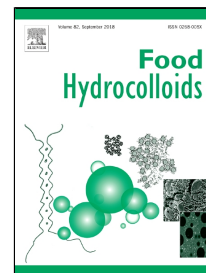


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14 Abbreviations:

15 ANF, anti-nutritional factors; CA, chemically acidified;  $\kappa$ -CAR, Kappa carrageenan; CFU, colony-  
16 forming unit; CMC, carboxymethyl cellulose; DY, dough yield; EPS, exopolysaccharides; FAA, free  
17 amino acids; FQ, fermentation quotient; FSB, faba bean sourdough bread; FWB, faba bean wheat bread;  
18 GG, guar gum; HPMC, hydroxypropylmethyl cellulose; LAB, lactic acid bacteria; Mw, molecular weight;  
19 SD, sourdough; TPA, texture profile analysis; TTA, total titratable acidity.

**Abstract**

21 The incorporation of faba bean flour into wheat-based products is a sustainable way to obtain protein-  
22 enriched food items. However, developing breads with a higher content of faba bean flour is challenging  
23 due to the poor textural/sensory properties of the final product. A potential solution is to use  
24 hydrocolloids as structuring agents to increase the viscoelastic properties of the composite bread.  
25 Microbial dextran is a natural hydrocolloid which can be used as a bread texture improver either as a  
26 pure food ingredient or by *in situ* production during sourdough fermentation. The aim of this study was  
27 to compare the influence of dextran produced *in situ* by *Weissella confusa* VTT E-143403 (E3403) and  
28 *Leuconostoc pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 in faba bean sourdoughs on the quality of wheat bread  
29 supplemented with 43% faba bean sourdough. The impact of dextran on the rheological properties of  
30 dough and textural properties of the final bread were evaluated. Dextran formed by *W. confusa* and *L.*  
31 *pseudomesenteroides* reached a level of 5.2 and 3.6% (flour basis), respectively. Incorporation of faba  
32 bean sourdough containing dextran synthesized by *W. confusa* improved the dough viscoelastic  
33 properties, and also increased the specific volume (~21%) and reduced crumb hardness (~12%) of the  
34 final bread, compared to control breads. Similar positive effects were not obtained with sourdough  
35 containing dextran from *L. pseudomesenteroides*, probably due to its higher acidity. Dextran synthesized  
36 *in situ* by *W. confusa* is a promising clean label hydrocolloid option to improve the quality of wheat bread  
37 enriched with faba bean flour.

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**Keywords**

40 Dextran; Hydrocolloids; Rheology; Faba bean; Fermentation; Bread

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## 42 1. Introduction

43 Faba bean (*Vicia faba* L.) is one of the oldest crops in the world and has a high content of good-quality  
44 proteins (~30% of proteins with high lysine content), fiber, vitamins, minerals and bioactive substances  
45 such as phenols and  $\gamma$ -aminobutyric acid (Jezierny, Mosenthin, & Bauer, 2010). In recent decades,  
46 several studies have examined the incorporation of faba bean flour into wheat-based food to produce  
47 nutritionally improved products such as pasta (Giménez et al., 2012; Rizzello et al., 2017; Rosa-Sibakov  
48 et al., 2016) and bread (Abdel-Kader, 2000). Substitution with faba bean flour might represent a more  
49 sustainable and economical way to improve bread protein content (Coda, Varis, Verni, Rizzello, &  
50 Katina, 2017b) and compensate for the essential amino acid deficiencies (lysine and threonine) in wheat  
51 (Abdel-Aal & Hucl, 2002).

52 However, the use of faba bean in food applications is restricted due to the presence of anti-nutritional  
53 factors (ANF), such as enzyme inhibitors, phytates, condensed tannins and galactooligosaccharides  
54 (Jamalian, 1999) and its undesirable beany flavor. Another major limiting factor of faba bean use in bread  
55 making is the poor baking performance of its proteins compared to wheat gluten. Generally, substituting  
56 wheat flour with 10% or more of faba bean ingredients is a challenge to the baking process. Dilution of  
57 the gluten matrix reduces the stability of the dough, giving the bread a lower volume and harder texture  
58 (Pérez, Ribotta, Steffolani, & León, 2008). Additionally, replacing wheat with faba bean flour could lead  
59 to changes in starch gelatinization and cell wall thickness of the crumb (Ferrero, 2017).

60 A potential approach to increase the wheat-faba bean flour bread making functionality is to use  
61 hydrocolloids to mimic the viscoelastic and gas binding properties of gluten. Hydrocolloids, in particular  
62 HPMC (chemically modified) and dextran (natural), are shown to increase the bread volume and decrease  
63 crumb firmness (Guarda, Rosell, Benedito, & Galotto, 2004; Rosell, Rojas, & Benedito de Barber, 2001;  
64 Zannini, Waters, & Arendt, 2014). The positive effects of hydrocolloids on dough systems and breads

65 are associated with two main techno-functionalities: (1) the water binding ability and the modification  
66 of water distribution and (2) interactions with dough structural components such as gluten, non-gluten  
67 proteins, and starch. Hydrocolloids are proposed to stabilize the interface of the dough liquid film  
68 surrounding gas bubbles, thus prevent collapsing and improve gas retention (Bárcenas & Rosell, 2005).  
69 Dextran, which is a novel food ingredient, has been approved by the European Commission for utilization  
70 in bakery products with the claim that dextran produced by bacterial fermentation at an addition level  
71 below 5% (end product basis) in bakery products, does not constitute a safety concern for consumer  
72 health (18/10/2000). However, dextran is not widely used compared to HPMC. This might be attributed  
73 to its novel status and limited studies on its baking performance. Also, its relatively higher-cost of  
74 production possibly restricts its use as a food additive (De Vuyst & De Vin, 2007). Previously, dextran  
75 has been introduced to bread applications in two ways: either the as a purified ingredient or by *in situ*  
76 production during fermentation with selected lactic acid bacteria (LAB). The addition of dextran with  
77 specific characteristics, able to improve volume, crumb structure, softness and mouthfeel of bread could  
78 be more straightforward than the *in situ* production. However, this approach is currently restricted by  
79 several factors, including the type of dextran to be used and the high costs. Moreover, the *in situ*  
80 production is accompanied by many metabolic beneficial effects, and is recognized as a clean label  
81 approach meeting consumer demand for no/reduced food additives.

82 Studies are however required in order to optimize the performance of *in situ* produced dextran. The  
83 chemical structure of the dextran produced, production efficiency and the metabolic traits of the producer  
84 LAB such as acidification, are important considerations. Dextran are exopolysaccharides (EPS)  
85 synthesized from sucrose by extracellular enzymes dextransucrases produced by LAB of the genera  
86 *Weissella*, *Leuconostoc*, *Streptococcus*, *Pediococcus* and *Lactobacillus* (De Vuyst & De Vin, 2007).  
87 They are  $\alpha$ -glucans, which contain  $\alpha$ -(1 $\rightarrow$ 6)-linked D-glucopyranosyl units in the main chain with

88 variable amounts of  $\alpha$ -(1→2)-,  $\alpha$ -(1→3)-, or  $\alpha$ -(1→4)-branched linkages (Monsan et al., 2001). The  
89 variations in the type and degree of branching, length of branched chains, and molecular weight (Mw)  
90 of dextrans depend on the strain and thereby on the dextransucrases that it expresses. Generally, the effect  
91 of dextrans on the dough rheology and textural properties of the bread depends on their molecular weight  
92 (Mw), linkage type, degree of branching and conformation. Dextrans with high Mw and  $\alpha$ -(1→3)-linked  
93 branching (3-9%) have been found to increase the water-binding capacity and inhibit staling of bread,  
94 which promote superior structural effects in both wheat and gluten-free breads (Rühmkorf et al., 2012;  
95 Zhang et al., 2018). These dextrans are suggested to create a structured polysaccharide network stabilized  
96 by hydrogen bonds or steric interactions, which aid the gluten network and increase gas retention (Ross,  
97 McMaster, David Tomlinson, & Cheetham, 1992). Furthermore, the high Mw dextrans retard the  
98 formation of amylopectin crystallites and thus delay bread staling (Zhang et al., 2018). In contrast,  
99 dextran with a lower Mw has been shown to decrease the water absorption and bread loaf volume, which  
100 has been suggested to interfere with optimal gluten network formation (Ross et al., 1992). Successful  
101 application of dextran can be affected by the organic acids that are simultaneously produced during LAB  
102 fermentation. Adding sucrose not only enables the production of dextran but also affects the formation  
103 of acetic acid. In obligate heterofermentative LAB like *Leuconostoc* spp., fructose released from sucrose  
104 is metabolized to mannitol and acetate in a molar ratio of 2:1 (Erten, 1998). High levels of acetate  
105 formation following sucrose addition can counteract the positive technological effects of dextran formed  
106 *in situ*. Studies on cereal flours show that *Weissella* spp. strains are able to produce a considerable amount  
107 of dextran *in situ* but typically do not form excess acetate due to the lack of mannitol dehydrogenase  
108 (Schwab, Mastrangelo, Corsetti, & Gänzle, 2008).

109 The aim of this research was to study the influence of *in situ* dextran production in faba bean sourdough  
110 and its technological performance in composite dough and bread containing wheat and 30% fermented

111 faba bean flour. The study employed two strains, *Weissella confusa* E3403 and *Leuconostoc*  
112 *pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193, with different fermentation profiles. Their effect on the rheological  
113 properties of the dough and quality of the composite breads was compared.

## 114 **2. Materials and methods**

### 115 *2.1 Materials*

116 The materials used included faba bean flour (San Martino di Lupari, PD, Italy; protein 30.0%, fat 1.5%,  
117 fiber 16.0%, moisture 12.0%), wheat flour (Fazer Mill & Mixes, Finland; protein 14.0%, fat 1.7%, fiber  
118 5.3%, moisture 14.0%), fresh yeast (Lallemand, Lahti, Finland), sucrose (Dansukker, Finland) and salt  
119 (Helsinki, Finland).

### 120 *2.2 LAB strains and growth conditions*

121 Dextran-forming *Weissella confusa* VTT E-143403 (E3403) was obtained from the VTT Culture  
122 Collection and *Leuconostoc pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 was purchased from the Leibniz Institute  
123 DSMZ (Braunschweig, Germany). The strains were routinely cultivated in MRS broth (Oxoid,  
124 Basingstoke, UK) at 30°C for 24 h. For preparation of sourdough, strains were subcultured in general  
125 edible medium (GEM, 20 g dextrose, 20 g sucrose, 30 g soy peptone, 7 g yeast extract, 1 g MgSO<sub>4</sub> •  
126 7H<sub>2</sub>O in 1 L 0.01M potassium phosphate buffer, pH 6.3).

### 127 *2.3 Sourdough preparation*

128 Faba bean flour and distilled water were mixed with a mixer (Robert Bosch GmbH, Germany) to a dough  
129 yield of 250 ( $DY = 100 \times [(g \text{ flour} + g \text{ water})/g \text{ flour}]$ ) (Table 1). Microbial cells were obtained from  
130 cultures incubated overnight through centrifugation (12,000g, 15min), washed once with sodium  
131 phosphate buffer saline (PBS, 8.2 g NaCl, 1.7g K<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> • 3H<sub>2</sub>O, 0.2 g KH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> in 1 L Milli-Q water, pH  
132 7.4) and inoculated into the sourdoughs at an initial cell density of 10<sup>6</sup> CFU (colony forming units) g<sup>-1</sup>.

133 For *in situ* formation of dextran, 10% (w/w) of faba bean flour was substituted with sucrose (EPS-positive  
134 sourdough). EPS-negative sourdoughs were prepared with the same starters but without sucrose  
135 supplementation. The sourdoughs were fermented for 24 h at 25°C. Chemically acidified control (CA)  
136 doughs were prepared with comparable amounts of lactic and acetic acid and to the same final pH and  
137 total titratable acidity (TTA) as measured in the fermented *W. confusa* E3403 and *L.*  
138 *pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 sourdoughs with sucrose addition. The CA doughs were incubated at  
139 25°C for 1 h before bread making or dough rheology analysis.

#### 140 2.4 Determination of cell counts, pH and TTA in sourdough

141 Cell counts of LAB were determined at fermentation time 0 and 24 h by serial dilutions in sterile saline  
142 solution and subsequent plating on MRS agar (Lab M, Heywood, UK). The plates were incubated for 48  
143 h at 30°C in anaerobic conditions. Total mesophilic bacteria were determined on Plate Count Agar (PCA,  
144 Lab M) under aerobic conditions at 30 °C for 48 h. The pH values of the sourdough samples were  
145 measured at 0 and 24 h using a pH meter (Model HI 99161, Hanna Instruments, Woonsocket, RI, USA).  
146 The acidity (pH and TTA) of the sourdough samples was determined as the amount of 0.1 M NaOH  
147 required to adjust the end pH of 10 g samples in 100 ml Milli-Q water to 8.5, as described elsewhere  
148 (Katina, Salmenkallio-Marttila, Partanen, Forssell, & Autio, 2006). All measurements were done in  
149 triplicate.

#### 150 2.5 Sourdough viscosity

151 A rotational rheometer (Rheolab QC, Anton Paar, Germany) was used to measure the viscosities of the  
152 sourdoughs before and after fermentation at 20°C. The measuring profile included shear rates from 2 s<sup>-1</sup>  
153 to 300 s<sup>-1</sup> and back to 2 s<sup>-1</sup>. The measurements were done in triplicate.

#### 154 2.6 Determination of free sugars and organic acids in sourdough



155 For analysis of metabolites, 10 g of sourdough was dissolved in 100 ml of distilled water and  
156 homogenized with a Bamix blender for 60 s at room temperature. To ensure removal of the apolar  
157 component and proteins, 1.5 ml ethanol and 3 ml 30% (w/v) Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> were added. Samples were further  
158 diluted with distilled water to a constant volume of 200 ml and incubated overnight at 4°C. After  
159 centrifugation at 12,000 g for 15 min, supernatant was collected and filtered with a 0.2 µm nylon  
160 membrane. Quantification of sucrose, glucose and fructose in the extracts was done with a commercial  
161 K.SUFRG (Megazyme, Wicklow, Ireland) enzymatic kit. The content of lactic acid and acetic acid in  
162 the extracts was determined with other commercial kits, K-DLATE and K-ACET (Megazyme). All  
163 analyses were performed in triplicate.

#### 164 *2.7 Analysis of dextran in sourdough*

165 The dextran formed in the sourdoughs was extracted with an enzyme-assisted method according to  
166 Katina et al. (Katina et al., 2009). The amount of dextran was determined with high performance anion  
167 exchange chromatography with pulse amperometric detection (HPAEC-PAD). The HPAEC-PAD  
168 system contains an analytical CarbPac PA-1 column (250 × 4 mm, i.d, Dionex, Sunnyvale, CA, USA), a  
169 Waters 2465 pulsed amperometric detector (Waters, Milford, MA, USA), a Waters 2707 autosampler,  
170 and three Waters 515 HPLC pumps. The eluents used were Milli-Q water and 200 mmol l<sup>-1</sup> NaOH as the  
171 mobile phase at a flow rate of 1.0 ml min<sup>-1</sup>. Glucose (Merck, Germany) was used as the external standard  
172 and 2-deoxy-galactose as the internal standard for quantification.

#### 173 *2.8 Baking procedure*

174 The recipes for wheat breads (WB), faba bean-wheat composite breads without sourdough (FWB), faba  
175 bean-sourdough composite breads (FSB) and chemically acidified composite breads (CAB) are described  
176 in Table 1. Breads without sourdough (WB, FWB and CAB) were used as controls. Wheat flour

177 substituted with faba bean flour at a level of 30% w/w (=43% faba bean sourdough) was used in bread  
178 making. The substitution level (30%) of faba bean flour was determined based on calculation (nutritional  
179 composition) to obtain a 20% protein content of the total energy value (Table 2 and 3). The regulations  
180 of the European Parliament and Council (20/12/2006) propose that the nutrition claim ‘high in protein’  
181 be allowed for food products when 20% of the energy value is provided by protein. The optimal water  
182 content for the breads was based on wheat flour as determined with a Brabender Farinograph (Brabender  
183 GmbH & Co.KG, Germany), according to AACC method 54-21 (AACC 2000). For all breads, the total  
184 amount of water (including in sourdough where applicable) was the same: 63% v/w of the total flour  
185 weight with a dough yield of 163. Breads were prepared by mixing all the ingredients in a DIOSNA  
186 mixer bowl (Dierks & Söhne GmbH, Germany) for 3 min at low speed and 4 min at fast speed. After 15  
187 min proofing in a fermentation cabinet (Lillnord, Odder, Denmark) at 35°C and relative humidity (RH)  
188 of 75%, the dough was divided into pieces of 250 g. The doughs were molded mechanically and rested  
189 in pans for 45 min (35°C, RH 75%). The breads were baked in a rotating rack oven (Sveba Dahlen,  
190 Fristad, Sweden) at 220°C for 15 min with 15 s steaming at the beginning. After baking, the loaves were  
191 depanned and cooled for 1 h at room temperature before weighing. Baking was done on two different  
192 days (two independent baking trails) and nine breads were prepared for each bread type. The breads were  
193 stored in plastic bags overnight and the loaf volume determined with the rapeseed displacement method.  
194 The specific volume of the bread was calculated by dividing the loaf volume (mL) by the weight (g).  
195 Texture Profile Analysis (TPA) of bread crumbs was done with a texture analyzer (TA, TA-XT2i, Stable  
196 Micro Systems Ltd., UK) using a 25-mm diameter aluminum probe on days 1 and 4 of storage as  
197 described elsewhere (Katina, Heinio, Autio, & Poutanen, 2006). Samples for testing were prepared by  
198 cutting into 50 mm x 50 mm x 25 mm slices and the edges were removed. The TPA results were  
199 calculated based on the percentage of the FWB control bread due to variations in the baking dates.

## 200 *2.9 Measuring of pH and TTA in bread crumb*

201 For determining the acidity of the bread, the crust of the slice was removed and the crumb (10 g) was  
202 homogenized with 5 ml of acetone and 95 ml of Milli-Q water using a Bamix blender. The PH and TTA  
203 of the suspension were measured as described above.

## 204 *2.10 Dough rheology*

### 205 *2.10.1 Farinograph mixing characteristics*

206 Farinograph was determined using a 50 g mixing bowl with the same optimal water content as for the  
207 control wheat flour (63% v/w) according to the AACC method. The doughs were prepared as described  
208 for baking without yeast and with salt addition to ensure reproducibility of the measurements, since gas  
209 bubbles generated by yeast fermentation would affect the rheological properties. Two parameters were  
210 determined from the farinograms: water absorption (WA)—percentage of water required to obtain a  
211 standard dough consistency of 500 BU and the maximum dough consistency (consistency at the peak of  
212 the curve).

### 213 *2.10.2 SMS/Kieffer dough and gluten extensibility rig*

214 For extensibility measurement, the doughs were mixed to optimal dough development for 6 min in the  
215 Farinograph. After mixing, ~15 g of dough was used for extension measurement as previously published  
216 (Smewing, 1995), with a few modifications to the resting times and temperature. Dough extensibility  
217 measurement was carried out with a SMS/Kieffer dough and gluten extensibility rig on a TA-XT2i  
218 texture analyzer with a 5 kg load cell and a Plexiglas cabinet to maintain the testing temperature. The  
219 dough was rested in the fermentation cabinet (35°C, RH 75%) for 20 min. After relaxing, the dough was  
220 molded manually, first into a ball and then into a cylinder. A Teflon form was greased with paraffin oil  
221 and preheated at 35°C for 1 h with lametta strips laid in the grooved base. The cylinder-shaped dough

222 was pressed into the form, covered with a plastic bag, and allowed to rest in the fermentation cabinet for  
223 40 min. The test pieces were removed with a spatula, lifting the strips without deforming them. The test  
224 speed was 2.0 mm/s and distance 85 mm. The hook probe of the Kieffer rig stretched the dough centrally  
225 until rupture. The peak force (maximum resistance to extension ( $R_{max}$ )), extensibility (total length of the  
226 curve (Ext)), and strength (total area under the dough extensibility curve ( $A_{tot}$ )) were recorded for five  
227 dough strips per dough.

### 228 *2.10.3 Fundamental rheology*

229 The mixed dough sample from the Farinograph was allowed to relax for 30 min at room temperature and  
230 then used for oscillatory measurements. Frequency sweep tests were performed on a Haake RheoStress  
231 rheometer (RS 50, Haake Rheometer, Karlsruhe, Germany) with a parallel plate geometry (diameter 35  
232 mm, gap 2.5 mm). The samples (3.3 g) were molded by hand into a ball and placed in the center of the  
233 plate. Water drops were placed around the bottom plate to prevent contact with the dough sample and  
234 the sample covered with a hood to avoid moisture loss. The tests were performed at a constant  
235 temperature of 20°C. Before oscillatory measurement, the samples were allowed to rest for 5 min and  
236 the linear viscoelastic region was determined using the amplitude sweeps. Frequency sweeps were  
237 performed at 0.05 to 10 Hz. All tests were done in triplicate and the averages calculated.

### 238 *2.11 Statistical analysis*

239 Statistical analysis was performed with one-way univariate analysis of variance (ANOVA) using IBM  
240 SPSS Statistics 23 (IBM SPSS Inc., United States) on all data with Turkey's test (significance level P  
241 <5%).

## 242 **3. Results**

### 243 *3.1 Growth, pH and TTA of sourdoughs and bread crumb*

244 The initial cell count of total mesophilic bacteria and lactic acid bacteria in all sourdoughs was  
245 approximately  $10^6$  cfu/g (Table 4). After 24 h of fermentation, the cell densities of presumptive lactic  
246 acid bacteria in the sourdoughs fermented by *L. pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 and *W. confusa* E3403  
247 reached 9.8 and 9.5 log cfu/g, respectively. No significant difference was observed between EPS-positive  
248 and EPS-negative sourdoughs. After fermentation, the mesophilic bacteria count showed very similar  
249 values between the sourdoughs and was comparable to the cell densities of lactic acid bacteria ( $p > 0.05$ ).

250 In general, significantly lower pH values and correspondingly higher TTA values were reached in *L.*  
251 *pseudomesenteroides* sourdoughs than in *W. confusa* sourdoughs (Table 4). The pH value measured in  
252 *L. pseudomesenteroides* EPS-positive sourdough (with sucrose addition) after fermentation was 4.6, and  
253 a similar pH was found in the EPS-negative counterpart (without sucrose addition). The pH value  
254 measured in *W. confusa* EPS-positive sourdough was 5.1 but significantly higher in its EPS-negative  
255 counterpart (5.6). Regardless of the strain used, the addition of sucrose in sourdoughs resulted in a  
256 significant increase of TTA values compared to sourdoughs without added sucrose. Similarly, lower pH  
257 values and higher TTA values were measured in *L. pseudomesenteroides* FSB than in the *W. confusa*  
258 FSB. FSB showed significantly lower pH values and at the same time higher TTA values compared to  
259 the controls (FWB and WB).

### 260 3.2 Free sugar and organic acid formation in sourdoughs

261 Sucrose utilization during sourdough fermentation was confirmed by determination of the amount of  
262 extractable free sugars. The added sucrose (10% of the flour weight) was completely consumed by *L.*  
263 *pseudomesenteroides* and *W. confusa* (Table 5). A significant amount of fructose (4.6% of the flour  
264 weight) was detected in EPS-positive *W. confusa* sourdoughs but not in *L. pseudomesenteroides* EPS-  
265 positive sourdoughs (1.5%).

266 The amount of acetic acid in EPS-positive *L. pseudomesenteroides* sourdough (2.8 g/kg SD) was double  
267 that in the EPS-negative counterpart (1.2 g/kg SD). In contrast, similar amounts of lactic acid (3.6 g/kg  
268 and 3.2 g/kg SD) and acetic acid (1.3 g/kg and 1.4 g/kg SD) were formed in both EPS-positive and EPS-  
269 negative *W. confusa* sourdough, respectively. The fermentation quotient (FQ), or molar ratio between  
270 lactic acid and acetic acid, increased in the following order: EPS-positive *L. pseudomesenteroides* (0.9)  
271 < EPS-negative *W. confusa* (1.5) < EPS-positive *W. confusa* (1.8) < EPS-negative *L.*  
272 *pseudomesenteroides* sourdough (2.6).

### 273 3.3 Dextran formation and its effect on sourdough viscosity

274 The viscosity was analyzed to show the influence of dextran and acid production on the rheological  
275 properties of the sourdoughs (Figure 1). All the sourdoughs displayed a shear thinning behavior.  
276 Increased viscosity of the sourdoughs after fermentation was observed in all the sourdoughs compared  
277 to the non-fermented control sourdough. Both *L. pseudomesenteroides* and *W. confusa* EPS-positive  
278 sourdoughs exhibited significantly higher viscosities than their EPS-negative counterparts. The EPS-  
279 positive *W. confusa* sourdough had the highest viscosity, indicating that *W. confusa* synthesized a  
280 significant amount of dextran with an impact on dough viscosity.

281 Dextran formation by *L. pseudomesenteroides* and *W. confusa* in sourdoughs with sucrose addition was  
282 3.6% and 5.2% (flour basis), respectively (Table 5). The amount of dextran formed by *W. confusa* was  
283 higher than what could theoretically be synthesized from 10% sucrose (~ 5%), and is attributable to the  
284 presence of sucrose (2.88%) naturally existing in faba bean flour. This also explains the low amount of  
285 dextran produced by the strains in sourdoughs without added sucrose (0.9% and 0.4%, for *W. confusa*  
286 and *L. pseudomesenteroides*, respectively).

### 287 3.4 Dough mixing properties and large deformation dough rheology by Kieffer extensibility rig

288 Substitution of wheat with 30% faba bean flour generated a significant decrease in dough consistency  
289 and water absorption (WA) compared to 100% wheat flour (Table 6). Chemical acidification of the faba  
290 bean flour led to a slight increase in consistency and WA compared to the FWB control, but it was still  
291 significantly lower than the wheat control. Fermentation of faba bean with the selected strains  
292 compensated for the negative effect. Regardless of the strain used, doughs prepared with EPS-negative  
293 sourdoughs showed consistency and WA similar to wheat control doughs. For dextran-enriched  
294 sourdoughs, a significantly higher dough consistency and WA was observed compared to the wheat  
295 control doughs.

296 In the Kieffer extensibility analysis, substitution of wheat flour with faba bean flour with or without  
297 sourdough fermentation led to a significant decrease of  $R_{\max}$  (maximum resistance to extension) and  
298 correspondingly a notable reduction of  $A_{\text{tot}}$  (total area) for all doughs (Table 6). Chemical acidification  
299 significantly increased the  $R_{\max}$  but not  $A_{\text{tot}}$  compared to FW control doughs. Dextran production did not  
300 account for major changes in  $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  in SD doughs prepared with *L. pseudomesenteroides* and they  
301 were not significantly different from the unfermented FW control doughs. Compared to *L.*  
302 *pseudomesenteroides* SD doughs, a different trend was observed for *W. confusa* SD doughs. There was  
303 a significant increase of  $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  in doughs prepared with dextran-enriched *W. confusa* sourdough,  
304 which was roughly double compared to the FW control doughs and significantly higher than in the CA  
305 control doughs. *W. confusa* EPS-negative sourdough showed a significant increase in  $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  but  
306 this was slightly lower than in its dextran-enriched counterpart. The maximum extensibility (Ext)  
307 increased significantly upon replacement of wheat flour with faba bean flour (FW control dough) (Table  
308 6). Chemically acidified and fermented faba bean flour decreased the Ext to a different degree than the  
309 wheat control.

310 *3.5 Fundamental rheology*

311 The viscoelastic properties of the doughs were evaluated using oscillatory measurements to assess the  
312 microstructural changes occurring due to the substitution of wheat with faba bean flour and the influence  
313 of acidification and dextran enrichment. All samples exhibited a higher elastic modulus ( $G'$ ) than viscous  
314 modulus ( $G''$ ), indicating that all the doughs had a solid, elastic-like behavior (data not shown). Generally,  
315 FW control doughs had a significantly lower  $G'$  than the other doughs (Figure 2A), indicating a  
316 weakening of the dough gel network with the faba bean flour substitution. However, chemical  
317 acidification and incorporation of sourdoughs resulted in higher  $G'$  values than the FW control doughs.  
318 The  $G'$  values of EPS-positive SD doughs and the corresponding CA control doughs were similar.  
319 Irrespective of the strain used, dough with EPS-positive sourdough addition showed significantly reduced  
320  $G'$  compared to dough prepared with negative sourdough ( $p < 0.05$ ) (Figure 2A1 and A2), indicating the  
321 softening effect of dextran.

322 The effect of dextran formed *in situ* and acidification on the phase angle ( $\delta$ ) of doughs is shown in Figure  
323 2B. The changes in  $\delta$  induced by substitution of wheat flour with faba bean flour were frequency  
324 dependent. At medium and high frequency, wheat doughs showed a higher  $\delta$  compared to FW control  
325 doughs. The CA control doughs showed lower  $\delta$  values than the FW control doughs in the whole  
326 frequency range. In comparison to the wheat doughs, FW control doughs and CA control doughs, a  
327 notable increase of  $\delta$  was observed upon the inclusion of sourdough, indicating a decrease of elasticity  
328 ( $p < 0.05$ ). Independently of the strain used, remarkably higher  $\delta$  values were obtained in doughs prepared  
329 with EPS-positive sourdoughs than in their EPS-negative counterparts.

### 330 3.6 Bread quality

331 The effect of dextran formation on bread quality is summarized in Table 7. The amount of baking loss in  
332 the control WB and FWB dropped significantly upon addition of sourdough or CA control dough. The  
333 greatest baking loss occurred with the control FWB. The substitution of wheat flour with faba bean flour



334 showed a significant decrease in loaf specific volume compared to wheat flour alone. Incorporation of  
335 CA control dough resulted in a significant decrease in specific volume compared to the control FWB.  
336 Meanwhile, the addition of EPS-positive *L. pseudomesenteroides* sourdough led to a further dramatic  
337 decrease of specific volume compared to the control FWB and CAB. EPS-negative *L.*  
338 *pseudomesenteroides* FSB showed a similar drop in specific volume compared to the control FWB. In  
339 contrast, adding *W. confusa* sourdoughs improved the specific volume. The highest specific volume, 21%  
340 higher than the control FWB and 8% higher than control WB, was obtained with addition of EPS-positive  
341 *W. confusa* sourdough. The inclusion of EPS-negative *W. confusa* sourdough also improved the specific  
342 volume (+12%) compared with the control FWB, to levels comparable to the control WB.

343 Wheat flour substitution furthermore led to a significant increase of crumb hardness ( $p < 0.05$ ) compared  
344 to the control WB (Figure 3). Incorporation of sourdough or CA control dough increased the crumb  
345 hardness for all the breads. The hardening effect was more strongly emphasized with EPS-positive *L.*  
346 *pseudomesenteroides* sourdough, which showed the highest crumb firmness independently of storage  
347 time. Only addition of EPS-positive *W. confusa* sourdough positively influenced the crumb structure,  
348 resulting in the softest crumb among the composite breads and comparable to the control WB. However,  
349 after 4 days of storage the crumb of the EPS-positive *W. confusa* FSB became harder than that of the  
350 control WB.

#### 351 **4. Discussion**

352 Faba bean is rich in proteins and bioactive compounds but has not been extensively utilized in bakery  
353 products due to the presence of ANF and poor textural/sensory quality. Fermentation of faba bean flour  
354 with the simultaneous production of dextran is a potential option to compensate for the quality losses.  
355 The *in situ* produced dextran essentially acting as hydrocolloid, improves the technological properties of  
356 the dough and final bread product. Previously, dextran produced *in situ* affected the rheological

357 properties of faba bean sourdough by thickening and improving the overall elasticity of the sourdough  
358 (Xu et al., 2017). Additionally, the positive effect of faba bean sourdough on the nutritional quality of  
359 composite wheat bread has been shown (Coda et al., 2017b). In this study, the influence of faba bean  
360 sourdough containing *in situ* produced dextran on the quality of composite wheat bread is investigated  
361 by comparing the influence of dextran formation by *W. confusa* and *L. pseudomesenteroides* on the  
362 rheology and quality of wheat dough and breads containing 30% faba bean flour. Previous studies have  
363 shown that the performance of EPS-producing starters depends on the EPS yield, EPS macromolecular  
364 properties and amounts of organic acids formed (Kaditzky, Seitter, Hertel, & Vogel, 2008).

365 The content of dextran synthesized *in situ* by the lactic acid bacteria starters was 3.6–5.2% (flour basis)  
366 in the sourdough and consequently the final breads contained 1.1–1.6% dextran (flour basis), which was  
367 in the range (0.1–2%) of commercial hydrocolloids such as HPMC, CMC, GG and  $\kappa$ -CAR applied in  
368 baking (Ferrero, 2017). Dextran synthesized by *W. confusa* resulted in a more viscous sourdough  
369 compared to sourdough with *L. pseudomesenteroides* dextran. This might be due to the higher content of  
370 dextran produced by *W. confusa* but might also reflect differences in the dextrans produced, such as Mw  
371 and degree of branching (Lacaze, Wick, & Cappelle, 2007; Rühmkorf et al., 2012; Zhang et al., 2018).  
372 Furthermore, addition of dextran-enriched sourdoughs into bread doughs significantly increased the  
373 farinograph maximum consistency and WA compared to control bread doughs. Generally, addition of  
374 hydrocolloids in bread dough increases farinograph water absorption, which is related to the hydrophilic  
375 nature and water binding capacity of the hydrocolloid (Guarda et al., 2004).

376 The lactic acid bacteria was found to be the dominate group at the end of fermentation, which indicates  
377 a low presence of other spontaneous microbial groups (Coda et al., 2017a). Based on the sugar analysis,  
378 glucose released from sucrose was completely utilized by both strains, mainly for dextran production. In  
379 EPS-positive faba bean sourdoughs fermented with *W. confusa*, a nearly theoretical amount of fructose

380 was accumulated, while *L. pseudomesenteroides* due to the mannitol dehydrogenase activity consumed  
381 most of the fructose, which led to a different organic acid profile (Erten, 1998; Galle, Schwab, Arendt,  
382 & Ganzle, 2010). The concentration of lactic and acetic acid in sourdoughs plays an important role in the  
383 taste and flavor of sourdough bread. The fermentation quotient (FQ) is a useful parameter in studies of  
384 sourdough for evaluating the balance of acids produced. Acetic acid is beneficial for its preservative  
385 effect (antimicrobial compounds) and sensory contribution. However, high levels of acetic acid may  
386 result in a strong sour flavor in the bread and compromise dough stability and crumb structure.

387 Fundamental rheological measurements (oscillation test) and empirical measurements using a large  
388 deformation Kieffer extension test were used to evaluate the viscoelastic properties of the bread dough.  
389 The elastic component of a material is measured as the storage modulus ( $G'$ ). The ratio between the  
390 viscous and elastic modulus is the tangent of the phase angle ( $\delta$ ). The larger the phase angle, the more  
391 viscous the material. Substitution of wheat flour with faba bean flour significantly reduced the dough  
392 elasticity (decreased  $G'$  and increased  $\delta$  at low frequency). This may be attributed to the reduced wheat-  
393 gluten content and increased fiber content of faba bean flour which hinders gluten network formation.  
394 Inclusion of faba bean sourdough significantly changed the bread dough rheology, resulting in an  
395 increased elastic component ( $G'$ ) and more viscous dough (increased  $\delta$ ) compared to the FW control.  
396 However, dextran-enriched sourdoughs reduced the bread dough elasticity (decreased  $G'$  and increased  
397  $\delta$ ) compared to doughs prepared with EPS-negative sourdough. The effect of acidification and presence  
398 of hydrocolloids on the elasticity of the composite bread dough is not fully understood. The weakening  
399 effect of dextran and other hydrocolloids on the elasticity of wheat dough and gluten-free dough has been  
400 reported before (Galle et al., 2012a, 2012b; Rosell et al., 2001; Wolter, Hager, Zannini, Czerny, & Arendt,  
401 2014). Additionally, acid formation leads to unfolding of gluten proteins with an increased electronic  
402 repulsion force, which interferes with network formation and thus weakens the gluten structure (Galal,

403 Varrianomarston, & Johnson, 1978). Furthermore, an acidic environment activates proteolytic enzymes,  
404 which may induce depolymerization of gluten during proofing (Clarke, Schober, Dockery, O'Sullivan,  
405 & Arendt, 2004). Thus the influence of the *W. confusa* and *L. pseudomesenteroides* sourdoughs on the  
406 rheology of the composite wheat bread dough resulted from the combined effect of acidity and dextran  
407 on development of the gluten network.

408 Adequate extensibility is essential for appropriate dough handling and bread baking performance.  $R_{\max}$ ,  
409 Ext and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  (strength value) are important parameters for evaluating dough extensibility (Smewing,  
410 1995). The observed reduction in  $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  and increase in Ext with replacement of wheat with faba  
411 bean flour indicates a more flowy dough lacking stability. The use of *L. pseudomesenteroides* sourdoughs  
412 did not influence the bread dough extension properties ( $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$ ), whereas *W. confusa* significantly  
413 increased both of them. In particular, bread dough containing *W. confusa* dextran showed the highest  
414 effect. The increase of those parameters promoted by hydrocolloid incorporation indicates a better dough  
415 tolerance during proofing stage (Rosell et al., 2001).

416 Overall, the rheological parameters most closely related to loaf specific volume and crumb firmness are  
417 the Kieffer extensibility parameters  $R_{\max}$  and  $A_{\text{tot}}$ . However in this study the Ext from the Kieffer analysis  
418 and also the elastic modulus  $G'$ , phase angle ( $\delta$ ) from oscillatory measurements, could not predict baking  
419 performance. In previous studies,  $R_{\max}$  (Dobraszczyk & Salmanowicz, 2008; Kieffer, Wieser, Henderson,  
420 & Graveland, 1998) and  $A_{\text{tot}}$  (Nash et al., 2006) were positively correlated with bread volume, while Ext  
421 was not correlated with baking quality. Oscillatory measurements have proven inadequate for predicting  
422 baking performance due to the inappropriate deformation conditions (small shear deformation and high  
423 strain rate) compared to actual deformation during dough proofing and baking (large extensional  
424 deformation, lower strain rates and higher temperature) (Dobraszczyk & Morgenstern, 2003; Safari-Ardi  
425 & Phan-Thien, 1998). However, there may be additional factors beyond dextran production and

426 acidification accounting for the rheological properties of bread dough containing sourdough and bread  
427 quality, as previously reported (Clarke, Schober, & Arendt, 2002; Kaditzky et al., 2008).

428 In agreement with earlier studies (Coda et al., 2017b), the substitution of wheat with faba bean flour or  
429 chemically acidified dough resulted in a significant decrease in bread volume accompanied by a dramatic  
430 increase in crumb hardness, leading to inferior quality of the wheat bread. Addition of sourdoughs  
431 fermented by *W. confusa* compensated for the negative effect of acids and diluted gluten, improving the  
432 bread volume to levels comparable to that of wheat bread. Notably, dextran containing sourdough  
433 fermented by *W. confusa* showed the greatest volume improvement and crumb softness. Most likely, the  
434 gluten-dextran interactions resulted in additional strength to the gas cells and hence prevented diffusion  
435 and collapse of the gas cells during proofing and baking (Bárceñas & Rosell, 2005). This, combined with  
436 their water binding capacity, leads to a higher loaf volume and softer crumb. Additionally, hydrocolloids  
437 have a weakening effect on starch structure due to the inhibition of amylose leaching and crystallization,  
438 and amylopectin retrogradation, thus modifying the water distribution and moisture retention in the bread  
439 crumb (Biliaderis, Arvanitoyannis, Izydorczyk, & Prokopowich, 1997). In contrast, the incorporation of  
440 sourdough containing dextran synthesized by *L. pseudomesenteroides* did not achieve the same positive  
441 effect on the bread quality, which exhibited the lowest volume and hardest crumb. This was also due to  
442 the higher acidity which counteracts the potentially beneficial effect of dextran. Intensive acidification  
443 negatively affects loaf volume, crumb hardness and firming kinetics (Kaditzky et al., 2008). It should be  
444 noted that the polymer properties (Mw and structure) of synthesized dextran also influence bread quality  
445 and should also be evaluated in future work to give a complete picture.

446 In conclusion, sourdough containing dextran synthesized by *L. pseudomesenteroides* and characterized  
447 by higher acidity reduced dough strength, loaf volume and crumb softness. Sourdough fermented by *W.*  
448 *confusa* on the other hand, formed substantial amounts of dextran but low concentration of acids,

449 resulting in a wheat-faba bean composite bread with improved loaf volume and crumb softness. Dextran-  
 450 enriched faba bean sourdough could be used at a higher level (43% of the dough weight) in wheat bread  
 451 baking, resulting in bread with a high protein content. Furthermore, the application of dextran *in situ*  
 452 allows a “clean label” product which is the option for hydrocolloid utilization preferred by both industry  
 453 and consumers.

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## Figure captions

Figure 1. Apparent viscosities as a function of shear rate of faba bean sourdoughs (24h) fermented with: *W. confusa* E3403 with 10% sucrose (-○-), *W. confusa* E3403 without sucrose (-■-), *L. pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 with 10% sucrose (-△-), and *L. pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 without sucrose (-▼-). Non-fermented faba bean sourdough (time 0) (-◆-) served as the control. The error bars represent the standard deviation (n=3). Different lowercase letters indicate significant differences ( $p < 0.05$ ) among different types of sourdough at the same shear rate.

Figure 2. Effect of EPS on the elastic modulus ( $G'$ ) (A) and phase angle  $\delta$  (B) of faba bean-wheat doughs with 42.5% sourdough addition fermented with *L. pseudomesenteroides* DSM 20193 (1) and *W. confusa* E3403 (2). Doughs with sourdough containing 10% sucrose (-◇-) were compared with doughs with sourdough without sucrose (-▽-), wheat doughs (-■-), faba bean-wheat doughs without sourdough addition (-●-), and doughs with chemically acidified dough (-★-) served as the control (closed symbol). The error bars represent the standard deviation (n=3).

Figure 3. Crumb hardness at different storage times (day 1 and day 4) for analyzed breads. The data is presented as a percentage based on the control FWB (100%). The error bars represent the standard deviation (n=12). Different lowercase letters indicate significant differences ( $p < 0.05$ ) among the eight types of bread after 1 day of storage; the uppercase letters indicate significant differences ( $p < 0.05$ ) after 4 days of storage.

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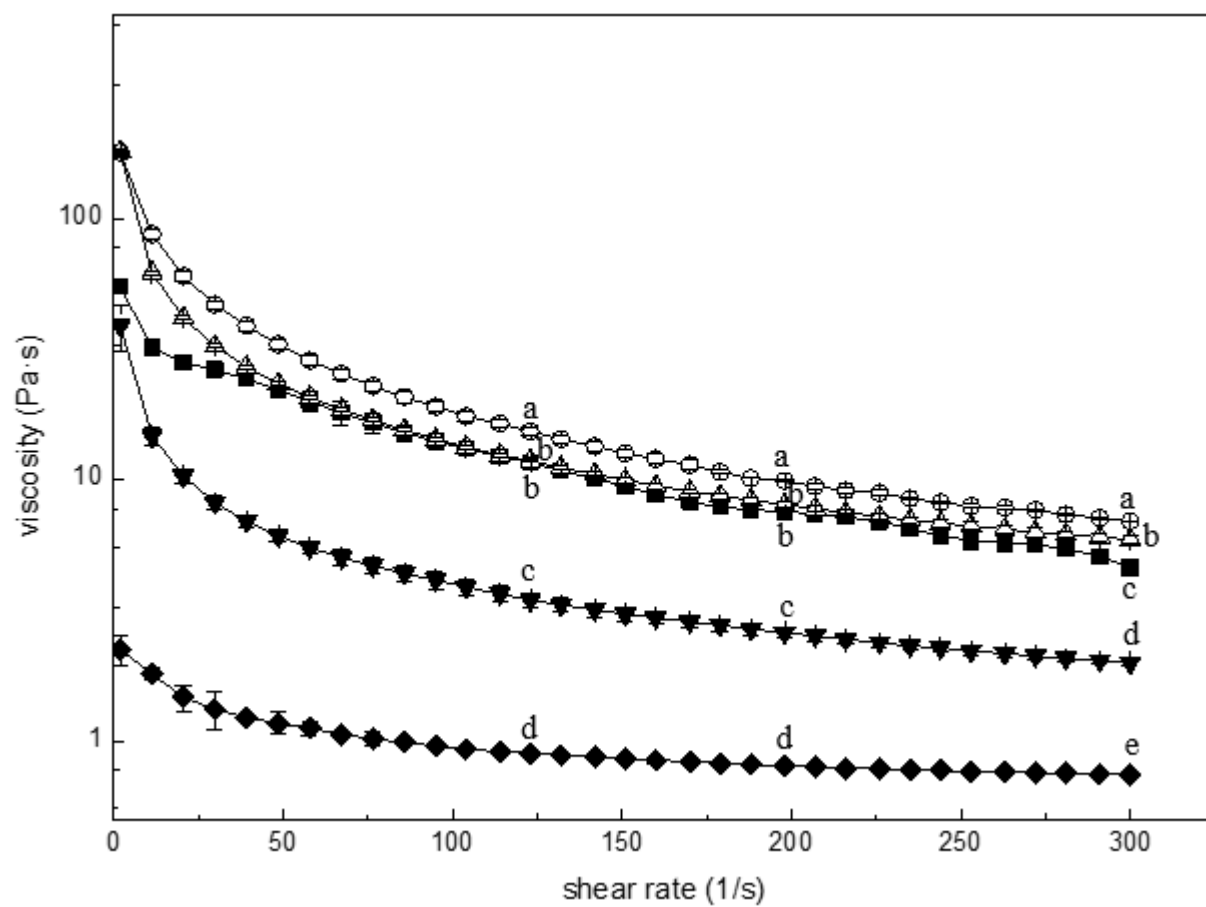


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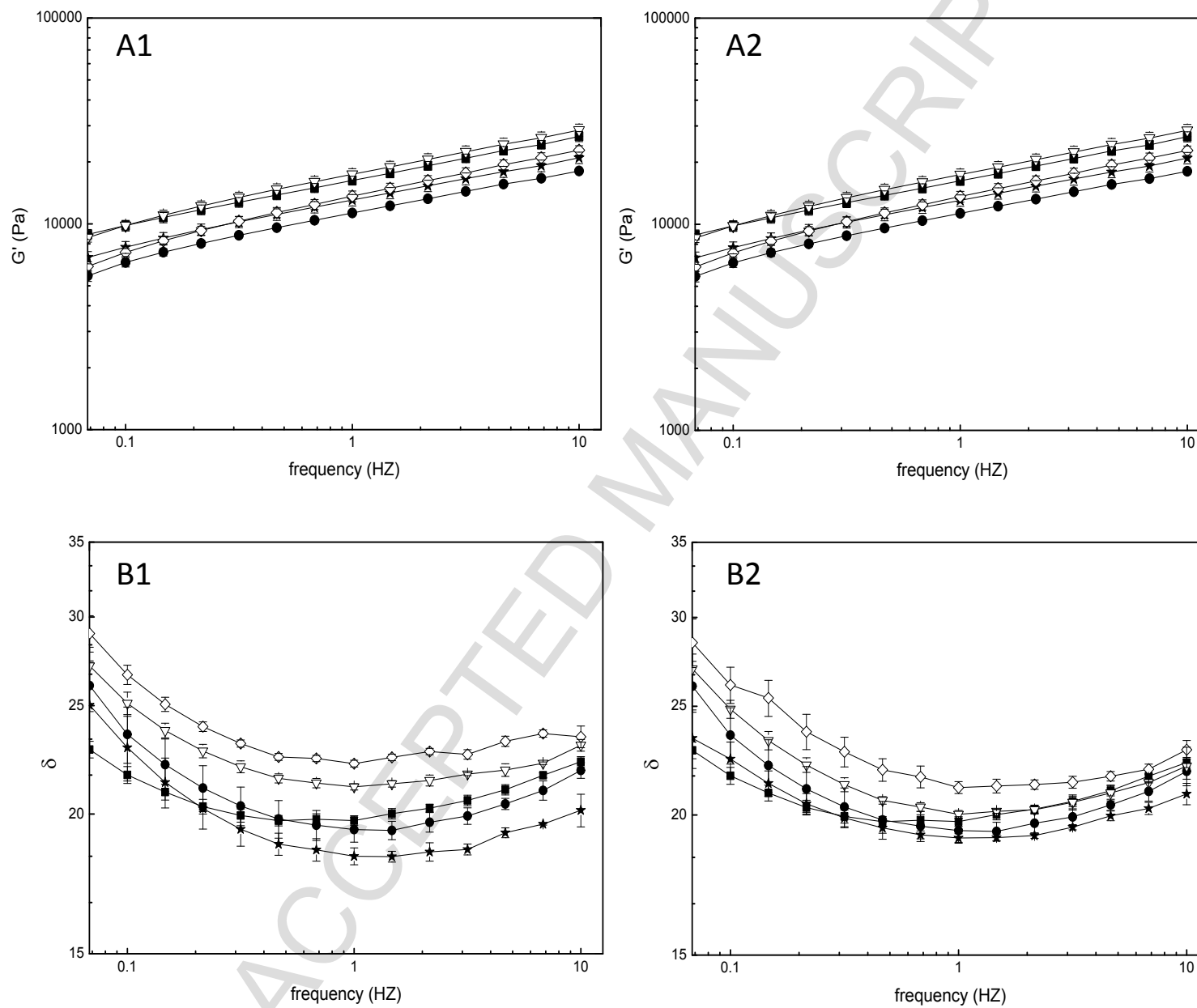
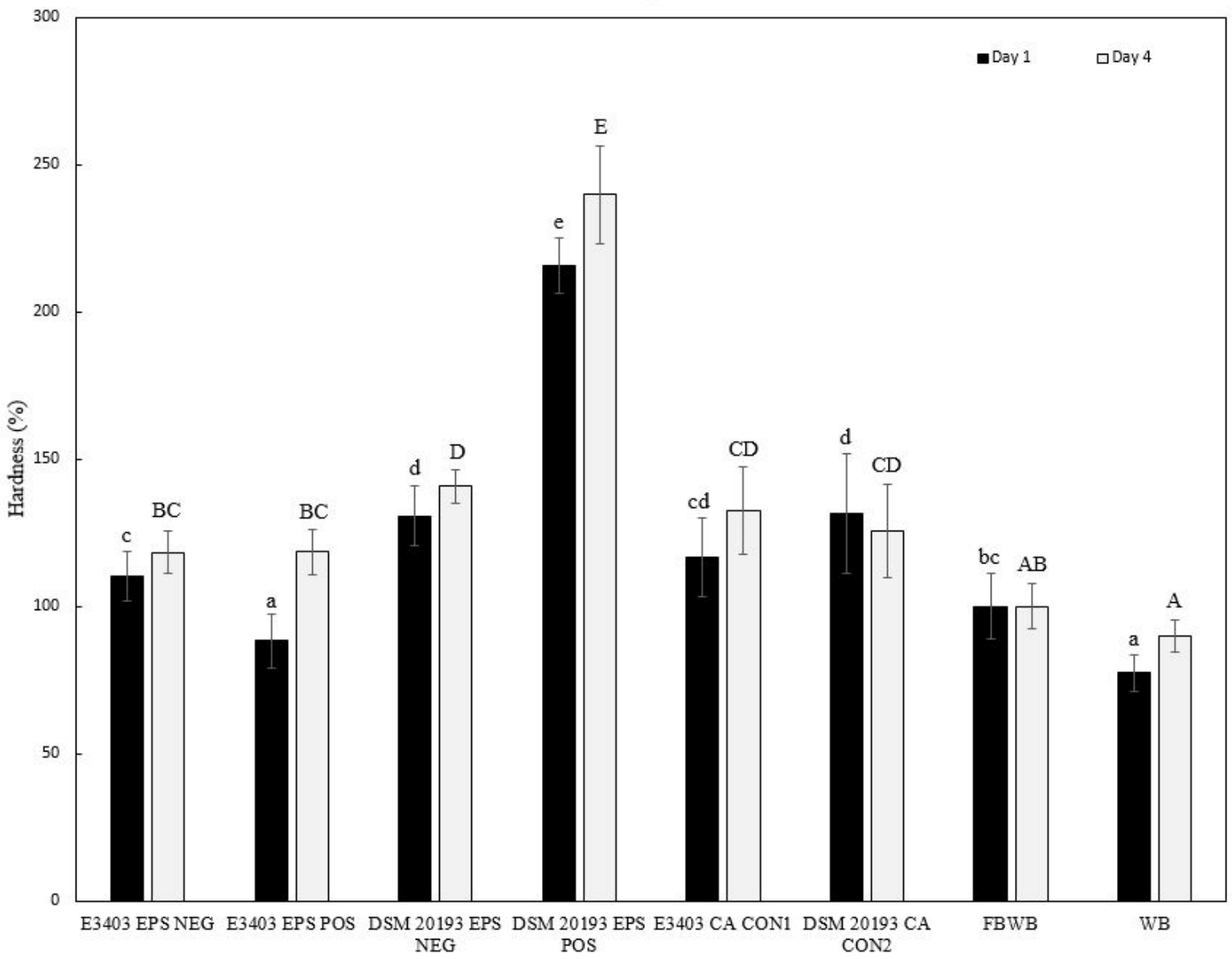


Fig. 3



## Highlights

1. Faba bean (30%) enriched wheat breads baked with and without sourdough.
2. *W. confusa*-dextran increased sourdough viscosity and bread dough strength.
3. *W. confusa*-dextran sourdough improved textural qualities of the composite bread.
4. Excessive acidification had negative effect on bread volume and crumb structure.



Faba bean flour

*In situ*  
Microbial dextran



Faba bean sourdough



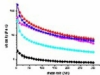
Protein enriched  
wheat-faba bean bread



Increased  
Volume



Decreased  
firmness



Increased  
viscosity



Farinograph:  
increased water  
absorption



Oscillation  
rheology:  
increased  $G'$



Extensibility:  
increased  
dough strength

Table 1. Recipes for faba bean sourdoughs and different bread doughs.

	Wheat bread (WB)		Faba bean wheat bread (FWB)		Chemically acidified bread (CAB)				Sourdough bread (FSB)			
	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.	E3403 CA CON1		DSM20193 CA CON2		EPS NEG SD		EPS POS SD	
	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.	g	% f.w.
FB flour					437.4	30.0	437.4	30.0	437.4	30.0	393.7	27.0
Water					656	45.0	656	45.0	656	45.0	656	45.0
Sucrose											43.7	3.0
Acetic acid					1.4	0.1	2.7	0.2				
Lactic acid					3.4	0.2	3.9	0.3				
Breads												
CA dough /SD					1092.4	74.9	1092.4	74.9	1092.4	74.9	1092.4	74.9
FB flour			437.4	30.0								
Wheat flour	1458	100.0	1020.6	70.0	1020.6	70.0	1020.6	70.0	1020.6	70.0	1020.6	70.0
Water	918.5	63.0	918.5	63.0	263.5	18.1	263.5	18.1	263.5	18.1	263.5	18.1
Yeast	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0
Sugar	29.2	2.0	29.2	2.0	29.2	2.0	29.2	2.0	29.2	2.0	29.2	2.0
Salt	21.9	1.5	21.9	1.5	21.9	1.5	21.9	1.5	21.9	1.5	21.9	1.5
Fat	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0	72.9	5.0
Flour Sum	1458	100.0	1458	100.0	1458	100.0	1458	100.0	1458	100.0	1458	100.0

EPS NEG SD = EPS-negative sourdough. EPS POS SD = EPS-positive sourdough. f.w. = flour weight.



Table 2. Amount of energy-containing nutrients in bread dough (faba bean wheat control dough and EPS-negative sourdough dough) and their energy contents (%).

	Ingredient Amount (g/100g dough)	Carbohydrates		Fiber		Protein		Fat	
		Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con.(%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)
Wheat flour	39.7	65.0	25.81	5.3	2.10	14.0	5.56	1.7	0.67
Faba bean flour	17.0	37.5	6.38	16.0	2.72	30.0	5.10	1.5	0.26
Fresh yeast	2.8	1.1	0.03	6.9	0.19	13.1	0.37	0.4	0.01
Sugar	1.1	100.0	1.10	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00
Fat	2.8	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	80.0	2.24
Sum			33.31		5.02		11.02		3.18
Energy content (kcal/g)			4.00		2.00		4.00		9.00
Energy content (kcal/100g dough)			133.24		10.03		44.10		28.63
Energy content (%)			61.68		4.65		20.42		13.25

Con. = concentration.

Table 3. Amount of energy-containing nutrients in the bread dough (EPS-positive sourdough dough) and their energy contents (%).

	Ingredient Amount (g/100g dough)	Carbohydrates		Fiber		Protein		Fat	
		Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con.(%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)	Con. (%)	Amount (g/100g dough)
Wheat flour	40.4	65.0	26.26	5.3	2.14	14.0	5.66	1.7	0.69
Faba bean flour	15.5	37.5	5.81	16.0	2.48	30.0	4.65	1.5	0.23
Fresh yeast	2.9	1.1	0.03	6.9	0.20	13.1	0.38	0.4	0.01
Sugar	1.2	100.0	1.20	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00
Fat	2.9	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00	80.0	2.32
Sum			33.30		4.82		10.69		3.25
Energy content (kcal/g)			4.00		2.00		4.00		9.00
Energy content (kcal/100g dough)			133.22		9.64		42.74		29.26
Energy content (%)			62.00		4.49		19.89		13.62

Table 4. Number of total bacteria and lactic acid bacteria (log cfu/g), acidity (pH and TTA) of faba bean sourdoughs before and after fermentation for 24 h, and bread crumb.

	SD 0h				SD 24h				Bread crumb	
	pH	TTA (ml)	Lactic acid bacteria	Total bacteria count	pH	TTA (ml)	Lactic acid bacteria	Total bacteria count	pH	TTA (ml)
E3403 EPS NEG	6.5 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	4.2 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	6.1 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	6.3 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	5.6 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	8.8 ± 0.3 <sup>a</sup>	9.5 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	9.7 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	5.3 ± 0.0 <sup>c</sup>	6.3 ± 0.1 <sup>c</sup>
E3403 EPS POS	6.4 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	3.8 ± 0.1 <sup>bc</sup>	6.1 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	6.2 ± 0.2 <sup>a</sup>	5.1 ± 0.0 <sup>b</sup>	10.0 ± 0.3 <sup>b</sup>	9.5 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	9.6 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	5.0 ± 0.0 <sup>d</sup>	7.0 ± 0.2 <sup>c</sup>
DSM 20193 EPS NEG	6.5 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	4.1 ± 0.0 <sup>ab</sup>	6.1 ± 0.2 <sup>a</sup>	6.3 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	4.7 ± 0.1 <sup>c</sup>	16.4 ± 0.4 <sup>c</sup>	9.9 ± 0.1 <sup>b</sup>	9.9 ± 0.0 <sup>b</sup>	4.7 ± 0.0 <sup>e</sup>	9.7 ± 0.6 <sup>d</sup>
DSM 20193 EPS POS FWB	6.5 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	3.7 ± 0.2 <sup>c</sup>	5.9 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	6.2 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>	4.6 ± 0.0 <sup>c</sup>	18.5 ± 0.2 <sup>d</sup>	9.8 ± 0.0 <sup>b</sup>	9.8 ± 0.1 <sup>b</sup>	6.0 ± 0.0 <sup>a</sup>	4.2 ± 0.1 <sup>b</sup>
WB									5.7 ± 0.0 <sup>b</sup>	2.4 ± 0.1 <sup>a</sup>

Different letters in the same column indicate statistical significance (p<0.05).

Table 5. Amount of sucrose, fructose, glucose and dextran (% of flour weight) in various sourdoughs and organic acid formation after 24 h fermentation.

Type of SD	Sucrose (%)	Glucose (%)	Fructose (%)	Lactic acid (g / kg SD)	Acetic acid (g / kg SD)	FQ	Dextran (%)
E3403 EPS NEG	nd	nd	0.82 ± 0.01c	3.2 ± 0.3a	1.4 ± 0.0a	1.5 ± 0.0b	0.86 ± 0.02c
E3403 EPS POS	nd	nd	4.59 ± 0.03a	3.6 ± 0.2a	1.3 ± 0.1a	1.8 ± 0.0b	5.19 ± 0.01a
DSM 20193 EPS NEG	nd	nd	0.08 ± 0.01d	4.7 ± 0.3b	1.2 ± 0.3a	2.6 ± 0.4a	0.44 ± 0.02d
DSM 20193 EPS POS	nd	nd	1.47 ± 0.03b	3.5 ± 0.2a	2.8 ± 0.2b	0.9 ± 0.0c	3.63 ± 0.08b

Different letters in the same column indicate statistical significance ( $p < 0.05$ ). FQ = fermentation quotient. nd = not detected.

Table 6. Parameters from the Brabender farinograph with water absorption corrected to 500 BU and Kieffer extensigraph for wheat control dough, faba-wheat control dough, chemically acidified control dough and sourdough dough.

	Wheat dough	FW dough	CA dough				SD dough		
			E3403 CA CON1	DSM20193 CA CON2	E3403 EPS NEG	E3403 EPS POS	DSM 20193 EPS NEG	DSM 20193 EPS POS	
Consistency	503 ± 1c	400 ± 1e	451 ± 2d	452 ± 2d	497 ± 3c	578 ± 2b	504 ± 2c	591 ± 1a	
WA (%)	70.9 ± 0.0b	68.3 ± 0.1d	69.6 ± 0.1c	69.6 ± 0.1c	70.7 ± 0.0b	72.8 ± 0.2a	70.9 ± 0.1b	73.1 ± 0.1a	
R <sub>max</sub> (g)	30.5 ± 2.0a	7.7 ± 0.7d	10.7 ± 0.8c	10.9 ± 0.8c	13.5 ± 1.1b	15.0 ± 1.1b	7.4 ± 0.4d	7.9 ± 0.3d	
Ext (cm)	4.7 ± 0.1bc	5.7 ± 0.5a	3.4 ± 0.3de	3.0 ± 0.5e	4.4 ± 0.6cd	3.2 ± 0.4e	2.6 ± 0.4e	4.5 ± 0.6cd	
A <sub>tot</sub> (mm <sup>2</sup> )	611.5 ± 4.3a	250.9 ± 2.2c	266.5 ± 2.8c	254.8 ± 4.0 c	357.0 ± 4.2 b	377.6 ± 4.5b	167.6 ± 2.1d	208.7 ± 2.2cd	

Different letters in the same row indicate statistical significance (p<0.05). WA = farinograph water absorption. R<sub>max</sub> = maximum resistance to extension (g). Ext = extensibility (cm). A<sub>tot</sub> = total area under the curve.

Table 7. Baking characteristics of breads.

	WB	FWB	CAB		FSB			
			E3403 CA CON1	DSM20193 CA CON2	E3403 EPS NEG	E3403 EPS POS	DSM 20193 EPS NEG	DSM 20193 EPS POS
Baking loss (%)	11.8 ± 0.2ab	12.0 ± 0.6a	10.0 ± 0.5d	10.0 ± 0.6d	11.0 ± 0.4c	11.8 ± 0.5ab	11.4 ± 0.3bc	10.3 ± 0.3d
Sp. volume (ml/g)	3.8 ± 0.1b	3.4 ± 0.0c	3.2 ± 0.1d	3.0 ± 0.1de	3.8 ± 0.1b	4.1 ± 0.1a	3.4 ± 0.1c	2.9 ± 0.1e

Different letters in the same row indicate statistical significance ( $p < 0.05$ ). Sp. volume = specific volume.