

# Potential Use of Jackfruit (*Artocarpus Heterophyllus*) and Breadfruit (*Artocarpus Altilis*) as Fat Replacer to Produce Low-Fat Chicken Patties

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## Abstract

Commercial chicken patties contain high fat, which could affect consumers' health. Jackfruit (*Artocarpus heterophyllus*) and breadfruit (*Artocarpus altilis*) may have the potential to be used as the fat replacer in the chicken patties. This study aimed to evaluate the low-fat chicken patties produced by replacing the fat with jackfruit (JF) or breadfruit (BF) at 0% (control), 50% and 100%. The samples were analysed in terms of water holding capacity (WHC), cooking yield (CY), proximate analysis, colour, texture properties, and sensory parameters. Both BF and JF showed higher value ( $p < 0.05$ ) for WHC, moisture content and protein compared to the control. BF (100%) and JF (100%) were recorded of having significantly reduced fat ( $p < 0.05$ ) at 1.80% and 2.23%, respectively. BF showed higher  $L^*$  (lightness) and  $b^*$  (yellowness) values significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ) compared to the control. Not many significant differences ( $p > 0.05$ ) between the control and newly formulated chicken patties texture based on the hardness, cohesiveness, and chewiness recorded, proving that BF and JF did not affect the patties texture. Overall, the sensory evaluation of BF (100%) was preferred by the consumer in terms of appearance, texture, flavour, juiciness, and aroma. Thus, BF (100%) can be considered as the best fat replacer in this study.

**Keywords:** chicken patties; jackfruit; breadfruit; fat replacer; low-fat.

## 1. Introduction

Different types of meat such as beef, mutton, buffalo and poultry have been processed into products and widely studied such as nuggets [1], patties [2], jerky [3], meatballs [4], etc. More people are concerned about their health and tend towards healthier food products for consumption. Therefore, they might consider that the meat products as unhealthy food since meat products contain high fat content.

Meat fat functions as a reservoir for flavour and binder to maintain the texture of meat products [5]. Many researchers are trying to find an alternative that associated with the reduction of fat in meat products. However, it might be difficult to find an effective and functional fat replacer since reducing the fat content in meat products leads to the alteration of the flavour and other important characteristics such as its juiciness and colour [6].

Fat replacers are the ingredients that contribute fewer or no calories to the formulated foods without changing any important characteristics and organoleptic properties of the products [7]. Various ingredients are being used to replace fat in meat products such as carbohydrates and starches [8], protein [9] and fibre [10].

Jackfruit and breadfruit are local fruits that rich in protein, starch, calcium, and thiamine. Jackfruit and breadfruit might be potential to be used as fat replacer because of their functional properties and ability to incorporate with meat products. Therefore, the objectives of this study were to produce low-fat chicken patties with jackfruit and breadfruit as the fat replacer and study the physicochemical and sensory properties of the new formulated low-fat chicken patties.

## 2. Materials and Methods

### 2.1. Sample preparation

The chicken breast meat, fat and unripe jackfruits were purchased from Pasar Borong Selangor, while, the pre-matured breadfruits were provided by Taman Pertanian Universiti, UPM. Salt, sugar, minced garlic, sodium tripolyphosphate (STPP) and isolated soy protein (ISP) were obtained from the local supplier.

In the preparation of the samples, the chicken breast meats were minced using a mincer machine (Hobart 4822, USA). The jackfruit and breadfruit were boiled for forty minutes and then, minced by using a blender (Panasonic MX-SM 1031, Malaysia). The replacement of jackfruit and breadfruit as fat in chicken patties were carried out in a paste form.

The fat content represents 20% of the total amount of the chicken patties ingredients. Five formulations of chicken patties were prepared for the experiment with triplicates (Table 1).

**Table 1:** Formulation of fat-replaced chicken patties

Ingredients	100% fat (Control)	50% jackfruit	100% jackfruit	50% breadfruit	100% breadfruit
Chicken	70%	70%	70%	70%	70%
Fat	20%	10%	0%	10%	0%
Jackfruit	0%	10%	20%	0%	0%
Breadfruit	0%	0%	0%	10%	20%
Ice water	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%
Sugar	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Salt	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%

Garlic	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%
STPP	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
ISP	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

They were the control with 100% fat (20% fat of the ingredients), 50% jackfruit as fat replacer (10% fat and 10% jackfruit of the ingredients), 100% jackfruit as fat replacer (20% jackfruit of the ingredients), 50% breadfruit as fat replacer (10% fat and 10% breadfruit of the ingredients), and 100% breadfruit as fat replacer (20% breadfruit of the ingredients).

## 2.2. pH value

Ten g of sample was mixed with 10 mL of distilled water. Then, the pH value was measured by using pH meter (Jenway 3505, England).

## 2.3. Water holding capacity (WHC)

WHC was determined according to Dosh et al. [11] with some modifications. Ten g of sample was mixed with 20 mL of distilled water by using homogenizer (Heidolph DiAx 900, USA). Then, it was centrifuged (KUBOTA 5800, Japan) at 1500 rpm for 5 minutes. The WHC of the sample was determined by using the following formula:

$$\text{WHC (\%)} = \frac{[(\text{water weight before centrifuge}) - (\text{water weight after centrifuge})]}{[(\text{sample weight})] \times 100}$$

## 2.4. Cooking yield

The estimation of cooking yield was carried based on the method described by Guedes-Oliveira et al. [12] as follows:

$$\text{Cooking yield (\%)} = \frac{[(\text{Final weight of sample}) / (\text{Initial weight of sample})] \times 100}$$

## 2.5. Proximate analysis

The proximate compositions of the chicken patties such as moisture, ash, protein, and fat were determined by using the AOAC method [13], while the carbohydrate contents were obtained by the differences.

## 2.6. Colour measurement

The colour measurement of chicken patties was evaluated by placing the transparent packaging plastic on 5cm diameter of sample. Then, the rates of lightness ( $L^*$ ), redness ( $a^*$ ), and yellowness ( $b^*$ ) of samples were obtained by using chromameter (Konica Minolta, Japan).

## 2.7. Texture profile analysis (TPA)

TPA was determined by using a computer-assisted, Stable Micro Systems Texture analyzer (TA.XT-Plus, London). The samples were examined by using a probe, 75 mm square compression platen type. The hardness, cohesiveness, springiness, and chewiness of chicken patties were measured. The texture analyser settings for TPA were: load cell at 25 kg, pre-test speed at 1.00 mm/sec, test speed at 1.00 mm/sec, the post-test speed at 5.00 mm/sec, and strain at 70%.

## 2.8. Sensory evaluation

The samples were grilled at 70°C for 5 minutes each side before served to thirty untrained panellists. The sensory evaluation was carried out by using a nine-point hedonic scale to evaluate the

texture, flavour, appearance, aroma, juiciness and overall acceptability. The hedonic scales were as follows: 9 – like extremely, 8 – like very much, 7 – like moderately, 6 – like slightly, 5 – neither dislike or like, 4 – dislike slightly, 3 – dislike moderately, 2 – dislike very much, and 1 – dislike extremely [12].

## 2.9. Statistical analysis

The data from three replications of the two factors (types of fat replacer and concentration) were analysed by two-way ANOVA and Turkey's test with a significance level of 95% ( $p < 0.05$ ) by using statistical software, Minitab Statistical Software version 16 (MiniTab Inc., USA).

## 3. Results and Discussion

### 3.1. pH value, water holding capacity and cooking yield

Table 2 shows the result of the pH value, water holding capacity and cooking yield of the chicken patties. Two factors were compared; the concentrations and types of fat replacer. The results show that the pH of samples with the concentration of 50% and 100% fat replacement were significantly reduced ( $p < 0.05$ ) as compared to the control for both JF and BF. BF resulted in lower pH values compared to JF significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ). The results were acceptable as the pH values were slightly similar to the chicken patties in the study of Calliari et al. [14]. It showed that the commercial chicken patties have a pH value at range of 6.37 to 6.39.

**Table 2:** pH value, water holding capacity (WHC) and cooking yield of fat-replaced chicken patties

Analysis	Fat replacer types	Fat replacer concentrations (%)		
		0%	50%	100%
pH	Jackfruit	6.37±0.02 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.31±0.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.30±0.01 <sup>Ba</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.37±0.02 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.27±0.01 <sup>Bb</sup>	6.26±0.01 <sup>Bb</sup>
WHC	Jackfruit	33.27±1.08 <sup>Ca</sup>	46.84±1.40 <sup>Ba</sup>	55.11±1.40 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	33.27±1.08 <sup>Ca</sup>	48.97±1.31 <sup>Ba</sup>	56.31±0.81 <sup>Aa</sup>
Cooking yield	Jackfruit	85.01±0.16 <sup>Aa</sup>	84.37±0.58 <sup>Aa</sup>	84.90±0.21 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	85.01±0.16 <sup>Aa</sup>	84.48±0.51 <sup>Aa</sup>	85.10±0.75 <sup>Aa</sup>

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Even though lower pH is usually associated with lower water holding capacity, the results in Table 2 show conversely. Water holding capacity is the ability of meat to hold onto water that influences in juiciness and tenderness of meat [15]. The WHC was significantly increased ( $p < 0.05$ ) when compared to the control for both JF and BF at 50 and 100% concentration. BF (100%) and JF (100%) showed higher values of WHC at 56.31% and 55.11%, respectively compared to the control, which was 33.27%. The results most probably due to the fat that was replaced by carbohydrate/ starch and protein, which could promote water holding in the chicken patties. Study by Glicksman [16] supports this statement where the carbohydrate-based fat replacer in meat products can achieve the ability of water holding and improvement in texture.

BF in 100% fat-replacement also determined a higher value of cooking yields at 85.10% but the result was not significantly different ( $p > 0.05$ ) as compared to other treatments. The result is in agreement with the reduced-fat chicken patties made with polymer from *Agrobacterium radiobacter* [14]. Cooking yield is a good indicator to explain the effect on WHC [15]. The results show the ability of breadfruit's component such as carbohydrate, protein and fibre that can hold the water and determine the functional properties such as its texture.

### 3.3. Proximate compositions

The proximate compositions of fat-replaced chicken patties are shown in Table 3. Both chicken patties with BF and JF as fat replacers from 0% to 100% had their moisture contents increased significantly ( $p < 0.05$ ). BF with 100% replacement resulted with the highest value of moisture content at 70.59%. It was probably influenced by the high moisture content in breadfruit. This was slightly similar to the study by Guedes-Oliveira et al. [12] in formulated chicken patties with cashew apple fibre. Furthermore, the jackfruit paste and breadfruit paste that were produced could carry over moisture from the boiling process.

Analysis of the ash content resulted with no significant differences between the fat replacer concentrations and types ( $p > 0.05$ ). No significant different ( $p > 0.05$ ) also was observed between type of fat replacer for protein content. However, the 50% and 100% concentration of fat replacers used to produce chicken patties showed a significant increase in protein content ( $p < 0.05$ ) as compared to the control most probably due to the protein content of these two fruits. It showed that protein of JF (100%) at 6.23% and BF (100%) at 6.60%, were higher than the control (5.59%). The results were a little bit contrast as carbohydrate polymers mostly consist of fibres that have a low level of protein or ash [17]. There was a significant reduction ( $p < 0.05$ ) of the fat contents of all the treatments from 100% fat replacer to 0% fat replacer. However, both BF and JF showed no significant different ( $p > 0.05$ ) of the fat content when comparisons made between them. The fat content for BF with 100% fat replacement was reduced greatly at 1.80% compared to the control, which was 8.26%. JF (100%), which the fat content was 2.23% also reduced significantly compared to the control. Both chicken patties with BF and JF at 100% fat replacement can be claimed as the low-fat product according to Malaysian Food Regulations 1985 [18]. The results also can be compared with the study that uses jackfruit as the meat substitute in chevon patties and contributed to reducing the fat [19]. The reason for reducing fat can be directly related to low-fat content in both jackfruit [19] and breadfruit [20]. The carbohydrate content for patties with BF and JF at 50% were significantly lower ( $p < 0.05$ ) compared to 0%, and 0% and 100%, respectively. This can be related to the unbalanced total amount of fat and protein in the newly formulated products that influenced the carbohydrate content.

### 3.4. Colour measurement and texture profile analysis

**Table 3:** Proximate composition of fat-replaced chicken patties

Proximate	Fat replacer types	Fat replacer concentrations (%)		
		0%	50%	100%
Moisture	Jackfruit	64.10±0.33 <sup>C</sup> <sub>a</sub>	67.20±1.01 <sup>B</sup> <sub>a</sub>	69.77±0.53 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	64.10±0.33 <sup>C</sup> <sub>a</sub>	68.49±1.02 <sup>B</sup> <sub>a</sub>	70.59±0.47 <sup>Aa</sup>
Ash	Jackfruit	1.75±0.10 <sup>Aa</sup>	1.62±0.35 <sup>Aa</sup>	1.74±0.05 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	1.75±0.10 <sup>Aa</sup>	1.65±0.08 <sup>Aa</sup>	1.77±0.04 <sup>Aa</sup>
Protein	Jackfruit	5.59±0.33 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.38±0.17 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.23±0.16 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	5.59±0.33 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.30±0.10 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.60±0.14 <sup>Aa</sup>
Fat	Jackfruit	8.26±0.37 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.63±0.52 <sup>Ba</sup>	2.23±0.19 <sup>Ca</sup>
	Breadfruit	8.26±0.37 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.11±0.40 <sup>Ba</sup>	1.80±0.20 <sup>Ca</sup>
Carbohydrate	Jackfruit	20.27±0.53 <sup>A</sup> <sub>a</sub>	18.19±0.36 <sup>B</sup> <sub>a</sub>	20.04±0.77 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	20.27±0.53 <sup>A</sup> <sub>a</sub>	17.45±1.33 <sup>B</sup> <sub>a</sub>	19.23±0.55 <sup>AB</sup> <sub>a</sub>

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replacer concentrations (row). Small letters are for the comparison of fat replacer types (column).

The data collected from the analysis of colour measurement of chicken patties are shown in Table 4. The optical intensity properties in terms of lightness ( $L^*$ ), redness ( $a^*$ ), and yellowness ( $b^*$ ) were compared between the concentrations and two types of fat replacers. The colour of meat products may be attributed to the chemical state and concentration of meat pigments, the presence of non-meat ingredients and physical state of the meat that used in the formulation [21].

**Table 4:** Colour and texture of fat-replaced chicken patties

Parameters	Fat replacer types	Fat replacer concentrations (%)			
		0%	50%	100%	
Colour parameters	$L^*$	Jackfruit	75.01±0.3 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>1</sub>	74.43±0.5 <sup>ABb</sup> <sub>4</sub>	73.47±0.8 <sup>Bb</sup> <sub>3</sub>
		Breadfruit	75.01±0.3 <sup>Ba</sup> <sub>1</sub>	79.08±0.4 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>7</sub>	79.07±0.8 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>4</sub>
	$a^*$	Jackfruit	5.68±0.84 <sup>Aa</sup>	4.99±0.38 <sup>Aa</sup>	3.32±0.38 <sup>Ba</sup>
		Breadfruit	5.68±0.84 <sup>Aa</sup>	4.18±0.32 <sup>Ab</sup>	4.26±0.64 <sup>Aa</sup>
	$b^*$	Jackfruit	14.94±0.4 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>1</sub>	15.08±0.8 <sup>Ab</sup> <sub>0</sub>	14.81±1.0 <sup>Ab</sup> <sub>1</sub>
		Breadfruit	14.94±0.4 <sup>Ba</sup> <sub>1</sub>	18.44±0.7 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>1</sub>	19.11±0.4 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>1</sub>
Texture parameters	Hardness (kg)	Jackfruit	14.95±0.9 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>9</sub>	17.36±1.4 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>0</sub>	15.48±1.6 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>0</sub>
		Breadfruit	14.95±0.9 <sup>Aa</sup> <sub>9</sub>	11.43±1.2 <sup>Bb</sup> <sub>5</sub>	10.90±1.7 <sup>Bb</sup> <sub>3</sub>
	Cohesiveness	Jackfruit	0.54±0.06 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.53±0.01 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.48±0.03 <sup>Aa</sup>
		Breadfruit	0.54±0.06 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.40±0.05 <sup>Bb</sup>	0.39±0.03 <sup>Bb</sup>
	Springiness	Jackfruit	0.81±0.06 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.84±0.03 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.78±0.03 <sup>Aa</sup>
		Breadfruit	0.81±0.06 <sup>Aa</sup>	0.77±0.01 <sup>Ab</sup>	0.81±0.01 <sup>Aa</sup>
Chewiness (kg/mm)	Jackfruit	6.62±1.30 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.73±1.03 <sup>Aa</sup>	5.83±0.85 <sup>Aa</sup>	
	Breadfruit	6.62±1.30 <sup>Aa</sup>	3.54±0.75 <sup>Bb</sup>	3.49±0.87 <sup>Bb</sup>	

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BF at 50% and 100% showed higher lightness ( $L^*$ ) and yellowness ( $b^*$ ) values compared to other treatments ( $p < 0.05$ ). Meanwhile, JF at 100% showed the lowest value of redness ( $a^*$ ) ( $p < 0.05$ ). The result of JF and BF chicken patties are slightly similar to the control of chicken patties as in the study of Calliari et al. [14]. It might be because of the colour of breadfruit's flesh is lighter and yellower than jackfruit. This conclusion is determined by observation for both fat replacers. Above all, the results showed that the newly formulated chicken patties with jackfruit and breadfruit are in an acceptable colour range when referred to the commercial chicken patties [14].

TPA of chicken patties was measured based on hardness, cohesiveness, springiness, and chewiness (Table 4). BF (100%) resulted in the lowest value of hardness (10.90 kg) compared to the control (14.95 kg). The concentration of 50% and 100% were significantly different ( $p < 0.05$ ) with control (0%) and the hardness of BF was lower ( $p < 0.05$ ) compared to JF. This might be due to the high moisture content in BF that made it softer. Even though BF (100%) has soft texture compared to commercial chicken pat-

ties [15], the chicken patties were accepted by human consumption due to acceptance during the sensory evaluation. In addition, the cohesiveness and chewiness of BF (100%) were among the lowest, which was at 0.39 and 3.49, respectively. The results were quite similar to the study by Verma et al. [19] that showed chevon patties with jackfruit as meat substitute have soft texture compared to the control. This was also parallel with another study of low-fat pork patties with sweet potato powder and added water as fat replacer [22]. According to Jalal et al. [23], carbohydrate-based fat replacer can improve the texture of meat products because of starch composition in the fat replacers might influence the binding of water in the meat. Lastly, the springiness values of all the patties were not significantly different ( $p > 0.05$ ) among all the treatments. Therefore, BF (100%) can be concluded to have a good texture in terms of hardness, cohesiveness, springiness and chewiness as it contains a high amount of starch.

### 3.5. Sensory evaluation

**Table 5:** Sensory evaluation in certain parameters of chicken patties

Parameters	Fat replacer types	Fat replacer concentrations (%)		
		0%	50%	100%
Appearance	Jackfruit	6.57±1.07 <sup>Aa</sup>	6.77±1.07 <sup>Ab</sup>	7.10±0.80 <sup>Aa</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.57±1.07 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.40±0.81 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.37±0.85 <sup>Aa</sup>
Texture	Jackfruit	6.10±0.96 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.70±0.79 <sup>Ab</sup>	7.10±0.80 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.10±0.96 <sup>Ca</sup>	7.17±0.91 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.73±0.69 <sup>Aa</sup>
Flavour	Jackfruit	6.13±1.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.53±0.78 <sup>ABb</sup>	6.90±0.76 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.13±1.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.47±1.01 <sup>Aa</sup>	7.97±0.77 <sup>Aa</sup>
Juiciness	Jackfruit	6.07±0.87 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.63±0.77 <sup>ABb</sup>	7.13±1.17 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.07±0.87 <sup>Ca</sup>	7.33±0.99 <sup>Ba</sup>	8.23±0.77 <sup>Aa</sup>
Aroma	Jackfruit	6.30±0.92 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.53±0.73 <sup>ABb</sup>	6.87±0.94 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.30±0.92 <sup>Ca</sup>	7.13±0.97 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.80±0.89 <sup>Aa</sup>
Overall	Jackfruit	6.23±1.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	6.80±0.66 <sup>Ab</sup>	7.00±0.87 <sup>Ab</sup>
	Breadfruit	6.23±1.01 <sup>Ba</sup>	7.60±0.86 <sup>Aa</sup>	8.10±0.71 <sup>Aa</sup>

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Chicken patties with BF (100%) as fat replacer obtained positive acceptance by panellists as shown in Table 5. It showed that BF (100%) scored the highest value ( $p < 0.05$ ) in each parameter (appearance, texture, flavour, juiciness, and aroma) compared to other treatments. For overall sensory result, BF (100%) showed the best value which was at 8.10 compared to JF (50% and 100%) and control. Similar to the results, a study on dry fermented sausages formulated with orange fibre also recorded high scores for overall acceptance [24]. The BF values for 50% and 100% are significantly higher ( $p < 0.05$ ) compared to JF, which indicates the consumers preferred breadfruit more as the fat replacer in the chicken patties.

## 4. Conclusion

The production of chicken patties with the replacement of fat by using jackfruit and breadfruit as fat replacer had influenced some physicochemical properties such as WHC, cooking yield, colour, texture as well as the proximate analysis of chicken patties. The BF (100%) chicken patties showed good results in WHC and cooking yield compared to other samples. Besides, BF in 100% concentration also obtained positive data in moisture content and protein. It also has reduced the fat content in chicken patties significantly compared to other samples. For colour measurement, BF (100%) showed high value of L\*(lightness) and b\*(yellowness). Texture profile analysis of BF (100%) showed a good result in terms of hardness, cohesiveness, springiness, and chewiness. In sensory evaluation, BF (100%) influenced the con-

sumer acceptance due to its high score of overall acceptability in sensory properties. In summary, the collected data shows that the replacement of fat by jackfruit and breadfruit at different concentrations was able to improve the physicochemical, texture, and sensory properties in producing low-fat chicken patties. However, the result showed BF in 100% concentration can be considered as the best fat replacer in this study and has the potential to be commercialised as low-fat product.

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