

**Table 2** Results of optimization by desirability function for salad dressings supplemented with different gum combinations for selected dependent variables with an averaged target value of commercial salad dressings

<b>Independent (x) and dependent (Y) variables</b>	<b>Constraints</b>	<b>Lower limit</b>	<b>Upper limit</b>	<b>Optimum formulation</b>	<b>Validation</b>
Oil content ( $x_1$ ) %	in the range	7.5	35	25.18	25.18
Xanthan gum (XG) content ( $x_2$ ) %	in the range	0.2	1.5	0.67	0.67
$n$ value	target=0.22	0.12	0.39	0.18	0.16±0.01
$m$ value (Pa.s <sup>n</sup> )	target=28.09	0.41	115.56	28.09	25.46±0.01
$\eta_{ap}$ value (Pa.s)	target=1.44	0.039	3.91	1.11	1.02±0.04
$G_N^0$ Value (Pa)	target=98.35	21.4	444.9	79.46	90.22±4.13
Firmness(N)	target=0.21	0.12	0.83	0.29	0.24±0.008
D [3,2]	target=8.35	3.87	20.69	8.35	21.13±0.66
D [4,3]	target=157.02	23.8	193.78	88.36	97.15±9.76
Desirability				0.76	
Oil content ( $x_1$ ) %	in the range	7.5	35	24.5	24.5
Xanthan gum-Gum Arabic (XG-GA) content ( $x_2$ ) %	in the range	0.2	1.5	1.5	1.5
$m$ value (Pa.s <sup>n</sup> )	maximize	0.11	27.11	16.32	10.51±0.76
$\eta_{ap}$ value (Pa.s)	maximize	0.01	1.21	0.81	0.57±0.04
Firmness(N)	target =0.21	0.12	0.3	0.19	0.15±0.01
$L^*$ value	target=66.48	45.25	67.99	63.68	62.26±1.22
D [3,2]	target=8.35	5.214	17.08	8.35	21.05±0.19
D [4,3]	maximize	21.99	139.25	53.23	63.59±2.37
Desirability				0.69	
Oil content ( $x_1$ ) %	in the range	7.5	35	17.5	17.5
Xanthan gum- PGA (XG-PGA) content ( $x_2$ ) %	in the range	0.2	1.5	1.46	1.46
$n$ value	target =0.22	0.19	0.45	0.24	0.22±0.003
$m$ value	target =28.09	0.34	64.4	32.81	38.71±2.78
$\eta_{ap}$ value (Pa.s)	target =1.44	0.04	2.84	1.44	2.02±0.12
$G_N^0$ value (Pa)	maximize	0.36	88.44	33.01	50.75±4.25
Firmness (N)	target =0.21	0.12	0.62	0.32	0.35±0.02
$L^*$ value	target =66.48	50.31	69.86	63.66	65.43±2.06
$a^*$ value	target =-0.28	-0.69	-0.23	-0.4	-0.46±0.07
D [4,3]	maximize	17.01	55.31	43.07	57.27±7.48
Desirability				0.76	
Oil content ( $x_1$ ) %	in the range	7.5	35	16.51	16.51
Xanthan gum-Pectin (XG-PE) content ( $x_2$ ) %	in the range	0.2	1.5	1.21	1.21

<i>n</i> value	target=0.22	0.16	0.73	0.22	0.18±0.002
<i>m</i> value	target=28.09	0.09	91.96	22.81	30.89±0.05
$\eta_{ap}$ value (Pa.s)	target=1.44	0.02	3.72	1.15	1.61±0.01
Firmness(N)	target=0.21	0.12	0.72	0.24	0.28±0.003
<i>L</i> * value	target=66.48	48.77	68.59	60.36	61.03±0.79
<i>a</i> * value	target=-0.28	-1.1	-0.24	-0.37	-0.29±0.05
<i>b</i> * value	target=8.26	5.15	10.17	9.81	9.59±0.4
D [3,2]	target=8.35	4.25	14.63	9.72	23.97±0.48
D [4,3]	maximize	24.89	125.04	83.35	35.44±6.19
Desirability				0.69	
Oil content ( $x_1$ ) %	in the range	7.5	35	15.7	15.7
Xanthan gum-Guar gum (XG-GG) content ( $x_2$ ) %	in the range	0.2	1.5	0.94	0.94
<i>n</i> value	target=0.22	0.099	0.41	0.17	0.17±0.001
<i>m</i> value	target=28.09	0.53	190.46	38.04	34.93±1.26
$\eta_{ap}$ value (Pa.s)	target=1.44	0.056	7.52	1.44	1.44±0.04
Firmness(N)	target=0.21	0.11	1.09	0.35	0.31±0.005
<i>L</i> * value	target=66.48	54.66	67.08	61.65	59.81±0.65
<i>b</i> * value	target=8.26	7.62	9.3	8.93	9.15±0.15
Delta E	target=10.81	8.83	12.8	10.83	10.75±0.23
D [3,2]	target=8.35	3.92	17.17	8.35	22.21±1.92
D [4,3]	maximize	19.04	143.93	59.67	88.407±2.71
Span	target=13.04	2.72	22	7.05	7.47±1.45
Desirability				0.65	

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