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NUTRITION

MUFFINS

A muffin is a chemically-leavened bakery product characterized by its typical cup-shape form. Many variations include tasty mix-ins such as fruits, chocolates, nuts or different spices.

The recipe of a muffin is quite similar to this of cake, though the **amount of** fat and sugar is lower.



Muffins are produced by **mixing** the dry and wet ingredients **separately**. The total mixing time is **short** resulting in a more dense consistency.

CHALLENGE

Although muffins are often believed to be a healthier snack option, the industry continues to strive for further reduction of sugar and fat levels in baked goods. The volatility of ingredient pricing and availability is a trigger for reformulation and cost optimization while maintaining the same quality.



WE KNOW IT'S **More Than MUFFINS**

Increased aeration & volume
Uniform air distribution
Prolonged softness
Improved batter stability

APPLICATION TEST 🖌

Formulation (on 100% flour)

INGREDIENT	REFERENCE	TEST		
Flour	100%			
Oil	57.1%	50% reduction		
Eggs	28.6%	50% reduction		
Water	38.6%			
Sugar	77.1%	30-50% reduction		
Leavening agent	1.9%	30-50% reduction		
Salt	1.4%			
Activated emulsifier	3%	5-8%		

Contains 26% emulsifier (60% Radiamuls MG 2918K & 40% Radiamuls Poly 2247K)

	Reference	Egg	Oil	Leavening agent		Sugar	
		↓ 50% reduction	↓ 50% reduction	↓ 50% reduction	30% reduction	↓ 50% reduction	30% reduction
Batter density (g/ml)	1.00						
	0.90						
	0.80						
	0.70						
Height (cm)	8.00						
	7.00						
	6.00						
	5.00						
Firmness (N) at day 1 at day 3 or 4 at day 6 or 7	5.00						
	4.00						
	2.00						
	1.00						
	0.00						

Results

Conclusion

Increasing the amount of activated emulsifiers allows to reduce either the eggs or the oil by 50% and the leavening agent by 30%. Reducing sugar seems more challenging and results in a muffin with a lower height.

OUR SOLUTIONS

- **Mono- and diglycerides** » Radiamuls MG 2918K, 2910K, 2903K
- » **Polyglycerol esters** Radiamuls Poly 2247K
- Sodium stearoyl lactylate » Radiamuls SL 2990K

