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Cheese — Determination of rheological properties by uniaxial compression at constant displacement rate

1 Scope

This document specifies a method for the determination of rheological properties by uniaxial compression at constant displacement rate in hard and semi-hard cheeses.

The method provides standard conditions for sampling and testing, for data representation and general principles of calculation.

NOTE Sampling can be difficult with some cheese varieties, e.g. caused by shortness, brittleness, stickiness and soft consistency. In these cases, reliable results cannot be achieved.

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rheological properties

deformation under compression of the test sample

Note 1 to entry: In accordance with the procedure specified in this document.

4 Principle

A cylindrical test sample, of defined dimensions, is compressed at a constant crosshead speed with a compression tool up to a relative deformation sufficient to determine the apparent fracture point. The force, which is the resistance of the cheese sample during compression, is measured with a load cell. The displacement may be measured either from the position of the cross head or calculated from the elapsed time multiplied by the displacement rate.

A schematic representation of the principle of the test is given in <u>Figure 1</u>.