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From *Sensomics* to AI smelling and Computer Vision: Exploring the chemical sensory code of premium chocolate

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Foreword

...the boundaries between chemistry and biology are vanishing¹...

Food-omics domains and strategies of investigation

The role of multidimensional (gas) chromatography Artificial Intelligence Smelling and Computer vision

Premium cocoa origin *identitation* and aroma blueprint

- ✓ Computer vision a change of perspective
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence smelling for large screenings

Conclusive remarks

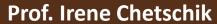
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Exploring the chemical sensory code of premium chocolate









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Prof. Thomas Hofmann

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Food metabolomics

Chemical composition of food vs.

- ✓ harvesting area
- ✓ storage conditions



REVIEW ARTICLE

Comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography as a boosting technology in food-omic investigations

Federico Stilo¹ | Carlo Bicchi¹ | Stephen E. Reichenbach^{2,3} | Chiara Cordero¹

- ✓ crop botanical origin
- ✓ climate impact
- ✓ post-harvest



Nutrimetabolomics Human metabolome by

- ✓ dietary patterns
- ✓ specific foods
- ✓ nutrients
- ✓ micro-organisms
- √ bioactives

Sensomics

Food hedonic profile

- ✓ potent odorants
- √ chemical odor code
- ✓ volatiles patterns
- ✓ odor activity value
- ✓ olfactometry



Food safety

- ✓ Xenobiotics
- ✓ Non-intentionally added substances
- ✓ Contaminants
- √ MOSH/MOAH



Higher level information Understanding

Data mining machine learning unsupervised/supervised

Data processing targeted/untargeted profiling/fingerprinting

Multidimensional **Analytical platforms**

1D/2D Chromatography Detection:

- (HR)-Mass Spectrometry
- Olfactometry
- Parallel detection

T. Hofmann et al.

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Chemistry of Smell

Nature's Chemical Signatures in Human Olfaction: A Foodborne Perspective for Future Biotechnology

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Artificial Intelligence smelling machine

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Context: Sensomics1

Principle: <u>key-odorants and odorants patterns evoke specific smells/aroma</u> <u>qualities while contributing to define the overall flavor perception of a food</u>

- identity

Methods: <u>extract</u>, <u>isolate</u>, <u>quantify potent odorants by reliable and robust methodologies</u>

Outcome: Sensomics-Based Expert System² (SEBES) that predicts key-aroma signatures of food without using human olfaction.

Computer Vision

"... is a field of artificial intelligence (AI) that enables computers and systems to derive meaningful information from digital images....— and take actions or make recommendations based on that information.

If AI enables computers to think, <u>computer vision</u> <u>enables them to see</u>, <u>observe and understand</u>."³



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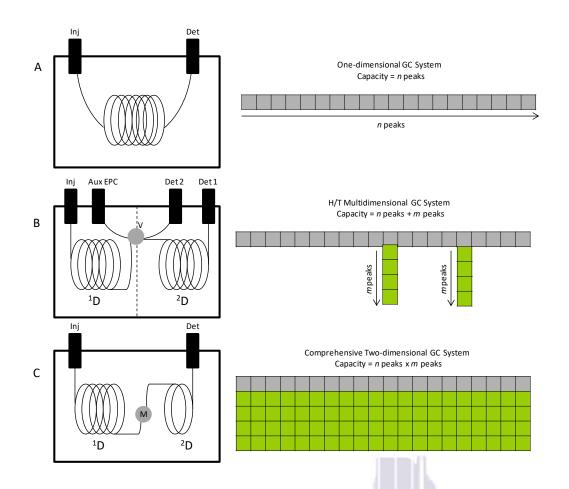
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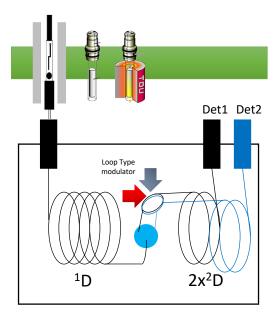
Comprehensive 2D GC





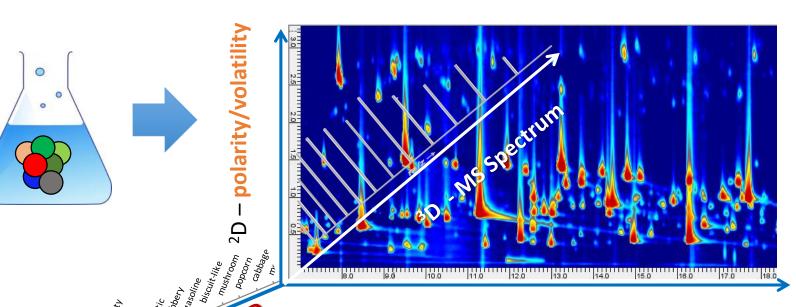
- ✓ Separation power (peak capacity) is given by the product of the two chromatographic dimensions (GC×GC)¹
- ✓ Independent (almost) displacement in both dimensions produces rational retention patterns for homologue series¹
- ✓ Band compression (in space for thermal modulators) produces signal-to-noise ratio enhancement sensitivity
- ✓ Bi-dimensional peak patterns exploits a 3D space where fingerprinting could be more accurate that in a 2D space (as for 1D-GC profiles)





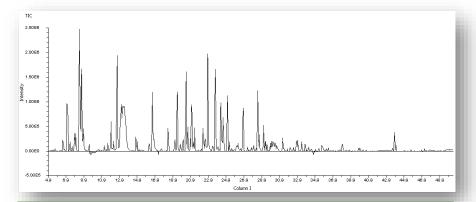
Sample prep - GC×2GC-MS/FID Sample prep - GC(O)×GC-MS

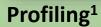
Information dimensions
spectral signature (identity)
volatility/polarity
sensory descriptor (bio-assay)



¹D - volatility separation

Conventional 1D GC





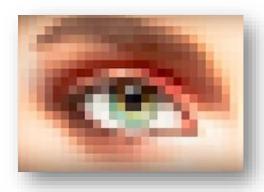
detailed analysis of the chemical pattern

Target(ed) analysis²

GC-MS metadata (retention and spectra) analytes <u>identity</u> and <u>amount</u>

Chromatographic fingerprinting^{1,3}

general and rapid high-throughput screening -> discriminate/classify samples



Limits

high chemical dimensionality⁴ complexity of food samples



Prof. Philip Marriott

"If you are not using GC×GC, you will never know what you are missing!"

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isomers/isobars might co-elute and analytes discrimination becomes challenging

Need of multiple dimensions (separation / detection) to explore compositional complexity⁴

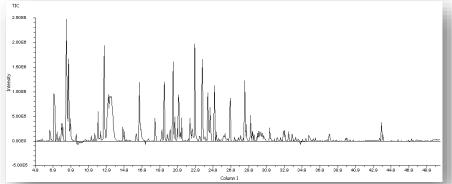
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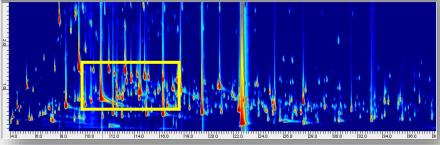
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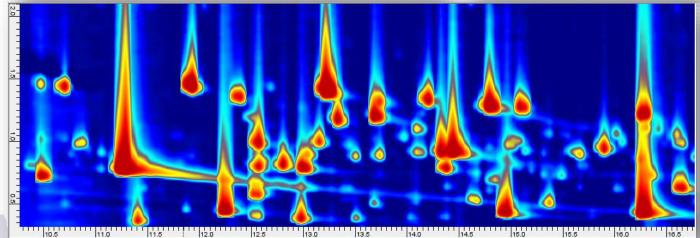




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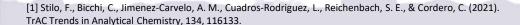
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"High resolution" profiling
GC×GC separation power
accurate quantitative profiling

2D/3D Chromatographic fingerprinting¹
pattern recognition (forensics)
comprehensive sample comparison

Group-Type AnalysisRational retention logic
Ordered elution patterns

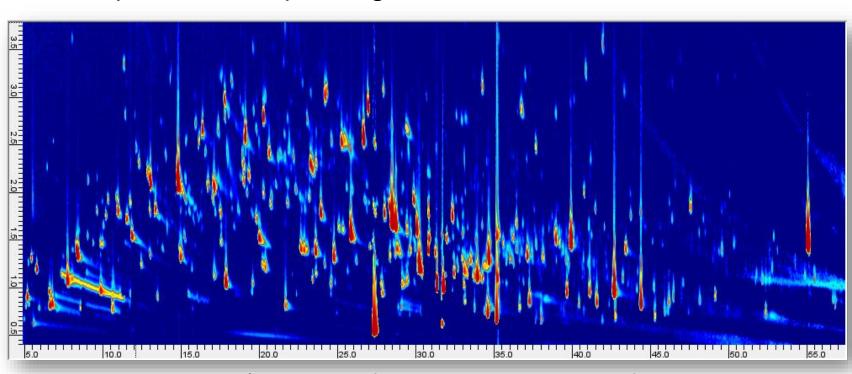






Roasted cocoa from Sao Tomé volatiles HS-SPME (CAR/PDMS/DVB) - 500 mg - 50°C/50 min

Chemical dimensions
²D - volatility separation (DB1701



¹D - polarity/volatility separation (PEG / Carbowax)



About 700 detectable features (2D peaks) over 20 S/N

Of them 220 reliably identified by 70 eV spectrum and I^{T} coherence

Various chemical classes highly correlated with post-harvesting practices, fermentation processes, technological impact, aroma compounds and potent odorants



220 targeted compounds

Aldehydes

13%

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Ketones

Acetone

4-Methyl-3-penten-2-one

3-Hydroxy-2-butanone

1-Hydroxy-2-propanone

3-Hepten-2-one

6-Methyl-5-hepten-2-one

4-Hydroxy-4-methyl-2-pentanone

1-Acetyloxy-2-propanone

2-Undecanone

Acetophenone

Geranyl acetone

Alcohols

1-Octanol

Ethanol 2-Methyl-3-buten-2-ol 2-Furan methanol 2-Methyl-1-propanol 4-Butoxy-1-butanol 1-Methoxy-2-propanol 5-Methyl-2-Furan 1-Penten-3-ol methanol 2-Methyl-1-butanol 1-Phenyl ethanol 1-Pentanol Geraniol 2-Heptanol Benzyl alcohol Hept-4-en-2-ol Phenylethyl Alcohol 1-Hexanol 1,4-Butanediol 2.4-Dimethyl-3-Phenol pentanol 2-phenoxy-ethanol 2-Pentanol Hexen-1-ol 3-Ethoxy-1-propanol 1-Butanol 2-Butoxyethanol 2-Hexanol 2-Ethyl-1-hexanol

4-Isopropoxybutanol

Ethyl 2-methylbutanoate Ethyl 3-methylbutanoate Butyl acetate 2-Pentyl acetate 1-Butanol, 3-methyl-, acetate Ethyl pentanoate Butyl 2-methyl propanoate 4-Methyl-2-pentyl acetate Ethyl 4-methylpentanoate 4-Pentenyl acetate Butyl butanoate

2-Pentenyl acetate

Methyl acetate

Ethyl propanoate

Ethyl butanoate

1 - Methyl propyl acetate

2-Methylpropyl acetate

Ethyl Acetate

Ethyl tiglate Prenyl acetate 2-Heptyl acetate Hexyl acetate Methyl 2-hydroxypropanoate Ethyl heptanoate Ethyl 2-hydroxypropanoate 2-Propenyl hexanoate 1,1-Ethanediol-diacetate Ethyl 2-hydroxy-3-methylbutanoate Ethyl octanoate Octyl acetate 2,3-Butanedioldiacetate 2,3-Butanedioldiacetate Ethyl 2-hydroxy-4-methylpentanoate Pentyl acetate Linalyl acetate

Ethyl hexanoate

Menthyl acetate

Others

5%.

Terpenoids

5%

Esters

28%

Ketones

Heterocycles

17%

Acids

Alcohols

1-Methoxy-2-propyl acetate Isobornyl acetate Ethyl isobutyrate Tetrahydrofurfuryl acetate Ethyl 2-methylpropanoate Ethyl decanoate Ethyl benzoate Linalyl propionate 2-Phenyl ethyl acetate Ethyl dodecanoate 2- Methyl propyl benzoate Ethyl 3-phenylpropionate γ-.octalactone delta-2-decenolactone v-nonalactone Triacetin

Acids

Acetic acid

Propanoic acid 3-hydroxy-Butanoic acid

2-Methyl propanoic acid Butanoic acid

3-Methyl butanoic acid

Hexanoic acid

Octanoic acid

Nonanoic acid

Aldehydes

Acetaldehyde 2-Methylpropanal

2-Methyl-butanal

3-Methyl-butanal

Hexanal

2-Methyl-2-butenal

Heptanal

Esters

2-Ethyl-2-hexenal

5-Methyl-isopropyl-2hexenal

Nonanal

Furfural

Decanal

Benzaldehvde

2-Nonenal

Undecanal

Phenyl acetaldehyde

Dodecanal

Benzyl acetate

Tridecanal

3-Phenylpropenal

3-Phenyl-2-propenal

Tetradecanal

2-Phenyl-2-butenal

1H-Pyrrole-2carboxaldehyde **Terpenoids**

α-pinene Myrcene Limonene Eucalyptol Terpinene Trans-linalool oxide

Heterocycles

2,5-Dimethylpyrazine

2,3-Dimethyl pyrazine

2-ethyl-3,6-dimethyl-pyrazine

2-ethyl-3,5-dimethyl-pyrazine

3,4,5,6-Tetramethyl-2-pyridone

3,5,6-Trimethyl-2-ethylpyrazine

2,2,6,6-Tetramethyl-4-piperidone

Dihydro-5-methyl-2(3H)-furanone

2-Acetyl-3,5-dimethylpyrazine

6-Methyltetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-one 4-Hydroxy-2,5-dimethyl-3(2H)-furanone

Methyl pyrazine

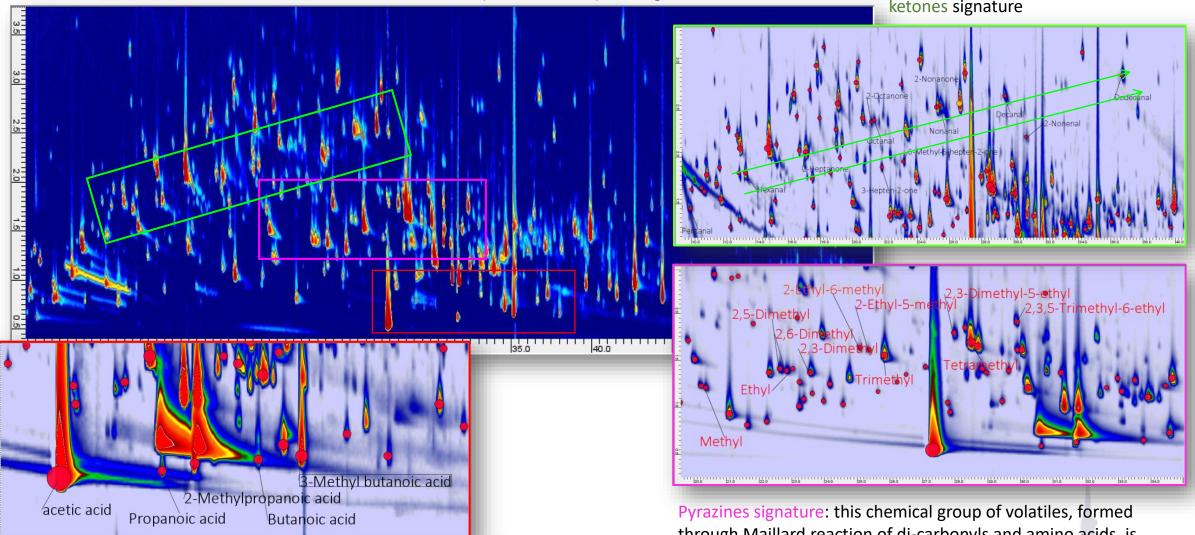
Ethylpyrazine





Roasted cocoa from Sao Tomé volatiles HS-SPME (CAR/PDMS/DVB) - 500 mg - 50°C/50 min

Linear saturated aldehydes and ketones signature



Short chain fatty acids signature: linear and branched chain FAs derived from beans fermentation during post-harvest

through Maillard reaction of di-carbonyls and amino acids, is informative about geographical origin of cocoa.

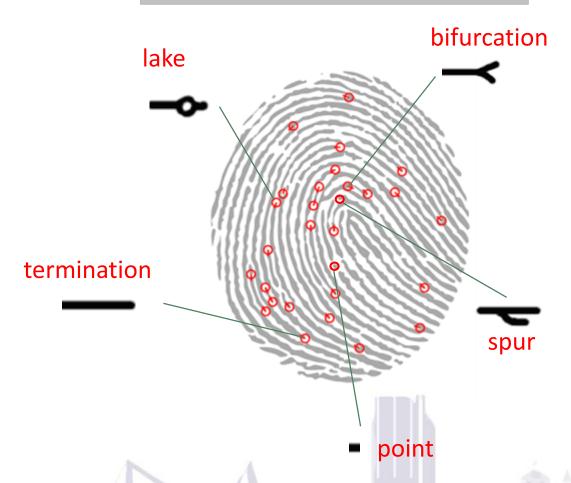
Pyrazines are also key-odorants imparting earthy and roasty notes

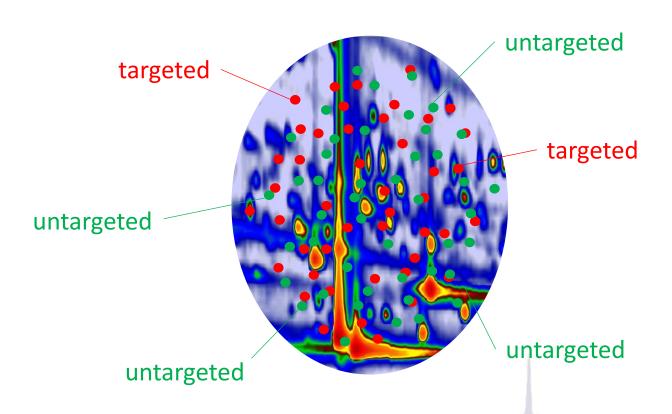
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DATA PROCESSING

Targeted - fingerprinting Untargeted Targeted² - fingerprinting





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DATA PROCESSING 1.6 Blob Properties Labels Statistics Analysis Qualifier/Quantifier Ions Compound Name Octanal Analysis CLIC (aCLIC) Compound Libr Qualifier CLIC (qCLIC) | 00.0) & (RMatch("<ms>") >= 700.0 \(\times \) Group Name odorants II Reference MS 334.0,550.0;339.0,340.0;349.0,860.0; Constellation Name Reference Peak Compound Description saturated aldehydes LRI (WAX) 1277±7 Auto Fill 15.0 14.0 14.5 Flags ✓ Include Add Text Object Internal Standard Add Chemical Structure Exclude Set Color Custom Color OK and View Spectrum OK Hit List Cancel

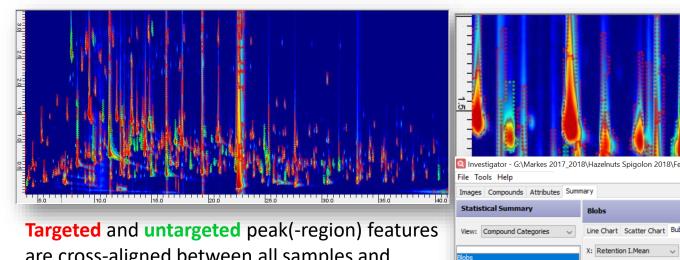
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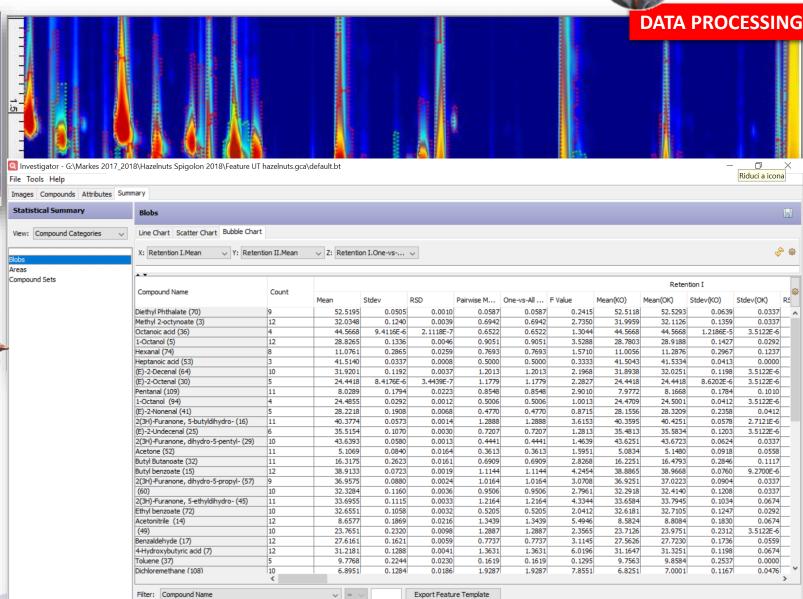


"... Computer vision enables them to see, observe and understand..."1 How can we see compositional differences? -> Comprehensive Chromatographic Fingerprinting



are cross-aligned between all samples and metadata collected for further processing.





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Cocoa origins identitation by Computer Vision



Platform

Columns set-up and qMS acquisition





 1 D - Polar PEG (Heavy-Wax) $20 \text{ m} \times 0.18 \text{ mm} \times 0.18 \mu\text{m}$ He carrier @ **0.4 mL/min** ²D - Medium polarity OV1701 1.8 m × 0.18 mm × 0.18μm He carrier @ 8 mL/min **GC Oven programming**: 40°C(2.02′) to 270°C (10.08′) @ 3.47°/min

S/SL injector: 250°C, split mode, split ratio 1:20

MS Transfer line: 280°C qMS at 70 eV

MS Aquisition: Mass range 40-350 m/z; acquisition frequency 25 Hz,

FID Acquisition: frequency 200 Hz

Modulation period: 3.0s, modulation pulse 200 ms

Bleeding capillary: 3.12 m, d_c 0,10 mm



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Advanced fingerprinting of high-quality cocoa: Challenges in transferring methods from thermal to differential-flow modulated comprehensive two dimensional gas chromatography

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SAMPLES

South America CO Colombia; EC Ecuador; VEN Venezuela



Trinidad - TRI (Africa)

CH Mexico JA Java ST Sao Tomè

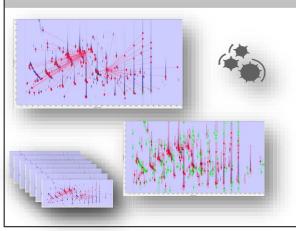




Can we easily SEE pattern differences even if chemical dimensionality is high?

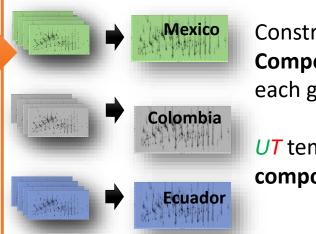


Step 1 - *UT fingerprinting* - all samples



Construction of a untargeted and targeted peaks *UT* template

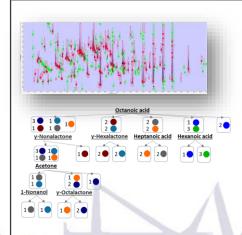
Step 2 - Composite Class-images



Construction of
Composite-class images for each group

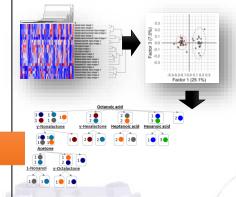
UT template matching to
composite class images

Step 4 - Validation



Confirmation of the discriminant role of markers using classic fingerprinting based on single chromatograms

Step 3 - Machine Learning - Chemometrics



Unsupervised statistics
(HC and PCA)
Supervised statistics
(PLS-DA and Classification tree)





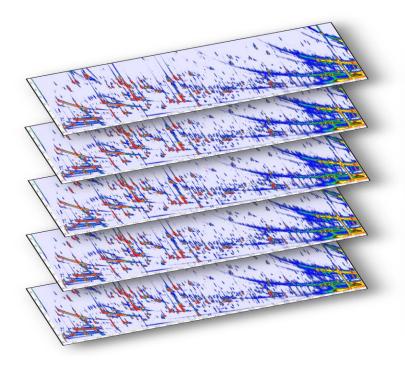
Processed 2D chromatograms - *UT* template already applied

Alignment of 2D chromatograms and generation of a composite chromatogram for each sample group

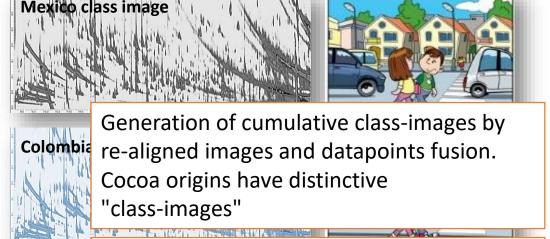
Definition of pattern of peak-regions for all detected 2D peaks

Building of *feature* templates with *reliable* peaks and peak-regions

Computer vision

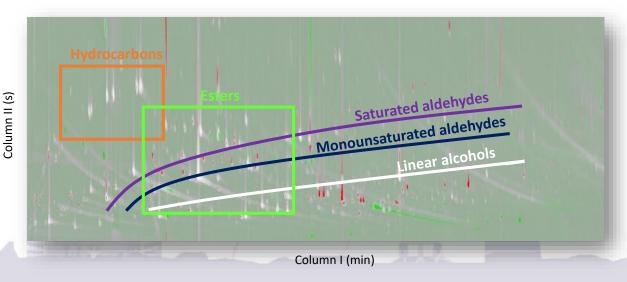






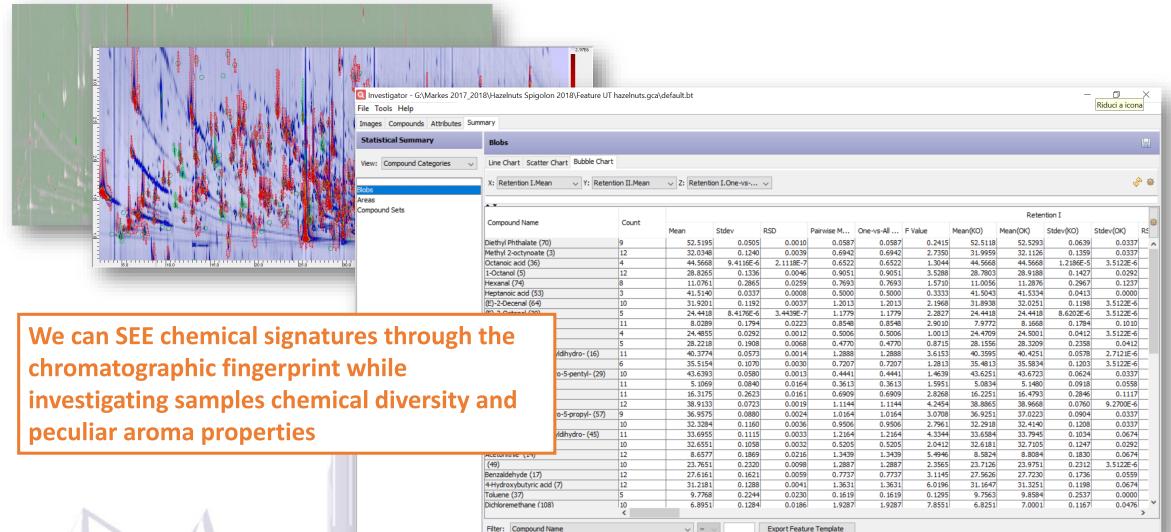
Class-images can be "pair-wise" compared to delineate diagnostic chemical patterns

Pair-wise comparison datapoint features UT peak-regions mapped









Cocoa origins identitation by Computer Vision -> Al smelling



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Comprehensive Chemical Fingerprinting of High-Quality Cocoa at Early Stages of Processing: Effectiveness of Combined Untargeted and Targeted Approaches for Classification and Discrimination

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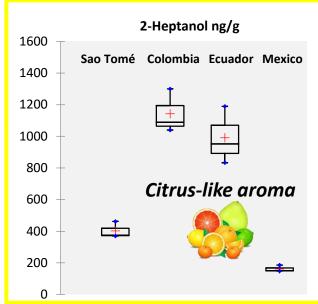
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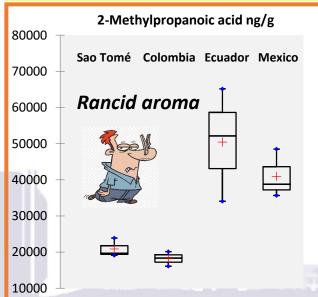
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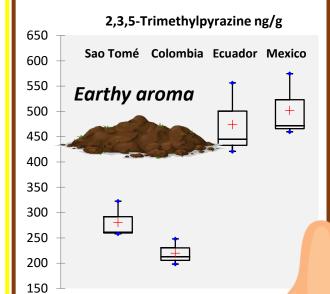
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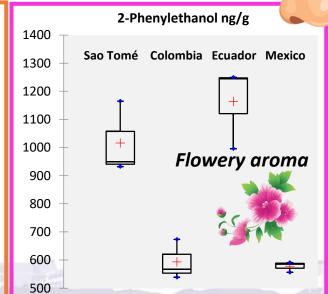
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By quantitative fingerprinting, the *identitation* achieves high robustness and transferability over time and over analytical platforms













Al smelling machine -

Al smelling machine -> Sensomic-based expert system acting as ...





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Figure 1. Ortho (-■-) Criollo

Odor Activ

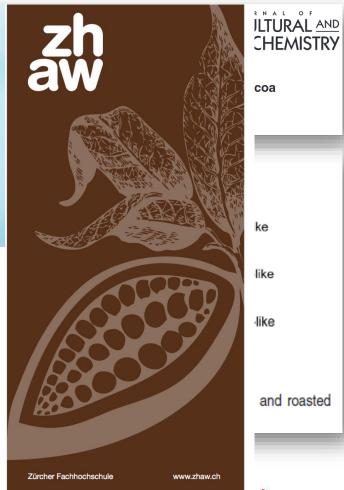


Table 4. Odor Thresholds and OAVs of Important Aroma Compounds in Unroasted and Roasted Cocoa Beans

		OAV^b	
	odor threshold ^a	unroasted	roasted
odorant	$(\mu g/kg)$	beans	beans
acetic acid	124°	8870	2660
3-methylbutanoic acid	22°	424	440
ethyl 2-methylbutanoate	0.26^{c}	138	135
3-methylbutanal	13°	123	2610
methylpropanoic acid	190 ^d	51	73
3-hydroxy-4,5-dimethyl-2(5H)-furanone	0.2 ^c	43	65
ethyl 2-methylpropanoate	1.24°	25	21
2-methylbutanoic acid	203°	17	17
2-phenylethanol	211°	17	36
2-phenylacetic acid	360°	14	16
2-methoxyphenol	16°	6.9	14
2-heptanol	263	4.4	4.1
butanoic acid	135°	4.2	4.2
2-methylbutanal	140 ^c	4.0	32
2-phenylethyl acetate	233°	4.0	4.0
dimethyl trisulfide	2.5^{c}	3.6	21
linalool	37	3.2	3.5
phenylacetaldehyde	22°	3.0	250
2,3-diethyl-5-methylpyrazine	0.5°	2.4	6.6
δ -octenolactone	4730°	2.3	2.4
2-ethyl-3,5-dimethylpyrazine	2.2°	2.3	7.6
2-isobutyl-3-methoxypyrazine	0.8^{c}	1.3	1.2
4-hydroxy-2,5-dimethyl-3(2H)-furanone	25°	<1	48
4-methylphenol	68 ^d	<1	<1
2-ethyl-3,6-dimethylpyrazine	57°	<1	1.0
2-methyl-3-(methyldithio)furan	0.4 ^c	<1	1.5
δ -octalactone	2490°	<1	<1
2,3,5-trimethylpyrazine	290 ^d	<1	3.2
1-octen-3-one	10°	<1	<1



Al smelling machine potentials



Isoamyl acetate

2-Heptanone

Heptanal

- 3-Hydroxy-2-butanone
- 2-Heptanol
- 2-Ethyl-5-methylpyrazine
- 2-Nonanone

2,3,5-Trimethylpyrazine (REF)

3-Ethyl-2,5-dimethylpyrazine

Ethyl octanoate

2-Ethyl-3,6-dimethylpyrazine

Benzaldehyde

- 2-Methylpropanoic acid
- γ-Butyrolactone
- 3-Methylbutanoic acid

Ethyl phenyl acetate

2-Phenylethyl acetate

Guaiacol

- 2-Phenylethanol
- (E)-2-Phenyl-2-butenal
- 2-Acetyl pyrrole

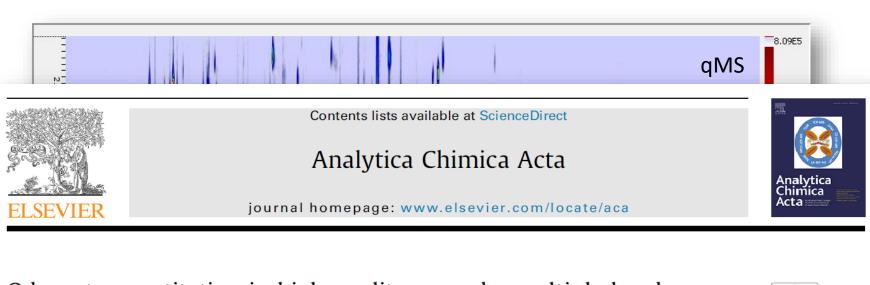
Phenol

Octanoic acid

DDMP

Phenylacetic acid

Sensomics-based expert system¹ acting as AI *smelling machine*



Odorants quantitation in high-quality cocoa by multiple headspace solid phase micro-extraction: Adoption of FID-predicted response factors to extend method capabilities and information potential



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Al smelling machine potentials

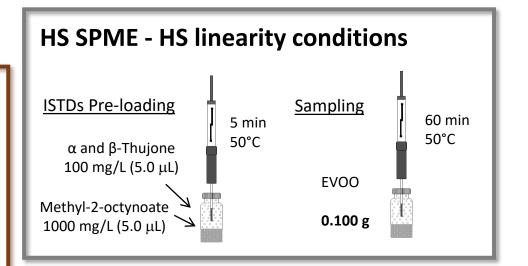


Cocoa samples at different processing stages

Accurate quantification of potent odorants responsible of **sensory quality** (*i.e.*, positive attributes and defects) Al *smelling SEBES principle*

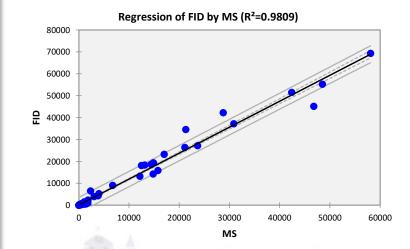
Comprehensive mapping of all detectable analytes - origin *identitation*

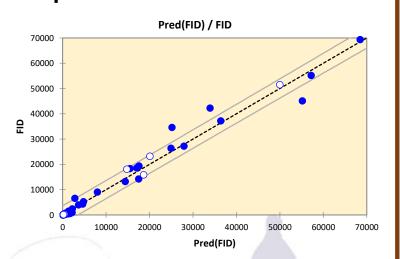




Predicted Relative
Response Factors (RRFs)
based on combustion
enthalpies and molecular
structure¹ - FID
quantification without ESTD

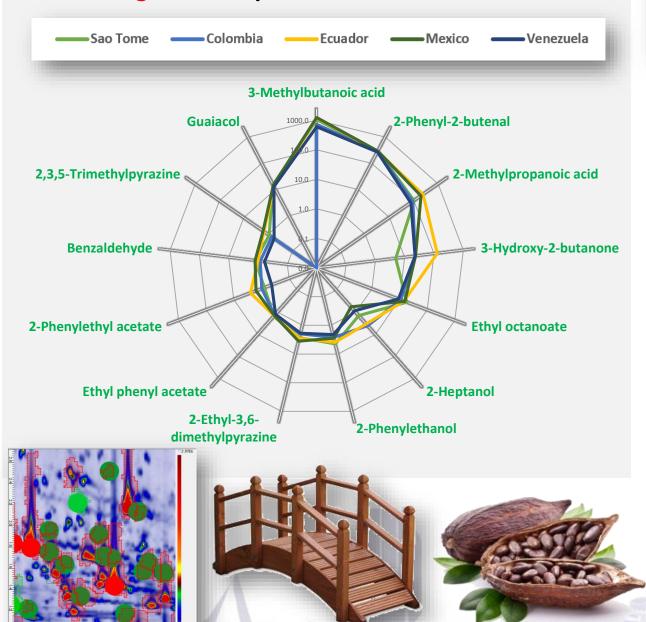
Accuracy results - MS vs. FID and FID vs. predicted RRFs

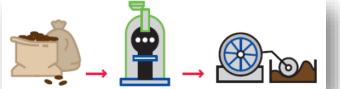




Al smelling machine potentials

log OAVs











...the boundaries between chemistry and biology are vanishing¹...

> Chromatographic Fingerprinting and Computer vision Identitation





Fingerprinting/profiling to unreveal marker patterns

Artificial Intelligence smelling machine molecular resolution tool

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