

OPTIMISATION OF MIXED DRINK MADE FROM RED CABBAGE (*Brassica oleracea* L.) AND ROSELLE (*Hibiscus sabdariffa* L.) EXTRACTS

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ABSTRACT

Response surface methodology (RSM) was employed for optimising the formulation and processing parameters of red cabbage-roselle mixed drink. In this study, four independent variables namely red cabbage-roselle extracts concentration (30 to 70%), stingless honey concentration (1–10%), pasteurisation temperature (70–90°C), and pasteurisation time (30–300 s) were studied in order to determine the effect of the formulation (ingredients) and processing parameters towards the colour and anthocyanin content of the mixed drinks. Thirty different experimental combinations generated by RSM design were studied on the responses i.e. colour values (L^* , a^* , b^*) and total anthocyanin content of red cabbage-roselle mixed drink. The optimal formulation and processing condition were obtained with a 70% combination of red cabbage-roselle extracts concentration and 1% of stingless honey concentration, with pasteurisation temperature, and time of 70.01°C and 284.07 s, respectively. In order to verify the models, the experimental values were compared with the predicted values to check the adequacy of the models. The experimental values were found to be in agreement with those predicted, thus, indicating the suitability of the models used by RSM to optimise the formulation and processing parameters of mixed drinks made from red cabbage and roselle extracts.

Key words: Vegetable mixed juice drink; anthocyanin juice; red cabbage; roselle calyxes

INTRODUCTION

Anthocyanins are water-soluble pigments of plants often found in different fruits and vegetables. There are many fruits and vegetables in Malaysia that are abundant in anthocyanins, such as red cabbage (Saluk *et al.*, 2012; Wiczowski *et al.*, 2015), roselle (Aishah *et al.*, 2013; Da-Costa-Rocha *et al.*, 2014; Wu *et al.*, 2018), purple sweet potato (Aishah *et al.*, 2013; Jiang *et al.*, 2019), eggplant (Sadilova *et al.*, 2006), pomegranate (Khoo *et al.*, 2018), strawberry (Ertan *et al.*, 2018; Khoo *et al.*, 2018), and mulberry (Akkarachaneeyakorn & Tintrat, 2015). Many studies have been conducted on anthocyanins due to the beautiful colouration on food products but

also display antioxidant properties and benefits for health. Several *in vitro*, *in vivo*, and epidemiological studies also demonstrated that anthocyanins might be able to prevent cancer, cardiovascular disease, and obesity (Benn *et al.*, 2014; Jennings *et al.*, 2012; Signorelli *et al.*, 2015). Despite, anthocyanins are unstable and may be degraded during processing and storage, forming colourless or brown-coloured products with further loss of most of their beneficial health properties, which are undesirable characteristics in food and beverage products. (Perez-Ramirez *et al.*, 2015; Chung *et al.*, 2016). Stability of anthocyanin is influenced by many factors including pigment structure and concentration, light, pH, temperature, oxygen, sugar, and sugar metabolites, interactions with ingredients, and co-pigmentation (Bordenave *et al.*, 2014;

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Castaneda-Ovando *et al.*, 2009). In addition, heat treatment, such as pasteurisation, is a common and efficient way of preserving beverages, which can lead to loss of quality (Kirca & Cemeroglu, 2003).

Red cabbage (*Brassica oleracea*) belongs to the cruciferous vegetable group such as broccoli, cauliflower, chinese cabbage, radish, and brussel sprouts (Saluk *et al.*, 2012). Red cabbage draws customers not only because of its nutritious and taste value, but also because of its vivid purple, or red colour (Wiczkowski *et al.*, 2016) with anthocyanins as its main phytochemical groups (Wiczkowski *et al.*, 2015). Red cabbage's anthocyanin composition is very complex due to glucosylation of the anthocyanidin (cyanidin) with two different sugars and acylation with several aromatic acids. The dominant structure of anthocyanins in red cabbage was cyanidin-3-diglucoside-5-glucoside (Charron *et al.*, 2009). On the other hand, roselle (*Hibiscus sabdariffa*) belongs to the Malvaceae family, which is a species of *Hibiscus* widely cultivated in tropical and subtropical regions (Zheoat *et al.*, 2019). Roselle calyx is rich in colours, flavour, and micronutrients such as vitamin C, B₁ and B₂ (Yaacob *et al.*, 2006). The calyx of roselle is bright red in colour due to the presence of anthocyanins compound namely delphinidin-3-sambubioside, cyanidin-3-sambubioside, cyanidin-3-glucoside, and delphinidin-3-glucoside which are the non-methylated type (Castaneda-Ovando *et al.*, 2009).

Juice drinks are among the popular beverages that appeal to consumers of various age groups, including children, adolescents, adults, and elderly (Vikas Kumar *et al.*, 2017). In recent years, drinks are not only consumed as a thirst quencher but also to improve human health and reduce the risk of chronic diseases. Among many juice, roselle juice is popular among Malaysian. However, pure roselle juice has a sour and bitter taste (Wong *et al.*, 2002; Mgaya-Kilima *et al.*, 2015). Juice blending is one of the best methods for enhancing the nutritional quality of the juice. Blending the roselle extract with other anthocyanin rich plant such as red cabbage can enhance the aroma, taste, nutritional and antioxidant properties of the juice blends. In Malaysia, red cabbage is underutilized and is often consumed as coleslaw and salad. In fact, application of red cabbage in food industry can be diversified, as it provides many health benefits such as anthocyanins. The mixed drink containing both extracts of roselle and red cabbage significantly contained higher anthocyanins content compared to drink that contained only roselle juice extract or red cabbage juice extract (Nur Farah Hani *et al.*, 2019).

Response Surface Methodology (RSM) in a powerful tool for optimisation of food processes

(Baş & Boyacı, 2007) and widely used for many application. Previously, RSM was designed by Central Composite Design (CCD) and was used to optimise the processing parameters for the clarification of blended carrot-orange juice (Karangwa *et al.*, 2010), to optimise the formulation of Aonla squash (Jain *et al.*, 2016), and to optimise the formulation of functional cabbage drinks with lime juice (Mohd Nazrul Hisham *et al.*, 2017). Therefore, the purpose of this study was to derive the optimum formulation and processing parameters for the mixed drinks made from red cabbage and roselle extracts using a Central Composite Design of RSM in order to preserve the colour and anthocyanins content in the mixed drink.

MATERIALS

Red cabbage was purchased from a local supplier at Kompleks Pasar Borong Seri Kembangan (Selangor, Malaysia) while dried roselle calyxes (variety UMKL) were purchased from MARDI Kuala Terengganu (Terengganu, Malaysia). Stingless honey was purchased from Trigona Bee (Serdang, Selangor, Malaysia). Solvents and chemicals used were analytical grade and purchased from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany). Food grade chemicals were purchased from Meilun Food Chemical Sdn. Bhd. (Klang, Selangor, Malaysia) while packaging materials were purchased from Plashouse Sdn. Bhd. (Kajang, Selangor, Malaysia).

METHODS

Extraction of red cabbage and roselle juice

Initially, 300 g of a red cabbage head was washed under running tap water to remove foreign matters, and debris. Then, the red cabbage head was cut into six parts and was extracted using a juice extractor (Santos, France). The red cabbage extract was filtered through a muslin cloth.

Fresh roselle calyxes were dried in a mechanical dryer at 50°C for 28 hr until it reached 5% moisture content. After that, dried roselle calyxes were immediately packed and sealed in aluminium polyethylene bags, and kept in a chiller (5°C) until analysis. Extraction of roselle calyxes was done according to the method described by Chumsri *et al.* (2008). Dried roselle calyxes were soaked in water at a ratio of 1:10, and heated at the extraction temperature of 50°C for 30 min. The roselle extract was filtered through a muslin cloth. Both red cabbage and roselle juice extracts were stored in high-density polyethylene (HDPE) bottles and kept frozen (-18°C) prior to the mixed drink preparation.

Preparation of mixed drink from red cabbage and roselle juice extracts

The preliminary sensory evaluation found that a mixed drink made with red cabbage extract and roselle extract at the proportion of 4:1 was found to be the most accepted by panellists (Nur Farah Hani *et al.*, 2019). Therefore, this proportion of red cabbage to roselle juice extracts (4:1) was used to optimise the formulation of the mixed drink. The mixed drinks were prepared by mixing and pasteurising the combination of red cabbage and roselle juice extracts (X_1 , 30–70%) with other ingredients namely stingless honey concentration (X_2 , 1–10%), table sugar (5%), Arabic gum (0.5%), citric acid (0.1%), water (100 – X_1 – X_2 – %table sugar – %citric acid – %Arabic gum), and sodium benzoate (0.03%). The range of juice extracts (X_1 , 30–70%), stingless honey concentration (X_2 , 1–10%), pasteurisation temperature (X_3 , 70–90°C), and pasteurisation time (X_4 , 30–300s) were chosen in this study in order to study the effect of the formulation (ingredients) and processing parameters towards the colour parameters, and anthocyanin content of the mixed drinks.

Table sugar and honey were added to provide sweet taste and flavour to the mixed drinks (Kaleem *et al.*, 2017). Stingless honey was used to partially replace the usage of table sugar, as consumption of honey especially stingless honey is becoming a trend among consumers due to its benefits such as antimicrobial, antioxidant properties and has lower glycemic index compared to table sugar (Kavita, 2011). Arabic gum is often used in beverage systems as an emulsifier or stabiliser and stable in acidic conditions (Chung *et al.*, 2016). Citric acid was added as acidulant and to adjust pH while sodium benzoate was added as food preservative. The pasteurised mixed drinks were hot-filled into polypropylene (PP) bottles and cooled rapidly to room temperature (27°C) by immersing the bottles in chilled water (8±2°C). Then, the bottles were wrapped with aluminium foil and kept at room temperature (27°C) before analysis on the next day. Anthocyanin can be diminished by exposing to light. Therefore, wrapping the bottles with aluminium foil is applied to minimise light penetration into bottle containing juice extracts.

Experimental design using response surface methodology

In this study, a 2⁴ full factorial central composite design (CCD) containing 30 experimental runs was employed and experiments were performed in randomised order according to the run number as arranged by Design-Expert software version 6.0.10 (Stat-Ease Inc., Minneapolis, MN, USA). According to Patras *et al.* (2010) anthocyanin and colour stability were affected by the intrinsic

properties of the product (pH, chemical structure and concentration of anthocyanins, co-pigments, and sugars) and the processing parameters (magnitude and duration of heating, storage temperature, and time). Therefore, four parameters namely red cabbage-roselle extracts concentration (X_1 , 30–70%), concentration of stingless honey (X_2 , 1–10%), pasteurisation temperature (X_3 , 70–90°C), and pasteurisation time (X_4 , 30–300s) were selected as independent variables.

Combination of red cabbage-roselle extracts at 50% was found to have a significant effect on anthocyanin content and colours of the mixed drink (Nur Farah Hani *et al.*, 2019). Hence, the range of 30 to 70% red cabbage-roselle extracts concentration parameter was chosen to investigate whether the extracts concentration obtained a significant effect on stability of anthocyanins and colour of the mixed drink. Addition of honey as a sweetener into white dragon fruit juice drink obtained that panellist preferred juice sweetened with 10% of honey concentration compared to the juice sweetened with 5% and 15% honey concentration (Aji *et al.*, 2013). Therefore, 10% stingless honey was chosen as the maximum range for the concentration of stingless honey parameter. In order to determine juice stability, the range of pasteurisation temperature parameter was 70 to 90°C (Cao *et al.*, 2011). The pasteurisation time parameter were set at 80°C, 85°C and 90°C for 30 to 300 s as described by Yadav (2015).

In this optimisation, the dependent variables chosen were Total Anthocyanin Content (TAC), L^* value (lightness), a^* value (green to redness), and b^* value (blue to yellowness). Each independent variable had 3 levels: -1, 0, and +1. This is a face-centred design whereby the star points are at the centre of each face of the factorial space ($\alpha=4\pm 1$).

The RSM design generated 30 experiments ($T_n = 2^f + 2f + K = 2^4 + 2 \cdot 4 + 6 = 30$). T_n represents the total number of experiments, f represents the number of independent variables, and K represents the number of centre point runs. The centre point runs provide a mean for estimating the experimental error and a measure of lack of fit. These 30 run of experiments were conducted in triplicate and the samples were analysed according to the responses. Data from the CCD were analysed by multiple regressions to fit the following second-order polynomial model.

$$Y = b_0 + \sum_{i=1}^4 b_i X_i + \sum_{i=1}^4 b_{ii} X_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=i+1}^4 b_{ij} X_i X_j \quad (1)$$

Where; b_0 is an intercept, b_i the linear coefficient, b_{ii} the quadratic coefficient, and b_{ij} the interactive terms. The coded independent variables were represented by X_i , and $X_i X_j$ respectively. The

equation was used to describe the effect of each independent variable, the combined effect of the independent variables, and the interaction effect of independent variables on the response variable (Y). Coefficient determination or R^2 value, lack of fit, and significance by ANOVA at $p > 0.05$ was the parameters to determine the acceptability of the polynomial model.

Determination of total anthocyanin content

Total anthocyanin content (TAC) was determined using pH-differential method as described by Guisti and Wrolstad (2001), using potassium chloride buffer (pH 1.0) and sodium acetate buffer (pH 4.5). Mixed drink samples were mixed with the corresponding buffer, in a dilution to achieve an adequate reading of absorbance. Absorbance was recorded using UV-Vis spectrophotometer (Perkin Elmer, United Kingdom) at 520 nm and 700 nm against water as a blank. The samples to be measured should be clear and contain no sediments. Anthocyanin pigment concentration was calculated and expressed as cyanidin-3-glucoside equivalents, as following equation.

$$\text{Anthocyanin pigment (mg/L)} = \frac{A \times MW \times DF \times 10^3}{\epsilon \times l} \quad (2)$$

Where $A = (A_{520} - A_{700})$ pH 1.0 - $(A_{520} - A_{700})$ pH 4.5; MW (molecular weight) = 449.2 g/mol for cyanidin-3-glucoside (cyd-3-glu); DF = dilution factor, l = pathlength in cm; ϵ (molar absorptivity) = 26,900 molar extinction coefficients, in $L \times \text{mol}^{-1} \times \text{cm}^{-1}$, for cyanidin-3-glucoside; and 10^3 = factor conversion from g to mg.

Determination of colour intensity

The colour intensity for mixed drink samples was measured using Chroma Meter Minolta CR-400/410 (Minolta Co., Osaka, Japan) based on $L^* a^* b^*$ colour system which L^* denotes lightness from black to white on a scale of 0 to 100 while a^* and b^* denotes the hues representing two colour axes with a^* denotes redness (+) or greenness (-) and b^* denotes yellowness (+) or blueness (-).

Optimisation and verification of model

The verification of the model of optimum formulation and processing parameters of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink that depended on the concentration of red cabbage and roselle extracts, stingless honey concentration, pasteurisation temperature and time, was obtained using the second-order polynomial model of RSM, where the numerical optimisation method was adopted to determine the points that maximise the responses. A number of solutions were generated, and based on

their desirability and suitability, the solution to be employed for the verification was selected. In order to determine the model's validity and adequacy, the experimental and predicted values of TAC and L^* , a^* and b^* colour space were compared and the following equation was used in order to calculate the percentage errors between the actual and predicted values.

$$\text{Error (\%)} = \frac{(V_{\text{actual}} - V_{\text{predicted}})}{V_{\text{predicted}}} \times 100 \quad (3)$$

where V_{actual} and $V_{\text{predicted}}$ are actual and predicted values, respectively.

Statistical analysis

The Design-Expert software version 6.0.10 (Stat-Ease Inc., Minneapolis, MN, USA) was used to develop the experimental plan for RSM. This software was also used for the regression analysis of the data obtained, to estimate the coefficients of the regression equation and to perform the analysis of variance (ANOVA).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Model fitting

In RSM, the relationship between the variables, i.e. concentration of red cabbage and roselle extracts (X_1), stingless honey (X_2), pasteurisation temperature (X_3), and pasteurisation time (X_4) were expressed mathematically using polynomial model. The independent and dependent variables were fitted to the second-order polynomial model equation except for L^* value (fitted for mean model) and examined for their goodness-of-fit. The analysis of variance (ANOVA) was performed to test the adequacy of the model. In order to obtain the fitted models to predict the responses, the parameters must be significant at the probability level (p) equal or less than 0.05. In this study, the responses, namely total anthocyanin content and a^* and b^* values were significant at $p < 0.05$. However, L^* value obtained insignificant values ($p > 0.05$) for the model response. Thus, this response was not adequate and not used for the optimisation process.

The quadratic models in terms of coded variables are shown in Equations (4), (5) and (6), where (Y_1) represents total anthocyanin content, (Y_2) represents a^* (greenness or redness), and (Y_3) represents b^* (blueness or yellowness) as a function of concentration of red cabbage and roselle extracts (X_1 , %, w/w), concentration of stingless honey (X_2 , %, w/w), pasteurisation temperature (X_3 , °C), and pasteurisation time (X_4 , s).

$$Y_1 = 219.47 + 56.63X_1 - 2.98X_2 - 3.74X_3 + 0.70X_4 - 30.39X_1^2 - 1.17X_2^2 + 4.59X_3^2 - 8.58X_4^2 - 0.19X_1X_2 + 0.67X_1X_3 - 0.77X_1X_4 + 6.29X_2X_3 - 6.36X_2X_4 - 1.64X_3X_4 \quad (4)$$

$$Y_2 = 5.95 + 1.53X_1 - 0.24X_2 - 0.33X_3 + 0.077X_4 + 1.63X_1^2 + 0.77X_2^2 - 2.22X_3^2 + 0.58X_4^2 + 0.10X_1X_2 - 0.15X_1X_3 + 0.074X_1X_4 - 0.066X_2X_3 + 0.47X_2X_4 - 0.19X_3X_4 \quad (5)$$

$$Y_3 = 0.20 - 9.44X_1 + 0.12X_2 - 2.22X_3 - 0.05X_4 - 0.09X_1^2 - 7.46X_2^2 - 0.07X_3^2 + 0.17X_4^2 - 0.01X_1X_2 - 0.01X_1X_3 + 0.02X_1X_4 - 0.02X_2X_3 - 0.05X_2X_4 + 7.50X_3X_4 \quad (6)$$

The analysis of variance of three response variables which were TAC, a^* (redness), and b^* (yellowness) exhibited correlation coefficients (R^2) of 0.9824, 0.7511, and 0.9686, respectively. Generally, R^2 values higher than 0.75 indicate the goodness-of-fit of the model (Paucar-Menacho *et al.*, 2017). The R^2 for TAC and b^* value was remarkably close to 1, which exhibited that the regression models delivered meaningful explanations of the relationship between the independent factors and the responses. The smaller the value of R^2 , the less relevant are the dependent variables in explaining the variation in behaviour (Little & Hills, 1978). All models obtained a non-significant lack of fitness ($p > 0.05$), which was desirable for the model. A significant lack-of-fit might be contributions in the regressor-response relationship that are not accounted for by the model (Saniah & Sharifah Samsiah, 2012).

Total anthocyanins content

Table 1 found that TAC in juice was significantly influenced by red cabbage and roselle calyces extracts concentration for both linear and quadratic terms ($p < 0.0001$). The independent variable found a positive effect on the linear term and a negative effect on the quadratic term. The interaction parameters (X_2X_3 , X_2X_4) for TAC were significant at the level $p < 0.05$. It was also a significant interaction effect between stingless honey concentration and pasteurisation temperature (X_2X_3) with a positive effect on TAC, which obtained that the stingless honey concentration was dependent on the pasteurisation temperature during production of the mixed drink. It was expected that a negative interaction effect between stingless honey concentration and time of pasteurisation (X_2X_4) on TAC. The TAC decreased when the stingless honey concentration and pasteurisation time were increased (Table 1). In fact, a short-term thermal treatment (5 s at 85°C) on strawberry juice caused 9% loss of anthocyanins while longer thermal treatment (15 min at 85°C) caused 21% loss of anthocyanins (Hartman *et al.*, 2008) indicating that longer time of thermal pasteurisation could cause a significant anthocyanin loss, even at the same pasteurisation temperature.

Redness colour value

Table 1 obtained showed that a^* value (redness) was linearly affected by red cabbage-roselle extract concentration (X_1) ($p < 0.01$). The independent variable showed a positive effect on the liner term. The model found that the redness colour of juice

Table 1. Regression coefficients (R^2) and p (Probability Values) for mixed drink

| Response | TAC | L* | a* | b* |
|---------------------|------------|----------|-----------|--------------|
| Suggested model: | Quadratic | Mean | Quadratic | Quadratic |
| Constant, | 219.47 | 22.01 | 5.95 | 0.20 |
| X_1 - Extracts | 56.63*** | | 1.53** | -9.444 E-003 |
| X_2 - Honey | -2.98 | | -0.24 | 0.12*** |
| X_3 - Temperature | -3.74 | | -0.33 | -2.222 E-003 |
| X_4 - Time | 0.70 | | 0.077 | -0.049*** |
| X_1^2 | -30.39*** | | 1.63 | -0.087** |
| X_2^2 | -1.17 | | 0.77 | -7.456 E-003 |
| X_3^2 | 4.59 | | -2.22* | -0.072** |
| X_4^2 | -8.58 | | 0.58 | 0.17*** |
| X_1X_2 | -0.19 | | 0.10 | -0.011 |
| X_1X_3 | 0.67 | | -0.15 | -0.014* |
| X_1X_4 | -0.77 | | 0.074 | 0.018 |
| X_2X_3 | 6.29* | | -0.066 | -0.019* |
| X_2X_4 | -6.36* | | 0.47 | -0.045*** |
| X_3X_4 | -1.64 | | -0.19 | 7.500 E-003 |
| R^2 | 0.9824 | 0.0000 | 0.7511 | 0.9686 |
| P or probability | <0.0001*** | 0.3959 | 0.0155* | <0.0001*** |
| Lack of fit | 0.1605 | 0.0003** | 0.8119 | 0.1451 |

* Significant at $p < 0.05$; ** Significant at $p < 0.01$; *** Significant at $p < 0.001$.

increased with the increment of red cabbage-roselle extract concentration in the mixed juice drinks. The red colour of cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink was due to the presence of anthocyanins in both red cabbage and roselle extracts. However, anthocyanins are easily degraded and the stability is depended on several factors such as light, pH, storage temperature, and thermal processing (Cavalcanti *et al.*, 2011; Naderi *et al.*, 2015). From the table, it was also found that the quadratic term of pasteurisation temperature (X_3^2) ($p < 0.05$) showed a negative effect on the a^* value which the higher thermal treatment caused a significant decreased of a^* value of the red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink. In fact, the loss of red colour in clarified pomegranate juice was also due to pasteurisation at 65°C for 30 s was lower compared to the clarified pomegranate juice pasteurised at 90°C for 5 s (Vegara *et al.*, 2013). The brownish-red colour production during heat treatment was lead from unstable anthocyanin pigments in the fruit juices and polymerisation of anthocyanins with other phenolic compounds (Rhim *et al.*, 1989; Maskan, 2006; Naderi *et al.*, 2015). Colour degradation in fruits is mainly associated with the colour pigment stability (Chaikam, 2015).

Yellowness colour value

The yellowness (b^* value) of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink was linearly affected by stingless honey concentration and time of pasteurisation ($p < 0.001$). Meanwhile, red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink extracts, temperature, and time of pasteurisation were quadratically significant at $p < 0.001$ or $p < 0.01$. It was found that the interaction parameters (X_1X_3 , X_2X_3 , and X_2X_4) obtained negative effects on yellowness colour of mixed juice ($p < 0.05$, or $p < 0.001$). The negative interaction effect between juice extracts concentration and pasteurisation temperature (X_1X_3)

found that b^* value decreased with the increment of extracts concentration, and pasteurisation time. The negative interaction effect between stingless honey concentration, and pasteurisation temperature (X_2X_3) to b^* value also obtained similar trend which the b^* value decreased with the increment of stingless honey concentration, and pasteurisation temperature. There was also a negative interaction effect between stingless honey concentration and time of pasteurisation (X_2X_4) to b^* value which the b^* value decreased with the increment of stingless honey concentration and pasteurisation time. This result was in agreement with Zambiazi *et al.* (2016) which also observed a decrease in b^* values with the increase of honey concentration in blueberry topping formulation. In addition, Cao *et al.* (2011) described that anthocyanin degradation and visual colour change increased by increasing the heating temperature and time of blood-orange juice.

Optimisation

The multiple response optimisations were performed using numerical optimisation function where the desired goals for the factors and responses are set. In this optimisation, the concentration of red cabbage-roselle extracts, and stingless honey were set as 'in range'. The temperature, and time of pasteurisation were set as 'minimise' and 'in range', respectively. It is desirable to have a maximum TAC and a^* value (redness) for the mixed drink. Therefore, the goal for responses were set as 'maximise' for TAC and a^* value (redness), while b^* value (yellowness) was set as 'in range'. The possible optimal solutions for the formulation and processing parameters for red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink are shown in Table 2.

Out of 10 suggested optimum solutions, solution no. 1 (70% red cabbage-roselle mixed extracts, 1% stingless honey, pasteurisation temperature of 70.01°C, and pasteurisation time

Table 2. Possible optimal solutions for red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink

| No. | RC-roselle extracts (%) | Honey (%) | Temp. (°C) | Time (s) | TAC (mg/L) | a^* | b^* | Desirability | |
|-----|-------------------------|-----------|------------|----------|------------|-------|-------|--------------|----------|
| 1 | 70.00 | 1.00 | 70.01 | 284.07 | 261.339 | 8.606 | 0.064 | 0.998 | Selected |
| 2 | 70.00 | 1.97 | 70.02 | 277.73 | 259.538 | 8.283 | 0.050 | 0.982 | |
| 3 | 67.45 | 2.90 | 74.36 | 213.32 | 253.002 | 8.470 | 0.050 | 0.968 | |
| 4 | 66.50 | 1.00 | 71.81 | 300.00 | 257.496 | 8.470 | 0.127 | 0.959 | |
| 5 | 70.00 | 6.98 | 70.61 | 30.00 | 243.809 | 8.470 | 0.148 | 0.946 | |
| 6 | 67.68 | 10.00 | 70.00 | 269.80 | 234.095 | 8.470 | 0.224 | 0.930 | |
| 7 | 70.00 | 4.75 | 72.42 | 164.47 | 251.955 | 8.236 | 0.050 | 0.921 | |
| 8 | 69.92 | 10.00 | 71.79 | 80.07 | 241.648 | 8.402 | 0.306 | 0.917 | |
| 9 | 70.00 | 7.35 | 70.34 | 30.02 | 241.491 | 7.646 | 0.326 | 0.894 | |
| 10 | 65.06 | 1.00 | 75.29 | 300.00 | 251.003 | 8.970 | 0.172 | 0.879 | |

TAC = total anthocyanins content.

Table 3. The predicted and actual values and residual and percentage of error from responses under optimum conditions

| Responses | Factor | Predicted Value | Actual Value | Residual | % Error |
|-----------|--------|-----------------|--------------|----------|---------|
| TAC | S1 | 261.339 | 261.705 | 0.366 | 0.140 |
| | S2 | 257.496 | 259.879 | 2.383 | 0.925 |
| | S3 | 251.003 | 260.124 | 9.121 | 3.634 |
| a* | S1 | 8.606 | 8.677 | 0.071 | 0.825 |
| | S2 | 8.470 | 8.473 | 0.003 | 0.035 |
| | S3 | 8.970 | 8.950 | -0.020 | -0.223 |
| b* | S1 | 0.064 | 0.060 | -0.004 | -6.25 |
| | S2 | 0.127 | 0.120 | -0.007 | -5.512 |
| | S3 | 0.172 | 0.183 | 0.011 | 6.395 |

TAC = total anthocyanins content.

S1 = red cabbage-roselle extracts: 70%; stingless honey: 1%; temperature: 70.01°C; time: 284.07 s.

S2 = red cabbage-roselle extracts: 66.50%; stingless honey: 1%; temperature: 71.81°C; time: 300.00 s.

S3 = red cabbage-roselle extracts: 70%; stingless honey: 1%; temperature: 75.29°C; time: 300.00 s.

of 284.07 s) had better TAC and a^* (redness) values as compared to other solutions. Besides, the desirability for this solution was 0.998, the highest among other solutions. Therefore, this solution was considered the most appropriate formulation and processing parameters for the production of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink. Therefore, optimum condition of formulations and processing parameters of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink with 70% red cabbage-roselle extracts, 1% stingless honey, pasteurisation temperature of 70.01°C, and time pasteurisation of 284.07 s were selected.

Verification

In order to verify the adequacy of the models, a number of confirmation runs were performed based on the optimal solutions generated from the RSM software. The predicted and the actual values were compared, whereas the residual and percentage error were calculated as shown in Table 3. The calculated results revealed that the models developed were reasonably accurate. The actual values for the confirmation run were within 95% prediction interval. Results showed that the percentage error for the responses was less than 10%.

CONCLUSION

Central Composite Design and Response Surface Methodology can be applied for optimising the formulation and processing parameters of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink. The second-order polynomial model was used to determine the optimised formulation and processing parameters of the mixed drink. The mixed drink with a 70% red cabbage-roselle extract concentration and 1% stingless honey along with pasteurisation tempera-

ture of 70.01°C and 284.07 s of pasteurisation time were the optimum conditions for the formulation and processing parameters of red cabbage-roselle mixed juice drink.

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