

## Aula 4

Os microrganismos como agentes alteração

Factores condicionantes da dinâmica de  
populações mistas

Conservação de alimentos

**Table 2 Major consumer trends having an impact on future food preservation technologies**

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**Consumers will require products that are:**

**Convenient**

**easy to store**

**satisfactory shelf-life**

**High quality**

**Less severely processed**

**less intensively heated**

**minimally freeze-damaged**

**Less heavily preserved**

**Freer from 'artificial additives'**

**Fresher**

**More natural**

**Nutritionally healthier, with**

**lower salt**

**lower fat**

**less saturated fats**

**more unsaturated fats**

**lower sugar**

**lower calorie**

**Safer**

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# Definição de alteração

- Diminuição da qualidade, de forma a tornar o alimento inaceitável
  - Crescimento microbiano à superfície ou em suspensão
  - Perda de textura
  - Gás, pigmentos, polissacáridos, cheiros e sabores desagradáveis (mais frequentes)
- Subjectividade cultural
- Tipos: glicolítica, proteolítica e lipolítica

# Tempo de prateleira

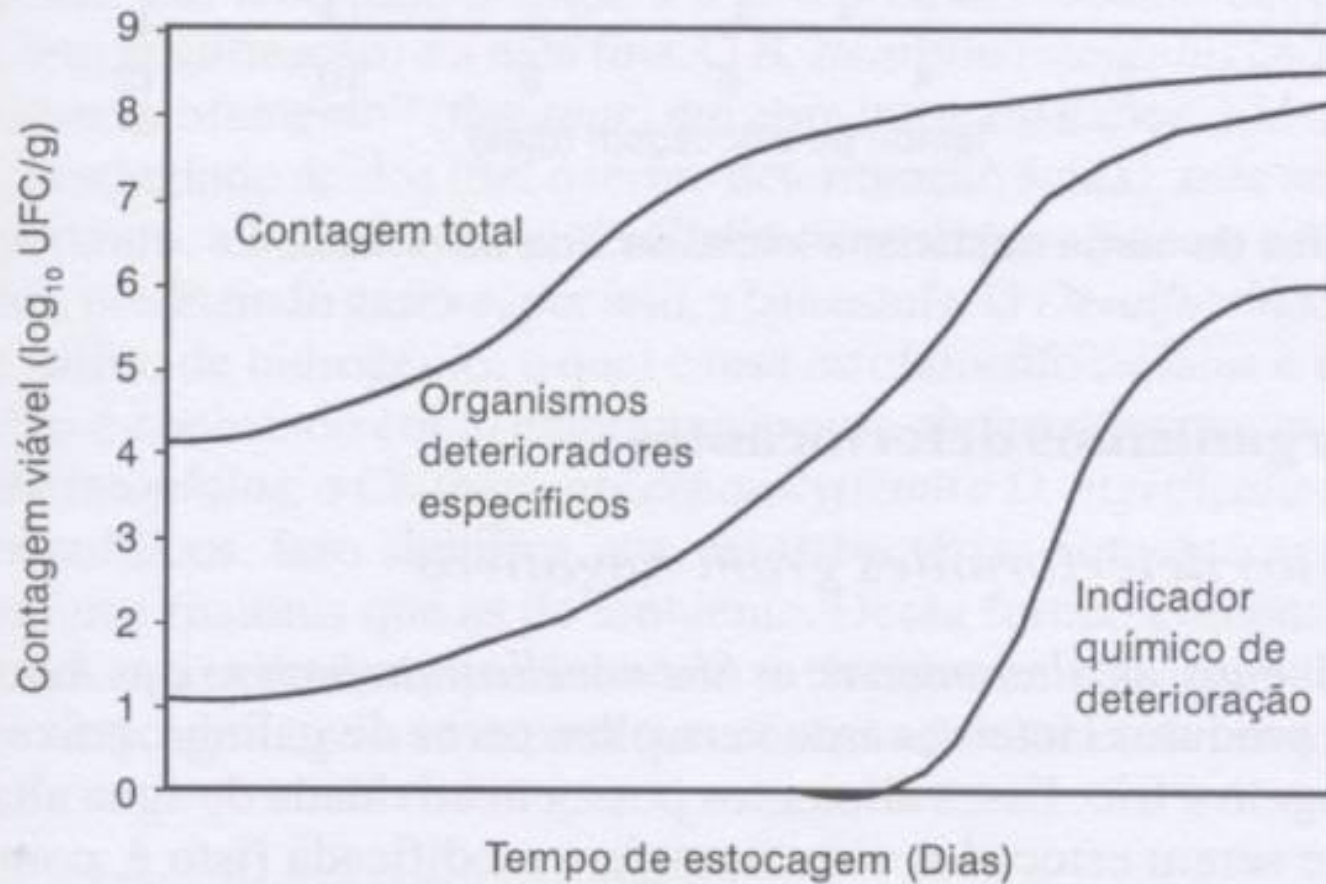
- Qualidade aceitável (sem alteração que implique rejeição pelo consumidor)
- Seguro (do ponto de vista microbiológico, físico e químico)

IMPORTANCE ACCORDING TO THEIR INCREASING  
INTRINSIC RESISTANCE TO COLONIZATION, BASED ON  
ADHERENCE TO CUSTOMARY GOOD MANUFACTURING  
AND DISTRIBUTION PRACTICES

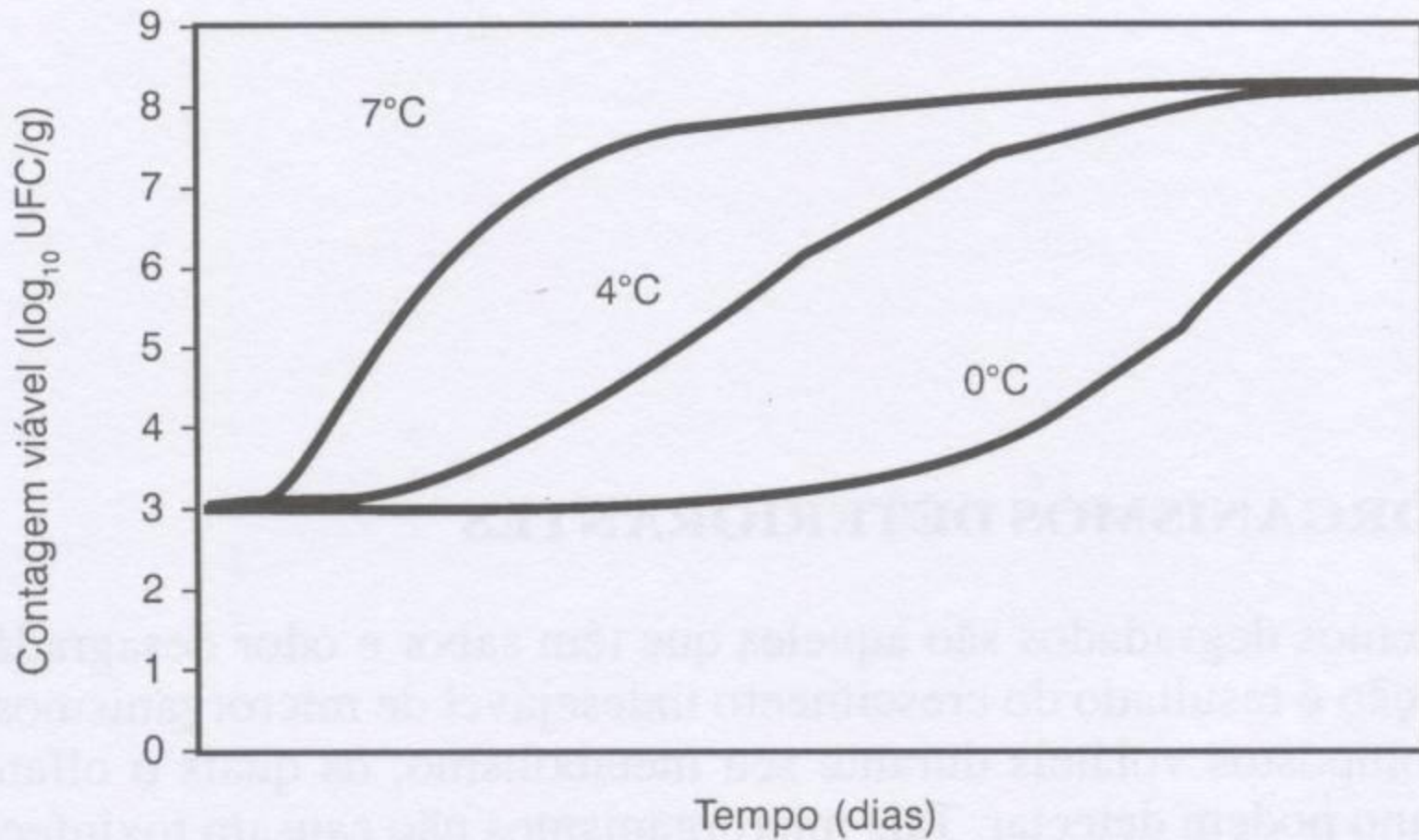
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| Microbial<br>growth<br>potential | Examples  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Unlimited                        | Fresh, chilled meat, poultry and seafood  |
| Ample                            | Pasteurized milk, refrigerated<br>undamaged fruits and vegetables                       |
| Limited                          | Cooked sausage in intact casing,<br>refrigerated  |
| Restricted                       | Vinegar-preserved and fermented foods,<br>commodities with $a_w < 0.90$<br>Frozen foods |
| Virtually<br>absent              | Appertized foods<br>Foods dried to $a_w < 0.60$   |

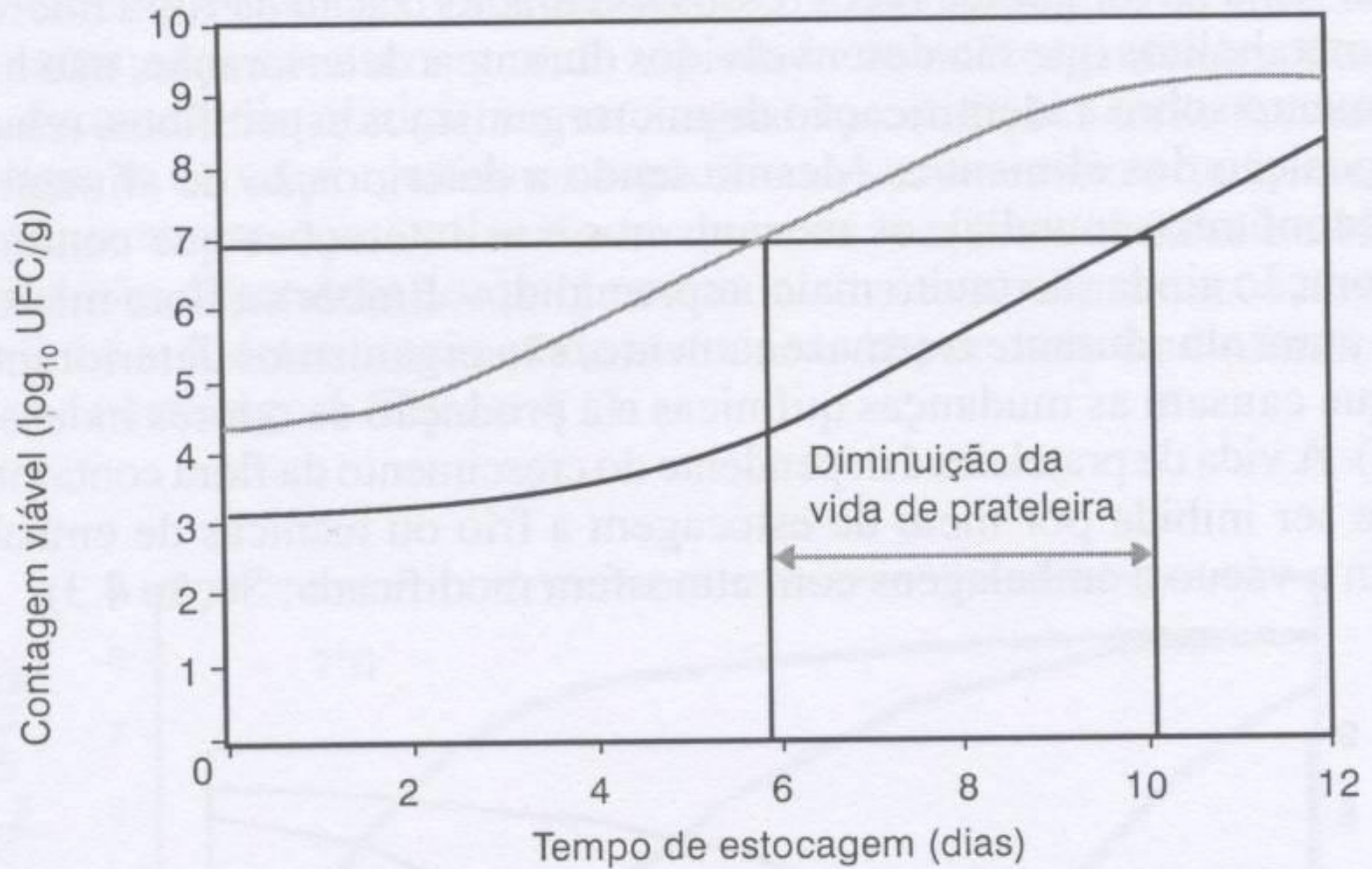
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**Figura 4.2** Indicadores de deterioração de alimentos.



**Figura 4.1** Efeito da temperatura na deterioração dos alimentos.



**Figura 4.3** Efeitos da carga bacteriana inicial na vida de prateleira.



**Tabela 4.3** Produtos alimentícios e seus tempos de prateleira

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| Produtos alimentícios | Vida de prateleira esperada   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Pão                   | Até 1 semana à temperatura ambiente                                     |
| Molhos, temperos      | 1 a 2 anos à temperatura ambiente                                       |
| Pepino                | 2 a 3 anos à temperatura ambiente                                       |
| Alimentos resfriados  | Até 4 meses entre 0 e 8°C   |
| Alimentos congelados  | 12 a 18 meses no congelador   |
| Alimentos enlatados   | Latas não-envernizadas, 12 a 18 meses<br>Latas envernizadas, 2 a 4 anos |

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## **Factores que afectam o desenvolvimento das associações microbianas nos alimentos**

|                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Factores intrínsecos</b>      | Nutrientes                     |
|                                  | pH e poder tampão              |
|                                  | Potencial Redox                |
|                                  | Actividade da água             |
|                                  | Constituintes antimicrobianos  |
|                                  | Estruturas antimicrobianas     |
| <b>Factores ambientais</b>       | Humidade relativa              |
|                                  | Temperatura                    |
|                                  | Atmosfera                      |
| <b>Factores implícitos</b>       | Taxa específica de crescimento |
|                                  | Mutualismo                     |
|                                  | Antagonismo                    |
|                                  | Comensalismo                   |
| <b>Factores de processamento</b> | Fraccionamento                 |
|                                  | Lavagem                        |
|                                  | Embalagem                      |
|                                  | Irradiação                     |
|                                  | Pasteurização                  |

**Table 1** Major factors affecting the microbial ecology of foods

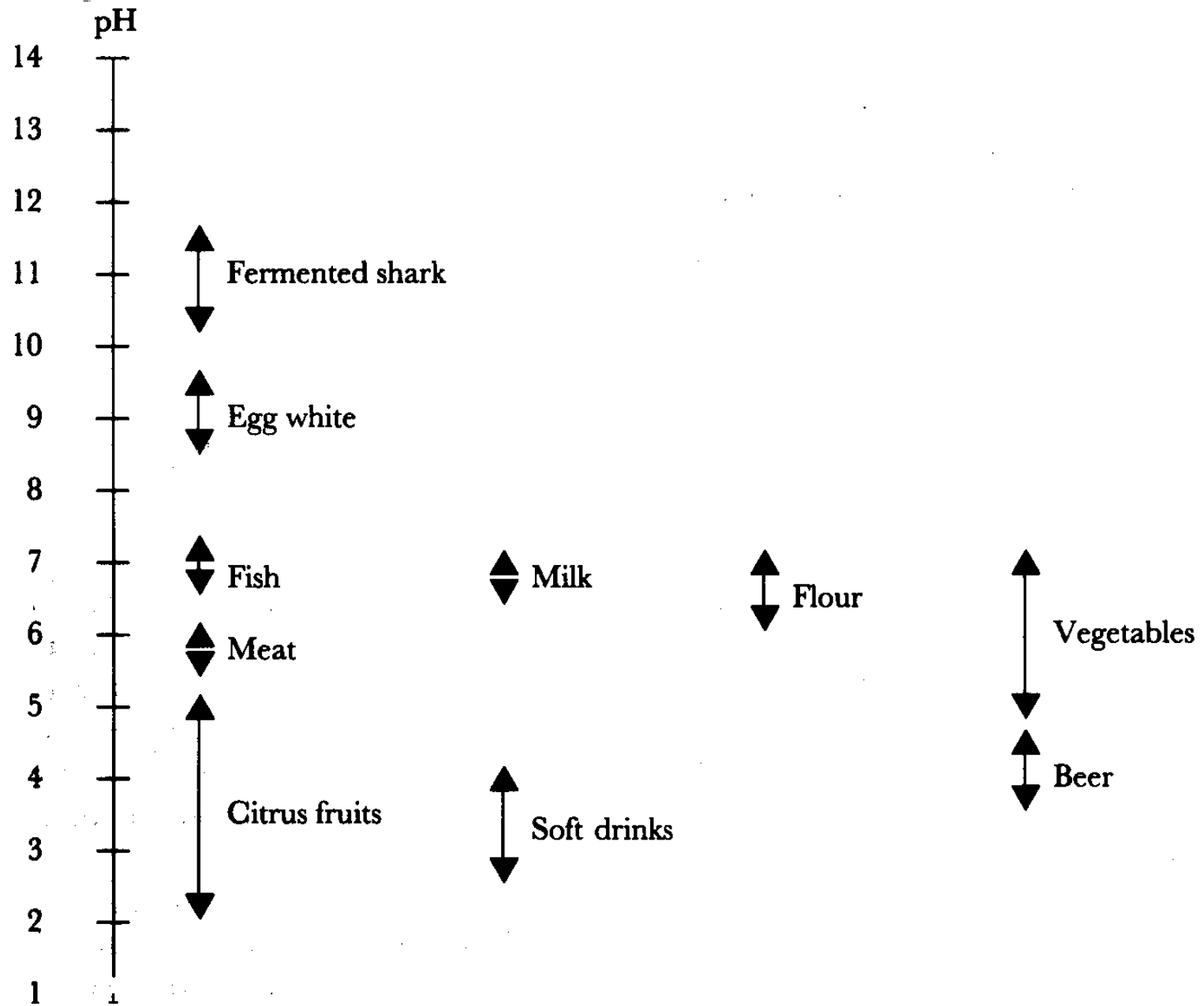
| Intrinsic factors  |   |                                       | Extrinsic factors       | Implicit and microbial factors       | Net effects  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Chemical   | Physical                                | Processing factors                    |                         |                                      |  |
| Nutrients present  | Water activity                          | Changes in types of micro-organisms   | Temperature             | Micro-organisms present              | Interactions between factors—<br>'combination' and<br>'hurdle' effects |
| Nature of solutes  | Ice and effects of freeze-concentration | Changes in numbers of micro-organisms | Relative humidity       | Microbial lag times and growth rates |  |
| pH and buffering capacity                                    | Viscosity                               | Changes in food composition           | Oxygen partial pressure | Synergistic effects                  |  |
| Oxidation-reduction potential                                | Microstructure                          | Changes in food microstructure        | Presence of other gases | Antagonistic effects                 |  |
| Presence of preservatives and other antimicrobial substances | Compartmentalization                    |                                       |                         |                                      |  |

Adapted from Mossel & Ingrain (1955) and Mossel (1983).

# Factores intrínsecos

- Nutrientes
- pH e capacidade tampão
- Potencial redox
- Actividade da água ( $a_w$ )
- Estruturas antimicrobianas
- Constituintes antimicrobianos

**Table 3.2** *Approximate pH ranges of some common food commodities*



**TABLE 3.5. APPROXIMATE LIMITING VALUES OF pH<sup>a</sup> FOR MICROBIAL GROWTH**

| Organisms                       | Min.    | Max. |
|---------------------------------|---------|------|
| 1. Normoduric bacteria          |         |      |
| Gram-negative rods              | } 4.5-6 | 8-9  |
| Gram-positive cocci             |         |      |
| Gram-positive sporing rods      |         |      |
| 2. Aciduric bacteria            |         |      |
| <i>Acetobacter</i> spp.         | } 3-4   | 5-9  |
| <i>Lactobacillus</i> spp.       |         |      |
| Lancefield group N streptococci |         |      |
| <i>Clostridium butyricum</i> ,  |         |      |
| <i>Bacillus coagulans</i>       |         |      |
| 3. Alkali-tolerant bacteria     |         |      |
| Genus <i>Vibrio</i>             | 5       | 11   |
| 4. Moulds and yeasts            | 2-5     | 7-11 |

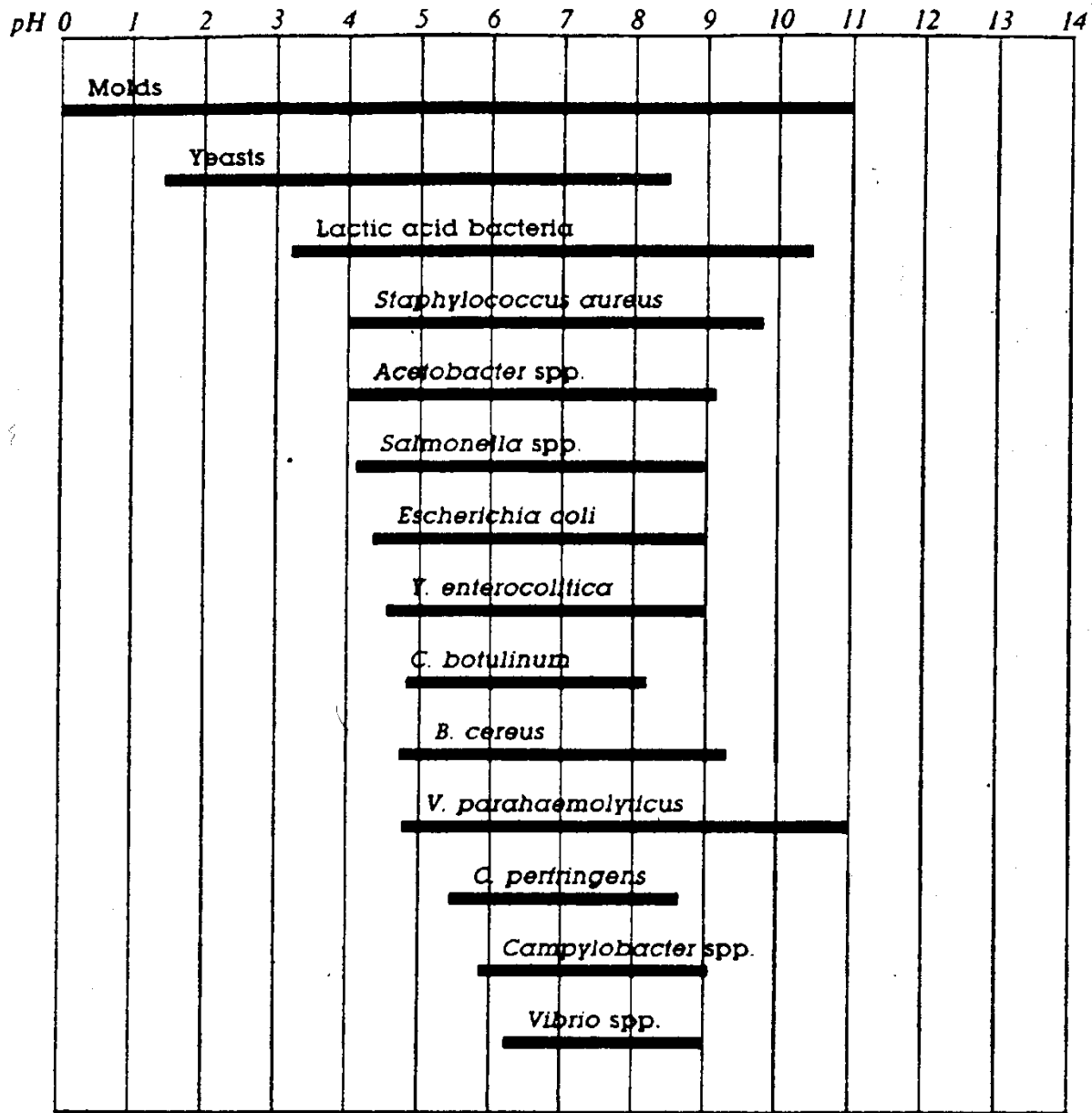


Figure 3.1. Approximate pH growth ranges for some foodborne organisms.

# Actividade da água

$$A_w = P / P_0 = 1/100 \text{ ERH}$$

P, pressão parcial da água na atmosfera em equilíbrio com o alimento

P<sub>0</sub>, pressão parcial da água pura

ERH, humidade relativa de equilíbrio

$$A_w = N_{\text{ág}} / (N_{\text{ág}} + N_{\text{sol}})$$

É uma propriedade coligativa: depende do nº de moléculas e não do seu tamanho





# Teor de Água de Equilíbrio

O conceito Teor de Água de Equilíbrio é importante para A SECAGEM e ARMAZENAGEM dos produtos. Indica se o produto ganhará ou perderá umidade, segundo as condições de temperatura e umidade relativa do ar utilizado na operação.

Teor de Água de Equilíbrio = Equilíbrio Higroscópico.

$T_{Aeq.} = f(T, UR, \text{das condições físicas dos grãos})$  e



Possuem TEORES DE ÁGUA DE EQUILÍBRIO diferentes

Próximo

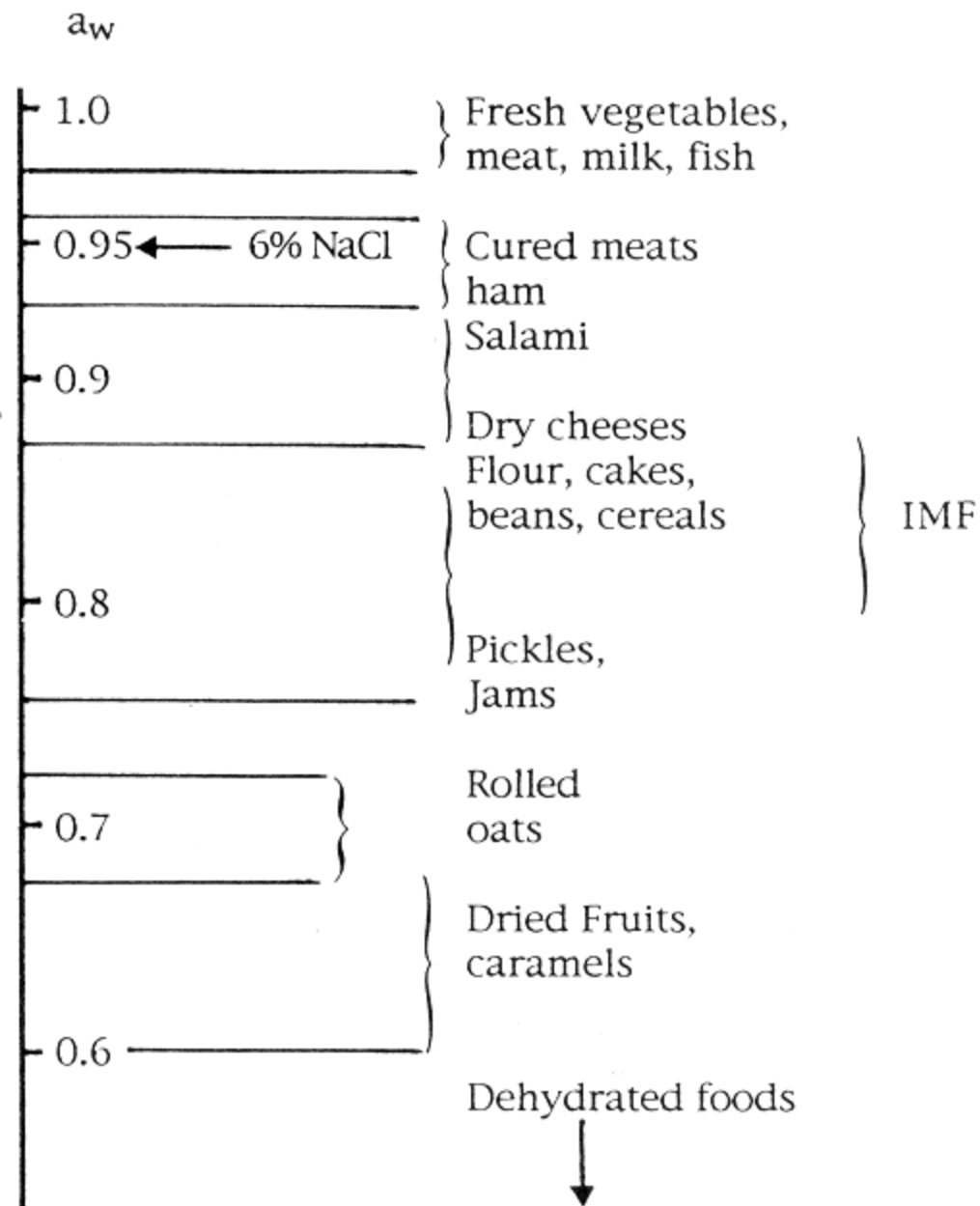
| TIPO DE SEMENTE | TEMPERATURA<br>°C | UMIDADE RELATIVA DO AR (%) |     |     |      |      |      |      |      |      |  |
|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
|                 |                   | 10                         | 20  | 30  | 40   | 50   | 60   | 70   | 80   | 90   |  |
| ▶ ARROZ         | 15                | 4,9                        | 7,6 | 9,3 | 10,5 | 11,5 | 12,6 | 13,8 | 15,6 | 18,0 |  |
|                 | 25                | 4,8                        | 7,3 | 8,9 | 10,1 | 11,1 | 12,1 | 13,3 | 15,0 | 17,4 |  |
|                 | 35                | 4,6                        | 7,0 | 8,5 | 9,7  | 10,6 | 11,6 | 12,8 | 14,5 | 16,7 |  |
| ▶ MILHO         | 15                | 5,5                        | 7,8 | 9,2 | 10,2 | 11,3 | 12,7 | 14,3 | 16,6 | 19,8 |  |
|                 | 25                | 4,8                        | 7,0 | 8,4 | 9,4  | 10,5 | 11,8 | 13,4 | 15,5 | 18,5 |  |
|                 | 35                | 4,3                        | 6,4 | 7,7 | 8,7  | 9,8  | 11,0 | 12,5 | 14,5 | 17,3 |  |
| ▶ SOJA          | 15                | 4,3                        | 5,7 | 6,5 | 7,2  | 8,1  | 10,1 | 12,4 | 16,1 | 21,9 |  |
|                 | 25                | 3,8                        | 5,3 | 6,1 | 6,9  | 7,8  | 9,7  | 12,1 | 15,8 | 21,3 |  |
|                 | 35                | 3,5                        | 4,8 | 5,7 | 6,4  | 7,6  | 9,3  | 11,7 | 15,4 | 20,6 |  |
| ▶ TRIGO         | 15                | 5,5                        | 7,7 | 9,1 | 10,4 | 11,6 | 12,8 | 13,9 | 15,6 | 18,2 |  |
|                 | 25                | 5,0                        | 6,9 | 8,2 | 9,5  | 10,7 | 12,0 | 13,2 | 14,9 | 17,4 |  |
|                 | 35                | 4,6                        | 6,3 | 7,4 | 8,6  | 9,9  | 11,2 | 12,5 | 14,2 | 16,7 |  |

TABELA 2.

UMIDADE EM EQUILÍBRIO COM A UMIDADE RELATIVA DO AR DE DIFERENTES TIPOS DE SEMENTES À DIFERENTES TEMPERATURAS.

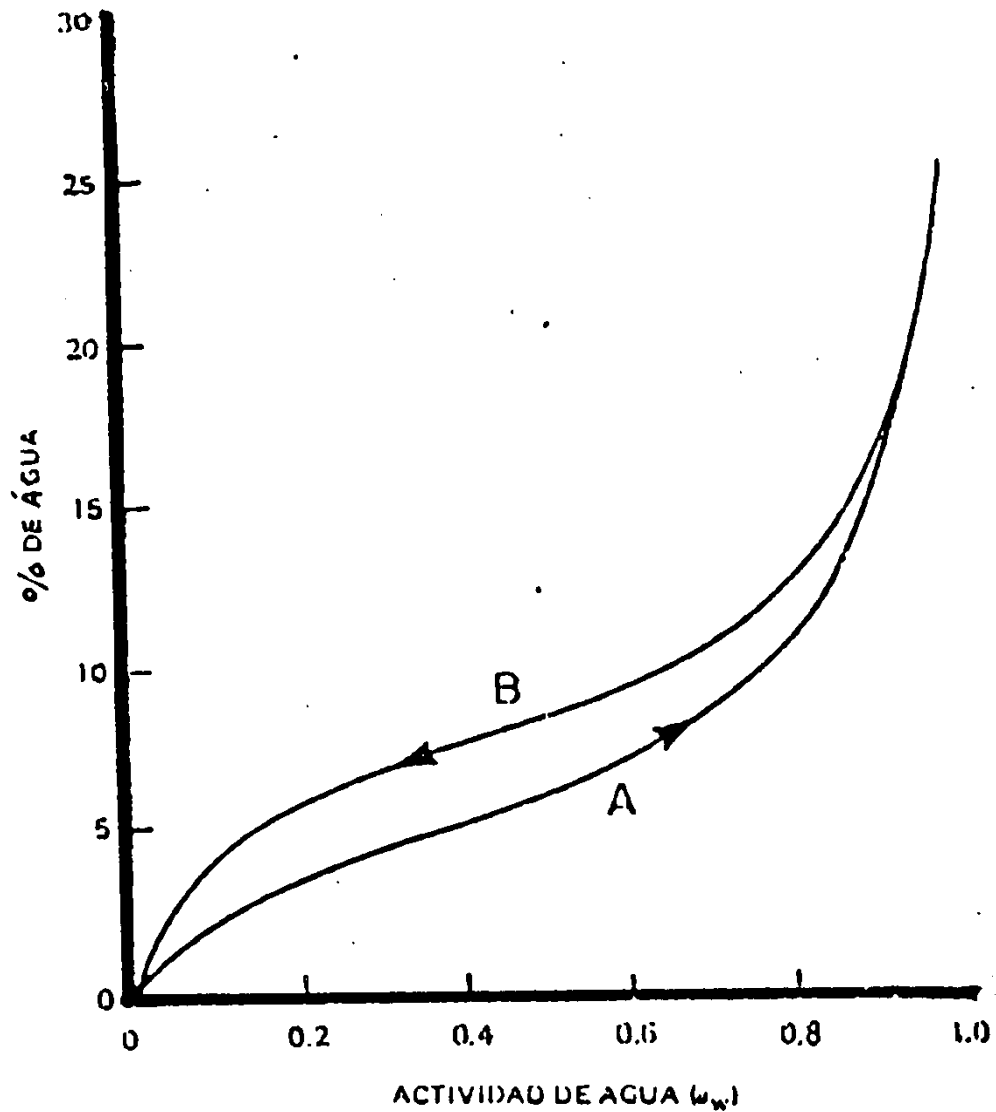
**Table 3.9** *Minimum water activities at which active growth can occur*

| <i>Group of micro-organism</i> | <i>Minimum <math>a_w</math></i> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Most Gram-negative bacteria    | 0.97                            |
| Most Gram-positive bacteria    | 0.90                            |
| Most yeasts                    | 0.88                            |
| Most filamentous fungi         | 0.80                            |
| Halophilic bacteria            | 0.75                            |
| Xerophilic fungi               | 0.61                            |



**Figure 3.9** Range of  $a_w$  values associated with a number of food commodities

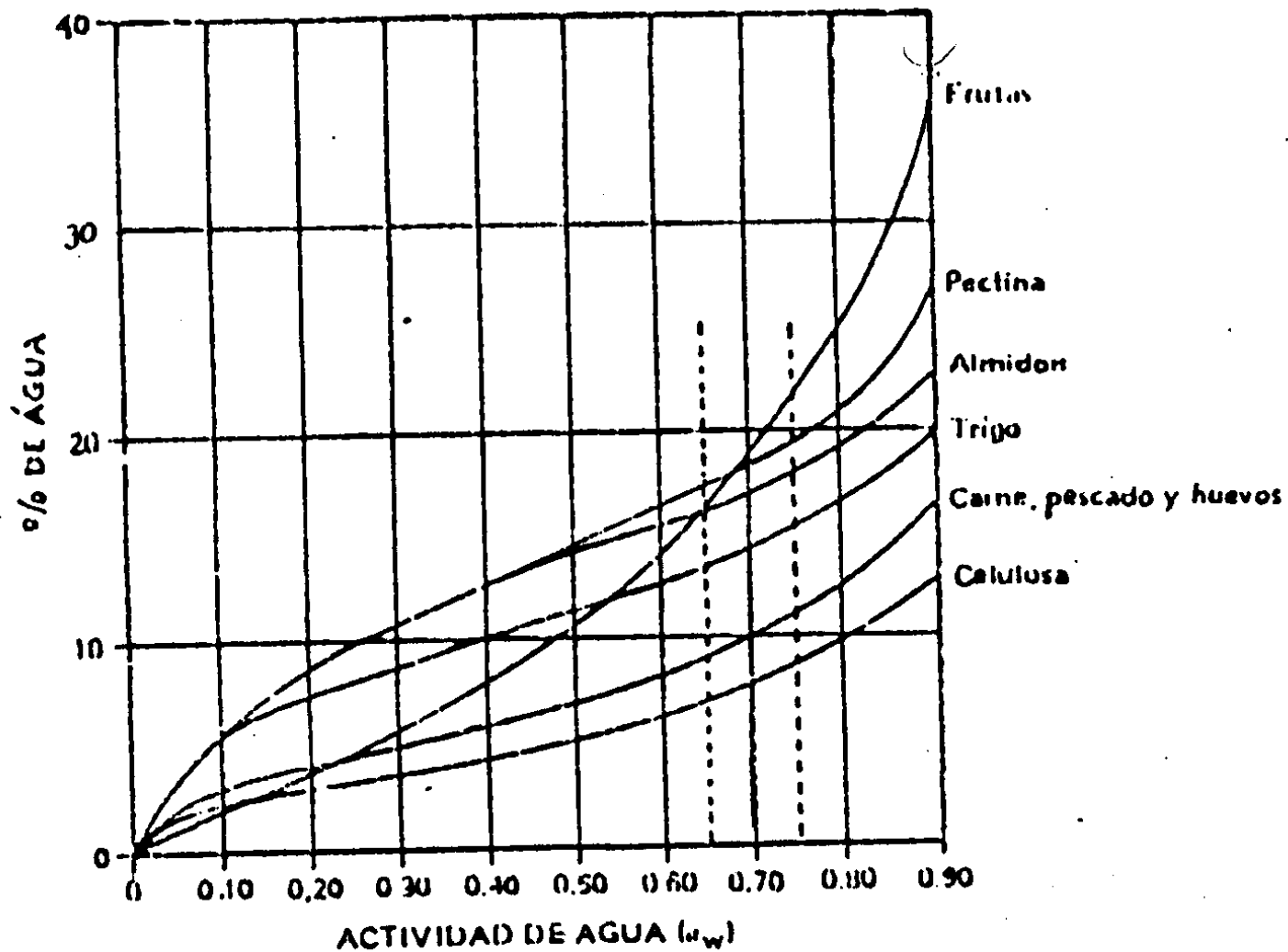




ISOTERMAS DE SORÇÃO DE ÁGUA EM QUE SE MOSTRA A HISTERESES.

A - ADSORÇÃO

B - DESORÇÃO



ISOTERMAS DE SORÇÃO DE VAPOR DE  
 ÁGUA DE ALGUNS ALIMENTOS A 20°C

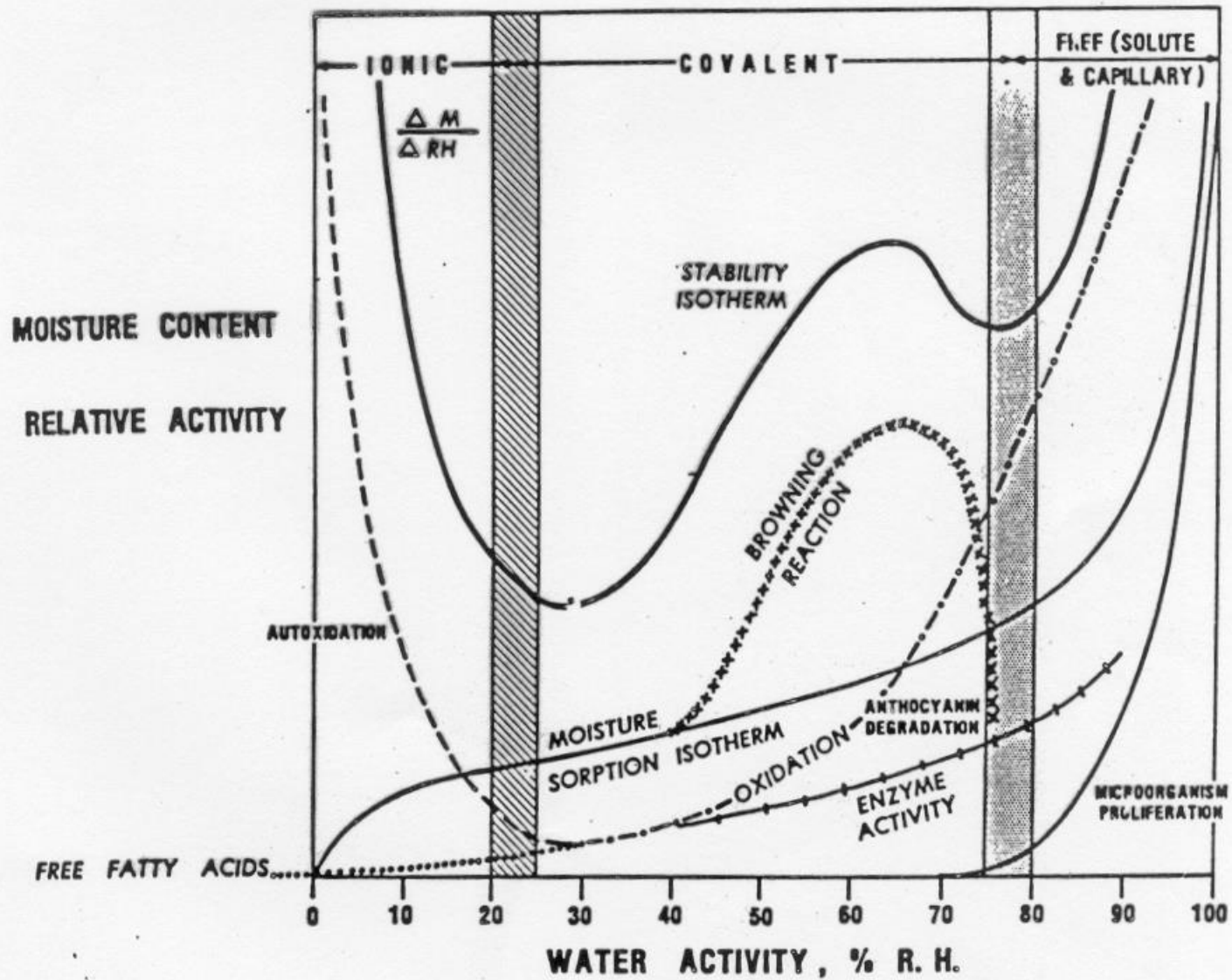
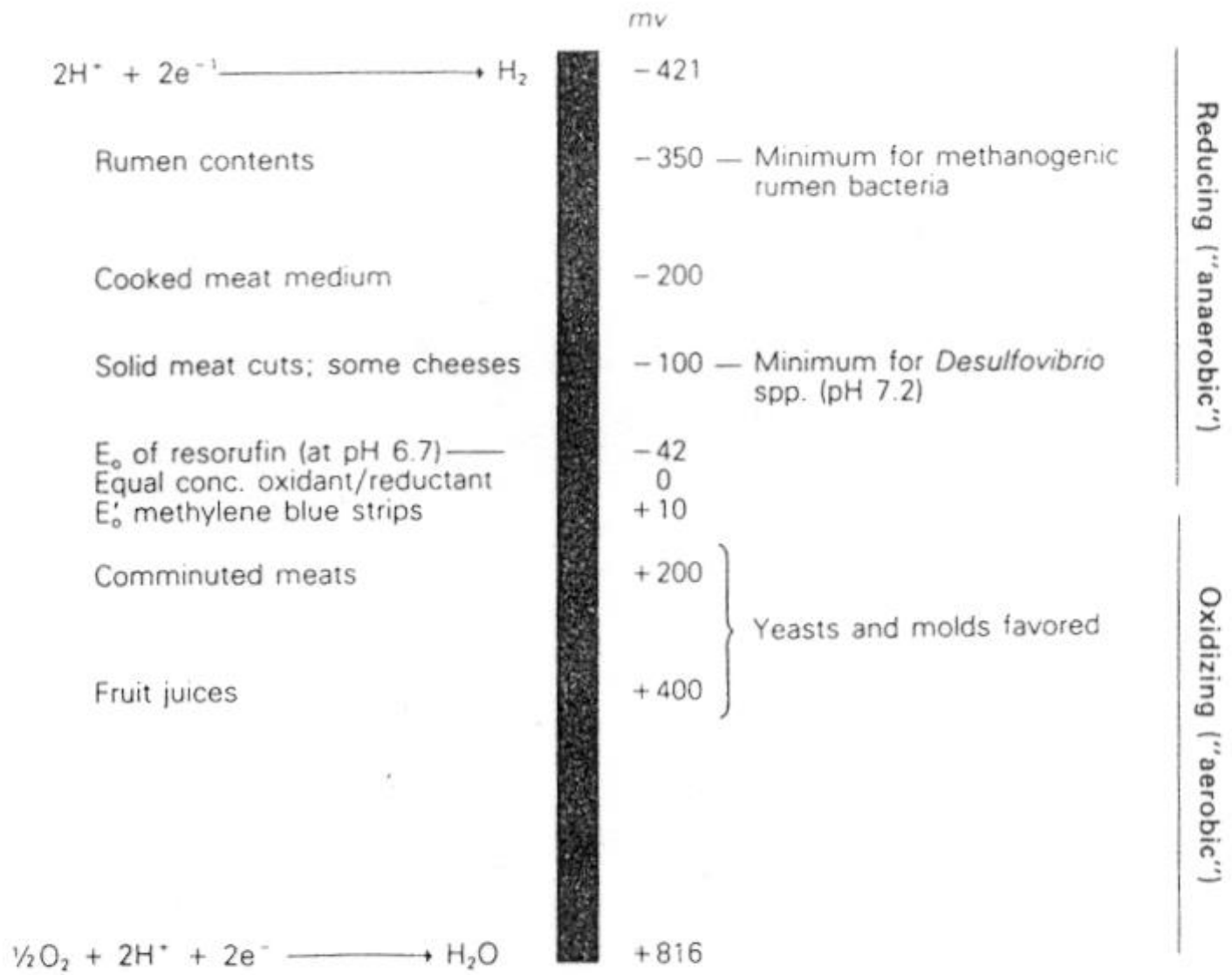


Fig. 3—DIAGRAMATIC REPRESENTATION of the influence of water activity on chemical, enzymatic, and microbiological changes and on overall stability and moisture sorption properties of food products

# Potencial redox





**Figure 3.3.** Schematic representation of oxidation–reduction potentials relative to the growth of certain microorganisms.

**Table 3.5** *Redox Potentials of some food materials*

|                                  | <i>E</i> (mV) | pH      |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| Raw meat (post-rigor)            | -200          | 5.7     |
| Raw minced meat                  | +225          | 5.9     |
| Cooked sausages and canned meats | -20 to -150   | ca. 6.5 |
| Wheat (whole grain)              | -320 to -360  | 6.0     |
| Barley (ground grain)            | +225          | 7.0     |
| Potato tuber                     | ca. -150      | ca. 6.0 |
| Spinach                          | +74           | 6.2     |
| Pear                             | +436          | 4.2     |
| Grape                            | +409          | 3.9     |
| Lemon                            | +383          | 2.2     |

### **Table 3.3** *Factors influencing the measured $E_h$ of foods*

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Redox couples present

Ratio of oxidant to reductant

pH

Poising capacity

Availability of oxygen (physical state, packing)

Microbial activity

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# Factores ambientais

- Humidade relativa
- Temperatura
- Atmosfera gasosa

# Efeito da humidade relativa

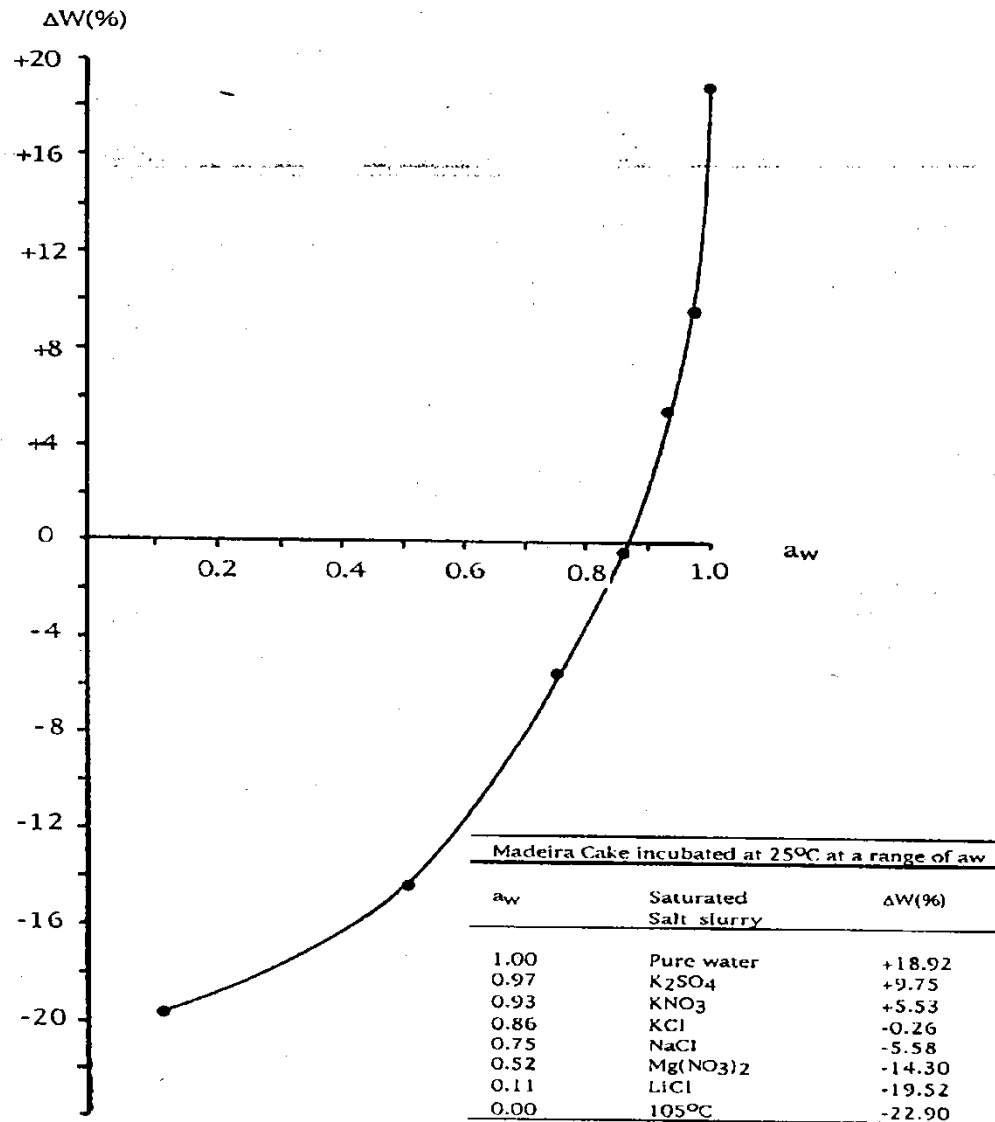
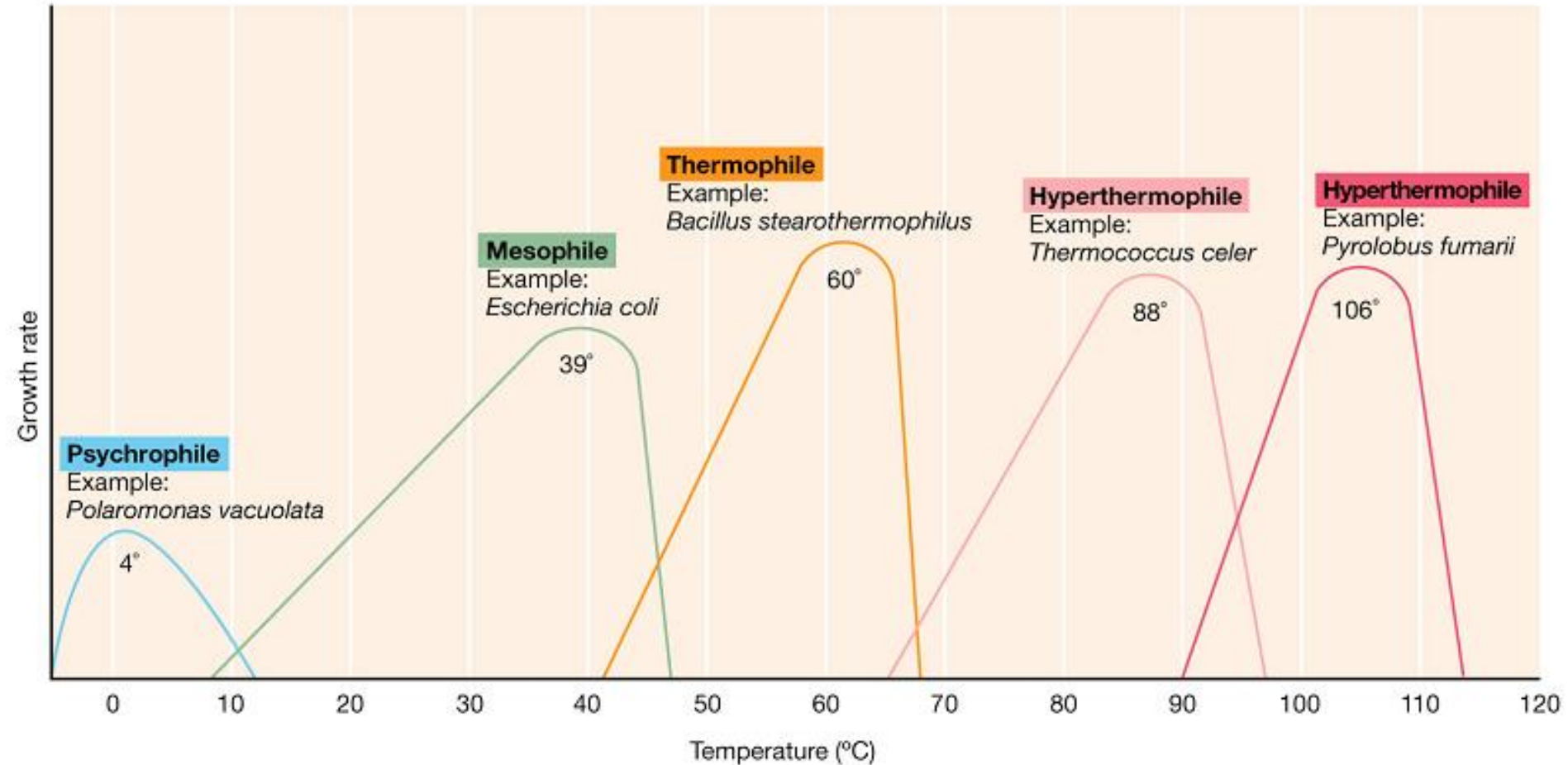
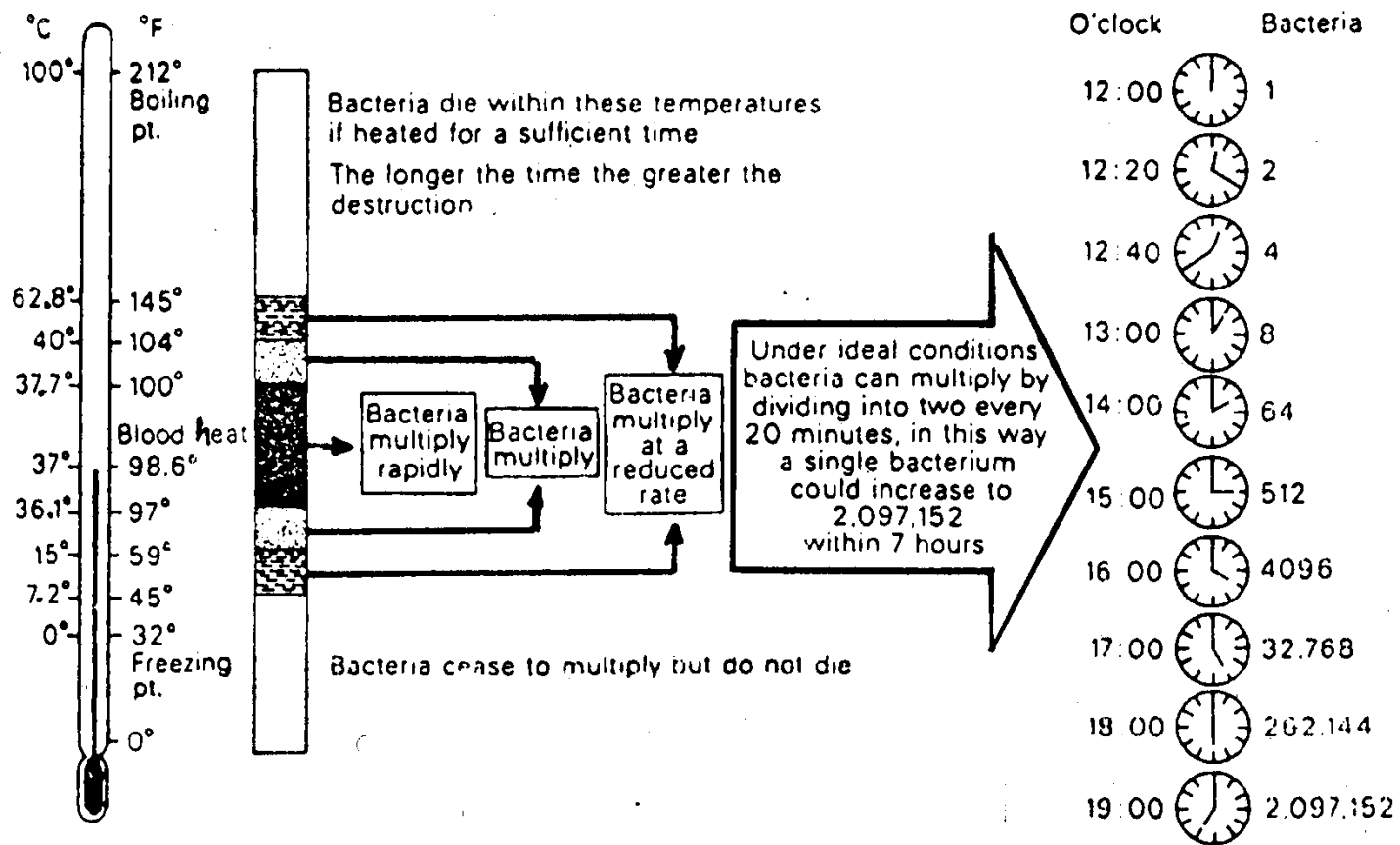


Figure 3.12 Weight changes of samples of madeira cake at different ERH values

# Temperatura



# Implicações da T no crescimento microbiano



**Figure 3.4.** Effect of temperature and time on the growth of bacteria. Safe and dangerous temperatures for foodstuffs. From Hobbs (53), reproduced with permission of the publisher.

# Atmosfera gasosa

**Table 4.13** *MAP gas mixtures used with foods*

| <i>Product</i>           | <i>% CO<sub>2</sub></i> | <i>% O<sub>2</sub></i> | <i>% N<sub>2</sub></i> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Fresh meat               | 30                      | 30                     | 40                     |
|                          | 15-40                   | 60-85                  | -                      |
| Cured meat               | 20-50                   | 0                      | 50-80                  |
| Sliced cooked roast beef | 75                      | 10                     | 15                     |
| Eggs                     | 20                      | 0                      | 80                     |
|                          | 0                       | 0                      | 100                    |
| Poultry                  | 25-30                   | 0                      | 70-75                  |
|                          | 60-75                   | 5-10                   | > 20                   |
|                          | 100                     | 0                      | 0                      |
|                          | 20-40                   | 60-80                  | 0                      |
| Pork                     | 20                      | 80                     | 0                      |
| Processed meats          | 0                       | 0                      | 100                    |
| Fish (white)             | 40                      | 30                     | 30                     |
| Fish (oily)              | 40                      | 0                      | 60                     |
|                          | 60                      | 0                      | 40                     |
| Cheese (hard)            | 0-70                    |                        | 30-100                 |
| Cheese                   | 0                       | 0                      | 100                    |
| Cheese;grated/sliced     | 30                      | 0                      | 70                     |
| Sandwiches               | 20-100                  | 0-10                   | 0-100                  |
| Pasta                    | 0                       | 0                      | 100                    |
|                          | 70-80                   | 0                      | 20-30                  |
| Bakery                   | 0                       | 0                      | 100                    |
|                          | 100                     | 0                      | 0                      |

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# Factores de processamento

- Lavagem
- Fatiagem/Moenda
- Processos tecnológicos de conservação
- Embalagem
- ...

# Efeito barreira

- Interação de factores condicionantes da dinâmica das populações
- Estratégias modernas para garantir a estabilidade microbiana dos alimentos (análise de casos)

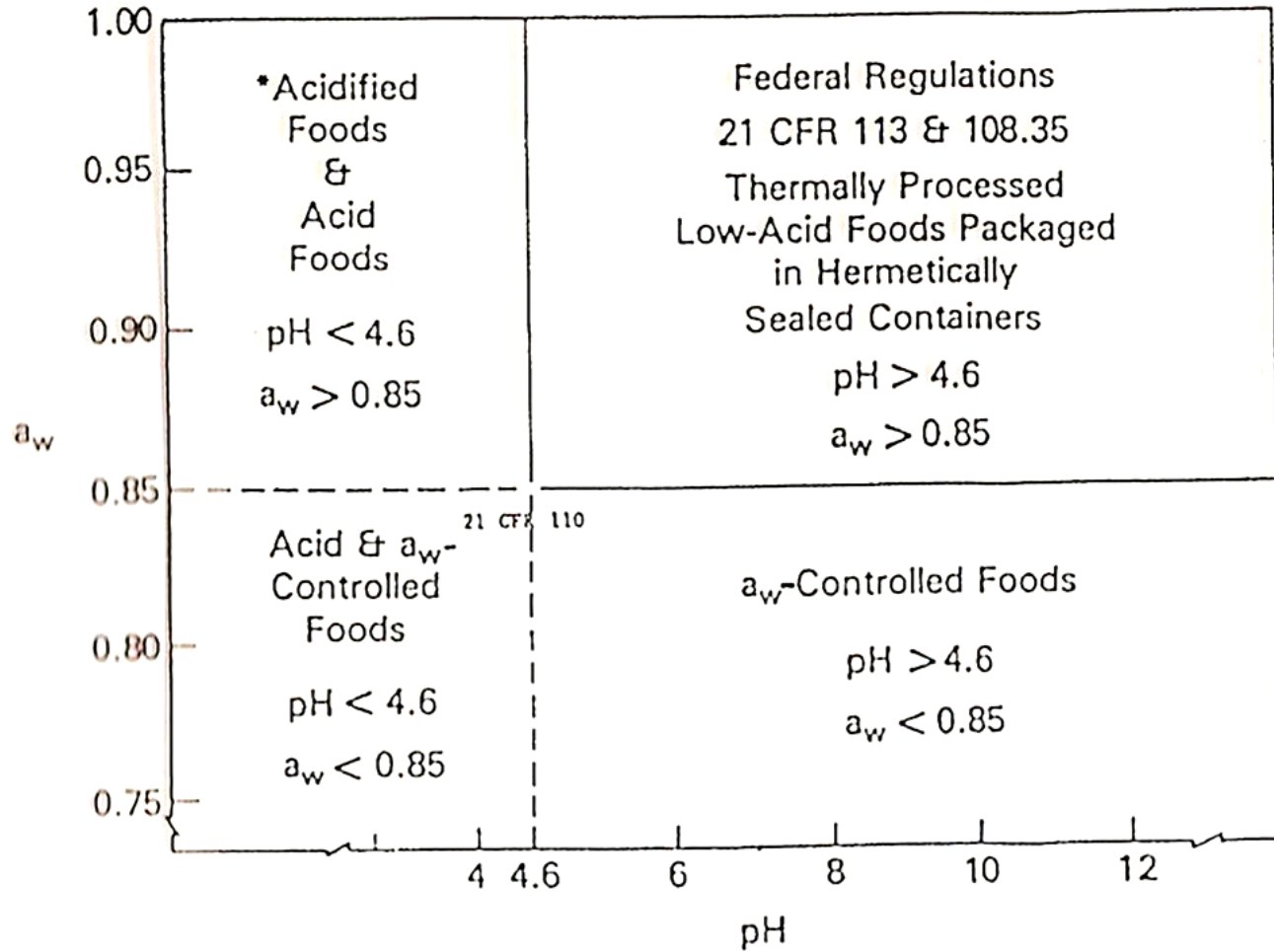
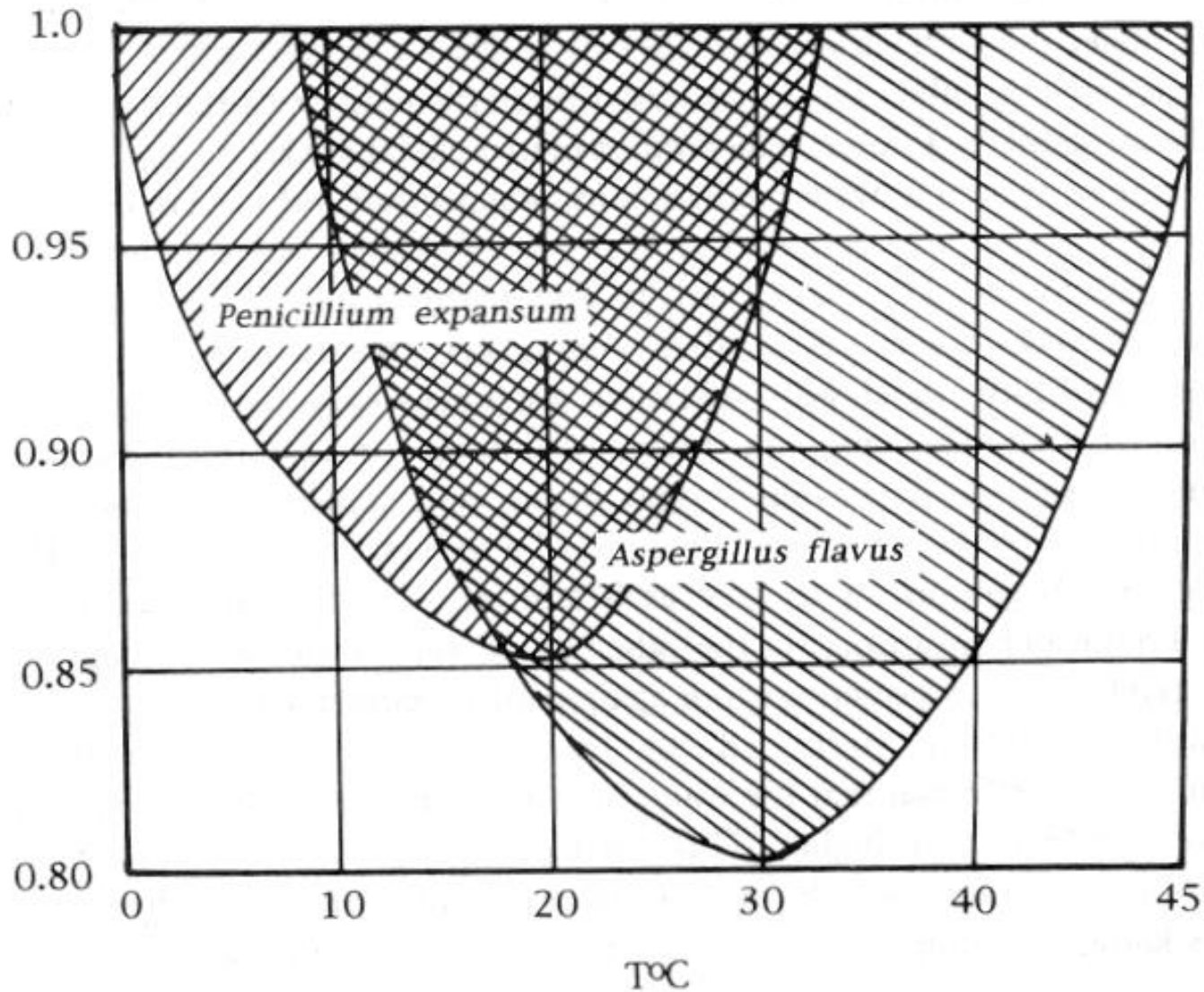
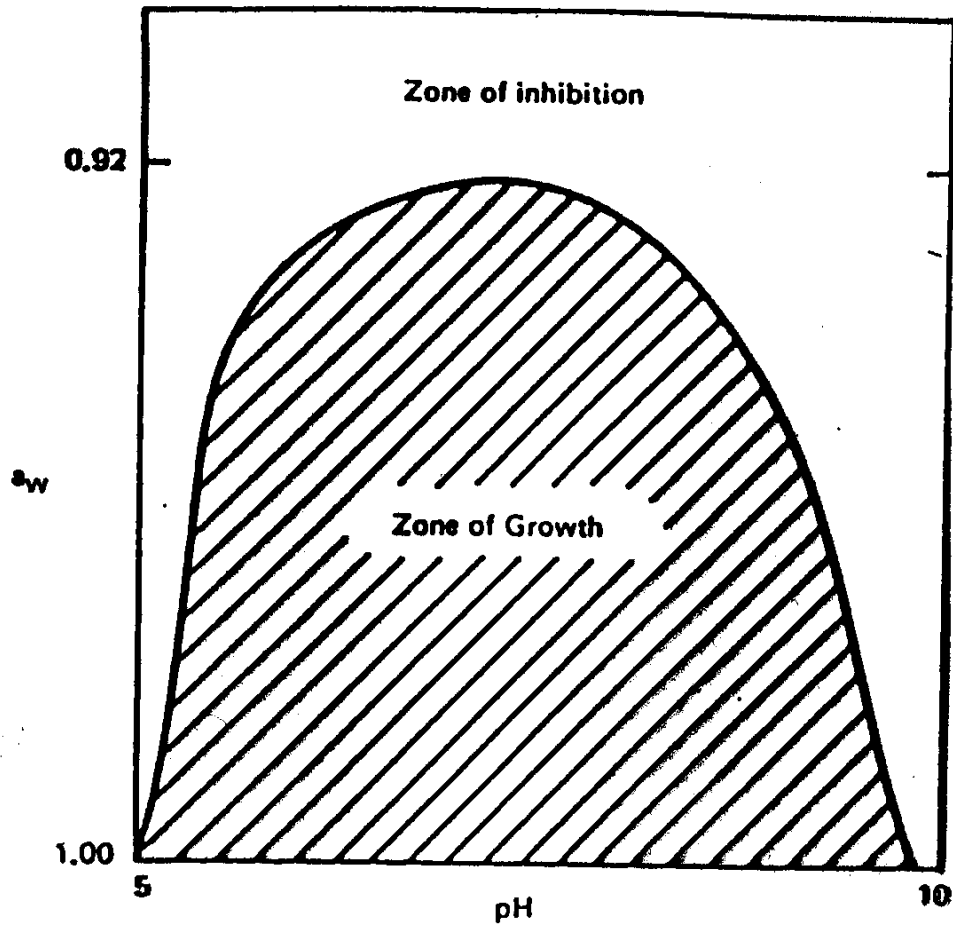


FIGURE 2 FDA Good Manufacturing Practice Regulations governing processing requirements and classification of foods. \*Acidified foods—21 CFR 114 & 108.25. (From Ref. 31.)



**Figure 3.8** *Temperature water activity combinations allowing the growth of Aspergillus flavus and Penicillium expansum*



**FIGURE 1** Effects of pH and water activity interaction on bacterial growth. (From Ref. 65.)

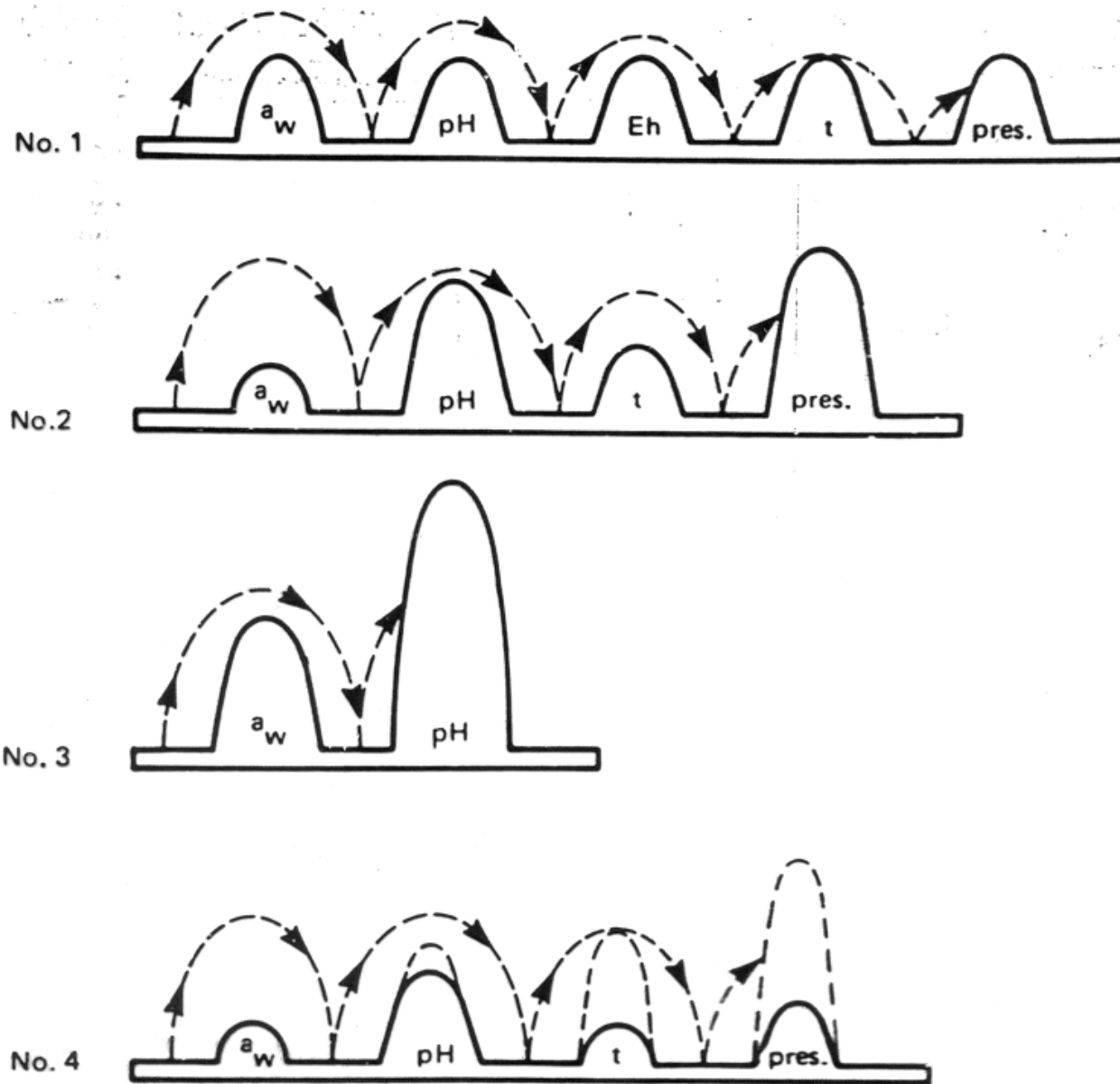


Fig. 4.1 Hurdle effect, illustrated using four food products as example.  
 (From Leistner 1978.)

Table 1. HURDLES USED TO INCREASE SHELF-LIFE

| Hurdle   | Application  | Shelf-life                                 | Quality losses  |
|--|--|--|---|
| initial selection;<br>packaging;<br>wax coatings | pretreatment;<br>fresh refrigerated                                  | a few weeks                                | market disorder;<br>increased rot   |
| refrigeration                                    | fresh, MA <sup>1</sup> stored<br>products; single<br>strength juices | depending on<br>perishability;<br>> 1 year | chilling injuries;<br>weight losses   |
| freezing   | fresh, blanched<br>products;<br>concentrates                         | > 1 year                                   | nutritional, texture losses;<br>discoloration, aesthetic<br>change, enzymatic brow-<br>ning |
| CA <sup>2</sup>                                  | fresh/refrigerated<br>products                                       | extended                                   | softening; discoloration;<br>retarded spoilage  |
| pasteurization                                   | for all products   | stable, according to<br>F-value            | nutritional losses; sensory<br>losses   |
| canning<br>(sterilization)                       | fruit juices/canned<br>fruit   | depending on initial<br>contamination      | nutritional losses; sensory<br>losses   |
| drying   | fruits, juices   | months, depending<br>on moisture level     | discoloration; flavour<br>changes; mould growth   |
| preservatives                                    | juices, soft drinks,<br>concentrates, pulp,<br>nectars               | rather short                               | consumer aversion,<br>resistance  |

1 = Modified Atmosphere

2 = Controlled Atmosphere

**Tabela 2.4** Métodos de conservação de alimentos\*

| Operação                           | Efeito esperado   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Limpeza, lavagem                   | Redução da carga microbiana   |
| Estocagem a frio (abaixo de 8°C)   | Previne o crescimento da maioria das bactérias patogênicas; retarda o crescimento de microrganismos deteriorantes |
| Congelamento (abaixo de -10°C)     | Previne o crescimento de todos os microrganismos  |
| Pasteurização (60-80°C)            | Mata a maioria das bactérias não-esporuladas, mofos e leveduras   |
| Branqueamento (95-110°C)           | Mata bactérias vegetativas superficiais, mofos e leveduras  |
| Enlatamento (acima de 100°C)       | Esteriliza comercialmente alimentos, mata todas as bactérias patogênicas  |
| Secagem                            | Cessa o crescimento de todos os microrganismos quando a $a_w^{**} < 0,60$   |
| Salga                              | Cessa o crescimento da maioria dos microrganismos com uma concentração de sal de 10%                              |
| Aumento da concentração (açúcares) | Inativa o crescimento quando $a_w < 0,70$   |
| Acidificação                       | Inativa o crescimento da maioria das bactérias (os efeitos dependem do tipo de ácidos)                            |

\*Fonte: ICMSF, 1988.

\*\* $a_w$  denota atividade de água.



**Tabela 2.12** Conservantes antimicrobianos para alimentos\*

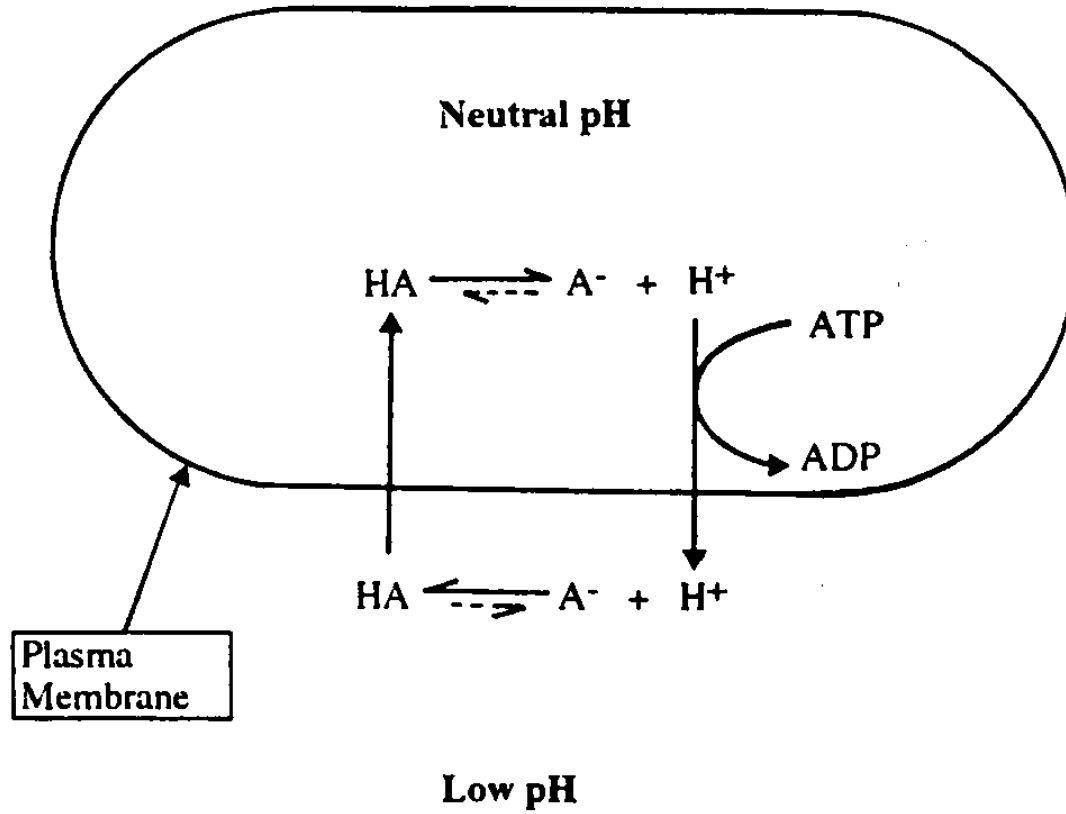
| Conservantes<br>(faixa de concentração típica, mg/kg)     | Exemplos de uso   |
|---|---|
| <i>Ácidos orgânicos fracos e ésteres conservantes</i>     |   |
| Propionato (1-5.000)                                      | Pães, produtos de panificação e queijos   |
| Sorbato (1-2.000)   | Queijos frescos e processados, produtos lácteos, produtos de panificação, xaropes, geléias, gelatinas, refrigerantes, margarinas, bolos, temperos |
| Benzoato (1-3.000)  | Picles, refrigerantes, temperos, peixes semi-conservados, geléias, margarinas   |
| Ésteres benzoatos (parabenzenos, 10)                      | Produtos de peixe marinados   |
| <i>Ácidos orgânicos acidulantes</i>                       |   |
| Ácidos láctico, cítrico, málico, acético (sem limitações) | Molhos com baixo pH, maioneses, temperos, cremes para salada, bebidas, sucos de fruta e concentrados, produtos à base de carne e vegetais         |
| <i>Ácidos inorgânicos conservantes</i>                    |   |
| Sulfito (1-450)   | Pedaços de frutas, frutas desidratadas, vinho, embutidos de carne   |
| Nitrato e nitrito (50)                                    | Produtos de carne curada  |
| <i>Ácidos minerais acidulantes</i>                        |   |
| Ácido fosfórico, ácido hidrolórico                        | Bebidas   |
| <i>Antibióticos</i>                                       |   |
| Nisina  | Queijo, alimentos enlatados   |
| Natamicina (primaricina)                                  | Sucos de frutas industrializados  |
| Fumaça  | Carne e peixe   |

\*Adaptada de Gould e reimpressa com permissão de Elsevier Science, *International Journal of Food Microbiology*, 1996, 33, 51-64.

# Conservantes ácidos

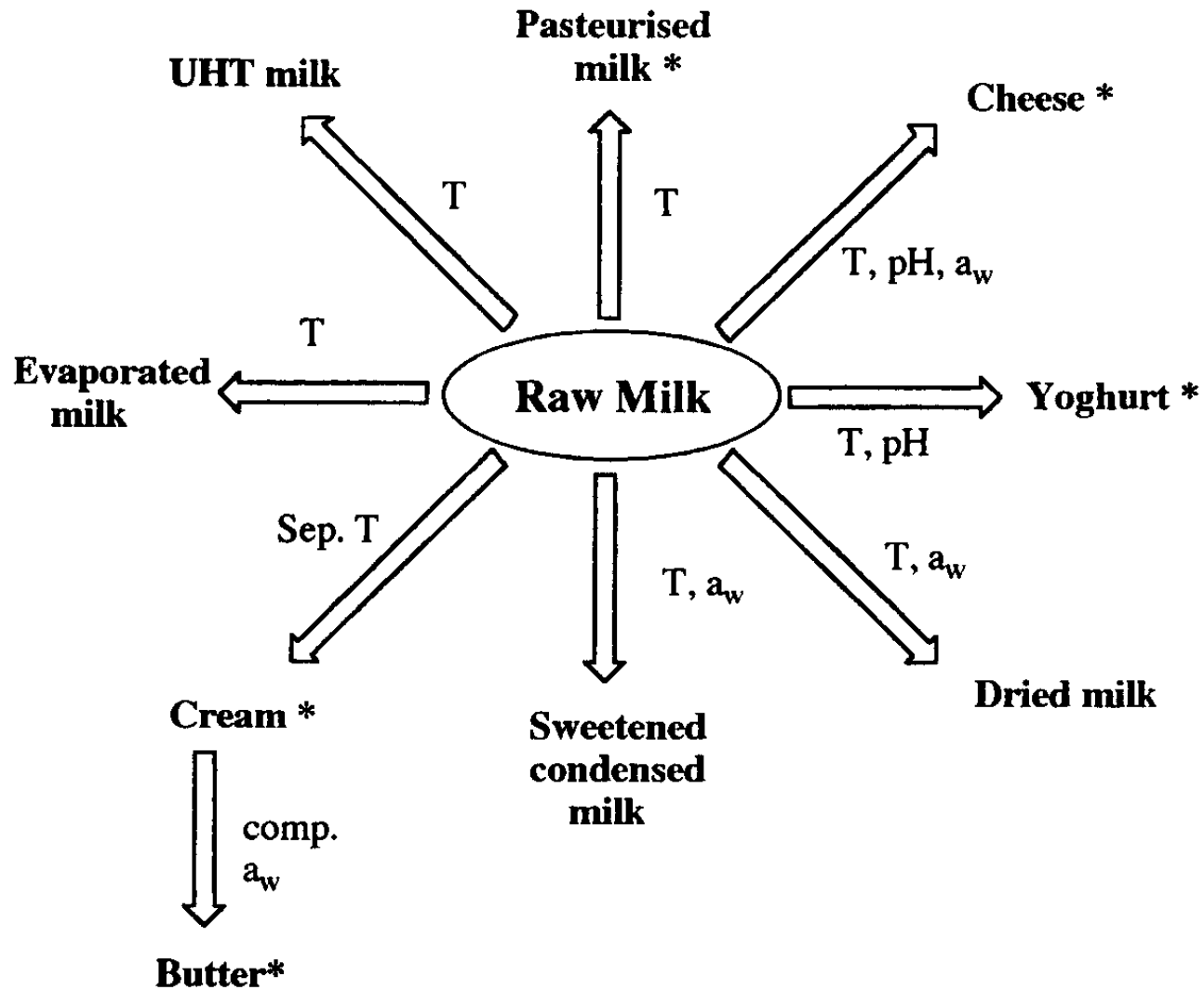
| <b>Proportion of total acid undissociated at different pH values<br/>(expressed as percentages)</b> |           |          |          |          |          |
|---|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
|   | <b>pH</b> |          |          |          |          |
|   | <b>3</b>  | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | <b>7</b> |
| Acetic acid   | 98.5      | 84.5     | 34.9     | 5.1      | 0.54     |
| Benzoic acid  | 93.5      | 59.3     | 12.8     | 1.44     | 0.144    |
| Citric acid   | 53.0      | 18.9     | 0.41     | 0.006    | <0.001   |
| Lactic acid   | 86.6      | 39.2     | 6.05     | 0.64     | 0.064    |
| Methyl, ethyl,<br>propyl parabens   | >99.99    | 99.99    | 99.96    | 99.66    | 96.72    |
| Propionic acid  | 98.5      | 87.6     | 41.7     | 6.67     | 0.71     |
| Sorbic acid   | 97.4      | 82.0     | 30.0     | 4.1      | 0.48     |

Source: Table 7.3 in ICMSF 1980, p 133.



**Figure 3.2** *Microbial inhibition by weak organic acids*

# Conservação dos principais grupos de alimentos



**Figure 5.3** Milk and milk products. *T* indicates elevated temperature; *pH*, reduced pH; *a<sub>w</sub>*, reduced *a<sub>w</sub>*; *sep.*, separation, *comp.*, compartmentalization; and *\**, stored at chill temperatures

# Composição do Músculo (%)

Adams e Moss (2000)

## Peixe

- Lípidos 0,5-25
- Proteína 15-20
- Hidratos de C < 1
  - Consumidos na morte
- pH 6,2-6,5
  - Excepto alabote
- TMAO (Oxido de Tri-Metilamina)

## Carne

- Lípidos 2,5
- Proteína 19
- Hidratos de C 1,2
  - Ácido láctico 0,9
  - Glicogénio 0,1
- pH 7,0-5,4
  - redução depois da morte
- Outros 2,3

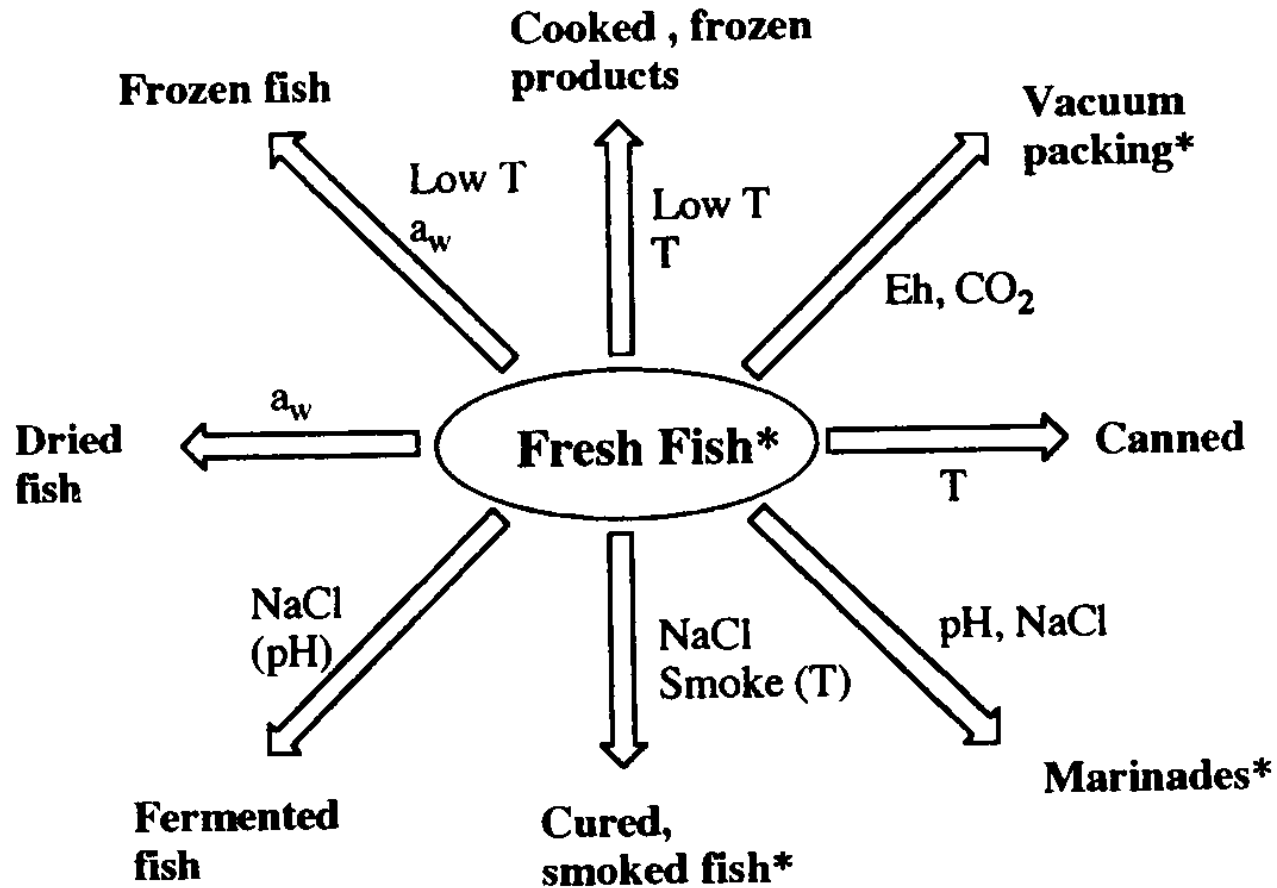
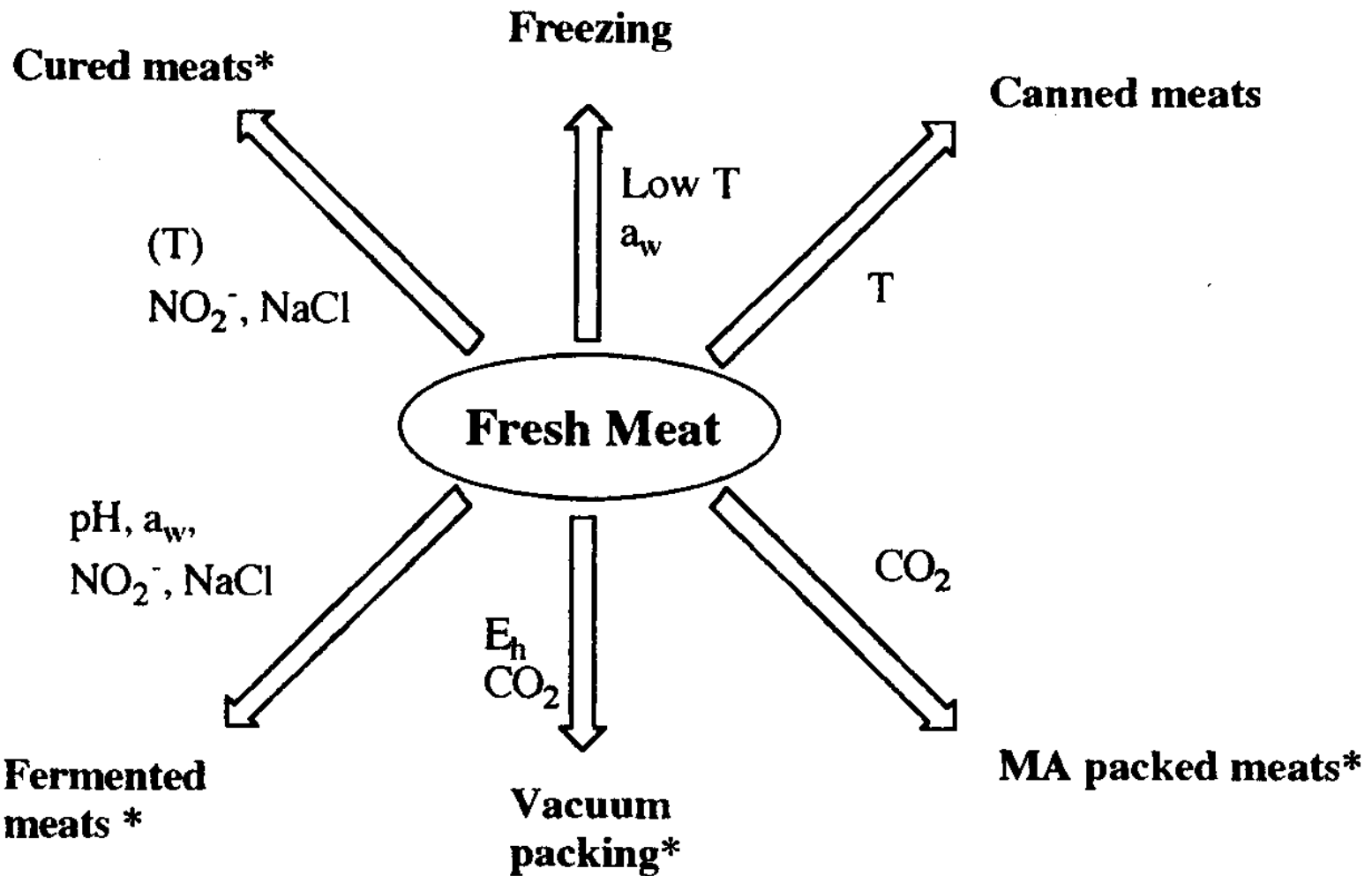


Figure 5.7 *Fish and fish products.* T indicates elevated temperature;  $E_h$ , low redox potential; pH, reduced pH;  $a_w$ , reduced  $a_w$ ; and \* stored at chill temperatures



**Figure 5.5** Meat and meat products. T indicates elevated temperature; E<sub>h</sub>, low redox potential; pH, reduced pH; a<sub>w</sub>, reduced a<sub>w</sub>; and \* stored at chill temperatures

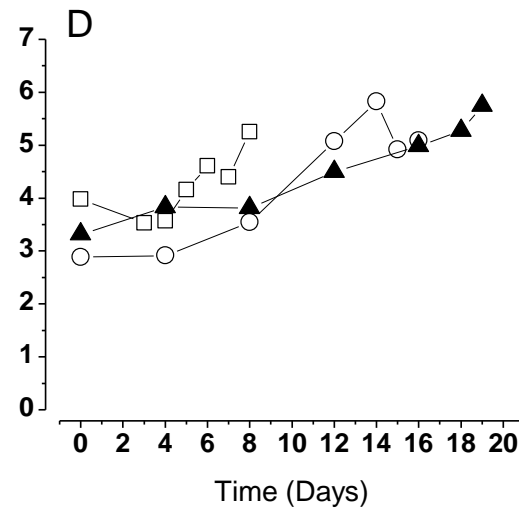
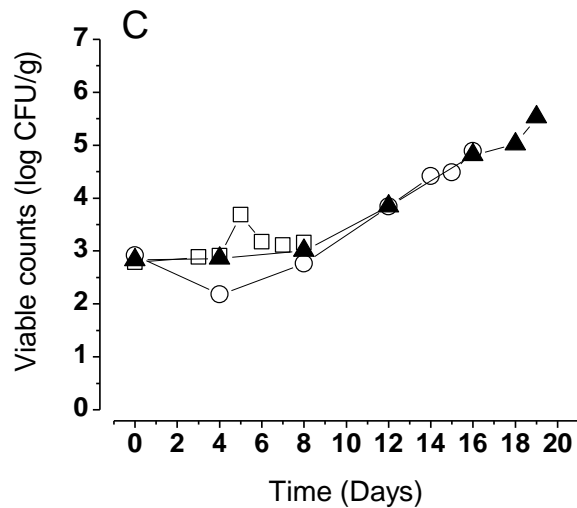
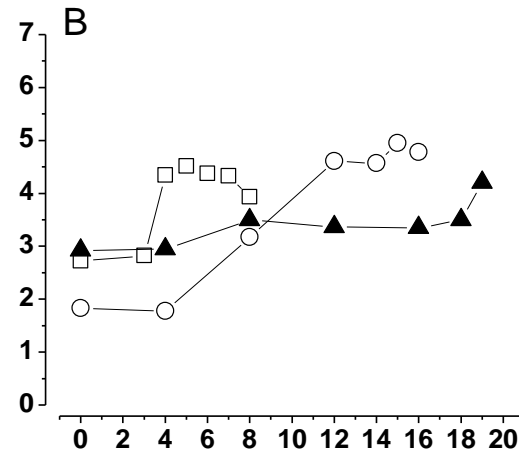
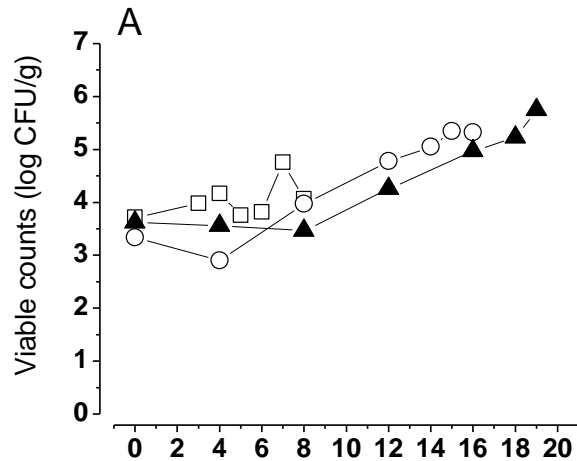


## Estudo de caso

Contaminações em carne fresca de coelho  
embalada em diferentes atmosferas

Evolution of microbial indicators of refrigerated rabbit carcasses packaged in:  
bulk (□), under air (○) and under modified atmosphere (▲).

A: mesophilic aerobic counts; B: *Pseudomonas*; C: Lactic acid bacteria; D:  
aerobic psychrotrophic counts.

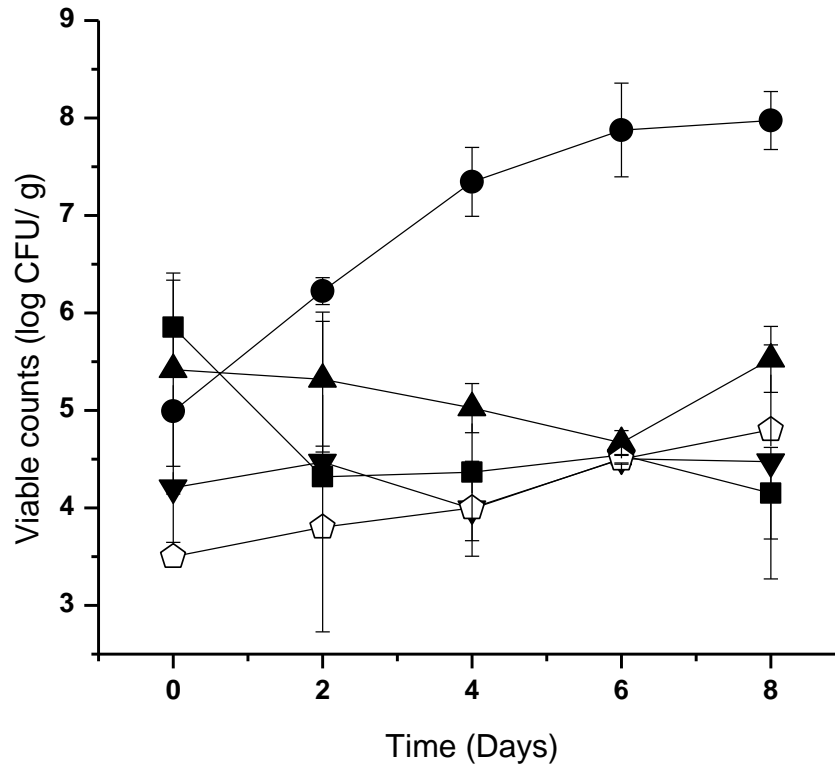


Growth parameters of aerobic mesophilic, aerobic psychrotrophic, *Pseudomonas*, lactic acid bacteria and yeasts and moulds populations according to packaging type in rabbit carcasses

| Microbial group              | Bulk packaging   |                                  |                  | Air packaging    |                                  |                  | Modified atmosphere packaging |                                  |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
|                              | Lag phase (days) | Growth rate (day <sup>-1</sup> ) | Increment (days) | Lag phase (days) | Growth rate (day <sup>-1</sup> ) | Increment (days) | Lag phase (days)              | Growth rate (day <sup>-1</sup> ) | Increment (days) |
| <b>Aerobic mesophiles</b>    | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.19±0.21</b>                 | <b>5.3</b>       | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.20±0.01</b>                 | <b>5.0</b>       | <b>8</b>                      | <b>0.19±0.01</b>                 | <b>5.3</b>       |
| <b>Aerobic psychrophiles</b> | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.36±0.09</b>                 | <b>2.8</b>       | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.21±0.05</b>                 | <b>4.8</b>       | <b>8</b>                      | <b>0.16±0.02</b>                 | <b>6.3</b>       |
| <b>Pseudomonas</b>           | <b>3 - 4</b>     | <b>0.00</b>                      | <b>–</b>         | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.26±0.03</b>                 | <b>3.9</b>       | <b>–</b>                      | <b>0.00</b>                      | <b>–</b>         |
| <b>Lactic acid bacteria</b>  | <b>–</b>         | <b>0.00</b>                      | <b>–</b>         | <b>4</b>         | <b>0.23±0.01</b>                 | <b>4.3</b>       | <b>8</b>                      | <b>0.22±0.01</b>                 | <b>4.5</b>       |

## Challenge test

Evolution of the viability of *Listeria innocua* (●), *Staphylococcus aureus* (▲), *Salmonella* spp. (▼), *Escherichia coli* (■) and aerobic mesophilic bacteria (◻) on rabbit carcasses incubated at 8 °C.



# Tabelas

# Categorias de alimentos

TABLE 6.10. CLASSIFICATION OF THE MAJOR FOODS IN ORDER OF INCREASING COLONIZATION RESISTANCE, I.E. MICROBIOLOGICAL KEEPING QUALITY IN AIR

| Class | 'Processing' including heat treatment, compositional modification and packing   | Stability characteristic |   | Examples  | Predominant microbial community structure when storage period has expired         |
|-------|---|--------------------------|---|---|---|
|       |   | Storage temp. (°C)       | Time of spoilage-free storage <sup>a</sup>      |   |   |
| 1-1   | None of functional nature; natural pH $\geq 4.5$  | $\leq 7$                 | 10–40 h   | Fresh meat, milk, fish, poultry, eggs   | Psychrotrophic, non-fermentative Gram-negative rods                               |
| 1-2   | Pasteurization, followed by hermetic packing  | $\leq 7$                 | 3 days to 2 weeks                               | Vegetables<br>Dairy products<br>Refrigerated pasteurized (REFPED, or 'sous-vide') meals | Sporing rods, psychrotrophic bacteria resulting from post-process recontamination |
| 1-3   | Curing with NaCl, containing NaNO <sub>2</sub> , leading to a slight reduction in $a_w$ , but particularly, bacteristatic levels of nitrite, followed by pasteurization | $\leq 7$                 | 1–2 weeks                                       | Meat products   | Micrococci, <i>Brochothrix</i> , streptococci, lactobacilli                       |
| 1-4   | Reduction of water activity to <i>c.</i> 0.95, pH reduction and addition of preservatives, in combination with hermetic packing   | $\leq 7$                 | A few weeks                                     | 'Gaffelbitter' <sup>c</sup> and similar semi-preserved fish products                    | Streptococci, lactobacilli, moulds and yeasts                                     |
| 2-1   | Reduction of water activity to <i>c.</i> 0.85, pH/ $a_w$ /lactic acid – combinations of equivalent microbistatic effect, pasteurization                                 | Ambient                  | Many weeks                                      | Condensed milk<br>Mayonnaise,<br>margarine,<br>Smoked sausage                           | Yeasts, moulds  |
| 2-2   | Reduction of water activity to <i>c.</i> 0.80, sometimes in combination with pH reduction by fermentation, or the addition of vinegar                                   | Ambient                  | 'Unlimited', until chemical reactions interfere | Shelf-stable products such as salami, stockfish and sauces                              | Moulds  |
| 2-3   | Reduction of water activity to $< 0.60$   | Ambient                  | 'Unlimited'                                     | Dehydrated foods  | Bacilli, <i>Enterococcus</i> spp., mould spores                                   |
| 2-4   | Appertization <sup>b</sup>  | $\leq 40$                | 'Unlimited'                                     | Canned cured-meat products and fruits   | An occasional spore, i.e. cfu count $\leq 10^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$                    |
| 2-5   | Sterilization   | Any                      | 'Unlimited'                                     | Canned milk, soups, meat, vegetables and fish   | None  |

Source: Mossel *et al.* (1984).

<sup>a</sup>The refrigerated storage life of the foods of classes 1-1 and 1-2 can be substantially increased by modified-atmosphere packaging (Drosinos and Board, 1994).

<sup>b</sup>Heat treatment of hermetically sealed foods leading to microbiologically safe, although not necessarily sterile, stable products (see section 8.3.11).

<sup>c</sup>Tasty titbits made of fish.

# Microrganismos de alteración de alimentos

TABLA XI

Asociaciones alterantes de las clases más importantes de alimentos

| Características del alimento |       |                |  | Asociación  |                |       |                  |                  |                  |              |       |           |
|------------------------------|-------|----------------|--|---|----------------|-------|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|-------|-----------|
| Clase                        | pH    | Valor de $a_w$ | Tratamiento tecnológico con efecto microbicida | Ejemplos  | Bacilos Gram - |       | Cocos catalasa + | Cocos catalasa - | Lactobacillaceae | Bactillaceae | Mohos | Levaduras |
|                              |       |                |  |   | No ferm*       | Ferm. |                  |                  |                  |              |       |           |
| 1                            | >4.5  | >0.95          | Ninguno  | Carnes frescas, pescado, mariscos, carne de aves, huevos y ovoproductos | +++            | +     | +                | ±                | 0                | 0            | +     | 0         |
| 2                            | >4.5  | >0.95          | Ninguno  | Vegetales   | +++            | ±     | 0                | ±                | +                | +            | +     | 0         |
| 3                            | >4.5  | <0.90          | Ninguno  | Cereales, legumbres   | +              | +     | +                | 0                | +                | +            | +++   | +         |
| 4 A                          | <4.5  | >0.95          | Ninguno  | Frutas  | 0              | ±     | 0                | 0                | ++               | 0            | ++    | +         |
| B                            | <4.5  | >0.95          | Ninguno  | Jugos   | †              | ±     | 0                | ++               | ++               | 0            | ±     | ++        |
| C                            | <4.5  | >0.95          | Ninguno  | Mayonesa, salsas para ensaladas, ensaladas de carne, pescado, etc.      | 0              | 0     | 0                | +                | +++              | 0            | ++    | ++        |
| D                            | <4.5  | ≈ 0.95         | Fermentación                                   | Prod. fermentados: vegetales, carnes, pescado, productos lácteos        | 0              | 0     | 0                | +++              | +++              | 0            | ++    | ++        |
| 5                            | >4.5  | >0.95          | Pasteurización                                 | Leche y helados   | ±              | ±     | ±                | +                | ±                | ++           | 0     | 0         |
| 6                            | >4.5  | >0.95          | Pasteurización                                 | Embutidos cocidos, jamones enlatados                                    | 0              | 0     | ±                | +                | +                | ++           | 0     | 0         |
| 7                            | >4.5  | ≈ 0.95         | Al horno                                       | Pan, tartas   | 0              | 0     | 0                | 0                | 0                | +            | ++    | ±         |
| 8 A                          | >4.5  | <0.90          | Variable                                       | Vegetales desecados, legumbres, cereales y cacao                        | 0              | 0     | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0            | +++   | 0         |
| B                            | >4.5  | <0.90          | Ninguno  | Mazapán, rellenos de chocolate  | 0              | 0     | 0                | 0                | ±                | 0            | +     | ++        |
| C                            | <4.5  | <0.90          | Desecado                                       | Frutas desecadas  | 0              | 0     | 0                | 0                | ±                | 0            | ++    | ++        |
| 9                            | ≈ 4.5 | ≈ 0.96         | Ninguno  | Mantequilla y margarina saladas   | 0              | 0     | ±                | ±                | 0                | 0            | +     | +         |
| 10 A                         | >4.5  | >0.95          | Appertización††                                | Carnes, pescado, vegetales y leche envasados en recipientes herméticos  | 0              | 0     | ±                | 0                | 0                | ++           | 0     | 0         |
| B                            | <4.5  | >0.95          | Pasteurización                                 | Frutas y zumos envasados en recipientes herméticos                      | 0              | 0     | 0                | 0                | 0                | ±            | ++    | +         |

Frecuencia: +++, casi de forma exclusiva; ++, dominante; +, significativo; ± de poca importancia u ocasional; 0, virtualmente de ninguna importancia.

\* Grupo *Pseudomonas/Acinetobacter/Alcaligenes*, a menos que se indique otra cosa.

† Grupo *Acetobacter/Gluconobacter*.

†† Tratamiento térmico en envases herméticos, determinante de productos microbiológicamente estables a temperaturas por debajo de los 40°C.

# Comunidades microbianas em alimentos

TABLE 5.1. MICROBIAL COMMUNITY STRUCTURE AT CONSUMER OUTLETS (MICROBIAL 'ASSOCIATION') OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CLASSES OF STAPLE FOODS OF GOOD QUALITY

| Attributes of food on which their ecological grouping is based |        |         |                                     |   | Association<br>+++ , virtually exclusive and at all times; ++ , dominant; + , significant; ± , minor or occasional; 0 , of almost no importance |       |                 |                 |                   |              |        |        |
|--|--------|---------|-------------------------------------|---|---|-------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| Class  | pH     | $a_w$   | Processing with microbicidal effect | Examples  | Gram-negative rods  |       |                 |                 | Lacto-bacillaceae | Bacil-laceae | Moulds | Yeasts |
|  |        |         |                                     |   | Non-ferm. <sup>a</sup>  | Ferm. | Catalase +cocci | Catalase -cocci |                   |              |        |        |
| 7  | >4.5   | c. 0.95 | Baking                              | Bread, rolls, cakes   | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0               | 0                 | +            | ++     | ±      |
| 8A   | >4.5   | <0.90   | Variable                            | Dried vegetables, pulses, cereals and cocoa                               | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0               | 0                 | 0            | +++    | 0      |
| B  | >4.5   | <0.90   | None                                | Marzipan, chocolate fillings  | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0               | ±                 | 0            | +      | ++     |
| C  | <4.5   | <0.90   | Drying                              | Dried fruits  | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0               | ±                 | 0            | ++     | ++     |
| 9  | c. 4.5 | c. 0.96 | None                                | Salted butter and margarine   | 0   | 0     | ±               | ±               | 0                 | 0            | +      | +      |
| 10A  | >4.5   | >0.95   | Appertization <sup>c</sup>          | Meats, fish, vegetables and milk packed in hermetically sealed containers | 0   | 0     | ±               | 0               | 0                 | ++           | 0      | 0      |
| B  | <4.5   | >0.95   | Pasteurization                      | Fruits and juices packed in hermetically sealed containers                | 0   | 0     | 0               | 0               | 0                 | ±            | ++     | ++     |

Source: Mossel (1975a).

<sup>a</sup>The *Pseudomonas/Acinetobacter/Alcaligenes* group, unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>b</sup>The *Acetobacter/Gluconobacter* group.

<sup>c</sup>Heat treatment of hermetically packed foods, leading to products, microbiologically safe, and stable at temperatures below c. 40 °C (see section 6.4.2).



# Bactérias Gram<sup>+</sup> c/ significado em alimentos

TABLE 2.3. GROUPING, AT GENUS LEVEL, OF GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR FOODS

| Morphology        | Biochemistry <sup>a</sup>        | Type genera   |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Rods, no spores   | Catalase +                       | <i>Corynebacterium/Brevibacterium/Arthrobacter/Microbacterium</i> <sup>b</sup><br><i>Brochothrix</i> <sup>c</sup> |
| Rods, no spores   | Catalase θ                       | <i>Lactobacillus/Carnobacterium</i>   |
| Rods, with spores | Catalase +                       | <i>Bacillus</i> <sup>d</sup>  |
| Rods, with spores | Catalase θ                       |   |
|                   | Glucose type <sup>e</sup> 5 or 1 | <i>Clostridium</i> <sup>f</sup>   |
| Coccus            | Catalase +                       |   |
|                   | glucose type 1 or 2              | <i>Micrococcus, Deinococcus</i>   |
|                   | glucose type 3                   | <i>Staphylococcus</i> <sup>g</sup>  |
| Coccus            | Catalase θ                       |   |
|                   | glucose type 3                   | <i>Streptococcus</i> <sup>h</sup>   |
|                   | glucose type 4                   | <i>Leuconostoc</i>  |

Modified after Mossel (1983a).

<sup>a</sup>Reactions for c. 90% of the most frequently isolated strains.

<sup>b</sup>Mesophilic:  $D_{65} \geq 2$  min (see section 3.3 for definition of *D*-values).

<sup>c</sup>Rods changing to cocci in old cultures; psychrotrophic:  $D_{50}$  approx. 2 min.

<sup>d</sup>*B. cereus*: no attack on mannitol, but dissimilation of egg-yolk.

<sup>e</sup>Glucose type: 1, no attack; 2, oxidative dissimilation; 3, fermentative anaerogenic dissimilation; 4, aerogenic fermentative dissimilation; 5, strict anaerobic dissimilation.

<sup>f</sup>*Cl. perfringens*: non-motile, indole-negative.

<sup>g</sup>*Staph. aureus*: coagulase +; mode of attack on mannitol type 3, i.e. fermentative, but anaerogenic in >90% of strains.

<sup>h</sup>Group D: growth with black haloes on kanamycin-aesculin-azide agar at 42 °C; group N: growth on sorbic acid-tomato juice agar of pH 4.5; group A: β-haemolytic on sulpha-methoxazole-trimethoprim-blood agar.

TABLE 2.12. GROUPING AT GENUS LEVEL OF GRAM-NEGATIVE BACTERIA OF SIGNIFICANCE IN FOODS AND WATER

| Biochemistry <sup>a</sup>        | Type genera                               |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Oxidase $\theta$                 |   |
| glucose type 1 <sup>b</sup>      | <i>Legionella</i>                         |
| glucose type 2 <sup>b</sup>      | <i>Acetobacter/Gluconobacter</i>          |
| glucose type 1 or 2 <sup>b</sup> |   |
| motile                           | <i>Xanthomonas</i>                        |
| non-motile                       | <i>Acinetobacter</i>                      |
| glucose type 3 or 4 <sup>b</sup> |   |
| lactose +                        |   |
| citrate $\theta$                 | <i>Escherichia</i> <sup>c</sup>           |
| citrate +                        |   |
| MR +                             | <i>Citrobacter/Kluyvera</i> <sup>d</sup>  |
| MR $\theta$                      |   |
| motile                           | <i>Enterobacter/Erwinia</i> <sup>e</sup>  |
| non-motile                       | <i>Klebsiella</i>                         |
| lactose $\theta$                 |   |
| $\beta$ -gal $\theta$            |   |
| motile                           |   |
| urea $\theta$                    | <i>Salmonella</i>                         |
| urea +                           | <i>Proteus</i>                            |
| non-motile                       | <i>Shigella</i>                           |
| $\beta$ -gal +                   |   |
| H <sub>2</sub> S +               | <i>Citrobacter</i> <sup>f</sup>           |
| H <sub>2</sub> S $\theta$        |   |
| LD $\theta$                      | <i>Yersinia</i>                           |
| LD +                             |   |
| arabinose +                      | <i>Hafnia</i>                             |
| arabinose $\theta$               | <i>Serratia</i> <sup>g</sup>              |
| Oxidase +                        |   |
| glucose type 1                   |   |
| motile                           | <i>Alcaligenes/Comamonas</i> <sup>h</sup> |
| non-motile                       | <i>Moraxella/Flavobacter</i>              |
| glucose type 2                   | <i>Pseudomonas</i> <sup>i</sup>           |
| glucose type 3                   | <i>Beneckea/Vibrio</i> <sup>h</sup>       |
| glucose type 4                   | <i>Aeromonas</i> <sup>j</sup>             |

# Bactérias Gram<sup>-</sup> não fermentativas em alimentos

TABLE 2.13. OVERVIEW OF NON-FERMENTATIVE GRAM-NEGATIVE RODS

| Genus<br>or group                                    | Mot   | Ox | Gluc<br>ox     | Pigment<br>Exo | Endo | L<br>10%<br>ox | C   | Ni | Arg<br>(anaer) | Starch | Additional traits                              |
|--|-------|----|----------------|----------------|------|----------------|-----|----|----------------|--------|--|
| <i>Pseudomonas</i>                                   |       |    |                |                |      |                |     |    |                |        |  |
| Fluorescent<br>(Shewan I; see<br>Table 2.16)         | + pol | +  | +              | +              | θ    | ±              | ±   | ±  | +              | θ      |  |
| Non-fluorescent<br>(Shewan II-IV;<br>see Table 2.16) | + pol | ±  | V              | θ              | θ    | θ              | ±   | ±  | ∓              | ∓      |  |
| <i>Xanthomonas</i>                                   | + pol | ∓  | + <sup>s</sup> | θ              | +    | θ              | +   | θ  | θ              | ±      | Yellow pigment,<br>pen. resistant <sup>a</sup> |
| <i>Acinetobacter</i>                                 |       |    |                |                |      |                |     |    |                |        |  |
| <i>calcoaceticus</i><br>(‘anitratum’)                | θ     | θ  | +              | θ              | θ    | +              | V   | θ  | θ              | θ      |  |
| Other types  | θ     | ∓  | ±              | θ              | θ    | θ              | ±   | +  | θ              | θ      |  |
| <i>Moraxella</i>                                     | θ     | +  | θ              | θ              | θ    | θ              | θ   | ±  | θ              | θ      | pen. <sup>a</sup> sens                         |
| <i>Flavobacterium</i>                                | ∓ per | ±  | ±              | θ              | +    | + <sup>s</sup> | V   | ∓  | ∓              | ∓      | Yellow, orange or<br>brown pigment             |
| <i>Alcaligenes</i>                                   | + per | ±  | θ              | θ              | θ    | θ              | ±   | ∓  | θ              | θ      |  |
| <i>Psychrobacter</i>                                 | θ     | +  | +              | θ              | θ    | ...            | ... | +  | ...            | θ      | H <sub>2</sub> S θ, non pigmented              |

<sup>a</sup>pen. = penicillin; <sup>s</sup> = slow.

See Table 2.6 for key to other abbreviations.

TABLE 2.23a. THE MOST IMPORTANT GENERA OF DEUTEROMYCETES AND THEIR TELEOMORPHS

| Imperfect form                 | Organism  |   | Mycotoxins produced <sup>b</sup> (see Tables 4.18 and 4.19) |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|
|                                |   | Foods affected  |   |
| <i>Alternaria</i>              | <i>Pleospora</i>                                      | Butter; beef, bacon, poultry; fruits  | +   |
| <i>Arthrinium</i>              | <i>Apiospora</i>                                      | Frozen foods  | —   |
| <i>Aspergillus</i>             | <i>Eurotium, Neosartorya</i><br>and <i>Emericella</i> | See data on the perfect forms in Table 2.23b  | ++  |
| <i>Aureobasidium pullulans</i> |   | Frozen foods; also grows on paint surfaces in food factories (many yeast-like characters)   | —   |
| <i>Botrytis</i>                | <i>Sclerotinia</i>                                    | 'Grey mould' diseases of lettuce, tomato; strawberry and raspberry; soft rots on many fruits and vegetables   | +   |
| <i>Cladosporium</i>            |   | Fruit; stored grain; chilled meat   | ++  |
| <i>Epicoccum</i>               |   | Variety of foods  | —   |
| <i>Fusarium</i>                | <i>Gibberella</i>                                     | See data on the perfect form in Table 2.23b   | ++  |
| <i>Geotrichum</i>              |   | Fruits, vegetables; 'film mould' on pickle brine; poultry, dairy products, dry salted fish; contaminant of processing machinery in the fruit and vegetable industry | —   |
| <i>Helminthosporium</i>        |   | Vegetables and grain  | +   |
| <i>Humicola</i>                |   | Chilled and frozen foods  | —   |
| <i>Myrothecium</i>             |   | Cereals   | +   |
| <i>Paecilomyces</i>            | <i>Byssochlamys</i>                                   | See data on the perfect form in Table 2.23b   | +   |
| <i>Penicillium</i>             | <i>Talaromyces</i> and<br><i>Eupenicillium</i>        | See data on the perfect form in Table 2.23b   | ++  |
| <i>Phialophora</i>             |   | Frozen fruit and vegetables   | —   |
| <i>Pithomyces</i>              |   | Grass   | +   |
| <i>Scopulariopsis</i>          |   | Eggs, cheese, meat products; fruits and vegetables  | —   |
| <i>Stachybotrys</i>            |   | Seeds   | ++  |
| <i>Trichoderma</i>             |   | Citrus fruits, cabbage; cereals, peanuts  | +   |
| <i>Trichothecium</i>           |   | Fruits, vegetables, cereals   | —   |
| <i>Verticillium</i>            |   | Mushrooms   | —   |
| <i>Wallemia sebi</i>           |   | Low moisture products   | —   |

<sup>a</sup>For easy reference to perfect forms, see Table 2.23b.

<sup>b</sup>++ = many species mycotoxinogenic; + = toxinogenic species occur amongst many not known to biosynthesize mycotoxins; — = no mycotoxin formation.

TABLE 2.25. GENERA OF SACCHAROMYCETOIDEAE OF IMPORTANCE IN FOODS AND THEIR MAIN PROPERTIES

| Genus  | Ascus/Ascospores  | Pseudomycelium           | Biochemical traits <sup>a</sup>   | Foods affected   |
|--|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <i>Citeromyces</i>                                     | Thick-walled ascus with one or two warty ascospores           | –                        | F; NO <sub>3</sub> +              | Fruits   |
| <i>Debaryomyces</i>                                    | One to two oval, warty spores per ascus                       |                          | F –; NO <sub>3</sub> –            | Fruits, meat, fish, sausage, cheese<br><i>D. hansenii</i> : brines, heavily salted food        |
| <i>Dekkera</i> (perfect form of <i>Brettanomyces</i> ) | One to four, hat-shaped spores per ascus                      | +                        | F; prod. of acetic acid           | Beer, wine, soft drinks  |
| <i>Hansenula</i>                                       | One to four hat- or saturn-shaped spores per ascus            | +                        | F ±; NO <sub>3</sub> +            | Fermented foods and drinks   |
| <i>Kluyveromyces</i>                                   | One to numerous bean-shaped or spherical spores               | ±                        | F; NO <sub>3</sub> –              | <i>Kluyv. marxianus</i> and <i>Kluyv. lactis</i> ferment lactose, and may spoil dairy products |
| <i>Lodderomyces</i>                                    | One or two large obtuse spores per ascus                      | +                        | F (slow); NO <sub>3</sub> –       | Soft drinks  |
| <i>Pichia</i>  | One to four spherical, hat- or saturn-shaped spores per ascus | +                        | F ±; NO <sub>3</sub> –            | Soft drinks, wine, beer  |
| <i>Saccharomyces</i> (diploid)                         | One to four spherical or ellipsoidal spores per ascus         | ±                        | F; NO <sub>3</sub> –              | <i>Sacch. cerevisiae</i> : soft drinks and fruit juices  |
| <i>Saccharomycopsis</i>                                | One to four spherical, hat- or saturn-shaped spores per ascus | +<br>(and true mycelium) | F ±; NO <sub>3</sub> –; amylase + | A cause of 'chalky' bread  |
| <i>Yarrowia</i>  | Variable in size and shape                                    | +                        | F –; NO <sub>3</sub> –            | <i>Yarrowia lipolytica</i> : lipolysis in foods rich in lipids                                 |
| <i>Zygosaccharomyces</i> (haploid)                     | One to four spherical or ellipsoidal spores per ascus         | ±                        | F; NO <sub>3</sub> –              | Syrups: high-sugar foods: vinegar-preserved foods  |

Source: Kreger-van Rij (1984); Beuchat (1987b).

<sup>a</sup>F – = non-fermentative; F = fermentative; NO<sub>3</sub> + = nitrate assimilated; NO<sub>3</sub> – = nitrate not assimilated.

**Table 5.1** Substrates used for growth and production of metabolites by major meat spoilage bacteria

| Bacterium                               | Substrates used for growth  |  | Major end products of metabolism                             |   |
|---|---|--|--|---|
|   | Aerobic   | Anaerobic  | Aerobic  | Anaerobic   |
| <i>Pseudomonas</i>                      | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>2</sup><br>Lactic acid <sup>1</sup>                        |  | Slime, sulphides, esters,<br>acids, amines                   |   |
| <i>Acinetobacter/<br/>Psychrobacter</i> | Amino acids <sup>1</sup><br>Lactic acid <sup>2</sup>  |  | Esters, nitriles, oximes,<br>sulphides                       |   |
| <i>Shewanella<br/>putrefaciens</i>      | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>2</sup><br>Lactic acid <sup>3</sup>                        | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>1</sup>                                     | Volatile sulphides   | H <sub>2</sub> S  |
| <i>Brochothrix<br/>thermosphacta</i>    | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Ribose <sup>2</sup>   | Glucose <sup>1</sup>   | Acetic acid, acetoin,<br>isovaleric acid,<br>isobutyric acid | Lactic acid, volatile fatty<br>acids, ethanol   |
| <i>Enterobacter</i>                     | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Glucose-6-phosphate <sup>2</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>3</sup><br>Lactic acid | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Glucose-6-phosphate <sup>2</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>1</sup> | Sulphides, amines  | Lactic acid, CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> ,<br>H <sub>2</sub> S, amines   |
| <i>Lactobacillus</i>                    |   | Glucose <sup>1</sup><br>Amino acids <sup>1</sup>                                     |  | Lactic acid, volatile fatty<br>acids  |
| <i>Leuconostoc</i>                      |   | Glucose <sup>1</sup>   |  | Lactic acid, volatile fatty<br>acids, butanoic acid   |
| <i>Carnobacterium</i>                   |   | Glucose <sup>1</sup>   |  | Lactic acid, diacetyl,<br>acetate   |
| <i>Clostridium<br/>estertheticum</i>    |   | Glucose<br>Amino acids   |  | CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> , butanol, ethanol,<br>butanoic acid, esters,<br>volatile sulphur-<br>containing compounds |

The superscript number indicates the order of substrate utilisation, where known.

Source: adapted from ICMSF (1996), with additions from Collins *et al.* (1992) and Jones (2004).