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Tertiary Education

- Year 2004-2008
- BSc. in Food Science and Technology (Food Quality Control); Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran.
- Year 2010-2013
- MSc in Food Science and Technology (Food Quality Control); Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran.

MSc Thesis: Effects of probiotic strains, inoculated population, physiology of probiotic bacteria and fermentation final pH on decontamination of aflatoxin M_1 in Doogh

Supervisors: Dr. Amir Mohammad Mortazavian and Dr. Ramin Khaksar

- Year 2017- 2021
- PhD. in Food Hygiene and Safety Science; Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran.

Ph.D. Dissertation: Development and validation of TaqMan real-time PCR assays for quantification of chicken adulteration in raw and heat-treated hamburgers Supervisors: Dr. Saeedeh Shojaee, and Dr. Nayebali Rezvani

Responsibilities

- Year 2014-2017
- Instructor at the Department of Food Hygiene and Quality Control, School of Nutrition and Food Sciences, Shiraz University of Medical Sciences, Shiraz, Iran.
- Year 2009-2010
- ❖ Food & Drug Expert, Food & Drug Administration, Vice-Chancellor's Office for Food and Drug at Lorestan University of Medical Sciences.

Key Areas of Research Expertise

- Food Toxicology
- Decontamination Methods of Food
- Probiotics and Prebiotics in Food Products
- Functional Foods
- Food Authenticity (Detection of Food Fraud and Genetically Modified Foods (GM foods))
- Molecular techniques relevant to food biology

Skills

•	Language
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Persian, English

Technical

PCR conventional, Real time PCR, MIC, ELISA, HPLC, FTIR, Integrated Management System (IMS)

Software

❖ Microsoft Office, SPSS, Rest Software, Design Expert, End Note

Articles

- Sarlak Z, Rezvani N*, Rouhi M**, Shojaee-Aliabadi S, Hosseini H. A normalized model based on Taqman real-time PCR assay for quantitative comparison of chicken adulteration in raw and heat-treated hamburgers. *Journal of food measurement and characterization*. 2023. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11694-023-02005-4
- Garavand F, Jafarzadeh SH, Cacciotti I, Vahedikia N, Sarlak Z, Tarhan O, Yousefi SH, Rouhi M, Castro-Munoz R, Jafari SM. Different strategies to reinforce the milk protein-based packaging composites.
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- Sarlak Z, Shojaee-Aliabadi S*, Rezvani N**, Hosseini H, Rouhi M, Dastafkan Z. Development and validation of TaqMan real-time PCR assays for quantification of chicken adulteration in hamburgers. *Journal of Food Composition and Analysis*. 2022; 106: 104302.
- Raesi S, Mohammadi R, Khammar Z, Paimard G, Abdalbeigi S, **Sarlak Z**, Rouhi M*. Photocatalytic detoxification of aflatoxin B1 in an aqueous solution and soymilk using nano metal oxides under UV light: Kinetic and isotherm models. *LWT-Food Science and Technology*. 2022; 154:112638.
- Sarlak Z, Rouhi M, Mirza Alizadeh A, Sadeghi E, Hosseini H*, Mousavi-Khaneghah A**. Pb exposure from plant foods in Iran: A review. *International Journal of Environmental Analytical chemistry*. 2021.

- **Sarlak Z**, Hosseini H, Garavand F, Mohammadi R, Rouhi M*. The occurrence of lead in animal source foods in Iran in the 2010s decade: a systematic review. *Biological Trace Element Research*. 2021.
- Sarlak Z, Khosravi-Darani K*, Rouhi M**, Garavand F, Mohammadi R, Sobhiyeh MR. Bioremediation of organophosphorus pesticides in contaminated foodstuffs using probiotics. *Food Control*. 2021; 126:108006.
- Heydari M, Rostami O, Mohammadi R, Banavi P, Farhoodi M, Sarlak Z, Rouhi M*. Hydrodistillation ultrasound-assisted green extraction of essential oil from bitter orange peel wastes: Optimization for quantitative, phenolic, and antioxidant properties. *Journal of Food Processing and Preservation*. 2021.
- Paimard G, Mohammadi R, Bahrami R, Khosravi-Darani K, Sarlak Z, Rouhi M*. Detoxification of patulin from juice simulator and apple juice via cross-linked Se-chitosan/L-cysteine nanoparticles. LWT-Food Science and Technology. 2021; 143:111146.
- Zibaei R, Hasanvand S, Hashami Z, Roshandel Z, Rouhi M, Guimarães J, Mortazavian AM, **Sarlak Z**, Mohammadi R*. Applications of emerging botanical hydrocolloids for edible films: A review. Carbohydrate Polymers. 2021; 256:117554.
- Mohammadi R, Erfani N, Sohrabvandi S*, Mortazavi SA, Mortazavian AM, Sarlak Z, Alizadeh Moghadam M. Aflatoxin M1 reduction by probiotic strains in Iranian feta cheese. Iranian Journal Chemistry and Chemical Engineering. (2021).
- Hemmati V, Garavand F*, Goudarzi M, **Sarlak Z**, Cacciotti I, Tiwari BK. Cold atmospheric-pressure plasma treatment of turmeric powder: microbial load, essential oil profile, bioactivity, and microstructure analyses. International Journal of Food Science & Technology. 2020;56(5):2224–2232.
- Abedi AS, Hashempour F, Mirza Alizadeh A, Beikzadeh S, Hosseini H*, Bashiry M, Taslikh MR, Javanmardi F, Sheidaei Zh, Sarlak Z, Mofid V, Fakhri Y, Mousavi Khaneghah A**. The prevalence of Brucella spp. in dairy products in the Middle East region: A systematic review and meta-analysis. Acta Tropica. 2020; 202:105241.
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- Mirza Alizadeh A, Jazaeri S, Shemshadi B*, Hashempour F, Sarlak Z, Pilevar Z, Hosseini H. A review on inactivation methods of Toxoplasma gondii in foods. Pathogens and global health. 2018;112(6):306-319.
- Mohammadi R, Yousefi M, Sarlak Z, Shah NP, Mortazavian AM*, Sadeghi E, Zabihzadeh Khajavi M. Influence of commercial culture composition and cow milk to soy milk ratio on the biochemical, microbiological, and sensory characteristics of a probiotic fermented composite drink. Food Science and Biotechnology. 2017;26(3):749-757.
- Sarlak Z, Rouhi M, Mohammadi R, Khaksar R, Mortazavian AM*, Sohrabvandi S**, Garavand F. Probiotic biological strategies to decontaminate aflatoxin M1 in a traditional Iranian fermented milk drink (Doogh). Food Control. 2017; 71:152-159.
- Rouhi M, Mohammadi R, Mortazavian AM*, Sarlak Z. Combined effects of replacement of sucrose with

D-tagatose and addition of different probiotic strains on quality characteristics of chocolate milk. Dairy Science & Technology. 2015;95(2):115-133.

- Fallah M, Rouhi M, Sadeghi E, **Sarlak Z**, Mohammadi R*. Effects of olibanum essential oil on physicochemical, structural, antioxidant and microbial characteristics of gelatin edible films. Iranian Journal of Nutrition Sciences & Food Technology. 2021;15(4):93-102. [In Persian]
- Sarlak Z, Garavand F, Mohammadi R, Hosseini M, Rouhi M*. Development of an optimal formulation for flavored Doogh-based soft drink using response surface methodology and evaluate the resulting powder. Journal of Food Technology and Nutrition. 2018;15(2):5-18. [In Persian]
- Mohammadi R, Zabihzadeh M, Hasanvand S, **Sarlak Z**, Mortazavian AM*, Shadnoosh M, Ayad Bahadori Monfared A. Effects of type and concentration of dry matter and final pH of fermentation on biochemical, microbial and sensory properties of probiotic dough. Koomesh. 2017;19(4):798-811. [In Persian]
- Sarlak Z, Mohammadi R, Abdolmaleki Kh, Mortazavian AM*, Shadnoosh M. Effects of addition of different probiotic strains on the biochemical and microbiological properties of Aloe vera drink. Koomesh. 2016;18(1):117-127. [In Persian]
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Research Projects

Year 2019

•	Year 2022	*	A normalized model based on Taqman real-time PCR assay for quantitative comparison of chicken adulteration in raw and heat-treated hamburgers/ Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.
•	Year 2020	*	Authentication of red meat hamburger brands in Iran for chicken meat fraud using real-time PCR based on TaqMan assay/ Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences/ Assistant.

❖ Study of SYBR Green-based real time PCR modeling methods for estimation of chicken and chicken paste adulteration in red meat hamburger/ Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.

- Year 2018
- ❖ A systematic study on contamination levels of lead (Pb) in Iranian food sources/ Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.
- ❖ A systematic study on effect of probiotics on pesticide degradation in foodstuffs/ Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.
- ❖ Fate of antinutritional compounds in plant sources during fermentation/ Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.
- Year 2017
- ❖ Development of an optimal formulation for flavored Doogh-based soft drink using response surface methodology and evaluate the resulting powder/ Shiraz University of Medical Sciences/ Supervisor.
- Year 2014
- ❖ Effects of probiotic strains and inoculated population, physiology of probiotic bacteria and fermentation final pH on free aflatoxin M1 binding in Doogh/ Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences/ Assistant.

Chapter of Books

• Years 2020

Cacciotti I, Garavand F, Rostamabadi H, Khorshidian N, Sarlak Z, Jafari SM. Chapter 8- Nano/micro-encapsulated ingredients in chewing gum, pp. 345-386. In Application of Nano/Microencapsulated Ingredients in Food Products. Seid Mahdi Jafari (Ed.). Elsevier Academic Press, United States.

Conferences

• Year 2012

- ❖ Rouhi M, Mohammadi R*, **Sarlak** Z, Shafiei SG, Ahmadi E. Effects of incubation temperatures on biochemical and microbiological characteristics in Doogh inoculated with Iranian probiotic lactobacillus species during fermentation and refrigerated storage. *13th iranian and the second international congress of microbiology, Ardebil University of Medical Sciences*.
- ❖ Mohammadi R, Rouhi M*, Sarlak Z, Shafiei SG, Ahmadi E. A comparative study of viability of Iranian and imported bifidobacterium species during refrigerated storage in probiotic Doogh. 13th iranian and the second international congress of microbiology, Ardebil University of Medical Sciences.
- Mohammadi R, Rouhi M*, Sarlak Z, Mortazavian AM. Effects of partial or total replacement of cow's milk with soy milk and the type of commercial starter culture composition on biochemical and microbiological characteristics of probiotic soy-Doogh. 13th iranian and the second international congress of microbiology, Ardebil University of Medical Sciences.
- Mohammadi R, Roozitalab A, Rouhi M*, Mortazavian AM, Sarlak Z. Effects of the type of commercial starter culture composition and partial or total replacement of cow's milk with soy milk on biochemical and microbiological characteristics of probiotic fruity soy yogurt. 13th iranian and the second international congress of microbiology, Ardebil University of Medical Sciences.

- Year 2015
- Year 2016
- Year 2018
- Year 2021
- Year 2022

- ❖ Sarlak Z, Rouhi M, Monsef AM, Mohammadi R. Effect of S. thermophilus and L. bulgaricus on aflatoxin M₁ binding in milk, PBS and yogurt. The 2nd national congress of milk safety from production to consumption and its role in human nutrition.
- Rouhi M, Sarlak Z*, Mortazavian AM, Mohammadi R, Khaksar R. The ability of *L. acidophilus* in reducing aflatoxin in Doogh. *3rd national conference on probiotics and functional foods*.
- Rouhi M, Taslimi A, Mortazavian AM*, Sarlak Z, Mohammadi R, Yousefi M. Production of dietetic synbiotic cocoa milk. 3rd national conference on probiotics and functional foods.
- ❖ Sarlak Z, Rouhi M*. Effect of live or heat-killed *L. acidophilus* on free aflatoxin M₁ in Doogh. *The 19th international & Iranian congress of microbiology*.
- Heidari M, Banavi P, Rostami O, Sarlak Z, Mohammadi R, Rouhi M*. Modeling and optimization of essential oil properties extracted from bitter orange peel. 2rd International Congress on Food Science & Technology & Agriculture and Food Security.
- Sarlak Z, Raesi S, Rouhi M*. A review on DNA-based techniques to detect adulteration in meat products. 3rd International Congress on Food Science & Technology & Agriculture and Food Security.
- Raesi S, Mohammadi R, Paimard G, Abdalbeigi S, Sarlak Z, Rouhi M*, Photocatalytic effect of metal nano oxides in the detoxification of aflatoxin B₁ from aqueous solution. 3rd International Congress on Food Science & Technology & Agriculture and Food Security.

Editorial Board and Reviewing Activities

- Food Control
- Journal of Food Composition and Analysis
 - ❖ Journal of the Science of Food and Agriculture
 - Applied Food Biotechnology
 - Iranian Journal Nutrition Sciences and Food Technology

Awards & Grants

Reviewer

- Year 2017
- 2rd Rank, entrance exam for the Ph.D. course in food hygiene and safety science.
- ❖ 6th Rank, entrance exam for the Ph.D. course in food science and technology (food quality control).
- Year 2010
- ❖ 3rd Rank, entrance exam for the master course in food science and technology (food quality control).