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Antioxidant Capacity, Mineral Content and Sensory Properties of Gluten-Free Rice and Buckwheat Cookies

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Summary

Light buckwheat flour was used to substitute rice flour at the level of 10, 20 and 30 % to produce gluten-free cookies. The substitution of gluten-free cookie formulation with light buckwheat flour contributed to the significantly higher mineral content, especially magnesium, potassium, iron and copper, in comparison with the control rice cookies (p<0.05). Gluten-free cookies made with rice flour and buckwheat flour exhibited significantly higher total phenolic and rutin content, scavenging activity against 1,1-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl radicals (DPPH*), antioxidant activity and reducing power than the control cookies (p<0.05). Comparing all evaluated sensory properties, cookies containing 20 % of light buckwheat flour had the most acceptable sensory properties. The obtained results of principal component analysis showed that the cookies with 20 and 30 % buckwheat flour had better antioxidant and sensory properties in comparison with other two cookie samples.

Key words: gluten-free cookies, minerals, antioxidant activity, sensory properties, rice flour, buckwheat flour

Introduction

Coeliac disease is one of the most common chronic autoimmune disorders. It is related to the intolerance of proteins of gluten complex present in many common cereals such as wheat, rye, barley and oat. The symptoms of coeliac disease can only be avoided by adhering to a strict lifelong gluten-free diet.

A number of studies have indicated that the gluten-free diet is unbalanced in carbohydrates, proteins and fat and deficient in certain essential nutrients (1). Due to the limitation of some nutrients, the fortification of basic gluten-free formulations is recommended to develop value-added products. For instance, pseudocereal flour such as buckwheat has been utilized to produce gluten-free bread (2–4) and pasta (5).

Cookies are widely consumed bakery products due to their long shelf life and strong consumer preference. Although the structure-forming ability of gluten influences the rheological properties of dough and affects overall appearance of bakery products, the development of a gluten network in biscuit and cookie dough is minimal and undesirable (6). Therefore, the efforts in gluten-free cookie production are more frequently related to the fortification of gluten-free formulations to achieve better nutritional profile of biscuits and cookies with acceptable sensory properties. There are several papers on the enrichment of gluten-free biscuits and cookies (7,8).

Rice and buckwheat flour types are recommended as the safe ingredients for coeliac patients since they possess no gluten and can be used in the production of bread (9) and cookies (8). Rice flour is known as the most suitable component for gluten-free formulations due to its mild taste, colourlessness, hypoallergenic properties and easily digestible carbohydrates (10). Buckwheat flour is characterized as a gluten-free ingredient containing well-balanced amino acids and is rich in polyphenols (11,12). The dominant polyphenolic compound in buckwheat flour is rutin (13), shown to be a potent antioxidant (14). Buckwheat flour is abundant in minerals, especially magnesium and iron, which are lacking in gluten-free products (2–4).

Schönlechner *et al.* (15) incorporated pseudocereal flour (amaranth, quinoa and buckwheat) in gluten-free biscuit formulations. Cookies based on rice and light buckwheat flour were initially characterized by Torbica *et al.* (8) from the aspect of their physicochemical and sensory characteristics and compared to the control which was based on wheat flour. According to the authors, the best quality of gluten-free rice cookies was achieved when they were enriched with 20 % of light buckwheat flour.

Published papers in the available literature present results mainly focused on physicochemical or sensory characteristics of gluten-free cookies without any functional analysis such as antioxidant activity. Therefore, the objective of this paper is to investigate the antioxidant capacity, mineral content and sensory properties of the cookies made from rice and light buckwheat flour in three different ratios and to compare them with the control sample made from rice flour. In addition, principal component analysis was used to study and visualize the correlation among all tested properties of gluten-free cookies.

Materials and Methods

Materials

Rice flour (in %: moisture 11.67, protein (N×5.7) 7.96, fat 0.27, ash 0.25, reducing sugars 1.37, starch 88.58, and total dietary fibre 1.90) and light buckwheat flour (in %: moisture 11.24, protein (N×5.7) 8.68, fat 1.47, ash 1.08, reducing sugars 1.77, starch 85.38, and total dietary fibre 5.20) were obtained from Hemija Komerc, Novi Sad, Serbia. Vegetable fat originating from refined palm and sunflower oil was obtained from Puratos NV, Groot-Bijgaarden, Belgium. Sodium hydrogen carbonate (≥99.5 %, p.a) was purchased from Carl Roth GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany, carboxymethyl cellulose sodium salt from Alfa Aesar GmbH, Karlsruhe, Germany, diacetyl tartaric acid esters of monoglycerides (Pantex DW90) from InCoPa GmbH, Munich, Germany, while the other ingredients (salt, sugar and honey) were purchased at the local market.

Preparation of cookies

The formulation of gluten-free cookies with rice and buckwheat flour was made according to Torbica *et al.* (8). Mixtures of the two types of flour were prepared, with the ratio of rice to buckwheat flour of 90:10, 80:20, and 70:30. Rice flour was used for the preparation of control cookies. Dough mixing, processing and baking were performed on laboratory-scale equipment. The ingredients were weighed as follows (in g): flour (rice flour 300 for the control cookies or rice flour and light buckwheat flour, respectively: 270 and 30 for the cookies with 10 % flour substitution, 240 and 60 for the cookies with 20 % flour substitution, and 210 and 90 for the cookies with 30 % flour

substitution), deionized water 75, vegetable fat 85, granulated sugar 70, honey 45, NaHCO₃ 9, diacetyl tartaric acid ester of monoglycerides 9, carboxymethyl cellulose 4.5, and salt 2.1.

Rice flour or rice/buckwheat flour mixtures were transferred into Farinograph mixing bowl (Brabender GmbH, Duisburg, Germany), which was previously tempered at 30 °C. Afterwards, the rest of the dry ingredients and vegetable fat were added and mixed for 2 min. Finally, 45 g of honey which was previously dissolved in deionized water was poured into the mixer bowl and the dough mass was mixed for 25 min at 30 °C. The obtained cookie dough was left to rest at 8 °C for 24 h in order to allow the hydration of the added carboxymethyl cellulose. After the resting period, the dough was tempered at ambient temperature for 30 min and then sheeted to a thickness of 4 mm using a pilot scale dough sheeter (Mignon, Mestrino, Italy). The dough was cut using a stainless mould (60 mm×55 mm) and finally baked at 170 °C for 12 min in a laboratory oven (MIWE gusto®, MIWE Michael Wenz GmbH, Arnstein, Germany). The obtained cookies were cooled for 2 h at ambient temperature and packed in sealed polypropylene bags.

Proximate composition and mineral content

Proximate composition of cookies including protein (Official Method No. 950.36), fat (Official Method No. 935.38), reducing sugar (Official Method No. 975.14), total dietary fibre (Official Method No. 958.29), ash (Official Method No. 930.22) and moisture contents (Official Method No. 926.5) were determined by AOAC standard methods of analysis (16). Starch content was determined by hydrochloric acid dissolution according to the ICC Standard No. 123/1 (17).

Mineral content (Mg, K, Zn, Fe, Mn and Cu) of cookies was determined using a Varian Spectra AA 10 (Varian Techtron Pty Limited, Mulgrave, Victoria, Australia) atomic absorption spectrophotometer equipped with a background correction (D2 lamp). The samples were prepared according to the procedure described in Manuals of Food Quality Control (18).

Preparation of ethanolic extracts

Cookies were ground in a laboratory blender (Waring, Torrington, CT, USA) to obtain coarse powder which passed through an 800-µm sieve. Cookie powder (5 g) was mixed with 50 mL of 80 % ethanol. Extraction was carried out by shaking the mixture at ambient temperature ((23±1) °C) for 1 h. After 1-hour shaking, the suspension was left overnight at ambient temperature. The procedure was repeated twice with 50 mL of solvent, and combined extracts were dried using a vacuum evaporator (Büchi, Flawil, Switzerland). The yield was calculated based on the wet mass of the samples. The dried extract was redissolved in 80 % ethanol to 10 mL volume and used for further investigation of antioxidant activity.

Total phenolic content

Total phenolic content of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookie extracts was determined spectrophotometrically using Folin-Ciocalteu reagent (19). Gallic acid was used as a standard and results were expressed in μg of gallic acid equivalents (GAE) per g of sample on dry mass basis. The extract (0.1 mL) was diluted with pure water (7.9 mL, Millipore Elix 10 UV water purification system). Folin-Ciocalteu reagent (0.5 mL) and sodium carbonate solution (1.5 mL; γ =200 g/L) were added, and the reaction mixture was mixed thoroughly. The mixture was allowed to stand for 120 min with intermittent shaking, and the absorbance was measured at 750 nm (6405 UV/VIS, Jenway, Stone, Staffordshire, UK).

Antioxidant activity measured by β -carotene bleaching method

Oxidative loss of β -carotene in a β -carotene/linoleic acid emulsion was used to assess the antioxidant activity of the examined extracts (20). β-Carotene (2 mg) was dissolved in 10 mL of chloroform and 1 mL of β-carotene solution was mixed with 20 mg of purified linoleic acid and 200 mg of Tween 40 in a round-bottom flask. Chloroform was removed by purging with nitrogen. Pure water (50 mL) was added into the β-carotene/linoleic acid emulsion and mixed using a vortex mixer V1 plus (BOECO, Hamburg, Germany). Cookie extracts (0.2 mL) at various concentrations (10.0-60.0 mg/mL) and aliquots (5 mL) of the β-carotene/linoleic acid emulsion were placed in capped culture tubes and mixed thoroughly. The tubes were immediately placed in a water bath and incubated at 50 °C. Oxidation of β-carotene/linoleic acid emulsion was monitored spectrophotometrically by measuring the absorbance at 470 nm after 120 min (6405 UV/VIS, Jenway). A control was prepared using 0.2 mL of 80 % ethanol instead of the extract.

Degradation rate (DR) of the extracts was calculated according to the first order kinetics using the following equation (21):

$$DR=\ln(A_0/A)\cdot 1/t /1/$$

where A_0 is the initial absorbance (470 nm) at time zero, A is the absorbance (470 nm) at time 120 min and t is time (min).

The antioxidant activity (AA) was expressed as inhibition (in %) relative to the control using the following equation:

$$AA = \left(\frac{DR(control) - DR(sample)}{DR(control)}\right) \cdot 100$$
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The IC $_{50}$ value (mg/mL) was defined as the concentration of the extract at which the antioxidant activity was 50 % under the experimental conditions.

Reducing power

Reducing power of the cookie extracts was measured according to the method of Oyaizu (22). Various concentrations (15.0–60.00 mg/mL) of the extracts (0.5 mL) were mixed with 2.5 mL of phosphate buffer (0.2 M, pH=6.6) and 2.5 mL of potassium ferricyanide (1 %). The mixtures were incubated at 50 °C for 20 min, and after that trichloroacetic acid (10 %, 2.5 mL) was added. The mixtures were centrifuged at $650 \times g$ for 10 min (LC-320, Tehtnica,

Železniki, Slovenia). The supernatant (2.5 mL) was mixed with 2.5 mL of pure water and 0.5 mL of ferric chloride and the absorbance was measured at 700 nm with spectrophotometer (6405 UV/VIS, Jenway). Higher absorbance of the reaction mixture indicates greater reducing power. The IC₅₀ value (mg/mL) was defined as the concentration of the extract that causes a decrease in the absorbance of reaction mixture up to 0.5.

DPPH radical scavenging activity

Effect of the examined extracts on the content of 1,1-diphenyl-2-picrylhydrazyl radicals (DPPH*) was estimated according to the modified method of Hatano $\it et al.$ (23). The concentration of the DPPH* solution used in the assay was 90 $\mu M, \it i.e.$ 22.5 mL of 0.4 mM DPPH* solution (0.01577 g of DPPH* in 100 mL of methanol) were diluted with 95 % methanol to 100 mL. An aliquot (1.0 mL) of the DPPH* solution (90 μM) was diluted in 2.9 mL of methanol, and 0.1 mL of the extracts at various concentrations (15.0–60.00 mg/mL) was added. The mixture was shaken vigorously and left to set for 60 min in the dark, then the absorbance was measured at 517 nm (6405 UV/VIS, Jenway) against the blank (mixture without the extract).

The IC_{50} value (mg/mL) was defined as the concentration of an antioxidant extract which was required to quench 50 % of the initial amount of DPPH $^{\bullet}$ under the experimental conditions given.

Fe²⁺ chelating activity

Fe $^{2+}$ chelating activity was measured according to the method of Decker and Welch (24). Aliquots of 1 mL of different concentrations of the extracts (5.0–60.00 mg/mL) were mixed with 3.7 mL of pure water. The mixture was left to react with ferrous sulphate heptahydrate (2 mM, 0.1 mL) and ferrozine (5 mM, 0.2 mL) for 10 min at ambient temperature ((23±1) °C), and then the absorbance was measured at 562 nm (6405 UV/VIS, Jenway). A lower absorbance indicates a higher chelating power. Chelating activity (CA) was calculated according to the following equation:

$$CA = \left(1 - \frac{A_{526 \text{ nm}}(\text{sample})}{A_{526 \text{ nm}}(\text{control})}\right) \cdot 100$$
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The IC_{50} value (mg/mL) was defined as the concentration of an antioxidant extract which chelates 50 % of the present Fe^{2+} under the experimental conditions.

HPLC determination of rutin

A mass of 5 g of cookie powder was extracted with 20 mL of 80 % boiling methanol for 10 min, ultrasonicated for 10 min and filtered through regenerated cellulose membrane filters (0.45 μ m pore size; Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA) before injection into the HPLC system.

HPLC analysis was performed using a liquid chromatograph (Agilent 1200 series), equipped with a diode array detector (DAD), on an Agilent Eclipse XDB-C18, 1.8 mm, 4.6 mm×50 mm column, at a flow rate of 1 mL/min. A single rapid resolution HPLC method reported by Mišan *et al.* (25) was used. The solvent linear gradient

mode was performed by varying the proportion of solvent A (methanol) to solvent B (1 mL of formic acid in 100 mL of water) as follows: initial 10 % A, then 0–10 min 10–25 % A, 10–20 min 25–60 % A, and 20–30 min 60–70 % A. The run time and post-run time were 45 and 10 min, respectively. The column was operated at 30 °C. The injected volume of samples and standards was 5 μ L and it was done automatically, using autosampler. The spectra were acquired in the range of 210–400 nm and chromatograms plotted at 280, 330 and 350 nm with reference wavelength set at 550/100 nm. Rutin was identified by matching its retention time and spectral characteristics against rutin standard. The external standard method was used for quantification.

Stock solution of rutin was prepared in the concentration of 1 mg/mL in methanol. The solution was properly diluted with 1 % formic acid to obtain a series of dilutions in the range of 0.005–34 μ g/mL in the mobile phase for external standard calibration.

Sensory evaluation

Sensory evaluation was conducted 24 h after baking by eight experienced and trained panellists (7 females and 1 male, at the age of 30 to 43). Prior to sensory analysis, sensory profile of gluten-free cookies was established by a multidimensional approach. The established sensory profile included 10 descriptors with their definitions and evaluation techniques (26). To express the intensity of each perceived descriptor, the intensity scale was applied: from 0, *i.e.* the absence of perception to 5, *i.e.* strong perception/maximal intensity (27,28). The samples were evaluated on three separate occasions. Drinking water was provided for palate cleansing after each sample.

Statistical analysis

Results were expressed as the mean values of three replications±standard deviation. ANOVA and Fisher's multiple range tests were used, and p<0.05 were regarded as significant. Principal component analysis (PCA) was

carried out to investigate the within-set data profile and to study the correlation between the data. All analyses were made using the XLSTAT software v. 2012.2.02 (Addinsoft, New York, NY, USA).

Results and Discussion

Proximate composition of cookies

The main ingredients in gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookie formulation were rice and light buckwheat flour whose mineral and phenolic content and antioxidant activities are presented in Table 1.

The produced gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies had significantly higher (p<0.05) protein content in comparison with rice cookies (Table 2). This finding is due to higher protein content of light buckwheat flour (29) compared to rice flour (9). Dietary fibre content of the investigated cookies was found to be significantly different (p<0.05) in the descending order: cookies with 30 % light buckwheat flour>cookies with 20 % light buckwheat flour>cookies with 10 % light buckwheat flour>control cookies. Similar increase in total dietary fibre content was noticed in light and wholegrain buckwheat crackers when they were compared to their wheat counterparts, which corresponded with higher content of dietary fibres in buckwheat flour (30). The increased total dietary fibre content in gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies contributed to their overall functional properties for the consumption of both adults and children. Namely, children older than two are recommended to consume a minimal amount of dietary fibre equivalent to their age plus 5 g per day (31). Regarding the highest content of total dietary fibres in cookies containing 30 % light buckwheat flour ((2.94±0.04) %) (Table 2), it can be concluded that 100 g of these cookies can satisfy 42 % of a daily dietary fibre intake for 2-year-old children or a lower percentage depending on the age. Therefore, they cannot be considered as high-dietary fibre cookies whose normal consumption

Table 1. Mineral and phenolic content and antioxidant activities of rice flour and light buckwheat flour

Parameter	Rice flour	Light buckwheat flour
$\overline{w(\text{Mg})/(\text{mg/kg})^*}$	(376±14.1) ^a	(1149±23.6) ^b
$w(K)/(mg/kg)^*$	(790±4.1) ^a	(2442±24.2) ^b
$w(Zn)/(mg/kg)^*$	(7.2±0.8) ^a	(13.10±0.02) ^b
$w(Fe)/(mg/kg)^*$	(5.0±0.5) ^a	(11.2±0.2) ^b
$w(Mn)/(mg/kg)^*$	(6.4±0.3) ^a	$(8.1\pm0.1)^{\rm b}$
$w(Cu)/(mg/kg)^*$	(1.53±0.03) ^a	$(5.1\pm0.1)^{b}$
w(total phenolics)/(μg of GAE per g)*	(108±8.1) ^a	(2235±80.7) ^b
$w(\text{rutin})/(\mu g/g)^*$	n.d.	(128.0±3.5)
Antioxidant activity, IC ₅₀ /(mg/mL)	(13.1±0.2) ^b	(8.4±0.1) ^a
Reducing activity, IC ₅₀ /(mg/mL)	(12.9±0.7) ^b	(4.3±0.1) ^a
DPPH* scavenging activity, IC ₅₀ /(mg/mL)	(30.6±0.4) ^b	$(1.61\pm0.06)^{a}$
Fe ²⁺ chelating activity, IC ₅₀ /(mg/mL)	(32.6±1.9) ^b	$(1.83\pm0.03)^{a}$

^{*}Results are presented on dry mass basis. Values are means of three determinations±standard deviation. Values in the same column with the same letter in superscript are not statistically different (p<0.05). GAE=gallic acid equivalents

Table 2. Proximate composition of cookies

w/(g/100 g)*	Control	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Protein	(4.4±0.1) ^a	(4.48±0.02)ab	(4.60±0.06) ^b	(4.9±0.1) ^c
Fat	$(19.60\pm0.05)^a$	$(19.60\pm0.05)^a$	(19.80±0.24) ^a	$(19.9\pm0.3)^a$
Starch	(53.2±0.5) ^a	$(52.6\pm0.7)^{a}$	$(52.3\pm0.1)^{a}$	$(52.30\pm0.04)^a$
Reducing sugars	(15.3±0.1)°	$(15.10\pm0.09)^{ab}$	(15.20±0.05) ^b	$(15.00\pm0.03)^a$
Ash	$(2.32\pm0.02)^a$	(2.41±0.02) ^b	(2.41±0.02) ^b	$(2.46\pm0.01)^{c}$
Total dietary fibre	(1.93±0.03) ^a	(2.26±0.09)b	$(2.55\pm0.05)^{c}$	(2.94±0.04) ^d

^{*}Results are presented on dry mass basis. Values are means of three determinations±standard deviation.

could cause harmful effects on children. The other parameters of proximate composition of the investigated cookies were not significantly different.

Since the main ingredients in cookie formulation were rice flour and light buckwheat flour, both known as gluten-free ingredients, the produced cookies were considered to be gluten-free although the presence of gluten needs to be controlled before placing the product on the market. In the case of gluten-free products, their gluten content should be less than 20 mg/kg according to the Commission Regulation (EC) No 41/2009 of 20 January 2009 concerning the composition and labelling of foodstuffs suitable for people intolerant to gluten (32). This requirement could be satisfied only by purchasing the certified gluten-free ingredients, and applying the strict standards in the production process to avoid cross-contamination.

Mineral content of cookies

The addition of light buckwheat flour to control gluten-free cookie formulation contributed to the significant increase (p<0.05) in their mineral content, especially magnesium, potassium, iron and copper (Table 3) due to their significantly higher (p<0.05) amounts in light buckwheat flour compared to rice flour (Table 1). This finding is in agreement with previously obtained data published by Alvarez-Jubete *et al.* (2) and Peterson *et al.* (33). It is assumed that the consummation of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies with the improved mineral profile can contribute to the reduction of mineral deficiency in gluten-free diet.

Similar positive correlation between macroelement content and increased amount of buckwheat flour in gluten-free bread was observed by Wronkowska *et al.* (4). Furthermore, the addition of buckwheat flour significantly increased potassium, magnesium and phosphorus contents of tarhana made with wheat flour (34).

Total phenolic and rutin content

Due to higher total phenolic content of light buck-wheat flour than of rice flour (Table 1), as it was previously determined by Sakač *et al.* (9), a significant increase (p<0.05) in total phenolic content of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies was found in comparison with the rice ones (Table 4). The fortification of gluten-free products using pseudocereals has been reported by Alvarez-Jubete *et al.* (3), while buckwheat was investigated as a component for gluten-free bread (9,35) and cookies (8).

Rutin, well known as a potent antioxidant (*36*), dominates in light buckwheat flour (*37*), but is not present in rice flour (Table 1), which contains ferulic and *p*-coumaric acids as the main polyphenols (*38*). Therefore, incorporation of light buckwheat flour in gluten-free cookie formulation resulted in an increased concentration of rutin in the following order: cookies with 30 % light buckwheat flour>cookies with 20 % light buckwheat flour>cookies with 10 % light buckwheat flour (Table 3).

Although official dietary intake of polyphenols and rutin has not yet been established, the total dietary intake of polyphenols was recommended to be 1 g per day (39) or about 1.2 g per day (40 % of flavonoids, 60 % of pheno-

Table 3. Mineral content in rice cookies and gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies

C1:	w/(mg/kg)*					
Cookies –	Mg	K	Zn	Fe	Mn	Cu
Control	(382±0.3) ^a	(823±1.5) ^a	(7.83±0.02) ^a	(15.3±0.2) ^a	(4.8±0.4) ^a	(1.6±0.1) ^a
Sample 1	(463±10.7) ^b	(884±5.2) ^b	$(8.1\pm0.1)^{ab}$	(16.2±0.3) ^b	$(4.7\pm0.1)^a$	(1.64±0.07) ^a
Sample 2	(473±36.7) ^b	(961±1.9)°	(8.02±0.07) ^{ab}	$(17.5\pm0.1)^{c}$	$(4.48\pm0.03)^a$	(1.81±0.05) ^b
Sample 3	(537±2.9) ^c	$(1063\pm27.4)^{d}$	(8.1±0.2)bc	$(20.6\pm0.8)^{d}$	$(4.7\pm0.1)^a$	(1.90±0.07) ^b

^{*}Results are presented on dry mass basis. Values are means of three determinations±standard deviation.

Values in the same row with the same letter in superscript are not statistically different (p<0.05).

Control=rice flour cookies, sample 1=rice flour cookies containing 10 % light buckwheat flour, sample 2=rice flour cookies containing 20 % light buckwheat flour, sample 3=rice flour cookies containing 30 % light buckwheat flour

Values in the same column with the same letter in superscript are not statistically different (p<0.05).

Control=rice flour cookies, sample 1=rice flour cookies containing 10 % light buckwheat flour, sample 2=rice flour cookies containing 20 % light buckwheat flour, sample 3=rice flour cookies containing 30 % light buckwheat flour

Table 4. Phenolic content and antic	exidant activities of rice	cookies and gluten-free	rice and buckwheat cookies

	$\frac{w(\text{total phenolics})}{\mu g \text{ of GAE per } g^*}$	$\frac{w(\text{rutin})}{\mu g/g^*}$	IC ₅₀ /(mg/mL)			
Extracts -			Antioxidant activity	Reducing activity	DPPH*scavenging activity	Fe ²⁺ chelating activity
Control	(955±46.2) ^a	n.d.	(25.0±0.2) ^a	(37.7±1.0) ^a	(23.2±0.7) ^a	(17.6±0.6) ^a
Sample 1	(1038±43.9)b	(25.1±0.5) ^a	(21.9±2.6)b	(32.3±0.6)b	(22.9±1.4) ^a	$(4.8\pm0.7)^{b}$
Sample 2	(1248±13.7)°	(33.3±0.2) ^b	$(18.7\pm1.7)^{c}$	(31.3±0.8)b	(16.8±0.8) ^b	(4.8±1.0) ^b
Sample 3	(1349±16.9)d	(40.1±0.6)°	$(11.4\pm1.0)^{d}$	(29.0±1.2) ^c	(14.7±0.9)°	(4.6±0.5)b

^{*}Results are presented on dry mass basis. Values are means of three determinations±standard deviation. Values of the same column with the same letter in superscript are not statistically different (p<0.05).

Control=rice flour cookies, sample 1=rice flour cookies containing 10 % light buckwheat flour, sample 2=rice flour cookies containing 20 % light buckwheat flour, sample 3=rice flour cookies containing 30 % light buckwheat flour

lic acids) (40), while the intake of 10–25 mg per day of rutin for adults and 5–10 mg per day for children are considered safe (41). In this view, 100 g of cookies with 30 % light buckwheat flour, which contain the highest amount of polyphenols and rutin among the examined cookies (Table 4), could contribute to approx. 12 % of daily polyphenol intake and less than 8 % of daily rutin intake for children. These findings suggest that problems connected with the excessive polyphenol and rutin intake should not be expected at moderate consumption of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies.

Antioxidant properties

The antioxidant activity of buckwheat flour is superior to that of rice flour (Table 1), due to its higher total phenolic content (9), especially rutin (37). Therefore, the incorporation of light buckwheat flour in gluten-free cookie formulation resulted in increased antioxidant activity of the enriched gluten-free cookies (Table 4), expressed as IC_{50} .

The IC $_{50}$ values of antioxidant activity among all investigated buckwheat-enriched cookie extracts differed significantly (p<0.05) from the IC $_{50}$ value of control cookies. Antioxidant activity negatively correlated with the total phenolic content (R=-0.951), suggesting that phenolic compounds in the produced cookies mainly contributed to their overall antioxidant properties. However, thermal processing of cereals, such as baking, also resulted in the formation of substances with antioxidant properties, namely Maillard reaction products (42) that contribute to the overall antioxidant activity of bakery products. Sensoy *et al.* (43) stated that the accumulation of these products in bread crust was responsible for significant increase in its antioxidant activity.

Significant differences (p<0.05) in reducing activity were found between the samples, except between the samples containing 10 and 20 % light buckwheat flour (Table 4). The enrichment of cookie formulation with 30 % light buckwheat flour resulted in superior reducing activity due to the fact that buckwheat presents one of the greatest sources of antioxidants amongst cereals and pseudocereals (37). Alvarez-Jubete *et al.* (11) reported that buckwheat seeds and sprouts as well as buckwheat bread were rich in reducing agents.

The buckwheat-enriched cookie extracts exhibited scavenging activity against DPPH• in the descending or-

der: cookies containing 30 % buckwheat flour>20 % buckwheat flour>10 % buckwheat flour~control cookies (Table 4). The increased amount of light buckwheat flour in the formulation of cookies positively correlated with the scavenging activity against DPPH* due to the approx. 20 times higher scavenging activity against DPPH* of light buckwheat flour extract than of rice flour extract (Table 1). The buckwheat flour capacity to scavenge DPPH* is mainly attributed to the presence of rutin, which was confirmed as a potent DPPH* scavenger (14).

The addition of 10–30 % of light buckwheat flour to the gluten-free cookie formulation improved the Fe²⁺ chelating activity but without significant differences (p<0.05) among different samples (Table 4). It is assumed that the determined increase in Fe²⁺ chelating activity of cookies enriched with light buckwheat flour could be explained by the chelating properties of rutin, which was specified as metal chelator and/or radical scavenger in the Fenton reaction (36).

Sensory properties

Most of the sensory properties were not significantly influenced by the addition of light buckwheat flour compared to the control sample (Table 5). However, the substitution with 20 % of light buckwheat flour in control gluten-free cookie formulation resulted in significantly distinct intensity (p<0.05) of colour and odour. These results are in agreement with previously published findings of Luthar (44), who found that the presence of aromatic compounds in buckwheat flour improved the pleasant odour and taste compared to the bland and neutral rice flour (45). More intensive colour was found in the samples with 20 and 30 % of substituted flour than in the other two samples, due to the differences in amino acid profile (46) and the content of reducing sugars between buckwheat and rice flour, which further caused the differences in nonenzymatic browning reaction during baking (47).

Regarding textural properties, supplementation of light buckwheat flour negatively influenced the hardness of the cookies when compared to the control sample (Table 5). In a previous study (48) which focused on instrumental texture and dimensional measurements of these cookies, partial replacement of rice flour with buckwheat flour led to a decrease in cookie hardness, fracturability and percentage of contraction, and an increase in the per-

Table 5. Sensory scores of cookies

Property	Control	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3
Colour	$(3.1\pm0.5)^a$	$(3.3\pm0.5)^{ab}$	(3.9±0.7)°	$(3.7\pm0.8)^{bc}$
Odour	$(3.1\pm0.7)^a$	$(3.2\pm0.4)^a$	(3.7±0.6) ^b	(3.2±0.6)ab
Fatness	$(3.2\pm0.8)^a$	$(3.3\pm0.5)^a$	$(3.5\pm0.5)^a$	$(3.6\pm0.8)^a$
Hardness	$(4.1\pm0.5)^{b}$	$(3.2\pm0.8)^a$	$(3.3 \pm 0.6)^a$	$(3.4\pm0.7)^a$
Crumbliness	$(1.7\pm0.8)^a$	$(1.8\pm0.9)^{ab}$	(2.3±0.5) ^b	$(2.1\pm0.8)^{ab}$
Sharpness	$(3.2\pm0.4)^{a}$	$(2.8\pm0.8)^a$	$(2.8\pm0.8)^a$	$(2.8\pm0.7)^{a}$
Fracturability	$(3.2\pm1.1)^a$	$(3.7\pm0.9)^a$	$(3.8\pm0.9)^a$	$(3.5\pm0.8)^a$
Adhesiveness	$(2.6\pm0.9)^a$	$(2.3\pm0.9)^a$	(2.1±0.9) ^a	$(2.2\pm0.6)^a$
Particle size/shape	$(3.2\pm0.6)^{a}$	$(3.4\pm0.7)^a$	$(3.5\pm0.7)^a$	$(3.7\pm0.8)^a$
Taste	$(3.1\pm0.6)^{a}$	$(3.4\pm0.7)^{b}$	(3.5±0.5) ^b	$(3.6\pm0.5)^{b}$

Scores are mean values \pm standard deviation. Values in the same row with the same letter in superscript are not statistically different (p<0.05)

Control=rice flour cookies, sample 1=rice flour cookies containing 10 % light buckwheat flour, sample 2=rice flour cookies containing 20 % light buckwheat flour, sample 3=rice flour cookies containing 30 % light buckwheat flour

centage of spread and eccentricity. Thus, lower scores for hardness of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies in our experiment could be attributed to the differences in rheological properties between the rice dough and the dough made from rice flour and light buckwheat flour. Rice dough was stronger (higher elastic modulus and lower maximum creep compliance) and more elastic (lower tan δ , higher recovery) than the dough made with rice flour and light buckwheat flour mixtures (48).

Moreover, comparing the enriched cookies with the control, which was set as the reference/average value, cookies with 20 % light buckwheat flour had better sensory quality with higher scores or values closer to the average of the properties considered as positive for this type of product. On the contrary, as the crumbliness and adhesiveness are considered to be less positive properties, cookies with 20 % light buckwheat flour showed acceptable sensory quality due to lower than average scores (Table 5).

Generally, the addition of light buckwheat flour to the gluten-free cookie formulation did not have a negative influence on their sensory quality. In comparison with other investigated samples, the cookies containing 20 % light buckwheat flour were found to have the most acceptable sensory properties. Our findings are in accordance with the previous findings of Torbica *et al.* (35), who applied a different sensory method of evaluation.

Principal component analysis

The results of ANOVA revealed clear significant differences among cookies for each determined parameter (Tables 2–5), while the principal component analysis (PCA) gave the insight into the relevant properties which provide a perceptual map of the gluten-free cookies. The data were standardized and submitted to the correlation matrix. The first two dimensions accounted for 90.97 % of the total variance, 78.22 % of which were explained by the first dimension. F2 and F3 components carried out 12.75 and 9.03 % of the total information given by the gluten-free cookie profiles. The factor loadings (correlation coef-

ficients between variables and F-factors) are listed in Table 6. From this table it can be concluded which variables are well linked with an axis based on the squared cosine values (factor loadings). The higher the value of the factor loadings (≥0.5), the more important that variable is to the corresponding axis. Therefore, the properties with high positive or negative loadings summarized the meaning of the first three components.

Sensory properties (colour, odour, fatness, crumbliness, fracturability, particle size and taste), chemical components (proteins, fat, ash and total dietary fibre), all minerals except manganese, and total phenolic content and rutin exhibited positive factor loadings for F1, while the remaining properties exhibited negative factor loadings. Consequently, these properties were found in most of the samples at different intensity levels and exhibited differences among the gluten-free cookies, because F1 had the highest eigenvalue (21.903). It should be pointed out that the second dimension of the PCA can be explained only by two sensory properties (odour and fracturability) and manganese.

According to Kallithraka et al. (49) and Bower (50), the samples that are close to each other in PCA score plot possess similar overall properties and samples that are far apart are very different. In Fig. 1 the samples are positioned in different areas except the sample with 10 % light buckwheat flour, due to the difference in their composition. The main parameters characterizing the control sample are: starch, chelating activity, adhesiveness, hardness and sharpness. On the other hand, the PCA of all measurements and sensory evaluation resulted in effective classification of the cookies with 20 and 30 % light buckwheat flour into two groups of samples. The parameters which describe this grouping were primarily odour and fracturability of the cookies with 20 % light buckwheat flour, and iron and protein content of the cookies with 30 % light buckwheat flour.

Cookies with 10 % light buckwheat flour could not be classified in a separate group because they were not similar to the others (Fig. 1). Neither the sensory evaluation

Table 6. Principal component (PC) values, factor loadings and eingevalues for each PC

		PC		
	F1=78.22 %	F2=12.75 %	F3=9.03 %	
Eigenvalues	21.903	3.569	2.528	
	Factor loadings			
Sensory properties				
Colour	0.886	-0.299	0.355	
Odour	0.605	-0.589	0.536	
Fatness	0.965	0.166	0.203	
Hardness	-0.781	0.459	0.424	
Crumbliness	0.812	-0.273	0.516	
Sharpness	-0.773	0.387	0.503	
Fracturability	0.693	-0.714	-0.101	
Adhesiveness	-0.875	0.457	-0.160	
Particle size	0.969	0.235	-0.075	
Taste	0.993	-0.092	-0.076	
Proximate composition				
Protein	0.879	0.474	0.059	
Fat	0.883	0.316	0.347	
Starch	-0.979	0.200	0.045	
Reducing sugar	-0.784	-0.307	0.539	
Ash	0.952	0.076	-0.296	
Total dietary fibre	0.967	0.253	0.023	
Mineral content				
Mg	0.960	0.185	-0.212	
K	0.946	0.315	0.070	
Zn	0.876	-0.144	-0.461	
Fe	0.879	0.476	0.040	
Mn	-0.622	0.715	-0.320	
Cu	0.896	0.306	0.320	
Antioxidant properties				
Antioxidant activity	-0.908	-0.418	-0.015	
Reducing activity	-0.980	-0.012	0.198	
DPPH	-0.900	-0.240	-0.365	
Chelating activity	-0.885	0.319	0.340	
Total phenolic content	0.956	0.190	0.223	
Rutin	0.990	-0.065	-0.129	

Bold factor loadings were heavily loaded (>|0.5|)

parameters nor minerals, chemical or antioxidant parameters could be correlated to this sample.

In general, it can be concluded that almost all antioxidant and positive sensory properties appeared to be much more effective in describing the gluten-free cookies with 20 and 30 % light buckwheat flour than the other two samples. In Fig. 1 (F1 vs. F2) all mentioned parameters (variables) appeared to be very highly correlated (positively or negatively) with F1 factor. Therefore, the results derived using PCA showed a reasonable agreement with the number of variables relevant in discrimination among the cookies.

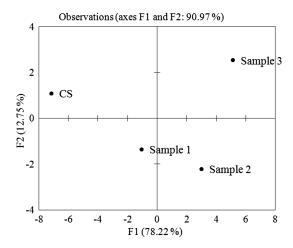


Fig. 1. PCA score plot of the samples: CS=cookies made with rice flour, samples 1, 2 and 3=rice flour cookies containing 10, 20 and 30 % of light buckwheat flour, respectively

Conclusions

Light buckwheat flour was used to enhance mineral content and antioxidant capacity of gluten-free rice and buckwheat cookies compared to the rice cookies used as the control. The substitution of rice flour in gluten-free cookie formulation with 10 to 30 % light buckwheat flour resulted in significantly higher (p<0.05) mineral content, total phenolic content and rutin content, scavenging activity against DPPH*, antioxidant activity and reducing power than in the control cookies. Comparing all evaluated sensory properties, cookies enriched with 20 % light buckwheat flour expressed the most acceptable sensory properties. The obtained results of PCA showed that almost all antioxidant and positive sensory properties were much more effective in describing cookies containing 20 and 30 % light buckwheat flour than the other two samples. Therefore, the use of light buckwheat flour in gluten-free cookies can be beneficial due to the increased antioxidant activity and mineral content. The confirmation of the mentioned benefit of using light buckwheat flour in the production of gluten-free cookies could be obtained in in vivo experiment, which might be part of our further investigations.

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