

20 **Abstract**

21 The objective of this work was to develop a methodology based on multiparametric
22 methods (FTIR and a voltammetric e-tongue based on SPE) to evaluate simultaneously
23 fourteen parameters related to the phenolic content of red wines. Eight types of Spanish
24 red wines, elaborated with different grape varieties from different regions and with
25 different aging, were analyzed with both systems. Input variables used for multivariate
26 analysis were extracted from FTIR spectra and voltammograms using the kernel method.
27 PCA analysis could discriminate wines according to their phenolic content with PC1,
28 PC2 and PC3 explaining the 99.8% of the total variance between the samples for FTIR
29 analysis and 85.8% for the e-tongue analysis. PLS calculations were used to establish
30 regression models with phenolic content parameters measured by UV-Vis spectroscopy
31 (TPI, Folin-Ciocalteu, CIELab and Glories) with high correlation coefficients ($R^2 >$
32 0.85), and low RMSEs (< 3.0) and number of factors (< 4). Both, PCA and PLS, were
33 carried out using the full cross validation method. As time is a critical factor in the food
34 industry, the main advantage of these multivariate techniques is their capability to
35 evaluate many parameters in a single experiment and in shorter time than using
36 independent classical techniques.

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38 **Keywords:** Red wines; Electronic tongue; ATR-FTIR; Phenolic content.

39 **Abbreviations:** e-tongue (electronic tongue); D.O. (Denomination of Origin); SPE
40 (Screen Printed Electrode); PCA (Principal Component Analysis); PLS (Partial Least
41 Squares); TPI (Total Polyphenol Index); PC (Principal Component).

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45 **1. Introduction**

46 Phenolic compounds (phenolic acids, flavonoids and tannins) are important components
47 of wines as they can strongly influence their final organoleptic properties (Pinelo,
48 Arnous, & Meyer, 2006; Setford, Jeffery, Grbin, & Muhlack, 2017; Aleixandre-Tudo &
49 Du Toit, 2018; Blanco-Vega, Gomez-Alonso, & Hermosin-Gutierrez, 2014). In fact, the
50 characteristic color in red wines is to a large extent ascribable to the phenolic substances
51 present in the grape skin cells, which are transferred to the must during the maceration
52 step. However, wine color is also influenced by the oenological practices such as, storage
53 temperatures, length of storage and oxygen exposure (Atasanova, Fulcrand, Cheynier, &
54 Moutounet, 2002; Obreque-Slier et al., 2013; Pinelo, Arnous, & Meyer, 2006;
55 Ferreiro-Gonzalez et al., 2019). During conservation and aging of red wines, the
56 concentration of anthocyanins, the main responsible for wine color, decreases
57 progressively due to their reaction with other phenolic compounds, mainly with
58 flavanols. This phenomenon causes the color change from red-bluish of young wines
59 towards reddish-brown of matured wines, as well as a decrease of wine astringency

60 (Atasanova, Fulcrand, Cheynier, & Moutounet, 2002). Color also gives information
61 about possible defects and changes during storage. Therefore, color is an important
62 parameter in the quality control of wines.

63 Traditionally, the color of wines has been measured using Glories parameters and
64 CIELab coordinates, a classical method established by the Commission Internationale of
65 L'Eclairage (CIE) (Esparza, Santamaria, Calvo, & Fernandez, 2009; Rinaldi, Coppola, &
66 Moio, 2019; Perez-Magariño & Jose, 2002; Atasanova, Fulcrand, Cheynier, &
67 Moutounet, 2002).

68 In addition, the phenolic and antioxidant content in wines samples can be assessed by
69 other recognized traditional spectrophotometric methods such as Total Polyphenol Index
70 (TPI), FRAP, DPPH, ORAC, and Folin-Ciocalteu Index, among others. These methods
71 are usually based on the evaluation of the capabilities of an oxidizing agent to induce an
72 oxidative damage to a substrate. However, up to now, a single method has not been
73 recognized as the most adequate, and the results obtained depend on the method used.

74 When approaching the study of the phenolic and antioxidant activity of wines, it has been
75 recommended to use more than one method (Barros, Andrade, Denadai, Nunes, &
76 Narain, 2017; Lima et al., 2014).

77 The time is a critical factor in the food industry and for this reason the development of
78 new analytical tools to determine the phenolic content and the antioxidant capacity of
79 food is required.

80 In recent years, multi-parametric methods have been applied in food industry (Smyth &
81 Cozzolino, 2013). Infrared spectroscopy (FTIR, NIR) combined with chemometric
82 methods is emerging as a useful technique to analyze red wines. It is rapid, versatile and
83 require minimal sample preparation (Ferreiro-Gonzalez et al., 2019; Preserova, Ranc,
84 Milde, Kubistova, & Stavek, 2015; Kadiroglu, 2018; Silva, Feliciano, Boas, & Bronze,
85 2014). For instance, combining Near Infrared Spectra with statistical analysis, it is
86 possible to determine parameters such as the sugar content (Fernandez-Novales, Lopez,
87 Sanchez, Morales, & Gonzalez-Caballero, 2009), acidity (Chauchard, Cogdill, Roussel,
88 Roger, & Bellon-Maurel, 2004), pH value (Larrain, Guesalaga, & Agosin, 2008) or
89 chloride and sulfate (Dos Santos, Pascoa, Porto, Cerdeira, & Lopes, 2016) in red wines.
90 Similarly, through analysis with FTIR combined with chemometric techniques, sugar,
91 sulfur dioxide content or pH can be measured (Bauer et al., 2008).

92 Additionally, electronic tongues (e-tongues) based on electrochemical sensors
93 (potentiometric, amperometric, voltammetric or impedimetric) have been developed and
94 used in food quality control (Rodriguez-Mendez, 2016; Jiang, Zhang, Bhandari, &
95 Adhikari, 2018; Sanaeifar, ZakiDizaji, Jafari, & de la Guardia, 2017; Riul, Dantas,
96 Miyazaki, & Oliveira, 2010; Peris & Escuder-Gilabert, 2016; Ghasemi-Varnamkhasti,
97 Apetrei, Lozano, & Anyogu, 2018). In this sense, electrochemical techniques can
98 represent an advantage thanks to higher sensitivity and relatively low cost in comparison
99 with the spectroscopic methods.

100 E-tongues have been successfully applied to analyze wines (Apetrei et al., 2012;
101 Rodriguez-Mendez et al., 2014; Lvova et al., 2018; Merkyte, Morozova, Boselli, &
102 Scampicchio, 2018; Rudnitskaya et al., 2017; Garcia-Hernandez, Comino,
103 Martin-Pedrosa, Rodriguez-Mendez, & Garcia-Cabezon, 2018), beers (Gutierrez et al,
104 2013) and strong alcoholic beverages (spirits and liqueurs) (Novakowski, Bertotti, &
105 Paixao, 2011) as well as to evaluate the quality of non-alcoholic beverages (Pascual et al.,
106 2018; Winqvist, Olsson & Eriksson, 2011; Ghasemi-Varnamkhasti et al., 2011).

107 The objective of this work is to evaluate and compare the capabilities of two
108 multiparametric methods based on different working principles (electrochemical signals
109 and vibrational spectroscopy) to assess the phenolic content in red wines with different
110 characteristics (aging and grape variety). On one hand, a voltammetric e-tongue using
111 disposable and cheap sensors based on screen-printed technology has been implemented.
112 On the other hand, wines have been analyzed using FTIR spectroscopy, where the spectral
113 range corresponding to the fingerprint region ($1500-1000\text{ cm}^{-1}$) has been selected for data
114 treatment. In both cases the input data for further statistical analysis have been extracted
115 using kernel functions. Chemometric tools such as Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
116 and Partial Least Squares (PLS-1) have been implemented to discriminate between wines
117 samples and to establish correlations with classical parameters related to phenolic content
118 of the antioxidant capacity such as CIELab coordinates, Glories parameters, TPI and
119 Folin-Ciocalteu index. The performance of both multiparametric systems has been
120 analyzed and compared.

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122 **2. Materials and methods**

123 *2.1. Reagents and solutions*

124 All chemicals and solvents were of reagent grade and used without further purification.

125 Sodium carbonate (anhydrous, powder, 99.99%), Folin–Ciocalteu reagent, and ethanol

126 (absolute, $\geq 99.8\%$, GC) were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO, USA).

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128 *2.2. Wine samples*

129 Spanish red wine samples elaborated with different grape varieties from different regions

130 (DO) (Tempranillo from Ribera de Duero origin; Tempranillo from Toro origin; Syrah

131 from Rioja origin; and a coupage of Tempranillo, Graciano and Mazuelo from Rioja

132 origin) and with different aging (Joven -young wine that has not been aged in oak barrel-;

133 Crianza -aged a minimum of 24 months and at least 6 of them in oak barrel-; Reserva

134 -minimum aging period of 36 months and at least 12 of them in oak barrel-; and Gran

135 Reserva -wines aged for 60 months and at least 18 of them in oak barrels-) were analyzed

136 (Table 1). Samples were provided by the Oenological Centers of Rueda (Valladolid,

137 Spain) and Haro (La Rioja, Spain).

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<Table 1>

139 *2.3. Phenolic content and antioxidant capacity*

140 Polyphenol content was measured following official methods (OIV, 2013) using a
141 spectrophotometer Shimadzu UV-1603 (Kyoto, Japan) with a 10.0 mm path length quartz
142 cuvettes.

143 **Determination of TPI280.** Red wine was diluted with ultrapure water (1:100) and the
144 absorbance was measured directly at 280 nm. The value of TPI280 was calculated as the
145 absorbance x 100.

146 **Determination of Folin-Ciocalteu Index.** Red wine samples were diluted 1:5 in
147 ultrapure water. Then, 0.1 ml volume of red wine sample, 5 ml of distilled water, 0.5 ml
148 of Folin–Ciocalteu reagent, and 2 ml of 20% w/w sodium carbonate solution were
149 introduced in a 10 ml calibrated flask, diluted to volume with distilled water and allowed
150 to stand for 30 min before measuring the absorbance at 750 nm. The same procedure but
151 replacing the 0.1 ml of wine sample with distilled water was used for determining the
152 blank value. The value of the total polyphenol index is given by the absorbance x 100 for
153 red wines.

154 **Glories parameters.** Absorbance values at 420, 520 and 620 nm were measured to
155 determine Glories parameters (Perez-Magariño & Jose, 2002): color density (CD), color
156 intensity (CI), hue (H), proportion of red color produced by flavylum cations (dA%),
157 proportion of yellow color (Y%), proportion of red color (R%) and proportion of blue
158 color (B%).

$$159 \quad CD = A_{420} + A_{520} \quad (1)$$

$$160 \quad CI = A_{420} + A_{520} + A_{620} \quad (2)$$

161 $H = A420/A520$ (3)

162 $dA\% = (A520 - ((A420 - A620)/2)/A520) * 100$ (4)

163 $Y\% = A420/CI \times 100$ (5)

164 $R\% = A520/CI \times 100$ (6)

165 $B\% = A620/CI \times 100$ (7)

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167 **CIELab coordinates** were determined by measuring the transmittance of the wine every
168 10 nm over the visible spectrum (from 380 to 780 nm) using the illuminant D65 and 10°
169 standard observer, following the CIE recommendations (Commission Internationale of
170 L'Eclairage) (Sliwinska et al., 2016). These parameters are: a* (redness or -a*:
171 greenness), b* (yellowness or -b*: blueness), L* (lightness), C* (chroma or saturation)
172 and h* (hue angle).

173 *2.4. Electronic tongue*

174 A voltammetric electronic tongue based on screen-printed electrodes, SPEs (DropSens,
175 Asturias, Spain), has been used to analyze the wines by means of cyclic voltammetry. For
176 this purpose, six SPEs with different materials as working electrode were selected. Each
177 sensor device contained a reference electrode (Ag), an auxiliary electrode (C or Pt) and a
178 working electrode (Table 2).

179 **<Table 2>**

180 *2.5. ATR-FTIR analysis*

181 A Jasco Model FT/IR-6600 Spectrometer (Tokyo, Japan) with a diamond ATR crystal
182 accessory was used. The software used for FTIR data collection was Spectra Manager II
183 (Jasco, Tokyo, Japan). Before the analysis the instrument was purged with nitrogen for 10
184 min. As reference, the background spectrum of air (100 BKG) was collected before the
185 acquisition of the sample spectrum. After each sample, the crystal was rinsed with ethanol
186 with a cotton swab and dried. To record spectra, wine samples were dropped on the ATR
187 crystal. Spectra were recorded at 26 °C with a resolution of 2 cm⁻¹ and 300 scans were
188 averaged for each spectrum (scan from 4000 to 400 cm⁻¹).

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191 *2.6. Data preprocessing and chemometric analysis*

192 The multivariate data analysis was performed by using Matlab v2014b (The Mathworks
193 Inc., Natick, MA, USA) and The Unscrambler (CAMO Software AS, Oslo, Norway).
194 Voltammograms and ATR-FTIR spectra provided curves with a high number of variables
195 that must be pre-treated to select a reduced number of variables without a loss of
196 information. Data pre-processing has been done based on a compression method
197 described by Gutierrez-Osuna & Nagle (1999). Voltammogram curves were multiplied
198 by 10 smooth and bell-shaped windowing function (8) while infrared spectra were
199 multiplied by 30 smooth and bell-shaped windowing function (8) (Gutierrez-Osuna &
200 Nagle, 1999, Medina-Plaza et al., 2016; Muñoz et al., 2018).

201 K $\frac{\text{-----}}{\text{-----}}$ (8)

202 where a_i , b_i and c_i define the width, shape and center of the different windowing functions
203 K_i , x_j is the x-variable, for voltammetric data is the voltage while for infrared spectra is
204 the frequency in wavenumbers. The input voltammetric data matrix contained
205 information of “8 wine samples with 5 replicas” × “10 kernels per voltammogram” × “6
206 sensors” extracted from the voltammogram signals acquired between -1.0 and 1.0 V.
207 Additionally, ATR-FTIR data matrix includes information of “8 wine samples with 3
208 replicas” × “30 kernels per spectrum” from the spectra region ranged from 1500-1000
209 cm^{-1} where higher differences in the transmittance values were observed (RSD, relative
210 standard deviation, between transmittance values were higher). The number of variables
211 used for spectra data analysis (30 kernel functions) was higher than the number of
212 variables selected for the voltammetric signals (10 kernel functions) due to x-axis of IR
213 spectra contain more information than the x-axis of voltammetric curves.
214 These sets of variables were then used as the input for different statistical analysis:
215 Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to discriminate wine samples, Partial Least
216 Squares regression (PLS-1) to study the correlation between the results obtained with the
217 electronic tongue and FTIR with the chemical parameters of phenolic content.

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219 **3. Results and discussion**

220 *3.1. Phenolic content: TPI280, Folin-Ciocalteu Index, Glories and CIELab parameters*

221 Table 3 collects TPI280 and Folin-Ciocalteu Indexes measured in wines. As expected,
222 whatever the variety of grape, young wines showed higher absorbance values than aged

223 wines, confirming that the phenolic content decreased due to the polymerization of
224 phenolic compounds that occurs during aging. This polymerization produces a decrease
225 in the concentration of low molecular weight polyphenolic compounds and increases the
226 concentration of polymeric polyphenols, affecting the wine color (Atasanova, Fulcrand,
227 Cheynier, & Moutounet, 2002). The TPI and Folin-Ciocalteu indexes of wines with
228 similar aging also vary from one variety to another.

229 **<Table 3>**

230 Glories parameters were used to evaluate the portion of red, yellow and blue color in
231 wines (Table 4). Due to the polymerization reactions and co-pigmentation of
232 anthocyanins occurring during the aging, wines change their color from intense red to
233 brown red. In good accordance with this idea, Glories parameters showed that red portion
234 (R%) was higher in Joven wines as well as the color intensity values did. On the other
235 hand, yellow portion (Y%), which contributes to brown color appearance, and
236 hue/tonality (H), increased during aging reaching higher values in older wines. As
237 expected, Blue portion (B%), the main responsible for red-bluish color, showed higher
238 values in young wines. However, this difference was not so clear in wines of the D.O.
239 Toro, which presented similar values of B%. Again, R%, Y% and B% were different in
240 wines elaborated from different grapes in spite of having the same time-aging.

241 **<Table 4>**

242 Results obtained for CIELab color parameters (Table 5) were consistent with those
243 obtained with Glories parameters. As a general trend, a* (the parameter, responsible for

244 red color) decreased during the aging while the parameter b^* responsible for yellow
245 color, hue angle responsible for tonality (h^*) and lightness (L^*) increased. Again,
246 Reserva wines from Rioja prepared with the variety Syrah and the Coupage, showed
247 values relatively different to the wines prepared with the Tempranillo variety in spite of
248 having the same time-aging.

249 **<Table 5>**

250 3.2. *E-tongue: Discrimination capability*

251 The array of electrochemical sensors was immersed in the red wines. In all cases,
252 voltammograms showed a variety of peaks produced by components with redox activity
253 (i.e. polyphenols in the 0.4-0.8V regions) and by the electrode modifiers.

254 In general, it was observed that in aged wines, the anodic peak at +0.8 V showed higher
255 intensities than in voltammograms registered in younger wines (Figure 1). The increase is
256 due to the redox reactions of polyphenolic compounds formed during aging. Thus, this
257 increase is well correlated to the decrease of the phenolic content observed in TPI and
258 Folin-Cioacalciu, (as well as in the “red parameters” of Glories and CIELab analysis) that
259 occurs during the aging process in oak barrels where micro-oxygenation reduces the total
260 content of low molecular weight phenolic compounds as a result of condensation
261 reactions and increases the polymeric polyphenols which stabilize wine color (Behrends
262 & Weber, 2017). This effect has already been observed in e-tongues used to analyze
263 grape skins (Muñoz et al., 2018).

264 **<Figure 1>**

265 Each sensor showed different features depending on the modifier: carbonaceous
266 electrodes (modified with carbon, CNT and MWCNT) showed anodic peaks at +0.5 and
267 +0.8 V due to the oxidation of polyphenolic compounds of wines as well as a broad
268 reduction peak at around 0.0 V. Sensor modified with PANI showed broad peaks, NiO
269 showed the most intense responses while platinum could detect phenols and the
270 decomposition of water followed by the oxidation of hydrogen at negative potentials (ca.
271 -0.45 V).

272 The repeatability of the measurements was tested by calculating the coefficients of
273 variation in the intensity for 10 consecutive cycles. The coefficients of variation were
274 lower than 10%.

275 The differences observed from one wine to another are due to their different phenolic
276 composition. That is, as each wine has a different phenolic composition, the oxidation
277 and reduction peaks appear at different potentials and show different intensities. The
278 precedent results demonstrated that the sensors included in the array produced a unique
279 response for each wine. In consequence, the response of the array can be considered a
280 fingerprint of each sample and can be used to discriminate wines.

281 Figure 2 shows the 2D scores plot obtained using the variables obtained using the kernel
282 method. PC1 and PC2 explained the 56.9% and 20.9% of the covariance respectively
283 (PC1+PC2+PC3 = 85.8%). The diagram shows that all wines analyzed could be clearly
284 discriminated. In addition, wines with higher polyphenol index (Young and Crianza)
285 were located in the upper part of the diagram, in the region of positive PC2, confirming

286 that the polyphenolic level plays an important role in the discrimination capabilities of the
287 electronic tongue.

288 With the purpose of identifying outliers in the sampling, Hotelling T2 was performed at
289 $\alpha=0.05$ and after three PCA components. Hotelling T2-values for each sample were
290 plotted under the critical test value and, therefore, no outliers were tagged.

291 **<Figure 2>**

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293 *3.3. ATR-FTIR: Discrimination capability*

294 ATR-FTIR average spectra of red wines are presented in Figure 3. All wine samples gave
295 rise to similar spectra patterns. The intense band detected in the 3700–2971 cm^{-1} region
296 originated from compounds with –OH groups such as water and ethanol, which are major
297 compounds in wine samples, was not useful in this work. The region 1500-1000 cm^{-1} ,
298 usually referred to as the “fingerprint” region, was selected for working range since the
299 RSD (relative standard deviation) between absorption values for the samples were high in
300 this region. Signals from phenols can be found in this region: the antisymmetric in-plane
301 bending of –CH₃ at 1448-1444 cm^{-1} , the symmetric in-plane bending of –CH₃ at
302 1376-1373 cm^{-1} , the absorption at 1340-1339 cm^{-1} assigned to CH bending and CH₂
303 wagging, the peak at 1281-1278 cm^{-1} corresponding to in-plane bending of O-H, and the
304 bands at 1207 cm^{-1} , 1110-1107 cm^{-1} , 1068-1062 cm^{-1} originated from the stretching
305 vibration of C-O. The 1382 cm^{-1} absorption band attributes to the O-H in plane
306 deformation in polyphenols. The deformation vibration of the C-C bonds in the phenolic

307 groups adsorb in the region of 1500-1400 cm^{-1} . These assignments are based on previous
308 work on phenolic compounds in wines (Silva, Feliciano, Boas, & Bronze, 2014;
309 Cozzolino, Cynkar, Shah, & Smith, 2011). ATR-FTIR spectra showed that the intensity
310 of these peaks in young wines (Joven Ribera and Joven Toro) was clearly higher than
311 long time-aged wines (Crianza, Reserva and Gran Reserva) because the polyphenolic
312 content in young wines is higher. Moreover, for the same D.O. Ribera wines absorbance
313 follows the sequence Joven, Crianza and Gran Reserva.

314 The repeatability of the measurements was tested by calculating the coefficients of
315 variation in the transmittance for 5 FTIR spectra. The coefficients of variation were lower
316 than 4%.

317 <Figure 3>

318 PCA scores plot for FTIR data is shown in Figure 4. In this case, the first PC, explained
319 98.8% of the variance (PC1+PC2+PC3 = 99.8%). FTIR signals were also able to
320 discriminate the wines analyzed. However, even if Young and Crianza wines were
321 mainly located on the left part of the diagram, this trend was not followed by the Crianza
322 Toro sample that appeared on the right part of the figure. This means that ATR-FTIR is
323 not so efficient to discriminate wines according to the polyphenolic content.

324 As in the case of e-tongue, Hotelling T2 was performed at $\alpha=0.05$ and after three PCA
325 components. Also in this case the Hotelling T2-values for each sample were plotted under
326 the critical test value.

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<Figure 4>

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330 *3.4. Regression models to correlate e-tongue or FTIR with chemical parameters*

331 Regression models were built to correlate the e-tongue or the ATR-FTIR results with

332 TPI280, Folin-Ciocalteu, Glories or CIElab parameters using PLS-1. **The validation**

333 **method used for PLS analysis was full cross validation (n=40 samples).** Calibration fits

334 the model to the available data, while validation checks the model for new data. Results

335 of PLS-1 models are shown in Table 6. Both techniques showed good correlations with

336 the 14 parameters analyzed. Particularly good correlations were found with the TPI280

337 with the lowest number of latent variables (2 for e-tongue and 3 for ATR-FTIR). This is

338 illustrated in Figure 5 where the explained variance vs. the number of factors for the

339 PLS-1 models are represented. The models performed for each technique were

340 representative due to residual variance curves (calibration and validation) for each

341 technique are close together. As observed in the Figure the model correlating e-tongue

342 and TPI280 requires 2 factors (or latent variables) to explain 90% of the variance. The

343 similarity between calibration and validation curves corroborated the high quality of the

344 model. On the other hand, the PLS-1 model correlating the FTIR and the TPI280 requires

345 3 latent variables to explain the 90% of the variance.

346 In conclusion, according to PLS analysis results, it can be concluded that e-tongue

347 analysis has a certain advantage over FTIR because it shows better correlations (higher

348 coefficients of correlations and lower residual errors) with a lower number of latent
349 variables (factors).

350 **<Table 6>**

351 **<Figure 5>**

352 An interesting advantage of the proposed multivariate techniques is that they reduce the
353 time required to obtain information about 14 parameters.

354 The time required to analyze a wine sample with the e-tongue was about 6.5 minutes
355 (including 10 cycles to obtain a reliable response) and 10 minutes in the case of the FTIR
356 (300 scans). When systems are trained appropriately, the statistical data treatment takes
357 only few seconds.

358 In contrast, the assessment of the fourteen parameters studied here, requires four different
359 sets of experiments (TPI, Folin-Ciocalteu, CIELab and Glories parameters). The time
360 required in each technique is different, but time ranges from 5 to 20 minutes (for instance,
361 Folin requires 30 minutes before measuring the absorbance at 750 nm). Other techniques
362 such as HPLC require larger times (typically 80 minutes/sample). Therefore, one can
363 conclude that the use of multivariate techniques like e-tongue and FTIR means a clear
364 advantage for reducing the time of the analysis.

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366 **4. Conclusions**

367 Two multiparametric techniques, e-tongue and ATR-FTIR combined with an appropriate
368 pre-processing method could be successfully used to discriminate red wines according to

369 their phenolic content. Using PLS-1, both techniques showed good correlations with 14
370 parameters related to the polyphenolic content and can be used to predict simultaneously
371 TPI, Folin-Ciocalteu, CIELab and Glories parameters in a single experiment. This is an
372 important advantage for the wine industry where time is a critical factor. E-tongue
373 showed better correlations (higher coefficients of correlations and lower residual errors)
374 with a lower number of latent variables (factors) than ATR-FTIR. In summary, these
375 systems provide information about the phenolic content in a fast and reliable manner
376 assessing more than one parameter at once.

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386 The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

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Table 1. Spanish red wines under study

Ageing	D.O.	<i>Vitis vinifera L.</i> Grape Variety
Joven	Ribera	Tempranillo (Tinta del País)
Crianza	Ribera	Tempranillo (Tinta del País)
Gran Reserva	Ribera	Tempranillo (Tinta del País)
Joven	Toro	Tempranillo (Tinta de Toro)
Crianza	Toro	Tempranillo (Tinta de Toro)
Reserva	Toro	Tempranillo (Tinta de Toro)
Reserva	Rioja	Syrah
Reserva	Rioja	Tempranillo, Graciano, Mazuelo (denoted as “coupage”)

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Table 2. List of the SPE sensors forming the array

DropSens Ref.	SPE working electrode
DRP-110	Carbon
DRP-110NI	Nickel (II) Oxide / Carbon
DRP-110PANI	Polyaniline / Carbon
DRP-110CNT	Carboxyl functionalized Multi-Walled Carbon Nanotubes / Carbon
DRP-110SWCNT	Carboxyl functionalized Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes / Carbon
DRP-550	Platinum

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Table 3. TPI280 and Folin-Ciocalteu Indexes measured in wines.

Red wine	Absorbance (280 nm)	TPI280	Absorbance (750 nm)	Folin-Ciocalteu Index
Joven (D.O. Ribera)	0.67±0.05	67±5	0.73±0.08	73±8
Crianza (D.O. Ribera)	0.64±0.08	64±8	0.69±0.04	69±4
Gran Reserva (D.O. Ribera)	0.56±0.06	56±6	0.61±0.05	61±5
Joven (D.O. Toro)	0.82±0.02	82±2	0.81±0.07	81±7
Crianza (D.O. Toro)	0.64±0.07	64±7	0.70±0.09	70±9
Reserva (D.O. Toro)	0.58±0.03	58±3	0.65±0.03	65±3
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Syrah”	0.57±0.04	57±4	0.57±0.06	57±6
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Coupage”	0.59±0.04	59±4	0.64±0.08	64±8

7 **Data: mean±SD (n=3).**

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Table 4. Glories color parameters of red wines under study.

Red wine	CD	CI	H	dA%	Y%	R%	B%
Joven (D.O. Ribera)	1.26±0.35	1.47±0.25	0.64±0.09	81.56±2.19	33.42±3.07	52.52±3.85	14.05±1.81
Crianza (D.O. Ribera)	1.09±0.17	1.27±0.19	0.78±0.06	75.08±3.15	37.88±3.21	48.30±3.12	13.81±1.53
Gran Reserva (D.O. Ribera)	0.94±0.23	1.08±0.17	0.81±0.07	72.17±3.33	39.26±2.37	48.47±2.89	12.28±1.52
Joven (D.O. Toro)	1.64±0.31	1.87±0.23	0.54±0.05	83.65±4.52	30.89±2.72	56.80±2.78	12.31±1.79
Crianza (D.O. Toro)	1.03±0.12	1.17±0.14	0.76±0.05	74.36±3.62	37.84±3.91	49.91±3.78	12.24±1.67
Reserva (D.O. Toro)	0.99±0.19	1.13±0.21	0.89±0.07	68.80±2.70	41.26±2.37	46.50±2.56	12.24±1.89
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Syrah”	1.29±0.15	1.49±0.24	0.76±0.08	75.61±3.26	37.36±3.62	49.36±3.56	13.28±2.31
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Coupage”	0.94±0.10	1.07±0.21	0.87±0.09	69.48±2.57	40.82±2.8	47.10±3.41	12.08±1.57

10 **Data: mean±SD (n=3).**

11 CD, color density; CI, color intensity; H, hue/tonality; dA%, proportion of red color produced by
 12 flavylum cations; Y%, proportion of yellow color; R%, proportion of red color; B%, portion of blue
 13 color.

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Table 5. CIELab color coordinates of the red wines under study.

Red wine	a*	b*	L*	C*	h*
Joven (D.O. Ribera)	39.74±2.37	1.13±0.13	61.48±2.50	39.76±3.12	1.63±0.16
Crianza (D.O. Ribera)	31.18±1.86	7.42±0.52	67.16±2.21	32.05±2.75	13.39±1.22
Gran Reserva (D.O. Ribera)	28.17±1.92	9.00±0.45	71.95±1.81	29.57±2.44	17.72±1.63
Joven (D.O. Toro)	51.07±3.20	0.85±0.03	54.63±2.34	51.08±3.23	0.95±0.06
Crianza (D.O. Toro)	32.27±2.94	6.47±1.12	68.50±2.11	32.91±1.77	11.34±1.01
Reserva (D.O. Toro)	25.91±2.02	12.79±1.33	71.89±1.89	28.89±1.82	26.27±1.31
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Syrah”	36.35±1.34	8.16±0.84	63.01±2.10	37.25±1.64	12.65±0.82
Reserva (D.O. Rioja) “Coupagne”	26.68±1.97	10.96±1.35	72.51±2.87	28.84±1.82	22.33±1.12

16 Data: mean±SD (n=3).

17 a*, redness; b*, yellowness; L*, lightness; C*, saturation; h*, hue angle.

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Table 6. Results of Partial Least Squares regressions models (PLS-1).

Electronic Tongue data						
	Parameter	R²_C (a)	RMSE_C (b)	R²_P (c)	RMSE_P (d)	Factors
	TPI280	0.9343	2.0109	0.8956	2.6001	2
	Folin-C.	0.9276	1.8972	0.8944	2.3496	3
Glories color parameters	CD	0.9726	0.0371	0.9497	0.0525	3
	CI	0.9712	0.0440	0.9475	0.0620	3
	H	0.9873	0.0121	0.9689	0.0198	3
	dA%	0.9885	0.5301	0.9720	0.8631	3
	Y%	0.9869	0.3806	0.9707	0.5944	3
	R%	0.9822	0.4188	0.9623	0.6355	3
	B%	0.9701	0.1292	0.9558	0.1640	3
CIELab color parameters	a*	0.9893	0.8141	0.9800	1.1590	3
	b*	0.9845	0.4963	0.9625	0.8061	3
	L*	0.9754	0.9232	0.9496	1.3800	3
	C*	0.9927	0.6063	0.9813	1.0137	3
	h*	0.9905	0.8160	0.9793	1.2577	3
ATR-FTIR data						
	Parameter	R²_C (a)	RMSE_C (b)	R²_P (c)	RMSE_P (d)	Factors
	TPI280	0.9195	2.2255	0.8908	2.7049	3
	Folin-C.	0.9029	2.1966	0.8538	2.8123	4
Glories color parameters	CD	0.9649	0.0420	0.9416	0.0566	4
	CI	0.9635	0.0495	0.9392	0.0667	4
	H	0.9305	0.0284	0.9125	0.0332	3
	dA%	0.9490	1.1164	0.9339	1.3264	3
	Y%	0.9441	0.7871	0.9289	0.9265	3
	R%	0.9645	0.5912	0.9487	0.7419	4
	B%	0.9579	0.1533	0.9162	0.2258	5
CIELab color parameters	a*	0.9234	2.1737	0.9071	2.4988	3
	b*	0.9611	0.7864	0.9401	1.0183	4
	L*	0.9749	0.9323	0.9603	1.2252	4
	C*	0.9762	1.0964	0.9634	1.4179	4
	h*	0.9713	1.4192	0.9553	1.8506	4

20 (a), (c) Squared correlation coefficients in calibration and prediction.

21 (b), (d) Root mean square errors in calibration and prediction.

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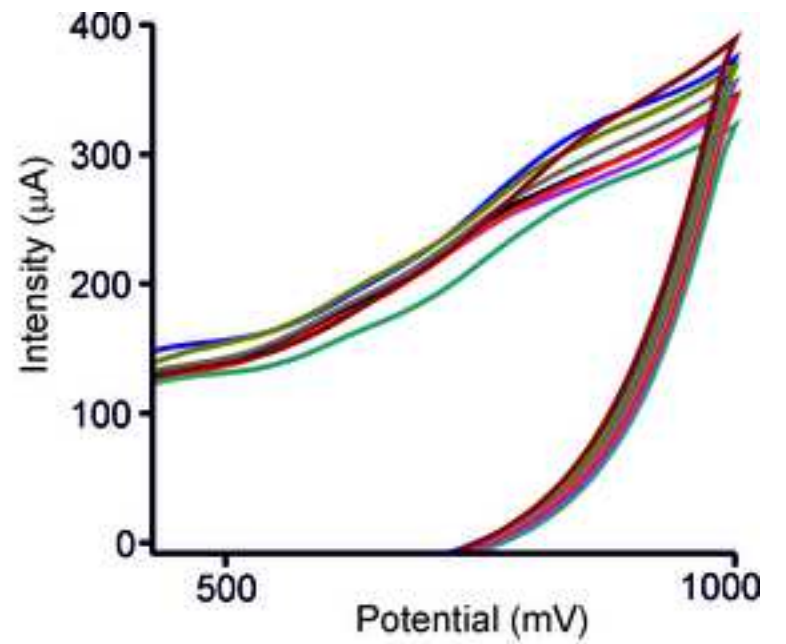
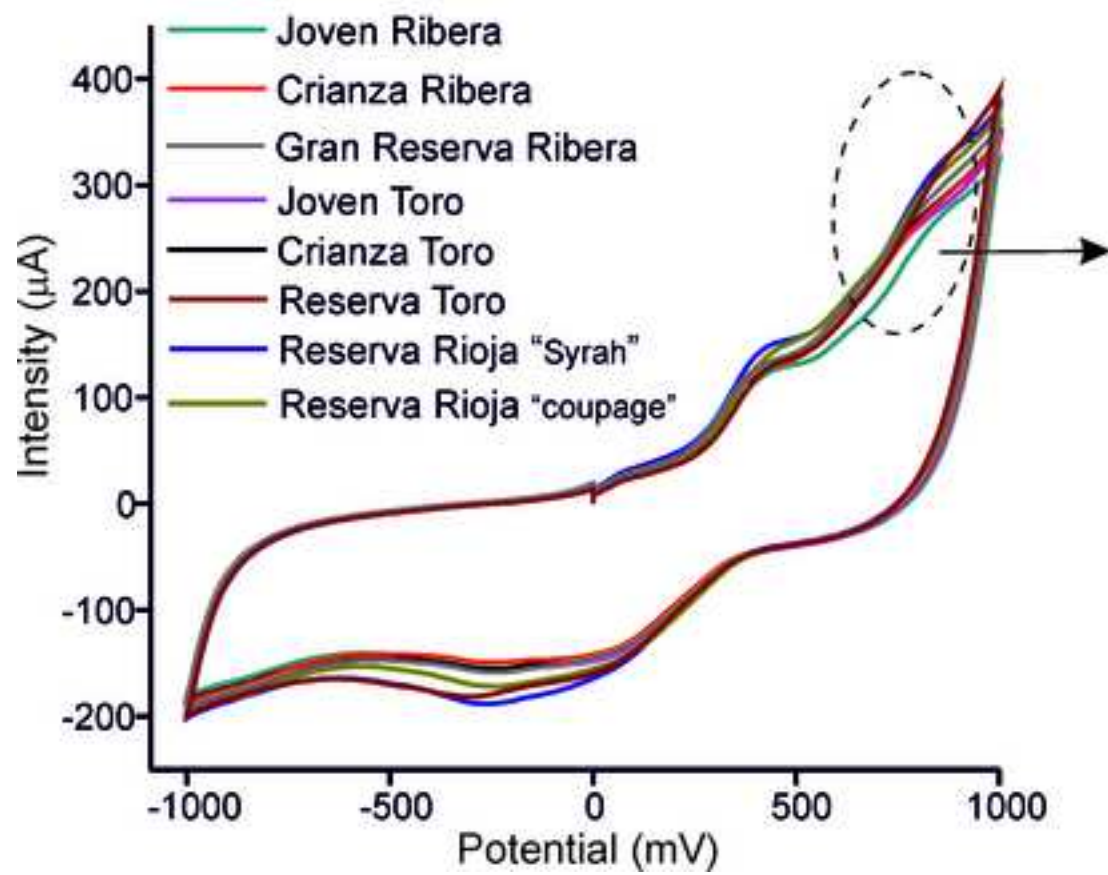


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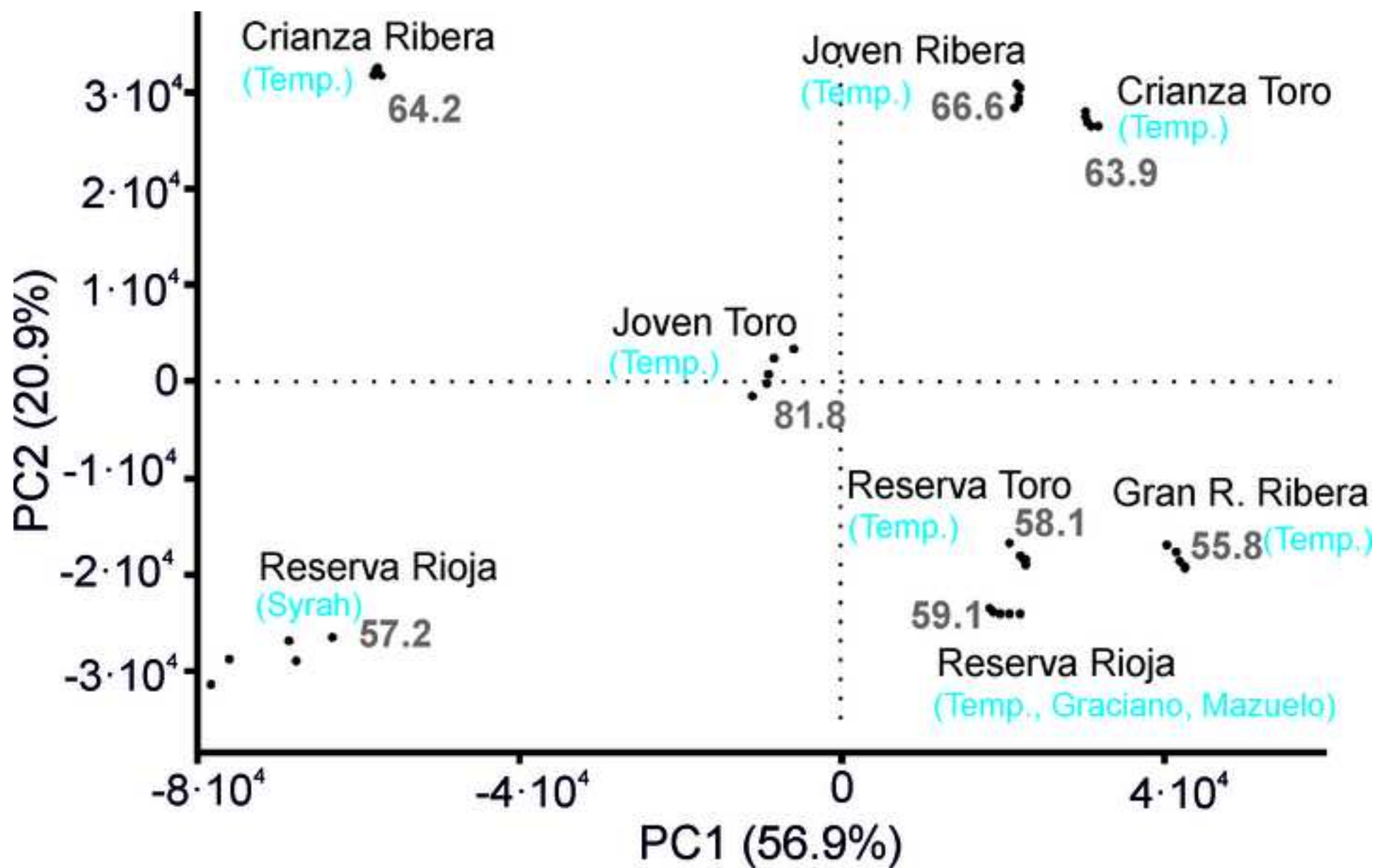


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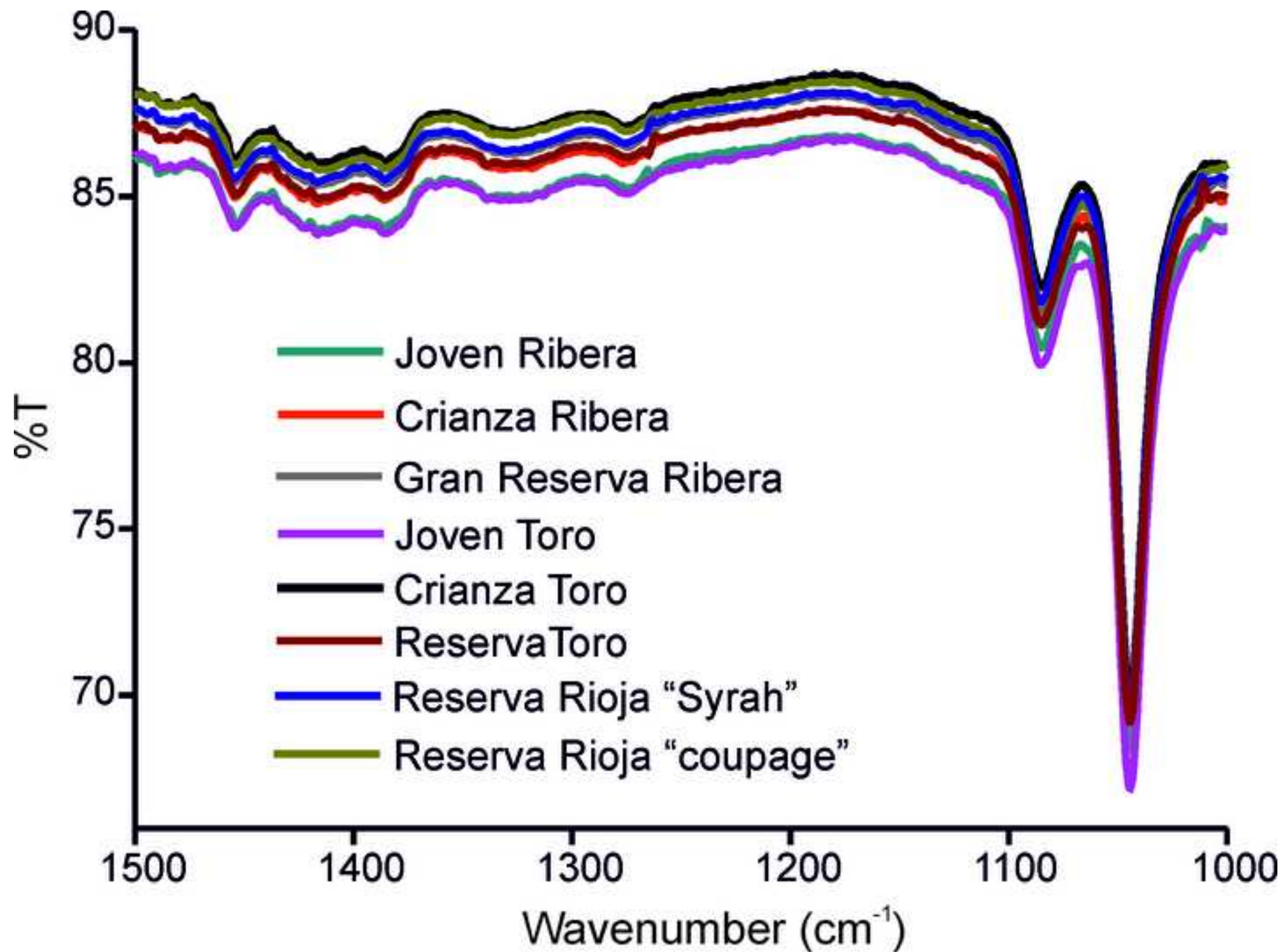


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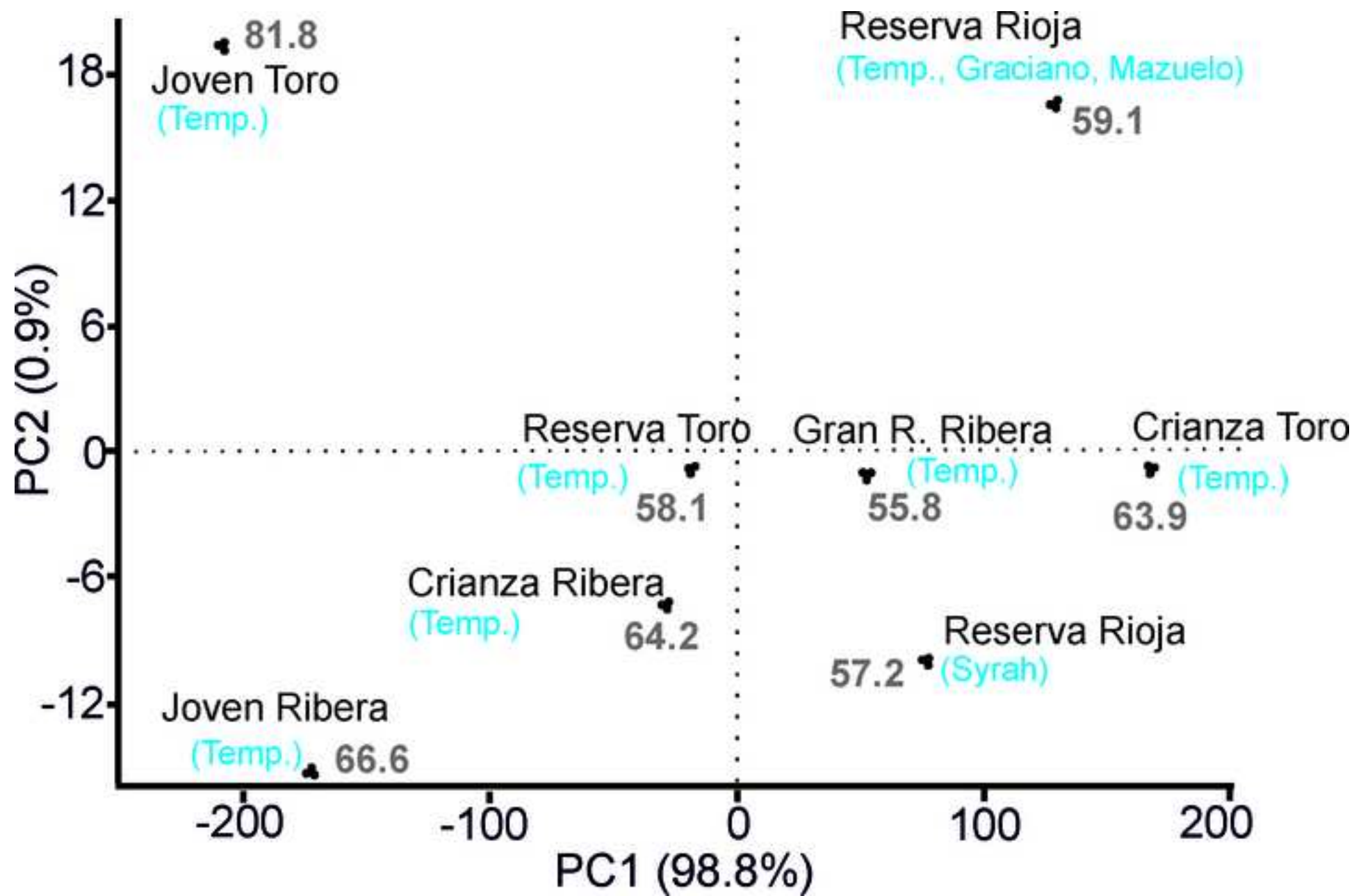


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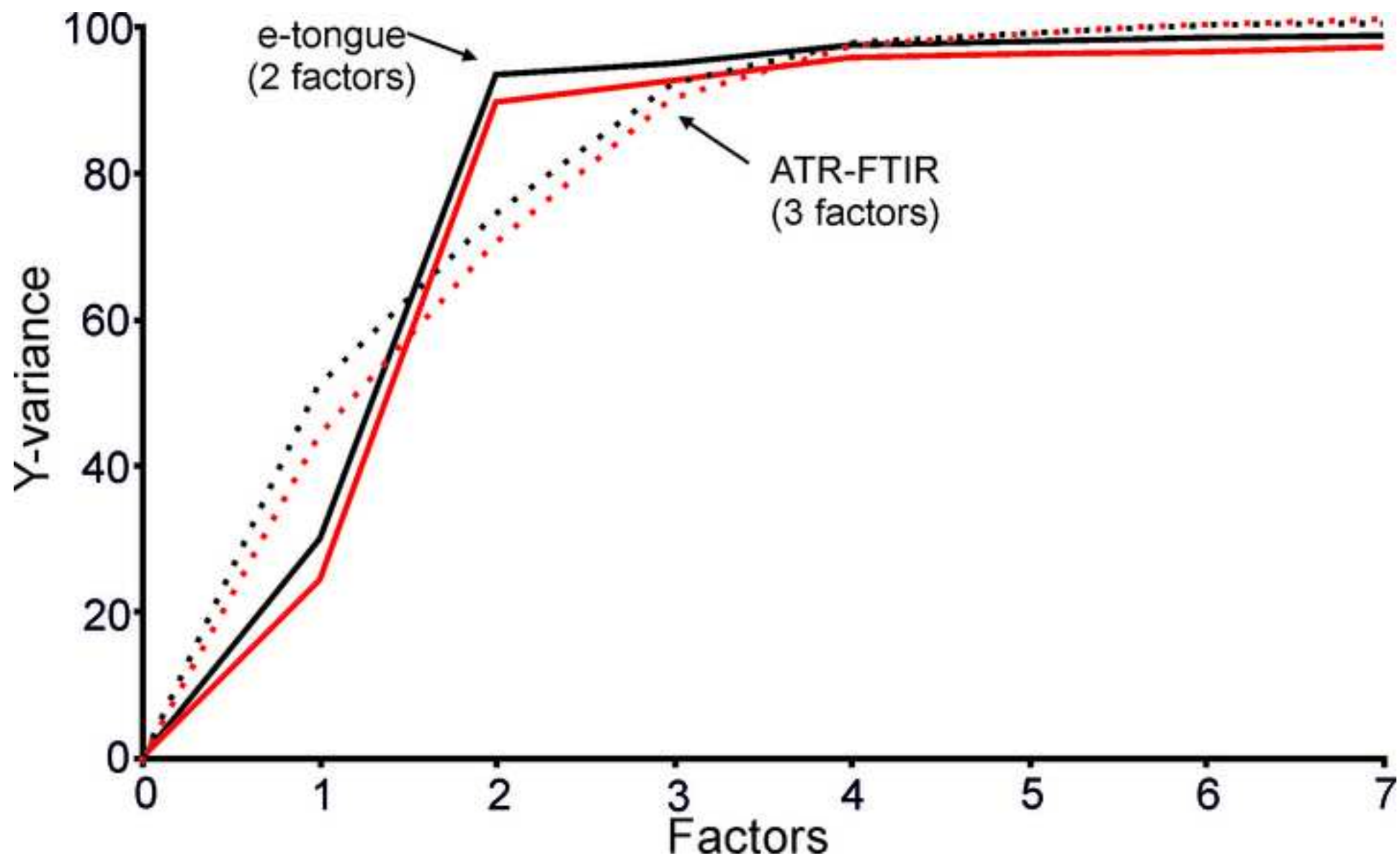


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