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Eveline Bartowsky



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compounds responsible for reductive off-flavours in wine

Leigh Francis

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Saving time and money:
Automated methods for juice and wine analysis
Eric Wilkes



Using MLF to accentuate wine aroma and flavour
Eveline Bartowsky



Features of the AWRI website and closing comments
Mark Krstic

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Roles of NITROGEN in fermentation

✓ Key yeast nutrient

- determines biomass formation

✓ Metabolic regulation

- regulates carbon metabolism
≡ alcoholic fermentation

✓ Aroma/flavour compound formation

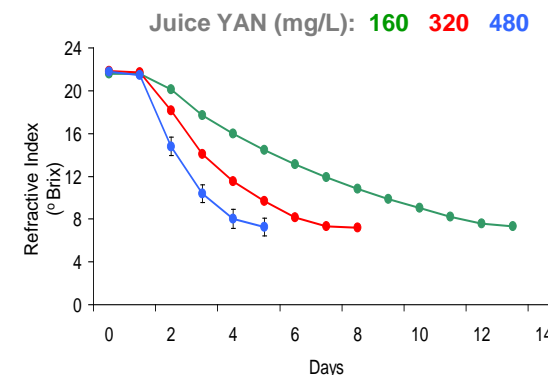
- esters, alcohols, carbonyls, acids, etc

✓ Sulfur metabolism regulation

- H_2S , mercaptans

✓ Arginine-Urea metabolism regulation

- ethyl carbamate



Yeast Assimilable Nitrogen (YAN)



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$$\text{YAN} = \text{FAN} + \text{NH}_3\text{-N}$$

**Yeast
assimilable
nitrogen**

**Free amino
nitrogen
≡ α-amino N**

**Ammonia
nitrogen**



(Primary amino acids)
(excludes secondary)
(amino acids, eg Proline)



FAN quantitation

NOPA assay (AWRI)

NIR

NH₃ quantitation

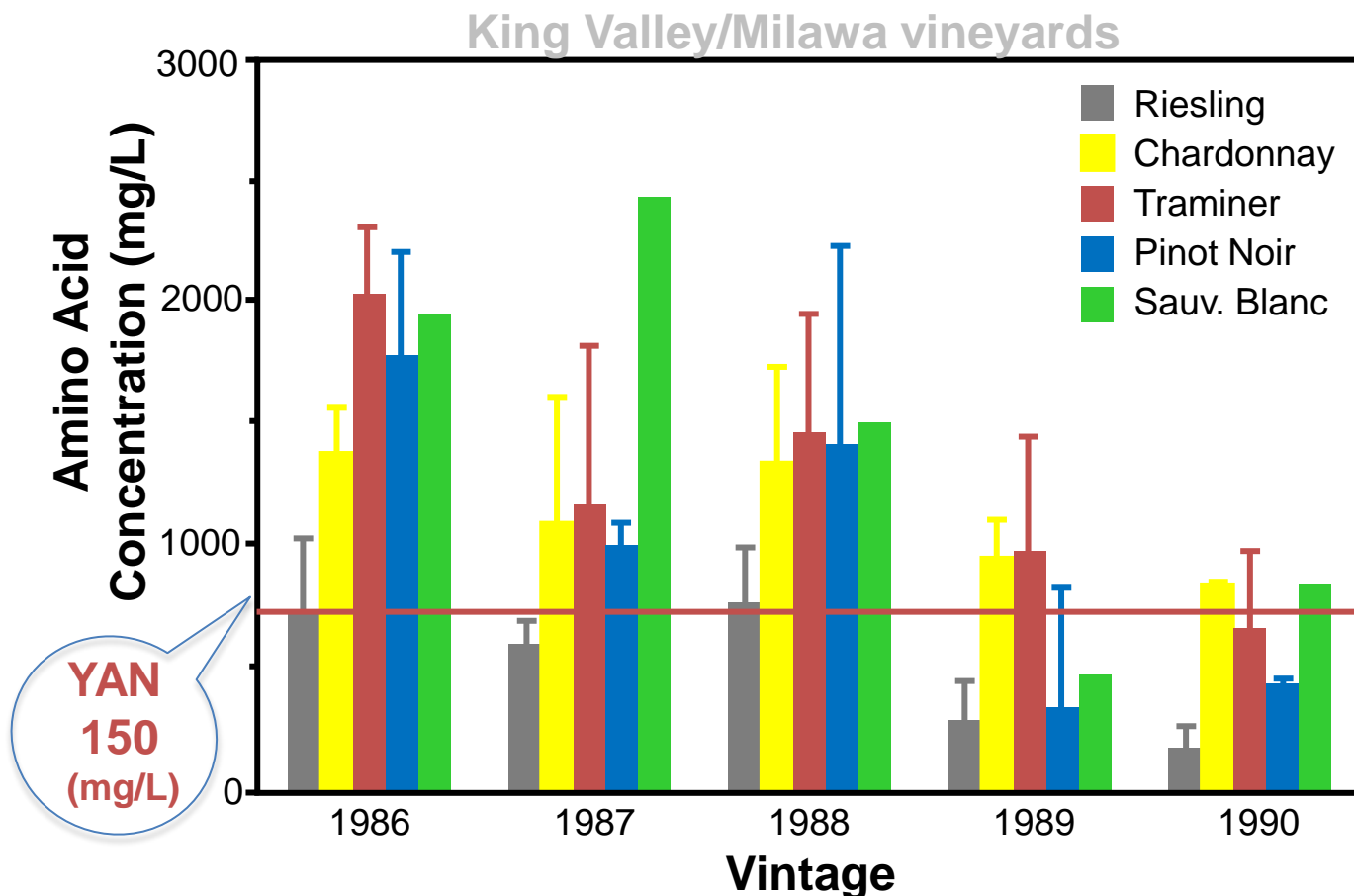
Enzyme kit (AWRI)

Electrode

AWRI Commercial Services provide YAN analysis service



Effect of vintage year and grape variety on juice nitrogen content



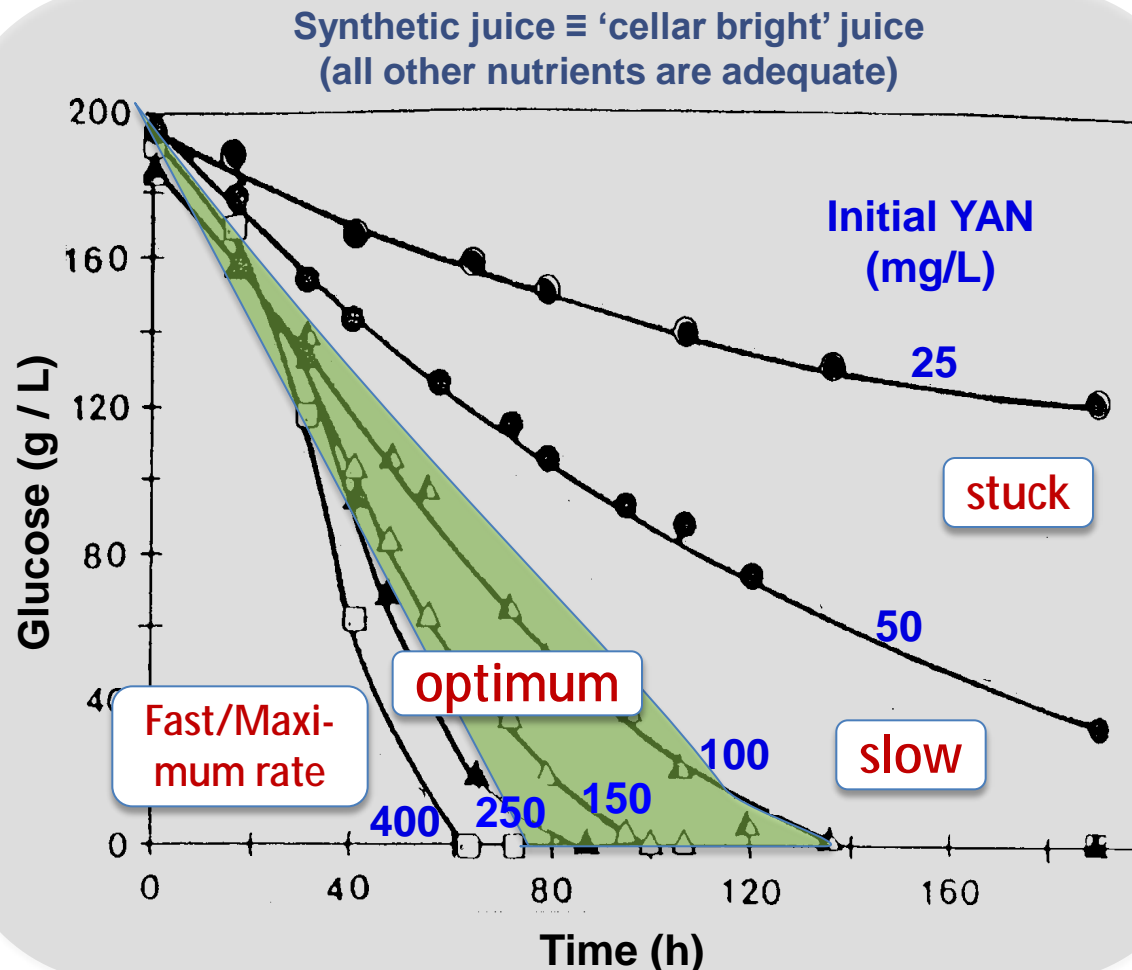
YAN varies from year to year, being affected by the season and vineyard management practices

YAN analysis should be carried out over, at least 2 consecutive seasons, on vineyards that give fermentation problems

Fermentation response to initial [YAN] in clarified must



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Grape juice YAN typically varies between 50 – 400 mg/L, producing fermentation rates at risk of being slow or stuck, at one extreme, to too fast, which can cause rapid temperature increase and loss of aromas

Optimum fermentation rate depends on winemaking objectives but YAN should typically fall between 150 – 350 mg/L, using cooling to control required rate

Yeast demand for YAN

YAN depend on strain/fermentation conditions

(eg grape solids, aeration, warmer conditions, etc affect demand)

- Minimum YAN = 100 – 150 (mg/L)**
lower for reds / higher for whites
- Optimum YAN = 150 – 350**
depends on w/m objectives
- Maximum YAN = 350 – 450 (mg/L)**
strain dependent

**What are the flavour implications
of DAP added to juice/must YAN?**

Aim: to establish relationships between

- Wine type (Chardonnay, Shiraz)**
- Yeast strain**
- YAN (initial, adjusted with DAP)**
- Basic wine chemistry**
- Wine flavour**

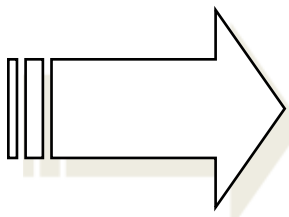
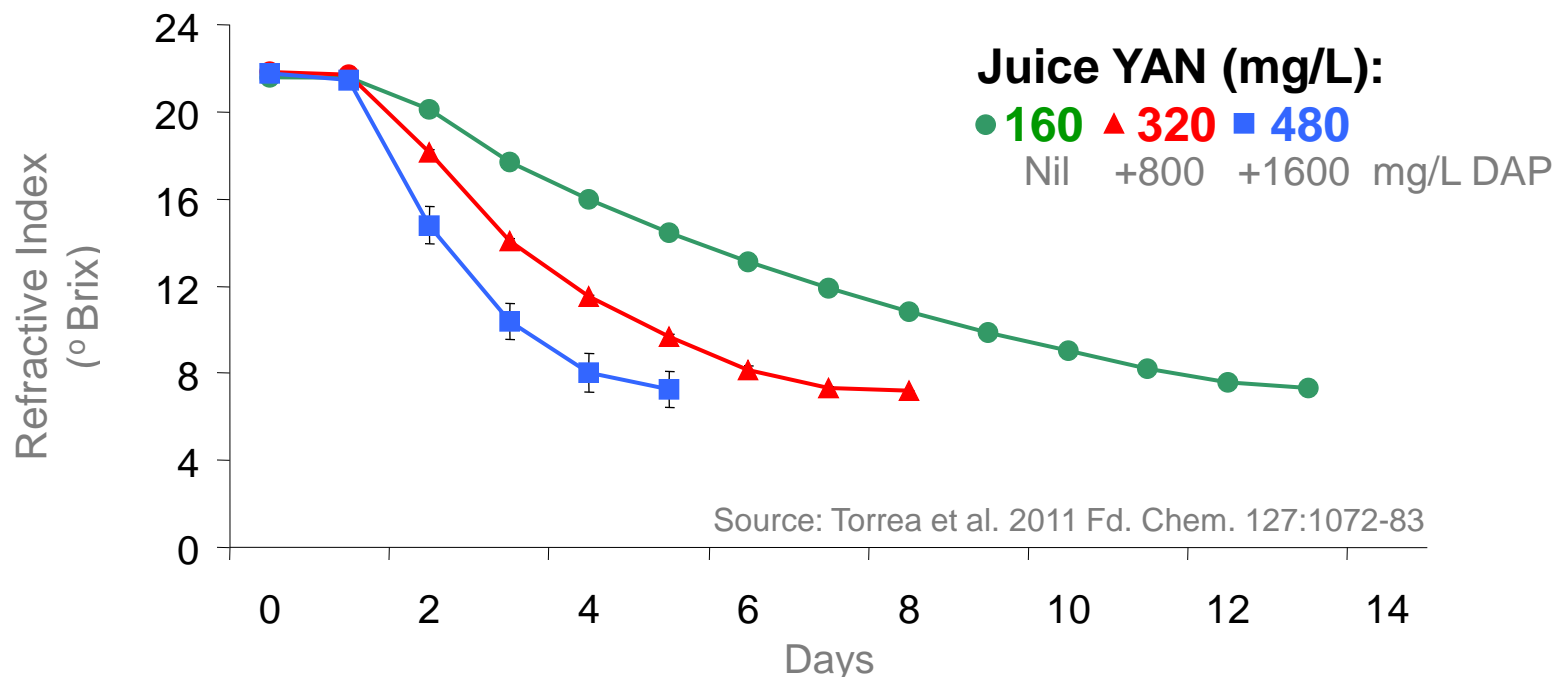


Effect of DAP addition in Chardonnay – fermentation kinetics



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Juice: Chardonnay (cold settled, filtered)
YAN: 160 mg/L, adjusted to 320 and 480 mg/L with DAP
Yeast: AWRI 796, 18°C

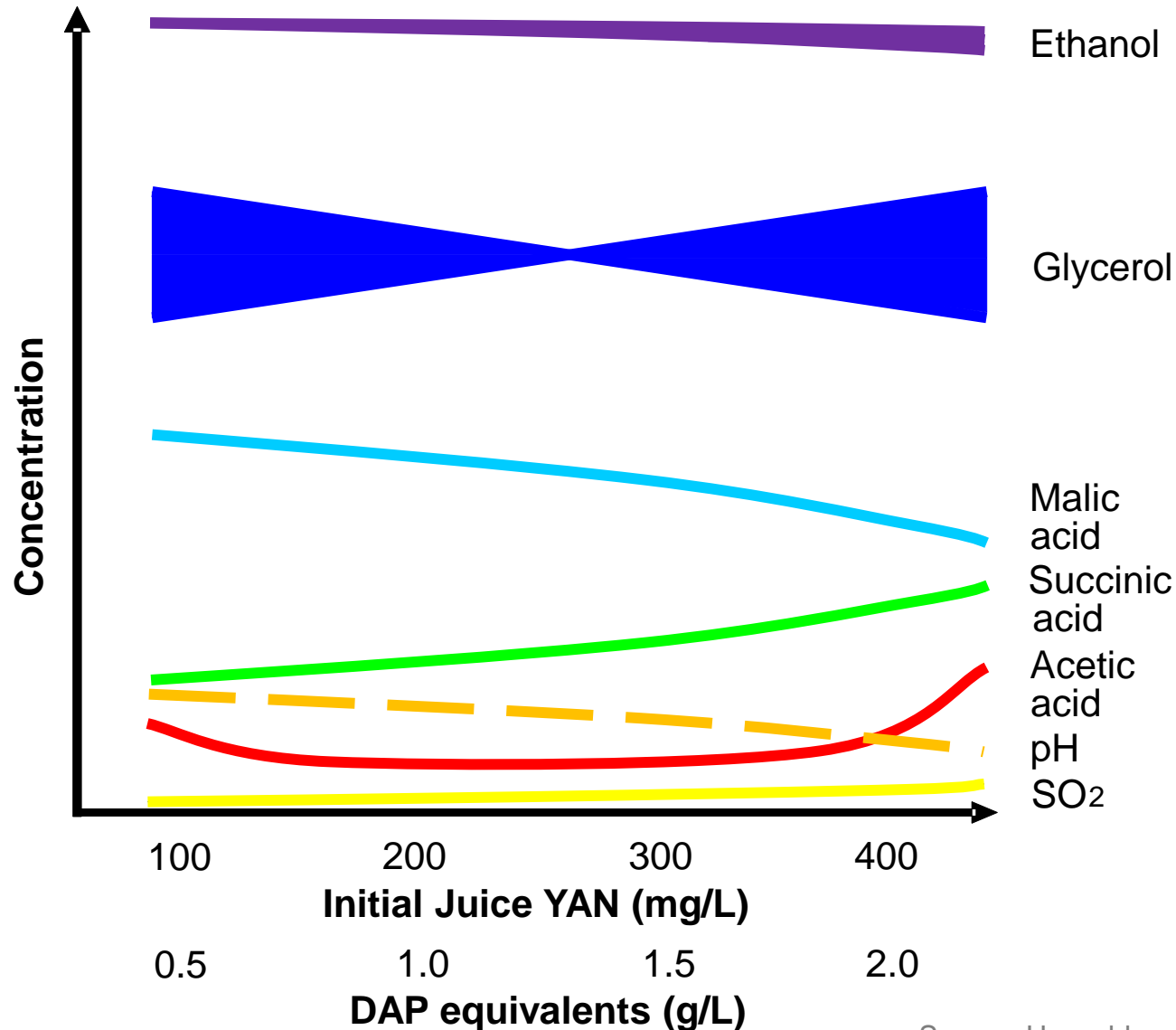


- Juice YAN affects:**
- yeast growth (biomass)
 - fermentation rate and
 - fermentation duration (up to 50% reduction)

Chardonnay – impact of DAP – YAN on Basic Wine Chemistry



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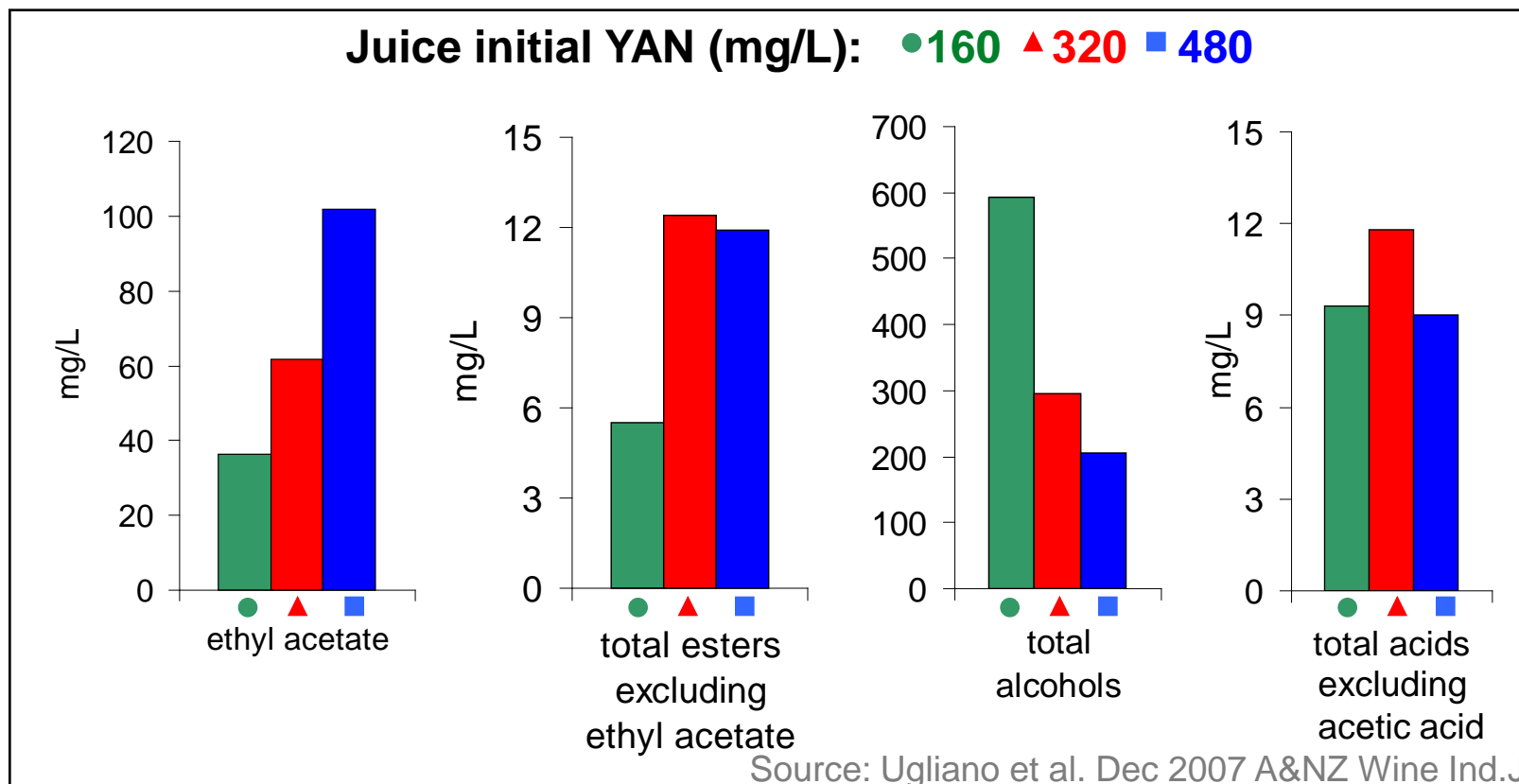


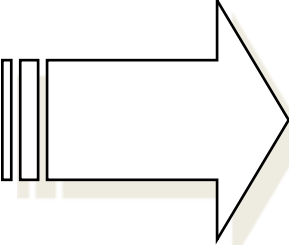
Source: Henschke et al. Wine Viti J (2012)

Effect of DAP addition in Chardonnay – yeast aroma compounds



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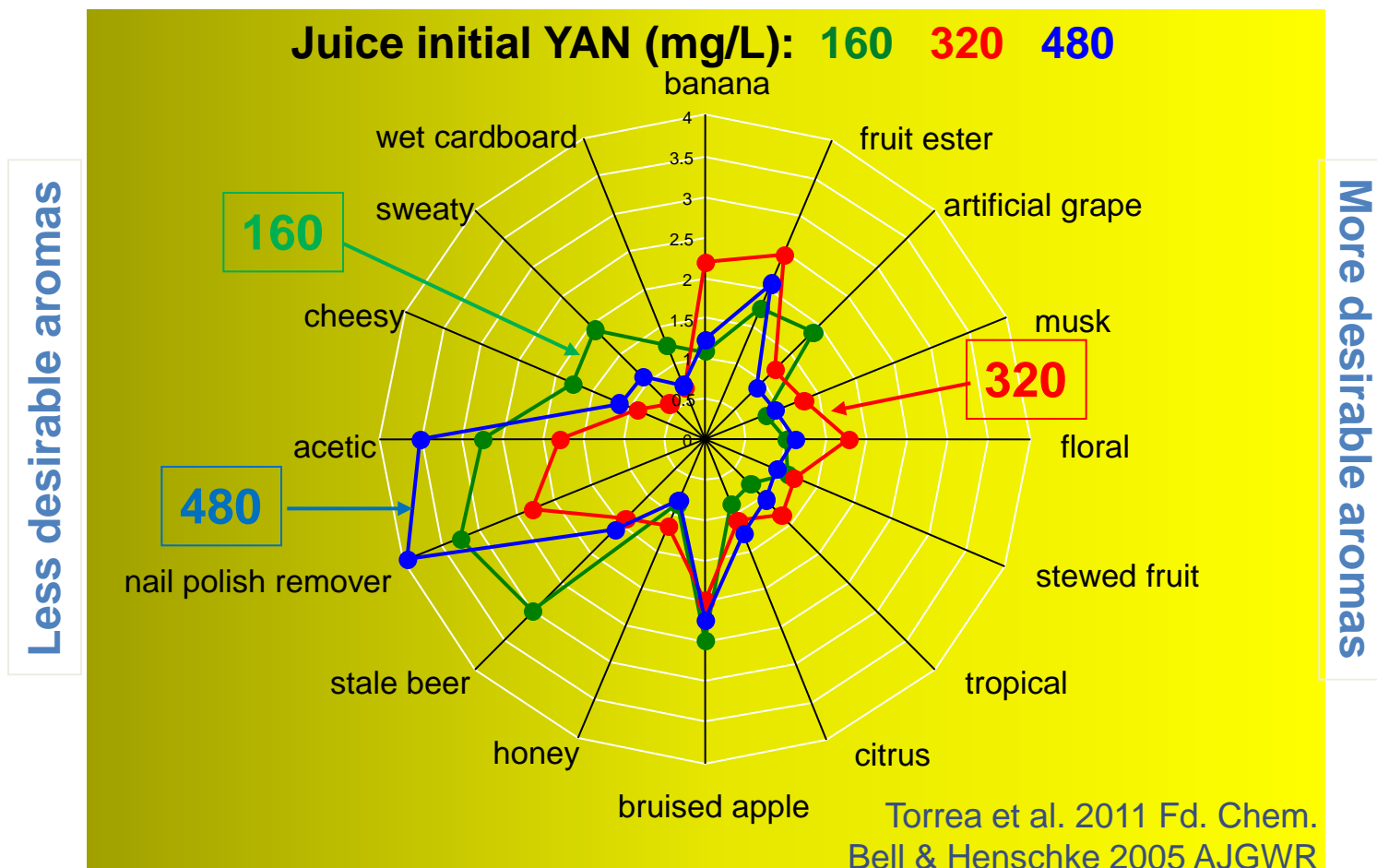


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- **Esters:** Increase with YAN, then plateau at high YAN
 - **Higher alcohols:** Inverse relationship with YAN
 - **Volatile acids:** Complex relationship with YAN

Effect of DAP addition in Chardonnay – wine aroma profile



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Low YAN (160 mg/L): Complex (enhanced sweaty, cheesy, VA, stale beer, grape)

Moderate DAP-YAN (320 mg/L): Enhanced fruity-floral aromas

High DAP-YAN (480 mg/L): Volatile (estery/solvent taint)

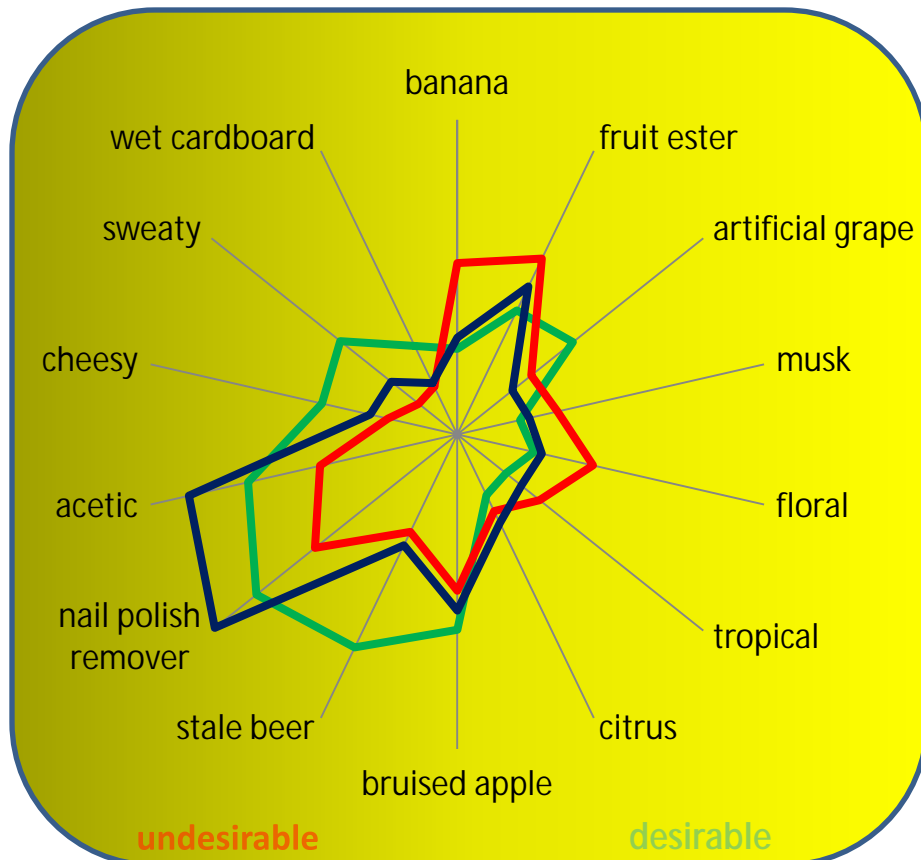
Risk of large DAP additions: can lead to masking varietal character

Comparison of Organic N (Amino acids) vs Inorganic N (NH_4^+) addition on Chardonnay Wine Aroma Profile



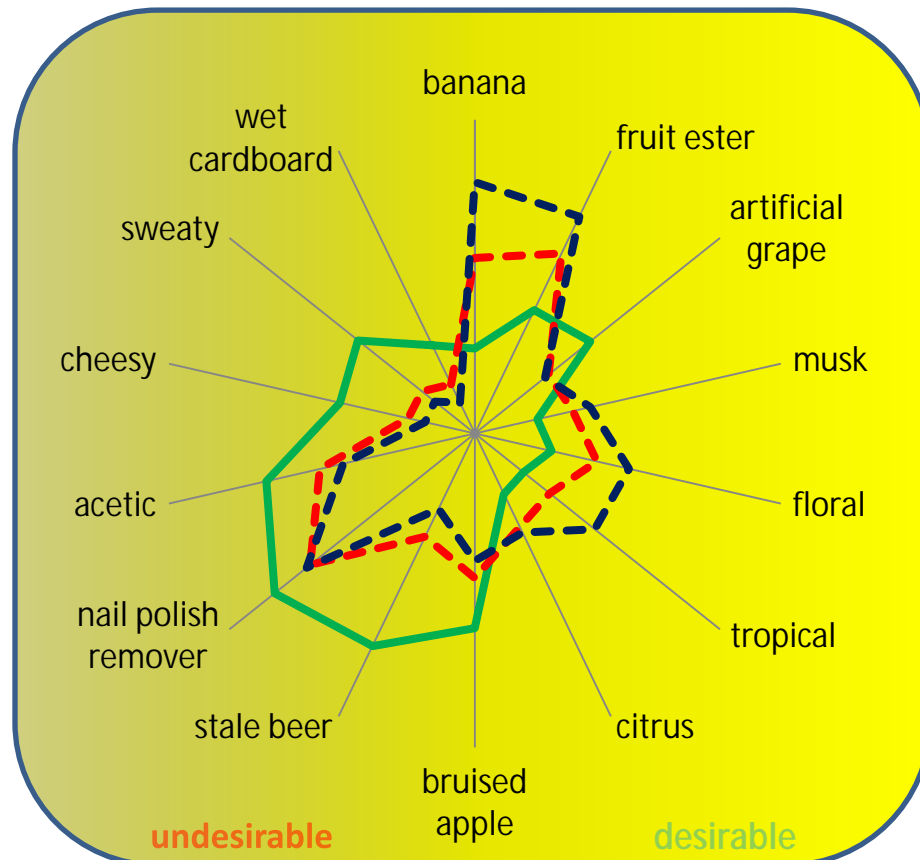
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Ammonium



YAN: — Control (160) — NH_4 (320) — NH_4 (480)

Amino Acids



YAN: — Control (160) - - - AA (320) - - - AA (480)

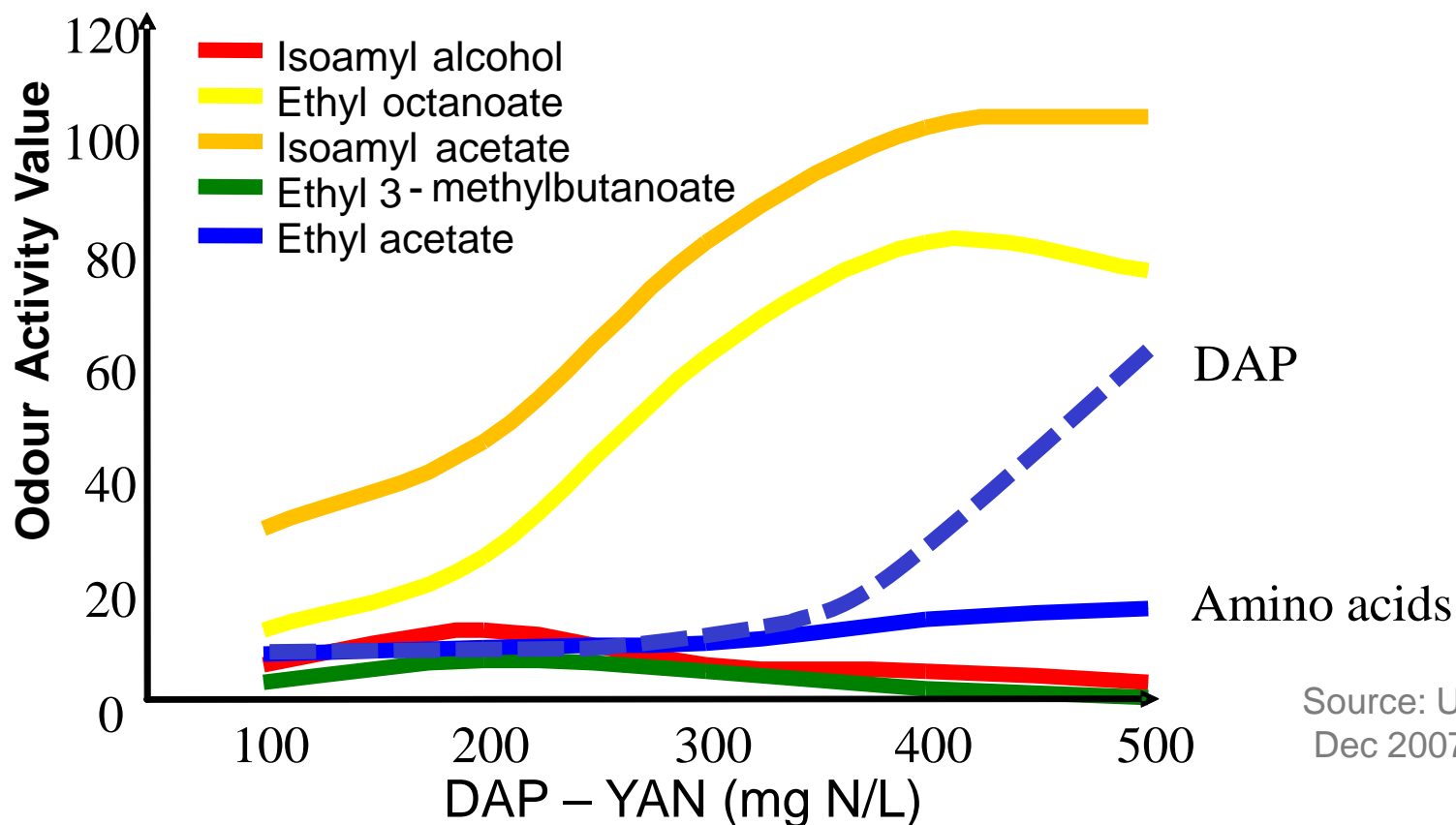
Profiles with Amino Acids similar excepting no ester/solvent char. at high YAN
Amino acids (simulates grape YAN) increases aroma intensity
Effects on other white varieties/yeast combinations similar

Source: Torrea et al.
(2011) Fd. Chem.

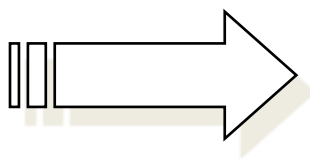
Chardonnay – impact of DAP – YAN



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Source: Ugliano et al.
Dec 2007 A&NZ WIJ



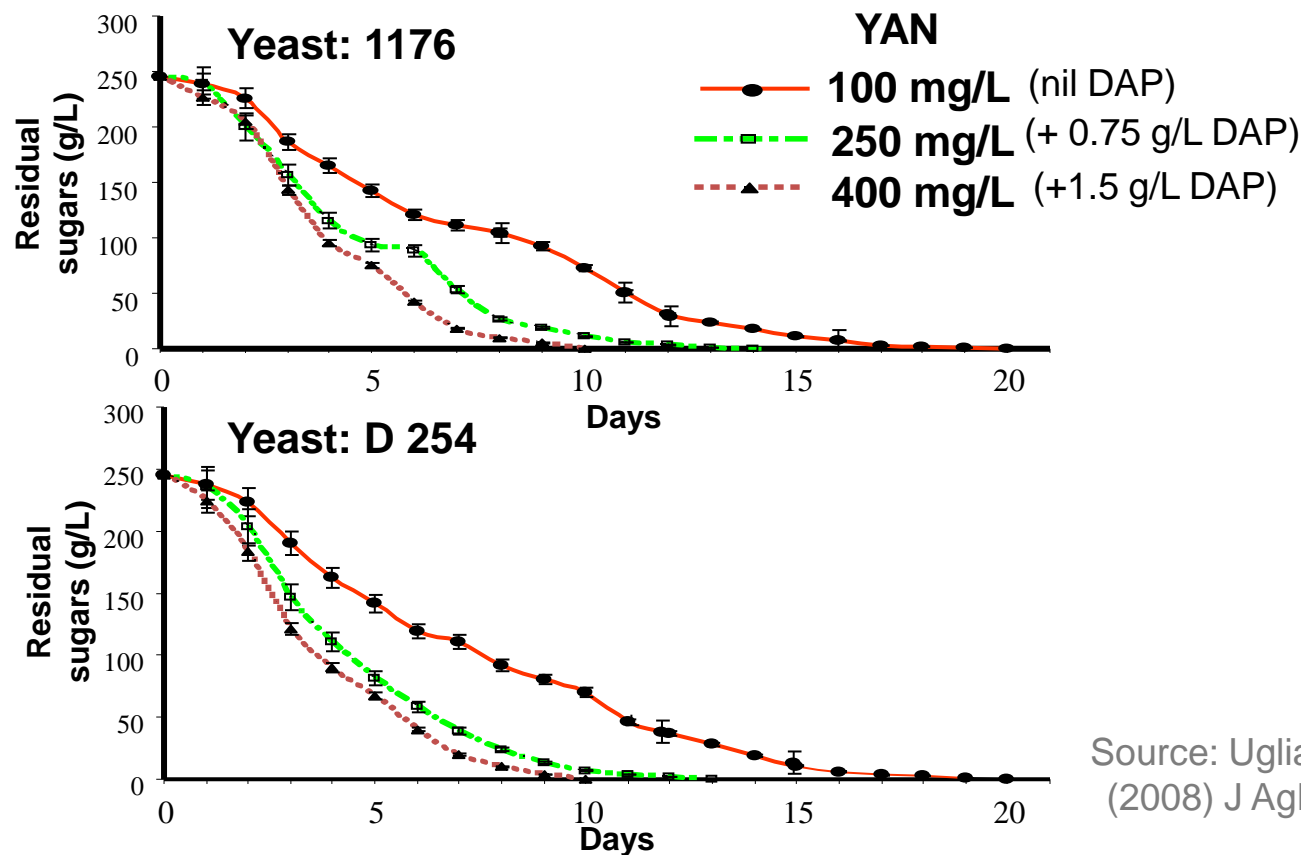
Principle effects of DAP:

- Increases fruity-floral wine esters
- Increases aroma intensity
- Excessive DAP (>1 g/L) can give solvent-ester taint

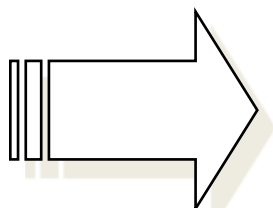


Effect of DAP addition in Shiraz – fermentation kinetics

Shiraz must (macerated), 22°C



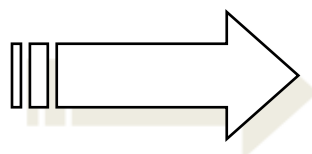
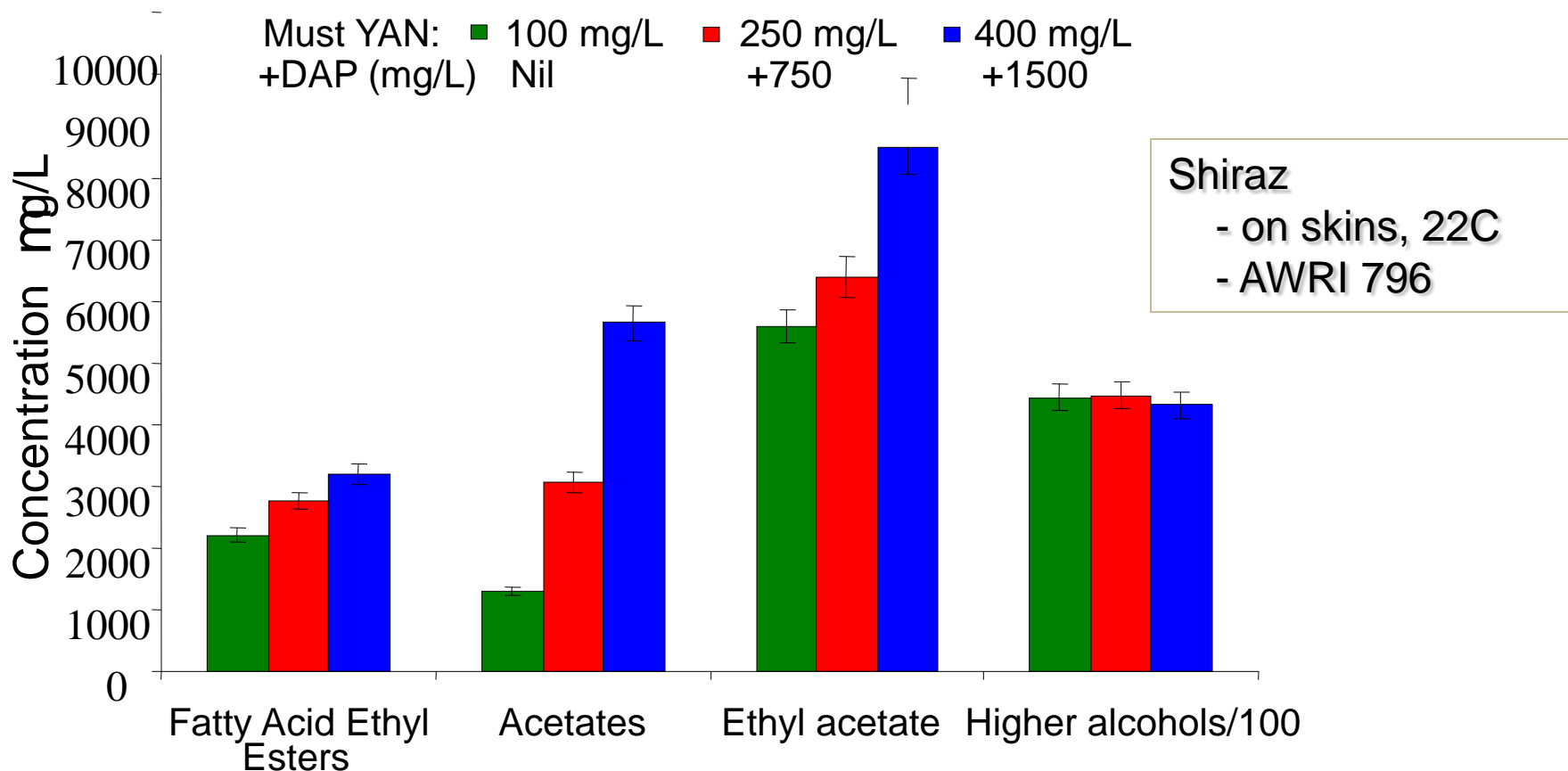
Source: Ugliano et al.
(2008) J AgFdChem



Juice YAN affects: yeast growth (biomass)
fermentation rate and
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Effect of must YAN on Shiraz – yeast aroma compounds



- Esters (fruity and floral) increase with increasing YAN
- Higher alcohols largely unaffected by YAN

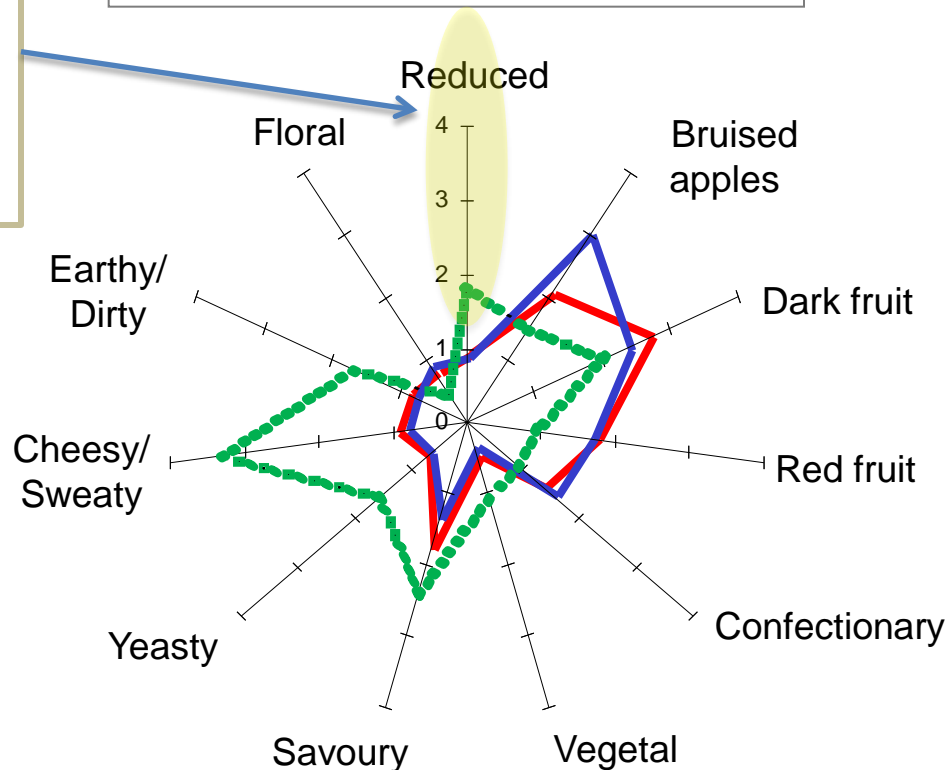


Effect of DAP on Shiraz wine flavour

Saccharomyces bayanus
AWRI 1176

Classical H₂S
response to N

Higher DAP
= lower H₂S



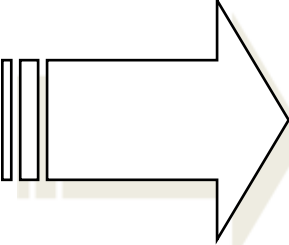
YAN

- 100** (nil DAP)
- 250** (+ 0.75 g/L DAP)
- 400** (+1.5 g/L DAP)

Shiraz

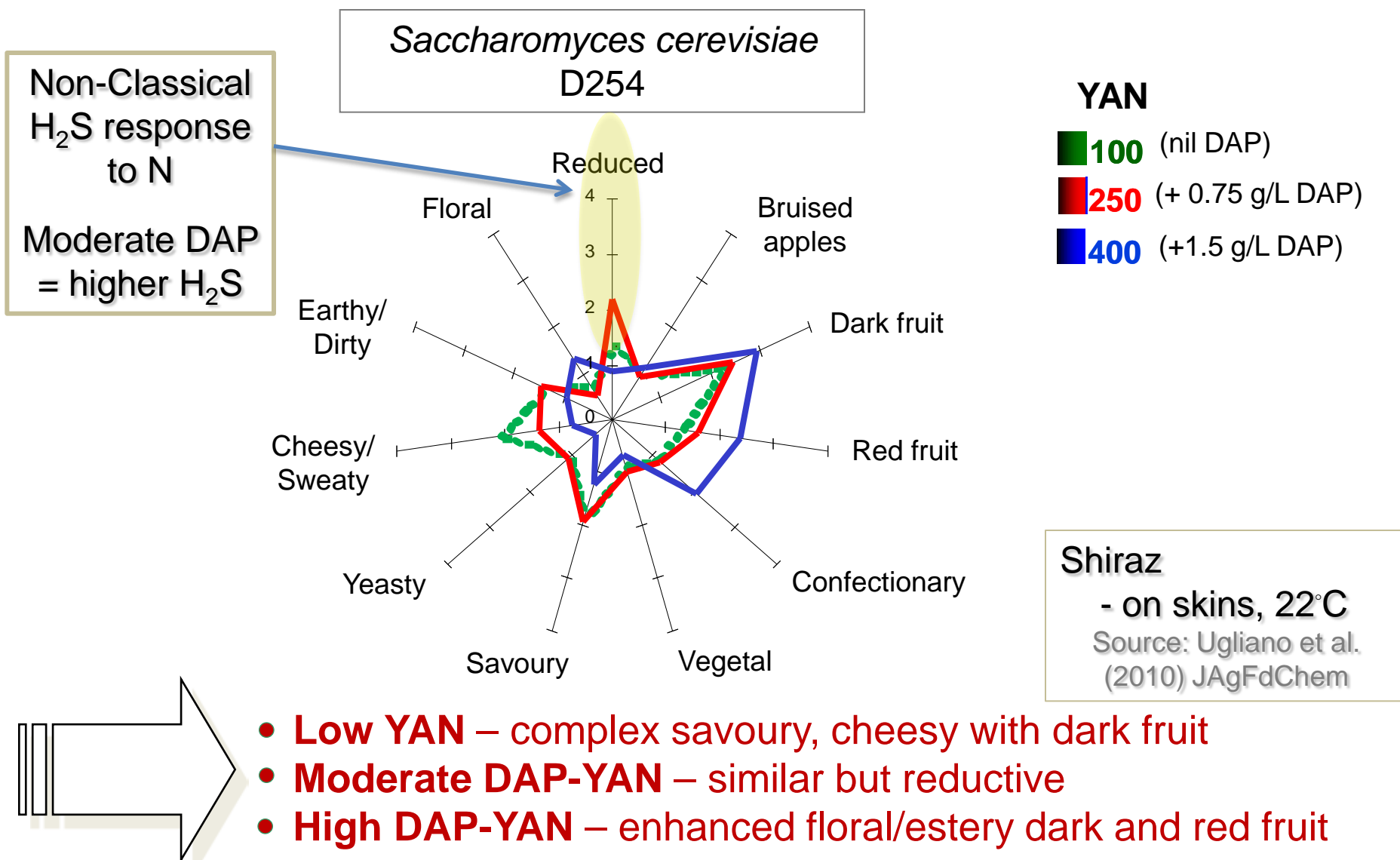
- on skins, 22°C

Source: Ugliano et al.
(2010) JAgFdChem

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- **Low YAN** – complex savoury, earthy, cheesy, reduced wine
 - **Moderate DAP-YAN** – enhanced dark and red fruit
 - **High DAP-YAN** – dark and red fruit with bruised apple

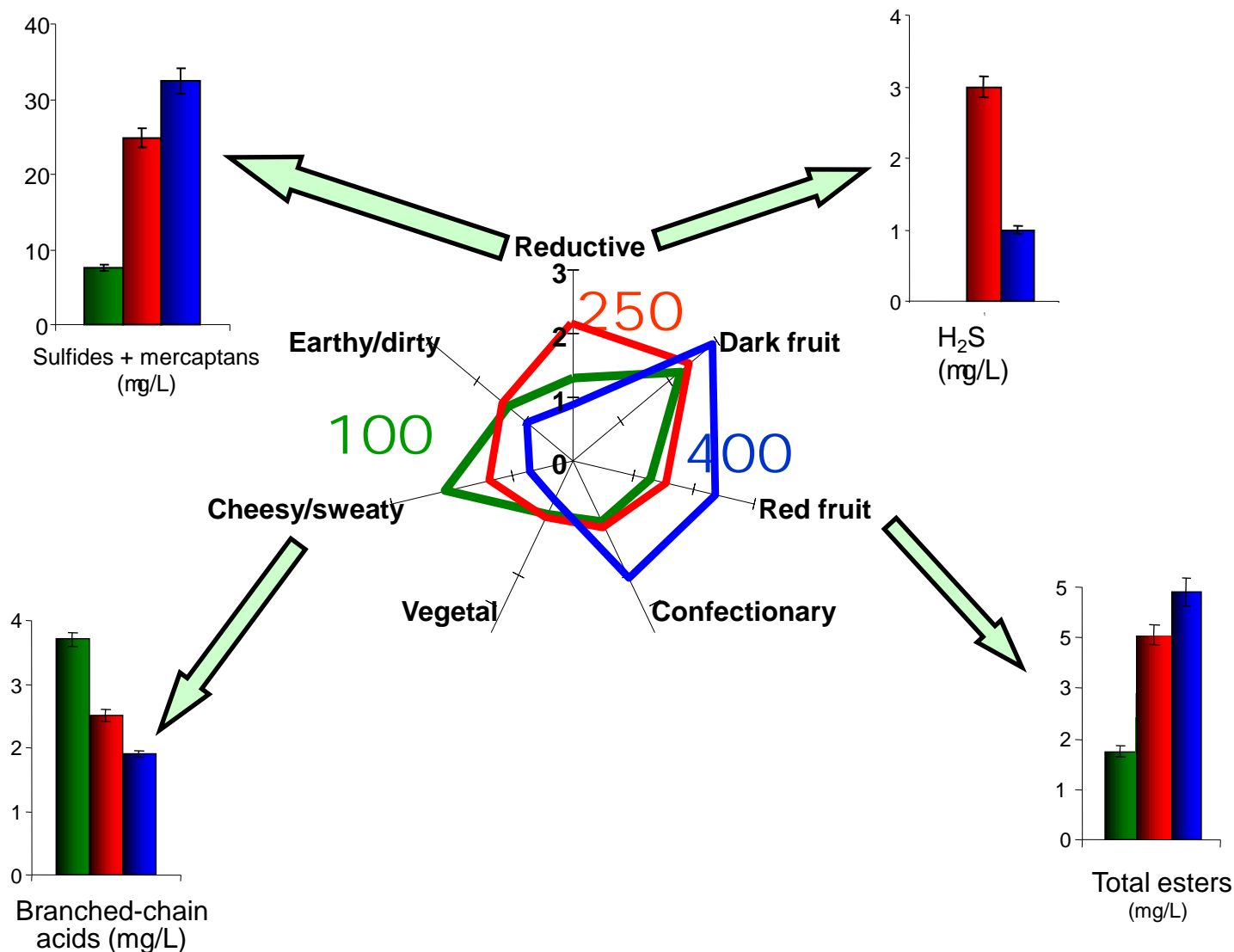


Effect of DAP on Shiraz wine flavour





DAP and Shiraz volatile compounds



>> For some yeasts, moderate DAP supplementation of low YAN musts can result in higher H₂S and reductive character

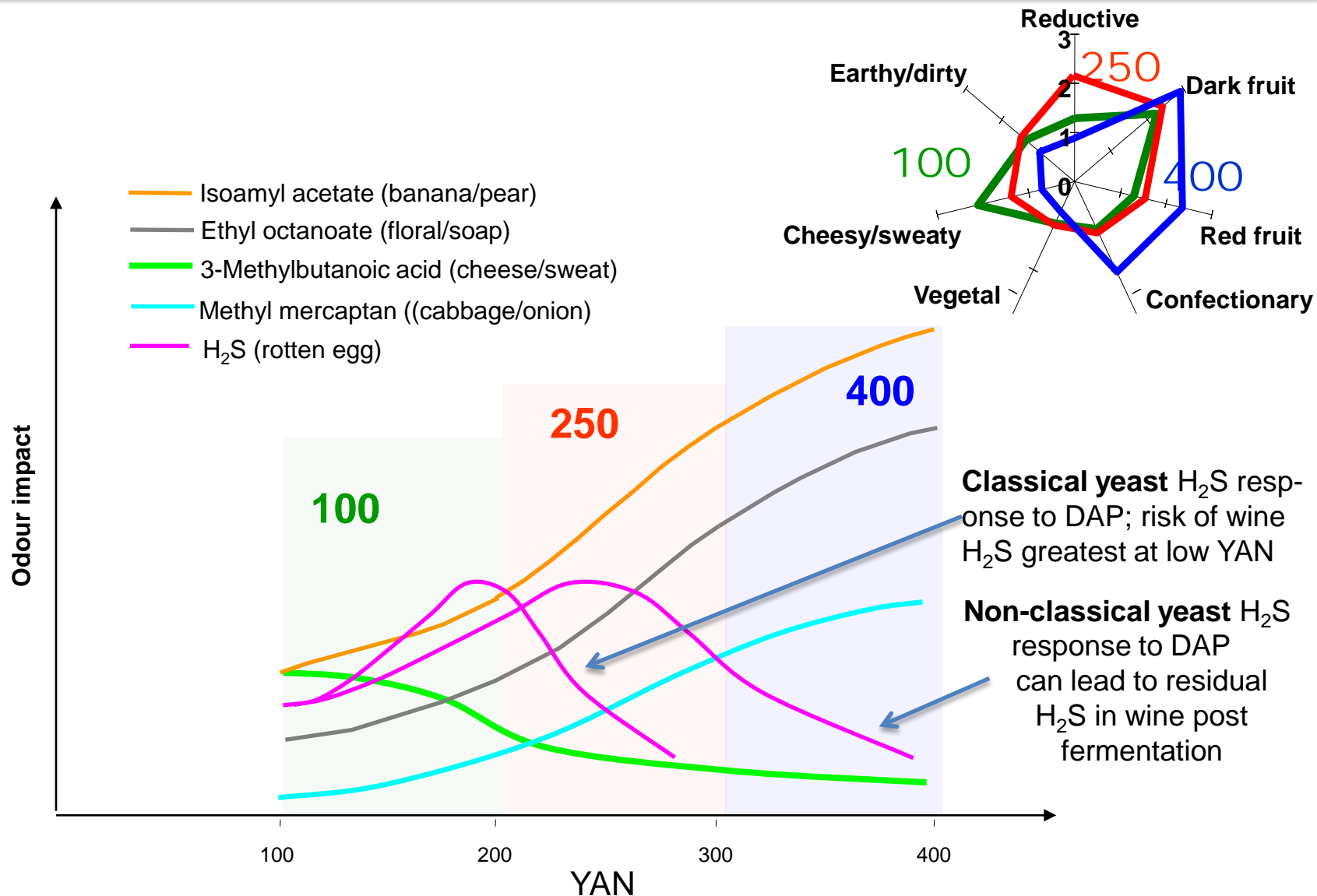
But DAP can increase esters, which can mask reductive aromas, so H₂S may not be apparent in young wine

YAN and wine aroma

Timing of H₂S depends on yeast strain



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- ✓ Yeast Assimilable Nitrogen (YAN), as DAP, is a powerful tool to manage:
 - > fermentation kinetics,
 - > aroma formation (type & intensity) during fermentation,
(high yeast esters can however mask varietal character)and
 - > wine style
(complex → clean, fruity, estery → solvent, ester taint)

- ✓ Addition of nitrogen **does not systematically eliminate** the occurrence of reductive off-flavours but the concomitant increase in esters tends to mask reduction.
 - Moderate DAP can increase reductive off-flavours in some combinations of juice/must and certain yeast strains

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Further reading



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Practical management of 'Brett' in the winery

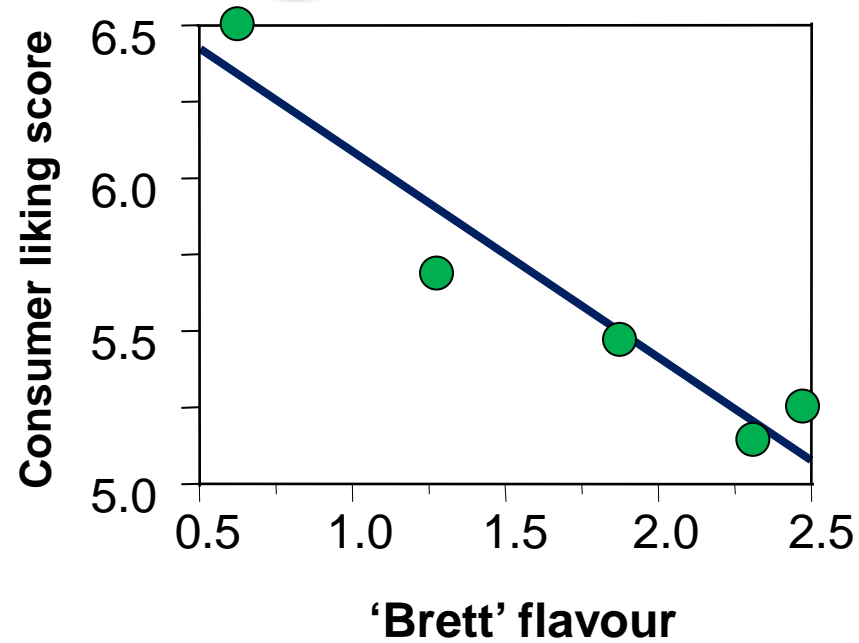
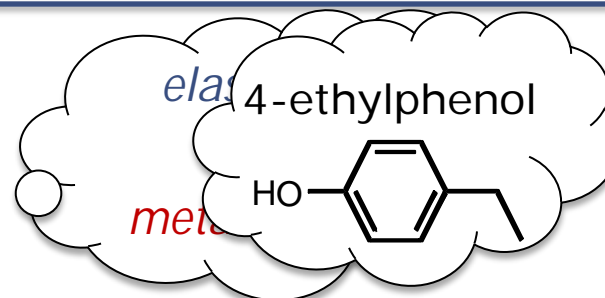


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'Brett' = spoilage?



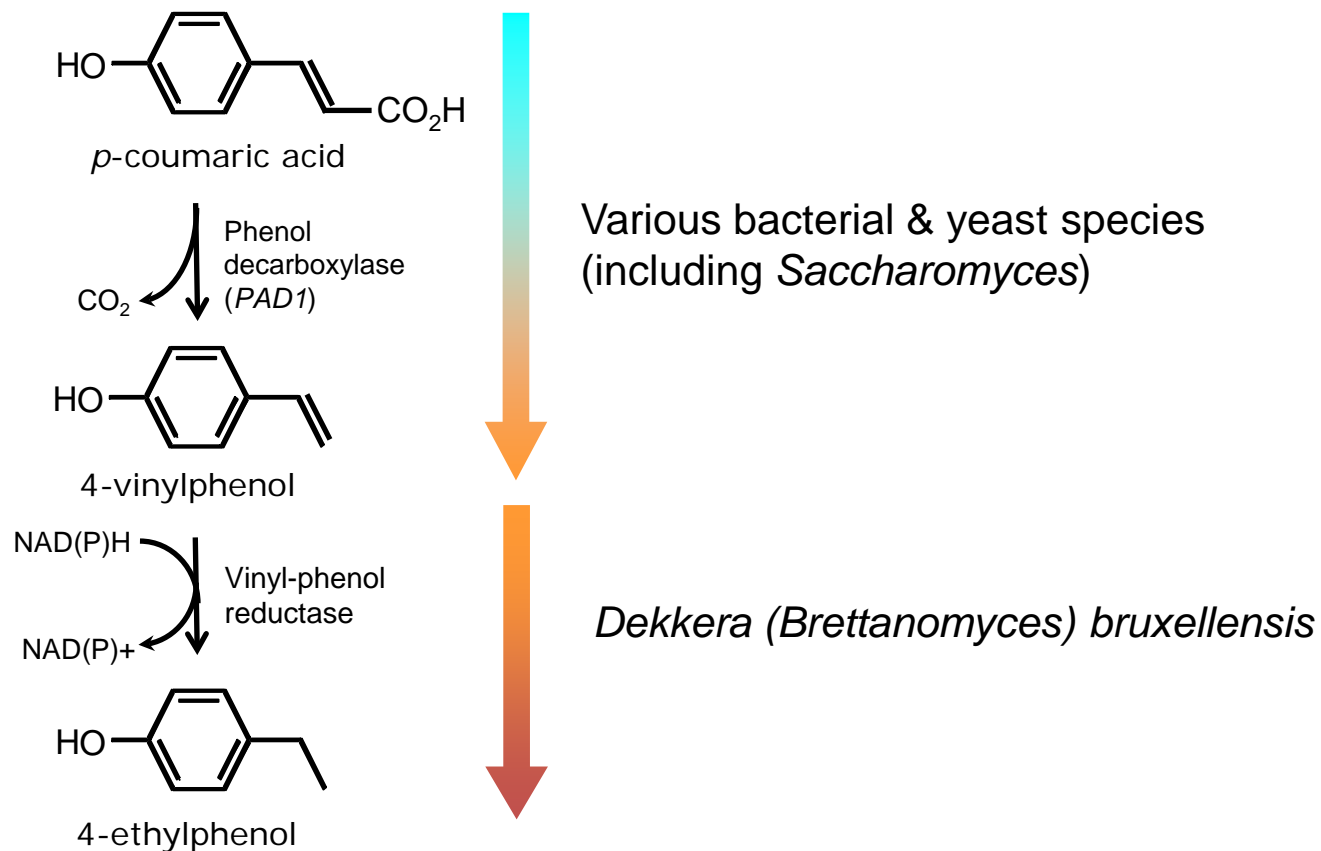
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Dekkera bruxellensis, 'Brett', and red wine



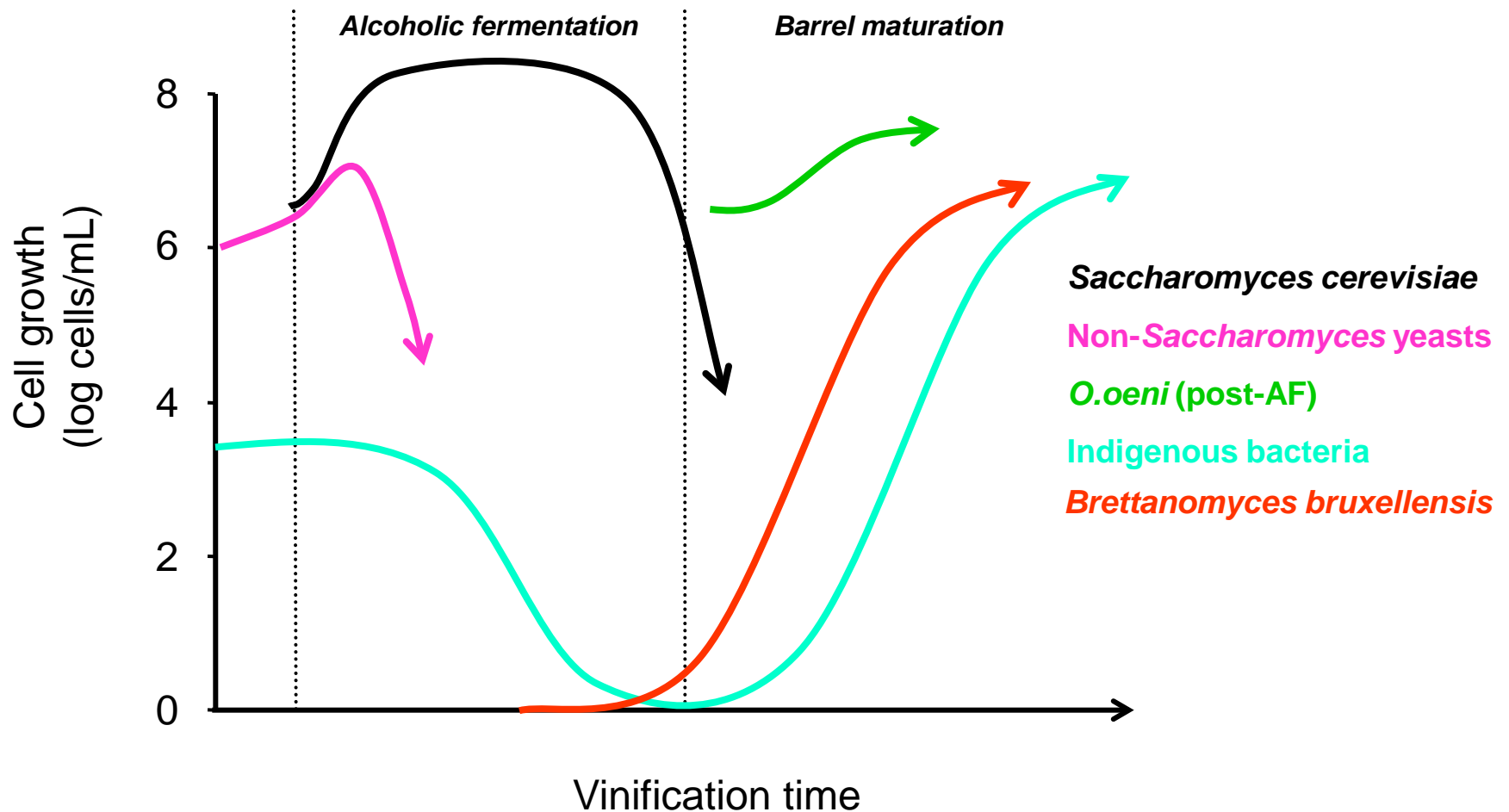
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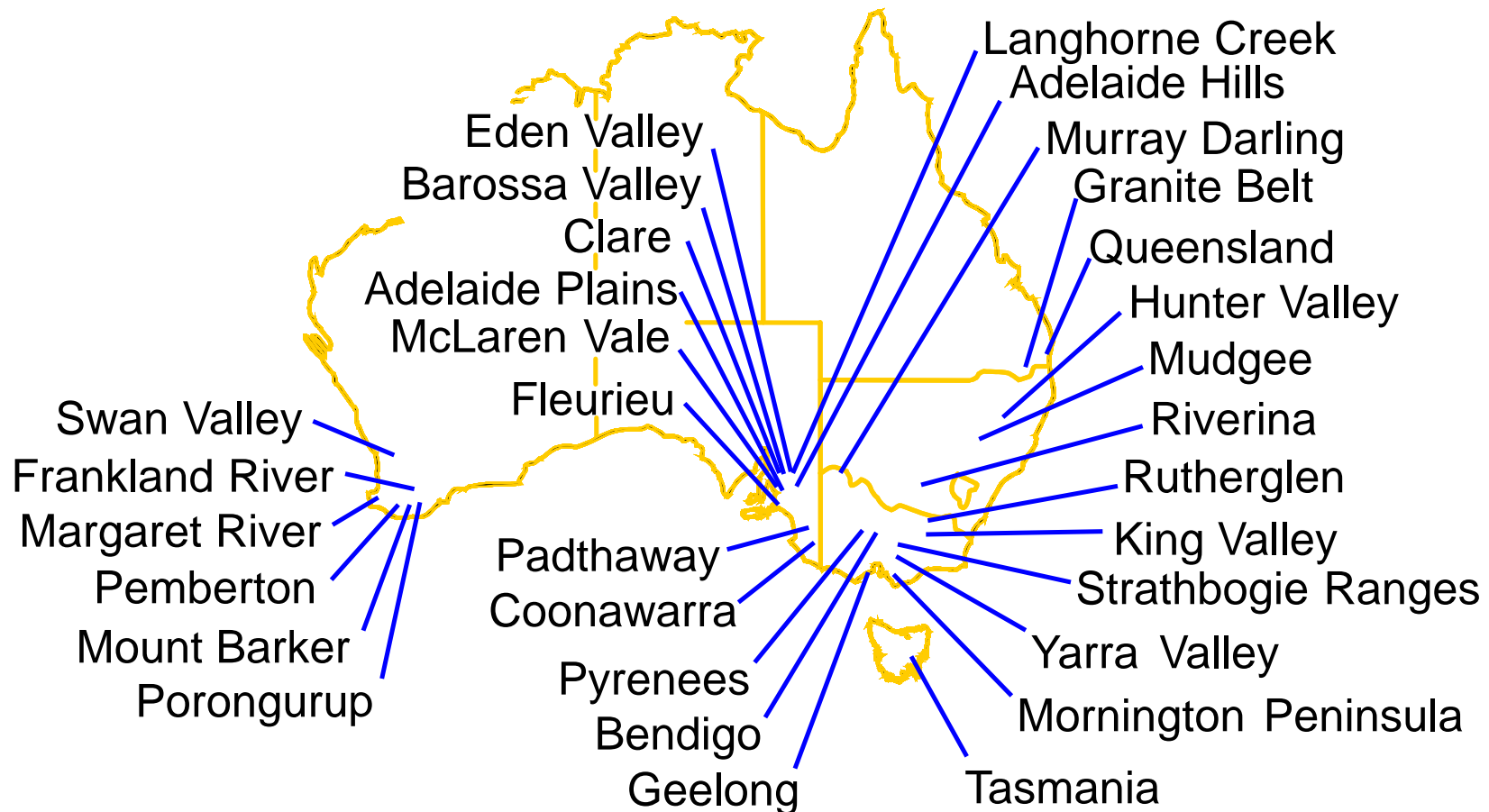
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‘Brett’ **IS** in **your** region, and **your** winery



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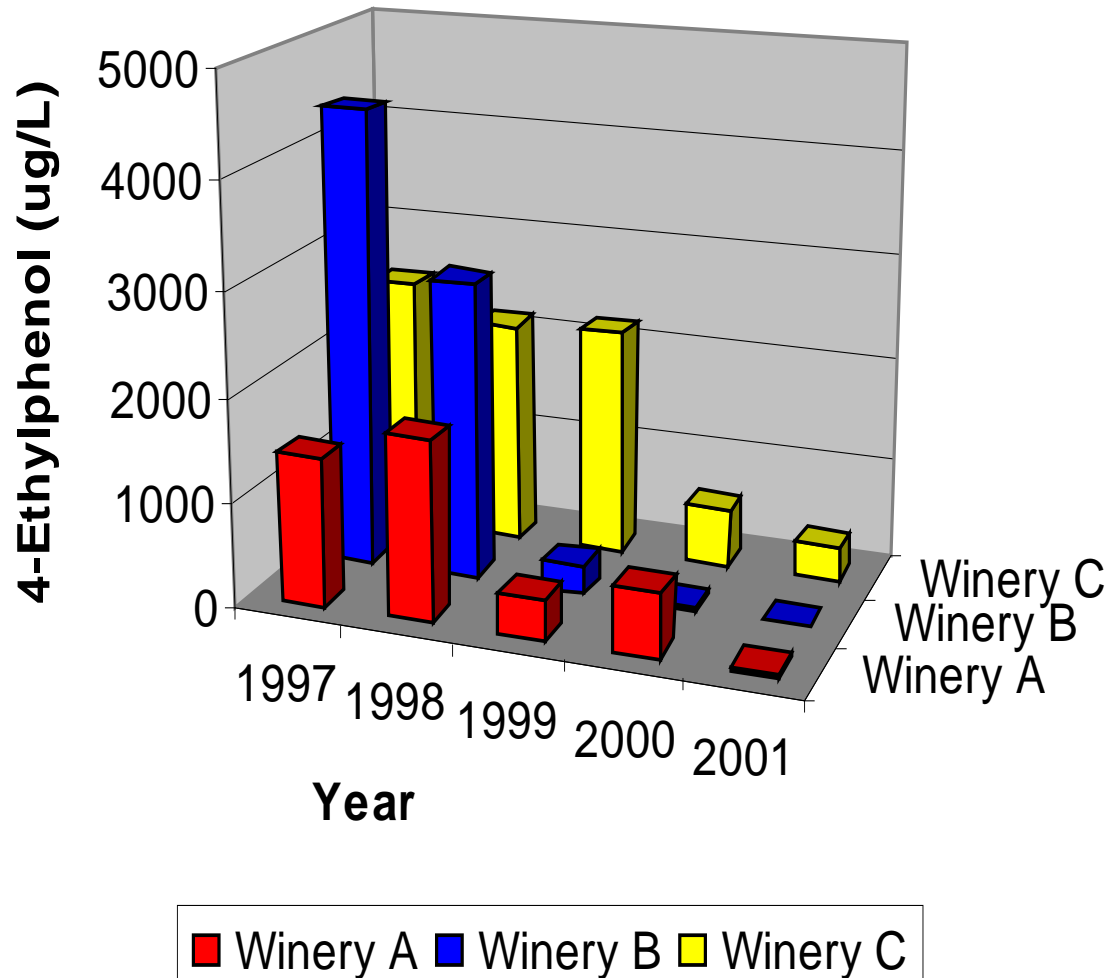
We isolated *Brettanomyces* from 31 winemaking regions of Australia

Don't



You **CAN** manage the risk of 'Brett' spoilage in the winery

Trend in 4-Ethylphenol concentrations in Cabernet Sauvignon wines from three Australian producers 1997 - 2001



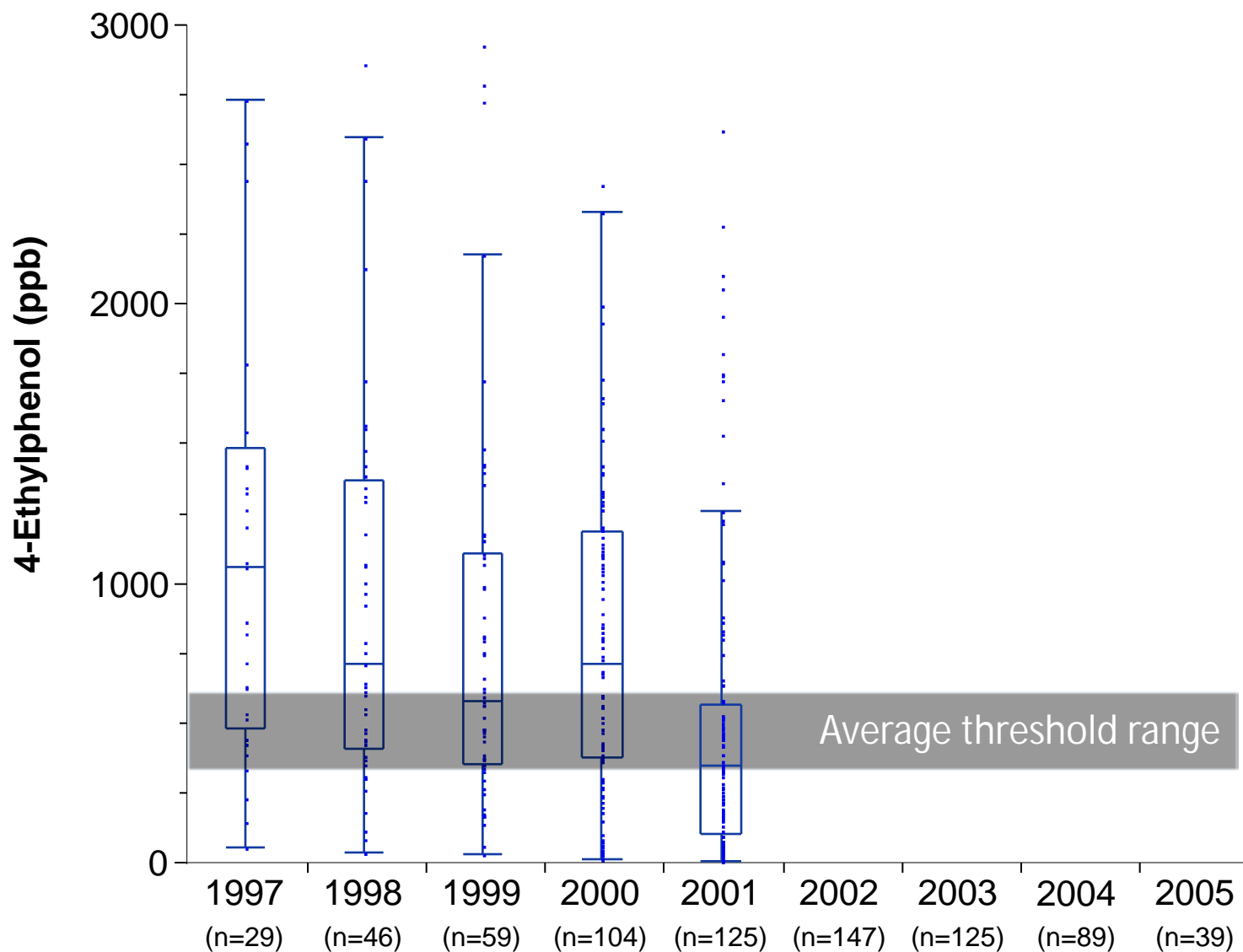
NOTE: Wineries A and B first contacted the Institute with regard to strategies for the control *Brettanomyces* in 1998, and winery C in 1999. Many other producers are seeing a similar trend from 2000 onwards



The incidence of 'Brett' in Australian wine



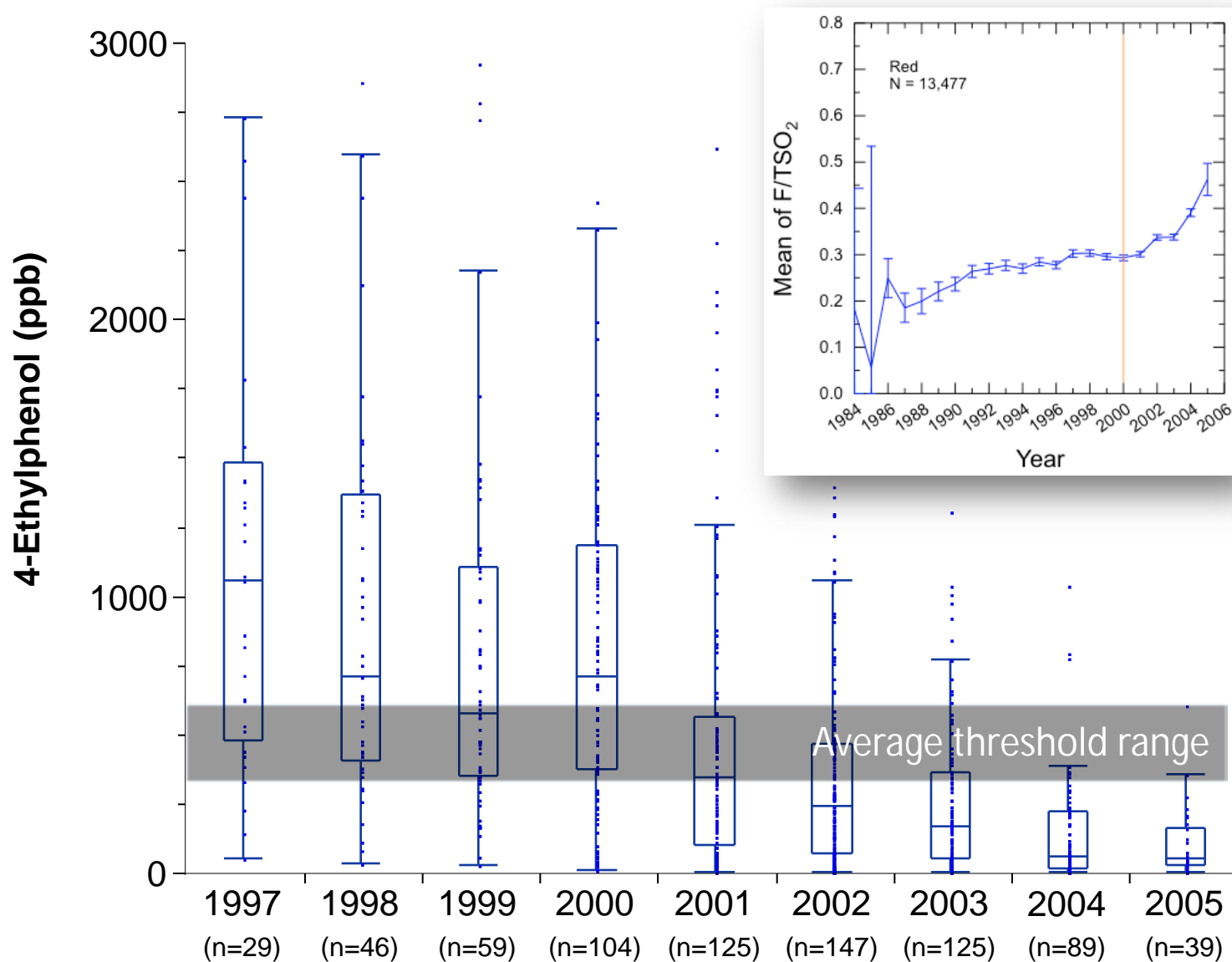
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What is the 'Brett' strategy based on?



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Scientific literature



What worked for early adopters

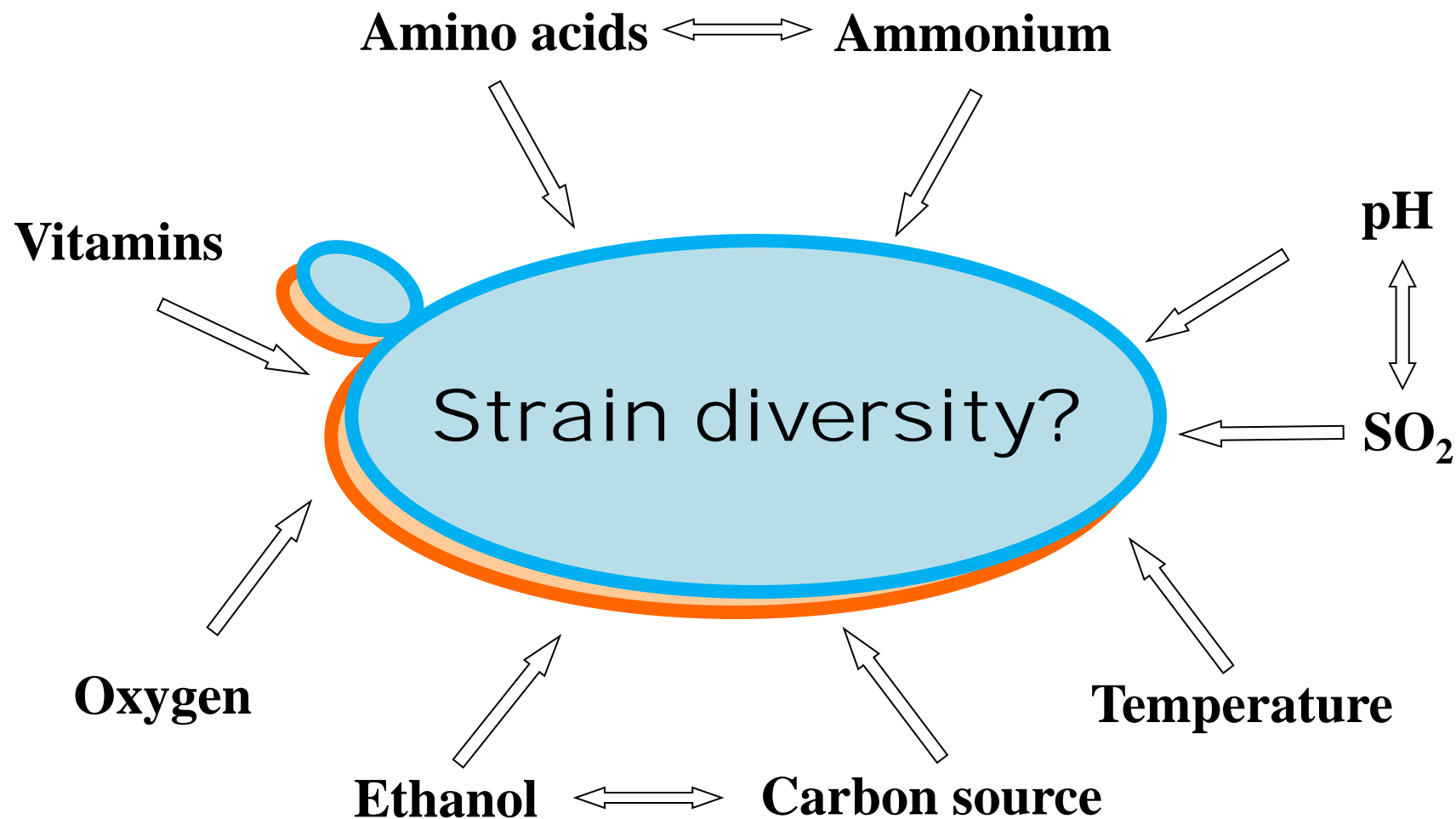


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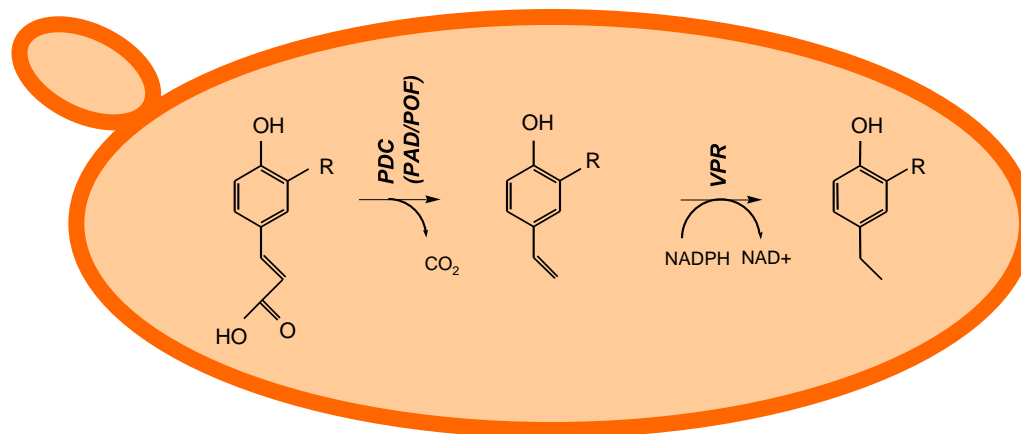
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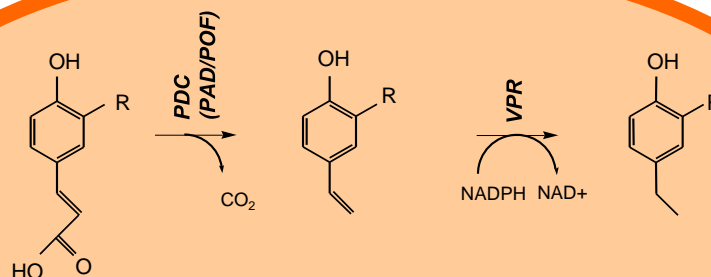
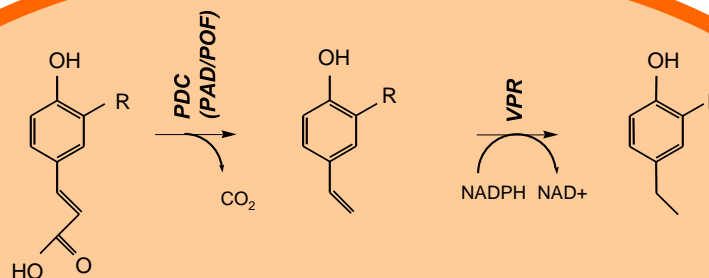
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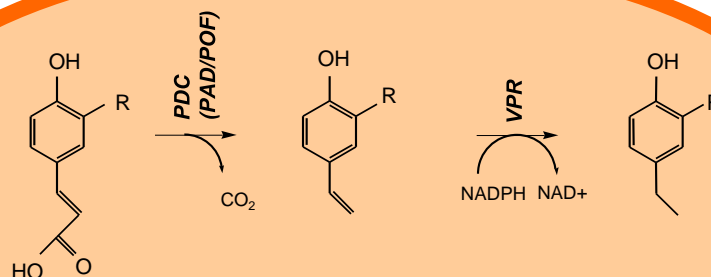
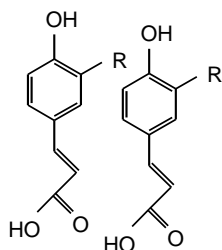
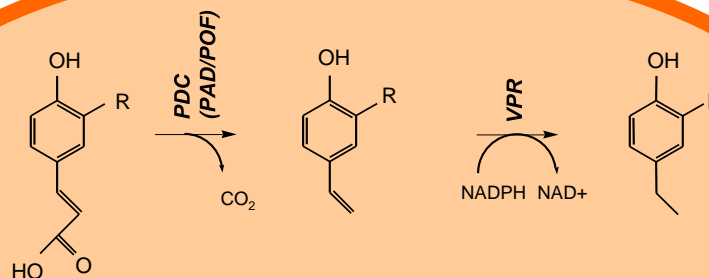
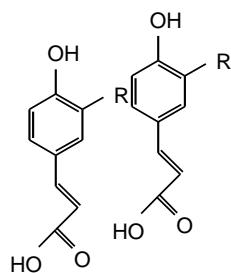


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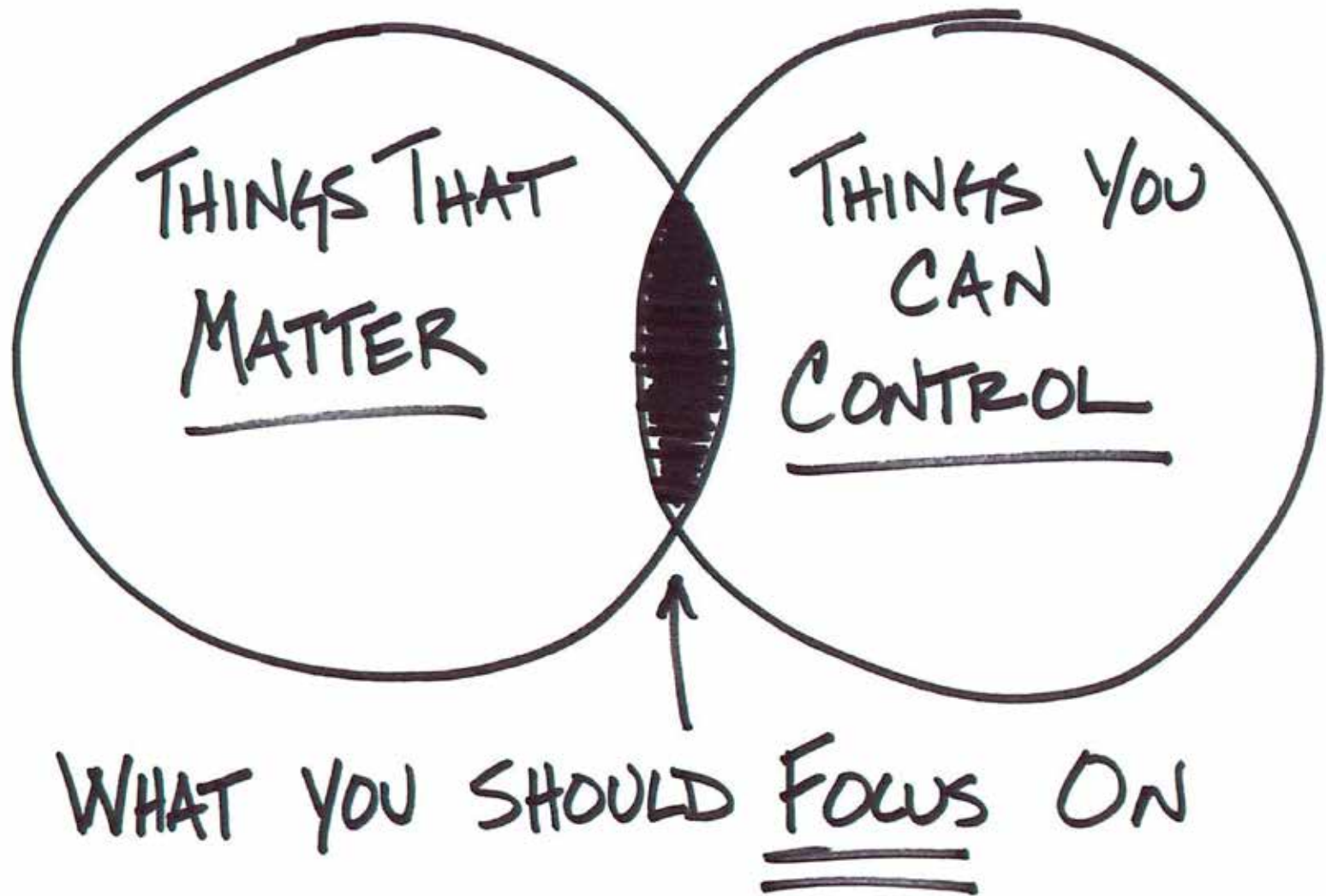
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The 'Brett' control strategy focuses on **minimising** Brettanomyces population size entering the winemaking process, **controlling** population growth, and where required, **removing** the population

How can you **minimise** population size?



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SO₂ @ crusher



General sanitation



Barrel sanitation



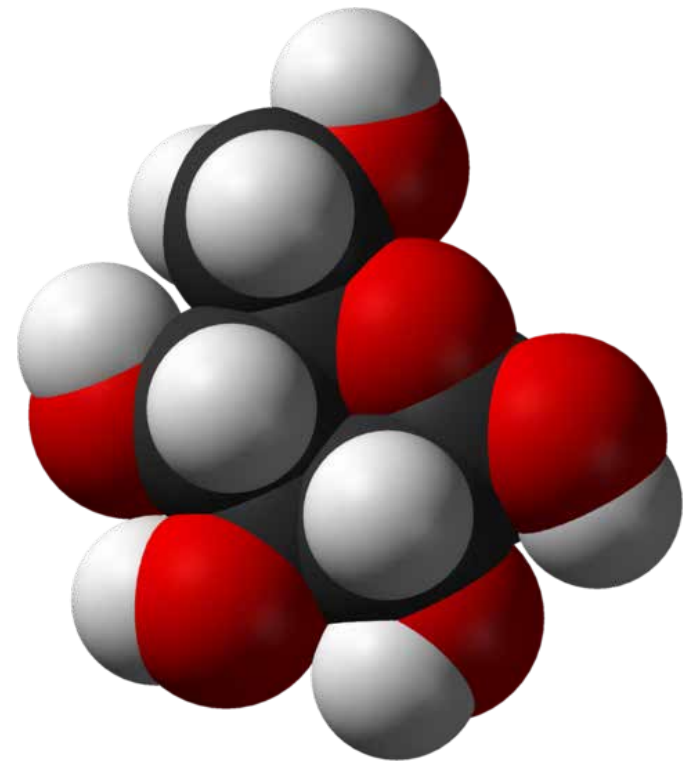
How can you **control** population growth?



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✓ Avoid residual sugar:

- § Best practice fermentation management
- § Strong starter culture
- § Aerate when most active i.e. at least one aerative racking or rack & return
- § Keep temperature of wine within two degrees of fermenter during pressing & at least 12 hours afterwards



How can you **control** population growth?



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✓ Minimise residual nitrogen:

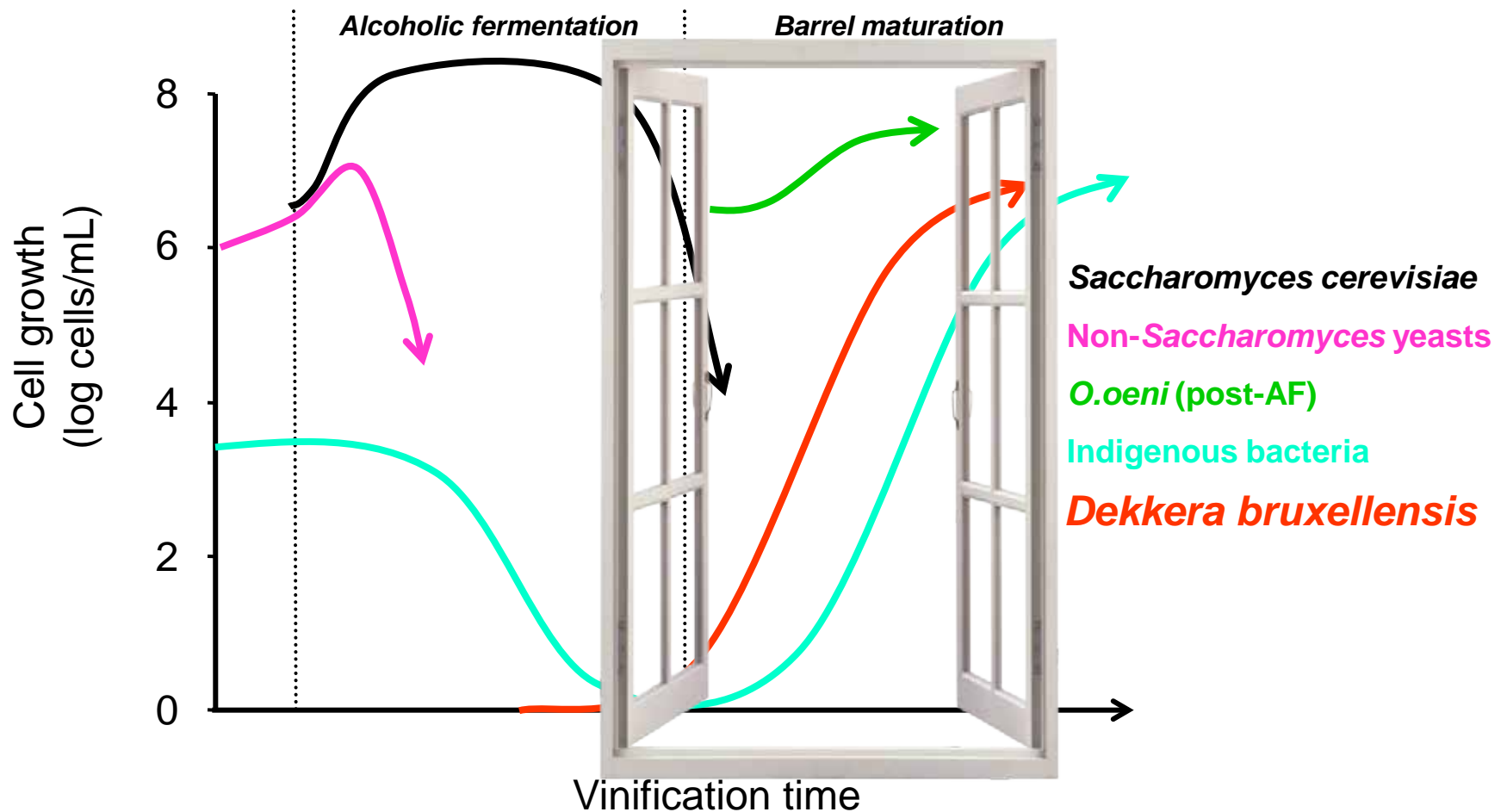
- § *Brettanomyces* uses a range of N-sources, including proline
- § Excess DAP **might** increase risk of 'Brett', or other microbial spoilage
- § Why do you need to add DAP? N-deficiency or other fermentation management issues?



How can you **control** population growth?



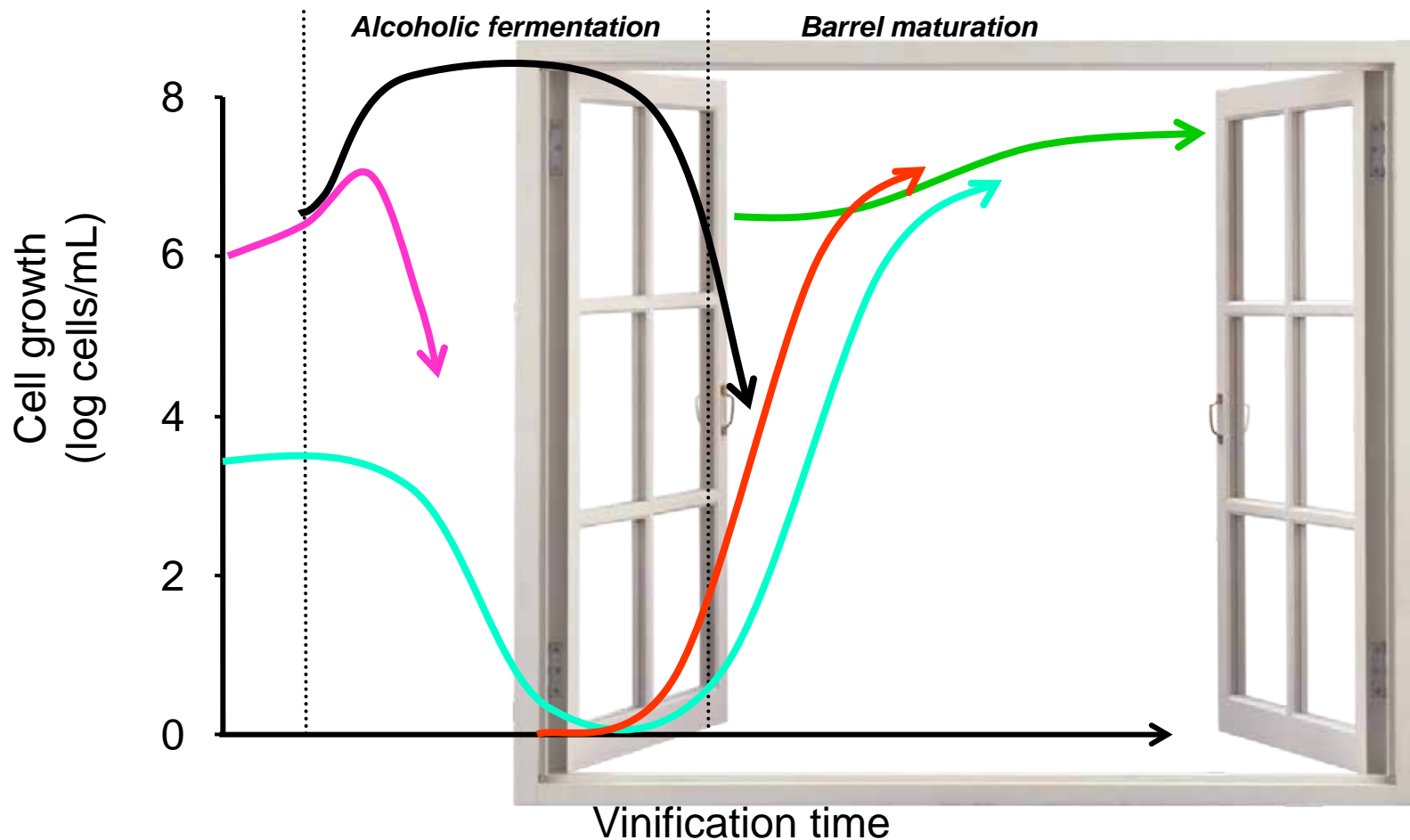
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✓ Barrel management:

- § Monitor regularly
- § Top with good quality, non-'Bretty' wine kept at ~250-300ppm TSO₂
- § New barrels *can* be more prone to 'Brett'
- § Program to empty, clean, refill on the same day



How can you **control** population growth?



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✓ Minimise turbidity:

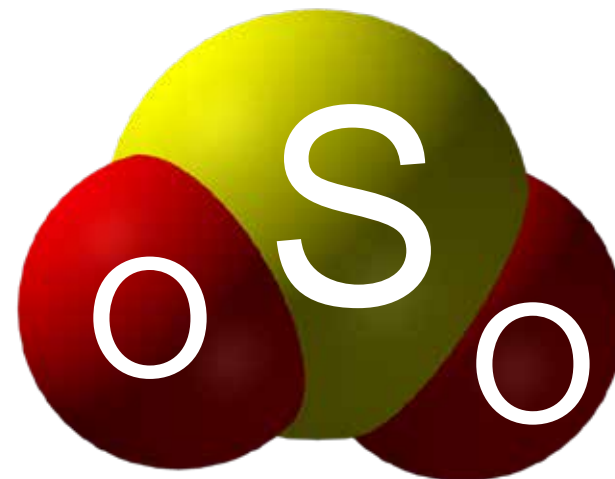
- § Turbidity = less effective SO_2
- § Delayed racking increases lees contact (++nutrients)
- § Delayed racking means greater loss of SO_2
- § When racking take care not to introduce lots of dissolved oxygen

How can you **remove** the population?



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- ✓ Things to note about SO₂ use:
 - § It's all about timing & magnitude!
 - § Immediately after MLF, clarify and make a large SO₂ addition (60 mg/L)
 - § Don't make small incremental additions
 - § SO₂ is your friend, so don't be afraid to use it appropriately



How can you **remove** the population?



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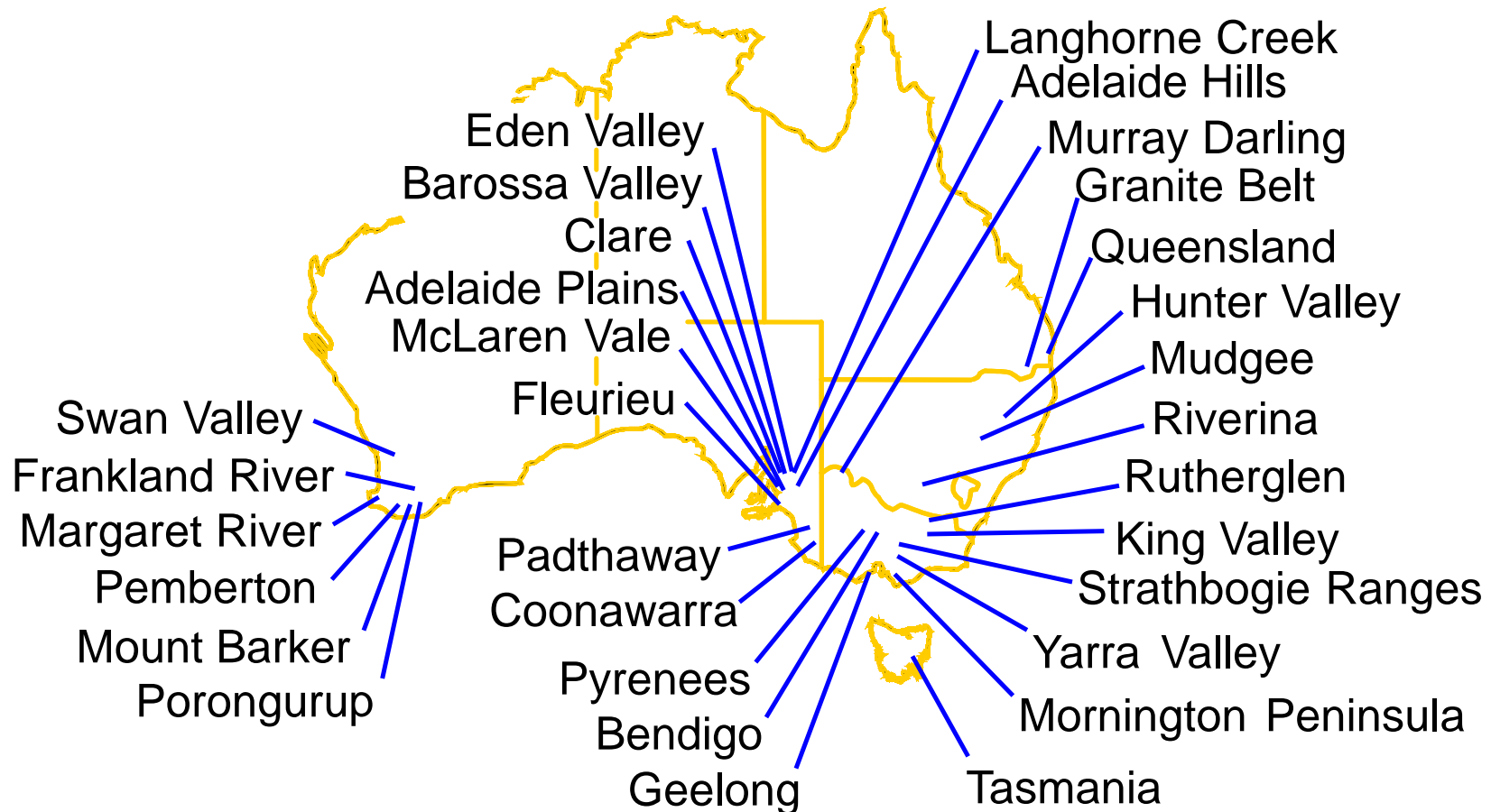
✓ Things to note about SO₂ use:

- § A low ratio of Free:Total SO₂ indicates microbial activity (and /or oxidation), while effective SO₂ management gives high ratios
- § Only 35-40% of any addition is yielded as free SO₂ and only the molecular SO₂ component is active
- § The higher the turbidity, the lower the free SO₂
- § At least 5mg/l SO₂ will be lost during careful transfers
- § Wine stored in new barrels loses SO₂ faster than wine stored in old barrels, and hot water or steam cleaned barrels lose SO₂ faster than rinsed barrels

SO₂ tolerance of Australian *Brettanomyces*



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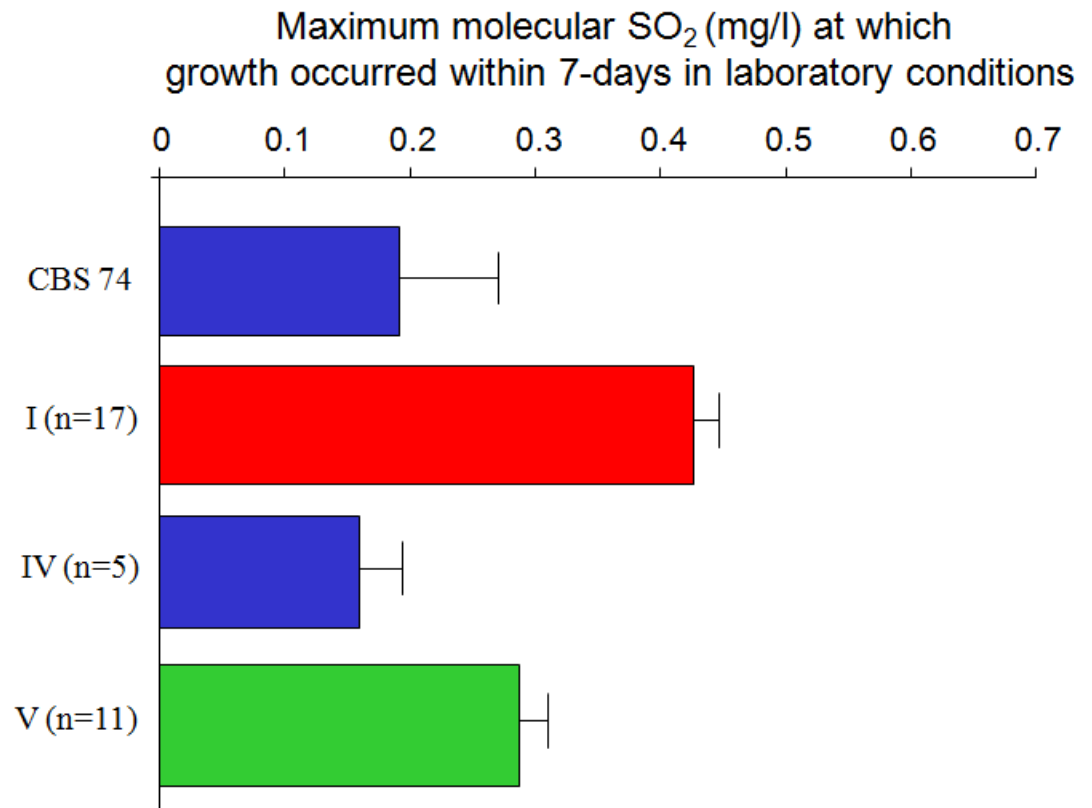
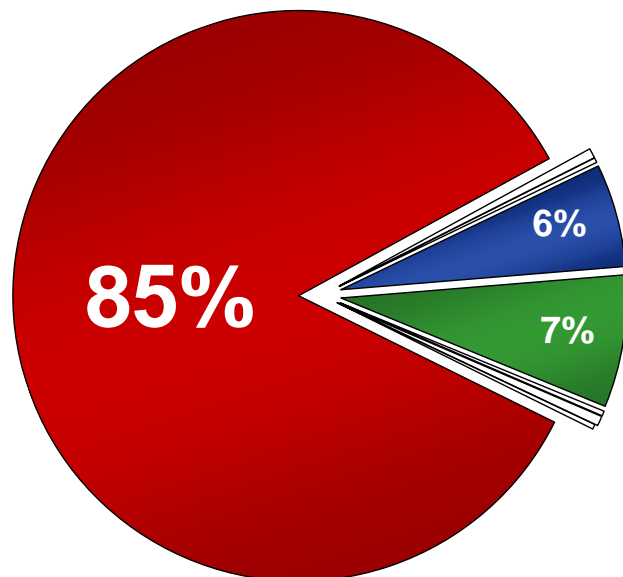
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SO₂ tolerance of Australian *Brettanomyces*



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Three strains (DNA markers)



What does this mean for past advice on SO₂ management?



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“In practice, a free SO₂ concentration of 30 mg/L always results in the total elimination of all viable populations after 30 days”

P.Ribereau-Gayon, Y.Glories, A.Maujean and D.Dubourdieu 2000

Handbook of Enology Volume 2

The Chemistry of Wine Stabilization and Treatments

Concentration of molecular SO₂ required to kill yeast:

Saccharomyces cerevisiae 0.825mg/l

Dekkera / Brettanomyces 0.825mg/l

Boulton 1998 (from Beech et al 1979)

How can you **remove** the population?



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✓ Filtration & clarification

- § If a haze is caused by viable microorganisms, filtration prior to bottling is highly recommended
- § *“A well performed filtration of the appropriate grade does not have a negative impact on wine quality”*
- § Even if there were a negative impact, it would be massively outweighed by the potential for wine spoilage



If you have a 'Brett' problem, don't try to solve it by addressing one area only

'Brett' can be successfully managed during winemaking through implementation of a holistic control strategy

Some 'Brett' F.A.Q.'s



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- ✓ Outside of the winery, where does *Brettanomyces* live? Does it come from the vineyard?
- ✓ Are there any strains of *Brettanomyces* that are...less bad...?
- ✓ Why can some strains tolerate higher levels of sulfite than others, and could we end up with a 'super-bug'?
- ✓ Does SO₂ really kill *Brettanomyces*? Other than SO₂, what else can be used to control *Brettanomyces* populations?
- ✓ How can I monitor 'Brett' in the winery?

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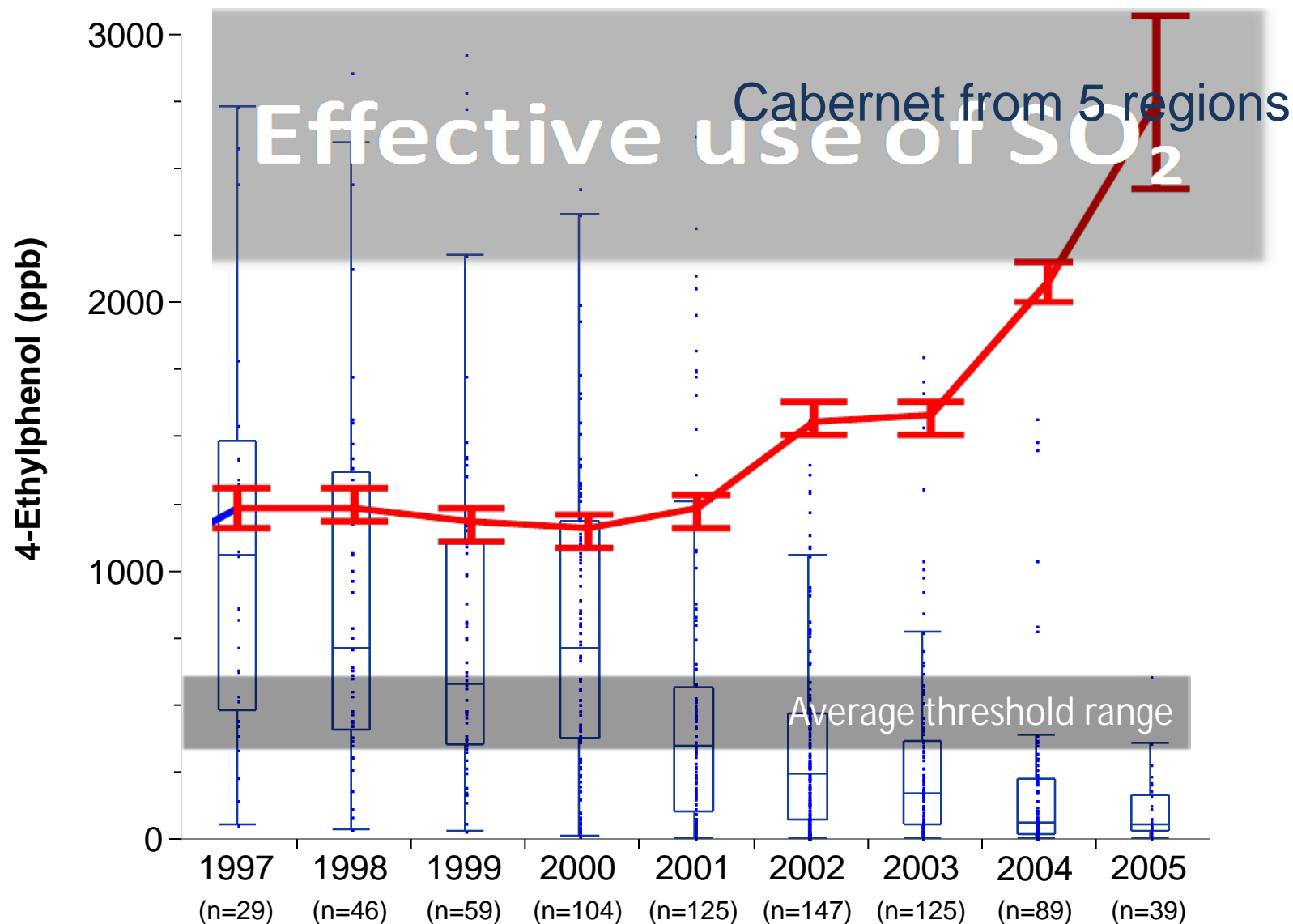


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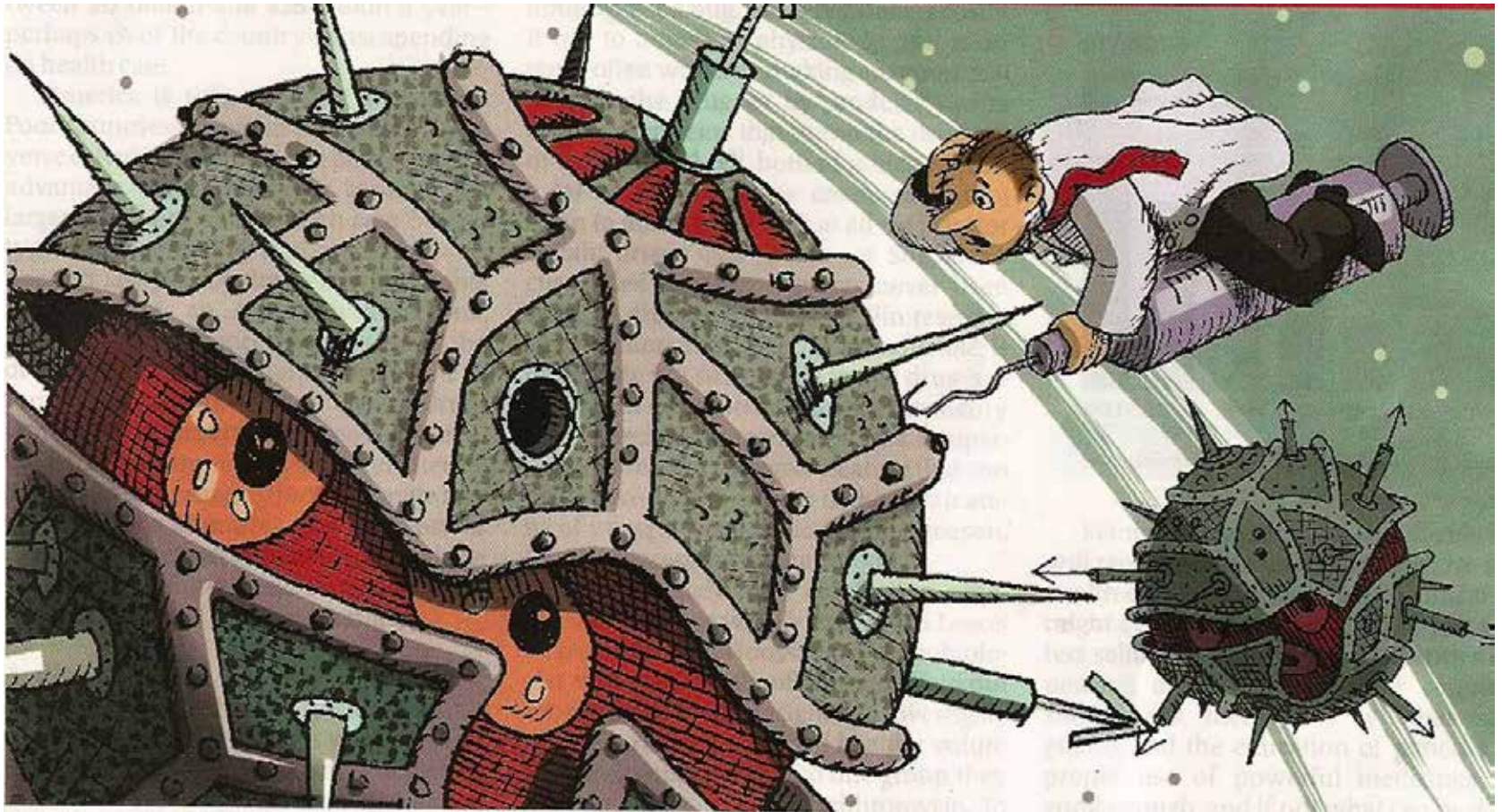
Incidence of 'Brett' in Australian wine



Alarm bells were ringing



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Patient X

Name

DOB

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Address

Date

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Whole Genome,
Lipids, SMA 20, CBCD

Dx: V70.0

Order # 1001

MD

DO NOT REPEAT ☐

NO SUBSTITUTION ☐

PLEASE LABEL ☐

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| Repeat | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | NR |
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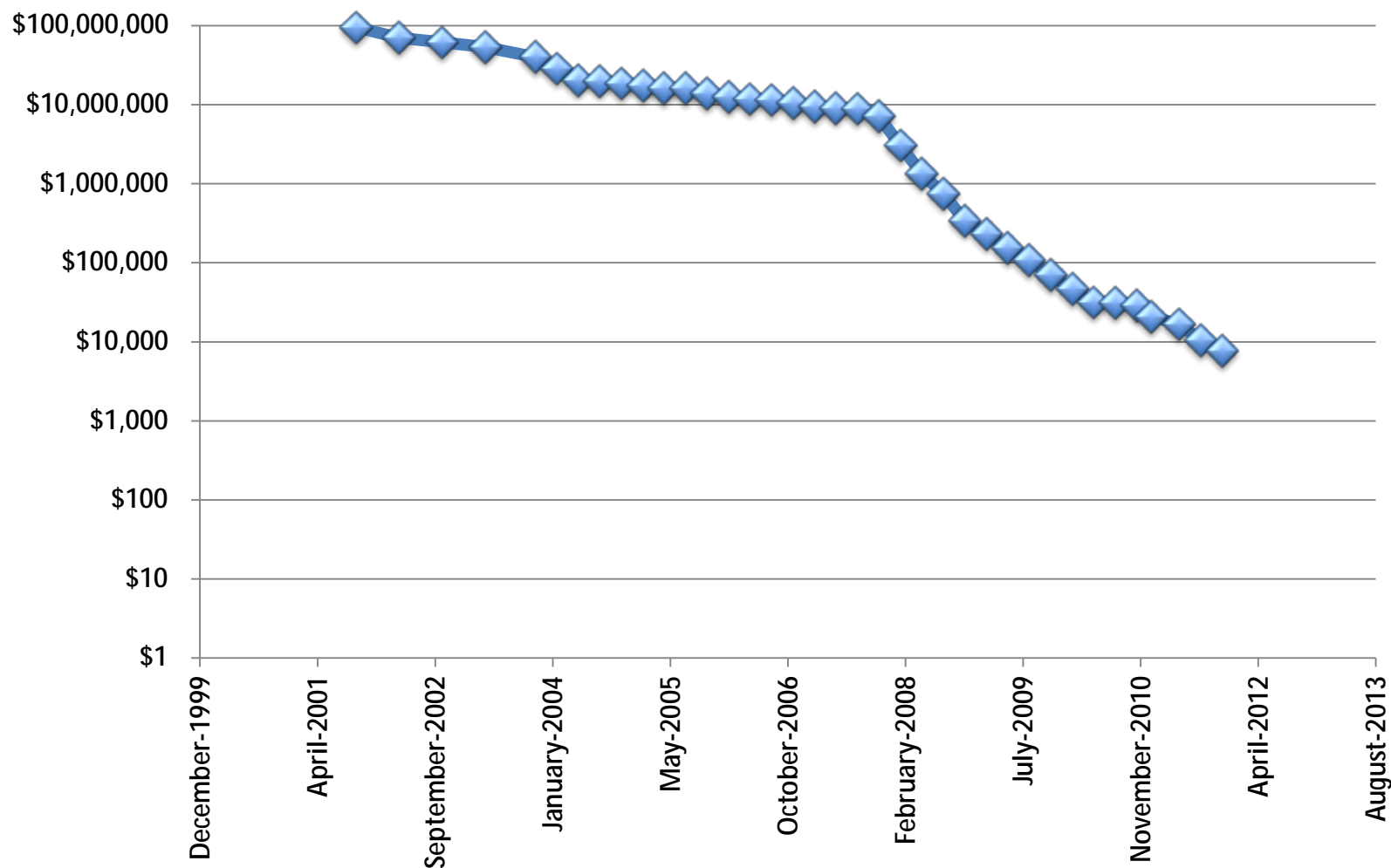
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VERIFICATION BOX: HOLD BETWEEN THUMB AND FOREFINGER
OR BREATHE ON IT: COLOR WILL DISAPPEAR, THEN REAPPEAR



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Cost to sequence *your* genome



Future-proofing against 'Brett'



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Next-gen sequencing technology used to decode the genome of 'Brett'

Triploid genome with internal diversity

Discovery of key candidate genes:

- 'Pump' important in SO_2 tolerance
- Phenolic acid > volatile phenols

Next:

- Potential for 'super-bug'?
- Diagnostic tests
- Look for 'chinks in the armour'



VESDA- Developing tools to assist land managers and industry.

Ricky James- Centre for Expertise in Smoke Taint Research.
DEPI, Rutherglen.

Department of
Environment and
Primary Industries



Overview

Tools for Industry

Tools for land managers.

Smoke taint research relatively new so nothing fit for purpose.

How much smoke????

Determine the relative impacts of controlled burning and wildfire.

- Evaluation of smoke detection monitoring as a tool for measuring smoke intensity and duration of presence and therefore exposure to fruit.

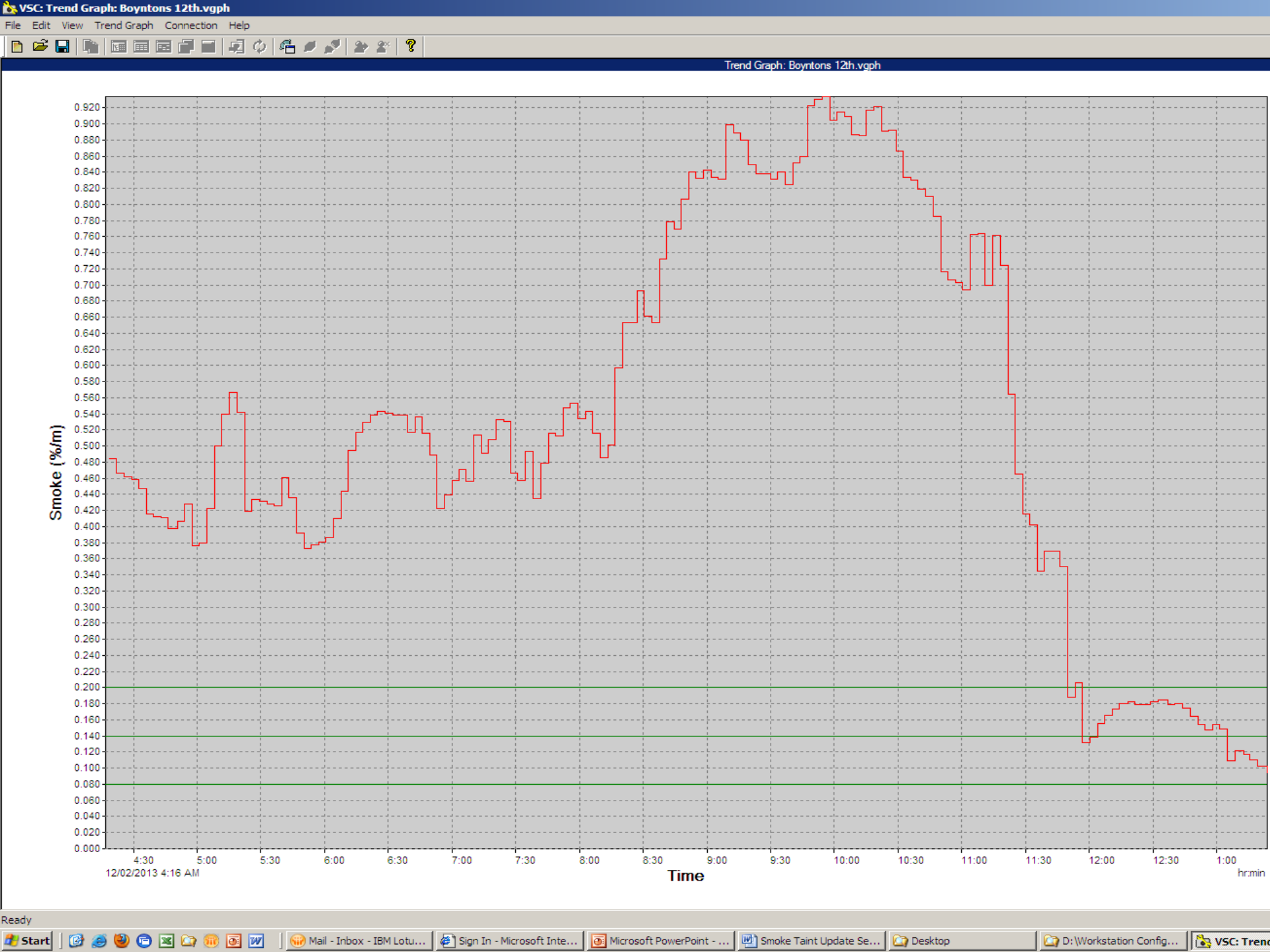
What we know/what we want to know???

Level of smoke taint is a combination of-

- Intensity of smoke- just like wine, very subjective, need to put a number on it.
- Duration of exposure-how long has the smoke been in the vineyard?

VESDA

- Very Early Warning Aspirating Smoke Detection
- Early warning alarm systems for sealed electrical and telecommunications cabinets.
- Retro fit units to be used in external environment to monitor smoke in vineyards.
- Ability to objectively measure smoke intensity over time and log this data over extended periods and multiple smoke events.



Positives and Negatives

- + Affordable price for industry- approx \$2500
- + Logs intensity and duration
- + Simple installation and data collection
- + Real time data to monitor controlled trials.
- + Local production, knowledge and experience.
- Not 'fit for purpose'. External conditions.
- False positives- dust, moisture, Winnie Blues
- Very sensitive- logs every change in concentration
- Correlations with EPA air Quality data.

Next Steps

- Adjust software to enable more suitable and reliable data to be collected.
- Correlation between Obs/m and visual horizon data.
- Ability to create a network across a region when best opportunity arises
- Monitor numerous locations in the one region to compare smoke intensity, duration and affect on fruit.

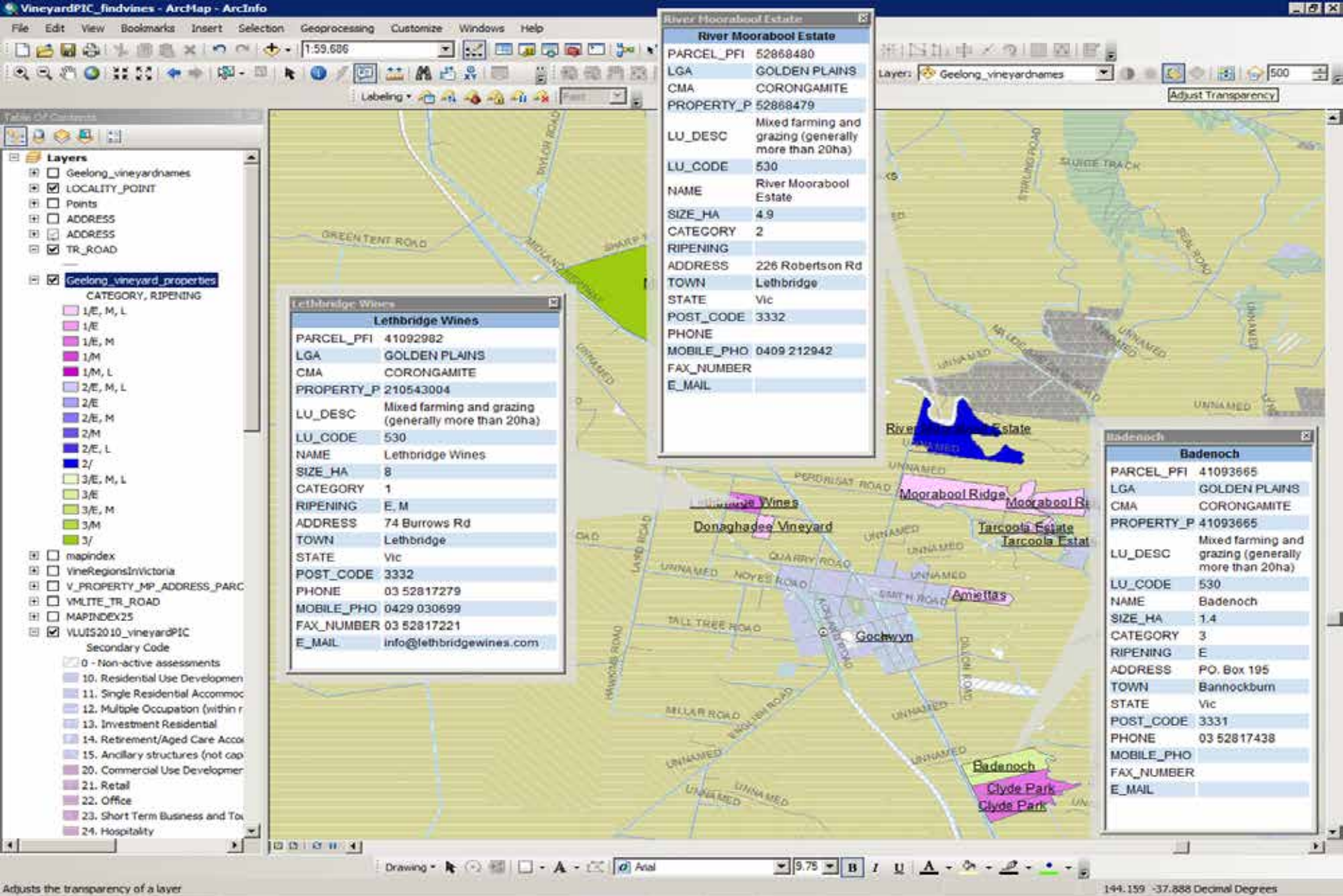
Who, What and Where??

Project Management Plan- Objective 6

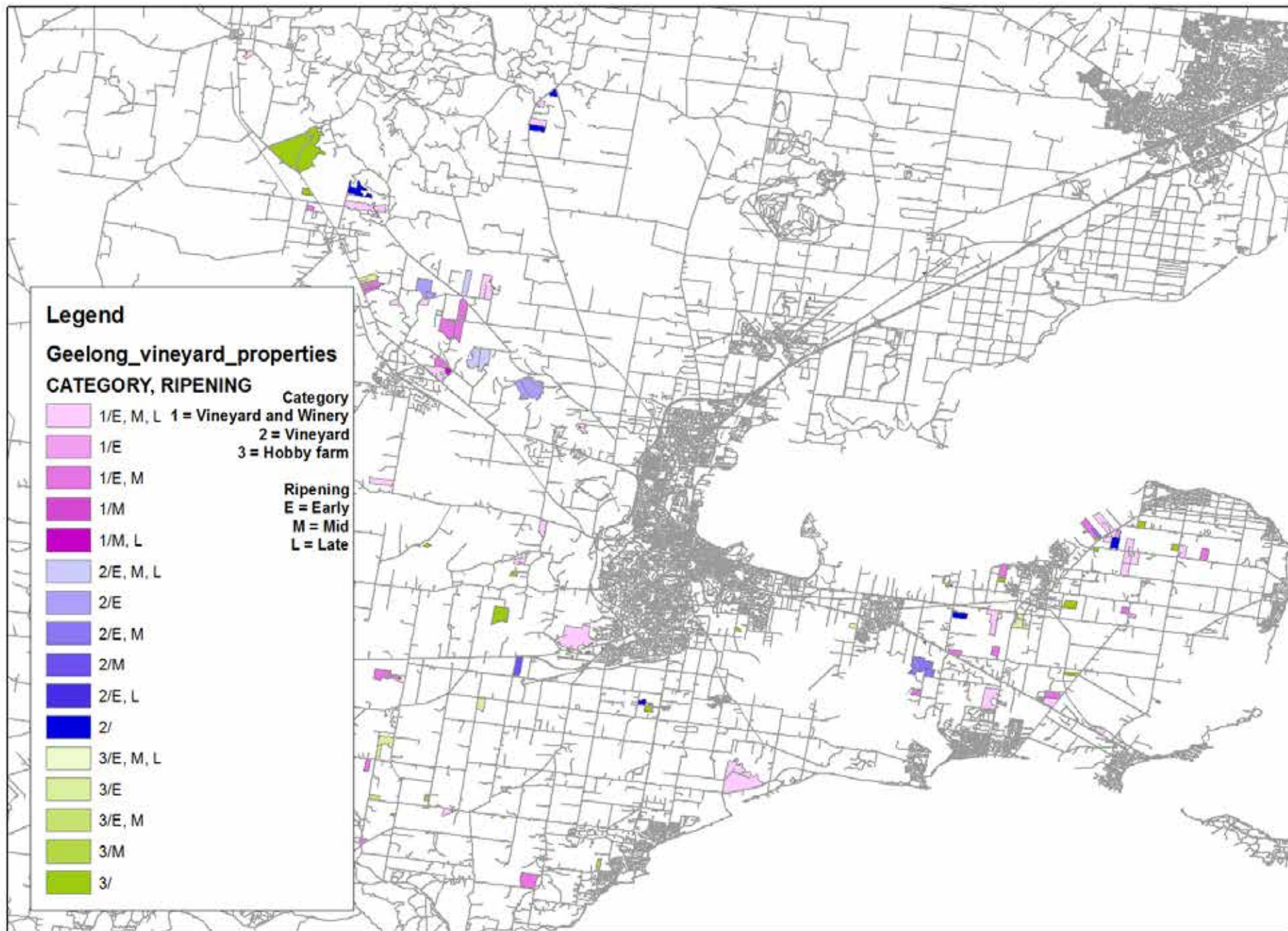
Develop and evaluate a risk assessment tool to enable industry and land managers to determine suitable burning periods based on varietal sensitivity and grapevine development.

Fit for purpose mapping for land managers and industry

- VLUIS- Victorian Land Use Information Survey
- Biosecurity Victoria- PIC Codes
- DEPI- Fire Management
- Victorian Wine Industry
- DAFWA- STAR Model



Adjusts the transparency of a layer



Wine Related Research @ DEPI

Smoke Taint- Mark Downey

Tannin measurements in Winegrapes and resulting wines- Rachel Kilmister

Impacts of global warming on grape phenology, vine growth and grape quality- Rachel Kilmister

Soil Health- Ian Porter and Jacky Edwards

Phenology – Veraison Heated Chamber @ +2 DegC.

Control



Heated



23/12/11

29/12/11

4/1/12

20/1/12

Questions???



Strategies for Successful MLF

What can you do to get that MLF through efficiently (and before Christmas!)?

Eveline Bartowsky

Senior Research Microbiologist

What is a successful MLF?

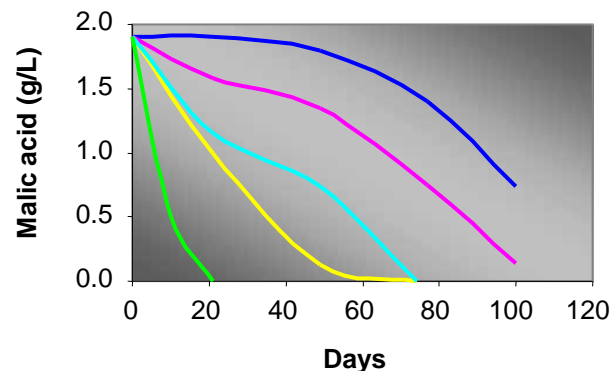


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Different for everyone

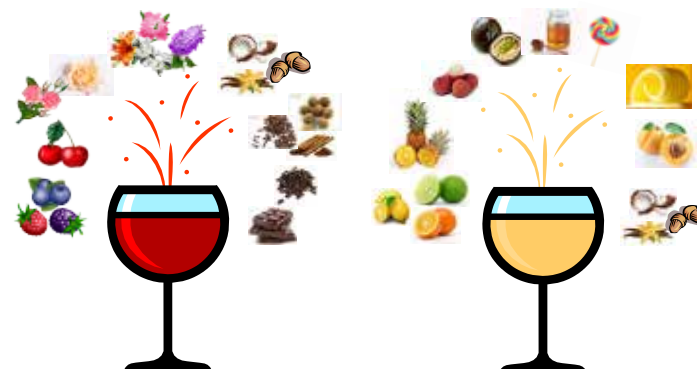
§ Malic acid metabolism

- Rapid
- Complete



§ Sensory changes

- None
- Buttery character
- - fruity & - vegetative characters
- Improved mouthfeel



- Ø *Delayed/failed MLF can increase the risk of wine spoilage, especially Brett and biogenic amines*



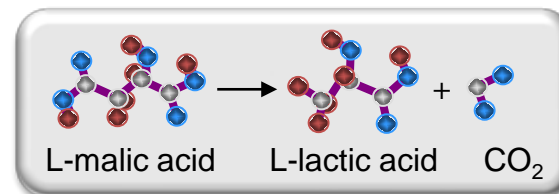
As a reminder ...



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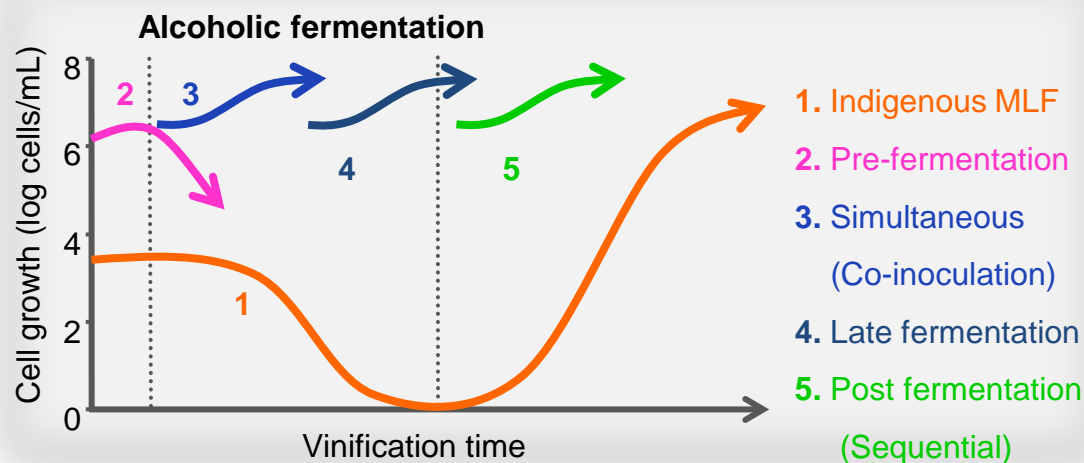
✓ Bacteria mediated

- § Reduce wine acidity
- § Microbial stability
- § Sensory changes



✓ When can it occur?

- § Spontaneous
- § Inoculated



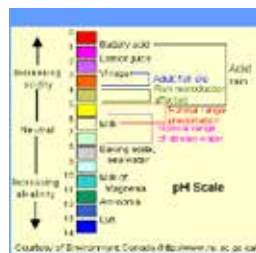
MLF is generally more difficult to manage than AF



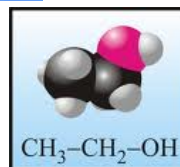
The key to MLF

Main factors

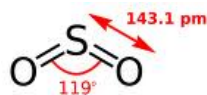
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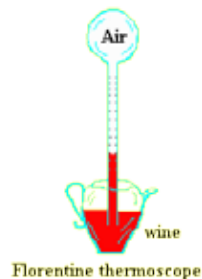
§ Alcohol (ethanol)



§ SO₂



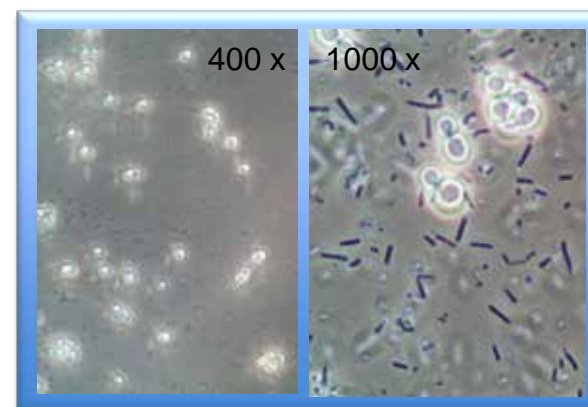
§ Temperature



§ Bacteria

§ Yeast

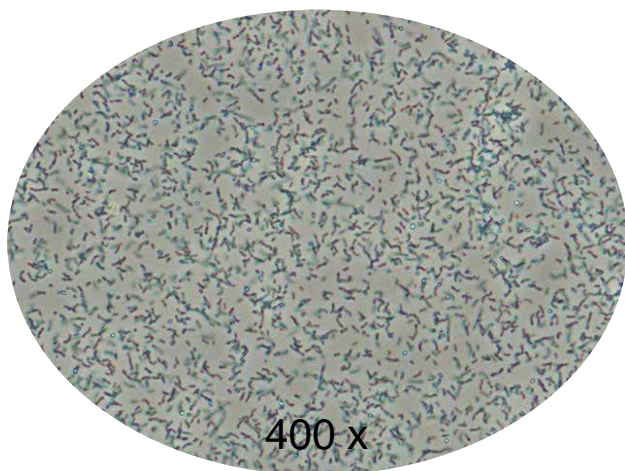
§ Nutrients



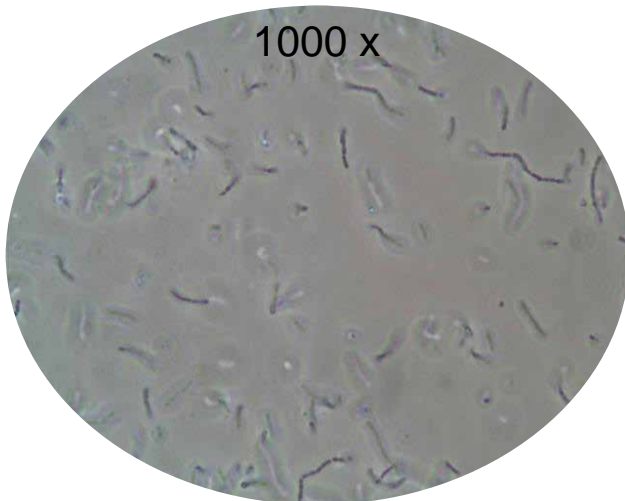
Under the microscope



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400 x



1000 x



30 μm

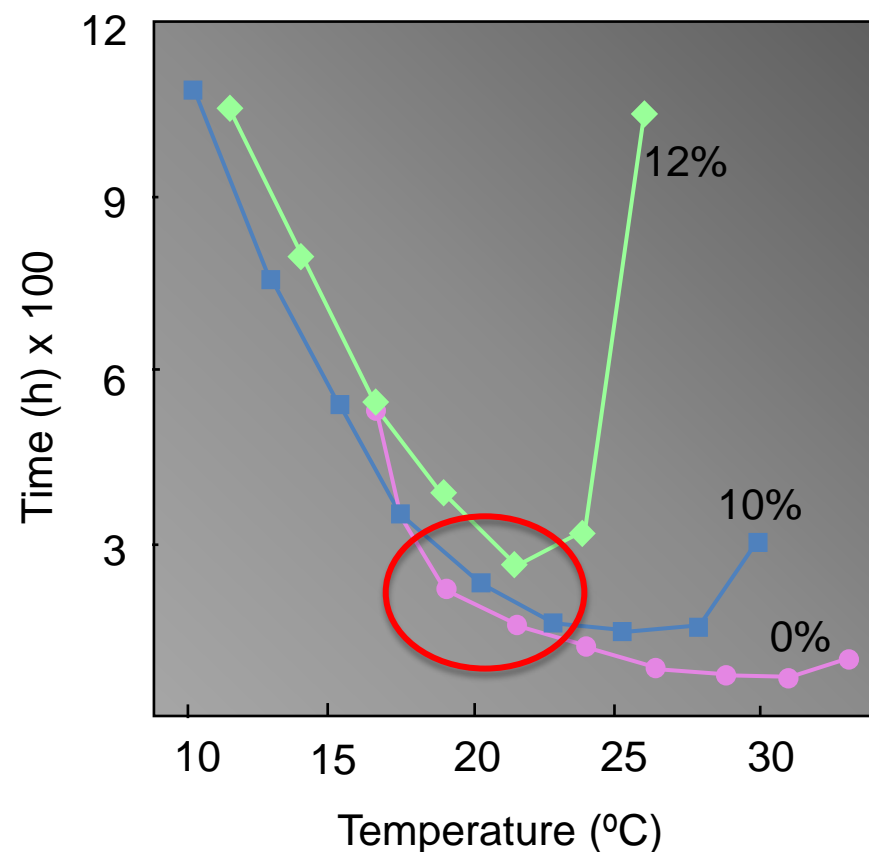


Don't under estimate the power of the microscope



Temperature and ethanol - *O. oeni*

- ✓ LAB generally are more temperature sensitive than yeast
- ✓ Most *O. oeni* strains grow slowly < 15°C
- ✓ Ethanol affects cell wall composition
- ⊘ Monitor temperature of wines regularly



Strain AM20
Asmundson & Kelly (1990)



***For harsh wine conditions,
adjust temperature within range 18-22°C***

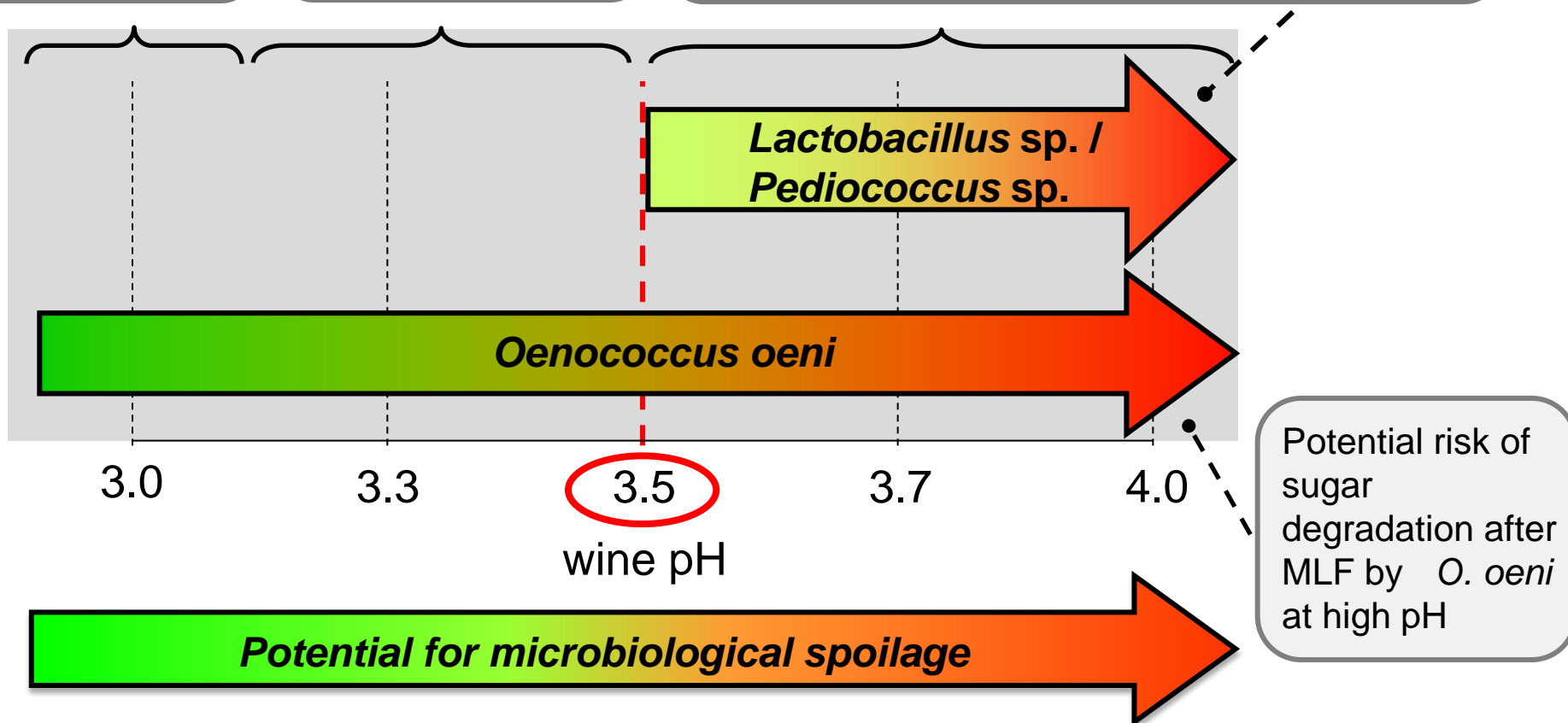


Effect of wine pH and LAB growth

Risk, that
MLF does not
occur

Difficulties to
induce a
spontaneous MLF

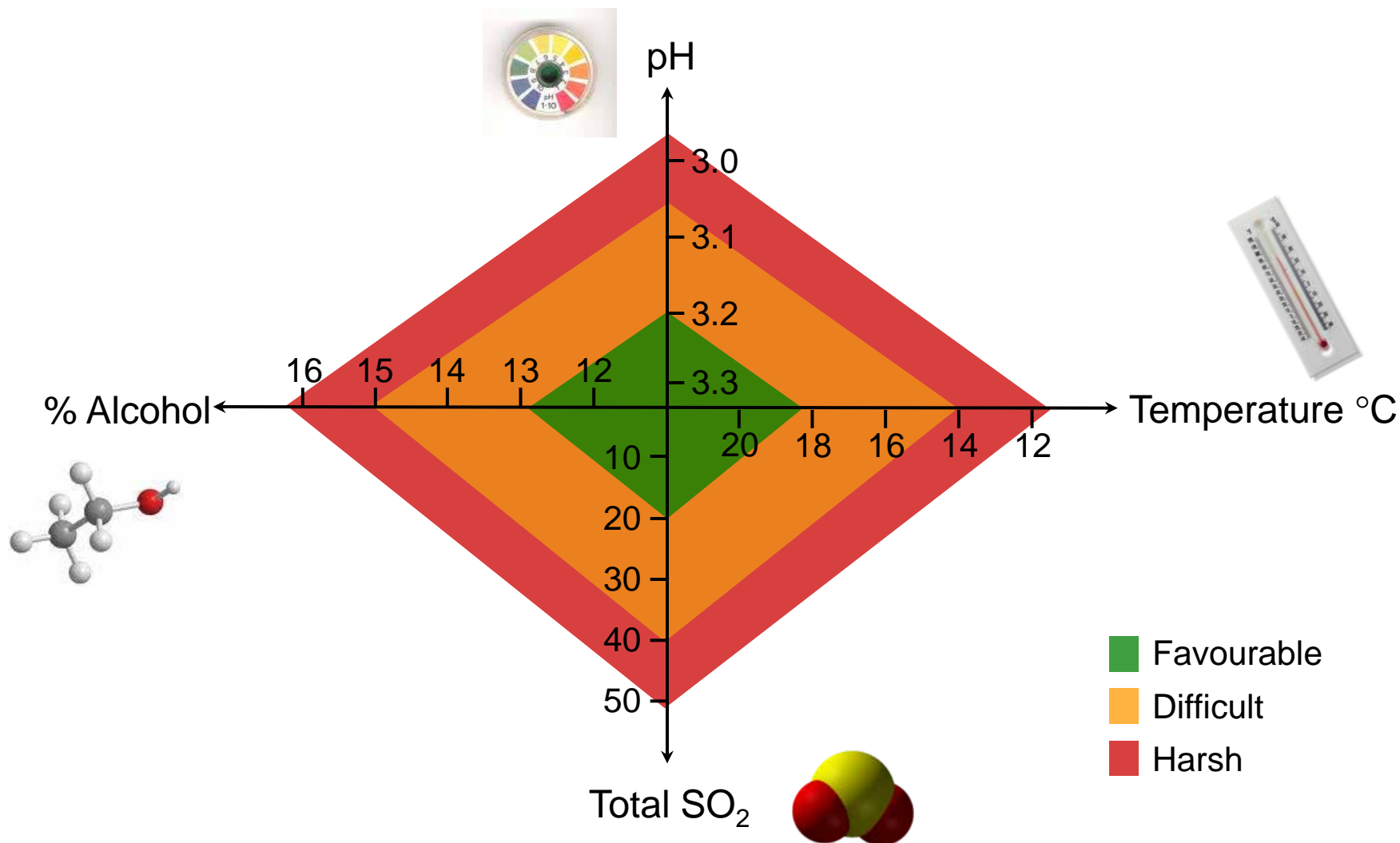
Increasing risk of spontaneous MLF
induced by *Lactobacillus* & *Pediococcus* sp.
OFF-FLAVORS



Additive effect of crucial MLF factors



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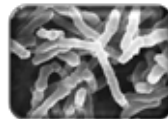




Why inoculate for MLF?

∨ Indigenous

- § Diverse population
- § Spontaneous MLF
- ∅ Induction can be unpredictable
- ∅ Unpredictable quality
- ∅ Possible infection by spoilage microorganisms
- ∅ Risk of off-flavours, amines, mousy
- § Low cost & minimal resources
- § Risk of 'Brett' development



∨ Selected

- § Unique strain
- § Inoculation - high cfu/mL
- § Induction at a chosen time
- § Predictable kinetics
- § Sensory & quality attributes
- ∅ Shorter lag phase
- ∅ Better control
- ∅ Decreases potential of spoilage LAB (& AAB)
- ∅ Strains selected against negative characteristics



Commercial Malolactic Starter Cultures



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Winemaking products and suppliers

Set the criteria for the search using the fields below. Any or all fields may be left blank.

Basic search | Advanced search

Product Name (whole or part):

Product Type: **Bacteria**

Supplier:

Search | **Reset to defaults**

It can be difficult to keep up to date with what products are available for the production of Australian wine. Before using this database users should be aware that the database is not a complete list of all products available for winemaking; the information has been provided by the suppliers themselves; and the information has not been verified for accuracy. The information given includes product name, form, purpose, container size and supplier details are given. For yeast, the product name, range and supplier details are given. To search, set the criteria for the blank.

- Commercial wine yeast strains available from the AWRI
- General information on the use and properties of bacterial cultures
- General information on the use and properties of pectic and lysozyme enzymes
- General information on the use and properties of yeast

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Winemaking products and suppliers

Search results

Bacteria

| NAME | FORM | PRODUCT INFORMATION | CONTAINER SIZE | RANGE | SUPPLIER |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------|-------|------------------------------|
| 1-Step ALPHA | 0.5eni - 24 H 1-Step@ Acclimatisation | Contributes to sensory complexity and mouthfeel. Reduces green and herbaceous flavours. | Various | | Lallem and Australia Pty Ltd |
| 1-Step BETA | 0.5eni - 24 H 1-Step@ Acclimatisation | Suitable for red wines with high tannins to enhance berry fruit aromas. Preserves acid balance | Various | | Lallem and Australia Pty Ltd |
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| | | | | | Lallem and Australia Pty Ltd |
| | | | | | Lallem and Australia Pty Ltd |

can be < 14.5% ANPROS
lication, from Alc.

Form for inoculation

Oenococcus oeni – 37 strains

Direct – freeze dried & frozen

Acclimatisation – 12hr & 24 hr

Lactobacillus plantarum – 1 strain

Direct – freeze dried

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Management of ML product



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Don't under estimate the importance of correct product management

✓ Store correctly

§ -18°C

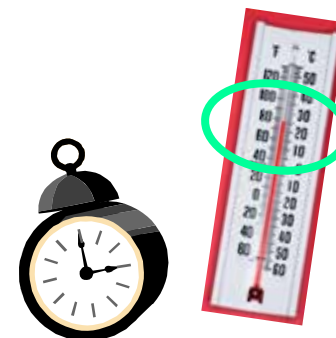
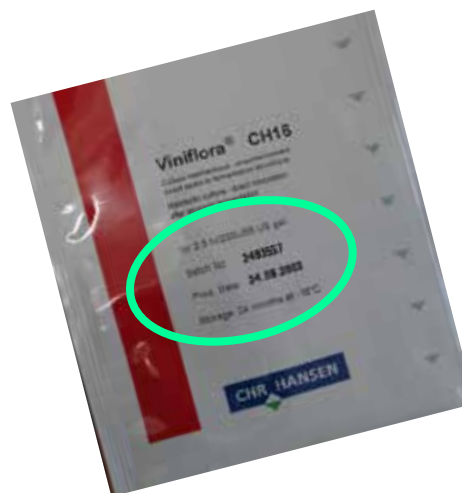
✓ Use by the 'use by date'

§ Up to ~ 24 months

✓ Rehydrate according to the instructions

§ Temperature of water or wine

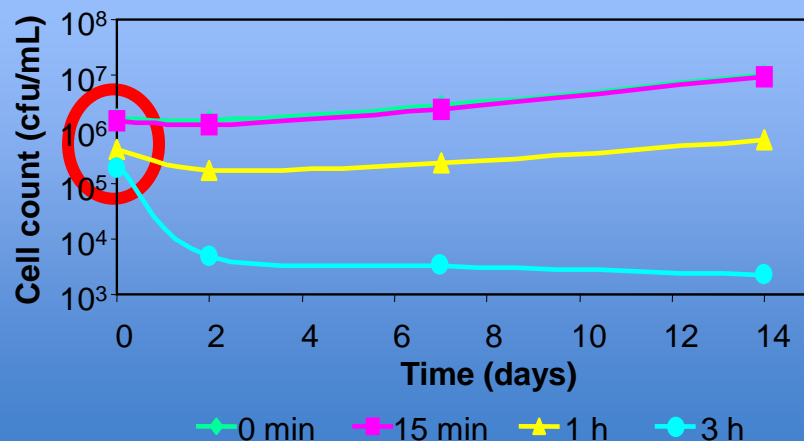
§ Length of rehydration





Importance of correct rehydration

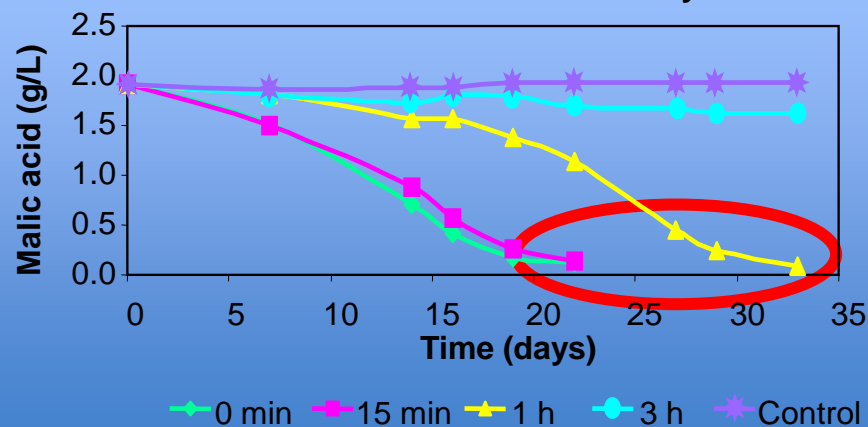
Alpha T ° (water) = 25 ° C T ° (wine) = 20 ° C
Different durations of rehydration



- 0-15 min rehydration – no loss of cell viability
- Loss of cell viability if left rehydrating for 1-3 hours

- 0-15 min rehydration – MLF completed sooner
- If left rehydrating for 1-3 hours – slower or no MLF

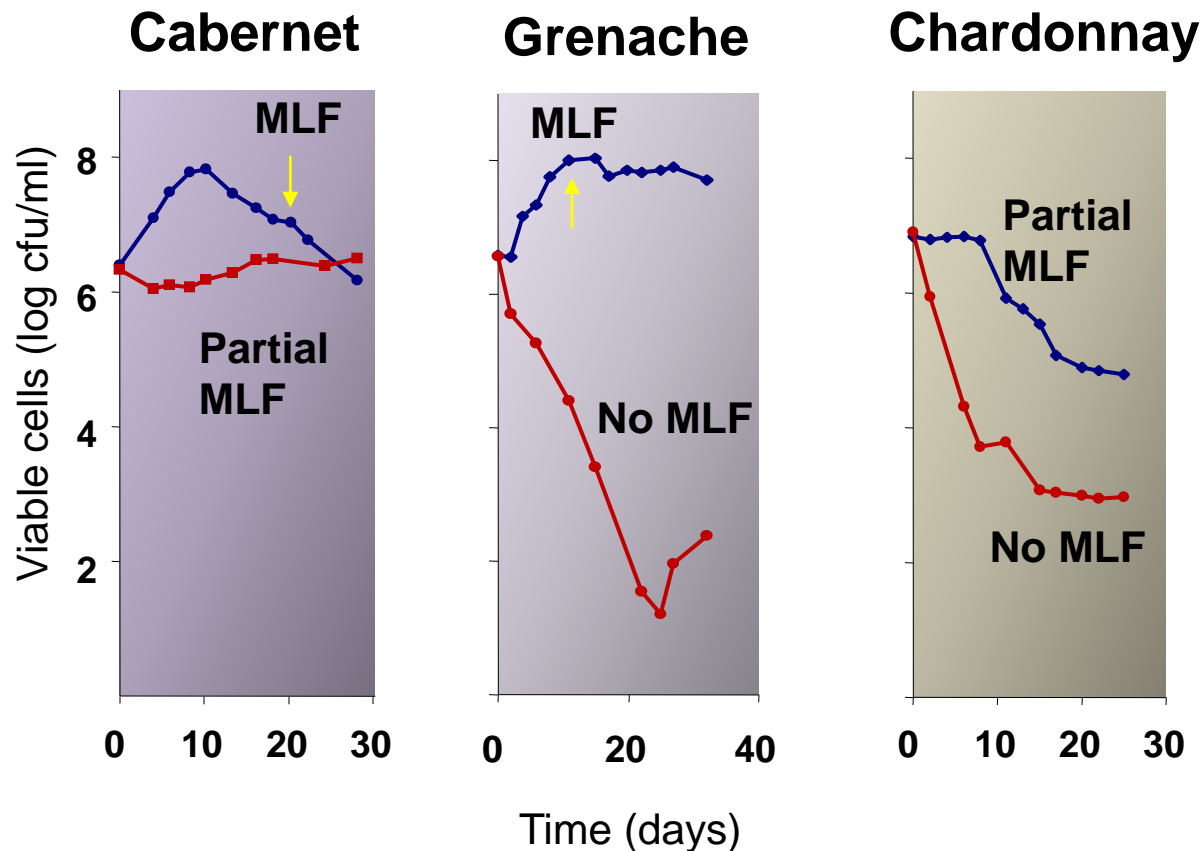
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Growth and MLF in 'soft' and 'harsh' wines

Viniflora oenos
pH & alcohol



Soft wine
pH 3.5, 12.5% EtOH

Harsh wine
pH 2.9, 14.5% EtOH



Conditions that favour bacteria growth favour MLF



Why consider Co-inoculation?

- Enough nutrients
- Ethanol not a factor
- Bypass difficult conditions
- Stabilise faster
- Reduced microbiology risks
- Perceived more fruitier, balanced, integrated

Pro (Advantages)

Con (Risks)

After AF

- Ø No VA ↑
- Ø Easy to control

- Ø Stuck due to high alcohol
- Ø Nutrients depleted
- Ø Production anti-LAB inhibitors

With AF

- Ø Ethanol not high
- Ø Most FSO₂ bound
- Ø Heat of AF

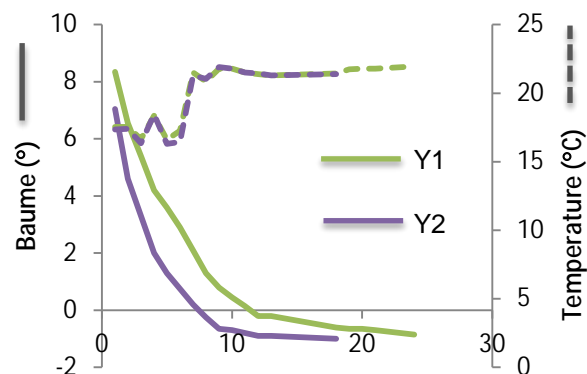
- Ø Potential yeast/bacteria antagonism
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Co-inoculation

| | | Juice | Y1 | Y2 |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Brix / Alcohol | ° / % | 21.6 | 12.6 | 12.5 |
| Glu + Fru | g/L | | 1.1 | 7.2 |
| pH | | 3.26 | 3.4 | 3.38 |
| TA pH 7.0 | g/L | 5.2 | 4.9 | 5.3 |
| TA pH 8.2 | g/L | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.6 |
| YAN | mg/L | 272 | 93 | 85 |
| Ammonia | mg/L | 97 | 8 | 8 |
| a Amino N | mg/L | 192 | 86 | 78 |
| SO ₂ (free) | mg/L | 12 | < 4 | < 4 |
| SO ₂ (total) | mg/L | 42.5 | 50 | 51 |
| L-malic acid | g/L | 3 | 2.79 | 2.87 |

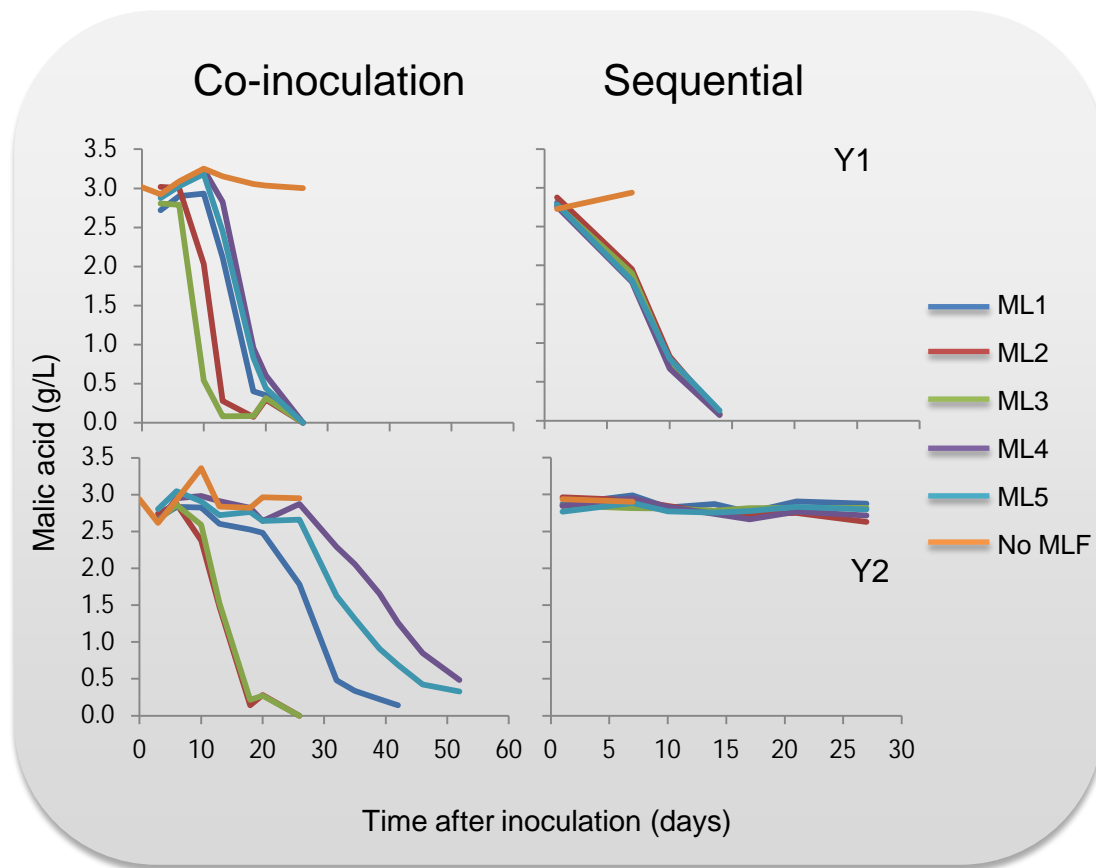
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| Co-inoculat ⁿ | | | 4 wks | 6-8 wks |
| Sequential | | | 4-8 wks | - |



Chardonnay (2011)
Barossa Valley
17°C



Co-inoculation can help bacteria adapt to 'harsh' wine composition





Yeast and bacteria ?

✓ Yeast may

- § Deplete complex nutrients & growth factors required by bacteria
 - Essential amino acids
- § Release of bioactive metabolites
 - SO₂
 - Fatty acids (C6, C8, C10)

Inhibition

Ø *Conditions that favour yeast growth (AF) tend not to favour MLF*

- § Release of metabolites
 - Amino acids, vitamins, peptides
 - Mannoproteins

Stimulation

Grape must with
low nutrients
(higher DAP usage)

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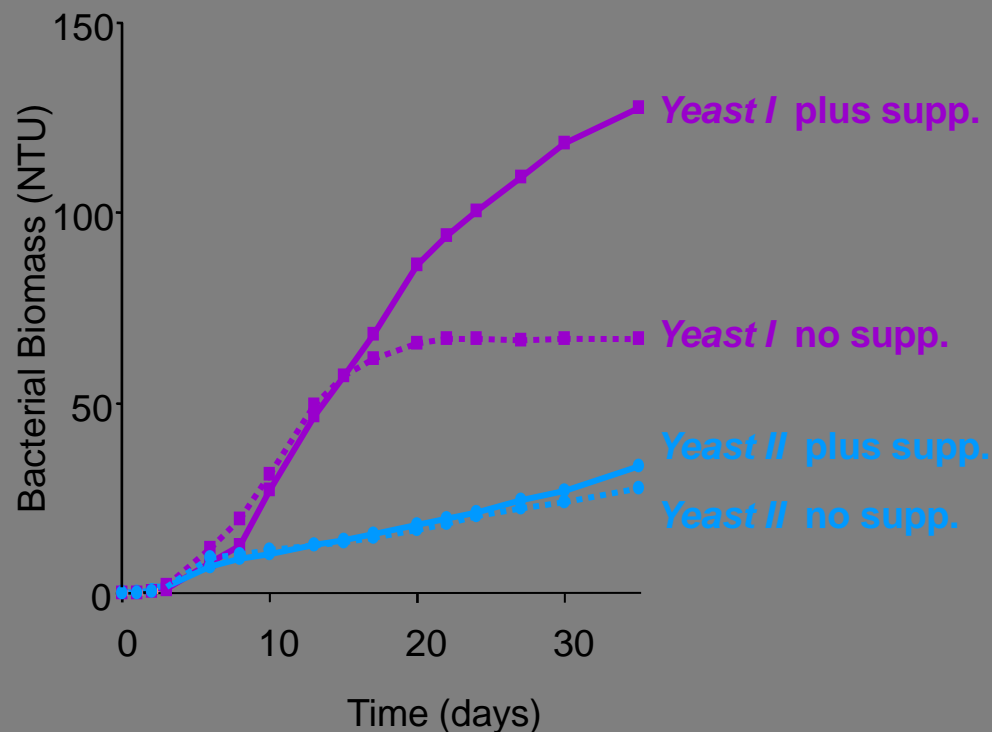
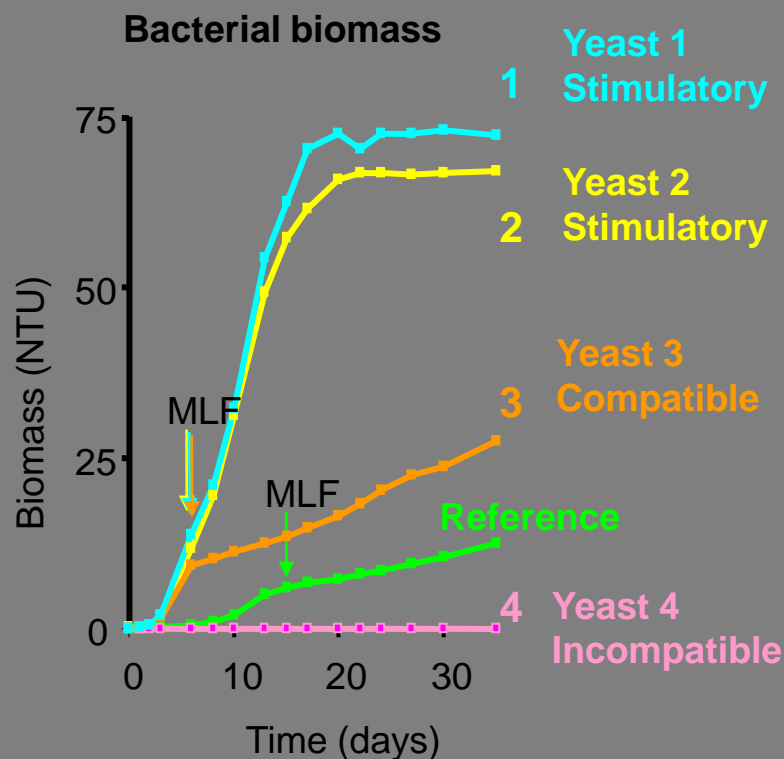
May cause yeast to
produce increased
levels of SO₂

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May inhibit MLF



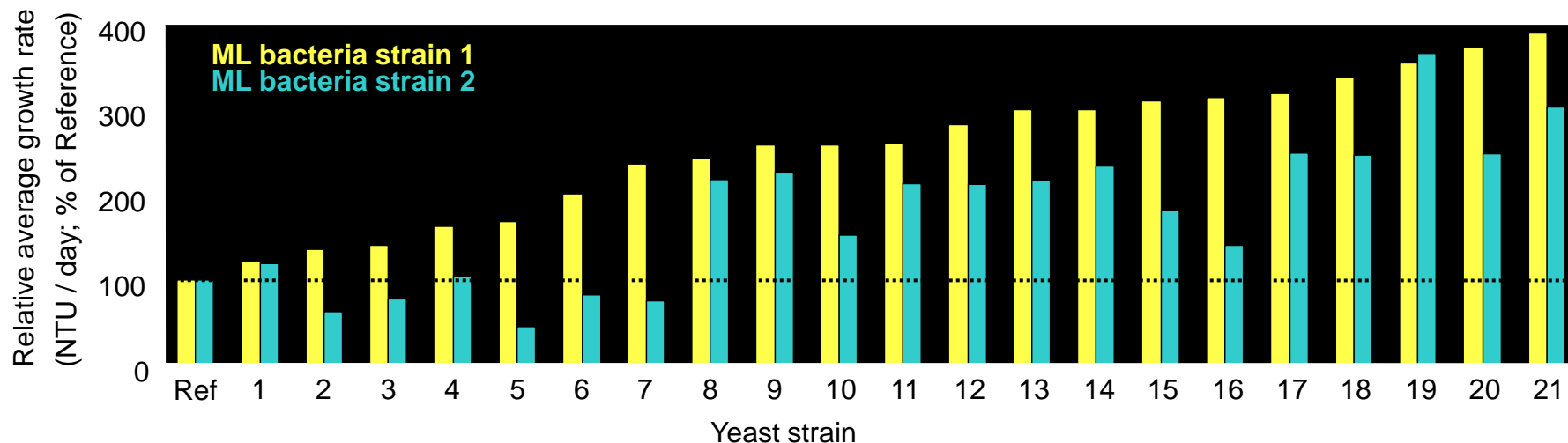
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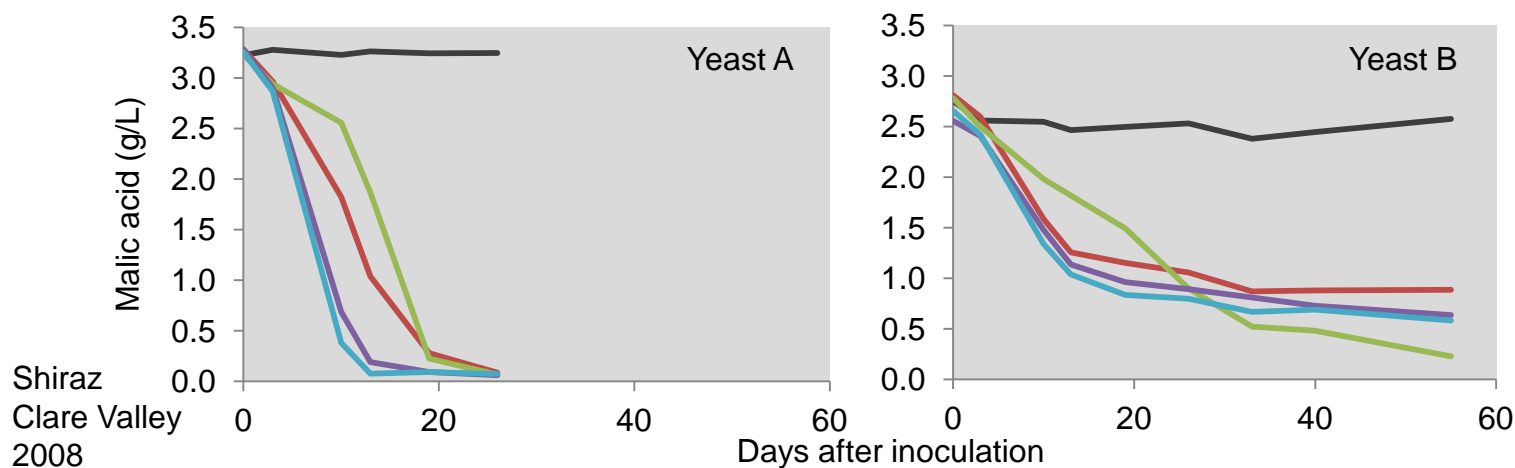
Intrinsic incompatibility by Yeast II for MLF
Addition of nutrients may not solve incompatibility



Yeast and bacteria ?



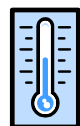
ML bacteria strain 1 more tolerant to incompatible yeast strains



Wine conditions – a general guide



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| Condition | Wine type | Limiting | Optimal |
|------------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| Temperature (°C) | White | <16, >24 | 18 - 22 |
| | Red | <15, >25 | 18 – 22 |



| | | | |
|----|-------|-------|-------|
| pH | White | < 3.1 | > 3.2 |
| | Red | < 3.0 | > 3.1 |



| | | | |
|-----------------|-------|------|--------|
| Alcohol (% v/v) | White | 13.5 | < 12.5 |
| | Red | 14 | <13 |



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|-----------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Total SO ₂ (ppm) | White | > 30 | < 15 |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|------|



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|--|-----|------|------|
| | Red | > 30 | < 15 |
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| Microbial | | | |
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|----------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Bacteria | Follow manufacturer's instructions | | |
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| Yeast | Check compatibility with ML bacteria | | |
|-------|--------------------------------------|--|--|



Confirm wine parameters by measurement/analysis

What to do to ensure a successful MLF



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- ✓ Check your wine parameters
 - § pH, alcohol, SO₂, temperature
- ✓ Select a ML strain to suit your purposes
 - § Tolerance to wine pH, alcohol & SO₂
 - § Sensory
- ✓ Co-inoculation
- ✓ Yeast strain
 - § High nutrient demand?
 - § Produces 'toxic' compounds?
 - § Compatibility with the ML strain?
- ✓ Take time to prepare your ML culture
 - § Rehydration
 - § Consider pre-adapting the bacteria to your wine conditions
- ✓ Microscope
 - § don't be afraid to use it
- ✓ *Further information*
 - § AWRI website for products
 - § Consult ML producer & website
 - § AWRI

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Causes and Management of Slow and Stuck Fermentations

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The problem of sub-optimal fermentation



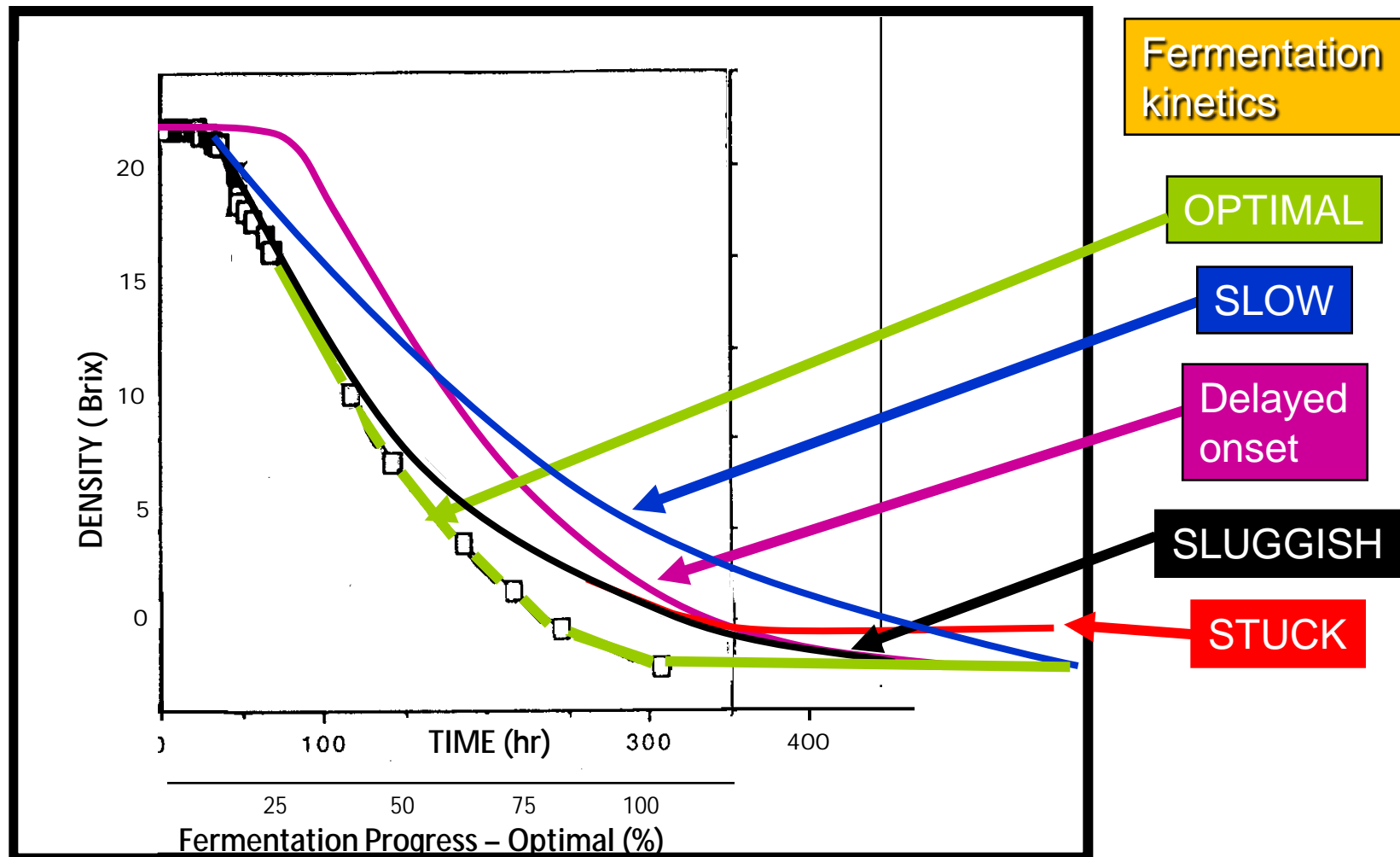
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- ✓ A common seasonal problem, but exacerbated by hot weather
 - ✓ Affects most wineries at some stage, both in Australia and overseas
 - ✓ White, red & sparkling wines, in tanks & barrels
 - ✓ Multifactorial problem, including yeast, nutrients, toxic substances and fermentation conditions/management
 - ✓ Most (all ?) yeast types are affected, including benchmark EC1118/PDM/Prise de Mousse
 - ✓ Expensive in resources (time, energy, yeast, tank space) and loss of quality
- >>> *This talk contains practical information on how to reduce the risk*

Sub-optimal fermentation profile



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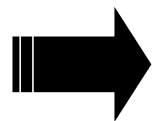
Environmental changes during fermentation

major stresses to which yeast must adapt



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| Factor | Grape juice | Wine |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|
| Sugar (g/L) | 180 – 260 | 0 – 4 |
| Alcohol (% v/v) | 0 | 10 – 16 |
| Nutrients: | | |
| YAN (mg N/L) | 50 – 300 | <50 |
| Oxygen (ppm) | 0 – 9 | 0 |



Conditions

Nutrient rich

Nutrient poor

High conc. toxic products



Failure to adapt results in sub-optimal fermentation



✓ Delayed onset of fermentation

Causes:

- § Poor quality starter culture
 - Low viability or low cell count/inoculation rate
 - Poor physiological condition (low metabolic rate)
- § High SO_2 , resulting in growth inhibition until level of free SO_2 has decreased below a critical point

Diagnosis:

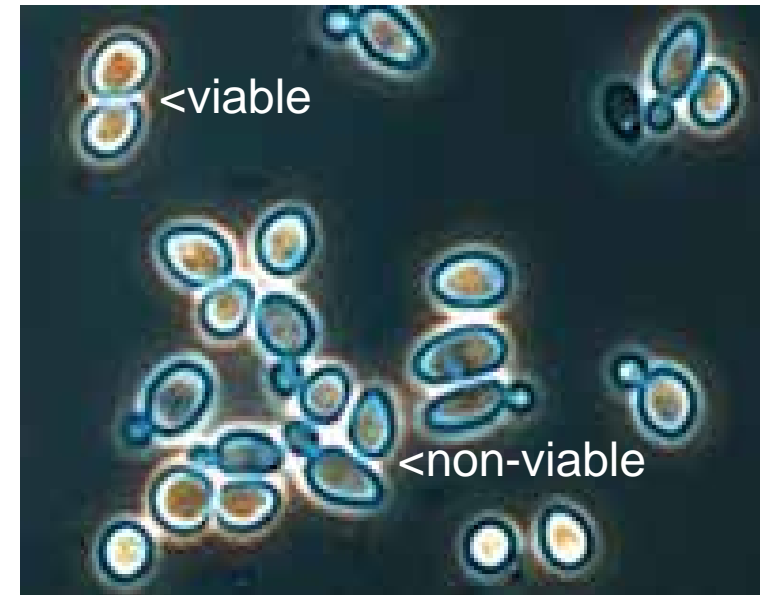
- § Perform a microscopic cell count before & after treating the sample with vital stain, eg methylene blue (see Iland et al. 2007)
- § Viability $<75\%$ indicates poor yeast culture or must toxicity, eg SO_2
- § Measure must/juice SO_2 ; should be $<10\text{-}15$ mg/L free SO_2

Methylene blue staining of yeast culture assessing culture viability



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- ✓ Methylene blue is a dye that is used to differentiate live and dead yeast cells in a culture.
- ✓ Methylene blue is a redox sensitive dye, such that metabolically active cells reduce it to the colourless form; viable cells are highly reductive.
- ✓ Dead cells (non-metabolically active) stain blue, ie the oxidised form.
- ✓ Population viability is a strong indicator of culture health:
 - § Healthy culture typically contains >95-98% viable cells
 - § <75% viability indicates toxicity, which can lead to stalled fermentation



Consult Iland et al (2007): Microbiological analysis of grapes and wine: techniques and concepts



✓ Slow (continuously) fermentation

Causes:

- § Low yeast biomass or cell number
- § Low budding index
- § Low level of key nutrient, typically YAN, O₂ or lipids

Diagnosis:

- § Confirm by microscopic cell count:
 - 0% FP (Fermentation Progress) count should be $>1-5 \times 10^6$ cells/mL;
 - 35% FP should exceed 50×10^6 cells/mL
- § Measure juice/must YAN, should exceed 100-150 mg N/L
- § Failure of aeration or grape solids addition to stimulate fermentation suggests deficiency of a key nutrient, eg YAN



✓ Sluggish & Stuck fermentation

Causes:

§ Multifactorial problem

Interaction between:

1. yeast strain
2. juice/must (nutrients, toxic substances) and
3. fermentation conditions/management (under control of winemaker)

§ Most yeast types are affected, including the industry benchmark strains EC1118 / PDM / Prise de Mousse

Diagnosis: complex & the subject of this talk

Sub-optimal fermentation kinetics

Risk Factors



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Yeast-related factors

- incorrect choice (alcohol stress tolerance)
- poor quality starter culture
 - rehydration / reactivation
 - viability / vitality
- unsuccessful inoculation
- indigenous microflora
- degree of must clarification
- temperature stress
- vigour and sedimentation

Nutrient deficiency

- yeast assimilable nitrogen (YAN)
- oxygen / lipids
- vitamins
- minerals

Inhibitors

- high concentration of sugar (high ° Be)
- high ethanol
- fatty acids (acetic acid & mid chain length FAs)
- SO₂
- toxic (killer) proteins/other organisms
- residues (pesticides, cleaning agents)

A list of Alcohol Tolerances of Fermentation Yeast*

choice guide only – data most relevant to ‘cellar bright’ juice ferments†

| Sugar Conc (g/L) | Degree Baume | Degree Brix | Maximum alcohol produc'd (% v/v) | Strain – Commercial name |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 200 | 11 | 20 | 12 | Uvaferm CEG, CM UCD 522-Montrachet CH158-Siha 4 |
| 218 | 12 | 21.5 | 13 | Hefix 1000 VRB |
| 235 | 12.7 | 23 | 14 | Fermivin Simi white Lalvin Actiflore, Assmannhausen, B, ICV D-47, ICV K1, CSM, M1107, M2, QA23, T306 Maurivin AWRI 796 Zymaflore VL1, VL3a |
| >250 | >13.5 | >24.5 | > 15 | Fermivin PDM , Fermichamp Lalvin L-2056, L-2226 , L-2323, L-43 , V1116, BDX, BM45, CY3079, D254, DV10, EC1118 , M1, RC212, S6U, Syrah, O 16, Agglo, Enoferm R2, Uvaferm 43 IOC 18-2007, Prise de Mousse , Maurivin PDM , AWRI 350, AWRI R2 WET 136-Siha 3 Uvaferm PM |
| | | | unspecified | Siha 5 |

Source: Cunier, ITV Manual (1994) ; Bold, recommended for restarting fermentation

*Measured as the maximum [EtOH] produced by standardised fermentation test, with surplus sugar.

†Presence of grape solids (phytolipids) or oxygen/YAN can increase yeast tolerance to alcohol

Active Dried Yeast - rehydration/reactivation (1)

- Follow manufacturers instructions precisely
- Choice of rehydration medium
 - Mineral water is preferable to rain water
 - If using tap water, remove Cl_2 by boiling/sparging when necessary
 - Water with grape sugar concentrate (10% sugar)
 - Diluted preservative-free (SO_2) grape juice (sterile)
- Temperature of medium should be 38-40 ° C
 - measure temperature with a thermometer
(optimum for reformation of yeast lipid membranes)
- For high risk juices: high sugar (>13 Be), bright (low solids), low YAN (<150 mg/L), to be fermented cold (<15C)
consider proprietary 'inactivated yeast' nutrients rich in sterols



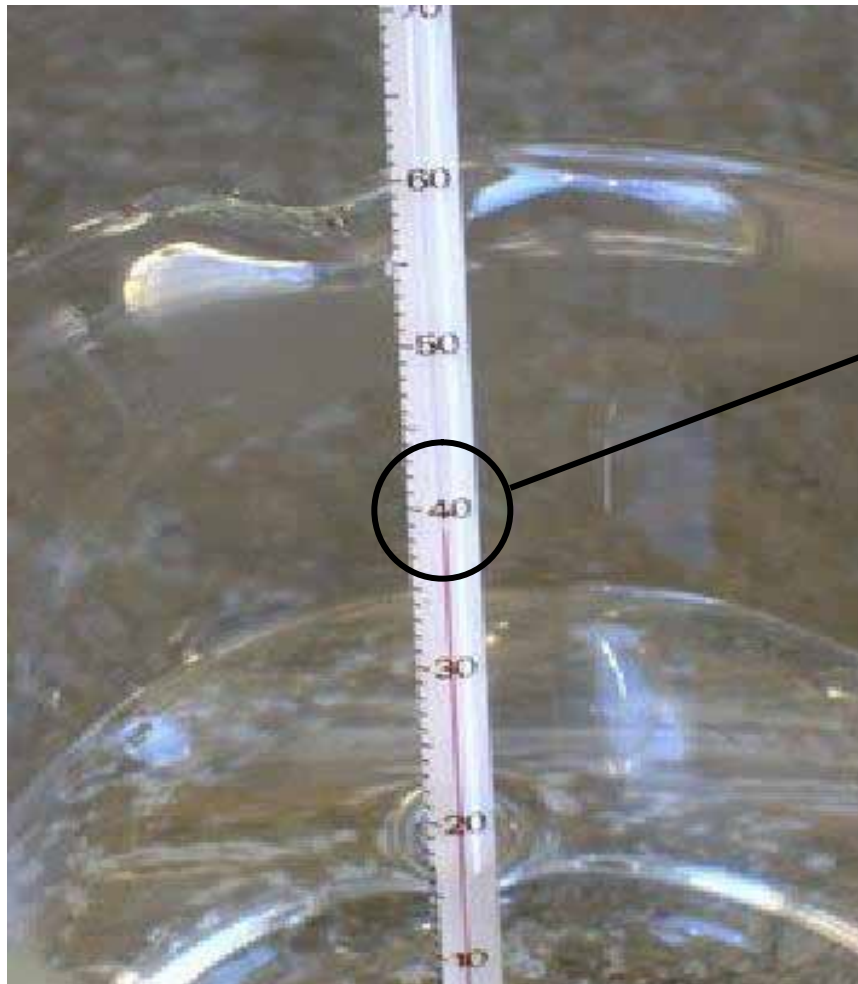
Active Dried Yeast - rehydration/reactivation (2)

- Add yeast slowly to container with large surface area. Avoid clumping - clumping produces non-wetted, and hence, non-rehydrated yeast
- Avoid vigorous (mechanical) stirring during rehydration step, which reduces viability
- Leave yeast for 15 min before mixing/aerating
- Use yeast after 20-30 min from start of rehydration
 - do not use yeast after this time unless grape sugar or juice has been added, because reactivated yeast rapidly loses activity in water

Hydration temperature is very important



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Critical
38 – 40 ° C

Hydration step – prevent ‘dry lumps’ of yeast



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Correct



Incorrect



Hydration final step – temperature amelioration



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Culture amelioration before inoculation of difficult to ferment juices/musts

Step-wise cooling by adding juice to the culture can be beneficial for cold juices or musts (post cold maceration) and/or of high Be/Brix



Yeast-related risk factors



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Active Dried Yeast - rehydration/reactivation (3)

- Add rehydrated yeast to pre-warmed juice (ie after cold settling or cold soak, preferably $>15^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- For cold ($<15^{\circ}\text{C}$), highly clarified, high sugar juice ferments, step-wise cool reactivated yeast in $5\text{--}10^{\circ}\text{C}$ steps at 5 min intervals by adding appropriate volumes of the juice to be inoculated
- Ensure sufficient time has elapsed after SO_2 addition to must to avoid damaging yeast (<10 ppm SO_2 @ pH3.5) – consider adding a ‘sacrificial culture’ of about 15–20% of aerated active yeast (containing aldehyde) to the juice in order to bind SO_2 and other potentially inhibiting substances, about 30 min before inoculation
- Do not use old yeast stocks for high risk juices



Fermentation management

- ✓ **Add yeast hulls for high risk ferments** (detoxification role)
- ✓ **Allow ~10% of sugar to ferment before cooling**
 - It is critical to build-up cell number (growing yeast - v. stress sensitive)
 - Do not cool in greater than 2-4 ° C increments
- ✓ **Monitor fermentation progress & temperature daily**
 - Spreadsheets provide an efficient record of fermentation data, comparison with similar ferments and early identification of problems
- ✓ **Look for a steady fermentation rate**; compare with previous data of similar ferments and/or previous years data to identify problems
- ✓ **Cell numbers should reach 70×10^6 cells per ml for cellar bright juice ferments** (determine with microscope and haemocytometer)
 - Monitor budding % as an indication of yeast growth or problems
 - Expect high % budding during first third stage of fermentation
 - Vital staining (eg methylene blue) is also a useful diagnostic for dead yeast cell estimation – check when fermentation rate becomes slow
 - Also look for presence of (lactic acid) bacteria, which can adversely affect yeast activity and lead to fermentation arrest



Factors affecting yeast implantation

- Pure culture inoculation strategy
 - Maximising the benefits of selected yeast strains
- ✓ Minimise indigenous yeast population of must ($<10^5$ cfu/ml)
 - Minimise must exposure to moderate-hot temperature, during harvest, transport, juice preparation (enzyme treatment, clarification, etc) which otherwise promotes indigenous yeast & bacteria growth
 - Add sufficient SO_2 (50-100 ppm, depending on fruit condition) during machine harvest to limit indigenous microbial growth
 - Clarification procedures can lower indigenous microbial growth
 - High indigenous yeast count can indicate nutrient depletion – add nutrs.
- ✓ Optimise yeast starter culture population
 - Yeast propagator should exceed 10^8 cfu/ml, but be capable of producing maximum population of $3-4 \times 10^8$ /ml
 - ADWY viable cell population should exceed 2×10^{10} cfu/g
- ✓ Recommended Inoculation rates
 - whites: 5×10^6 cells/ml (typically 250 g ADWY per kL juice);
 - reds: 4×10^6 cells/ml ; lower rates can compromise yeast implantation

Factors affecting yeast implantation

Control of indigenous yeasts and nutrient loss

- **Grape condition**
 - Damaged grapes (rain/bird damage/mouldy/heat wave) have higher wild microbial load, including wild yeast, acetic and lactic acid bacteria
- **Method of harvest and transport**
 - Mechanical harvest gives higher microbial load due to poor harvester/transport bins hygiene – eg adjust sulfite: time, temperature
- **Must processing**
 - Time (minimise) / Temperature (as low as practical)
 - Chemical antimicrobials (effective levels of sulfite (measure pH))
 - Physical removal of microbes
(ie enzyme / cold settling, filtration, centrifugation)
 - Hygiene (clean/sanitise harvester and transport bins regularly)
 - Minimise must dO₂ & contact with O₂ (stimulates oxidative microbes)
- **Fermentation conditions**
 - Temperature (18-27 ° C favours *S. cerevisiae* (Sc) over non-Sacch. sp)
 - pH (<3.5 favours *S. cerevisiae*)
 - SO₂ (favours *S. cerevisiae*, generally tolerant to 10 ppm free)
 - O₂ at 30-40% Ferm Progress prolongs survival of Sc yeast

Nutritional deficiency risk factors



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✓ Yeast Assimilable Nitrogen (YAN)

- § A variable proportion of Australian juices/musts have inadequate YAN
- § Measure YAN on a grape maturity sample or juice sample
- § Low YAN of <150 mg N/L for whites or < ~ 100 mg N/L for reds increases risk of slow/stuck fermentation
- § Maximum growth achieved at approx. 400 mg N/L (NB high heat productn)

✓ Lipid deficiency (phytosterols and unsaturated fatty acids (UFA))

- § Over clarification removes lipids necessary for yeast growth
- § i.e. when <0.1-0.5 v/v juice solids (ie 'cellar bright') or <5 NTU
- § Addition of "fine" settled grape solids highly stimulatory to yeast growth
- § Avoid "hard" settled grape solids, which can impart phenolic coarseness, hotness, bitterness to wine
- § Rehydrate yeast with inactivated yeast product rich in sterols

✓ Dissolved Oxygen (dO₂)

- § dO₂ is highly variable in juice/must – ranging 0 – 8 ppm (air-saturated)
- § Aerating fermentations at least once, at the stage when they are most active (after 35-50% sugar has been fermented) is highly beneficial
- § Aerate to give ~5 ppm oxygen (sparge, pump over, rack-return, etc)
- § Oxygen alleviates yeast REDOX imbalance & stimulates sterol formation

Nutritional deficiency risk factors



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✓ Vitamins

- § Vitamin status of Australian musts/juices is unknown
- § **Thiamine** - essential for ethanol production by yeast
 - losses caused by high SO₂ use and wild yeast growth
- § Vitamins (thiamine, niacin, biotin, pantothenate, pyridoxine, inositol) can be added to starter cultures under ANZFA Wine Regulations
- § Some proprietary yeast foods provide a useful source of vitamins

✓ Minerals

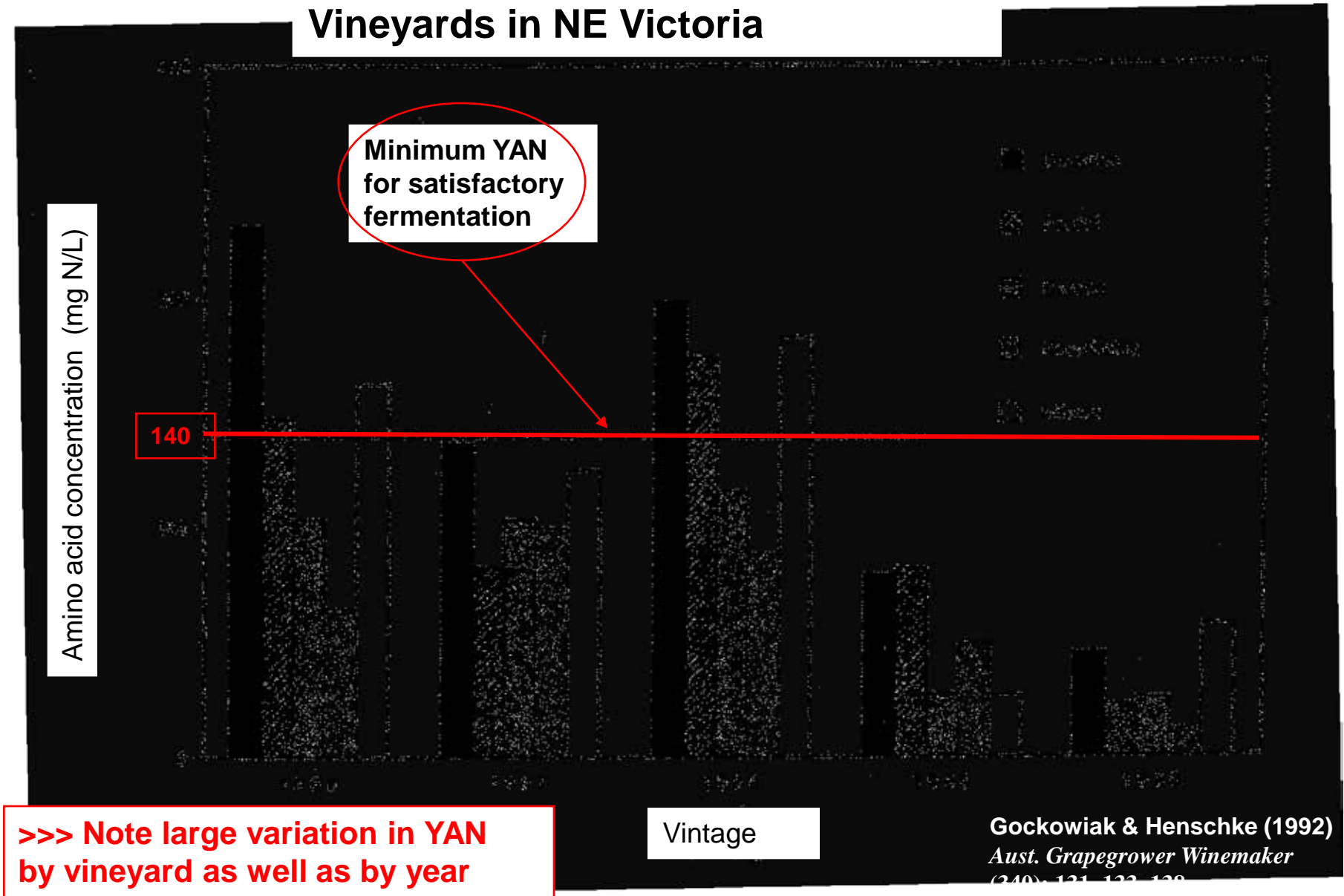
- § Mineral status of Australian musts/juices is unknown
- § **Phosphate** – normally considered adequate; can be added with DAP
- § **Low K⁺/Low pH** can lead to stuck ferms with some yeast strains (sparkling/tirage)
- § **Magnesium, zinc, manganese, which are enzyme co-factors are thought to be sub-optimal** (these cannot be added under ANZFA Wine Regulations)
- § Some proprietary yeast foods provide a limited source of minerals

✓ Low YAN juices/musts

- § Low YAN musts are typically also low in other nutrients
- § **Useful to add proprietary inactivated yeast nutrients to yeast starter cultures when deficiencies are suspected**

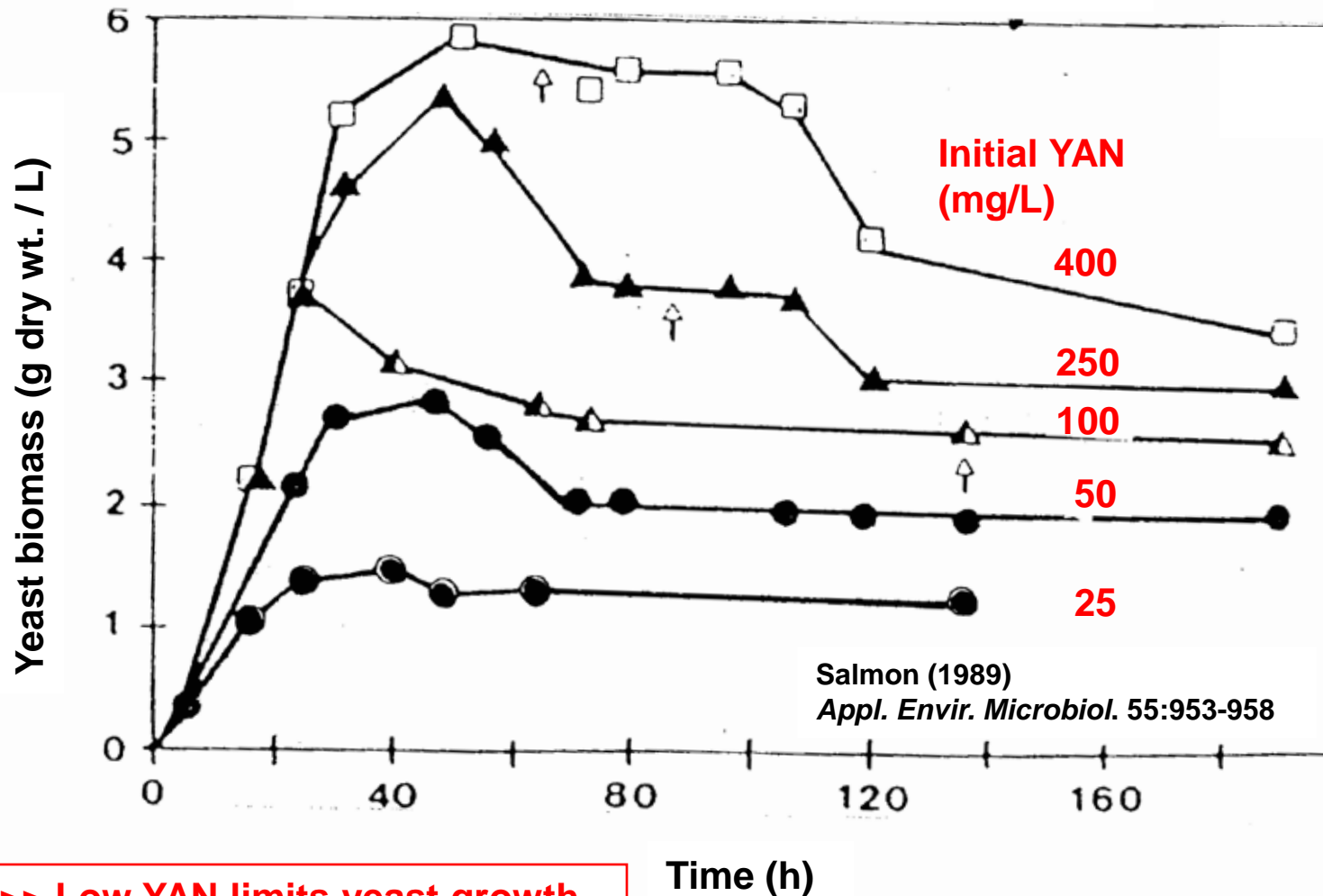
Vineyard & Year effect on juice YAN

Vineyards in NE Victoria



Yeast growth response to YAN

Synthetic juice \equiv 'cellar bright' juice
(all other nutrients are adequate)

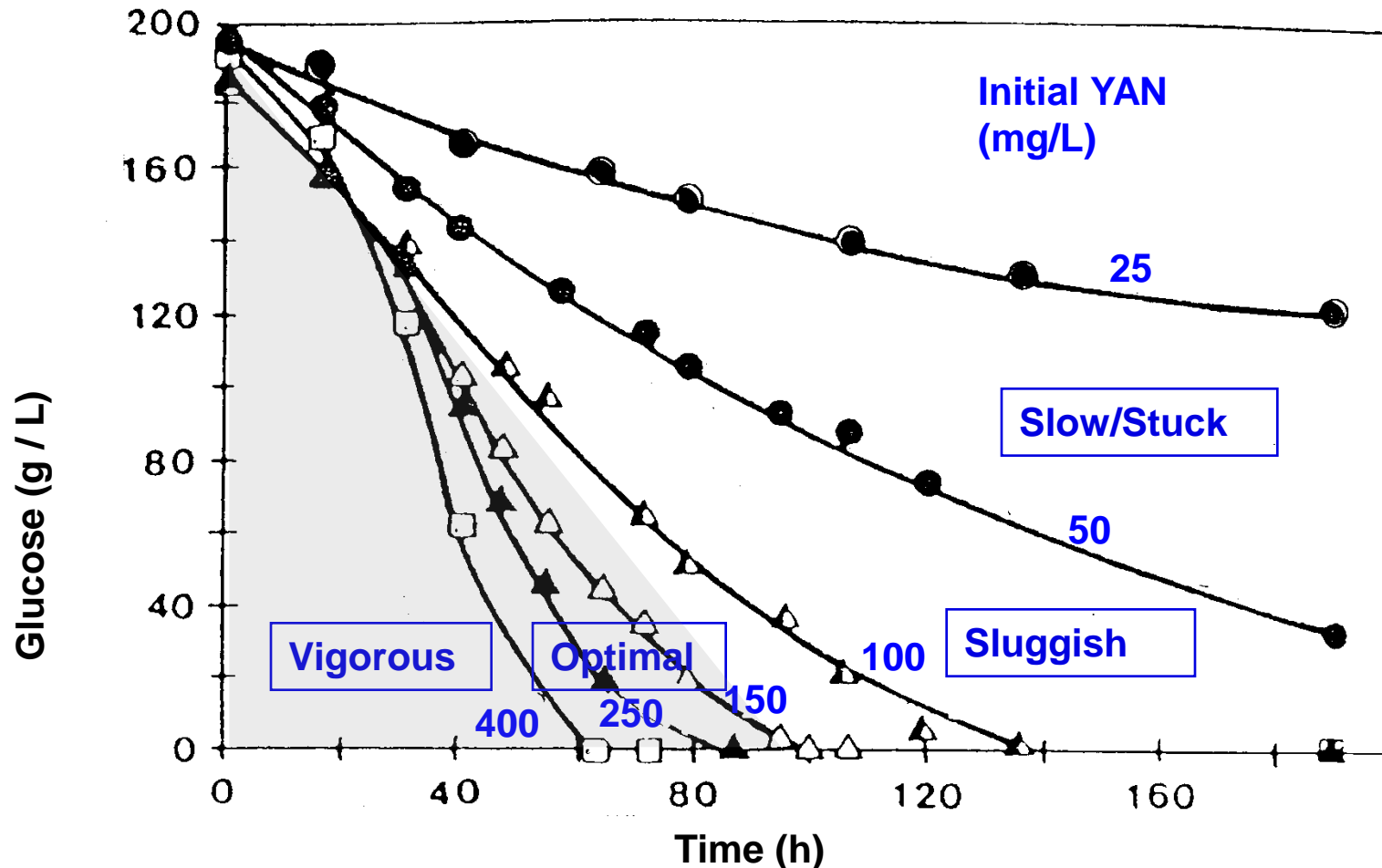


>>> Low YAN limits yeast growth
Excessive YAN has no benefit

Fermentation response to YAN

Synthetic juice \equiv 'cellar bright' juice

All other nutrients are adequate, representing Nitrogen-limited growth



>>> Low YAN - slow/stuck fermentation
Excessive YAN – too vigorous

Sourced from Salmon (1989)
Appl. Envir. Microbiol. 55:953-958

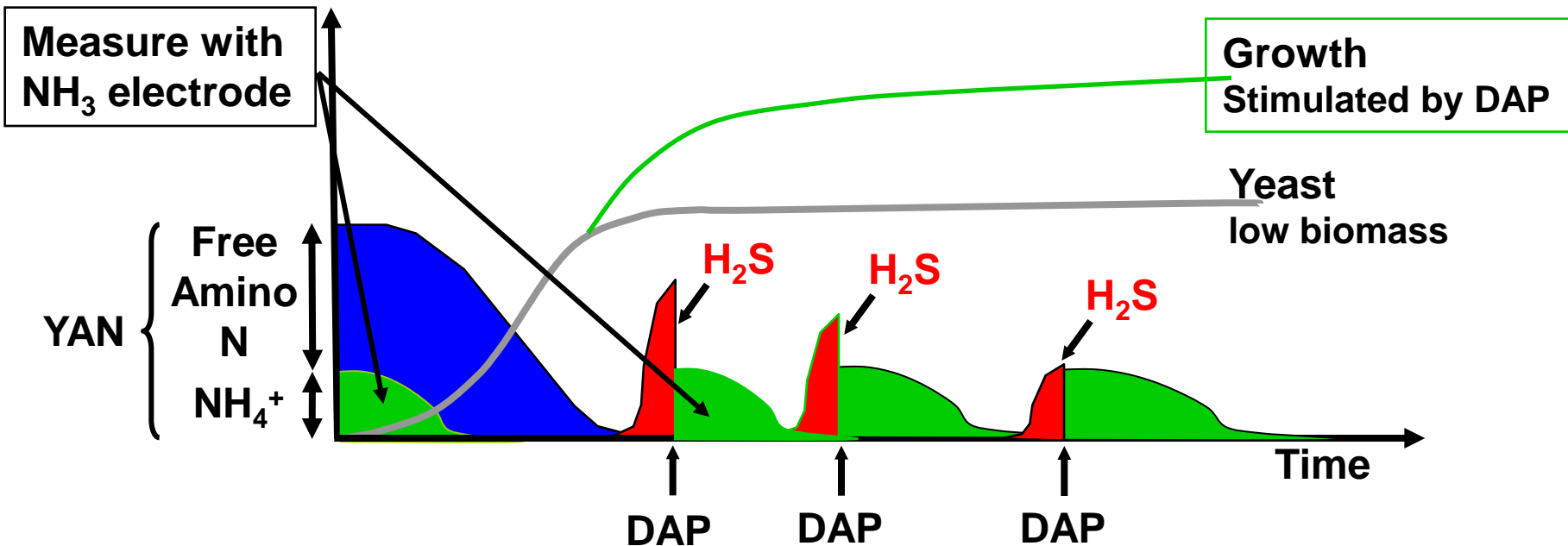
Nitrogen utilisation during fermentation



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Low Nitrogen (<200 mg N/L)

Low biomass increases risk of slow/stuck fermentation and H_2S production



- Inverse relationship between Initial YAN and H_2S production
- Initial YAN should exceed 250 mg N/L YAN to prevent H_2S but H_2S profile depends on yeast strain X juice/must interactn
- Not all Yeast H_2S responds to DAP; could be a vitamin deficiency?

YAN Requirements of Yeast

(white juice, low solids fermentation conditions)



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1. Maximum N demand:

Mean = 400 mg N/L

Range = 330 – 470 mg N/L

2. Minimum YAN requirement

Whites – approx. 150 mg/L

Reds – approx. 100 mg/L

3. Minimum YAN to prevent H₂S

approx. 250 – 350 mg/L (yeast x must dependent)

4. Optimum flavour formation

Whites (strong style effects – complex thr' to fruity)

– Chardonnay – fruity: 250–350 mg/L; <200: complex

– Sauvignon Blanc – ? mg/L

– Reds – fruity: 250–350 mg/L ; <200: complex

N-demand of fermentation yeast

examples from Lallemend range



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| <u>N demand</u> | <u>Yeast</u> | <u>Type</u> |
|--|--|--|
| Low (1-1.5 mg N/g CO ₂) | 71B/Actiflore DV10 QA-23 D47 M1107 / Uvaferm Lalvin EC1118 | R/(W) Estery W/R/S Neutral W/S EVC W EVC CMR EVC W/S Neutral |
| Medium (1.5-2 mg N/g CO ₂) | V1116 D254 L2056 Uvaferm CEG/Epernay 2 R2 RC212 S6U BDX CSM CY-3079 L2226 L2323 | W Neutral R/W EVC W/R Estery W/S (barrel) W Estery R EVC W EVC R EVC R EVC W (barrel) EVC R Neutral R EVC |
| High (>2 mg N/g CO ₂) | BM 45 K1M VL1 / VL3 Sb 1176 / 1375 | R (barrel) EVC W EVC R/W EVC |

R, red; W, white; S, sparkling; EVC, enhances varietal character

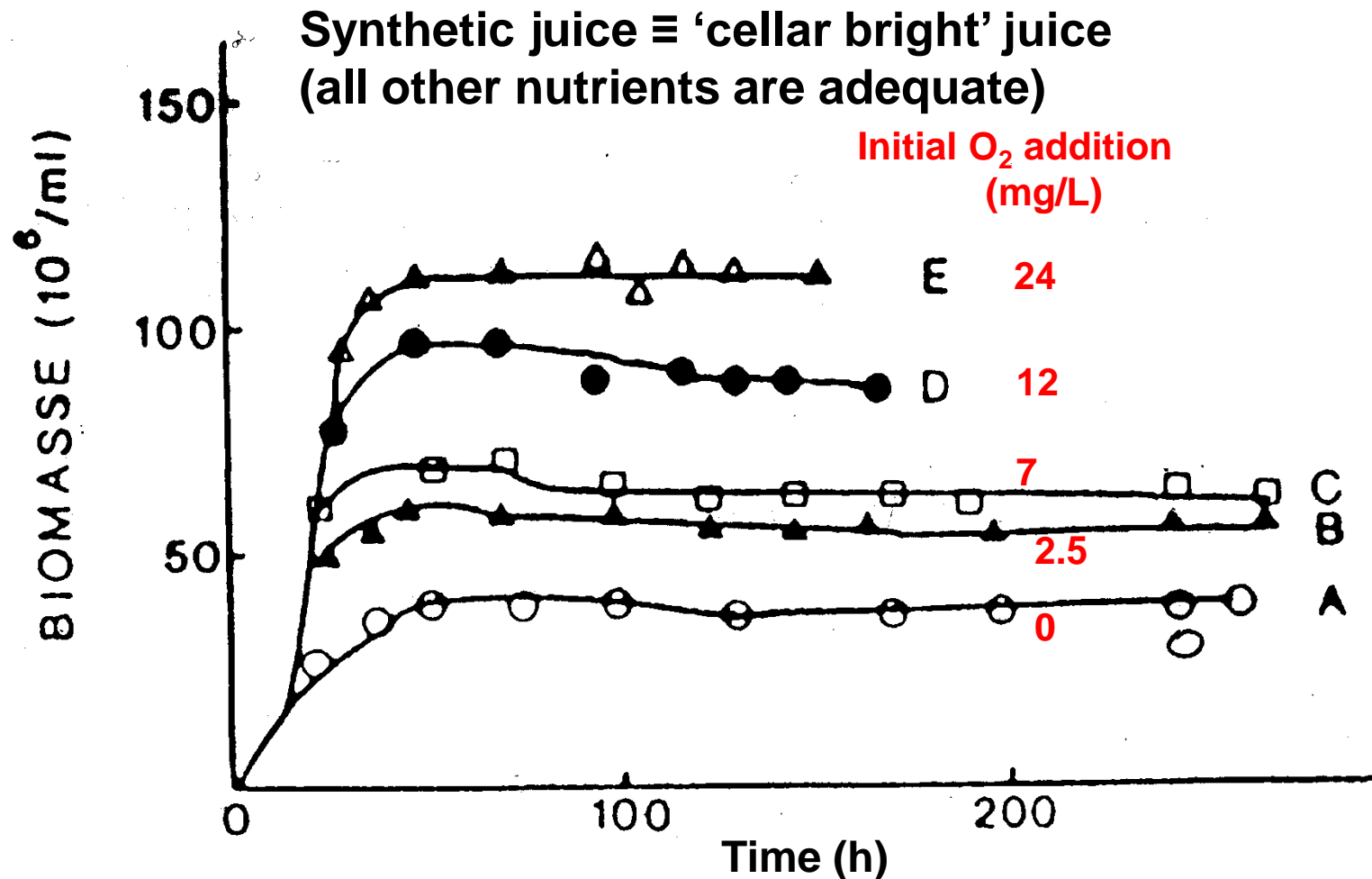
Defined as Nitrogen needed to maintain constant fermentation rate in synthetic medium with initial YAN = 100 mg/L; sugar = 200 g/L

Adapted from Lallemend Product Catalogue (2000) & Julien, Roustan, Dulau & Sablayrolles (2000) AJEV

Yeast growth response to O_2 added at start of fermentation



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>>> Oxygen stimulates yeast growth

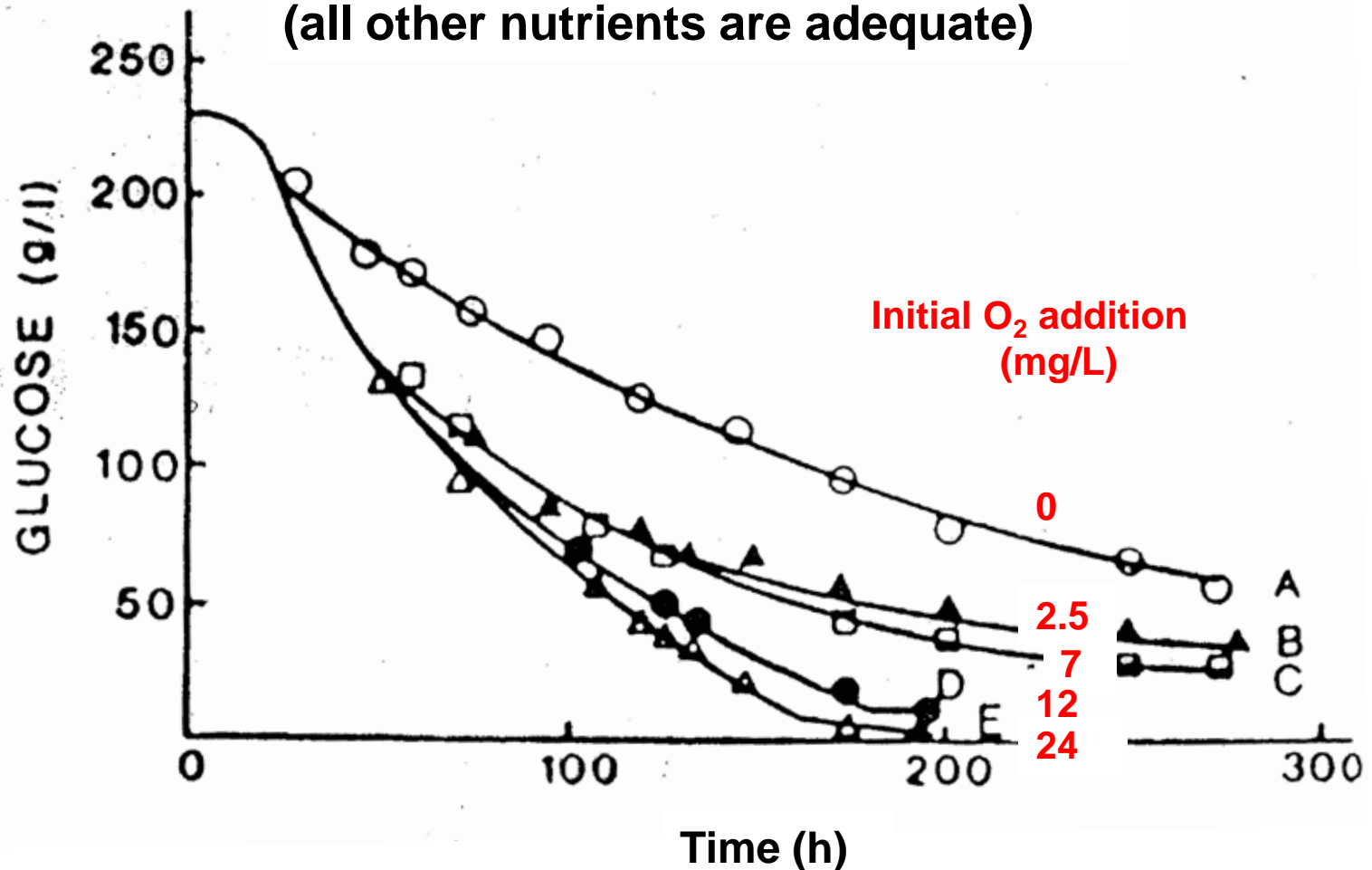
Sablayrolles & Barre (1986)
Sciences des Aliments 6:177-185

Fermentation response to O₂



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**Synthetic juice \equiv 'cellar bright' juice
(all other nutrients are adequate)**



>>> Oxygen stimulates fermentation rate

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Effect of O₂ on fermentation rate



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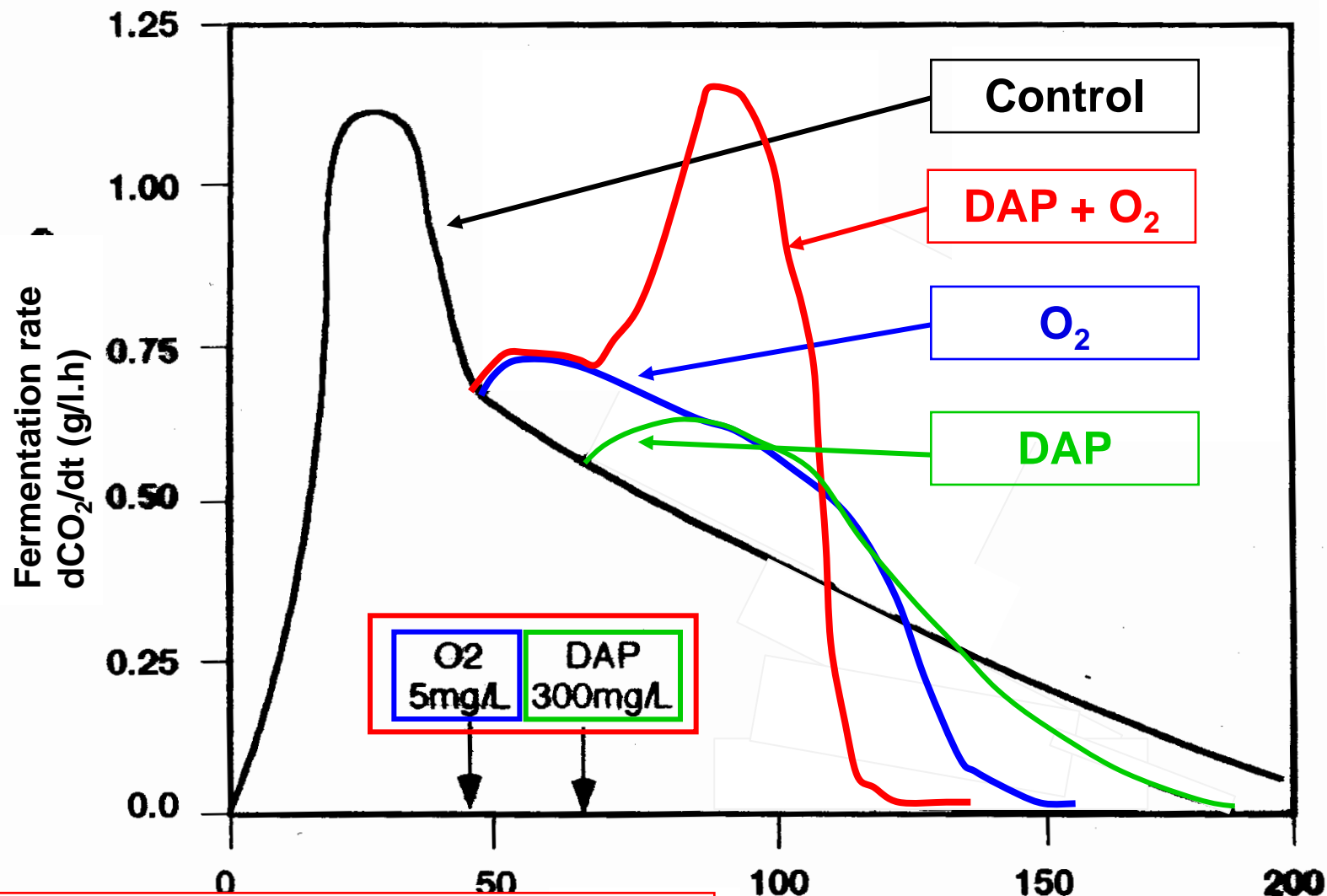
| Rate Anaerobic (Max rate of CO ₂ production) | Yeast | %Rate gain with O ₂ added at 1/3 fermentation progress | Yeast |
|--|--|--|--|
| Low <0.5 | S6U CEG EC1118 DV10 QA23 | Low (16%) | CSM K1M V1116 CY3079 R2 |
| Medium 0.6-0.7 | K1M VL3 L2323 L2226 VL1 71B R2 | Medium (30%) | 71B/Actiflore S6U VL1 D47 DV10 QA23 |
| High >0.7 | D47 CSM V1116 CY3079 | High (45%) | EC1118 IOC182007 |

Combined effect of DAP + O₂ on fermentation

Nutrient strategy for stimulating fermentation



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>>> Combined O₂ and DAP gives greatest stimulation of fermentation rate

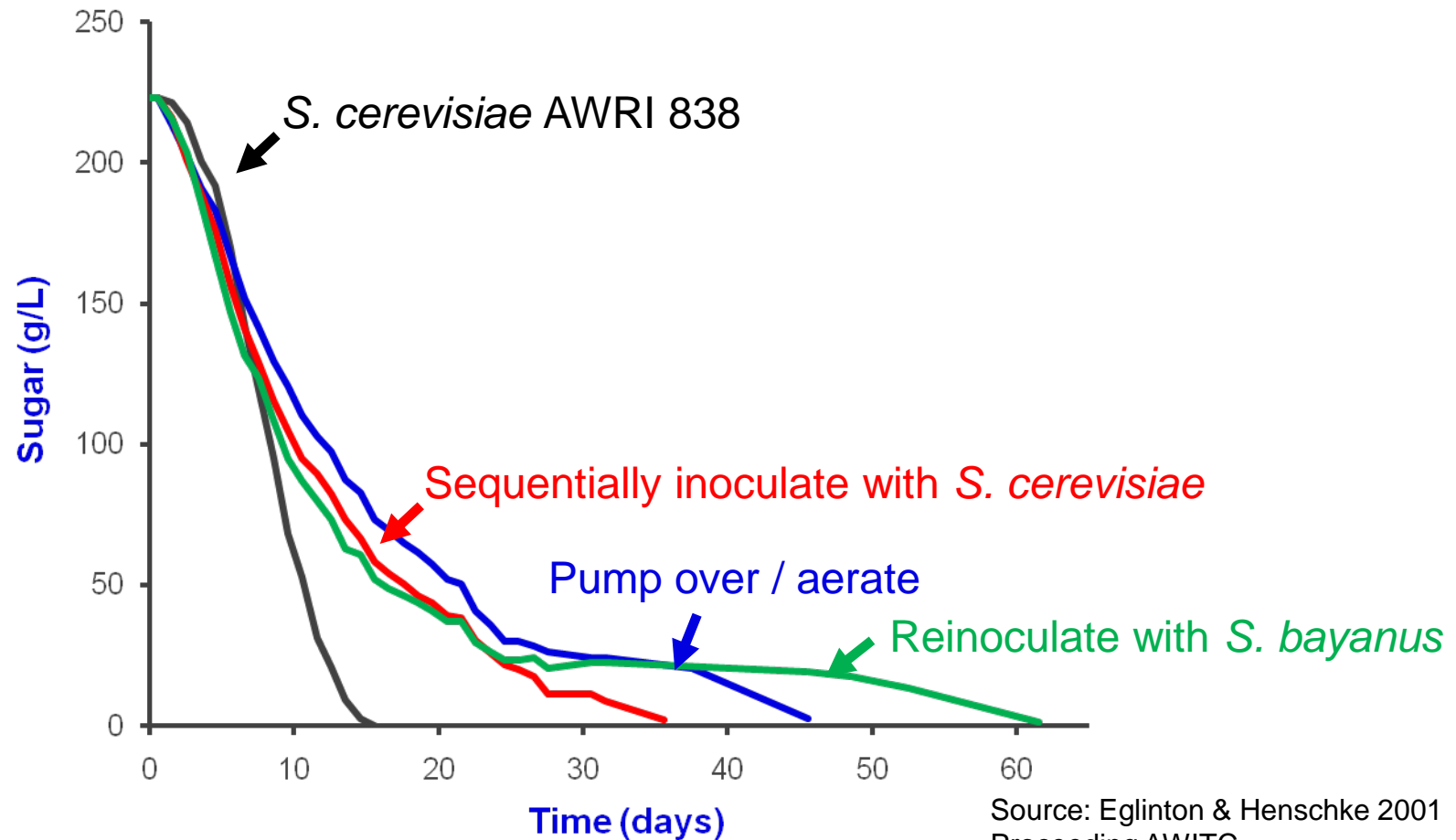
Jablayrolles, Dubois, Manginot & Barre (1986)
J. Ferment. Bioeng. 82:377-381

Practical strategies for ensuring a complete fermentation with low vigour yeasts

eg *S. bayanus* AWRI 1375



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Source: Eglinton & Henschke 2001
Proceeding AWITC

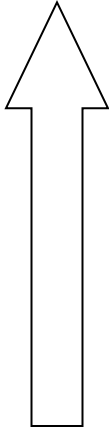


All treatments tested
promoted refermentation

N.B. Rescue cultures were prepared by
AWRI step-wise acclimatisation procedure

Juice Clarification affects Fermentation Rate and Wine Residual Sugar



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| Ferment rate | Wine residual sugar | Clarification treatment turbidity |
|---|--|--|
| Highest  | Lowest  |  Cold settled Bentonite treated and settled Enzyme treated and settled Centrifugation, 10 min at 1500g Coarse filtration Centrifugation, 20 min at 10000g Fine filtration (eg Sietz EK) |
| Lowest | Highest | |

High clarity increases fermentation risk but enhances varietal character
Therefore, turbidity is adjusted to balance yeast performance and flavour

Inhibitory substances – risk factors



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- ✓ Ethanol – probably largest cause of stuck ferments
 - strain dependent: growth at 8-12%, fermentation >12 %
 - **determined by grape maturity at harvest**
- ✓ SO₂
 - strain dependent, typ. >10 mg/L free SO₂ at pH 3.5
 - cell death at 45 mg SO₂/L, pH 3.5 (0.8 mg/L mol. SO₂)
- ✓ Fatty acids (good hygiene / aerate ferments)
 - acetic acid: yeast growth at >1.5 g/L at 8% EtOH
fermentation inhibited at 3-4 g/L
 - aliphatics (C6, C8, C10): ca. >3 mg/L at 10% EtOH
- ✓ Toxins (low risk except for lactic acid bacteria infection)
 - yeast toxins most active in low solids (bright) ferments
 - some wine yeast are tolerant
 - some Lactobacillus toxins can inhibit ferm. (high/low solids)
- ✓ Agrochemical residues (very uncommon)
 - copper oxychloride 10-15 mg/L
 - captan, fenarimol (eg Rubigan) / triadimenol (Bayfidan)
- ✓ Residues of winery sanitisers (uncommon)
- ✓ Yeast hulls can be used as a broad spectrum detoxification additive

From Henschke (1997)

ASVO Seminar Procs pp. 30-38,41

Role of acetic acid in stuck fermentation

Origin of acetic acid



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- inoculated yeast
 - Ø (excessive) nicotinic acid can stimulate production
- wild yeast
 - Ø apiculate yeasts
(*Kloeckera/Hanseniaspora*)
- lactic acid bacteria – most important
 - Ø principally from citric acid
- acetic acid bacteria
 - Ø requires significant O₂

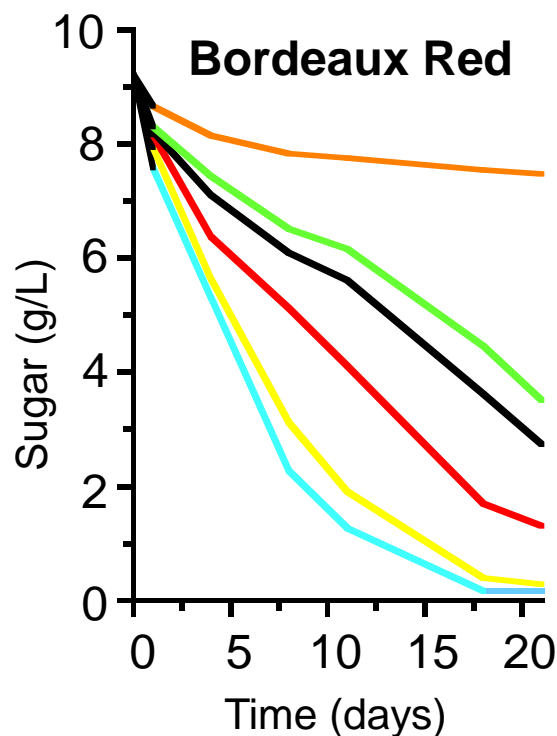
Effect of acetic acid on refermentation

Fermentation rate

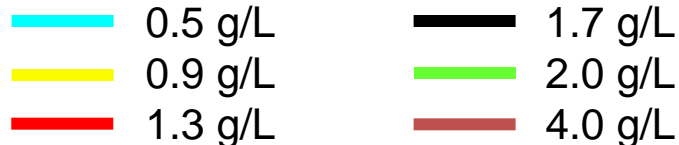


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Stuck ferments containing different conc. acetic acid were inoculated with rescue yeast previously acclimatised to the stuck wine



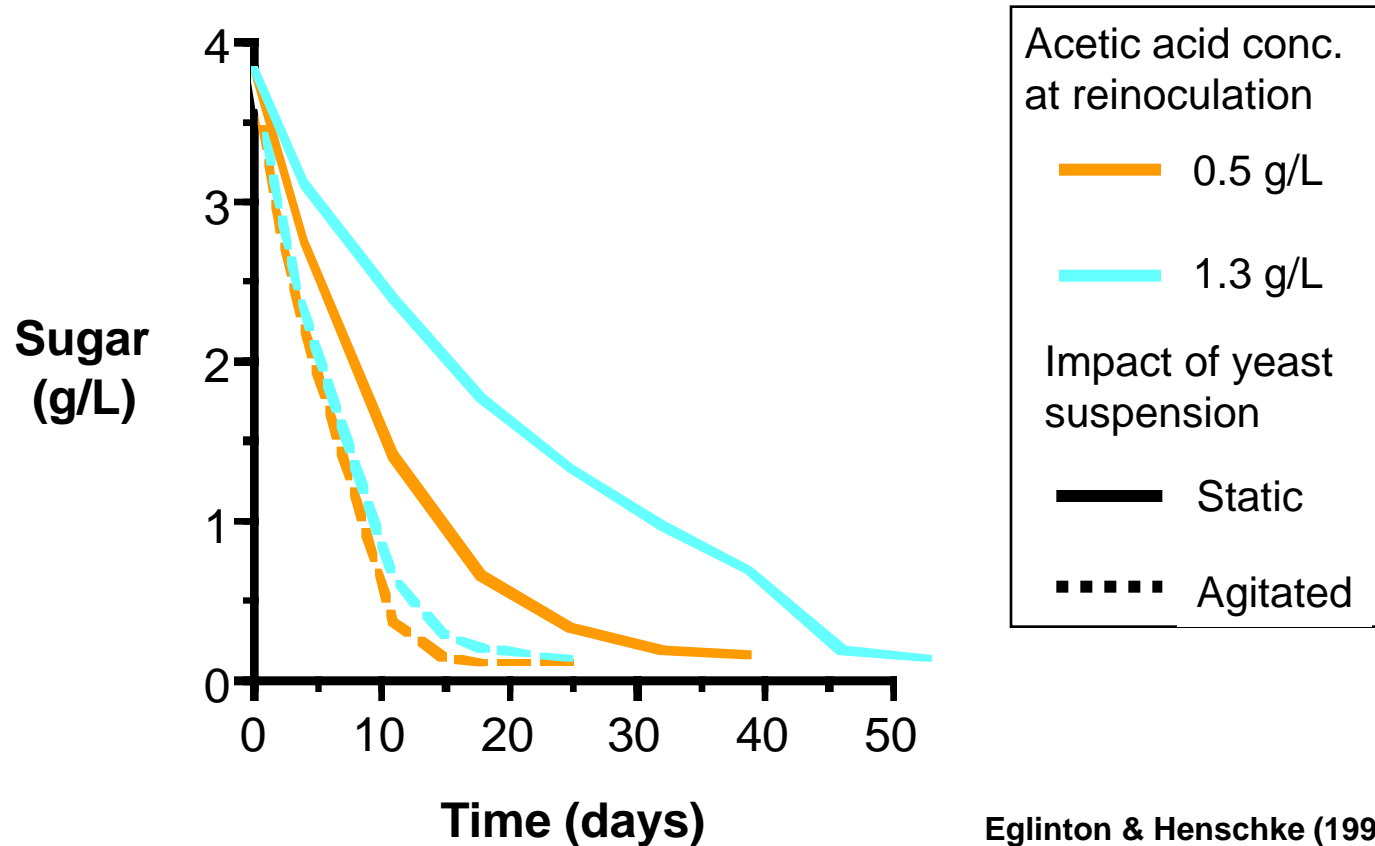
Acetic acid concentration



Agitation aids refermentation



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Eglinton & Henschke (1999)
Aust. J. Grape Wine Res. 5:71-78

>>> When restarting fermentation, important to keep yeast in suspension by physical means until CO₂ production commences, which then maintains yeast in suspension



Conclusions

- Yeast starter cultures are more effective rescue cultures when prepared by step-wise acclimatisation to the stuck ferment wine.
- Acclimatised rescue cultures can effectively restart incomplete ferments which contain up to 2 g/L acetic acid.
- Yeast strains however vary in their ability to act as a rescue culture
- Use of an acclimatised rescue culture largely negates the need to remove acetic acid by RO before rescue unless a very high concentration of acetic acid is present.
- Since additional acetic acid can be formed during the rescue procedure it is best to remove the acetic acid following refermentation of the wine.

Fermentation management – Risk factors



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✓ Temperature stress

Do not commence cooling until 10% sugar fermented

Excessive temperature (32-35 °C depend on [EtOH])

Over-cooling for particular yeast (non-cryogenic) / may need to use methods to maintain yeast in suspension if <13-15 °C

Excess heating or cooling (transition exceeding 5 °C)

Cooling preferably should be <3 °C per day

✓ Vigour and sedimentation (flocculation)

Yeast sediments in low vigour ferments (CO₂ bubbles keep yeast in suspension and assists ferment circulation)

Physical stirring can help prevent sedimentation

Avoid flocculating strains in cool, cellar bright, anaerobic, high sugar ferments

✓ Grape solids

Beneficial to wine style but deprives yeast of key nutrients

Lipids increase yeast tolerance to ethanol stress

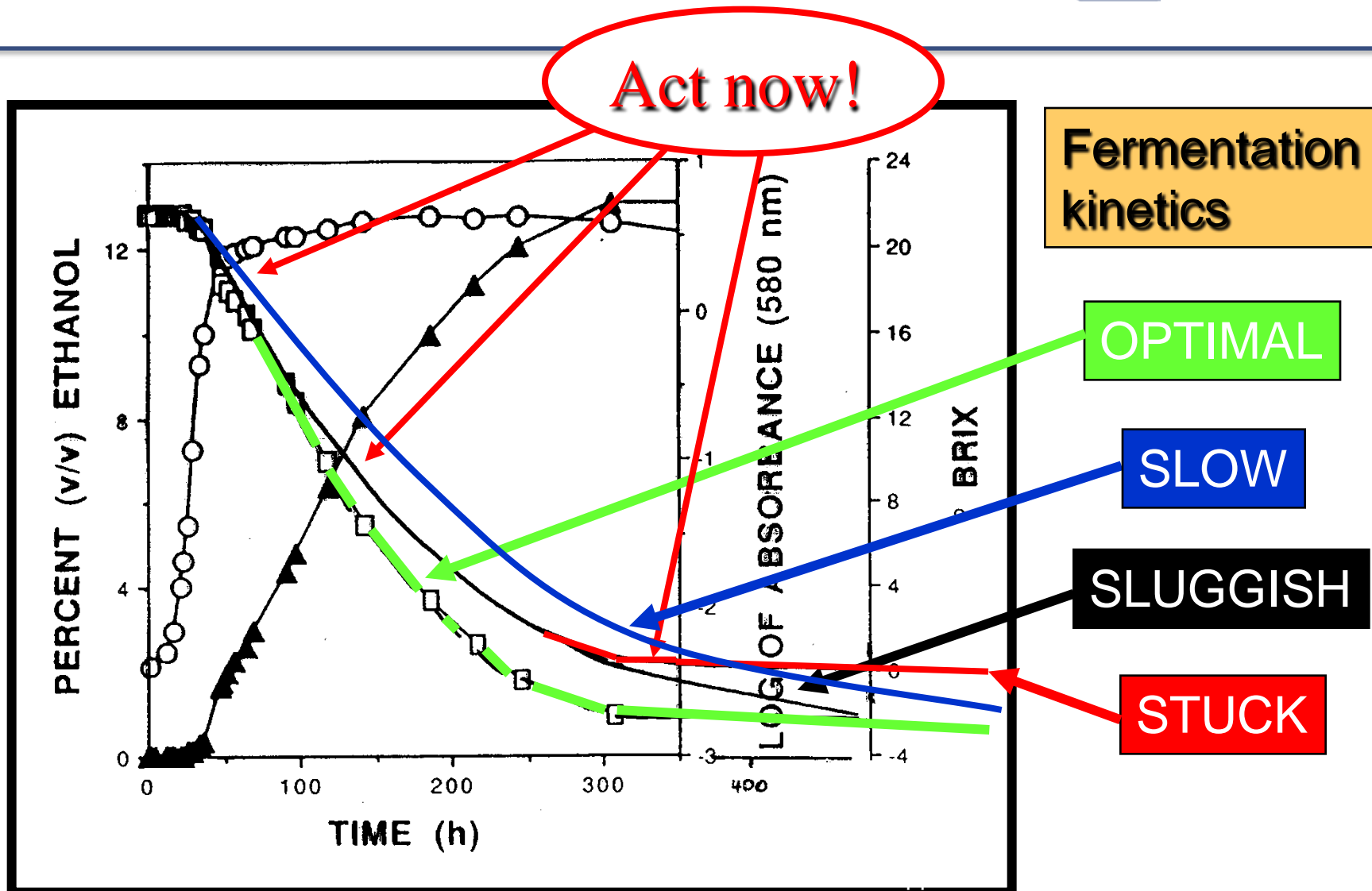
✓ Nutrients

If known or suspected lack of nutrients (especially YAN and O₂) recommend aeration (ca. 5 ppm O₂) and adding 300 mg/l DAP at 30-50% fermentation progress

Problem fermentations



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Take corrective action early



- ✓ Add 500 mg/L EC1118, PDM, Uvaferm 43, etc
- ✓ Rehydrate with sterol-rich reactivation nutrient
- ✓ don't let culture run dry – go onto next stage when 50% of sugar has gone
- ✓ Avoid temperature shock
- ✓ Add wine to culture, rather than culture to wine
- ✓ Add SO₂ if bacteria present in stuck wine
- ✓ Rack or centrifuge stuck wine (remove dead yeast)
- ✓ Add DAP and aerate once active
- ✓ Yeast hulls often beneficial
- ✓ Keep yeast in suspension
- ✓ Keep good records



If ferment stops with <10 g/L residual sugar and the alcohol content is <12 % v/v:

- Then recommend preparing a starter culture in grape juice with a recommended yeast. This procedure is relatively quick and will produce moderate tolerance to alcohol
- **Otherwise** use a rescue culture prepared by stepwise acclimatisation of a recommended rescue yeast. This procedure builds tolerance to the toxic substances present in the problem ferment

Yeast acclimatisation procedure for restarting difficult and stuck ferments

(See AWRI Website for details)



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Procedure for 1000 L of ferment

| Stage | Function | Cumulative volume |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Preparation of rescue culture | 20 L |
| 2 | Acclimatisation | |
| | Step | Proportion of ferment |
| | 1 | 50% |
| | 2 | 75% |
| | 3 | 88% |
| | 4 | 94% |
| 3 | Inoculate problem ferment | 1020 L |



- Stepwise acclimatisation of yeast to toxic substances of the problem ferment – if possible, incrementally add the ferment to the culture rather than the culture to the ferment
- No sugar depletion stress
- No nitrogen depletion stress
- Continuous aeration
- Agitation prevents nutrient starvation stress

For more information



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- **AWRI website – wealth of practical information**
- **ASVO seminar 1996**
papers by: Henschke, Monk & Four industry practitioners
- **Industry Services Group ; AWRI Technical Note 05**
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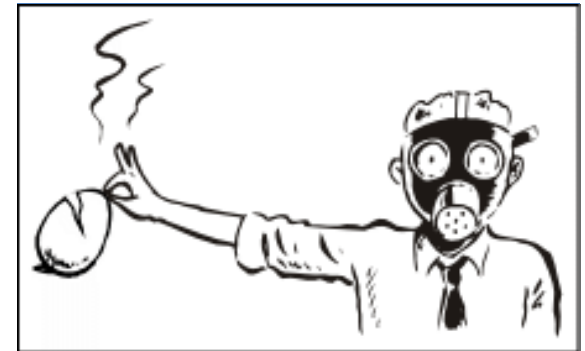
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Rotten egg, cabbage and rubber: compounds responsible for reductive off-flavours in wines

Leigh Francis



Compounds found in wine



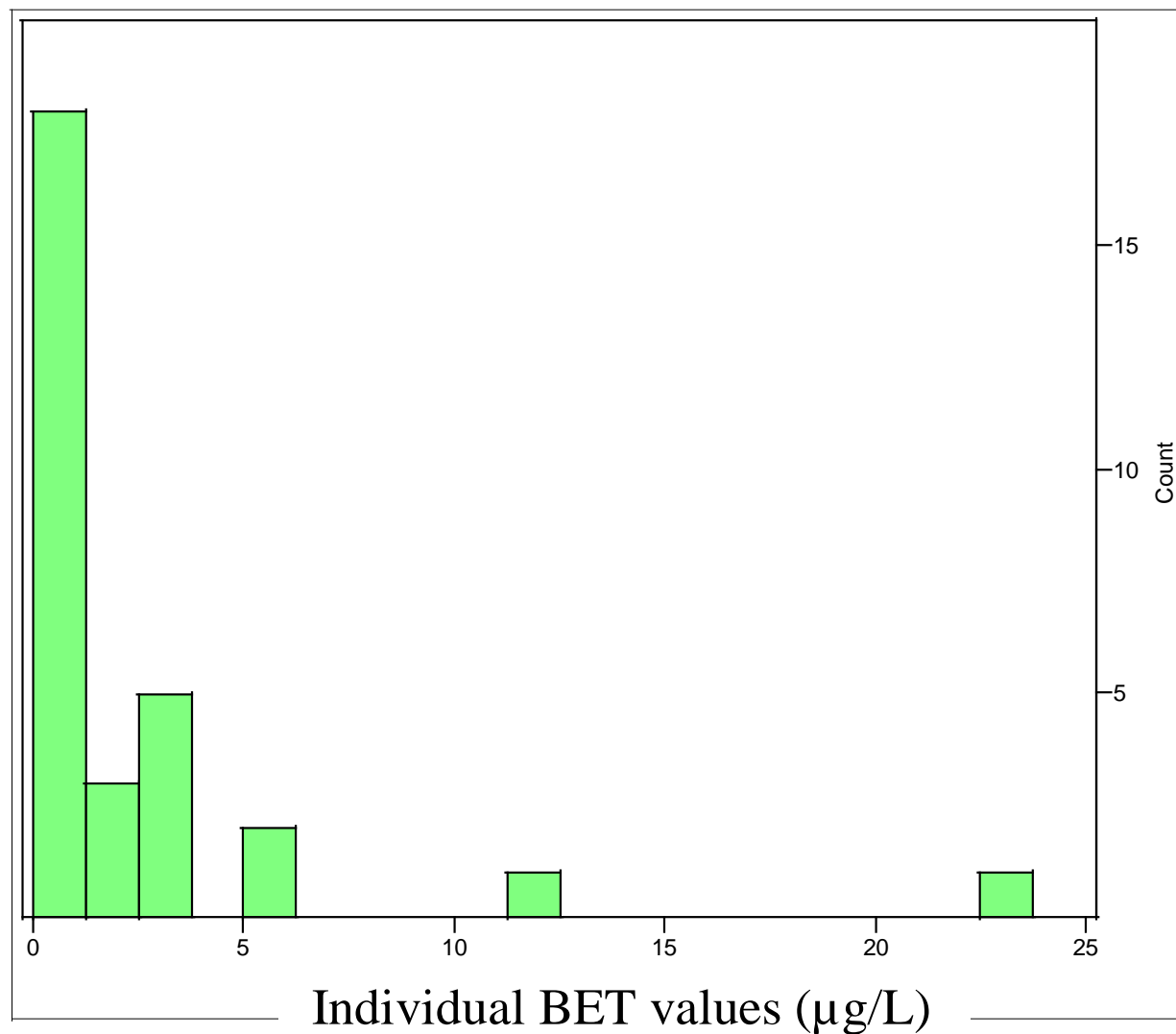
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| Low MW Sulfur Compound | | Odour Descriptor | Aroma Threshold (µg/L) | Detected (µg/L) | |
|------------------------|------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| | | | | Literature Review | AWRI |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | H ₂ S | rotten egg, sewage like | 1 | nd - 370 | nd - 56 |
| Methanethiol | MeSH | rotten cabbage, burnt rubber, putrefaction | 1.5 | nd - 16 | nd - 11 |
| Ethanethiol | EtSH | onion, rubbery, burnt match, sulfidy, earthy | 1.5 | nd - 50 | nd - 3 |
| Dimethyl sulfide | DMS | <i>blackcurrant</i> , cooked cabbage, asparagus, canned corn, molasses | 25 | nd - 474 | nd - 980 |
| Carbon disulfide | CS ₂ | <i>sweet, ethereal, slight green</i> , rubber, sulfidy, chokingly repulsive | 5 | nd - 18 | nd - 140 |
| Diethyl sulfide | DES | garlic, rubbery | 1 | nd - 10 | nd |
| Methyl thioacetate | MeSAc | sulfurous, cheesy, egg | 40 | nd - 115 | nd - 53 |
| Dimethyl disulfide | DMDS | vegetal, cabbage, intense onion-like (at high levels) | 10 | nd - 22 | nd - 2 |
| Ethyl thioacetate | EtSAc | sulfurous, garlic, onion | 70 | nd - 180 | nd - 32 |
| Diethyl disulfide | DEDS | bad smelling, onion | 4 | nd - 85 | nd - 1.5 |

Hydrogen sulfide detection threshold



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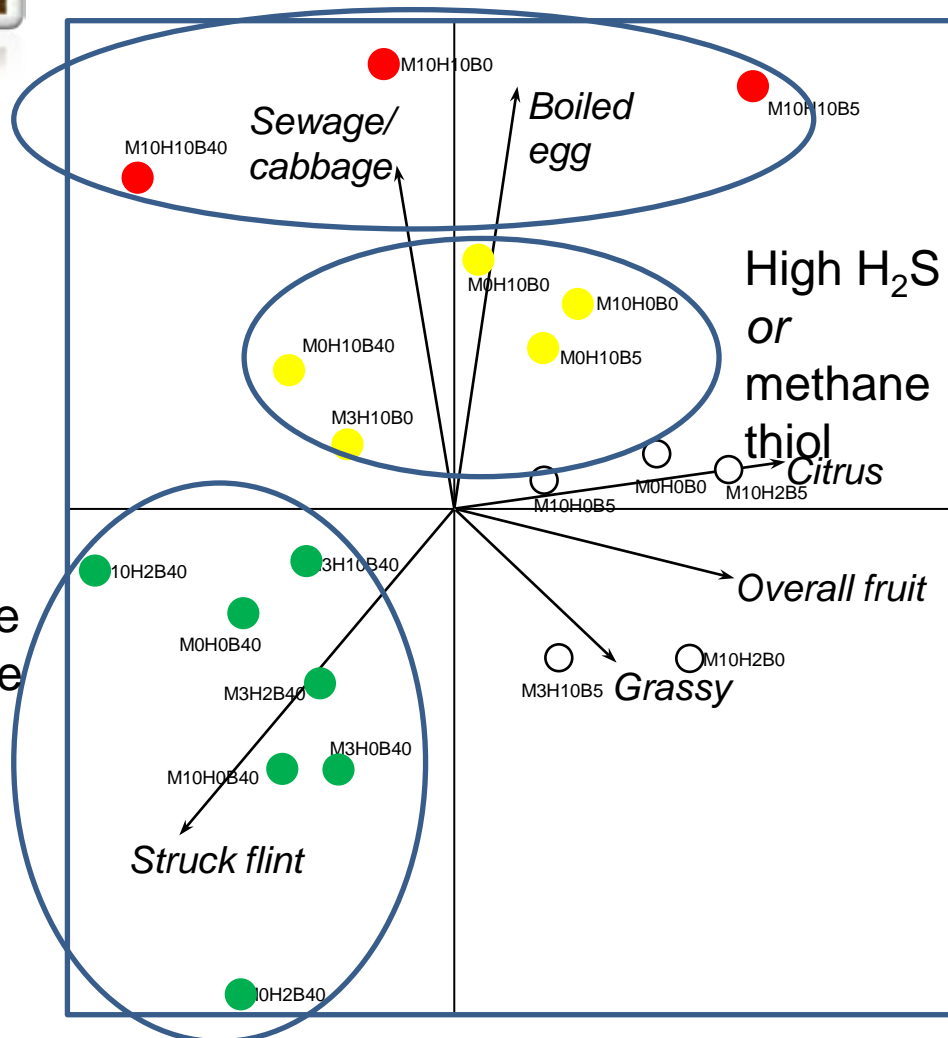
H₂S and methanethiol act additively, benzenemethanethiol not so stinky



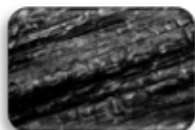
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High H₂S *and* methane thiol



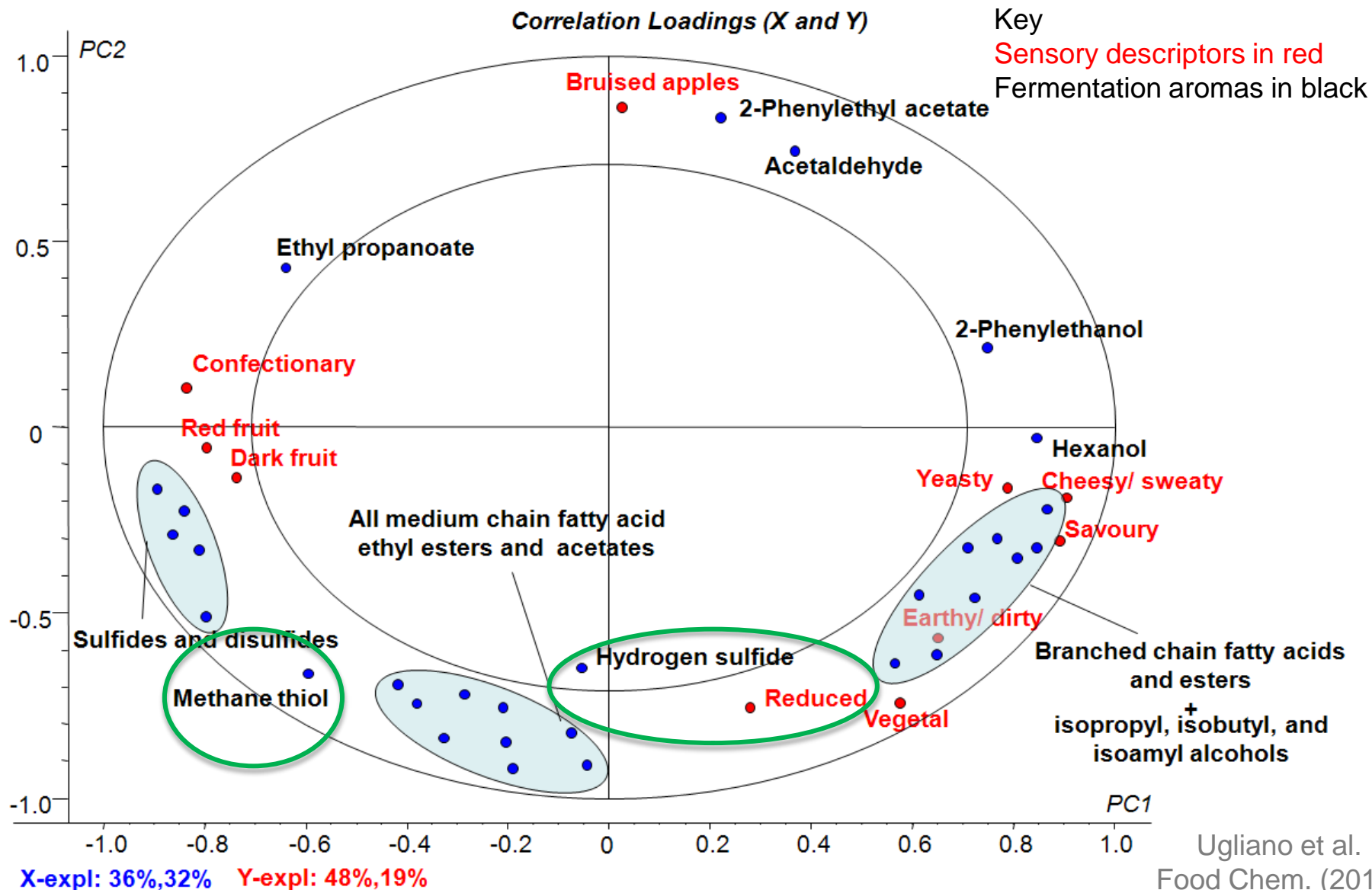
High
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Reductive flavour most commonly relates to H₂S and methane thiol



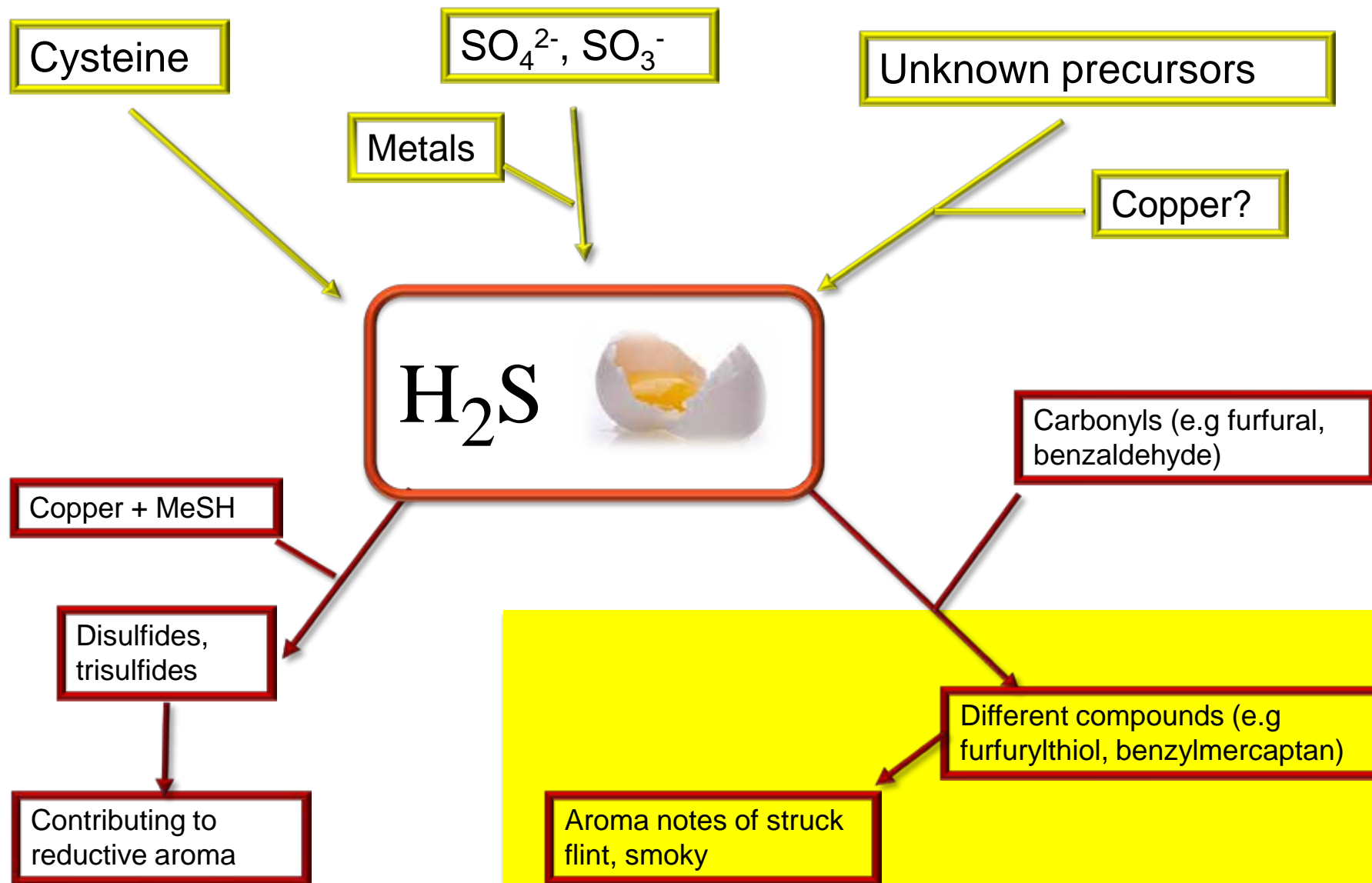
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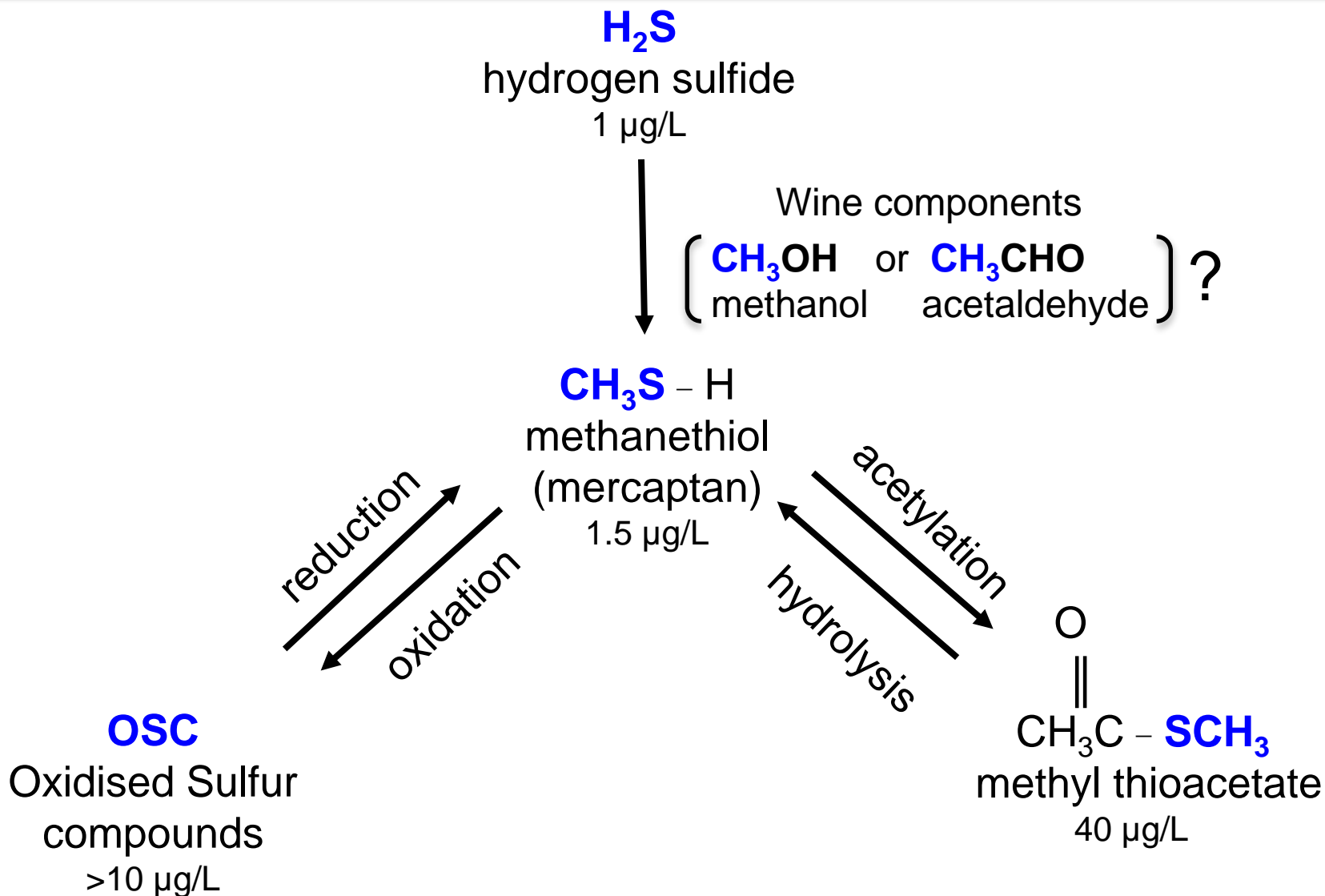


Formation and degradation of H₂S



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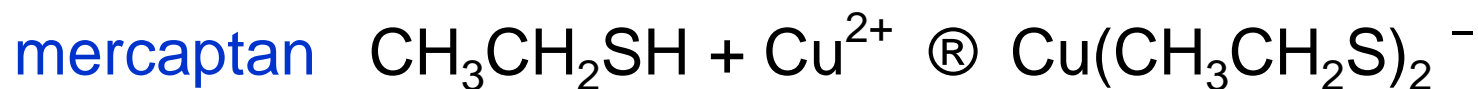
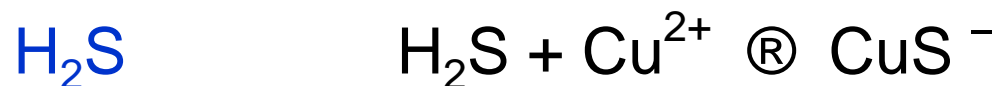




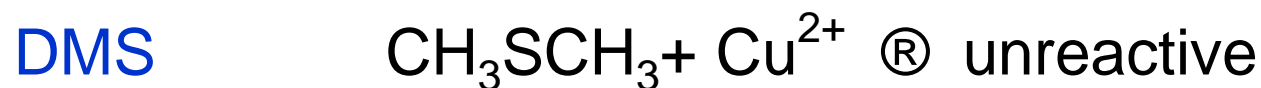
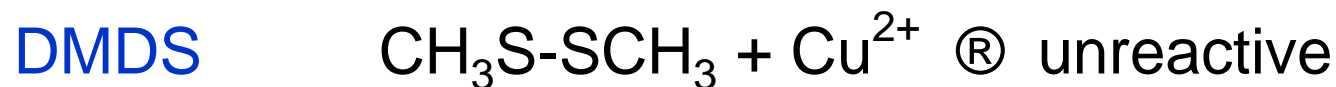
Copper additions can be very effective at removing sulfur compounds



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reduction $^-$ oxidation



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Downsides of residual copper

- ✓ Hazes
- ✓ Increased loss of 3-MH and 3-MHA
- ✓ More rapid loss of SO_2
- ✓ Increases in sulfides

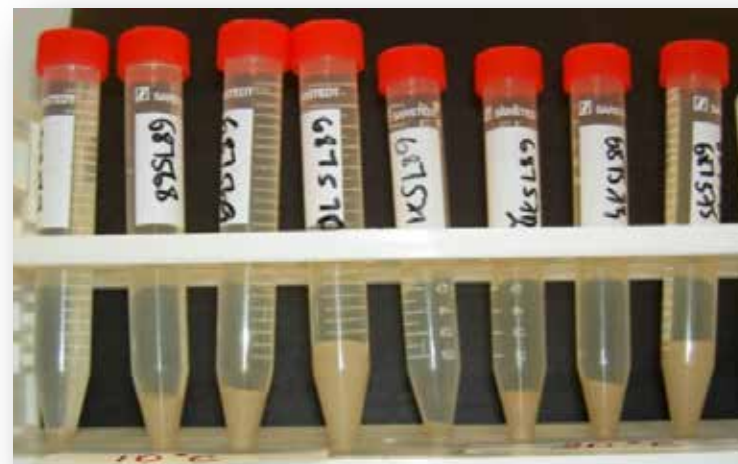
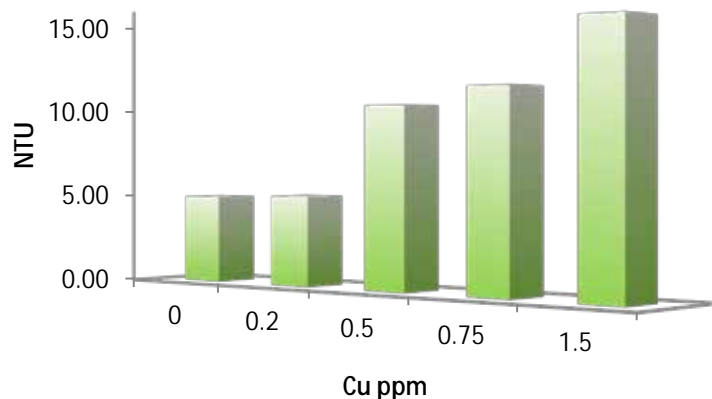


Hazes and protein instability



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Turbidity (heated)



- ✓ Increased copper levels in bottled wine are well known to increase protein instability
- ✓ Generally recommended to keep levels below 0.5 ppm, but limit depends on the wine

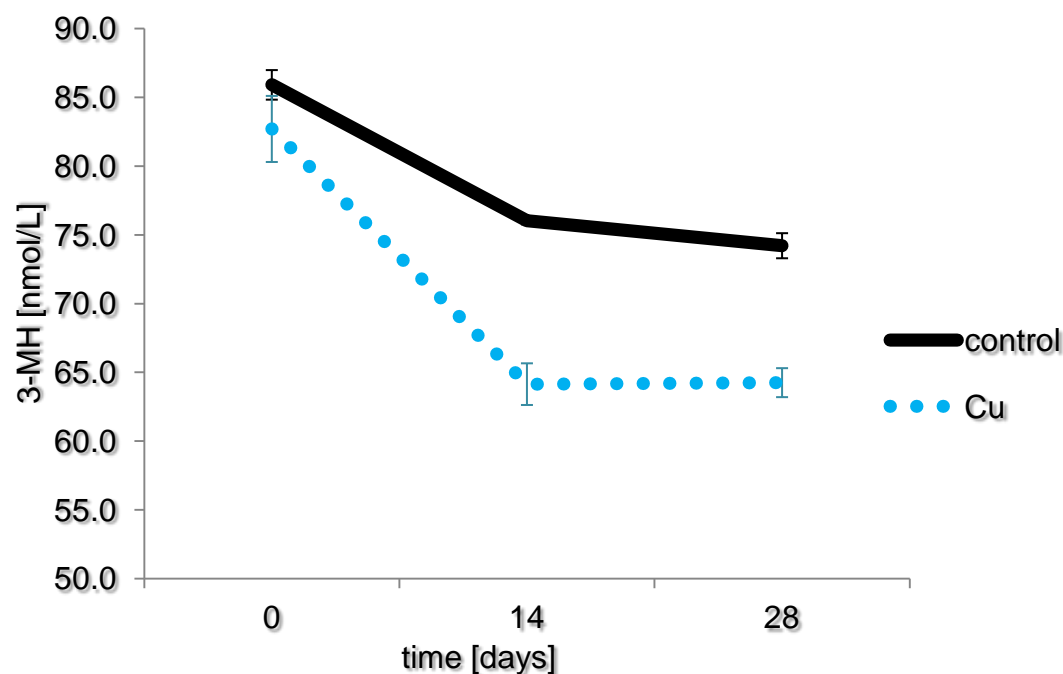
Increased loss of 3-MH and 3-MHA



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3-MH (3-Mercaptohexan-1-ol)

3-MHA (3-Mercaptohexan-1-ol acetate)

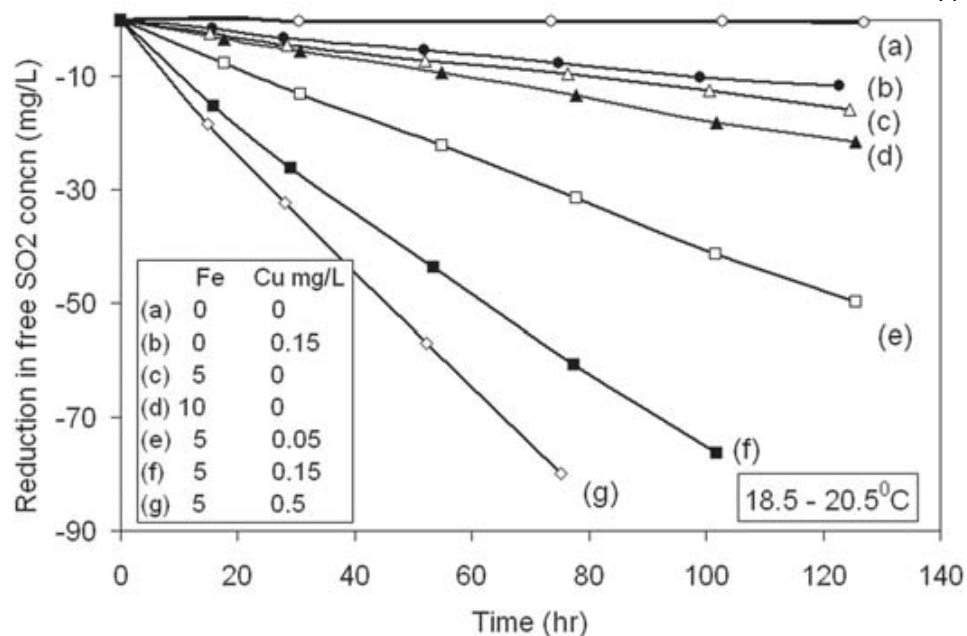


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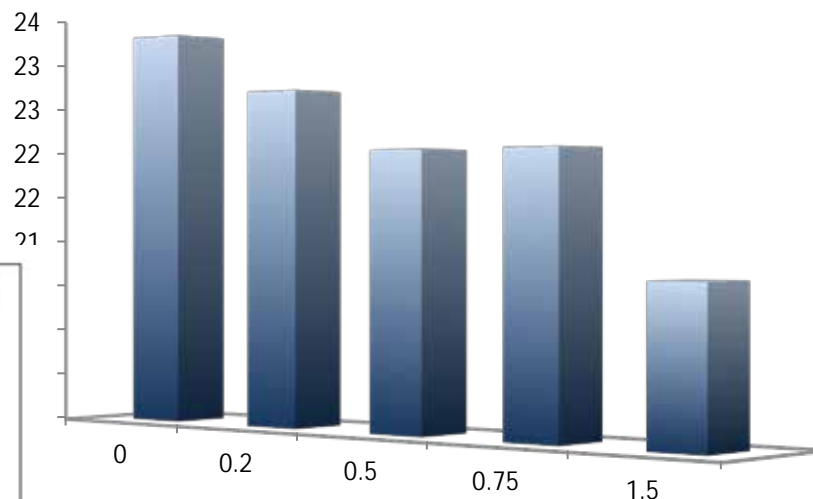


More rapid loss of SO₂

SO₂ cannot interact with O₂ directly
It requires the presence of metals such as copper and iron.



Sulfur Dioxide (free)

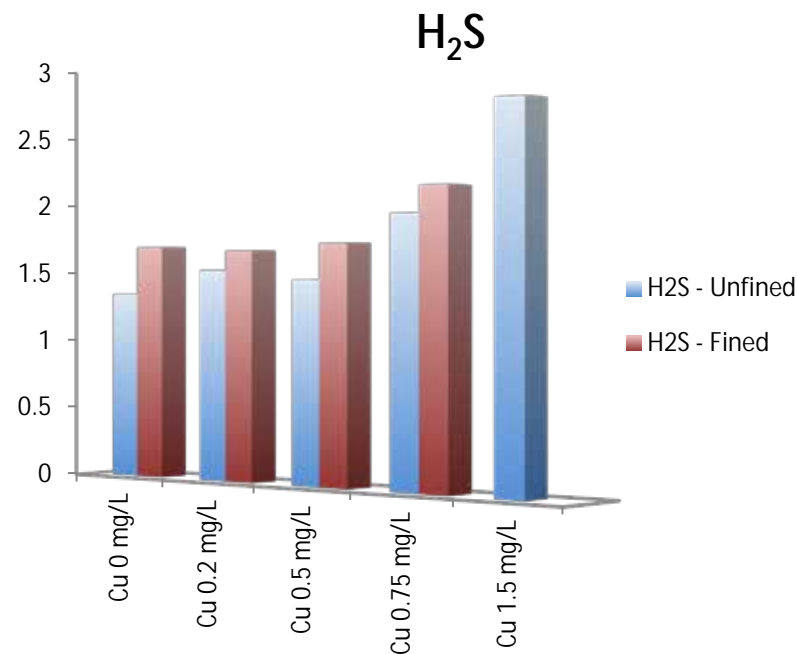
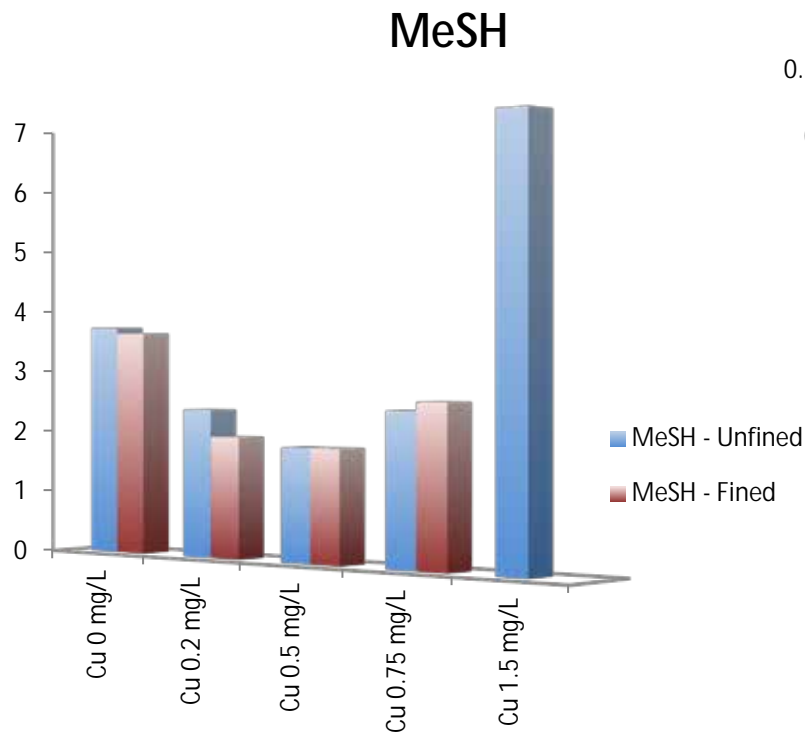


Danilewicz, J. (2007). Interaction of sulfur dioxide, polyphenols, and oxygen in a wine-model system: Central role of iron and copper. *American journal of enology and ...*



Increases in sulfides

After just two months this Chardonnay was already showing the impact of increased copper



When is it ok to use copper?



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- ✓ Best time to add is at the end of fermentation
 - § Eliminate the potential precursors as early as possible
 - § Use the solids to remove as much of the excess copper as possible

- ✓ If you have to do it later
 - § Know what sulfur compounds you are treating (copper/cadmium test)
 - § Add the minimum amount of copper
 - § Give it time to stabilize before bottling
 - § Test the copper levels before and after addition

Never add on the day of bottling



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Principle of Cu/Cd test

The principle of this test is that different reductive volatiles react with different fining agents, including copper and cadmium salts (Note that cadmium sulfate is not an allowable fining agent and is only to be used in this diagnostic test). A fining trial can be conducted using these agents to determination of the type of reductive fault present in a wine to determine the appropriate course of action to remove the fault.

Reagents

- 1) 1% w/v Copper (II) Sulfate solution (1 g of $\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in 10% Ethanol)
- 2) 1% w/v Cadmium (II) Sulfate solution (1 g of $\text{CdSO}_4 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in 10% Ethanol)

Caution:

Cadmium is TOXIC

Do not taste samples to which cadmium has been added. Assess by aroma only.

Cadmium sulfate is not an allowable wine additive or processing aid and is only to be used in this diagnostic test

- 3) 10% w/v Ascorbic acid (10 g ascorbic acid in 100 ml of 10% Ethanol)

Procedure

1. Place 50 mL of wine into four separate glasses.
2. Label the four glasses: (1) control, (2) copper, (3) cadmium, and (4) ascorbic acid +copper
3. Add 1 mL of reagent 1, the copper sulfate solution to glass 2 ('copper' glass),
4. Add 1 mL of reagent 2, the cadmium sulfate solution to glass 3 ('cadmium' glass),
5. Add 0.5 mL of reagent 3, the ascorbic acid solution to glass 4 ('ascorbic + Cu' glass), wait 2 minutes, then add 1 mL of reagent 1, the copper sulfate solution to the same glass 4.





- ✓ Copper can be very effective in preventing the development of sulfur off-flavours
- ✓ However if excess is left in the wine it can lead to
 - § the development of the same undesirable characters
 - § hazes
 - § degradation of SO_2 levels and desirable sulfur compounds
- ✓ Copper is best added early in the wine's life when fermentation solids can help to remove it. Later additions can lead to a build up of available copper
- ✓ Not all copper is stripped from wine post addition as sulfides
- ✓ Careful trials can lead to successful management of copper levels

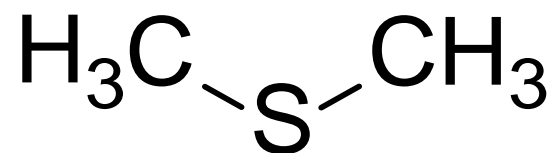


Blackcurrant or canned corn??



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Dimethylsulfide (DMS)



25 µg/L



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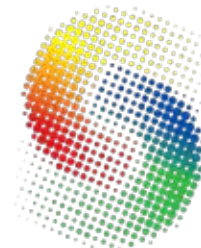
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Automating Juice and Wine Analysis

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It all tends to be a trade off!



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Cost v speed

Accuracy v convenience

Cost v accuracy

Speed v Maintenance

*Only one thing for sure, no perfect one size fits
all solution.*

Questions to ask yourself?



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How quickly do I really need that result?

How much is it worth to me?

If I replace the people am I losing other skills?

Would lean/organization solve the problem?

Is a better LIMS going to make a difference?

Before you do anything.....



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GET LEAN

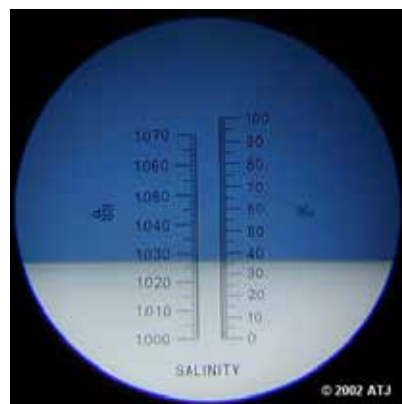
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with perfection unattainable.**



Digital refractometers



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Brix / Baume

\$1.5K~\$20K

- ✓ Quick
- ✓ Accurate
- ✓ Easy to use
- ✗ bubble cause issues
- ✗ Temperature corrected, sort of
- ✗ expensive

Density meters



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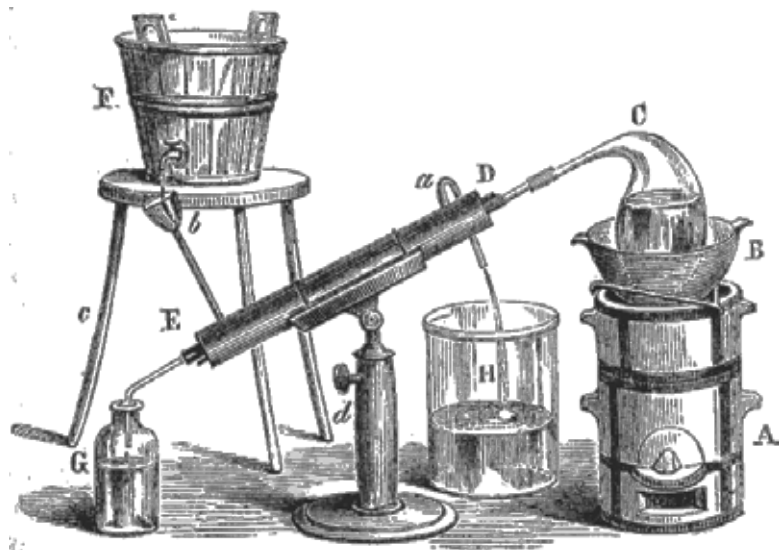
Brix, SG, alcohol
\$3K~\$20K

- ✓ Quick
- ✓ Accurate
- ✓ Easy to use
- ✗ Need careful cleaning
- ✗ Sensitive to degassing
- ✗ Don't bounce

NIR Alcohol



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Alcohol

\$25K

- ✓ Quick
- ✓ Accurate
- ✓ Easy to calibrate

- ✗ Need careful cleaning
- ✗ Sensitive to degassing
- ✗ Can get unexplained outliers



Ebulliometers



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Autotitrators



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pH/TA, SO₂
\$3K~\$50K

- ✓ Quickish
- ✓ no less accurate
- ✓ can be left unattended
- ✓ Can have auto-degassing
- ✗ Need careful maintenance and cleaning
- ✗ difficult to troubleshoot



Flow Injection Analysis



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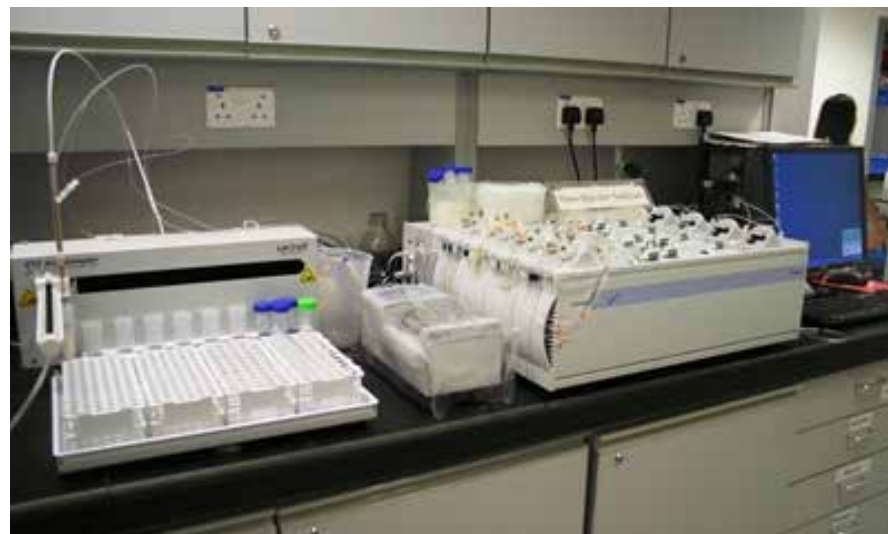
SO₂, VA ~\$40K

✓ Huge throughput

✗ Need careful cleaning

✗ High Maintenance

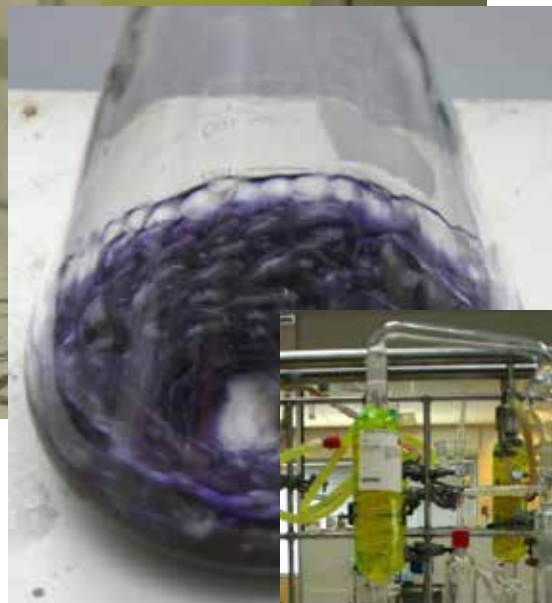
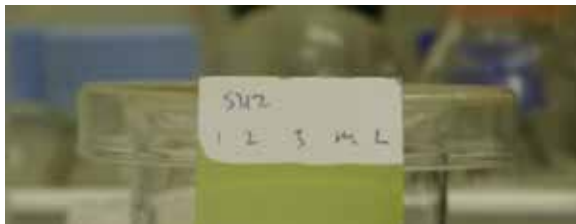
✗ some dodgy reagents



Enzymatic Analysis



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G/F, malic, YAN, VA,
 SO_2
\$1K~\$30K

- ✓ Quickish
- ✓ accurate and reliable
- ✓ less interferants
- ✗ Need good tech skills
- ✗ expensive and perishable consumables



Automated enzymatic analysis



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G/F, malic, YAN, VA,
SO₂
\$20K~\$100K

- ✓ Quickish
- ✓ High throughput
- ✓ accurate and reliable
- ✓ less interferants
- ✗ Need good tech skills
- ✗ Maintenance
- ✗ expensive and perishable consumables

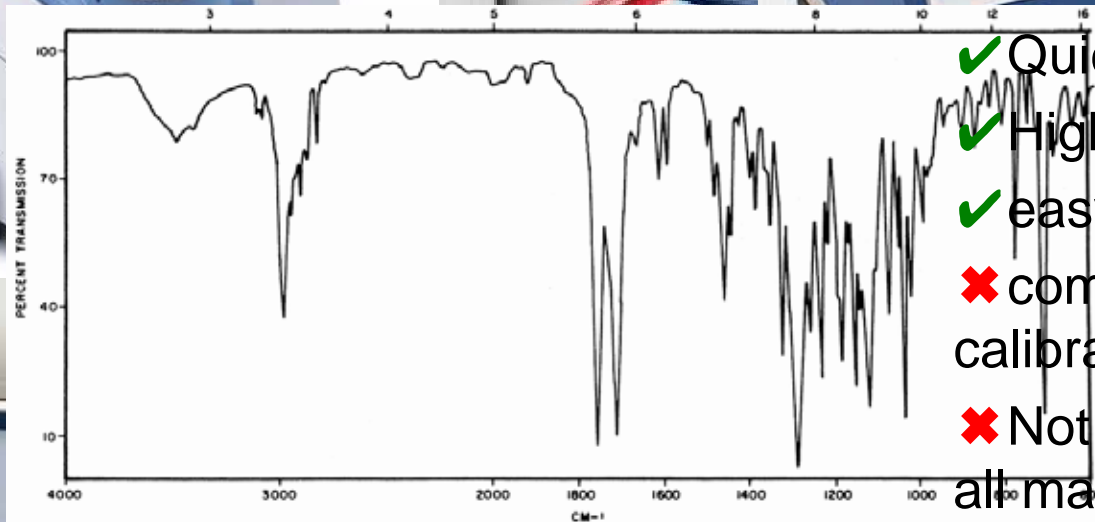
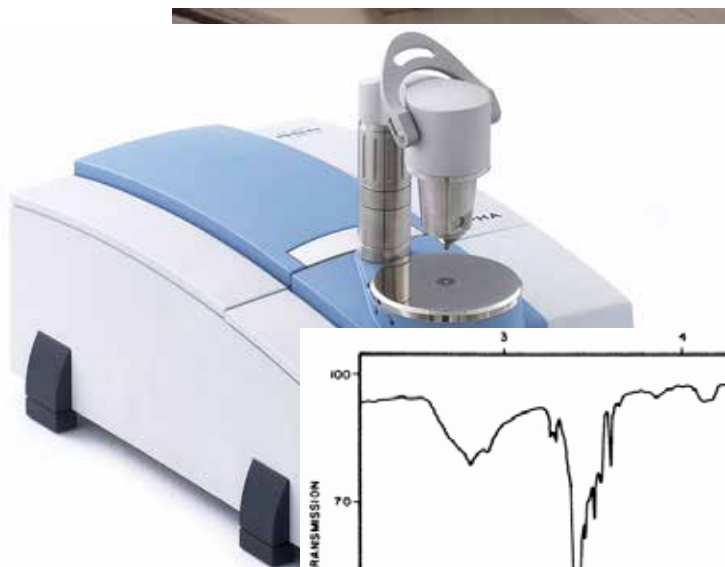


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Brix, SG, K, G/F,
malic, YAN, VA,
SO₂, etc.....
\$20K~\$150K



- ✓ Quick
- ✓ High throughput
- ✓ easy to use
- ✗ complex calibrations
- ✗ Not accurate for all matrixes
- ✗ No way to tell when it is wrong

Questions?



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Using MLF to accentuate wine aroma and flavour

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Malolactic fermentation

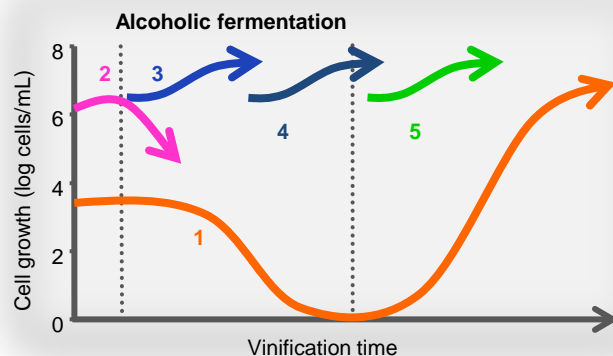
✓ MLF ...

- § Reduce wine acidity
- § Microbial stability
- § Sensory changes



✓ When can it occur?

- § Spontaneous
- § Inoculated



✓ Sensory impact

- § Buttery character
- § - fruity & - vegetative characters
- § Improved mouthfeel



✓ Delayed/failed MLF

- § Can increase the risk of wine spoilage, especially Brett & biogenic amines



MLF is generally more difficult to manage than AF

It's all about aroma & flavour

✓ Talk will concentrate on sensory aspect of MLF

✓ Sensory

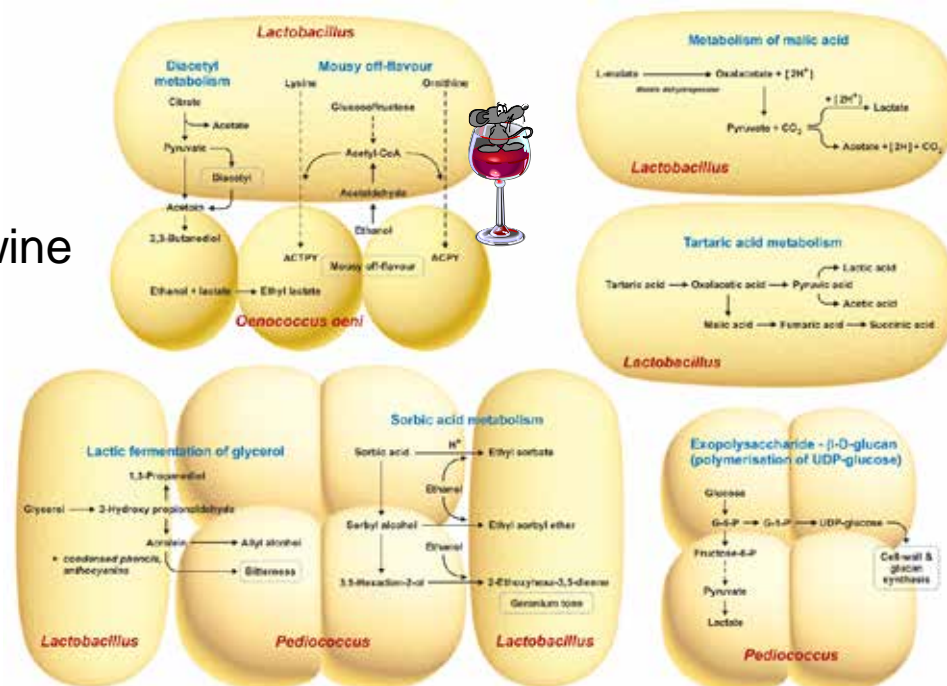


Diacetyl



Berry-fruit characters in red wine

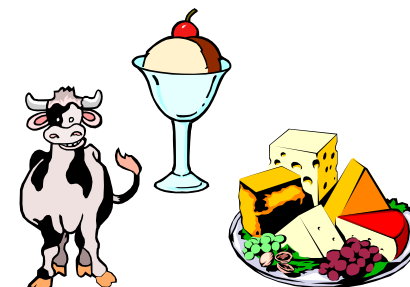
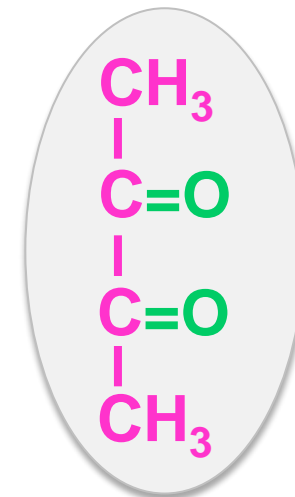
§ Polysaccharides (mouthfeel)





Buttery aroma - Diacetyl

- ✓ *O. oeni* during MLF
- ✓ Derived from citric acid metabolism
- ✓ Aroma
 - § buttery, nutty, butterscotch
 - § 1 - 4 mg/L = enhance flavour complexity
 - § > 5 - 7 mg/L = undesirable buttery aroma
 - § Taste threshold
 - Chardonnay 0.2 mg/L
 - Pinot Noir 0.9 mg/L
 - Cabernet Sauvignon 2.8 mg/L

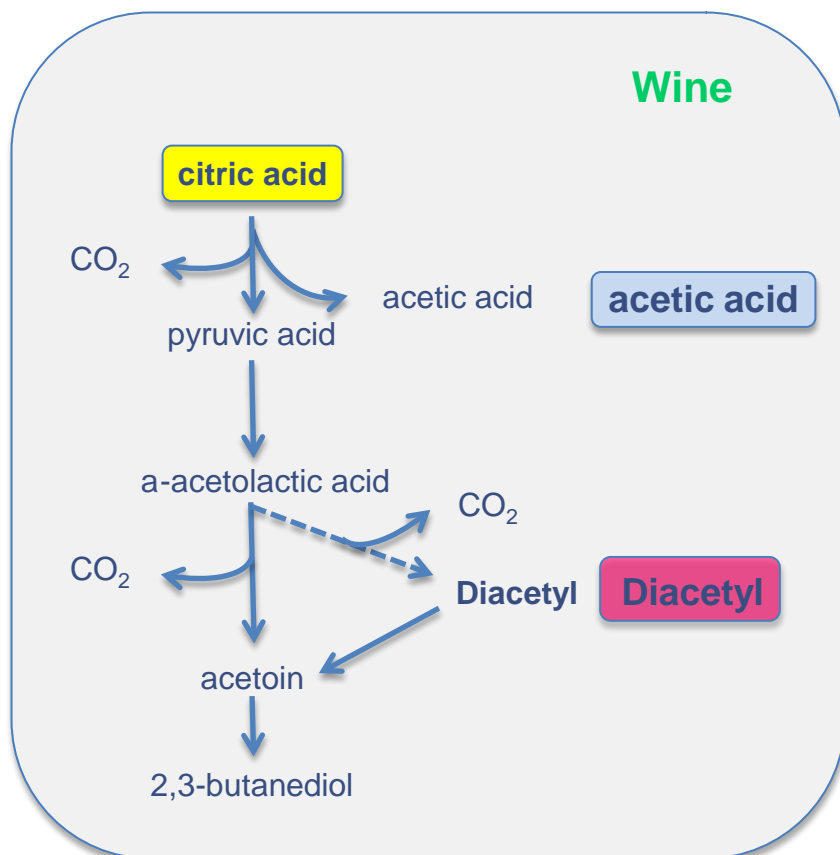


2 important considerations for diacetyl producⁿ

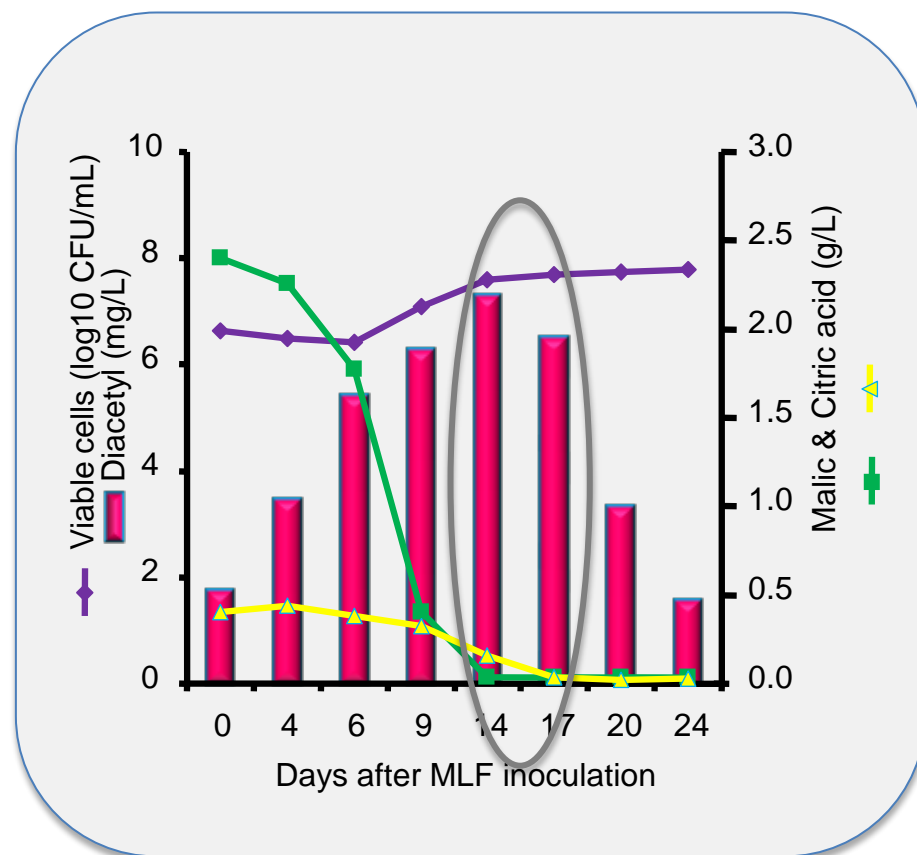


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Pathway



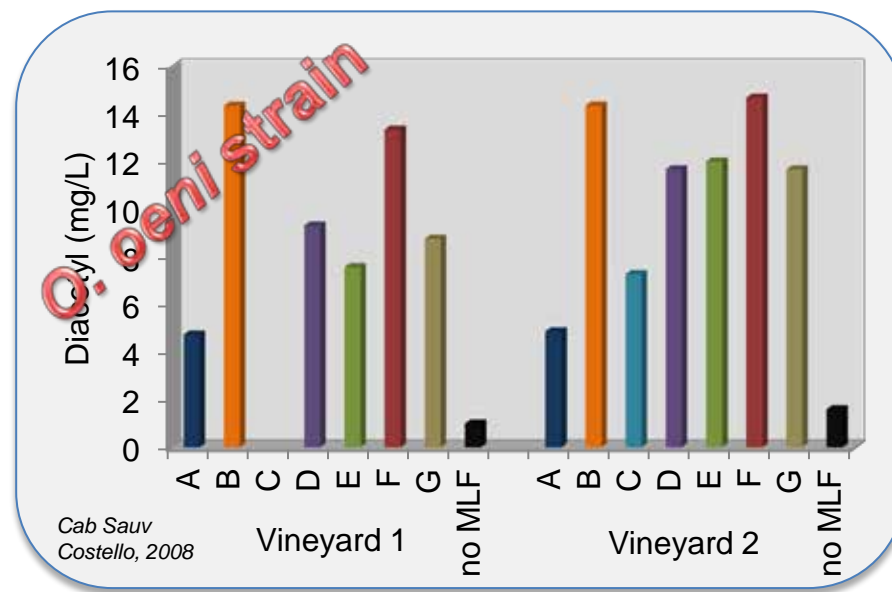
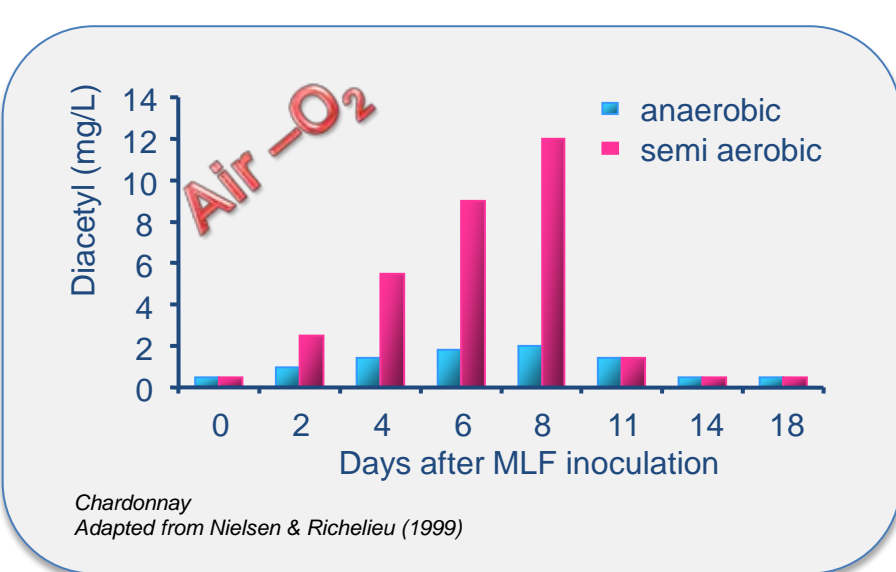
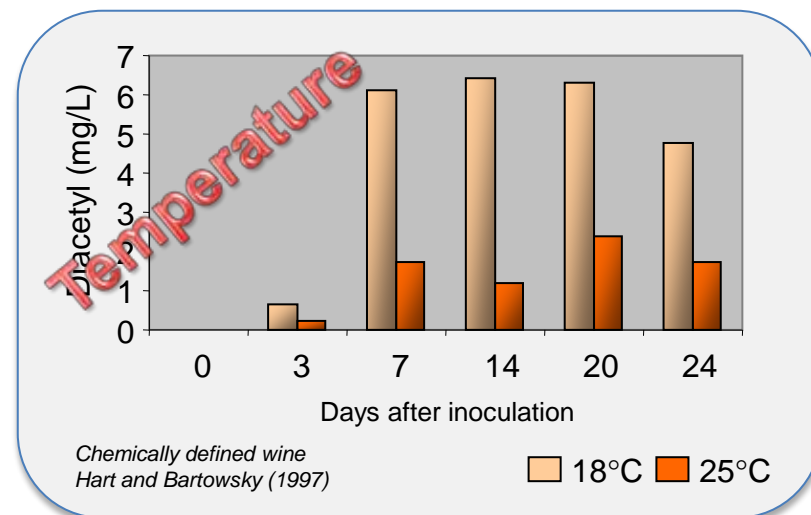
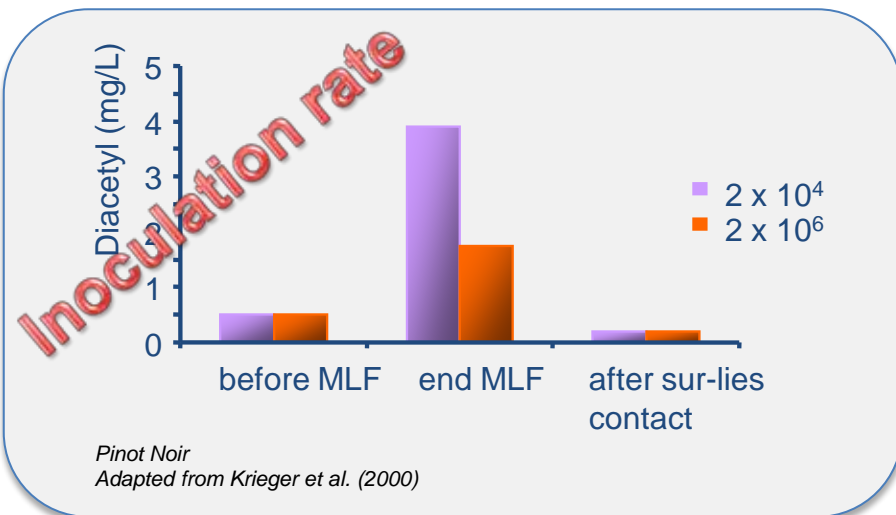
Kinetics



Cabernet Sauvignon, 2000
Barossa & Eden Valley blend
Strain III (12.5 % alcohol)

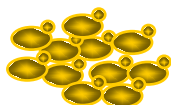
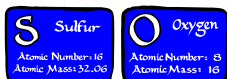


Many factors influence Diacetyl

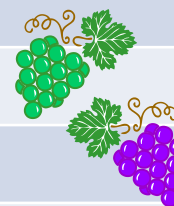




Winemaking parameters & diacetyl

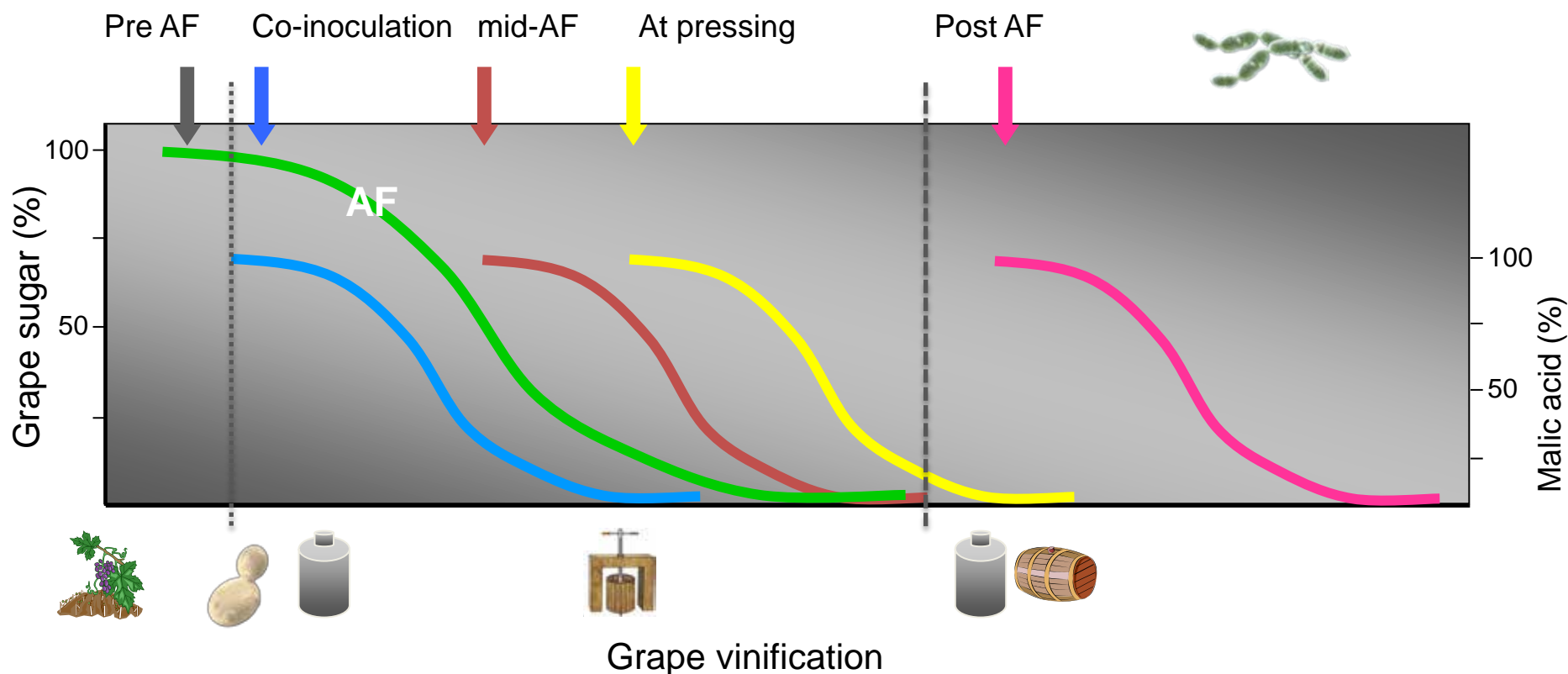


| Variable | | Effect on Diacetyl |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| <i>O. oeni</i> strain | | Variable |
| Wine type | White | Lower |
| | Red | Higher |
| Inoculation rate | 10^4 | Higher |
| | 10^6 | Lower |
| Fermentation time | Longer MLF | Higher |
| Temperature | 18°C | Higher |
| | 25°C | Lower |
| SO ₂ | | Binds to diacetyl |
| Aeration (O ₂) | Air | Higher |
| | Anaerobic | lower |
| Yeast lees | Long contact | Lower |
| pH | Lower | May favour production |



AF + MLF inoculation regime

- ∅ Time point of bacterial inoculation can influence the wine composition and sensory attributes of red and white wines



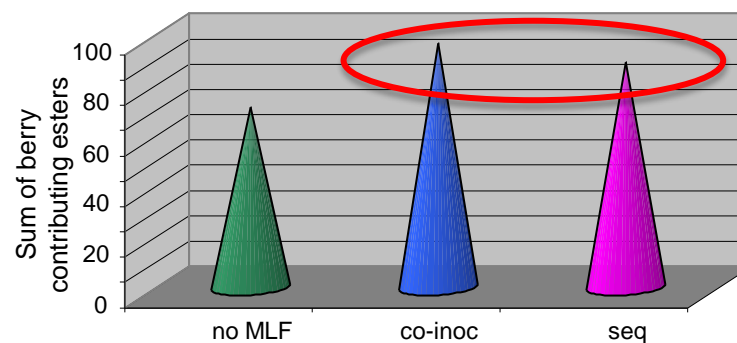
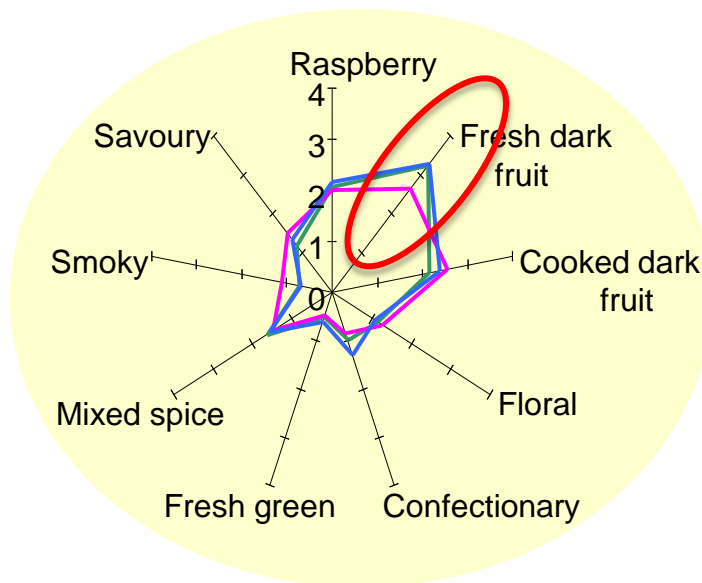
AF/MLF - fruity characters in red wine



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✓ Esters associated with berry fruit attributes

§ Summation of berry fruit esters



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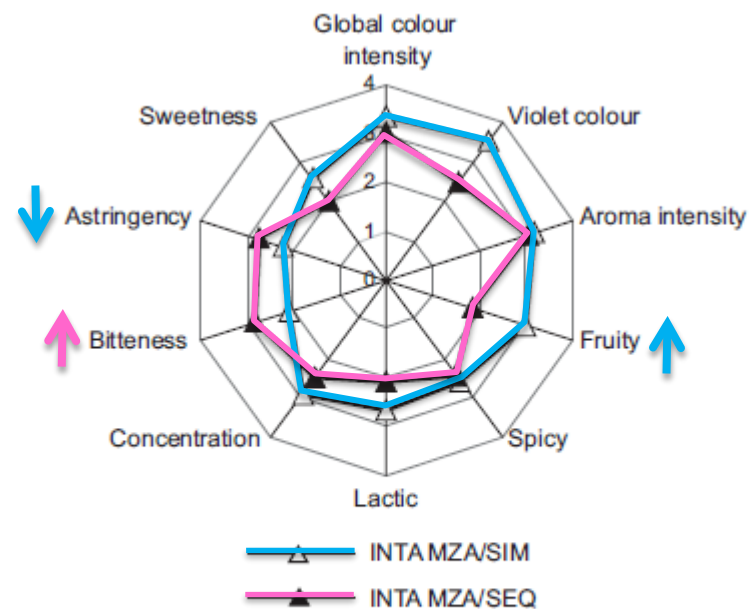
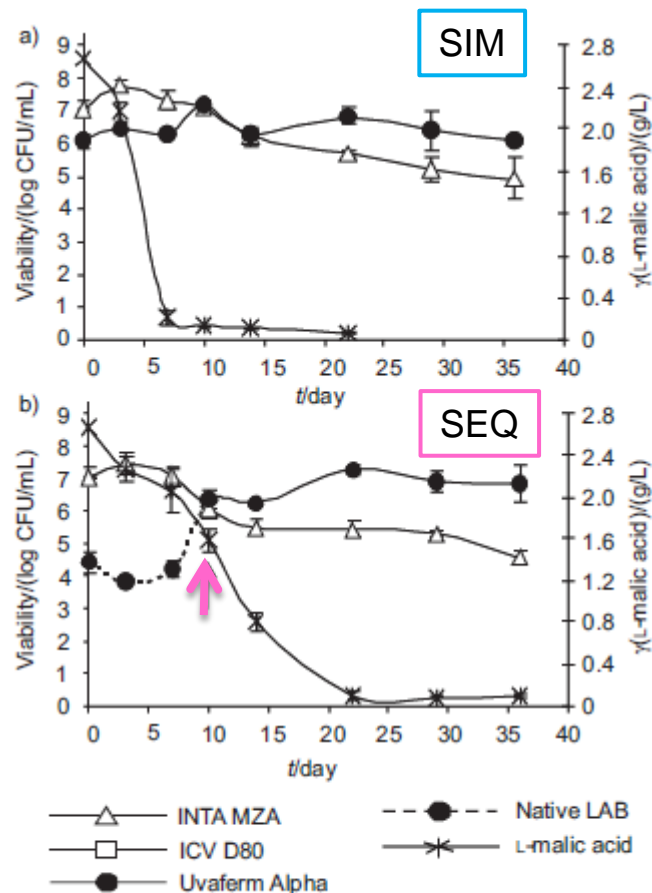


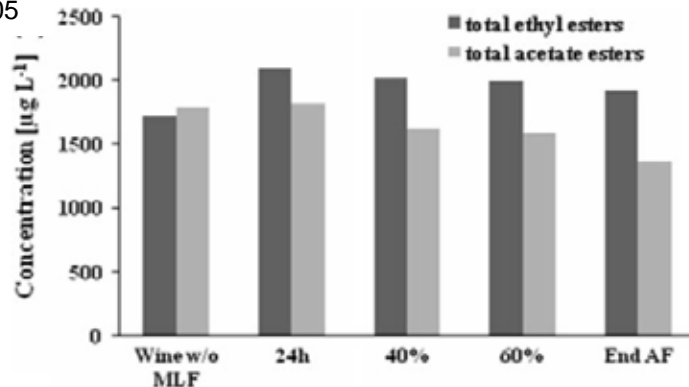
Fig. 5. Sensory descriptors of Malbec wines from must B₆ fermented with *S. cerevisiae* strain (INTA MZA) and *Oenococcus oeni* strain (Uvaferm Alpha) in simultaneous (SIM) and sequential (SEQ) inoculations

Malbec (2005) Mendoza
pH 3.6, TA 7.2 g/L
273.5 g/L reducing sugar
2.67 g/L L-malic acid
126 mg/L YAN

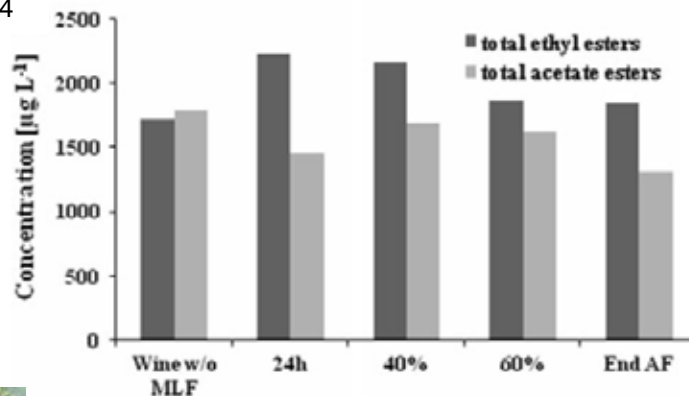


AF/MLF – white wine

O. oeni
R1105

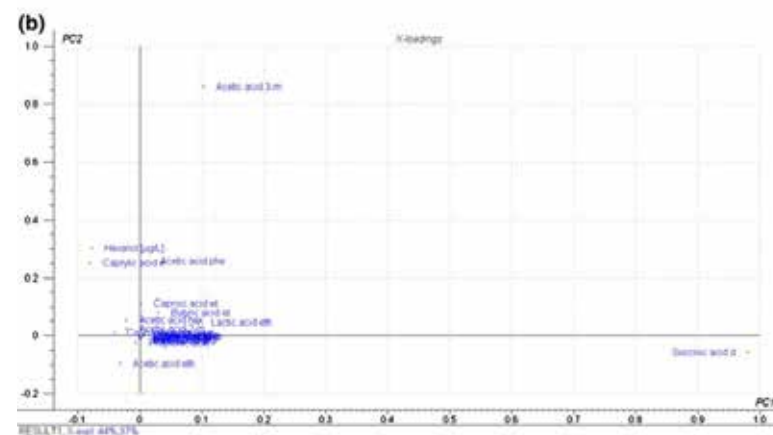
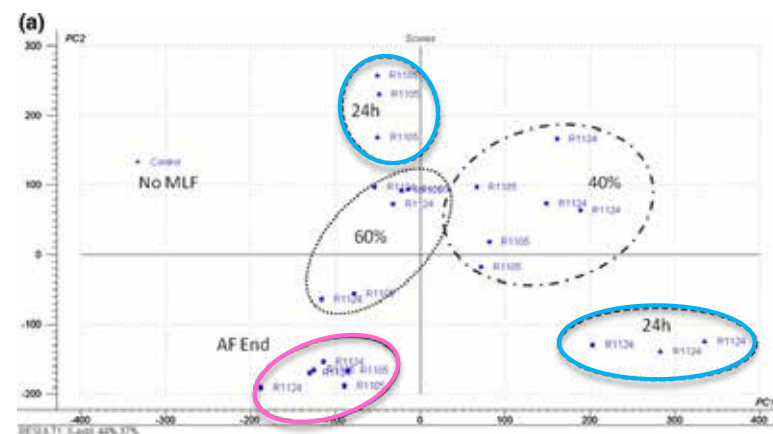


O. oeni
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Riesling (2010)
Rheingau

pH 3.1, TA 15 g/L
218.1 g/L reducing sugar
6.5 g/L L-malic acid



Bacterial metabolism

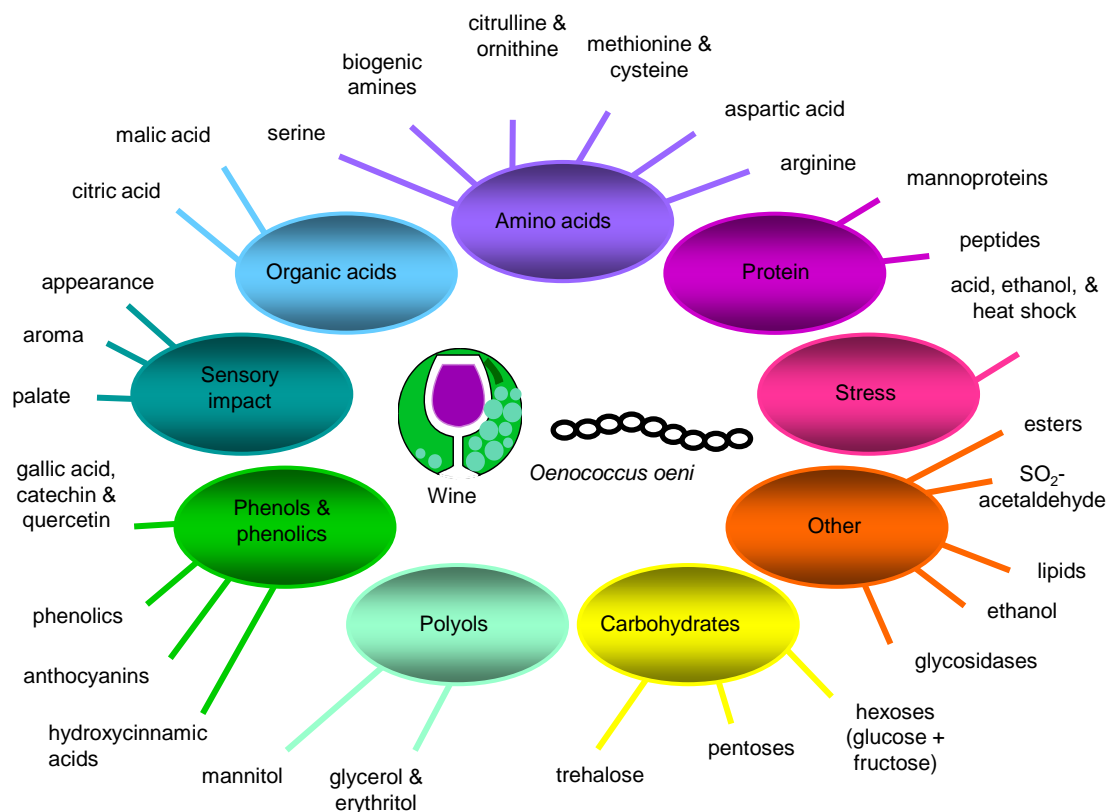


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∨ Factors affecting bacterial metabolism during MLF

§ Wine composition

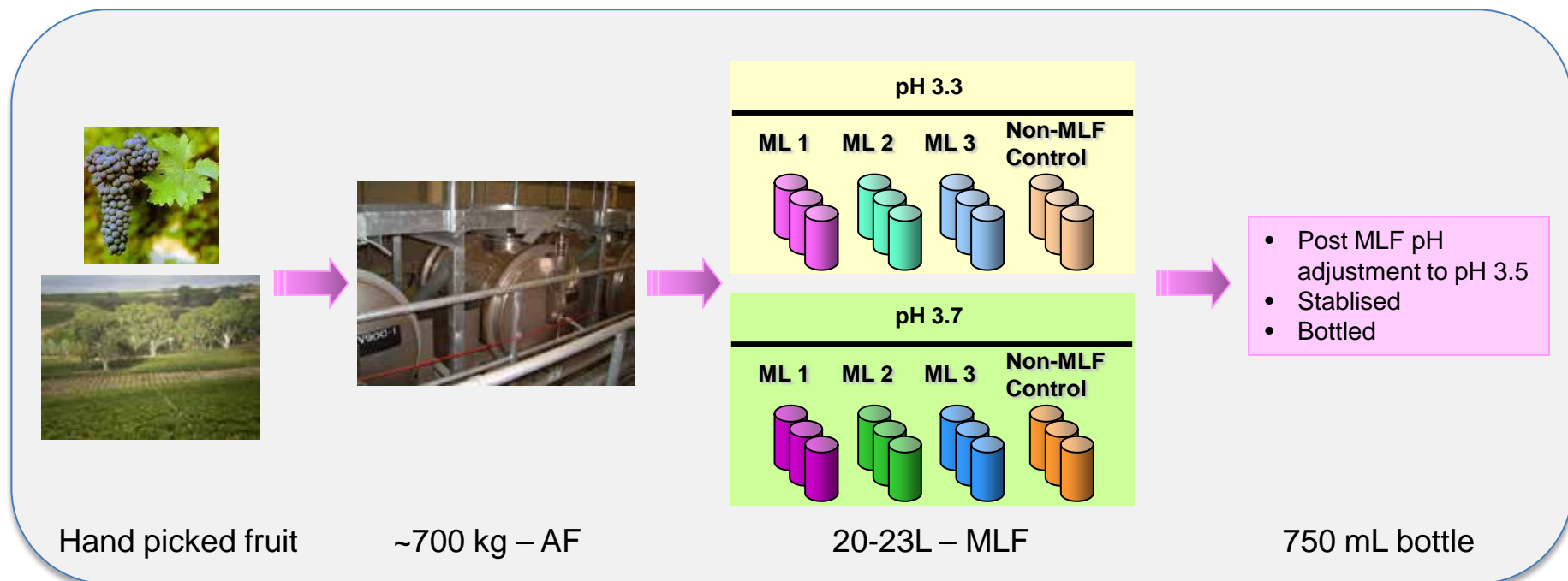
§ pH





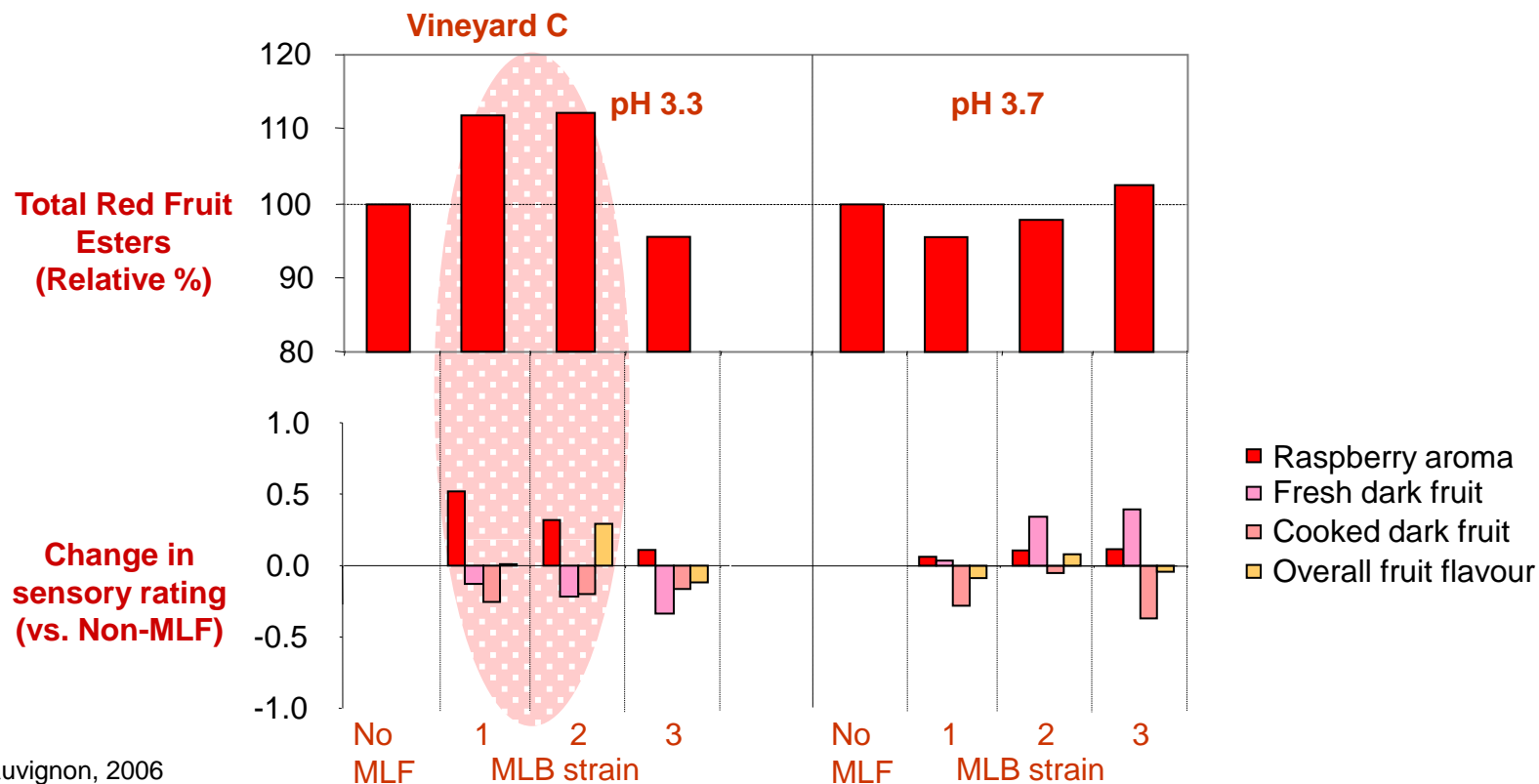
Influence of pH

- Ø Influence of wine pH during MLF
- Ø Effect of MLF & ML strains on the development of berry & fruity sensory attributes





Fruity characters in red wine



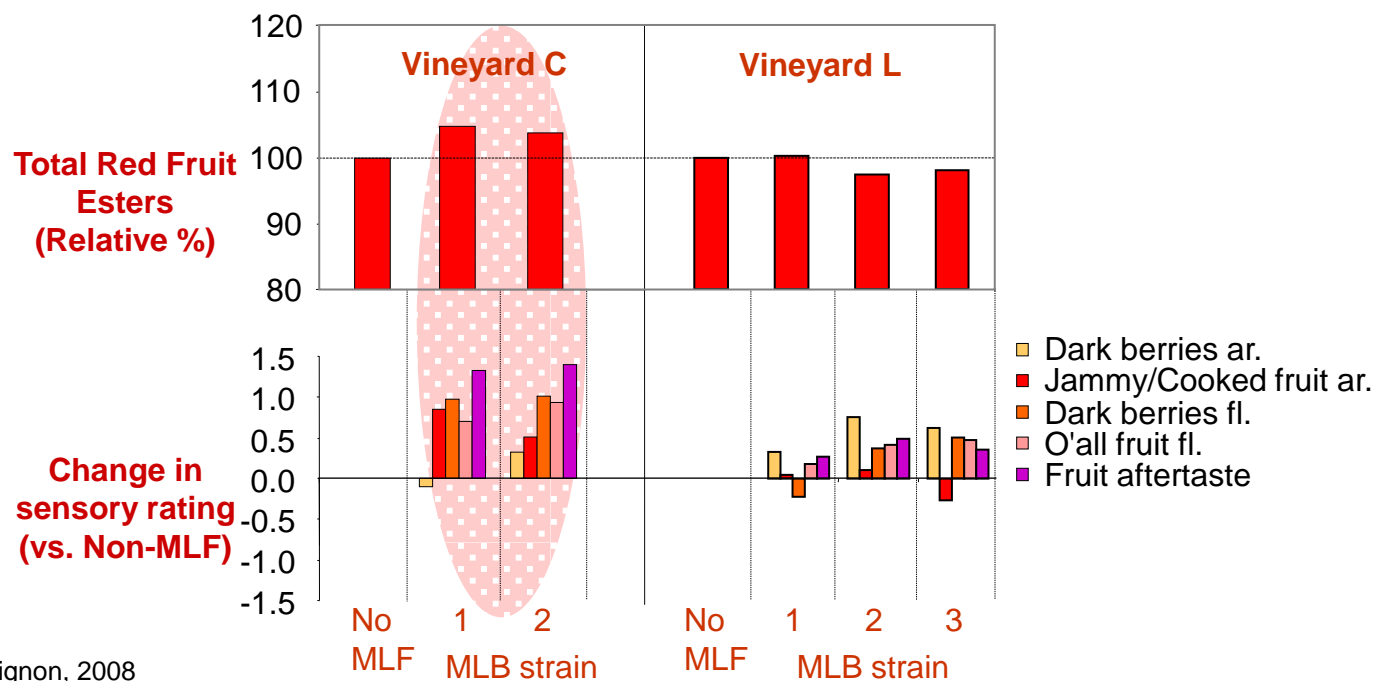
Cabernet Sauvignon, 2006



- *pH influences bacterial metabolism*
- *Increased total red fruit esters correlates with increased berry & fruity Sensory attributes*



Fruity characters in red wine



Cabernet Sauvignon, 2008

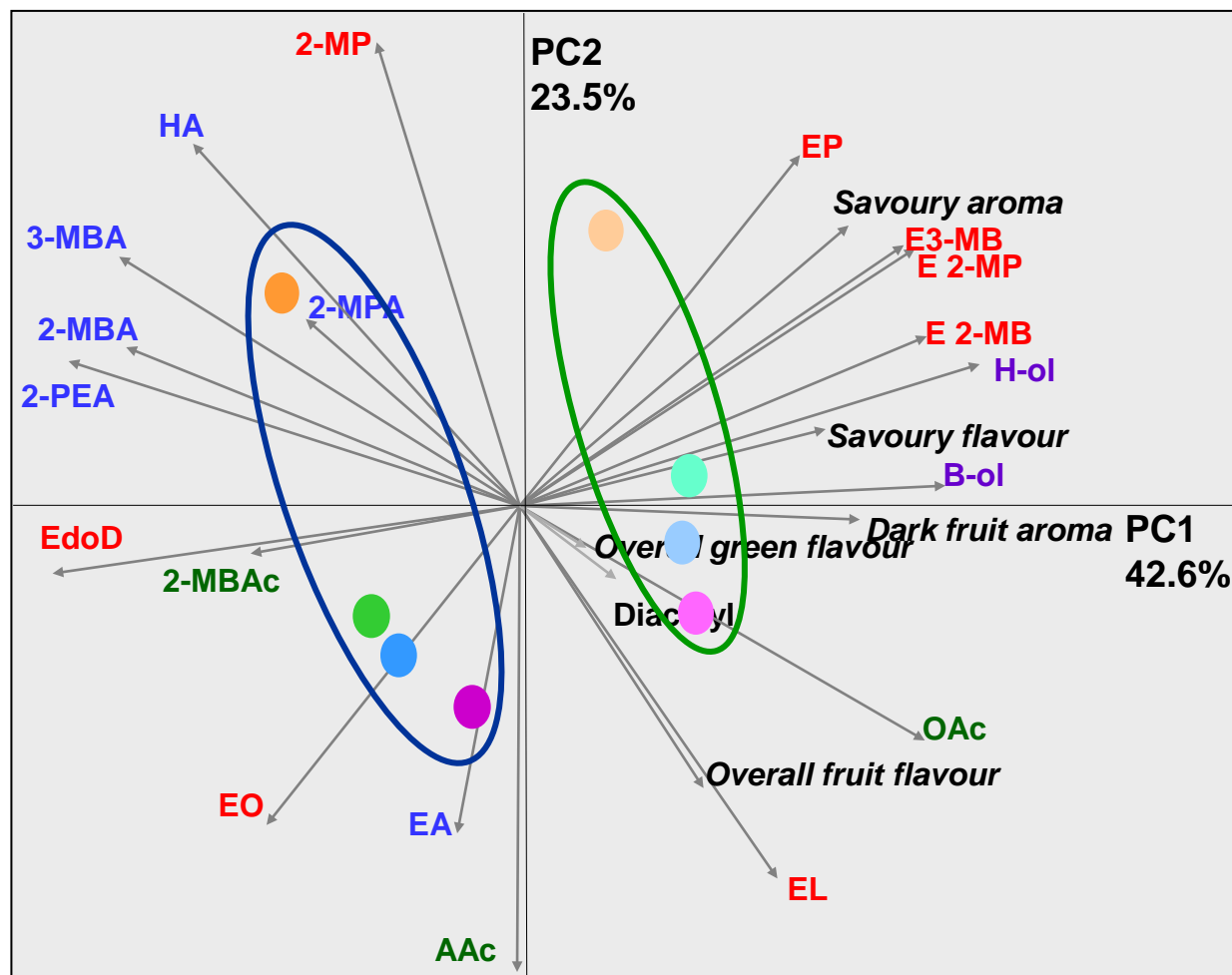


- Consistency with ML strains & vineyard over vintages
- Differences between vineyards

Wine pH affects *O. oeni* metabolism



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Limestone Coast

pH 3.3

No MLF

MLF

pH 3.7

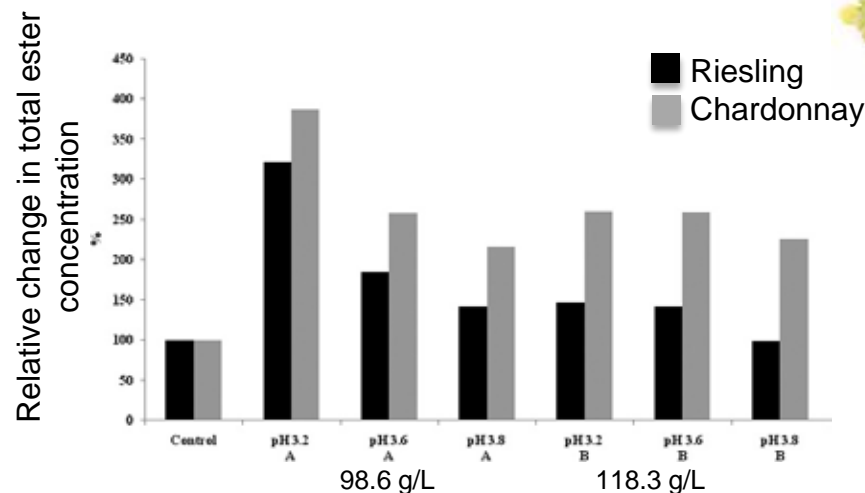
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MLF

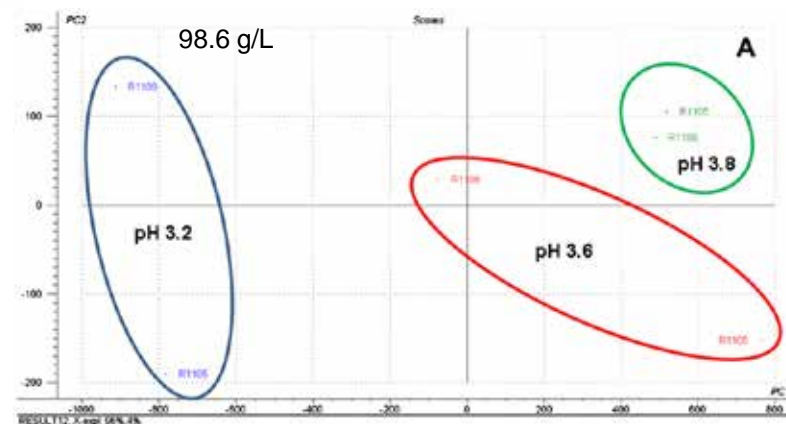


Cabernet Sauvignon,
Limestone Coast 2006

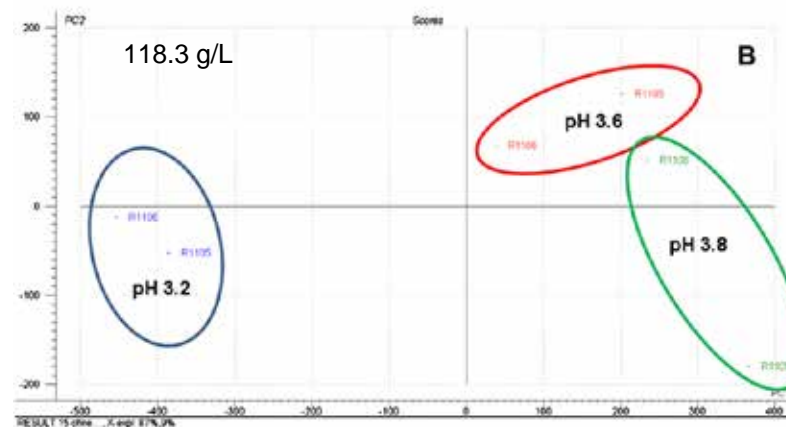
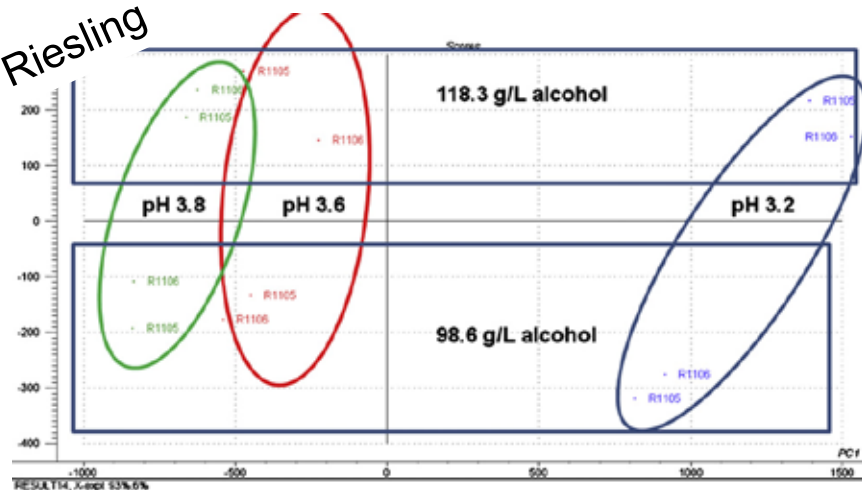
pH affects *O. oeni* metabolism



Chardonnay



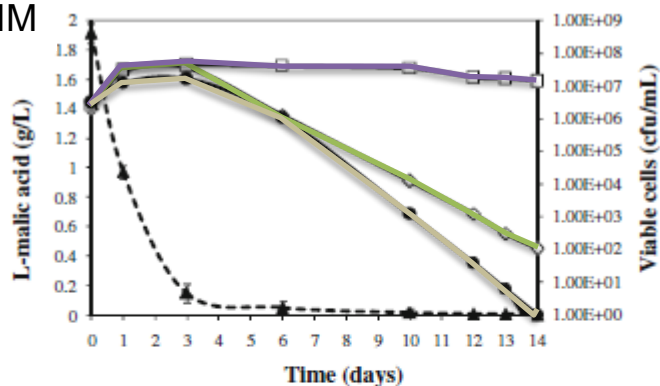
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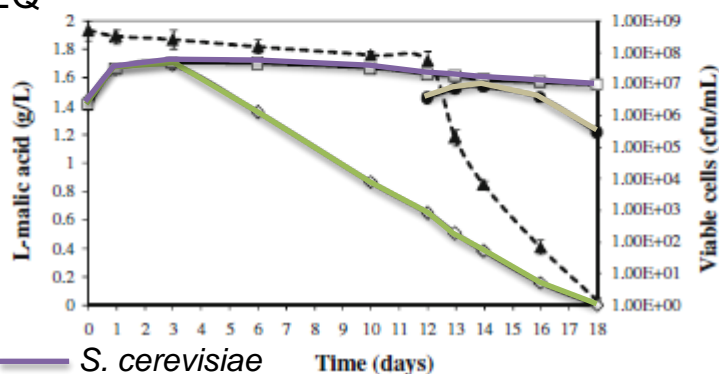


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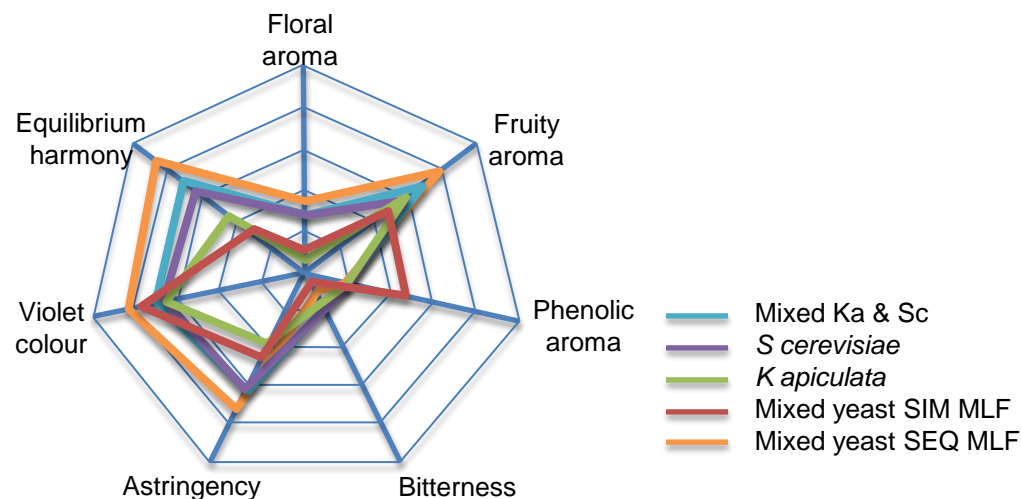


— *S. cerevisiae*
— *K. apiculata*
— *O. Oeni*
--- Malic acid

pH 4.0, TA 4.7 g/L
245 g/L reducing sugar
1.97 g/L L-malic acid
125 mg/L YAN

Malbec (2009)
Argentina

| | | K | S | K+S | K+S+O | K+S+O |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Residual sugar | g/L | 20.84 | 0.72 | 081 | 086 | 075 |
| Ethanol | % v/v | 8.82 | 13.91 | 13.56 | 12.97 | 13.38 |
| VA | g/L | 0.79 | 0.45 | 0.58 | 1.23 | 0.61 |
| pH | | 3.81 | 3.83 | 3.81 | 3.92 | 4.05 |
| TA | g/L | 5.27 | 5.91 | 6.22 | 6.79 | 4.90 |
| Malic acid | g/L | 1.89 | 1.76 | 1.81 | 0.04 | 0.02 |
| Glycerol | g/L | 7.98 | 8.55 | 8.43 | 8.27 | 8.16 |
| Acetaldehyde | mg/L | 37.83 | 56.54 | 52.35 | 17.76 | 48.14 |
| Colour intensity | | 1.60 | 1.62 | 1.59 | 1.52 | 1.70 |
| Colour hue | | 1.24 | 1.19 | 1.22 | 1.20 | 1.15 |



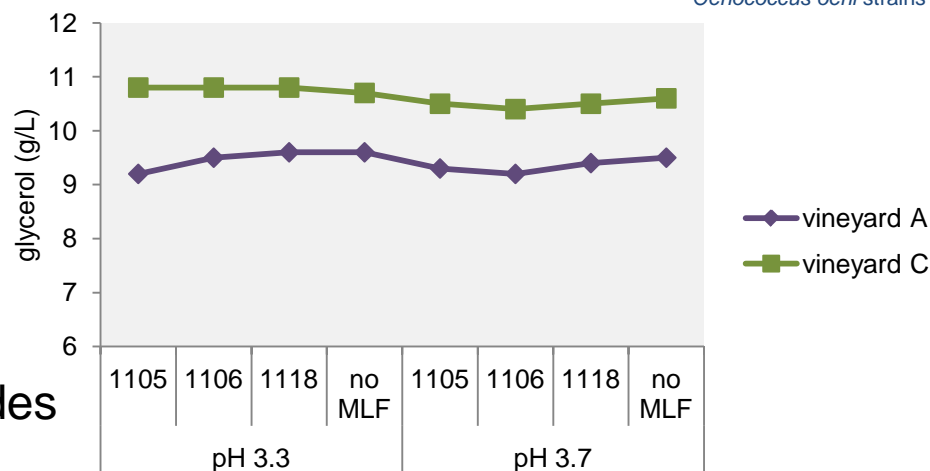


Palate and MLF

✓ MLF can influence the palate of wine

✓ Associated with volume and viscosity

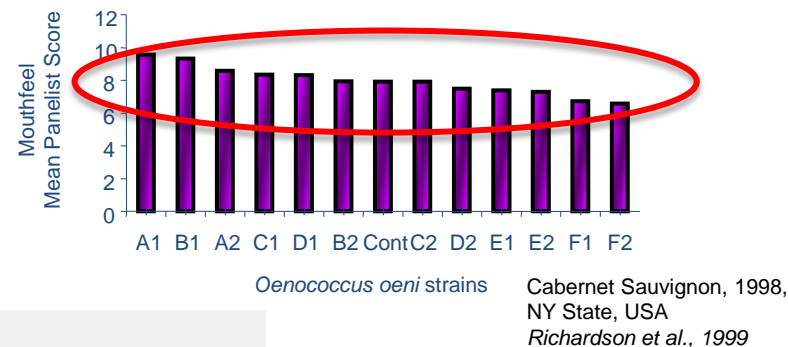
§ Glycerol



§ Exopolysaccharides

✓ Recent studies

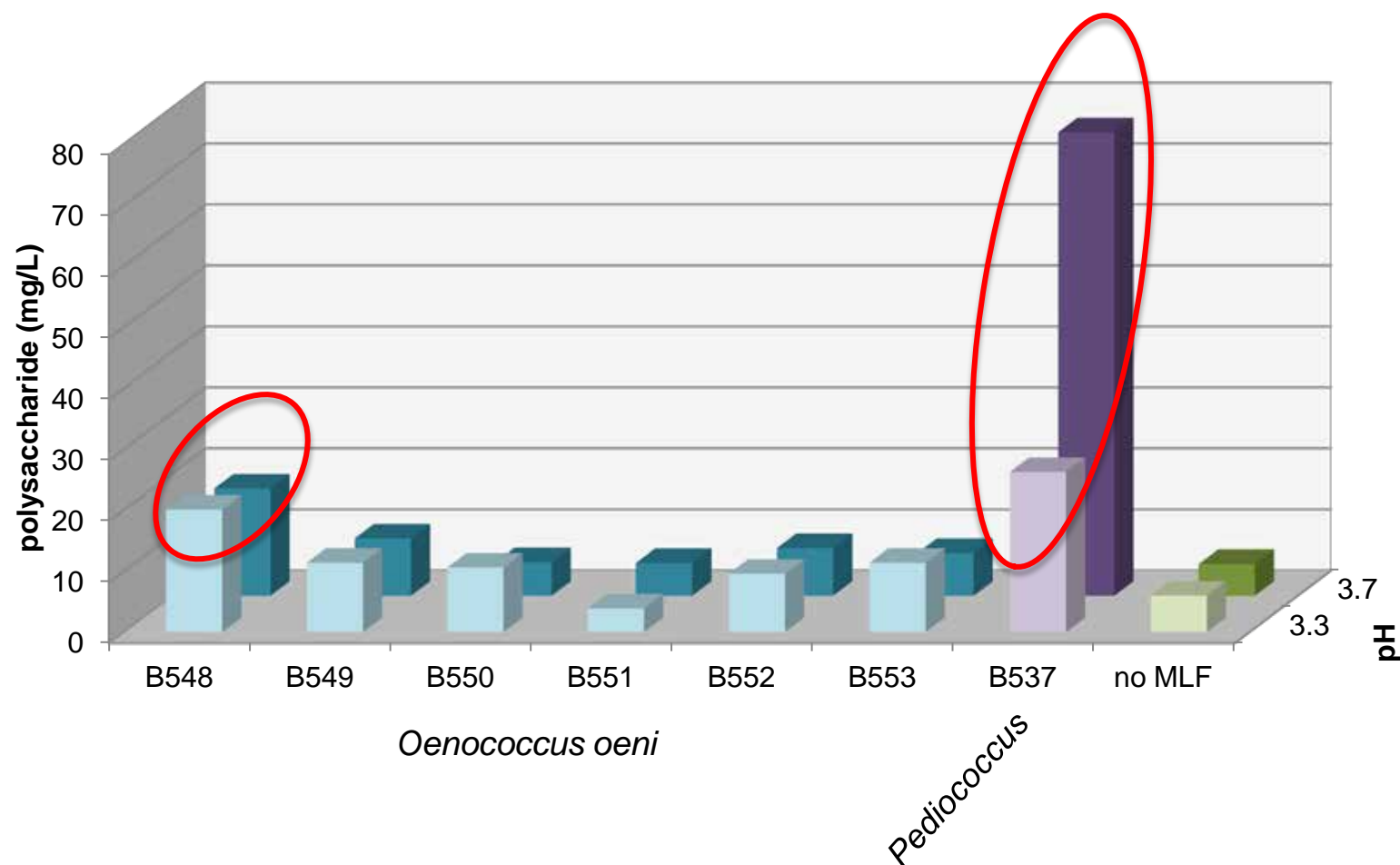
§ Some strains of *O. oeni* have the genes for exopolysaccharide production



Can *O. oeni* produce exopolysaccharides?



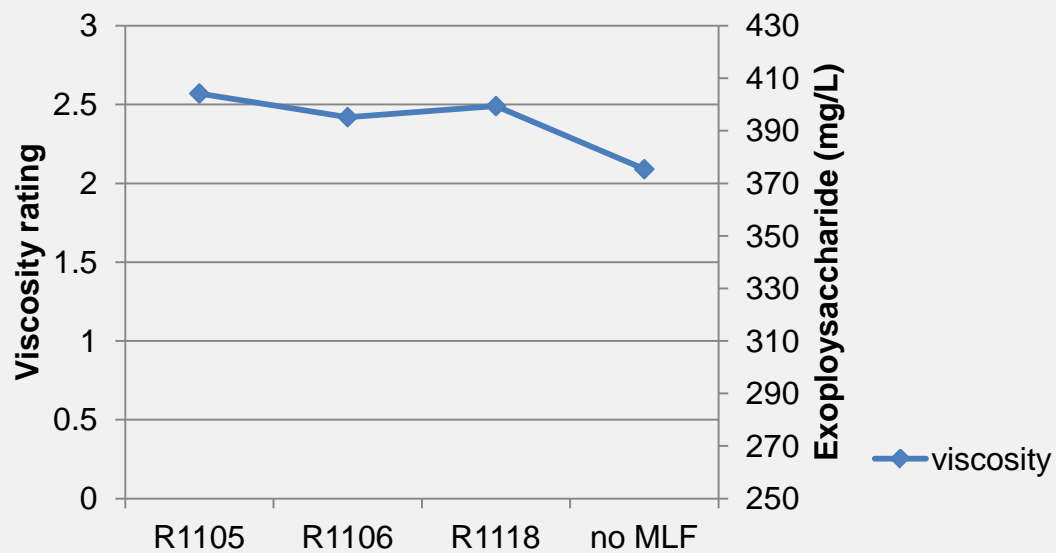
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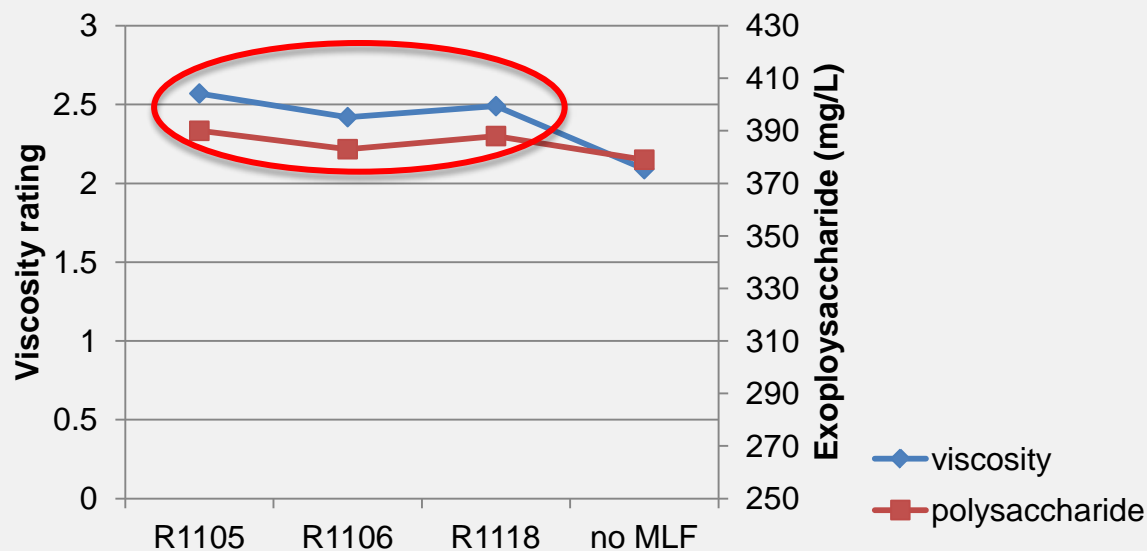
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Cabernet Sauvignon
Vineyard A
Costello, 2006



- *O. oeni* strains can produce exopolysaccharides
- Correlates with viscosity of wine

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ü pH can influence bacterial metabolism

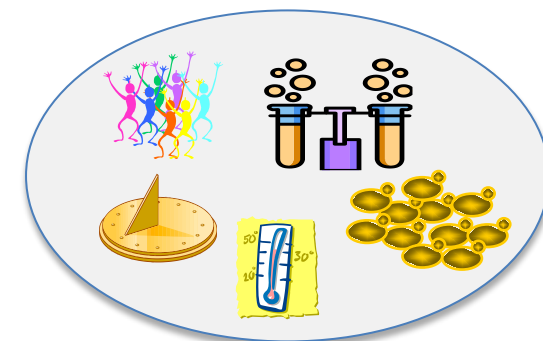
Ø affects wine aroma and flavour



ü Diacetyl – buttery attribute



§ Can be managed through winemaking practices



ü Berry & fruity characters in red wine

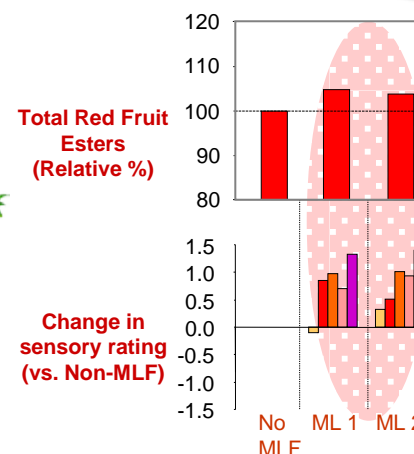
§ Strain

§ Lower pH



✓ Mouthfeel

§ Exopolysaccharide production



Ø *MLF can be used as a means to influence wine style.*

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| ANALYTICAL PARAMETER | SPECIFICATION | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|
| | MINIMUM | MAXIMUM |
| Alcohol strength at 20°C | | |
| wines ^a | 7.0 % v/v | — |
| Total sugar (glucose) ^a | | |
| Still | — | — |
| Dry wines ^a | — | 4.0 g/L |
| Semi-dry ^a | 4.1 g/L | 12.0 g/L |
| Semi-sweet | 12.1 g/L | 45.0 g/L |
| Sweet | 45.1 g/L | — |
| Sparkling | — | — |
| Brut ^a | — | 12.0 g/L |
| Extra-dry ^a | 12.1 g/L | 17.0 g/L |
| Dry | 17.1 g/L | 32.0 g/L |
| Semi-dry | 32.1 g/L | 50.0 g/L |
| Sweet | 50.1 g/L | — |
| Dry extract | | |
| White | 16 g/L | — |
| Rosé | 17 g/L | — |

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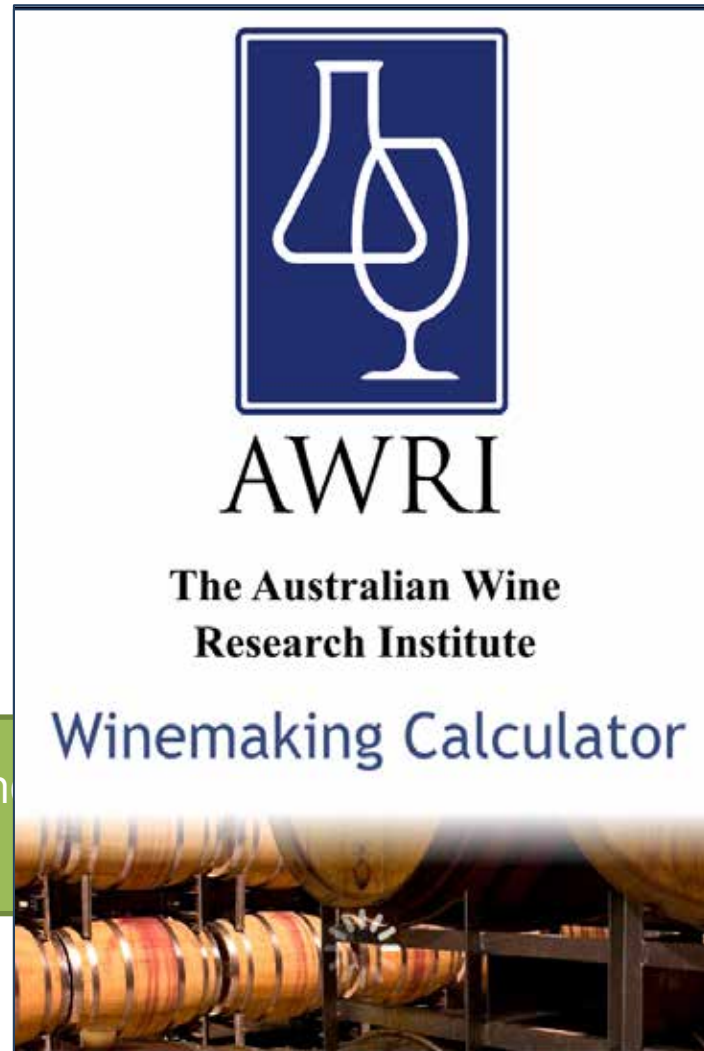


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| The latest on CMCs | Carboxymethylcellulose is becoming an important part of the winemaker's tool box for white wine tartrate stabilisation. However, like all wine additives, there is more to the successful use of CMCs than sales brochures might suggest. This webinar will look at how CMC works; when it is appropriate to use; what precautions you need to take and the best ways to test the wine when using it. | Eric Wilkes (The AWRI) | 6/08/2013 | Register |
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