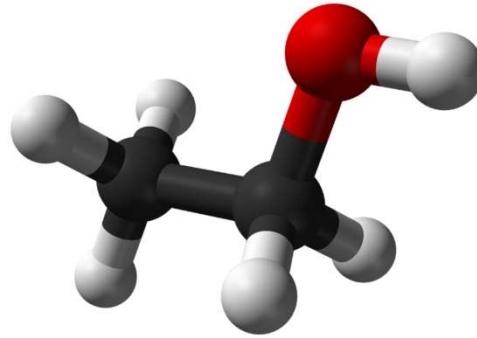
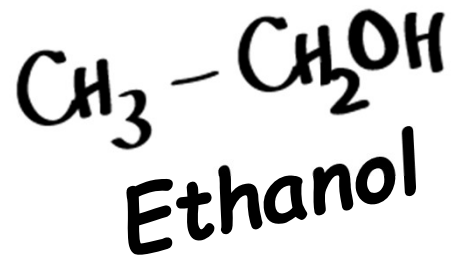


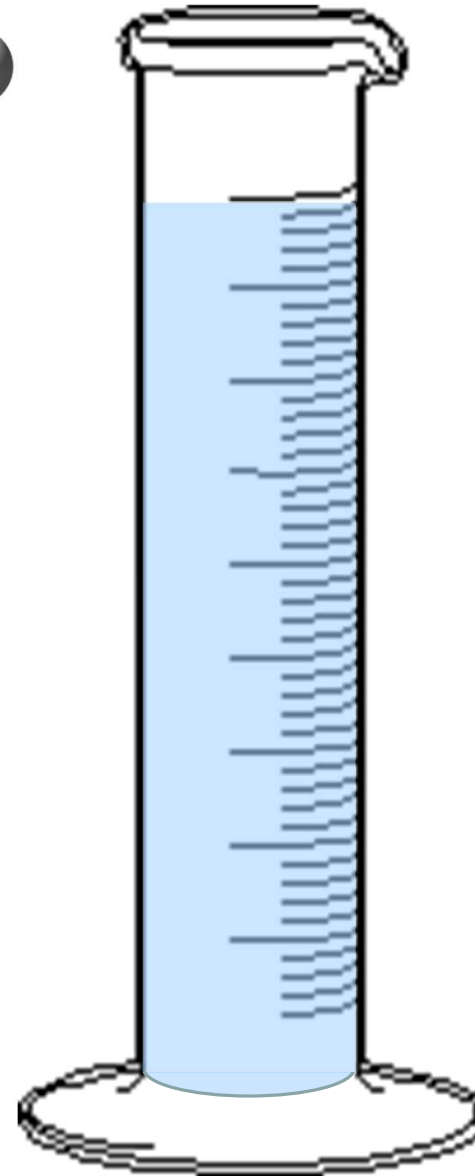
DEALCOHOLIZED WINES; PROCEDURES AND LEGAL ASPECTS

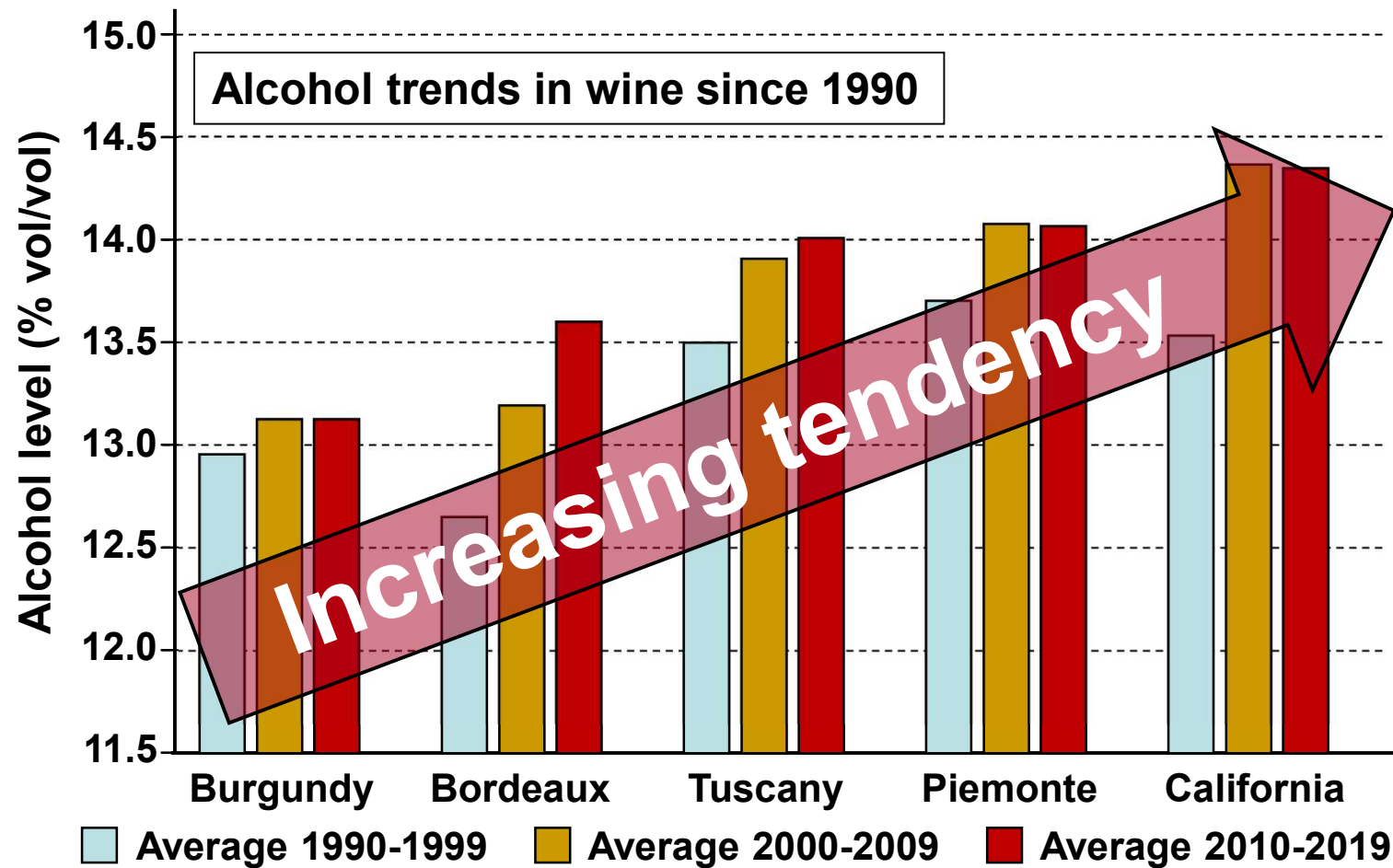


Fernando Zamora
Webinar, March 29, 2023



It is an undeniable
fact that the alcoholic
strength of wines has
increased a lot during
the last years





Now without
Chaptalization



Chris Mercer

Is alcohol in wine rising? New data released

Decanter, June 20, 2021 <https://www.decanter.com/learn/are-alcohol-levels-in-wine-rising-data-460879/>



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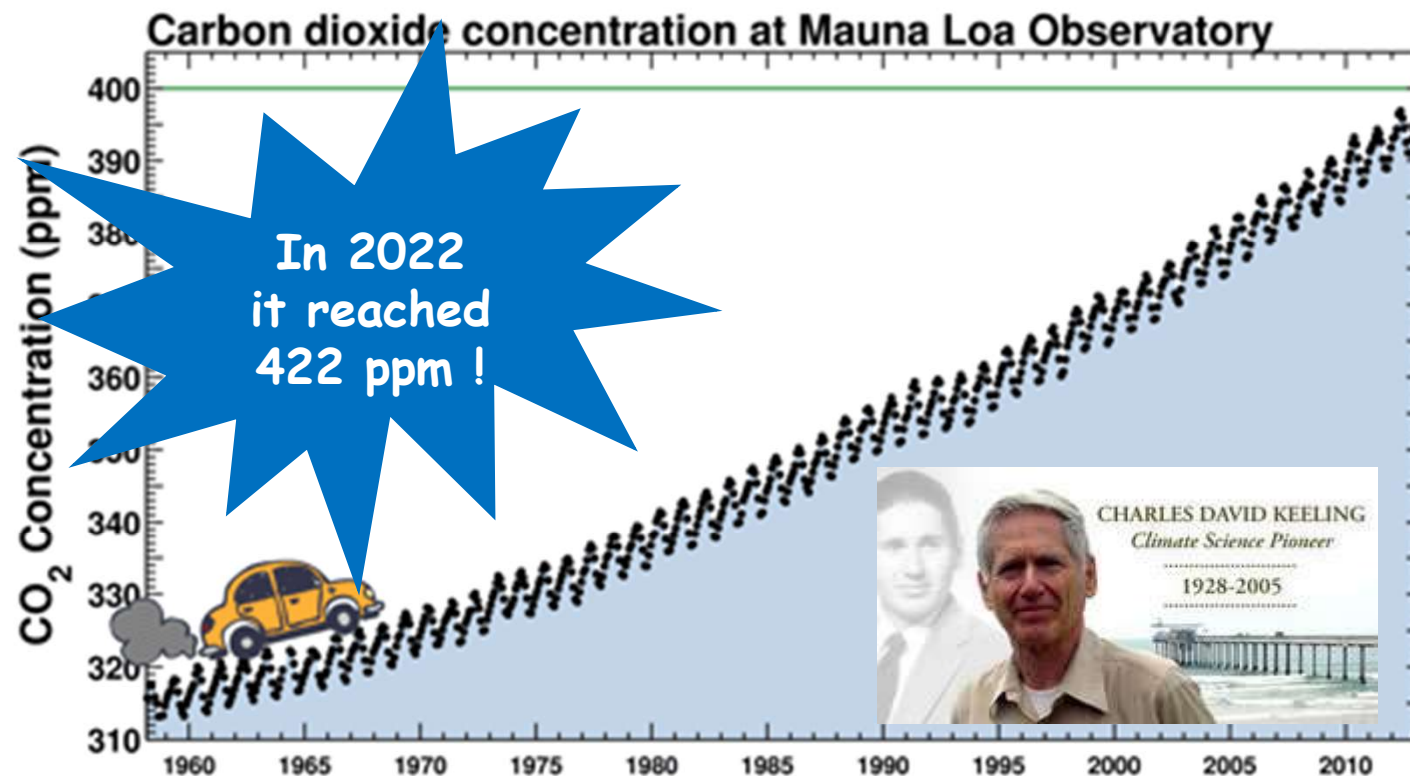
Dealcoholized wines; dealcoholized wines; procedures and legal aspects



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The concentration of CO₂ in the atmosphere increases!



Effects of global warming

An increasing imbalance between technological and phenolic and aromatic ripeness



If we harvest earlier

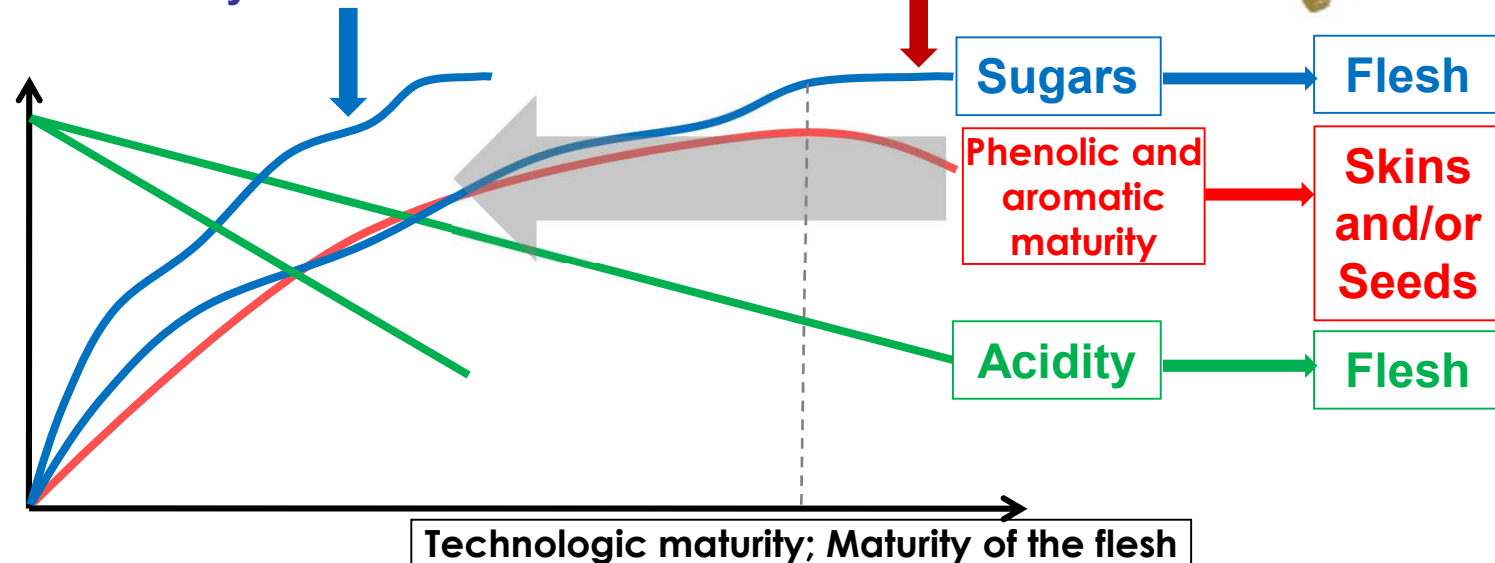
Red wines: astringency, bitterness
and poor color

All wines: vegetal and herbaceous
characters; Lack of flowery and
fruity aromas

If we wait for the
complete maturity

Too High probable
alcoholic degree and pH;
Too low titratable acidity

Unripe Seeds



However Skins and specially seeds remain already green



Drawbacks of high ethanol content

- Difficulties in alcoholic and/or malolactic fermentation
- Wines with higher volatile acidities
- Some wine aroma and flavour attributes are masked by the excess of alcohol
- Unbalanced wines, especially when serving temperature is high
- Some countries apply higher taxes when the wines have a high alcohol level
- The presence of a high alcohol content on the label often discourages some potential consumers who prefer drinking light and responsibly
- The application of techniques to reduce ethanol content are time-consuming, costly and may affect the quality of the wine

Furthermore, the demand for low-alcohol or even non-alcoholic wines is continuously growing on the market.



Saliba AJ, Ovington LA, Moran CC (2013) Consumer demand for low-alcohol wine in an Australian sample. *Int J Wine Res* 5: 1–8

Stasi A, Bimbo F, Viscecchia R, Seccia A (2014) Italian consumers' preferences regarding dealcoholized wine, information and price. *Wine Econ Pol* 3: 54–61

Wilkinson K, Jiranek V (2013) Wine of reduced alcohol content: Consumer and society demand vs industry willingness and ability to deliver. In: Teissedre PL (ed) *Alcohol Reduction in Wine*; Oneoviti International Network. Vigne et Vin Publications Internationales. Merignac, p 98–104



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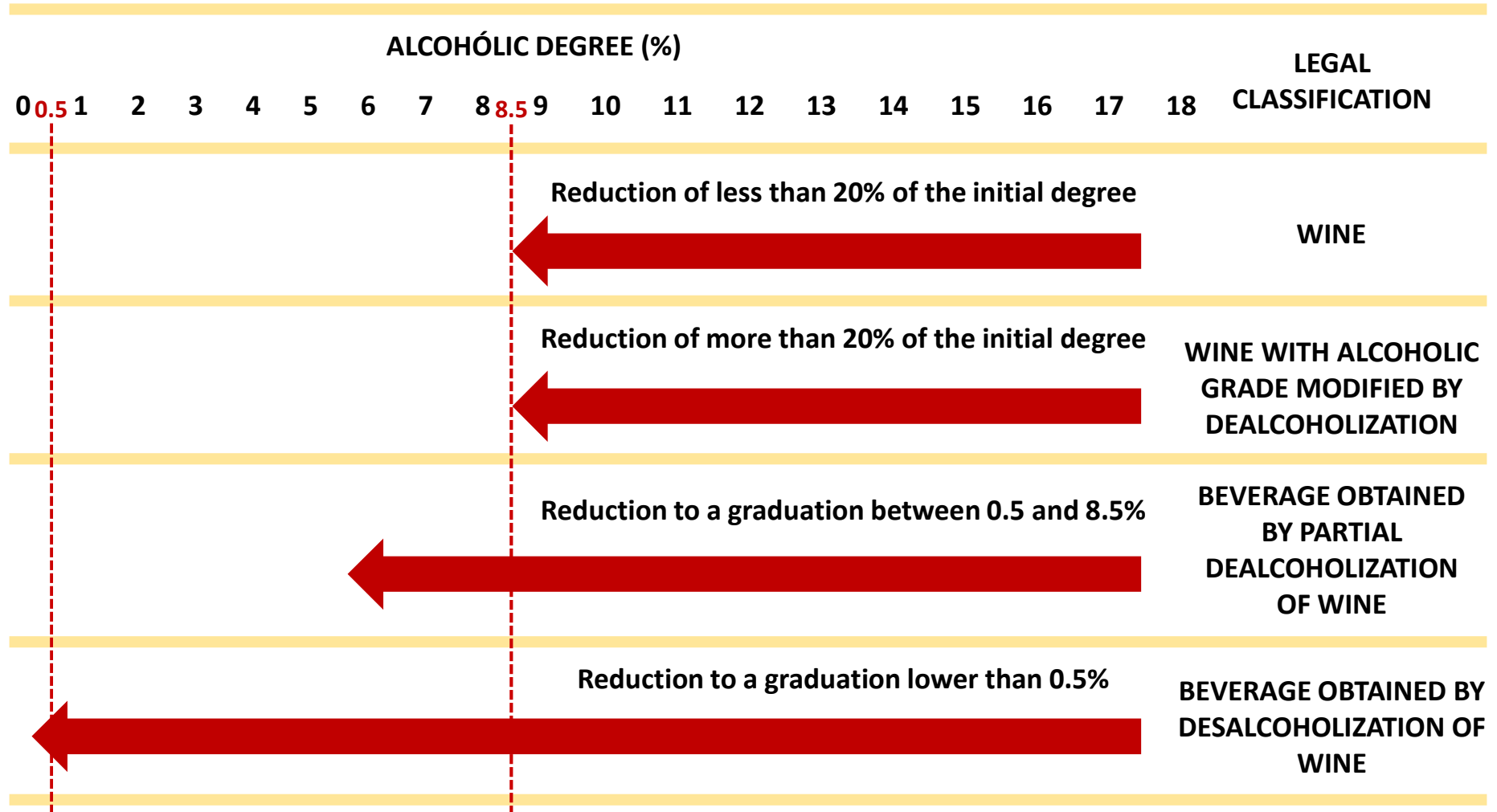
It is clear therefore that there is a need to produce wines with a lower graduation or even without alcohol.

But harvesting earlier is not the solution, since then the wines are herbaceous, bitter, astringent, and they lack the necessary aroma and mouthfeel

For this reason, the OIV authorized the partial or even total dealcoholization of wines



LEGAL CLASSIFICATION OF WINES BASED ON THEIR DEALCOHOLIZATION (OIV) Resolutions OIV-ECO 432-2012 and OIV-ECO 433-2012





**SPECIFIC OENOLOGICAL PRACTICES FOR BEVERAGES OBTAINED BY
DEALCOHOLISATION OF WINE (OIV)**

Resolution OENO-TECHNO 14-540; STEP 5

- All oenological practices authorized in wines**

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But other ones are now object of discussion in the OIV

**Aroma
recovery**

**Only to reincorporate the own volatile
substances evaporated during the
desalcoholization process**

Sweetening

**To avoid the sensory consequences of the
lack of ethanol
Only with sugar from grape origin**

**Water
recovery**

**Only to recuperate the losses of water
originated in the desalcoholization
process. Exogenous or endogenous water ?**

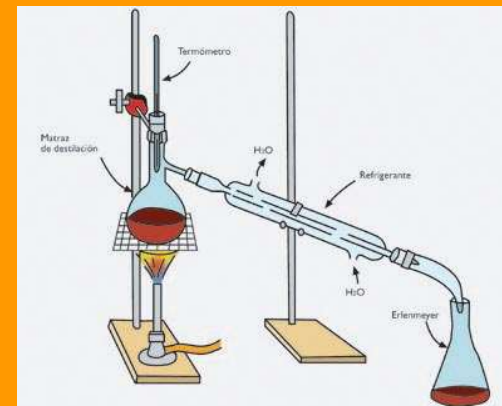
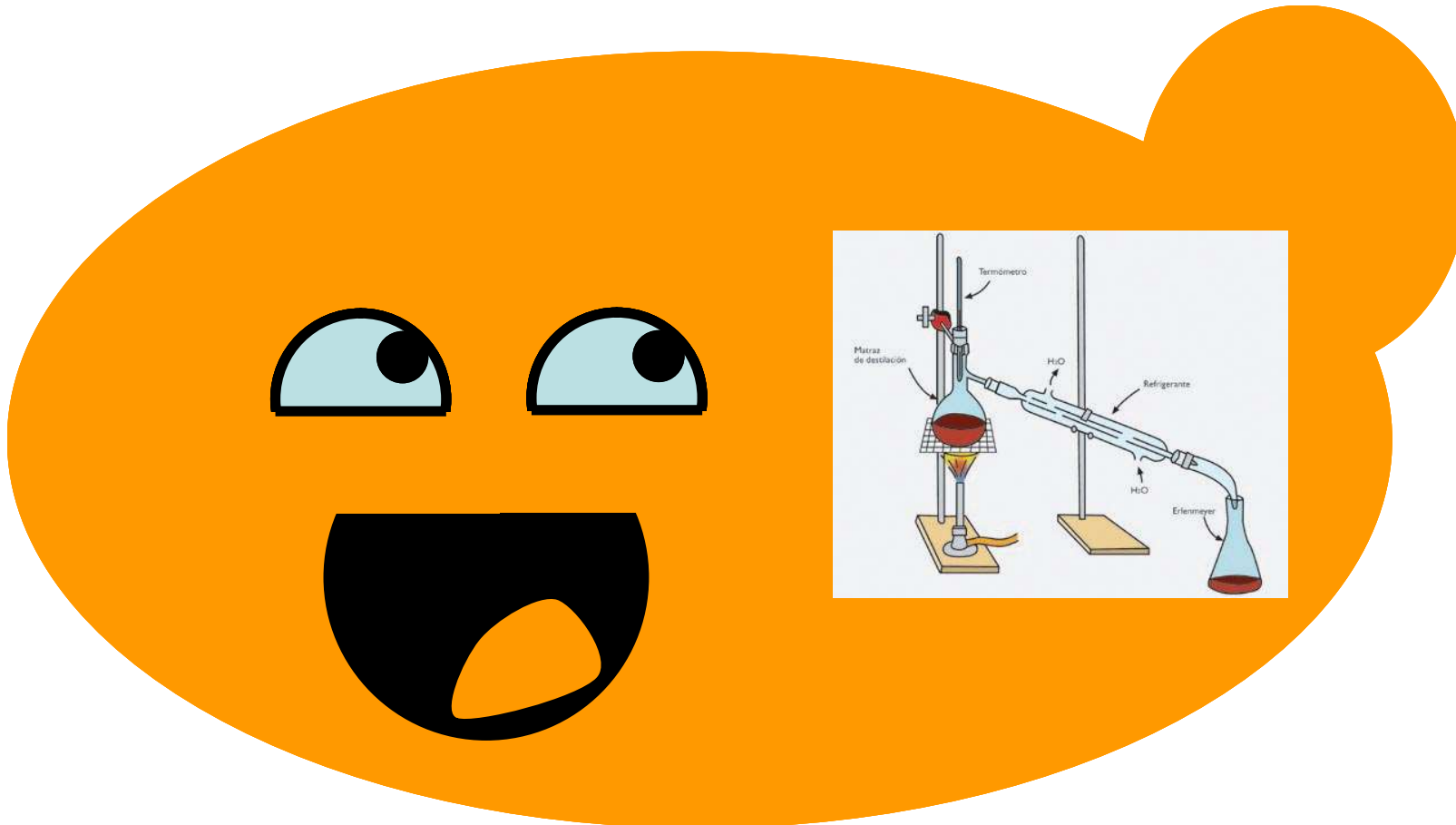


Possible strategies to reduce alcohol content and pH

- Move the vineyards to higher altitudes
- Selection of varieties and clones that mature later
- Adaptation of cultivation techniques to the new situation
- Selection of yeasts with lower sugar/ethanol conversion yield
- Reduction of the concentration of sugars in the must or of ethanol in the wine: reverse osmosis
- Partial or total dealcoholization of wine by vacuum evaporation: the Spinning Cone Column: Golo technology...



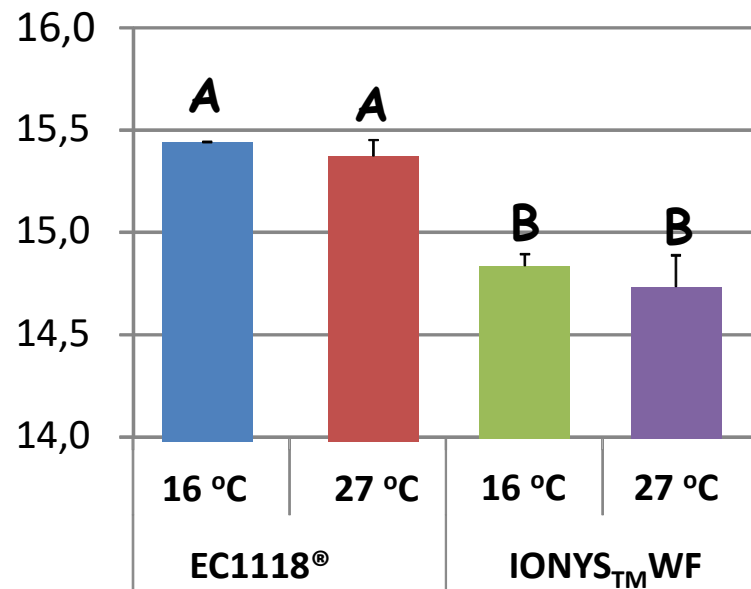
USE OF SELECTED YEASTS TO REDUCE THE ALCOHOLIC CONTENT AND/OR pH IN WINES



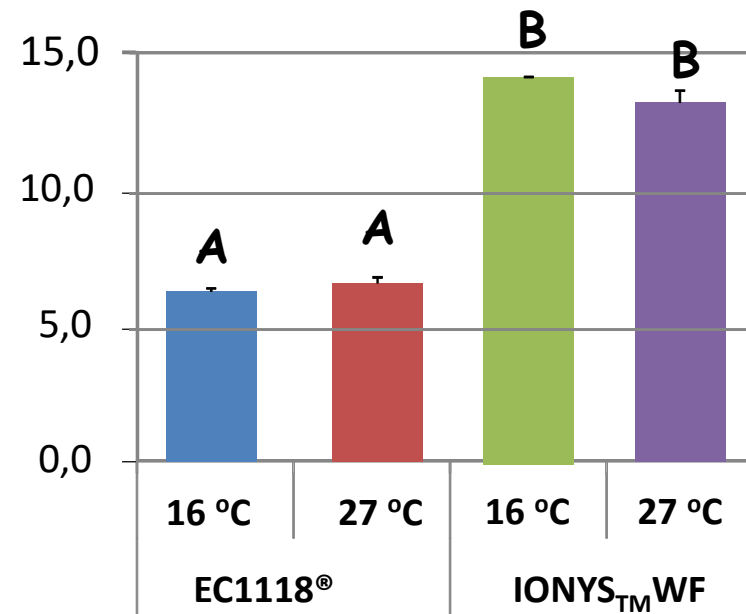
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Merlot

Ethanol (% v/v)



Glycerol (g/l)

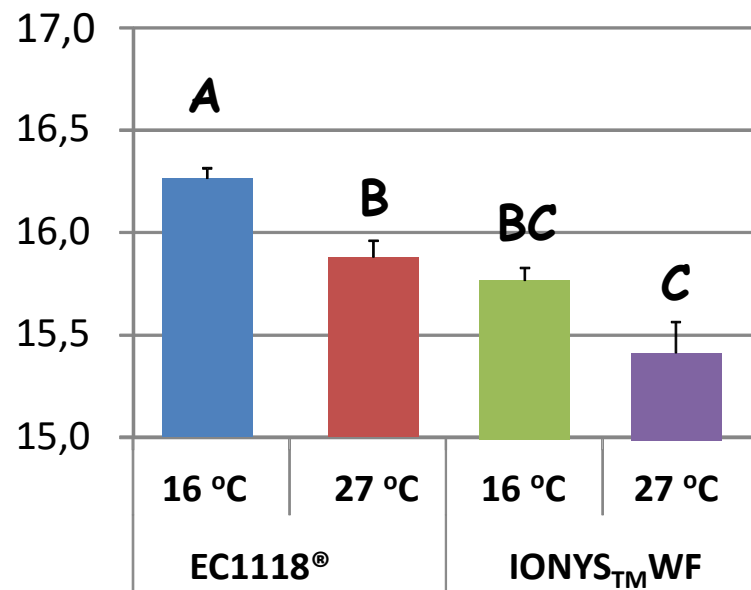


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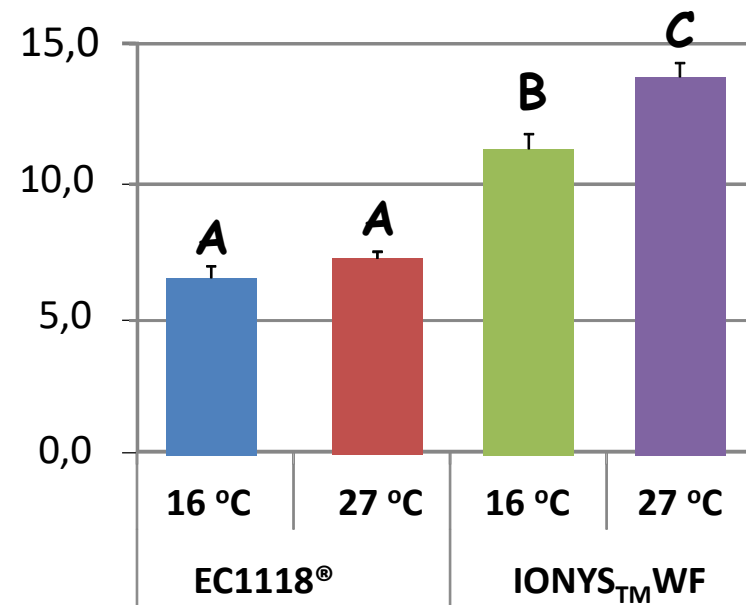
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Garnacha Tinta

Ethanol (% v/v)

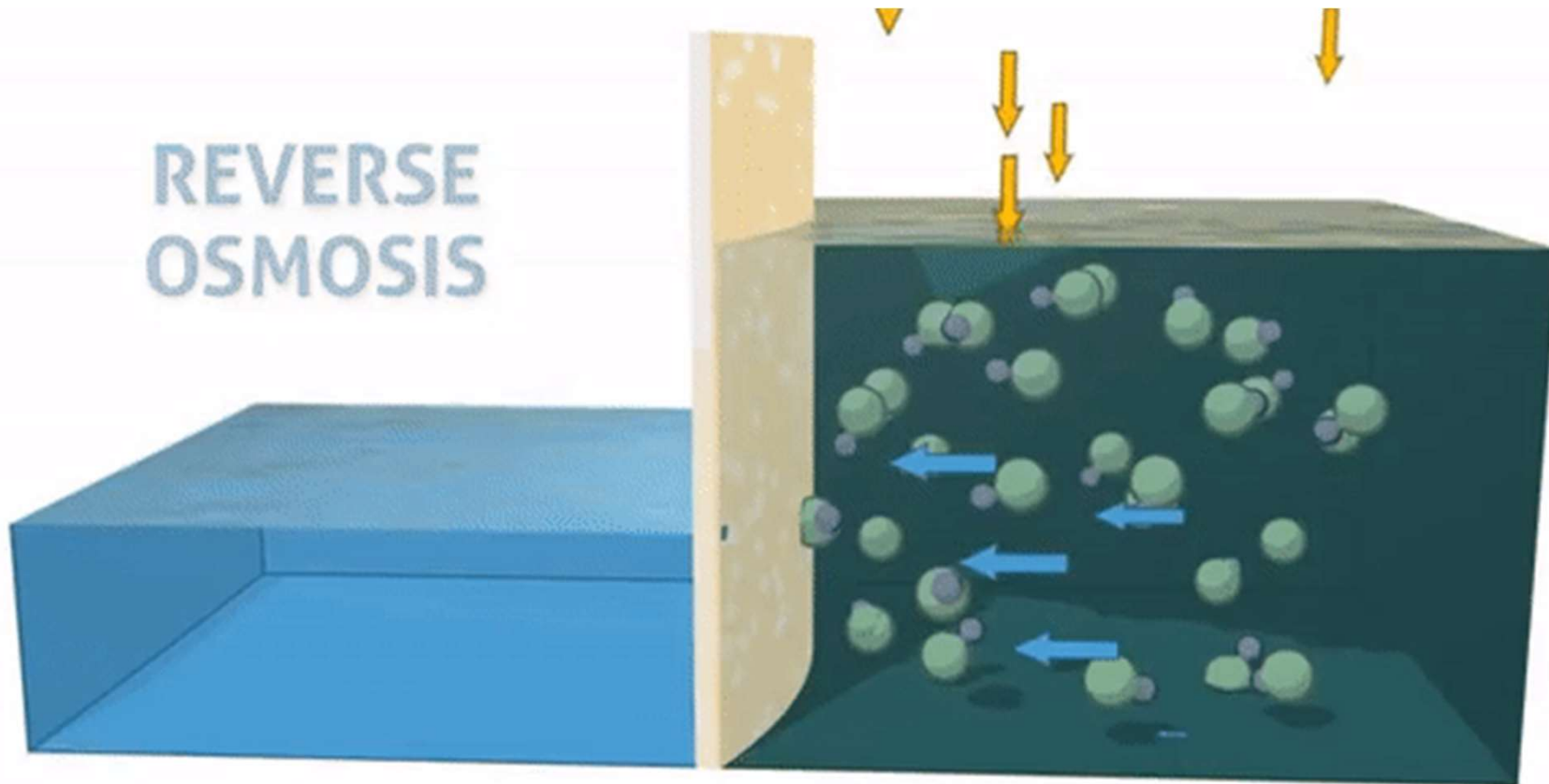


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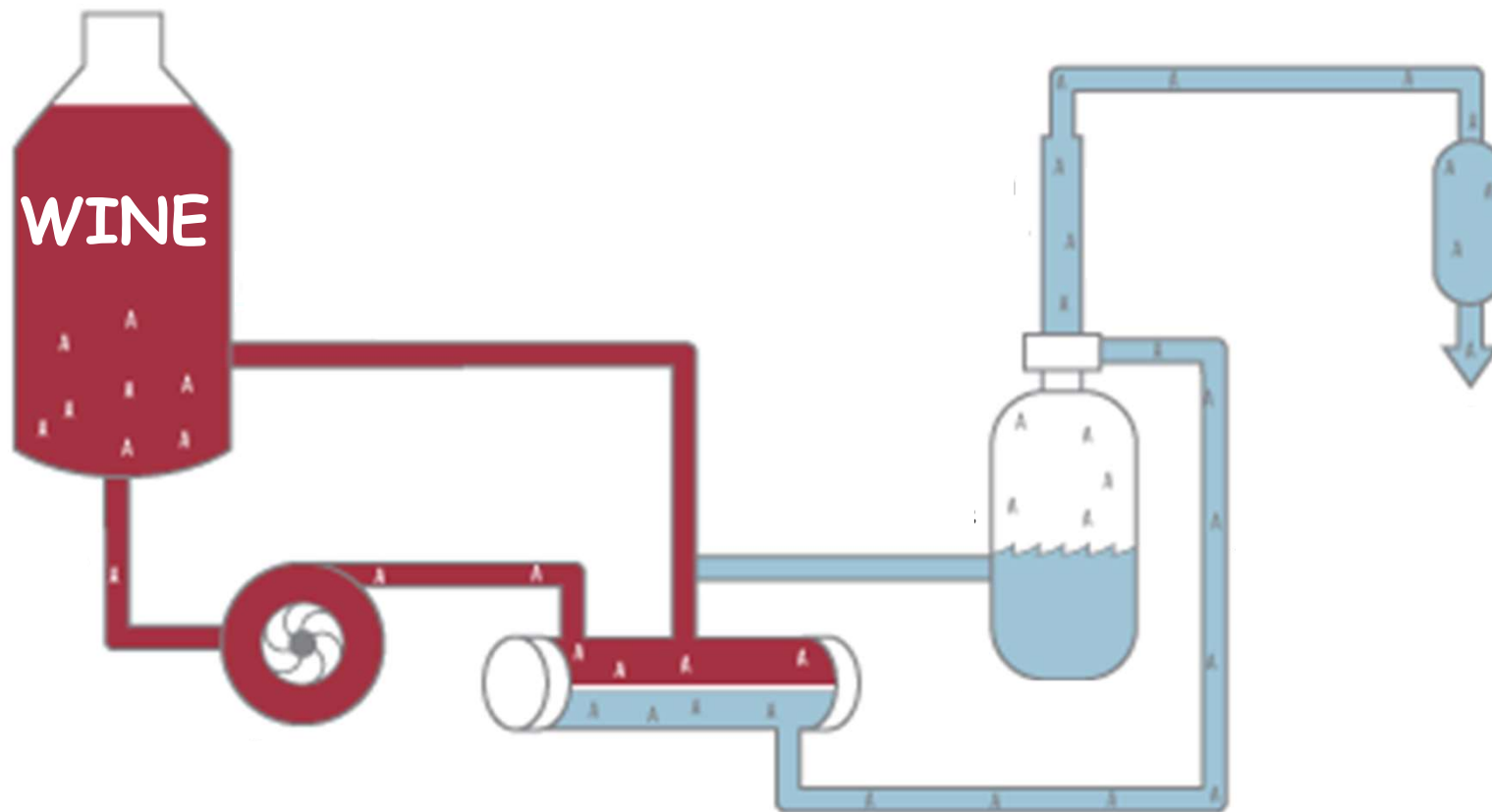
Reverse Osmosis



◇ Treatment in grape juice

◇ Treatment in wine

Partial dealcoholization of wine by reverse osmosis





Partial dealcoholization by reverse osmosis

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Parameter	DO Penedès			DOQ Priorat		
	Control	-1%	-2%	Control	-1%	-2%
Ethanol content (%)	14.8 ± 0.2 A	13.8 ± 0.2 B	12.8 ± 0.2 C	16.2 ± 0.2 A	15.1 ± 0.2 B	14.1 ± 0.1 C
Titrateable acidity (g/l)	4.8 ± 0.1 A	4.8 ± 0.1 A	4.9 ± 0.1 A	5.2 ± 0.1 A	5.2 ± 0.1 A	5.6 ± 0.1 B
Color intensity	15.3 ± 1.5 A	15.6 ± 0.9 A	15.4 ± 0.7 A	15.4 ± 0.2 A	15.2 ± 0.4 A	14.5 ± 0.5 A
Hue	67.7 ± 1.1 A	67.9 ± 0.4 A	68.3 ± 1.5 A	59.3 ± 1.2 A	60.0 ± 0.4 A	59.2 ± 0.5 A
Anthocyanins (mg/l)	567 ± 41 A	546 ± 19 A	574 ± 14 A	200 ± 13 A	206 ± 23 A	226 ± 11 A
IPT	72.9 ± 2.5 A	73.9 ± 2.3 A	75.8 ± 20.6 A	62.4 ± 0.5 A	62.2 ± 0.2 A	62.1 ± 0.8 A
Proanthocyanidins (g/l)	1.8 ± 0.3 A	1.6 ± 0.2 A	1.7 ± 0.2 A	1.6 ± 0.2 A	1.7 ± 0.3 A	1.5 ± 0.2 A
mDP	6.8 ± 1.2 A	7.5 ± 1.8 A	7.2 ± 0.6 A	6.8 ± 1.8 A	5.8 ± 0.3 A	6.5 ± 0.7 A

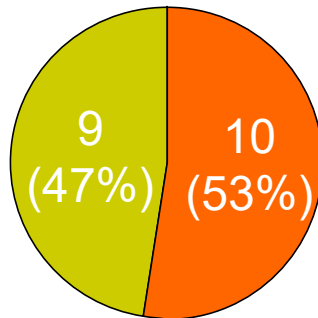
Only significant differences
in alcoholic strength

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AOC Priorat; Garnacha/Mazuelo (16,3 % etanol)

Sensory Analysis - Triangular test -

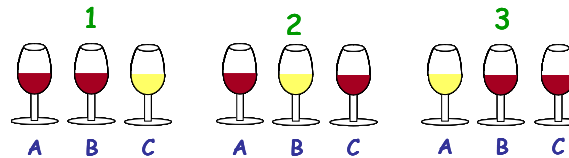


Control vs - 1,3%

$p < 0.05$

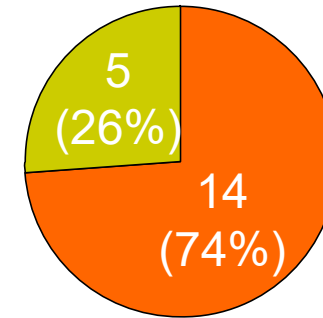
Preference

Control	6
- 1,3 %	4



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No



Control vs- 2,6%

$p < 0.001$

Preference

Control	8
- 2,6 %	6

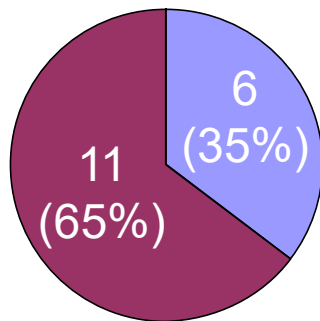
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AOC Penedès; Cabernet Sauvignon (14,8 % etanol)

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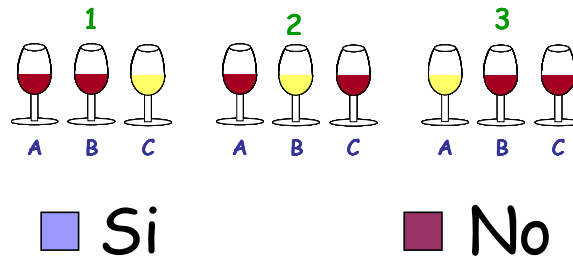
Control vs- 1,0%



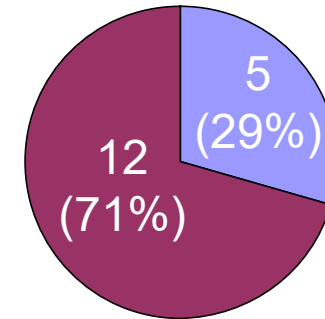
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Preference

Control	4
- 1,0 %	2



Control vs - 2,0%



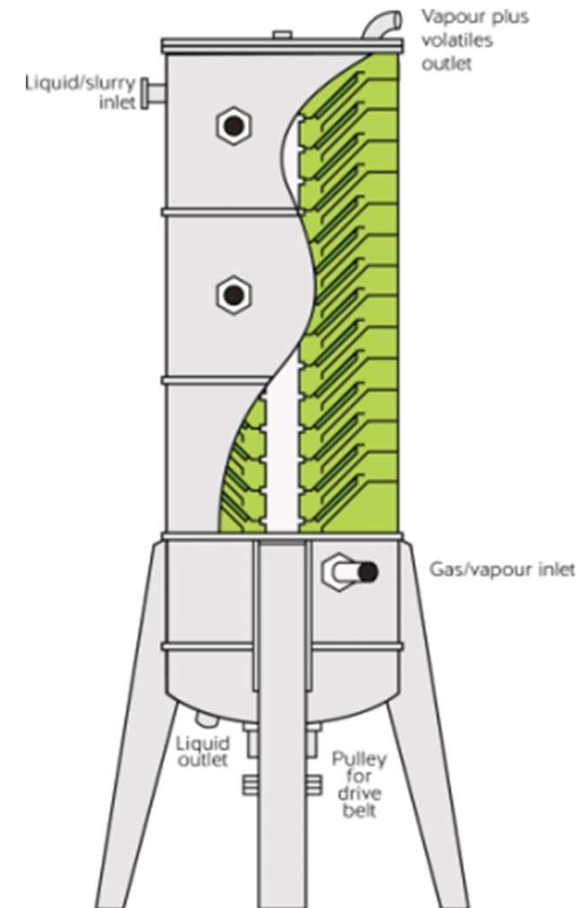
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Preference

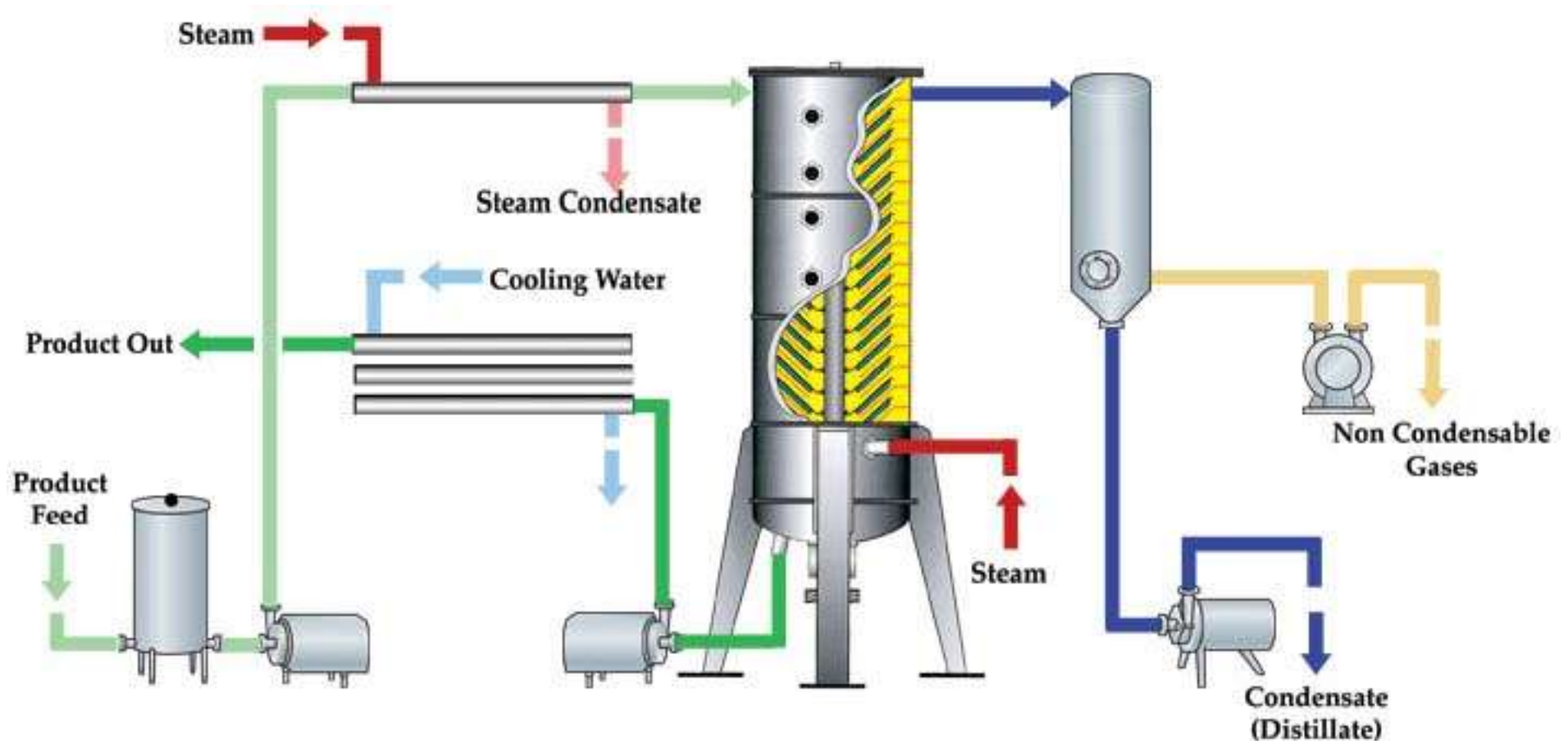
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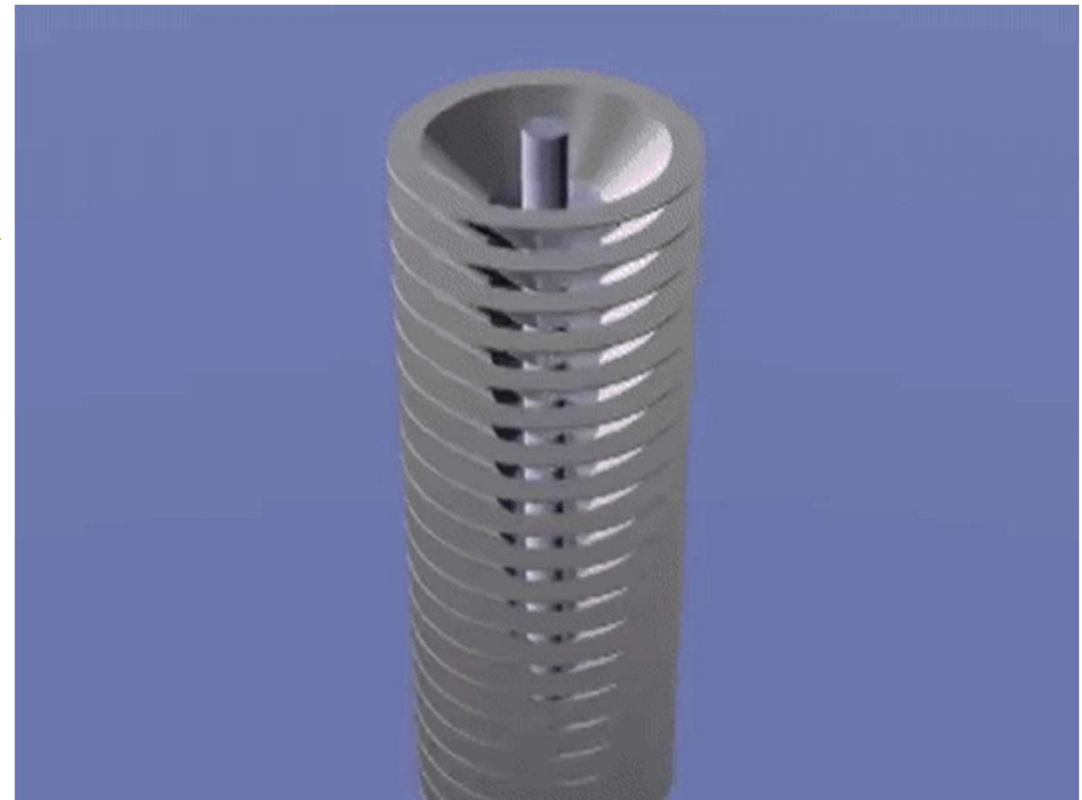
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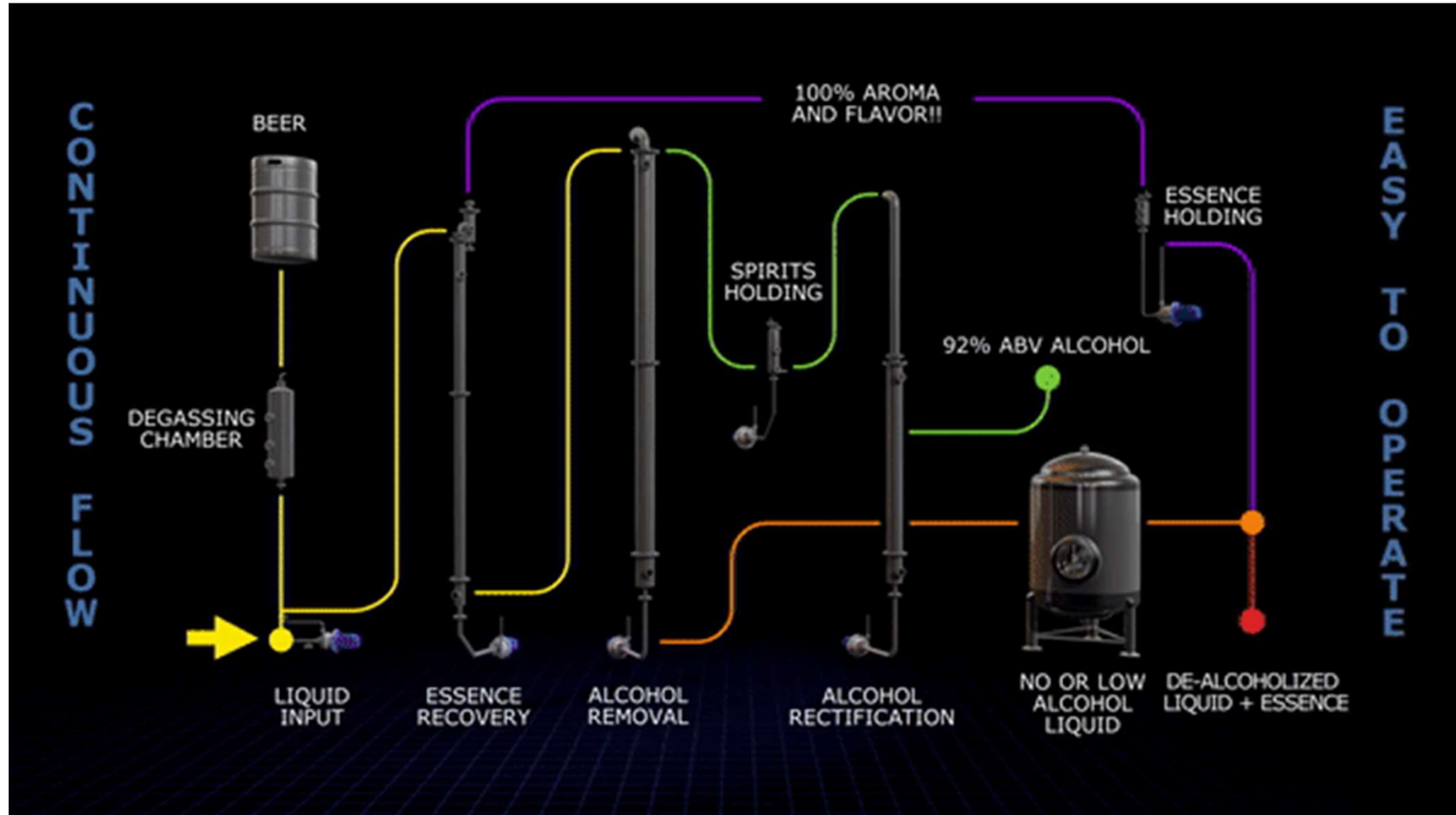
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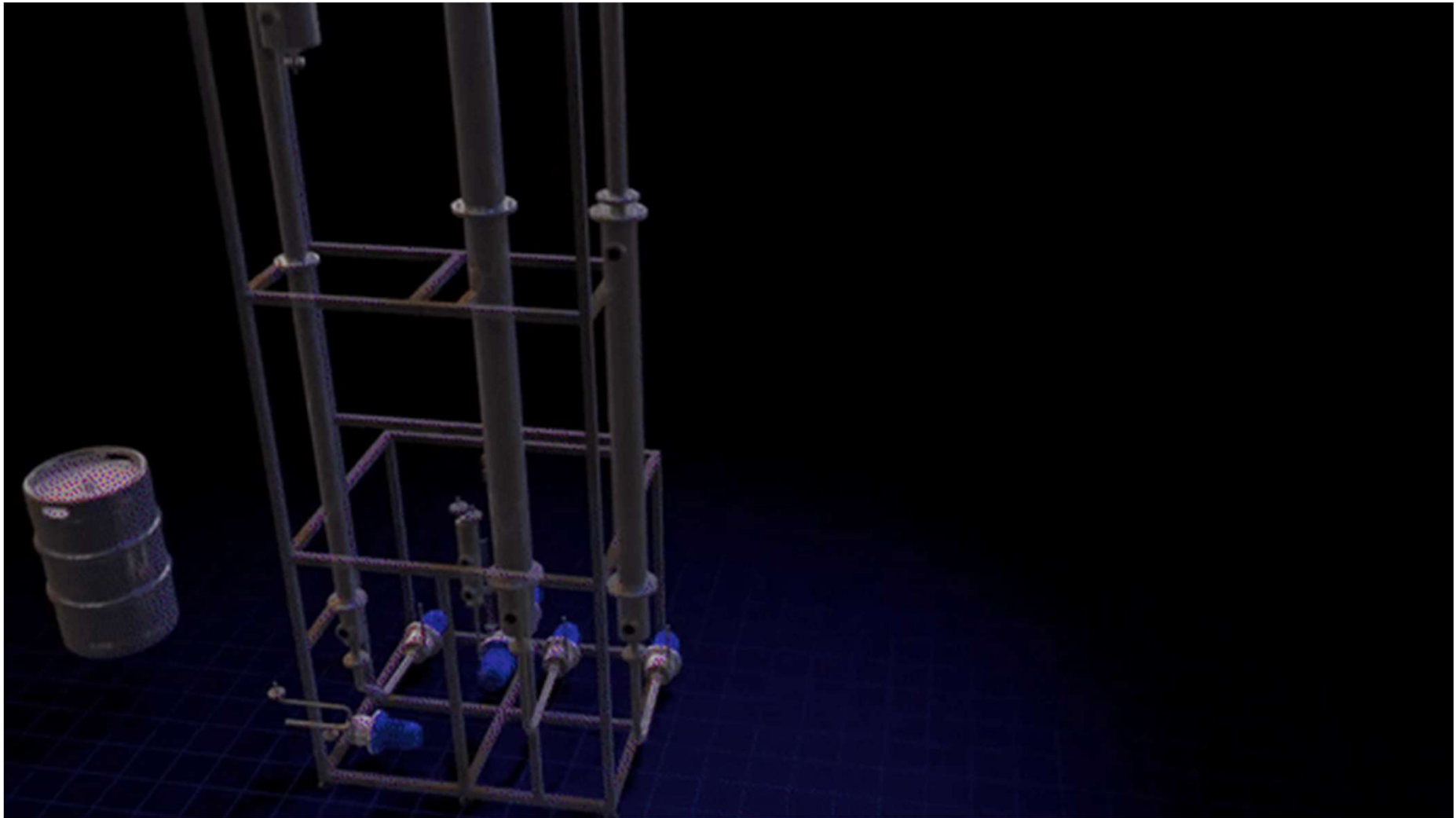


The GOLO technology





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Comparison: SCC vs GoLo Technology

	SCC	GoLo
Number of passes	2	1
Time of the process	Slower Processing (Twice)	Faster Processing
Moving parts	Multiple (20 +)	NO
Maintenance	High	Low
Rectification	NO	Up to 85% ABV
Investment	HIGH	LOW (40% less)
Model	No Customization	Customization
Yield Loss	Higher 22-32%	Lower 12-18%

The only true solution

