

ABSTRACT

A bakers' yeast strain characterized by having an isobutyric acid content in dry cells of 150 ppm or less and showing a very weak offensive taste and odor characteristic of yeast. This yeast strain is obtained through sexual reproduction between a monoploid yeast strain obtained by germinating spores of a diploid bakers' yeast strain which may be freeze-tolerant and another monoploid yeast strain obtained by germinating spores of a diploid alcohol or wiled-type yeast strain whose offensive taste and odor characteristic of yeast is weak, followed by screening the resulting yeast strains to select those having a weak offensive taste and odor characteristic of yeast and, if necessary, being freeze-tolerant.