

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2005 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s)

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Project Number

S1302

Project Title

Food Preservation

Objectives/Goals Abstract

My objective was to find out how much bacteria can a slice of apple have. I did it by counting the colonies in each petri dish. In this project I had to do was to let the petri dishes ome to room temperature before I took the samples. Then I had to collect bacteria from each slice of an apple. Then inoculate each dish by streaking a pattern gently across the entire surface. After I had to tape them and put them and in a warm location.

Methods/Materials

- 1. Prepared petri dishes containing agar medium and nutrients
- 2. Bacteria Collected from apples
- 3. Wax pencil for labeling dishes
- 4. Masking tape
- 5. Inoculating loop
- 6. Antibacterial agent
- 7. Test tubes.12 x75 mm
- 8. Paper Towels
- 9. Small Containers
- 10. Bleach

Results

The Results of my project were that the bacteria grows faster in room temperature than in refrigerator temperature. Their were more colonies in room temperature.

Conclusions/Discussion

The conclusion that I made was that bacteria growth may be affected by temperature. This was coorect I prove it by counting the colonies every day. It had to do a lot with bacteria an the temperatures.

Summary Statement

I tested how much bacteria a slice of apple had and then inocluate each dish by streaking a pattern of the slice of apple.

Help Received

Mrs. Zadik help me to develop the idea