



**Recent Developments in Pharmaceutical Analysis** 

# Comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography a *gestalt* technique in food metabolomics

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#### Foreword

Do we need <u>more powerful approaches to 1D-GC</u> separations in food investigations? Does comprehensive multidimensional chromatography <u>open</u> <u>new opportunities</u> to food metabolomics?

**Gestalt:** something that is made of many parts and yet is somehow more than or different from the combination of its parts

#### **Key-concepts**

- ✓ Analytical dimensions of a GC×GC platform
- ✓ Investigation strategies: a change of perspective from 1D -> 2D
  - <u>Pattern recognition</u> -> chromatographic fingerprinting
  - <u>Computer vision</u>
  - <u>Artificial Intelligence smelling</u> based on sensomics

**Shelling nuts**: an *omics* approach to unravel hazelnut quality and flavor by advanced chromatographic fingerprinting

#### **Conclusive remarks**



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

**Prof. Thomas Hofmann** J. Agric. Food Chem. 2015, 63, 32, 7095–7096

**Data mining** machine learning unsupervised/supervised

Data processing targeted/untargeted profiling/fingerprinting

#### Analytical platform

Columns combination Modulation technology Detection:

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

#### REVIEW ARTICLE

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

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**Food metabolomics** Chemical composition of food *vs*.

✓ crop botanical origin
 ✓ harvesting area
 ✓ climate impact
 ✓ post-harvest
 ✓ storage conditions

Sensomics Food hedonic profile

✓ potent odorants
 ✓ chemical odor code
 ✓ volatiles patterns
 ✓ odor activity value





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Nutrimetabolomics Human metabolome by

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

#### **Food volatilomics**

- ✓ spoilage
  ✓ sensory profile
- ✓ botanical tracers
- ✓ technological
- indicators
- ✓ authenticity









Is ...something that is made of many parts and yet is somehow more than or different from the combination of its parts<sup>1</sup>... useful

Does comprehensive multidimensional chromatography <u>offer new opportunities in food</u> <u>components profiling and fingerprinting</u>?

Does it <u>facilitate the access to higher level</u> <u>information</u>?

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# Comprehensive 2D GC





- Separation power (peak capacity) is given by the product of the two chromatographic dimensions (GC×GC)<sup>1</sup>
- ✓ Independent (almost) displacement in both dimensions produces rational retention patterns for homologue series<sup>1</sup>
- 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)

[1] Giddings, J.C. (1987), Concepts and comparisons in multidimensional separation. J. High Resol. Chromatogr., 10: 319-323.

#### Conventional 1D GC



# **Profiling<sup>1</sup>** detailed analysis of the chemical pattern

#### Target(ed) analysis<sup>2</sup>

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

Chromatographic fingerprinting<sup>1,3</sup> general and rapid high-throughput screening -> discriminate/classify samples



#### Limits

high chemical dimensionality<sup>4</sup> complexity of food samples

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

Need of multiple dimensions (separation / detection) to explore compositional complexity<sup>4</sup>



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[3] Stilo, F., Bicchi, C., Jimenez-Carvelo, A.M., Cuadros-Rodriguez, L., Reichenbach, S.E., Cordero, C. TrAC Trends Anal. Chem. 134 (2021) 116133 [4] Giddings, J. C. (1995) J. Chromatogr. A. 703, 3–15.



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accurate quantitative profiling

2D/3D Chromatographic fingerprinting<sup>1</sup> pattern recognition (forensics) comprehensive sample comparison

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**Rational information space** 

Raw hazelnut volatiles - Rancid sample Origin Turkey HS-SPME (CAR/PDMS/DVB) - 125 mg - 50°C/50 min

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<sup>1</sup>D - polarity/volatility separation (PEG / Carbowax)

About 700 detectable features (2D peaks) over 20 S/N Of them 250 reliably identified by 70 eV spectrum and I<sup>T</sup> coherence Various chemical classes highly correlated with autoxidation processes, enzymatic peroxidation, aroma compounds and potent odorants

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Raw hazelnut volatiles - Rancid sample Origin Turkey HS-SPME (CAR/PDMS/DVB) - 125 mg - 50°C/50 min

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A **fingerprint** is the pattern of ridges and valleys on the surface of a fingertip -> Everyone has unique fingerprints

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# **Untargeted - Targeted**

UT - extended investigation

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### Untargeted/Targeted Fingerprinting<sup>1-4</sup> - comprehensive mapping

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### **Untargeted/Targeted** Fingerprinting - comprehensive mapping

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**Targeted** and **untargeted** peak(-region) features are cross-aligned between all samples and metadata collected for further processing.

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Compound Name	Count	Retention I										
		Mean	Stdev	RSD	Pairwise M	One-vs-All	F Value	Mean(KO)	Mean(OK)	Stdev(KO)	Stdev(OK)	
Diethyl Phthalate (70)	9	52.5195	0.0505	0.0010	0.0587	0.0587	0.2415	52.5118	52.5293	0.0639	0.0337	7
Methyl 2-octynoate (3)	12	32.0348	0.1240	0.0039	0.6942	0.6942	2.7350	31.9959	32.1126	0.1359	0.0337	7
Octanoic acid (36)	4	44.5668	9.4116E-6	2.1118E-7	0.6522	0.6522	1.3044	44.5668	44.5668	1.2186E-5	3.5122E-6	6
1-Octanol (5)	12	28.8265	0.1336	0.0046	0.9051	0.9051	3.5288	28.7803	28.9188	0.1427	0.0292	2
Hexanal (74)	8	11.0761	0.2865	0.0259	0.7693	0.7693	1.5710	11.0056	11.2876	0.2967	0.1237	7
Heptanoic acid (53)	3	41.5140	0.0337	0.0008	0.5000	0.5000	0.3333	41.5043	41.5334	0.0413	0.000	0
(E)-2-Decenal (64)	10	31.9201	0.1192	0.0037	1.2013	1.2013	2.1968	31.8938	32.0251	0.1198	3.5122E-6	6
(E)-2-Octenal (30)	5	24.4418	8.4176E-6	3.4439E-7	1.1779	1.1779	2.2827	24.4418	24.4418	8.6202E-6	3.5122E-6	6
Pentanal (109)	11	8.0289	0.1794	0.0223	0.8548	0.8548	2.9010	7.9772	8.1668	0.1784	0.1010	0
1-Octanol (94)	4	24.4855	0.0292	0.0012	0.5006	0.5006	1.0013	24.4709	24.5001	0.0412	3.5122E-6	6
(E)-2-Nonenal (41)	5	28.2218	0.1908	0.0068	0.4770	0.4770	0.8715	28.1556	28.3209	0.2358	0.0412	2
2(3H)-Furanone, 5-butyldihydro- (16)	11	40.3774	0.0573	0.0014	1.2888	1.2888	3.6153	40.3595	40.4251	0.0578	2.7121E-6	6
(E)-2-Undecenal (25)	6	35.5154	0.1070	0.0030	0.7207	0.7207	1.2813	35.4813	35.5834	0.1203	3.5122E-6	6
2(3H)-Furanone, dihydro-5-pentyl- (29)	10	43.6393	0.0580	0.0013	0.4441	0.4441	1.4639	43.6251	43.6723	0.0624	0.0337	7
Acetone (52)	11	5.1069	0.0840	0.0164	0.3613	0.3613	1.5951	5.0834	5.1480	0.0918	0.0558	8
Butyl Butanoate (32)	11	16.3175	0.2623	0.0161	0.6909	0.6909	2.8268	16.2251	16.4793	0.2846	0.1117	7
Butyl benzoate (15)	12	38.9133	0.0723	0.0019	1.1144	1.1144	4.2454	38.8865	38.9668	0.0760	9.2700E-6	6
2(3H)-Furanone, dihydro-5-propyl- (57)	9	36.9575	0.0880	0.0024	1.0164	1.0164	3.0708	36.9251	37.0223	0.0904	0.0337	7
(60)	10	32.3284	0.1160	0.0036	0.9506	0.9506	2.7961	32.2918	32.4140	0.1208	0.0337	7
2(3H)-Furanone, 5-ethyldihydro- (45)	11	33.6955	0.1115	0.0033	1.2164	1.2164	4.3344	33.6584	33.7945	0.1034	0.0674	4
Ethyl benzoate (72)	10	32.6551	0.1058	0.0032	0.5205	0.5205	2.0412	32.6181	32.7105	0.1247	0.0292	2
Acetonitrile (14)	12	8.6577	0.1869	0.0216	1.3439	1.3439	5.4946	8.5824	8.8084	0.1830	0.0674	4
(49)	10	23.7651	0.2320	0.0098	1.2887	1.2887	2.3565	23.7126	23.9751	0.2312	3.5122E-6	6
Benzaldehyde (17)	12	27.6161	0.1621	0.0059	0.7737	0.7737	3.1145	27.5626	27.7230	0.1736	0.0559	9
4-Hydroxybutyric acid (7)	12	31.2181	0.1288	0.0041	1.3631	1.3631	6.0196	31.1647	31.3251	0.1198	0.0674	4
Toluene (37)	5	9.7768	0.2244	0.0230	0.1619	0.1619	0.1295	9.7563	9.8584	0.2537	0.0000	0
Dichloremethane (108)	10	6.8951	0.1284	0.0186	1.9287	1.9287	7.8551	6.8251	7.0001	0.1167	0.0476	6

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Raw ingredient for confectionery products Turkey is the leading producer (about 75% of world production) Italy follows as second in the ranking

 Industrial partner world leader in the production of confectionery products based on hazeInuts

Need for <u>objective</u>
 <u>evaluation</u> of <u>quality</u>

Quality assessment at industrial level focuses on morphological aspects, presence of damaged kernels, perceivable sensory defects (mould, rancid, *cimiciato*, stale etc..)

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Corylus avellana L.

**Step-ahead in quality assessment** *molecular resolution* probes:

- ✓ <u>qualification</u> (oxidation status, shelf-life storage effectiveness, bacterial and mold grow)
- ✓ <u>identitation<sup>1</sup></u> (cultivar, origin, harvest area)
- ✓ definition of *aroma potential*<sup>2</sup>

#### AI decision makers

- 1. Computer Vision in defected hazelnuts VOCs patterns
- Smelling machine aroma blueprint
- 3. Aroma precursors pattern

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#### Volatiles < 0.001%

- Hydrocarbons
- Terpenoids
- Alcohols (linear and branched)
- Carbonyl derivatives
- Carboxylic acids
- Esters
- Lactones

#### **Encrypts a lot of information**

- geographical origin
- phenotyping and chemotyping
- multitrophic interactions (plantsinsects)
- presence of bacteria and moulds
- scent and odorous compounds
- distinctive aroma blueprint

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#### **Computer Vision**

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"... 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>."<sup>3</sup>

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AI decision-makers Computer Vision in defected hazelnuts volatilome patterns

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An effective chromatographic fingerprinting workflow based on comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography – Mass spectrometry to establish volatiles patterns discriminative of spoiled hazelnuts (*Corylus avellana* L.)

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Augmented visualization by computer vision and chromatographic fingerprinting on comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatographic patterns: Unraveling diagnostic signatures in food volatilome

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#### Untargeted/Targeted (UT) fingerprinting on single chromatograms

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Generation of composite class-images from samples groups - one for each sensory defect ✓ patterns re-alignment by reliable 2D peaks and raw data summation (composite image)

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#### Cumulative class-image "Mould"

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The effect of dominant variables (origin, harvest year, cultivar, shelf-life etc..) is minimized while the "signature" of *mold* sensory defect emphasized - easier detection

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Composite class-images from samples groups - one for each sensory defect

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Datapoint features fingerprinting combined to peak-regions UT fingerprinting

Computer vision and chemical patterns

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#### **Artificial Intelligence smelling**

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Quality assessment at industrial level focuses on morphological aspects, presence of damaged kernels, perceivable sensory defects (mould, rancid, *cimiciato*, stale etc..)

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#### *AI* decision makers *AI Smelling machine* - aroma blueprint

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Artificial Intelligence decision-making tools based on comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography data: the challenge of quantitative volatilomics in food quality assessment

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Sensomics<sup>1</sup>

AI Smelling

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

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## **Artificial Intelligence smelling machine**

Context: Sensomics<sup>1</sup>

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</u> <u>methodologies</u>

Outcome: Sensomics-Based Expert System<sup>2</sup> (SEBES) that predicts key-aroma signatures of food without using human olfaction.

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#### Develop a sensomics-based expert system acting as AI *smelling machine*

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Aroma profile of raw hazelnuts from different cultivar/origin<sup>1</sup>

**Key-aroma compounds** - raw hazelnuts odorants occurring in amounts that exceed the OT (Odor Activity Value > 1). Their omission in aroma recombinates does not reproduce the flavour blueperint of the original product.

	'Tonda Romana'	'Tonda Gentile'	Akçakoca
hexanal	3	<1	8
3-methyl-4-heptanone	141	126	93
5-methyl-(E)-2-hepten-4-one	2	2	2
2-acetyl-1-pyrroline	24	24	24
dimethyl trisulfide	1	1	1
2-propionyl-1-pyrroline	22	22	22
2-furfuryl mercaptan	8	8	8
3-(methylthio)propionaldehyde	15	15	15
3,5-dimethyl-2-ethylpyrazine	1	1	1
2,3-diethyl-5-methylpyrazine	9	9	9
3,7-dimethylocta-1,6-dien-3-ol	12	12	12
2-acetyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine	46	46	46
2-acetyl-3,4,5,6-tetrahydropridine	36	36	36
3-methylbutanoic acid	2	1	1
(E,E)-2,4-nonadienal	6	3	29

![](_page_27_Picture_0.jpeg)

Storage quality markers 1-heptanol (green, chemical), 2-octanol (metal, burnt), 1-octen-3-ol (mushroom), (E)-2-heptenal (fatty, almond), hexanal (leaf-like, green), heptanal (fatty), octanal (fatty) and nonanal (tallowy, fruity).

#### Key-aroma compounds

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#### **Spoiled hazelnuts markers**

octanoic acid positively correlated to mould; y-nonalactone, y-hexalactone, acetone, and 1-nonanol are decisive to classify OK and rancid samples; heptanoic and hexanoic acids and y-octalactone are present in high abundance rancid-solvent and rancid-stale samples.

#### Strategy

Multiple Headspace SPME Accurate quantification / ESTD and RF

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Differential-flow modulator parallel detection qMS/FID

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### Aroma blueprint of spoiled hazelnuts OAVs >1

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# Thank you for your attention

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- Prof. Carlo Bicchi Prof. Stephen E. Reichenbach
- Dr. Qingping Tao

GC Image

Software for Multidimensional Chromatography

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