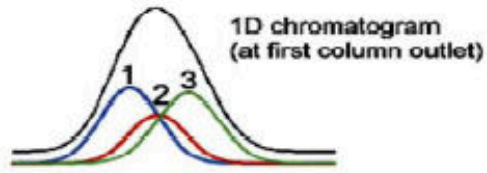


Predicting flavor perception
from
mixture composition

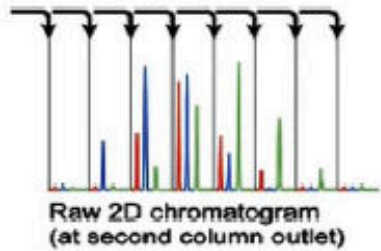
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Analytical -> Sensory

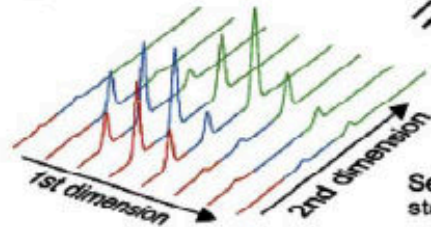
Generation and visualization



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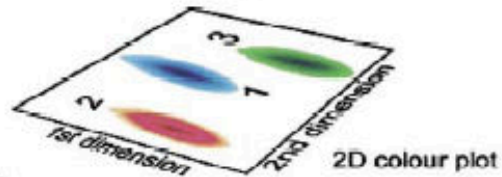
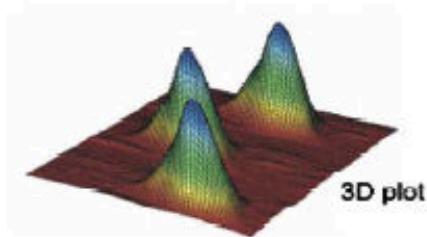


2. Transformation



3. Visualization

Second-dimension chromatograms
stacked side by side



Chemosensory Perception

Flavor = $f(\text{Taste, Odor, Chemesthesis, Time})$

Food odor is experienced in the mouth.

Environments are experienced in the nose.

Flavor chemicals

Sense

smell

taste

chemesthesis

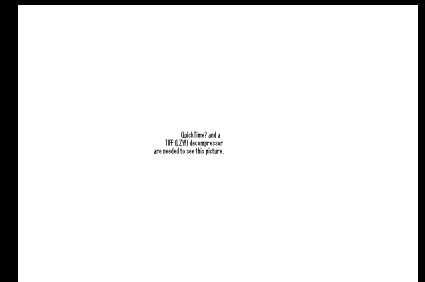
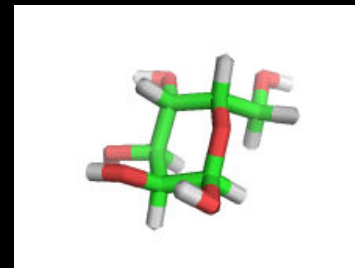
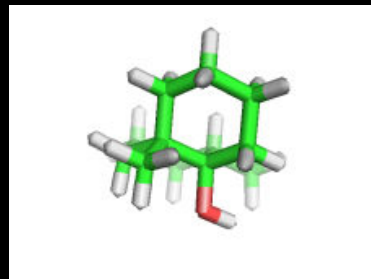
Percept

earthy

sweet

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Structure



Name

geosmin

glucose

QMR

Size

< 300 Daltons

< 1000 Daltons

The Psychophysical Model

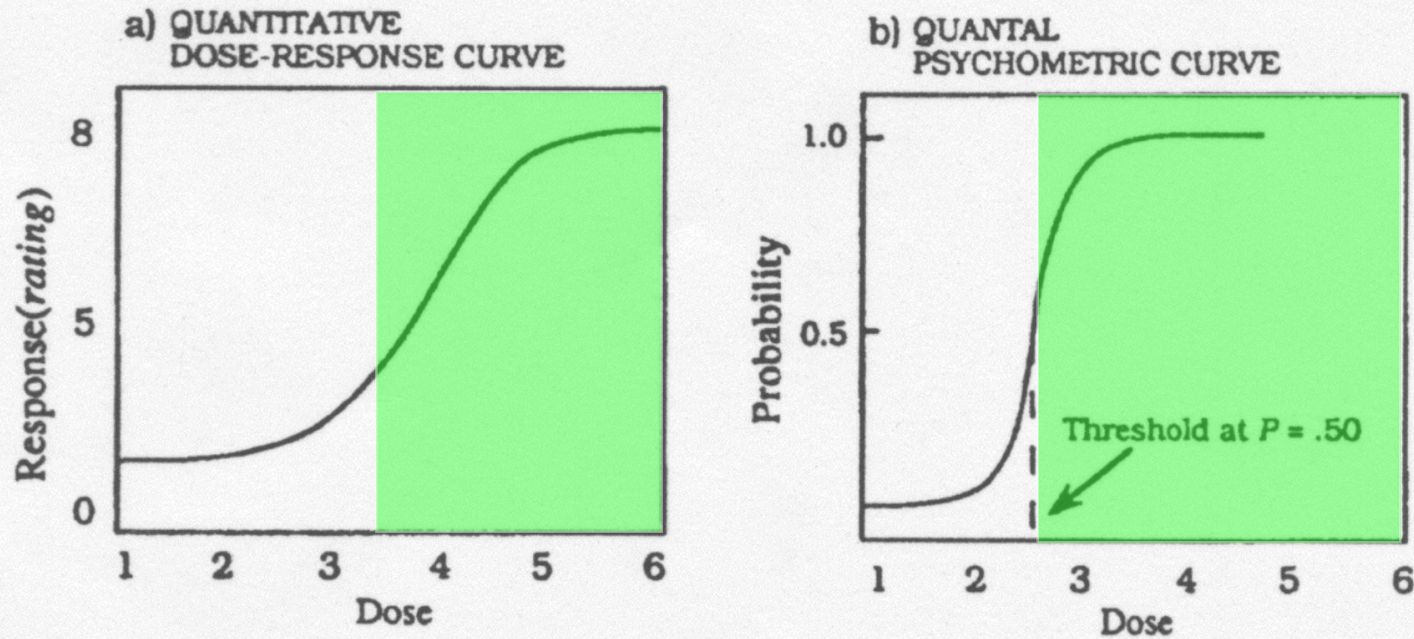


FIG. 1. a) IDEALIZED DOSE RESPONSE CURVE BASED ON QUANTITATIVE RESPONSE RATINGS AT DIFFERENT DOSE LEVELS, AND b) IDEALIZED PSYCHOMETRIC CURVE PLOTTING PROBABILITY OF CORRECT QUANTAL RESPONSES AS A FUNCTION OF DOSE

Quale = “green”

PENGUIN CLASSICS

JEAN-ANTHELME
BRILLAT-SAVARIN

THE PHYSIOLOGY OF TASTE



“It cannot be disputed that it is chemistry which will reveal the cause of the basic elements of [flavor] taste.” 1825

High Resolution Olfactometer - 1976

Sniffer to Determine the Odor of Gas Chromatographic Effluents

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Department of Food Science and Technology, Cornell University, New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, N.Y. 14456

Sniffing the effluent of a gas chromatograph (GC) is the most useful means of determining which components of a complex mixture of volatiles have odor. Although such a



Figure 1 shows a diagram of a sniffer constructed from a brass laboratory filter pump (A). The air supply is deodorized by an in-line charcoal (Pittsburgh activated, 12-40 mesh) filter (H) and humidified by passing the air over the surface of distilled water in a half filled

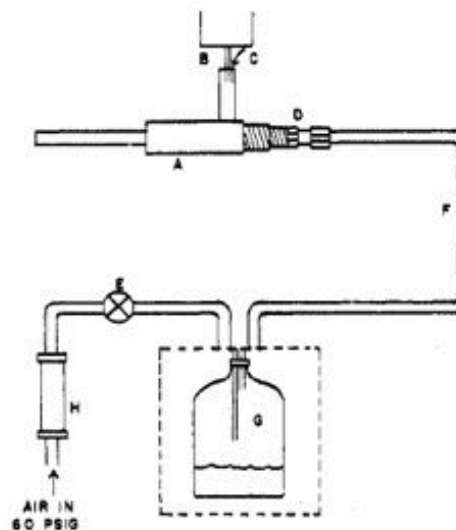
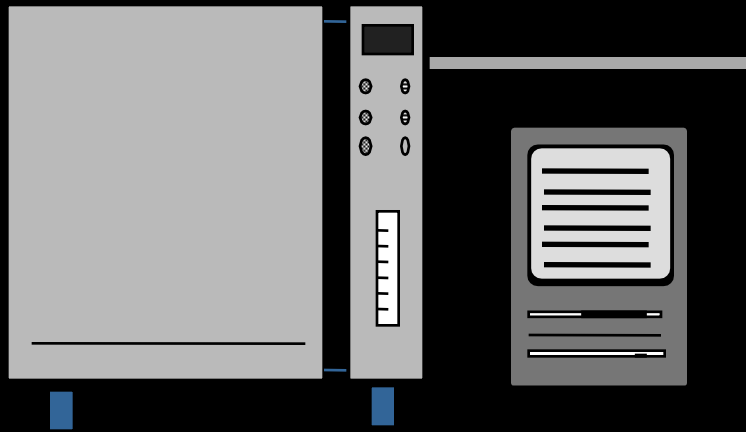
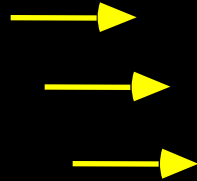
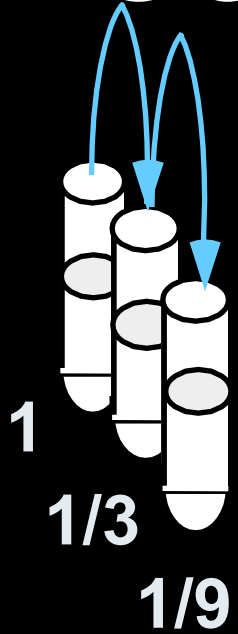


Figure 1. Diagram of the sniffer constructed from a laboratory filter pump

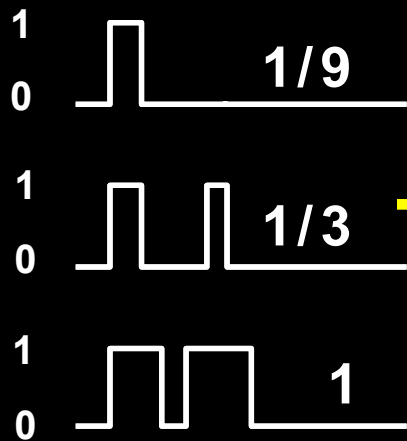
GC/O - Dilution Analysis 1982



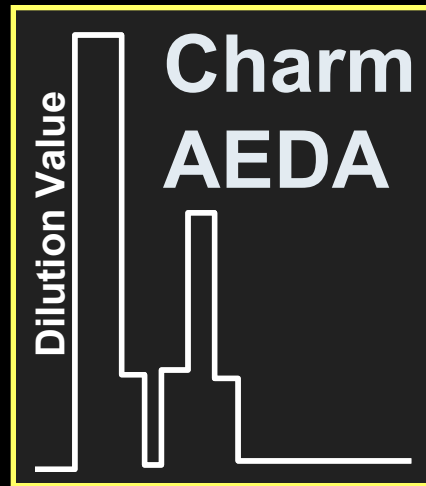
Normalized Potency

Potency

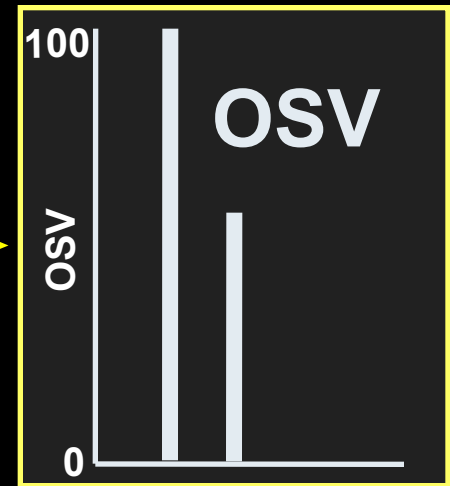
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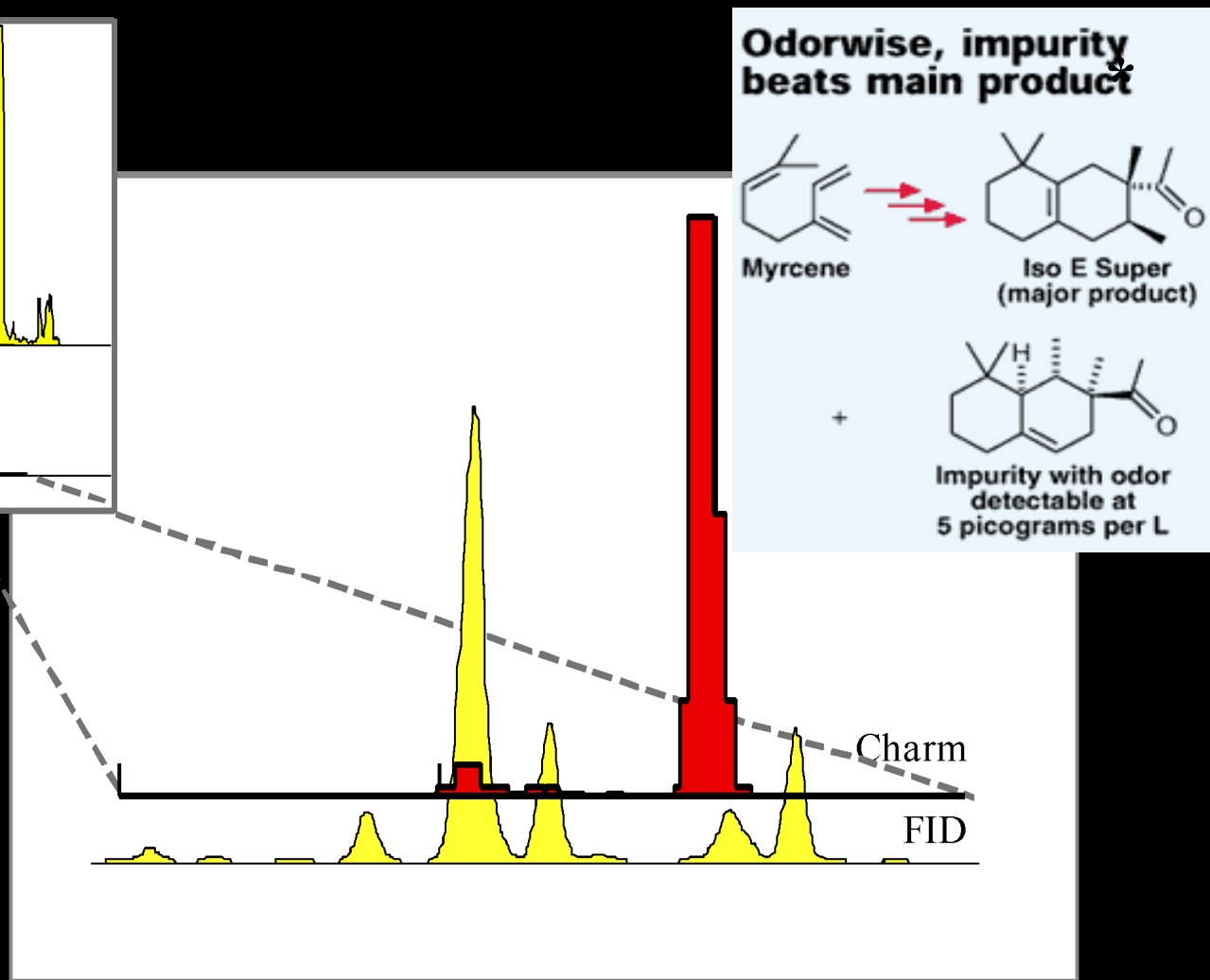
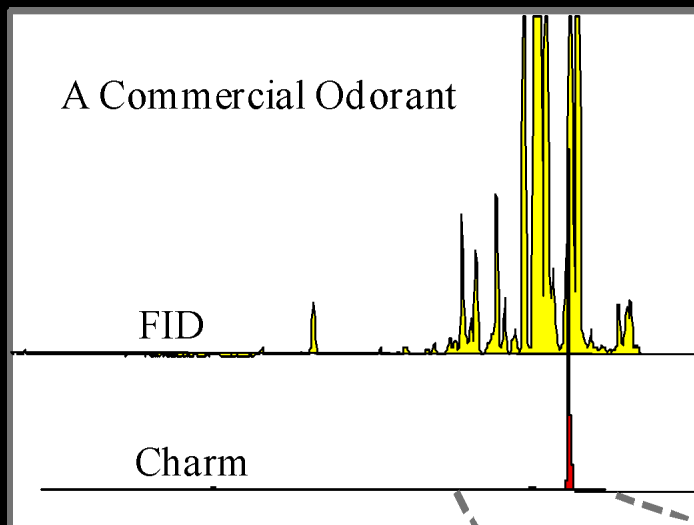
Time



Retention index



Chemical Activity vs Odor Activity FID vs. Charm



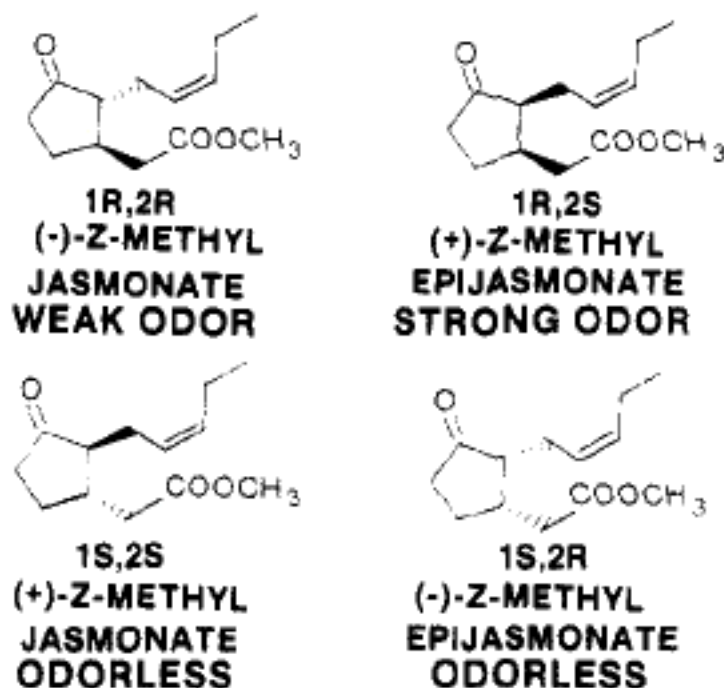


Figure 1. The four stereoisomers of methyl jasmonate are shown along with odor intensity of the neat samples measured immediately after preparation.

Flavornet
skatole 83-34-1

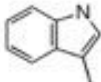
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Address Book Bonjour Essential oils Gate Blackboard MM

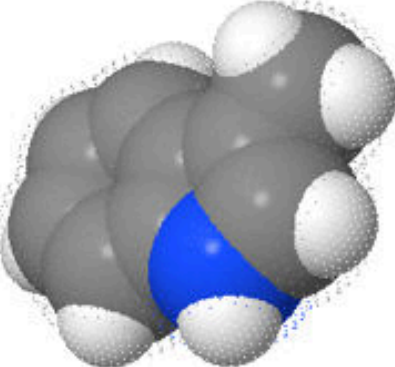
Flavornet Home Kovats RI

CAS No	Mol Wt	Odorant
57-06-7	99	allyl isothiocyanate, allyspol, 3-isothiocyanate
60-12-8	122	2-phenylethyl alcohol, 2-phenylethanol, 1-phenylethanol
64-17-5	46	ethanol
64-19-7	60	acetic acid
65-85-0	122	benzoic acid
66-25-1	100	hexanal
67-47-0	126	5-oxymethylfurfurole, 5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-furfural
67-68-5	78	syntexan, sulfinylbis-methane, dimethyl sulfide
67-71-0	90	dimethyl sulfone, sulfonylbismethane
71-23-8	60	propanol, 1-propanol
71-36-3	74	butanol, 1-butanol
71-41-0	88	pentanol, 1-pentanol
74-93-1	48	methanethiol, methyl mercaptan
75-07-0	44	ethanal, acetaldehyde
75-18-3	62	dimethyl sulfide
75-50-3	59	trimethylamine, N,N-dimethyl-methanamine
76-22-2	152	camphor, bornan-2-one, 1,7,7-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one
76-50-6	238	bornyl isovalerate, 1,7,7-trimethylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptane-2-carboxylate
78-36-4	224	linalyl butyrate, 3,7-dimethyl-1,6-octadiene-3-yl butyrate
78-70-6	154	linalool, 3,7-dimethylocta-1,6-dien-3-ol, 2-allyl-3-methoxybutane
78-83-1	74	isobutanol, 2-methyl-1-propanol
78-84-2	72	isobutyraldehyde, 2-methylpropanal
78-92-2	74	butanol, 2-butanol
78-93-3	72	methyl ethyl ketone, 2-butanone
79-09-4	74	propanoic acid, propionic acid
79-31-2	88	isobutyric acid, 2-methylpropanoic acid
79-77-6	192	β -ionone, 4-(2,6,6-trimethyl-1-cyclohexenyl)-2-pentanone
79-92-5	136	camphene, 2,2-dimethyl-3-methylene-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane
80-26-2	196	terpinyl acetate, α -terpineol acetate
80-56-8	136	α -pinene, 2,6,6-trimethylbicyclo[3.1.1]heptane
83-34-1	131	skatole, 3-methyl-1H-indole
87-44-5	204	β -caryophyllene, [(1R-(1R,4E,9S))-4,11,11-trimethyl-6,10-dihydro-2H-benzocycloheptene]
87-91-2	206	diethyl tartrate, 2,3-dihydroxy-butanedioic acid diethyl ester
88-16-2	126	acetylthiophene, 2-acetylthiophene

skatole
3-methyl-1H-indole



CAS 83-34-1 - MW 131.1



Jmol

Van der Waals surface
 Fill space 80%
 Spin

	OV101	DB5	OV1701	C20M
Kovats RI	[1370]	1387	1628	2484
Ethyl ester RI	[990]	988	1163	1823

[interpolated]

Percepts: mothball, fecal

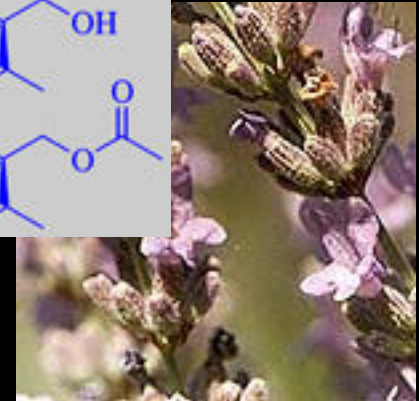
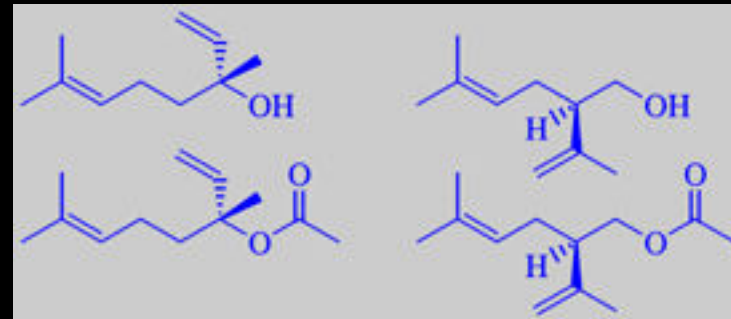
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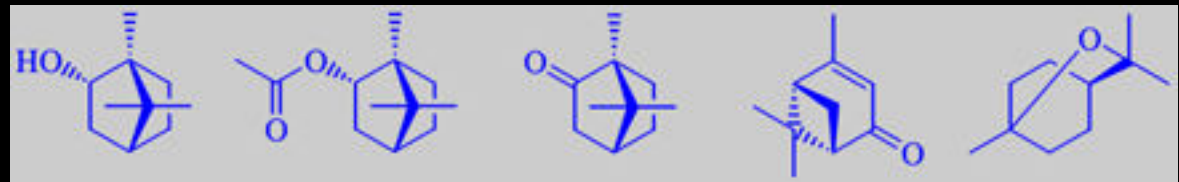
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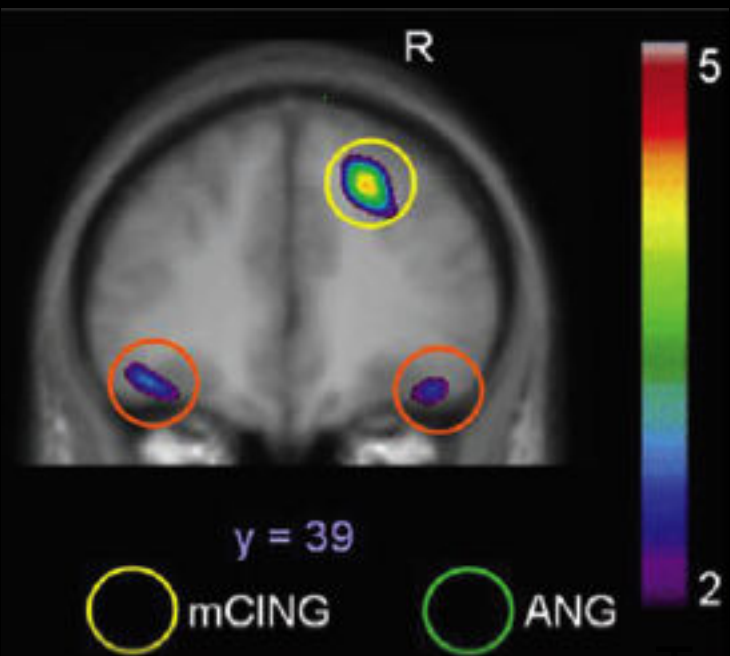
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- (-)-lavandulyl acetate



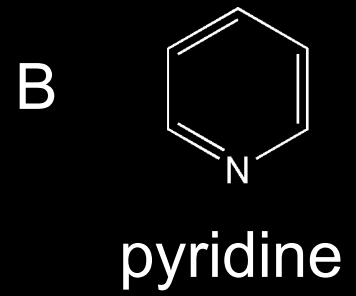
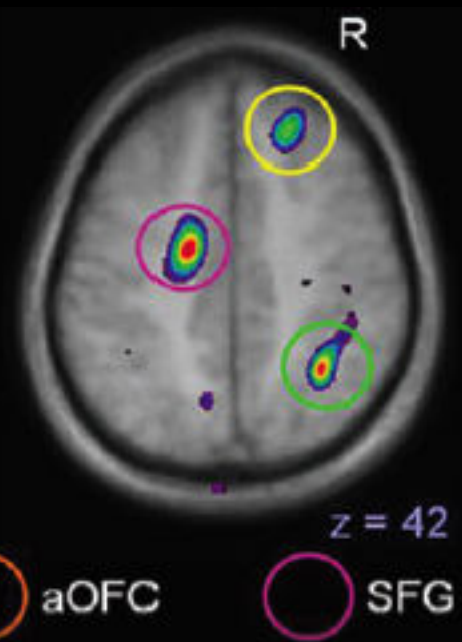
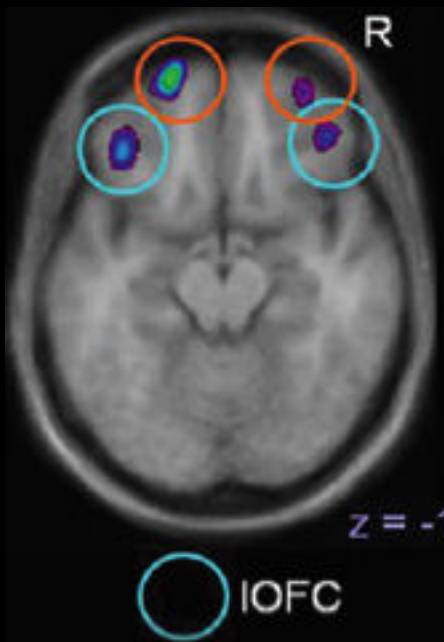
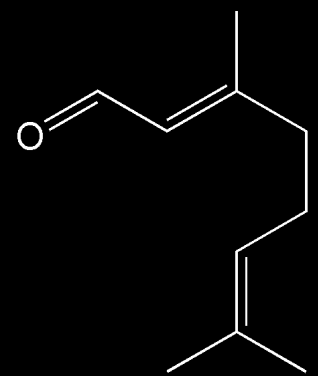
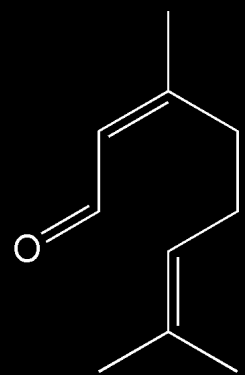
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- (+)-borneol
- (+)-bornyl acetate
- (+)-camphor
- (-)-verbenone
- 1,8-cineole





Mix - (A + B)

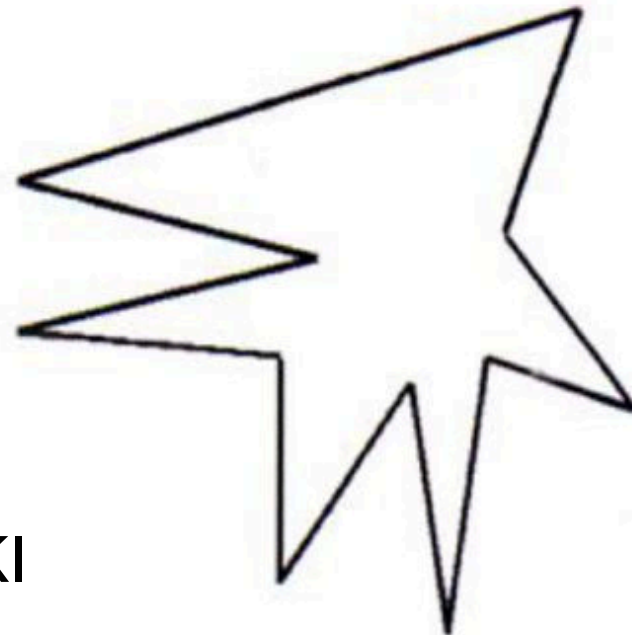


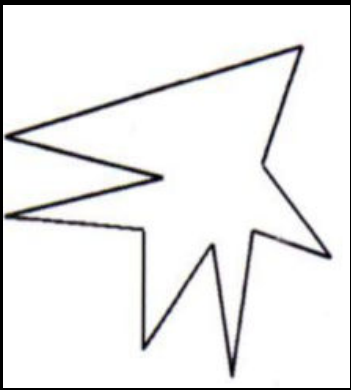
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KiKI

BooBoo





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Vintage Port



Brut Champagne

Describing flavor

Functional words

Taste

bitter, sweet, salty, sour, savory

Chemesthesis

hot, cold, astringent, burning

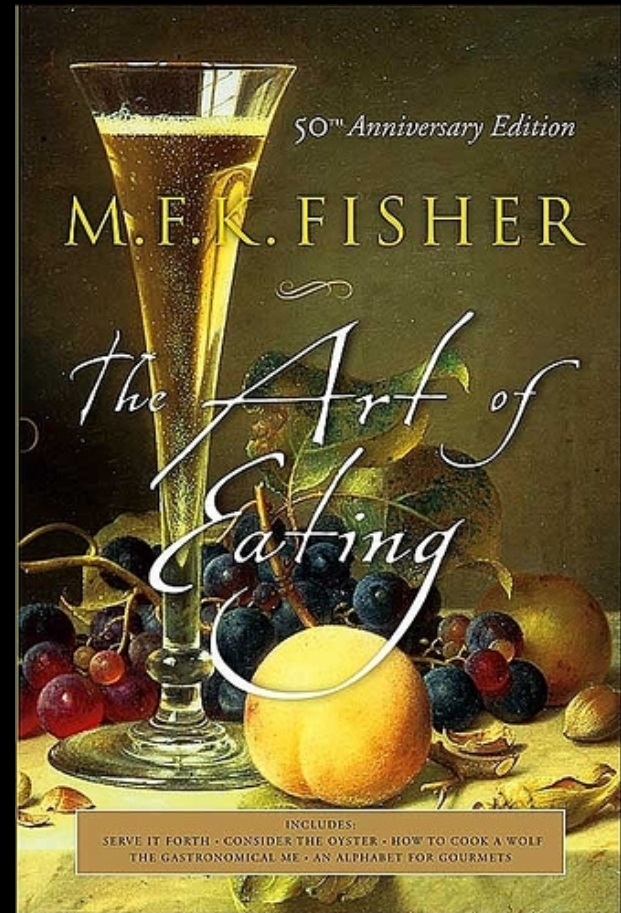
Associative words (~ Qualia)

Odor

pine nut, apple, melon, lobster, mushroom

...

Born 100 years ago



“ Food is not a metaphor for life. It is life, and eating is an art.”

Analysis

The smell of Dijon gingerbread.
by M. F. K. Fisher

“Its flat strange odor, **honey, cow dung, clove, something unnameable but unmistakable**, blew all over the town.” -
from “Two birds without a branch”

TABLE 2

PERCENT CORRECT JUDGEMENTS OF THE COMPONENTS IN STIMULI

No. of Odors Correctly Identified	No. of Odors Presented				
	1	2	3	4	5
0	18.2*	9.0	4.0	3.1	0.7
1	81.8†	55.7	34.0	28.1	14.7
2	0	35.2	48.0	43.3	48.3
3	0	0	14.0	22.0	31.5
4	0	0	0	3.7	4.9
5	0	0	0	0	0
n‡	154	122	100	164	143

*Row 1 shows the percent of judgements that were entirely incorrect.

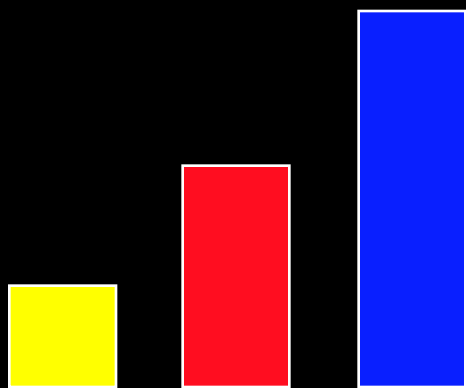
†Rows 2–6 show the percent of judgements that were correct but additional odors may also have been incorrectly selected.

‡Number of judgements when a particular number of odorants were presented, e.g., column 2 indicates there were 154 judgements of single odor stimuli.

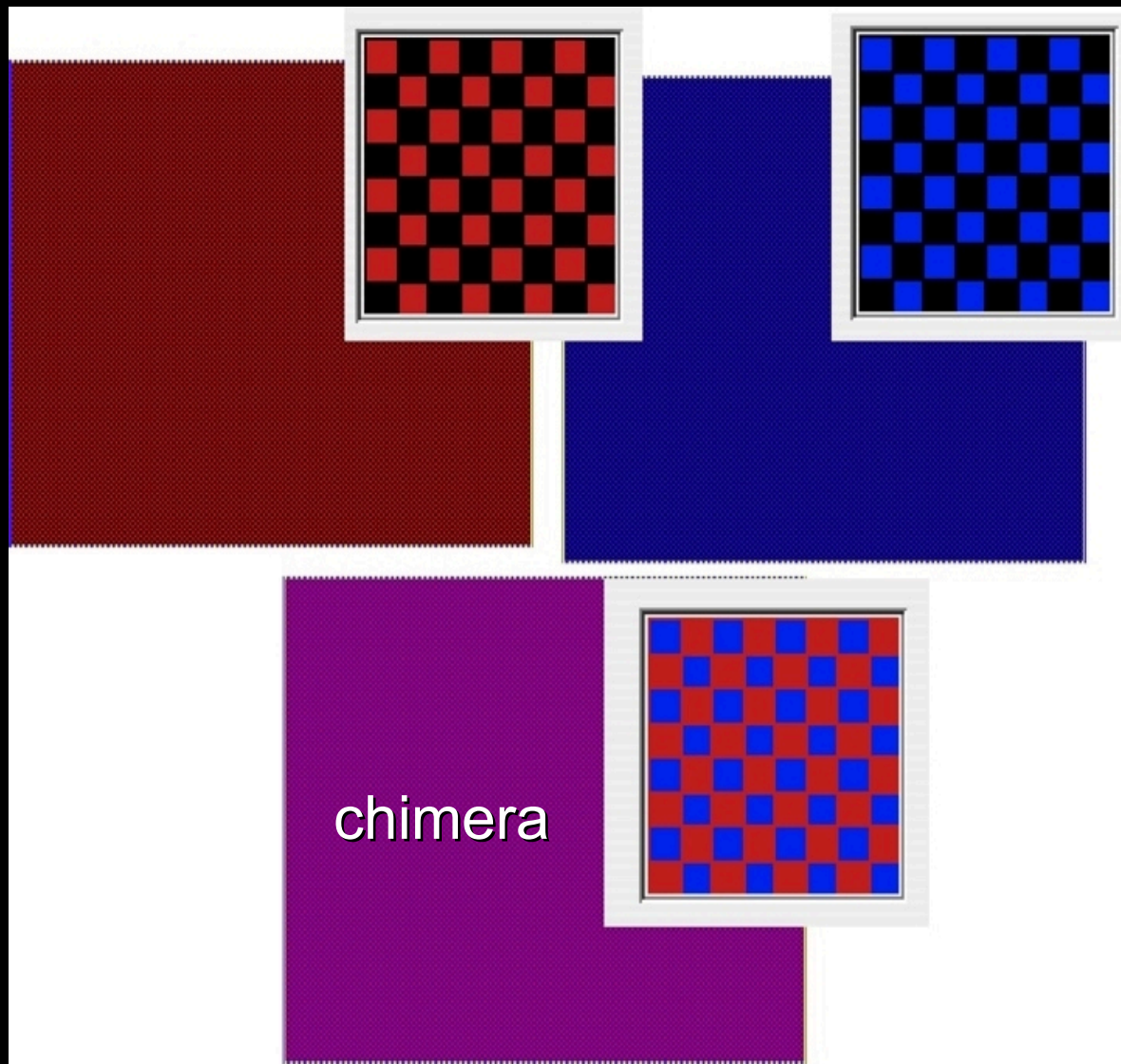
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honey - cow dung - clove - something unnameable

Synthesis



Mixture

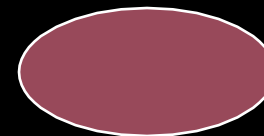
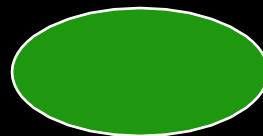
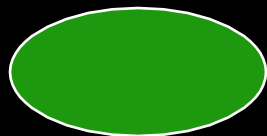
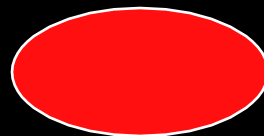
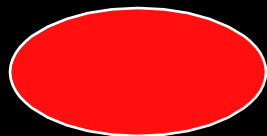
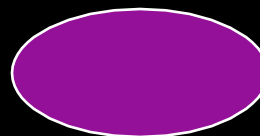
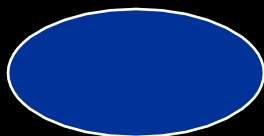


O. receptor

O. bulb

cortex

percept



“rose”

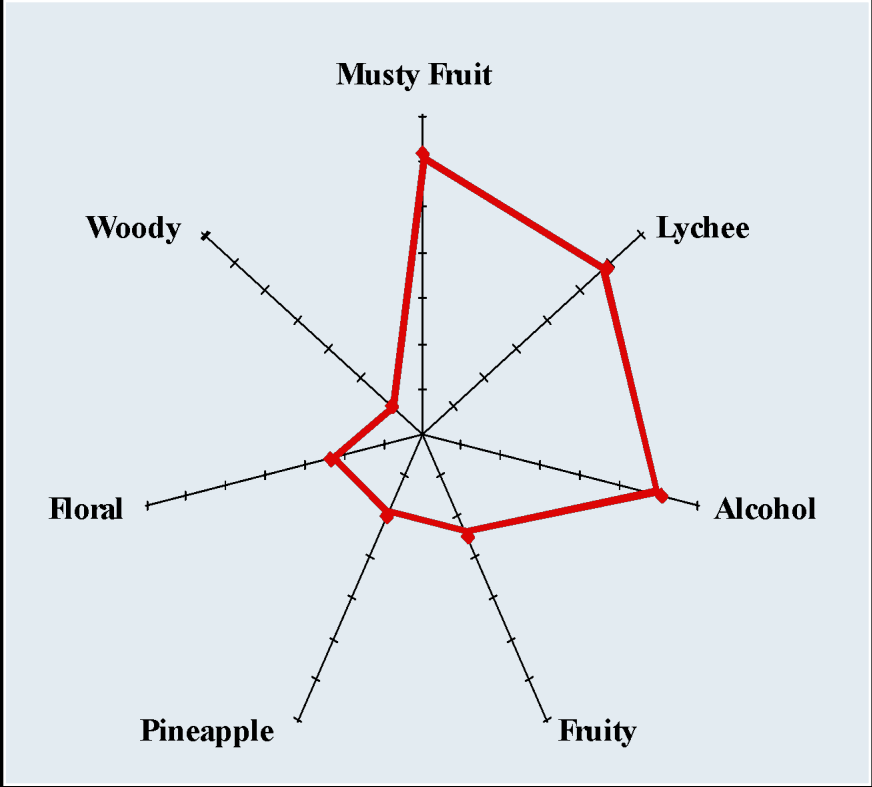
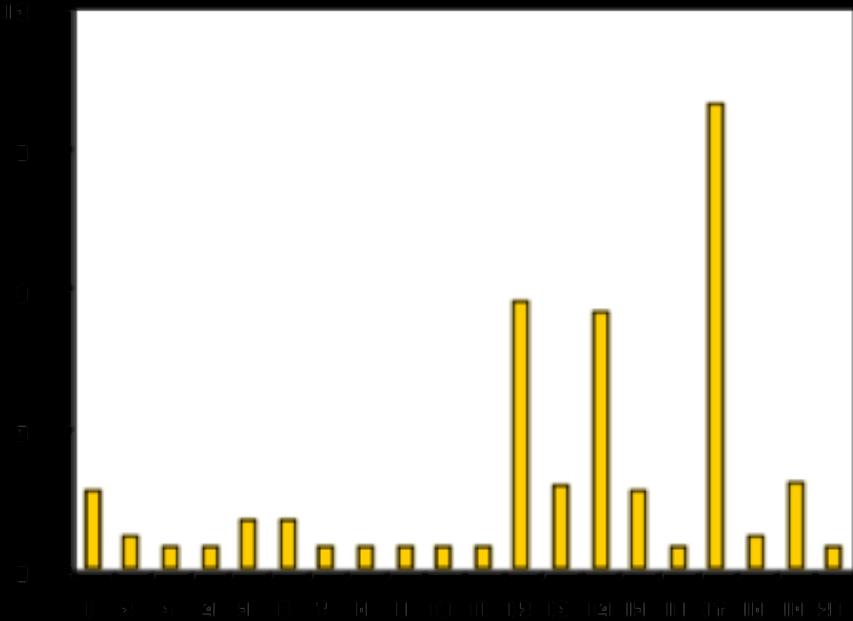
Firestein 98

Mombaerts 96

Buck 06

Laing 96

Gewürztraminer wine



**Descriptive Analysis
of a model
based on the
Odor Spectrum**

Odor Spectrum based on Guth '97

n-1 Omission Test

Lychee

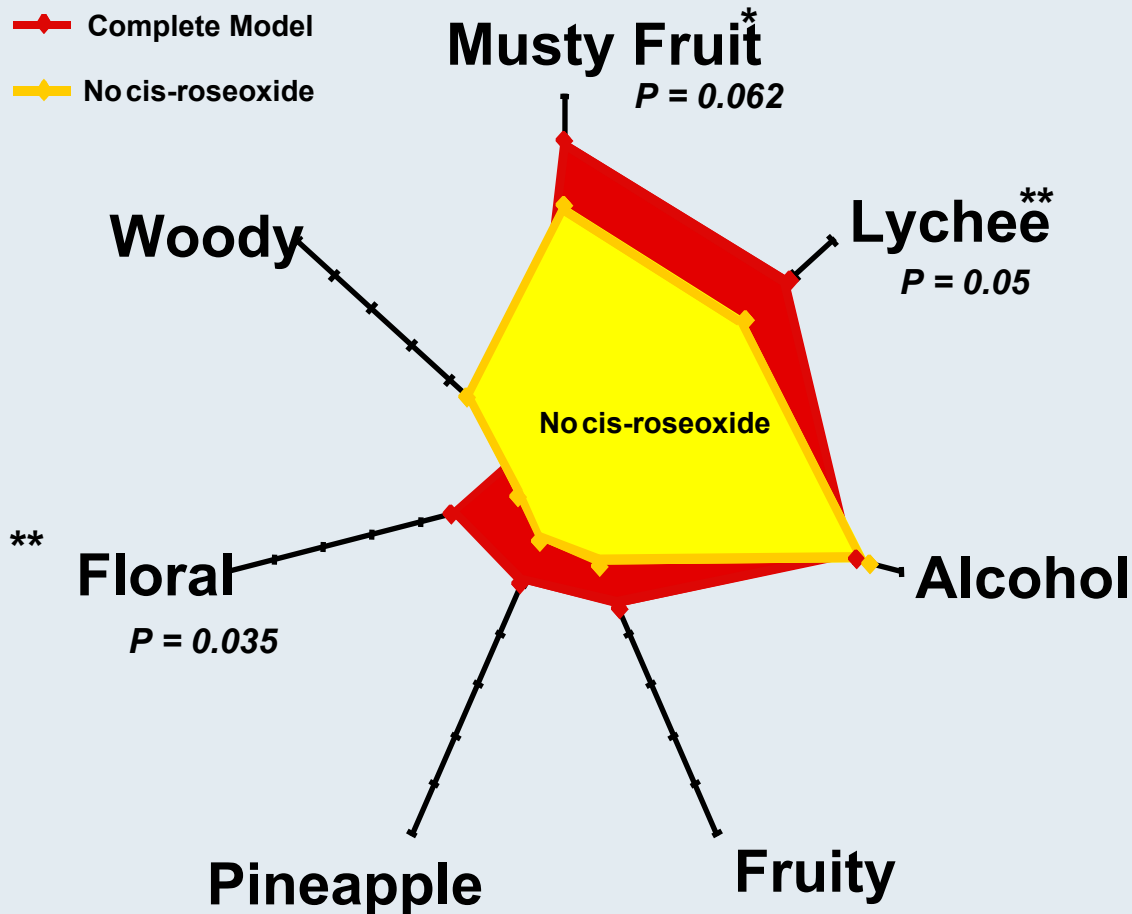
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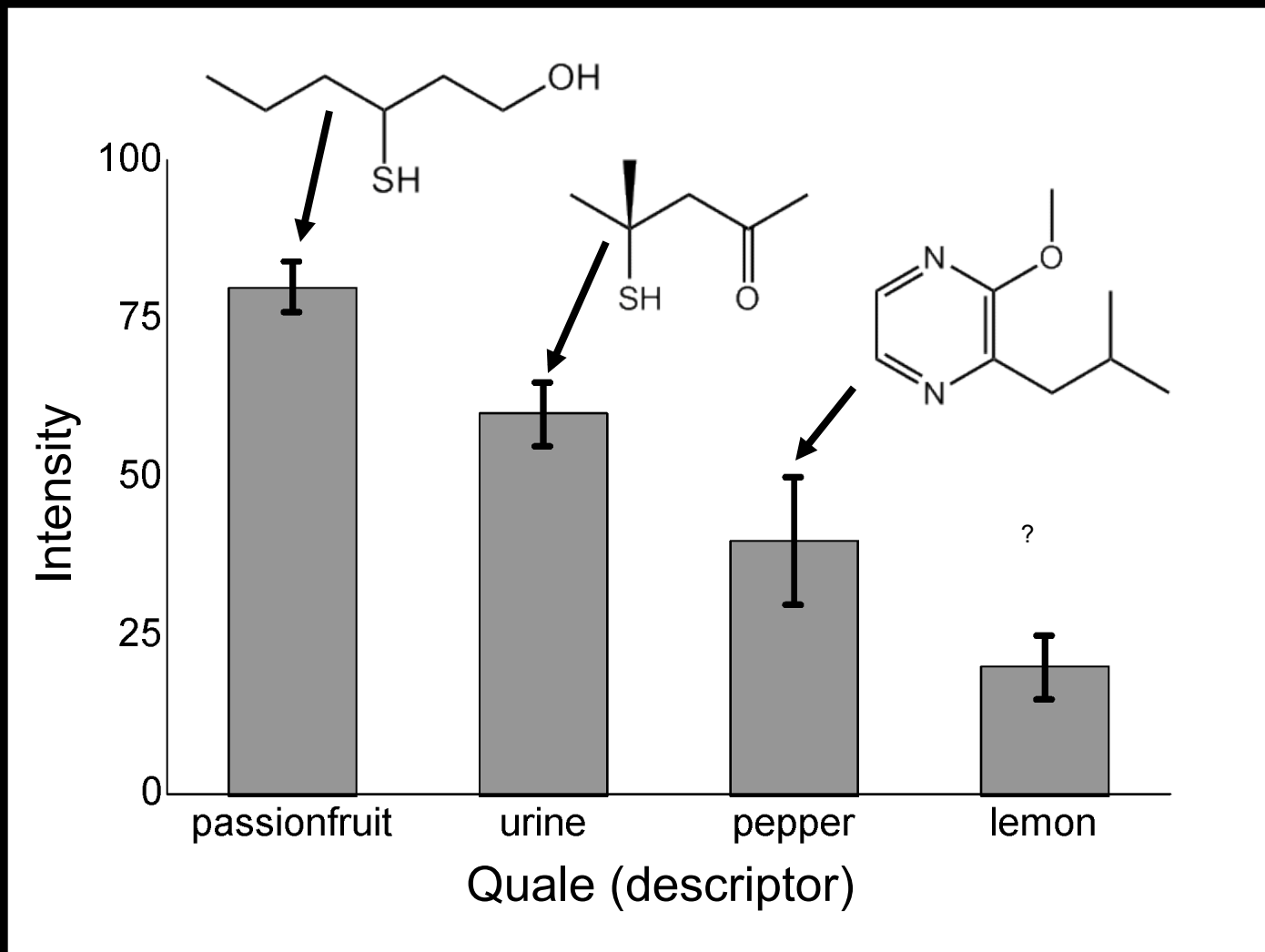
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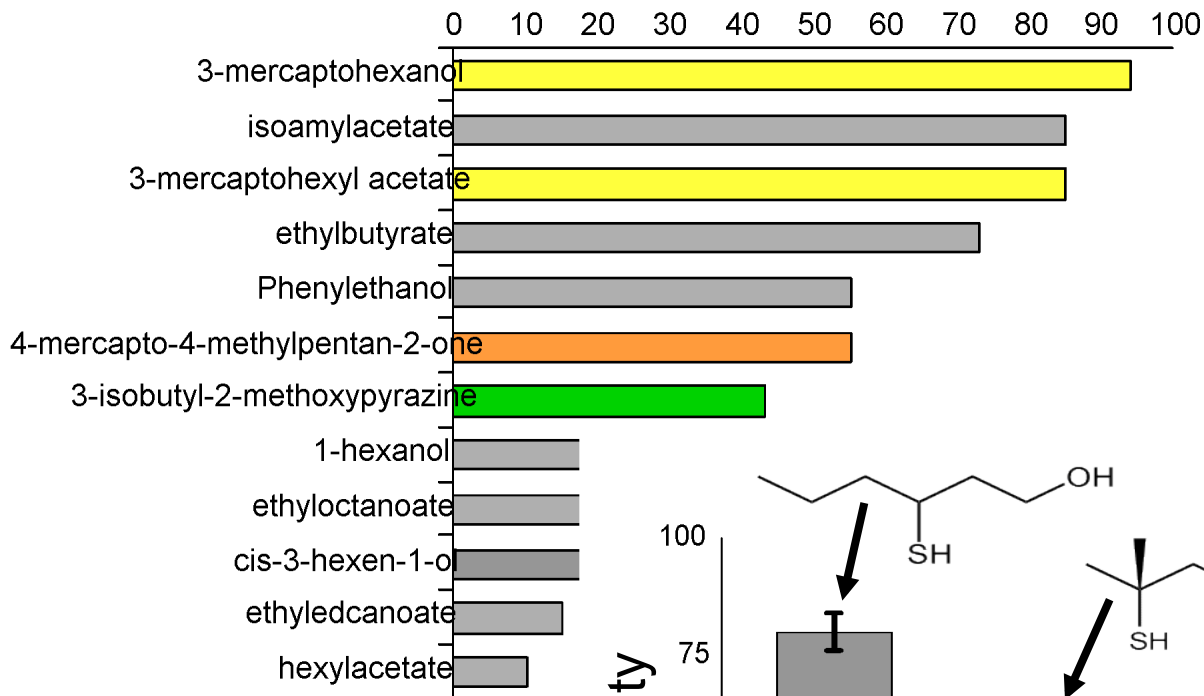
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Sauvignon Blanc - Marlborough NZ

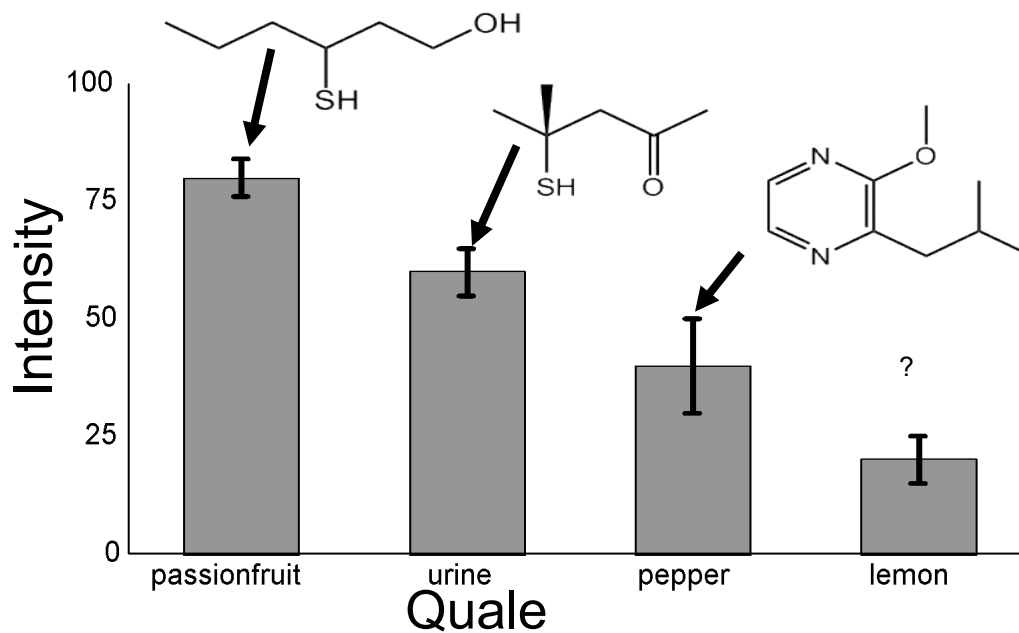


Marlborough - OAV Sauvignon blanc

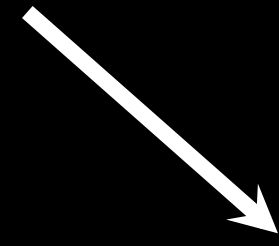
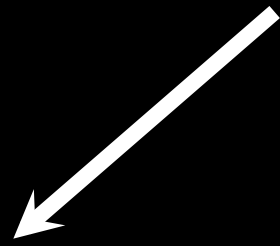
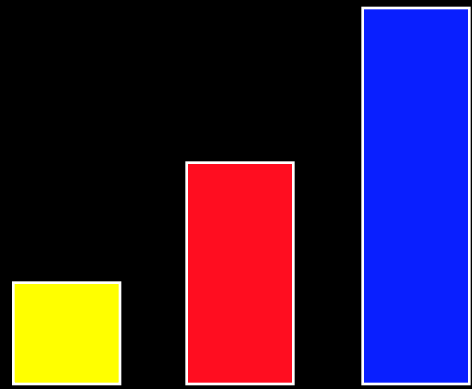


Determining the key aroma of New Zealand Sauvignon blanc wines.

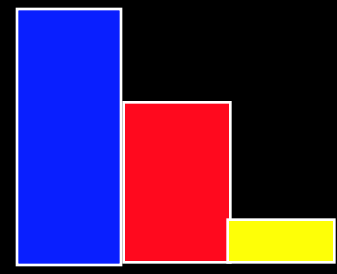
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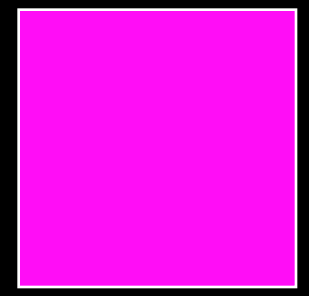


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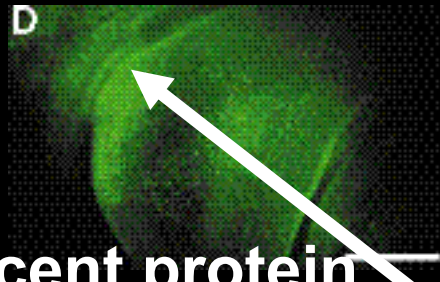


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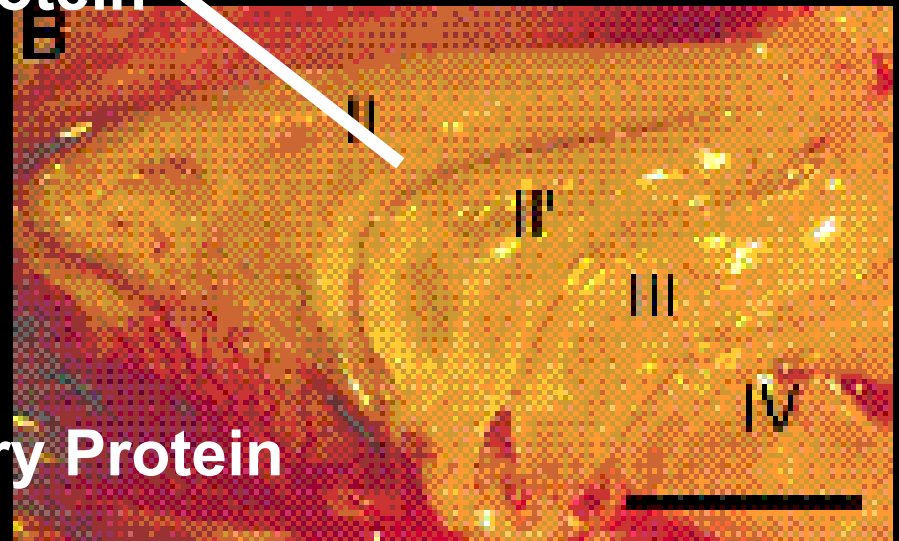
combinatorial
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Functional Expression of Mammalian Odorant Receptor

Haiqing Zhao, Lidija Ivic, Joji M. Otaki, Mitsuhiro Hashimoto, Katsuhiko Mikoshiba, Stuart Firestein*



GFP - Green fluorescent protein



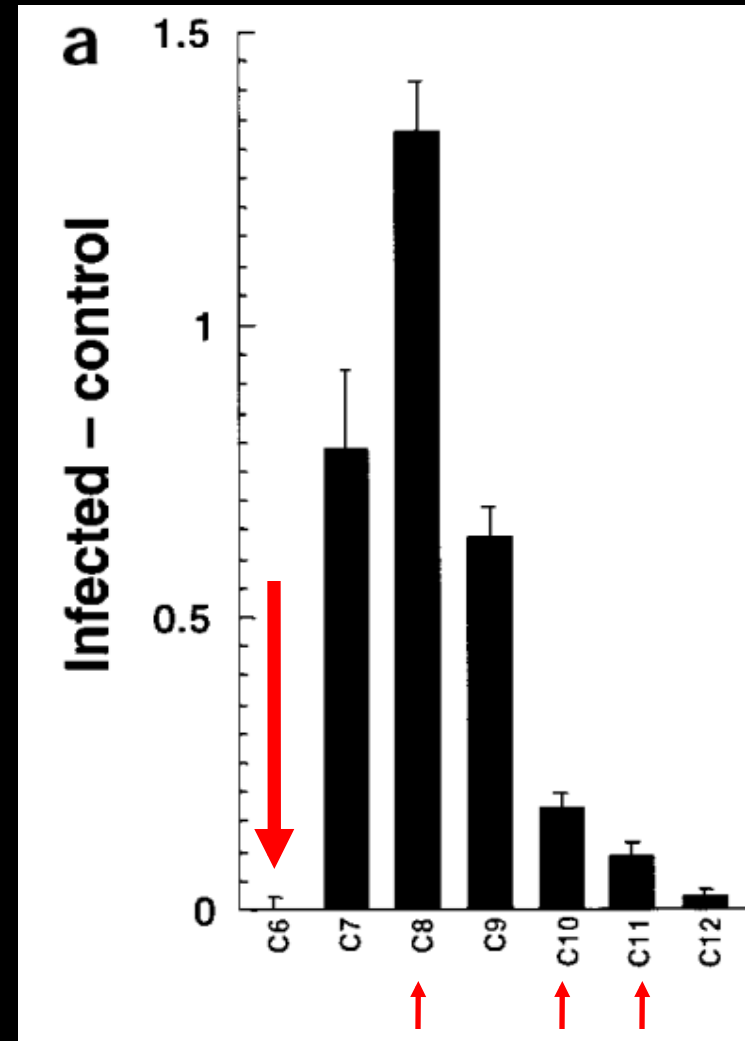
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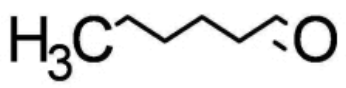
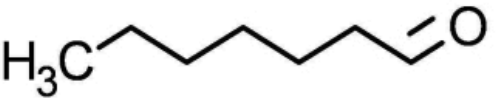
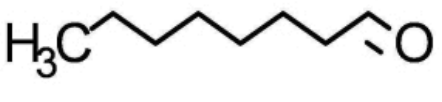
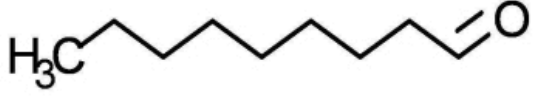
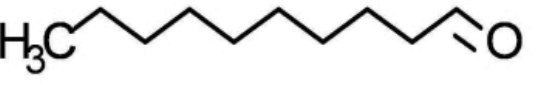
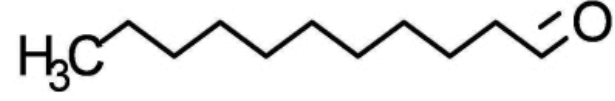
Rat Olfactory Turbinate

Zhao et al. 1998

Olfactory Receptor- OR 1-7

- 1st OR paired with cognate ligand
- C₈ (Octanal) primary agonist
- EOG (electro-olfactogram) recordings
 - EOG interpreted as the summated generator potential of olfactory neurons.
 - Greatest number of neurons activated by C₈
- C₇ → C₁₀ show greatest activation
- C₆ as antagonist (Peterlin et. al., 2008)

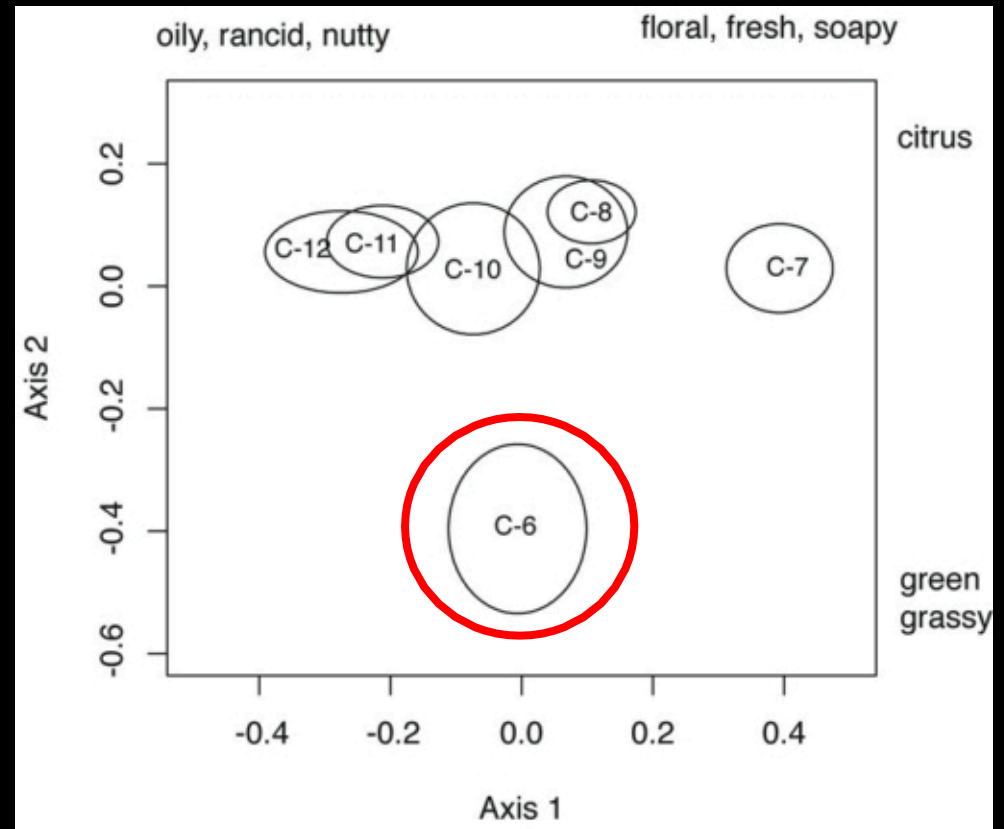


Compound	Structure	CAS #	Molecular Weight	Odor Character	Detection Threshold
Hexanal (C ₆)		66-25-1	100.1	Grass, tallow, fat	0.0045-5 ^a ; 0.00028 ^b
Heptanal (C ₇)		111-71-7	114.1	Fat, citrus, rancid	0.003 ^a ; 0.00018 ^b
Octanal (C ₈)		124-13-0	128.0	Fat, soap, lemon, green	0.0007 ^a ; 0.00001 ^b
Nonanal (C ₉)		124-19-6	142.1	Fat, citrus, green	0.001 ^a ; 0.00034 ^b
Decanal (C ₁₀)		112-31-2	156.2	Soap, orange peel, tallow	0.0001-2 ^a ; 0.00040 ^b
Undecanal (C ₁₁)		170-29	170.29	Oil, pungent, sweet	0.005 ^a

* Published percepts listed on the Flavomet (Arm and Acree, 1998). ^apublished detection thresholds ppm in water listed in Leffingwell et. al. ^b thresholds in ppm v/v listed in Nagata (1990).

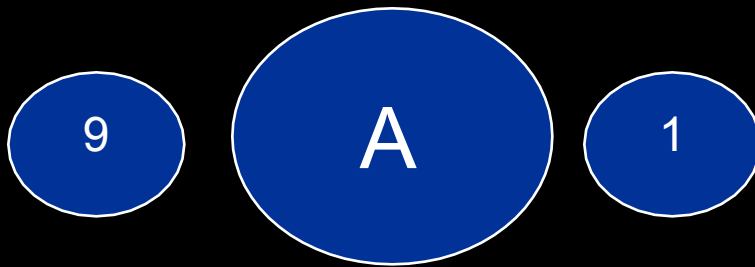
Odor quality perception

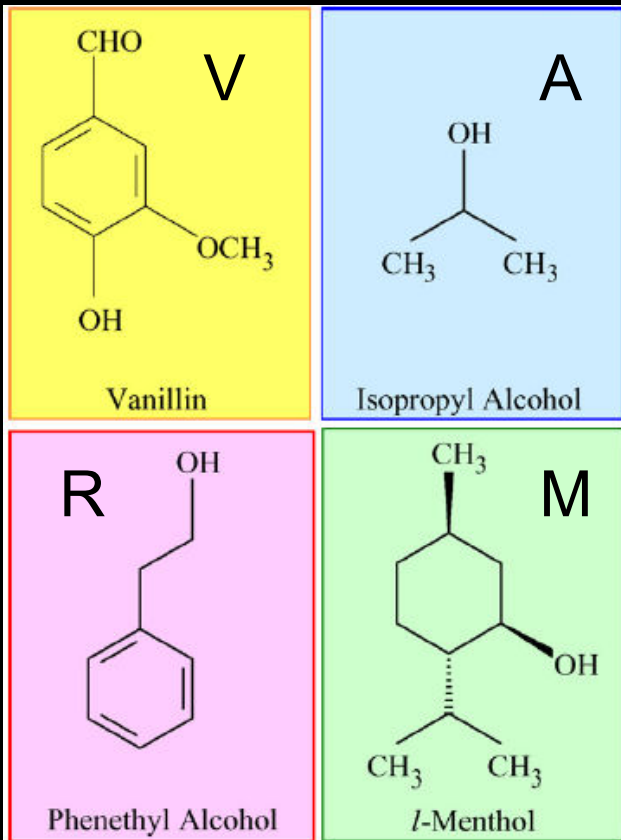
- Kittel et. al. (2008)
 - Free choice profiling
 C_6 - C_{12}
- Procrustes analysis
 - C_6 = Different!!
- Confirmed
 - C_6 = Green odor
 - C_7 - C_9 = Citrus
 - C_{10} - C_{12} = Nutty/
Rancid



Adaptation

- Delivery method :
- Polyethylene bottles with Teflon balls
- Strips changed daily



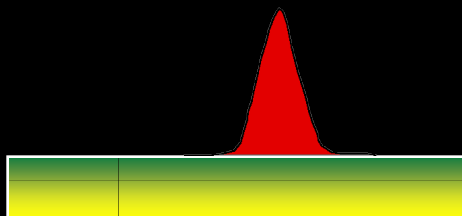


Vanilla (V)		Alcohol (A)	
Adapt	Test	Adapt	Test
W	V	W	A
A	VA	V	VA
R	VR	R	AR
M	VM	M	AM
AR	VAR	VR	VAR
AM	VAM	VM	VAM
RM	VRM	RM	ARM
ARM	VARM	VRM	VARM
Rose (R)		Mint (M)	
Adapt	Test	Adapt	Test
W	R	W	M
V	VR	V	VM
A	AR	A	AM
M	RM	R	RM
VA	VAR	AR	ARM
AM	ARM	VA	VAM
VM	VRM	VR	VRM
VAM	VARM	VAR	VARM

“Characteristic component odors emerge from mixtures after selective adaptation.” Holly F. Goyert, Marion E. Frank , Janneane F. Gent , Thomas P. Hettinger

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Pedestal GC Olfactometer



hexanal

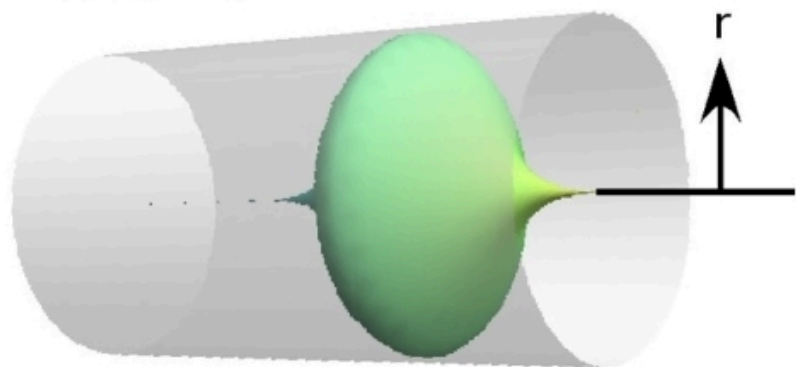


octanal



undecanal

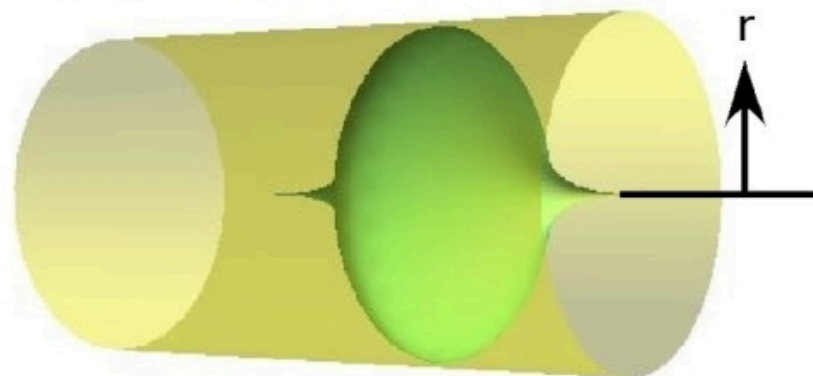
GC-O



■ octanal ■ hexanal

r = concentration

GC-PO



time



t2 = 5:45

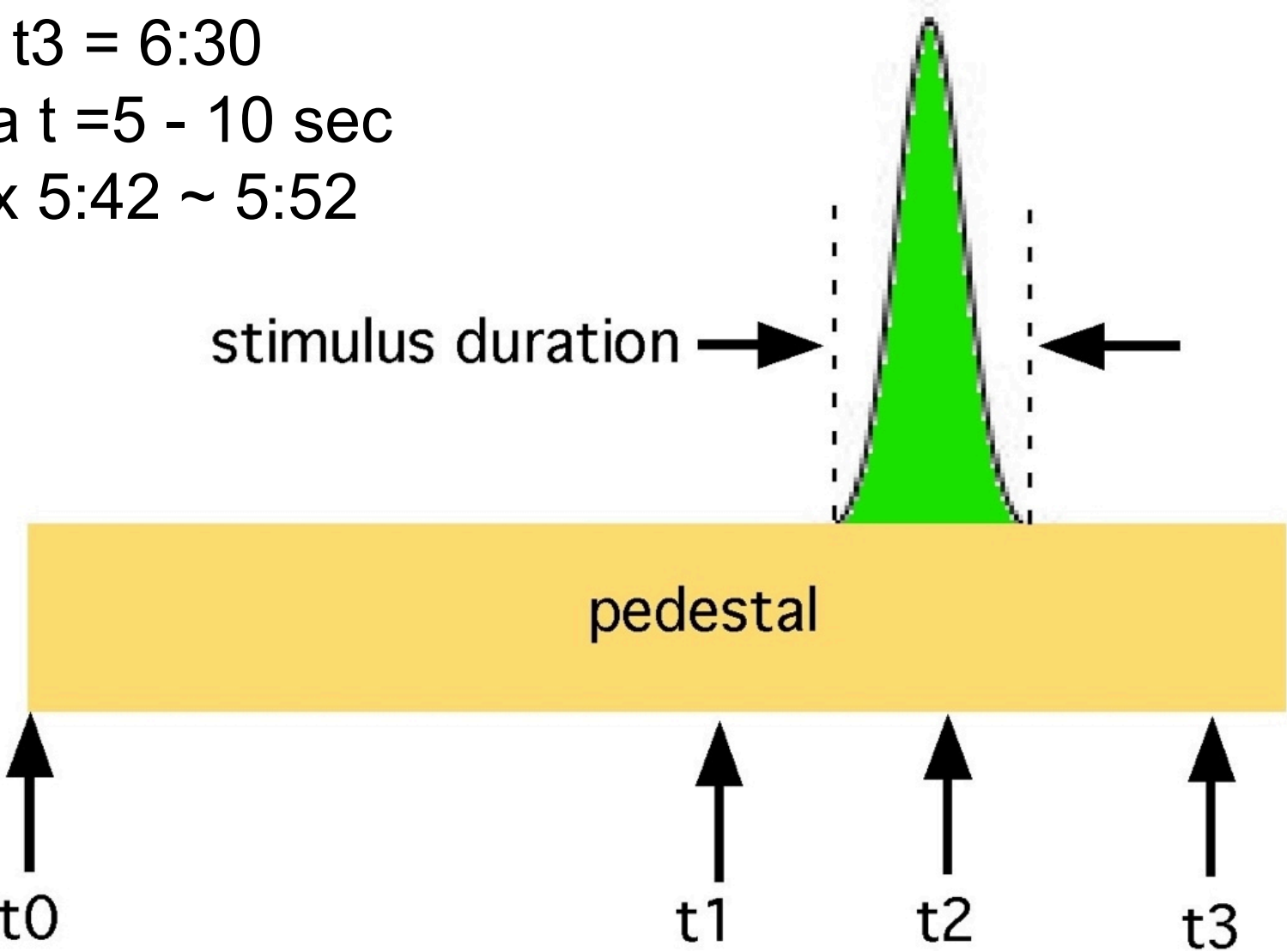
t3 = 6:30

delta t = 5 - 10 sec

hex 5:42 ~ 5:52

GC retention time

stimulus duration



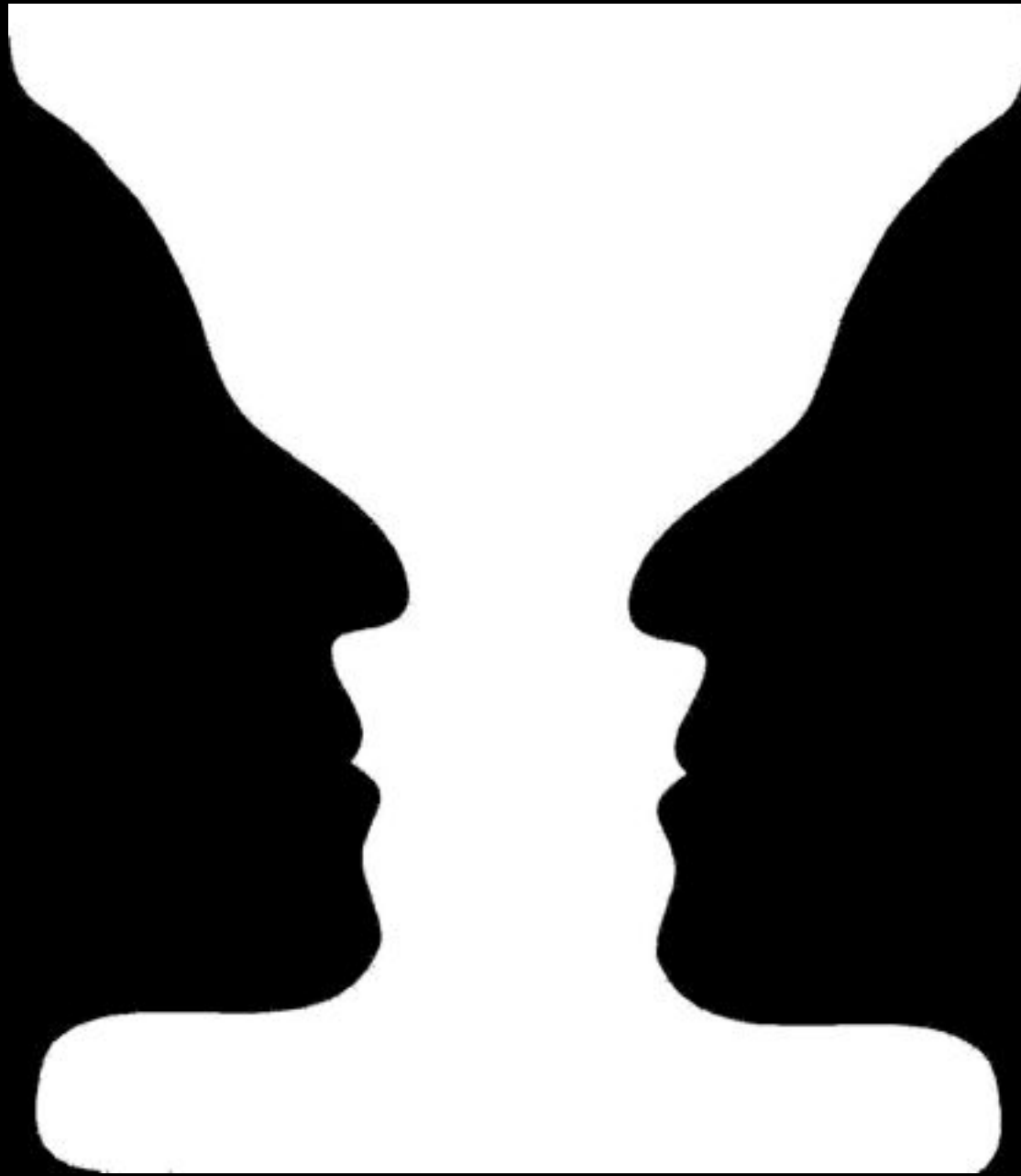
pedestal

t0

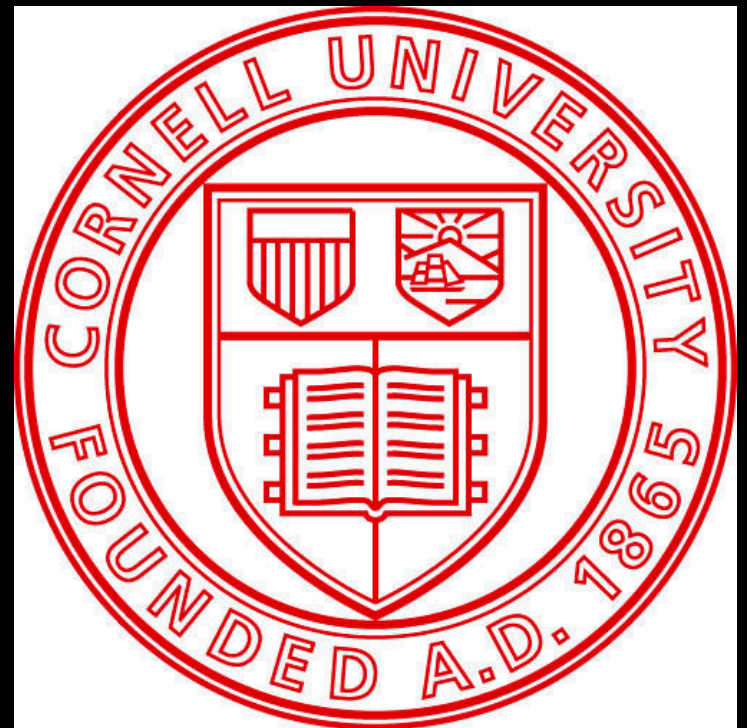
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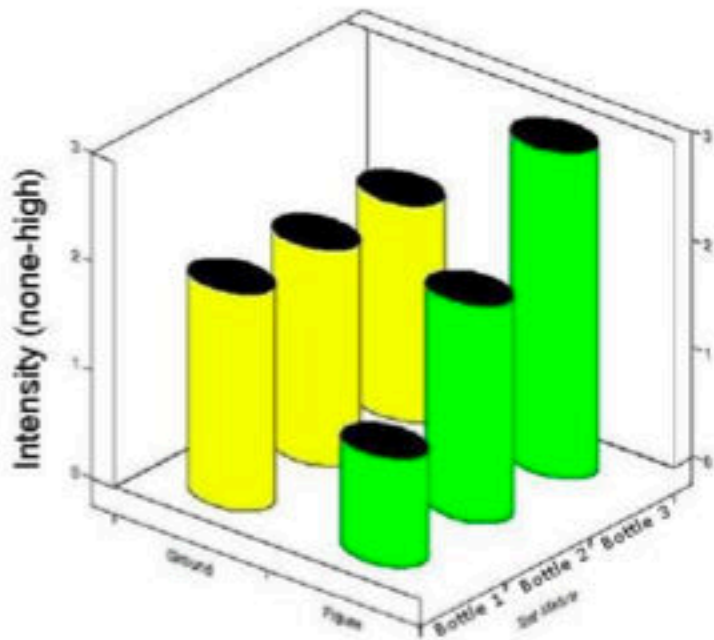
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t3



Fin...





Ground Constant

a

Test for Hexanal Intensity

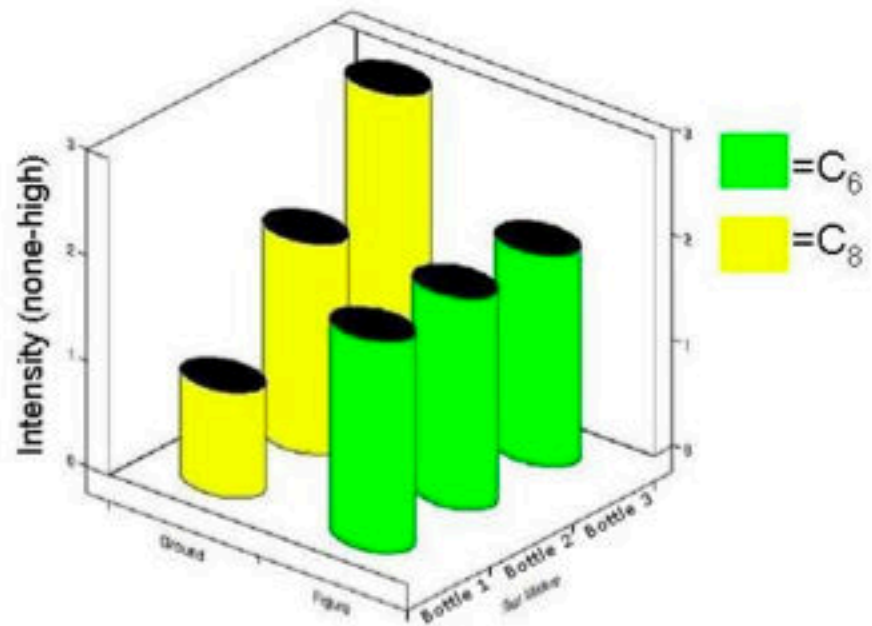
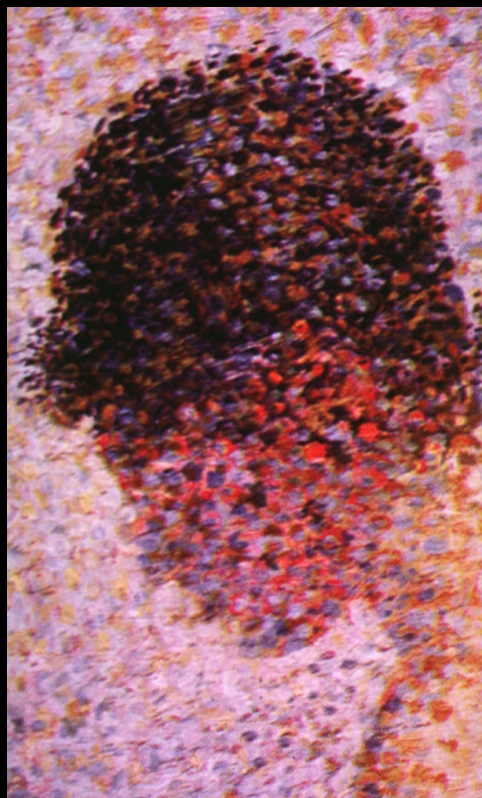


Figure Constant

b

What does chemical knowledge tell us?





The dots and dabs