A NEURO-FUZZY LINGUISTIC APPROACH IN OPTIMIZING POUNDED YAM

FLOUR PRODUCTION PROCESS

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Abstract

Pounded yam is a daily nutritional food requirement for most Africans and in order to

facilitate the preparation of pounded yam for consumption, the production process of

pounded yam flour has been investigated. The basic operations involved in the production of

pounded yam flour include the following; the selection of yam, weighing of yam, washing of

yam, peeling of yam, slicing of yam with a slicing machine, parboiling of sliced yam with a

parboiler, drying of parboiled yam with a dryer, milling of dried yam into yam flour with a

hammer mill, packaging of the yam flour and sealing of the packages with a sealing machine.

The yam flour is packed into airtight, moisture-proof packaging containers which are tightly

sealed by the sealing machine for preservation.

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Machine.

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