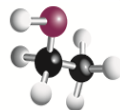
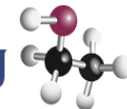
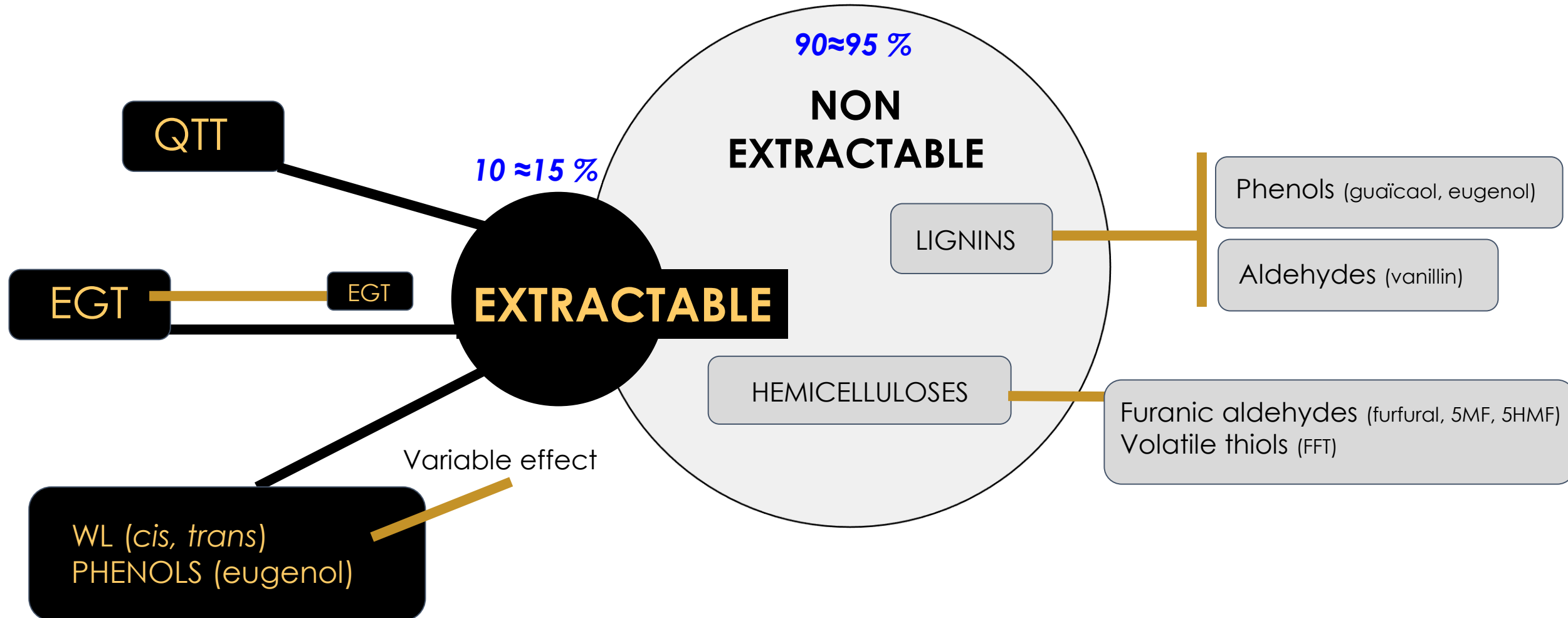


RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WOOD TANNINS, TOASTING AND SENSORY OUTCOMES

MANY SOURCES OF BARREL VARIABILITY





ISSUE #1

VARIATIONS IN TOASTING

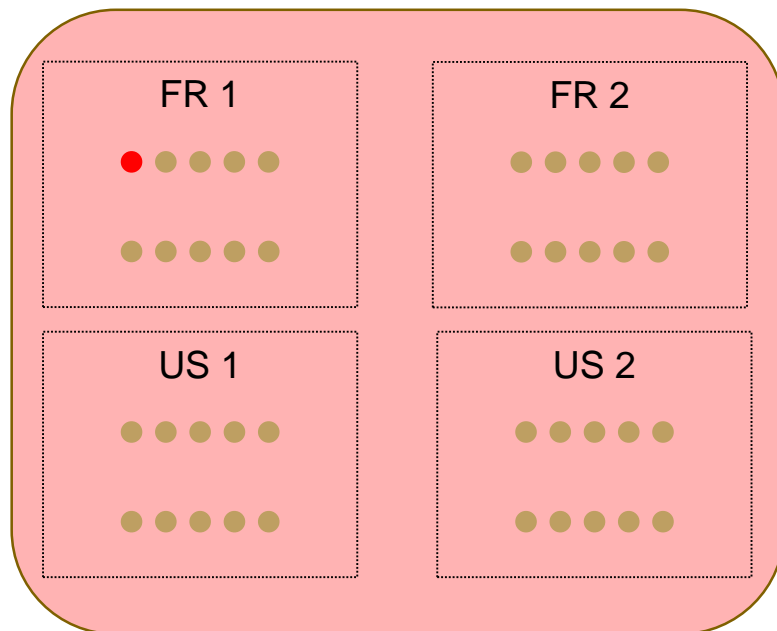


Barrel-to-Barrel Variation of Volatile Oak Extractives at the end of aging.

Adapted from Towey John et al., 1996, AJEV.

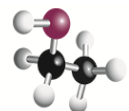


PROTOCOL



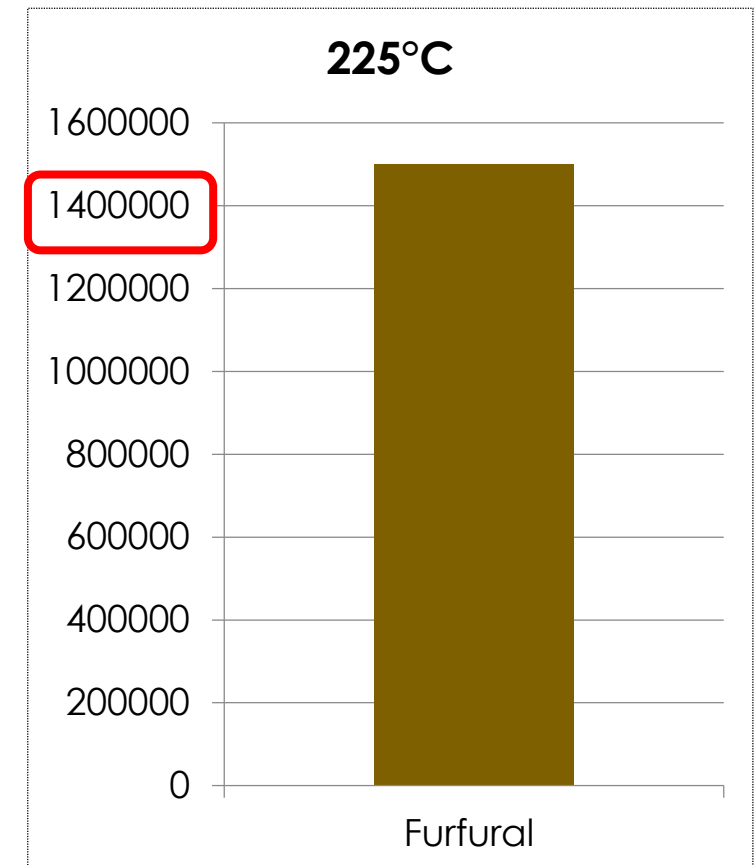
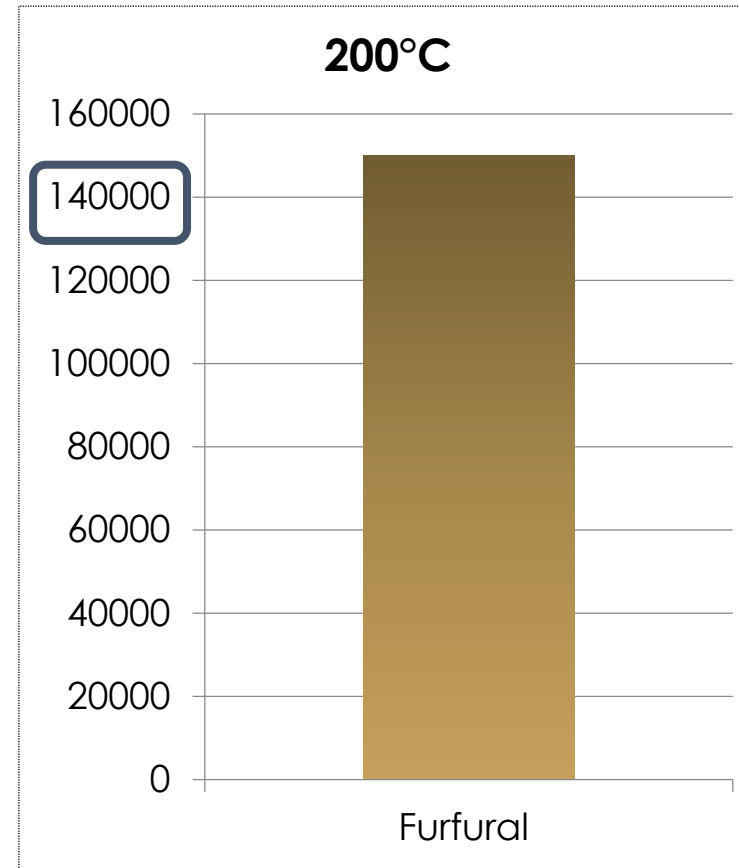
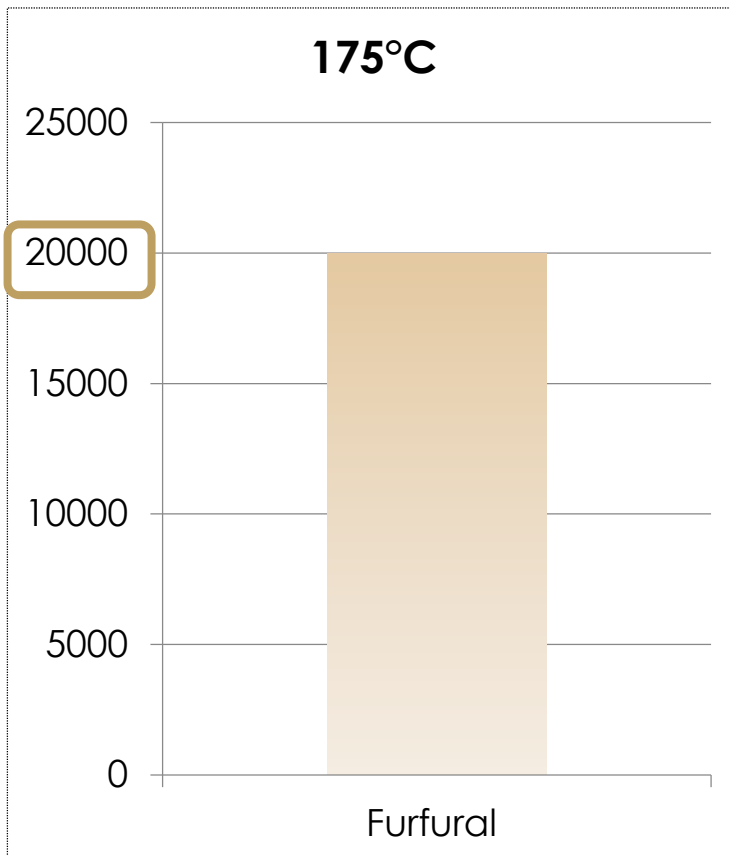
RESULTS

- **15 - 40%** variation in major oak aromas within the same batch of 10 barrels with the same grain and toast.
- **1** barrel could yield chemical levels more than **50%** different from the population!

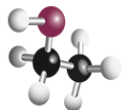
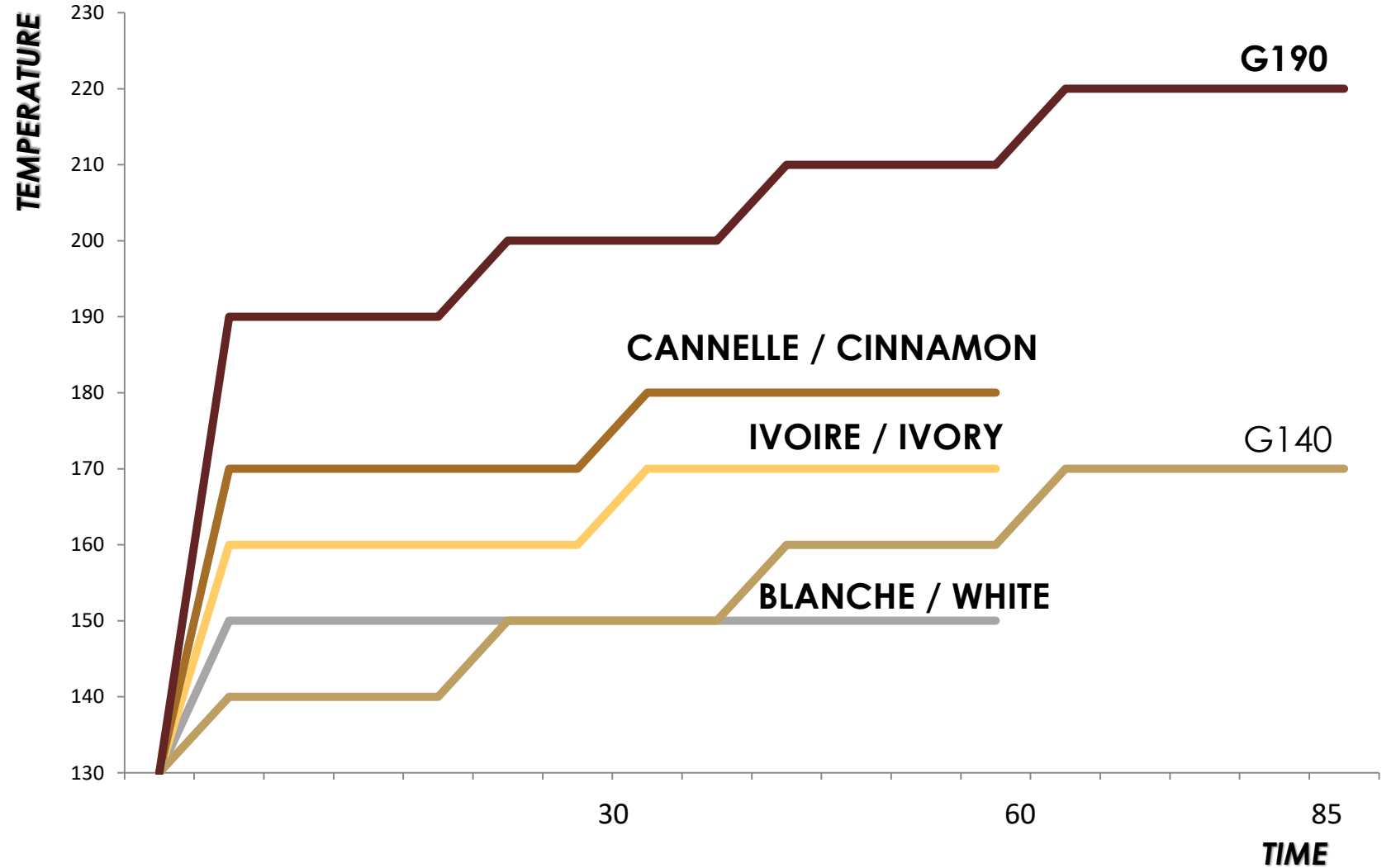
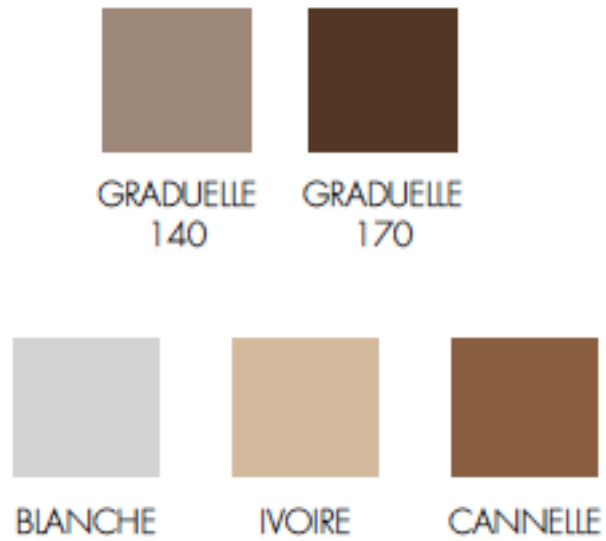


“.....maximum concentrations increased by approximately one order of magnitude with each 25 °C increase in toasting temperature”

Farrell, R. R. et al. Real-Time Mass Spectrometry Monitoring of Oak Wood Toasting: Elucidating Aroma Development Relevant to Oak-aged Wine Quality. *Sci. Rep.* 5, 17334; doi: 10.1038/srep17334 (2015).



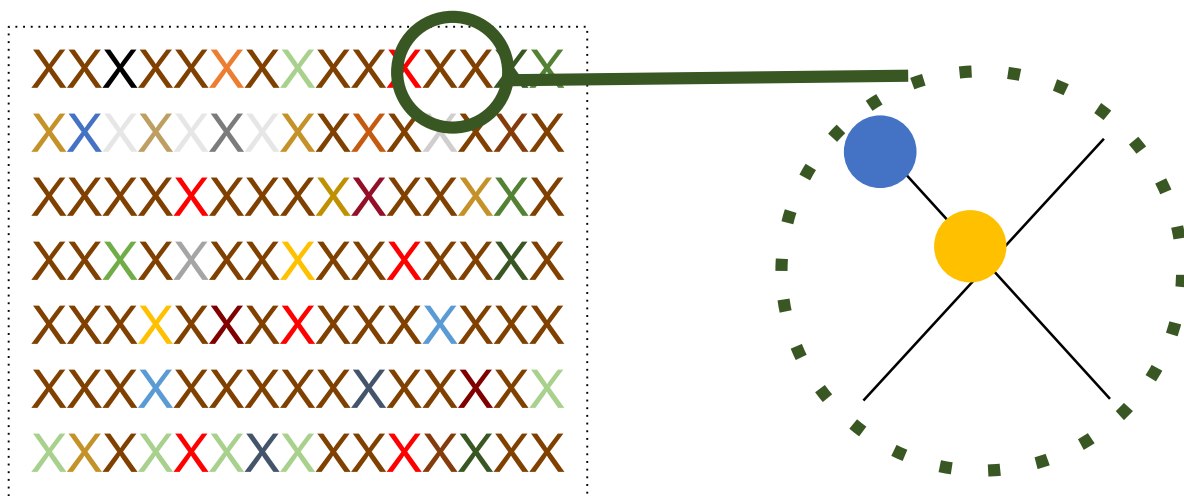
MOLECULAR TOASTING



ISSUE #2

RAW MATERIAL VARIATION

INTER-INDIVIDUAL



Snakkers, 2000 ; Doussot, 2000, 2002 ; Feuillat, 2003, Prida, 2006

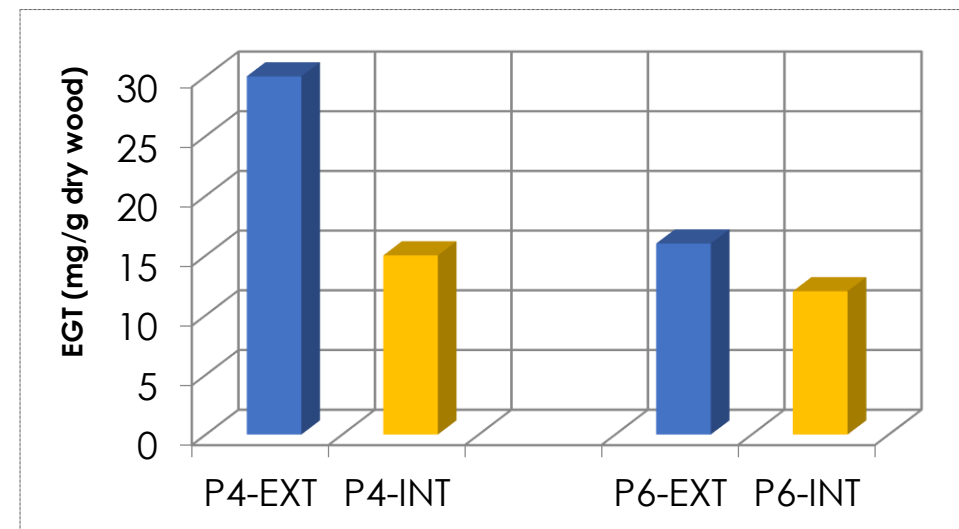


FOREST



TREE

INTRA-INDIVIDUAL



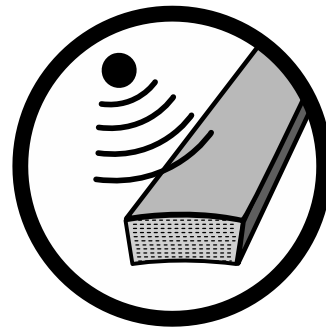
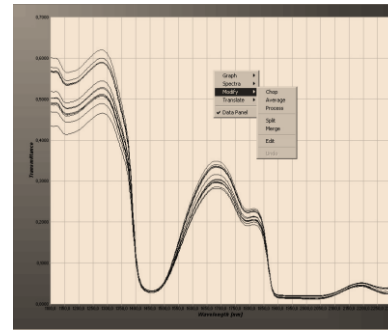
Masson et al, 1995, 1996 ; Mosedale et al., 1996



STAVES

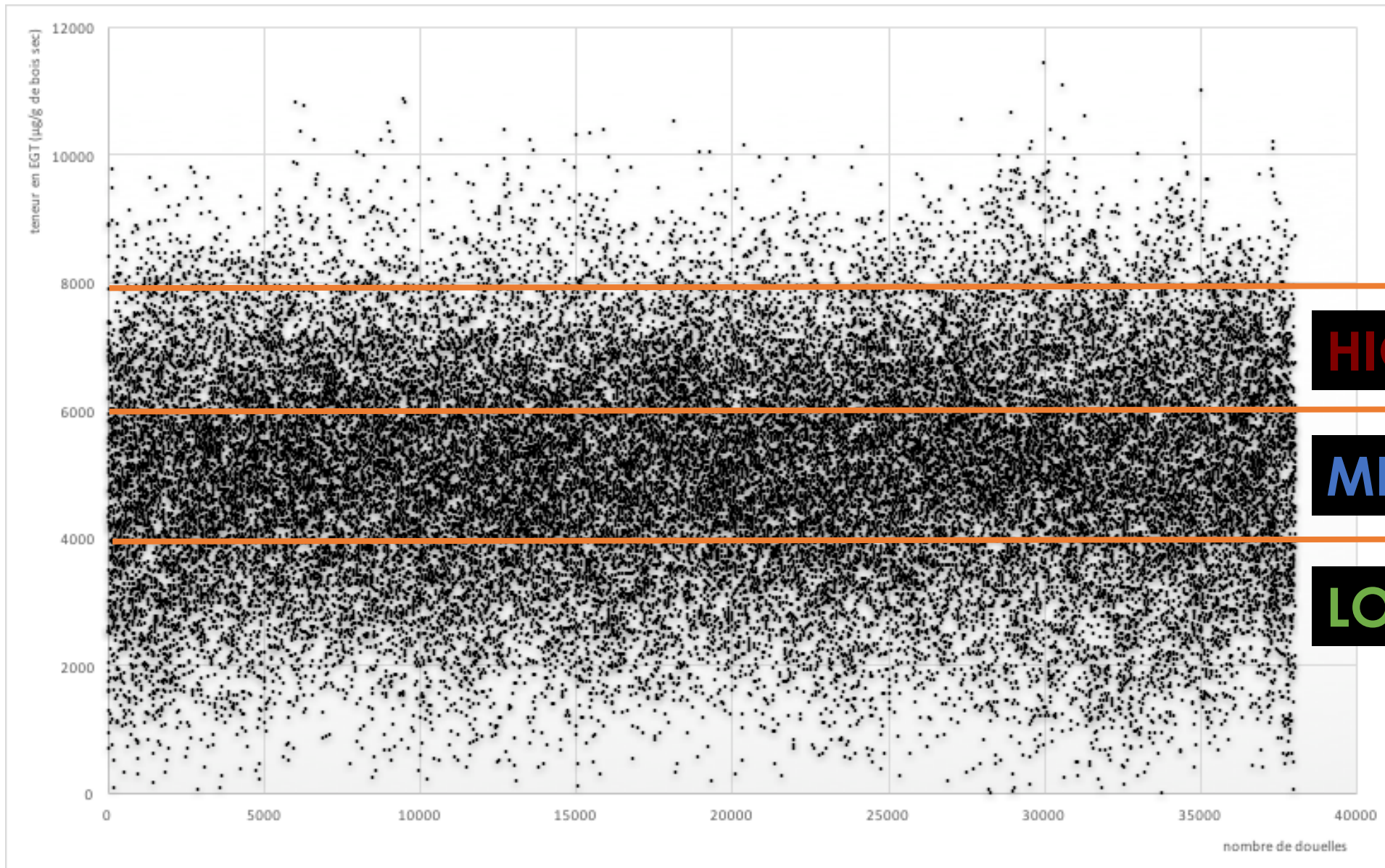
→→ Measure **ellagitannin content** of **EACH STAVE**, after **seasoning and machining** and prior to toasting barrel using NIRS.

NIRS
Near infrared
spectroscopy

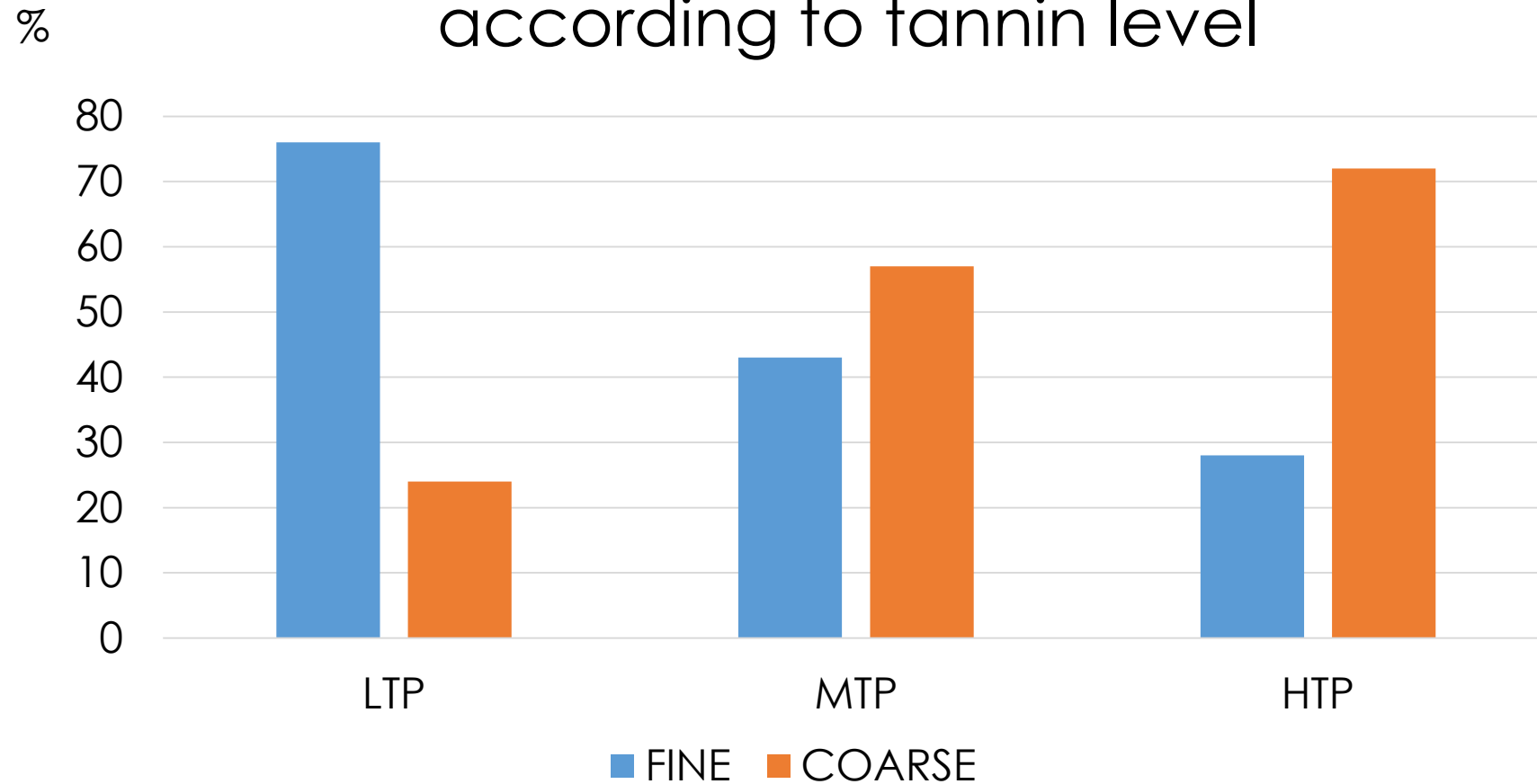


TP	CODE	ELLAGITANNINS ($\mu\text{g} / \text{g}$ of dry wood)
LOW	LTP	2000-4000
MEDIUM	MTP	4001-6000
HIGH	HTP	6001-8000

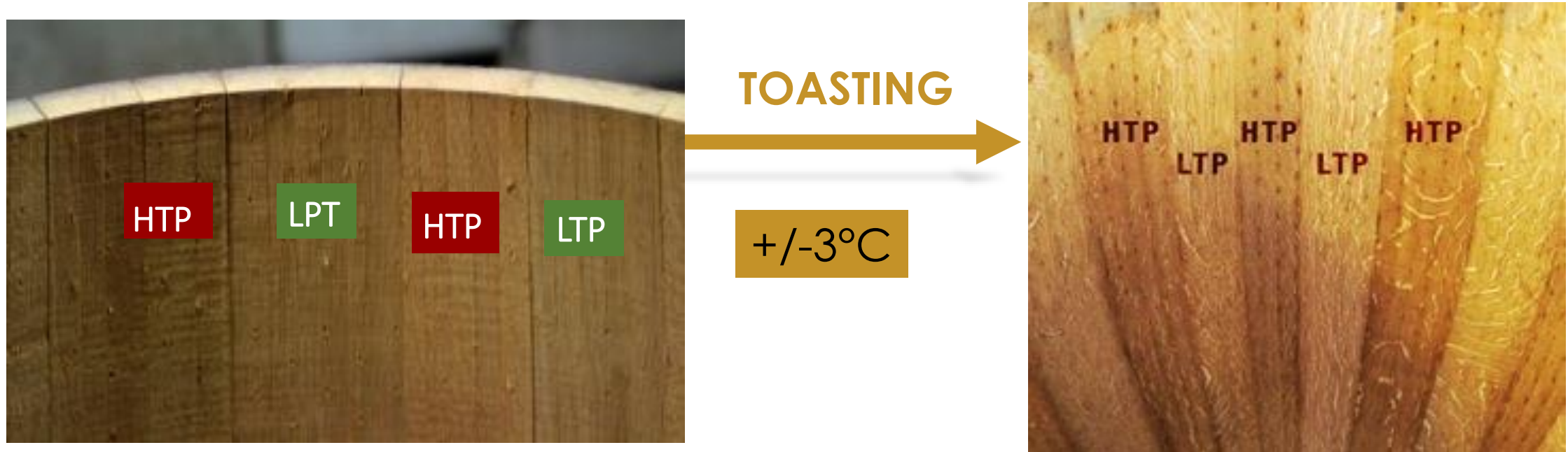
→ → 3 CLASSES OF TP= [Ellagitannins]



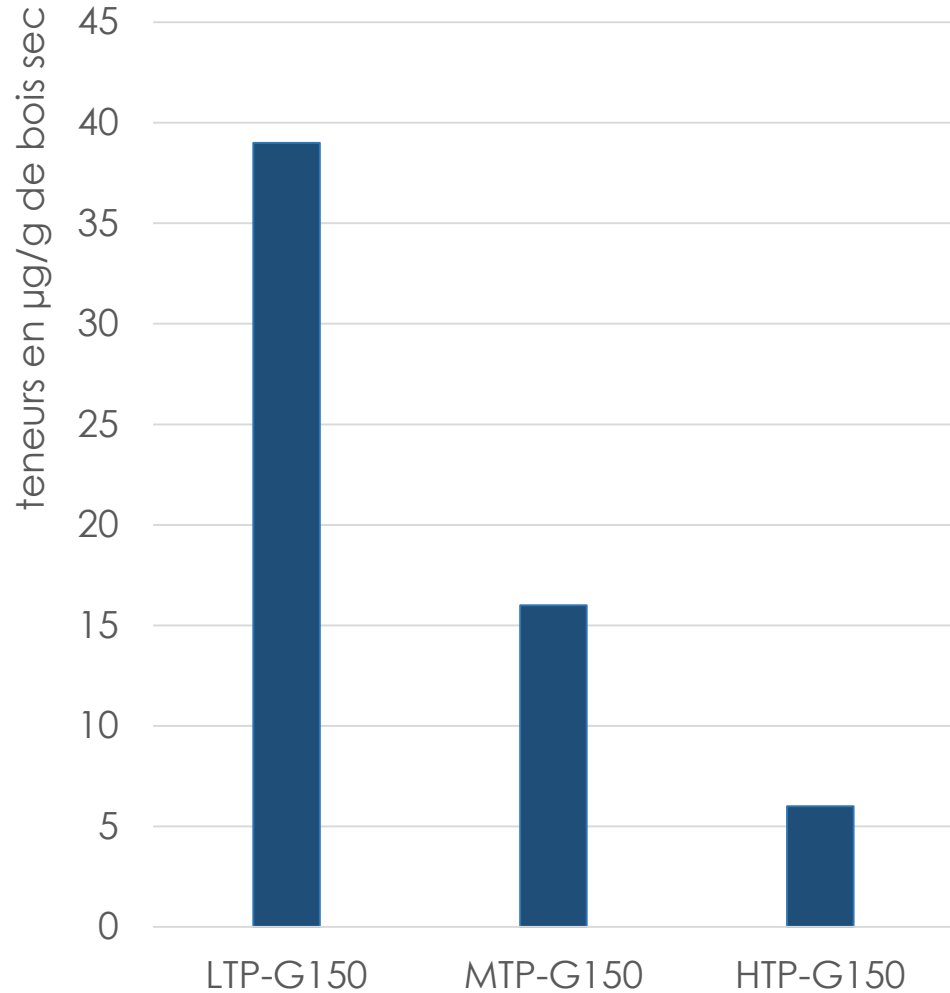
Distribution of grain size according to tannin level



UNTOASTED STAVES after STEAM BENDING (4 min)
Same origin, grain size and humidity level

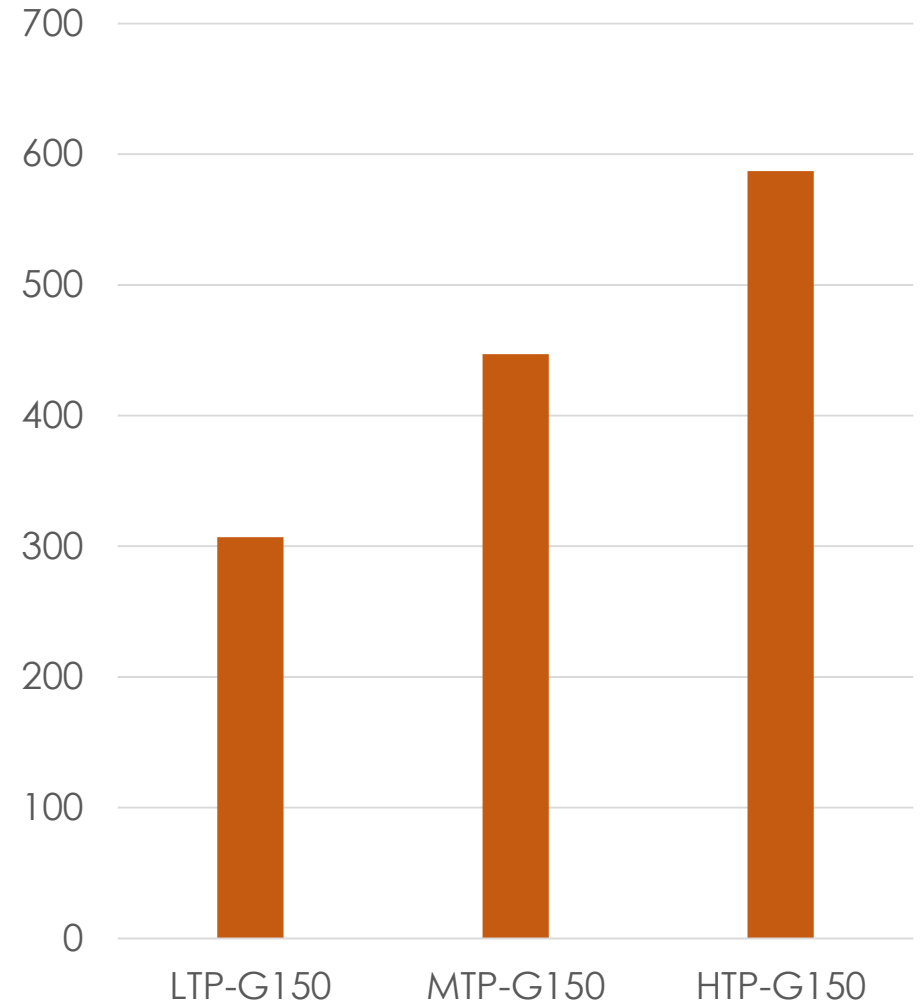


WHISKEY LACTONE Fresh oak and fruity notes

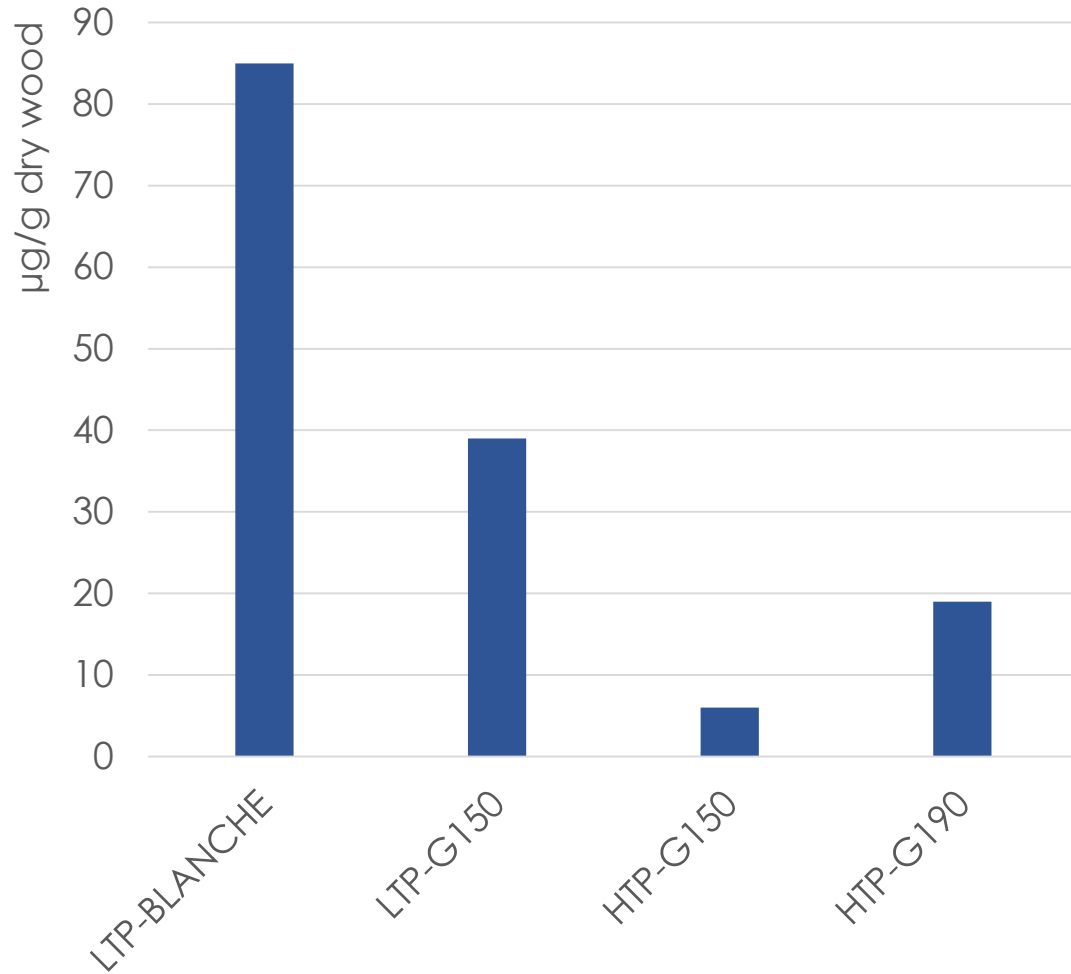


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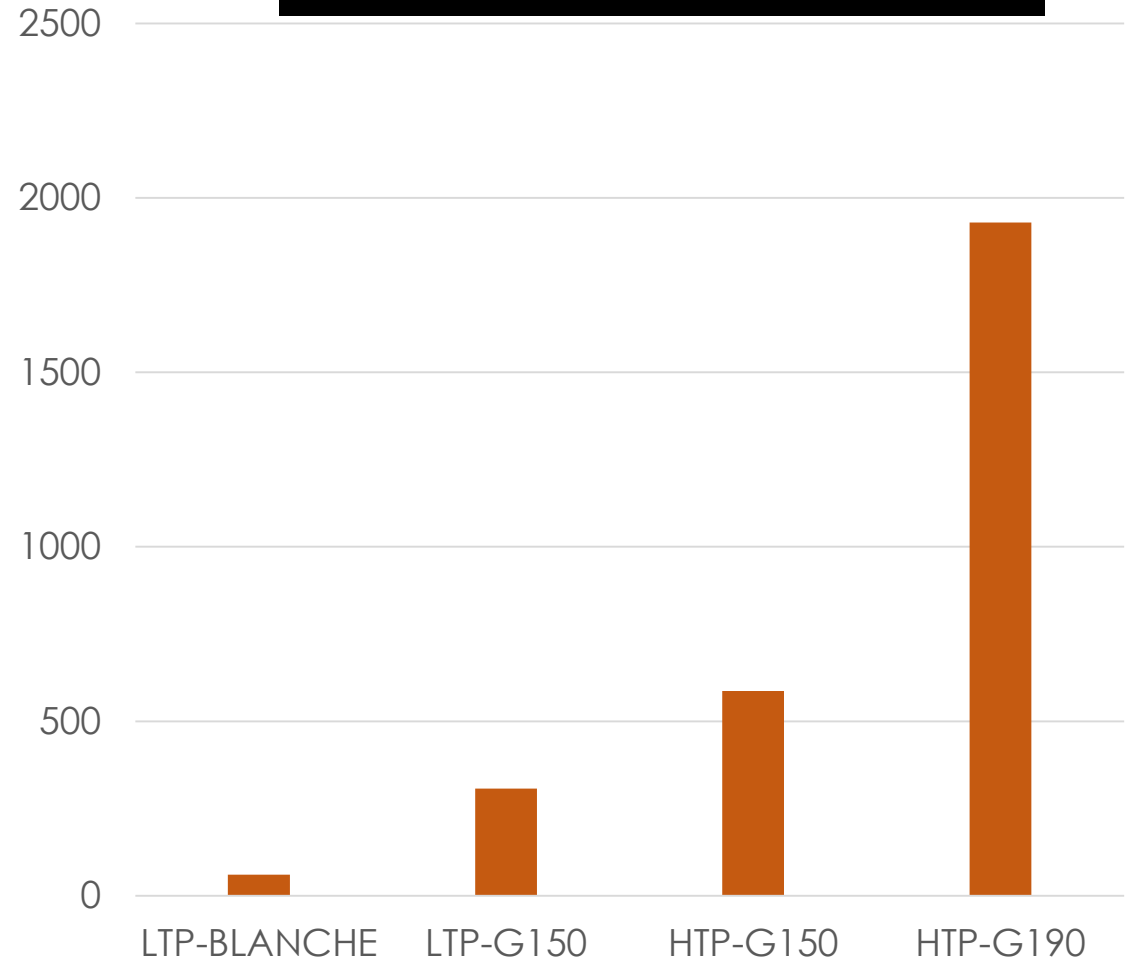
FURANIC ALDHYDES/FURFURAL Toasted notes



WHISKEY LACTONE
Fresh oak and fruity notes



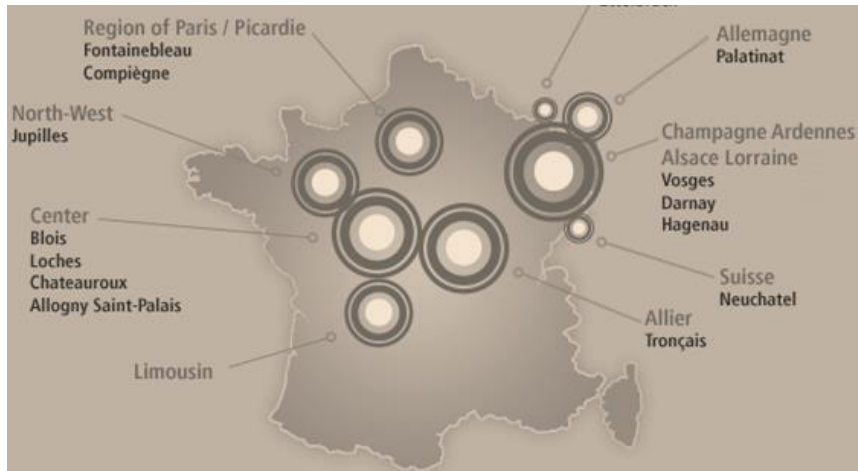
FURANIC ALDYHYDES/FURFURAL
Toasted notes



ISSUE #3

IMPACT OF GEOGRAPHICAL ORIGIN

Trial done in collaboration with the ONF and Château LATOUR
Wood origin: France, 9 forests



Wood seasoning: 30 months
Wood toasting: **gradual 170 (G170)**
225L Barrels in DUPLICATE

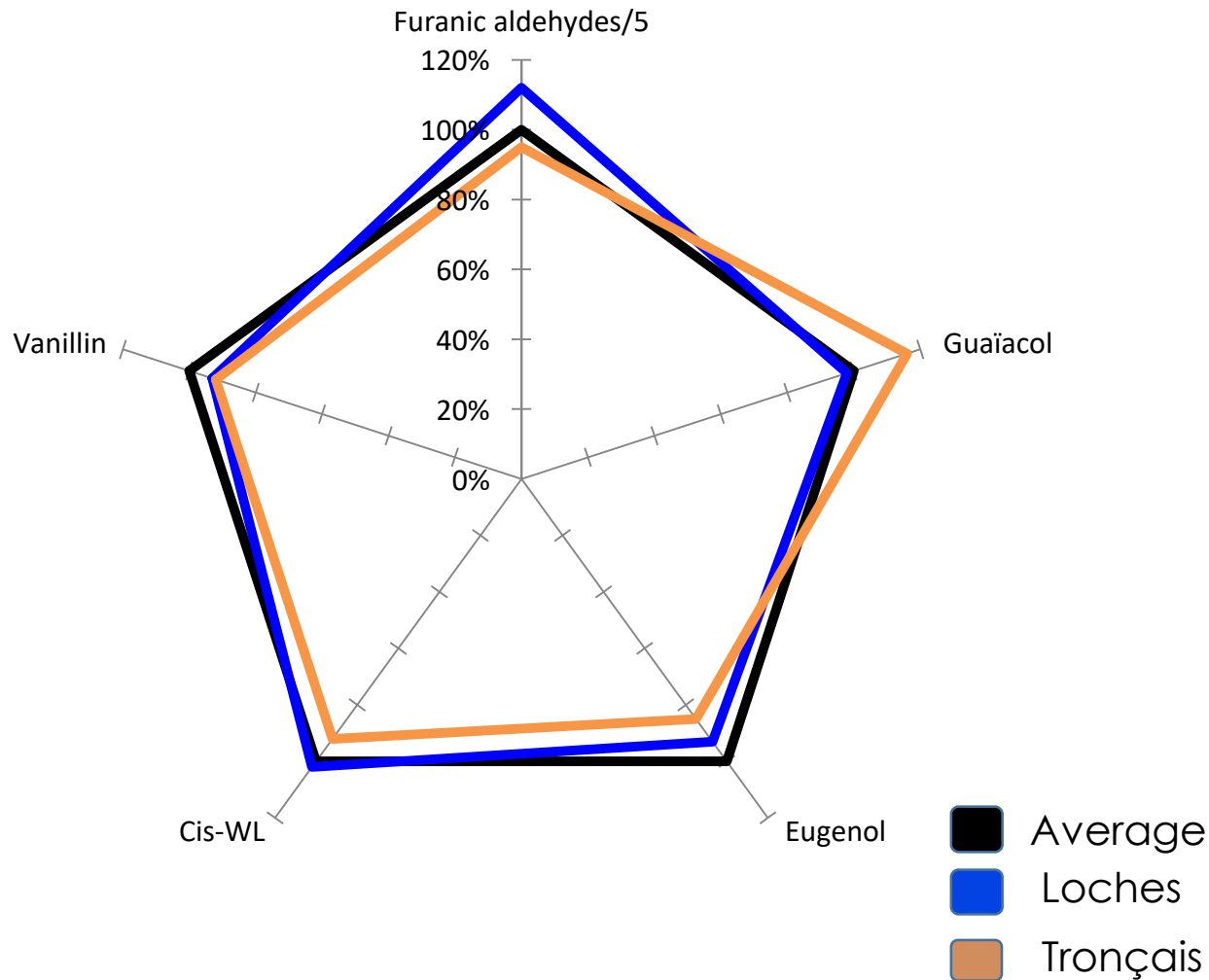
TRIALS ON 2013 & 2014 VINTAGES

WINE: LATOUR BLEND (95 % CS)
BARRELING: January after MLF
AGING PERIOD: 15 months

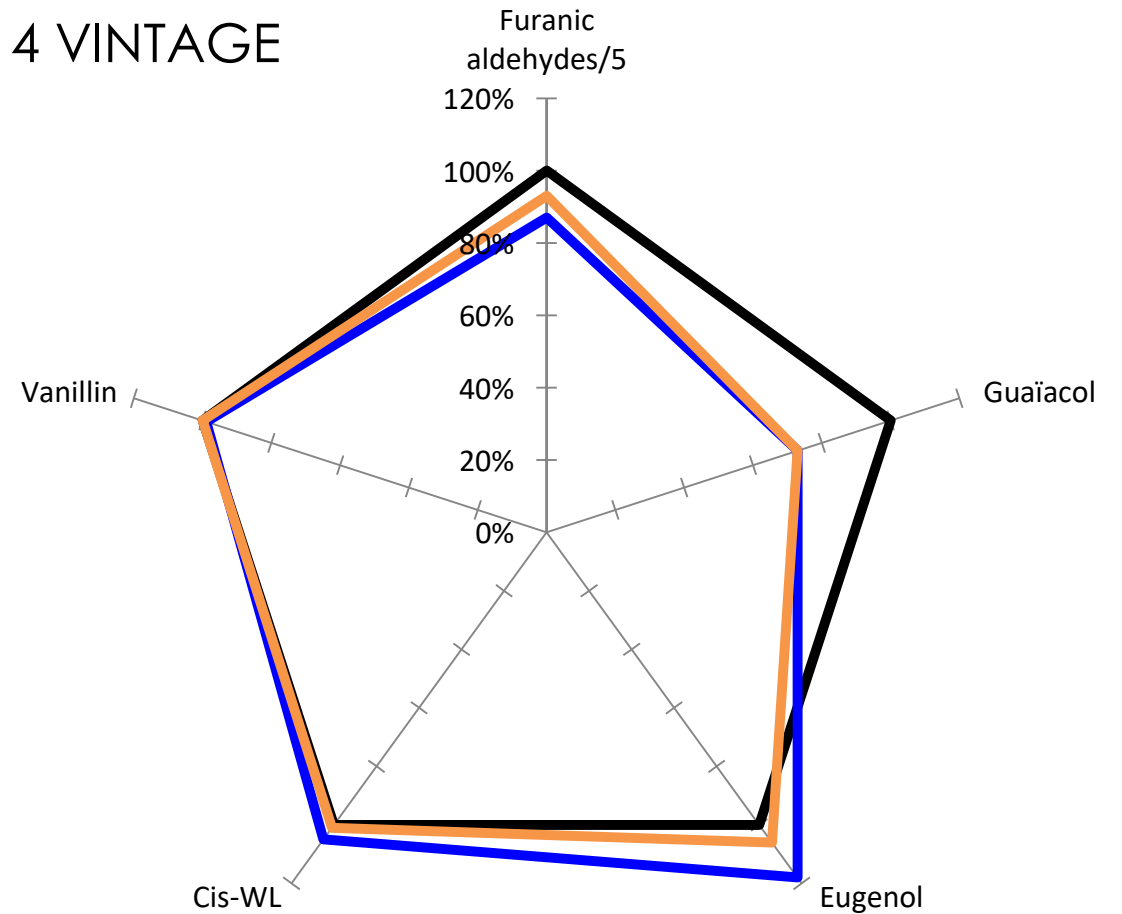
RELATION BETWEEN TANNIN & GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN

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2013 VINTAGE



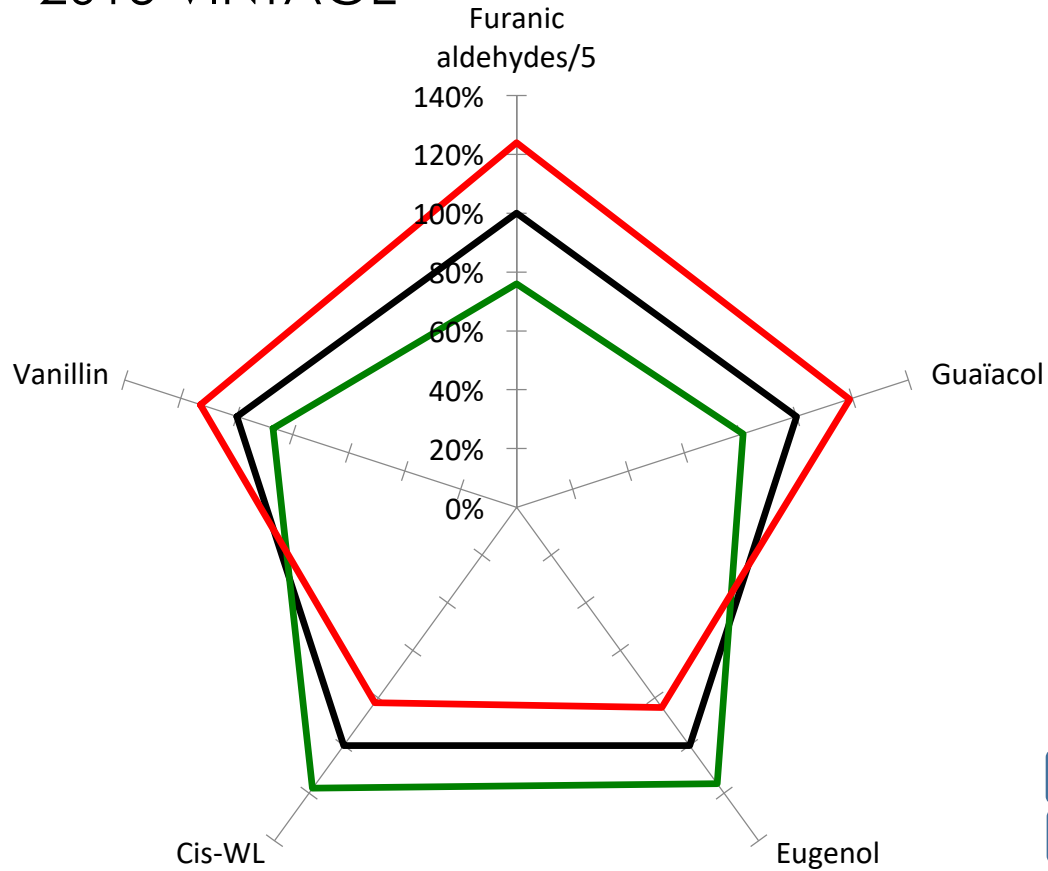
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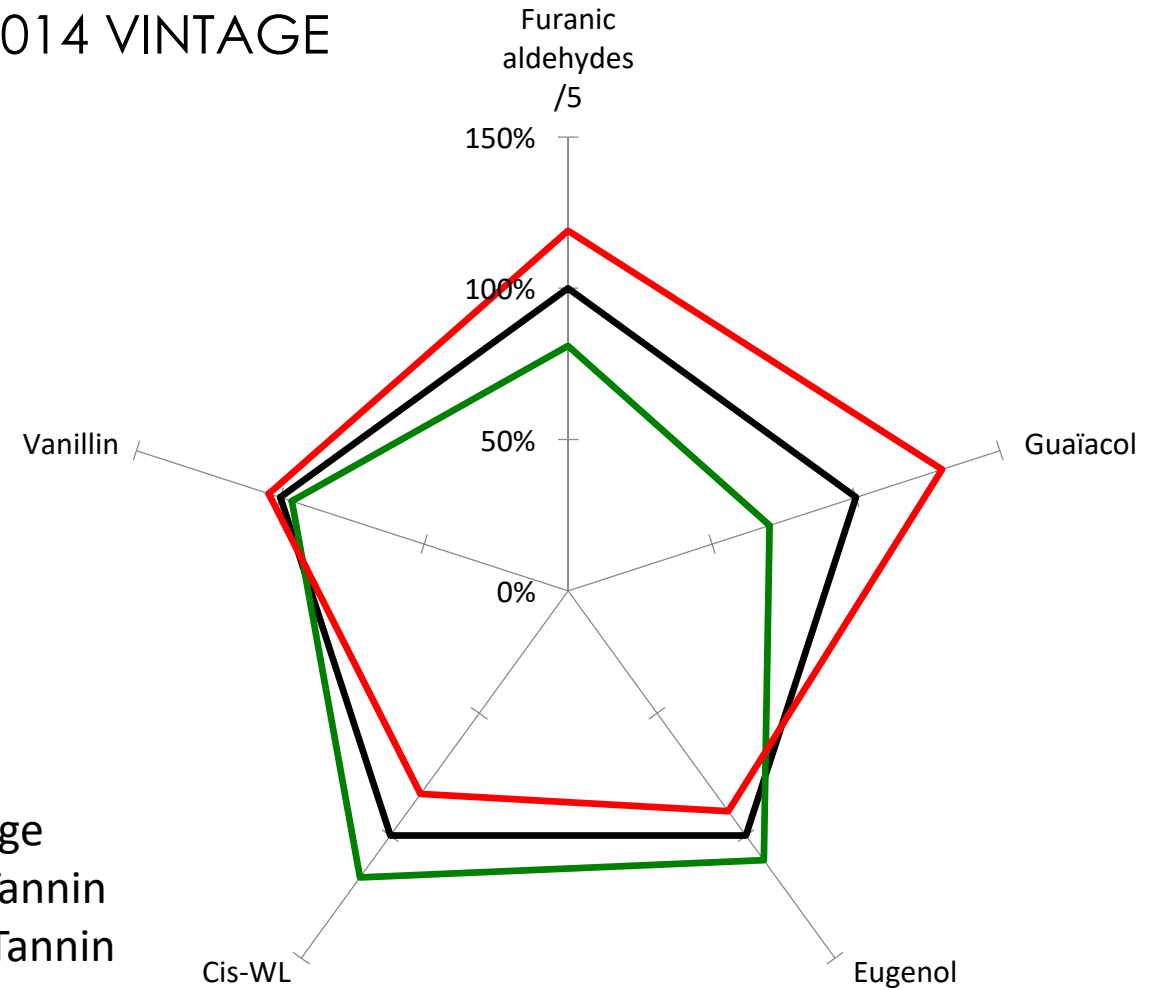
RELATION BETWEEN TANNIN & GEOGRAPHIC ORIGIN?

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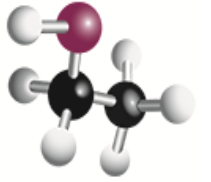
2013 VINTAGE



2014 VINTAGE



Average
 Low Tannin
 High Tannin



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