How we Taste.

Strictly speaking, with the tip of the tongue one can not really taste at all, says the Boston Globe.

If you put a drop of oil of bitter almonds on that part of the mouth you will find that it produces no effect of any sort; you only taste it when it begins slowly to diffuse itself, and reaches the true tasting region in the middle distance. But if you put a little mustard or cayenne on the same part, you will find that it bites you immediately—the experiment should be tried sparingly—while if you put it lower down in the mouth, you will swallow it almost without noticing the pungency of the stimulant.

The reason is that the tip of the tongue is supplied only with the nerves of touch, not the nerves of taste proper; they belong to a totally different main branch, together with the very similar threads which supply the nerves of smell for mustard and pepper. That is why the smell and taste of these pungent substances are so much alike, as everybody must have noticed a good sniff at a mustard pot produces almost the same irritating effects as an incautious dose.

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