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PROCESS OPTIMIZATION FOR THE PREPARATION OF SAGO MILK BEVERAGE

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ABSTRACT: Cow milk was standardized for 4% fat and 9.5% SNF was blended with sago solution in the ratio of 100:0.00, (S_0) , 90:10 (S_1) , 80:20 (S_2) , 70.30 (S_3) and 60.40 (S_4) . The total solids of these blended milk samples were maintained at 8.0% (T_1) , 10.0% (T_2) and 12.5% (T_3) . The sugar level in milk was 6%. The acidity, fat, protein and ash content were significantly (P<0.01) decreased as the levels of sago increased in the milk. The fat, protein and ash content increased (P<0.01) as the levels of total solids increased in the milk. The overall acceptability score was highest (P<0.01) in group S_0 followed by groups S_1 and S_2 than other groups. The overall acceptability was also increased (P<0.01) in groups T_2 and T_3 than the value obtained in Group T_1 .

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