

31 **1. Introduction**

32 There are different approaches to the product quality assessment: transcendent, product-
33 based, user-based, manufacturing-based and values based (Garvin, 1988; Pickel, 1989).
34 Some are based on the stand point of the product attributes “what the product is“ and the
35 others on the consumers stand point – ”what a consumer gets“, how the product is
36 perceived by the individual. That is similar to the criteria based on intrinsic and extrinsic
37 factors developed by Bech, Juhl, Hansen, Martens & Anderson (2000) who modelled
38 the relationship between the subjective quality as perceived by consumer and the
39 objective quality as a help in product development. The objective quality is constituted
40 of the total measurable or documentary attributes of a product (Grunert, Jeepesen,
41 Risom, Sonne, Hansen & Trondsen, 2002). Food quality besides product attributes
42 concerns also the production system, how much energy is used, or how the raw
43 materials are produced, but to the consumers it is proven that sensory quality of bread is
44 more important (Kihlberg, Johansson, Kohler & Risvik, 2004).

45 Bakery products have a short shelf-life, and the loss of freshness has a negative
46 influence on product quality and consumer acceptance. The staling process involves
47 decrease in the mobility of water due to reassociation of polymers, and crystallization of
48 amylopectin (Baik & Chinachoti, 2000; Gray & BeMiller, 2003). One of the approaches
49 to increase bread shelf-life up to twelve months is freezing that can be applied before
50 proofing, to the partially baked bread or at fully baked bread (Rosell & Gomez, 2007).
51 Bake off technology that consists in producing bread from industrial refrigerated or
52 frozen or non frozen bakery goods and retailing them to the bakery shops and
53 supermarkets for the final baking, has many advantages and among them the

54 standardization of product quality is very important. Frozen partially baked bakery
55 products are among the leading products in terms of innovation in the bread industry. If
56 the process is optimized, obtained bread has sensory and textural properties close to the
57 bread obtained by a conventional method (Bárcenas, Benedito, & Rosell, 2004;
58 Barcenas & Rosell, 2005).

59 One of the major problems of the part-baked and frozen bakery product is crust flaking
60 (Le Bail, Monteau, Margerie, Lucas, Chargelegue & Reverdy, 2005). Crust flaking can
61 be related to mechanical damages due to the intense thermomechanical shock during
62 chilling–freezing and final baking. Furthermore, many studies have reported that frozen
63 part-baked bread has a smaller loaf volume, a rougher crust and a more compact crumb
64 due to the processing conditions, especially freezing conditions (Carr, Rodas, Della
65 Torre & Tadini, 2006; Bárcenas, Benedito, & Rosell, 2004; Bárcenas & Rosell, 2007).

66 The quality of bread made from frozen dough is influenced by dough formulation, as
67 well as process parameters such as dough mixing time (Rouille, Le Bail, & Coucoux,
68 2000), freezing rate, storage duration, and thawing rate (Inoue & Bushuk, 1991; Le Bail,
69 Havet, & Pasco, 1998; Lu & Grant, 1999; Neyreneuf & Delpuech, 1993). Several
70 problems in the production of bread from frozen dough have been described, mainly
71 reduced yeast activity, prolonged fermentation time, and loaf volume lowering (Inoue &
72 Boshuh, 1992; Rosell & Gomez, 2007) mostly due to the physical damage of the protein
73 network (Varriano-Marston, Hsu, & Mahdi, 1980) and the yeast deterioration.

74 The bread freshness can be assessed through texture analysis (Armero & Collar, 1998).
75 The textural profile can be identified instrumentally by universal textural instrument or

76 sensory measuring attributes from consumers approach. Brady & Mayer (1985) obtained
77 low correlation coefficients between sensory and instrumental analysis of textural
78 attributes of rye and French bread. Nevertheless, it is was established by Gambaro,
79 Varela & Gimenez (2002) that instrumental cohesiveness positively correlated to the
80 soft center, softness, stickiness, and sensory chewiness, visual dryness, oral hardness
81 and manual hardness. According to Collar & Bollaín (2005), a good accordance between
82 sensory and instrumental patterns of bread crumb texture during aging of enzyme
83 supplemented breads was observed. In research of Wang, Zhou, & Isabelle (2007) good
84 correlation between the sensory evaluation and instrumental analysis of bread
85 supplemented with green tea extract was set in colour intensity determination but not in
86 porosity determination while the correlation coefficients for the hardness were relatively
87 low for the trained panelists and high for the untrained panelists.

88 The aim of this study was to establish a methodology allowing the global assessment of
89 the quality of bread. For this purpose, a quality index has been designed and is evaluated
90 by comparing breads made in different conditions. The white wheat breads with
91 extended keepability produced by bake off technology were used as test samples. The
92 physicochemical characteristics and the freshness of bread were determined
93 instrumentally and sensory in order to find the relation of quantitative expression of the
94 product quality relatively to the conventionally produced bread. Physical parameters
95 such as specific volume, shape, crumb to crust ratio, crust flaking, crust hardness, crumb
96 cell distribution and crumb firming were determined instrumentally. Descriptive sensory
97 analysis encompassing appearance, structure, texture and flavour parameters in order to
98 link technological and sensory quality was performed.

99 **2. Materials and methods**

100 *2.1. Laboratory baking*

101 For bread preparation wheat flour (chemical composition and rheological properties
102 determined by ICC Methods) obtained from Moulins Soufflet Pantin, France; improver
103 consisting of emulsifier, enzymes and ascorbic acid gained from Puratos, Belgium; fresh
104 compressed yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) from Kvasac, Croatia (Lesaffre Group,
105 France); salt from Solana Pag, Croatia and tap water were used.

106 Dough was mixed in Diosna SP40F spiral mixer 2 minutes at 90 rpm and 7 minutes at
107 180 rpm, divided automatically by Werner Pfleiderer (WP, Germany) divider, proofed
108 in WP proofing cabinet and baked in WP Rototherm oven.

109 The baking formulation for conventional (CON) bread was (weight bases): flour 100 %,
110 water 58 %, salt 2 %, compressed yeast 5 %, and improver 1 %. After mixing, the dough
111 rested for 10 minutes, it was divided into pieces 70 g and rounded. Dough pieces were
112 placed in proofing cabinet at 35 °C, 95 % RH for 60 minutes and baked at 230 °C for 17
113 minutes with 0.5 l steam at start.

114 A portion of fully baked breads was frozen (“Fully baked and frozen”, FBF) in a freezer
115 at – 22 °C and stored at – 18 °C in plastic bags for 30 days. FBF breads were unfrozen at
116 room temperature 60 minutes before analysis.

117 Partially baked and frozen (PBF) breads were prepared according to the following
118 formulation: flour 100 %, water 52 %, salt 2 %, compressed yeast 2 %, and improver 1
119 %. Dough was divided at 70 g pieces, rounded, and placed in proofing cabinet at 34 °C,

120 95 % RH for 105 minutes. Breads were partially baked at 190 °C for 3 minutes with 0.2
121 l steam at start and at 165 °C for 14 minutes. Breads were cooled at room temperature
122 30 min, frozen at -22 °C, and kept at – 18 °C for 30 days. Part-baked breads were
123 unfrozen at room temperature for 10 min and finally baked at 230 °C for 10 minutes
124 without steam.

125 The formulation for unfermented frozen dough (UFD) was as following: flour 100 %,
126 water 56 %, salt 2 %, compressed yeast 5 %, and improver 3 %. After mixing and
127 dividing, dough was frozen at - 22 °C, and kept at – 18 °C for 30 days. After 60 minutes
128 of thawing at room temperature, dough was proofed and baked in the same manner as
129 CON bread.

130 *2.2. Instrumental analysis*

131 After 1 h of cooling at room temperature, bread was subjected to the following analysis:
132 specific volume, shape, crumb to crust ratio, crust flaking, crumb cell analysis, and
133 texture analysis. Moisture content was determined according to ICC Standard Method
134 110/1.

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136 Bread volume was determined by a rapeseed displacement method (AACC Standard 10-
137 05) and the specific volume (volume to mass ratio) was calculated. Bread height and
138 diameter was measured by a calliper and the shape (height to diameter ratio) was
139 calculated. For crumb to crust ratio determination, crust was separated from the crumb
140 using the razor blade. The differentiation between crust and crumb is very subjective
141 and may vary from one person to the other one. In our case, the crust was considered as

142 the dried and significantly coloured material located at the outer zone of the bread.
143 Crumb to crust ratio is expressed as weight ratio on dry basis.

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145 Crust flaking test was carried out in specific crushing system developed by Le Bail et al
146 (2005). Bread was crushed on its flanks and on its base by 30 % of its diameter and
147 height in crushing system. Pieces of the crust were collected and weighted. A digital
148 picture of crust pieces was taken. Using an UTHSCSA Image Tool 3.0 Software, area of
149 crust pieces was measured. The result is expressed as a weight ratio (weight of crust lost
150 / weight of bread, g /100 g) and as the classes of crust pieces size.

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152 Crumb cells were analyzed by scanning longitudinal section of bread sample, 12.5 mm
153 thick, on flatbed scanner (CanoScan 4400F). Images were analyzed by Image J software
154 according to Gonzales-Barron & Butler (2006). Number of cells in cm² and ratio of cell
155 area and total area was calculated.

156 Crust penetration test was carried out on 10 mm thick and 25 mm wide crust pieces from
157 bread top using the 6 mm stainless steel probe and Texture Analyser TA.HDplus (Stable
158 Micro Systems, UK) with 30 kg load cell (Crowley et al, 2002). Compression test mode
159 was used with test speed 1.7 mm/s. The crust hardness is expressed as force (in N)
160 needed to penetrate the sample.

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162 Bread firmness is a force necessary to attain a given deformation and sensory as a force
163 required to compress a substance between incisor teeth (Carr & Tadini, 2003). Crumb
164 firmness was determined according to the AACC Method 74-09 on TA.HDplus Texture

165 Analyzer (Stable Micro Systems, UK) with a probe 36 mm diameter using a 30 kg load
166 cell. Two slices from the middle 12.5 mm thick were stacked together for each test.
167 Crust was removed just before testing. Sample was compressed by 40 % at speed rate
168 1.7 mm/s. The firmness is reported as the force (in g) required compressing the sample
169 by 25 % of its original width.

170 2.3. *Sensory analysis*

171 Product sensory profile was described by appearance, structure, texture and flavour. The
172 same quality parameters determined instrumentally were evaluated by descriptive
173 sensory analysis (Table 1) with additional evaluation of bread flavour. The most
174 important words for description of bread sensory profile were selected by 6 trained
175 panellists according to ISO 11035:1994(2) and Carr & Tadini (2003). Unstructured 10
176 cm long scale anchored with “weak” (0) and “strong” (10) was used to attribute
177 intensity. The assessors placed a mark on the line to indicate degree of intensity.
178 Numerical values are attributed by measuring the distance in millimetres between the
179 mark made by assessor and the left hand end of the line and multiplied by factor of
180 significance: 2 for shape and appearance, 3 for crust appearance, 3 from crumb
181 structure, 3 for texture and 9 for flavour that were taken from DLG-Prüfschema (BIB-
182 Ulmer Spatz, 2006) and adjusted for the products made by bake off technology. Sensory
183 score was calculated relatively to the reference bread that was CON bread. Sum of mean
184 intensity values multiplied by the factor of significance was divided by the sum of mean
185 intensity values multiplied by significance factors for reference bread.

186 2.4. *Quality index expression*

187 The results obtained by instrumental analysis were normalized by linear transformation
 188 according to Molnar (1988) and Schulz & Köpke (1997). The maximum measured value
 189 is ascribed to 1, and the minimum value to 0 in the case of desirable attribute, and vice
 190 versa for undesirable attribute. The variables are normalized following the equations
 191 (Molnar, 1988):

$$192 \quad z_i = \frac{x_i - x_{\min}}{x_{\max} - x_{\min}} \quad \text{if } x_{\max} = x_{\text{opt}}$$

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194 Where “x” designs parameters such as specific volume (cm³/g); shape (height/diameter)
 195 (mm/mm); crumb to crust ratio (g/100g db); moisture content (%); crust flaking
 196 (g/100g); crumb cell area/total measured area; cell number in cm²; crumb firmness (N)
 197 or crust hardness (N).

198 The quality index was calculated as a sum of grouped normalized variable multiplied by
 199 factor of significance for group of attributes (2 for shape and appearance, 3 for crust
 200 appearance, 3 for crumb structure, and 3 for texture), relatively to the CON bread:

$$QI = \frac{\left(2 \times \sum z_{sa} + 3 \times \sum z_{ct} + 3 \times \sum z_{cb} + 3 \times \sum z_{tx}\right)_{\text{sample}}}{\left(2 \times \sum z_{sa} + 3 \times \sum z_{ct} + 3 \times \sum z_{cb} + 3 \times \sum z_{tx}\right)_{\text{CON}}} \quad (3)$$

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202 where

203 z_{sa} is for shape and specific volume (cm³/g),

204 z_{ct} for crust flaking (g/100g) and crumb to crust ratio (g/100g db),

205 z_{cb} for crumb cell number in cm^2 and cells area / total area,

206 z_{fx} for crumb firmness (N) and crust hardness (N).

207 *2.4. Statistical analysis*

208 All measurements were done at least in duplicate. The results are expressed as average
209 values. The software Statistica 7.1 (StatSoft Inc, USA) was used for the statistical
210 analysis of the data.

211 **3. Results and discussion**

212 Wheat flour used in experimental baking had rather low protein content but good
213 Alveograph properties for bread-making (Table 2). Farinogram showed good water
214 absorption, short dough development time and good stability. Amylolytic activity of the
215 flour was low; therefore, the improver with amylolytic enzymes was added.
216 Furthermore, ascorbic acid in improver helped enhancing plastic-elastic features of
217 dough.

218 *3.1. Instrumentally determined bread appearance, structure and texture*

219 Analysis of variance (ANOVA) revealed that samples produced by different process
220 (CON, FBF, PBF and UFD) showed significant differences in terms of following
221 instrumentally determined physicochemical attributes: moisture ($p = 0.0022$), specific
222 volume ($p = 0.0009$), crumb to crust ratio ($p = 0.0117$), crust flaking ($p = 0.0052$), crust
223 hardness ($p = 0.0001$), and crumb firmness ($p < 0.0001$) (Table 3). There was no
224 statistical significant difference in the shape ($p = 0.4404$) and crumb cell distribution

225 (cell area/total area; $p = 0.4097$, and number of cells per cm^2 ; $p = 0.0605$) between
226 groups of bread samples.

227 Partially baked frozen bread revealed by instrumental analysis significantly lower
228 specific volume ($p = 0.05$) than the conventional bread. That is mostly in agreement
229 with Carr et al (2006), who revealed that frozen part-baked French bread had a lower
230 specific volume and weight than fresh bread; but that frozen storage did not influence
231 water content and crumb porosity. Frozen dough bread did not show significant
232 difference in specific volume in comparison to CON but the bread height to diameter
233 ratio was lower. It was found that the bread height and specific volume are strongly
234 influenced by the amount of the liquid that is released from the frozen dough during
235 thawing (Seguchi, Nikaidoo, & Morimoto, 2003).

236 Crust flaking and crumb to crust ratio were analyzed as important quality factors in
237 bake-off technology. The results are shown in Table 3. Crust was thick about 2 mm and
238 it formed 35-40 % of weight (dry basis) of the baked bread samples. In the case of
239 frozen dough crumb to crust ratio was the lowest. It was found that the crust flaking
240 increased with bread freezing since of FBF and PBF breads it was significantly higher
241 than for CON bread. The flakes classification by size revealed that in FBF bread 18 %
242 of flakes were sizing 10 – 100 mm^2 and 80 % were smaller than 10 mm^2 ; 10 % of PBF
243 bread flakes were sizing 10 – 100 mm^2 and 89 % were smaller than 10 mm^2 in
244 comparison to CON and UFD bread where 98 % of flakes were smaller than 10 mm^2 .
245 This indicates that intensive thermo-mechanical treatment of the bread during freezing,
246 thawing and re-baking caused crust drying and searing, which resulted in the increased
247 crust flaking.

248 Image analysis of the crumb revealed that the ratio of total cell area and total measured
249 area of the FBF was similar to CON, but in the UFD and PBF it was lower (Table 3).
250 However, number of crumb cells per cm² was higher in PBF and UFD than in CON but
251 the cells were smaller. This indicates that freezing influenced the cell distribution in the
252 way that cells were higher in number but smaller in size. This is probably the result of
253 proofing conditions and decreased yeast activity as it was found by Baardseth, Kvaal,
254 Lea, Ellekjaer & Faerestad (2000). This could be also explained by finding of Barcenas
255 & Rosell (2006a,b) that changes occurred due to ice crystals growth during storage time
256 can damage crumb structure resulting in more compact crumb.

257 Crust penetration test revealed that the CON bread had the highest crust hardness (9.09
258 N), UFD following, than FBF and PBF the lowest (4.3 N) (Table 3). Process of freezing
259 and thawing influenced negatively the crust hardness.

260 Frozen bread and part-baked frozen bread especially had significantly higher crumb
261 firmness than conventional bread while bread baked from frozen dough had the lowest
262 firmness (Table 3). That is in agreement with the results obtained by Ribotta, Perez,
263 Leon & Anon (2004) indicating that the dough freezing and storage at 18 °C causes
264 reduced dough firmness and elasticity.

265 *3.3 Results of sensory analysis*

266 The most favoured bread by the panellists was the CON bread (Fig 2). The mean scores
267 for bread samples obtained by descriptive sensory analysis of the panel for CON bread
268 was reported 1.00; FBF 0.83; PBF 0.84 and UFD 0.96 (Table 4). By analysis of variance
269 the significant difference in overall sensory quality between breads produced by

270 different processes was proven at level $p = 0.01$ and $p = 0.001$ and no significant
271 difference between panellists was found. The results of mean scores for selected
272 attributes with standard deviation are graphically presented in Fig. 2. FBF bread was the
273 only sample with changed intensity of flavour. Freezing of FBF bread resulted in
274 decreased sensation of saltiness and increased sweet savour. Further more, freezing
275 influenced the crumb colour appearing brighter and bread juiciness was less
276 pronounced. The crust was broken and the flaking was high. PBF bread had
277 significantly lower volume, the crust was more dry and detached from the crumb, and
278 crust colour was uneven. The crust flakiness was also high as shown by mechanical
279 crushing test. UFD bread was very similar to the conventional and it had very soft
280 crumb. In all bread samples saltiness was too pronounced and therefore salt content
281 should be reduced.

282 *3.4. Quality index of bread samples*

283 The quality index of breads was established in the following order: CON > UFD > FBF
284 > PBF (Table 4). The quality of conventionally produced bread was evaluated as the
285 best while UFD and FBF were following very closely. The softness of the UFD bread
286 crumb as well as low crust flaking contributed the most to its high rating which was
287 confirmed by descriptive sensory analysis. PBF bread was evaluated with the lowest
288 quality index due to low specific volume and porosity, high flaking and high initial
289 crumb firmness. This discrepancy from conventional bread was strongly distinguished
290 by instrumental analysis. The correlation between instrumentally determined QI and
291 sensory score (DSA) was low ($r = 0.536$) which is due to the omission of flavour

292 analysis by instrumental methods but ranking of breads is the same by both methods
293 (Table 4).

294 **4. Conclusion**

295 The quality variation of bread produced by different processes can be described
296 relatively to the reference sample with a quality index. Presented quality index is based
297 on the instrumental analysis of selected parameters that are strongly linked to the
298 consumers' acceptance. In the case when innovative bread making process such as bake
299 off technology is applied, the instrumental analysis could give to producer valuable
300 information considering the bread appearance, structure and texture since the deviations
301 in product quality are easily quantified. Instrumental methods are suitable for routine
302 testing as well. Good linear correlation between the instrumental analysis and the results
303 of descriptive sensory analysis was proven for bread appearance ($r = 0.966$), and lower
304 for crust appearance ($r = 0.694$), crumb structure ($r = 0.731$) and texture ($r = 0.664$).
305 When the change in production process or formulation strongly influences product
306 flavour it is necessary to make sensory analysis but when physical characteristics are
307 changed instrumental determination gives more reliable quantitative information on
308 product quality.

309 The presented model of the quality index could be tailored according to the users need.
310 The next step in quality index expression established on the instrumental determinations
311 would be a method development for aroma and taste identification and quantification
312 since bread flavour effects the consumers' acceptability the most.

313 Although there are many papers published for description of overall quality (Molnar,
314 1988; Molnar, 1995; Schulz & Köpke, 1997), pea quality (Bech et al, 2000), Australian
315 tea (Caffin, D’Arcy, Yao & Rintoul, 2004), water (Jin, Wang & Wei, 2004), this is the
316 first work on quality index of bakery products and it could be applied for different types
317 of bakery products.

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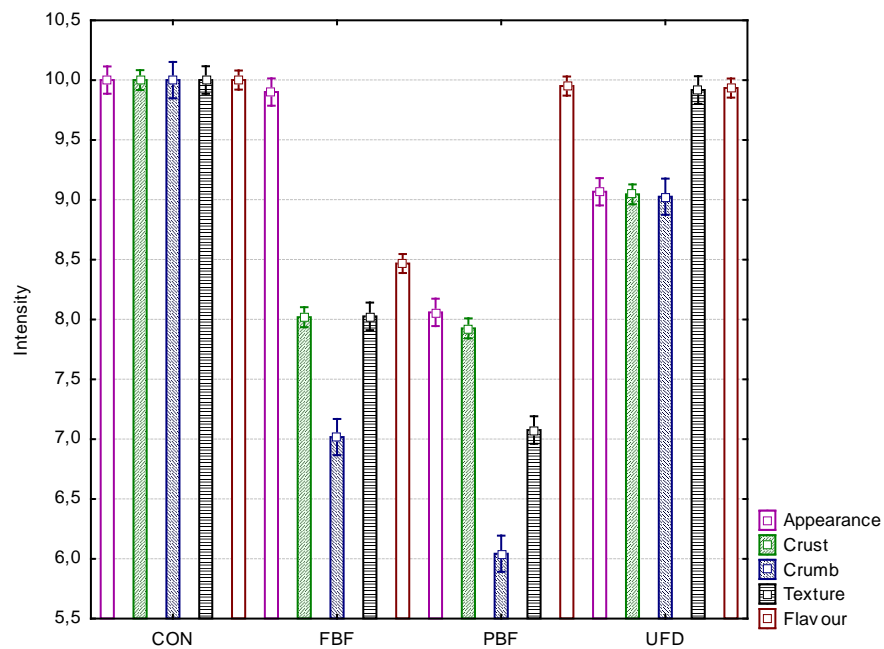
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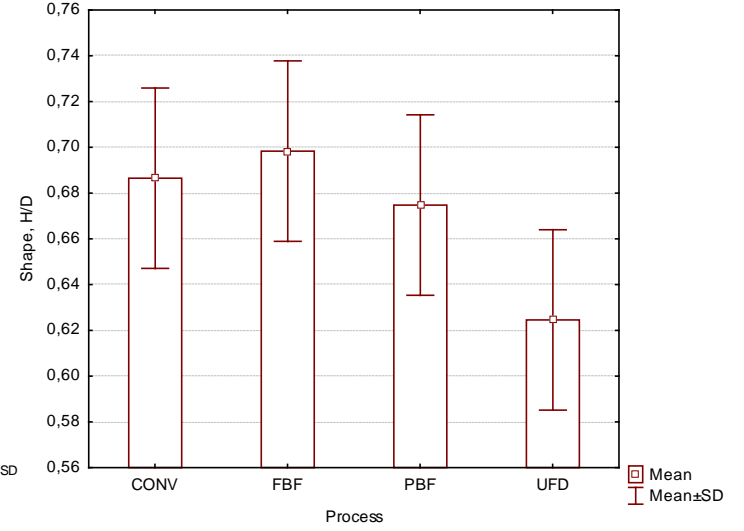
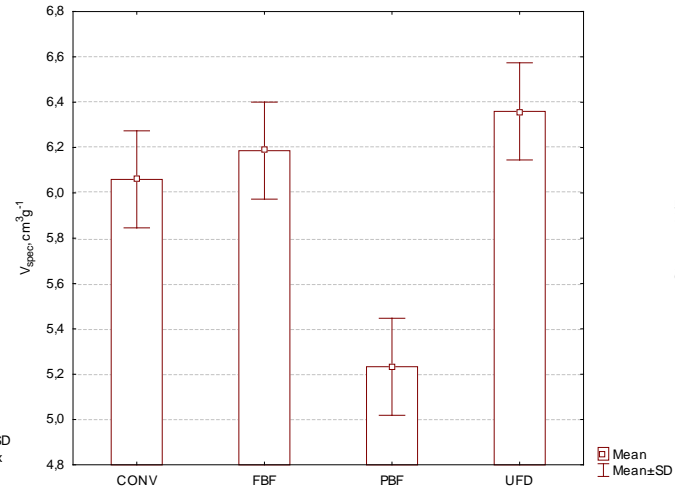
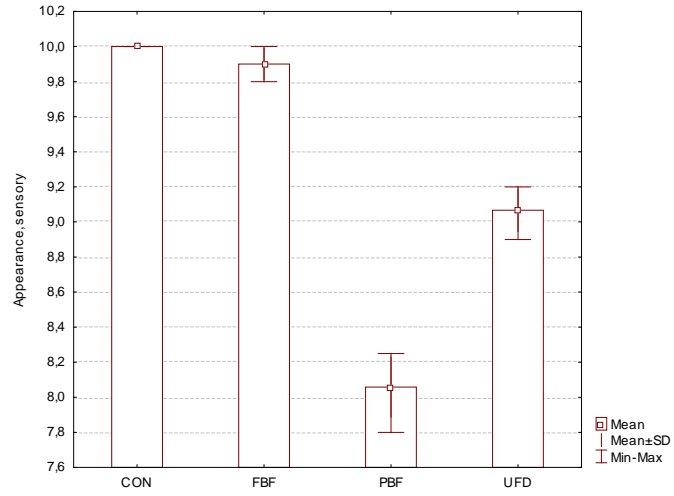
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457 Fig. 1. Whisker plot of bread sensory analysis (score multiplied by factor of
458 significance) for conventional bread (CON), fully baked frozen bread (FBF), partially
459 baked frozen (PBF) and frozen dough bread (UFD), mean value and standard deviation.

460 Fig. 2. Correlation between sensory determined bread appearance (a), and
461 instrumentally determined specific volume (b) and shape (c) for conventional bread
462 (CON), fully baked frozen bread (FBF), partially baked frozen (PBF) and frozen dough
463 bread (UFD), mean value and standard deviation.

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465 Table 1

466 Selection of bread attributes for sensory and instrumental analysis, and linkage between
 467 sensory and technology quality parameters

Parameter	f	Descriptive sensory analysis	Instrumental analysis
Appearance	2	Volume at the first sight - attractive Shape - regularity, roundness, flatness	Specific volume - Rapeseed displacement method & weighing Shape (diameter/height) - Measurement of bread height and diameter by caliper
Crust appearance	3	Crust flaking by touch and cutting Crust thickness visually	Crust flaking (according to Le Bail et al, 2005) Crumb to crust ratio (weight or volume ratio)
Crumb appearance and structure	3	Crumb cells – number, size, distribution, wall thickness	Crumb cells number per cm ² ; cell area / total area
Texture	3	Texture in mouth or by finger Juiceness – degree of perceived moistness Crust hardness by finger	Crumb texture: Bread firmness following the AACC Method 74-09 Moisture content by drying - ICC Standard 110/1 Crust hardness by texture instrument
Flavour (Taste + Aroma)	9	Malty – aromatic sensation that produces a taste or smell reminiscent of toasted grains Alcoholic – characteristic odour of item containing alcohol (ethanol) Buttery – rich smell of melted butter Green-earthy – characteristic odour of fresh earth, wet soil or humus Wheat - flavour typical of wheat kernel treated with boiled water Salty - perception of salinity Standard solution: sodium chloride 5 g/l Sweet - having or denoting the characteristic taste of sugar Standard solution: sucrose 16 g/l Sour - sharp biting taste like the taste of vinegar or lemons Standard solution: tartaric acid or citric acid 1 g/l Bitter - perceived by the back of the tongue and characterized by solutions of quinine, caffeine, and other alkaloids; usually caused by over-roasting. Standard solution: caffeine 0,5 g/l Yeast - aroma of fresh baked bread Bland - lack of taste, flat and neutral Nutty - taste typical of freshly ground hazelnuts Milk - taste typical of fresh milk	

468 f - factor of significance

469 Table 2

470 Physicochemical characteristics of the used wheat flour (Moulins SOUFFLET, Pornic,
471 France, harvest year 2006, stored at – 20°C.

	Parameter	Result
	Water content (%)	14.4
	Ash (%)	0.52
	Protein (g/100g dm)	9.54
	Falling number (s)	450
	Sedimentation value (cm ³)	33
	Wet gluten (%)	24.9
	Gluten index (%)	94.4
Farinogram	water absorption (%)	54.0
	dough development time (min)	2.0
	dough stability (min)	7.3
	dough strength (BU)	58
	degree of softening (BU)	60
Alveogram	tenacity, P (mm)	58
	extensibility, L (mm)	113
	deformation energy, W (10 ⁻⁴ J)	211
	curve configuration ratio, P/L	0.51
Amylogram	start of gelatinization (°C)	50.8
	max viscosity (AU)	1,560.0
	temperature at max viscosity (°C)	81.4

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473 Table 3

474 Physicochemical characteristics of bread samples (CON conventionally baked bread;
475 FBF fully baked frozen; PBF partially baked frozen and UFD unfermented frozen
476 dough) – mean values.

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Sample	Moisture (%)	Specific volume (cm ³ /g)	Shape (h/d)	Crumb/crust (g/100g)	Crust flakiness (g/100g)	Crust hardness (N)	Crumb firmness (N)	Cells Area/Total Area	No Cells/cm ²
CON	31.04 (0.028)	6.059 (0.255)	0.686 (0.009)	1.923 (0.035)	0.380 (0.324)	9.092 (0.676)	1.617 (9.808)	0.216 (0.017)	9.80 (0.045)
FBF	30.60 (0.283)	6.184 (0.090)	0.689 (0.003)	1.927 (0.042)	2.024 (0.144)	6.133 (0.140)	2.557 (8.481)	0.220 (0.023)	8.80 (0.273)
PBF	29.44 (0.311)	5.234 (0.146)	0.672 (0.087)	1.870 (0.057)	3.355 (0.751)	7.213 (1.221)	3.424 (8.569)	0.172 (0.033)	12.76 (0.407)
UFD	31.67 (0.099)	6.362 (0.298)	0.625 (0.007)	1.612 (0.084)	0.346 (0.040)	7.383 (0.837)	0.604 (4.746)	0.207 (0.033)	11.36 (0.831)

478 Table 4

479 The correlation between quality index (QI) determined instrumentally and score
480 obtained by descriptive sensory analysis (DSA) for conventional bread, fully baked
481 frozen bread (FBF), partially baked frozen bread (PBF) and bread from frozen dough
482 (UFD), $r = 0.536$.

Sample	QI	DSA
CON	1	1
FBF	0.977	0.828
PBF	0.523	0.845
UFD	0.999	0.960

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