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# Effect of Bene Kernel Oil on the Frying Stability of Canola Oil

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Abstract Canola oil (CAO) with (0.05–0.4%) and without added bene kernel oil (BKO) and tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ, 100 ppm) was used for deep-fat frying of potatoes at 180 °C for 48 h. Frying stability of the oil samples during the frying process was measured based on the variations of total polar compounds (TPC) content, conjugated diene value (CDV), acid value (AV), carbonyl value (CV) and total tocopherols (TT). In general, frying stability of the CAO significantly (P < 0.05) improved in the presence of the TBHQ and BKO. The best frying performance for the CAO was obtained by using of 100 ppm TBHO and 0.1% BKO. The effectiveness of TBHQ and BKO at these levels was found to be nearly the same. Increasing the level of BKO from 0.1 to 0.4% caused a decrease in the oxidative stability of the CAO, indicating the pro-oxidant effect of the oils added at these levels.

**Keywords** Canola oil · Frying · Bene kernel oil · TBHQ · Stability

## Introduction

Deep-fat frying is one of the oldest and most popular methods for the preparation and manufacture of foods in the world [1]. During deep-fat frying of food, in the presence of air, a number of chemical reactions such as hydrolysis, thermal degradation, oxidation, polymerization,

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isomerization and cyclization occur in the oil, thus leading to the decomposition of the frying oil and formation of volatile oxidation products, non-volatile oxidized derivatives, and dimeric, polymeric, or cyclic substances, thereby affecting both the oil and finished product qualities [2]. There is evidence that some products of triacylglycerol oxidation reactions, particularly those with an altered chemical nature, may pose potential hazards to human health [3]. Therefore, use of oil that can resist oxidation as much as possible is very important.

Various methods to improve oxidative stability of frying oils have been developed and studied. Partial hydrogenation, addition of antioxidants or other oils which have a lower content of highly unsaturated fatty acids have been attempted [4]. Low cost synthetic antioxidants such as propyl gallate (PG), butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT), butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA) and tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) alone or in combination, are commonly added to fats and oils to inhibit the development of offflavors arising from the oxidation of unsaturated fatty acids. They are very effective during storage and transport of oils and fats, but are less effective at frying temperatures because of their volatility and decomposition [5, 6]. Furthermore, toxicity and carcinogenicity effects of synthetic antioxidants [7-9], and increasing consumer concern about food additives and their safety have directed our attention toward the use of natural antioxidants as alternatives to synthetic compounds.

Canola (low-erucic acid rapeseed) is one of the most important oil-seed crops in the world. Research indicates that the fatty acid composition of canola oil (CAO) is especially favorable in terms of health benefits when used as part of a nutritionally balanced diet. CAO is high in monounsaturated fatty acids (MUFA, 60%), of which most is oleic acid ( $18:1\omega9$ ), and has moderate levels of polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFA, 30–37%), of which most are linoleic (18:2 $\omega$ 6, 22–25%) and linolenic (18:3 $\omega$ 3, 8–12%) acids. Moreover, it contains the lowest concentration of saturated fatty acids (SFA, 7%) among vegetable oils [10]. The lack of frying stability and poor frying oil performance of CAO related to high levels of linoleic and linolenic acids has been documented [11, 12].

Pistacia atlantica widely grows in the Zagrossian region of Iran at 600–3000 m above the sea level [13]. Its fruits, which are called bene in Iran, are round to oval, somewhat flat, 0.5–0.7 cm in diameter, and covered with a rather dry hull that can be easily removed by pressing between fingers. A previous study on P. atlantica dealt with the chemical composition and oxidative stability of the kernel oils from its current subspecies in Iran [14]. Regarding the fatty acid composition and total tocopherols and phenolic compounds determined, the oil extracted from the kernel of P. atlantica sub sp. mutica (bene kernel oil, BKO) was considered as one of the most oxidatively stable vegetable oils in the world. Our initial findings have indicated that the oxidative stability of less stable vegetable oils can be improved by BKO. Hence, this research has been undertaken to investigate the antioxidative effect of BKO on the CAO during the frying process at 180 °C, and to compare its strength with that of the powerful synthetic antioxidant tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) in order to understand the potential use of BKO as a natural antioxidant in food industries.

#### **Materials and Methods**

#### Materials

The ripe fruits of bene were collected from the fields of Islamabad in the Ilam province. Refined, bleached and deodorized CAO with no added antioxidants was supplied by Segol (Nishaboor, Iran). The ripe fruits of bene and oil samples were stored at -18 °C until use. The BKO was added to the CAO at 0.05, 0.1, 0.2 and 0.4% w/w. Fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) standards, and all chemicals and solvents used in this study were of analytical reagent grade and were purchased from Sigma–Aldrich (St. Louis, MO) and Merck (Darmstadt, Germany).

## Oil Extraction

After drying in the shade, the pericarps of the *Pistacia* fruits were removed and the kernels were ground to powder in a grinder. The powders were extracted with *n*-hexane (1:4 w/v) by agitation in the dark at ambient temperature for 48 h. The solvent was evaporated to dryness in vacuo at 40 °C.

#### Frying Process

Potatoes were peeled and cut into pieces  $(7.0 \times 0.5 \times 0.3 \text{ cm})$  and submerged in water until needed. Potato pieces were fried in the frying oils. The oil (2.5 L) was placed in a 2.5-L capacity bench-top deep-fryer (Tefal model 1,250, Paris, France) and heated to 180 °C. Potato pieces were fried in 20 g batches at a constant frying temperature. The batches were fried at 7 min intervals for 8 h per day for six consecutive days. At the end of each 4 h, about 10 g of the frying oil was filtered into a screw-cap vial and promptly stored in the dark at 4 °C until analyzed. The volume of oil was not replenished during the frying process. Frying experiments were conducted in duplicate on each frying medium [15].

#### Chemical Analyses

Fatty acid composition of the oils was determined by gasliquid chromatography and is reported in relative area percentages. Fatty acids were transesterified into their corresponding FAMEs by vigorous shaking of a solution of oil in hexane (0.3 g in 7 mL) with 2 mL of 7 M methanolic KOH at 50 °C for 10 min. The FAMEs were identified using an HP-5890 chromatograph (Agilent, Palo Alto, CA) equipped with a CP-Sil 88 (Supelco, Bellefonte, PA) capillary column of fused silica, 60 m in length  $\times$  0.22 mm in internal diameter, 0.2 mm film thickness, and a flame ionization detector. Nitrogen was used as carrier gas with a flow rate of 0.75 mL/min. The oven temperature was maintained at 198 °C, and that of the injector and the detector at 250 °C [16].

A Metrohm Rancimat model 743 (Herisau, Switzerland) was used for the OSI (oil/oxidative stability index) analysis. The tests were done with 3-g oil samples at temperatures of 120  $^{\circ}$ C at an airflow rate of 15 L/h [17].

The content of total phenolic (TP) compounds was determined spectrophotometrically using Folin–Ciocalteu's reagent according to the method described by Capannesi et al. [18]. A calibration curve of gallic acid in methanol was performed in the concentration range of 0.04–0.40 mg/mL. Total tocopherols (TT) content was determined according to the colorimetric method described by Wong et al. [19].

The spectrophotometric method of the International Dairy Federation, as described by Shantha and Decker [20], was used to determine the peroxide value (PV). The acid value (AV) was determined according to AOCS Official Method Cd 3d-63 [21]. The total polar compounds (TPC) content was determined according to the economical micro method developed by Schulte [22]. For the conjugated diene value (CDV) the oil samples were diluted to 1:600 with hexane and measured spectrophotometrically at 234 nm and

read against HPLC-grade hexane as a blank. An extinction coefficient of 29,000 mol/L was used to quantify the concentration of conjugated dienes formed during oxidation [23]. The carbonyl value (CV) of the oils was measured according to the method developed by Endo et al. [24] using 2-propanol and 2,4-decadienal as solvent and standard, respectively [25].

## Statistical Analysis

All experiments and measurements were carried out in triplicate, and data were subjected to analysis of variance (ANOVA). ANOVA and regression analyses were performed according to the MstatC (Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI) and SlideWrite (Advanced Graphics Software, Carlsbad, CA) software. Significant differences between means were determined by Duncan's multiple range tests. *P* values less than 0.05 were considered statistically significant.

## **Results and Discussion**

The fatty acid composition and chemical characteristics of the CAO and BKO are shown in Table 1. The PV and AV of the oils were less than 1.7 mequiv/kg and 0.6 mg/g, respectively, indicating that they were unoxidized and of high initial quality. Oleic acid (C18:1) was the most abundant mono-unsaturated fatty acid in the CAO and BKO. Oleic acid is more resistant toward oxidation, both at ambient storage and at high temperatures [26]. It can be observed that the CAO and BKO are distinguished from each other mainly due to the significant differences in the percentage of linoleic (18:2, 23.98 vs. 32.94%) and linolenic (C18:3, 8.02 vs. 1.22%) acids. Even though the CAO and BKO presented a similar ratio of unsaturated to saturated fatty acids (USFA/SFA), the OSI for the BKO (10.70 h) was considerably higher than that of the CAO (3.85 h). In fact, the fatty acid composition alone may not adequately explain the stability of frying oils [27]. In other words, oxidative stability of edible oils depends on their fatty acid composition and also the content and composition of minor components, especially tocopherols and polyphenols. The TT and TP contents of the BKO (817.92 and 213.47 mg/kg, respectively) were significantly higher than those of the CAO (627.39 and 44.29 mg/kg, respectively). Tocopherols and phenolic compounds are particularly important functional constituents of vegetable oils. Tocopherols are the most important natural antioxidants for vegetable oils and they are active as vitamin E, which makes them particularly important for human health. Interest in phenolic compounds is related primarily to their antioxidant activity; nevertheless, they also show important biological activity in vivo and may be beneficial in combating diseases related to excessive oxygen radical formation exceeding the antioxidant defense capacity of the human body [28, 29].

Table 2 shows the CDV of the CAO as affected by the BKO and TBHQ during the frying process at 180 °C. CDV can be used as a relative measure of oxidative stability of the oils [30, 31]. The CDV for all treatments studied increased linearly during the 48 h frying process. The results calculated from the linear relationship between the CDV and frying time are shown in Table 3. The slope of the linear equations (a value) was considered to be a measure of the rate of CDV increase during the frying process. The different levels of BKO and 100 ppm TBHO caused a values decrease to less than that of the CAO (0.66), indicating their antioxidative activities. The level of conjugated dienes throughout the frying process was lowest in the CAO containing 100 ppm TBHQ (a = 0.41), followed by the CAO containing 0.1% BKO (a = 0.54). Higher a values (>0.6) were observed when the level of BKO was higher than 0.1%. Accordingly, the BKO at the

 
 Table 1
 Fatty acid composition (%) and chemical characteristics of the canola (CAO) and bene kernel (BKO) oils

Parameter	CAO	ВКО
C14:0	$0.32 \pm 0.04$ a	$0.21\pm0.03~\mathrm{b}$
C16:0	$10.00\pm0.04$ b	$10.82\pm0.01$ a
C16:1	$0.28\pm0.03~\mathrm{b}$	$1.54\pm0.03$ a
C18:0	$3.65 \pm 0.07$ a	$3.03\pm0.01~\mathrm{b}$
C18:1	$50.51 \pm 0.13$ a	$49.01 \pm 0.12 \text{ b}$
C18:2	$23.98 \pm 0.06$ a	$32.94\pm0.27$ a
C18:3	$8.02\pm0.11$ a	$1.22\pm0.12~\mathrm{b}$
C20:0	$0.26\pm0.07$ b	$0.76\pm0.00$ a
C20:1	$1.62 \pm 0.04$ a	$0.61\pm0.00~\mathrm{b}$
C22:0	$0.71 \pm 0.03 \text{ a}$	$0.26\pm0.13~\mathrm{b}$
C22:1	$0.44 \pm 0.03$	-
SFA	$14.93 \pm 0.06 a$	$15.01 \pm 0.05$ a
MUFA	$52.85 \pm 0.23$ a	$50.55 \pm 0.15$ b
PUFA	$31.99\pm0.18~\mathrm{b}$	$34.16 \pm 0.15$ a
USFA/SFA	$5.63 \pm 0.03$ a	$5.64\pm0.02$ a
AV	$0.20\pm0.00$ b	$0.51\pm0.01$ a
PV	$0.51\pm0.07$ b	$1.65\pm0.04$ a
TP content	$44.29 \pm 3.42 \text{ b}$	$173.62 \pm 4.88$ a
TT content	$627.39 \pm 13.23 \text{ b}$	$817.92 \pm 3.90$ a
OSI	$3.85\pm0.32~\mathrm{b}$	$10.70\pm0.12$ a

Means  $\pm$  SD (standard deviation) within a row with the same lowercase letters are not significantly different at P < 0.05

AV acid value (mg KOH per g oil); SFA saturated fatty acids; MUFA monounsaturated fatty acids; PUFA polyunsaturated fatty acids; USFA unsaturated fatty acids; PV peroxide value (mequiv  $O_2$  per kg oil); TP total phenolics (mg gallic acid per kg oil); TT total tocopherols (mg  $\alpha$ -tocopherol per kg oil)

Time (h)	CAO	BKO (%)				TBHQ (100 ppm)
		0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	
0	$8.72\pm0.22$ Kab	$8.33\pm0.18$ Mab	$8.03\pm0.46~\text{Lb}$	$8.81\pm0.26~\mathrm{Ja}$	$8.85\pm0.63$ La	$8.43\pm0.22$ Jab
4	$12.44\pm0.29$ Ja	$11.28\pm0.22~\rm Lbc$	$10.59\pm0.43~\mathrm{Kc}$	$12.18\pm0.29$ Iab	$11.65 \pm 0.83$ Kabc	$10.96\pm0.66~{\rm Ic}$
8	$15.52\pm0.28$ Ia	$13.56\pm0.28$ Kbc	$12.86\pm0.24~\mathrm{Jc}$	$14.93\pm0.92$ Hab	14.34 $\pm$ 0.96 Jabc	$13.02\pm0.50~{\rm Ic}$
12	$19.68\pm0.56$ Ha	$16.48\pm0.54~\text{Jb}$	$15.31\pm0.36$ Ib	$18.98\pm1.63~\mathrm{Ga}$	$18.47 \pm 1.26$ Ia	$16.31\pm0.97~\mathrm{Hb}$
16	$22.30\pm1.10~\mathrm{Ga}$	$18.35\pm0.77$ Ic	$16.93\pm0.81~\mathrm{Hc}$	$22.21\pm0.61~\mathrm{Fa}$	$20.49 \pm 1.29 \; \text{Hb}$	$17.79 \pm 1.05$ GHc
20	$25.23\pm0.52~\mathrm{Fa}$	$22.11 \pm 1.02 \text{ Hb}$	$19.83\pm1.16~{\rm Gc}$	$26.42\pm1.47~\mathrm{Ea}$	$22.74\pm0.69~\mathrm{Gb}$	$19.02\pm0.58~\mathrm{FGc}$
24	$28.01 \pm 0.79$ Ea	$23.62\pm0.54~\mathrm{Gc}$	$22.98\pm0.40~\mathrm{Fc}$	$28.34\pm1.35~\mathrm{Ea}$	$25.29\pm1.22$ F b	$20.14\pm0.93~\text{EFd}$
28	$28.83\pm0.20~\text{Ebc}$	$27.25\pm0.51~\mathrm{Fcd}$	$25.61\pm0.47~\text{Ed}$	$31.17\pm3.07~\mathrm{Da}$	$29.68\pm0.63~\text{Eab}$	$21.79 \pm 1.64$ DEe
32	$31.44 \pm 1.26$ Dab	$28.51\pm0.26~\text{Ec}$	$27.23\pm0.66~\mathrm{Dc}$	$32.20\pm1.47~\mathrm{CDa}$	$30.41 \pm 1.16 \text{ Eb}$	$23.75 \pm 1.68$ CDd
36	$36.29 \pm 0.73$ Ca	$30.81\pm0.89~\mathrm{Dc}$	$29.03\pm0.15~\text{Cd}$	$34.15\pm2.14~\mathrm{BCb}$	$31.84\pm1.00~\mathrm{Dc}$	$25.81 \pm 1.09 \text{ BCe}$
40	$37.16\pm0.18$ Ca	$31.96\pm0.54~\mathrm{Cbc}$	$30.96\pm0.59~\mathrm{Bc}$	$36.47\pm2.68~\mathrm{ABa}$	$33.27\pm0.78~\mathrm{Cb}$	$26.24 \pm 1.63$ ABd
44	$38.75\pm1.19~\mathrm{Ba}$	$33.86\pm0.50~Bcd$	$31.61\pm0.54~\text{ABd}$	$37.78 \pm 1.89$ Aab	$35.86 \pm 0.70$ Bbc	$27.27 \pm 3.19$ ABe
48	$40.02\pm0.55$ Aa	$35.07\pm0.84~\mathrm{Ab}$	$32.32\pm0.57~\mathrm{Ac}$	$38.02 \pm 2.18$ Aa	$38.42\pm0.47~\mathrm{Aa}$	$28.44 \pm 2.48$ Ad

Table 2 Conjugated diene value (CDV) of the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and *tert*-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) during the frying process at 180 °C

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**Table 3** The results calculated from the linear relationship between the conjugated diene value (CDV) and frying time for the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and *tert*-butylhy-droquinone (TBHQ) during the frying process at 180  $^{\circ}$ C

	CDV = a  (time) + b				
	$a \pm SE$	$b \pm SE$	$R^2$		
CAO	$0.66 \pm 0.03$ a	$10.75 \pm 0.73$ ab	0.983		
BKO (%)					
0.05	$0.57\pm0.02$ b	$9.47\pm0.54~\mathrm{c}$	0.988		
0.1	$0.54\pm0.02~\mathrm{c}$	$8.91\pm0.60~\mathrm{d}$	0.983		
0.2	$0.63\pm0.03$ a	$11.13 \pm 1.01$ a	0.966		
0.4	$0.61\pm0.02$ a	$10.18\pm0.62~{\rm bc}$	0.986		
TBHQ (100 ppm)	$0.41\pm0.02~\mathrm{d}$	$10.11\pm0.52~\mathrm{b}$	0.970		

Means  $\pm$  SE (standard error) within a column with the same lowercase letters are not significantly different at P < 0.05

levels  $\leq 0.1\%$  had a stabilizing effect whereas at the higher levels exerted pro-oxidant activity, possibly due to free radicals generated under the frying conditions. With regard to the information from Table 1 and the levels of BKO added, the stabilizing effect can probably be attributed to the presence of powerful antioxidant constituents in the phenolic fraction of the BKO. Besides, the unsaponifiable matter fraction of vegetable oils naturally contains hydrocarbons, carotenes, tocopherols and tocotrienols, linear and triterpenic alcohols, methyl sterols, sterols, and triterpenic dialcohols, and typically constitutes 0.5-2.5% of the vegetable oils, although some vegetable oils have exceptional amounts of 5-6% [32]. As can be seen, most of these compounds are particularly important functional compounds which have potentials to retard the degradation of unsaturated fatty acids in lipid systems. The effectiveness of the unsaponifiable matter fraction of vegetable oils in retarding oil deterioration has been demonstrated by many investigators [33–36].

Analysis of polar compounds content is one of the most reliable methods for the assessment of used frying oils [37, 38]. All treatments had statistically the same initial TPC contents in the range of 3.79-3.95%. The TPC contents linearly increased with high correlation coefficients  $(R^2 > 0.98)$ . Both BKO and TBHQ were significantly capable of lowering the percentage of polar compounds in the CAO. The amounts of TPC is an important criterion in evaluation of frying oil quality for human consumption, and many European countries have set a polar compounds maximum level to between 24 and 27% [39]. Assuming that the limit of acceptance for the TPC content is 24%, the time required to reach this limit was considered as a measure of frying stability  $(t_{24})$ . As shown in Fig 1, the CAO showed a frying stability significantly lower (32.64 h) than those of CAOs containing the BKO and TBHQ (34.92–51.80 h). The highest  $t_{24}$  value was observed in the presence of TBHQ (51.74 h), followed by the BKO at the levels 0.1 (45.47 h), 0.2 (42.34 h), 0.3 (38.88 h), and 0.4% (34.92), respectively.

Changes in the AV of the oil samples during the frying process at 180 °C are given in Table 4. The AVs significantly increased in all treatments as frying progressed. The change in the AV as a measure of stability for the CAO was considerably higher (6.74 Units) than that for the CAOs containing the BKO and TBHQ (4.12–6.02 Units) after



Fig. 1 The time required to reach total polar compounds (TPC) content of 24% ( $t_{24}$ ) for the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) during frying at 180 °C. The corresponding linear equations: CAO, y = 0.614 $x + 3.973, R^2 = 0.997$ ; CAO + 0.05% BKO, y = 0.440 x + 5.350,  $R^2 = 0.987$ ; CAO + 0.1% BKO, y = 0.426 x + 4.630,  $R^2 = 0.985$ ;

CAO + 0.2% BKO, y = 0.532 x + 3.310,  $R^2 = 0.992$ ; CAO + 0.4% BKO, y = 0.557 x + 4.551,  $R^2 = 0.991$ ; CAO + 100 ppm TBHQ,  $y = 0.393 \ x + 3.665, \ R^2 = 0.993$ . Means  $\pm$  SE (standard error) with the same lowercase letters are not significantly different at P < 0.05

48 h of frying, indicating that both BKO and TBHQ were able to retard oxidative and also hydrolytic reactions. The protective effect of (the change content in AV) 0.1% BKO on the CAO (4.44 Units) was higher than that of the levels of 0.05% (4.76 Units), 0.4% (4.80 Units), and 0.2% (6.02 Units), respectively. It was interesting to find that there was no marked difference between the effect of 0.1% BKO and 100 ppm TBHQ (4.12 Units).

Table 5 shows the CV of the CAO as affected by the BKO and TBHO during the frying process at 180 °C. Determination of CV in rancid oils has been shown to be a quick, simple, and cheap test [40]. This criterion does not measure primary products of oxidation (hydroperoxides),

but secondary decomposition products such as aldehydes and ketones [41]. According to Woyewoda et al. [42], peroxides are transformed into secondary products that contain carbonyl groups. These compounds are more stable than peroxides and the CV is considered to be a good index of oxidative changes in lipids. There were no significant differences among the initial CV of the oil treatments, ranging from 8.03 to 8.80 µmol/g. During the frying process of CAO, the CV increased and reached a maximum value of 39.93 µmol/g after 24 h of the frying process and then decreased as a result of further heat treatment (Table 5). This phenomenon has been attributed to the decomposition of carbonyl compounds during a prolonged

Table 4 Acid value (AV) of the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and tert-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) during the frying process at 180 °C

Time (h)	CAO	BKO (%)				TBHQ (100 ppm)
		0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	
0	$0.36\pm0.04$ Jab	$0.34\pm0.04$ Mab	$0.38\pm0.02$ Ja	$0.35\pm0.02$ Jab	$0.31\pm0.00~\mathrm{Mb}$	$0.38\pm0.02$ La
4	$0.49\pm0.06~\mathrm{Jb}$	$0.49\pm0.02~\text{Lb}$	$0.50\pm0.04$ Jab	$0.56\pm0.00$ IJa	$0.53\pm0.00$ Lab	$0.53\pm0.04$ KLab
8	$0.77\pm0.10$ IJa	$0.59\pm0.00~\mathrm{Kc}$	$0.69 \pm 0.02$ Ib	$0.77 \pm 0.02$ IJa	$0.74 \pm 0.02$ Kab	$0.71\pm0.01~\mathrm{JKab}$
12	$1.06$ $\pm$ 0.04 HIa	$0.77\pm0.02~\text{Jb}$	$0.84\pm0.16~\text{Hb}$	$1.04\pm0.12$ HIa	$0.88\pm0.02$ 1 J b	$0.87\pm0.12~\mathrm{IJb}$
16	$1.39\pm0.02~\mathrm{GHa}$	$0.92\pm0.00~{\rm Ic}$	$0.81$ $\pm$ 0.04 HIc	$1.39\pm0.22~\mathrm{GHa}$	$1.15\pm0.04$ I b	$1.04\pm0.12$ Ib
20	$1.78\pm0.01$ Ga	$1.20\pm0.04$ Hc	$1.37\pm0.04~\text{Gb}$	$1.78\pm0.29$ FG a	$1.42\pm0.02$ H b	$1.27 \pm 0.06 \; \mathrm{Hbc}$
24	$2.27\pm0.16$ Fa	$1.43\pm0.04~\text{Gb}$	$1.41\pm0.05~\text{Gb}$	$2.24\pm0.36~\mathrm{EFa}$	$1.62\pm0.08~\text{Gb}$	$1.58\pm0.14~\text{Gb}$
28	$2.90\pm0.34$ Ea	$1.74\pm0.16$ Fb	$1.74\pm0.04~\mathrm{Fb}$	$2.72\pm0.44$ DEa	$2.02\pm0.08~\text{Fb}$	$1.97\pm0.22~\mathrm{Fb}$
32	$3.66\pm0.30$ Da	$2.18\pm0.12~\text{Ecd}$	$2.13 \pm 0.04$ Ed	$3.26\pm0.37~\mathrm{CDb}$	$2.41 \pm 0.07 \text{ Ecd}$	$2.42\pm0.26~\mathrm{Ec}$
36	$3.92\pm0.00~\mathrm{Da}$	$2.81\pm0.06~\text{Db}$	$2.83\pm0.28~\text{Db}$	$3.75\pm0.47$ Ca	$2.91\pm0.16~\rm{Db}$	$2.96\pm0.26~\text{Db}$
40	$5.08\pm0.57$ Ca	$3.20\pm0.02~\mathrm{Cd}$	$3.18\pm0.02~\text{Cd}$	$4.36\pm0.50~\text{Bb}$	$3.50\pm0.20$ Ccd	$3.70\pm0.12~\mathrm{Cc}$
44	$6.12\pm0.93$ Ba	$4.33\pm0.14~\mathrm{Bc}$	$4.18\pm0.27~\mathrm{Bc}$	$5.52\pm0.04$ Ab	$4.17\pm0.21~\mathrm{Bc}$	$4.03\pm0.16~\mathrm{Bc}$
48	$7.10\pm0.42$ Aa	$5.10\pm0.08~{\rm Ac}$	$4.82\pm0.00~\text{Ad}$	$6.37\pm0.09$ Ab	$5.11 \pm 0.03$ Abc	$4.50\pm0.02~\mathrm{Ae}$

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Time (h)	CAO	BKO (%)				TBHQ
		0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	(100 ppm)
0	$8.39\pm0.94~\mathrm{Ga}$	$8.40\pm0.39~\mathrm{Ga}$	$8.03\pm0.52~\mathrm{Ga}$	$8.80\pm0.27$ Ha	$8.12\pm0.38$ Ea	$8.85\pm0.64$ Ha
4	$8.77\pm1.82~\mathrm{Gb}$	$13.06\pm2.23~\mathrm{Fa}$	$8.42\pm1.11~\mathrm{Gb}$	$13.53\pm2.04$ Ga	$8.59\pm1.34~\text{Eb}$	$9.97 \pm 1.48~\mathrm{GHb}$
8	$17.43 \pm 2.97$ Fa	$15.53\pm2.02$ Eab	$8.92\pm0.95~Gd$	$14.14 \pm 0.92 \; \text{FGbc}$	$12.95\pm1.58~\text{Dbc}$	$12.93 \pm 1.40$ FGbc
12	$25.16\pm1.87$ Ea	$19.50\pm0.53~\text{Db}$	$14.63\pm1.48~\mathrm{Fc}$	$16.18 \pm 1.03 \; \text{Fc}$	$14.60 \pm 1.60 \text{ Dc}$	$15.25\pm2.44~\mathrm{Fc}$
16	$27.96 \pm 2.37$ Ea	$20.72\pm0.90~\text{Db}$	$16.00\pm2.40~\mathrm{Fcd}$	$28.08 \pm 1.247$ Da	$14.74\pm1.31~\text{Dd}$	$19.35\pm3.99$ Ebc
20	$28.24\pm3.56~\mathrm{Ea}$	$24.03\pm1.72~\text{Cabc}$	$21.65\pm 6.84~\text{Ebc}$	$26.70\pm1.87~\text{DEab}$	$19.23 \pm 1.53 \ {\rm Cc}$	$20.52\pm2.58~\text{DEc}$
24	$39.93 \pm 2.03$ Ca	$25.98\pm3.06~\mathrm{Cb}$	$22.77 \pm 2.51$ Ebcd	$24.46\pm2.40~\text{Ebc}$	$19.56 \pm 2.31 \text{ Cd}$	$21.28 \pm 1.85$ DEcd
28	$33.76\pm2.70$ Da	$26.15\pm1.46~\text{Cb}$	$24.60\pm2.73~\text{DEb}$	$25.63\pm2.70~\text{Eb}$	$20.64 \pm 1.19 \ {\rm Cc}$	$24.15\pm3.65~\text{CDbc}$
32	$35.80\pm1.46~\mathrm{Da}$	$18.25\pm1.05~\text{Dd}$	$26.98\pm2.17~\mathrm{CDc}$	$31.35\pm1.45~\mathrm{Cb}$	$24.82\pm4.57~\mathrm{Bc}$	$24.26\pm2.33~\text{CDc}$
36	$55.67\pm2.80$ Ba	$31.10\pm1.72~\mathrm{Abc}$	$28.10\pm2.33~\mathrm{BCcd}$	$33.97 \pm 1.058 \text{ Bb}$	$27.62\pm2.44~\mathrm{Bc}$	$26.46\pm2.82~BCd$
40	$63.98 \pm 1.76$ Aa	$31.93\pm1.30~\mathrm{Ac}$	$29.86\pm2.40~BCb$	$34.13 \pm 1.59$ Bbc	$35.10\pm2.92$ Abc	$28.47 \pm 1.83 \text{ ABd}$
44	$58.04 \pm 1.40$ Ba	$29.71 \pm 2.48 ~ \text{ABc}$	$31.64 \pm 1.51 \text{ ABc}$	$36.17 \pm 1.86 \; \text{Bb}$	$19.64 \pm 2.57$ Ce	$29.37\pm2.45~\text{ABd}$
48	$47.50\pm3.42~\mathrm{Ba}$	$28.83 \pm 1.21 \text{ Be}$	$34.78\pm1.45~\mathrm{Ac}$	$41.61\pm0.10~\text{Ab}$	$24.37 \pm 1.12 \text{ Be}$	$30.98\pm2.51$ Ad

**Table 5** Carbonyl value (CV) of the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and *tert*-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) during thefrying process at 180  $^{\circ}$ C

Means  $\pm$  SD (standard deviation) within a column with the same uppercase letters are not significantly different at P < 0.05Means  $\pm$  SD (standard deviation) within a row with the same lowercase letters are not significantly different at P < 0.05

Table 6 Total tocopherols (TT) content of the canola oil (CAO) as affected by the bene kernel oil (BKO) and *tert*-butylhydroquinone (TBHQ) during the frying process at 180  $^{\circ}$ C

Time (h)	(h) CAO BKO (%)					TBHQ (100 ppm)
		0.05	0.1	0.2	0.4	
0	817.91 ± 3.90 Aab	817.34 ± 14.30 Aab	814.37 ± 11.05 Aab	$820.97 \pm 15.12$ Aa	802.49 ± 3.60 Ab	820.41 ± 12.62 Aa
4	$758.73\pm6.54~\text{Bb}$	$749.53\pm15.78$ Bbc	$790.03 \pm 13.36$ Ba	$728.61 \pm 8.18 \text{ Bd}$	$738.23 \pm 15.85$ Bcd	$768.20\pm12.36~\text{Bb}$
8	$717.71 \pm 6.65$ Cc	$669.75 \pm 5.01 \text{ Cd}$	771.84 $\pm$ 10.85 Ca	$705.21 \pm 15.76$ Cc	648.34 ± 16.10 Ce	$754.64 \pm 10.60 \; \text{Bb}$
12	$578.69 \pm 15.39$ De	$631.73 \pm 14.02 \text{ Dd}$	$746.05 \pm 7.33$ Da	$590.80 \pm 13.07$ De	$555.03\pm9.79$ Df	$708.19 \pm 10.73$ Cb
16	538.62 ± 17.59 Ee	635.81 ± 4.33 Dc	690.01 $\pm$ 10.47 Ea	$558.68 \pm 10.255 \; \text{Ed}$	522.95 ± 11.17 Ee	$656.89 \pm 8.57 \text{ Db}$
20	$507.31 \pm 8.74$ Fe	$583.10\pm6.56~\text{Ed}$	$615.06\pm9.14~\text{Fb}$	$482.11 \pm 12.67 \; \text{Ff}$	$480.01\pm9.68~Ff$	$630.58 \pm 10.15$ Ea
24	$477.32\pm9.87~Gd$	$539.46\pm5.36~\text{Fc}$	$600.42\pm 6.61~\mathrm{Ga}$	$476.65 \pm 13.83 \; \text{Fd}$	$469.09 \pm 12.82 \; \text{Fd}$	$607.17 \pm 11.84$ Fa
28	$359.41\pm 6.04$ He	$476.67\pm11.06~{\rm Gc}$	$567.82\pm7.72$ Ha	$448.60 \pm 11.95 \text{ Gd}$	$449.68\pm5.52~Gd$	$550.31\pm10.32~\text{Gb}$
32	$355.83 \pm 3.77$ He	$457.55 \pm 17.39 \; \text{Hc}$	$534.63\pm9.58$ Ib	$435.25\pm 6.07~\mathrm{Ge}$	$451.35 \pm 3.50 \; \text{Gd}$	$543.29\pm3.54~\text{GHb}$
36	$340.81$ $\pm$ 5.74 If	$441.12 \pm 9.50$ Ic	530.97 $\pm$ 3.96 IJb	$399.45\pm2.13$ He	$426.23\pm13.10\;\text{Hd}$	$531.62\pm7.50~\text{HIb}$
40	$336.15\pm 6.16~Je$	$420.20\pm7.30~Jc$	$519.35\pm3.33~Jb$	$391.62\pm1.82~\text{HId}$	$411.20 \pm 14.35$ HIc	$525.90 \pm 13.414$ IJb
44	$312.89\pm7.23~Jf$	$386.56\pm10.59$ Kde	$502.57\pm7.38~{\rm Kc}$	$378.20\pm3.04~\mathrm{IJe}$	$397.32\pm9.15$ Id	$520.92\pm8.28~\text{IJb}$
48	$309.65 \pm 13.80 \text{ Kf}$	$328.07 \pm 9.24$ Le	$490.45$ $\pm$ 5.02 Kc	$365.09\pm2.14~Jd$	$321.58 \pm 11.55$ Jef	$515.26\pm6.06~Jb$

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frying period and formation of new compounds which are not detectable by the CV assay [42]. Similar changes in the CV were observed for CAOs containing 0.05% (26.15  $\mu$ mol/g after 28 h), 0.2% (26.70  $\mu$ mol/g after 20 h), and 0.4% (35.10  $\mu$ mol/g after 40 h) BKO. However, the CV of CAOs containing 0.1% BKO and 100 ppm TBHQ increased consistently and reached maximum values of 34.78 and 30.98  $\mu$ mol/g at the end of the frying process. Tocopherols are important minor constituents in oils, acting as natural antioxidants by slowing the rate of oxidative degradation [27]. Verleyen et al. (2001) showed that heating triacylglycerol mixtures caused a marked reduction in residual  $\alpha$ -tocopherol level (66–98%) [43]. The changes in TT content of the CAO and CAOs containing the BKO and TBHQ during the frying process at 180 °C are presented in Table 6. Tocopherols degradation increased as a

function of frying time. At the end of the frying period, the remaining tocopherols content was highest in the CAOs containing the 0.1% BKO (60.22%) and TBHQ (62.80%), and was the lowest for the CAO (37.86%) and CAOs containing 0.05% (40.14%), 0.2% (44.47%), and 0.4% (40.07%) BKO. Since tocopherols act as antioxidants, oils in which tocopherols degrade rapidly would be expected to exhibit lower stability. Less stable oils, shown in this study, are ones having significantly higher rates of TPC, CDV, CV, and AV formation.

## Conclusions

Based on the oxidative stability criteria investigated in this study, the BKO as a vegetable oil and not as a pure natural or synthetic antioxidant showed itself to be capable of retarding oxidation at a level as low as 0.1% (1,000 ppm). Its effectiveness at this level was found to be nearly the same as the powerful synthetic antioxidant TBHQ. A marked pro-oxidant effect was observed when levels higher than 0.1% of BKO were added to the CAO. In summary, the present study demonstrates the antioxidant properties of BKO and that this vegetable oil can be considered as a potential source of natural antioxidants in food industries. Nevertheless, the BKO is a new product and our research group is still working on gaining a better understanding of the most reactive antioxidants in the BKO and the possible mechanisms involved.

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