

ABSTRACT**OFF-FLAVOR REDUCER CONTAINING ERGOTHIONEINE AS ACTIVE
INGREDIENT**

5 Provided is an off-flavor reducer that reduces off-flavor of bitter substances and seasonings, or to provide a food or beverage product in which off-flavor is reduced by addition of the off-flavor reducer.

 The off-flavor reducer contains ergothioneine as an active ingredient. In a food or beverage product containing ergothioneine as a bitterness reducer, bitterness is reduced, in a
10 seasoning having a pungent taste, a pungent taste is reduced, and beany odor of soy milk and the like can also be reduced.