 1 and 1.5 u / g protein in cow's milk, soy milk or mixture of both. The characteristics of resulted yoghurt affected by ratio of transglutaminase used and soy milk. Generally, the sensory evaluation of yoghurt made from 100% soy milk and 0.5 u of TGase was preferred compared with untreated soy milk yoghurt. Also, by increasing cow's milk in mixture or dose of TGase the colour, texture profile analysis and scanning electron microscope enhanced. By increasing soy milk in mixture used for yoghurt production and decreasing TGase dose didn't enhance the flavour or overall acceptability of yoghurt samples but was better than the mixture of 2:1 cow milk and soy milk in syneresis.

In the case of the use of transglutaminase and soybean milk in the manufacture of yoghurt, one unit of enzyme should be used.

Part II: Cheese manufacture

In this part soft cheese was manufactured by cow's milk: soy milk 1:1, 1:2 or 2:1 and TGase dose 1, 5 and 10 u/ g protein. The results obtained showed that in case of the use of transglutaminase and soybean milk in the manufacture of soft cheese, lower doses of the enzyme should be used. It means that 1 or 5 units of enzyme enhance the colour, volatile profile compounds, texture profile, scanning electron microscope, and sensory evaluation of soft cheese made from soy milk or mixture of soy milk and cow's milk.

Key Words: Transglutaminase, Cow's milk, Soybean milk.

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