Soymilk Processing and Cereal Drinks

GEA centrifuges are the first choice
Invest in Innovation

Tapping its full potential, GEA gives the process of soymilk and of cereal drinks an outstanding competitive edge.

Soy drinks are exceptionally rich in protein, free from lactose and cholesterol and are a valuable alternative for people who follow a healthy diet. Soymilk is used to enrich fruit juices and, vice versa, it is itself enriched with fruit juice.

Gentle treatment of the product is essential. Beverage manufacturers have to be capable of optimally serving the diverse and constantly changing expectations of their consumers. To achieve this, they have to be able to produce the soymilk gently, flexibly, and economically. The process technology from GEA is precisely designed to achieve this objective.

Proven innovative strength
GEA has proved its innovative strength in more than 3000 processes and provides soymilk producers throughout the world benefit from these innovations in terms of improved product quality and increased yield.
Thanks to their high throughput capacities and maximum separating efficiency, they have proved a success in tough daily production conditions. The easily integrated decanters separate the soymilk from the solids (Okara) in the first clarification phase.

To optimize the yield, a second decanter recovers further valuable soymilk in the extraction stage. The result is that the investment is quickly repaid.

Centrifugal clarifiers are used to separate fine particles if required. Separators can also make possible the defatting of soymilk.

Separators and decanters for soymilk recovery offer the following advantages:

• High separating efficiency
• High throughput capacity
• Reliable controllability
• Simple maintenance and repair
• Low energy consumption
• With decanters: high dry substance content in solids (Okara)
• Full automatic installation
• CIP able and hygienic installation

GEA separators and decanters have been used for decades in process lines for soymilk production.
GEA Decanter is also Available in Hygienic Design

Processing and production of beverages at the highest level, hygienically and in a reproducible quality – this is what the new GEA decanter for beverages in a hygienic design brings to the industry.

It ensures comprehensive processing and thus product safety through complete CIP-ability and reproducible cleaning. This high standard is achieved through special measures, such as the use of FDA-approved components, modification of the surface from Ra 4.0 μm to Ra 0.8 μm, and design of corners and surfaces with optimal CIP-ability.

Scroll
- Smooth surfaces (Ra 0.8 μm)
- Hermetic scroll body
- Solids discharge
- Optimized solids discharge port design
- No possibility of product residue

Hood
- Defined spray nozzle arrangement
- Spray nozzles
- Weld-on
- Optimized spray cycles sequence

Hermetic feed system
- Rotating feed tube and box distributor
- Soft product acceleration
- Defined CIP guidance

Bowl shell
- Smooth surfaces
- Increased CIP-ability
Two Step Processing for Your Success

Soymilk and the continuous improvement of its production go hand in hand. As a partner to soymilk producers, and backed up by world-wide experience, GEA has fundamentally improved the soymilk production process.

Maximizing product yield – minimizing costs
GEA is the leading supplier in process technology for the food industry. The GEA process is renowned for soymilk production. The distinctive features of these process lines are the seamless integration and measurable increase in efficiency in all process stages. All processes are optimally harmonized from the preparation of the soybean through to extraction and formulation, and the homogenisation and pasteurisation of the soymilk.

Consulting all-inclusive
GEA not only sets standards in the production of soymilk, it also requires fewer interfaces, provides maximum raw material yield, shows a measurable reduction in energy and water costs, benefits from very low maintenance, and offers comprehensive consulting – all from a single source. CIP able and hygienic design of machines and installations.
Soymilk production with GEA centrifuges

1. Cleaning + selection (optional)
2. De-hulling (optional)
3. Course grinding + micro milling
4. Extraction
5. De-oiling separator (optional)
6. 1st clarification decanter
7. Soy base
8. Enzyme inactivation
9. Deodorization (optional)
10. Formulation
11. Homogenization
12. Pasteurization or UHT treatment
13. Pasteurization or UHT treatment
14. 2nd clarification decanter
15. Solids (Okara)
16. Dilution water

Soybeans → Hulls → Water → Soy base → Enzyme inactivation → Deodorization (optional) → Formulation → Homogenization → Pasteurization or UHT treatment → 1st clarification decanter → Solids (Okara) → Dilution water → 2nd clarification decanter → Solids (Okara)
Reducing lipoxydase activity turns in preventing oxidation of the unsaturated fatty acids, inhibiting the undesirable formation of aromatic substances (beany flavor). If a beany taste is desired, this flavor can be produced by adjusting the corresponding process parameters in the extraction stage.

In this way, the diverse variety of flavours demanded by world-wide markets can be achieved. The precise realisation of these variants is crucial for consumer acceptance and generating new earning potential.

Valuable substances are retained with this new technology and can be refined into diverse product and taste variants in the following process phase: the formulation stage.

**GEA contributes:**
- A boost in yield proteins
- Inactivation of the lipoxydases
- Dearomatization
- Separation of fine particle residues
- Fat separation by separators
- CIP-able and hygienic machines and installation
Design Your Profit!

Product innovations and new taste experiences are expected and sought by consumers. In times of growing awareness for a healthy diet, products from gently processed soymilk are rapidly winning a larger share of the market. As fast-moving items, they are being given more shelf-space in supermarkets.

Wellness products and functional foods, i.e. products that enhance their nutritional value through vitamins and other health promoting substances, are extremely popular. With the process lines from GEA, producers have the technology to adjust the product precisely.

GEA gives producers of soy drinks the ability to individually create any flavour and any desired consistency.

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Preferred product variants of the different markets

Technologically harmonized process stations for the addition of vitamins, health promoting substances, fruits, flavours and other ingredients as well as efficient technologies for homogenisation and pasteurisation or UHT treatment provide safety at every stage.

GEA supports the production of:
- Soy drinks and products with diverse flavours
- Tofu from soymilk with native proteins
- Acidulated soy products (yoghurts)
- Soft cheese
- Pudding
- Cereal drinks like oat and rice or others like almond
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• Keeping it running – The cost-efficient way of ensuring safety and reliability
• Constantly improving – Sharing our knowledge to safeguard your investment
• Together with you – Enduring commitment to you and your business
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