Transport of lipid oxidation intermediates

and its impact on the lipid oxidation rate in a model food emulsion

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Transport of lipids in emulsions

- Compositional ripening:
 - Mixing of n-hexane and n-octadecane droplets (1)
 - Mixing of palm stearin and MCT oil droplets (2)









(1) McClements et al. (1992)(2) Samtlebe et al. (2011)

One droplet contaminating another?

- Transport phenomena in lipid oxidation (3,4)
- Reaction scheme of lipid oxidation
- Hydroperoxides (5)
 - $LOOH + Fe^{3+} \rightarrow LOO^* + Fe^{2+}$
 - $LOO^* + L'H \rightarrow +LOOH + L^*$
 - $LOOH + Fe^{2+} \rightarrow LO^* + Fe^{3+}$
 - $LO^* + L'H \rightarrow +LOH + L^*$
 - <u>Secondary initiation: faster</u>





(3) Laguerre et al. (2017) (4) Laguerre et al. (2020) (5) Schaich (2005)



One droplet contaminating another?

Flow cytometry and mass transport phenomena (6)

- Bodipy in MCT droplets oxidizes faster when oxidizing oil droplets present
- Two remaining questions:
 - 1. How can one droplet contaminate another? a. Which molecules play a role?
 - 2. What is the influence of spreading of oxidation?





Methodology

Emulsion A – clean droplets



- 10 wt.% stripped rapeseed oil density: 0.92 g/mL
- 0.5 / 2 wt.% Tween 20
- 75 mg/kg EDTA



- Emulsion B oxidized heavy droplets
 - **•** 10 wt.% oil
 - 65 wt.% stripped, oxidized rapeseed oil 35 wt.% brominated oil Density: 1.08 g/mL
 - 75 mg/kg EDTA
 - 0.5 / 2 wt.% Tween 20

Over time, samples are taken from:

Emulsion C



• 50:50 v/v mix of A and B

Incubation: nitrogen blanket, (slowly) rotating horizontally, 25 °C in the dark

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Droplet size measurements Primary/secondary oxidation - Static light scattering - ¹H NMR (7)

(7) Merkx et al. (2018)

Results - 0.5 wt.% Tween 20



- No instant transfer of hydroperoxides
- Able to separate the droplets properly





Replicate 2, t_0





Results – 0.5 wt.% Tween 20

Hydroperoxide transport over time

- <u>No massive transport of hydroperoxides</u>
- <u>Slight increase after ~ 1 day</u>
 - Due to transport or *in situ* oxidation?



Results – 2 wt.% Tween 20

2% Tween 20 emulsions

Still no massive transport of hydroperoxides





Micelles

- Centrifuge (1 h, 20,000xg)
- Centrifuge 100 kDa spin filters (10 min, 1,000xg)



- 1:1 mix of 2% Tween 20-stabilised emulsion and 2% Tween 20 solution

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No micelles present in homogenized emulsion?



- 2% Tween 20-stabilised emulsion

- 1:1 mix of 2% Tween 20-stabilised emulsion and 2% Tween 20 solution



Specific aldehyde transport

• 4-hydroperoxy-enals

H₃C

• Alkenals



Smaller (more hydrophilic) aldehydes can transport





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- Easily transported (more than HP-TAGs)
- Pro-oxidant effect





Conclusions

Under these conditions



Barely any TAG-HP transport (if any)

Small amounts of wasp



Wasp pro-oxidant

HP-TAG less pro-oxidant



Outlook

- What if micelles are present?
- When do we have micelles in continuous phase?
- What if only small amounts of (HP-)alkenals are added?

Contribution of transport to total oxidation?







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