### Innovative Approaches to Retain Bioactives during Berry Processing and Storage



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# **Berries and Health Promotion**

**Prevention of Chronic** Diseases CHD & stroke Cancer Neurological disorders Obesity Type II diabetes



Mechanisms Antioxidant Anti-inflammatory Cell signaling Gene regulation Apoptosis Modulation of enzymes



#### **Berry Polyphenols**



Procyanidins



Flavonols



Ellagitannins

# Anthocyanin-Procyanidin Polymers

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#### Processing and Storage Effects on Berry Polyphenols

- Losses of polyphenols are inevitable during processing
- ✓ Enzymes
- ✓ Oxygen
- ✓ Heat
- ✓ Physical removal of tissues
- ✓ Polymerization reactions
- Losses during storage can be more severe than those incurred during processing

#### **Consequences of Cell Disruption**



# **Objectives**

- To determine how processing and storage influence the retention of berry polyphenols
- To identify methods to prevent polyphenol losses during processing and storage
- To discuss potential implications of processing on bioactive properties of berry polyphenols



# Processing & Storage Results

### Blueberry Anthocyanin Retention in Response to Processing and Storage



#### Anthocyanin Losses During Blueberry Juice Processing



### Blueberry Procyanidin Retention in Response to Processing and Storage



### Blueberry Polymeric Color in Response to Processing and Storage



# Blueberry Total Flavonol Retention in Response to Processing and Storage



#### Blueberry Chlorogenic Acid Retention in Response to Processing and Storage



# Blackberry Total Ellagitannin Retention in Response to Processing and Storage



# **Processing Conclusions**

- Exclusion of seeds and skins results in significant losses of polyphenols
- Waste materials are an excellent source of polyphenols
- Chlorogenic acid and flavonols are retained much better than anthocyanins, procyanidins & ET's
- In canned products, 30-50% of polyphenols diffused out of the berries into the liquid canning media
- Methods are needed to prevent polyphenolic losses during processing



#### Steps to Mitigate Polyphenol Losses During Juice Processing



"Green" Critical Fluid Options for Recovering Polyphenols from Waste Materials



Solute Type

## **Storage Conclusions**

- Monomeric anthocyanins and procyanidins were readily degraded and/or polymerized during storage
- Flavonols and chlorogenic acid were retained relatively well during storage
- Antioxidant capacity changed little during storage
- More research is needed to elucidate the structure, antioxidant capacity and bioavailability of polymeric pigments

#### MALDI-TOF-MS Identification of Polymeric Pigments in Pasteurized and Stored Chokeberry Juice



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#### MALDI-TOF-MS Spectral Comparison of Pasteurized and Stored Chokeberry Juice



Methods to Stabilize Anthocyanins



A: quinoidal bases

C<sub>z</sub>: Z-chalcone

# **Polymeric Color**



flavylium cation: red

bisulfite addition compound: colorless



#### Effect of Thawing Blueberries Prior to Blanching on Chlorogenic Acid



#### Effect of Thawing Blueberries Prior to Blanching on Anthocyanins



#### Effect of Thawing Blueberries Prior to Blanching on Procyanidins



mg/100 g FW

# Effect of Rosmarinic Acid Fortification of Blueberry Juice on Total ACY and %PC



# Effects of pH Adjustment and BCD Treatment on Stability of Chokeberry Juice Anthocyanins (4°C)



## Effects of pH Adjustment and BCD Treatment on Stability of Chokeberry Juice Anthocyanins (25°C)





Matsui et al. (1998), J. Inclusion Phenom. Mol. Recognit. Chem. 32:57-67.

# Conclusions

- Rapid enzyme inactivation results in greater retention of polyphenols
- Encapsulation and co-pigment treatments protect anthocyanins during storage
- Berry products should be refrigerated!

