

New insights in the quality of Phaseolus vulgaris L.: nutritional value, functional properties and development of innovative tools for their assessment

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Contents



Legumes (Fabaceae) are the second most important family of plants, after the grass family (Poaceae), representing 27% of the world crop production.



Legumes are limited to crops harvested solely for dry grain, excluding the crops used for oil extraction.



Nutritional composition



Phenolic compounds



Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy

This method is based on chemometrics, that can generate correlations between the spectra (MIR and NIR) and the composition of the tested samples through multivariate data analysis.



Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy

| Advantages | Fast Non-destructive / Non-invasive Cost-effective Avoid the use of harmful chemicals Eco-friendly | |
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| Applications | NIR has been successfully applied to determine composition in legumes | 30 |
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| Applications • Few studies using M vs NIR to determine | • Few studies using MIR, and comparison MIR vs NIR to determine legumes composition | |





Characterization of nutritional, total phenols and *in vitro* antioxidant activities in different common bean cultivars



Evaluation of the potential use of each bean flours for developing novel legume-based foods with health benefits to be used in the food industry



Understanding the performance of FTIR techniques for the assessment of bean flours, regarding protein content, amino acids, total phenols and *in vitro* antioxidant activity

Material and methods



Results and discussion

Nutritional composition



□ Highest amounts of protein were respectively found in N> BK> PE> B> M> P> A > BE> K> C.



 \Box \uparrow Lys and Leu in the essential amino acids

 \Box \downarrow Trp, Tyr and Pro in all cultivars

N, Bk and PE combine the best protein-essential amino acid contents and should be prime candidates for protein-enhanced food products.

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Results and discussion

Phytochemical composition and in vitro antioxidant activity





- \Box \uparrow dark coloured samples (C and K)
- \Box \downarrow uncoloured samples (N and P)

- K, C, A are the most promising cultivars for phytochemical and antioxidant enrichment of food products
- Combinations with (pseudo)cereals as functional ingredients in food products

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Results and Discussion

PLS regressions for protein content

| | MIR | | | | | NIR | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|--|
| Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R²c | R²∨ | Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R²c | R²∨ | |
| Nutritional Composition | | | | | | | | | | |
| Protein | 1 st deriv (FI) | 0.283 (4) | 0.99 | 0.96 | Protein | 1 st deriv | 0.284 (4) | 0.99 | 0.98 | |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.316 (4) | 0.98 | 0.96 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.273 (3) | 0.99 | 0.97 | |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.337 (5) | 0.97 | 0.95 | | Spectra | 0.254 (6) | 0.98 | 0.94 | |

FI- full region; LF- low-frequency region; HF- High-frequency region

In MIR:

Excellent PLS regression for predictive models of protein

□ $R^2c \ge 0.97$ and $R^2v \ge 0.95$

In NIR:

All the treatments showed good performances

□ $R^2c=0.99$ and $R^2v \ge 0.90$

- □ Ist deriv were the best performance in both methodologies
- □ Coefficients for proteincontent were higher using the NIR interval

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PLS regressions for essential amino acids

| | MIR | | | | | NIR | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------|------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|------|
| Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R²c | R²v | Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R ² c | R²v |
| Essential amino acids | | | | | | | | | |
| Thr | 1 st deriv (FI) | 0.772 (2) | 0.75 | 0.66 | Thr | 1 st deriv | 0.773 (1) | 0.71 | 0.70 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.714 (7) | 0.98 | 0.90 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.748 (2) | 0.77 | 0.75 |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.777 (5) | 0.85 | 0.80 | | Spectra | 0.733 (4) | 0.77 | 0.74 |
| Val | 1 st deriv (HF) | 0.523 (3) | 0.93 | 0.88 | Val | 1 st deriv | 0.609 (1) | 0.84 | 0.84 |
| _ | 1 st deriv MN (HF) | 0.530 (4) | 0.95 | 0.88 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.595 (2) | 0.87 | 0.86 |
| | Spectra (HF) | 0.563 (6) | 0.92 | 0.90 | | Spectra | 0.530 (4) | 0.89 | 0.88 |
| lleu | 1 st deriv (FI | 0.557 (2) | 0.88 | 0.83 | lleu | 1 st deriv | 0.629 (3) | 0.91 | 0.89 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (HF) | 0.497 (3) | 0.91 | 0.85 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.622 (2) | 0.86 | 0.85 |
| | Spectra (HF) | 0.550 (6) | 0.92 | 0.88 | | Spectra | 0.529 (4) | 0.90 | 0.88 |
| Leu | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.319 (5) | 0.99 | 0.96 | Leu | 1 st deriv | 0.411 (5) | 0.98 | 0.97 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (FI) | 0.325 (4) | 0.98 | 0.94 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.410 (4) | 0.98 | 0.97 |
| _ | Spectra (FI) | 0.305 (7) | 0.98 | 0.94 | | Spectra | 0.358 (6) | 0.96 | 0.96 |
| Phe | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.881 (6) | 0.97 | 0.87 | Phe | 1 st deriv | 0.870 (1) | 0.61 | 0.59 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.856 (1) | 0.60 | 0.59 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.876 (2) | 0.68 | 0.65 |
| _ | Spectra (FI) | 0.885 (2) | 0.64 | 0.60 | | Spectra | 0.874 (2) | 0.64 | 0.62 |
| Trp | 1 st deriv (FI) | 0.790 (4) | 0.90 | 0.84 | Trp | 1 st deriv | 0.859 (3) | 0.82 | 0.77 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (FI) | 0.807 (3) | 0.85 | 0.79 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.839 (2) | 0.72 | 0.68 |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.816 (7) | 0.86 | 0.78 | | Spectra | 0.771 (4) | 0.75 | 0.45 |

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MIR was more suitable for regression models of essential amino acids PLS regressions were not suitable (R²<0.60) for His and Lys

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Results and Discussion

PLS regressions for nonessential amino acids

| | MIR | | | | | NIR | | | |
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| Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R²c | R ²∨ | Analytical parameters | Treatment | PRESS (Factor number) | R ² c | R²v |
| Nonessential amino acids | | | | | | | | | |
| Asp+Asn | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.611 (6) | 0.88 | 0.88 | Asp+Asn | 1 st deriv | 0.644 (2) | 0.87 | 0.86 |
| _ | 1 st deriv MN (HF) | 0.649 (4) | 0.93 | 0.86 | - | 1 st deriv MN | 0.625 (2) | 0.85 | 0.84 |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.649 (2) | 0.81 | 0.77 | | Spectra | 0.626 (3) | 0.83 | 0.82 |
| Ser | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.768 (2) | 0.75 | 0.67 | Ser | 1 st deriv | 0.773 (1) | 0.72 | 0.71 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (HF) | 0.791 (4) | 0.91 | 0.78 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.730 (2) | 0.79 | 0.78 |
| | Spectra (HF) | 0.778 (4) | 0.74 | 0.71 | | Spectra | 0.727 (6) | 0.81 | 0.78 |
| Glu+Gln | 1 st deriv (FI) | 0.760 (2) | 0.78 | 0.72 | Glu+Gln | 1 st deriv | 0.716 (2) | 0.85 | 0.83 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.712 (1) | 0.75 | 0.73 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.687 (2) | 0.83 | 0.82 |
| _ | Spectra (LF) | 0.691 (2) | 0.79 | 0.76 | _ | Spectra | 0.741 (1) | 0.86 | 0.74 |
| Gly | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.762 (5) | 0.95 | 0.89 | Gly | 1 st deriv | 0.823 (1) | 0.66 | 0.65 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.765 (5) | 0.96 | 0.88 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.814 (2) | 0.74 | 0.70 |
| | Spectra (HF) | 0.788 (2) | 0.71 | 0.68 | | Spectra | 0.807 (4) | 0.70 | 0.68 |
| Ala | 1 st deriv (FI) | 0.509 (3) | 0.94 | 0.91 | Ala | 1 st deriv | 0.503 (2) | 0.92 | 0.91 |
| Г | 1 st deriv MN (FI) | 0.491 (4) | 0.96 | 0.93 |] | 1 st deriv MN | 0.486 (2) | 0.92 | 0.91 |
| | Spectra (FI) | 0.517 (5) | 0.92 | 0.88 | | Spectra | 0.494 (3) | 0.90 | 0.89 |
| Pro | 1 st deriv (LF) | 0.458 (6) | 0.99 | 0.95 | Pro | 1 st deriv | 0.561 (2) | 0.91 | 0.89 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (LF) | 0.457 (5) | 0.98 | 0.94 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.526 (2) | 0.90 | 0.89 |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.501 (5) | 0.94 | 0.91 | | Spectra | 0.508 (4) | 0.91 | 0.89 |
| ⊤yr | 1 st deriv (SI) | 0.793 (3) | 0.87 | 0.80 | Tyr | 1 st deriv | 0.752 (5) | 0.96 | 0.91 |
| | 1 st deriv MN (SI) | 0.865 (4) | 0.93 | 0.84 | | 1 st deriv MN | 0.722 (4) | 0.94 | 0.90 |
| | Spectra (LF) | 0.742 (4) | 0.83 | 0.79 | | Spectra | 0.675 (5) | 0.84 | 0.78 |

MIR was more suitable for regression models of amino acids

Ist deriv exhibited the best performance

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PLS regressions for total phenols and in vitro antioxidant activity



- □ High correlations between predictive and real results for total phenols and in vitro antioxidant activities in NIR region, RPD values ≥ 5 meaning a very good predictive model
- In both region, the best results were obtained using Ist deriv treatment, except for ABTS in MIR (spectra) and FRAP in NIR (Ist deriv MN)

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Conclusions

Potential use of beans in the food industry for the development or enrichment of food products with health benefits Uncoloured cultivars used for nutritional enrichment and for gluten-free products

Coloured cultivars used as a functional ingredient to develop novel foodstuffs

Their applicability in the food industry representing an good alternative to the traditional approaches 0.006 3

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Spectroscopical methodologies may represent an accurate and rapid method for quantification of macronutrients and minor compounds present in beans



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