

1 **BREAD WITH WHOLE QUINOA FLOUR AND BIFIDOBACTERIAL PHYTASES INCREASES**
2 **DIETARY MINERAL INTAKE AND BIOAVAILABILITY**

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27 **Abstract**

28 The purpose of the present work was to provide further information on how replacing
29 wheat flour by whole quinoa flour (at 25 and 50 g/100g of flour) affects bread
30 performance and to assess its potential as a nutritious ingredient. Bread with quinoa
31 resulted in a depreciation in quality in terms of loaf specific volume (from 4.48 to
32 3.46/2.63 cm³/g), crumb firmness (from 0.77 to 1.55/2.64 N) and acceptability (from
33 7.94 to 7.58/5.94). Quinoa increased the bread nutritional value, raising fibre (from 5.5
34 to 7.2 g/100g) and minerals (Ca from 0.35 to 1.28 mg/g, Fe from 17 to 34 µg/g, and Zn
35 from 23 to 48 µg/g). The phytates were controlled by bifidobacterial phytase treatment
36 during breadmaking (from 4.7 µmol/g to below the detection limit), which decreased
37 phytate/mineral molar ratios to values lower than the threshold for inhibition of Fe and
38 Zn absorption.

39 Quinoa could partially replace wheat flour in bread, increasing its nutritional value in
40 terms of dietary fibre, minerals, proteins of high biological value and healthy fats, with
41 only a small depreciation in bread quality at 25 g/100g of flour substitution. The high
42 phytate contents were efficiently removed by phytase treatment and the breads were
43 accepted by consumers.

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51 **KEY WORDS:** quinoa, minerals, DRIs, phytase, mineral availability

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53 **Abbreviations**

54 25Q, 25 g whole quinoa flour/75 g wheat flour; 50Q, 50 g whole quinoa flour/50 g
55 wheat flour; ΔE^* , total color difference; a^* , redness to greenness; ATCC, American
56 Type Culture Collection; b^* , yellowness to blueness; C^* , chroma; d.m., dry matter;
57 DRIs, Dietary Reference Intakes; DSC, differential scanning calorimetry; h^* , hue angle;
58 HPLC, high-performance liquid chromatography; $InsP_6$, phytic acid, *myo*-inositol
59 (1,2,3,4,5,6)-hexakisphosphate or phytate; $InsP_5$, *myo*-inositol pentakisphosphate; $InsP_4$,
60 *myo*-inositol tetrakisphosphate; $InsP_3$, *myo*-inositol triphosphate; L^* , lightness; LSD,
61 Fisher's least significant differences; n.d., not detected; SD, Standard deviation; T_o ,
62 onset temperature, T_p , peak temperature, and T_c conclusion temperature of
63 gelatinization and retrogradation transitions.

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65 **1. Introduction**

66 The year 2013 was declared the "International Year of the Quinoa" by the United
67 Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in recognition of the indigenous peoples of
68 the Andes, recognizing the high value of this pseudocereal crop (FAO, 2011).
69 Pseudocereals are grown for the same purpose as cereals, but they are no members of
70 the monocotyledoneous *Gramineae*. They are dicotyledoneous plants not closely related
71 to each other and they comprise three crops: buckwheat (*Fagopyrum esculentum*,
72 *Polygonaceae*), which is thought to have arisen in China, amaranth (*Amaranthus* spp.,
73 *Amaranthaceae*) and quinoa (*Chenopodium quinoa* Willd., *Chenopodiaceae*), which are
74 natives of Meso-America and South America (Shewry, 2002). Quinoa seeds are
75 traditionally used for human and livestock consumption in the Andean region and have
76 exceptional nutritional qualities (Repo-Carrasco-Valencia, Espinoza & Jacobsen, 2003;
77 Ruiz, Biondi, Oses, Acuña-Rodríguez, Antognoni, Martínez-Mosqueira et al., 2013). Its

78 nutritional value, its adaptability to different agro-ecological soils and its potential
79 contribution to the fight against hunger and malnutrition are characteristics to highlight
80 (Koziol, 1992). Quinoa is endemic in all countries of the Andean region, ranging from
81 Colombia to northern Argentina and southern Chile. FAOSTAT (2013) reports that, in
82 the period 1992–2010, the cultivated area and total production of quinoa almost doubled
83 and tripled, respectively, in the main producer countries (Bolivia, Peru and Ecuador).
84 Quinoa cultivation has crossed continental boundaries to reach Europe. It is cultivated
85 in France, England, Sweden, Spain, Denmark, Finland, Holland and Italy (Medina,
86 Skurtys & Aguilera, 2010; FAOSTAT, 2013). It is grown in the United States and in
87 Canada, as well as in Kenya, in the Himalayas and India (FAOSTAT, 2013).

88 From the nutritional point of view, quinoa represents a significant source of dietary
89 fibre and vitamins as folate (Schoenlechner, Wendner, Siebenhandl-Ehn & Berghofer,
90 2010) or vitamin E (Ryan, Galvin, O'Connor, Maguire & O'Brien, 2007), which has a
91 protective effect against lipid oxidation (Dini, Tenore & Dini, 2010), and, minerals such
92 as Ca, Mg, Zn and Fe (Alvarez-Juvete, Arendt & Gallagher, 2009). However, usually
93 whole grains, especially pseudocereals, contain significant amounts of phytic acid or its
94 salts (phytates), a well-known inhibitor of mineral, proteins and trace elements
95 bioavailability (Hurrell, 2003; Hager, Wolter, Jacob, Zannini & Arendt, 2012; Sanz-
96 Penella, Wronkowska, Soral-Smietana & Haros, 2013). The negative effects of phytates
97 in human nutrition are more relevant in developing countries, in risk populations such
98 as pregnant women or those who follow an unbalanced diet and also in animal feed
99 (Fretzdorff & Brümmer, 1992; Nielsen, Damstrup, Dal Thomsen, Rasmussen &
100 Hansen, 2007). Under conventional processing conditions such as pasta or bread
101 making, optimal conditions for the degradation of phytate are rarely reached (Hager et
102 al., 2012). Thereby, the use of exogenous phytases has been suggested and proven as an

103 efficient practice to eliminate phytates in cereals/pseudocereals processing (Sanz-
104 Penella, Frontela, Ros, Martinez, Monedero & Haros, 2012; García-Mantrana,
105 Monedero & Haros, 2014).

106 Quinoa is also noteworthy for its high protein content with a balanced composition of
107 essential amino acids (Repo-Carrasco-Valencia et al., 2003; Comai, Bertazzo, Bailoni,
108 Zancato, Costa & Allegri et al., 2007). It shows a high content of essential fatty acids
109 such as oleic and linoleic acids (Alvarez- Jubete et al., 2009). Polyphenolic compounds
110 as flavonols, with antioxidant activity and linked to the prevention of various diseases
111 are also present in this pseudocereal (Repo-Carrasco-Valencia & Astuhuaman-Serna,
112 2011). The different functional properties of starch from quinoa, makes it suitable as
113 ingredient in bread formulation by replacing flour (Berti, Riso, Monti & Porrini., 2004).
114 This adds value to this crop to be included in the diet of populations with nutritional risk
115 (Schoenlechner, Drausinger, Ottenschlaeger, Jurackova & Berghofer, 2010; Alvarez-
116 Jubete, Arendt & Gallagher 2010).

117 The purpose of the present work was to provide further information on how replacing
118 wheat flour by whole quinoa flour at different levels (25 and 50 g/100 g) affects the
119 bread performance and to assess its function as a nutritious ingredient. Also, a strategy
120 to increase the mineral availability by using different phytase treatments was assayed.

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122 **2. Materials and Methods**

123 *2.1. Materials*

124 Commercial Spanish wheat flour and quinoa kernels (*Chenopodium quinoa*) were
125 purchased from the local market (La Meta, S.A. and Ecobasic – Bio, S.L., Spain,
126 respectively). The characteristics of the raw materials are shown in Table 1.
127 Compressed yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, Levamax, Spain) was used as a starter

128 for the breadmaking process. Phytases from *Bifidobacterium longum* spp. *infantis*
129 ATCC 15697 and *Bifidobacterium pseudocatenulatum* ATCC 27919 were
130 overexpressed in *Escherichia coli* strains carrying the bifidobacterial phytase genes and
131 purified by affinity chromatography (Tamayo-Ramos, Sanz-Penella, Yebra, Monedero
132 & Haros, 2012).

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134 2.2. Breadmaking procedure

135 The control bread dough formula consisted of wheat flour (500 g), compressed yeast (5
136 g/100 g flour basis), sodium chloride (1.6 g/100 g flour basis) and tap water (up to
137 optimum absorption, 500 Brabender Units, 60 g/100 g flour basis, AACC Method 54–
138 21, 1995).

139 The whole quinoa flour was added at 25 g/100 g (25Q samples) or 50 g/100 g (50Q
140 samples) on flour basis to the bread dough formula (water absorption 62.5 and 64.0
141 g/100 g, respectively). A sponge method mixing dough in a two stage was used. The
142 first stage involved mixing half water and flour amount together with the total yeast
143 amount and fermenting for 24 h at 4 °C. The sponge is then mixed for 4.3-5.3 min with
144 the rest of ingredients in a second stage. Later, doughs were divided into 100 g pieces,
145 kneaded and then rested for 15 min. Doughs were manually sheeted and rolled, proofed
146 (up to optimum volume increase, at 28 °C, 85 % relative humidity). Fermentation was
147 monitored by measuring pH, temperature and volume increase of the dough at regular
148 intervals.

149 After the fermentation step, the doughs were baked in an electric oven at 160 °C-180 °C
150 during 27-20 min, according to the formulation. Later, the obtained breads were cooled
151 at room temperature for 75 min for subsequent analysis (Sanz-Penella, Tamayo-Ramos,
152 Sanz & Haros, 2009). The experiments were done in duplicate. In experiments made

153 with addition of exogenous phytase, the enzyme was added during mixing stage. The
154 total phytase activity in the doughs was doubled by adding the same units of phytase
155 that were present in the flour mixtures. Phytase activity was determined for the purified
156 enzymes and in flours as previously described (Haros, Rosell & Benedito, 2001).

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158 *2.3. Composition of raw materials and bread*

159 Protein determination was carried out by the Kjeldahl technique (f: N×5.7) (AACC
160 Method 46-13, 1995). Lipid content was extracted with petroleum ether under reflux
161 conditions by the Soxhlet technique (AACC Method 30-20, 1995), whereas ash content
162 was determined in a muffle furnace by incineration at 910 °C. The dietary fibre content
163 was measured by the total dietary fibre assay procedure of AOAC Method 991.43 (Lee,
164 Prosky, & De Vries 1992), and *myo*-inositol phosphates (InsP₆, InsP₅, InsP₄ and InsP₃)
165 were determined by HPLC, being the detection limit at 0.01 μmol/g (Sanz-Penella et al.,
166 2009). The total Fe, Ca and Zn concentrations in bread samples were determined using
167 a flame atomic absorption spectrometer at the Servei Central d'Instrumentació
168 Científica from the University of Jaume I (Garcia-Mantrana et al., 2014).

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170 *2.4. Technological parameters of bread*

171 The technological parameters analysed were: weight (g), volume (cm³) (seed
172 displacement), loaf specific volume (cm³/g), width of central slice/height of central slice
173 ratio (cm/cm), moisture content of AACC Method 44-15A (1995) (g/100 g) and the
174 crumb firmness using a TA.XT Plus Texture Analyser (Stable Micro Systems,
175 Godalming, United Kingdom) (Sanz-Penella et al., 2009). Bread slices of 1 cm
176 thickness were compressed twice by using a stainless steel 1.0 cm diameter plunger,
177 moving at 1.0 mm/s to a penetration distance of 50 %, with an interval of 50 s between

178 compressions. Each parameter was measured at least in triplicate. The tristimulus colour
179 parameters L^* (lightness), a^* (redness to greenness) and b^* (yellowness to blueness) of
180 the baked loaves (crumb and crust) were determined using a digital colorimeter
181 (Chroma Meter CR-400, Konika Minolta Sensing, Japan), previously calibrated with the
182 white plate supplied by the manufacturer. The instrument settings were: illuminant C,
183 display $L^* a^* b^*$, and observer angle 10° . From the parameters determined, hue angle
184 (h^*), chroma (C^*) and total colour difference (ΔE^*) were calculated by the equations:
185 $h^*_{ab} = \arctan (b^*/a^*)$; $C^*_{ab} = (a^{*2} + b^{*2})^{1/2}$; $\Delta E^* = [(\Delta L^*)^2 + (\Delta a^*)^2 + (\Delta b^*)^2]^{1/2}$
186 (Iglesias-Puig & Haros, 2013). Each sample was measured 18 times at different points
187 to minimize the heterogeneity produced by the quinoa ingredient.
188 Preliminary sensory analysis of the fresh breads was performed by a panel of 50
189 untrained tasters who usually consume wheat bread, using a hedonic scale of global
190 acceptance (9. Like extremely; 8. Like very much; 7. Like moderately; 6. Like slightly;
191 5. Neither like nor dislike; 4. Dislike slightly; 3. Dislike moderately; 2. Dislike very
192 much; 1. Dislike extremely).

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194 *2.5. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) analysis*

195 The thermal properties of starch flour during baking of the fermented dough
196 (gelatinization) and changes induced during the bread storage (amylopectin
197 retrogradation) were measured on a calorimeter (DSC-7, Perkin-Elmer). Indium
198 (enthalpy of fusion 28.41 J/g, melting point 156.4°C) was used to calibrate the
199 calorimeter. Fermented dough samples (30–40 mg) were weighed directly in DSC
200 stainless steel pans (LVC 0319-0218, Perkin-Elmer) and hermetically sealed (Quick-
201 Press, 0990-8467, Perkin-Elmer). The calorimeter scan conditions used were those of
202 the methodology described by Iglesias-Puig & Haros (2013). Briefly, to simulate the

203 temperature profile in the centre of the bread crumb during baking, the samples were
204 kept at 30 °C for 1 min, heated from 30 to 110°C at 11.7 °C/min, kept at this
205 temperature for 5 min, and cooled to 30°C at 50 °C/min. To analyse amylopectin
206 retrogradation, heated-cooled pans were stored at 20°C for 3 days and heated again in
207 the calorimeter from 30 to 130°C, at 10 °C/min (Iglesias-Puig & Haros, 2013). An
208 empty pan was used as a reference and three replicates of each sample were analysed.
209 The parameters recorded were onset temperature (T_o), peak temperature (T_p) and
210 conclusion temperature (T_c) of gelatinization and retrogradation transitions. Straight
211 lines were drawn between T_o and T_c and the enthalpies associated with starch
212 gelatinization and amylopectin retrogradation were calculated as the area enclosed
213 between the straight line and the endotherm curve. The enthalpies were expressed in
214 Joules per grams of dough in dry matter.

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216 *2.6. Statistical analysis*

217 Multiple sample comparison of the means and Fisher's least significant differences
218 (LSD) were applied to establish significant statistical differences between treatments.
219 All statistical analyses were carried out with the Statgraphics Plus 7.1 software
220 (Bitstream, Cambridge, MN) and differences were considered significant at $p < 0.05$.

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222 **3. Results and Discussion**

223 *3.1. Bread composition*

224 The raw quinoa flour displayed higher levels of lipids, dietary fibre and ash with regard
225 to the wheat flour (Table 1). The chemical composition of the breads supplemented with
226 different percentages of whole quinoa flour is presented in Table 2. As expected, the
227 incorporation of quinoa flour to the formulation, whatever percentage was incorporated,

228 gradually and significantly increased lipids, total dietary fibre and ash content compared
229 to the control sample. The moisture remained without significant differences despite the
230 inclusion of a greater amount of insoluble dietary fibre derived from the quinoa flour. In
231 this study a strong wheat flour with deformation energy (W) 315.10^{-4} J was used. The
232 substitution of this strong flour by whole quinoa flour (with bran but without gluten),
233 only resulted in small changes in the water absorption of the flour mix and thus the
234 bread moisture did not change significantly. The soluble fibre remained almost constant
235 without significant changes. The mineral content increased significantly as a result of
236 the replacement of wheat flour, as was expected from the flour composition (Table 1).
237 The substitution of 50 g/100 g of flour increased the amount of Ca from 0.35 to 1.28
238 mg/g, Fe from 17 to 34 $\mu\text{g/g}$, and Zn from 23 to 48 $\mu\text{g/g}$. In general, white bread has a
239 low mineral content and should be supplemented to meet the daily requirements for
240 different elements. In this context, whole grain breads are known to be richer sources of
241 macro- and microelements than breads made of refined flours. Table 2 shows the
242 contributions of Ca, Fe and Zn intake from bread with or without quinoa to the dietary
243 reference intakes (DRIs) given by the Food and Nutrition Board of the Institute of
244 Medicine, National Academy of Science (National Research Council, 2001; Ross,
245 Taylor, Yaktine, & Del Valle, 2011), taking into account the World Health
246 Organization's recommendation of a daily intake of 250 g of bread per person (Sanz-
247 Penella et al., 2013). When expressed in terms of DRIs, the control bread contributes 7
248 % of the Ca recommended for adults, whereas the breads incorporating quinoa
249 contribute almost 26 % of the daily requirement of this mineral at 50 % level of wheat
250 flour substitution (Table 2). Regarding Fe, consumption of the control bread would
251 provide less than 20 % of the daily requirement in women, while the bread made with
252 quinoa flour could provide nearly 40 % of these daily requirements. The same tendency

253 was observed with Zn, where 50 % flour substitution could supply the whole daily
254 requirement of this mineral in women. Moreover, consumption of 250 g of control
255 bread satisfies around 40 % of the Fe and Zn recommendation in men, whereas bread
256 with 50 g/100g quinoa flour could cover more than 85 % of the requirements of these
257 microelements (Table 2). However, the pseudocereal whole flours show high
258 concentration of phytates (*myo*-inositol hexakisphosphate or $InsP_6$), so the minerals are
259 not bioavailable unless they are efficiently hydrolysed during the fermentation by the
260 action of the endogenous phytases (Garcia-Mantrana et al., 2014). In this context, it is
261 assumed that the contribution of daily mineral intakes of bread with quinoa are
262 overestimated. It is therefore necessary to determine the content of phytate in bread
263 samples. The amount of $InsP_6+InsP_5$ (*myo*-inositol hexakis and pentakisphosphate,
264 respectively) in the quinoa seed was 9.75 $\mu\text{mol/g}$ in dry matter (0.64 g/100 g expressed
265 as phytic acid/100 g of quinoa in dry matter). The phytate content reported in quinoa
266 showed a wide variation between 0.76 and 1.34 g of phytic acid/100 g (Ruales & Nair,
267 1993; Cook, Reddy, Burn, Juillerat & Hurrell, 1997; Hager et al., 2012), which can be
268 explained by the fact that the $InsP_6$ content in grain depends on many factors (Bohn,
269 Meyer & Rasmussen, 2008). The inclusion of whole quinoa flour in the bread
270 formulation significantly increased the amount of phytate from non-detectable values to
271 4.7 $\mu\text{mol/g}$ (d.m.) for control sample and formulation with 50 g of quinoa/100 g,
272 respectively. The same trend was observed in $InsP_5$, and other lower *myo*-inositol
273 phosphates ($InsP_4$ and $InsP_3$), which increased significantly with the inclusion of quinoa
274 flour. Phytates in quinoa are mainly present in protein bodies of embryonic cells of the
275 grain (~60 g/100 g of the total phytate), and during the breadmaking process
276 endogenous phytases could be active (Ando, Chen, Tang, Shimizu, Watanabe &
277 Mitsunaga, 2002; Sanz-Penella et al., 2009). The fact that all fermentation stages used

278 in the breadmaking process in this study lasted for approximately two hours, allows
279 endogenous phytase to act on phytate levels. Even so, the amount of InsP_6 and lower
280 *myo*-inositol phosphates increased as the whole quinoa flour was introduced in the
281 formulation, with the exception of InsP_3 (Table 2), and no reduction in their levels was
282 observed compared to those present in flours, indicating a negligible contribution of the
283 endogenous phytase activity to phytate hydrolysis.

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285 *3.2. Phytate levels and mineral availability*

286 The phytate/minerals molar ratios are used to predict the inhibitory effect of InsP_6 on
287 the bioavailability of minerals (Ma, Jin, Plao, Kok, Guusie & Jacobsen, 2005). The
288 phytate/Ca molar ratio could impair calcium bioavailability in humans at values higher
289 than 0.24. In the case of iron, bioavailability is compromised if the phytate/Fe molar
290 ratio is higher than 1; whereas if the phytate/Zn molar ratio is higher than 5 the
291 bioavailability of Zn could be less than 50 % (Ma et al., 2005). The breads made with
292 whole quinoa flour had a phytate/Zn molar ratio value higher than 5 (phytate/Zn: 5.8
293 and 6.4; Table 2). However, these samples showed phytate/Ca molar ratio values lower
294 than the threshold value for Ca availability inhibition (0.15 and 0.21). On the other
295 hand, samples with quinoa showed phytate/Fe molar ratio values higher than 1.0 (5.4
296 and 7.7 for samples with 25 and 50 g of quinoa flour/100 g, respectively). Therefore, the
297 high phytate concentration resulting from the inclusion of a high proportion of whole
298 quinoa flour lead to a predicted deficient mineral bioavailability. In general, quinoa
299 appeared to be a good source of minerals (Ando et al., 2002), but the absorption of
300 minerals such as Fe and Zn could be adversely affected by phytates as was predicted by
301 the phytate/minerals molar ratios. In this sense, the strategy of including an exogenous
302 phytase in cereal products is broadly used in feed production for monogastric animals

303 and it has also been explored in the production of cereal and legume foods for human
304 consumption (Maez, 2001; Haros et al., 2001; Sanz-Penella et al., 2012; Garcia-
305 Mantrana et al., 2014). We investigated whether addition of bifidobacterial phytases
306 was effective in the reduction of InsP_6 levels in breads made with quinoa flour. For this
307 aim doughs were prepared with the addition of purified phytases from *Bifidobacterium*
308 *pseudocatenulatum* and *Bifidobacterium longum* spp *infantis* and the InsP_6 contents
309 were determined in the resulting breads (Table 3). As earlier reported for the preparation
310 of breads with other whole flours, the bifidobacterial phytases reduced InsP_6 levels,
311 with the *B. pseudocatenulatum* enzyme being superior to the *B. longum* spp. *infantis*
312 enzyme (Garcia-Mantrana et al., 2014). Thus, the *B. pseudocatenulatum* phytase
313 lowered InsP_6 below the detection limit in breads made with 25 g of quinoa flour/100 g,
314 whereas the *B. longum* enzyme performance was lower and could not reduce InsP_6/Fe
315 ratios below the inhibition threshold. Treatment with the *B. pseudocatenulatum* enzyme
316 reduced the ratios for Zn and Fe far below the threshold values in breads made with the
317 two percentages of quinoa flour (Table 3). Therefore, phytases from these probiotic
318 microorganisms could be an attractive strategy to enhance mineral bioavailability in
319 these breads.

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321 *3.3. Technological parameters of breads*

322 The loaf specific volume significantly decreased with the addition of quinoa (Figure 1).
323 The presence of quinoa also produced important changes in crumb hardness, showing a
324 regular increase in this parameter which reached 2.6 N at 50 % of flour substitution
325 (Table 4). Gluten content is diluted by the inclusion of an ingredient with bran and
326 without gluten, which usually results in slight hardening of the crumb structure. During
327 the simulation of baking in the differential scanning calorimeter, we observed the peak

328 corresponding to the process of partial gelatinization of starch, between 65.8 °C and
329 98.7 °C, with an enthalpy of 3.2 J/g of control dough (Table 4). The range of
330 gelatinization temperatures underwent significant changes with the incorporation of
331 quinoa in the formulation (Table 3). The gelatinization enthalpy of the quinoa samples
332 showed significant differences with respect to the control. This is probably due to the
333 presence of quinoa starch that could change the thermal parameters, as well as to the
334 presence of a higher concentration of lipids which generally interferes with the
335 gelatinization process (Iglesias-Puig & Haros, 2013). Our results are in the line to those
336 from Morita, Hirata, Park & Mitsunaga (2001), who found that the substitution of wheat
337 flour with quinoa flour resulted in a markedly higher gelatinization temperature and
338 gelatinization enthalpy compared with control samples.

339 In the second heating cycle, after 3 days of storage at 20 °C, the amylopectin
340 retrogradation peak was observed (between 42.1 and 73.0 °C) with an enthalpy of 2.24
341 J/g in control dough (Table 4). The quinoa ingredient produced practically no alteration
342 in the transition temperature range, showing a tendency to reduce the final temperature.
343 The retrogradation enthalpy tended to be significantly lower in samples with quinoa
344 (Table 4). Whole quinoa flour has compounds such as fibre which could affect the
345 stabilization of the water balance in the dough and may inhibit retrogradation. This
346 situation, in addition to the lower interaction with a reduced gluten network, would
347 make the recrystallization of amylopectin more difficult in samples containing quinoa.

348 In general, the tristimulus colour values in both crumb and crust were affected. The
349 colour analysis of the crust and crumb of the products developed showed significant
350 differences with regard to lightness, chroma, hue and ΔE^* when the quinoa
351 concentration was raised (Table 3 and Figure 1). Greater differences were observed in
352 the parameters that describe crust colour. The typical colour of quinoa flour in

353 comparison with wheat flour affected the colour parameters of the bread, particularly in
354 the crumb section, more strongly coloured with greater yellow components (Figure 1).
355 Quinoa contains pigments as carotenoids, chlorophyll and lignin which give the seeds
356 their colour (Ruffino, Rosa, Hilal, Gonzalez & Prado, 2010). The total colour difference
357 between samples (crust and crumb colour), ΔE^* , were higher than 5 units, indicating
358 that significant differences are perceptible to consumers by visual observation (Gilabert,
359 2002).

360 Sensory evaluation of breads made with whole quinoa flour at 25 g/100 g of flour did
361 not show significant differences with control sample (Table 4). The samples with
362 quinoa were described as having different flavour. The consumers found the crumb
363 more dense and compact in breads with 50 g of quinoa/100 g of flour comparing to the
364 control sample (Figure 1).

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366 **4. Conclusions**

367 We have shown that bread parameters such as loaf specific volume, shape ratio of the
368 central slice, crust and crumb colour and firmness were affected by the incorporation of
369 quinoa, especially at a 50 g/100 g of addition, whereas the nutritional quality was
370 increased. These new bread products were still accepted by the consumers and the high
371 phytate contents were easily avoided by the use of exogenous phytases.

372 In conclusion, whole quinoa flour could be a good replacement for wheat flour in bread
373 formulations, increasing the product's nutritional value in terms of dietary fibre,
374 minerals, proteins and healthy fats, with only a small depreciation in bread quality at 25
375 g/100 g of flour substitution

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515 **Figure captions**

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517 **Figure 1.** Effect of the inclusion of quinoa on loaf shape, central slice and crumb
518 structure. Bread formulations: **a.** White Bread; **b.** Bread with 25 g of whole quinoa
519 flour/100 g; **c.** Bread with 50 g of quinoa whole flour/100 g.

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521 **Table 1.** Composition of raw materials in dry matter.^a

Parameter	Units	Flour	
		Wheat ^b	Whole Quinoa
Moisture	g/100 g	14.5 ± 0.0	10.3 ± 0.03
Protein	g/100 g	13.50 ± 0.10	11.00 ± 0.04
Ash	g/100 g	0.63 ± 0.01	2.69 ± 0.00
Total dietary fibre	g/100 g	3.39 ± 0.23	6.72 ± 0.28
Soluble dietary fibre	g/100 g	1.72 ± 0.07	2.88 ± 0.02
Insoluble dietary fibre	g/100 g	1.68 ± 0.15	3.85 ± 0.27
Lipids	g/100 g	1.37 ± 0.01	7.45 ± 0.12
InsP ₆	μmoles/g	n.d.	9.28±0.19
InsP ₅	μmoles/g	n.d.	0.47±0.02
Ca	mg/100g	15.3 ±0.5	32.7±0.7
Fe	mg/100g	1.29 ±0.09	4.65±0.11
Zn	mg/100g	1.61±0.23	5.03±0.07

522 ^aMean, n=3, ^bstrong flour W: 308.10⁻⁴ J, InsP₆: phytic acid or phytates; InsP₅: pentakisphosphate of *myo*-
523 inositol; n.d.: not detectable

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525 **Table 2.** Effect of whole quinoa flour on chemical composition of bread, mineral
 526 dietary reference intake contribution and mineral availability prediction.

Parameter ^a	Units	Control	Quinoa Flour, g/100 g		
			25	50	
Main Components					
Moisture	g/100 g d.m.	33.4±0.3 a	33.5±0.1 a	33.0±0.0 a	
Protein	g/100 g d.m.	13.60±0.00 c	12.31±0.01 b	12.24±0.02 a	
Ash	g/100 g d.m.	1.42±0.10 a	1.82±0.01 b	2.19±0.05 c	
Lipids	g/100 g d.m.	0.86±0.02 a	1.04± 0.02 b	1.90±0.03 c	
Dietary Fibre					
Total	g/100 g d.m.	5.5±0.2 a	6.3±0.1b	7.2± 0.2 c	
Soluble	g/100 g d.m.	2.4±0.5 a	2.6±0.3 a	2.8 ± 0.1 a	
Insoluble	g/100 g d.m.	3.1±0.4 a	3.7±0.1ab	4.4 ± 0.2 b	
myo-Inositol Phosphates					
InsP ₃	μmoles/g d.m.	n.d.	0.34±0.03 b	0.24±0.04 a	
InsP ₄	μmoles/g d.m.	n.d.	0.25±0.02 a	0.31±0.04 b	
InsP ₅	μmoles/g d.m.	n.d.	0.48±0.01 a	0.97±0.07 b	
InsP ₆	μmoles/g d.m.	n.d.	2.4±0.2 a	4.7±0.4 b	
Minerals					
Ca	mg/100g d.m.	35.0±0.8 a	40.5±0.7 a	128.2±0.8 b	
Fe	mg/100g d.m.	1.7±0.1 a	2.5±0.1 b	3.4±0.0 c	
Zn	mg/100g d.m.	2.3±0.8 a	2.7±0.1 a	4.8±0.2 b	
Contribution to DRIs^b					
Ca	Adults (1000)**	%	7.0	8.0	25.7
Fe	Man (8)	%	42.5	62.5	85.1
	Woman (18)*	%	18.9	27.8	37.8
Zn	Man (11)	%	41.8	49.1	87.4
	Woman (8)	%	57.5	67.4	120.2
Threshold ratios^c					
InsP ₆ /Ca > 0.24	mol/mol	0.0	0.21	0.15	
InsP ₆ /Fe > 1.0	mol/mol	0.0	5.4	7.7	
InsP ₆ /Zn > 5.0	mol/mol	0.0	5.8	6.4	

527 ^aMean±SD, n=3. Values followed by the same letter in the same row are not significantly different at 95
 528 % confidence level; d.m., dry matter; n.d., not detected; InsP₆₋₃: hexakis, pentakis, tetrakis and tri
 529 phosphate of *myo*-inositol, respectively.

530 ^bDRI (Dietary Reference Intakes) contribution (%) for a daily average intake of 250 g of bread if the
 531 mineral absorption inhibitors are absent. The values in parenthesis are recommended dietary allowances
 532 and adequate intakes for individuals between 19 and >70 years, except for: *(between 31 and >70 years),
 533 and **(men between 19 and 70 years, women between 19 and 50 years) (National Research Council,
 534 2001; Ross et al., 2011).

535 ^cThreshold ratios (InsP₆/mineral) for mineral availability inhibition (Ma et al., 2005); InsP₆: *myo*-inositol
 536 hexakisphosphate; minerals: Ca, Fe or Zn.

537 **Table 3.** Effect of phytase addition to breads made with whole quinoa flour on InsP_6
 538 levels and mineral availability prediction^a.

Phytase ^b	Sample ^a	InsP_6 ^b $\mu\text{mol/g}$ d.m.	InsP_6/Ca ^c >0.24 mol/mol	InsP_6/Fe ^c >1.0 mol/mol	InsP_6/Zn ^c >5.0 mol/mol
<i>B. pseudocatenulatum</i>	25Q	n.d.	0.0	0.0	0.0
	50Q	0.1±0.0a	0.003	0.16	0.13
<i>B. longun</i> spp. <i>infantis</i>	25Q	2.5±0.1b	0.25	5.6	6.01
	50Q	3.2±0.1b	0.10	5.3	4.29

539 ^a25Q and 50Q: bread dough formula with whole quinoa flour at 25 or 50 g/100 g of flour basis,
 540 respectively d.m., dry matter; n.d., not detected; InsP_6 : hexakisphosphate of *myo*-inositol or phytate.

541 ^bMean±SD, n=3. Values followed by the same letter in the same column are not significantly different at
 542 95 % confidence level.

543 ^cThreshold ratios ($\text{InsP}_6/\text{mineral}$) for mineral availability inhibition (Ma et al., 2005), minerals: Ca, Fe or
 544 Zn.

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546 **Table 4.** Effect of whole quinoa flour on bread performance

Parameter	Units	Control	Quinoa Flour, g/100 g	
			25	50
Technological Parameters^a				
Specific Volume ^b	ml/g	4.48±0.46 c	3.46±0.04 b	2.63±0.05 a
Shape Ratio ^b	cm/cm	1.65±0.14 b	1.54±0.03 a	1.62±0.05ab
Crumb Firmness ^b	N	0.77±0.09 a	1.55±0.16 b	2.64±0.10 c
Starch Gelatinization^b				
Onset Temperature	°C	65.8±0.7 a	66.9±0.4 b	67.3±0.3 b
Peak Temperature	°C	74.3±0.5 a	76.0±0.1 b	75.3±0.6 b
Conclusion Temperature	°C	98.7±0.5 b	91.2±0.5 a	95.0±0.5 a
Gelatinization Enthalpy	J/g d.m.	3.2±0.3 a	3.7±0.1 b	3.6±0.4 b
Amylopectin retrogradation^b, 3 days				
Onset Temperature	°C	42.1±0.2 a	42.0±0.6 a	41.1±0.3 a
Peak Temperature	°C	57.9±0.4 a	57.0±0.5 a	57.5±0.3 a
Conclusion temperature	°C	73.0±0.6 a	72.5±0.2 a	71.6±0.6 a
Retrogradation Enthalpy	J/g d.m.	2.24±0.06 c	1.70±0.03 b	1.36±0.08 a
Crust Colour Parameters^c				
<i>L</i> *		66.3±0.4 c	52.4±1.1 b	51.5±0.9 a
<i>C</i> *		37.9±0.3 c	34.6±0.8 b	32.7±0.6 a
<i>h</i> *		75.0±0.2 c	66.3±0.3 b	63.1±0.5 a
ΔE^*		---	13.6±1.5 a	17.1±1.6 b
Crumb Colour Parameters^c				
<i>L</i> *		72.0±0.5 b	72.4±0.6 b	69.2±0.7 a
<i>C</i> *		15.2±0.5 a	18.4±0.5 b	21.0±0.3c
<i>h</i> *		95.3±0.4 c	94.7±0.6 b	93.6±0.3 a
ΔE^*		---	7.2±1.3a	8.3±0.9b
Sensory Evaluation (Hedonic Scale)^d				
Overall Acceptability		7.94 b	7.58 b	5.94 a

547 ^aMean, n=6, ^bn=3, ^cn=18, ^dn=50, values followed by the same letter in the same row are not significantly
548 different at 95 % confidence level; d.m. dry matter.

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Figure 1

