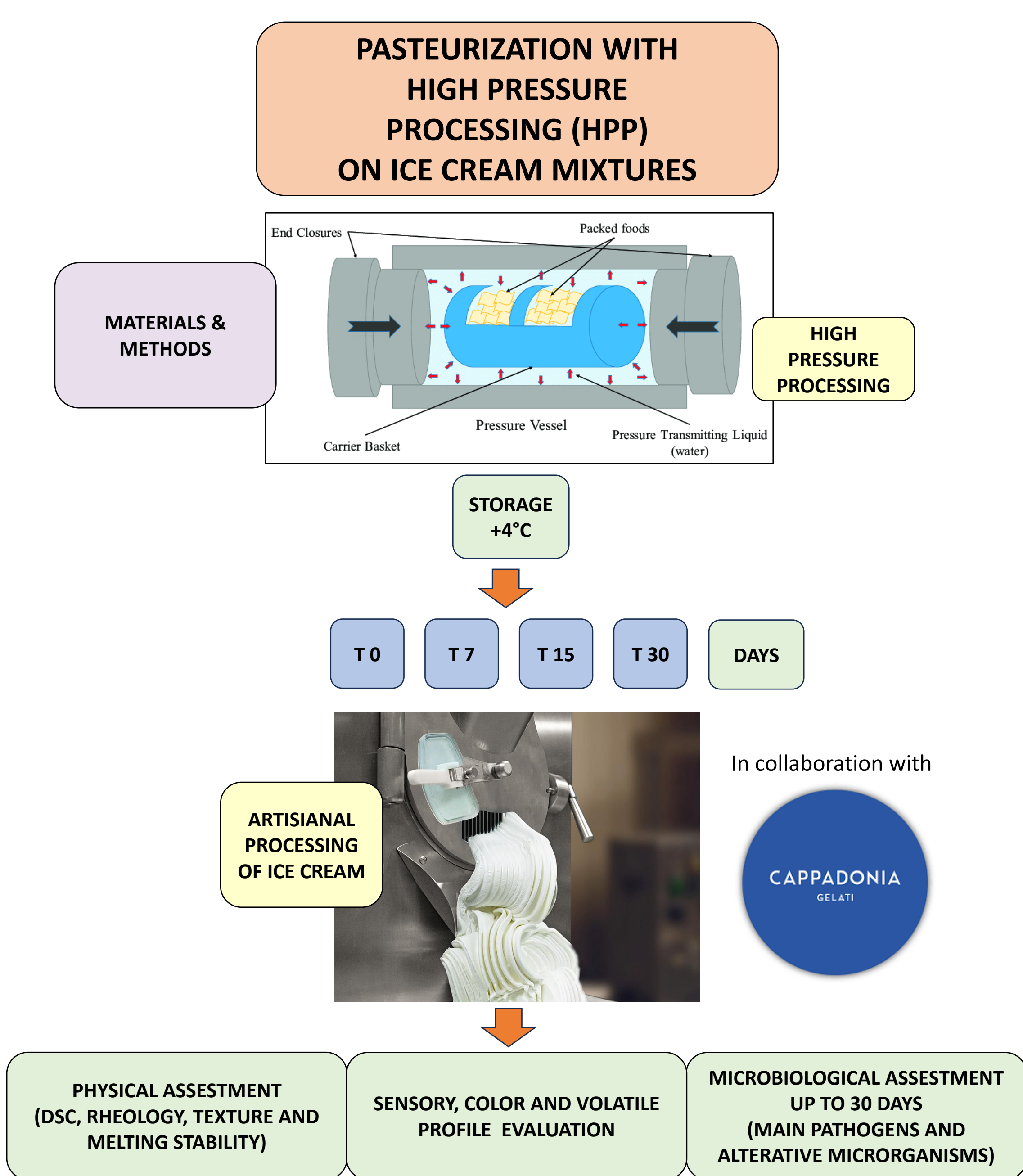


CHEMICAL-PHYSICAL STUDY OF CRYSTALLIZATION IN CONFECTIONERY PRODUCTS AND ITS IMPLICATION ON PRODUCT QUALITY

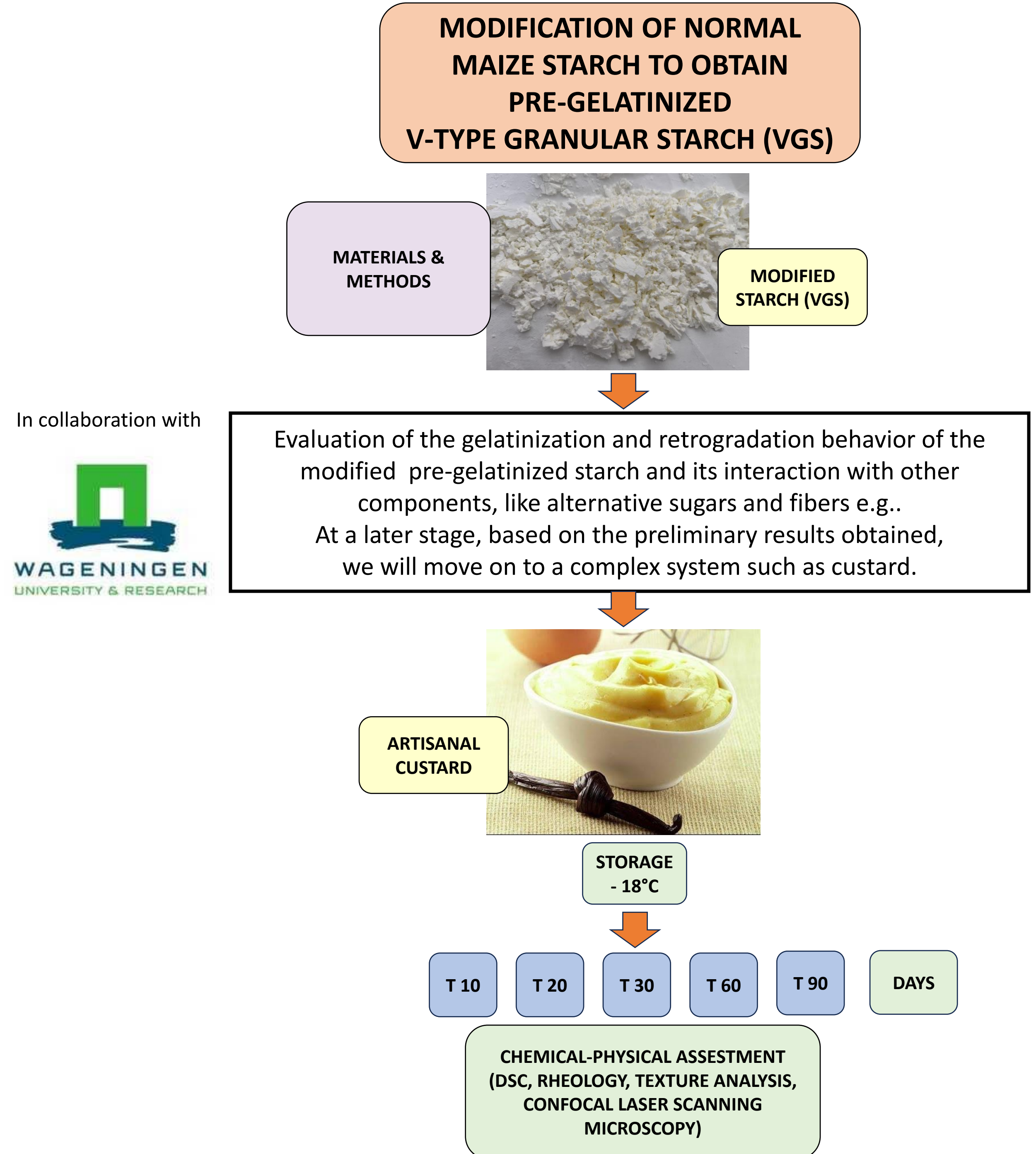
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Objective: Investigate how innovative solutions applied on the processing or in the use of different ingredients may extend shelf life of confectionery products. Because of that, two different solutions will be used:



AIM OF THE PROJECT
 The goal is to break down the microbiological flora and inactivate the enzymatic activity through the high pressure treatment, to extend the shelf life of liquid ice cream bases before whipping. The evaluation of the efficiency of this innovative mild technology will be done on ice cream whipped after different period of storage at fridge temperature (after 0, 7, 15 and 30 days).



AIM OF THE PROJECT
 The goal is to employ modified starch in a complex system such as custard, so that the occurrence of pre-gelatinization of the modified starch can slow down the retrogradation process that normally occurs in starch. In this way, the custard can be stored in the freezer and thus extend its shelf life. Analyses will be performed at different storage times (after 10, 20, 30, 60, 90 days).

Activities	Months	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
A1 <i>Determination of sweet products</i>																									
1) custard/pastry cream																									
2) ice cream																									
A2 <i>Evaluation of different plasticizers/treatment</i>																									
1) inulin, mixture of sugars, VGS																									
2) freezing storage (custard)																									
3) high pressure treatments (ice cream)																									
A3 <i>Preparation of samples</i>																									
1) V-type granular starch																									
2) custard with single/multiple plasticizers																									
3) freeze/fridge storage (custard)																									
4) liquid bases of ice cream																									
5) fridge T°C storage (ice cream)																									
A4 <i>Assessing samples</i>																									
1) calorimetry, rheology (both)																									
2) texture, water mobility (both)																									
3) microbial growth (ice cream)																									
A5 <i>Evaluation and Interpretation of results</i>																									
A6 <i>Writing and Editing Thesis</i>																									