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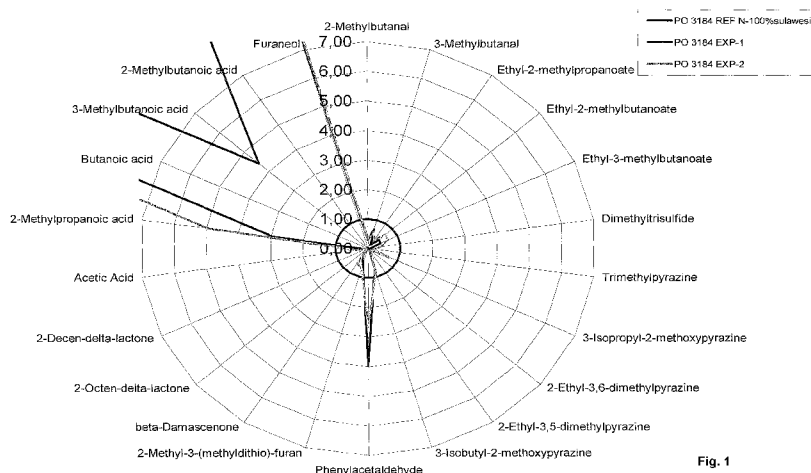


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: Cocoa products having a fruity flavor comprising an increased amount of a fruity aroma compounds are disclosed. The cocoa products are produced by a method comprising mixing cocoa nibs, de-shelled cocoa beans, or a combination thereof with an acid and water and roasting the acidified nibs, the acidified de-shelled cocoa beans, or the combination thereof.