

Understand Damaged Starch to Control Volume, Color, and Reduce Sticky Dough

Tips for Bakers and Millers



A grain of wheat contains 70% starch. Starch is damaged during milling. Not necessarily a bad thing, but it is to be mastered!

DAMAGED STARCH MULTIPLIES THE CAPACITY OF WATER ABSORPTION

+ **Positive:**
An higher absorption potential increases productivity: **more products from the same quantity of flour.**



PRODUCTIVITY

- **Problematic - stickiness:**
If there is more water than the proteins in the flour can handle, it can make the dough sticky. A balance has to be found between the **protein level and the starch damage.**



STICKINESS



BONUS

If everything goes well during production, the water absorbed by the damaged starch will be released very slowly, improving the **freshness and shelf life** of the products.

DAMAGED STARCH LEADS TO HIGHER SUGAR PRODUCTION

This Impacts:

VOLUME :

The level of produced CO² affects the **volume** of the final product. In excess, the dough is porous and unstable, **resulting in low-volume** final products.



COLOR:

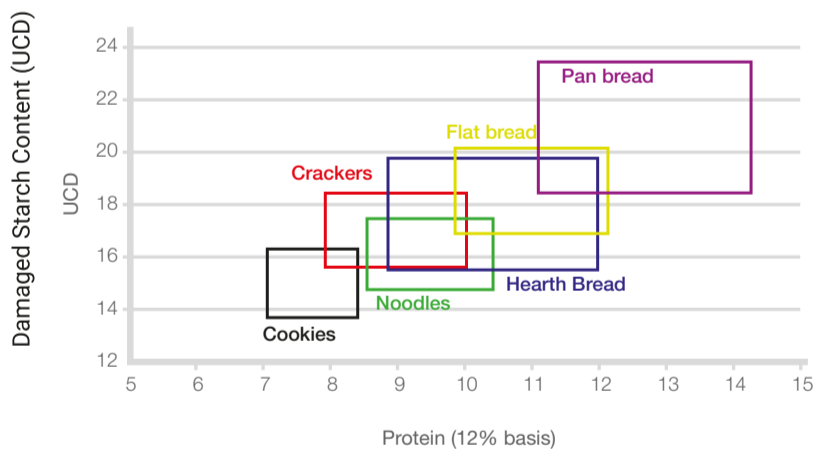
Sugar contributes to caramelization. Too much sugar can lead to **excessive browning of the crust.**



How Can You Measure and Specify Damaged Starch?

Depending on the finished product, there is a specific balance to be achieved between **damaged starch and protein** in the flours used.

Optimal flour composition (damaged starch and protein content) by type of finished product



How Do You Measure Damaged Starch?

The **CHOPIN SDmatic 2** test is an automated method and based on starch's affinity to iodine. The higher the damaged starch, the more iodine is bound and the smaller is the residual current. **It's simple, fast and reliable, with test results in under 10 minutes!** The SDmatic 2 test is recognized as a **standardized method**: AACC-76-33.01, ISO 17715, ICC 172/1... and proves to be more accurate than other existing methods.



TIPS

BAKERS

Determine the damaged starch level that meets your needs, define a specifications book for your miller, and control delivery

MILLERS

Master damaged starch level: optimization and settings of your milling process to produce flours according to your customers specifications

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