

9. COMPOUNDS INFLUENCING FOOD AROMA

sensory quality
organoleptic properties

perception

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| • olphactoric | smell | odorous compounds |
| • gustative | taste | gustatory compounds |
| • visual | vision | colour compounds (colourants) |
| • auditorial | hearing | |
| • haptic | tactile | |

perception of smell + perception of taste = perception of aroma

odorous compounds + gustatory compounds = aroma compounds

ODOROUS COMPOUNDS

key components (book 2, tab. 8.1)

composition of citrus essential oils (kniha2. tab. 8.20), **spices** (book 2, tab. 8.21)

stimuli thresholds (book 2, tab. 8.22, 8.23, 8.24)

olfactory perception

~ 10 000 compounds, ~ 50 – 1000 different compounds in individual foods

properties

- low polarity or non-polar compounds
- little soluble and insoluble in water
- volatile

main groups

hydrocarbons, alcohols, ethers, carbonyl compounds (aldehydes, ketones), acetals (ketals), acids, functional derivatives of acids (esters, lactones), phenols, *S*- a *N*-aliphatic compounds, *O*-, *S*-, *N*-heterocycles

formation

- primary compounds
 - bound as glycosides, esters
 - free
- secondary compounds
 - enzymatic reactions (damage of tissues on storage and processing)
 - chemical reactions (storage, processing)

 - non-enzymatic browning reactions
 - fermentation processes
 - oxidative reactions
 - thermal reactions (Maillard reaction)

off-flavours

- processing (undesirable fermentation, preservation, thermal operation)
- storage (microbial contamination, reaction of components, oxidation, packaging material)

factors influencing aroma perception

- thresholds of perception
stimuli threshold
threshold of recognition

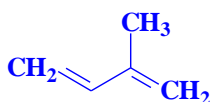
key components of aroma (book 2, tab. 8.1)

- synergism, antagonism of compounds
- sensitivity of individuals
age, sex, physiological and pathological conditions
adaptation
anosmia

hydrocarbons

primary compounds

- terpens (derivatives of isoprene)



2-methylbuta-1,3-diene

secondary compounds

- products of oxidation (fatty acids) (book 2, tab. 8.2)
- products of decarboxylation (acids)
- products of dehydration (secondary alcohols, sterols)
- products of pyrolysis (different compounds)

aliphatic

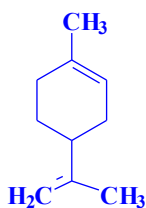
- hexane
- nonadecane

(Z)-11-hydroperoxyoctadec-9-enoic acid
surface wax of fruits and vegetables (apple)

alicyclic

- (R)-limonene

citrus essential oil



aromatic and polycyclic aromatic (PAU)

- benzene, toluene, xylene, benzo[*a*]pyrene contaminants

alcohols

primary compounds

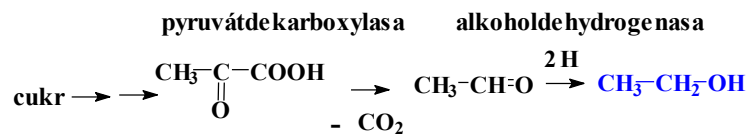
- terpens (derivatives of isoprene)

secondary compound

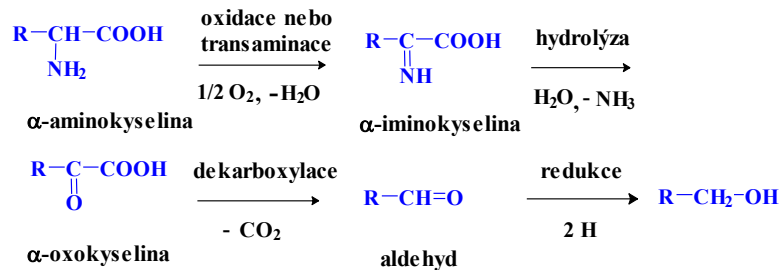
- products of esters hydrolysis (methanol)
- products of fermentation (ethanol, fusel oil alcohols)

aliphatic saturated

- methanol hydrolysis of pectin
- ethanol sugar fermentation

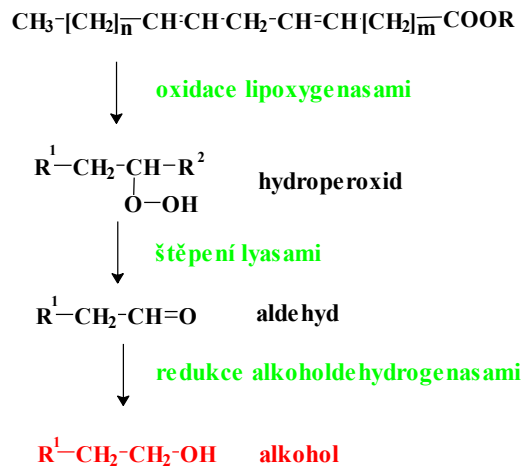


- higher alcohols
fusel oil (book 2, tab. 8.3)



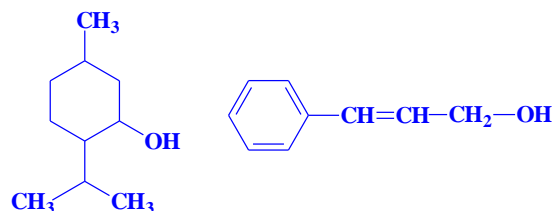
aliphatic unsaturated

oxidation of higher fatty acids



terpenic and aromatic alcohols

- menthol mint, chewing gum
- cinnamyl alcohol cinnamon

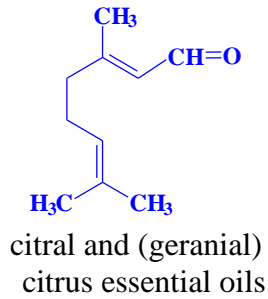


aldehydes

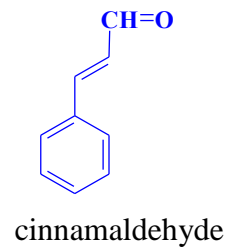
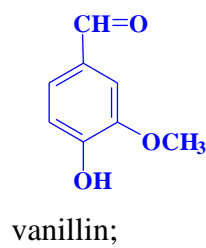
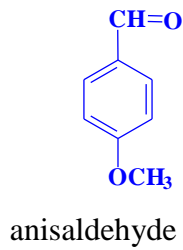
sensory properties (book 2, tab. 8.5)

primary compounds

- terpenes



- other primary compounds
aniseed, badyan, vanilla, cinnamon



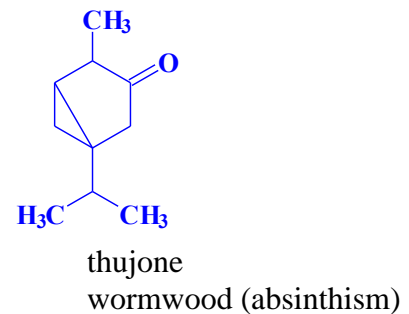
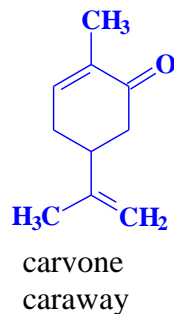
secondary compounds

- products of Strecker degradation of amino acids
- oxidation products of fatty acids (book 2, tab. 8.4)

ketones

primary compounds

- terpenes



secondary compounds

- products fatty acids β -oxidation
- products of saccharides degradation

methylketones
diketones

aroma of butter

acids and their functional derivatives

acids

content (book 2, tab. 8.8, 8.9, 8.10, 8.11)

primary compounds

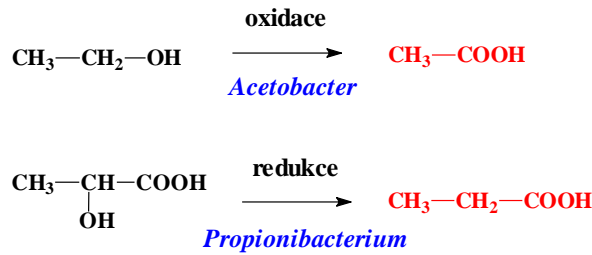
- aromatic acids
- hydroxycarboxyl acids

aromatic and gustatory compounds
gustatory compounds

secondary compounds

- **fermentation products** (book 2, tab.8.7)

formic, acetic, propionic, higher acids



- products of saccharide degradation
formic, acetic

esters

sensory properties (book 2, tab. 8. 14)

content (book 2, tab. 8.13)

primary and secondary compounds

main compounds:

acetic acid
formic acid
propionic acid
butyric acid
isobutyric acid

ethanol
methanol
butanol
isoamylalkohol
(mono)terpenes

fruity and flower aroma

alcoholic beverages

beer

wine

apple acetates, butyrates

banana isoamylacetate

pineapple ethyl-3-(methylthio)propionate

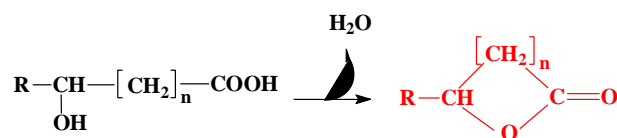
ethyl acetate

~ 30 mg/l

10-260 mg/l

lactones

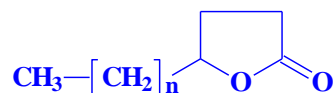
primary and secondary compounds



γ-hydroxyl acids → γ-lactones (butano-4-lactones)

δ-hydroxyl acids → δ-lactones (pentano-5-lactones)

aromatic hydroxy acids → coumarins, phthalides



γ-nonalactone n = 4 coconut aroma

γ-decalactone n = 5 peaches aroma

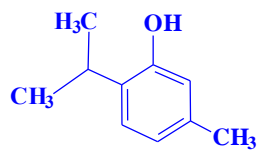
γ-dodecalactone n = 7 butter aroma

phenols

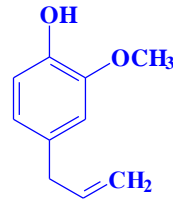
content (book 2, tab. 8.16)

primary compounds

essential oils



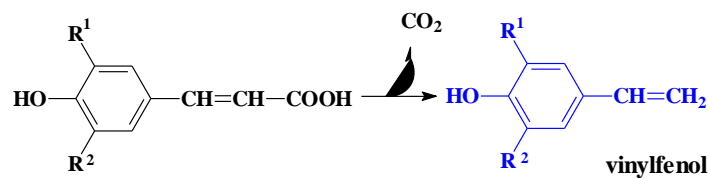
thymol
thyme



eugenol
clove

secondary compounds

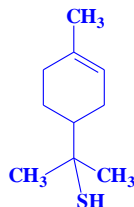
- decarboxylation of phenolic acids
- lignin degradation



sulphur containing compounds

primary compounds

- essential oils

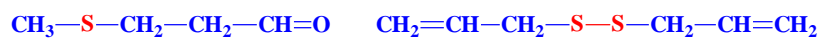


p-meth-1-en-8-thiol
grapefruit

secondary compounds

- ◆ degradation products of sulphur-containing compounds

sulphur amino acids



methional
boiled potato

diallyldisulfide
garlic

glucosinolates



allylthiocyanate
mustard, horse radish

nitrogen containing compounds

primary and secondary compounds

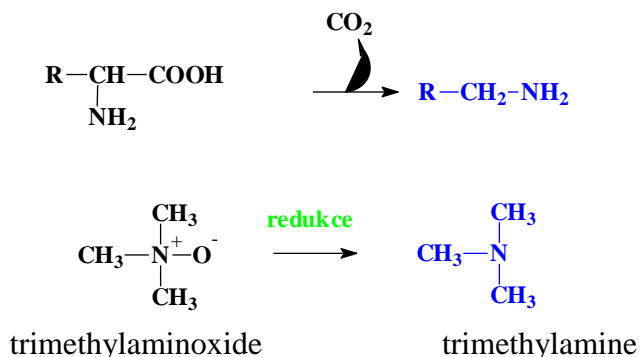
- decarboxylation products of amino acids

- transformation products of other compounds

amines, biogenic amines

precursors (book 2, tab. 8.19)

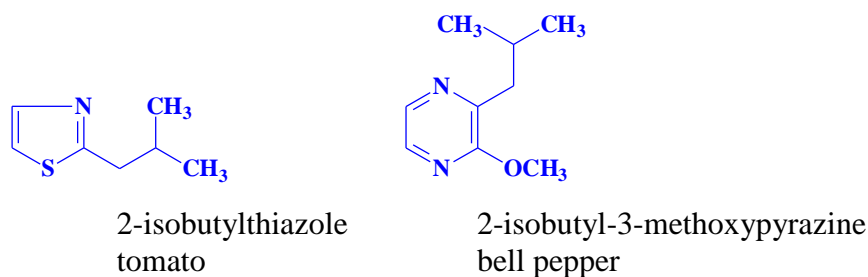
content (book 2, tab. 8.18)



heterocyclic compounds

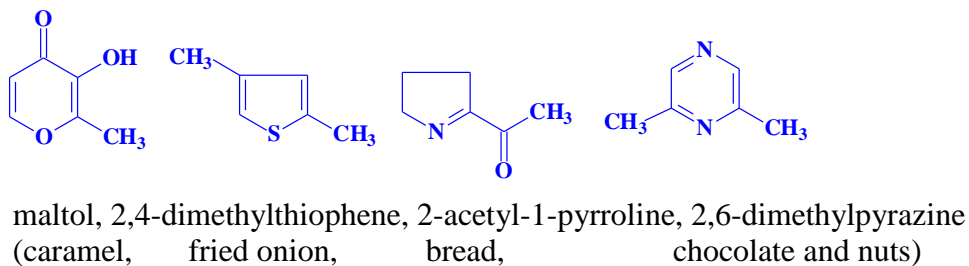
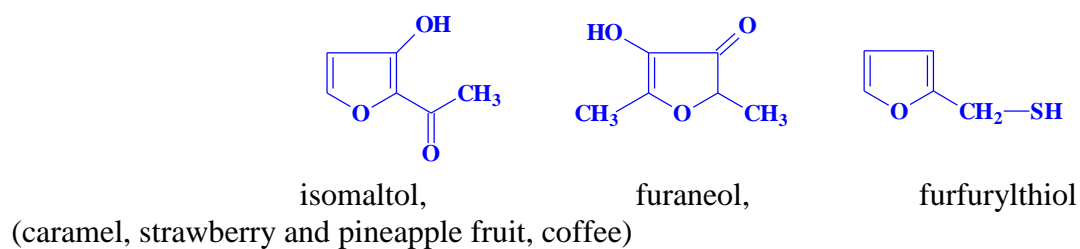
O-, S-, N-heterocycles

primary compounds

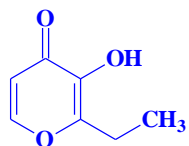


secondary compounds

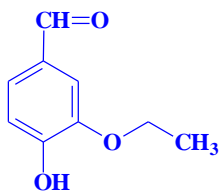
- products of Maillard reaction
- products of other reactions



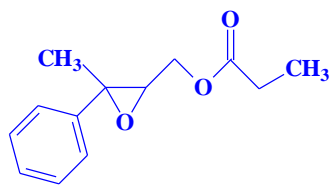
synthetic compounds



ethylmaltol
caramel



ethylvanillin (bourbonal)
vanilla sugar



ethyl-3-phenyl-3-methylglycidate
strawberry (candies)