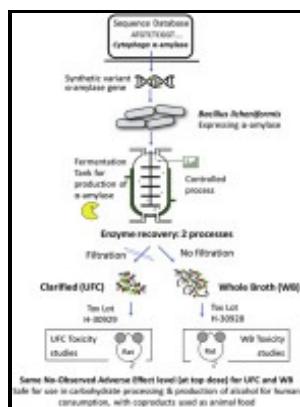


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Amylase production

The fructose syrup obtained is used as a sweetener, especially in the beverage industry.

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If the process is carried out for a time period shorter than the optimum duration the maximum yield cannot be obtained.

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They can be subjected to strain improvement, mutations and other such changes by which the production of α -Amylase can be optimized. Saccharification is the production of glucose and fructose syrup by further hydrolysis.

The production of α

The halophilic nature of the enzyme prevents inhibition of its activity under these conditions which would otherwise occur if a normal enzyme is used. This is followed by the saccharification process where the starch is hydrolyzed by α -Amylase to yield fermentable sugars. During ripening of fruits, β -Amylase breaks down starch into maltose resulting in the sweetness of ripened fruit.

Production and optimization of α

The purity can also be analysed by size exclusion chromatography wherein the molecular weight of the purified protein can be determined.

Amylase production

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The optimum pH for activity is found to be 7. The following sections elaborate on the types of amylases and their roles in enzymatic reactions.

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