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## **ABSTRACT**

The antioxidant properties of caffeic acid and bovine serum albumin in oil-in-water and water-in-oil emulsions were studied. Caffeic acid (5 mmol/kg emulsion) showed good antioxidant properties in both 30% sunflower oil-in-water (OW) and 20% water-in-sunflower oil emulsions (WO), pH 5.4, during storage at 50 °C. Although bovine serum albumin (BSA) (0.2%) had a slight antioxidant effect, the combination of caffeic acid and BSA showed a synergistic reduction in the rate of development of rancidity, with significant reductions in concentration of total volatiles, peroxide value (PV) and p-anisidine value (PA) for both emulsion types. The synergistic increase in stability of the OW and WO emulsions containing BSA and caffeic acid was 102.9 and 50.4 % respectively based on TOTOX values, which are calculated as  $2PV + PA$ , with greater synergy calculated if based on formation of headspace volatiles, The OW emulsion was more susceptible to the development of headspace volatiles by oxidation than the WO emulsion, even though the degree of oxidation assessed by the TOTOX value was similar.

**Keywords:** Antioxidant activity; Bovine serum albumin; Caffeic acid; Emulsions; Oxidative stability

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## 49 **1. INTRODUCTION**

50 Lipid oxidation is of great concern to the consumer because it causes not only changes in the quality  
51 attributes of foods, including taste, texture, shelf life, appearance and flavor, but also due to the strong  
52 decrease in the nutritional value and safety caused by the loss of antioxidants and the formation of  
53 harmful components including free radicals and reactive aldehydes (Halliwell, Murcia, Chirico &  
54 Aruoma, 1995).

55 Oxidation in food emulsions is of particular interest since oil is widely consumed in foods which are  
56 either water-in-oil, for example, butter and margarine, or oil-in-water emulsions, for example,  
57 mayonnaise, milk and cream. Lipid oxidation in emulsions is generally recognized as being more  
58 complex than lipid oxidation in bulk oil systems, as the emulsification process will lead to the  
59 formation of a large interfacial area, and lipid oxidation is initiated at the interface between oil and  
60 water, where different non-polar and polar compounds in the system can interact (Frankel, 1998;  
61 McClements & Decker, 2000).

62 One of the most effective methods of retarding lipid oxidation in fatty foods is to incorporate  
63 antioxidants. The behavior of antioxidants is also more complex in emulsions than in bulk oil since  
64 more variables are involved, including the emulsifier and pH (Mancuso, McClements & Decker, 1999;  
65 Sørensen et al., 2008). Antioxidant efficacy in food systems depends on various factors including the  
66 structure (i.e., number and position of hydroxyl groups bound to the aromatic ring and presence of  
67 other substituents), chemical reactivity of the phenolics, interactions with food components, and  
68 environmental conditions. The partitioning of the antioxidant into the different phases is an important  
69 factor for emulsions (Decker, Warner, Richards & Shahidi, 2005). The efficacy of antioxidants in bulk  
70 oil and in dispersed systems is affected by their polarity as described by the “polar paradox” (Frankel,  
71 Huang, Kanner & German, 1994). According to the polar paradox, polar antioxidants like ascorbic

72 acid and Trolox are more active in non-polar media like bulk oils than less polar components including  
73 ascorbyl palmitate and tocopherol. These apparent paradoxical effects of the antioxidants have been  
74 reported as being due to the polar antioxidants being located at the air-oil interface in bulk oils, i.e.  
75 situated where oxidation is suggested to take place or at least to be initiated. In addition, they may act  
76 in non-polar media by chelation of metal ions. On the other hand, lipophilic antioxidants are more  
77 active in polar systems, because they are located at the oil-water interface where oxidation is  
78 propagated (Frankel et al, 1994; Huang, Hopia, Schwarz, Frankel & German, 1996; Porter, 1993).

79 Phenolic compounds, such as caffeic acid, have received increasing interest due to their antioxidant  
80 activity, which improves the stability of lipid-containing foods and their possible beneficial effects on  
81 human health. Caffeic acid may exert its antioxidant effect by donating a hydrogen atom to free  
82 radicals, thereby acting as chain-breaking antioxidants, or may act as a metal chelator, which reduces  
83 the activity of prooxidants (Gülçin, 2006; Leonardis & Macciola, 2003).

84 Although antioxidants have been frequently studied in oils, emulsions, and other foods, there have  
85 been few reports of how proteins, which are commonly present in foods, may affect the activity of  
86 antioxidants. Most antioxidants of interest for foods have one or more phenolic hydroxyl groups, and  
87 several studies have demonstrated that molecules with this structure may bind to proteins. Polyphenols  
88 may associate with proteins through hydrophobic interactions and hydrogen bonding (Oda, Kinoshita,  
89 Nakayama & Kakehi, 1998), and a range of phenolic antioxidants has also been shown to bind to  
90 bovine skin proteins (Wang & Goodman, 1999).

91 Proteins have been shown to have weak antioxidant activity including both metal chelating and radical  
92 scavenging activity (Arcan & Yemenicioğlu. 2007). Bovine serum albumin (BSA), a minor whey  
93 protein with M.W. 66 kDa has surface-active properties and has been used to stabilize model food  
94 emulsions (Rampon, Lethuaut, Mouhous-Riou & Genot, 2001).

95 The aim of this study was to determine the influence of BSA on the total antioxidant activity of caffeic  
96 acid in model food emulsions. The pH of the emulsions was 5.4, which is a typical pH for margarine  
97 samples.

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## 99 **2. MATERIALS AND METHODS**

### 100 ***2.1. Chemicals***

101 All solvents used were analytical or HPLC grade (Merck & Co. Inc., Darmstadt, Germany). Isooctane,  
102 glacial acetic acid, ferrous sulfate, barium chloride, ammonium thiocyanate, polyoxyethylene sorbitan  
103 monolaurate (Tween-20), p-anisidine, cumene hydroperoxide, bovine serum albumin (BSA), hexanal,  
104 and bromobenzene were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (Gillingham, Dorset, UK). Refined sunflower  
105 oil was purchased from a local retail outlet. Fatty acids were purchased from Sigma Chemical Co.  
106 (Saint Louis, MO, USA).

107 The fatty acid composition of the sunflower oil is shown in **Table 1**.

### 108 ***2.2. Removal of tocopherols from sunflower oil***

109 Tocopherols were removed from sunflower oil by column chromatography using activated alumina as  
110 described by Yoshida, 1993.

### 111 ***2.3. Emulsion preparation***

112 Oil-in-water emulsions (30% oil) were prepared by dissolving Tween-20 (1%) in acetate buffer (0.1  
113 M, pH 5.4), either with or without BSA (0.2%) and caffeic acid (5 mmol/kg emulsion). Water-in-oil  
114 emulsions (20% water) were prepared by dissolving Dimodan® (1%) in acetate buffer (0.1 M, pH  
115 5.4), either with or without BSA (0.2%) and caffeic acid (5 mmol/kg emulsion). Emulsions were  
116 prepared by the dropwise addition of oil to the water phase, with sonication by a Vibracell sonicator  
117 (Sonic & Materials, Newton, CT, USA) whilst cooling in an ice bath for 5 min.

### 118 ***2.4. Emulsion oxidation***

119 All emulsions were stored in triplicate in 25 mL glass bottles in the dark (inside an oven) at 50 °C, and  
120 each replicate was analysed once.

121 Aliquots of each emulsion were removed periodically for peroxide value (PV), *p*-anisidine value (PA)  
122 determinations and for analysis of volatile oxidation products by gas chromatography (GC).

### 123 ***2.5. Determination of fatty acid composition***

124 The fatty acid composition of sunflower oil was determined by GC on an HP Agilent 6890N  
125 chromatograph equipped with a HP 7683 injector and a flame ionization detector (FID). Fatty acid  
126 methyl esters (FAMES) were prepared by transesterification according to Shehata, de Man &  
127 Alexander, 1970. Chromatographic separation was carried out using a SP-2560 column (100 m length,  
128 0.25 mm ID and 0.20 µm film thickness; Supelco). The oven temperature was 120 °C for 5 min,  
129 followed by temperature programming to 170 °C at 2 °C min<sup>-1</sup>, 200 °C at 5 °C min<sup>-1</sup>, and then  
130 increased to 235 °C at 2 °C min<sup>-1</sup>. Helium was used as carrier gas, the FID temperature was 280 °C and  
131 the injection port was held at 260 °C.

### 132 ***2.6. Spectrophotometric determination of peroxide value (PV)***

133 Emulsion (0.3 mL) was added to isooctane/2-propanol (3:2 v/v, 1.5 mL) and the mixture was mixed  
134 on a vortex mixer three times for 10 s each time. After centrifugation for 2 min at 1000 x g, the clear  
135 upper layer (0.2 mL) was collected and peroxides were quantified using a method based on that of  
136 Díaz, Dunn, McClements & Decker, 2003. Lipid peroxide concentration was determined using a  
137 cumene hydroperoxide standard curve ( $r^2=0.9977$ ).

### 138 ***2.7. Spectrophotometric determination of p-anisidine Value (PA)***

139 The PA value was determined by AOCS Official Method no. cd 18-90, 1989.

### 140 ***2.8. Solid phase microextraction (SPME) sampling conditions***

141 An aliquot of emulsion (0.2 g) was weighed in a 2mL vial. A magnetic follower was added and the  
142 vial was capped with a Teflon-faced rubber septum and plastic cap. The vial was placed in a water  
143 bath on a magnetic stirrer and the sample was equilibrated for 2 min at 60°C. The septum was



144 manually pierced with the SPME needle and the fiber was exposed to the emulsion headspace for 60  
145 min and transferred to the gas chromatograph where the volatiles were desorbed in the injection port.  
146 The desorption time in the injection port was 15 min.

## 147 **2.9. SPME/GC analysis**

148 Volatile oxidation compounds were monitored by headspace analysis with solid phase microextraction  
149 (HS-SPME). A manual SPME fiber holder unit and 30  $\mu\text{m}$  DVB-CAR-PDMS fiber (Sigma-Aldrich  
150 Company Ltd., Dorset, UK) were used to adsorb volatiles from the emulsion in a closed vial at 60°C  
151 with a sampling time of 60 min. GC analyses were performed with a HP 5890 series II gas  
152 chromatograph (Agilent UK, South Queensferry, UK) equipped with FID detector and split/splitless  
153 injector. Chromatographic separation was carried out using a HP-5-column (15 m length, 0.25 mm ID  
154 and 0.25  $\mu\text{m}$  film thickness; Agilent UK). The oven temperature was 40 °C for 10 min, followed by  
155 temperature programming to 140 °C at 2.5 °C min<sup>-1</sup>, and then increased to 300 °C at 20 °C min<sup>-1</sup>.  
156 Helium was used as carrier gas in the splitless mode. The FID temperature was 280 °C and the  
157 injection port was held at 260 °C.

158 The identification of all compounds was based on the mass spectra determined by GC-MS using a HP  
159 5890 series II gas chromatograph with MS detector and by comparison of their retention time with  
160 those of authentic standards. Retention times for a series of n-alkanes (C<sub>5</sub>-C<sub>25</sub>) were determined and  
161 used to calculate the Linear Retention Indices (LRI values) of detected compounds.

162 Bromobenzene (1 $\mu\text{L/g}$  emulsion) was added as an internal standard prior to analysis. The relative  
163 concentrations of the investigated compounds were calculated by relating the area of the internal  
164 standard to the area of the compound of interest, defined as:

$$165 \text{ Relative conc.} = \frac{\text{Peak area of particular compound}}{\text{Peak area of IS}} \times \text{IS conc.}$$

## 166 **2.10. Confocal microscopy**

167 Confocal microscopy was performed with a Leica TCS SP2 AOBS confocal laser scanning  
168 microscope mounted on a Leica inverted DM IRE2 microscope for the oil-in-water emulsions and  
169 with a Leica TCS SP5 confocal laser microscope for the water-in-oil emulsions.. A Nile Red/Nile Blue  
170 mixture (0.01%) was added to an emulsion sample and examined using x10, x20 and x 40 objectives.  
171 The image was obtained by exciting the sample with a 633nm Helium-Neon laser with an emission  
172 band of 630-750nm.

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### 174 **2.11. Calculation of synergy**

175 Synergy was calculated by comparing the times to a given level of deterioration, defined as induction  
176 period for the calculation, as described in Almajano & Gordon, 2004.

$$177 \quad \% \text{synergism} = 100 \frac{[IP(a+p) - IP(c)] + [IPa - IPc] + (IPp - IPc)}{[IPa - IPc] + (IPp - IPc)}$$

178 where IP= induction period,  $a$ = antioxidant,  $p$  = protein and  $c$  = control.

### 179 **2.12. Statistical analysis**

180 The triplicate determinations were used to calculate the mean (m), standard deviation (sd), and  
181 standard error of the mean (SEM).

182 Times to selected levels of deterioration were compared, and significant differences at the 5% level  
183 were assessed by one-way ANOVA using commercial software (Statistica 6.0). To verify the  
184 association among experimental data, Pearson correlation analysis was performed using the same  
185 statistical package; p-values < 0.05 were considered significant.

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## 188 **3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

189 The sunflower oil used contained linoleic acid (64.17%), and oleic acid (25.01%) as the main  
190 unsaturated fatty acids, with linolenic acid being present at 0.16% (**Table 1**).

191 The emulsions were stored at 50 °C to accelerate oxidative changes that would occur more slowly, at  
192 lower temperatures. Reproducibility of the data was good with the SEM being <25% for 80% of the  
193 samples analysed by PV, and the SEM being <25% for 90% of the samples analysed by PA.

194 The initial PV of the emulsion samples was similar with values of 0.05 mM cumene hydroperoxide for  
195 OW emulsions and 0.07-0.17 mM for WO emulsions. After 14 days of oxidation the OW emulsions  
196 reached significantly different PV values in the order: OW > OW-BSA > OW-CAF > OW-CAF-BSA.

197 The PV values reached in WO emulsions were in the same order up to 35 days but the PV of WO-  
198 CAF was higher than WO-BSA at 42 days, since the PV of the control and BSA samples declined  
199 sharply after 35 days with corresponding sharp increases in PA values indicating degradation of the  
200 hydroperoxides.

201 As shown in **Figure 1**, the maximum PV reached was 10.43 mM hydroperoxide at 42 days for the OW  
202 sample, followed by 7.72 mM hydroperoxide for OW-BSA. In WO emulsions the maximum value  
203 was reached at 35 days for the WO sample followed by the WO-BSA sample (6.28 and 5.44 mM  
204 hydroperoxide, respectively); then there was a decrease in PV for all WO emulsions as the rate of  
205 hydroperoxide formation became less than hydroperoxide decomposition.

206 At 35 days of storage, the extent of formation of hydroperoxides in the OW-CAF and WO-CAF  
207 samples was lower than in the appropriate control sample with inhibition of 66.7 and 34.7 %,  
208 respectively, indicating the antioxidant effect of caffeic acid. The greater effect in the OW emulsion  
209 may be due to type of emulsion, the higher caffeic acid:oil ratio (16.7 mmol/kg oil) in the OW  
210 emulsion, which was 2.7 times higher than in the WO emulsion (6.25 mmol/kg oil) and the difference  
211 between oil concentration in the emulsions. BSA increased the activity of caffeic acid in both  
212 emulsions.

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214 The PA value determination, a measure of secondary oxidation products (List, Evans, Kwolek,  
215 Warner, Boundy & Cowan, 1974), confirmed the findings of the PV analysis. The PA test was used to  
216 determine the level of aldehydes, principally 2-alkenals and 2,4-alkadienals, present in the emulsions.  
217 The PA values were relatively stable for the samples with caffeic acid, and with both caffeic acid and  
218 BSA throughout the study.

219 As shown in **Table 2**, in the presence of BSA, the stability of the OW emulsions containing caffeic  
220 acid increased by more than 200%, when assessed by the time to PA = 0.15, but BSA did not  
221 contribute any significant increase in stability to WO emulsions containing caffeic acid when assessed  
222 by the PA values. The TOTOX value is a measure of both primary and secondary oxidation products,  
223 where  $TOTOX = 2PV + PA$ . Synergy between the caffeic acid and bovine serum albumin, in retarding  
224 oxidation of emulsions, was investigated by consideration of the TOTOX values. As shown in **Table**  
225 **2**, the OW sample took 8.19 days to reach a TOTOX value of 3.7, followed by OW-BSA with 10.72  
226 days, then OW-CAF with 23.7 days and finally OW-CAF-BSA, the most stable, with 42 days. The  
227 WO emulsions showed similar times to reach a TOTOX value of 8.9.

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229 Headspace solid phase microextraction (HS-SPME) was used to isolate the headspace volatile  
230 products formed during secondary oxidation of OW and WO emulsions. Volatile aldehydes have great  
231 importance as oxidation products because of their contribution to the aroma of oxidised oils and  
232 emulsions. Hydrophobic flavor components can be perceived at lower concentrations in water than in  
233 oil, since many of the lipid oxidation products have higher solubility in the oil phase. This means that,  
234 for a fixed concentration of volatile components, their concentration in the headspace of an emulsion  
235 decreases as the oil concentration increases. As a consequence, a low fat emulsion may be perceived  
236 as more oxidized than a high fat emulsion, even though both emulsions have the same concentration of  
237 volatile components.

238 **Figure 2** shows the change in concentration of hexanal and total volatile products with time expressed  
239 as relative peak area. Hexanal has been widely used as a marker of volatile oxidation products of n-6  
240 fatty acids in previous studies (Rouseff & Cadwallader, 2001). In both systems, hexanal was the main  
241 volatile formed during storage. The OW emulsion was more susceptible to headspace volatile  
242 formation than the WO emulsion, as shown by the considerably higher concentrations of total volatiles  
243 that were formed, even though the degree of oxidation assessed by the TOTOX value was not  
244 significantly different in the two emulsion types (**Table 3**). At day 42, the TOTOX value for the OW  
245 emulsion containing caffeic acid and BSA was even lower than that of the analogous WO emulsion.  
246 The difference in headspace volatile concentration is partly due to the reduction of vapour pressure of  
247 each volatile component in the greater mass of oil present in the WO emulsions, since, according to  
248 Raoult's law, the vapour pressure of a solute is proportional to its molar concentration. However,  
249 differences in the relative importance of hydroperoxide decomposition pathways into volatile and non-  
250 volatile products may also occur in the different emulsion types, since the headspace volatile: PA ratio  
251 after 42 days storage was 6.7-7.9 times higher in the OW emulsion than in the corresponding WO  
252 emulsion, for samples containing no additive, BSA or caffeic acid and 49.3 times higher for the  
253 samples containing caffeic acid and BSA (Table 3). The higher oxidative susceptibility of OW  
254 emulsions has been reported extensively, and it is attributed to the greater extent of interfacial  
255 interactions that are possible between the lipid substrate and prooxidants including metal ions in the  
256 aqueous phase as a consequence of the greater surface area presented by the emulsion droplets  
257 (McClements & Decker, 2000; Jacobsen, Let, Nielsen & Meyer, 2008). It has been suggested that lipid  
258 oxidation in WO emulsions will occur at a rate similar to that in bulk oils because the surface of the  
259 lipid phase is exposed directly to air (McClements & Decker, 2000), but effects of antioxidants, metal  
260 ions and chelating agents will differ in these media. In WO emulsions, caffeic acid inhibited the  
261 formation of hexanal and total volatile compounds at the end of the storage period by 75.48 and 53.51  
262 %, respectively. Caffeic acid showed good antioxidant properties in OW emulsions inhibiting the  
263 formation of hexanal and total volatile compounds by 95.08 and 87.27 %, respectively. BSA increased

264 the antioxidant activity of caffeic acid in inhibiting the formation of hexanal and volatile compounds  
265 in the later stages of storage in WO emulsions (by 18.49 and 26.49 %, respectively), but was less  
266 effective in OW emulsions (2.51 and 3.32 %, respectively).

267 The synergistic increase in stability of the OW and WO emulsions prepared with BSA containing  
268 caffeic acid was 277.34 and 468.53 %, respectively, based on the time for the total volatile  
269 concentration to reach 585.37 and 364.56  $\mu\text{g}$  bromobenzene/ g oil, respectively (**Table 2**).

270 Positive correlations between PV and total volatiles ( $r=0.892$ ) and also between PA and both hexanal  
271 and total volatiles ( $r=0.992$ ,  $r=0.981$ , respectively) in OW emulsions were found. Weaker correlations  
272 among parameters analyzed were found in WO emulsions (**Table 4**). Faster hydroperoxide  
273 decomposition compared to hydroperoxide formation in the WO emulsions, which leads to a reduction  
274 in PV but an increase in total volatiles, contributes to the weaker correlation between PV and total  
275 volatiles in this emulsion system.

276 In the secondary oxidation stage, volatile compounds (e.g. alcohols and aldehydes) are formed by the  
277 decomposition of lipid hydroperoxides. In particular, volatile aldehydes have a great importance as an  
278 indicator of oxidation due to their considerable contribution to the aroma and flavor deterioration of  
279 the final products. The concentration of volatile compounds identified in OW and WO emulsions at 21  
280 and 42 days of oxidation is summarized in **Table 5**. The profile of volatiles was dominated by  
281 oxidation products derived from linoleic acid. As confirmed by GC-MS analysis, hexanal, (*E*)-2-  
282 heptenal, (*E*)-2-octenal and (*E,E*)-2,4-decadienal were the major volatile products in the autoxidation,  
283 while pentanal, 1-octen-3-ol, nonanal and (*E*)-dec-2-enal were also present in significant amounts.  
284 Hexanal, (*E*)-2-octenal, 2-heptenal, pentanal, and (*E,E*)-2,4-decadienal are major oxidation products of  
285 linoleic acid (Selke, Rohwedder & Dutton, 1980; Frankel, 1998; Aidos, Jacobsen, Jensen, Luten, Van  
286 der Padt & Boom, 2002; Jiménez-Álvarez, Giuffrida, Golay, Cotting, Destailats, Dionisi et al, 2008),  
287 whereas nonanal, octanal, 1-heptanol, 1-octanol, and (*E*)-dec-2-enal are formed from triacylglycerols  
288 containing oleic acid (Selke et al, 1980).

289 The combination of caffeic acid and BSA was most effective at reducing the formation of both  
290 hexanal and total volatiles in both emulsion systems. Caffeic acid was very effective at reducing  
291 hexanal and total volatile formation in the OW emulsion, but its effect was weaker in the WO  
292 emulsion where it was no better than BSA in reducing total volatile formation up to 35 days. This is  
293 consistent with the increased hydroperoxide decomposition observed in the WO emulsion containing  
294 caffeic acid (Figure 1b). The relative concentrations of the volatiles changed to some extent during the  
295 oxidation with E-2-octenal becoming a major volatile product at later stages of oxidation in the OW  
296 emulsion.

297 The antioxidant power and other important biological properties of caffeic acid are well substantiated  
298 (Gülçin, 2006; Yanishlieva & Marinova, 1995; Chen & Ho, 1997). Caffeic acid retarded the formation  
299 of hydroperoxides in menhaden oil-in-water emulsions (Maqsood & Benjakul, 2010), and De  
300 Leonardis & Macciola (De Leonardis & Macciola, 2003) reported that the antioxidant effectiveness of  
301 caffeic acid was better than that of BHA in hydrophobic phases such as cod liver oil.

302 The interactions between polyphenols and albumin have attracted much attention due to their  
303 importance in food (He, Liang, Wang & Luo, , 2010; Prigent, Voragen, Visser, Van Koningsveld &  
304 Gruppen, 2007). Caffeic acid is known to bind to BSA during storage in air with antioxidant activity  
305 being incorporated in the protein fraction (Bartolomé, Estrella & Hernández, 2000; Almajano &  
306 Gordon, 2004; Almajano, Carbo, Delgado & Gordon, 2007) but this does not occur in samples stored  
307 under nitrogen (unpublished data). Confocal microscopy showed that BSA was present at the interface  
308 between the oil and water phases in both an oil-in-water emulsion (Figure 3a, b), and a water-in-oil  
309 emulsion (c, d). BSA can be seen clearly since it enhances the Nile blue fluorescence at 670 nm (Lee,  
310 Suh & Li, 2003). Hence, it can be deduced that caffeic acid is oxidized to a quinone, and binds to BSA  
311 by reaction with amine groups in the side chains of amino acids such as lysine, as described by Rawel,  
312 Rohn, Kruse & Kroll (2002). This transfers the caffeic acid from homogeneous solution in the aqueous  
313 phase to the interface where it is more effective as an antioxidant. The caffeic acid retains a free  
314 phenolic group, which is activated by a positively charged nitrogen atom as shown in scheme 1.

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## 316 CONCLUSIONS

317 Development of headspace volatiles by lipid oxidation was significantly affected by emulsion type.  
318 The oil-in-water emulsions had a higher headspace volatile concentration, despite the degree of total  
319 oxidation assessed by the TOTOX value being similar to that of the water-in-oil emulsions. Although  
320 BSA had a slight antioxidant effect, it was found that BSA exerted a synergistic effect with caffeic  
321 acid in both emulsion types, and this is consistent with previous reports of synergy accompanied by  
322 formation of a protein-antioxidant adduct during storage (Almajano & Gordon, 2004). BSA caused a  
323 greater synergistic increase in the antioxidant activity of caffeic acid in a water-in-oil emulsion than in  
324 an oil-in-water emulsion.

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416 **Table 1.** Fatty acid composition of sunflower oil

Fatty acid name		Amount (%)
<b><i>Saturated (S)</i></b>		<b>10.42</b>
Myristic acid	C14:0	0.11 ± 0.02
Palmitic acid	C16:0	5.72 ± 0.04
Margaric acid	C17:0	0.05 ± 0.00
Stearic acid	C18:0	3.49 ± 0.05
Arachidic acid	C20:0	0.24 ± 0.00
Behenic acid	C22:0	0.57 ± 0.01
Tricosanoic acid	C23:0	0.05 ± 0.00
Lignoceric acid	C24:0	0.19 ± 0.01
<b><i>Unsaturated (U)</i></b>		<b>89.58</b>
<b><i>Monounsaturated</i></b>		<b>25.25</b>
Palmitoleic acid	C16:1	0.10 ± 0.00
Oleic acid	C18:1(n-9)	25.01 ± 0.63
Eicosenoic acid	C20:1(n-9)	0.14 ± 0.00
<b><i>Polyunsaturated</i></b>		<b>64.33</b>
Linoleic acid	C18:2(n-6)	64.17 ± 0.73
Linolenic acid	C18:3(n-3)	0.16 ± 0.00
<b><i>S : U</i></b>		<b>0.12</b>
<b><i>Omega 6</i></b>		<b>64.17</b>
<b><i>Omega 3</i></b>		<b>0.16</b>
<b><i>Omega 6 : Omega 3</i></b>		<b>401.06</b>

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426 **Table 2.** Times in days for oil-in-water and water-in-oil emulsions to reach indicated values at 50 °C

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<i>Oil-in-water emulsion (value at assessment time)</i>	PV (1.79 mM hydroperoxide)	PA (0.15)	TOTOX (3.7)	Hexanal (14.63 µg bromobenzene / g oil)	Total volatiles (585.37 µg bromobenzene / g oil)
OW	9.95	2.65	8.19	2.36	7.54
OW-BSA	11.22	8.84	10.72	6.12	10.99
OW-CAF	24.91	9.41	23.7	22.49	13.22
OW-CAF-BSA	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00	42.00
% Synergy	97.47	202.60	102.9	65.95	277.34
<i>Water-in-oil emulsion (value at assessment time)</i>	PV (2.15 mM hydroperoxide)	PA (4.59)	TOTOX (9.5)	Hexanal (18.71 µg bromobenzene / g oil)	Total volatiles (364.56 µg bromobenzene / g oil)
WO	12.87	17.34	16.2	3.95	13.42
WO-BSA	15.82	17.26	17.7	13.77	15.84
WO-CAF	24.47	39.47	27.2	17.70	16.02
WO-CAF-BSA	42.00	42.0	35	42.00	42.00
% Synergy	100.20	12.10	50.4	61.49	468.53

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441 **Table 3.** PV, PA, TOTOX and relative concentration of total volatiles for emulsions at 42 days

	PV (mM hydroperoxide)	PA	TOTOX	Total volatiles ( $\mu\text{g}$ bromobenzene / g oil)	Total volatiles: PA ratio
OW	10.43 $\pm$ 1.97	17.29 $\pm$ 1.68	38.15	6219.58 $\pm$ 999.53	359.72
OW-BSA	7.72 $\pm$ 1.76	11.77 $\pm$ 1.94	27.21	5477.40 $\pm$ 675.16	465.37
OW-CAF	4.82 $\pm$ 0.03	0.71 $\pm$ 0.12	10.35	791.53 $\pm$ 48.42	1114.83
OW-CAF-BSA	1.79 $\pm$ 0.32	0.15 $\pm$ 0.04	3.73	585.40 $\pm$ 48.15	3902.67
WO	3.97 $\pm$ 0.33	34.03 $\pm$ 0.65	41.97	1822.68 $\pm$ 279.83	53.56
WO-BSA	2.87 $\pm$ 0.60	23.49 $\pm$ 2.11	29.23	1379.19 $\pm$ 8.32	58.71
WO-CAF	3.42 $\pm$ 0.34	5.11 $\pm$ 0.08	11.95	847.29 $\pm$ 95.04	165.81
WO-CAF-BSA	2.15 $\pm$ 0.24	4.59 $\pm$ 0.91	8.89	364.56 $\pm$ 14.21	79.42

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457 **Table 4.** Significant Pearson's correlations among parameters analyzed (PV, PA, hexanal and total  
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Pearson's correlation:	<i>Oil-in-water emulsion</i>				<i>Water-in-oil emulsion</i>			
	PV	PA	Hexanal	Total volatiles	PV	PA	Hexanal	Total volatiles
PV	-	0.856	0.860	0.892	-	0.504	0.712	0.796
PA	0.856	-	0.992	0.981	0.504	-	0.904	0.885
Hexanal	0.860	0.992	-	0.987	0.712	0.904	-	0.922
Total volatiles	0.892	0.981	0.987	-	0.796	0.885	0.922	-

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476 **Table 5.** Concentration (expressed as equivalent to bromobenzene) of volatile compounds identified in  
 477 oil-in-water and water-in-oil emulsions during storage at 50 °C

Compound	Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}$ bromobenzene / g oil)			
	OW (21 days)	OW (42 days)	WO (21 days)	WO (42 days)
<i>Butanal</i>	20.97	46.74	6.36	24.05
<i>Pentanal</i>	15.19	71.97	14.69	45.71
<i>(E)-2-Pentenal</i>	18.39	141.37	nd	nd
<i>1-Pentanol</i>	5.91	88.85	3.37	28.61
<i>Hexanal</i>	70.66	606.9	61.7	310.26
<i>2-Hexenal</i>	nd	20.44	0.83	5.43
<i>2-Heptanone</i>	nd	10.95	1.25	7.38
<i>Heptanal</i>	nd	60.42	1.75	14.36
<i>(E)-2-Heptenal</i>	17.54	259.35	12.96	53.07
<i>1-Heptanol</i>	2.12	11.12	1.72	3.61
<i>1-Octen-3-ol</i>	5.93	117.9	3.64	15.92
<i>2-Pentyl-furan</i>	nd	nd	9.13	34.28
<i>Octanal</i>	8.36	65.37	2.18	16.81
<i>3-Octen-2-one</i>	2.35	28.01	1.53	14.08
<i>5-Ethylidihydro-2(3H)-furanone</i>	nd	nd	13.39	116.33
<i>(E)-2-Octenal</i>	15.08	550.12	2.89	28.28
<i>1-Octanol</i>	1.54	14.92	1.37	4.04
<i>Heptanoic acid</i>	2.99	10.37	0.87	7.23
<i>2-Nonanone</i>	5.18	43.57	4.07	20.49
<i>Nonanal</i>	10.84	26.5	3.93	13.61
<i>(E,E)-2,4-Octadienal</i>	0.07	5.81	nd	nd
<i>3-Nonen-2-one</i>	0.55	15.27	0.47	2.27
<i>(E)-2-Nonenal</i>	1.69	18.45	2.48	13.36
<i>2-Decanone</i>	0.91	13.77	1.07	2.67
<i>(E,E)-2,4-Nonadienal</i>	3.02	67.91	3.1	15.89
<i>3-Methylbut-2-enal</i>	11.63	85.71	3.02	9.98
<i>Methyl-cyclodecane</i>	1.28	7.55	0.55	2.07
<i>(E)-2-Decenal</i>	7.11	70.53	3.71	14.04
<i>Nonanoic acid</i>	1.35	32.75	1.11	7.45
<i>(E,E)-2,4-Decadienal</i>	70.46	443.56	19.32	60.09
<i>5-pentyl-5(H)-furan-2-one</i>	6.25	229.94	3.79	40.06
<i>(E)-2-Tridecenal</i>	7.18	75.28	3.48	11.95
<i>6-Dodecanone</i>	1.16	34.52	1.06	3.1
<i>2-Butyloct-2-enal</i>	8.14	100.88	2.51	7.71
<i>Total volatiles</i>	323.85	3376.8	193.3	954.19

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**FIGURE LEGENDS**

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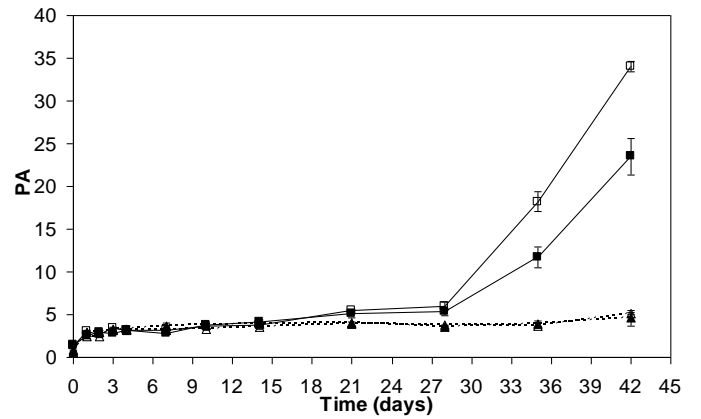
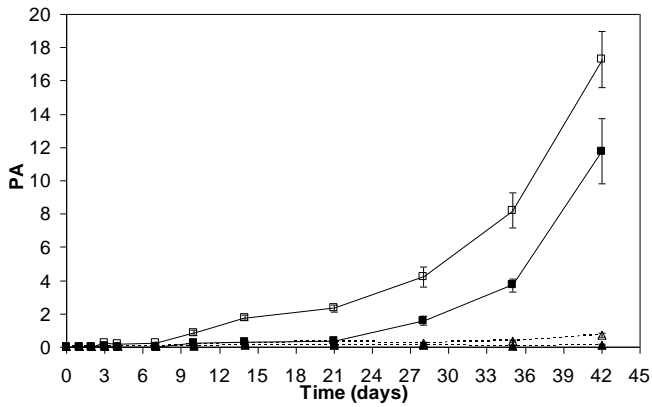
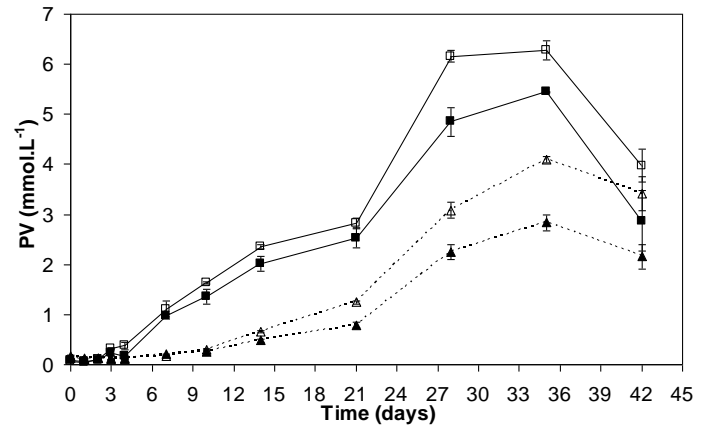
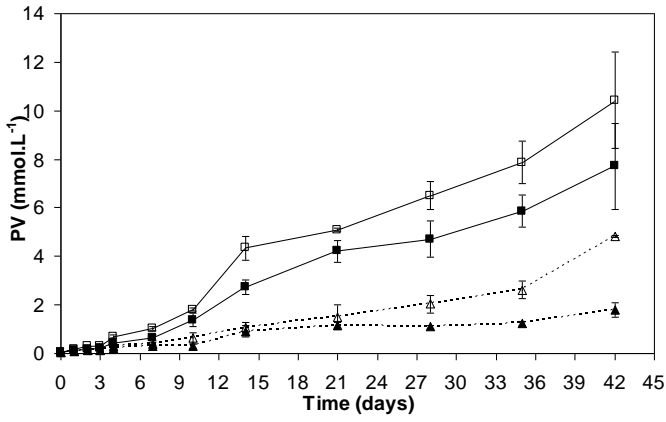
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**Figure 3.** Oil-in-water emulsions stained with oil red- Nile blue mixture (a) with BSA; (b) no protein



A) Oil-in-water emulsion

B) Water-in-oil emulsion



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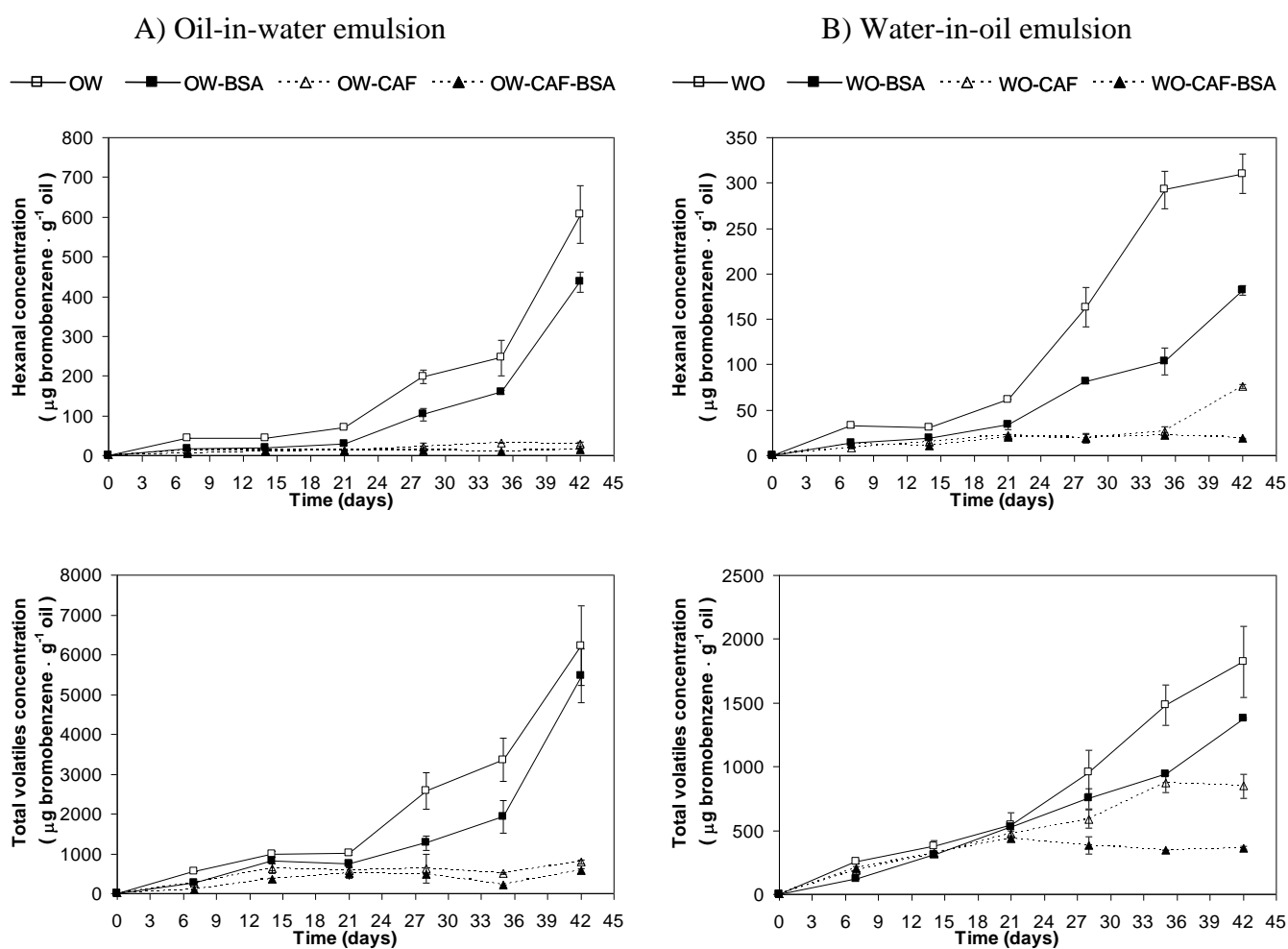
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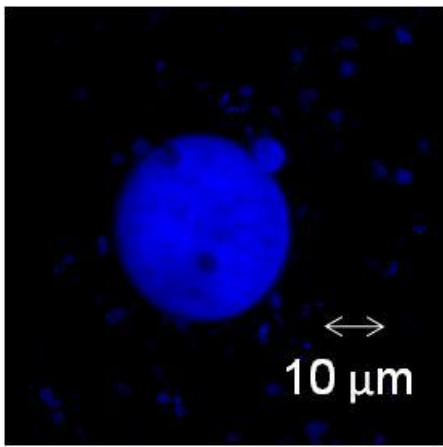


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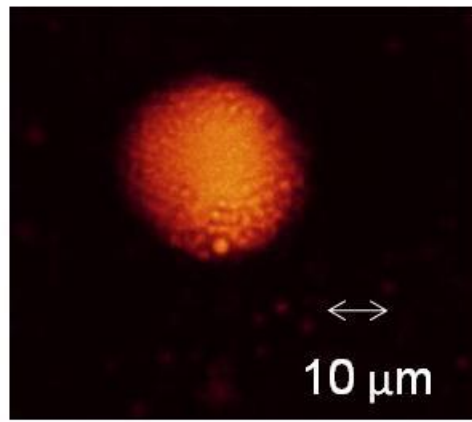
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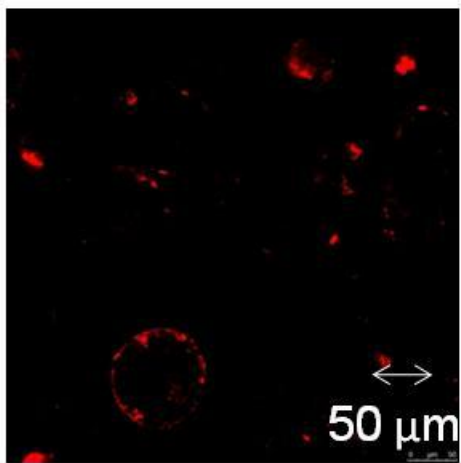
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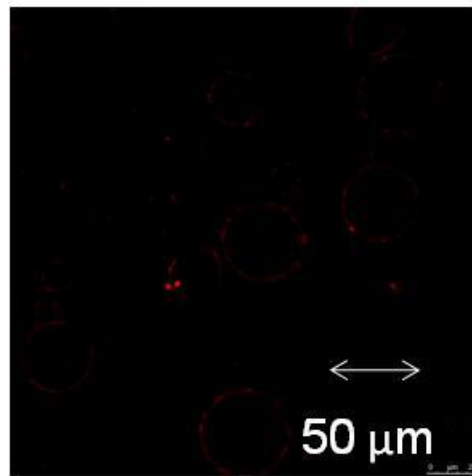
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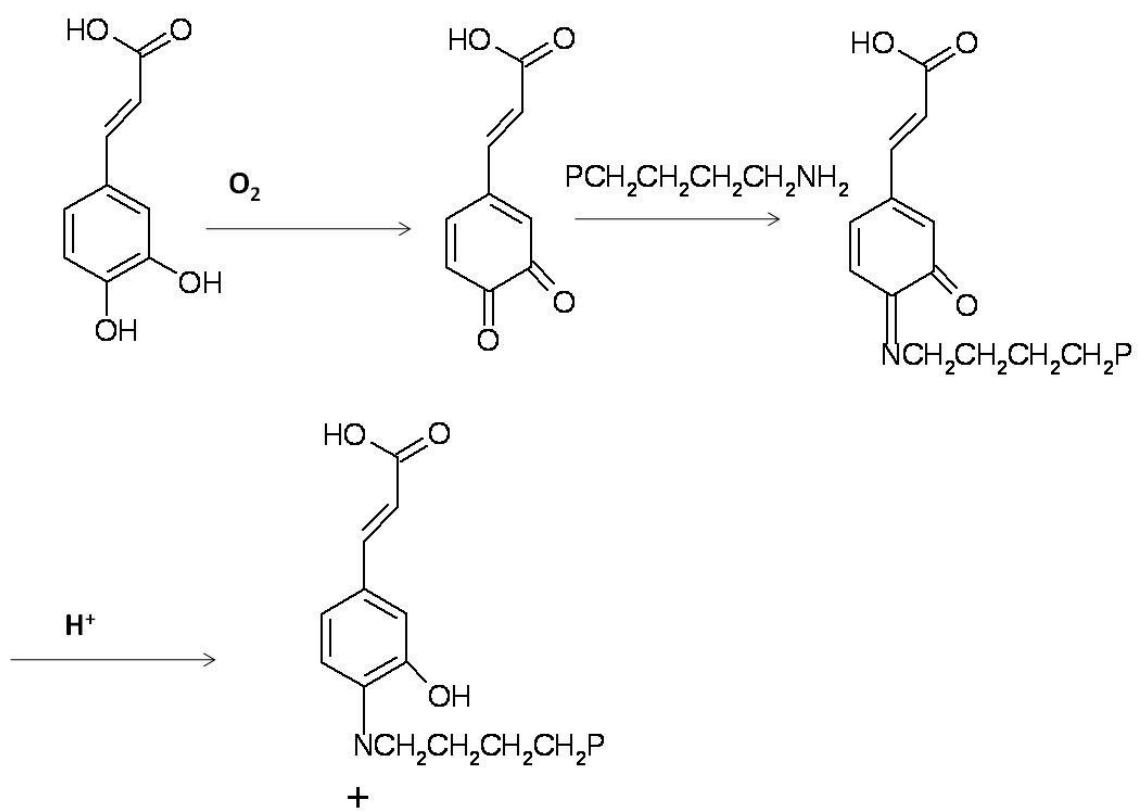
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534 **Scheme 1.** Reaction of caffeic acid with lysine residue of BSA (P = protein backbone)