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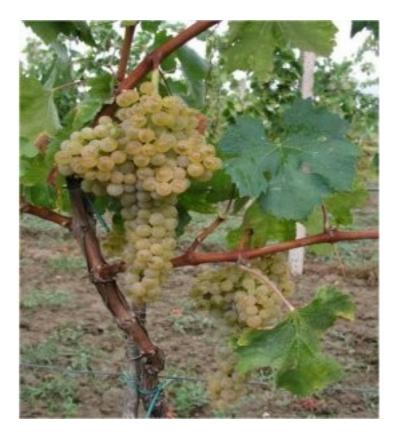


The distinctive sensory descriptors of Malvasija dubrovačka wines

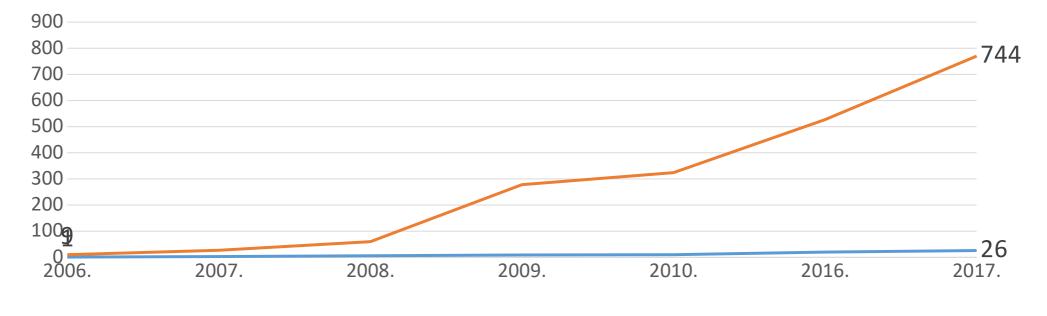
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6. Simposio internazionale delle Malvasie nel bacino del Mediterraneo, Alghero, 2018.

- Malvasija dubrovačka is grape variety with high potencial; for all kinds of technologies and all kinds of wines (still wines, sparkling wines, desert wines)
- The story of Malvasija dubrovačka can be described as a story about the reborned star...



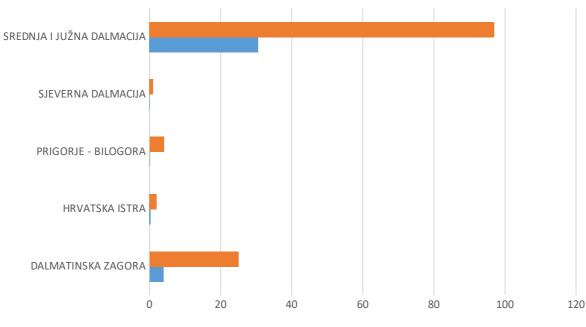
Malvasija dubrovačka wines on the market



— certificates (No) — wine market (hL)

Vineyards and wines of Malvasija dubrovačka

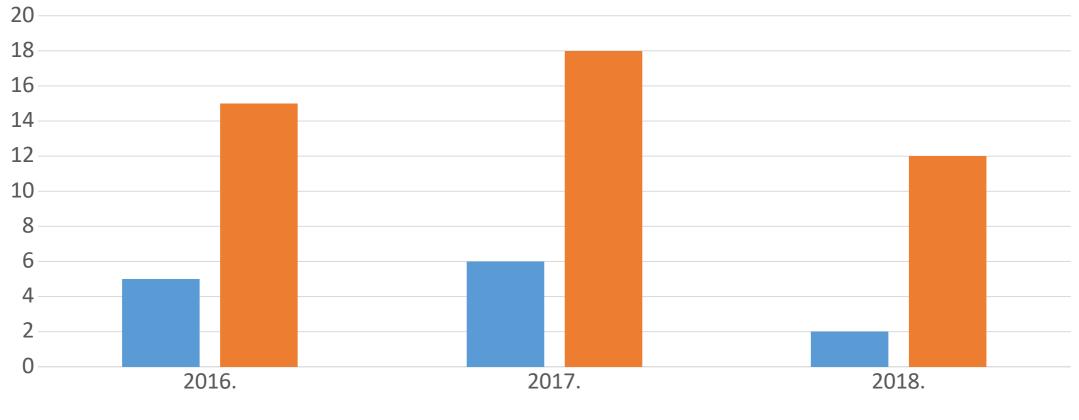
- 35 ha *Malvasija d.* vineyards in Croatia
- 69 grape producers in "Vitiwini" registar



Vineyards (ha) Vineyard (No)



Malvasija dubrovačka; type of wine quality on the market



quality wine

The goal of research

- Malvasija dubrovačka wines are protected under the PDO Srednja i južna Dalmacija, but not satisfactory
- There is no official sensory description of MD wines; different terms are used by different professions
- We are faced with the need to harmonize the approach of wine vocabulary
- Association of MD producers want to legalise PDO specification for MD on its own
- The results of this research should be used as a tool in preparing of specification, as well as MD wines communication

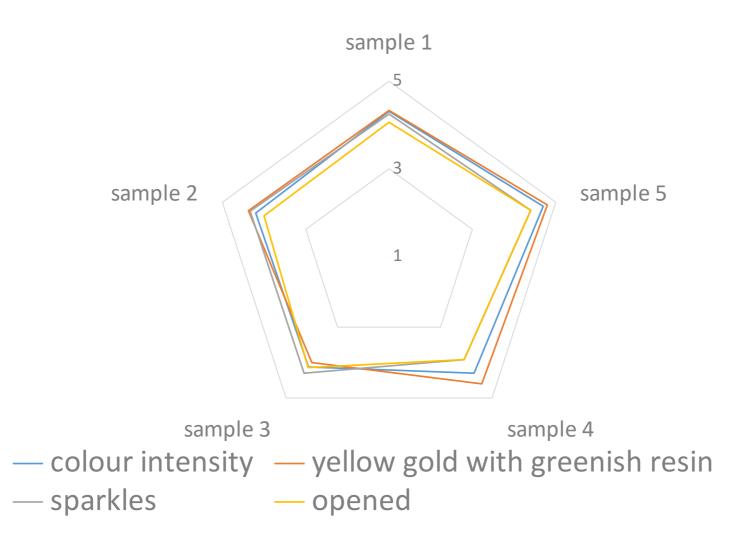
Material and methods

- Malvasija dubrovačka still wines
- Vintages 2016. and 2017.
- The samples were colected from the market
- All samples were PDO *Srednja i južna Dalmacija*, high quality wines (produced with no quality correction of grape must)
- The data of physico-chemical parameters, according to nacional and EU regulatives, corresponded with certificates for the market

Two levels of descriptive sensory evaluation

- Professionals, from aroma food industry, well trained in sensory analyses, tested the samples
- They had no informations about the origin of samples (origin of grape, grape variety, vintage)
- They made the first selection of aroma descriptors
- Official wine assessors, well educated and experienced in grape and wine production, certified at academic level, made the second analyses
- Aroma descriptors prepared in the first step, combined with OIV descriptors, were analysed, in repetition for each sample
- Score range for atributes was from 0 (can not be recognised) to 5 (very strong, very intensive)
- ISO 8589 (technical conditions)

Selected colour descriptors

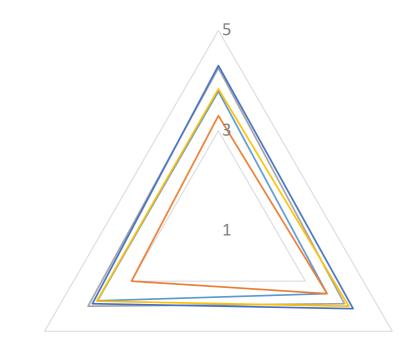


Selected taste descriptors



Descriptors of aroma, "in general"

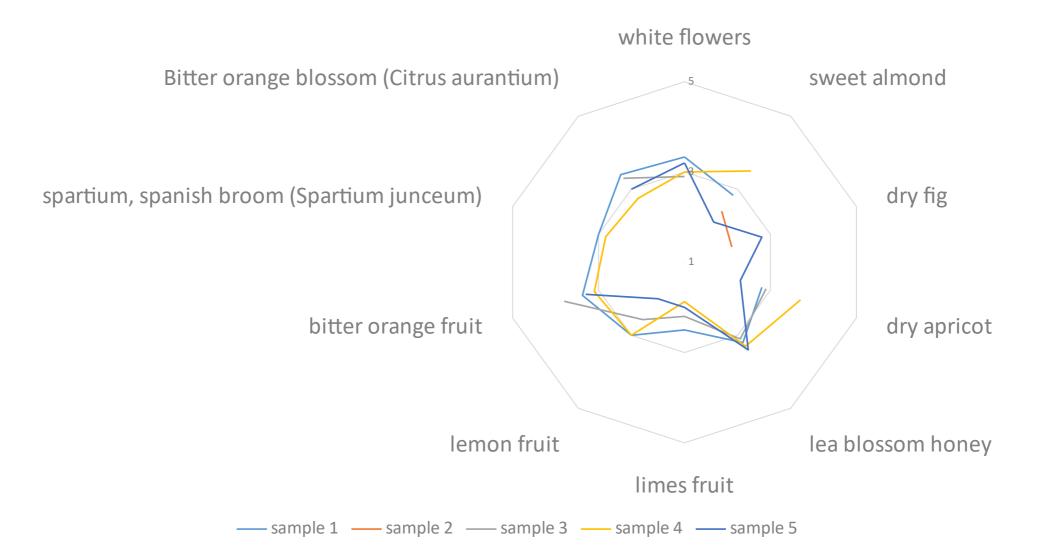
very pleasant aroma



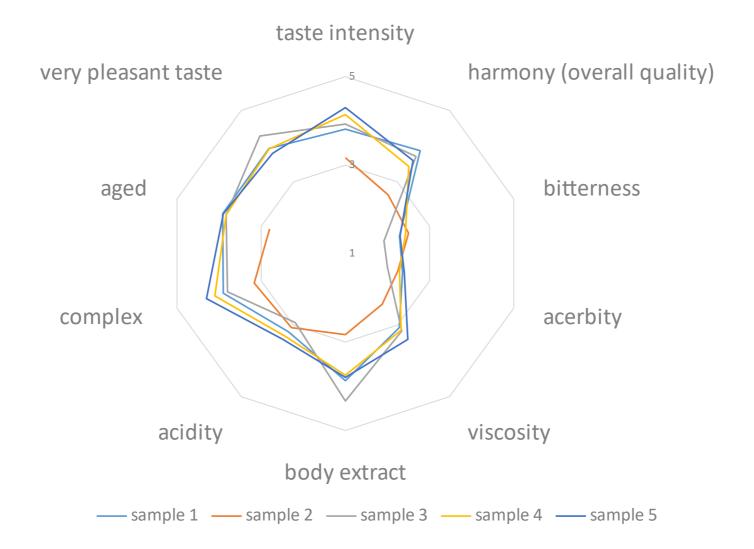
complexicity of aroma

created, aged bouquet

Distinctive aroma descriptors



Descriptors of quality "in general"



Next activities

- Colaboration with assosiation of MD producers to include them in sensory testing of wines, vintage 2018.
- Comarison of their results with the results obtained from professionals
- Go on with chemical analyses of volatiles (GC-MS)
- The results of both analyses and sensory evaluation will be submitted to appropriate statistical tools
- We expect to find very strong link between chosen sensory descriptors and volatile compounds





Thank you!

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