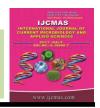


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Studies on Preparation and Nutritional Quality of Sorghum-Fingermillet Chakli

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ABSTRACT

Keywords

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Accepted: 17 June 2017 Available Online: 10 July 2017 Traditional foods play an important role in local identity, consumer behavior, the transfer of cultural heritage for future generations, and the interaction of this heritage with the rest of the world. "Chakli" is one of the traditional fried snacks that can be produced using different combination of ingredients. Cereal chakli is popular product and at present they are mostly made from gram, rice etc. By suitable processing it might be feasible to produce chakli from sorghum. Considering the physico-chemical and nutritional composition of sorghum variety Maldandi (M35-1) was found best among the other genotypes and upto 40% incorporation with malted finger millet. The present investigation was planned with an objective to incorporate malted finger millet flour at different levels to "chakli" by the Standardization of recipe and study its effect on nutritional composition, sensory and storage characteristics. The results indicated that Protein content varies in the ranged from (11.20-14.75%). The range of fat content was found (26.49 to 30.13%) in chakli formulations. The mineral composition of chakli has calcium content (322.30-342.02), phosphorus was observed (144.05-158.01), and iron content (1.93-2.53)mg/100g of product. The most acceptable fortified Chakli was analyzed for shelf life study. The different formulations of sorghum: finger millet in the ratio of 10:40 (S₁), 20:30 (S₂) and 30:20 (S3) and (S₄) 40:10 and the (S₀) control are prepared. The chakli was found significantly improved nutritional value. Hence the prepared chakli may become nutritionally balanced and have nutraceutical properties.

Introduction

Cereal grains are the most important source of the world's food and have a significant role in the human diet throughout the world. Sorghum (Sorghum bicolor L.) is one of the major cereal crop consumed in India after rice (Oryza sativa L.) and wheat (Triticum aestivium L.). Sorghum is commonly called as jowar or great millet. The crop is primarily produced in Maharashtra and Southern states like Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. Sorghum has 11.9 per cent of moisture and about 10.4

per cent of protein and a lower fat content of 1.9 per cent. The fibre and mineral content of grain sorghum is around 2.1 per cent and 1.6 per cent respectively. It is a good source of energy and provides about 349 K cal/100g and gives 72.6 per cent of carbohydrates (Gopalan *et al.*, 1996). Sorghum does not have gluten and hence becomes a very good ideal gluten free energy source for the people suffering from wheat or gluten allergies.

Besides sorghum, other millets also have good nutritional value. In ancient India, finger millet (ragi) (Eleusine coracana) was a well domesticated plant in various states. It was traditionally referred as nachni (meaning dancer) in Maharashtra, umi in Bihar, etc. (Achaya 2009). Finger millet contains about 5-8 % protein, 1-2 % either extractives, 65-75 % carbohydrates, 15-20 % dietary fiber and 2.5–3.5% minerals (Chethan Malleshi, 2007). It has the highest Calcium content among all cereals (344 mg/100 g), contains phosphorous 283 mg/100g and Iron 3.9 mg/100g. Traditionally ragi is processed either by malting or fermentation (Rao et al., 2001). Malting of finger millet improves its digestibility, sensory and nutritional quality as well as pronounced effect in the lowering the antinutrients. Malting characteristics of finger millet are superior to other millets and ranks next to barley malt (Pawar et al., 2007) (Table 4).

In India, a number of snack food items are prepared from a different raw materials like besan (Bengal gram flour), maida (refined wheat flour), urad (black gram) dhal, moong (green gram) dhal, alone or in combination with other cereals and legumes/ pulses. "Chakli" is a common term for a variety of fried snacks that can be made using different combination of ingredients. Ready to eat products like chakali is very popular being crisp and friable in texture. The relatively smaller size and quick hydration of millets make them most suitable for the production of chakali (Chavan et al., 2016).

The present investigation was planned with an objective to incorporate malted finger millet flour at different levels to "chakli" and study its effect on nutritional composition, sensory and storage parameters. The variation in commercial *chakli* for nutrients and sensory attributes needs attention for Optimization of the product for sustainable quality

(Geethalaxmi and Prakash, 2000). In view of above information regarding the nutritive status and therapeutic importance of sorghum along with other millet, the present work have been undertaken to formulate and evaluate the qualities of sorghum-finger millet chakli. The chakli made up of sorghum flour mixing with malted finger millet flour and pulses flour was significantly improved nutritional value in terms of total protein and minerals content iron, phosphorus (calcium. and zinc) compared to unfortified chakli.

Materials and Methods

Raw materials

Good quality raw materials sorghum (Sorghum bicolor) Rabi cultivar like M35-1(Maldandi), CSV-22R, Parbhani jyoti, varieties were procured from Sorghum Research Station Parbhani, Maharashtra. Finger millet, rice and pulses like Bengal gram, green gram, black gram procured from local market of parbhani and university farmers field V.N.M.K.V, Parbhani.

Chemicals and processing equipments

Chemicals used in this investigation were of analytical grade. The equipment's and machineries required in the present investigation were used from Department of Food trade and business management, Department of Food Chemistry and Nutrition, Department of Food Science and Technology, College of Food Technology, VNMKV Parbhani. Figure 1 explains the process of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Methods

Physical characteristics of developed chakli

The average weight of uniform size chakli was selected for study. The average diameter

of chakli was reported in mm. (AACC, 1967). For the density of chakli difference in volume was calculated and expressed in g/cm3 as density. The determination of water and oil absorption of chakli will be determined according to the method described by Rosario and Flores (1981).

Proximate composition of sorghum-finger millet chakli

The proximate composition of chakli samples were determined using standard methods. The protein, fat and crude fiber was determined by the method as described in AOAC (1992). Total carbohydrate was determined by standard procedure using phenol and sulphuric acid AOAC (1990). Mineral contents of different chakli mix were obtained by calculation using table value (Gopalan *et al.*, 1996).

Texture profile analysis of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Stable Micro System *TAXT2 plus* Texture Analyser was used for texture profile analysis (TPA) of Chakli. Texture Profile Analysis (TPA) of Sorghum-finger millet Chakli was determined with the texture analyzer using double compression tests by using circular probe of 70mm of diameter. Chakli were prepared by moderately substituting rice flour with (10, 20, 30, 40 %) sorghum flour and finger millet malt flour (FMM). The percent escalation in substitution was done till they were acceptable and the Chakli can be easily fried without breakage. Recipe of the standardized Chakli was given in table 1.

Standardization of process for sorghumfinger millet chakli

Recipe of the standardized Chakli was as follows Sorghum-malted finger millet flours (50%), rice flour mixture (20 %), washed Bengal gram, green gram, black gram pulse

(30 %) and fat (50 %). Preparation was as follows firstly, cereal + pulse mixture (Sorghum-finger millet flour, rice flour, Bengal, green, black gram), Salt, cumin seeds, oil and asafoetida were mixed to develop a firm dough using warm water simultaneously. The dough was allowed to rest for some time after that dough is filled in the Chakli presser and Chakli were shaped and simultaneously fried in hot oil on slow flame. After frying and Chakli were allowed to cool down and kept in air tight containers for further analysis (Table 2).

Sensory and organoleptic evaluation of developed product

The sensory quality characteristics of the developed products such as colour, taste, texture, flavor and overall acceptability were evaluated by panel of judges using nine point hedonic scale as described by Amerine *et al.*, (1965). According to sensory score card evaluation the best sample was chosen for the further study.

Storage studies

The storage stability of sorghum-finger millet chakli finalized in sensory studies along with control) were carried out using aluminium foil, polypropylene, low density polyethylene (LDPE) pouches for a period of 1 month at ambient conditions. All samples were drawn periodically after 0, 15, and 30 days analyzed for sensory qualities.

Statistical analysis

All processing equipment's and analysis of samples were run in triplicate. Analysis of variance was calculated using standard ANOVA procedure. The recorded data statistically analyzed by complete randomized design (CRD) to find out the level of significance as per the method proposed by Panse and Sukhatme (1967). The standard

error (SE) and critical difference (CD) at 5 % level were mentioned where required.

Results and Discussion

Proximate composition of sorghum and finger millet grains

The protein content in sorghum grain ranged from 10.39% to 10.49%. The genotype Maldandi gave a significantly higher level of protein (10.49%) in the grain and followed by (10.42%) in CSV-22R. the results revealed that the genotype Parbhani Jyoti content the higher level of fat (1.80 %) followed by Maldandi (1.68%) whereas lower level of fat was reported in CSV-22R cultivar that was(1.55 %). it is observed that the total carbohydrate content in the maldandi (M-35-

1) was highest whereas the lowest carbohydrate content of 71.01% in Yparbhani Jyoti was reported by Chavan *et al.*, (2009), Butti Prabhakar *et al.*, (2016).

The moisture content reported in finger millet was (11.60%). protein content of finger millet recorded was (7.52%). The carbohydrate recorded that was (73.30%). Pragya and Rita (2012) reported the total carbohydrate content of finger millet was ranged between 72 to 79.5 per cent. It was observed that (3.21%) crude fiber. Similar results about chemical composition of finger millet were found by Desai *et al.*, (2010). The prepared Chakli were subjected to Nutritional content and the data pertaining to this evaluation of Chakli along with control Chakli are summarized in table 3.

Table.1 Basic recipe for making sorghum-finger millet chakli

Ingredients	Quantity (g)	
Sorghum flour	20	
Malted Finger millet flour	30	
Rice flour	20	
Pulses mixture	30	
Chilli powder	3	
Cumin seed	5	
Turmeric	2	
Salt	2	
Hot water (ml)	100	
Oil (for frying)	200	

Table.2 Optimization of processing parameters for chakli

Process parameter	Value	
Initial temperature of oil	180°C	
Final temperature for frying	160°C	
Time taken for frying	2-3Min	
Resting period of Dough	15Min	

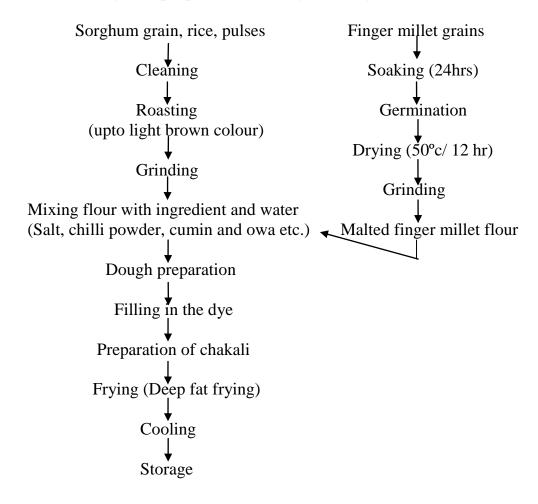
Table.3 Nutritional	composition of	of sorghum-	finger millet chak	:li

Sample code	Moisture	Fat	Protein	Carbohydrate	Crude fiber	Ash
S ₀ (Control)	2.8	28.91	11.20	50.58	3.32	3.19
S_1	3.0	30.13	14.42	46.45	3.54	2.46
S_2	2.1	26.49	14.75	50.61	3.45	2.6
S_3	2.3	26.95	13.87	50.49	3.49	2.90
S_4	2.8	29.26	13.64	47.45	3.75	3.10
Mean	2.60	2.83	1.35	4.91	3.51	2.85
SE±	0.0577	0.0057	0.0165	0.0064	0.0057	0.0263
CD at 5%	0.1816	0.0181	0.0520	0.0204	0.0181	0.0828

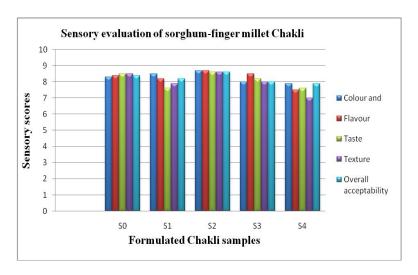
^{*}Each value is a mean of three determinations

Fig.1 Preparation of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Technology for preparation of sorghum-finger millet chakli



Graph.1 Sensory evaluation of sorghum-finger millet chakli



Graph.2 Hardness characteristics of sorghum-finger millet chakli

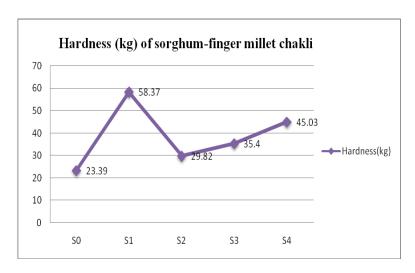


Table.4 Mineral composition of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Sample code	Mineral composition of Chakli (mg/100gm)			
	Calcium	Phosphorus	Iron	
$S_{0 (CONTROL)}$	285.01	56.03	1.45	
S_1	342.02	144.05	1.93	
S_2	335.60	148.06	2.1	
S_3	329.20	152.03	2.33	
$_{_}$	322.30	158.01	2.53	
Mean	322.83	131.64	2.06	
$SE\pm$	0.0057	0.0057	0.0263	
CD at 5%	0.0181	0.0181	0.0828	

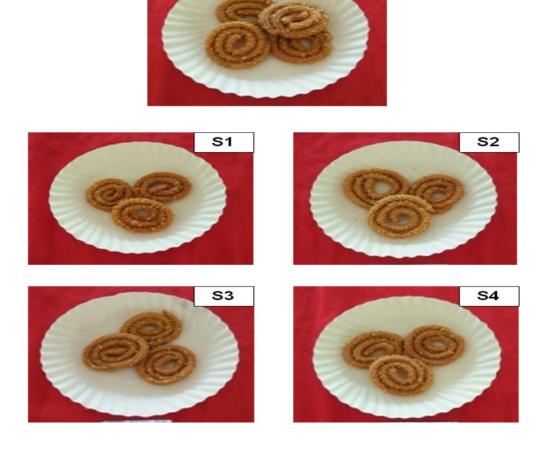
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Table.5 Techno economic feasibility of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Particulars	Rate (Rs/kg)	Quantity (g)	Cost (Rs.)
Sorghum	28	500	14
Finger millet	48	500	24
Rice	30	125	3.75
Green gram	60	125	7.5
Black gram	65	125	8.125
Oil	90	500	45
Salt, chilli powder, cumi, owa	-	-	12
Labour charges	30	-	30
Fuel and packaging	20	-	20
miscellaneous			
Total yield (kg)	-	1.6 kg	Rs.164.37
Cost /kg (chakli)	-	1 kg	=102.5

Plate.1 Formulated samples of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Control



Results given in table 3 revealed that moisture content significantly varied from (2.1 to 3.0 %). The range of fat content was found to be (26.49 to 30.13) percent in various chakli whereas the fat content of Control chakli was (28.91%). The Protein content of prepared Chakli varies in the ranged from (11.20-14.75%). The sample (S_2) contains maximum protein content (14.75%) and it was numerically superior to other formulations. Proximate compositions for the rice chakli were observed by Hoitinkim singson et al., (2014). The Carbohydrate content present in the all Chakli samples were ranged from (46.45%-50.61%). the crude fiber content of formulated chakli ranged was (3.32-3.75%) reported. the ash content of the standardized chakli was ranged from (2.46-3.19%).the results were comparable with values reported by Sunita et al., (1995); Chavan et al., (2016). An appraisal of table presented that the original control chakli and its modification varied significantly from each other in respect to all the macro and micro nutrients studied.

Calcium, Iron and Phosphorous are of nutritional importance in the diets of population. Calcium content in Control chakli sample (S_0) was (285.01mg/100g) whereas Sorghum-finger millet Chakli sample (S_1) had highest (342.02 mg/100g) Calcium content. The lowest calcium content was observed in sample (S_4) that was (322.30mg/100g). The phosphorus content of various chakli samples ranged from (144.05-158.01mg/100g).

The control samples had (1.45 mg/100 g) of iron content whereas the higher level of iron content was recorded in the sample (S_4) that was (2.53 mg/100 g). On the basis of sensory score obtained to all four formulations the sample (S_2) has got the highest score (8.7) for colour and appearance as compare to control. The colour and appearance characteristics of Chakli score ranged from (7.9 to 8.7). The flavor scored for Chakli ranged from (7.5 to 8.7). The significantly highest flavor score was observed for (S_2) that was (8.7). The significantly highest taste score for (S_2) observed was (8.6). The lowest and similar score for the Taste in Sample

 (S_4) and (S1) was observed that was (7.6). The mean texture score of all Chakli ranged from (7.0 to 8.6).

The overall acceptability score for Chakli prepared from sorghum-finger millet ranged from (7.9 to 8.6). The overall acceptability score was the highest for (S_2) that was (8.6) followed by (S_1) (8.2), and lowest score was in Sample (S_4) that was (7.9). Chavan *et al.*, (2016) reported nutritional and organoleptic quality of sorghum Chakli.

Texture profile analysis of sorghum-finger millet chakli

Texture profile analysis is a very useful technique for examining the food products however, texture of any product plays very important role in determining the acceptability. Texture Profile Analysis (TPA) of Sorghumfinger millet Chakli was determined with the texture analyzer using double compression tests.

The results of texture profile analysis showed that the peak force required breaking Chakli strand was in between (23.39 to58.37) kg recorded for the samples. The highest value of hardness was recorded in the chakli sample (S_1) with the maximum peak force of (58.37kg), while sample (S2) has lowest peak force (29.82kg) indicating the softer and more fracturable texture. The hardness value of the control (S₀) sample was very less as compare to the other samples. The peak force required to break chakli sample (S_4) was increased (45.03)due to higher level of moisture content. The obtained values of hardness recorded in the present study were similar and comparable with the findings of Sawant et al., (2013).

The estimation of cost of production was done by using standard calculation method. By considering the raw material cost, processing cost (20% of raw material cost) and packaging cost. From table 5 the total production cost of 1.6 kg product was Rs.164.37 and the total cost for 1 kg of sorghum-finger millet chakli sample was Rs.102.5.

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