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Evaluation of antioxidant stability of jinicuil (Inga paterno) probiotic beverages fermented by Lactobocillus delbrueckii ssp bulgaricus and Streptococus thermophilus during refrigeration storage

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## **INTRODUCTION & AIM**

Inga paterno is a native Mexican legume that has been scarcely studied [1].

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Seeds (Se) provide a rich source of protein and dietary fiber [3].

Inga species generate a sarcotesta (Sa) with a sweet taste and a soft pulp that envelops the seeds [2].

Lactobacillus delbrueckii subsp. bulgaricus and Streptococcus thermophilus (L-S) are commonly used in fermented products.

> This study investigated the potential of Se and Sa as substrates for probiotic fermentation using L-S.

## METHOD

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#### **Flour production** Dehydration (35 °C, 48 h)

#### Formulation

- Se: 5% seed flour
- Sa: 5% sarcotesta flour
- Ea: 2.5% seed flour and 2.5% sarcotesta flour

#### Sterilization 121°C, 15 min

#### Fermentation

Lactobacillus delbrueckii subsp. bulgaricus and Streptococcus thermophilus (L-S) (72 hours at 35°C) **Characterization** 

Antioxidant activity (AA), total phenolic content (TPC), condensed tannins (CT), flavonoids (FC), and phytic acid content (PAC) were measured at 0, 4, 11, and 25 days of storage.

Statistical analysis

## **RESULTS &** DISCUSSION

## **CONCLUSION/ FUTURE WORK**

L-S remained viable throughout storage in all formulations, while Sa provided a rich source of TPC and FC. These findings suggest that *I. paterno* sarcotesta can serve as promising substrates to produce a functional fermented beverage with **enhanced** antioxidant properties. Future studies should focus on the identification and quantification of the specific antioxidant

compounds generated after fermentation, as well as their stability during storage. In vivo studies are also recommended to assess the bioavailability and potential health benefits of this fermented beverage.

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L-S presented higher stability in Se and Sa because Se contain raffinose and stachyose and Sa could offer a greater concentration of fructose and glucose [4]. Sa showing the highest and stable levels of AA. PAC increased in Sa but decreased in Se. CT decreased in all formulations, and Sa presented a higher amount of FC than Se and Ea. AA was mainly correlated with FC (R<sup>2</sup> = 0.6).

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