

Isolation And Purification of Lactoferrin from Camel Whey by Ion-Exchange Chromatography

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Introduction (1)

The camel (Camelus dromedarius) is of significant socio-economic importance in many arid and semi-arid parts of the world and its milk constitutes an important component of human diets in these regions. Camel milk has very unique composition rich in whey proteins and is very similar to human milk. camel whey contains a higher content of anti-microbial



factors such as lysozyme, immunoglobulins and lactoferrin.

Lactoferrin has long been considered a simple iron chelator protecting against bacterial infections by its ability to deprive bacteria of the iron necessary to their growth. Over the past ten years, new biological functions orchestrated by lactoferrin have been discovered such as antioxidant, antibacterial, antifungal, antiviral, immunomodulatory and anticancer activities.



Camel milk obtained from southern Algeria

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Separated whey comprises a heterogeneous group of proteins which includes serum albumin, a-lactalbumin, immunoglobulin, lactoferrin and peptidoglycan recognition protein.





The current research work aimed to Isolate and purificat lactoferrin

from camel whey.

Results and Discussions (3)



Figure 1: Elution profile of fractions of camel whey obtained after anion exchange column chromatography



A: pick A B: pick B B': pick B' W: camel whey

molecular weight compared with protein

Camel lactoferrin was successfully purified by anion exchange chromatography.

Figure2 : SDS-PAGE of lactoferrin profile. 12% SDS-PAGE of camel lactoferrin during purification on anion exchange gel chromatography column (A)

Conclusion

The present study demonstrates the efficacy of anion exchange chromatography for isolation and purification camel whey lactoferrin and provides a useful tool to

infer the optimum conditions for the purification process of lactoferrin from Camel whey.

The results of the study point method to obtain pure lactoferrin from camel whey.



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