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# The contribution of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* strains to the aromatic profile of wines from the Vinhos Verdes Region

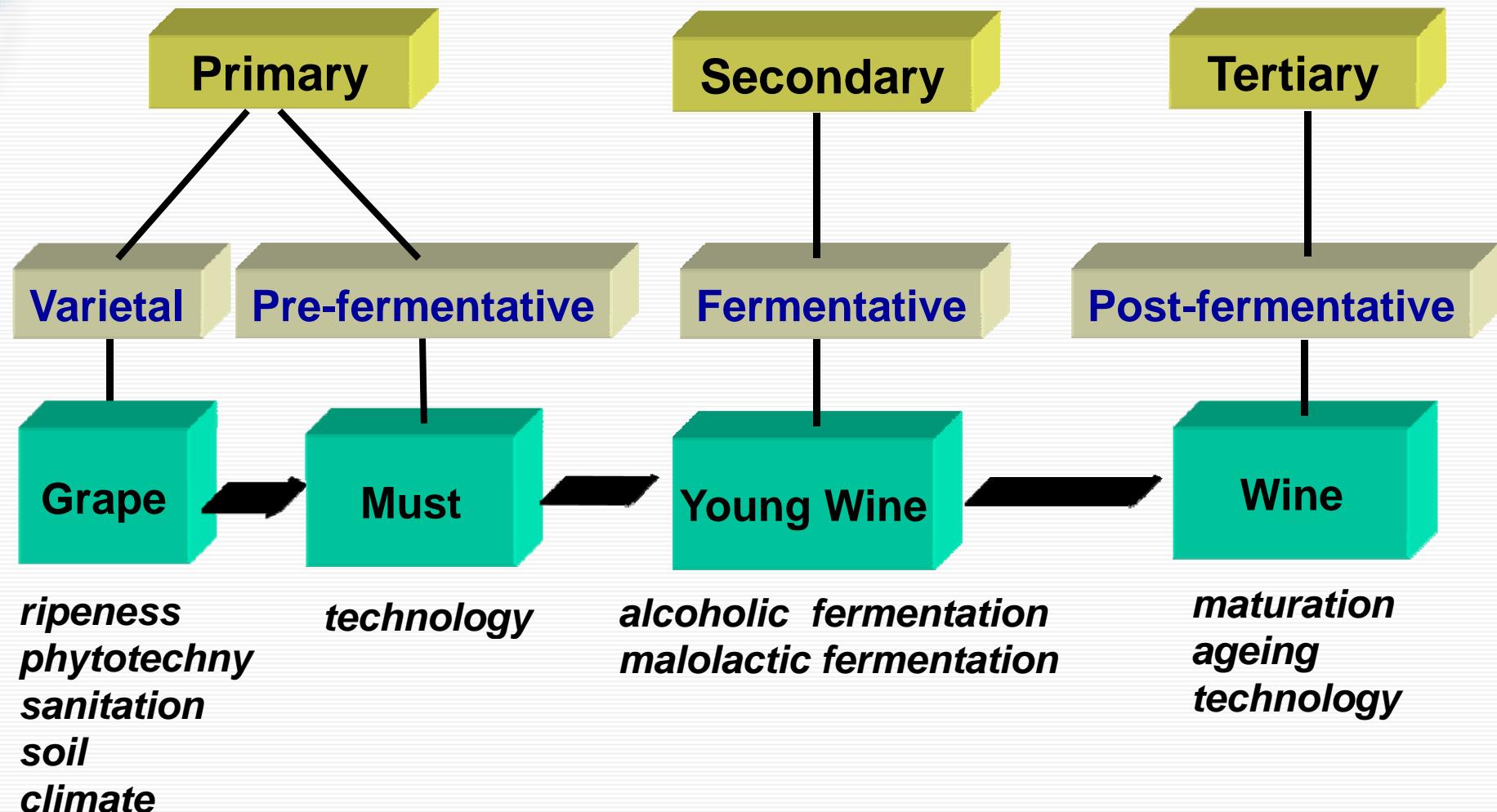
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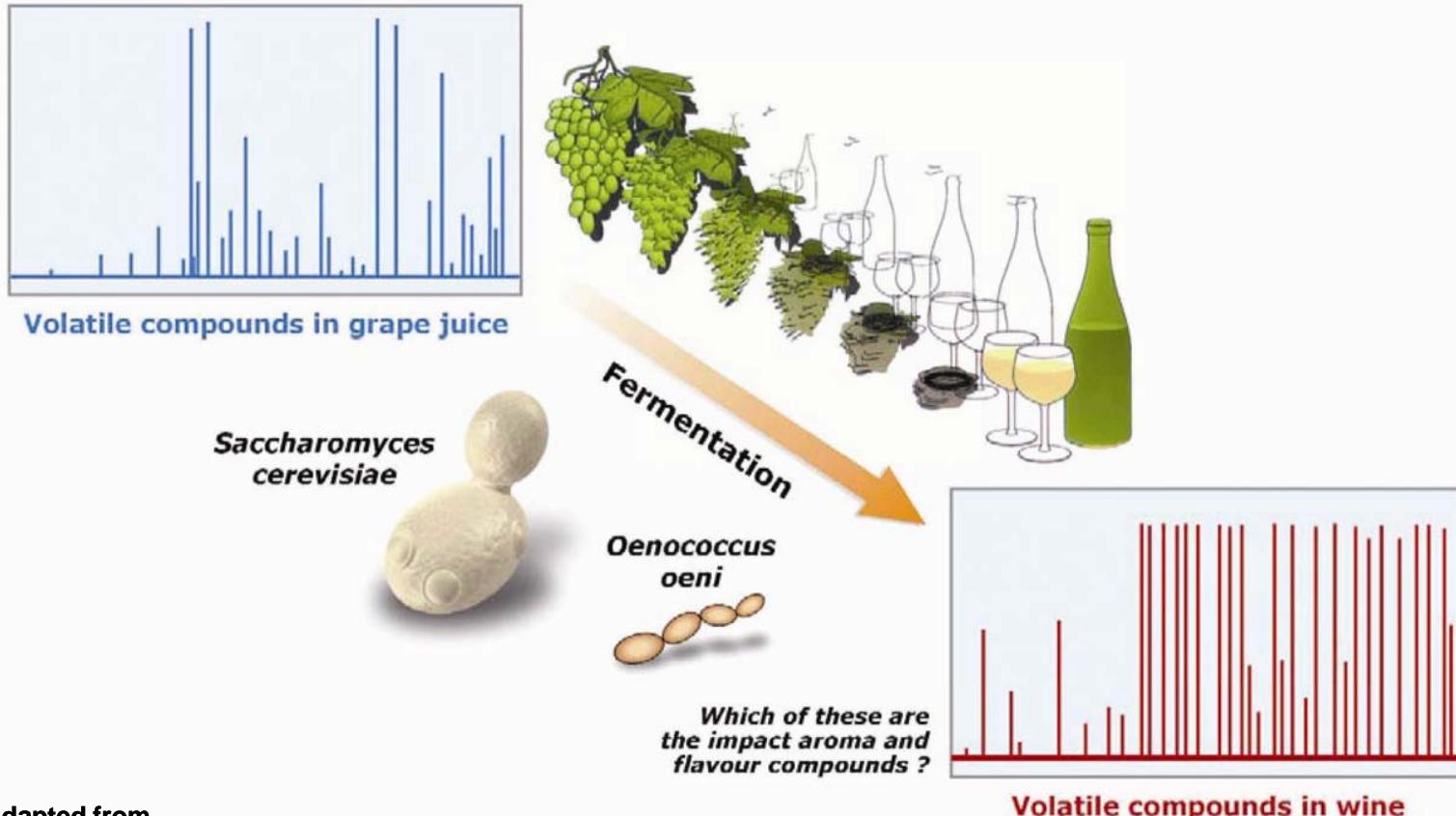


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Adapted from

**Swiegers et al, Australian Journal of Grape and Wine Research, 2005**



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# Objectives

To explore the diversity of natural *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* strains originating from grapes collected in the Vinho Verde Region in order to search for novel yeasts associated with aromatic diversification

- To investigate the predominance of inoculated strains during fermentation of musts obtained from “Trajadura” grapes;
- To determine secondary metabolites and volatile flavor compounds;
- To compare results from analytical determinations with preferences of a sensory panel.



# *Experimental procedure*

Must from Trajadura grape variety, prepared according to Vinho Verde winemaking procedures

47 small-scale (500 ml) fermentations inoculated with 47 indigenous *S. cerevisiae* strains (DB-UM collection)

Fermentation (18 °C) monitoring by daily must weight determination

Sensorial analysis and selection of the 10 most promising strains

10 medium-scale (50 l) fermentations

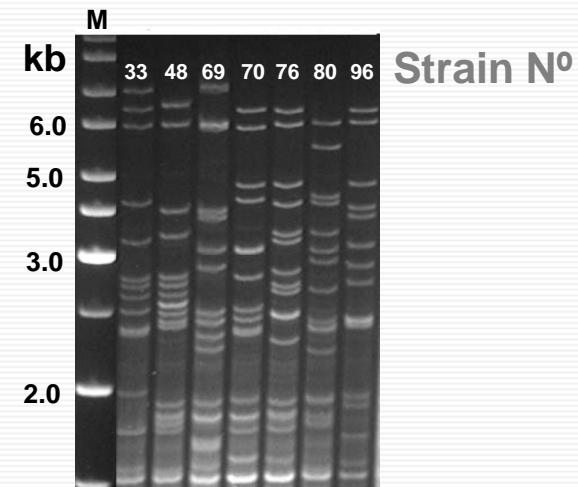
Evaluation of the inoculated strain's predominance during fermentation

Sensory panel evaluation

Physicochemical analysis  
(Secondary metabolites and aromatic profiling)

# *Evaluation of inoculated strain's predominance*

- Final fermentation stage (must weight reduction: 60 g/l)
- Plating of diluted must aliquots (YPD medium)
- Incubation (25°C, 48 h)
- Random selection of 10 colonies from each fermentation
- Strain delimitation by mitochondrial DNA restriction fragment analysis (*Hinf I*)



Examples of mtDNA RFLP patterns of inoculated strains

# *Physicochemical analysis*

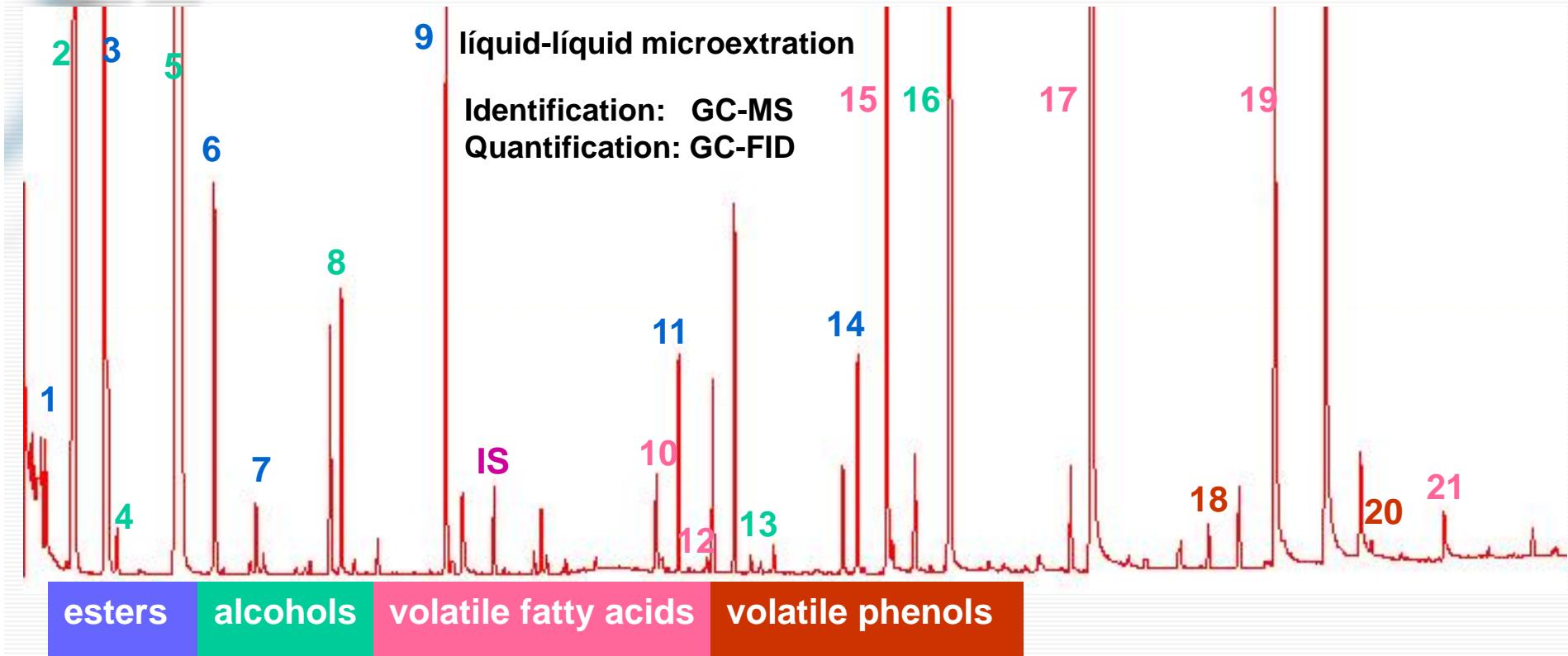
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<b>Ethanol</b>	<b>Near-infrared spectroscopy; CVRVV - internal method</b>
<b>Reducing sugars</b>	<b>CVRVV - internal method 017 (segmented flux analysis)</b>
<b>Total acidity</b>	<b>Titulation (Regulation CEE2676/90; annex 13)</b>
<b>Volatile acidity</b>	<b>CVRVV - internal method 009 (segmented flux analysis)</b>
<b>L-malic acid</b>	<b>FTIR - CVRVV internal method 078</b>
<b>Tartaric acid</b>	<b>FTIR - CVRVV internal method 078</b>
<b>pH</b>	<b>Potentiometry (Regulation CEE2676/90; annex 24)</b>
<b>Free SO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Titulation - CVRVV internal method 104</b>
<b>Total SO<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Titulation - CVRVV internal method 104</b>

*CVRVV - Comissão de Viticultura da Região dos Vinhos Verdes*



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# Chemical analysis - aromatic profiling



- 1 – Ethyl butyrate
- 2 – 2-Methyl-1-propanol
- 3 – 3-Methylbutyl acetate
- 4 – 1-Butanol
- 5 – 2-Methyl-1-butanol +  
3-methyl-1- butanol
- 6 – Ethyl hexanoate
- 7 – Hexyl acetate

- 8 – 1-Hexanol
- 9 – Ethyl octanoate
- 10 – Butyric acid
- 11 – Ethyl decanoate
- 12 – 3-Methylbutyric acid +  
2-Methylbutyric acid
- 13 – 3-(Methylthio)-1-propanol
- 14 – 2-Phenylethyl acetate

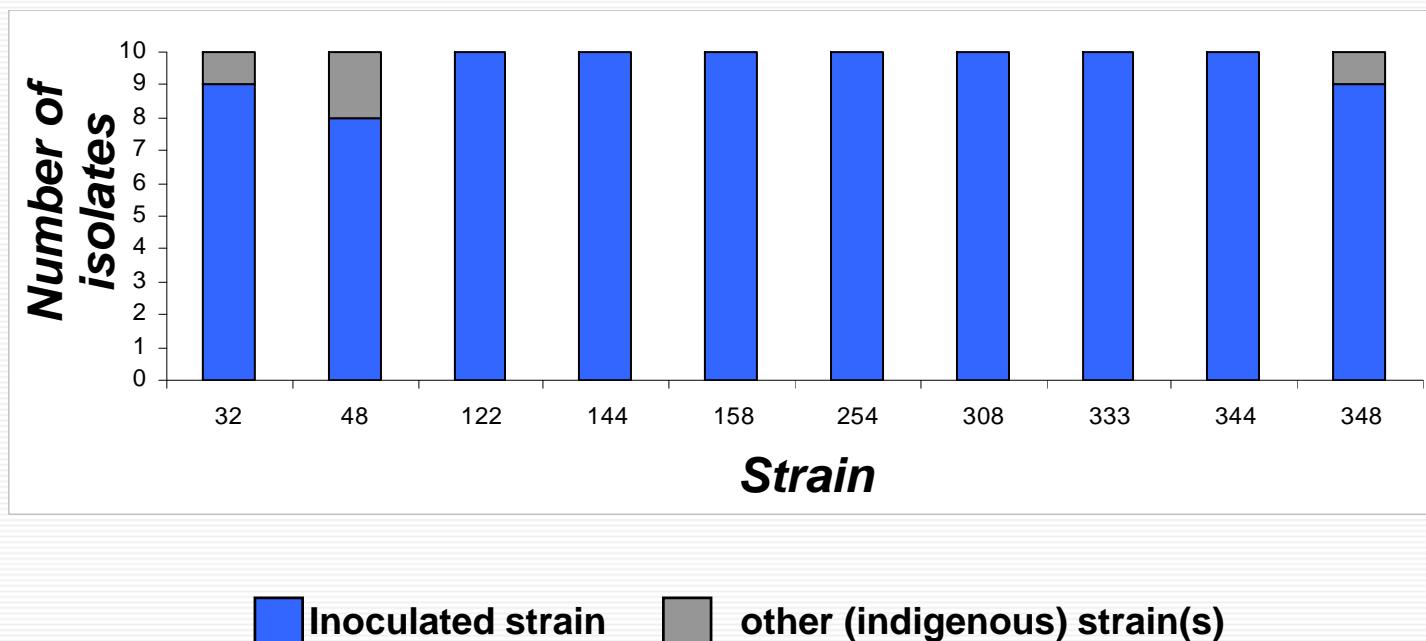
- 15 – Hexanoic acid
- 16 – 2-Phenylethanol
- 17 – Octanoic acid
- 18 – 4-Vinylguaiacol
- 19 – Decanoic acid
- 20 – 4-Vinylphenol
- 21 – Dodecanoic acid

IS – 4-Nonanol





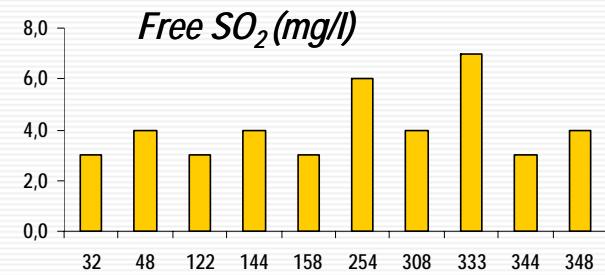
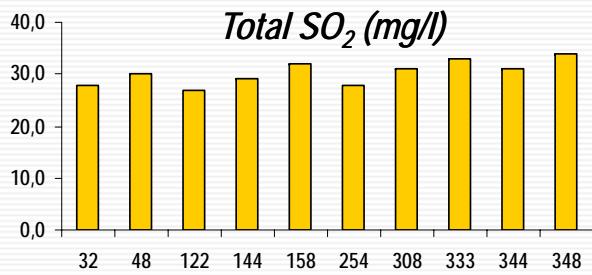
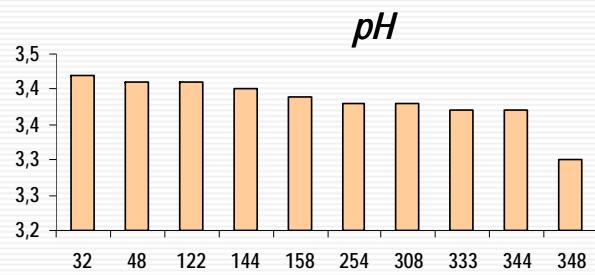
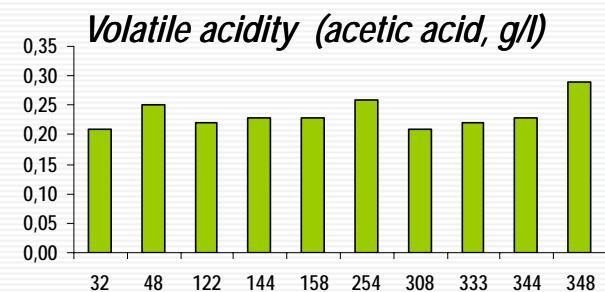
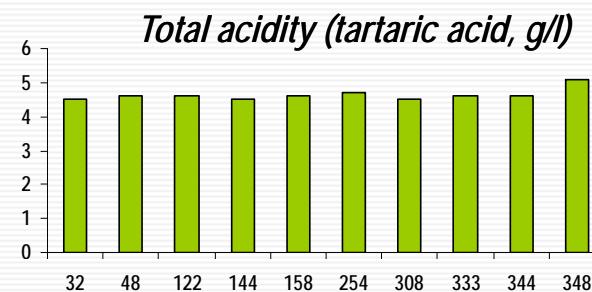
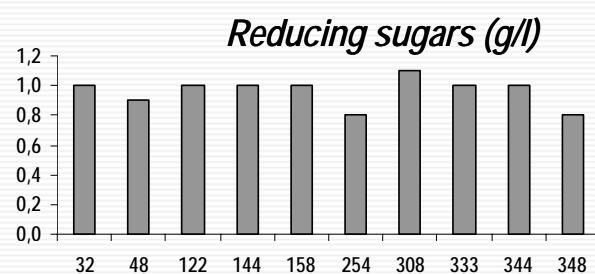
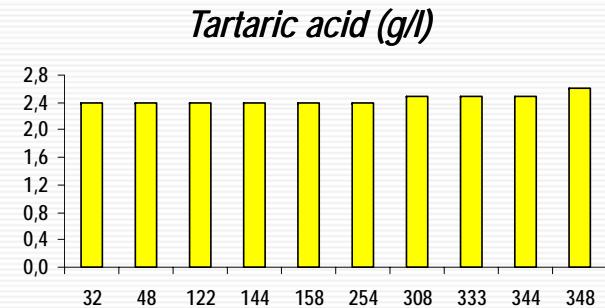
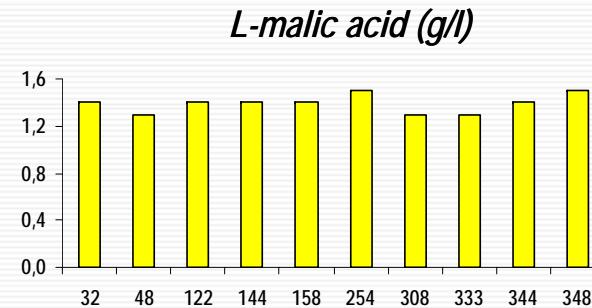
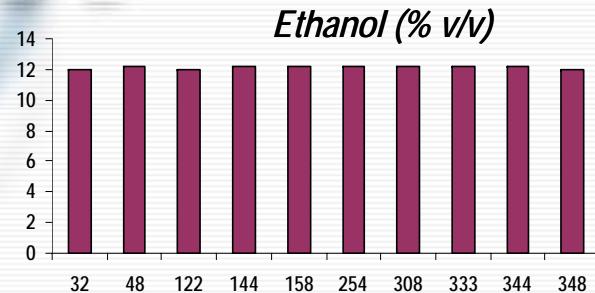
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Inoculated strain    other (indigenous) strain(s)

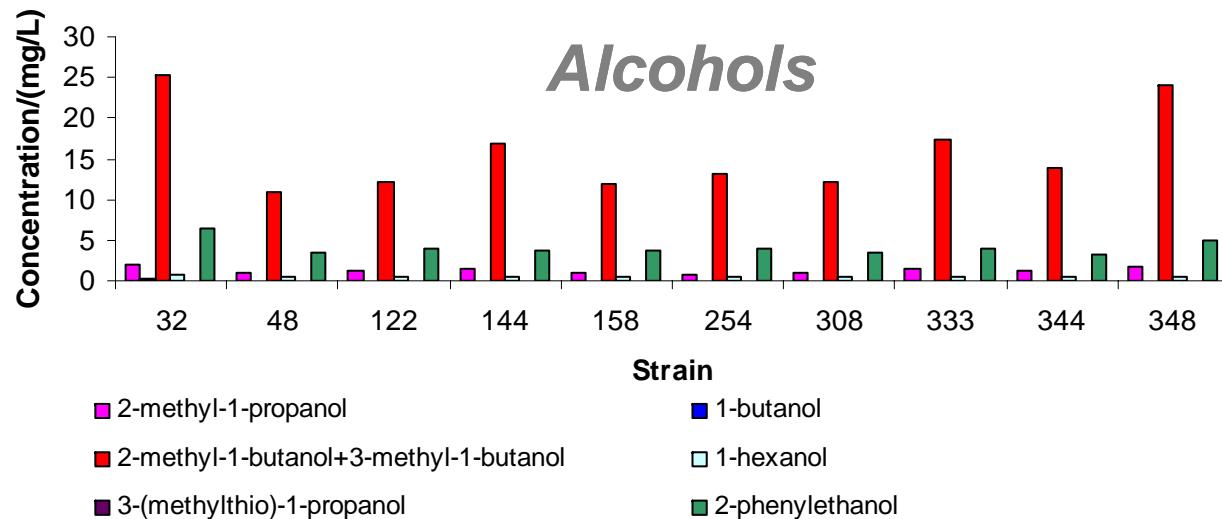
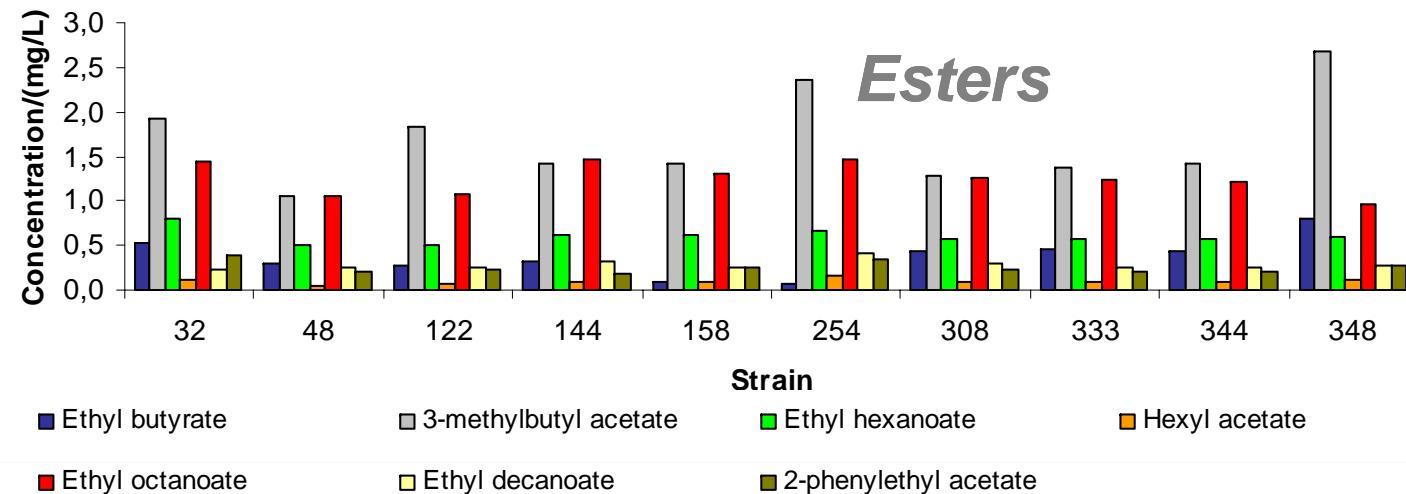
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## Physicochemical analysis

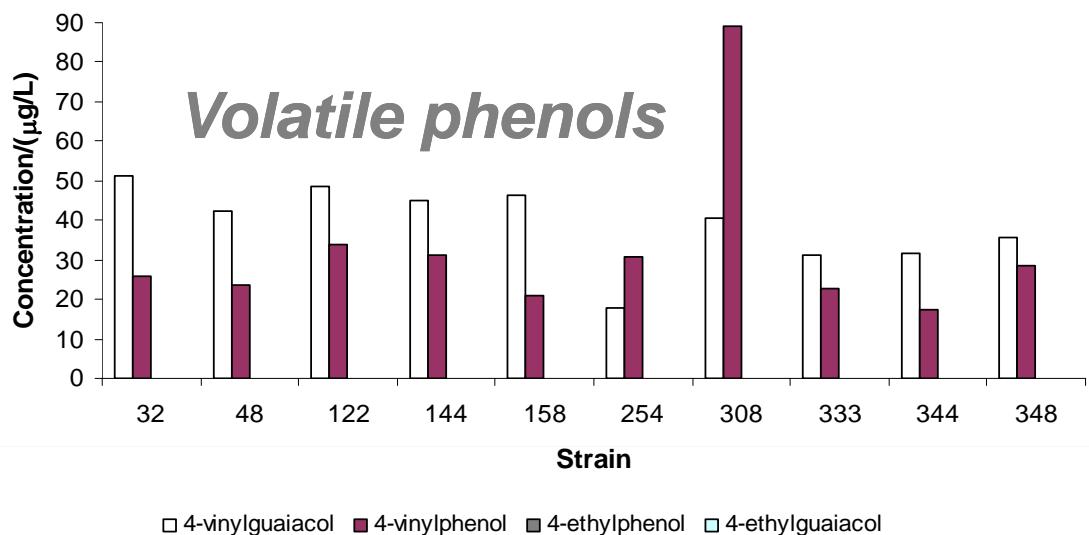
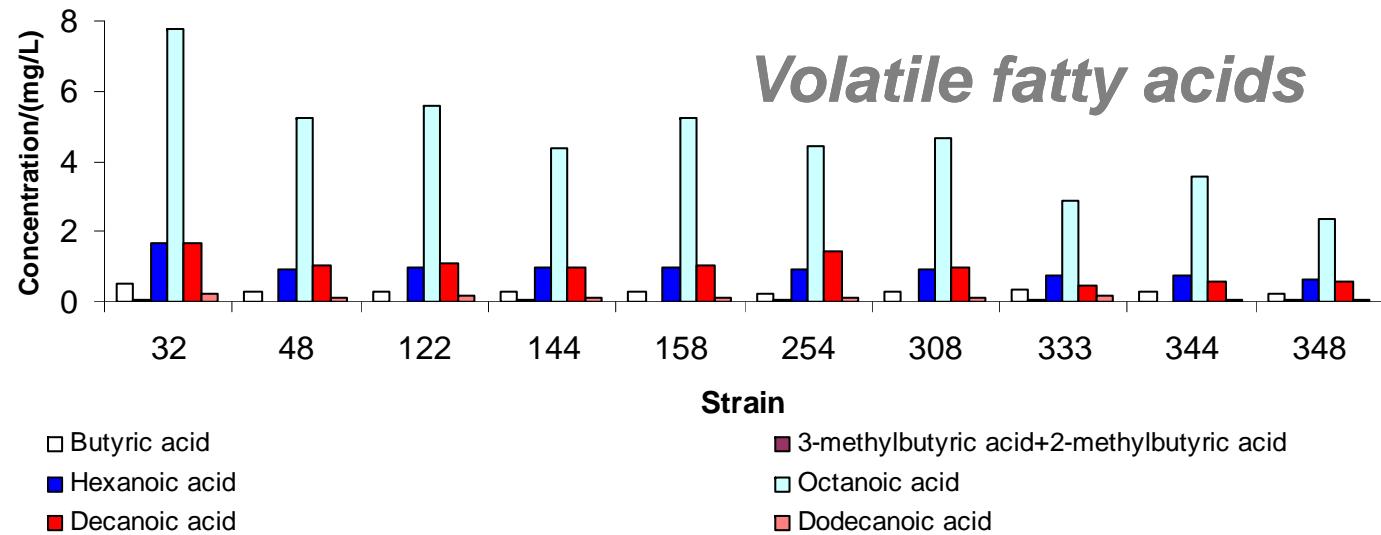


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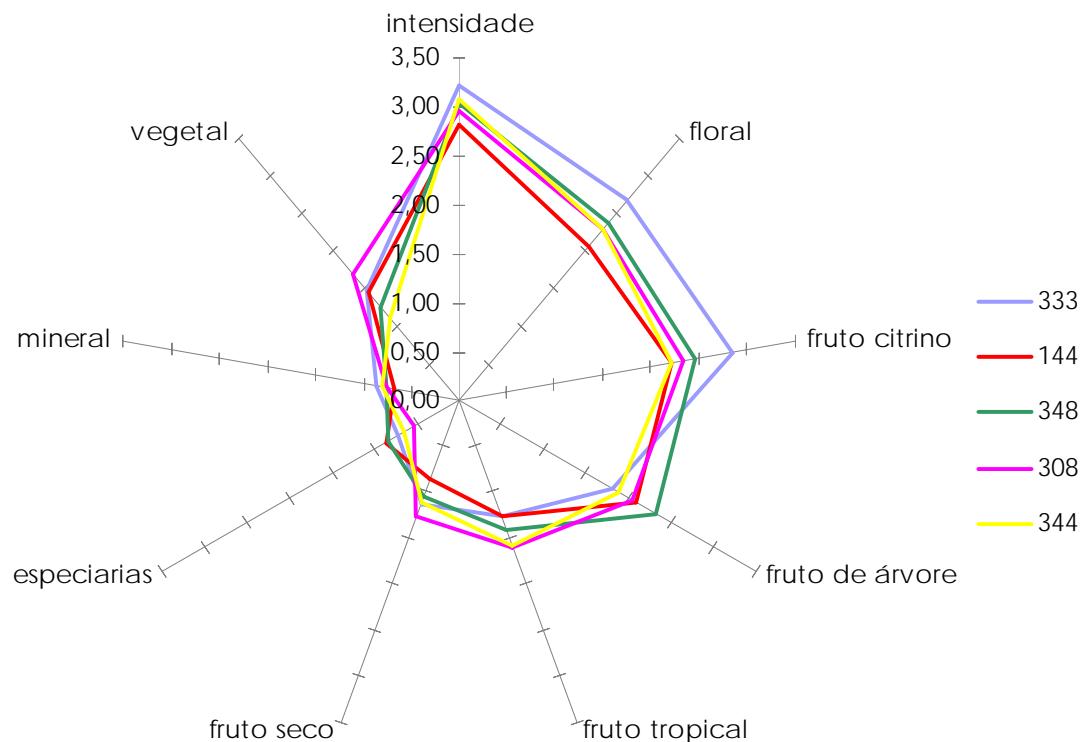


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## *Evaluation by a sensory panel (12 members)*



**Global preference**

**144 > 333 = 348 > 308 = 344**



# Conclusions

Natural *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* strains originating from grapes collected in the Vinho Verde Region:

- Succeed to complete fermentation and clearly predominate in inoculated fermentations
- Produce wines with distinctive aromatic profiles;

Although differences in aromatic compounds were rather small, the sensory panel established a preference list, that was not associated with the predominance of specific aromatic compounds, but rather on the global wine appreciation



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