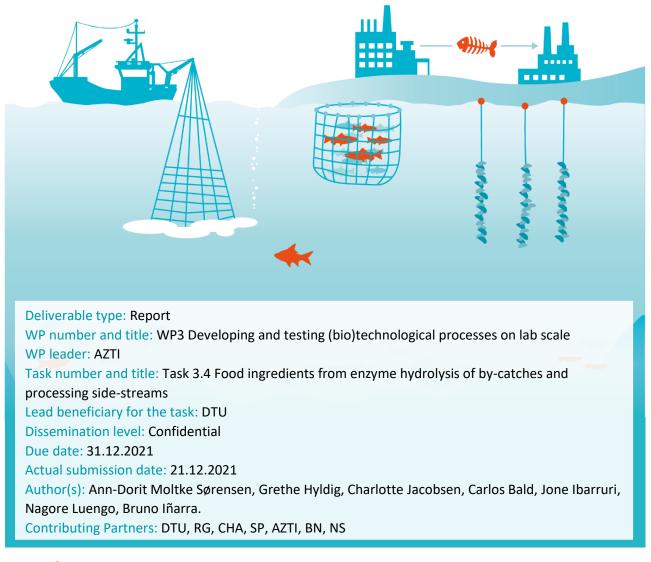


Optimal utilization of seafood side-streams through the design of new holistic process lines

D3.4 Producing flavouring ingredients from solid side streams









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1 Executive Summary

The aim of Task 3.4 was to obtain flavouring agents from side-streams using enzymatic hydrolysis controlling the process accurately to get the adequate product profile. The results obtained showed that it is possible to produce hydrolysates with characteristics as savoury ingredients. The hydrolysates were rich in free Glutamic acid (GLU), which is one marker of umami flavour and the sensory profile revealed high umami taste.

The presences of endogenous enzymes were shown to have an influence on the production of free GLU. For cod side-streams, the concentration of free GLU was higher without inactivation (preheating) of the biomass before initiating the hydrolysis with added enzymes. Moreover, results from hake showed that excluding Alcalase from the enzyme mix still resulted in a hydrolysate rich in free GLU, whereas hydrolysates produced from salmon backbone needed Alcalase or another protease enzyme to produce hydrolysates rich in free GLU.

The enzyme treatment increased the free GLU level and intensity of umami taste for hydrolysates. Cod samples without addition of enzymes scored a medium intensity of umami taste, however, had very low level of free GLU indicating that other parameters also influence the perception of umami taste. All the enzyme treated hydrolysates were evaluated to have some bitterness with the one produced from salmon backbone scoring the highest intensity and cod frame and hake the lowest intensity in the sensory profiling.

Overall, the results are promising for upgrading the value of the marine side-stream, and process scale up will be performed in the next work package.