
MÆLK TIL FJERNE MARKEDER – NYE KRAV TIL HOLDBARHED OG FORBEDRET KVALITET

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NEW MARKETS – NEW DEMANDS

- ❖ UHT and powder products
- ❖ Temperature fluctuations, both at transport and subsequent storage
- ❖ Gentle heat treatments to avoid adverse quality issues
- ❖ But still ensure
 - ❖ Bacteriological quality
 - ❖ Functional quality
 - ❖ Organoleptic qualities
 - ❖ Nutritional properties



UHT AREA

- Direct heat treatment
- Indirect heat treatment
- With/without lactose
- In the last decade, UHT processes with ultra-short holding times have been developed
- UHT treatment > 150 °C with holding times of 0.2 s result in a sufficient spore reduction to obtain a commercially sterile product (Huijs, et al., 2004; van Asselt, et al., 2008).

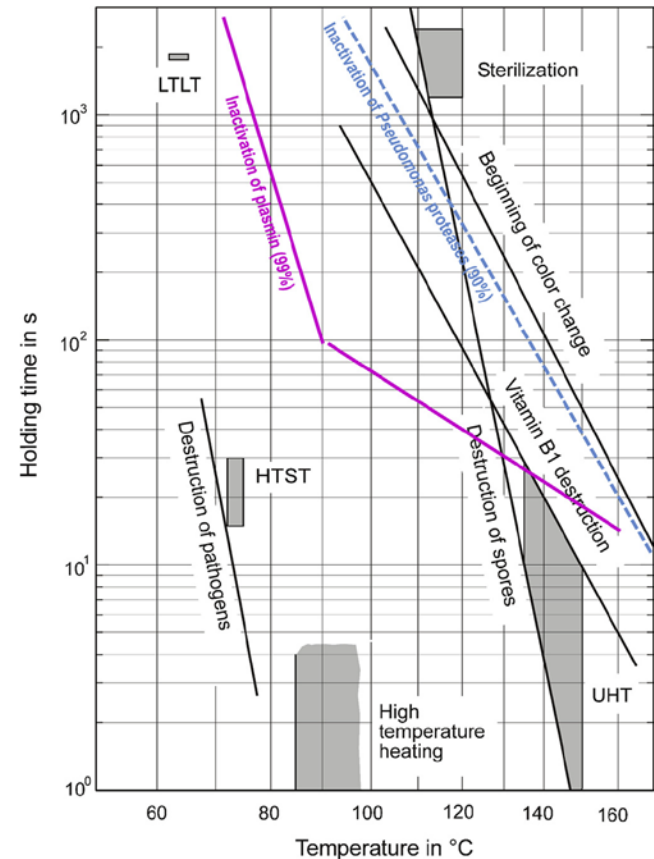


Fig from Stoeckel et al (2016). Heat stability of indigenous milk plasmin and proteases from *Pseudomonas*. A challenge in the production of UHT products. Int. Dairy J. 61, 250-261.

MILK EQUILIBRIUM IN DIFFERENT PHYSICO-CHEMICAL CONDITIONS

Heat treatment:
Denaturation
Modifications in protein backbones
Digestability?
Effect on human health?

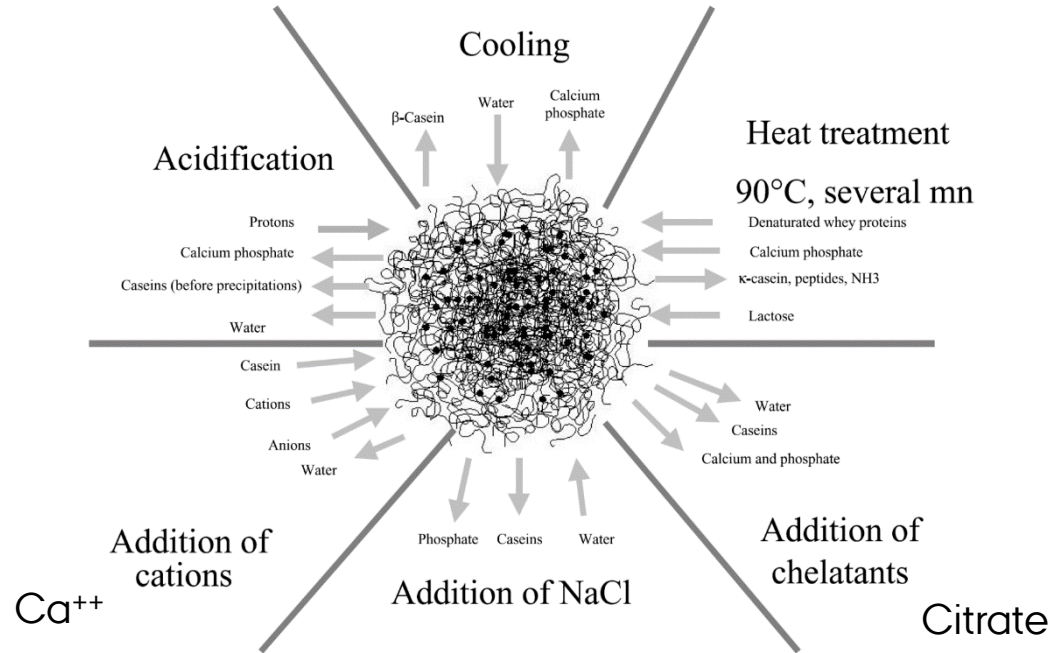


Fig from Gaucheron F (2005) The minerals of milk. Reprod Nutr Dev 45:473-483

FACTORS IN RAW MILK THAT INFLUENCE UHT STABILITY

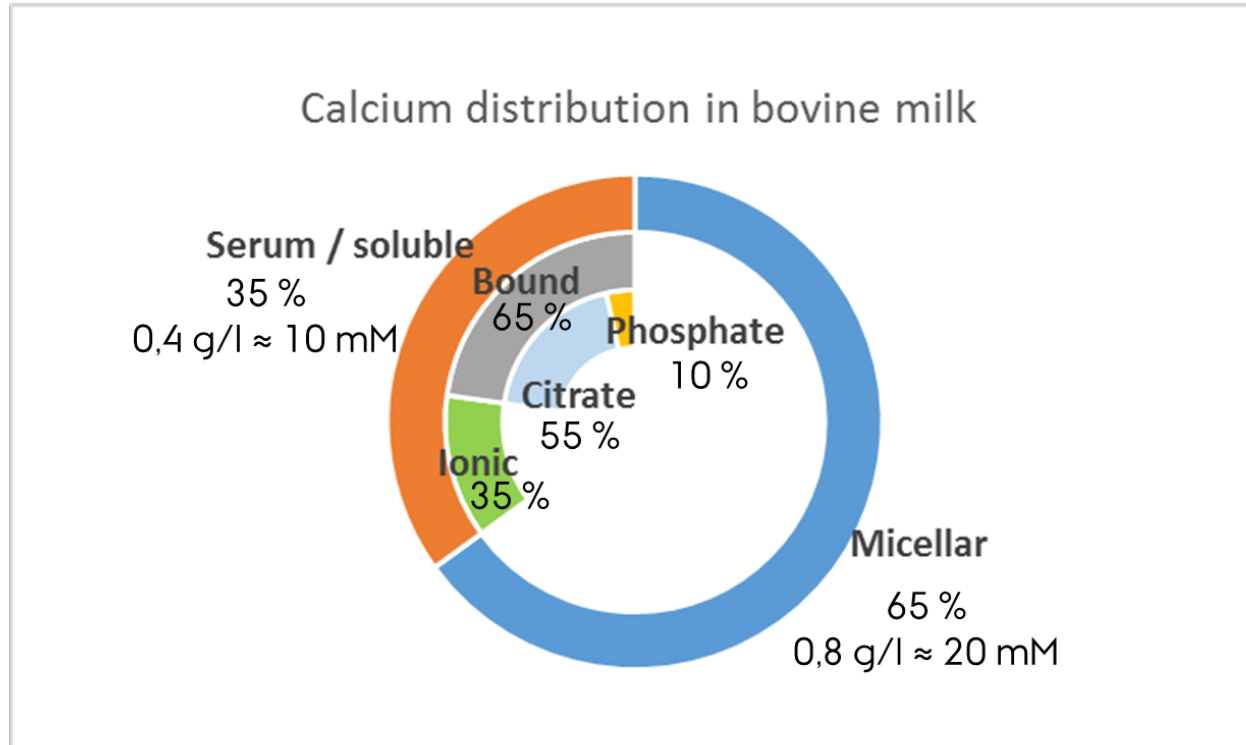
- ✓ pH of milk
- ✓ Calcium
- ✓ Protein composition
- ✓ Urea
- ✓ Bacterial count and composition
- ✓ Bovine enzymes

- ✓ And the underlying factors behind these parameters



Calcium in bovine milk

Total Ca 1,2 g/l = 120 mg/100 ml = 30 mM



ROLES OF CALCIUM

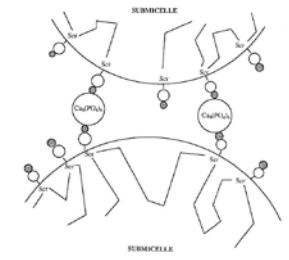
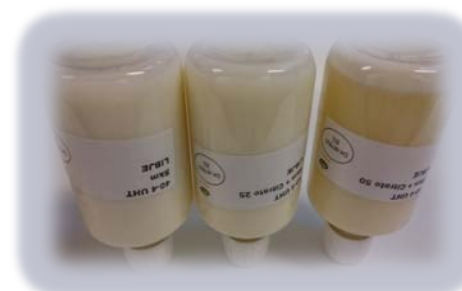


Figure 5.10 Association of colloidal calcium phosphate (Ca₃(PO₄)₂) with the serine phosphate groups of casein (from Schmidt, 1982).

Rennet induced coagulation

- High level of calcium needed for aggregation
- Important with stable, Ca loaded micelles
- Enhanced by addition of CaCl₂
- CaCl₂ increases esp. ionic Ca

UHT stability

- High Ca: problems with fouling during heat treatment
- CaCl₂ increase sediment formation in UHT milk
- Stabilize: decrease ionic Ca and increase pH of milk

Milk differentiation, including organics, with potentials outside the cool chain

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Issue

Raw milk quality and composition

- Is affected by seasonal changes and management systems
- Has been found to have impact on UHT stability

Aim

Establish relationships between

- Management systems, in relation to pH, calcium and organic acids.
- Milk composition and heat- and storage stability

Hypotheses

- Feeding affects citrate content which influences the calcium balance
- Decreased ionic calcium levels reduce sedimentation during storage of UHT milk
- Variation in milk quality is larger in organic production due to differences in farming systems

Outcome

- Understand how milk components affect UHT stability for producing high quality products



Milk quality

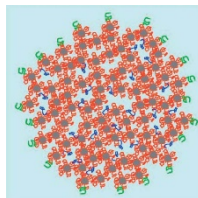
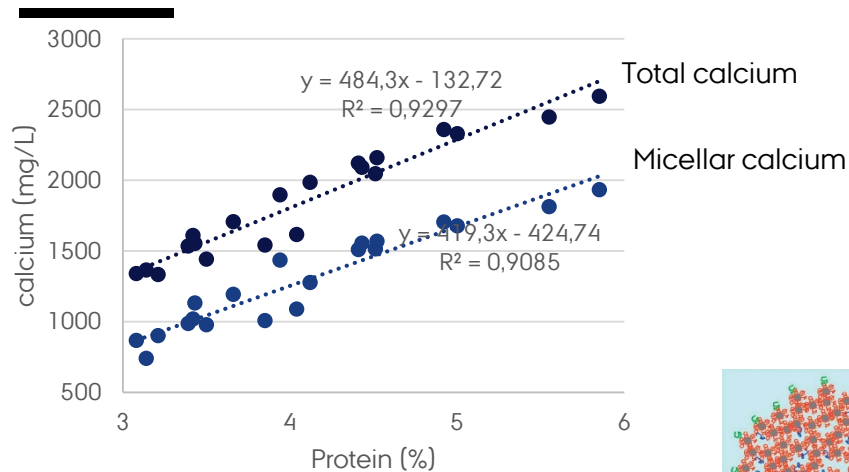
UHT stability



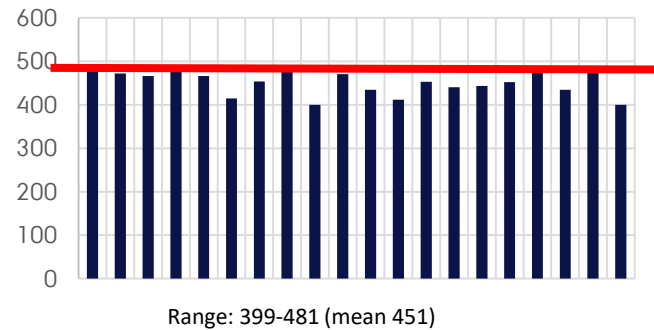
CALCIUM



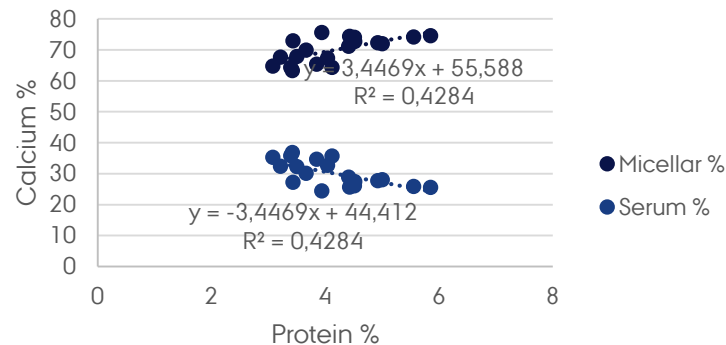
Calcium distribution



Total calcium/protein ratio



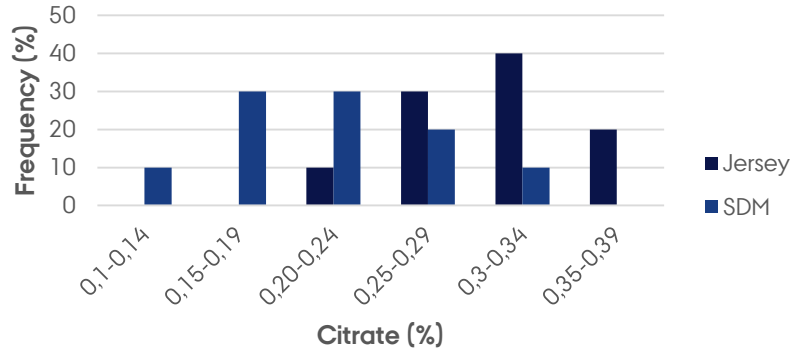
% distribution of calcium



CITRATE

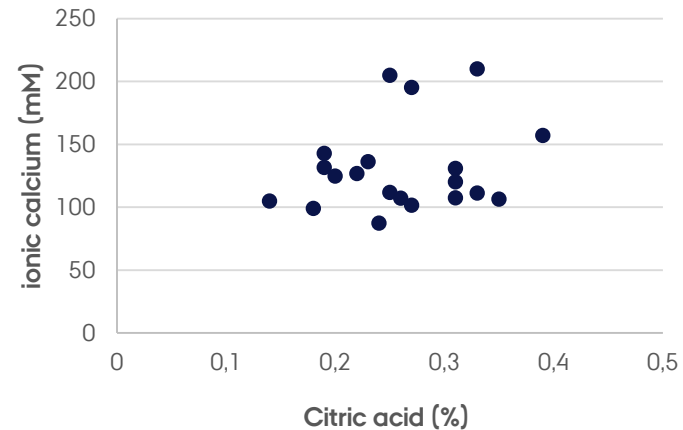
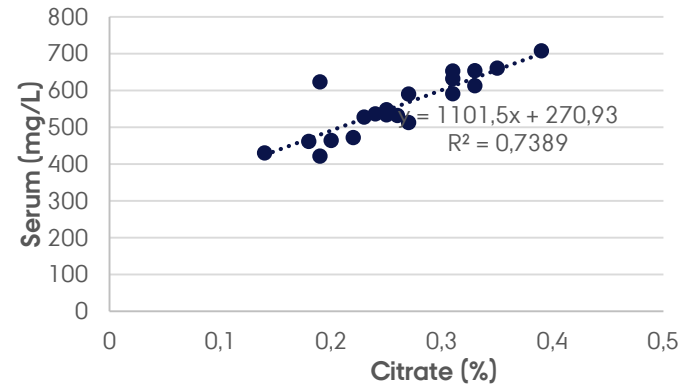


Citrate content distribution



SDM: 0,14-0,31 % (mean 0,21)

Jersey: 0,24-0,39 % (mean 0,31)

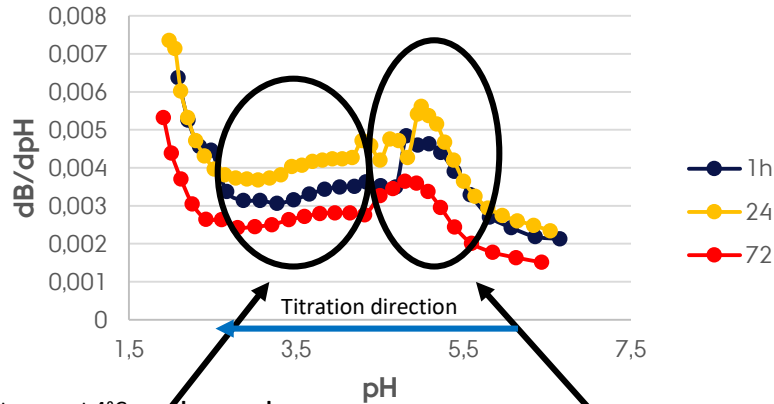


Jerseys higher citrate and linear with serum Ca
Ionic Ca and citrate relation not clear

BUFFERING CAPACITY

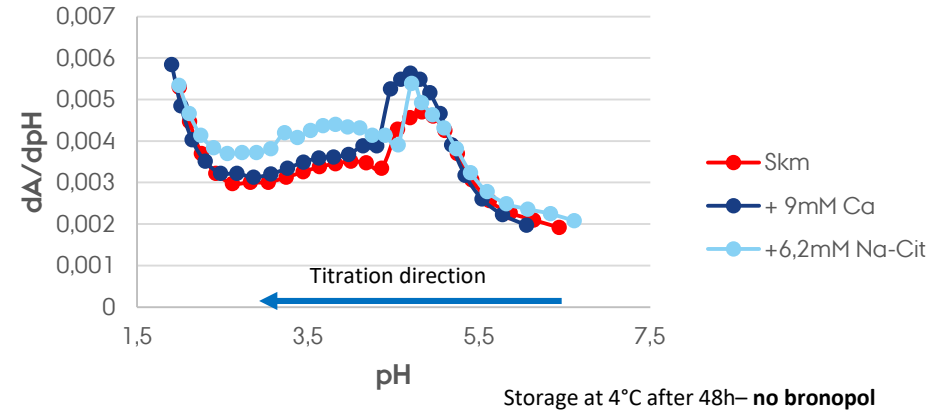
$$\text{buffering capacity} = \frac{dB}{dpH} = \frac{v(\text{acid added}) \cdot N(\text{normality of acid})}{v(\text{sample}) \cdot pH \text{ change}}$$

Storage of skim milk



Amino acids
Citrate

Addition of calcium or citrate

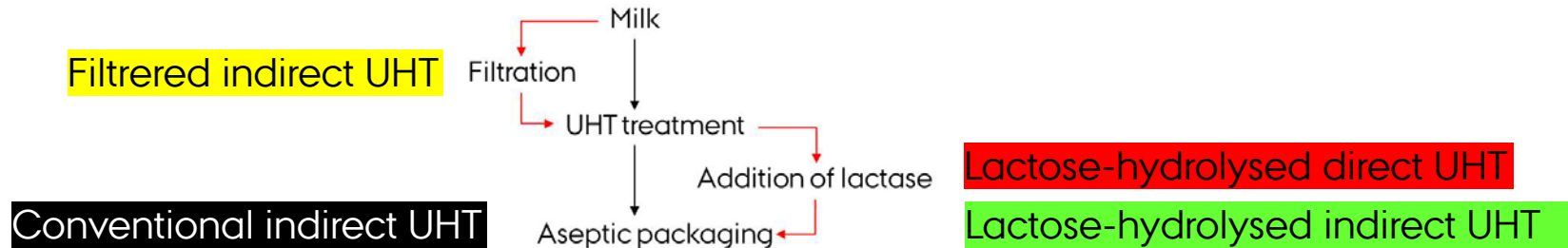


Better buffering capacity - more stable milk?

CASE: LACTOSE REDUCED PRODUCTS

Lactase added to cleave the remaining lactose into glucose and galactose

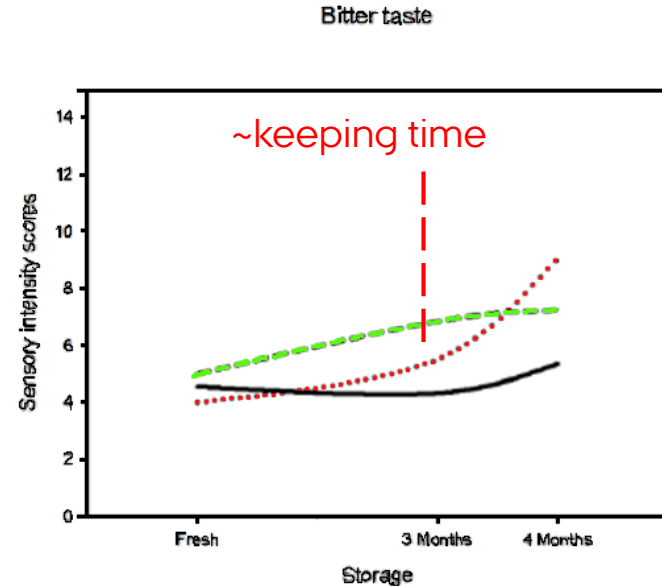
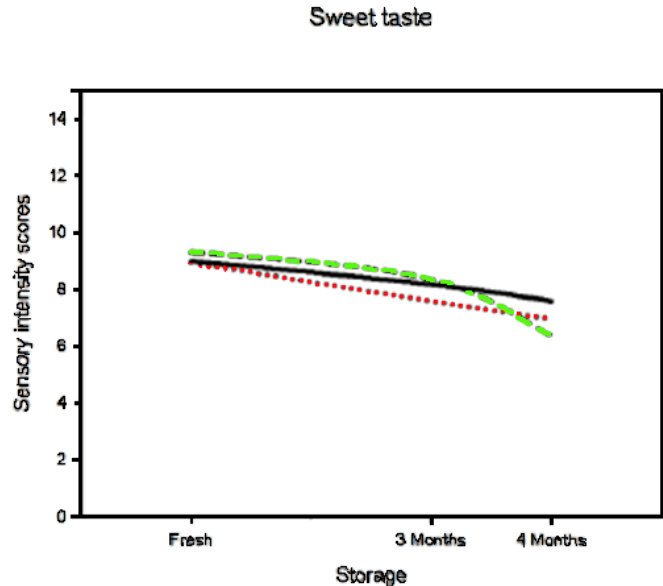
Complex interplay between proteolysis and Maillard reactions (sugar + protein), which are both enhanced in lactofree milk



SENSORY PROFILING OF STORED UHT MILK

SEMI SKIMMED

- Conventional indirect UHT
- ⋯ Lactose-hydrolyzed direct UHT
- - - Lactose-hydrolyzed indirect UHT



RELATION BETWEEN SENSORY PROFILE AND GENERATION OF BITTER PEPTIDES AND ALDEHYDE

- 17 bitter peptides identified to be generated during storage of lactofree UHT milk (9 α_{s1} -CN, 7 β -CN, 1 α_{s2} -CN)
- Furthermore undesired aroma component 2-methylbutanal generated after 80 days
- Complex interplay between proteolysis, glycations and early Maillard reaction products
- Current investigations and publication on undesired side activities of lactase enzymes from different companies

OUTLOOK

- ✓ Connection between raw milk quality and UHT stability
 - Role of calcium content and ionic calcium
 - Breed differences
 - Role of citrate
 - Urea (master project)
- ✓ Role of lactase enzyme in lactose free milk
- ✓ Molecular markers for functional and nutritional quality of UHT and powder products

