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Highlights

- Italian (IW) and American (USW) waxy lines were compared
- Dough and bread performance of waxy wheat lines of different origin were studied
- IW lines showed good performance in terms of dough stability and mixing tolerance
- IW lines assured a good dough development during leavening and high bread volume
- USW lines performed better in terms of dough stickiness

1 Rheological properties and baking performance of new waxy lines: strengths and weaknesses

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36 **1. Introduction**

37 Waxy (or amylose-free) wheat is characterized by low amylose content - generally < 3% (Van
38 Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2007) - due to the absence of all the three isoforms of the granule-bound
39 starch synthase (GBSS-I), which are responsible for the biosynthesis of amylose (Sivak & Preiss,
40 1995).

41 Starch retrogradation is believed to be one of the major players of the increase in bread
42 crumb firmness during storage, commonly referred to as bread staling, and amylose is assumed to
43 be the main contributor to this phenomenon (Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2007). Thus, food
44 industry is increasingly interested in waxy starch and in its low susceptibility to retrogradation
45 (Šárka & Dvořáček, 2017). Indeed, the use of waxy wheat in the formulation would avoid the
46 addition of the additives commonly used in bread-making (e.g. enzymes, emulsifiers, etc.) to extend
47 the shelf-life of baked products (Šárka & Dvořáček, 2017). The unique properties and uses of waxy
48 wheat in noodles, bread, cakes, tortillas, refrigerate and frozen food products have been widely
49 reviewed (Graybosh, 1998; Hayakawa, Tanaka, Nakamura, Endo, & Hoshino, 2004; Van Hung,
50 Maeda, & Morita, 2006; Yi, Kerr, & Johnson, 2009; Šárka & Dvořáček, 2017).

51 Japanese researchers were the first to produce completely waxy wheat by using traditional
52 hybridization approach (Nakamura, Yamamori, Hirano, Hidaka, & Nagamine, 1995). Since then,
53 numerous efforts to develop waxy wheat cultivars are underway in Europe, United States, and
54 Australia (Graybosh, 1998). Considering the high influence of the environment on wheat
55 productivity and quality (Graybosch, Souza, Berzonsky, Baenziger, & Chung, 2003), it is unlikely
56 that waxy wheat lines produced in United States or Japan could be successfully cultivated in other
57 Countries. Moreover, consumer resistance and existing regulations do not allow employing
58 genetically engineered foods in Europe. For these reasons, waxy wheat obtained from traditional
59 crossing starting from partial waxy autochthonous landraces have to be taken into consideration
60 (Boggini, Cattaneo, Paganoni, & Vaccino, 2001).

61 Italy and other Countries in the Mediterranean area occupy a distinct position within the
62 framework of wheat products in Europe, by producing bread with particular sensory traits compared
63 with common leavened breads consumed in most of the Western Countries (Iametti, Marti, Pagani,
64 & Bonomi 2015). In the perspective of developing waxy wheat lines suitable for being cultivated in
65 the Mediterranean area, various research activities have been accomplished in the past decade
66 (Boggini, Cattaneo, Paganoni, & Vaccino, 2001; Urbano, Margiotta, Colaprico, & Lafiandra, 2002;
67 Monari, Simeone, Urbano, Margiotta, & Lafiandra, 2005). In particular, a breeding program
68 involved partial-waxy cultivars previously identified in the germplasm collection, leading to the
69 release of 18 waxy lines (Boggini, Cattaneo, Paganoni, & Vaccino, 2001; Caramanico, Vaccino, &
70 Pagani, 2011). Out of these lines, three were worthy of consideration for being proposed for
71 registration based on their agronomic performance (Caramanico, Vaccino, & Pagani, 2011). In this
72 context, the aims of the present work were to: i) evaluate dough rheological properties and bread-
73 making performance of the three Italian waxy lines and ii) compare our waxy lines with two waxy
74 lines from United States with similar compositional traits.

75 **2. Materials and Methods**

76 **2.1 Materials**

77 Five waxy wheat lines were used in this study (Table 1): three Italian waxy wheat lines
78 (henceforth IW), and two US waxy lines (henceforth USW; Morris & Konzak, 2001). All the
79 samples were grown in S. Angelo Lodigiano (Italy) during the 2009-10 growing season. Wheat
80 kernels were milled into flour (particle size less than 220nm) in a Bona Quadrumat Labor mill
81 (Bona, Monza, Italy).

82 A non-waxy wheat flour (Aubusson cv.; henceforth NWW; protein: 10.8%; alveographic W: 155
83 $\times 10^{-4}$ J; alveographic P/L: 0.56) was used as reference.

84 The chemical composition of all the samples is reported in Table -1. Moisture, starch, protein, fat,
85 and ash content was determined according to the approved methods AACC 44-15A, 76-13, 39-10
86 and 46-12, 30-10, 08-12, respectively (AACC, 2000). In particular, protein content was determined

87 by using the NIR System Model 6500 (Foss NIR Systems, Laurel, MD). Amylose content was
88 measured by enzymatic kit Megazyme International (Megazyme International Ireland Ltd.,
89 Wicklow, Ireland).

90 **2.2 Pasting properties**

91 The pasting properties of flours were determined by using the Rapid Visco Analyzer test (RVA-4
92 model, Newport Scientific, Sidney, Australia), according to the approved method ICC 162 (ICC;
93 1995). An aliquot of flour (3.5 g) was dispersed in distilled water (25 mL), scaling both sample and
94 water weight on a 14% (w/w) sample moisture basis. The suspension was subjected to the following
95 temperature profile: holding at 50°C for 1 min; heating from 50 to 95°C; holding at 95°C for 3.5
96 min; cooling from 95°C to 50°C; holding at 50°C for 2 min. A heating/cooling rate of 12°C/min
97 was applied. Data were elaborated by using the software provided with the instrument (Thermocline
98 for Windows, rev. 3.6). Measurements were performed in triplicate and the average value was used.

99 **2.3 Viscoelastic properties**

100 The fundamental rheological behavior of dough samples was studied by dynamic oscillatory
101 measurements performed on a Physica MCR300 Rheometer (Anton Paar GmbH, Graz, Austria),
102 supported by the Universal Software US200 (version 2.5) (Anton Paar, Ostfildern, Germany).

103 Dough sample was prepared by mixing flour (10g) and water (according to the water absorption
104 calculated by the farinograph test) for 1 min in the Glutomatic 2200 (Perten Instruments,
105 Stockholm, Sweden). Measurements were carried out at 25°C, using a corrugated plate system
106 (diameter: 2.5 cm) at a gap of 1 mm. After loading the sample between the parallel plates, the
107 excess was trimmed off and a thin layer of paraffin oil was applied to the edge of the exposed
108 sample to prevent moisture loss during measurements. Sample was allowed to rest at 25 °C for 30
109 min to relax stresses, before starting the test.

110 Dynamic shear data were measured within the linear viscoelastic region, as determined by
111 preliminary amplitude sweep tests performed in the range of 0.01–200% strain, at a constant

112 frequency of 1 Hz. Frequency sweep tests were performed over the range 0.1–10 Hz at 0.03%
113 strain. From each trial, storage modulus (G' , Pa) loss modulus (G'' , Pa), and $\tan\delta$ (ratio between G''
114 and G') were computed by using US200/32 v.2.50 rheometer software (Physica Messtechnik
115 GmbH, Ostfildern, Germany). All the measurements were performed in triplicate.

116 **2.4 Mixing properties and stickiness**

117 Mixing properties were evaluated in triplicate using the Brabender Farinograph-E Brabender OHG,
118 Duisburg, Germany) according to the standard ICC Method 115D (ICC, 1992), using a 50g-mixing
119 bowl.

120 A rounded portion of dough (15 g) was collected after 6 min mixing in the farinograph hand
121 placed in a round plastic container (diameter 40 mm). Dough stickiness was evaluated using a TA-
122 HDplus Texture Analyzer (Stable Micro Systems, Surrey, UK), equipped with a 10 N load cell.
123 After five min, each sample was submitted to compression with a plate probe (diameter: 35 mm) at
124 a crosshead speed of 1 mm/s. The sample was compressed up to 30% deformation, and maintained
125 at this deformation for 5 s, before releasing the force pulling the probe off the sample at a speed of 1
126 mm/s. Data were collected and elaborated using the Texture Exponent TEE32 V 3.0.4.0 Software
127 (Stable Micro System, UK). Stickiness was evaluated as the negative area of the force-time curve
128 measured during force removal. The time of plate detachment from the sample was also considered.
129 Four replicates were performed for each sample.

130 **2.5 Leavening properties**

131 Just after bread dough preparation (see section below), six aliquots (10 g each) were collected,
132 molded in a spherical shape, put into six Petri dishes, and leavened in a climatic chamber up to 4 h
133 at 30 °C and 80% of relative humidity. At the beginning of the test, and then every 30 min, the
134 images of the Petri dishes were scanned full scale in 256 grey level at 300 dpi with a flatbed scanner
135 (Epson Perfection 3170 Photo, Saiko-Epson Corporation, Japan). Images were processed using a

136 dedicated software (Image Pro-Plus 4.5.1.29, Media Cybernetics Inc, MD, USA). The dough area
137 (mm^2) increase was measured and the relative increase was considered (A_t/A_{t0}).

138 **2.6 Bread preparation**

139 Bread loaves were prepared according to the official method AACC 10-10.03(AACCI, 2000) with
140 some modifications. Flour (50.0g) was mixed with sugar (2.0 g), salt (1.0 g), shortening (1.5 g),
141 yeast (1.75 g), and ascorbic acid (0.4 mg). Water was added based on the farinographic water
142 absorption index. All the ingredients were mixed in a mixer (Model 325 Gram Swanson Mixer,
143 National Manufacturing, Lincoln, US) for 3 min. **Dough was divided into portions of 45 g and**
144 fermented in cabinet at 30°C at 80% relative humidity for 150 min. Punching was performed after
145 50 min and after 75 min. All dough samples were placed in aluminum steel baking pans (4.2 x 7.0
146 cm in top, 3.1 x 6.0 cm in bottom, and 4.0 cm in depth) and fermented in a fermentation cabinet
147 (Model 505-SS 2/3National Manufacturing, Lincoln, NE U.S.A) for 70 min. Dough pieces were
148 baked at 220°C for 20 min (Reel Type Ovens Model 8/16, National Manufacturing, Lincoln, US.).
149 Bread loaves were allowed to cool for 60 min before further tests.

150 **2.7 Bread characteristics**

151 Fresh breads were characterized for weight (g), height (mm), volume (mL), and specific volume
152 (mL/g). Loaf volume was determined by Micro Volumeter (National Manufacturing, Lincoln, NE
153 U.S.A.). Results are the average of four replicates.

154 **2.8 Statistical analysis**

155 The data were processed by Statgraphics XV version 15.1.02 (StatPoint Inc., Warrenton, VA,
156 USA).One-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was performed and samples were used as factors.
157 When a factor effect was found significant ($P < 0.05$), significant differences among the mean
158 values were determined by Fisher's Least Significant Difference (LSD) test.

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160 **3. Results and Discussion**

161 **3.1 Pasting properties**

162 Waxy wheat flours exhibited quicker gelatinization (lower peak temperature/time) and lower
163 retrogradation (lower final viscosity and setback) tendency compared to non-waxy flour (Table 2),
164 in agreement with literature (Yoo & Jane, 2002; Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2006; Van Hung,
165 Maeda, & Morita, 2007; Lan et al., 2008). Peak viscosity values of waxy samples were significantly
166 ($P < 0.05$) lower than that shown by NWW sample, likely due differences in amylose content (Table
167 1). Furthermore, during the holding period at 95°C, viscosity decreased for all the samples due to
168 the starch granule breaking.

169 Among the waxy lines, even if their amylose content is comparable (Table 1), in general, the
170 Italian lines evidenced the lowest peak temperatures to indicate that they are able to interact with
171 water and swell more rapidly than USW lines (Table 2). This pasting behavior can be explained by
172 many factors such as the starch content and amylose: amylopectin ratio, the percentage of smaller
173 size granules and damaged granules that favor a faster hydration and swelling of the starch (Abdel-
174 Aal, Hucl, Chibbar, Han, & Demeke, 2002). Differences among samples could be also related to
175 damaged starch content and α -amylase activity, which play a role in the granule swelling ability.

176 **3.2 Viscoelastic properties**

177 The frequency sweep curves of waxy and non-waxy dough samples are shown in Figure 1. For all
178 flours in the whole range of frequency G' was greater than G'' , which is typical of a highly
179 structured material. Both moduli increased with frequency, following an exponential equation
180 (power law equation: $y = a \cdot x^b$). The results of the fitting are reported in Table 3 where “a” is a
181 consistency index and “b” is related to dependence of the measure on the strain rate and mainly
182 depends on the nature of the interactions in the dough. NWW dough presented the highest G' and
183 G'' consistency indices, with values that resulted very far from the ones found for the waxy dough
184 samples. On the contrary, “b” values changed in a narrow interval. The different amount of water

185 used for preparing the dough (see Table 4) certainly contributed to create a more diluted protein
186 network in waxy wheat dough, accounting for low G' and G'' values.

187 Among waxy wheat samples, IW_70 and IW_123 showed the highest G' values, despite the
188 high amount of water added. On the contrary, both IW_118 and USW_546 presented the lowest “a”
189 value (Table 3). Similar trends were also found for the power law coefficients of G'' curves. As
190 regard the $\tan \delta$ values (ratio between the viscous and elastic components), NWW and IW_123
191 dough presented very similar viscoelastic characteristics, even at high strain rates, which is in
192 agreement with the farinographic stability (Table 4). On the contrary, USW_546 exhibited the
193 highest $\tan \delta$, highlighting more viscous behavior compared to the other samples. In agreement with
194 previous results (Morita, Meada, Myazaki, & Yamamori, 2002; Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita,
195 2007), the highest water absorption of waxy flour – which could mainly due to the different
196 structural organization of the starchy fraction (Zhang, Zhang, Xu, & Zhou, 2014; Šárka &
197 Dvořáček, 2017)– determined a soft and more viscous dough.

198 **3.3 Mixing properties**

199 Dough mixing properties are shown in Table 4. The water absorption values of waxy flours ranged
200 from 69.5% to 74.3%, for USW_545 and IW_123, respectively. Regardless the geographical origin,
201 these values were significantly higher compared to common wheat (52.5%). Differences in water
202 absorption may be attributed to the amylopectin structure of waxy wheat (Zhang, Zhang, Xu, &
203 Zhou, 2014). Highly branched macromolecules quicker absorb water that will not be available for
204 protein solvation. Consequently, waxy wheat required higher water amount and longer mixing times
205 for assuring protein solvation and gluten formation. Dough made with waxy wheat exhibited lower
206 mixing stability and higher softening index (ranging from 87 to 206 UB for IW_123 and
207 USW_545) than NWW. This trend suggested that the gluten network from waxy wheat was weaker
208 compared to the matrix developed in NWW despite the higher protein content. The mixing profiles
209 of IW and USW lines were similar to literature data (Morita, Meada, Myazaki, & Yamamori, 2002;

210 Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2006; Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2007; Zhang, Zhang, Xu, &
211 Zhou, 2014). Interestingly, the IW_70 and IW_123 samples presented higher stability and lower
212 degree of softening than USW lines, making them more suitable for bread-making. These features
213 could reduce difficulties during the preparation of waxy wheat dough and its handling during
214 processing.

215 **3.4 Dough stickiness**

216 Dough samples from waxy wheat exhibited a higher energy value and longer time for plate
217 detachment than regular wheat dough, indicating high stickiness (Table 4). IW lines generally
218 exhibited slightly but not always significant higher stickiness than USW. This characteristic is an
219 important textural property of wheat dough as sticky dough adheres to machine surface, giving
220 troubles during bread preparation (Armero & Collar, 1997). In addition, dough stickiness might
221 result in a chewy bread that adheres to the mouth, or/and seems to be under-baked, decreasing
222 consumer acceptance (Yi et al., 2009). Some studies (Morita, Meada, Myazaki, & Yamamori, 2002;
223 Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2006) reported the relation between high stickiness and the high
224 water content of waxy wheat dough. Recently, Caramanico et al. (2017) found that waxy starch is
225 characterized by a high water retention capacity, accounting for the higher level of flour hydration
226 to reach the optimum protein solvation.

227 Moreover, the same Authors suggested that differences in protein-protein interactions might also
228 account for the differences in dough properties during mixing, with hydrophobic interactions
229 playing a more significant role than covalent ones in imparting the stickiness trait to dough.

230 **3.5 Leavening properties**

231 The relative increase of dough area is reported in Figure 2. This analysis allows predicting the dough
232 leavening properties during bread-making (Cappa, Lucisano, & Mariotti, 2013).

233 Up to 90 min of leavening, all the waxy samples showed a major relative increment of dough
234 surface with respect to the control (NWW), with IW_70 and USW_546 flours having a faster and

235 greater development compared to the others (Figure 2), suggesting a potential good leavening
236 properties and likely bread-making performance in terms of bread volume. In particular, IW_70
237 achieved a maximum value of dough development equal to 4.6 after 120 min, whereas the
238 maximum development for USW_546 was 4.0 after 180 min of leavening. In all cases, the
239 maximum A_t/A_{t0} values were reached between 120 and 180 min (Figure 2). After this point, dough
240 development reached a plateau.

241 **3.6 Bread characteristics**

242 The bread-making performances of samples are reported in Table 5. All the IW lines resulted in a
243 higher bread height and larger volume than USW samples, confirming the importance of the
244 environment on starch and protein properties and, therefore, on bread-making performance
245 (Peterson, Graybosch, Beanzinger, & Grombacher, 1992; Peterson, Graybosch, Shelton, Beanzinger
246 Graybosch, Souza, Berzonsky, Baenziger, & Chung, 2003). In fact, results indicated that waxy
247 samples with Italian germplasm were characterized by a better technological quality in comparison
248 to the USW lines. Among the Italian lines, IW_123 showed the best bread-making aptitude (Table
249 5), likely related to the higher dough elasticity and lower stickiness shown during dough mixing and
250 handling (Table 4). At the same time, the crumb of waxy wheat samples appeared typically more
251 porous than in non-waxy wheat, with the presence of big gas cells (Caramanico, Vaccino, & Pagani,
252 2011). Indeed, amylopectin seems to be more susceptible to α -amylase hydrolysis during
253 fermentation, assuring higher sugar content and, therefore, a higher gas production in waxy wheat
254 systems (Van Hung, Maeda, & Morita, 2006).

255 Our data are in agreement with those of previous studies (Lee, Swanson, & Baik, 2001; Morita,
256 Meada, Myazaki, & Yamamori, 2002), showing that bread made from waxy wheat had usually
257 slightly larger volume than bread from non waxy wheat flour. It has also been reported that,
258 although bread made from waxy wheat flour produced loaves of very high volume, some structural
259 collapse during the first 24 h out of the oven may happen (Hayakawa, Tanaka, Nakamura, Endo, &
260 Hoshino, 2004).

261 **4. Conclusions**

262 The Italian breeding program allowed selecting some waxy lines with interesting technological
263 performance, in terms of dough stability and tolerance to mechanical stress. In addition, protein
264 network assured a good dough development during leavening resulting in bread with very high
265 specific volume. Despite that, the relevant amount of water necessary to reach the optimal
266 farinographic consistency could be responsible for the high stickiness. Therefore, the weakness of
267 waxy dough could be skipped by mixing waxy wheat flours at high percentage with non-waxy
268 wheat, and the potential antistaling effects of this mixture could be of interest for bakeries.

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341 **Figure captions**

342 Figure 1. Frequency sweep curves. A: storage modulus (G'); B: loss modulus (G''); C: damping
343 factor ($\tan\delta$).

344 Figure 2. Relative increase of dough surface (A_t/A_{t0}) during leavening.

Table 1. Chemical composition of Italian waxy wheat lines (IW), USwaxy wheat lines (USW), and non-waxy wheat flour (NWW). All data are expressed as g/100g flour dry basis, except for Amylose which is expressed as g/100g starch.

Name	Abbreviation	Starch	Amylose	Protein	Lipid	Ash
Wx70	IW_70	79.4 ^{bc}	1.4 ^a	12.0 ^b	1.8 ^b	0.66 ^c
Wx 118	IW_118	79.5 ^c	1.5 ^a	12.9 ^d	1.8 ^b	0.38 ^a
Wx 123	IW_123	79.2 ^{bc}	1.4 ^a	13.2 ^e	1.7 ^{ab}	0.55 ^b
WQL6K107- BHWX2-2a	USW_545	77.0 ^{ab}	1.7 ^a	12.2 ^c	1.5 ^a	0.38 ^a
PI 612545 WQL6K107- BHWX14-7	USW_546	76.4 ^a	1.6 ^a	13.3 ^e	1.9 ^b	0.59 ^{bc}
PI 612546						
Aubusson	NWW	80.6 ^c	23.9 ^b	10.8 ^a	1.4 ^a	0.60 ^{bc}

Mean values followed by different letters in a column are significantly different (LSD; P <0.05).

Table 2. Pasting properties of flour from Italian waxy wheat lines (IW), USwaxy wheat lines (USW), and non-waxy wheat (NWW).

	Pasting Temperature (°C)	Peak Viscosity (10 ⁻³ Pa*s)	Peak Temperature (°C)	Breakdown (10 ⁻³ Pa*s)	Final Viscosity (°C)	Setback (10 ⁻³ Pa*s)
IW_70	66.2 ^{ab}	2390 ^c	79.0 ^b	1435 ^b	1281 ^b	326 ^b
IW_118	66.7 ^{abc}	2377 ^c	78.3 ^a	1419 ^b	1341 ^c	383 ^c
IW_123	66.7 ^{bc}	2077 ^a	79.9 ^c	1238 ^a	1111 ^a	272 ^a
USW_545	67.0 ^{bc}	2398 ^c	81.2 ^d	1384 ^b	1383 ^c	369 ^c
USW_546	65.4 ^a	2310 ^b	82.0 ^e	1283 ^a	1364 ^c	337 ^b
NWW	67.6 ^c	3119 ^d	95.0 ^f	1237 ^a	3227 ^d	1371 ^d

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Table 3. Application of the power law equation ($y = a \cdot x^b$) to the frequency sweep test of G' (storage modulus) and G'' (loss modulus) for dough samples.

	G'		G''	
	a	b	a	b
IW_70	6996 ^b	0.258 ^b	3130 ^c	0.302 ^{bc}
IW_118	5604 ^a	0.266 ^{bc}	2482 ^{ab}	0.306 ^c
IW_123	7004 ^b	0.235 ^a	2788 ^{bc}	0.282 ^b
USW_545	6899 ^a	0.264 ^c	3012 ^a	0.305 ^c
USW_546	4814 ^b	0.278 ^{bc}	2297 ^c	0.310 ^{bc}
NWW	12811 ^c	0.237 ^a	5247 ^d	0.252 ^a


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Table 4. Mixing properties and stickiness of dough from Italian waxy wheat lines (IW), US waxy wheat lines (USW), and non-waxy wheat flour (NWW).

	Mixing Properties				Stickiness	
	Water Absorption (g/100g)	Development Time (min)	Stability (min)	Softening Value (BU)	Stickiness (N*mm)	Time of Plate Detachment (s)
IW_70	72.0 ^{cd}	4.3 ^d	3.0 ^b	106 ^c	130.9 ^c	19.6 ^{bc}
IW_118	70.6 ^{bc}	2.9 ^{bc}	2.4 ^a	136 ^d	114.9 ^{bc}	21.3 ^c
IW_123	74.3 ^e	4.8 ^e	4.1 ^c	87 ^b	115.1 ^{bc}	16.4 ^b
USW_545	69.5 ^b	2.6 ^b	2.2 ^a	206 ^f	88.2 ^b	21.7 ^c
USW_546	73.2 ^{de}	3.2 ^c	2.1 ^a	158 ^e	95.0 ^b	20.7 ^c
NWW	52.5 ^a	1.8 ^a	4.3 ^c	63 ^a	43.7 ^a	4.0 ^a

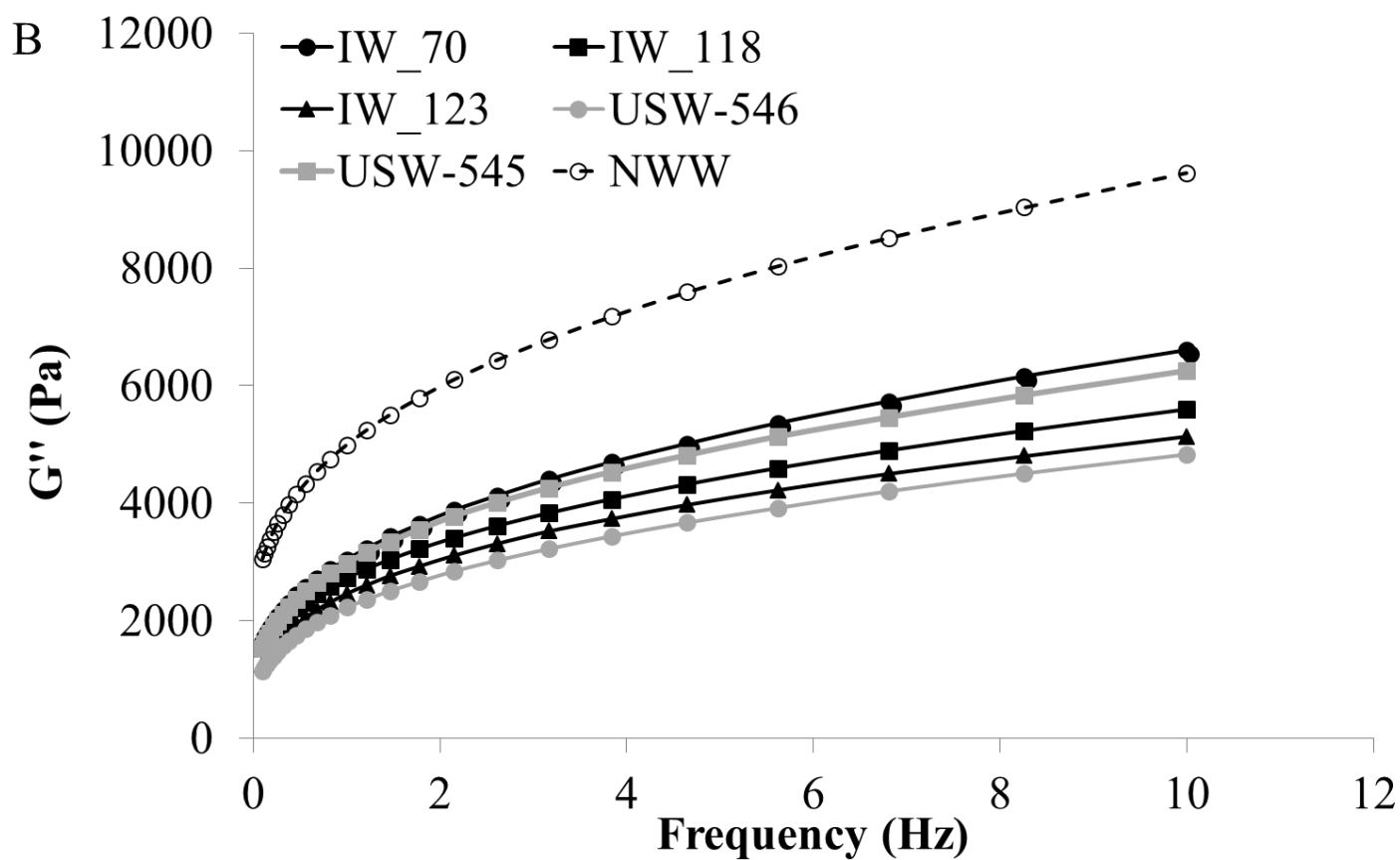
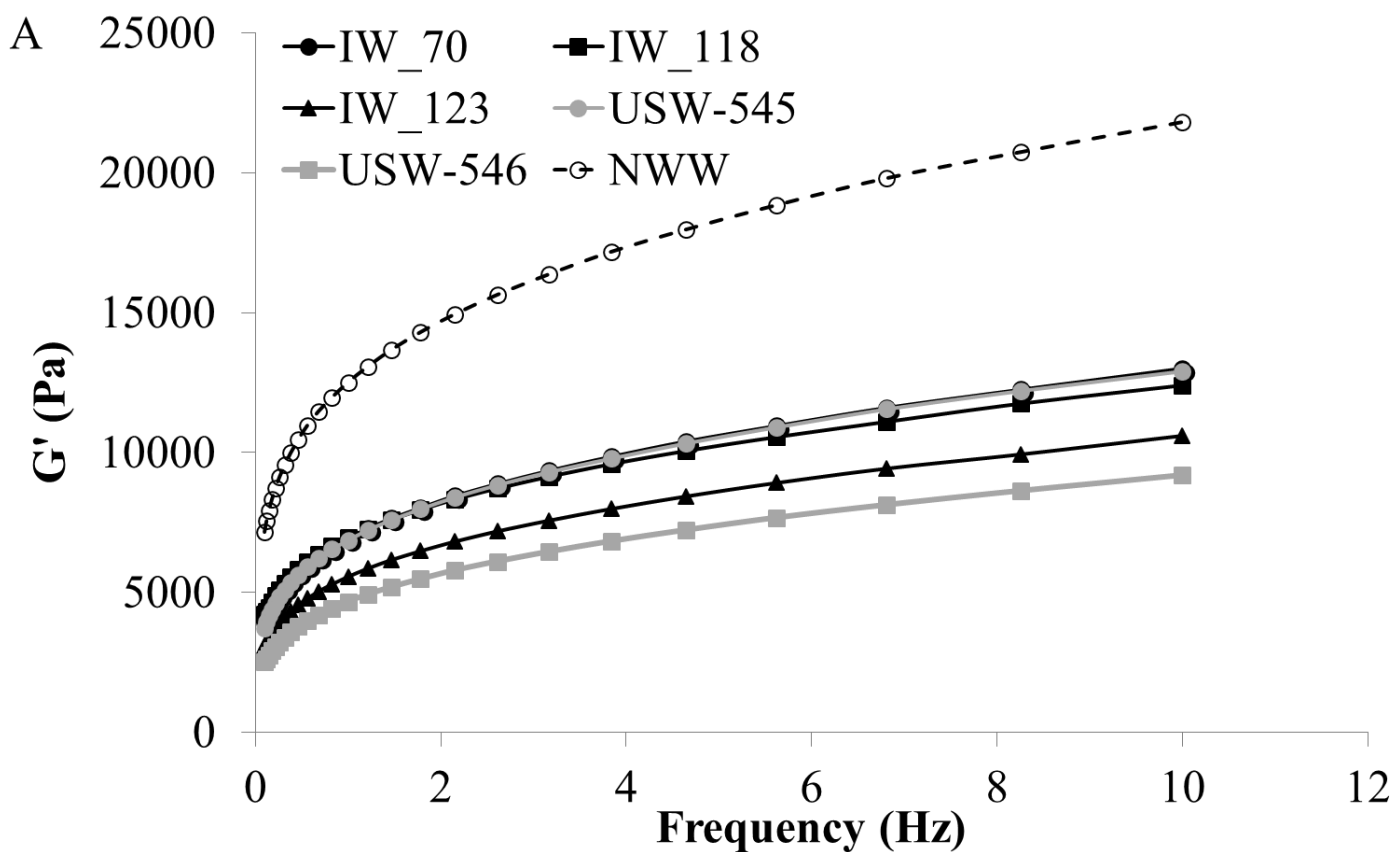
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Table 5. Bread-making performance of Italian waxy wheat lines (IW), US waxy wheat lines (USW), and non-waxy wheat (NWW).

	Height (mm)	Weight (g)	Volume (mL)	Specific Volume (mL/g)	
IW_70	73.6 ^c	32.7 ^{ab}	208 ^d	6.37 ^d	
IW_118	77.7 ^d	33.0 ^b	219 ^e	6.62 ^e	
IW_123	81.1 ^e	33.0 ^b	226 ^f	6.89 ^f	
USW_545	63.6 ^a	32.4 ^a	163 ^b	5.08 ^b	
USW_546	76.4 ^{cd}	32.8 ^{ab}	185 ^c	5.66 ^c	
NWW	66.8 ^b	32.6 ^{ab}	131 ^a	4.05 ^a	

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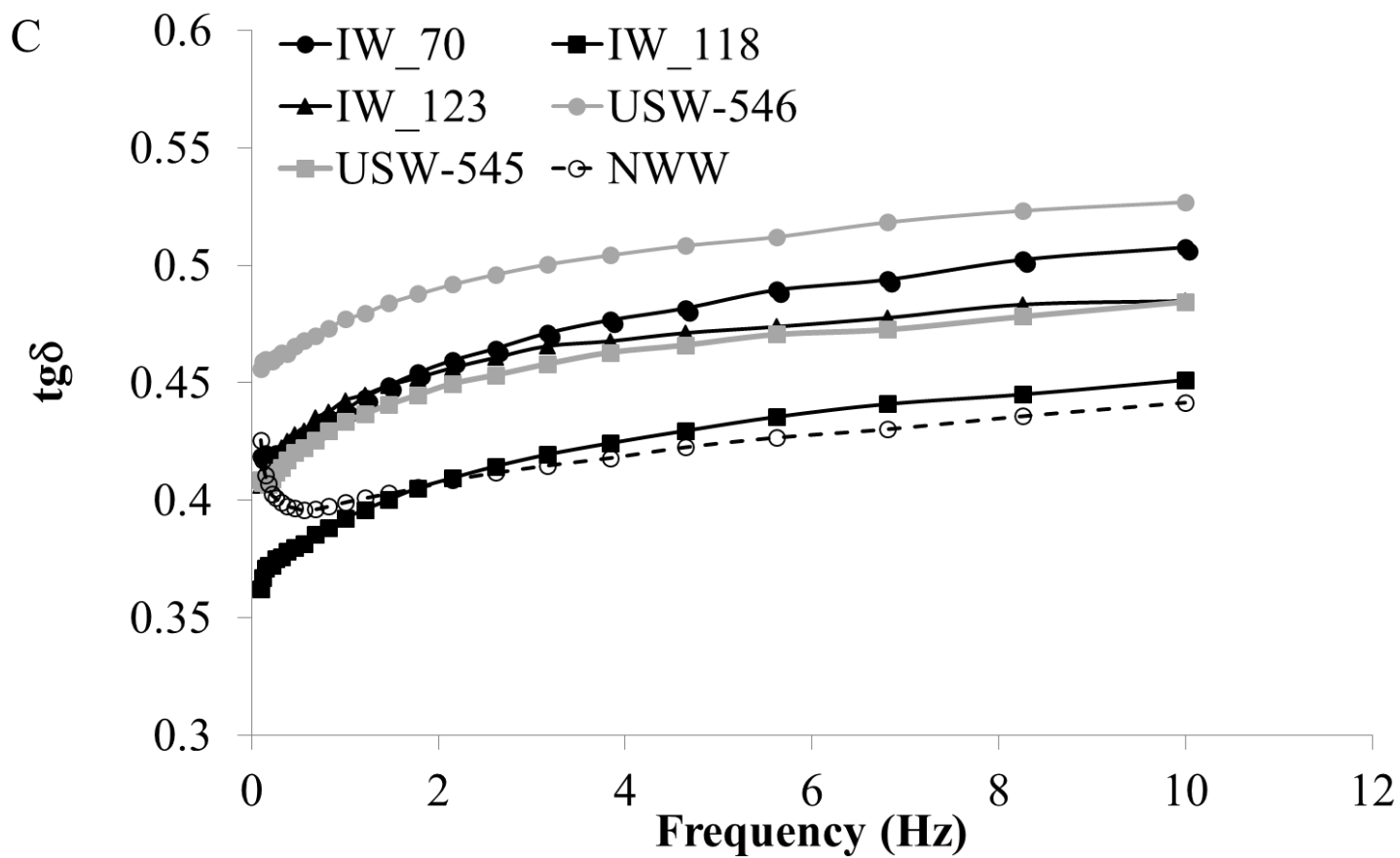


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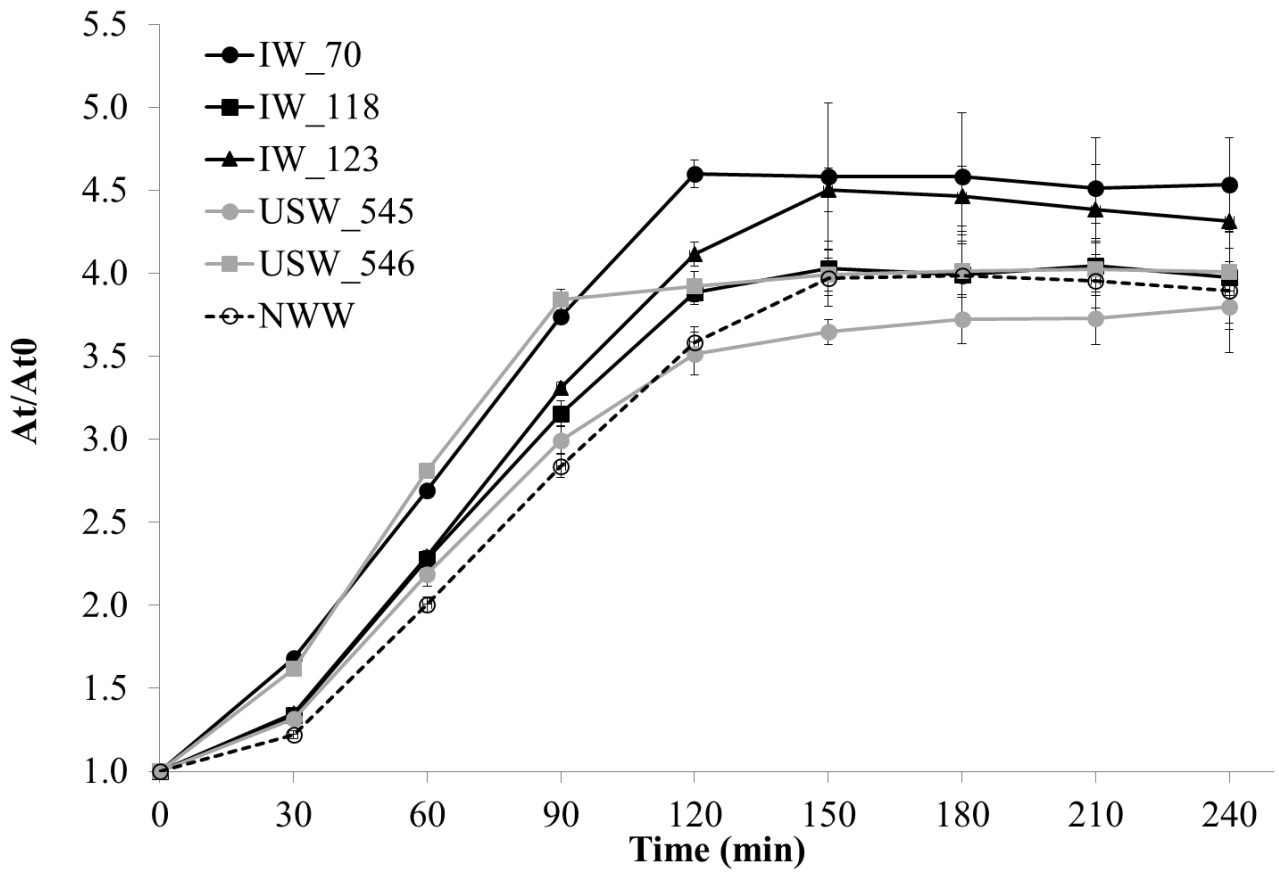


Fig. 2