

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2010 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Investigating Vegetable Consumptions and Gas Level Emissions

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

In my project, I wanted to determine if different types of vegetables and their food preservations would affect the amount of gas released. I believe that the canned vegetables and the peas will release the most gas.

Methods/Materials

Eight test tubes were used and vegetables were put into the test tubes along with distilled white vinegar and a balloon was put on top of the test tube with no air inside the balloon. I would then put five liters of water into my heat source, which was a CrockPot. The test tubes would then be place into the water after the water had reached 37 degrees Celsius and would be left for 8 hours. After the eight hours had came, I would next take the test tubes out with tongs and measure the circumference of the balloon with a fabric centimeter measuring tape.

Results

The frozen peas had released the most gas on average after fifteen trials, while the canned peas produced the least amount of gas.

Conclusions/Discussion

Conclusions: My conclusion is that frozen peas produce a higher amount of gas than frozen corn, string beans, carrots, or canned corn, peas, string beans, or carrots.

Summary Statement

My project was about finding out what different types of food preservations and what types of vegetables would release the most gas in a human body.

Help Received

Mother and father helped glue papers onto board; Teachers helped with research and providing materials.