



EFFECT OF MALTING PERIODS ON THE CHEMICAL AND ANTINUTRIENT CONTENTS OF MUNG BEAN (*Vigna radiata*) *ORARUDI* FLOUR

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BACKGROUND

- High prevalence of both **macro and micro nutrient deficiencies** especially in the developing regions
- Dire consequences of such deficiencies both to the individual and to the Society exist
 - Unsustainability of some of the present efforts to curb the problem.
 - A need for **locally available, low cost interventions** that will be more sustainable
 - Underutilized/Neglected locally available crops present a rich array of untapped resources/solution

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BACKGROUND

- **Legumes occupy an important place in the diets of the populations in the developing countries**
Legumes are rich sources of protein, calories, minerals and vitamins
- **Several bioactive compounds in legumes has some health benefits.**
- **legumes also serve as low cost supplement for animal protein among low income groups in developing countries**

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Background cont'd

WHY MUNG
BEAN ??



Figure 1. Mung bean seeds



Figure 2. Mung bean seeds

Background cont'd

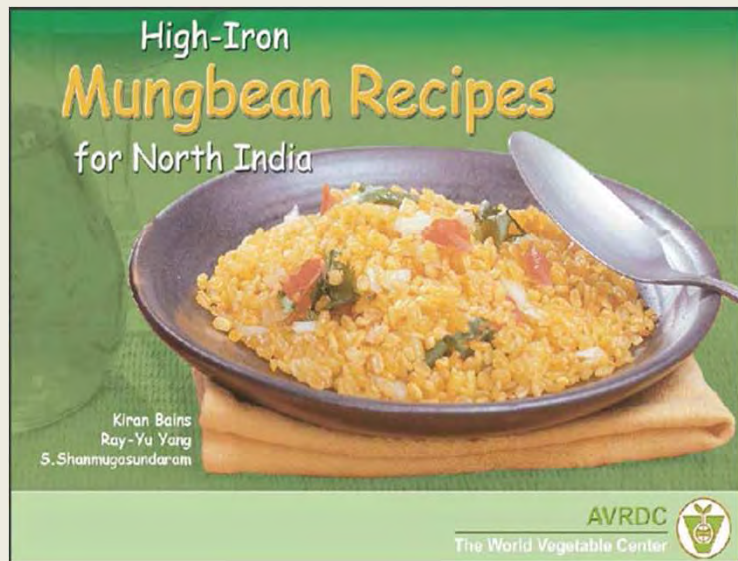


Figure 3

- 1. Mung has low profile of uses in Nigeria**
 - 2. Value added product potentials from mung beans in some regions exist**
- Mung beans has been used in some regions like Asia, Indian etc in processing of some value-added products example-Dhal, transparent noddle among etc.**

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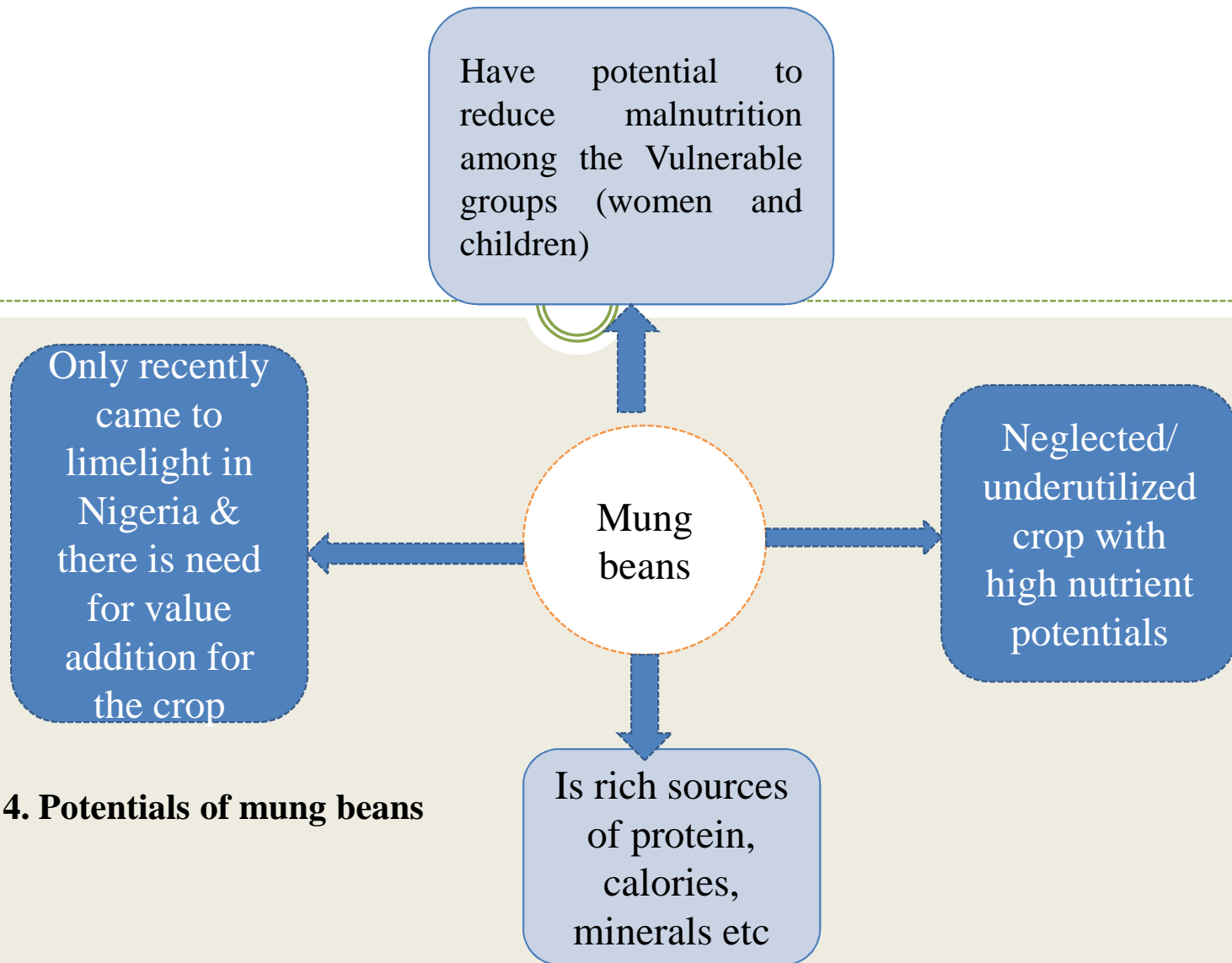


Figure 4. Potentials of mung beans



Background cont'd

➤ Possible limitations in the utilization of mung beans (*orarudi*) in product development includes:

- High Antinutritional factors
- High Viscosity of the Gruel from the flour
- Low Bioavailability of Nutrients



- **Malting has been identified as simple traditional food processing technique for improving nutrient contents of plant foods and could**
- **Improve the functional properties of foods**
- **Promote the development of hydrolytic enzyme-amylases, proteases etc**
- **Improve the digestibility of proteins**
- **Improve bioavailability of nutrients among others.**
- **Flours from legumes malted for different periods may perform differently in product development**

Objective of the Study

1. To determine the effect of malting periods on:

➤ **Chemical composition of *Vigna radiata* flour/malt**

➤ **Antinutrient contents of *Vigna radiata* flour/malt**

2. To determine the optimal malting period for mung bean (*Vigna radiata*).



Materials and Methods

whole mungbean seeds (*orarudi*)

cleaning (winnowing and hand sorting)

steeping for 3 h

air-resting for 90 min

re-steeping for 3 h

draining

Materials and methods cont'd



Figure 6. Processing of mungbean malt.

Malted samples





Analyses

The following analyses were carried out on the samples :

➤ Proximate composition (AACC, 2000) .Carbohydrate content was determined by difference.

➤ Tannins(Buns,1971)

➤ Phytate (Latta and Eskin, 1980)

➤ Oxalate (Fasset *et al.*, 1973)

➤ pH determination: This was carried out using the method described by Onwuka (2005)

➤ Titratable acidity determination: This was carried out by using the method described by Pearson (1976)

- **Minerals(Calcium, Iron, zinc, copper, magnesium, phosphorous, sodium and potassium contents(AACC, 2000) using Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometry(ICP-AES)- (Model Perkins-Elmer Optima 5300UV)**
- **Vitamin A and B1 (Arroyave *et al.*,1982 and AOAC,2010)**
- **The result was analysed using ANOVA and Duncan's multiple range test was used to separate the means. Significance was accepted at $p < 0.05$ levels.**

Table 1: Proximate composition (%/100g) of mung bean (*Orarudi*) malted for different periods

Malting period/h	Moisture	Protein	Crude Fat	Crude fibre	Ash	Carbohydrates
0	6.58 ^e ±0.14	30.77 ^e ±0.0	4.61 ^a ±0.01	3.11 ^e ±0.04	1.95 ^d ±0.00	52.94 ^a ±0.0
		4				0
24	9.19 ^d ±0.02	32.54 ^c ±0.0	1.36 ^b ±0.01	3.44 ^c ±0.05	2.75 ^e ±0.26	50.72 ^b ±0.2
		4				7
48	9.79 ^c ±0.13	33.50 ^b ±0.1	1.16 ^d ±0.01	3.57 ^b ±0.02	3.29 ^c ±0.14	48.69 ^d ±0.1
		2				4
72	10.10 ^b ±0.1	34.47 ^a ±0.0	1.22 ^c ±0.02	3.63 ^a ±0.24	4.33 ^a ±0.00	46.25 ^e ±0.0
	4	6				0
96	11.45 ^a ±0.1	31.47 ^d ±0.0	0.52 ^e ±0.00	3.49 ^c ±0.05	4.14 ^b ±0.03	48.93 ^c ±0.1
	2	1				9

Values are the means ±SEM of triplicate samples. Means carrying different superscripts in the same row were significantly different (p<0.05)

Proximate composition continued

- **Mung bean contain high levels of protein, ash and carbohydrate**
- **Malting of mung bean significantly ($p < 0.05$) increased the protein, ash and crude fibre contents**
- **Fat and carbohydrate content decreased as malting period was increased**

Table 2: Mineral contents(mg/100g) of Vigna radiata(orarudi) malt

Constituent	0	24	48	72	96
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Calcium	98.46 ^d ±1.02	100.52 ^c ±0.00	101.74 ^{bc} ±0.01	122.00 ^a ±0.08	102.98 ^b ±0.45
Zinc	5.16 ^b ±0.03	4.71 ^c ±0.00	4.60 ^d ±0.00	5.31 ^a ±0.00	3.82 ^e ±0.03
Iron	8.06 ^b ±0.04	7.88 ^b ±0.06	7.84 ^b ±0.04	11.02 ^a ±0.79	10.99 ^a ±0.08
copper	0.73 ^d ±0.00	0.73 ^d ±0.00	0.77 ^c ±0.00	0.92 ^a ±0.02	0.79 ^b ±0.02
Sodium	5.47 ^{bc} ±0.17	5.26 ^{cd} ±0.02	5.11 ^d ±0.02	7.07 ^a ±0.19	5.63 ^b ±0.4
Potassium	1147.80 ^d ±1.05	1148.89 ^d ±0.00	1270.21 ^c ±2.84	1376.78 ^a ±6.82	1304.98 ^b ±0.69
Phosphorus	261.06 ^d ±1.49	262.55 ^d ±0.00	274.88 ^c ±0.05	312.99 ^a ±0.54	288.87 ^b ±2.68
Magnesium	147.03 ^c ±0.51	147.54 ^c ±0.00	166.42 ^b ±0.56	187.31 ^a ±0.45	165.15 ^b ±1.60
VitaminA (µgRE/100g)	43.7 ^a ±0.02	54.6 ^b ±0.00	65.5 ^c ±0.00	109.2 ^c ±0.00	163.8 ^d ±0.00
Vitamin B1(mg/100g)	4.6 ^a ±0.01	5.3 ^b ±0.00	6.7 ^c ±0.00	7.7 ^d ±0.02	10.5 ^e ±0.01

Values are the means ±SEM of triplicate samples. Means carrying different superscripts in the same row were significantly different (p<0.05)

Mineral content Discussion



- **Ca, Cu, K, P, and Mg increased progressively at a significant levels($p < 0.05$) as malting period was increased**
- **Zinc, iron and sodium decreased for the 1st 48 h and then increased at 72h**
- **72 h malt contained the highest value of iron, zinc and sodium**
- **Vitamin A and B1 content of mung bean was low but increased with malting periods**

Table3: Antinutrient Contents Of *Vigna radiata*(*Orarudi*) Malt



Malting period/hr	Tannin	phytate	Oxalate
0	475.75^a±3.53	87.10^a±0.35	624.00^a±1.14
24	384.50^b±4.94	71.10^b±0.14	419.50^b±3.53
48	213.50^e±4.94	62.25^c±0.21	310.50^c±1.20
72	220.00^d±5.65	41.21^d±0.09	146.00^d±2.82
96	231.00^c±4.24	16.05^e±0.07	79.00^e±2.82

Values are the means ±SEM of triplicate samples. Means carrying different superscripts in the same row were significantly different (p<0.05)

Discussion

- **Malting periods resulted to between**
- **19.18-57.40% reduction in tannin content**
- **11.48-81.57% reduction in phytates content**
- **32.77-87.34% reduction in oxalate content**
- **Level of antinutrient reduction could account for high mineral content of the malt**

**Table4: pH and Titratable Acidity of (*Vigna radiata*)
(orarudi) malt**

Malting Periods/hr	pH	Titratable Acidity
0	6.8	0.057
24	6.5	0.069
48	6.0	0.078
72	5.7	0.100
96	5.1	0.143

Discussion contd



- **The results revealed a gradual decrease in pH from 6.8 in unmalted mungbean flour to 5.1 in mungbean malted for 96 hours.**
- **The total titratable acidity for unmalted mung bean flour was 0.057% which gradually increased to 0.143% mungbean malted for 96 hours.**

Conclusion

- **Increasing the malting periods to 72h resulted to highest increase in all the mineral, protein, ash and crude fibre contents studied**
- **Highest reduction in antinutrient occurred at the 96h malt which differed not significantly($p>0.05$) from 72h malt**
- **Malting of mung bean for 72 h should be encouraged at the community levels to increase the nutrient in content and availability.**

Recommendations

- **Researchers should focus more attention on community-oriented mung bean research that will have practical impact in the lives of the rural and urban poor in the society.**
- **Governmental and non governmental agencies should map out policies and programmes especially for the women on the use of malting to enhance nutrient content of mung bean and its nutritional/health benefits .**
- **Utilization of mung bean malt in product Development /value addition creation beyond cooking and eating need to be encouraged in Nigeria and other African countries.**

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