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15 **ABSTRACT**

16 The antioxidant activity of Sage leaf (SL) and Bay leaf (BL) extracts was studied. Both plants  
17 were extracted using water and ethanol at different concentration, and the antioxidant activity  
18 was measured by ABTS [2,2'-azinobis-(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulfonic acid)] radical  
19 cation scavenging and reducing power (RP) methods. In both cases 60 % and 80 % ethanolic  
20 extracts of Sage and Bay leaves showed the highest activity and were incorporated into  
21 multilayer films. The initial concentration for 60 % ethanolic extracts of Sage and Bay leaves  
22 to scavenge 50 % of free radical ABTS were  $5.67 \pm 0.26 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  and  $18.68 \pm 0.16$   
23  $\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  respectively, whereas for 80 % ethanolic extracts the concentrations were  $7.96 \pm$   
24  $0.02$  and  $14.65 \pm 0.59 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  respectively. The initial concentrations of ethanolic 60 %

25 extracts of Sage and Bay leaves to allow absorbance 0.5 for reducing power were  $35.38 \pm$   
26  $0.19 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  and  $91.43 \pm 2.84 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  respectively, while for 80 % ethanolic extracts  
27 of Bay and Sage leaves were  $46.01 \pm 1.21 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  and  $85.47 \pm 0.9 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  respectively.  
28 Then, the multilayer films were exposed to a gas stream enriched with free radicals to  
29 evaluate the free radicals scavenging. The new packaging with 60 % ethanolic Sage extract  
30 exhibited the highest activity with low percentage of hydroxylation ( $69.64 \pm 6.86 \%$ ) followed  
31 by that with 80 % ethanolic extract for both Bay ( $85.49 \pm 5.3 \%$ ) and Sage ( $87.09 \pm 3.93 \%$ )  
32 leaves extracts. The ability of two active packaging built with 60 % ethanolic Sage extract and  
33 80 % ethanolic Bay extract to inhibit lipid oxidation of fried potatoes was studied by  
34 measuring secondary lipid oxidation products using thiobarbituric acid reactive substances  
35 (TBARS). Significant lower value of Malondialdehyde (MDA) was obtained for fried  
36 potatoes stored in active packaging built with ethanolic 60 % extract of Sage and 80 %  
37 ethanolic extract of Bay leaves ( $0.342 \pm 0.01$  and  $0.392 \pm 0.02 \mu\text{g MDA} \times \text{g}^{-1}$  respectively) at  
38  $40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  for 20 days compared to the control ( $0.568 \pm 0.03 \mu\text{g MDA} \times \text{g}^{-1}$ ). Lipid oxidation  
39 decreased 40 % and 31 % for packaging with 60 % Sage and 80 % Bay ethanolic extracts  
40 respectively. The UPLC–MS–QTOF analysis of Sage and Bay leaves extracts revealed the  
41 presence of phenolic acids, tannins, flavonoids, and terpenoids. Migration tests from active  
42 materials demonstrated the absence of migration.

#### 43 KEYWORDS

44 Bay leaf, Sage leaf extract, fried potatoes, antioxidant multilayer, lipid oxidation, non-  
45 migrating active packaging.

#### 46 1. INTRODUCTION

47 Food deterioration is responsible for the loss of quality and safety and it can occur during  
48 production, distribution, processing or storage. Lipids are naturally found in most biological

49 materials consumed as food products and are also added as ingredients to many processed  
50 foods (López-De-Dicastillo, Gómez-Estaca, Catalá, Gávora, & Hernández-Muñoz, 2012).  
51 Lipid oxidation is the main cause of food deterioration, limiting considerably the shelf life of  
52 many products (Contini et al., 2014; Nerín, Tovar, & Salafranca, 2008). It is also responsible  
53 for the development of unpleasant odor, rancid taste and discoloration, generating compounds  
54 like aldehydes and derivatives, such as Malondialdehyde (MDA), which can be harmful to  
55 health. Malondialdehyde is the major product of lipid peroxidation, and has been used as an  
56 index marker of oxidative reaction (Guyon, Meynier, & de Lamballerie, 2016; Katja M.  
57 Fisch, Volker Böhm, Anthony D. Wright, \*, & König†, 2003; Nakamura, Watanabe, Miyake,  
58 Kohno, & Osawa, 2003). Due to the great economic impact of this phenomenon, the food  
59 industry is constantly looking for new methods to reduce the effects of oxidation (López De  
60 Dicastillo et al., 2011). Antioxidants are the most efficient way to delay lipid oxidation (Roby,  
61 Sarhan, Selim, & Khalel, 2013; Shah, Bosco, & Mir, 2014).

62 According to the European Union Legislation (“Directive 2006/52/EC of the European  
63 Parliament and of the Council of 5 July 2006”), several antioxidants are authorized to be used  
64 in foods, most of them synthetic substances such as butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA),  
65 butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT), tertbutylhydroquinone and propyl gallate, but their use was  
66 only authorized in processed food. Despite the wide use of BHA and BHT by the food  
67 industry to inhibit lipid oxidation (Mohdaly, Sarhan, Mahmoud, Ramadan, & Smetanska,  
68 2010; Shah et al., 2014), concerns about the safety and adverse effects of synthetic  
69 antioxidants, together with a growing demand for healthier products, have promoted the  
70 interest in natural antioxidants (Shahidi & Zhong, 2010).

71 Hence, the use of natural antioxidants is emerging as an effective alternative for product  
72 preservation (Sabeena Farvin, Grejsen, & Jacobsen, 2012). To this end, many sources of  
73 natural antioxidants have been investigated, such as herbs, plants, fruits and apiculture

74 products (ARAI et al., 2002; Bandoniene, Murkovic, & Venskutonis, 2005; Karre, Lopez, &  
75 Getty, 2013).

76 Food companies are constantly looking for plant extracts with high antioxidant power in order  
77 to develop new natural products which can fulfil the growing demands of consumers. The  
78 direct addition of natural antioxidants into product formulations is challenging because they  
79 tend to be less potent than synthetic additives and therefore must be added in larger amounts,  
80 which may change the organoleptic properties of the product, such as colour, flavour, taste or  
81 viscosity. In order to overcome this challenge, researchers started to incorporate them into  
82 packaging materials. The development of antioxidant active packaging systems is attracting  
83 considerable attention as one of the preferred emerging technologies to reduce lipid per-  
84 oxidation (Carrizo, Gullo, Bosetti, & Nerín, 2014; Echegoyen & Nerín, 2015; Nerín et al.,  
85 2008; Nerín et al., 2006). These materials can work by scavenging free radicals from the  
86 product or from the internal atmosphere. In both cases, this kind of packaging does not  
87 require direct contact to the foodstuff to exhibit antioxidant properties (Nerín et al., 2006;  
88 Roman, Decker, & Goddard, 2016; Wrona, Bentayeb, & Nerín, 2015). Some studies have  
89 already demonstrated the potential of antioxidant food packaging containing rosemary or  
90 oregano extracts, for instance to enhance the stability of both myoglobin of fresh meat (Nerín  
91 et al., 2008; Nerín et al., 2006), to avoid the lipid oxidation of brined sardines achieved by a  
92 tea extract active packaging (López-De-Dicastillo et al., 2012); or cut fresh nectarine in a  
93 packaging containing green tea (Colon & Nerin, 2012; Colón & Nerín, 2015). Also, lipid  
94 oxidation was reduced by a citrus active packaging in cooked turkey meat (Contini et al.,  
95 2014), and by rosemary active packaging in pork patties (Bolumar, Lapeña, Skibsted, &  
96 Orlien, 2016).

97 Sage (*Salvia officinalis* L.) is one of the most popular medicinal plant, a well-known spice  
98 and flavouring agent, used not only in the food industry but also applicable in the area of

99 human health. The leaves of Sage are well known for their antioxidant properties (Zhang, Lin,  
100 Leng, Huang, & Zhou, 2013). Bay (*Laurus nobilis* L.) commonly known as laurel, sweet bay  
101 and bay, has attracted continuous and renewed interest because of its pharmacological and  
102 health beneficial properties related to several compounds present in the plant (Dall'Acqua et  
103 al., 2009). The antioxidant property of Bay has been demonstrated by several studies, mainly  
104 attributed to its phenolic compounds (Dall'Acqua et al., 2009; Muñiz-Márquez et al., 2013;  
105 Simić, Kundaković, & Kovacević, 2003).

106 The principal goal of this work was the evaluation of the antioxidant activity of new active  
107 packaging materials containing the extracts of Bay and Sage leaves. First, the bioactive  
108 molecules were identified and the antioxidant capacity of the extracts was measured.  
109 Secondly, the packaging materials were built. Afterwards, the antioxidant activity of active  
110 packaging was tested *in vitro* by the free radicals scavenging method. Then, the capacity of  
111 antioxidant active packaging to prevent lipid oxidation of fried potatoes was evaluated.

## 112 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

### 113 2.1 Reagents

114 Hydrogen peroxide (30%, CAS 7722-84-1); sodium salicylate (>99.5%, CAS 54-21-7); 2,5-  
115 dihydroxybenzoic acid (>99%, CAS 490-79-9); acetic acid (≥99.8%, CAS 64-19-7); sodium  
116 acetate trihydrate (≥99.5%, CAS 6131-90-4); trichloroacetic acid (TCA, minimum 99%, CAS  
117 76-03-9); thiobarbituric acid (TBA, 98%, CAS 504-17-6); malonaldehyde bis(diethyl acetal)  
118 1,1,3,3-tetraethoxypropane (CAS 122-31-6); and ABTS<sup>TM</sup> (2,2'-Azino-bis(3-  
119 ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulfonic acid) diammonium salt (CAS 30931-67-0) were supplied by  
120 Sigma-Aldrich (Germany). The plants were delipidated by using hexane (96%, CAS 110-54-  
121 3) from Scharlab (Spain) and filtered with a sintered glass (porosity 4). Ethanol absolute  
122 (>99.8%, CAS 64-17-5) and HCl (Hydrochloric acid solution) CAS 7647-01-0 were provided

123 by Sigma-Aldrich (Spain). Methanol (LC-MS, CAS 67-56-1); ethanol absolute (HPLC grade,  
124 CAS 64-17-5); ortho-phosphoric acid (85% reagent grade, CAS 7664-38-2) and sodium  
125 hydroxide ( $0.01 \text{ mol} \times \text{L}^{-1}$ ; CAS 1310-73-2) were purchased from Scharlab (Spain).  
126 Ultrapure water was obtained from a Millipore Milli-Q<sub>PLUS</sub> 185 system (Madrid, Spain).  
127 Compressed air was supplied by a Cecatto Bluair compressor (Brendola, Italy).

## 128 2.2. Plant Material and sample preparation

129 Bay Leaf (BL) and Sage Leaf (SL) were both randomly collected from Akfadou, Bejaia  
130 (Algeria). The leaves of both plants were cleaned with tap water, then they were air dried for  
131 5 weeks until the water content of the leaves was less than 10 %. Dried leaves were ground by  
132 electric grinder and sieved (Retsch Analytical sieve shaker AS 200) to obtain a mean particle  
133 size below 0.5 mm. The powder was stored in airtight glass containers in the dark until use.

## 134 2.3. Preparation of the extracts

135 Distilled water (W) and 60 %, 80 % and absolute ethanol were used as solvents for extraction  
136 of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL). As a first step, Sage and Bay leaves were  
137 delipidated with hexane using soxhlet apparatus. After this, the extraction was carried out  
138 following the method described by (Oomah, Corbé, & Balasubramanian, 2010) but with some  
139 modifications. Briefly, 1 g of the delipidated samples was extracted using 40 mL of water or  
140 ethanol at different concentration (60 %, 80 % and absolute ethanol), leaving them at a  
141 constant agitation for 2 h at room temperature. The extracts were then filtered using a sintered  
142 glass under vacuum and centrifuged at 4500 g for 30 min. After that, the supernatant was  
143 concentrated under vacuum at 40 °C using a rotary evaporator and lyophilized. The powdered  
144 extracts of each plant were stored in a microtube at 4 °C until further use, and referred as  
145 follows: BL60 and SL60 (Sage and Bay leaves extracted with 60 % ethanol), BL80 and SL80

146 (extracted with 80 % ethanol), BL100 and SL100 (extracted with absolute ethanol), and BLW  
147 and SLW (extracted with distilled water).

148 For the ABTS, reducing power and free radical scavenging tests the lyophilized extracts were  
149 dissolved in methanol, and filtered using a 0.22  $\mu\text{m}$  nylon syringe filter.

#### 150 2.4. Apparatus and equipment

151 A IEC HN-SII centrifuge, International Equipment Company (Needham Heights, MA, USA)  
152 was used after the plant extraction. The extracts were analyzed by an UPLC Acquity™  
153 system coupled to an ESI probe to a Xevo G2 QTOF (Time-of-flight mass spectrometer)  
154 supplied by Waters (Milford, MA, USA). A UPLC BEH C18 column of 1.7  $\mu\text{m}$  particle size  
155 (2.1  $\times$  100 mm) also from Waters (Milford, MA, USA) was used for the separation of the  
156 compounds. Chromatographic and MS data were processed by MassLynx (v. 4.1) software  
157 (Waters).

158 Due to the fact that the experimental section was carried out in two different laboratories, two  
159 different spectrophotometers were used. Hence, a UV-920 (Biotech Engineering  
160 Management) was employed for the ABTS radical scavenging and the reducing power assay  
161 (RP), and a UV-1700 (Shimadzu Pharmaspec Ibérica, Madrid, Spain) for the rest of  
162 antioxidant methods.

163 In order to perform the multilayer active materials, a coating machine (KK coater, RK print)  
164 was used and afterwards, the packaging was passed through a laminator (Bio 330). These  
165 active materials were employed to form plastic bags, using for this purpose a thermo sealer  
166 (PFS-200, Zhejiang Dongfeng Packing Machine Co., Wenzhou, Zhejiang, China).

167 A free radical scavenging system using the method and device developed by Pezo, Salafranca,  
168 & Nerín, (2008) was used to measure the antioxidant properties of both the extracts and the  
169 packaging material. In short, the system generates an atmosphere enriched with free radicals



170 that passes through the packaging material, and afterwards bubbles into a salicylic acid (SA)  
171 solution. This solution is hydroxylated due to the free radicals, producing two fluorescent  
172 compounds. If the material scavenges the free radicals, these do not arrive at the SA solution  
173 and the fluorescent compounds are not formed. Then, hydroxylation percentage is a  
174 quantitative measurement of the scavenging properties in such a way that 100 %  
175 hydroxylation means that the material is not antioxidant, and the opposite happens with 0 %  
176 hydroxylation. The details and the description of the procedure and device can be read in Pezo  
177 *et al.* (2008). The final solution is analyzed by high-performance liquid chromatography  
178 (HPLC) (Alliance 2695 Separations Module (Waters, Milford, MA, USA) with a 474  
179 Scanning Fluorescence Detector (Waters, Milford, MA, USA). A Waters reversed phase (RP)  
180 column (100 mm long, 4.6 mm i.d., 3  $\mu$ m) Atlantis dC18 was used.

## 181 2.5. Antioxidant packaging material

182 A multilayer film composed by 12  $\mu$ m of polyethylene terephthalate (PET) and 35  $\mu$ m low  
183 density polyethylene (LDPE) was used. Both layers were attached by using an aqueous  
184 adhesive approved to be employed in food packaging materials. In this way, the extracts of  
185 Bay and Sage leaves were prepared at the same concentration by using isopropanol and then  
186 incorporated into the adhesive formula at 10 % (w/w). This adhesive formula (with or without  
187 extract) was spread on the PET sheet using the coating machine. After air dried of the solvent,  
188 the LDPE sheet was overlapped to the PET layer. Afterwards, the packaging materials (fig.1)  
189 were passed through a laminator and the final concentration of the extracts into the packaging  
190 was calculated (table 1).

191 Details about the adhesive formula cannot be disclosed here for confidentiality reason. The  
192 same kind of multilayer materials but without the active compounds was used as control  
193 packaging.

194 In all assays whether for extract or for active packaging, blank samples containing the same  
195 solvent used in the extract samples was measured. By doing this, we can confirm that the  
196 antioxidant activity achieved was due to the active substances.

## 197 2.6. Identification of bioactive molecules by UPLC–MS -QTOF

198 The constituents of different extracts of Bay and Sage leaves were analyzed by UPLC–MS -  
199 QTOF. The different powdered extracts of both Bay and Sage were solubilized in ethanol  
200 (60 %, 80 % and absolute ethanol) and ultrapure water at the initial conditions of the  
201 extraction (WBL:  $4.16 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , BL60:  $7.81 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , BL80:  $6.89 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , BL100:  
202  $3.89 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , SLW:  $4.65 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , SL60:  $6.02 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ , SL80:  $5.25 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  and  
203 SL100:  $2.01 \text{ mg} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ). The samples were previously filtered through a  $0.22 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$  nylon  
204 membranes (Millipore) and injected. The injection volume was  $10 \text{ }\mu\text{L}$ . Chromatography was  
205 carried out at  $0.4 \text{ mL} \times \text{min}^{-1}$  column flow and  $40 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  column temperature. The mobile phase  
206 was water with 0.1 % formic acid (phase A) and methanol with 0.1 % formic acid (phase B).  
207 Chromatography started at 98/2 phase A/phase B (1 min), changed to 0/100 in 6 min and  
208 stayed at 0/100 during 2 minutes. Electrospray probe (ESI) in positive ionization mode was  
209 selected. Samples were injected by triplicate.

## 210 2.7. ABTS radical scavenging assay

211 The evaluation of the scavenging capacity of the radical ABTS by the extracts was carried out  
212 according to the method of Re et al., (1999). To prepare the ABTS radical, a solution of  
213 ABTS ( $7 \text{ mmol} \times \text{L}^{-1}$ ) was mixed with a solution of potassium persulfate  $2.45 \text{ mmol} \times \text{L}^{-1}$   
214 (final concentration). This mixture was allowed to react for 12-16 h in the dark, after which it  
215 was diluted with ethanol to obtain an absorbance of  $0.70 \pm 0.02$  at 734 nm. A  $100 \text{ }\mu\text{L}$  aliquot  
216 of the extracts at different concentrations ( $50\text{-}8000 \text{ }\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ) were allowed to react with  
217  $1000 \text{ }\mu\text{L}$  of the ABTS solution for 7 min in the dark. The absorbance of blue/green ABTS

218 chromophore was measured at 734 nm. The results were expressed as initial concentration  
219 ( $\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ) of extract in the reaction medium, which reduces 50 % of ABTS, and IC50 was  
220 calculated from the graph, plotting the percentage of ABTS reduction against the extract  
221 concentration. The percentage of ABTS scavenging activity was calculated using the  
222 following formula:

$$223 \quad \% \text{ ABTS scavenging activity} = \left[ \frac{A_c - A_s}{A_c} \right] \times 100$$

224 Where  $A_c$  is the absorbance of the control and  $A_s$  is the absorbance of the sample.

225 Control: contain all reagents with solvent instead of the extract

## 226 2.8. Reducing power (RP) assay

227 The method described by Oyaizu (1986) was used to measure the reducing power of the  
228 extracts. Briefly, 200  $\mu\text{L}$  of different concentrations ( $40\text{-}4000 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ) of extracts were  
229 mixed with 500  $\mu\text{L}$  of 0.2 M phosphate buffer (pH 6.6) and 500  $\mu\text{L}$  of 1 % aqueous potassium  
230 ferricyanide solution [ $\text{K}_3\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$ ]. The mixture was incubated at 50 °C for 20 min, adding  
231 500  $\mu\text{L}$  of an aqueous solution of trichloroacetic acid (TCA at 10 %). After centrifugation  
232 (1000 g/10 min), a 1 mL aliquot of the supernatant was mixed with an equal amount of  
233 distilled water and 200  $\mu\text{L}$  of ferric chloride  $\text{FeCl}_3$  (0.1 %, w/v). The absorbance was read at  
234 700 nm using a spectrophotometer, where a high absorbance indicates a high reducing power.  
235 The results were expressed as initial concentration ( $\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ) of the extract in the reaction  
236 medium, being the absorbance 0.5 for the reducing power (Jabri-Karoui et al., 2012) and IC50  
237 was calculated from the 700 nm graphs versus the concentration of the extract.

## 238 2.9. Characterization of the packaging colour

239 The colour of the active packaging materials containing Bay and Sage leaves extracts, as well  
240 as the Control material was determined by performing a scanning in the visible range between

241 400-700 nm. For both plants, the packaging materials (2 cm × 3 cm) containing ethanolic  
242 extracts at 80 % were used (AP-BL80 and AP-SL80). The absorbance of each packaging was  
243 measured three times by using a spectrophotometer.

#### 244 2.10. Free Radical scavenging assay

245 The antioxidant capacity not only of the selected extracts but also of the active packaging was  
246 determined. For this purpose, the same methodology applied in previous works was applied  
247 (Pezo, Salafranca, & Nerín, 2006; Pezo, Salafranca, & Nerín, 2008). The antioxidant capacity  
248 were measured in a different way according to the type of sample. That is, the pure extracts  
249 were evaluated by using Pasteur pipettes containing glass wool to which 10 µL (2000 µg ×  
250 mL<sup>-1</sup>) of each extract was added. As control, the same pipette with glass wool but without  
251 active substance (just with the solvent used for the extract) was employed. In the case of  
252 active materials, bags with internal dimensions of 15 cm × 15 cm were built from the  
253 multilayer active material and thermosealed at 180 °C for a short time needed to seal the bags  
254 under manual force, being the LDPE layer the inner side of the bag. The same material but  
255 without plant extract was used for the control bags. In both cases, the method was the same as  
256 the one followed by Pezo, Salafranca, & Nerín, (2008), but our work samples were kept 48 h  
257 instead of 24 h, after which the residual salicylic acid was measured by HPLC coupled to a  
258 fluorescence detector. The mobile phase was a mixture of aqueous acetate buffer (35 mmol ×  
259 L<sup>-1</sup>, pH 5.8, and 1.0 mL × min<sup>-1</sup>) and methanol, 90:10 (v/v). The injection volume was 10 µL.  
260 Excitation and emission wavelengths were set at 324 and 448 nm, respectively.

261 The 2,5-DHB formed was quantified using a calibration curve of 2,5-hydroxybenzoic acid  
262 and the results were expressed as ng × mL<sup>-1</sup> (ppb) of 2,5-DHB. Radical scavenging activity  
263 was calculated as a percentage as follows:  $\text{OH}\% = \left[ \frac{A}{A_{\text{Ac}}} \right] \times 100$ ,

264 Where OH % is the percentage of hydroxylation, A (active film) the area value of 2,5-DHB  
265 using the active material, and Ac the area value of 2,5-DHB of the control material.

#### 266 2.11. Specific migration analysis by UPLC-MS-QTOF

267 The migration test was carried out by using 10 % ethanol as food simulant. For the  
268 experiment, bags of 10 x 6 cm with the active materials described in previous sections were  
269 built and thermosealed. They were filled in with the simulant following the ratio  $6 \text{ dm}^2 \times \text{kg}^{-1}$   
270 foods, keeping the samples at 40 °C. After 10 days of incubation, the content of the bags was  
271 analyzed by UPLC-MS-QTOF. All samples were prepared in triplicate, and all the  
272 concentrations were calculated according to the ratio  $6 \text{ dm}^2$  of packaging material per 1 kg of  
273 simulant, in accordance with the legislation for food contact materials EU/10/2011  
274 (“Commission Regulation (EU) N° 10/2011 of 14 January 2011 on plastic materials and  
275 articles intended to come into contact with food”).

#### 276 2.12. Effect of active packaging on lipid oxidation of fried potatoes

277 Due to the results obtained in the ABTS and the RP experiments, Sage leaf ethanolic extract  
278 at 60 % (AP-SL60) and Bay leaf ethanolic extract at 80 % (AP-BL80) were chosen to build  
279 the active packaging materials to study the lipid oxidation of fried potatoes. Unpackaged  
280 fried potatoes were bought in a corner shop. Bags of 4 cm × 4 cm were made with both the  
281 active and control materials, filled in with 10 g of fried potatoes then thermosealed (fig. 2)  
282 and incubated at 40 °C for 20 days, to accelerate the oxidation process.

283 The oxidation of fried potatoes was evaluated by the spectrophotometric method of  
284 thiobarbituric acid reactive substances (TBARS). Hence, analysis of TBARS was performed  
285 according to the procedure described by Pfalzgraf, Frigg, & Steinhart, (1995).

286 Ten grams of fried potatoes were homogenized with 40 mL of trichloroacetic acid (TCA  
287 10 %) and then filtered through a Whatman N°.1 filter paper. Then, 2 mL of the filtrate was

288 introduced into a test tube, adding 2 mL of TBA (fresh solution 20 mM) and homogenized.  
289 Tubes were heated in a silicon bath at 97 °C for 20 min and then cooled at room temperature.  
290 The absorbance of the solution was measured at 531 nm against a blank containing 2 mL of  
291 TCA 10 % and 2 mL of TBA. The results were expressed as  $\mu\text{g MDA} \times \text{g}^{-1}$  fried potatoes  
292 using a calibration curve prepared with 1, 1, 3, 3-tetramethoxypropane.

### 293 2.13. Statistical analysis

294 All extractions and determinations were carried out in triplicate. Data were expressed as mean  
295  $\pm$  standard deviation (SD). The means were compared by using the one-way and two way  
296 anova analysis of variance (ANOVA) with a post-hoc “LSD test”, using STATISTICA 5.5 to  
297 determine significant differences. Significant differences were considered at  $P < 0.05$  level.  
298 The IC50 value was calculated from the Prism dose–response curve by using Graphpad  
299 prism5.

## 300 3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### 301 3.1. Identification of bioactive molecules by UPLC-MS-QTOF

302 The extracts of both plants obtained with the four solvents previously described were  
303 analyzed using UPLC-MS-QTOF. As can be seen in table 2, up to 68 chemical compounds  
304 were identified, due to the diverse composition found among both plants.

305 As expected, due to the fact of being herbs, the extracts of Bay leaf showed 28 compounds  
306 corresponding to phenolic compounds and terpenoids, indicating a considerable variation  
307 among them. Flavonols such as quercetin and kaempferol and phenylterpenoides such as  
308 nimbolin D were identified in the ethanolic (BL100) and hydroethanolic (BL60, BL80)  
309 extracts, whereas 3-dodecyldihydro-2,5-furanedione was only found in the hydroethanolic  
310 (BL60, BL80) extracts. The cinnamtannin B1 (condensed tannin), (-)-andrographolide  
311 (diterpene lactone) was found in the water extract (BLW) and 60 % ethanolic extract (BL60).

312 Also, 2,6-di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxymethylphenol was found in water (BLW) and hydroethanolic  
313 (BL60, BL80) extracts of Bay leaf, and this compound was not previously identified in Bay.  
314 Phenacetin aromatic compound was found in water extract of bay leave and 4-Acetyl-4-  
315 (ethoxycarbonyl) heptanedioic acid was found only in water Bay leaf extract (BLW),  
316 whereas, nimbolinin D was obtained in the three ethanolic extracts (BL60, BL80, BL100).  
317 Previous studies reported the content of phenolic acids, flavonoids and rutin in Bay leaves  
318 (Lu, Yuan, Zeng, & Chen, 2011). Muchuweti et al., (2007), confirmed the presence of caffeic,  
319 ferulic and vanillic acids by HPLC in *L. nobilis* extracts. The studies carried out by  
320 Dall'Acqua et al., (2009) revealed the presence of cinnamtannin B1, kaempferol-3-O- $\alpha$ -L-  
321 rhamnoside in Bay leaf extract (Emam, Mohamed, Diab, & Megally, 2010). Flavonoids such  
322 as quercetin, luteolin, apigenin, kaempferol and myrcetin, as well as flavan-3-ols were  
323 reported as the most abundant phenolic compounds found in Bay leaves (Dall'Acqua et al.,  
324 2009; Lu et al., 2011; Škerget et al., 2005).

325 In the case of Sage leaf extracts, different substances including phenolic compounds,  
326 terpenoids and flavonoids were obtained. As before, a great variation in the composition was  
327 seen among the different extracts, highlighting a high number of compounds in the case of  
328 60 % ethanolic extract (SL60) compared to the others (SLW, SL80, SL100).

329 Several flavonoids were identified in the different extracts: apigenin-6-C-glucoside-7-O-  
330 glucoside (SL60, SL80), fluorescein (SL80), luteolin 4'-methyl ether (SL60, SL80),  
331 pectolinarigenin (SL60, SL80, SLA), quercetin-3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucuronopyranoside (SL60, SL80)  
332 and pectolinarin (SL80). Some phenolics acids were also found: 4-{2-(Benzyloxy)-6-  
333 [(benzyloxy)carbonyl]benzoyl}-3,5-bis(methoxymethoxy) benzoic acid (SLW, S60) and  
334 ellagic acid-4-O- $\beta$ -xyloside-3,3 (SLW, SL60). Also, some volatile and terpenoid compounds  
335 were obtained, such as (3,3'-{[3,5Bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]methylene}bis(2-hydroxy-4H-  
336 chromen-4-one (SLA), enoxolone (SL60, SL80, SLA), tretinoin (SL60, SL80, SLA),



337 isopropyl 5-(3,3-dimethyl-2-oxobutoxy)-2-methyl-1-benzofuran-3-carboxylate (SLA),  
338 umbelliferone (SL60, SL80, SLA), cyclohexene-1,1-diylbis (methylene) bis{3-[4-hydroxy-  
339 3,5-bis(2-methyl-2-propanyl)phenyl]propanoate(SL60), piceol (SLW), and anthraquinones  
340 such as carminic acid (SLW, SL60) and scortechinone F (SL60, SL80, SL100).

341 These results are in agreement with other works, where rosmarinic acid, apigenine, luteoline,  
342 quercetin-7-o glucoside, luteolin-7-o-rutinoside, and luteolin 7-O- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside were  
343 obtained as the major compounds of Sage (Đorđević, Cakić, & Amr, 2000; Dragović-Uzelac,  
344 Garofulić, Jukić, Penić, & Dent, 2012; Nagy, Solar, Sontag, & Koenig, 2016; Roby et al.,  
345 2013; Wang et al., 1998).

346 For both plants the polarity of the solvent influenced the quantity and quality of bioactive  
347 molecules identified by UPLC-MS-Q-TOF. Hence, more bioactive molecules were found  
348 when using a hydroalcoholic solvent, since this solvent allows to extract both water and  
349 ethanolic soluble molecules and a large number of molecules of different structure and nature  
350 (Kim, Murthy, Hahn, Lee, & Paek, 2007; Naczsk & Shahidi, 2006; Nawaz, Shi, Mittal, &  
351 Kakuda, 2006; Turkmen, Sari, & Velioglu, 2006; Yang & Zhang, 2008).

### 352 3.2. ABTS radical scavenging assay

353 ABTS is widely used for screening the antioxidant activity in both lipophilic and hydrophilic  
354 samples (Re et al., 1999).

355 In the present experiment, all tested extracts exhibited scavenging ability on ABTS free  
356 radical (Table 3). The ABTS free radical is reduced with hydrogen in the presence of  
357 hydrogen-donating antioxidants. Statistic analysis showed a significant influence ( $P < 0.05$ ) of  
358 both solvent and plant leaf on the ABTS antioxidant capacity. The capacity to scavenge the  
359 ABTS free radical by different extracts of both plants follows this decreasing order: SL60 >  
360 SL80 > SLA > BL80 > BLA > BL60 > BLW > SLW. As will be shown in the reducing  
361 power assay, the extracts containing ethanol exhibited a stronger antiradical ABTS activity



362 compared to the water extract. Sage leaf water extract (SLW) achieved to scavenge 50 % of  
363 radical ABTS at the highest concentration ( $25.86 \pm 1.14 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ). On the other hand, Sage  
364 leaf ethanolic 60 % extract (SL60) exhibited a strong scavenging capacity, reducing 50 % of  
365 radical ABTS with a concentration of  $5.67 \pm 0.26 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ . This tendency was followed by  
366 SL80 ( $7.96 \pm 0.02 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ), SLA ( $11.50 \pm 0.18 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ ) and BL80 ( $14.65 \pm 0.59 \mu\text{g} \times$   
367  $\text{mL}^{-1}$ ). As can be observed, ABTS antiradical capacity increased with ethanol concentration.  
368 However, when increasing the concentration of water, a significant ( $P < 0.05$ ) decrease of the  
369 antiradical ABTS capacity was observed in both plants. Hence, the strongest activity was  
370 achieved by the ethanolic 60 % extract in the case of Sage, whereas for Bay the strongest was  
371 the ethanolic 80 % extract. In our work higher activity was obtained for Bay leaves compared  
372 to those shown by (Kivrak, Göktürk, & Kivrak, 2017), where IC50 ABTS value for the water  
373 extract was  $99.75 \pm 1.41 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  and for the absolute ethanolic extract  $43.74 \pm 0.57 \mu\text{g} \times$   
374  $\text{mL}^{-1}$ . This difference between our results and those from literature might be attributed either  
375 to the origin of the plant or to the extraction process. Similarly, our value for the sage leaf  
376 extract was lower than the one found by Garcia et al., (2016), where the ethanolic 80 %  
377 extract gave  $1.57 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ . The antioxidant activity can be attributed to the phenolic and  
378 flavonoid compounds previously identified by UPLC in the extract. Wang *et al.* (1998)  
379 determined that the high antioxidant activity shown by Sage extracts was due to the presence  
380 of rosmarinic acid and luteolin-7-O- $\alpha$ -glucopyranoside. Phenolic compounds constitute one  
381 of the major groups of compounds in both plants, being well-known as free radical  
382 scavenging substances. Therefore, the antioxidant capacity of Bay and Sage leaves extracts  
383 could be due to the presence of these phenolic compounds. Finally, the lowest antioxidant  
384 activity for both plants was obtained with the water extract, which is in agreement with the  
385 results published by Kivrak, Göktürk, & Kivrak, (2017) and Lu et al., (2011).

386 3.3. Reducing power (RP) assay

387 The reducing capacity of a compound may serve as an interesting assay for the estimation of  
388 the antioxidant activity (Elmasta, Gulçin, et al., 2006). So, the initial concentration of plant  
389 extract needed to decrease the initial concentration of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  by 50% is referred to as IC50, a  
390 parameter widely used to measure the antioxidant activity. A lower IC50 correspond to the  
391 higher antioxidant power. As can be observed in table 3, all the extracts exhibited reducing  
392 power of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  due to the bioactive compounds previously identified (table 2). The ability to  
393 reduce 50 %  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  varied in the range of  $35.38 \pm 0.19 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  -  $238.36 \pm 11.09 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$   
394 and  $47.28 \pm 1.08$  -  $171.74 \pm 2.64 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  for Sage and Bay leaves respectively. The  
395 reducing  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  capacity depends on both the solvent polarity and the plant leaves. The  
396 reduction of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  has often been used as an indicator of electron donor of a substance. One of  
397 the chemical properties of phenolic compounds is the reducing power, being able to act as  
398 electron and/or hydrogen donor, and then, to scavenge free radicals (Koşar, Dorman, &  
399 Hiltunen, 2005; Rice-Evans, Miller, & Paganga, 1997; Wong, Leong, & William Koh, 2006).  
400 As expected, the ethanolic extracts exhibited a stronger reducing power than the water extract  
401 because of the higher concentration of active compounds in the ethanolic extract. The  
402 reducing power of BL and SL extracts followed this order:  $\text{SL80} \geq \text{SLA} > \text{SL60} \geq \text{BLA} >$   
403  $\text{BL80} \geq \text{BL60} > \text{BLW} > \text{SLW}$ . In both plants the water extract (BLW and SLW) gave the  
404 lower reducing power, as expected, requiring higher concentrations ( $171.74 \pm 2.64$  and  $238.36$   
405  $\pm 11.09 \mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$  respectively) to reduce 50 % of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ . Then, the incorporation of ethanol in  
406 the extraction solvent increased the reducing power and provided similar results to those  
407 published by Then, Vászrhelyi-Perédi, Szöllosy, & Szentmihályi, (2004); Elmasta, Gülçin, et  
408 al., (2006) and Muñiz-Márquez et al., (2013). Sage has been reported to be a radical  
409 scavenger, reducing metal ions and inhibiting lipid oxidation (Zhang et al., 2013).  
410 In order to correlate the antioxidant capacity obtained with both ABTS and RP methods, a  
411 regression analysis was applied and a significant correlation between both parameters ( $P <$

412 0.05,  $r = 0.839$ ) was found. This result is similar to that found by Dudonné, Vitrac, Coutière,  
413 Woillez, & Mérillon, (2009), and it might be due to the occurrence of a similar redox reaction  
414 for ABTS and reducing power assays (Huang, Ou, & Prior, 2005).

#### 415 3.4. Characterization of the packaging colour

416 Due to the previous results concerning ABTS and RP assays, ethanol 60 % and 80 % of both  
417 plants (SL60, BL60, SL80, and BL80) were selected to perform the active packaging. To  
418 study the effect of the extract on the final colour of the active packaging, a spectrum scanning  
419 in the visible range 400-700 nm of AP-BL80, AP-SL80 and control was carried out. The  
420 absorbance value of the control material was  $0.268 \pm 0.002$ , and for AP-BL80 and AP-SL80  
421 were  $0.269 \pm 0.002$  and  $0.266 \pm 0.002$  respectively. All the spectra were overlapped, with  
422 maximum absorbance at 500 nm. No significant differences were obtained ( $P = 0.096 > 0.05$ ),  
423 which can be due to the low concentration of the extract into the packaging. Hence, these  
424 results showed that the extract did not affect the colour of the new active packaging prototype.

#### 425 3.5. Free radical scavenging assay

426 The antioxidant capacity of both multilayer active film (AP-BL60, AP-BL80, AP-SL60, AP-  
427 SL80) and the selected extracts (BL60, BL80, SL60, SL80) used to prepare the active  
428 packaging was analyzed by the system developed by Pezo et al. (Pezo, Salafranca, & Nerín,  
429 2006, Pezo, Salafranca, & Nerín, 2008). The results are presented as percentage of  
430 hydroxylation (fig.3). Comparing both plants, higher antioxidant activity was observed with  
431 Sage leaf 60 % extract (SL60) with hydroxylation of  $73.86 \pm 2.16$  % and showing a  
432 significant reduction ( $P < 0.05$ ) compared to the control (fig. 3A). However, no significant  
433 differences were observed between Bay leaf 60 % extract (BL60) with  $91.07 \pm 8.91$   
434 percentage of hydroxylation and the control. Finally, a significant reduction ( $P < 0.05$ ) in the  
435 percentage of hydroxylation was obtained for Sage 80 % (SL80) and Bay leaf 80 % (BL80)

436 with values of  $85.49 \pm 5.30$  % and  $87.09 \pm 3.93$  % respectively. The free radicals (OH) not  
437 scavenged by the extracts were trapped into a solution of salicylic acid and then converted  
438 into 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (2,5-DHB). As we can see in table 4, the strongest reduction  
439 in 2,5-DHB concentration compared to the control was obtained for SL60, showing again the  
440 highest antioxidant activity. Besides, statistic analysis revealed significant differences ( $P <$   
441  $0.05$ ) between the amount of 2,5-DHB formed in SL80, BL80 and the control. The  
442 scavenging activity of Bay and Sage can be attributed to the flavonoids, phenolic compounds  
443 and terpenoids previously identified (table 2). These results highlight once again the  
444 antioxidant activity determined by ABTS radical scavenging and by reducing power assays.  
445 In the case of flavonoids it is known that the hydroxyl groups attached to the ring structure  
446 confer them antioxidant properties, acting as reducing agents, hydrogen donators, metal  
447 chelators and radical scavengers (Carocho & Ferreira, 2013).

448 After the evaluation of the extracts, the active packaging materials were studied. The strongest  
449 antioxidant activity was obtained from the packaging containing SL60 (AP-SL60), giving the  
450 lowest percentage ( $69.64 \pm 6.86$  %) of hydroxylation (fig. 3B). This confirms the previous  
451 results where SL60 gave the highest free radical scavenging and consequently, the lowest  
452 amount of 2,5-DHB formed after the reaction of the not scavenged free radicals with the  
453 salicylic acid (table 5).

454 No significant differences ( $P > 0.05$ ) of the percentage of hydroxylation was observed with  
455 AP-BL60 and control, whereas AP-BL80 ( $85.49 \pm 5.3$  %) and AP-SL80 ( $87.09 \pm 3.93$  %)   
456 showed a significant decrease ( $P < 0.05$ ) of OH free radicals compared to the control (100%).  
457 In both plants the 80% ethanolic extract reduced the amount of 2,5-DHB (table 5). The results  
458 obtained confirm that the reactive free radicals are able to pass through the LDPE layer and  
459 react with the antioxidant extract present between both LDPE and PET layers. Similar  
460 conclusion has been already demonstrated by previous works studying the multilayer

461 antioxidant active packaging (Carrizo, Taborda, Nerín, & Bosetti, 2016; Colón & Nerín,  
462 2015; Vera et al., 2016). Hence, this enhances the fact that the antioxidant does not require a  
463 direct contact with the food product or food simulant to exhibit antioxidant properties and the  
464 release of antioxidant is not necessary.

465 In light of the good results obtained, the multilayer active packagings containing SL60 and  
466 BL80 were chosen to test the specific migration and to study the efficiency of the antioxidant  
467 packaging on the lipid oxidation of fried potatoes.

### 468 3.6. Specific migration analysis by UPLC-MS/QTOF

469 To ensure the safety of the antioxidant active packaging, the possible migration of molecules  
470 from the antioxidant active multilayer AP-SL60 and AP-BL80 was evaluated versus ethanol  
471 10% as food simulant (10 days at 40 °C), being the LDPE layer in contact with the simulant.

472 There was no migration of the compounds identified from the packaging containing the  
473 extracts of sage leaf (SL60) and bay leaf (BL80). These results could be expected, as probably  
474 the compounds are grafted in the adhesive behind the LDPE layer in contact with the  
475 simulant, as previous studies demonstrated (Carrizo et al., 2016). Thus, this new antioxidant  
476 packaging can be defined as safe according to the European Legislation (“Regulation (EC) N°  
477 1935/2004 of the European parliament and of the council of 27 October 2004 on materials  
478 and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and  
479 89/109/EEC”), which requires that components present in food contact material must not be  
480 transferred to the food in contact with it.

### 481 3.7. Effect of active packaging on lipid oxidation of fried potatoes

482 Fried potatoes were selected to evaluate the influence of the active packaging on their lipid  
483 oxidation. In order to accelerate the oxidation process, the fried potatoes were kept at 40 °C  
484 for 20 days. After this period, TBARS method was applied to both the control (using the same

485 material with blank adhesive and solvent) and the samples AP-SL60 and AP-BL80 to  
486 quantify the amount of Malondialdehyde (MDA). Malondialdehyde is one of the most  
487 relatively stable end product generated from secondary lipid oxidation of polyunsaturated  
488 fatty acids (PUFA).

489 As can be seen in figure 4, the fried potatoes stored in multilayer bags without antioxidant  
490 (control) showed high amount of MDA ( $0.568 \pm 0.03 \mu\text{g} \times \text{g}^{-1}$ ), while both antioxidant active  
491 bags caused a significant decrease ( $P < 0.05$ ) on the amount of MDA, which confirms the  
492 inhibition of lipid oxidation of fried potatoes. Among them, AP-SL60 was more efficient,  
493 showing a low amount of MDA ( $0.342 \pm 0.01 \mu\text{g} \times \text{g}^{-1}$ ), that is, a 40 % reduction compared to  
494 the control. AP-BL80 was also antioxidant, showing significant differences ( $P < 0.05$ )  
495 compared to the control, with a 31% diminution of MDA content ( $0.392 \pm 0.02 \mu\text{g} \times \text{g}^{-1}$ ).

496 These results confirm again the antioxidant performance already measured in the material.

497 Once again, this demonstrates that this antioxidant approach does not imply a positive  
498 migration of antioxidants to food, but a real scavenging and non-migrating system that can  
499 take place without a direct contact between the antioxidant extract and the food product  
500 (Carrizo et al., 2016; Vera et al., 2016; Wrona et al., 2015) .

#### 501 4. CONCLUSIONS

502 The study carried out demonstrates that both extracts from Sage and Bay have antioxidant  
503 compounds in their composition, which are responsible for the antioxidant properties of their  
504 ethanolic extracts. Ethanolic 60 % extract of the Sage and Bay leaves exhibited the strongest  
505 antioxidant activity. The extracts were incorporated into an adhesive and a multilayer LDPE-  
506 PET was built. The active multilayer showed again a strong antioxidant activity, either  
507 evaluated alone or as food packaging for fried potatoes. A significant improvement of the  
508 fried potatoes was achieved, which will extend their shelf life. Migration of antioxidants or  
509 direct contact between the antioxidant agents (extract of Sage and Bay) and the food were not

510 required. Also, the colour of the packaging was not affected by the incorporation of the Bay  
511 and Sage extracts. It has been demonstrated that these extracts act as free radical scavengers,  
512 where the free radicals across the LDPE layer and arrive at the adhesive where the Sage or  
513 Bay leaf extracts are anchored.

514 Therefore, a multilayer LDPE/PET active film containing Bay and Sage leaf extract can be  
515 used as a safe packaging material for food products.

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## FIGURE CAPTIONS

Fig. 1 Picture of multilayer packaging film

Fig. 2 Picture of bags filled in with fried potatoes

Fig. 3 Free radical scavenging of the different extracts and the antioxidant packaging performed with them. The 60 % and 80 % ethanolic extracts of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL) compared to the control (A). The packaging performed with the different extracts (AP-BL and AP-SL) compared to the control material (B).

Fig. 4 Lipid oxidation of fried potatoes. Control samples compared to those kept into the active packaging materials containing 80% ethanolic extract of Bay leaves (AP-BL80) and 60% ethanolic extract of Sage leaves (AP-SL60).

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Table 1. Concentration of the different extracts of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL) in the active packaging materials.

Extract	Concentration in the packaging ( $\text{g} \times \text{m}^{-2}$ )
Control	–
BL80	$0.029 \pm 0.0017$
SL80	$0.027 \pm 0.0014$
BL60	$0.034 \pm 0.0026$
SL60	$0.025 \pm 0.0007$

Table 2. Compounds identified in the extracts of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL) by UPLC-MS-QTOF using different solvents. The retention time (Tr) is also indicated.

Compounds	W- Extra		60%H- Extra.		80%H- Extra.		100%H- Extra.		Tr (min)	Molecular formula	formula ID-cod
	BL	SL	BL	SL	BL	SL	BL	SL			
Phenyl1-hydroxy-2-naphthoate	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	0.84	C17H12O3	60571
3-(4-Methylphenoxy)-4-oxo-4H-chromen-7-yl 2-oxo-2H-chromene-3-carboxylate	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	0.89	C26H16O7	2070736
(+)-a-Viniferin	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	0.92	C42H30O9	170167
L-valinol	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	0.95	C5H13NO	556322
2-Aminoheptanedioic acid (APM)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.97	C7H13NO4	91360
Hexamethyl cyclopentanehexacarboxylate	1,1,2,2,4,4-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	1.11	C17H22O12	2158790
4S)-5-Methoxy-4-(((2-methyl-2- propanyl)oxy]carbonyl}amino)-5-oxopentanoic acid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	1.04	C11H19NO6	5381728
Ditolylguanidine	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.26	C15H17N3	7056
2,3,4-Tri-O-acetylpentanic acid	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.61	C11H14O10	287015
Azodolen	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	C18H19N3O 2	6494
Phenacetin	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.92	C10H13NO2	4590
4-Acetyl-4-(ethoxycarbonyl)heptanedioic acid	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.63	C12H18O7	2056378



Tetramethyl (3E,7Z)-5-methoxy-2,9-dioxo-3,7-decadiene-1,3,8,10-tetracarboxylate	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.07	C19H24O11	4528833
Piceol	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.73	C8H8O2	7189
Diethyl 1,1-cyclobutanedicarboxylate	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.03	C10H16O4	69822
Phenyl 2,3,4,6-tetra-O-acetyl- $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside hydrate (1:1)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.13	C20H26O11	17461141
Methyl(2-amyl-3-oxocyclopentyl)acetate	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.14	C13H22O3	92919
4,4'-Biphenyldiyl bis[4-(2-methyl-2-propanyl)benzoate]	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.32	C34H34O4	3520884
Cinnamtannin B1	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.35	C45H36O18	417255
Benzyl 6-O-[(2R,3R,4R)-3,4-dihydroxy-4-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2-furanyl]- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.68	C18H26O10	22913850
9-Dimethoxy-5-oxo-5H-furo[3,2-g]chromene-7-carboxylic acid	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.75	C14H10O7	652749
3 $\xi$ )-D-erythro-Pentitol- D-fructose (1:1)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.76	C11H24O11	157903
4-Methyl-2-oxo-2H-chromen-7-yl $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosyl-(1->4)- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranosyl-(1->4)- $\beta$ -D-xylopyranoside	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	5.04	C25H32O15	9390328
3,4-Dibutoxy-3-cyclobutene-1,2-dione	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.10	C12H18O4	58618
Luteolin7-O- $\beta$ -D-digluconide	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.43	C27H26O18	4445350
3,6,9,12,15,18,21,24,27,30-Decaoxadotriacontane-1,32-diol	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.49	C22H46O12	73316

Fmoc-L-alanine	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	5.55	C18H17NO4	
Quercetin-3-O- $\beta$ -D-glucuronopyranoside	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	5.60	C21H18O13	4438874
Dipivefrin	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	5.75	C19H29NO5	2994
Apigenin-6-C-glucoside-7-O-glucoside	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	5.84	C27H30O15	390121
Scutellarin	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.92	C21H18O12	161366
Umbelliferone	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	5.95	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	4444774
Quercetin	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	6.01	C15H10O7	5381998
Carminic Acid	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	6.06	C22H20O13	8430568
4-{2-(Benzyloxy)-6-[(benzyloxy)carbonyl]benzoyl}-3,5-bis(methoxymethoxy)benzoic acid	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	6.19	C33H30O10	9170697
2-Ethyl-3-methyl-1-{{2-(4-morpholinyl)ethyl}amino}pyrido[1,2-a]benzimidazole-4-carbonitrile	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	6.24	C21H25N5O	853771
Diosmin	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	6.27	C28H32O15	4444932
Ellagic acid-4-O- $\beta$ -xyloside-3,3', 4'-trimethyl ether	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	6.36	C22H20O12	9013603
2-H-1-Benzopyran-2-one, 7-( $\beta$ -D-galactopyranosyloxy)-4-methyl	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	6.51	C16H18O8	84473
Pectolarin	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	6.59	C29H34O15	147700

Fluorescein	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	6.99	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	15968
Kaempferol	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	6.76	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	4444395
2,6-Di-tert-butyl-4-hydroxymethylphenol	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	7.37	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>24</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	6663
Luteolin 4'-methyl ether	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	7.40	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	4444931
(-)-Andrographolide	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	7.52	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>30</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	4477067
Pectolarigenin	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	7.65	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	4478521
3-Dodécyldihydro-2,5-Furanedione	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	7.86	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>28</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	88579
14-Hydroxy-19-oxo-3-(pentopyranosyloxy)carda-4,20(22)-dienolide	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	8.12	C <sub>28</sub> H <sub>38</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	146228
Zeranol	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	8.26	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>26</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	2271133
2R,3S,4S,5R,6R)-2-(Hydroxymethyl)-6- {[(3S,4R,5R)-3,4,5-trihydroxy-2-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydro-2-furanyl]oxy}tetrahydro-2H-pyran-3,4,5-triol	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	8.35	C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	29399926
Methylprednisolone	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	8.51	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>30</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	6485
Cimilactone B	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.53	C <sub>33</sub> H <sub>48</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	9299914
Cardinalin 5	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	9.04	C <sub>31</sub> H <sub>28</sub> O <sub>11</sub>	8730566

3S,4S)-4-Methyl-5-methylene-4-[2-(trityloxy)ethyl]-3-[3-(trityloxy)propyl]dihydro-2(3H)-furanone	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	9.15	C49H46O4	9214944
Enoxolone	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	9.25	C30H46O4	9710
Tretinoin (Acid A Vit)	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	9.39	C20H28O2	392618
(+)-Betulonic acid	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	9.57	C30H46O3	109508
Octyl $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl-(1->2)- $\alpha$ -D-mannopyranosyl-(1->2)- $\alpha$ -D-arabinofuranoside	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	10.02	C25H46O15	9687437
3,3'-{[3,5-Bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]methylene}bis(2-hydroxy-4H-chromen-4-one	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	10.11	C39H28O8	345490
Scortechinone F	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	10.24	C34H40O9	10140412
3-( $\beta$ -D-Glucopyranosyloxy)-4,6-dihydroxy-2-nonylphenyl $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	10.26	C27H44O14	
2,4-Bis(diphenylmethyl)-5-methoxy-6-(4-pentylphenyl)-2,4,6-cycloheptatrien-1-one	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	10.30	C45H42O2	9170880
Erucic amid	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	10.43	C22H43NO	
Nimbolinin D	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	10.62	C36H44O9	9016869
Methyl 6-deoxy-3-O-[2,3,4-tris-O-(2,2-dimethylpropanoyl)-6-methyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranuronosyl]- $\alpha$ -L-mannopyranoside	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	10.58	C29H48O14	9094457
26-acetamido-22-oxo-16,23-cyclocholesta-5,16(23)-dien-3-yl acetate	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	10.91	C31H45NO4	
Methyl (5S)-5-C-{(1S)-1-[(4R,6S)-6-{(2R,3S,5S)-7-(benzyloxy)-3-methoxy-5-[(4-methoxybenzyl)oxy]	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11.06	C50H78O12	9030233

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3-Cyclohexene-1,1-diylbis(methylene)	bis{3-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	11.31	C42H62O6	2124355
[4-hydroxy-3,5-bis(2-methyl-2-propanyl)phenyl] propanoate}												

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W- Extra: watter extract

60%H-Extra: Ethanol 60% extract

80%H-Extra: Ethanol 80% extract

100%H-Extra: Ethanol 100% extract

(+): presence

(-): absence

Table 3. Antioxidant capacity of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL) extracts evaluated by ABTS scavenging and ferric reducing power (RP) assays.

Sample	Solvent	IC50 RP ( $\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ )	IC50 ABTS ( $\mu\text{g} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ )
Bay leaves (BL)	Water	$171.74 \pm 2.64^{\text{b}}$	$20.64 \pm 0.79^{\text{b}}$
	Ethanol 60 %	$91.43 \pm 2.84^{\text{c}}$	$18.68 \pm 0.16^{\text{c}}$
	Ethanol 80 %	$85.47 \pm 0.9^{\text{c}}$	$14.65 \pm 0.59^{\text{e}}$
	Ethanol 100 %	$47.28 \pm 1.08^{\text{d}}$	$17.68 \pm 0.47^{\text{d}}$
Sage leaves (SL)	Water	$238.36 \pm 11.09^{\text{a}}$	$25.86 \pm 1.14^{\text{a}}$
	Ethanol 60 %	$46.01 \pm 1.21^{\text{d}}$	$5.67 \pm 0.26^{\text{h}}$
	Ethanol 80 %	$35.38 \pm 0.19^{\text{e}}$	$7.96 \pm 0.02^{\text{g}}$
	Ethanol 100 %	$36.72 \pm 0.78^{\text{e}}$	$11.50 \pm 0.18^{\text{f}}$

a-f: indicate a significant difference ( $P < 0.05$ )

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Table 4. Concentration of 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (2,5-DHB) formed during free radical scavenging of Bay leaves (BL) and Sage leaves (SL) extracts.

Sample	2,5-DHB (ng × mL <sup>-1</sup> )
Control	$2.05 \times 10^2 \pm 3.06^a$
BL60	$1.95 \times 10^2 \pm 7.65^a$
SL60	$1.51 \times 10^2 \pm 4.42^b$
control	$1.75 \times 10^2 \pm 1.17^a$
BL80	$1.63 \times 10^2 \pm 0.61^b$
SL80	$1.58 \times 10^2 \pm 1.34^c$

a-c: different letters indicate a significant difference (P <0.05)



Table 5. Concentration of 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (2,5-DHB) formed during free radical scavenging assay for the active packaging samples.

Sample	2,5-DHB ( $\text{ng} \times \text{mL}^{-1}$ )
Control	$1.57 \times 10^2 \pm 7.46^a$
AP-BL60	$1.51 \times 10^2 \pm 0.88^a$
AP-SL60	$1.09 \times 10^2 \pm 10.80^b$
Control	$2.39 \times 10^2 \pm 4.16^a$
AP-BL80	$2.04 \times 10^2 \pm 12.66^b$
AP-SL80	$2.08 \times 10^2 \pm 9.37^b$

a,b: different letters indicate a significant difference ( $P < 0.05$ )

**Fig.1**



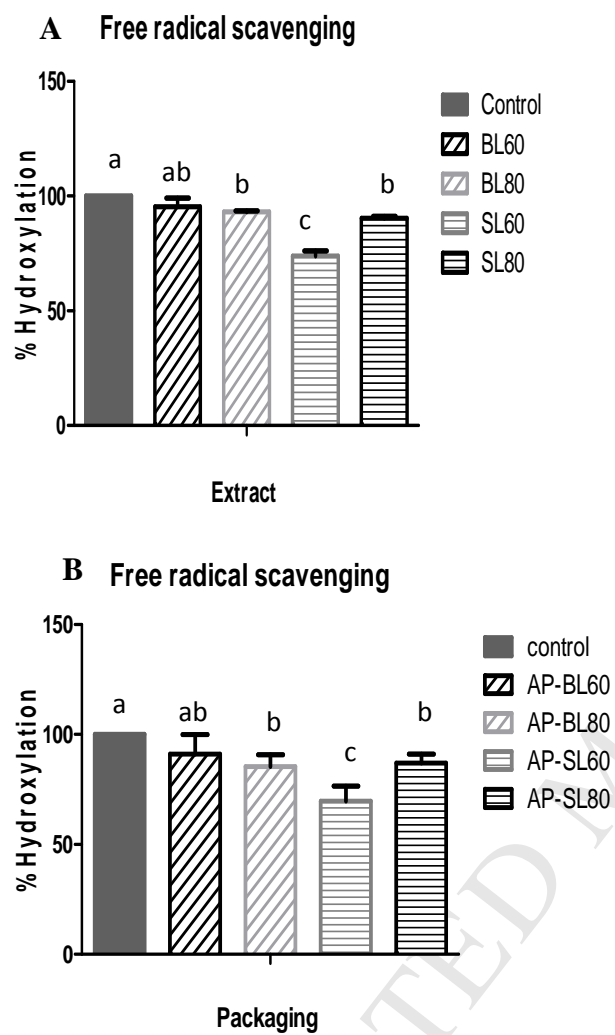
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**Fig.2**



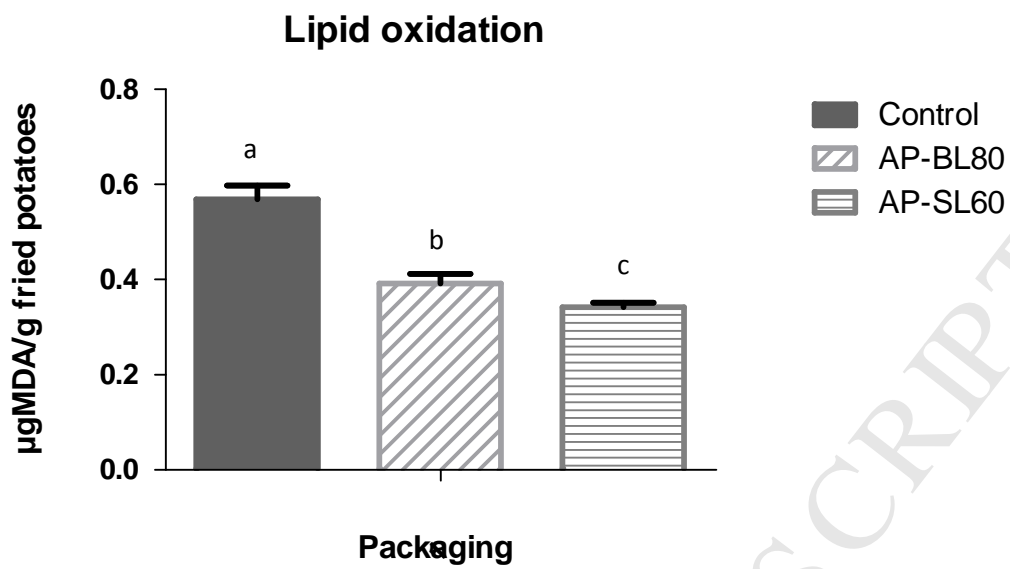
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Fig.3



a-c: Different letters indicate a significant difference ( $P < 0.05$ )

Fig.4



a-c: Different letters indicate a significant difference ( $P < 0.05$ ).

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Phenolic compounds and terpenoids were identified in Bay and Sage leaves extracts.
- Both Bay and Sage leaves extracts showed a high antioxidant activity.
- A multilayer antioxidant packaging was built from Sage and Bay
- The new packaging scavenged free radicals and delay oxidation of fried potatoes.