INTRODUCTION

Hitachi F-7000 fluorescence spectrophotometer, with the highest throughput of 3D fluorescence spectra for the instrument class (about 3 minutes under the analytical conditions used this time), is used in a broad range of fields from cutting edge researches to the study of the application for quality control.

A sample-specific 3D fluorescence spectrum (fluorescence fingerprint) containing a large amount of numerical data can be measured without cumbersome sample preparation. The multivariate analysis is expected to be applicable to the origin identification of agricultural products as well as to the classification of grain types and grades.

This time, by using pineapple as an example for fruits products, the above technique was used to measure the 3D fluorescence spectra and the types were classified.

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Sample: Juice from concentrate Straight juice Jam (Pineapple)	Jam (Pineapple-mango)Canned PineappleFresh Pineapple	Solid sample holder (P/N : 650-0161)	

ANALYTICAL CONDITIONS

Instrument : F-7000 Slit on excitation side : 5 nm Photomultiplier Vol. : 400 V Excitation wavelength range : 200 - 500 nm Slit on fluorescence side : 5 nm Full scale : 1,000 Fluorescence wavelength range : 200-750 nm Response : Automatic Contour line interval : 5

Scan speed : 60,000 nm Detector : R928F

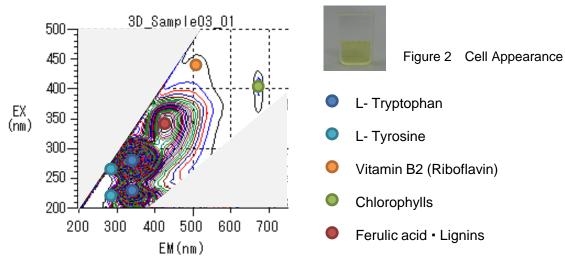


Figure 1 Fluorescence Fingerprint of Pineapple Juice and Prediction of Autofluorescence Substances

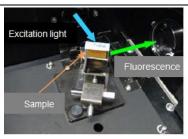
Figure 1 shows the fluorescence fingerprint of pineapple juice. The sample was placed in a wide cell (GL Science) and set in the solid sample holder. As a result of the 3D fluorescence spectrum measurement, the fluorescence fingerprint presumed to belong to amino acids, vitamin, and chlorophyll was obtained.

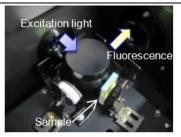
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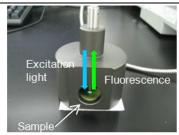
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Fluorophotometer (FL)

Sample Setting Methods







Surface Photometry System

Integrating Sphere System

Optical Fiber System

- For high concentration samples such as juice, the surface photometry system which measures the fluorescence on the sample surface is effective.
- When analyzing non-uniform samples such as fruit peel, the reproducibility can be improved by using the integrating sphere measurement system.
- For the direct measurement of a sample which does not fit in the sample chamber or fruit, the optical fiber measurement system is useful.

Wavelength Information of Fluorescence Fingerprint for Fruit

Table 1 An Example of Wavelength Information of Fluorescence Fingerprint for Fruit¹⁾

Fluorophore	EX λ _{max} (nm)	EM λ _{max} (nm)	Group	
Phenyl alanine	258	284		
Tyrosine	276	302	Amino acid	
Tryptophan	280	357		
Vitamin A(Retinol)	346	480		
Vitamin B2(Riboflavin)	270, 382, 448	518	Vitamin	
Vitamin B6(Pyridoxin)	328	393		
Vitamin E(α-Tocopherol)	298	326		
Chlorophyll A	428	663	Porphyrin	
Hematoporphyrin	396	614	гогризии	
Ferulic acid	310	418	Cell wall	

Table 1 shows an example of the wavelength information for the autofluorescence detected from fruit. The fluorescence fingerprint presumed to belong to amino acids, vitamin and chlorophyll can be observed.

1) Jakob Christensen, Lars Nørgaard, Rasmus Bro, and Søren Balling Engelsen., Multivariate Autofluorescence of Intact Food Systems, Chemical Reviews, Vol. 106, No. 6 (2006)

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^{*} The wavelength information is to be used as a reference only. The observed wavelength may be different depending on the sample condition and instruments.

The main component analysis was performed based on the 3D fluorescence spectrum (fluorescence fingerprint) obtained from each pineapple sample. The sample was placed in a wide cell and set in the solid sample holder. Non-uniform samples such as jam and fruit were sealed so as to ensure that the sample is in close contact with the quartz plate.

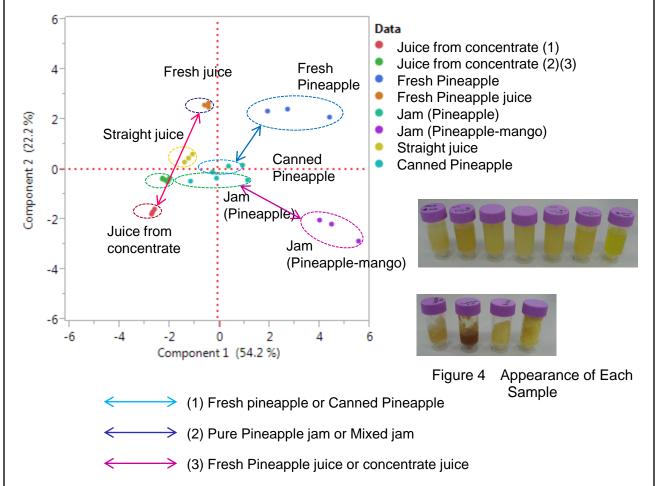


Figure 3 Examples of Classifications Based On Main Component Analysis

[Main Component Analysis]

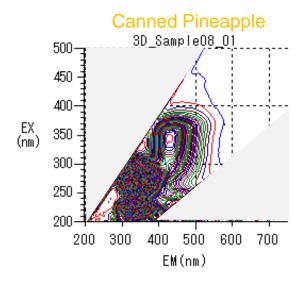
- (1) The fresh pineapple showed positive values for the main components 1 and 2 while the canned pineapple fruits showed values near the origin.
- (2) The values for the jam prepared only from pineapple were near the origin while the values for the jam mixed with mango were found to be positive for the main component 1 and negative for the main component 2.
- (3) The straight pineapple juice showed the value for the main component 1 slightly lower than the origin and the value for the main component 2 was slightly positive.

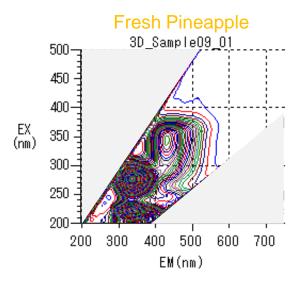
The juice from concentrate showed negative values for the main components 1 and 2.

The analysis results obtained this time characteristically indicated that the higher the positive values for the main components 1 and 2, the less processed the samples are.

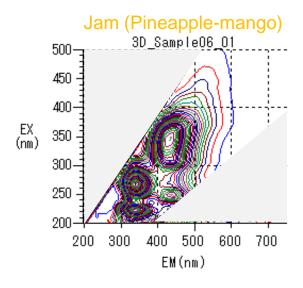
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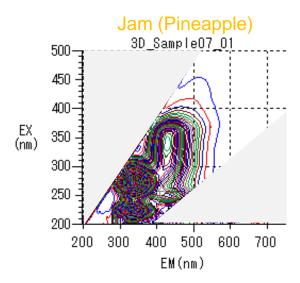
(1) Fluorescence Fingerprint of Pineapple Fruit





(2) Fluorescence Fingerprint of Pineapple Jam

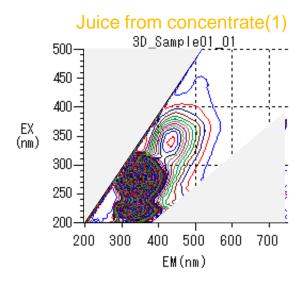


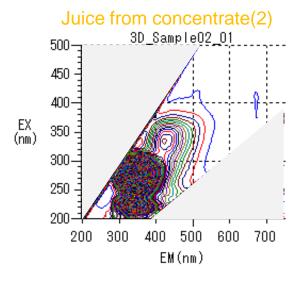


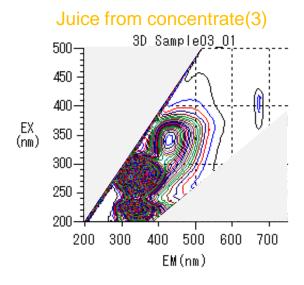
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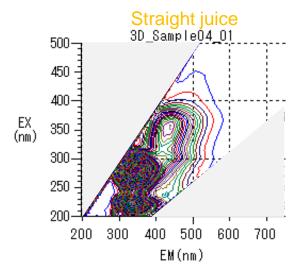
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(3) Fluorescence Fingerprint of Pineapple Juice









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