

## Analysis of glycemic index, glycemic load and acceptability of enteral formulas based on tempeh flour and jicama flour as innovations for hyperglycemic patients

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### Abstract

Low glycemic index formula are recommended for patients with hyperglycemia. Although tempeh and jicama flour contains fiber, arginine, glycine, inulin and alpha-linolenic acid that can be used as ingredients for enteral formulas of hyperglycemic patients, the evidence in reducing the glycemic index has not been proven. This study analyzed the differences of glycemic index (GI), glycemic load (GL) and acceptability of enteral formula based on tempeh flour and jicama flour for hyperglycemic patients. An experimental study with a completely randomized single factor design, by using the three ratios of tempeh flour to jicama flour A (2:3), B (1:1) and C (5:3). The glycemic index test used a one-shot case study model on 30 women selected. Acceptability test (hedonic test) was held on 30 semi-trained panelists. Data was analyzed using the Kruskal Wallis test, Mann Whitney, and independent t-test. The GI of formulas A, B and C were 101.15, 96.21 and 41.06. The GL of three formulas were 114, 86, and 41. Panelists like the color, flavor, and texture of formulas A, B and C, while the taste of the formula was considered to be neutral. The results showed there were significant differences between the GI and the flavor of formulas A and C ( $p = 0.002$ ), ( $p = 0.011$ ) and B and C ( $p = 0.013$ ), ( $p = 0.036$ ). There were no differences between color, flavor and texture of the formulas ( $p > 0.005$ ). There are significant differences of the GI and the acceptability in taste attributes between formulas A, B and C. Formula C has the lowest GI and GL but requires improvement of taste attribute.

## 1. Introduction

Hyperglycemia is a complication that often occurs in patients with critical conditions, both diabetic and non-diabetic patients (Godinjak *et al.*, 2015). The number of hyperglycemia is 40% in patients with critical conditions (Farrokhi *et al.*, 2011). When critical patients have hyperglycemia, the risk of mortality will be higher (31%) than patients with normal blood glucose (11.3%) (Godinjak *et al.*, 2015).

Critical patients with hyperglycemia, especially with decreased consciousness, need nutritional support, both enteral and parenteral because of the patient's inability to receive food orally (Stroud *et al.*, 2003; Lewis *et al.*, 2016). Not only to meet intake needs, providing nutritional support for hyperglycemia patients must also be able to reduce the patient's blood glucose levels. The American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN) guidelines recommend enteral nutrition compared to parenteral in patients with good functional

intestinal conditions because it can reduce infection morbidity and length of stay in hospital (Beyer, 2013; Lewis *et al.*, 2016).

As many as 30% of patients who get the standard enteral formula continuously are reported to have hyperglycemia (Drincic *et al.*, 2017). The standard enteral formula that is usually given to patients has low fat, low fiber and high simple carbohydrate composition that is quickly absorbed so it causes hyperglycemia if given continuously. It is also worsened by an increase in stress mediators due to the critical condition (Gosmanov, 2013). Patient with a continuous hyperglycemia condition, trigger changes in the body that increase the risk of infection, slow wound healing, organ failure, prolonged hospitalization, and death (Farrokhi *et al.*, 2011).

It is important to carry out glucose and lipid control for patients receiving enteral nutrition, especially long-term enteral nutrition (Farrokhi *et al.*, 2011). The

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American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists and the American Diabetes Association (AAACE/ADA) recommend a blood glucose target of 140 to 180 mg/dL in critical patients. One of them is by giving the enteral formula with monounsaturated fatty acids (MUFA) and low glycemic index (Hofman *et al.*, 2006; Beyer, 2013). Low glycemic index in food is influenced by several factors, including the type of carbohydrates contained in foods, fructose and lactose, the lack of food process, amylose levels higher than amylopectin levels, high levels of fiber, fat, and protein. The glycemic index also influences the glycemic load which determines the number of enteral formulas that can be given to hyperglycemic patients (Gattas *et al.*, 2007).

In order to maintain the stability of blood glucose levels, enteral formulas can be made by ingredients such as tempeh flour, jicama flour, skim milk, and soybean oil (Aluko, 2012; Pei *et al.*, 2017; Wu *et al.*, 2017). Three enteral formulas using tempeh flour and jicama flour were calculated priorly to get the best compositions according to ASPEN guideline (Gosmanov, 2013; Paris *et al.*, 2017). Different addition of jicama flour and tempeh flour, nutritional content, and sensory characteristics can affect the glycemic index, glycemic load, and enteral formula acceptability (Eke-Ejiofor *et al.*, 2015; Yulianti and Sholichah, 2019). Therefore, this study was aimed to compare glycemic index, glycemic load, and acceptability on three enteral formulas.

## 2. Materials and methods

This study was an experimental research with a completely randomized design one factor, enteral formula with the ratio of tempeh flour to jicama flour A (2:3), B (1:1) and C (5:3). This study was part of the main research entitled "Development of a Powder-Based Enteral Formula for Patients with Hyperglycemia". This research was conducted in four stages, preliminary research, preparation, implementation, and data analysis. Preparation and determination of enteral formulas were carried out at the preliminary research stage. The formula that was made and selected has met the requirements of the enteral formula for hyperglycemia patients, both in terms of nutrient composition and energy density (Gosmanov, 2013). In the preparation stage, tempeh flour and jicama flour were prepared using the oven method as an enteral formula. The implementation phase of the research was the glycemic index test and the acceptability test on the three enteral formulas.

The glycemic index test was using a one-shot case study design, by giving the deliberate treatment to the subject of the reference food (white bread) and enteral

formula formulation then measuring blood glucose after the treatment (Brouns and Bjrock, 2017). A total of 56 g of white bread containing 25-gram available carbohydrate was calculated based on the nutritional value information printed on the label on the package, while the number of enteral formulas given is calculated based on the proximate test results. The glycemic index test was performed on 30 female subjects aged 20-30 years with inclusion criteria in a healthy condition, normal body mass index (18.5-22.9 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), normal fasting blood glucose levels (70-100 mg/dL), do not have a family with a history of diabetes mellitus, do not smoke, do not consume alcohol, are not pregnant and fill out informed consent to express willingness to be the subject of research.

The subjects were taken by a consecutive sampling method. The subjects were then divided into 3 groups randomly (Groups A, B, and C) to determine the formula to be given. All groups (A, B, and C) consumed reference foods (white bread), Group A consumed enteral formula A, Group B consumed enteral formula B and Group C consumed enteral formula C.

The day before treatment the subject was required to fast (except water) for 10 hours starting from 22:00 until 08.00 the next morning. Then subjects were asked to consume test foods (white bread and enteral formulas). Blood samples were taken every 30 mins after consuming test foods for 2 hrs. Each treatment was given a distance of 3 days to avoid bias. The GI test was performed using the glucose test kit Gluco Dr. AGM 2100. The yield data was then spread with time as the X-axis and blood glucose levels as the Y-axis. The GI was calculated by comparing the area under the test food curve and standard food, then the results were averaged (Brouns and Bjrock, 2005).

Then the acceptance test was using a hedonic test which assessed by 30 rather trained panelists of the Nutrition Science Student Undip. The food quality attributes tested were color, flavor, taste, and texture on all three formulations. The assessment of the quality attributes of enteral formulas uses 5 likeness scales, i.e. (very dislike), 2 (dislike), 3 (neutral), 4 (like), and 5 (very like) (Lim, 2011).

## 3. Results

### 3.1 Enteral formula samples

Table 1 shows the results of the preliminary research in the form of the determination and selection of enteral formula samples. Enteral formulas used as samples were selected based on meeting the requirements of enteral formulas for hyperglycemia patients.

Table 1. Comparison of each enteral formula sample based on jicama flour and tempeh flour

Composition	A (2:3)	B (1:1)	C (5:3)
Tempeh flour (g)	60	60	70
Jicama flour (g)	90	60	42
Skim milk (g)	50	50	50
Soybean Oil (g)	15	15	15
Refined sugar (g)	13	13	13
Maltodextrin (g)	50	50	50

Composition for 1000 mL formula

### 3.2 Glycemic index test

#### 3.2.1 Subject characteristics

The subjects in this study were thirty women. The characteristics of the subjects of this study can be seen in Table 2.

Table 2. Characteristics of research respondents

Characteristics	Mean±SD
Age (years)	21.20±0.139
Height (cm)	157.07±0.969
Weight (kg)	50.95±0.782
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	20.64±0.191
GDP (mg/dl)	84.27± 0.97

Value represents Mean ± SD (n = 30)

#### 3.2.2 Response to increase in blood glucose value

The average results of examining blood glucose every 30 mins for 2 hrs after reference food and 3 types of enteral formulas can be seen in Table 3, Table 4 and Table 5.

##### 3.2.2.1 Group A

Table 3 shows the fluctuations in the average blood glucose level of the test group A subjects after consuming the reference food and enteral formula A. Based on Table 3 it can be seen that the blood glucose value of the subjects after consuming reference foods increased until the 60th minute and then decrease steadily, while the blood glucose of the subjects after consuming enteral formula A B reached its peak in the 30th minute and gradually decreased. There was a significant difference between blood glucose after consuming reference foods and enteral B formula at the 90th and 120th mins ( $p = 0.040$ ) and ( $p = 0.012$ ).

##### 3.2.2.2 Group B

Table 4 shows the fluctuations in the average blood glucose level of the test group B subjects after consuming the reference food and enteral B formula. Based on Table 4 it can be seen that the blood glucose value of the subjects after consuming reference foods increased in the 60th minute and then decrease steadily, while the blood glucose of the subjects after taking

enteral B reached its peak in the 30th minute. There was a significant difference between blood glucose after consuming reference foods and enteral B formula at 90 mins ( $p = 0.023$ ).

Table 3. Value of blood glucose concentration (mg/dL) at time intervals of test Group A

	Food Reference	Formula A	p
0 min	87.60±2.04	83.70±2.33	0.226
30 <sup>th</sup> minute	110.60±2.69	107.80±3.05	0.501
60 <sup>th</sup> minute	116.3±4.61	107.70±4.07	0.118
90 <sup>th</sup> minute	108.70±3.03	99.70±2.71	0.040*
120 <sup>th</sup> minute	99.90±2.71	89.90±2.27	0.012*

Values represent Mean ± SD (n = 10), \* significant with Independent T-Test

Table 4. Value of blood glucose concentration (mg/dL) at time intervals of test Group B

	Food Reference	Formula B	p
0 min	84.50 (76-95)	85.0 (81-90)	0.912
30 <sup>th</sup> minute	109.50 (95-123)	123.00 (96-144)	0.052
60 <sup>th</sup> minute	114.00 (100-137)	109.50 (84-129)	0.143
90 <sup>th</sup> minute	108.50 (90-125)	94.5 (87-124)	0.023*
120 <sup>th</sup> minute	92.50 (85-112)	91.00 (84-107)	0.971

Values represent Median (Min-Max) (n = 10), \* significant with the Mann-Withney test

##### 3.2.2.3 Group C

Table 5 shows the fluctuations in the average blood glucose level of the C test group subjects after consuming the reference food and enteral C formula. Based on Table 5 it can be seen that the blood glucose value of the subjects after consuming the reference food increased until the 60th minute and then decrease steadily, while the blood glucose of the subjects after consuming enteral C formula reached its peak in the 30th minute. There is no difference between blood glucose after consuming reference foods and enteral C formula.

Table 5. Value of blood glucose concentration (mg/dL) at time intervals of test Group C

	Food Reference	Formula C	p
0 min	81.70±3.98	88.40±2.16	0.162
30 <sup>th</sup> minute	11510±5.17	102.40±3.67	0.064
60 <sup>th</sup> minute	11630±7.71	101.00±3.91	0.100
90 <sup>th</sup> minute	99.70±5.24	94.10±2.58	0.355
120 <sup>th</sup> minute	85.80±2.03	88.30±1.98	0.392

Values represent Mean ± SD (n = 10), \* significant with Independent T-Test

#### 3.2.3 Glycemic index and glycemic load of enteral formula

The calculation of the area under the curve is using

Table 6. Glycemic index categories 3 types of enteral formulas

Formula	Available CHO (g)	Number of servings (mL)	Glycemic index	GI Category	p*
A (2:3)	25	220	101.15 <sup>a</sup>	High	0.005
B (1:1)	25	277	96.56 <sup>a</sup>	High	
C (5:3)	25	245	41.06 <sup>b</sup>	Low	

Table 7. Glycemic load categories 3 types of enteral formulas

Formula	Number of servings (mL)	Available CHO (%)	Available CHO/servings (g)	Glycemic Load	GL Category
A (1:1)	220	36.43	90.37	114.86	High
B (2:3)	277	40.90	113.72	86.75	High
C (5:3)	245	42.56	102.14	41.87	High

the trapezoid method. The average results of the glycemic index values of the three enteral formulas can be seen in Table 6. The GL describes blood glucose enhancement based on carbohydrate content contained in one serving of food. Glycemic load is calculated by multiplying the grams of available carbohydrate in the food by the food's glycemic index and then dividing by 100. The results of the glycemic load values of the three enteral formulas can be seen in Table 7.

### 3.3 Acceptability test

The results of the analysis of the acceptability of color, flavor, taste and texture of the enteral formula can be seen in Table 8. Based on Table 8, the results show there are no differences in the attributes of colors, flavors, and textures between formulas A, B, and C. Panelists gave the same color assessment, a slightly brownish yellow color, according to them the colors of the three enteral formulas were acceptable, quite bright, good and interesting, but there are a few panelists consider that the color of the three enteral formulas is rather dark but still acceptable. Most panelists liked the flavor of the three enteral formulas tested because they smelled good like soy milk and the sweet flavor of cow's milk, but some panelists thought the formula's flavor was still unpleasant.

The assessment of taste attributes found a significant difference between formulas A, B, and C. Panelists liked the taste of formulas A and B because they had a delicious, sweet and soy-like taste, while panelists were less able to accept the taste of formula C because of its less sweet taste and had a bitter after taste. Most panelists also considered the texture of the three enteral formulas tested to be almost similar to the texture of commercial enteral formulas, in this case, the viscosity

level was good and felt soft, but there were some panelists who did not like the texture of enteral C formula because of the slightly rough texture like sand.

## 4. Discussion

### 4.1 Glycemic index (IG)

Both formulas A and B had high GI category (IG > 70) 101.15 and 96.36, while formula C had low GI category (GI < 55) with a value of 41.06 (Lisa, 2013). Statistic test showed a significant difference between formulas A and B with formula C ( $p < 0.05$ ). The number of reference foods and enteral formulas given to subjects is equivalent to 25 g of available carbohydrates calculated by reducing total carbohydrates with food fiber. The selection of the number of available carbohydrates is to anticipate the amount of enteral formula that is too large when given to subjects. The reference food given is white bread, the selection of white bread rather than pure glucose because bread is a general food, thus making it possible to determine GI in a more physiological way (Brouns and Bjrock, 2005).

A faster glycemic response occurs in subjects who take the formula than the reference food. Glycemic response is a condition in which a person's blood sugar condition has increased or decreased when consuming food for a certain period (Venn and Green, 2007). All three groups consuming reference food in the form of white bread experienced a peak increase in blood glucose in the 60th minute, while after consuming enteral formula the peak of the increase occurred in the 30th minute as can be seen in Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3. This can occur because of differences in the size of the reference food particles and the three enteral formulas. Enteral formula made from flour-shaped ingredients

Table 8. Acceptability of three enteral formulas

	Formula A		Formula B		Formula C		p*
	Median (Min-Max)	Like	Median (Min-Max)	Like	Median (Min-Max)	Like	
Color	4 (2-5)	Like	4 (1-5)	Like	4 (1-5)	Like	0.887
Flavor	4 (2-5)	Like	4 (1-5)	Like	3 (1-5)	Neutral	0.995
Taste	3 (1-4) <sup>a</sup>	Neutral	3 (1-5) <sup>a</sup>	Neutral	3 (1-4) <sup>b</sup>	Neutral	0.025
Texture	4 (2-5)	Like	4 (1-5)	Like	3 (1-5)	Neutral	0.233

without further processing has a smaller particle size, so the total surface area of food is getting bigger. The large total surface area of food results in food being easily degraded by digestive enzymes and increasing blood glucose faster (Venn and Green, 2007).

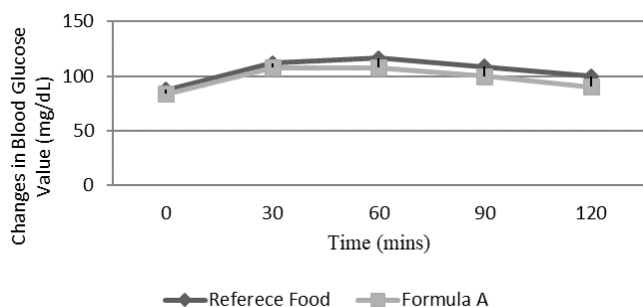


Figure 1. Increase in blood glucose of group A subject

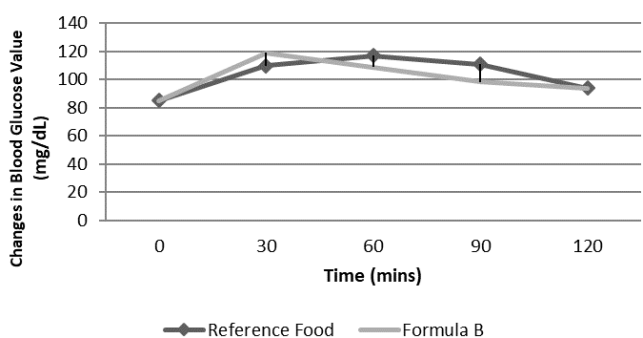


Figure 2. Increase in blood glucose of group B subject

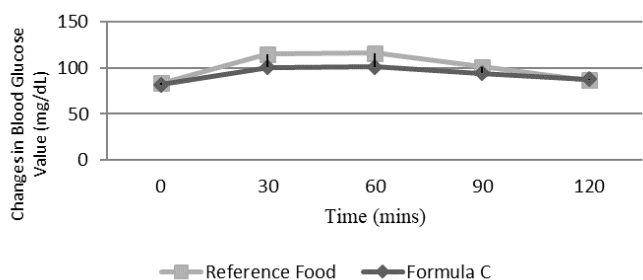


Figure 3. Increase in blood glucose of group C subject

The variations of glycemic index between the three enteral formulas due to differences in extreme glycemic responses in study respondents. An increase in blood glucose that is too high occurs in 50% of respondents who are fed the enteral test formula A and B. High blood glucose response results in the calculation of the area under the curve to be greater, so the GI becomes high (Venn and Green, 2007). Each individual has a unique and varied glycemic response to foods containing carbohydrates (Whelan *et al.*, 2010). The difference in response to a person's blood rise after consuming food is influenced by many factors such as genetic, epigenetic, physiological and metabolic factors (Morris *et al.*, 2013). The researchers only included respondents with families without a history of diabetes mellitus to avoid bias due to genetic factors. A high level of respondent activity the day before the test can also affect blood glucose uptake in the muscles. Based on the interview results of the

subject's physical activity the day before the test, it was found that the level of subject activity was mild. High carbohydrate and fat food intake the day before the test can also have an impact on poor glucose tolerance, resulting in a drastic increase in blood glucose. Therefore, the day before the test, respondents are asked to fast for at least 10 hours to prevent a rise in blood glucose that is drastic (Brouns and Bjrock, 2005).

The high glycemic index in formulas A and B is also influenced by several things, such as fiber content, amylose and amylopectin, and starch digestibility. Formula A and B contain higher fiber than formula C which is 17.57 g and 12.38 g per serving based on proximate test results, but formulas A and B also contain more jicama flour where jicama flour has higher amylopectin content (82.6%) compared to the levels of amylose (18.4%) (Stevenson *et al.*, 2007).

The results showed that food which had a higher proportion of amylopectin compared to amylose had a higher GI value as well. Amylopectin has the property to be more easily digested (hydrolyzed) by digestive enzymes than amylose so that the process of breaking down into simple sugars occurs more quickly (Whelan *et al.*, 2010; Dipnaik and Kokare, 2017). As a result, glucose absorption in the intestine occurs quickly and respondent's blood glucose levels rise rapidly.

Formula enteral A and B contain more jicama flour than formula C where jicama contains 21% starch which tends to gelatinize at 53-63°C (Buckman *et al.*, 2018). This gelatinization process can also affect the glycemic index levels of the three enteral formulas. Gelatinized starch will be more easily hydrolyzed by digestive enzymes (alpha-amylase) to glucose so that the increase in blood glucose levels takes place more quickly (Russell *et al.*, 2016).

## 4.2 Acceptance (Hedonic test)

### 4.2.1 Color

Based on the hedonic test, the panelist like the colors of the three enteral formulas and based on the statistical analysis there was a no different color in the three formulas. This is based on the panelist description that all formulas have the same color, which is yellowish-brown. The brownish color of enteral formula comes from jicama and tempeh which had a browning reaction when drying.

Browning reactions (Maillard) in jicama and tempeh occur because of the reaction between reducing sugars from carbohydrates with the primary amino group of jicama and tempeh proteins (Tamanna and Mahmood, 2015). The Maillard reactions can occur at 37°C and are faster at 100°C. The temperature used in the

manufacture of jicama flour and tempeh flour is 65°C and 60°C to enable the Maillard (Reyes-Bastidas *et al.*, 2010). Also, during the drying process the sugar contained in the jicama is in contact with heat and had a browning reaction. The tempeh and jicama flour have almost the same color, but tempeh flour has a slightly darker color than jicama flour. Tempeh flour contains high amino acid lysine (104.3 mg/g), where lysine contains two amine groups so that it is more reactive to reducing sugars and produce a darker brown color (Yulianti and Sholichah, 2019)

#### 4.2.2 Flavor

Based on the hedonic test results obtained the level of acceptance flavor of the enteral formula is neutral and like, while the results of statistical analysis showed no difference in flavor of the enteral formula. Panelists liked the flavor of formulas A and B because it smelled like the soy milk flavor, but some panelists thought the flavor of formula C was still unpleasant. There is no difference in flavor between the three enteral formulas because all have a soy dominant flavor.

There are 26 active flavor components in soybeans contribute to the creation of a distinctive flavor of soybeans, where 8 of the 26 active components cause an unpleasant scent (Lv *et al.*, 2011). The presence of the enzyme lipoxygenase in soybean hydrolyzes soybean fat and produces volatile compounds such as hexanol, hexanal, and 2-pentyl furan also plays a role in the appearance of unpleasant scent (Vara-ubol *et al.*, 2003).

Hot water blanching at a temperature of 100°C for 10 mins is one of the methods have been made to reduce the unpleasant flavor of tempeh. The process of hot water blanching by using water with a temperature of more than 80°C for 2 to 10 mins in making tempeh flour and jicama can inactivate the lipoxygenase enzyme and reduce the unpleasant smell in the flour produced. However, in the blanching process within 10 mins only able to reduce 5 of the 8 active components in soybeans, so the unpleasant flavor cannot be completely removed (Lv *et al.*, 2011).

The unpleasant flavor of tempeh can be minimized by making modifications to the process of making tempeh. Modifications made are by using a mixture of the culture of *Rhizopus oligosporus* and *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* in the fermentation process (Kustyawati *et al.*, 2017). Another method to minimize unpleasant scent is by heating treatment. The making of tempeh flour by heating treatment in the form of steaming for 25 mins then roasting for 20 mins before drying, obtained the results of an attractive flavor and organoleptic tests favored by the panelists (Yulianti and Sholichah, 2019)

#### 4.2.3 Taste

Panelists gave a neutral assessment for the taste attributes of the three enteral formulas, while based on statistical analysis there were significant taste differences between the three enteral formulas. The panelists described formulas A and B as having a good, sweet taste and resembling soy milk. Formula C is described as having a less sweet taste and there is an after taste of a bitter taste.

This is consistent with studies that have been done before, that the presence of soybeans, soy protein isolates or concentrates in tempeh in the product is described as beany, bitter, chalky, and astringent. The bitter after-taste that arises in the enteral formula in this study is influenced by the addition of tempeh flour, where tempeh contains soyasaponin and sapogenin which are the main glycoside compounds that cause a bitter taste in soybeans (Lv *et al.*, 2011). Also, soybeans contain isoflavones which can cause a bitter taste in soybean processed products, but the levels of isoflavones in tempeh are lower than soybeans because of the many processing processes in tempeh. There are around 24% of isoflavones that are still present in tempeh, therefore the processed products of tempeh may still taste bitter (Kustyawati *et al.*, 2017). Tempeh flour also contains amino acid lysine which is an amino acid that has the most bitter taste compared to other amino acids that cause bitter taste.

Formula A and B have no difference in taste because of the composition of tempeh flour and jicama which is not too much different. Formula A and B tend to have a sweeter taste. The sweet taste comes from jicama flour and sugar added. The amount of sugar contained in all formulas is the same, more sweetness in formulas A and B occurs because of the addition of more jicama flour (19.7 g and 16.6 g). Jicama contains inulin which is a component that can give sweetness 10% lower than sugar. The role of inulin in giving sweetness is almost the same as sugar, giving sweetness without after taste because it contains a short chain oligofructose molecule (Saeed *et al.*, 2015).

#### 4.2.4 Texture

The value that often arises from the hedonic quality test of enteral formulas A, B according to the texture attribute is 4 (likes), while Formula C is 3 (neutral). Based on statistical analysis there were no differences between the three formulas ( $p > 0.05$ ). Panelists considered formula A and B to have a soft but rather thick texture, while formula C had a slightly grained texture, but the panelists liked the level of thickness.

The texture is rather rough in formula C due to the

high content of tempeh flour compared to the other two formulas. Efforts to minimize tempeh flour particles have been carried out by sifting using 80 mesh sieve to produce a fine flour particle size of 0.177 mm. Particle size affects the level of solubility of flour, where the smaller the particle size will increase the level of solubility of a product (Sun and Zhai, 2012). However, tempeh flour contains water-insoluble fractions which make it have a low solubility despite having a fine flour size (Reyes-Bastidas *et al.*, 2010). In addition, the solubility of flour tempeh in water is in the range of 11.3% to 23.2%, where the solubility level of tempeh flour is affected by blanching treatment, tempeh temperature and drying time. The longer blanching treatment and drying time, as well as the higher drying temperature, will reduce the level of solubility of tempeh flour. The drying method using an oven is also less able to increase the solubility of tempeh flour when compared with the freeze-drying method which can increase the solubility of tempeh flour by up to 80%. However, drying using the freeze-drying method requires a relatively more expensive cost, so researchers prefer the oven as a drying method (Ciurzynska and Lenart, 2011).

## 5. Conclusion

Formula C showed the best glycemic index and glycemic load among all formulas. Furthermore, the panelists liked all the formula colors, flavors, and textures. However, the acceptance of formula C taste was lower than the other two.

## Conflict of interest

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests regarding the publication of this paper.

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