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# The use of ICP-MS & ICP-MS-MS techniques for food geographic traceability

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Wet chemistry was the most used technique in the past for food analysis; thereafter there appeared analytical techniques based on NIR and MIR spectroscopy, mass spectrometry (MS), isotope ratio mass spectrometry (IRMS), multielementar analysis (ICP-MS; ICP-MS/MS) and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR). In general the choice of a suitable technique is not an easy task to do and it often happens that one technique is not sufficient and two or more ones are required to reach the final goal.



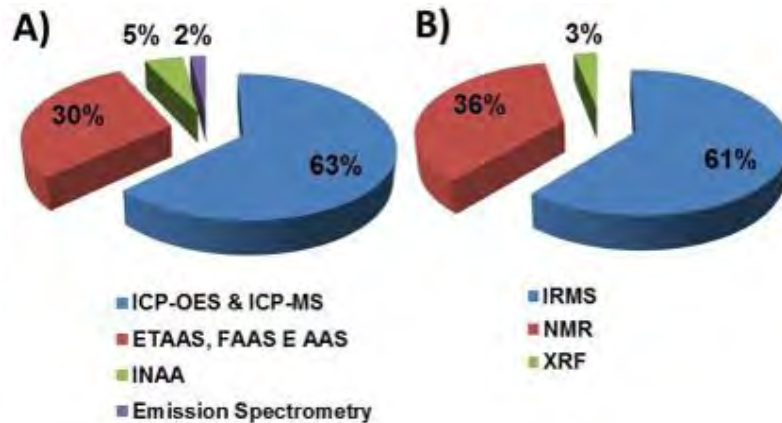
| Principal techniques         |          | Core techniques                                    |
|------------------------------|----------|--|
| Mass spectrometry techniques | IRMS     | Isotope Ratio Mass spectrometry                    |
|                              | ICP-MS   | Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry       |
|                              | PTR-MS   | Proton Transfer Reaction Mass Spectrometry         |
|                              | GC-MS    | Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry               |
| Spectroscopic Techniques     | NMR      | Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy            |
|                              | IR, FTIR | Infrared Spectroscopy<br>Fluorescence Spectroscopy |
|                              | AAS, AES | Atomic Spectroscopy                                |
| Separation Techniques        | HPLC     | High Performance Liquid Chromatography             |
|                              | GC       | Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry               |
|                              | CE       | Capillary Electrophoresis                          |
| Other Techniques             |          | Sensor Technology                                  |
|                              | PCR      | DNA Technology                                     |



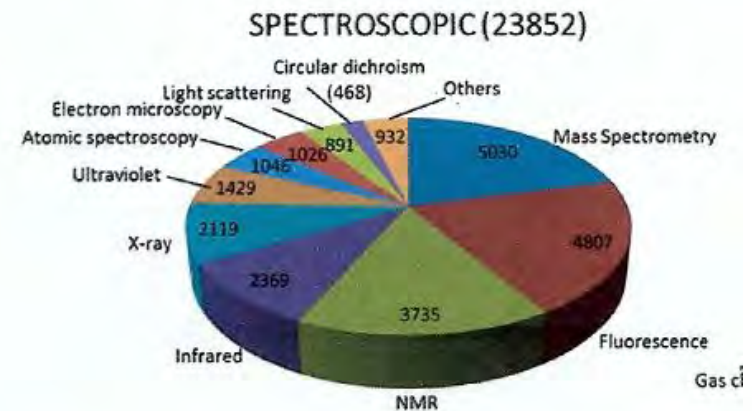
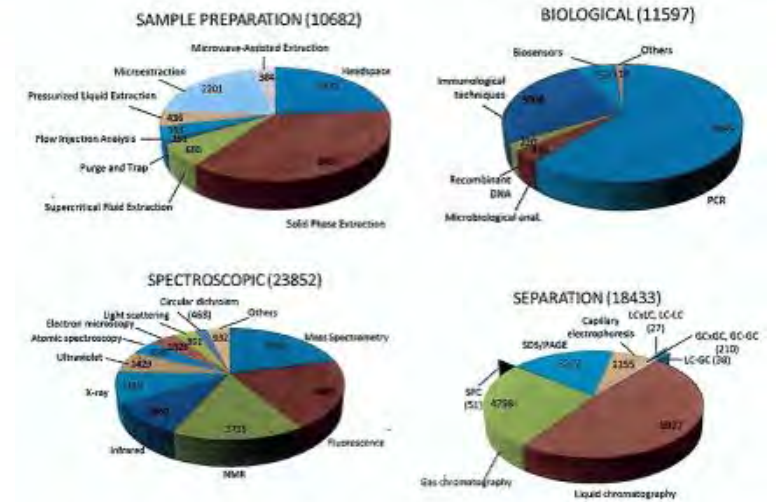


# Spectroscopic techniques for food geographical traceability

In recent years it was observed an increase of the use of spectroscopic techniques vs other techniques (e.g. biological , genetical etc.) for food traceability. As far as elemental analysis is concerned the use of ICP-OES and ICP-MS are the dominant techniques (63%), followed by ETAAS, FAAS and AAS (30%), INAA (5%) and Emission Spectrometry (2%).



Source : Gonzalves et al., 2009



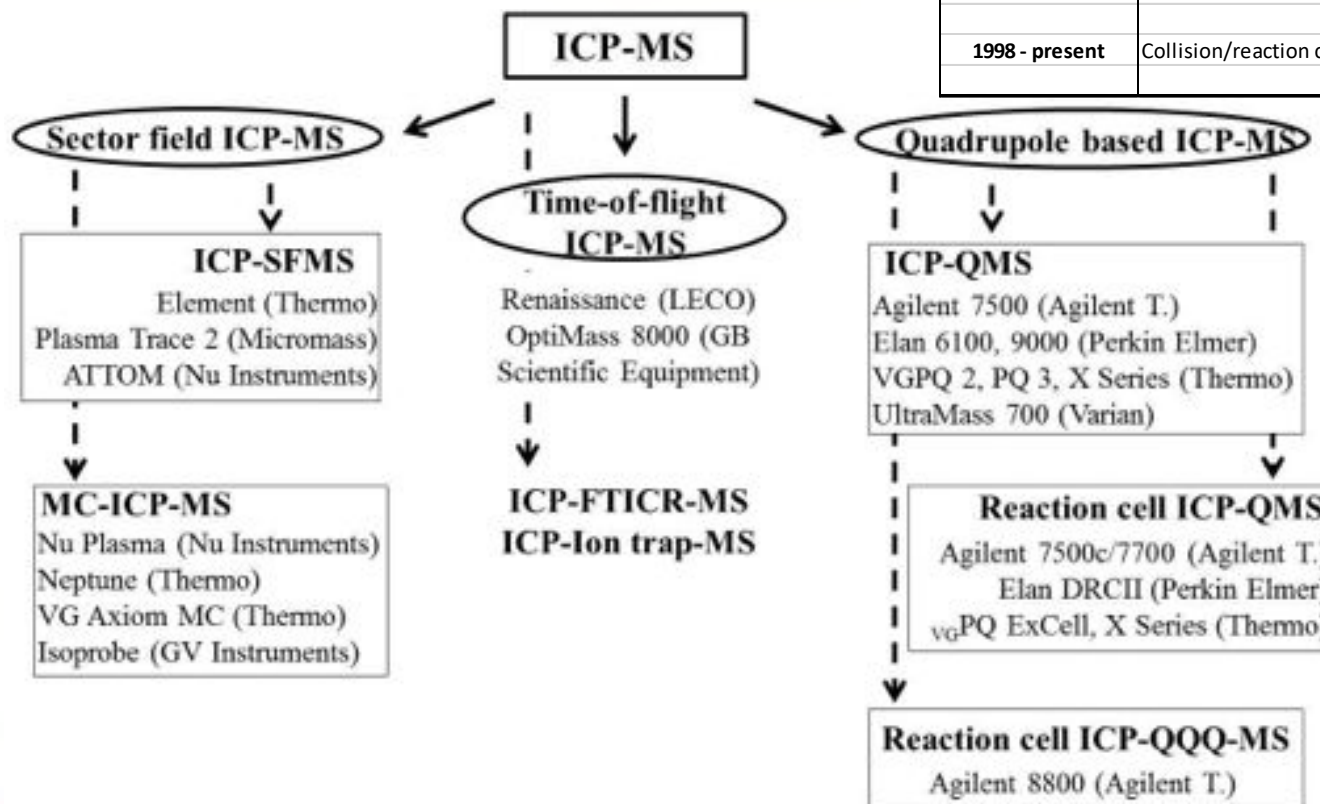
Source : FSTA database in the 2001- 2010 time



# Elemental analysis: story and types of instruments

Summary of ICP-MS instrumentations  
from different companies  
Source : C. Andreozzi 2017 doctorate thesis

| Period         | Development  |
|----------------|--|
| 1878 - 1983    | Initial ICP-MS evolution, quadrupoles, demonstration, adoption |
| 1983 - 1988    | Quadrupole ICP-MS reigns                                       |
| 1988 - 1993    | Sector-field, high resolution ICP-MS arrives                   |
| 1993 - 1998    | Miscellaneous analyzers in vogue (ion trap, TOF, ICR, MC)      |
| 1998 - present | Collision/reaction cells rage                                  |



Source :  
Eiden & Barinaga , 2004



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# Which foods ?



*Triticum  
Aestivum L.*



wine



milk



cheese



potato

## ICP-MS



Beef



Saffron



Onion



*Lycopersicum  
esculentum L.*



# The application of ICP-MS to wine traceability

The assessment of wine traceability and authenticity is a critical issue that has gained a lot of interest internationally.



In wines the combination of instrumental analysis with multivariate statistics, have allowed the successful classification of various products according to varieties, **geographical origin**, and certain aspects of the winemaking process.



# Which elements ?

| year  | Authors                      | Country  |
|-------|------------------------------|----------|
| 1988  | Pereira                      | Spain    |
| 1989  | Eschnauer et al.             | Germany  |
| 1999  | Kristl et al.                | Slovenia |
| 2003  | Aceto                        | Italy    |
| 2003a | Almeida & Vasconcelos        | Portugal |
| 2003b | Almeida & Vasconcelos        | Portugal |
| 2004  | Castinera Gomez Brandt et al | Germany  |
| 2004  | Nicolini et al.              | Italy    |
| 2007  | Rossano et al.               | Hungary  |
| 2009  | Volpe et al.                 | Italy    |
| 2011  | Tariba                       | Croatia  |
| 2012  | Cheng & Liang                | China    |

(a)

Elements that can be changed by grapegrowing and /or winemaking practices. We can have:

- 1) **«Natural» elements** which are the result of their presence in the vineyard soil and their uptake by wine plant (Al, B, Ba, Li, Mg, Mo, Si, Sr, Ti, REEs);
- 2) **«Artificial» elements** which result from human interventation, environmental pollution (Pb, Co, Cr, Ni, V, Cd e Hg);
- 3) **Elements that are both «natural» and «artificial»** e.g. Ca, Mg, Co, Zn, Fe, P, Na, e K.



# Which elements ?

| year | Authors                | Country        |
|------|------------------------|----------------|
| 1997 | Greenhough et al.      | Canada         |
| 1997 | Baxter et al.          | Great Britain  |
| 1997 | Baxter et al.          | Spain          |
| 2003 | Taylor et al.          | Canada         |
| 2003 | Marengo & Aceto        | Italy          |
| 2004 | Cartinera Gomez et al. | Germany        |
| 2004 | Thiel et al.           | Germany        |
| 2005 | Sperkova & Suchanek    | Czech Republic |
| 2005 | Coetzee et al.         | South Africa   |
| 2006 | Angus et al.           | New Zealand    |
| 2007 | Iglesias et al.        | Spain          |
| 2011 | Perez Trujillo et al.  | Spain          |
| 2012 | Martin et al.          | Australia      |
| 2013 | Sen & Tokatli          | Turkey         |

(b)

The periodic table shows 13 elements highlighted in blue, corresponding to the most discriminating elements found in wine studies. These elements are: Sr, Mn, Li, Co, Rb, B, Cs, Zn, Al, Ba, Si, Pb, and Ca.

Several studies have evaluated the use of multi-element fingerprints for the determination of geographical origin of wines. The elements that were found to discriminate among different wine regions are summarized in figure. The most discriminating elements in these studies include: **Sr, Mn, Li, Co, Rb, B, Cs, Zn, Al, Ba, Si, Pb and Ca.**

13 elements



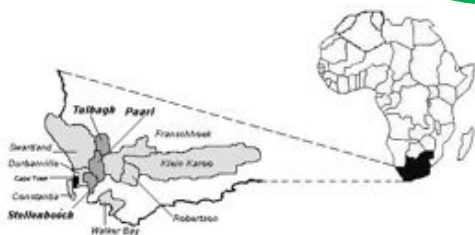


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# Studies of wine traceability made by ICP-MS

2005  
SOUTH AFRICA

40  
wines



ICP-MS  
Perkin Elmer Sciex Elan 5000 quadrupole

2011  
ARGENTINA

51  
wines



Q-ICPMS  
Thermo Ensemble X7 series

2015  
ARGENTINA

57  
wines



ICPMS  
Perkin Elmer SCIEX, ELAN DRC-e

2018  
PORTUGAL

47  
wines



ICP-MS  
Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole



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# Studies of wine traceability made by ICP-MS

2018  
JAPAN

214  
wines



ICP-MS  
Agilent 7700x

2019  
SPAIN

34  
wines



ICP-MS  
Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole

2019  
ITALY/USA

46  
wines



Sangiovese

ICP-MS  
Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole

2019  
USA

133  
wines



ICP-MS  
Agilent 8900 triple  
quadrupole with CRC



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# 2005 - Study of ICP-MS use for the geographic origin of South African wines

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40  
wines

Robertson  
Swartland  
Stellenbosch



## Multi-element Analysis of South African Wines by ICP-MS and Their Classification According to Geographical Origin

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**Aims of the work:** the specific aims of this study were the determination of the elemental composition of wines from **Robertson, Stellenbosch, and Swartland**, three main wine producing areas in the Western Cape province of South Africa, and the use of these data to uniquely classify wines from these areas according to a multivariate statistical procedure. A set of indicator elements suitable for discriminant analysis and specific for South African wines was to be determined. The feasibility of including red and white wines in the same data set for provenance determination was evaluated.

On **40 total wines 40 elements** were determined by **ICP-MS (Perkin Elmer Sciex Elan 5000 quadrupole based)** following:

- 1) Suitable sample preparation (dilution 1:1 with use of 0.14M HNO<sub>3</sub> to lower ethanol concentration till to 5-6%, which reduces the matrix effect, so stabilizing plasma;
- 2) Digestion in microwave oven with use of HNO<sub>3</sub>): **Li, B, Na, Mg, Al, Si, Cl, Ca, Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Ni, Cu, Zn, Ga, As, Se, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Nb, Mo, Ru, Cd, Sn, Sb, Te, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Nd, W, Tl Pb e U.**



40

20

Because of the low numbers of samples (number of wines) respect to the number of variables (elemental concentrations) the Authors proceeded as follows:

- 1) **A reduction of numbers of variables was done (from 40 to 20) in order to perform suitable statistical analysis;**
- 2) **Variable reduction was done after an ANOVA approach; the new 20 variables were: Li, B, Mg, Al, Si, Cl, Sc, Mn, Ni, Ga, Se, Rb, Sr, Nb, Cs, Ba, La, W, Tl e U ; some of these elements (Mg, Cl, Si, Nb, La e U) were removed when big analytical polyatomic background uncertainties were observed.**

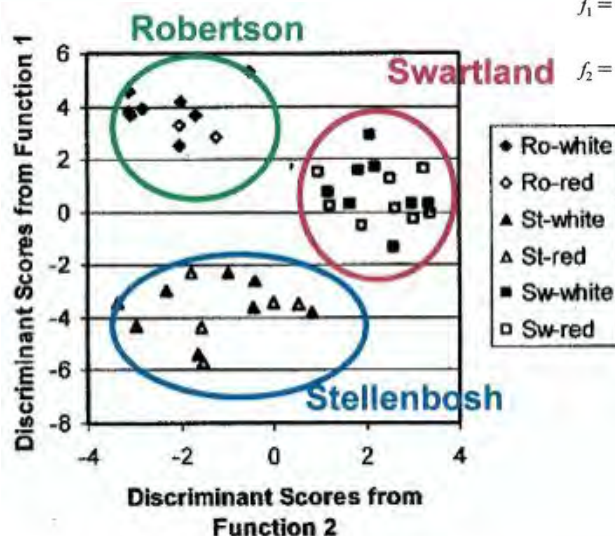


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The multivariate analysis consisted of the application of discriminant analysis (DA), where the discriminant functions are linear combinations of the independent variables (elemental concentrations), following a suitable data treatment: (were  $\log_e$  - transformed) in order to reduce outlier effects).

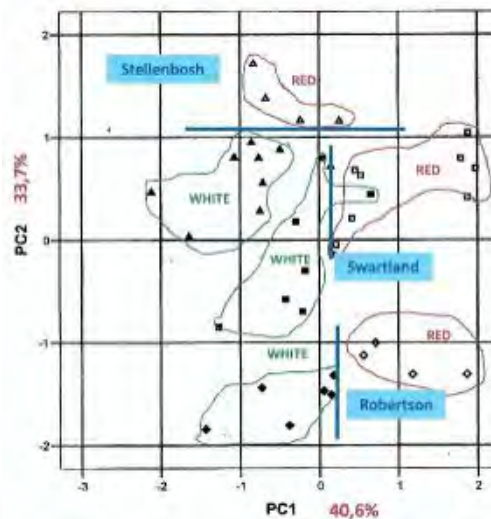
The adoption of this procedure allowed the Authors to improve model's robustness. **These functions permitted a classification of wines, correct at 100%.** The figure shows the distribution of white and red wines (completely mixed) among three distinct clusters. The Authors believed interesting to go on with the classification with the aim of improving separation of white from red wines.

Moreover, with the aim of discriminating white wines from red ones, also inside the same area, a **PAIRWISE DISCRIMINANT ANALYSIS** was carried out, following a PCA carried out on **12 elements** (Al, Sc, Mn, Ni, Ga, Se, Ru, Sr, Cs, Ba, W e Tl) which gave, through new linear combinations, some base parameters with results similar to the previous one used.



$$f_1 = -0.416 \ln(\text{Al}) + 1.034 \ln(\text{Mn}) - 1.144 \ln(\text{Rb}) + 0.659 \ln(\text{Ba}) + 0.541 \ln(\text{W}) - 0.301 \ln(\text{TI}) \quad (1)$$

$$f_2 = -0.678 \ln(\text{Al}) + 0.326 \ln(\text{Mn}) - 0.597 \ln(\text{Rb}) + 0.509 \ln(\text{Ba}) - 0.012 \ln(\text{W}) + 0.996 \ln(\text{TI}) \quad (2)$$



$$f_{\text{Ro}} = 0.001 \ln(\text{Sc}) + 0.067 \ln(\text{Rb}) - 0.013 \ln(\text{Cs}) + 0.969 \ln(\text{TI}) \quad (3)$$

$$f_{\text{St}} = -0.777 \ln(\text{Al}) + 0.903 \ln(\text{Mn}) - 1.246 \ln(\text{Rb}) + 0.927 \ln(\text{Ba}) + 0.431 \ln(\text{W}) \quad (4)$$

$$f_{\text{Sw}} = +0.882 \ln(\text{Al}) - 0.623 \ln(\text{Mn}) + 1.096 \ln(\text{Rb}) + 0.494 \ln(\text{Sr}) - 0.881 \ln(\text{Ba}) - 1.776 \ln(\text{TI}) \quad (5)$$

Figure. Scatterplot of the PC1 and PC2 component scores of red and white wines showing differentiation according to region.



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## 2005 - Study of ICP-MS use for the geographic origin of South African wines: Conclusions

*This study has highlight the skill of the techniques of multivariate statistical analysis based on data of trace elements in order to discriminate different geographical provenances.*

*Here pairwise discriminant analysis (PDA) was successfully used for the first time together with to a semi-quantitative use of ICP-MS.*





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# 2011 - Study of ICP-MS use for the geographic origin of Argentinian wines

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## Fingerprints for Main Varieties of Argentinian Wines: Terroir Differentiation by Inorganic, Organic, and Stable Isotopic Analyses Coupled to Chemometrics

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51 wines



**Aim of the work:** Our main goal was to obtain a reliable fingerprint from typical Argentinian red wines on the basis of organic, inorganic, and isotopic patterns, considering the influence of provenance soil. Thus, we measured **33 elements**, <sup>87</sup>Sr/<sup>86</sup>Sr and δ<sup>13</sup>C isotopic ratios, and 10 phenolic compounds, of three selected wine varieties and soils from three different geographical regions and applied chemometrics for data analysis. Until 2011 there were not published papers which deal together the elemental composition, the isotopic profile and polyphenolic profiles or the association between stable isotopes and elements from soils where grapes were grown for wine production.

**Sampling:** Wine and soil samples were collected from the three major wine production regions of Argentina: Mendoza, San Juan, and Córdoba, areas with different geological settings.

### Wines



Were obtained directly from producers having both GMP (Good Manufacturing Practices) and traceability systems for two vitages (2007 and 2008)

Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Syrah

Córdoba 9

Mendoza 21

San Juan 21

### Soils

Were sampled in depths 10-20 cm to avoid surface-soil pollution arising from the surrounding environment and to reduce the effects of fertilizers and variable organic matter content and 50 cm from the side of the plot to reduce the effects of fertilizers and the organic matter.





## Geographical origin Classification

The application of backward stepwise **DA (Discriminant Analysis)** allowed 100% discrimination between wines from the 3 studied regions selecting 19 significant variables of 45. It is noteworthy that the discrimination was possible including variables of the three groups analysed :

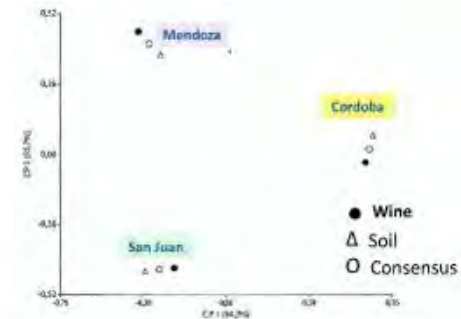
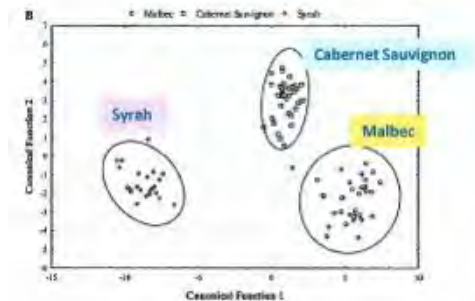
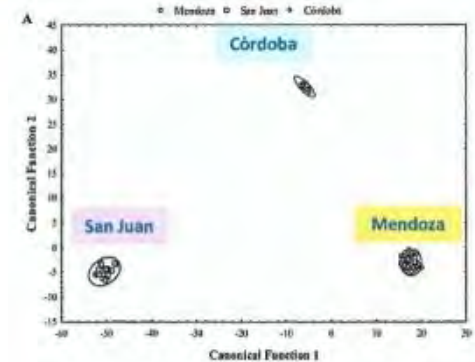
- **organic** (*trans*- resveratrol, kaempferol, and (+) -catechin);
- **inorganic components** (B, Na, Mg, Ca, Mn, Co, Ni, Cu, Rb, Sr, Ba, Ia, Pb and Ca/Sr);
- **isotopic ratios** ( $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ ;  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ );

## Wine variety Classification

Backward stepwise **DA (Discriminant Analysis)** allows us to classify 100% of the analysed wines from the 3 varieties, pointing out 21 significant variables to obtain such discrimination: ferulic acid, kaempferol,(+) -catechin, Li,Mg,Al,K,Ca,Co,Cu,Zn,Rb,Cd,La,Ce,Lu,Pb,U,Ca/Sr, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$  and $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$ . It is worth mentioning that parameters belonging to three studied groups were included by DA. These results were in accordance with what found by Fabani et al (2009) for Mg, Zn, K and Ca.

## Correlation between soil and wine composition

Elemental composition and isotopic analysis were performed on the bioavailable fraction of soils, because the composition of this fraction has been considered more directly correlated with the multielement composition of the wine leaves and grapes. Some elements (Ba, K, La, B, V, and Cd) exhibit a good correspondence between its content in both soil and wine for the three provinces; others (Ca) less. GPA (Generalized Procrustes Analysis) produces a configuration of the different geographical regions that reflects the consensus among the wines and soils. Data obtained from wine have a significant consensus (98.8%) with those corresponding to soil. CCA (Canonica Correlation Analysis) was applied to assess the correspondence between soil and wine composition. The CCA shows a **significant correlation (  $r = 0.99$ ;  $p < 0.001$  )** between soil and wine. This last result indicates that 99% of variability observed between wines could be attributed to the vineyard soil with consideration for its environment «*terroir*».







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# 2011 - Study of ICP-MS use for the geographic origin of Argentinian wines : Conclusions

The Authors conclude that both elemental and isotopic compositions, including geochemical ratios, such as K/Rb and Ca/Sr allow a good differentiation among wine-producing regions.

Mg concentrations and  $^{87}\text{Sr}/^{86}\text{Sr}$  values were the best discriminators of wine provenance in the studied regions. Moreover the inclusion of the phenolic profile allows a better differentiation between wine varieties from the same region, resveratrol being one of the most significant organic components for this purpose.

It is worth remarking that, in this case study, DA gives satisfactory results for the wine differentiation, proving an important data reduction, selecting the most important variables for discrimination.

Therefore, the use of combined analytical sources (organic, inorganic and isotopic components) presents a powerful strategy to obtain a reliable fingerprint for the evaluation of wine provenance in association with the characteristics of its terroir. Furthermore, GPA and CCA allow matching the wine profile with the soil composition.





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# 2015 - ICP-MS use for classification of monovarietal Argentinean white wines by their elemental profile

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## Classification of monovarietal Argentinean white wines by their elemental profile

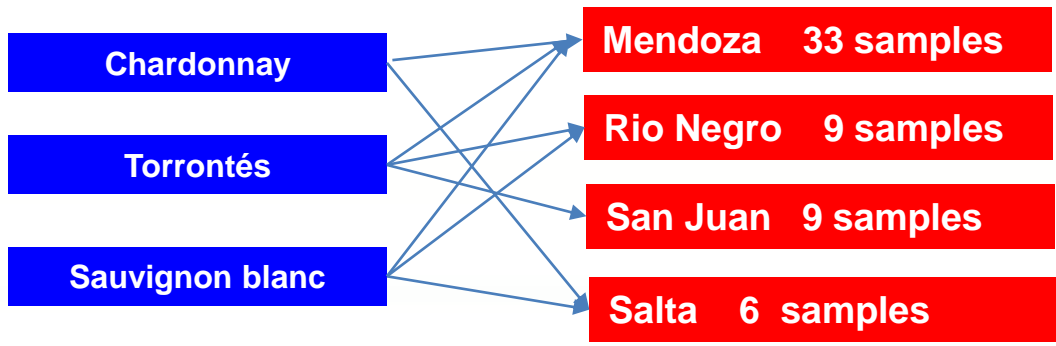
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**Purpose of the work:** was to develop and validate a chemometric model with the principal aim of finding out relationships between element concentrations and geographical origin of Argentinean white wines which would enable assessing their genuineness. Three white wine varieties of greatest exportation in Argentina, namely: Chardonnay, Torrontés and Sauvignon blanc, from four different wine growing regions: Mendoza, Rio Negro, San Juan and Salta were evaluated throughout trace element determination by ICPMS. The effect of factors such as variety and vintage on the multielement composition of white wines was also investigated.

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Monovarietal  
white wines  
acquired from  
local markets



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## Analytical procedure

1 mL of wine was placed into 15 mL polypropylene flask and then, the volume was completed to 10 mL with HNO<sub>3</sub> (1%), and the mixture was shaken vigorously. Rhodium (<sup>103</sup>Rh<sup>+</sup>) was added as internal standard.

In order to optimize ICPMS operating conditions wine samples prepared as indicate above, were spiked with multielement Perkin-Elmer 3, and Hg monoelement standard solution, to a final concentration of 40 µL<sup>-1</sup>. A blank solution was always measured and taken into consideration. The solutions were introduced into the plasma at 0.8 mL min<sup>-1</sup> applying 1000 W RF power and 0.85 L min<sup>-1</sup> nebulizer gas flow rate before their optimization. The isotopes measured were:

<sup>7</sup>Li, <sup>9</sup>Be, <sup>51</sup>V, <sup>55</sup>Mn, <sup>59</sup>Co, <sup>60</sup>Ni, <sup>63</sup>Cu, <sup>74</sup>Ge, <sup>75</sup>As, <sup>85</sup>Rb, <sup>88</sup>Sr, <sup>98</sup>Mo,  
<sup>111</sup>Cd, <sup>138</sup>Ba, <sup>202</sup>Hg, <sup>205</sup>Tl, <sup>208</sup>Pb and <sup>209</sup>Bi

18  
elements

Samples microwave digestion was performed for comparative purposes. In this case, 500 µL of wine samples were added with 7.0 mL of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 1.0 mL of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in PTFE flasks, then they were submitted to a microwave temperature program ( 10-min ramp to 200° C and a step of 10 min at 200° C, up to 1000 W), and, after that, diluted to 50 mL with ultrapure water. Before digest, samples were spiked to reach a final concentration of 40 µL<sup>-1</sup> of the analytes. The digested samples were analysed by ICPMS using the conventional cross-flow nebulizer and a Scott-type spray chamber and external calibration with <sup>103</sup>Rh<sup>+</sup> as internal standard.

## MULTIVARIATE STATISTICS:

- PCA as a descriptive tool to visualize data in 2D;
- LDA to evaluate classification models

Statistical software package: Unscrambler X 10.3 (CAMO-ASA, Norway).



ICPMS  
Perkin Elmer SCIEX, ELAN DRC-e





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**PCA** was used like exploratory analysis for visualizing groups in Argentinean white wines, element concentration data were used as response matrix. Elements that presented concentration values below the limit of quantification were not statistically evaluated. A matrix with 114 samples and 17 variables was constructed. Two first principal components were extracted, explaining 95.95% of the accumulated variance; in figure PC1 and PC2 score plots in the plane are shown.

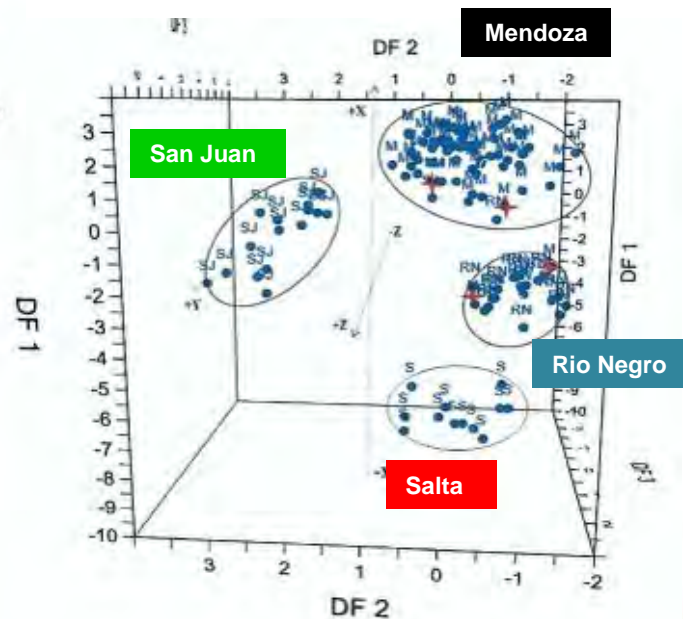
**LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis)** was performed for further evaluation of elemental concentrations to classify wine samples according to the geographical origin. Thus, metal contents in wine were taken as chemical descriptors.

In this study, discriminant functions (DF) were obtained from the training set, to classify samples into four groups; thus, three DF were needed to fully partition the data.

A complementary graphical representation of the studied wines was achieved. As a result, figure depicted the space defined by the first three discriminant functions, that explained 93.2% of the total variance; in this graph it could be clearly seen the separation among wine from Mendoza, Rio Negro, San Juan and Salta provinces. The same studies were performed to assess grape variety and vintage discrimination in white wines; multielemental composition has shown to have little influence on the grape variety and vintage in white wines.



$$DF_1 = -3.48 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot As + 1.13 \cdot Ba - 1.06448 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Co + 3.62 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Mo - 2.75 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Pb$$
$$DF_2 = -1.04 \cdot As - 1.18 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot Ba - 1.75 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot Co + 1.09 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Mo - 1.39 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Pb$$
$$DF_3 = 8.56 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot As - 3.30 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Ba - 6.50 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Co + 5.42 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Mo + 7.69 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot Pb$$





## 2015 - ICP-MS use for the classification of monovarietal Argentinean white wines : Conclusions

The outcomes suggest that the largest contributing factor to the geographical origin discrimination seems to be the *element profile of the Argentinean white wines*.

The easy and rapid method for sample preparation consisting in a simple dilution 1:10, makes the proposed method a striking option for routine analysis, taking into account mainly the multielement determination ability of ICPMS.

This, along with multivariate statistical analysis based on a combination of principal component analysis (PCA) and discriminant analysis (DA), allowed differentiation of the most famous four Argentinean wine-growing regions. ***Of overall elements determined, only Ba, As, Pb, Mo and Co were identified as suitable indicators for the discrimination.***

The developed model indicates a potential application for provenance genuineness purposes, authenticity and quality control of wines. Nevertheless, it would be necessary to perform an assessment of non-correctly classified samples and the possible reasons that contribute to the differences observed. Besides, it might be appropriated to conduct studies involving soil multielement determination to correlate the soil with respective wine, and thus corroborate and strenghten the research.





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## Multi-element composition of red, white and palhete amphora wines from Alentejo by ICPMS

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47  
wines

16 Red wines

16 White wines

15 Palhete wines



**Objective of the work:** was to characterize the elemental composition of Vinhos de Talha, to assess their mineral composition and to evaluate the levels of some trace elements that have legal limits imposed by legislation, ultimately aiming to ensure consumer food safety. Another objective was exploring the possibility of using mineral composition to establish the geographic origin of the wines. This work also contribute to protect these wines against falsifications and fraudulent use of denomination labels and is the first scientific work dealing with mineral characterization of amphora wines.



Map of wine samples distribution

*Wines were sampled from freshly opened bottles and transferred to 50 mL polypropylene flasks. Oenological parameters such as alcoholic content, total acidity, volatile acidity and pH were measured according to OIV methods.*

Table 2. Oenological parameters of amphora wines.

|               | Alcoholic content (% vol) | Total Acidity (g L <sup>-1</sup> H <sub>2</sub> T) | Volatile Acidity (g L <sup>-1</sup> acetic ac.) | pH                      |
|---------------|---------------------------|--|---|-------------------------|
| Red wines     | 14.2 ± 1.1<br>(12.3–15.8) | 5.71 ± 0.72<br>(4.74–6.90)                         | 0.70 ± 0.18<br>(0.51–1.14)                      | 3.78 ± 0.18 (3.42–4.13) |
| White wines   | 13.3 ± 1.1<br>(11.0–14.9) | 5.51 ± 0.32<br>(4.48–6.30)                         | 0.52 ± 0.15<br>(0.30–1.02)                      | 3.64 ± 0.13 (3.45–3.90) |
| Palhete wines | 12.1 ± 1.0<br>(10.5–14.9) | 5.40 ± 0.73<br>(4.68–7.33)                         | 0.73 ± 0.21<br>(0.48–1.20)                      | 3.43 ± 0.14 (3.40–3.89) |

Mean value ± standard deviation. In parenthesis, minimum and maximum value.

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For ICPMS analysis, samples were diluted with an acid solution of 2% nitric acid in order to improve the stability of the analytes in the wine matrix and signal suppression effects.

**Samples were diluted as follows:**

- 1000 fold for major elements;
- 100 fold for Al, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Sr and Cs;
- 10 fold for the other elements.



30  
elements

## ICP-MS-68-A; ICP-MS-68-B; ICP-MS-68-C

the three calibration standards, that contain the internal standard (Ir). Stock solutions were prepared using a synthetic wine containing ethanol (12% v/v) and tartaric acid (pH=3.2) to mimic the wine matrix and dilutions were done with the 2% nitric acid solution.

Calibration curves were built from a wide range of concentrations

(0, 0.25, 0.5, 1, 2.5, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000, 3000  $\mu\text{L}^{-1}$ )

For elements calibration curves had  $R^2 > 0.999$ .

All measures were carried out with an Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole, equipped with a MicroMist nebulizer and a quartz spray chamber (ICP-QQQ). Nickel sampling and skimmer cones were used. Shield plate was used to avoid secondary charges which could generate interferences for the analysis.

## ICP-MS Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole

**Table 1**  
Agilent 8800 ICPMS parameters and operating conditions.

| Acquisition Mode         | Spectrum  |
|--------------------------|---|
| <b>Spectrum Mode</b>     | Q1 Peak Pattern: 1 Front  |
| <b>Option</b>            | Replicates: 3   |
|                          | Sweeps/Replicate: 10  |
| <b>Scan Type</b>         | MS/MS   |
| <b>Plasma Parameters</b> |   |
| RF Power                 | 1550 W  |
| RF Matching              | 1.7 V   |
| Sample Depth             | 10 mm   |
| Carrier Gas (Ar)         | 1.01 L/min  |
| Plasma Gas (Ar)          | 15 L/min  |
| Nebulizer Pump           | 0.10 rpm  |
| <b>Collision Cell</b>    | Flow: 4.5 ml/min  |
| <b>Analysis Mode</b>     |   |
| No gas                   | $^{20}\text{Ne}$ , $^{24}\text{Mg}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{39}\text{K}$ , $^{40}\text{Ca}$ , $^{43}\text{Ca}$ , $^{51}\text{V}$ and $^{55}\text{Mn}$   |
| He mode                  | $^{10}\text{B}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{43}\text{Ca}$ , $^{46}\text{Ca}$ , $^{53}\text{Cr}$ , $^{51}\text{V}$ , $^{52}\text{Cr}$ , $^{54}\text{Fe}$ , $^{56}\text{Fe}$ , $^{57}\text{Fe}$ , $^{60}\text{Co}$ , $^{66}\text{Ni}$ , $^{63}\text{Cu}$ , $^{65}\text{Cu}$ , $^{75}\text{As}$ , $^{73}\text{Br}$ , $^{79}\text{Br}$ , $^{84}\text{Kr}$ , $^{86}\text{Kr}$ , $^{88}\text{Sr}$ , $^{111}\text{Cd}$ , $^{113}\text{Cd}$ , $^{137}\text{Ba}$ , $^{135}\text{Ba}$ , $^{137}\text{La}$ , $^{139}\text{La}$ , $^{140}\text{Ce}$ , $^{140}\text{Pr}$ , $^{141}\text{Nd}$ , $^{145}\text{Sm}$ , $^{153}\text{Eu}$ , $^{157}\text{Gd}$ , $^{163}\text{Dy}$ , $^{165}\text{Dy}$ , $^{174}\text{Yb}$ , $^{176}\text{Yb}$ and $^{208}\text{Pb}$ |
| <b>Dwell time</b>        |   |
| 0.1s                     | $^{10}\text{B}$ , $^{27}\text{Al}$ , $^{43}\text{Ca}$ , $^{46}\text{Ca}$ , $^{53}\text{Cr}$ , $^{51}\text{V}$ , $^{52}\text{Cr}$ , $^{54}\text{Fe}$ , $^{56}\text{Fe}$ , $^{57}\text{Fe}$ , $^{60}\text{Co}$ , $^{66}\text{Ni}$ , $^{63}\text{Cu}$ , $^{65}\text{Cu}$ , $^{75}\text{As}$ , $^{73}\text{Br}$ , $^{79}\text{Br}$ , $^{84}\text{Kr}$ , $^{86}\text{Kr}$ , $^{88}\text{Sr}$ , $^{111}\text{Cd}$ , $^{113}\text{Cd}$ and $^{137}\text{Ba}$   |
| 0.3s                     | $^{137}\text{Ba}$ , $^{135}\text{Ba}$ , $^{139}\text{La}$ , $^{139}\text{La}$ , $^{140}\text{Ce}$ , $^{140}\text{Pr}$ , $^{141}\text{Nd}$ , $^{145}\text{Sm}$ , $^{153}\text{Eu}$ , $^{157}\text{Gd}$ , $^{163}\text{Dy}$ , $^{165}\text{Dy}$ , $^{174}\text{Yb}$ , $^{176}\text{Yb}$ and $^{208}\text{Pb}$   |



**Table 4**  
Mean, maximum and minimum values of the minor and trace elements found in Alentejo wine samples ( $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ )

| Element | Red wines             |          |          | White wines           |          |          | Portwine-wines        |                    |          | Lit. Values<br>( $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) | LOQ<br>( $\mu\text{g}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) |
|---------|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------|----------|----------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------|--|--|
|         | X                     | Max      | Min      | X                     | Max      | Min      | X                     | Max                | Min      |  |  |
| Al      | 421.352               | 868.534  | 125.084  | 447.438               | 1488.737 | 140.407  | 297.857               | 653.365            | 206.378  | 132-1665 <sup>1</sup>                              | 5.426                                      |
| Sc      | 6.623 <sup>a</sup>    | 3.223    | 0.126    | 9.941 <sup>b</sup>    | 10.217   | 6.796    | 11.840 <sup>c</sup>   | 23.900             | 7.962    | 3-15 <sup>2</sup>                                  | 1.868                                      |
| V       | 1.046 <sup>a</sup>    | 2.576    | 0.351    | 1.182 <sup>a</sup>    | 2.513    | 0.505    | 4.882 <sup>b</sup>    | 25.883             | 0.678    | 0.015-70.2 <sup>3</sup>                            | 0.069                                      |
| Mn      | 1974.510 <sup>a</sup> | 2280.536 | 643.471  | 1084.185 <sup>b</sup> | 3554.308 | 673.762  | 2170.205 <sup>b</sup> | 4633.245           | 1608.201 | 262-2360 <sup>4</sup>                              | 0.135                                      |
| Fe      | 3998.608              | 6014.286 | 1923.352 | 3825.531              | 12229.35 | 1185.956 | 3273.312              | 5141.318           | 768.547  | 829-5200 <sup>4</sup>                              | 7.837                                      |
| Co      | 2.027                 | 1.641    | 0.754    | 1.700                 | 8.134    | < LOQ    | 2.300                 | 5.802              | < LOQ    | 0.159-5.24 <sup>5</sup>                            | 0.438                                      |
| Ni      | 23.044                | 50.0743  | 8.264    | 19.092                | 31.836   | 9.939    | 41.716                | 224.095            | 9.942    | 15.8-34.5 <sup>6</sup>                             | 2.103                                      |
| Cu      | 40.642                | 92.000   | 0.077    | 43.563                | 371.780  | 6.438    | 33.216                | 119.879            | 4.028    | 12.8-8827 <sup>7</sup>                             | 1.385                                      |
| Zn      | 1160.478              | 7035.235 | 475.223  | 793.234               | 1463.615 | 446.320  | 847.208               | 1597.550           | 403.353  | 39.9-1172 <sup>8</sup>                             | 8.639                                      |
| Sr      | 655.345               | 1210.758 | 238.208  | 610.416               | 1102.034 | 215.782  | 796.227               | 1093.385           | 356.365  | 148-885 <sup>9</sup>                               | 2.037                                      |
| Cd      | 0.451 <sup>a</sup>    | 1.405    | 0.157    | 0.102 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.405    | < LOQ    | 0.914                 | 0.260 <sup>c</sup> | < LOQ    | 0.075-1.37 <sup>10</sup>                           | 0.078                                      |
| Cs      | 20.590                | 83.860   | 3.260    | 15.772                | 46.539   | 1.813    | 16.587                | 37.268             | 3.846    | 0.02-59.3 <sup>11</sup>                            | 0.588                                      |
| Ba      | 998.965               | 302.452  | 77.788   | 307.343               | 583.684  | 87.019   | 416.596               | 695.696            | 91.616   | 41.6-100 <sup>12</sup>                             | 0.459                                      |
| La      | 0.183 <sup>a</sup>    | 0.587    | < LOQ    | 0.051 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.107    | < LOQ    | 0.171 <sup>13</sup>   | 0.597              | < LOQ    | 0.001-16.74 <sup>14</sup>                          | 0.049                                      |
| Ce      | 0.265 <sup>a</sup>    | 0.510    | 0.068    | 0.112 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.196    | 0.079    | 0.154                 | 1.209              | < LOQ    | 0.001-35.48 <sup>15</sup>                          | 0.060                                      |
| Pr      | 0.179                 | 0.446    | < LOQ    | 0.074                 | 0.101    | < LOQ    | 0.154                 | 1.254              | < LOQ    | 0.01-5.93 <sup>16</sup>                            | 0.053                                      |
| Nd      | 0.164                 | 0.390    | < LOQ    | 0.078                 | 0.109    | < LOQ    | 0.153                 | 1.091              | < LOQ    | 0.01-1.57 <sup>17</sup>                            | 0.073                                      |
| Sm      | 0.170                 | 0.401    | < LOQ    | 0.079                 | 0.098    | < LOQ    | 0.154                 | 1.011              | < LOQ    | 0.01-1.81 <sup>18</sup>                            | 0.045                                      |
| Eu      | 0.153                 | 0.379    | < LOQ    | 0.054                 | 0.116    | < LOQ    | 0.146                 | 0.951              | < LOQ    | 0.01-0.47 <sup>19</sup>                            | 0.036                                      |
| Gd      | 0.137                 | 0.335    | < LOQ    | —                     | < LOQ    | < LOQ    | 0.421                 | 1.029              | < LOQ    | 0.01-1.81 <sup>20</sup>                            | 0.036                                      |
| Tb      | 0.144                 | 0.372    | < LOQ    | 0.044                 | 0.085    | < LOQ    | 0.130                 | 0.917              | < LOQ    | 0.01-1.63 <sup>21</sup>                            | 0.023                                      |
| Tm      | 0.137                 | 0.353    | < LOQ    | 0.054                 | 0.086    | < LOQ    | 0.128                 | 1.009              | < LOQ    | 0.005-1.0 <sup>22</sup>                            | 0.041                                      |
| Yb      | 0.144                 | 0.336    | 0.026    | 0.080                 | 0.080    | < LOQ    | 0.159                 | 1.073              | < LOQ    | 0.01-1.2 <sup>23</sup>                             | 0.025                                      |
| Pb      | 12.027                | 43.308   | 3.197    | 13.752                | 86.718   | 1.239    | 10.791                | 33.319             | 3.382    | 0.91-1253 <sup>24</sup>                            | 0.113                                      |
| Bi      | 0.816                 | 2.982    | < LOQ    | 0.679                 | 0.749    | 0.611    | 1.088                 | 8.398              | 0.269    | 0.01-2.63 <sup>25</sup>                            | 0.053                                      |

X - mean; Max - maximum value; Min - minimum value; Values referenced in the literature.  
Data followed by different letters in the same row are significantly different (LSD test at  $p \leq 0.05$ ). LOQ - limit of quantification.  
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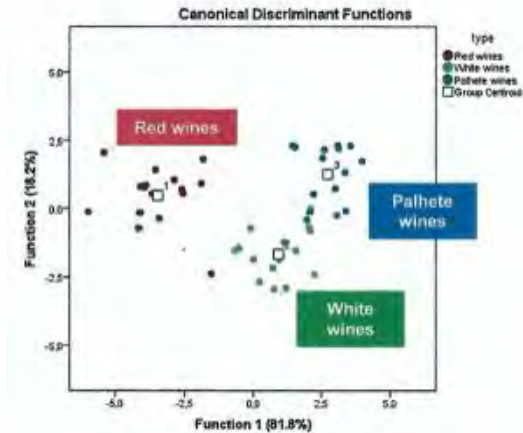


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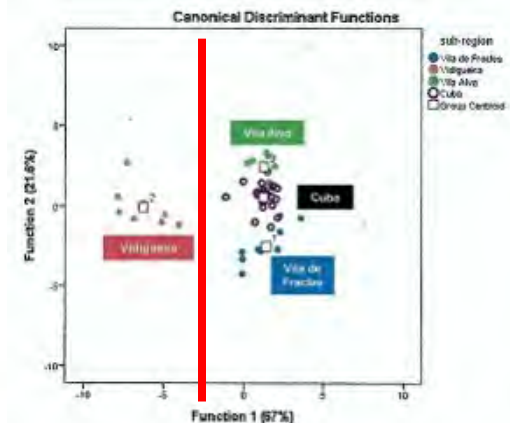
## Statistics

Canonical Discriminant Analysis (CDA), a supervised technique that assigns groups of variables to the data set, using IBM SPSS Statistics vers. 20 was performed on data expressing major and minor elements in wines (independent variables), to classify different types of wines (grouping variables): first group variable according to wine type, red, white or palhete wines; second group variable according to wine geographic origin.

**Discrimination of the types of wines:** a linear discriminant analysis was performed to verify if mineral content allows us a classification of wines according to the type of wines. The location of wine samples within the plane defined by the two canonical functions is shown in figura where the first discriminant function explains 81.8% of the variance, while the second function explains the 12.2%: this reflects the discriminating ability of the LDA model with quite good separation among wine samples according to the type of wine.



**Discrimination of the origin of wines:** a linear discriminant analysis was performed to verify if mineral content allows us a classification of wines according to the sub-region of origin. The first discriminant function explains 67.0% of the variance, whereas the second function explains 21.6%. The first function is able to discriminate wine from **Vidigueira** region from other regions which need the second function to be discriminated even if at lower level, probably due to a geological similarity of soils of **Vila de Frades, Vila Alva and Cuba**. Probably the complementary use of an isotopic technique which could improve the analytical information about the origin.







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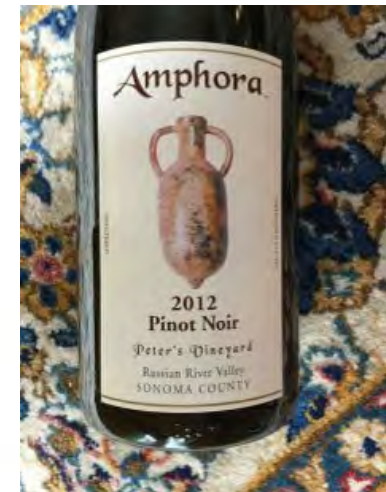
*In this work*, the first one dealing with Alentejo's amphora wines, an ICPMS procedure enabled the quantification of 30 mineral elements from 47 samples of different types of amphora wines.

*The statistical analysis of data* obtained by ICPMS have shown some differences between red, white and palhete wines concerning their multi-element composition.

*Regarding the mineral content of the amphora wines*, they are in accordance with those found in literature.

*Results obtained within this study seems to indicate* that mineral content of amphora wines are not affected by the clay vessels, since the impermeabilization with pine pitch, or even in some cases with epoxy resins, does not allow a lixiviation of minerals from the clay into the wine.

*By applying linear discriminant analysis, we were able* to separate the wines according to type of wine, and even a fairly separation of wines was achieved when considering their origin.





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## Discrimination of wine from grape cultivated in Japan, imported wine, and others by multi-elemental analysis

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**Objective of the work:** to our knowledge, however, there are no reports of the discrimination of Japan wine from DWF (Domestically produced Wine mainly from Foreign ingredients) or the discrimination of geographic origin within Japan. Here, therefore, we have analyzed the mineral composition of **214 wine samples** by ICP-MS and ICP-AES, and carried out LDA analysis both for the *discrimination of three wine groups* (Japan wine, imported wine and DWF) and for the *discrimination of four main domestic wine-producing regions: Yamanashi, Nagano, Hokkaido and Yamagata Prefectures.*

Japan wine  
82

YAMANASHI  
n = 23

NAGANO  
n = 18

HOKKAIDO  
n = 16

YAMAGATA  
n = 15

214  
Wines  
109 red 104 white

DWF wine  
33

Imported wine  
99

EUROPE  
n = 49

USA  
n = 13

SOUTH  
AMERICA  
n = 16

OCEANIA  
n = 14

SOUTH  
AFRICA  
n = 7



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In Japan market place it is difficult for consumers to distinguish between:



**Japan wine:** domestically made from grapes cultivated in Japan only.

National Tax Agency: National Tax Agency report 2016.  
[http://www.nta.go.jp/foreign\\_language/Report\\_pdf/2016.htm](http://www.nta.go.jp/foreign_language/Report_pdf/2016.htm)  
National Tax Agency Tokio (2016).



**DWF :** Domestically produced Wine mainly from foreign ingredients including imported concentrated grape juice.

**Sample preparation:** 2 mL of wine was mixed with 5 mL of 61% nitric acid in a digestion vessel. The sample was left at room temperature for 60 min and then diluted by adding ultra-pure water, obtained by a MilliQ system to a total volume of 50 mL (final concentration of  $\text{HNO}_3 = 6\%$ ).

40  
elements

**Why 22 elements out?**

Their concentrations were below LOD in many samples or the relative standard deviation of their measurements was  $> 10\%$ .

18  
elements

Statistical  
analysis (DA)

Li, B, Na, Mg, Si, P, S, K, Ca, Mn, Co, Ni, Ga, Rb, Sr, Mo, Ba, and Pb

Recovery rates of the 18 mineral elements were determined by spiking a wine sample with known amounts of each element according to Okuda. Recovery rates from spike recovery tests ranged from 81% (Ni) to 103% (Sr) for ICP-MS and 93% (S) to 108% (Na) for ICP-AES.



ICP-MS 7700x  
Agilent (USA)



ICP-AES 9000  
Shimadzu (Japan)



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## Statistics

All statistical tests were performed by using JMP 12.2 SAS (USA). ANOVA was used to test differences among the three wine groups and among the four main domestic wine-producing regions. Tukey's honestly significant difference (HSD) test was performed at  $p < 0.05$  of significance. LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) was carried out to discriminate the wine samples according to geographical origin.

## Three wine groups

An LDA model was created to discriminate the three wine groups using 18 elements. In the model every group was well separated.

Elements Canonical variate function 1(CV1) = Ga, Ba, Na, K, Li, Mo, Pb

Elements Canonical variate function 2 (CV2) = Ga, Ba, B, Li, Co, Mg, Pb, K, Ca, Sr

**Accuracy of LDA model** = 91.1% (195 of the 214 correctly classified)

**Prediction of LDA model** = 87.9% (188 of the 214 correctly predicted)

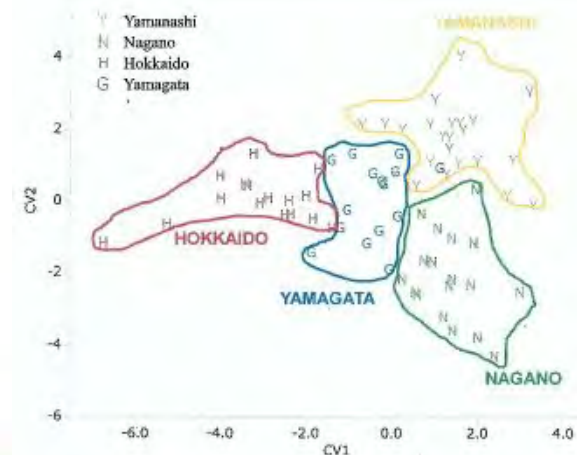
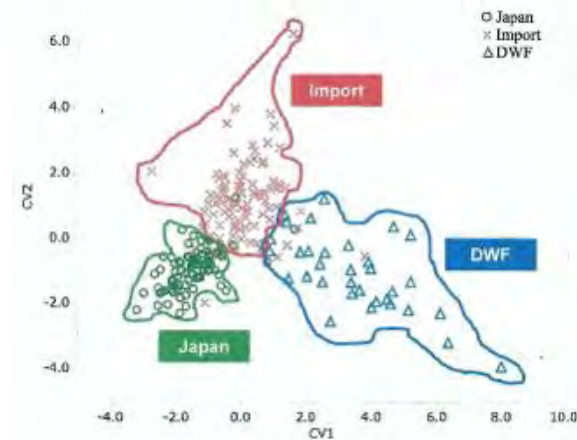
## Four wine making regions

The discriminant scatterplot of 72 samples subjected to the LDA model showed that every category was defined to a certain extent.

**The classification score** of these 72 samples was 93.1%; that is 67 of the 72 samples were correctly classified

**The prediction score was not high** : 76.4% ; that is 55 of the 72 samples correctly predicted

**Comment:** The mineral composition of wines from the four Japanese regions was very similar; the SD was large, and the differences were smaller than those observed among the three wine groups; this close mineral composition probably contributed to the low percentage of cross-validation. The LDA models might increase in discriminating accuracy if combined with another analytical technique such as stable isotope analysis.





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*In summary, our LDA model based on 18 mineral concentrations was shown to be useful for the discrimination of Japan wine, imported wine and DWF, and it is promising as an underlying method to support Japan wine and the new Japan wine legislation.*

*To our knowledge, this is also the first study to investigate the possibility of classifying wines from Japan's domestic regions by mineral composition.*





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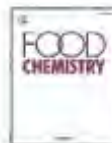
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## Classification of wines according to several factors by ICP-MS multi-element analysis

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34  
wines

26 Red wines

8 White wines

**Aim of the work:** In this study, major, minor and trace elements of 34 AOC Rioja wines (red and white) were determined by ICP-MS. Different calibration methodologies (standard addition and external calibration) and two different approaches for the pre-treatment of samples (direct acidic dilution of the wines and digestion procedures) were compared. Moreover, the element content was used in order to classify the wines according to different grape varieties, geographical zones, soil types, foliar nitrogen application, with or without SO<sub>2</sub> addition and oak ageing.

8 White wines  
Viura Tempranillo

Different edaphoclimatic conditions

26 Red wines  
Tempranillo, Garnacha, Maturana, Graciano

Different soils:  
Fluventic Haploxerepts,  
Typic Calcixerepts,  
petrocalcic Palaxeroll)

### Sample preparation

Two different procedures:

- 1) Acid wine dilution;
- 2) Acidic digestion.

**Digestion.** Wine digestion was carried out in the PFA beackers adding 5 mL of each wine and 2 mL of 65% HNO<sub>3</sub>; then the beackers were put on a hotplate between 50 and 70° C until the samples became colorless because of the digestion of the acid. Once the digestion step had been completed, the solutions were cooled to room temperature. The tepered samples were transferred to PFA volumetric flasks and fulfilled with Milli-Q water up to 50 mL.



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## ICP-MS analysis

Multi-element determination was performed on an Agilent 8800 Triple Quadrupole ICP-MS, equipped with a Micromist nebulizer. In accordance with the analytes of interest, the collision/reaction cell was in : **no-gas mode, He-mode, O<sub>2</sub> mode and , NH<sub>3</sub> mode.**

**In no-gas mode** 22 masses were determined:

Na, Mg, K, Ru, Rh, Cd, In, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Er, Tm, Yb, Ir, Pb and Bi.

**In He-mode** 24 masses were determined:

Na, Mg, Al, K, Sc, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Se, Sr, Ru, Rh, Cd, In, Cs, Ba, Ir, Pb and Bi.

**In O<sub>2</sub> mode** 5 masses were determined:

P, As, Ru, Rh and Ir.

**In NH<sub>3</sub> mode** 4 masses were determined:

Ca, Ru, Rh and Ir.

## STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

One-way ANOVA statistical analysis was performed using SPSS vers. 21.0; differences between averages were compared using Duncan test at 0.05 probability level. Discriminant Analysis was carried out on data for classification according to different grape varieties, geographical zones, soil types, foliar N applications, with or without SO<sub>2</sub> addition, and oak ageing.

ICP-MS  
Agilent 8800 triple quadrupole



**Two calibration modes were carried out:**

**external calibration:** prepared from high purity standards (ICP-MS-68B-A) diluted in synthetic wine (12% ethanol & 4g/L tartaric acid) and 2% HNO<sub>3</sub> in order to obtain 10 conc solut: 0, 1, 10, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 1500, 3000 mg/L.

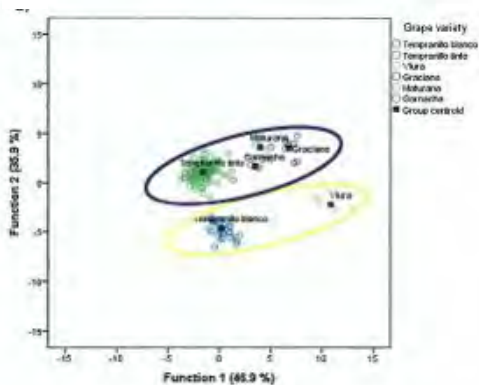
**standard addition calibration:** was different for minor, trace and major elements; **for minor elements** 3 mL of one of the wine samples were mixed with 2% HNO<sub>3</sub> and the necessary amount of the high purity standards (ICP-MS-68B-A) up to 5 mL in order to obtain 6 different conc solutions: 0, 50, 100, 200, 400 and 800 µg/L; **for major elements** also 3 mL of one of the wine samples were mixed with 2% HNO<sub>3</sub> and the necessary amount of the high purity standards (ICP-MS-68B-A) up to 5 mL in order to obtain 5 different conc solutions: 0, 500, 1000, 2000 and 4000 mg/L.

**Both calibration models, were employed for dilution and digestion sample procedures.**

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ICP-MS classification of wines was done according to: grape variety, aging, geographic discrimination, types of soil and different type of N foliar treatment.

## Grape variety

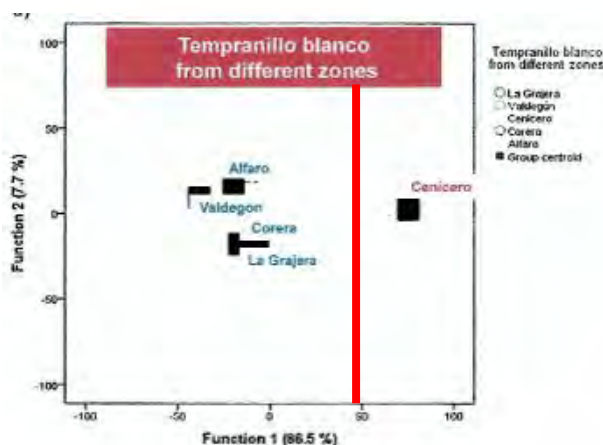


The results of DA applied for classifying the different grape varieties (Tempranillo blanco, Tempranillo, Viura, Graciano, Maturana and Garnacha) show that the two discriminant functions showed a good separation (82.8% of the variance) between wines from white to red varieties.

**Function 1** (with Sr, Ca and Co (+) and Zn and Ba (-)) explained 46.9% ;

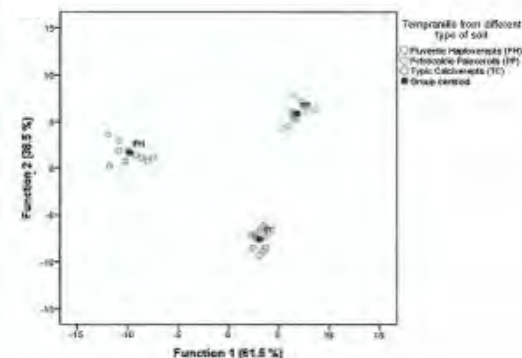
**Function 2** (with Mn, K, Ba and Cs (+) and Mg (-)) explained 35.9% of the variance.

## Geographical areas



Tempranillo blanco variety was studied with a DA to differentiate 5 production areas; the total variance explained was 94.2%, so subdivided: 86.5% for **Function 1** ( Sr and Ba (+) ; Ni and Pb (-); 7.7% for **function 2** (Ni, Pb and Ba (+); Cu (-)). Function 1 showed a good separation among wines from **Cenicero** zone and samples from other areas

## Type of soil



The elements composition was used to distinguish between wines from vineyards with different types of soils. Total variance explained was 100% so subdivided: 61.5% for function 1 (Cs and Pb (+)); 38.5% for function 2 (Cs and Pb (+); As (-)). These discriminant functions allowed us to correctly classify 100% of the studied samples. Despite the complexity of the soil type distribution in Rioja region, successful classification from this small geographical vineyard area was achieved by means of the ICP-MS procedures as observed by other authors (Coetzee et al 2014) which stated that the variability of trace element composition of the soils, depends on the distribution of soil types in the area.





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*In order to analyze major, minor and trace elements in red and white wines using ICP-MS the best method was digestion with internal standard calibration for major elements; whilst the most of the minor and trace elements did not present significant differences between the four methods examined.*

*The content of these elements in the wines allowed their differentiation according to several factors.*

*The wines from different geographical zones were differentiated according to Sr, Ba, Ni, and Cu.*

*ICP-MS analytical methodology could be a useful tool to fingerprint wines according to viticultural and oenological parameters.*





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## Chemical Characteristics of Sangiovese Wines from California and Italy of 2016 Vintage

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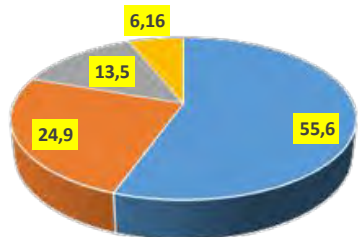


**Objective of the work:** This study sought to define and compare the regional chemical characteristics of Californian and Italian Sangiovese wines from the 2016 vintage. Two aspects were considered:

- Chemical characterization and differentiation of Sangiovese wines from California and Italy;
- Expression of Sangiovese varietal character in two different regions by creating predictive models based on compositional profiles.

To our knowledge, **this is the first extensive regionality study** attempted for Sangiovese wines.

No UE Countries of export Sangiovese



• Argentina • USA • Australia • others

California, with 727 ha, represents about the 91% of the total USA area for wine production; on 4653 wineries present there, about 3% produce Sangiovese wine.



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harvest 2016

46  
Commercial  
wines

20 Italy

26 California

54  
Elements

54 elements were quantified in each wine using a similar dilute-and-shoot method previously established at UC Davis (USA).

*The samples* were diluted 5-fold with a solution of 3% nitric acid and 1% hydrochloric acid in plastic (metal free) centrifuge tubes; all samples were stored at 4 ° C until analysis took place. All wine were analysed in triplicate. Elements were monitored in «no gas», «helium» and/or «high energy helium gas mode».

*Calibration functions* were made using multielement calibration standards 1, 2A, 3 and 4 from SPEX, and Calibration Mix majors from Agilent. Single element standards was also used for some elements. NIST 1643e Trace Metals in Water (USA) was analyzed. All calibration standards, blanks and CRMs were made with a matrix-matched solution of 3% nitric acid, 1% hydrochloric acid and 3% ethanol when analyzing the 5-fold diluted wine samples.

A 6-point calibration between 0 and 500 µg/L was carried out for 24 elements in matrix-matched calibration solutions (5%  $\text{NHO}_3$  and 4% ethanol) to account for matrix interferences of the ethanolic wine solutions. Elements were detected using a 3-point peak pattern in triplicate with 100 sweeps per replicate. *Previous studies have shown that a reduction of the ethanol content to around 5% is a good compromise between a stable plasma and sufficient sensitivity.*



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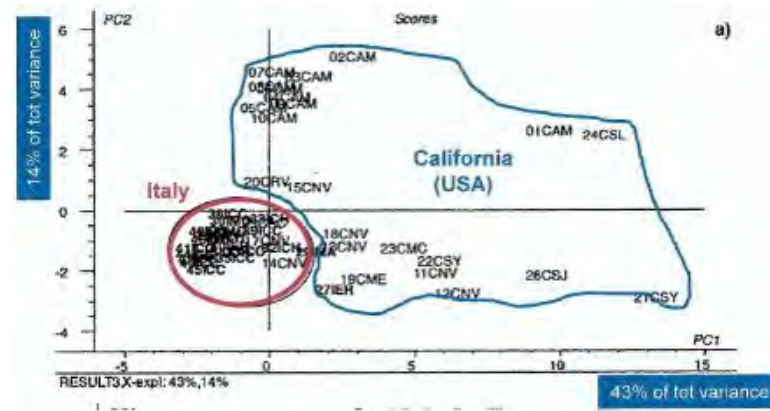
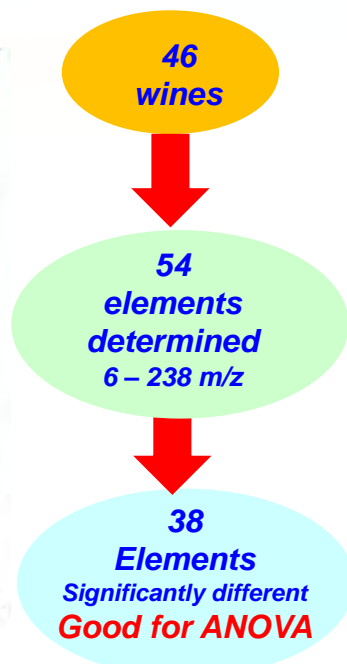
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**Statistics.** ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) was employed, considering country/growing region and replications as factors, and frequency distribution, analyzed by the Chi-square test using Statgraphics Centurion. Principal component Analysis (PCA) and the Soft Independent Modeling of Class Analogy (SIMCA) were performed using Unscrambler.

Table 5. Elements Analyzed by ICP-MS, Corresponding Significance Levels of Main Effects (95% significance level), and Average Concentrations for California and Italian Wines\*

| element          | State/Country: California vs Italy (p value) | Italy (average) (µg/L) | California (average) (µg/L) | element           | State/Country: California vs Italy (p value) | Italy (average) (µg/L) | California (average) (µg/L) |
|------------------|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <sup>7</sup> Li  | <0.0237 ns                                   | 0.0153 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.0156 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>137</sup> Ba | <0.05  | 0.0019                 | 0.0070                      |
| <sup>7</sup> Be  | <0.05  | 0.0520                 | 0.0554                      | <sup>140</sup> Sm | <0.05  | 0.0110                 | 0.0030                      |
| <sup>11</sup> B  | <0.0510 ns                                   | 3.4651 <sup>†</sup>    | 3.8357 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>146</sup> Sm | <0.05  | 0.0023                 | 0.0039                      |
| <sup>23</sup> Al | <0.3781 ns                                   | 0.1525 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.1571 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>152</sup> Eu | <0.05  | 0.0041                 | 0.0111                      |
| <sup>27</sup> Al | <0.3787 ns                                   | 0.0707 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.0108 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>157</sup> Eu | <0.05  | 0.0030                 | 0.0122                      |
| <sup>31</sup> P  | <0.05  | 0.2335                 | 0.3997 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>158</sup> Eu | <0.05  | 0.0040                 | 0.0126                      |
| <sup>39</sup> K  | <0.05  | 9.9640                 | 7.6642                      | <sup>176</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0009                 | 0.0035                      |
| <sup>40</sup> K  | 0.0066 ns                                    | 1.3952 <sup>†</sup>    | 1.2847 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>177</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0053                 | 0.0163                      |
| <sup>43</sup> Ca | <0.05  | 3.6118                 | 3.0723                      | <sup>178</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0028                 | 0.0032                      |
| <sup>45</sup> Ca | <0.05  | 0.0152 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.0281 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>179</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0050                 | 0.0237                      |
| <sup>46</sup> Ca | <0.05  | 0.0746 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.0422 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>180</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.1569                 | 0.0520                      |
| <sup>48</sup> Ca | <0.05  | 0.7090 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.9302 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>181</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0057                 | 0.2046                      |
| <sup>51</sup> V  | <0.05  | 0.0281                 | 0.0578                      | <sup>182</sup> Yb | <0.05  | 0.0031                 | 0.0209                      |
| <sup>55</sup> Mn | <0.05  | 0.0078                 | 0.2823                      | <sup>186</sup> Os | 0.1061 ns                                    | 0.0098                 | 0.1346                      |
| <sup>56</sup> Mn | <0.05  | 0.2160 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.9340 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>188</sup> Re | <0.05  | 0.0091                 | 0.0450                      |
| <sup>58</sup> Co | <0.05  | 0.0163 <sup>†</sup>    | 0.0653 <sup>†</sup>         | <sup>190</sup> Tl | <0.05  | 0.4880                 | 0.3708                      |
| <sup>60</sup> Co | 0.1693 ns                                    | 0.0992                 | 0.2777                      | <sup>192</sup> Hg | <0.05  | 6.3458                 | 1.7148                      |
| <sup>62</sup> Ni | <0.05  | 0.0053                 | 0.0103                      | <sup>197</sup> Pt | 0.0652 ns                                    | 0.0011                 | 0.0016                      |
| <sup>63</sup> Ni | <0.05  | 2.0012                 | 1.5358                      | <sup>199</sup> Au | <0.05  | 0.0048                 | 0.0135                      |
| <sup>64</sup> Ni | <0.05  | 0.0068                 | 2.1007                      | <sup>200</sup> Hg | <0.05  | 1.1907 <sup>†</sup>    | 1.4857 <sup>†</sup>         |
| <sup>66</sup> Zn | 0.0055 ns                                    | 0.0033                 | 0.0003                      | <sup>201</sup> Hg | <0.05  | 115.22 <sup>†</sup>    | 135.99 <sup>†</sup>         |
| <sup>67</sup> Zn | 0.0075 ns                                    | 0.0003                 | 0.0002                      | <sup>202</sup> Hg | <0.05  | 246.74 <sup>†</sup>    | 297.96 <sup>†</sup>         |
| <sup>68</sup> Zn | <0.05  | 0.1240                 | 0.4012                      | <sup>205</sup> Tl | <0.05  | 374.33 <sup>†</sup>    | 134.02 <sup>†</sup>         |
| <sup>70</sup> Zn | 0.0582 ns                                    | 0.0453                 | 0.1607                      | <sup>206</sup> Pb | 0.3687 ns                                    | 1007.02 <sup>†</sup>   | 1034.69 <sup>†</sup>        |
| <sup>72</sup> Zn | 0.2814 ns                                    | 0.0019                 | 0.0006                      | <sup>207</sup> Pb | 0.2779 ns                                    | 78.28 <sup>†</sup>     | 76.681 <sup>†</sup>         |
| <sup>74</sup> Zn | 0.9142 ns                                    | 2.6630                 | 15.2177                     |                   |  |                        |                             |
| <sup>76</sup> Ge | <0.05  | 111.88                 | 197.34                      |                   |  |                        |                             |
| <sup>78</sup> Se | <0.05  | 0.0007                 | 0.0384                      |                   |  |                        |                             |
| <sup>80</sup> Se | <0.05  | 0.0223                 | 0.0550                      |                   |  |                        |                             |

\*Expressed as mg/L; ns indicates not statistically significant (p value > 0.05).



**Along PC1** wines were separated based on their concentration of the elements :Yb, Tm, Er, Mo, Nb, La, Re, ce, Ho, Ce, Ga and U; Italian wines were principally characterized by higher levels of Lu, Cu and Pb.

**Along PC2** wines were separated based on their levels of Na and Sr; the Na content depends on the distance from the sea or from soil composition.

**Elemental profiling.** ANOVA (Analysis of Variance) was employed, considering country/growing region and replications as factors, and frequency distribution, analyzed by the Chi-square test using Statgraphics Centurion. Principal component Analysis (PCA) and the Soft Independent Modeling of Class Analogy (SIMCA) were performed using Unscrambler.



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*This study sought to define and compare the regional chemical characteristics of Sangiovese wines from two regions, California and Italy, by combining multiple chemical analysis.*

*By combining multiple chemical analyses, volatile profile, color indices, phenol composition and elemental profiles, it was possible to describe the differences and similarities between the two regions.*

***Volatile and elemental profiles were most effective at characterizing the wine from the two regions.***

*This is the first time that an extensive regionality study has been attempted for Sangiovese wines made in California and Italy. The results of this study expand our current knowledge of Sangiovese wines and the contribution of regional characteristics to the composition of wine.*

*Future studies to characterize the sensory profiles and relate the chemical properties to sensory characteristics are also needed.*

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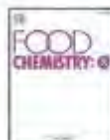
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## Geographic classification of U.S. Washington State wines using elemental and water isotope composition

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**Objective of the work:** In the present study, elemental and water isotope analyses were performed to characterize Washington State (WA) wines with the goal of differentiating them chemically from those produced in California (CA), Europe (EU) and South America (SA). Using state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation, specific signatures are sought that are based on characteristic soil and climate features of eastern WA. Through this effort, a database and statistical model are built that can help detect wine wine fraud of WA wines.

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Washington  
State

17

California  
State

33

Central  
Europe

13

South  
America

133  
wines



116  
Red

17  
white

**Procedure** Wine samples were collected in 20-mL amber glass vials with Teflon lined caps that had been acid cleaned in 5% nitric acid and stored in ultrapure water until use. Before analysis, a 2.0 mL aliquot of wine was filtered through a 0.2 µm pore-sized syringe filter, into a new acid cleaned amber glass vial. To achieve a tested adequate dilution of 1:20, 1.0 mL of the filtered wine was diluted to 20 mL with nanopurewater containing 1.0% ultrapure HNO<sub>3</sub> and 0.5% ultrapure HCl directly into an acid cleaned 15-mL HDPE test tube for analysis on the ICP-MS. All acid cleaning and sample/standard preparation took place in a class 1000 clean laboratory.



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62 elements

37 elements



**ICP-MS**  
Agilent 8900 triple quadrupole with CRC  
(Cavity Ring-Down Spectroscopy)

Collision/Reaction Cell (CRC) is suitable to resolve spectral interferences. This technique provides unsurpassed sensitivity and selectivity for (ultra) trace elements. Collision and reaction gases were He, H<sub>2</sub>, and O<sub>2</sub> and provided affective removal of interferences, including Ar interferences of <sup>75</sup>As<sup>+</sup>, <sup>40</sup>Ca<sup>+</sup>, <sup>56</sup>Fe<sup>+</sup> and <sup>80</sup>Se<sup>+</sup>.

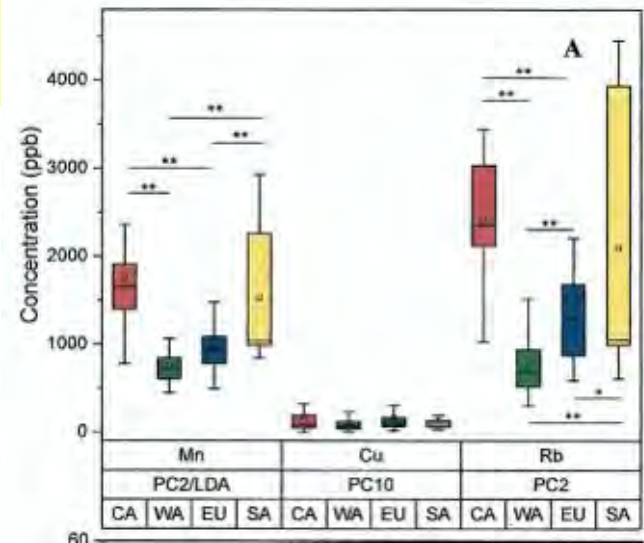
**PCA**

*B, Na, Mg, Al, Si, P, S, K, Ca, Ti, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, As, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Cs, Ba, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Pb, Th*

The higher concentration elements, Mg, Si, Mn, Rb and Sr are considered to be soil derived, entering the grape through root uptake. The figure shows Mn, Cu and Rb concentrations in wines of the 4 regions; WA always shows, for these parameters, the lower values, significantly different from other three regions.

Table 1  
Regional average (±SD) concentrations and stable isotope ratios with standard deviations, and assigned PC

| Variable | IC      | California (n = 17) | Oregon (n = 7) | South America (n = 27) | Washington (n = 7) | loads |
|----------|---------|---------------------|----------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| B (ppm)  | 0       | 3.77 ± 1.81         | 5.94 ± 3.28    | 7.05 ± 1.81            | 4.97 ± 2.30        | *     |
| Na (ppm) | 0       | 546 ± 14.1          | 256 ± 7.8      | 27.7 ± 7.4             | 16.8 ± 10.3        | *     |
| Mg (ppm) | 0       | 299 ± 20.1          | 88.4 ± 35.3    | 90.9 ± 13.2            | 180 ± 112          | *     |
| Al       | 1, 4    | 946 ± 15.5          | 298 ± 20.4     | 755 ± 26               | 257 ± 18.3         | *     |
| Si (ppm) | 8       | 23.8 ± 5.3          | 10.8 ± 4.1     | 13.5 ± 3.5             | 16.2 ± 6.3         | **    |
| P (ppm)  | 4       | 185 ± 89            | 133 ± 30       | 139 ± 57               | 154 ± 44           | **    |
| S (ppm)  | 5       | 349 ± 89            | 341 ± 27       | 420 ± 27               | 136 ± 36           | **    |
| K (ppm)  | 3       | 2483 ± 8306         | 1,153 ± 127    | 1,285 ± 224            | 1,038 ± 111        | **    |
| Ca (ppm) | 3       | 103 ± 94            | 87.7 ± 15.3    | 78.2 ± 4.7             | 76.4 ± 69.9        | **    |
| Ti       | 8       | 94.0 ± 18.8         | 99.3 ± 99.9    | 47.2 ± 56.3            | 43.8 ± 70.2        | **    |
| Mn (ppm) | 3       | 3.74 ± 0.73         | 0.867 ± 0.204  | 1.22 ± 0.45            | 0.799 ± 0.198      | **    |
| Fe (ppm) | 4       | 1.76 ± 0.76         | 0.85 ± 0.33    | 2.08 ± 0.90            | 1.26 ± 0.71        | **    |
| Co       | 2       | 4.51 ± 3.15         | 3.13 ± 1.36    | 3.27 ± 2.06            | 2.87 ± 1.77        | **    |
| Ni       | 2       | 44.3 ± 10.9         | 19.8 ± 6.9     | 14.4 ± 4.3             | 14.2 ± 7.2         | **    |
| Cu       | 10      | 365 ± 93.4          | 186 ± 102      | 116 ± 96               | 189 ± 105          | **    |
| Zn       | 4, 2    | 982 ± 281           | 980 ± 288      | 237 ± 189              | 417 ± 207          | **    |
| As       | 6, 9    | 2.43 ± 1.88         | 3.35 ± 1.24    | 3.82 ± 1.80            | 2.89 ± 1.62        | **    |
| Rb (ppm) | 3       | 616 ± 107.8         | 3.98 ± 0.49    | 2.69 ± 0.51            | 0.713 ± 0.242      | **    |
| Sr (ppm) | 6       | 1.32 ± 0.39         | 0.832 ± 0.204  | 1.14 ± 0.38            | 0.698 ± 0.188      | **    |
| Y        | 0, 4    | 0.193 ± 0.038       | 0.094 ± 0.027  | 0.121 ± 0.140          | 0.103 ± 0.216      | **    |
| Zr       | 9       | 20.7 ± 18.4         | 15.8 ± 16.8    | 14.8 ± 14.1            | 13.7 ± 17.1        | **    |
| Cs       | 2       | 11.7 ± 9.4          | 5.05 ± 3.07    | 4.04 ± 3.92            | 3.88 ± 1.67        | **    |
| Ba       | 7, 2, 3 | 46.2 ± 14.7         | 34.6 ± 5.7     | 33.8 ± 14.1            | 25.1 ± 7.9         | **    |
| La       | 7       | 0.85 ± 0.40         | 0.92 ± 0.38    | 1.04 ± 0.17            | 0.80 ± 0.21        | **    |
| Ce       | 1       | 0.243 ± 0.173       | 0.31 ± 0.147   | 0.285 ± 0.133          | 0.278 ± 0.148      | **    |
| Pr       | 1       | 0.037 ± 0.022       | 0.127 ± 0.142  | 0.104 ± 0.051          | 0.047 ± 0.026      | **    |
| Nd       | 1       | 0.170 ± 0.112       | 0.462 ± 0.168  | 0.171 ± 0.089          | 0.20 ± 0.111       | *     |
| Sm       | 1       | 0.037 ± 0.024       | 0.076 ± 0.113  | 0.044 ± 0.027          | 0.044 ± 0.027      | *     |
| Eu       | 5, 3    | 0.028 ± 0.011       | 0.048 ± 0.025  | 0.022 ± 0.019          | 0.031 ± 0.029      | **    |
| Gd       | 1       | 0.043 ± 0.019       | 0.031 ± 0.018  | 0.034 ± 0.021          | 0.045 ± 0.025      | **    |
| Tm       | 1       | 0.016 ± 0.016       | 0.163 ± 0.113  | 0.043 ± 0.044          | 0.019 ± 0.012      | **    |
| Ho       | 1       | 0.013 ± 0.019       | 0.077 ± 0.053  | 0.038 ± 0.034          | 0.012 ± 0.017      | **    |
| Er       | 1       | 0.017 ± 0.019       | 0.024 ± 0.026  | 0.027 ± 0.023          | 0.013 ± 0.011      | **    |
| Ta       | 1       | 0.029 ± 0.016       | 0.026 ± 0.024  | 0.027 ± 0.023          | 0.028 ± 0.021      | **    |
| Nb       | 1       | 0.016 ± 0.028       | 0.016 ± 0.019  | 0.015 ± 0.019          | 0.017 ± 0.019      | **    |
| Pb       | 6       | 0.48 ± 0.201        | 0.77 ± 0.41    | 0.59 ± 0.31            | 0.56 ± 0.36        | **    |
| Th       | 8       | 0.122 ± 0.077       | 0.443 ± 0.316  | 0.131 ± 0.12           | 0.280 ± 0.241      | **    |
| Mo (ppm) | 6, 2    | 7.88 ± 4.29         | 5.39 ± 2.39    | 3.77 ± 1.36            | 1.12 ± 2.14        | **    |
| Te (ppm) | 5, 3    | 6.14 ± 22.86        | 6.15 ± 18.94   | ~0.01 ± 14.74          | ~0.77 ± 13.51      | **    |





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# 2019 - Geographic classification of U.S. Washington State wines by elemental analysis with ICP-MS: results and Conclusions

LDA

11  
elements

*Mn, Zn, Pb, Ni, As,  $\delta D$ , La, Ce, Si, Zr & Sr*

*LDA combined the 11 components in 3 linear functions with standardized coefficients for each component listed.*

**F(1)** = predominant in  $\delta D$ ;

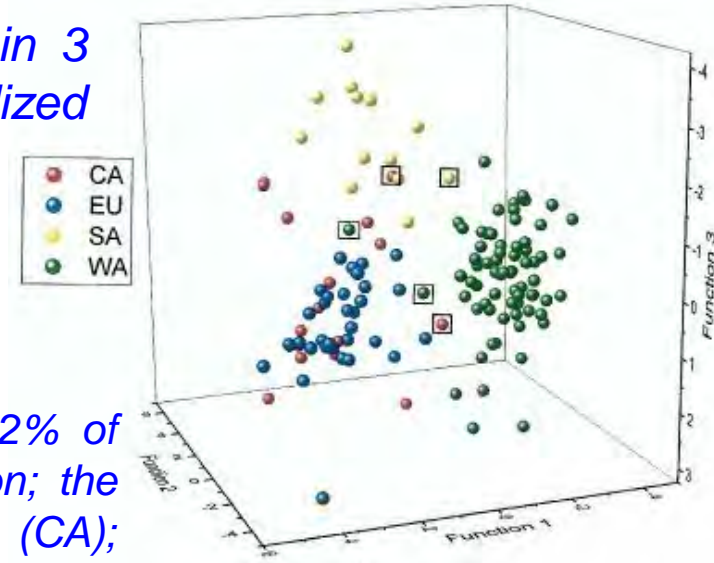
**F(2)** = predominant in Pb and Ni;

**F(3)** = predominant in Mn, As and Si.

*Classification results of the model show that overall 96.2% of samples were correctly assigned to their respective region; the percentage of assignment within each region was: 88.2 (CA); 100% (EU); 92.3% (SA); 97.1% (WA) wines*

*The linear combination of Pb and Ni seems to be important in discriminating CA wines, while the linear combination of Mn, As and Si provided significant discrimination power for SA wines.  $\delta D$  proved particularly important in discriminating WA wines from all others.*

***This is the first study of this kind to chemically characterize and geographically assign WA wines compared to those produced in other parts of the world. These results provide a preliminary tool that can be used to effectively authenticate WA wines.***





Thanks for your listening

