

## Jungbunzlauer From nature to ingredients®

# Masking and taste improvement

In Beverages

## Benefits at a glance

#### Off-taste masking

Jungbunzlauer ingredients effectively reduce off-notes in beverages by:

- Minimising bitterness from sweeteners, mineral salts, and other bitter substances
- Decreasing the lingering sweetness associated with artificial and natural sweeteners
- Masking undesirable off-notes and reducing the astringency of natural colours
- Providing effective masking for amino acids, as well as plant and animal proteins
- Reducing the burning sensation of alcohol in beverages

#### **Flavour enhancement**

Jungbunzlauer ingredients enhance the flavour profile of beverages by:

- Improving the sweetness profile through the addition of sweetness and body
- Delivering fruity, refreshing, and well-rounded acidic flavours that surpass those of phosphoric acid-based beverages
- Balancing acidic taste for a more refreshing overall flavour profile
- Replacing bitter agents with safe food additives that provide bitterness without physiological effects

#### Improvement of overall acceptance

Jungbunzlauer ingredients increase overall acceptance by:

- Potentially qualifying as natural flavours under FEMA GRAS regulations
- Avoiding concerns related to «sin tax» as they are not problematic ingredients
- **Enabling higher protein** content in protein waters by minimising unpleasant off-notes
- Being safe food additives that are trusted for quality and compliance, aligning with more natural product concepts









## Jungbunzlauer ingredients in function

Flavour enhancement / Ingredient replacement

- ERYLITE<sup>®</sup> Erythritol, ERYLITE<sup>®</sup> Stevia blends
- CITROFOL<sup>®</sup> AI Triethyl Citrate
- Citric Acid
- Lactic Acid
- Gluconic Acid

Off taste masking

- Sodium Gluconate
- Potassium Lactate
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## Limitations in usage levels

- Most Jungbunzlauer ingredients are approved as food additives under Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 and can EU be used in food products under the quantum satis principle
  - Erythritol is approved as flavour enhancer in energy-reduced flavoured drinks or those with no added sugar, max. 1.6%
  - It is recommended to check for eventual specific limitations applicable for some food categories of Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008
- **USA** The following ingredients are listed as GRAS (Generally Recognized As Safe) for use in food without limitations other than current GMP as referenced
  - Citric Acid 21 CFR § 184.1033
    - 21 CFR § 184.1061
  - Lactic Acid
- including flavour enhancer, flavouring agent
- Triethyl Citrate 21 CFR § 184.1911
- including flavouring agent
- Sodium Gluconate 21 CFR § 182.6757
- Potassium Lactate 21 CFR § 184.1639 including flavour enhancer, flavouring agent or adjuvant
- Erythritol is classified as GRAS by the FDA and is permitted for use in food according to current Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP). Specific upper limits for applications include: Less than 3.5% for reduced or low-calorie carbonated and non-carbonated beverages, as well as dairy products (e.g., chocolate and flavoured milks)
- The Flavour and Extract Manufacturers Association of the United States (FEMA) has granted FEMA GRAS status to the following products: Sodium Gluconate (FEMA No 4934), Erythritol (FEMA No 4819), Triethyl Citrate (FEMA No 3083), for use as a flavour ingredient with modifying properties for specified applications and use levels

## Value proposition



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