Milk to foreign markets

new demands to shelf life and improved quality

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Topics

Lactose hydrolysed milk

Transport and storage conditions





Future needs





Enzymes in UHT milk



Lactose hydrolysed milk





Lactose hydrolysed milk Effect of side activity in posthydrolysed milk





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

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Lactose hydrolysed milk Side activity testing

- Collaboration with Aarhus University
- Quick test for proteolytic side activity
- Testing of commercial lactase preparations
 - Large difference in proteolytic activity
 - All preparations showed side activity
- Rapid evaluation of new lactases and their risk for off flavour generation
- Ability to choose right lactase for right application









Lactose hydrolysed milk Off flavour development







Off flavour



Lactose hydrolysed milk Inhibiting Maillard reactions

- Pelum: Polyphenol Enriched Lactosefree UHT Milk
- Plant polyphenols can inhibit Maillard reaction
- Aim:
 - Understanding the interactions between polyphenols and milk components for a possible reduction in off-flavor formation
 - Storage trial to evaluate effect of polyphenols in lactose free UHT milk









Enzymes in UHT milk







Enzymes in UHT milk Bacterial enzymes - contamination











Farm/Milking

Raw milk storage and transport

Raw milk in dairy

Pasteurized milk in dairy



- Problem in final product
 - If contamination of milk by bacteria
 - If bacteria can grow under cold storage conditions
 - If bacteria secret enzymes
 - If the enzymes are heat resistant
 - If shelf life is long enough for residual enzymes to do damage

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BUT if it happens, the whole production is spoiled



Enzymes in UHT milk Outcome



Growth of *Pseudomonas weihenstephanensis*, *Pseudomonas proteolytica* and *Pseudomonas* sp. in raw milk: Impact of residual heat-stable enzyme activity on stability of UHT milk during shelf-life

> Proteolysis of casein micelles by heat-stable protease secreted by *Serratia liquefaciens* leads to the destabilisation of UHT milk during its storage

Thermostability of peptidases secreted by microorganisms associated with raw milk





Enzymes in UHT milk PhD project Lund University

Milk quality and increased shelf-life of milk

To increase the profitability of milk production, it is required that milk and dairy products can be stored for a long time. The shelf-life of milk is controlled by quality parameters, such as enzymatic changes in the milk. These impair the shelf-life by giving rise to taste, odor and product defects, which in turn gives a higher waste.





Transport and storage





Transport and storage Accelerated shelf life test of UHT milk







Transport and storage Browning of UHT milk





Transport and storage Key outcomes

- No significant changes at 10 and 20 °C, some changes after storage at 30 °C
- Major changes at 40 and 50 °C
 - Colour changes
 - Maillard reaction products
 - Lipid oxidation products
 - New reactions compared to 20 °C, e.g. sugar degradation
- Faster reactions during temperature cycling compared to average temperature
- Colour analysis was an easy and robust method for Maillard reaction







Accelerated or ambient storage?





Transport and storage Started activities

- New initiatives regarding transportation and distribution
- Rethinking storage and shelf life tests
- Exploring optimal balance between storage temperature and shelf life
- New approaches for accelerated shelf life tests needed







Future research needs

- Analysis of contamination by psychrotrophs
 - Bacteria vs enzymes vs DNA/ RNA
 - Analysis prior to production
- Extended cold storage
 - Microbial spoilage
 - Impact on structure and functionality
- Accelerated shelf life testing
 - Validated protocol
 - Methods and knowledge for functionality of different products



Future research needs Recombination

- Powder functionality
 - Solubility
 - Wettability
 - Crystallization
 - Enzyme activity
 - Formulation for specific products
- Powder shelf life
 - Impact on functionality
 - Off flavour generation





