HOW A SLIGHT MODIFICATION OF THE BREAD-MAKING PROCEDURE FOR THE EVALUATION OF WHEAT CULTIVARS AFFECTS THE MOST IMPORTANT PROPERTIES OF BREAD (BREAD VOLUME AND BREAD CRUMB)

KAKO NEZNATNA MODIFIKACIJA METODE PROBNOG PEČENJA KOJOM SE OCENJUJUJE PECIVOST I MEŠAVINSKA VREDNOST SORTI PŠENICE UTIČE NA NAJVAŽNIJE OSOBINE HLEBA (ZAPREMINU HLEBA I VBS)

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ABSTRACT

The aim of the study was to examine how a slight modification of the standard bread-making procedure for the evaluation of wheat cultivars affects bread making properties of different quality samples, without a-amylase activity. For that purpose, two wheat cultivars of different quality (Zvezdana and NS 40S) were examined from four different localities without diastatic activity. Standard physicochemical and rheological parameters for wheat cultivars evaluation were analysed on the eight samples. Also, bread made from flour of these samples was produced according to the standard bread-making procedure for evaluation wheat cultivars and with addition of sugar and malt according to a modified procedure. The results showed that a slight modification of the standard bread-making procedure can affect the most important properties of bread (bread volume and bread crumb quality). The average values of both parameters were statistically higher. Additionally, statistical analyses showed that bread volume of both cultivars of differing quality was statistically higher, whereas only Zvezdana had statistically higher bread crumb quality.

Key words: bread-making procedure, wheat cultivar, breeding, amylase activity.

REZIME

Clij ovog istraživanja je bio da se ispita kako neznatna modifikacija standardne metode probnog pečenja kojom se ocenjuje pecivost i mešavinska vrednost sorti pšenice utiče na osobine hleba sorti pšenice različitog kvaliteta, u kojima nije izražena aamilazna aktivnosti. Standardna metoda probnog pečenja kojom se ispituje pecivost i mešavinska vrednost sorti pšenice u recepturi ne sadrži sredstva za povećavanje amilazne aktivnosti što može veoma uticati na ocenu hleba i vrednost zapremine hleba kada su u uzorcima sorti pšenice utvrđene visoke vrednosti broja padanja i maksimalnog viskoziteta. Zbog toga su odabrani uzorci dve sorte pšenice različitog kvaliteta (Zvezdana i NS 40 S) sa četiri lokaliteta u kojima je utvrđena niska amilazna aktivnost. U ovih osam uzoraka su ispitani standardni fizičkohemijski i reološki pokazatelji za ocenu tehnološkog kvaliteta sorti. Hleb od brašna ovih sorti je proizveden prema standardnoj metodi probnog pečenja kojom se ocenjuje pecivost i mešavinska vrednost sorti pšenice i sa dodatkom šećera i slada prema modifikovanom postupku. Rezultati su pokazali da neznatna modifikacija standardnog postupka probnog pečenja kojom se ocenjuje pecivost i mešavinska vrednost sorti pšenice može uticati na najvažnije osobine hleba (zapreminu hleba i VBS). Prosečne vrednosti oba ova pokazatelja bile su statistički više. Statistička analiza je dodatno pokazala da zapremina hleba obe sorte je statistički značajno visa, ali da samo sorta zvezdana ima statistički značajno višu vrednost VBS-a.

Ključne reči: metoda probnog pečenja, sorta pšenice, oplemenjivanje, aktivnost amilaze.

INTRODUCTION

Wheat quality differs for each participant in the chain production of wheat. The farmers' concern is how to produce high yielding wheat without impurities, and that test weight and protein content of the produced wheat are high. On the other hand, milling industry focuses on flour yield and that produced flour meets the specific requirements obtained from customers. Finally, the baking and other branches of food industry that use wheat flour as a raw material are focused on how to maintain good quality of the final product from the purchased flour. Therefore, each new cultivar has to fulfill most of the above mentioned properties. The challenge for every wheat breeder is to develop a high yielding wheat cultivar, resistant to diseases, which will satisfy the food industry demands. For that reason, it is necessary to examine the quality traits during the breeding process. Usually, the examination of quality traits starts from F4 generation: gluten strength, protein quantity, hardness, water absorption and falling number (Souza et al., 2002). Evaluation of end-use quality, bread-making potential, starts in F5 generation using a small-scale straight-dough procedure (Souza et al., 2002). Characteristic of the straight-dough procedure (long fermentation) according to the American Association of Cereal Chemists (AACC, 2000) method 10-09 is that all ingredients are mixed at the same time, the total fermentation lasts 180 min, and ingredients are flour, water, salt, yeast, sugar, malt (dry powder), oxidation and ammonium phosphate (monobasic). Addition of malt is necessary if flour is deficient in diastatic activity. Contrary to this, classification of new cultivars in quality classes in Serbia according to Filipović et al. (2018) is still based on the internal bread making straight-dough procedure for evaluating

wheat cultivars (Kaluđerski and Filipović, 1998). The method showed the good results in evaluation of bread-making quality of wheat cultivars with high level of inseparable impurities (Šarić et al., 2004). In this procedure only basic ingredients for bread making are used: flour, water, salt, and yeast. The problem that can be faced the breeders during the selection process when used method according to Kaluđerski and Filipović (1998) is inappropriate for evaluation of breeding materials if the examined wheat lines contain insufficient α -amylase, indicated by Falling Number (FN) values above 400 s. Bread made from flour of such wheat lines will characterise poor volume unless α amylase is added to the formulation to compensate its lack (Posner and Hibbs, 2005). Addition of exogenous a-amylases allow production of fermentable sugars, helps yeast fermentation and production of CO₂ and increases bread loaf volume and shelf life as a consequence (Eugenia Steffolani et al., 2012). Additionally, according to Filipović et al. (2005) official breadmaking procedures such as AACC and ICC are mutually differ much each other which can affect on the gained bread-making properties.

Apart from bread-making process, wheat quality also has a significant influence on the quality of the final product. According to Baardseth et al. (2000) process changes accounted for 40% of the variation in French baguette quality, whereas flour quality accounted for 16%. It is well known that high protein and wet gluten content in wheat increases bread volume (Tipples and Kilborn, 1974). Also, according to Marchylo et al. (2001) loaf volume was positively correlated to gluten strength indicators such as SDS sedimentation, gluten index, Farinograph development time (Dev), Extensograph energy (En) and Alveograph work (W). The Mixolab parameters C3, C4, and C5 were significantly correlated with bread volume (Koksel et al., 2009). However, study of Salmanowicz et al. (2012) showed that higher protein and gluten contents in hard-grained wheat compared to soft-grained lines resulted in higher bread yield, whereas it did not have significant effect on loaf volume and bread crumb.

The focus of this study was to evaluate how slight modification of bread making procedure by addition of sugar and malt in internal straight-dough procedure affects bread making properties of wheat breeding material with insufficient α -amylase. The secondary objective was to examine how flour quality affects the characteristics of bread made by two similar straight-dough procedures.

MATERIAL AND METHOD

Two wheat cultivars from different quality groups were used: Zvezdana (improver cultivar according to http://www.sorte.minpolj.gov.rs/) and NS 40S (basic cultivar according to http://www.sorte.minpolj.gov.rs/). These two cultivars were produced in 2017 at four localities in Serbia: Kikinda, Zrenjanin, Pančevo, and Sombor. FN values of six wheat samples were above 400 s, whereas two wheat samples were above 350 s (Tab. 1), indicating that wheat samples were without α -amylase activity.

Table 1. FN values of the examined wheat samples

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	Zvezdana	NS 40S			
Kikinda	440	410			
Zrenjanin	457	356			
Pančevo	453	419			
Sombor	484	366			

Protein content (PC) (method 46-10), sedimentation value (SV) (method 56-62.01) and FN values (method 56-81.03) of wheat samples were determined according to AACC (2000) methods, and test weight was analysed according to EN ISO 7971-3:2009 standard. All analyses on grain materials were implemented in triplicate.

The wheat samples were milled on a Bühler laboratory mill MLU-202 (Uzwil, Switzerland) and flour yield was calculated for every sample. Rheological properties of the flours were determined using a Farinograph (C.W. Brabender, Duisburg, Germany) (method MSZ 6369/6) according to Hungarian Standard (*1988*), Extensograph (C.W. Brabender, Duisburg, Germany) (method 54-10.01) and Alveograph (Chopin, Paris, France) according to AACC (*2000*). Wet gluten content (WG) and gluten index (GI) were performed according to the AACC method 38-12.02. All analyses on flours were implemented in triplicate.

First bread-making procedure (WM procedure) was performed according to the internal procedure for evaluating wheat cultivars (Kaluđerski and Filipović, *1998*) with 2% salt and 2% yeast. The second bread-making procedure was a slight modification of WM procedure additionally containing 5% sugar and 0.1% malt powder for improving amylolytic activity of flour (M procedure). Activity of α -amylase in the malt powder was 373.26 units of α -amylase per g of malt. The bread volume (BV) was measured by displacement method with millet. Bread was analysed by sensory profiling to determine bread crumb quality by quality score (VBS) using 5 trained panellists. The lowest and the highest VBS values were 0.0 and 7.0, respectively, according to the internal method of Kaluđerski and Filipović (1998).

The data of the bread-making results were statistically analysed by two-factorial analysis of variance (ANOVA). The first factor was the cultivar, and the second factor was the bread making procedure followed by the comparison of mean values based on Tukey's multiple means comparison tests. Pearson correlation coefficients of the bread-making result and quality parameters were determined as well as principal component analysis (PCA) of quality parameters. All analyses were performed by XLSTAT-Pro software (demo version, Version 3.02, 2009).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

PCA analysis was used to assess whether two examined wheat cultivars (Zvezdana and NS 40S) differentiated according to value of physicochemical and rheological parameters (Fig. 1). These two cultivars can achieve the same level of yield (Mladenov et al., 2016), but their quality differentiates since Zvezdana cultivar (Aćin, 2016) possesses better values of the following quality traits: flour extraction rate, PC, WG, Farinograph water absorption (WA), Farinograph degree of softening (SD), VBS and BV in comparison to NS 40S cultivar. The PCA resulted in a clear differentiation according to quality of both groups of cultivars produced in four different locations (Kikinda, Zrenjanin, Pančevo, and Sombor). The first two principal components explained more than 75% variability of data set. Based on the first principal component explaining 60.79%, NS 40S was positioned on the left side of the factorial plane, and Zvezdana was positioned on the right side of the factorial plane (Fig. 1). Only five of all examined physicochemical and rheological parameters were on the left side of the factorial plane (GI, En, Extensograph Resistance (Res), Extensograph Res to Extensibility ratio (Res/E), SD and Alveograph ratio Tenacity and Extensibility (P/L)), whereas the rest were on the right side of the factorial plane.

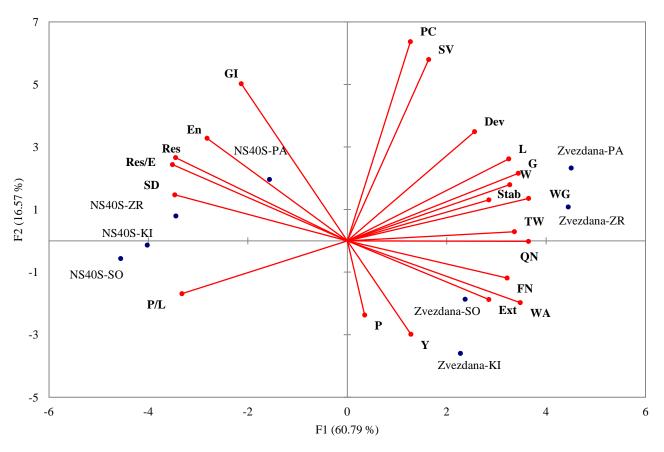


Fig. 1. PCA analysis of the first two principal components of physicochemical and rheological parameters of two wheat cultivars (Zvezdana and NS 40S)

Significant effect of the cultivar (C) factor was proven on both examined parameters of bread making procedures - VBS and bread volume (BV) (Table 1). The same significant effect was showed by the treatment (T) factor on both examined parameters of bread making procedures. The proportion of variance of C factor on bread volume was much higher on BV (86.14) than T factor on the BV (11.64). Proportion of variance of both factors on VBS was at the same level. The significant interaction C×T was not observed.

Table 1. ANOVA for the main analysed traits of the bread making properties

Source of variation	df	VBS		BV	
		SS ^a	% ^b	SS ^a	% ^b
Cultivar (C)	1	456300**	52.90	79.31**	86.14
Treatment (T)	1	403333**	46.76	10.55^{**}	11.46
$\mathbf{C} \times \mathbf{T}$	1	3008 ^{ns}	0.35	2.21 ^{ns}	2.40
Error	44	292025		28.62	

^a Sum of squares and result of F test

^b Proportion of variance explained by the source of variation relative to the total sum of squares ** Significant at the probability level of p < 0.01.

^{ns} Non significant

Results of Tukey test (Table 2) showed that BV and VBS of cultivar NS 40S obtained by WM procedure were significantly lower than Zvezdana cultivar gained by the same procedure. This confirmed that variation in raw materials quality, by using cultivars of different quality, have significant influence on quality of the final product. M procedure showed positive effect in comparison to WM procedure for both examined parameters (Table 2).

Table 2. Mean, minimum and maximum values and
coefficient of variation (CV) of bread-making quality parameters
by Tukey tests

		VBS			BV				
Cultivar		mean	min	max	CV (%)	mean	min	max	CV (%)
Zvezdana	WM	5.39 ^b	4.50	6.30	11.39	1274 ^b	1120	1360	5.25
	М	6.76 ^a	6.50	7.00	2.52	1473 ^a	1380	1580	3.88
	Aver.	6.08 ^a				1373 ^a			
NS 40S	WM	3.25 ^c	2.00	5.10	29.56	1095°	960	1300	10.65
	М	3.76 ^c	2.00	4.70	4.30	1262 ^b	1200	1360	4.34
	Aver.	3.50 ^b				1178^{b}			
Average	WM	4.32^{b}				1184 ^b			
	М	5.26 ^a				1368 ^a			

Tukey test, different letters indicate significant difference at 0.05 probability level

This is in accordance with the study of Armero and Collar (1996) where addition of α -Amylase increased loaf volume and decreased crumb hardness of white wheat bread. However, according to study of Hruskova et al. (2003) the effect of malt flour on the bread quality depends on flour quality. Additionally, BV of both cultivars was statistically higher by M procedure

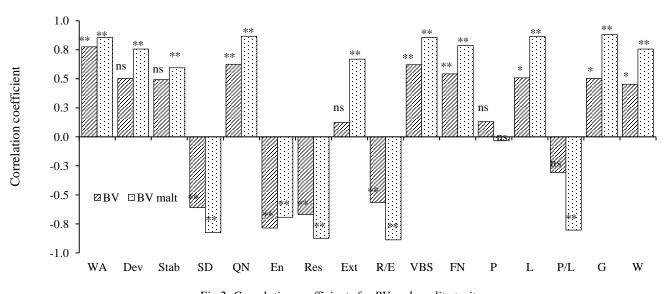


Fig.2. Correlation coefficients for BV and quality traits (* significant at 0.01 probability level; ** significant at 0.05 probability level; ns - not significant)

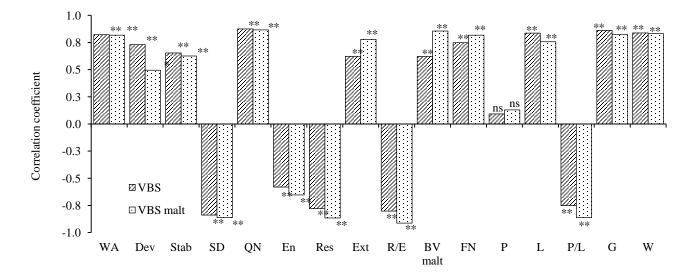


Fig. 3. Correlation coefficients for VBS and quality traits (* significant at 0.01 probability level; ** significant at 0.05 probability level; ns - not significant)

than by WM procedure. Mean VBS values of both cultivars were higher by M procedure, but only Zvezdana cultivar showed significant increase. Coefficient of variation (CV) of both parameters for both examined cultivars were lower by M procedure. The results indicate that slightly modification of WM procedure could be successfully used for evaluation of wheat breeding materials especially in years when late maturity α amylase (LMA) occurs. This phenomenon is connected with influence of environment and consequence is that one isomorph of wheat endo α -Amylase (*TaAmy1*) in some wheat varieties still remains active in a small percentage in aleurone layer without sprouting (*Mares and Mrva, 2008*).

A final confirmation for evaluation of bread-making procedures comparison of BV and VBS with quality traits is presented in Figures 2 and 3. Bread-making procedures showed greater influence on BV in comparison to VBS, since Dev, Farinograph stability (Stab), Ext and P/L gained by M procedure were statistically significant, whereas with WM procedure it was not case. However, these parameters did not show significant correlations with VBS. The rest of the examined correlation coefficient showed similar trends for BV and VBS.

CONCLUSION

The slight modification of the standard bread-making procedure for evaluation of wheat cultivars by addition of sugar and malt powder to the samples without diastatic activity showed statistically significant improvement of the main properties of bread (BV and VBS). This is especially important in the years when environment induces LMA phenomenon and FN values range among examined breeding line are very broad (from below 250 to above 400 s). Additionally, this modification can improve BV and VBS of cultivars with differentiating quality

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