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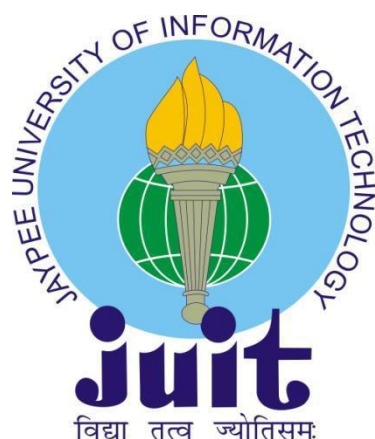
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## INDEX OF SYMBOLS AND ACRONYMS

SSF	Solid State fermentation
Smf	Submerged fermentation
U/gds	Units per gram of dry substrate
min	Minute
hrs	Hours
°C	Degree celcius
U/ml	Units per millie liter
gm	Gram
NA	Nutrient agar
PDA	Potato dextrose agar
WB	Wheat bran
DNS	Di-nitro salicyclic acid
RPM	Round per minute
O.D	Optical density
Nm	Nano meter
d/w	Distilled water
L	Litre
M	Molar
Conc.	Concentration



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## **ABSTRACT**

Apple pomace is waste which is not used in the fruits and juice manufacturing industries..In a Pomace is also used for manufacturing of some products because it is a part of apple.It has a wide commercial application in food , pharmaceuticals, paper and textile and pulp producing industries. Solid state fermentation is utilized for the better productivity of the enzyme.SSF increase the level of protein in raw material which makes it the good cattle cake .Use of the apple pomacefor good manufacturing of enzymes would be more beneficial to HIMACHAL PRADESH where is no use of raw material and it would be simple to assemble small scale manufacturing unit.This study attracts the manufacturing of pectinase exploits SSF by *Aspergillus niger* Analysis were done to progress the different fermentation parameters alike basic moisture level, fermentation time ,pH, and diffrent substrates mixture mixing with apple pomase. This project surveys the work which is done to use the asset, which can be helpful for setting small ventures.

**Keywords:** Pectinase, pomase, fermentation, manufacturing, substrates.

## **CHAPTER -1**

### **(INTRODUCTION)**

Apple is the most favourite fruit among millions of people. India is the 9<sup>th</sup> largest producers of the apples. Apples are considered as the 4<sup>th</sup> largest crop in India. About 73% fresh apples are consumed as it is and left 27% is used for producing some products like apple cider, apple juice, wine, apple purees, jams and dried apple products. Himachal Pradesh, J&K and Utaranchal are the largest producers of the apples. In industries 74% of apples are used for juice manufacturing whereas 26% is the pomase. During winter season large amount of apples get wasted by falling down or due to improper packaging are then used for feeding animals.

The waste in the large scale industries are categorized into two parts one is apple pomase and second is the apples which are damaged and disposed into the sorting unit. The rejected apple are also dumped in the apple pomase dumping field. Industries just dump this unutilized segment into the fields. As the water content present in the apple pomase is high it got easily fermented and create disposal problems. It creating some serious environmental pollution. The sugar level is high and this leads to creating soil problems. Using it as a feed for animals reduces this problem of causing pollution, but only few amount of apple pomase is utilized as feed source for animals because it easily and very fastly get spoiled.

The apple pomase genrally consists of seeds, stems and apple peels. The water content which is present in the apple pomace is depend upon the processing technique and the ripening of the apple. It generally contains the starch, carbohydrates, dietary fibers, volatile compound, pectin, reducing sugars and a source of nutrients, antioxidant property.

Pectinase is an enzyme which is found in many fruits like banana apples. It break down the polysaccharide which is present in the cell wall of plant known as pectin.

Keeping all these things the project work is carried out on the manufacturing of the pectinase enzyme by apple pomase.

There are few fermentation processes which utilizes the liquid medium for the growth of the microorganisms. The medium which is used in this process is in the solid form. The growth of the microorganism required solid medium with few or very little amount of moisture content. SSF is used for the production of some fermented food products, enzyme, organic acids.

### **Advantages of SSF-**

- Simple solids are used as the media in SSF.
- Low energy is required and requirement of investment is very less .
- Less need for sterilization as the microbial contamination is less.
- Industrial and agricultural can be utilized.

### **Disadvantages of the SSF-**

- Utilization of only those microorganism which grow under low moisture content are used
- The monitoring of the SSF is difficult(oxygen level, moisture content)

### **Objectives of this study**

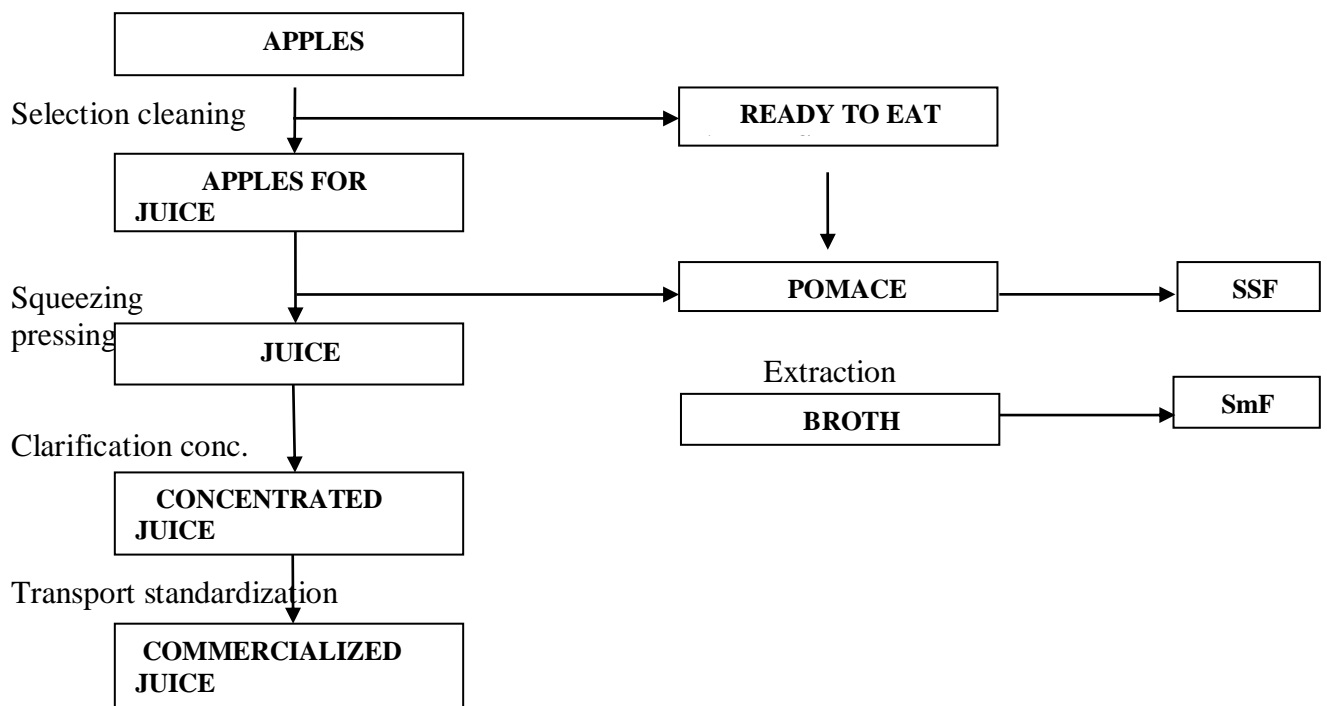
- Quantification of the pectin of the apple pomace which is procured from the HPMC (Horticultural Produce Marketing & Processing Corporation) Shimla Himachal Pradesh.
- To escalate different fermentation conditions which are required for the growth of *Aspergillus niger*
- To check the best proportion of agro- wastes with apple pomace to get the higher yield of pectinase.

## **CHAPTER 2**

### **REVIEW OF LITERATURE**

India is in top 10 countries which are the largest producers of the apple. Apple is the 4<sup>th</sup> most grown crop in India. Apples are used for making juice, some value added products, jams, apple cider and dried apple products. After the manufacturing of such food items the surplus substance is called as Apple pomace. In the world for the development of fuels, feed, ethanol, vinegar only 30-35% of apple pomace is used. In India it is not at all used it all goes waste. It

create a huge economic loss with environmental pollution (Rachana Shalini, Gupta D.K et al., 2009) thus now a days to solve this issue people are developing different techniques for utilizing the apple pomase and developing some products out of it. Using apple pomase as raw material various techniques for producing pectin, ethanol, citric acid, enzymes are developed. The figure below shows the utilization of apples in industries.



**Fig 2.1** Figure showing the processing of the apples in various juice factories.

### 2.1 Apple pomace composition

Apple pomace is wet in nature so it contains the large amount of the moisture content. It also contains proteins (3.99%), crude fibre (16.16%), acidity(2.39%), pectin(16.95%), sugars(17.35%), Ash(1.65%).The percentage varies from research to research and depending on apples.

Enzymes are very costly in todays world .As in case of pectinase it costs about 1300/kilograms

**Table 2.1-** Apple pomace composition (Hang and Woodams et al., 1987)

<u>Composition</u>	<u>Percentage (Wet weight Basis)</u>
Moisture content	75.6%
Protiens	5.1%
Lipid	4.2%
Fibers	4.3-10.5%
Ashe	2.8%
Carbohydrates	9.5-22%
Reducing Sugars	5.7%
Pectin	1.5-2.5%

## **2.2 Products produced using Apple pomase**

### **2.2.1 Edible products**

For the human consumption various products are produced such as jams , jellies, sauce.

#### **1. Jellys and jams**

Apple pomace is used for preparing jams of good quality. Apple pomace is to be diluted for the preparation of the pulp which is required for making of jam. The pulp:sugar is to be optimum. Jam, having the shelf life of only 6 months.

#### **2. Soft drinks**

#### **3. Cookies and bread**

#### **4. Pomase sauce**

### **2.2.2 Fermented products**

Different products like cider, vinegar, vermouth likewise been made from apple pomase

#### **1. Cider**

#### **2. Beer**

#### **3. Vinegar**

### **2.2.3 Flavour compounds**

By extracting with  $CO_2$  and then rupturing it at various temperatures and acquiring the flavourless proportion and a excessive flavoured proportion. Flavour produced by this method



has wide spectrum as compared to the flavour compounds can also produced using distillation process(R.R.Sharma et al., 2003).

#### **2.2.4 Citric acid**

Apple pomase is used as substrate for the production of the citric acid by using five fungus strains. *Aspergillus niger*, *Aspergillus niger* NRRL567 produced the greatest amount of citric acid in the presence of the 4% methanol (Y. D. Hang, E. E. Woodams et al., 1984). The production of the citric acid depend on the apple pomase, content of methonal present in the apple pomase and time and temperature required for the fermentation.

#### **2.2.5 Other industrial products-**

##### **1. Pectin**

Pectin is used as an main ingredient in the preparation of jellies. Dried apple pomace or apple pomace powder is utilized for the extraction of the pectin from the apple pomace. In this project pectin quantification was also performed by using rapid method described in 3.6. The amount of pectin quantified in this project was 56.85% .The percentage varies due to the variety of apple used in the research.

##### **2. Ethanol**

*S.cerevisiae* is majorly used as the fermenting microbe for the manufacturing of the bioethanol from apple pomase using SSF. The final output of the ethanol depends upon the amount of apple pomace utilized during the process. It is the most valuable product which is produced by apple pomace (R.R.Sharma et al, 2003).

##### **3. Industrial pigments**

In various countries different strains of microorganism are used for producing different pigments. *Rhodotorula* strain is used for producing carotenoid pigment, whereas *Monascus sp.* are utilized for producing Monascorubramin, Rubropunctatin pigments.

**Table 2.2** Naturally derived pigments from micro-organism

Micro-organism	Pigments	Color/appearance
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	Zeaxanthin	Golden yellow
<i>Serratia marcescens</i>	Prodigiosin	Red
<i>Phaffia rohodzyma</i>	Astaxanthin	Red
<i>Blakesela trispora</i>	Lycopene $\beta$ -carotene	Red Yellow-Orange
<i>Flavobacterium spp.</i>	Zeaxanthin	Yellow
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Pyocyanin Blue	Green
<i>Dunaliella salina</i>	$\beta$ -carotene	Cream
<i>Monascus sp.</i>	Monascorubramin, Rubropunctatin	Yellow,Orange,Red

#### **4. Animal feed**

For making the animal feed fresh apple pomase can be utilized .Fresh apple pomase have high nutritional value and is rich source of fibres, carbohydrates, proteins. As the water content present is in high content the chances of spoilage is high so it is neccasary to use it fresh as a feed .

## **2.3 Production of the pectinase by using apple pomase**

Pectinases were one of the most used and commercially applied in the juice and wine industries( Kashyap, D.R., Vohra, P.K., Chopra, S. & Tewari et al.,2001). These enzyme account for 30% of world wide enzyme market and can be produced by using fungi, bacteria, plants, yeasts etc (Uenojo et al.,2003). These help in the degradation of pectin which are used in the juice industries for thickening of juice (Kashyap, D.R., Vohra, P.K., Chopra, S. & Tewari et al.,2001). Pectinase can be produced using solid state fermentation by apple pomase .

### **2.3.1 Production of pectinase enzyme by using bacteria in SSF –**

The bacterial species which are used for producing the pectinase enzyme are *Bacillus subtilis*,*Bacillus licheniform*,*Bacillus cereus*, *Bacillus coagulans* and *Pseudomonas* species (Babu et al.,1995) .

The substrate which was used in the various studies for the production of the enzyme were wheat waste, ground nut waste, apple pomase. These are the substrate having less amount of the water or moisture content in it.

### **2.3.2 Fungus utilized for high yield of the pectinase enzyme-**

There are many species of fungus which are used for producing pectinase such as *Aspergillus niger*, *Aspergillus versicolor*, *Aspergillus favus*, *Rhizopus stolonifer*, *Penicillium jenseni*, *Trichoderma viridae*, *Mucor hiemalis*.The best producer of the pectinase was *Penicillium jenseni* and *A.niger* (Priya V &Shashi V et al.,2014).

## CHAPTER 3

### MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### 3.1 Microorganism used

*Aspergillus niger* was utilized in this study for producing the pectinase using SSF by apple pomase.

#### 3.2 Reviaval of culture and inoculums preparation

*Aspergillus niger* spores were taken from the deep freeze storage of dried medium. PDA plates were prepared for performing the revival and culturing of the Spores as shown in fig.3.6.

Inoculated the fresh culture of fungal spores. As shown in fig 3.6. After 6-10 days the Growth of the funus was checked. Then 10ml tween-80 was added & spores were removed by utilizing sterilized loop.

#### 3.3 Fungal culture staining

Lactophenol cotton blue staining method was used for the staining of the fungal culture.

##### 3.3.1 Methodology for staining of fungal culture

70% alcohol about a drop placed on a perfect magnifying slide . The wire was held over the Bunsen flame until the entire wire becomes red colour like hot .Wait until the wire properly cool down.The fungal culture was immersed by adding the drop of 70% alcohol.The needle and the inoculating loop were sterilized again.Before the alcohol dries out add one or at most two drops of the lacto phenol.cotton blue stain.Coverslip was lower down slowly onto the slide, avoiding the formation of their bubbles. The slide was visualized under 40Xand 100x magnificationshown in fig 3.6. Coverslip was lower down slowly onto the slide, avoiding the formation of the air bubbles The slide was visualized under 40x and 100x magnification shown in fig 3.6.

#### 3.4 Reagents required

### **3.4.1 Salt solution**

Salt solution was prepared by the addition of  $KH_2PO_4$  (2g),  $NaCl$  (1g/l),  $MgSO_4$  (1g/l) in distilled water & set pH to 5.

### **3.4.2 Tween-80**

Adding 1 ml Tween-80 in the 50 ml distilled water and then making up the volume to 1000ml.

### **3.4.3 1% Galacturonic acid**

Adding 1mg galacturonic acid in 10ml distilled water, heated slowly and dissolved in galacturonic acid and make the vol. to 100 ml.

### **3.4.6 Phenol red indicator**

Grind 0.1gm of dry powder in a mortar with 28.2ml of 0.01N NaOH. 250 ml distilled water was added for diluting the mixture.

### **3.5 PDA media preparation**

1 litre of PDA media was prepared by adding 39gm of PDA into the flask then added 1 litre distilled water and then mixed it. kept it for boiling so that the PDA got dissolved properly. Autoclaved at 121°C for 15 minutes. (shown in fig 3.1)

### **3.4 Rapid method used for the quantitative determination of pectinase-(Shelukhina et al., 1994)**

0.5gm samples of dried apple pomace was weighed in vials. 1-2ml ethanol was added and then dissolved in 10-20ml distilled water. Per 10ml of solution 2ml of 1N NaOH was added

and thoroughly mixed. Kept at 20-25°C for 20 minutes for de-esterification. Then, suspension was acidified by adding 1N HCL (hydrochloric acid) and mixed thoroughly. 50ml of 0.1N HCL was added. Kept at room temperature for about 5-7 minutes. Measured the volume of flask. Using whatman paper sample was filtered. From the filtrate, 20ml was pipetted into a 250ml flask. The residue remaining was mixed with the left filtrate. The filtrate in the flask and mixture were separately titrated with 0.1N NaOH using phenol red. Level of HCL from the actual vol. was measured. Using the result of the titration that is mixed with the filtrate. Change in colour from yellow to red was observed as seen in fig 4.1.

Formula used for the quantification pectinase (in percentage (P%)) =

$$\frac{V_2 - V_1 \times 176 \times 0.1 \times K \times 100}{1000W}$$

### **3.7 Reducing sugar quantification in fermented apple pomase.**

DNS of each sample was performed after the fermentation for checking the amount of sugars which are there in the pomase. The solution was prepared as explained in 3.10 dilute the sol. 100 times and after that different glucose

standard were made (0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0 mg/ml). Add 3ml of DNS sol. to each test tube and kept it in water bath for around 12 minutes. Test tubes were removed from the water bath and wait until the temperature of the test tubes were cool down. Take O.D at 540nm.

### **3.8 Enzyme assay -**

Enzyme assay was calculated by adding 1.25ml of galacturonic acid, 5ml of acetate buffer of pH 5. Crude extract was diluted 10 times then added it in the flask. The solution was incubated at 50°C for 12 minutes. Then DNS method was done.

Enzyme activity =

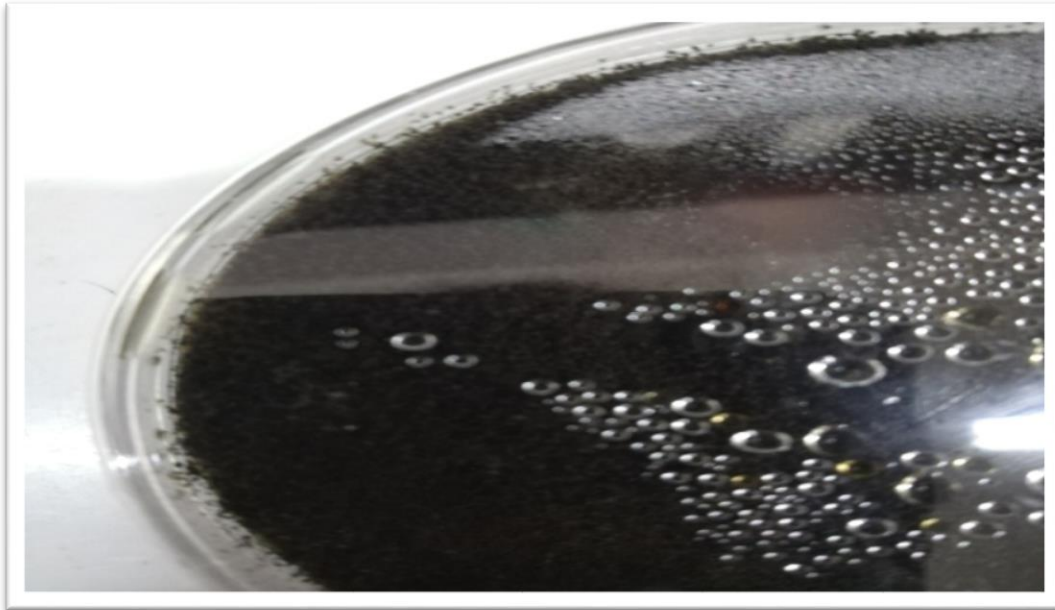
$$\frac{\mu\text{Mol of product formed} \times \text{Total volume}}{\text{Incubation time}(\text{min}) \times \text{ml of crude enzyme extract}}$$

### 3.9 Statistical analysis-

As the experiments were performed in triplicates data was analyzed using M.S Excel. to know the difference in all three samples. One way ANOVA was used .

### 3.10 Methods used to set SSF

10gm of dried apple pomace was added in the flask. 2ml Salt sol. was added. Then 60ml distilled water was added to make moisture level 60%. Added equal amount of water as the percentage mentioned. The flasks were autoclaved for 15 minutes at 121°C . 2ml of spore suspension was inoculated into the flask. Then various culture conditions were made such as moisture level, pH, fermentation time, other agriculture waste ratio. 100ml 0.1% tween-80 was added every flask. After fermentation process is completed the sol. was shaken for 60 minutes at 160rpm . Then centrifuged the solution at 18000rpm for 10 minutes. The pellets were discarded and the supernatant was kept. The sol. was divided into two equal divisions for performing reducing sugar quantification and checking the enzyme activity . The values got from 3.7 were subtracted from 3.8 that was the actual sugar which was produced by the enzyme.



**Fig 3.1-***Aspergillus niger* plate.



**Fig. 3.2** Wet apple pomase.





**Fig. 3.3** Sieved and dried potato peels



**Fig. 3.4** Grinded and dried apple pomase.

### **3.11 Experiment 1- Escalation of intial moisture level.**

10gm of dried apple pomace was added to fifteen different flasks as the experiments was performed in triplicates. Three same percentages were labeled over three different flasks. 2ml salt sol. and water was added in each flask. According to the percentage labeled (30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70%) in the flask then 2ml spore sol. was added in each flask and kept it for incubation. After the fermentation process was completed enzyme activity of each flask was calculated to check the growth of the fungus and the production of enzyme.

### **3.12 Experiment no. 2- Escalation of fermentation time.**

10g of dried apple pomase was added to fifteen different flasks as the experiments was performed in triplicates. Three same fermentation time were labeled over three different flasks. 2ml of salt sol. and 60ml water was added in each flask (got result from experiment 4.3) 2ml of spore sol. was added in each flask and kept it for five different incubation time (44hrs, 72hrs, 96hrs, 120hrs, 144hrs). After the fermentation process was completed enzyme activity of each flask was calculated to check the growth of the fungus and the production of enzyme.

### **3.13 Experiment 3- Escalation of pH .**

10g of dried apple pomace was added to fifteen different flasks as the experiments were performed in triplicates. Three same pH were labeled over three different flasks. 2ml of salt sol. and 60ml water was added in each flask (got result from experiment 4.3). Different pH (pH3, pH4, pH5, pH6, pH7) of the solution was measured. Then 2ml of spore sol. was added in each flask and kept it for 96hrs incubation time (got result from experiment 4.4). After the fermentation process was completed enzyme activity of each flask was calculated to check the growth of the fungus and the production of enzyme.

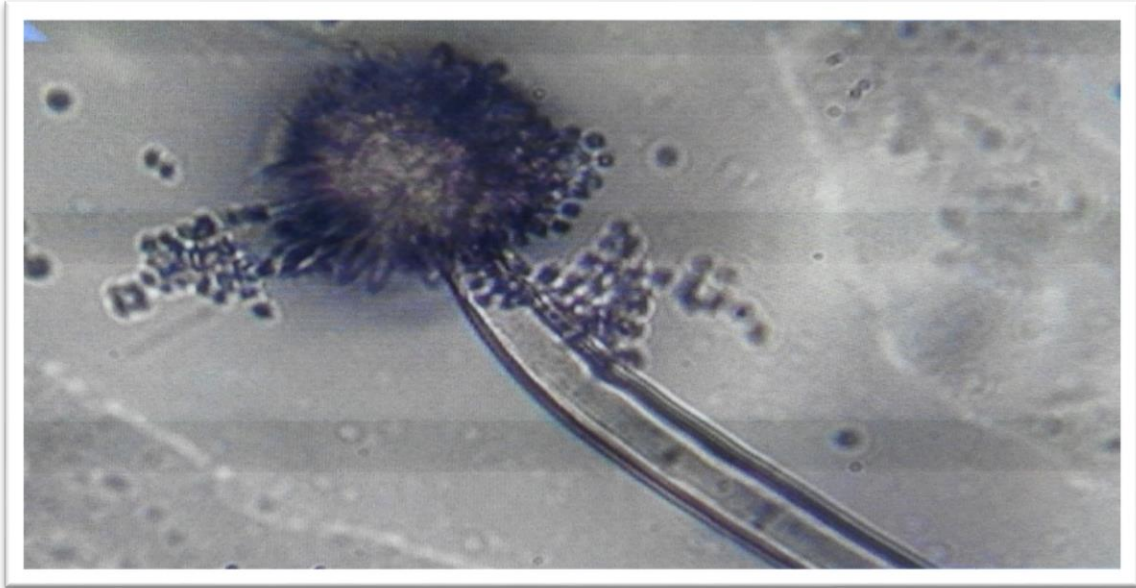
### **3.15 Experiment 4- Escalation of the various proportion of the agro-waste (potato peels) with apple pomace**

Dried apple pomace and potato peels powder was added in the ratio of 1:1, 1:2, 1:3 into nine different flasks. The experiments were performed in triplicates. The three same ratios were labeled over three different flasks. 2ml of salt sol. and 60ml water was added in each flask (got result from experiment 4.3). The pH of the sol. was set at pH5 (got results from experiment 4.5). Then 2ml of spore sol. was added in each flask and kept it for 96hrs incubation time (got result from experiment 4.4). After the fermentation process was completed enzyme activity of each flask was calculated to check the growth of the fungus and the production of enzyme.

### **3.15 Observation**

#### **3.15.1 Fungal culture**

*Aspergillus niger* is known to be a filamentous fungus having the dark brown coloured spores which are conidia used for differentiating them from other species in the same genus. All these features are clearly seen in fig 3.5



**Fig. 3.5-**Observation of fungus under 40x dramatization after lactophenol cotton blue staining method.

### **3.15.2 Spore count**

Using haemocytometer spore count was calculated. The spores from the fungus plate were removed and collected in a centrifuged tube. The density of the spores was set to  $1 \times 10^7$  spores/ml then dilutions were performed to set the density.

Concentration of spores =

$$\frac{\text{Number of cells counted}}{\text{Chamber counted} \times \text{volume of chamber}}$$

## CHAPTER 4

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### 4.1 Average Pectin level found in apple pomase

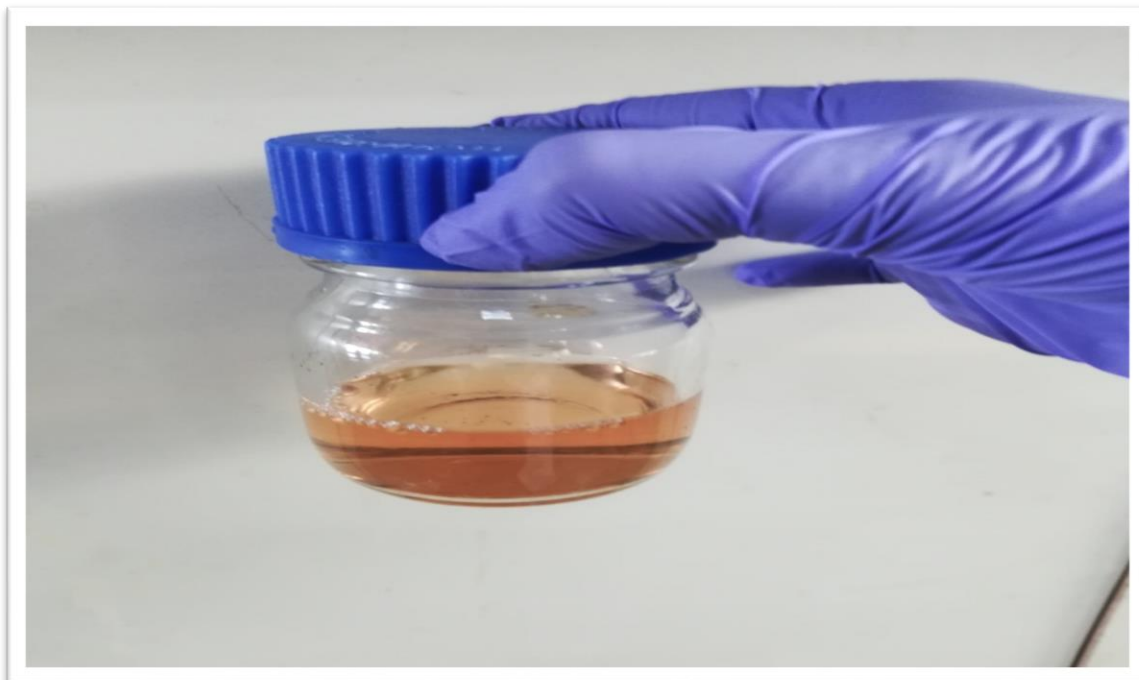
Pectin quantification was performed in triplicates and the following values V1 and V2 were obtained from titration. By using formula mentioned above in 3.6 pectin percentage was calculated



**Fig 4.1** Color change upon titration during the quantification of pectin level in apple pomace(yellow to red)

**Table No.4.1** Showing the pectin percentage calculated.

V1	V2	P%
18.3	33	56.9
16.2	30.6	55.75
17.1	32	57.9



**Fig 4.2** Change of color showing the presence of pectin in the apple pomase.

#### **4.2 Escalation of moisture level**

In this experiment the moisture level of the apple pomace was set. To check the moisture level required by fungus for growth. Five different moisture level were set (30%, 40%, 50%, 60%, 70% ) (as shown in fig 4.3) out of which the initial moisture level of 60% giving the utmost enzyme activity after five days of the fermentation. At 30% and 40% of moisture level the enzyme activity was almost same. The highest enzyme activity was found at 60% which was  $3666.667 \pm 478.42$  U/gds. The enzyme activity declined at 70% moisture level. 60% is the best or optimum moisture level which is required by the fungus for the growth(as shown in fig4.4 and4.5).

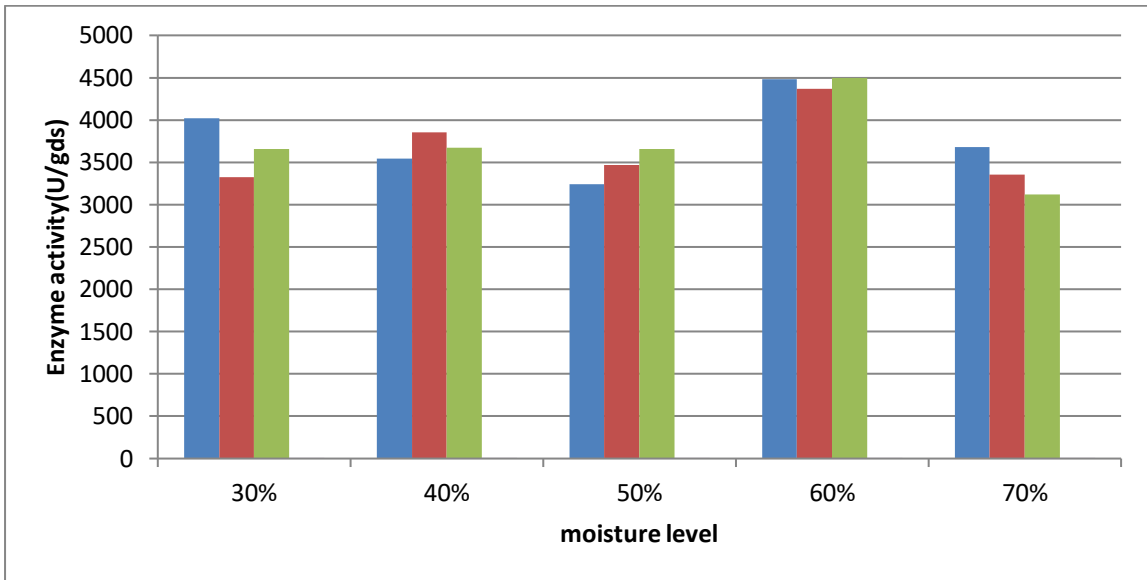




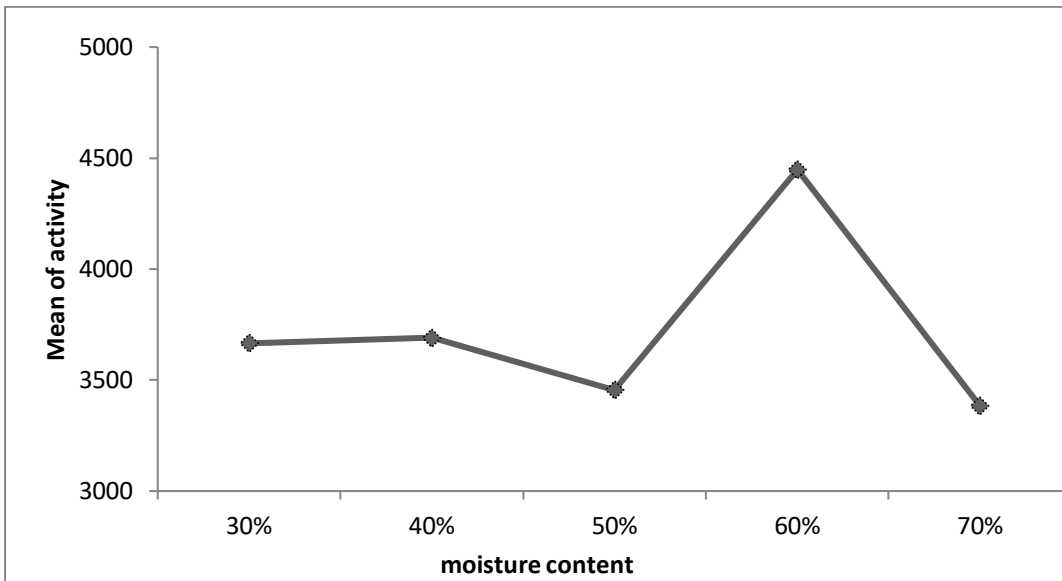
**Fig 4.3** Settling of initial moisture propotion (30% ,40% ,50% ,60% ,70% ) for the highest yield of enzyme

**Table No. 4.3** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase at various moisture level .

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Moisture level of Apple pomase</b>	<b>Enzyme activity in (U/gds)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>3666.667±478.42</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>3961±256.12</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>3455.333±345.36</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>4448±96.03</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>3384.667±198.25</b>



**Fig4.4** Pectinase enzyme activity found at different moisture proportions.



**Fig4.5** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase depicting the best moisture proportion(60%).

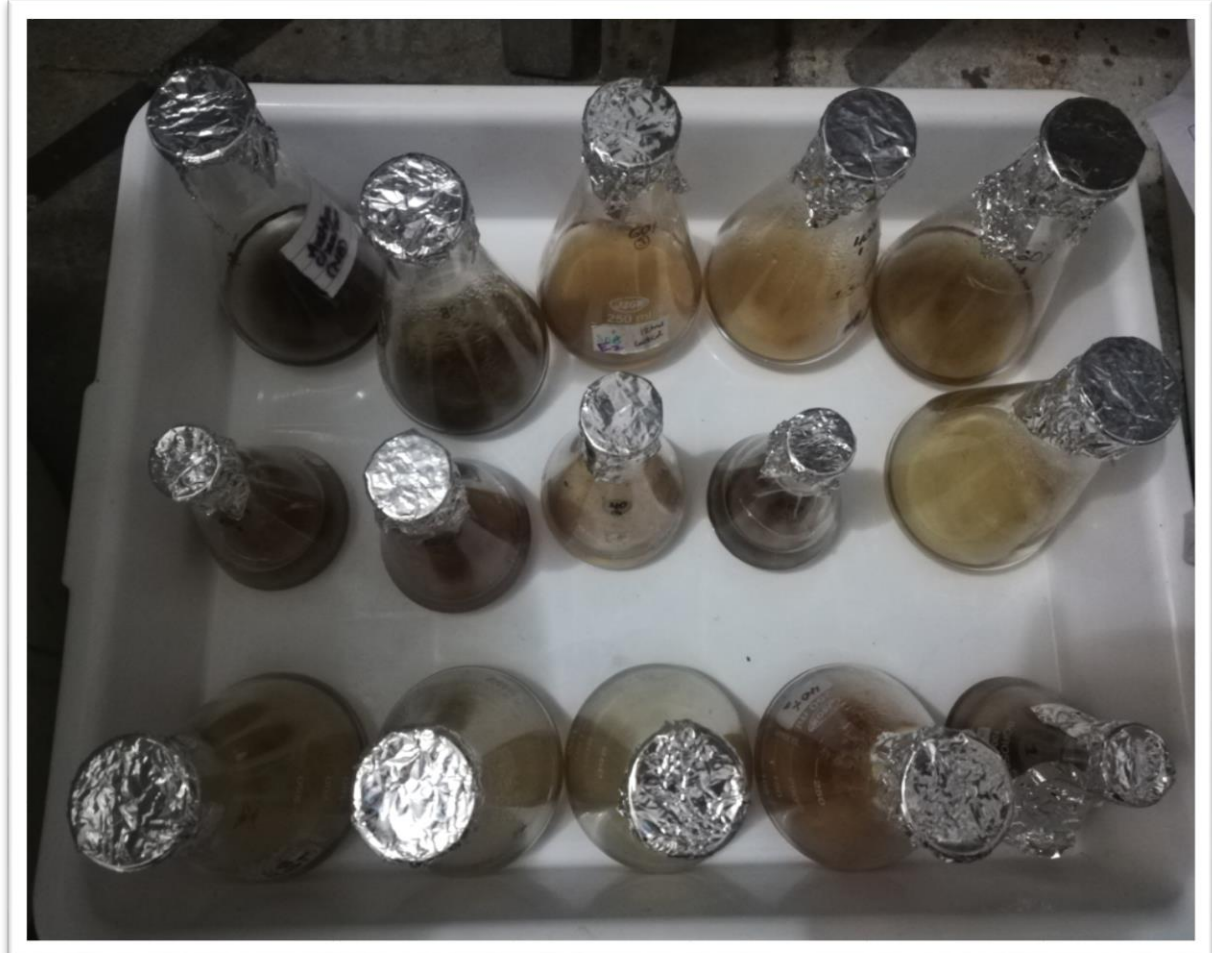
#### 4.4 Escalation of fermentation time

The fermentation time was set to check the best fermentation time required by the fungus to grow and to get the maximum enzyme production. The fermentation was set at five different



time (48hrs, 72hrs, 96hrs, 120hrs, 144hrs,)(as shown in fig 4.6 )and the moisture level was set to 60% as it shows the maximum enzyme production (results from previous experiment 4.3).The best time for the manufacturing of enzyme was found out to be 96hrs as seen in fig 4.6 that the enzyme production was highest at 96hrs. The highest enzyme activity was  $6513\pm 65.32\text{U/gds}$  at 96hrs and the least enzyme activity was at 144hrs which was  $846.667\pm 17.02\text{U/gds}$ . The enzyme activity was increasing from day2 to day4. After day 4 the activity decreased as seen in fig 4.7. The difference between the highest and the lowest enzyme activity was  $5666.333\pm 48.3\text{U/gds}$  ,it is a huge difference. Results depicting that the *Aspergillus niger* takes four days for the best growth in SSF.

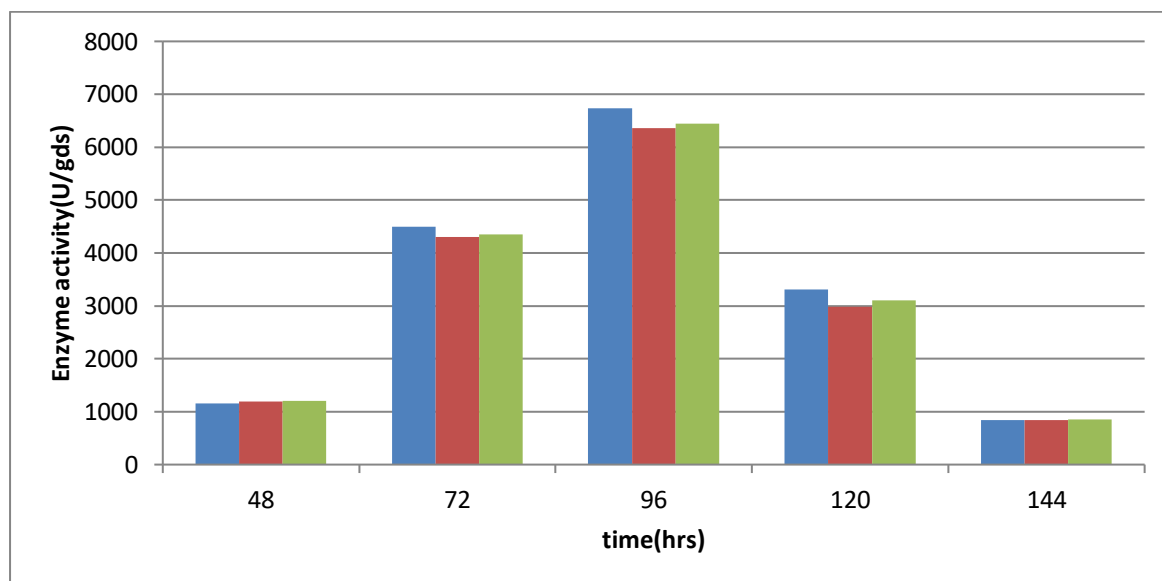
**Fig 4.6** Settling of the different fermentation time(48hrs, 72hrs, 96hrs, 120hrs, 144hrs)



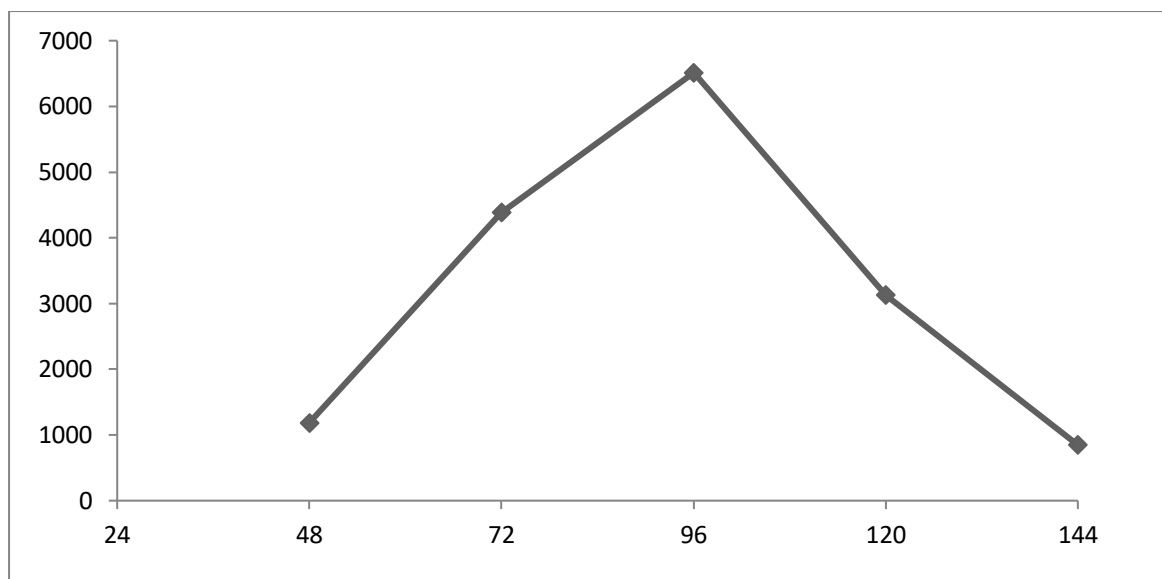
**Table No. 4.4** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase at various fermentation time .

S.NO.	Fermentation time (in hours)	Enzyme activity in (U/gds)
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<b>1</b>	<b>48hrs</b>	<b>1183±19</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>72hrs</b>	<b>4383.333±37.26</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>96hrs</b>	<b>6513±65.32</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>120hrs</b>	<b>3128.667±55.98</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>144hrs</b>	<b>846.667±17.02</b>



**Fig 4.7** Pectinase Enzyme activity in which was done in triplicates found at different fermentation time.



**Fig 4.8** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase depicting the best fermentation time (96hrs) .

#### 4.5 Escalation of the pH

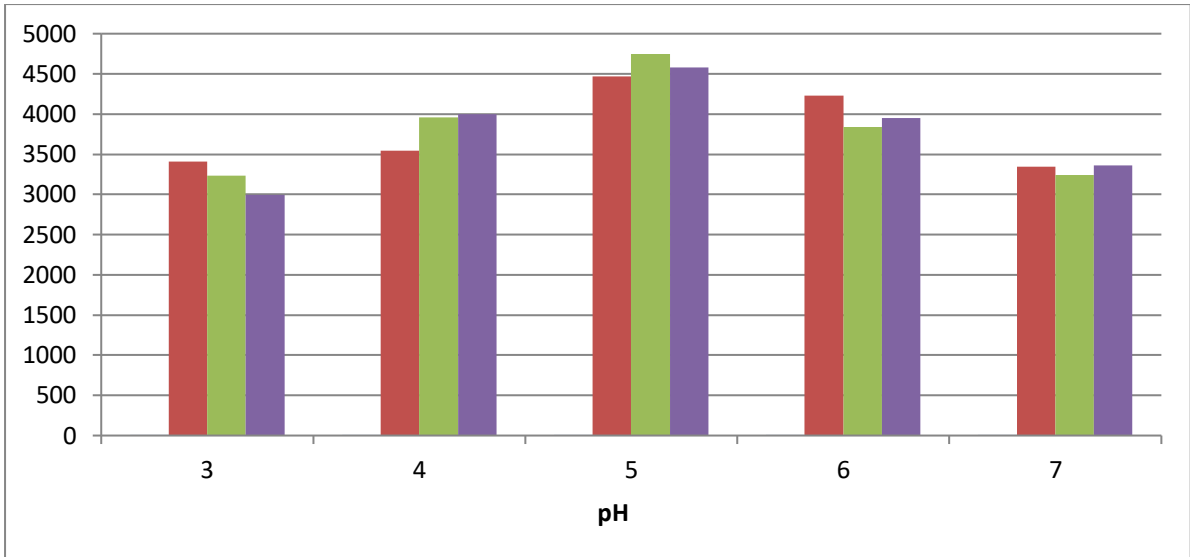
Different pH (3,4,5,6,7(shown in figure4.9)) were set to check the best pH required by the fungus for the growth and the manufacturing of the enzyme was best. The pH at which the enzyme production was found highest was pH5 with 60% moisture level and 96hrs of fermentation time. Figure 4.10 and 4.11 showing that at pH3 and pH4 enzyme activity was low. Then there was an increase in the pH at pH5 and then it decreased again. The graph showing that at pH5 the enzyme activity was at highest peak  $4597.66 \pm 176 \text{U/gds}$  The difference between the highest and lowest enzyme activity was around  $1280 \pm 77.24 \text{U/gds}$  ).



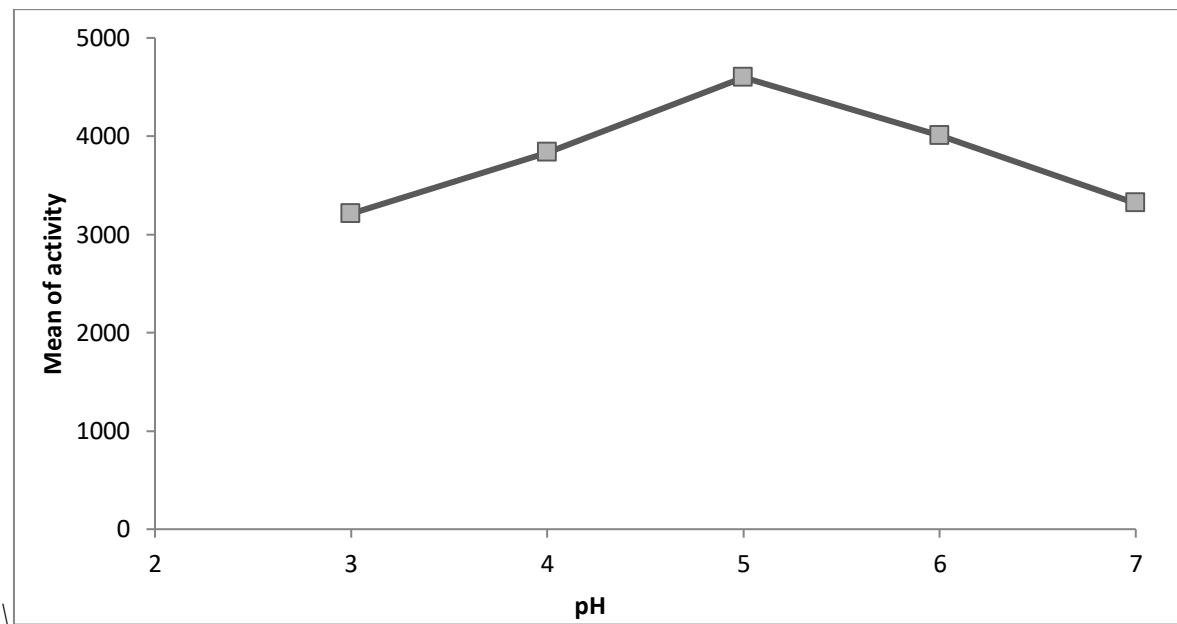
**Fig4.9** Preparation of the setting the different pH for the manufacturing of enzyme

**Table No.4.5** Mean enzyme activity of the pectinase at various pH obtained .

S.No.	pH	Enzyme activity(U/gds)
1	pH3	3211.33±267.67
2	pH4	3832.667±456.45
3	pH5	4597.66±176
4	pH6	4006.33±125.65
5	pH7	3317±98.76



**Fig 4.10** Enzyme activity of pectinase found after setting various pH after fermentation of apple pomase.



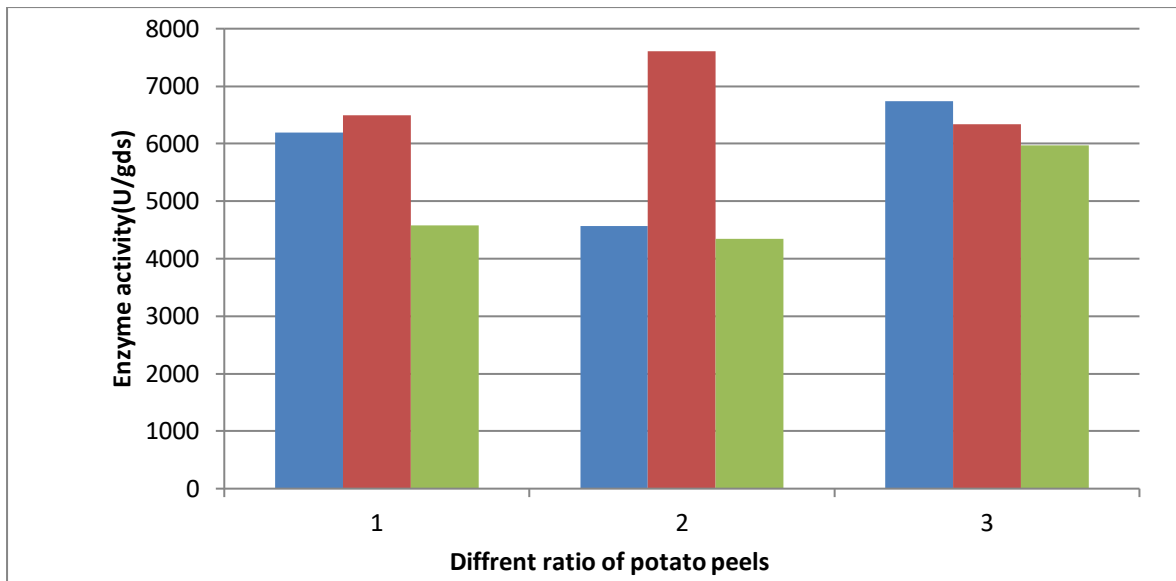
**Fig 4.11** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase depicting the best pH (pH5) for the fermentation of apple pomase

#### 4.6 Escalation of different proportion of potato peels with apple pomace

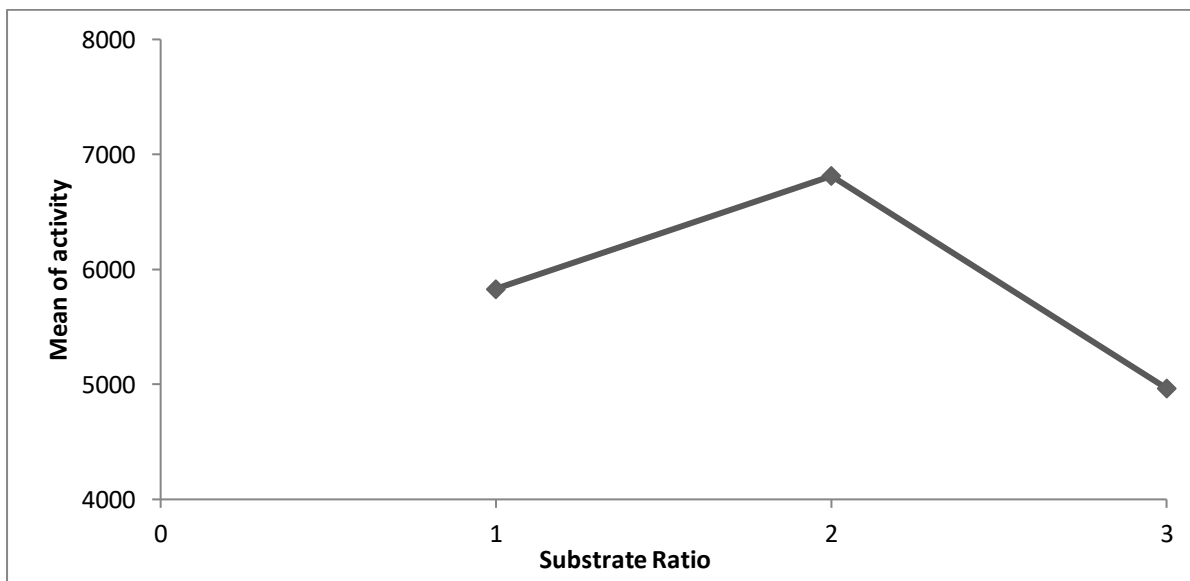
Used peels of potato with the apple pomace as a mixed substrate for the growth of the fungus and the manufacturing of the enzyme. Using these both or combining these both together increased the yield of the enzyme. Table 4.7 showing the three different proportion which were used for the production. The proportion (1:2) of potato peels with apple pomace depicting the best enzyme activity as comparing with another proportions. The enzyme activity was found to be  $6812.66 \pm 2.67$  U/gds. The least enzyme activity was found at 1:3 proportion with  $4966 \pm 176.98$  enzyme activity. Fig 4.11 showing the graphical representation of differences in the enzyme activity. Fig 4.12 showing the mean enzyme activity at various proportions.

**Table No.4.6** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase at various proportions of potato peels with apple pomace obtained under SSF of apple pomace

S.No.	Substrate proportion	Enzyme activity in(U/gds)
1	PA:AP (1:1)	$5831 \pm 274.98$
2	PA:AP(1:2)	$6812.66 \pm 2.67$
3	PA:AP(1:3)	$4966 \pm 176.98$



**Fig 4.12** Enzyme activity of pectinase in which was done in triplicates found after different proportions of potato peels with apple pomase (1:1 (potato peels and apple pomase)), (1:2 (potato peels and apple pomase)), (1:3 (potato peels and apple pomase)) .



**Fig 4.13** Mean enzyme activity of pectinase which was done in triplicates found after different proportions of potato peels with apple pomase (1:1 (potato peels and apple pomase)), (1:2 (potato peels and apple pomase)), (1:3 (potato peels and apple pomase)) .

**TableNo. 4.7** Effect of different parameters( Fermentation time , moisture level, pH, different propotion of potato peels)on enzyme activity of pectinase produced .

Moisture level	Enzyme activity in (U/gds)	Fermenta-tion time	Enzyme activity in (U/gds)	pH	Enzyme Activity in (U/gds)	Different propotio n of potato peels	Enzyme activity in (U/gds)
30%	3666.667± 478.42	48hrs	1183± 19	pH3	3211.33± 267.67	1:1	5831±274.9 8
40%	3961± 256.12	72hrs	4383.333 ± 37.26	pH4	3832.667± 456.45	1:2	6812.66± 2.67
50%	3455.333± 345.36	96hrs	6513± 65.32	pH5	4597.66± 176	1:3	4966±176.9 8
60%	4448± 96.03	120hrs	3128.667 ± 55.98	pH6	4006.33± 125.65		
70%	3384.667± 198.25	144hrs	846.667± 17.02	pH7	3317± 98.76		



## **CHAPTER -5**

### **CONCLUSION**

The study was done using apple pomace which is a waste product and was utilized for producing good yield of pectinase. The apple pomace was procured from HPMC Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. The study was done to check or escalate the different conditions used for pectinase manufacturing using SSF of apple pomace. Various parameters like moisture level, fermentation time, pH, supplementing another agro-industrial waste with apple pomace.

The combination found in this study was moisture level 60%, fermentation time 96hrs, pH5, 1:2 proportion of apple pomace with potato peels, gives the best yield.

This project was performed at small scale to check the average production of the enzyme using the agro-industrial waste by SSF. This study found the good amount of enzyme production in small scale. As Himachal Pradesh is one of the largest producers of apples. Farmers just dump the extra ripened apples and juice industries also dump the left part which is pomace. By using this study it may result in an earning source for the farmers and local people of Himachal Pradesh.

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