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Comparision of Major Agricultural and Physicochemical Characteristics of Korean Aromatic Rice

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[Introduction]

The aromatic rices are diversely demanded based on the regional characteristics such as the shape of rice grains and amylose content as well as the scent characteristics according to the *basmati* and *jasmine*.

The purpose of this study is to provide more information for farmers and consumers by classifying fragrance components along with major agricultural and physicochemical characteristics of flavored resources.

[Materials and Methods]

Plant materials

Including 16 varieties of Korean aromatic rice such as Aranghyangchal, a total of 18 varieties including typical *basmati* and *jasmine* lines were used.

Variety characteristics

- 1) Physicochemical Properties: Amylose and protein content, alkali digestion value and gelatinization properties were studied.
- 2) Brown rice characteristics: Pigment and grain shape(length, width and L/w ratio) of brown rice were analyzed.

Aroma classification

- 1) DNA analysis: BADH2 gene marker related to flavor components was tested.
- 2) Sensory test (for foreigners): classification of fragrance series through the cooking characteristics of brown rice and white rice were tried.

[Results and Discussion]

Beside the *basmati* family Bukkyeong2012-2 had a high amylose content of 26.1%, most of variety showed a narrow range of amylose content as $16.6 \sim 18.8\%$ except for glutinous rices such as Aranghyangchal. The protein and alkali digestion value were $5.9 \sim 8.9\%$ and $4 \sim 6$, respectively. Eight cultivars (50%) of korean aromatic rice were classified as black rice containing anthocyanin as a functional components. The grain shape of domestic varieties was classified into short-type or semi-long grain type as L/w ratio of $1.7 \sim 2.4$. In the *BADH2* marker test, seven varieties (43.7%) showed the same polymorphism as those of the *basmati* and *jasmine* families. In addition, review of fragrance characteristics according to *basmati* and *jasmine* by the sensory test will be discussed later.

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