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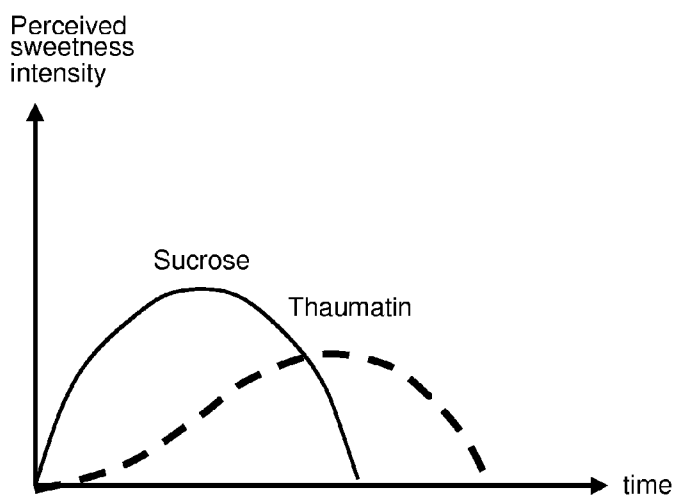
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Figure 1



(57) Abstract: A sweetening composition that can be used to replace sugar comprises (a) the extract of the fruit of one or more plants from the Cucurbitaceae family comprising 20 wt% to 100 wt%, based on the total weight of the extract, of Mogroside V, (b) the extract of the fruit of the Katemfe fruit, and (c) optionally mono-ammonium glycyrrhizin. The sweetening composition is preferably provided in a beverage or foodstuff at concentrations of (a) and (b) of 5 to 300 ppm and 0.05 to 20 ppm respectively. The composition is found to provide a substantially similar taste profile to sugar.



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