

1         **CAN USE OF ULTRASOUNDS IN RED WINEMAKING INCREASE POLYPHENOL**  
2         **EXTRACTION FROM GRAPE SKINS IRRESPECTIVE OF THE CULTIVAR?**

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9         **ABSTRACT**

10        The aim of this study was to investigate whether ultrasound treatment used in winemaking on grape  
11        cultivars with different ripening times improves the extraction of phenolic compounds. The  
12        cultivars used were Primitivo (early ripening), Nero di Troia (medium-late) and Aglianico (late), all  
13        grown in southern Italy. The trial used four pilot plants consisting of 200-L submerged cap stainless  
14        steel horizontal rotary wine fermenters. De-stemmed Primitivo grapes were directly subjected to the  
15        ultrasound treatment, whereas de-stemmed Nero di Troia and Aglianico grapes were processed after  
16        dilution with previously extracted juice (1:1 w/v). Our results showed that ultrasound improved the  
17        extraction of flavonoids (+15%), total polyphenols (+10%) and proanthocyanidins (+100%) in  
18        Primitivo, had little effect on Nero di Troia, and actually increased all phenol classes for Aglianico.  
19        The main outcome of this research is that the effect of ultrasound treatment seems to be cultivar-  
20        dependent, and that ultrasound could therefore be useful in winemaking with Primitivo and  
21        Aglianico.

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23        *Industrial relevance:* The use of ultrasounds in winemaking could increase the extraction of phenols  
24        from grapes, improving the sensory quality and health benefits of wine due to the higher content of  
25        nutraceuticals. The ultrasound generator and transducer can easily be included in existent traditional  
26        winemaking processes as an "add on" technology, without distorting the processing lines. This

27 innovation reduces the environmental impact of winemaking, involving lower energy consumption  
28 and reduced processing times, and it improves the quality of wines so that they can be more easily  
29 marketed.

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## 38 **1. Introduction**

39 Grapes are a source of phenolic compounds, which play an important role both in plant physiology  
40 and for human health. Phenols work in various reactions to protect cells against abiotic stresses like  
41 UV-light, or against biotic stresses such as attacks by predators and pathogens (Weisshaar &  
42 Jenkins, 1998; Winkel-Shirley, 2002). Moreover, many phenolic compounds, such as resveratrol,  
43 quercetin and rutin, have been reported as having biological activities, including cardio-protective,  
44 anti-inflammatory, anti-carcinogenic, antiviral and antibacterial properties, attributed mainly to  
45 their antioxidant and antiradical activity (Frankel, German, Kinsella, Parks, & Kanner, 1993; King,  
46 Bomser, & Min, 2006; Santos-Buelga & Scalbert, 2000; Teissedre, Frankel, Waterhouse, Peleg, &  
47 German, 1996).

48 In oenology, phenols are very important molecules, because they contribute to the wine's sensory  
49 properties, such as colour, flavour, astringency and bitterness. Anthocyanins and flavan-3-ols are  
50 flavonoids and are very important for the quality of red wine. Anthocyanins are responsible for  
51 colour, and flavan-3-ols, the so-called condensed tannins or proanthocyanidins, are responsible for  
52 astringency and bitterness (Gawel, 1998; Peleg, Gacon, Schlich, & Noble, 1999), and for their role

53 in long-term colour stability (Somers, 1971; Vivar-Quintana, Santos-Buelga, & Rivas-Gonzalo,  
54 2002). It is well known that anthocyanins are located in grape skins, whereas flavans-3-ols are  
55 located in skins and in seeds. These compounds are extracted from grapes at the  
56 maceration/fermentation stage of winemaking. The phenolic composition of red wine is affected by  
57 different factors, such as the grapevine genome, winemaking technology and ageing conditions  
58 (Baiano, Terracone, Gambacorta, & La Notte, 2009; Gambacorta et al., 2011a; Gambuti, Rinaldi,  
59 Ugliano, & Moio, 2013; Gambuti et al., 2016; González-Neves, Gil, & Barreiro, 2008; Pérez-  
60 Lamela, García-Falcón, Simal-Gándara, & Orriols-Fernández, 2007). As far as winemaking  
61 technologies are concerned, in recent years ultrasound-assisted extraction has been tested to  
62 enhance the content and composition of the phenolic compounds in red wines.

63 In particular, ultrasound treatments are used to increase the extraction of polyphenols and volatiles  
64 from grape skins during maceration, and to accelerate and enhance aging. Ultrasound efficacy is  
65 linked to the formation of small bubbles that then collapse, generating kinetic energy that destroys  
66 the cell walls of vegetable tissues in aqueous systems. This process is known as cavitation, and its  
67 effects are mainly mechanical at frequencies of up to 20 kHz, and chemical at higher frequencies  
68 (Mason, Paniwnyk, & Lorimer, 1996). Several studies have recently explained the effects on colour  
69 and flavour of the use of ultrasound at different stages of the winemaking process (Bates & Patist,  
70 2010; El Darra, Grimi, Maroun, Louka, & Vorobiev, 2013; Ferraretto, Cacciola, Ferran Batllò, &  
71 Celotti, 2013; Ferraretto & Celotti, 2016). The increase in tannins and anthocyanin concentration, as  
72 results of US application, gives wines with better aging potential (Coletta et al., 2013; García  
73 Martín & Sun, 2013). One of the most important changes during aging is a progressive increase and  
74 stabilization of the colour due to copigment anthocyanin complexes and the formation of both  
75 tannin–tannin and anthocyanin–tannin complexes (Boulton, 2001). Masuzawa, Ohdaira, and Ide  
76 (2000), found that the polymerization of polyphenolic compounds in red wine was promoted by  
77 ultrasound at low sound pressure levels.

78 The aim of this study was to evaluate the effectiveness of ultrasound treatment on wine grape  
79 cultivars grown in southern Italy, which have different ripening times: Aglianico, Nero di Troia and  
80 Primitivo.

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## 82 **2. Materials and methods**

### 83 *2.1. Grape sampling*

84 The research was conducted in September-October 2014 on Primitivo (early ripening), Nero di  
85 Troia (medium-late ripening) and Aglianico (late ripening) grape cultivars from three different  
86 vineyards in southern Italy. Primitivo from the Gioia del Colle area (Puglia Region) was harvested  
87 on 19<sup>th</sup> September, Nero di Troia from the Corato area (Puglia Region) was harvested on 1<sup>st</sup> October,  
88 and Aglianico from the Avellino area (Campania Region) was harvested on 4<sup>th</sup> November.  
89 Approximately 1,000 kg of grapes were hand-picked for each cultivar, packed in 20 kg perforated  
90 plastic boxes and transferred to Agricole Pietraventosa winery at Gioia del Colle for the  
91 winemaking trials.

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### 93 *2.2. Winemaking*

94 The grapes were processed using four "Gioiello" pilot plants, consisting of 200-L stainless steel  
95 horizontal rotary wine fermenters with a submerged cap (Industrie Fracchiolla, Adelfia, Italy). Two  
96 of the fermenters, were equipped when necessary with an ultrasonic delivery system consisting of a  
97 Sonic Digital LC 1500 SD 25-P ultrasonic generator (25 kHz frequency, 1500 W power output) and  
98 Sonopush HD Double Twin 1500 titanium transducer (WEAL, Milan, Italy). The schematic  
99 drawing of the fermenter fitted with the ultrasonic delivery system is shown in Fig. 1. The power  
100 indicated on the display of the ultrasound generator was 100% when the fermenter was loaded with  
101 water.

102 Primitivo was the first cultivar to be vinified, and was also used for setting up the ultrasound  
103 parameters and the screening effectiveness of this technique in comparison with an alternative

104 technology already in use (cryomaceration). Grapes were de-stemmed and divided into four aliquots  
105 (approximately 250 kg each), then vinified using four different technologies: traditional maceration  
106 (P-C, control), cold pre-fermentative maceration (P-CM, cryomaceration), pre-fermentative  
107 ultrasound maceration (P-UBF) and post-fermentative ultrasound maceration (P-UAF), as described  
108 in Table 1. During ultrasound treatments, the display of the ultrasound generator indicated that the  
109 power of the delivery system decreased to 30%. This may be explained by the large quantity of  
110 skins which collected around the transducer, thus acting as a "screen" reducing the propagation of  
111 the ultrasound waves. Consequently, the experimental protocol was modified: in particular,  
112 ultrasounds were applied only in pre-fermentation, and the solid/liquid ratio was reduced in order to  
113 increase power. This was done by diluting de-stemmed grapes with juice of the same cultivar in the  
114 ratio of 1:1 (w:v). It was impossible to repeat winemaking with Primitivo because no grapes were  
115 available, but the modified ultrasound protocol was used with the other two cultivars: Nero di Troia  
116 and Aglianico. Specifically, approximately 85 kg of de-stemmed grapes were diluted with 85 L of  
117 juice (obtained with a manual wine-press), and vinified by traditional (NT-C, Nero di Troia control;  
118 A-C, Aglianico control) and pre-fermentation ultrasound maceration (NT-U, Nero di Troia  
119 ultrasound; A-U, Aglianico ultrasound), as described in Table 1. The trials were done in duplicate  
120 using the four pilot plants described above (2 controls + 2 ultrasounds for each cultivar). The  
121 reduction in the solid/liquid ratio limited the decrease of the power of the ultrasonic delivery system  
122 (the value indicated on the display was 60%). At the end of maceration (7 days), free-run wine was  
123 unloaded from the fermenter, and the pomace was transferred into the hand press to recover press-  
124 run wine by gentle pressing. Free-run and press-run wines were blended and transferred into 200-L  
125 stainless steel vats. One week later, the wines were transferred to other stainless steel vats in order  
126 to remove gross lees. After six months, the wines were finally bottled without any post-treatment,  
127 and then analysed.

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129 *2.3. Chemical analysis*

130 For each cultivar, a representative 300-berry sample was picked from the top, middle and bottom of  
131 bunches taken from the perforated plastic boxes at the winery. A sub-sample of 150 berries (divided  
132 into three 50-berry replicates) was submitted to chemical analysis, while the remaining 150 berries  
133 were used to analyse phenols. The berries were pressed and the juice obtained was analysed for  
134 total soluble solids (TSS, °Brix), pH and titratable acidity (TA, g/L tartaric acid), according to EEC  
135 2676 standard procedure (EEC, 1990).

136 The chemical characteristics of wines were assessed by determining ethanol (E, % v/v), pH,  
137 titratable acidity (TA, g/L), volatile acidity (VA, g/L acetic acid), malic acid (MA, g/L) and lactic  
138 acid (LA, g/L), dry reduced extract (DRE, g/L) and ashes (g/L) using an AutoAnalyzer FOSS  
139 WineScan FT 120 FT-MIR spectrometer (FOSS, Padua, Italy).

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#### 141 *2.4. Analysis of phenolic compounds*

##### 142 *2.4.1. Extraction from skins*

143 From each lot of 150 berries, 90 were selected and divided into three sub-samples (30 berries per  
144 replicate), then subjected to extraction of phenols according to the method of Di Stefano and  
145 Cravero (2001) with some modifications. Briefly, skins were manually separated from the pulp,  
146 gently dried on filter paper and then macerated in 75 mL of ethanol/water/HCl solution (70/30/1  
147 v/v) for 24 h at room temperature in the dark. Then, the extract was filtered through filter paper and  
148 immediately analysed.

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##### 150 *2.4.2. Assessment of phenol composition*

151 Phenol composition of skin extracts and wines was determined according to Di Stefano and Cravero  
152 (2001), whereas the colour indices (CI, colour intensity; T, tonality) were assessed according to the  
153 Glories procedure (1984), using an UV-visible spectrophotometer (Beckman Coulter DU 800,  
154 USA). Detailed procedures for the analysis of flavonoids (F), anthocyanins (A), total polyphenols

155 (TP), proanthocyanidins (P) and flavans reactive with vanillin (FRV) of grape skin extracts and  
156 wines have been reported in a previous work (Gambacorta et al., 2011b).

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#### 158 *2.4.3. HPLC-PAD anthocyanin analysis*

159 Anthocyanins were analysed by HPLC using a Waters 600 E instrument (Waters, PA, USA),  
160 consisting of a quaternary pump, a photodiode array detector and an injection valve with a 20- $\mu$ L  
161 loop. Separation used a NovaPack column (150 x 3.9 mm, 4  $\mu$ m particle size), 10% formic acid and  
162 acetonitrile as the mobile phase. The operative conditions and tentative identification of  
163 anthocyanins are reported in a previous work (Coletta et al., 2013). Results were expressed as mg/L  
164 of malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside equivalent.

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#### 166 *2.5. Antioxidant activity*

167 Antioxidant activity (AA) was measured using ABTS [2,2'-azino-bis(3- ethylbenzothiazoline-6-  
168 sulfonic acid)] assay as reported by Trani, Verrastro, Punzi, Faccia and Gambacorta (2016). The  
169 results were expressed as  $\mu$ mol/L TEAC (Trolox equivalent antioxidant capacity).

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#### 171 *2.6. Statistical analysis*

172 All measurements were carried out in triplicate, and results were expressed as means  $\pm$  SD  
173 (standard deviation). Statistical analysis was performed using IBM SPSS software v 19. Significant  
174 differences between technologies for each cultivar were determined using one-way ANOVA with  
175 post-hoc analysis using the HSD Tukey test.

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### 177 **3. Results and discussion**

#### 178 *3.1. Qualitative characteristics of grapes*

179 The chemical characteristics and phenolic composition of grapes are reported in Table 2. Aglianico  
180 showed the highest TSS value and the strongest acidic structure, as indicated by the lowest pH and

181 the highest TA. The strong acidic structure of Aglianico could be related to the altitude of the  
182 vineyard (about 600 m a.s.l.) and to climatic conditions. As expected, Nero di Troia had the poorest  
183 acidic structure, since this is a peculiar characteristic of the cultivar when it is fully ripe  
184 (Gambacorta et al., 2011a; Lovino, Baiano, Pati, Faccia, & Gambacorta, 2006). Regarding the  
185 phenolic composition, Primitivo had the highest F and P values, and the lowest TP and AA values;  
186 Nero di Troia had the highest TP, FRV, FRV/P ratio and AA values, and the lowest A value;  
187 Aglianico contained the most F, A and AA and the least FRV. Anthocyanin composition is reported  
188 in Table 3. The three cultivars presented different anthocyanin contents and compositions,  
189 confirming that the anthocyanin profile is typical of each cultivar, although the concentration of  
190 single anthocyanins may change as a consequence of environmental and pedoclimatic conditions  
191 and vineyard management (Gambacorta et al., 2011a; González-Neves et al., 2004; Lovino, Baiano,  
192 Pati, Faccia, & Gambacorta, 2006; Revilla, Garcia-beneytez, Cabello, Martin-Ortega, & Ryan,  
193 2001; Tamborra & Esti, 2010). Aglianico was the richest in anthocyanins, followed by Primitivo (-  
194 11%) and Nero di Troia (-24%). Regarding anthocyanin composition, Aglianico contained the  
195 highest percentage of non-acylated forms (81.9%), followed by Primitivo (73.4%) and Nero di  
196 Troia (49.9%). Of the non-acylated forms, malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside was the most prevalent,  
197 accounting for 57.3% of the total for Aglianico, 49.4% for Primitivo and 31.6% for Nero di Troia. It  
198 is noteworthy that Nero di Troia contained a relatively large amount of malvidin acylated forms  
199 such as *trans*-malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside, malvidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside and malvidin-3-*O*-  
200 caffeylglucoside, which accounted for 22.9%, 12.7% and 3.1% of the total, respectively. This could  
201 be explained as a genetic expression of the cultivar. Primitivo's anthocyanin profile was  
202 intermediate between Aglianico and Nero di Troia, except for greater quantities of cyanidin-3-*O*-  
203 glucoside, peonidin-3-*O*-glucoside and peonidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside. In general, these results  
204 indicate that there are great differences between the phenol profiles of the three cultivars.

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206 *3.2. Characteristics of Primitivo wines in relation to technologies*



207 The chemical characteristics, phenolic composition and colour indices of Primitivo wines are  
208 reported in Table 3. Cryomaceration (P-CM) and ultrasound treatments, both in pre- (P-UBF) and  
209 post-fermentation (P-UAF), slightly enhanced the ethanol content by nearly half a degree compared  
210 with the control. P-CM wine had the highest TA, confirming data reported for Primitivo wines from  
211 the Manduria area of Puglia (Baiano, Terracone, Gambacorta, & La Notte 2009). The technologies  
212 used did not influence VA, because this depends on grape quality and correct management of the  
213 winemaking process. It is noteworthy that malolactic fermentation was almost completed in wine  
214 deriving from the ultrasound treatment in pre-fermentation, was in progress in P-C wine, and did  
215 not start in P-UAF and P-CM wines. P-CM wine had the highest values of DRE and ashes.

216 With regard to phenolic composition, cryomaceration led to F, A, TP, FRV and P enrichment in  
217 comparison with the control wine. These results agree in part with those reported by Coletta et al.,  
218 (2013) for Negroamaro wines. In contrast, ultrasound treatments before and after fermentation  
219 increased F (+15%), TP (+10%) and P (+100%), but had no effects on A and FRV. The greatest  
220 effect of sonication was that it reduced the FRV/P ratio by 50%, due to the greater extraction of  
221 proanthocyanidins. A low FRV/P ratio indicates a predisposition to chromatic and tannic  
222 stabilization of wine (Suriano, Alba, Tarricone, & Di Gennaro, 2015). This result is relevant, since  
223 it suggests that ultrasound could accelerate the colour stabilization of wine, thus allowing early  
224 marketing of the product. Cryomaceration led to a smaller reduction in the FRV/P ratio than  
225 ultrasonic treatment (-13%). As observed for TP, AA also increased with both cryomaceration and  
226 ultrasound treatment. This was expected, since it is well known that phenols are strictly correlated  
227 with antioxidant activity (Fernández-Pachón, Villaño, García-Parrilla, & Troncoso, 2004). With  
228 regard to colour indices, the technological variables increased colour intensity, but did not have any  
229 effect on tonality. Ultrasound after fermentation was more effective than traditional winemaking  
230 (+21%), cryomaceration (+15%), and ultrasound before fermentation (+4%).

231 Anthocyanin composition is reported in Table 4. From a quantitative point of view, cryomaceration  
232 promoted a greater extraction of anthocyanins (+22%) than for the control, in accordance with the

233 results of spectrophotometric analysis (Table 3). The anthocyanin increase in cryomacerated wine is  
234 a controversial topic in the literature (Álvarez, Aleixandre, García, & Lizama, 2006; Gambacorta et  
235 al., 2011a; Gil-Munõz et al., 2009; Gómez-Míguez, González-Miret, & Heredia, 2007; González-  
236 Neves, Gil, Favre, & Ferrer, 2012; Reynolds, Cliff, Girard, & Kopp, 2001; Soto Vázquez, Río  
237 Segade, & Orriols Fernández, 2010), and our results suggest that the effectiveness of  
238 cryomaceration in anthocyanin extraction is cultivar-dependent. Ultrasound used in pre-  
239 fermentation had no effect, but caused a reduction in post-fermentation (-37%). This disagrees with  
240 results previously reported for Negramaro wine (Coletta et al., 2013), according to which  
241 ultrasound increased total anthocyanins, and this may suggest that anthocyanin extraction is also  
242 cultivar-dependent for ultrasound treatment. With regard to anthocyanin composition, the profile  
243 observed was typical of Primitivo cultivar (Baiano, Terracone, Gambacorta, & La Notte 2009;  
244 Suriano, Alba, Tarricone, & Di Gennaro, 2015; Trani, Verrastro, Punzi, Faccia, & Gambacorta,  
245 2016). The differences detected between grapes and wines are related both to the different  
246 molecular structure of each anthocyanin and to the degradation reactions that occur during  
247 winemaking (González-Neves, Gil, & Barreiro, 2008; Gambacorta et al., 2011a). In particular,  
248 wines contained a lower proportion of acylated forms than grapes (13.3-17.1% vs. 26.6%), and the  
249 greatest reduction was observed for coumarate forms (7.6-8.6% vs. 21%). Regarding the effect of  
250 technology, cryomaceration determined a lower extraction of non-acylated forms than the control,  
251 while the effect of ultrasound treatment was negligible.

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### 253 *3.3. Characteristics of Nero di Troia and Aglianico wines in relation to ultrasound*

254 The chemical characteristics, phenolic composition and colour indices of Nero di Troia and  
255 Aglianico wines produced using the modified ultrasound protocol are reported in Table 5. The  
256 treatment favoured an E increase for both cultivars, and an increase in DRE and ashes for Aglianico.  
257 As expected, the addition of juice to de-stemmed grapes reduced the concentration of phenols in  
258 both experimental and control wines. The amounts detected in our samples were much lower than

259 those reported in a previous work on traditionally-made wines using the same cultivars  
260 (Gambacorta et al., 2011b). Ultrasound had poor effects on phenol extraction for Nero di Troia, as  
261 indicated by the slight increase in TP (+5%) and slight decrease in P (-6%), and by the absence of  
262 changes in other compounds. This may be due to this cultivar's tough skin, which could have  
263 reduced the release of polyphenols. In contrast, when ultrasound was applied to Aglianico, it  
264 promoted high levels of phenol extraction, except for FRV. The lower level of FRV extraction in  
265 connection with the higher level of P extraction led to a significant decrease in the FRV/P ratio (of  
266 approximately 12%). This must be considered a positive result, because a low FRV/P ratio favours  
267 the colour stabilization of wine (Suriano, Alba, Tarricone, & Di Gennaro, 2015). Ultrasound also  
268 led to increased antioxidant activity in both wines, although it was statistically significant only in  
269 Aglianico (+12%). Regarding the colour indices, the treatment increased CI only for Aglianico  
270 (+20%), whereas no effect was observed on T for both cultivars.

271 Anthocyanin composition is reported in Table 7. As expected, and in accordance with  
272 spectrophotometric analysis, ultrasound increased anthocyanin extraction for both cultivars,  
273 although to different extents (+4% for Nero di Troia and +20% for Aglianico). As previously  
274 observed for Primitivo, the anthocyanin composition of wine was also different from the  
275 corresponding grapes. For Nero di Troia, the non-acylated and acetate forms increased (64% *vs.*  
276 49.9% and 24.2% *vs.* 18.1%, respectively) and coumarate forms decreased (10.2% *vs.* 26.9%),  
277 while for Aglianico non-acylated forms did not significantly change, acetate forms increased (about  
278 10% *vs.* 3.3%) and coumarate forms decreased (5.5-6.4% *vs.* 13%). Finally, the anthocyanin profile  
279 remained unchanged in both cultivars, suggesting that sonication had only a quantitative effect.  
280 Overall, the results showed that the effect of ultrasound treatment on chemical-physical and phenol  
281 parameters is cultivar-dependent, and that Aglianico was the most sensitive cultivar to this  
282 treatment.

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#### 285 **4. Conclusion**

286 The results of this study demonstrate that both cryomaceration and ultrasound treatment applied to  
287 de-stemmed Primitivo grapes improve the extraction of some phenolic compounds, decreasing the  
288 FRV/P ratio. As a consequence, both technologies can be recommended for this cultivar, in order to  
289 favour wine colour stabilization. The results for Nero di Troia and Aglianico suggest that the effect  
290 of ultrasound is cultivar-dependent under our experimental conditions. In conclusion, the main  
291 outcome of this work is that the usefulness of ultrasound in red winemaking should be thoroughly  
292 tested on single cultivars. Our study shows that good results can be obtained when ultrasound is  
293 applied to Primitivo and Aglianico, which appeared more sensitive to cavitation.

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419 **Fig. 1** - Schematic drawing of the fermenter equipped with the ultrasonic delivery system.

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421 **Table headings**

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423 **Table 1**

424 Winemaking technologies tested using the four pilot plants.

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426 **Table 2**

427 Chemical characteristics and phenolic composition of grapes (mean values  $\pm$  SD).

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429 **Table 3**

430 Anthocyanin composition of grapes (mg/kg of berries, mean values  $\pm$  SD).

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432 **Table 4**

433 Chemical characteristics, phenolic composition and colour indices of Primitivo wines (mean values  
434  $\pm$  SD).

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436 **Table 5**

437 Anthocyanin composition of Primitivo wines (mg/L, mean values  $\pm$  SD).

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439 **Table 6**

440 Chemical characteristics, phenolic composition and colour indices of Aglianico and Nero di Troia  
441 wines (mean values  $\pm$  SD).

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443 **Table 7**

444 Anthocyanin composition of Aglianico and Nero di Troia wines (mg/L, mean values  $\pm$  SD).

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Winemaking technology	Action
P-C	Seven days 'maceration at 25°C. Addition of potassium metabisulphite (20 g/100 kg); yeast ( <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> var. <i>Bayanus</i> , Mycoferm CRU 05, 20 g/100 kg, Everintec, Pramaggiore, Italy); yeast activator (preparation based on ammonium sulphate, diammonium phosphate, chemically inert filter and as dispersing agent, Vitamin B1, Enovit, 20 g/100 kg, AEB); O <sub>2</sub> , 10 mg/L/day after 2 days from the beginning of fermentation; yeast activator, 20 g/100 kg after 3 days from the beginning of fermentation; without any further oenological treatment.
P-CM	As P-C, but with the cooling of de-stemmed grapes until 5°C using cooling jacket, and maintenance of the sample at 5°C for 48 h.
P-UBF	As P-C, but with 2 h of ultrasound treatment before the start of fermentation as the drum rotated.
P-UAF	As P-C, but with 2 h of ultrasound treatment at the end of fermentation as the drum rotated.
NT-DC*	As P-C, but using about 85 kg of de-stemmed grapes + 85 L of juice.
NT-DU*	As NT-DC, but with 2 h of ultrasound treatment before the start of fermentation as the drum rotated.
A-DC*	As NT-DC.
A-DU*	As A-DC, but with 2 h of ultrasound treatment before the start of fermentation as the drum rotated.

447 P-C, Primitivo control; P-CM, Primitivo cryomaceration; P-UBF, Primitivo ultrasound before  
448 fermentation; P-UAF, Primitivo ultrasound after fermentation; NT-DC, Nero di Troia diluted  
449 control; NT-DU, Nero di Troia diluted ultrasound; A-DC, Aglianico diluted control; A-DU,  
450 Aglianico diluted ultrasound. \*Two winemaking replicates.  
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452 **Table 2**

Parameters	Primitivo	Nero di Troia	Aglianico
TSS (°Brix)	†19.4±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	20.2±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	21.9±0.02 <sup>a</sup>
pH	3.35±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	3.45±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	2.92±0.02 <sup>c</sup>
TA (g/L of juice)	7.08±0.04 <sup>b</sup>	5.22±0.04 <sup>c</sup>	11.71±0.08 <sup>a</sup>
F (mg/kg)	2988±136 <sup>a</sup>	2725±115 <sup>b</sup>	2986±110 <sup>a</sup>
A (mg/kg)	1670±54 <sup>b</sup>	1519±72 <sup>c</sup>	1920±45 <sup>a</sup>
TP (mg/kg)	1662±57 <sup>c</sup>	2019±29 <sup>a</sup>	1809±78 <sup>b</sup>
FRV (mg/kg)	755±22 <sup>b</sup>	1046±66 <sup>a</sup>	510±31 <sup>c</sup>
P (mg/kg)	1578±102 <sup>a</sup>	1230±86 <sup>b</sup>	1118±114 <sup>b</sup>
FRV/P	0.48	0.85	0.46
AA (μmol/kg)	3579±297 <sup>b</sup>	5777±519 <sup>a</sup>	5772±355 <sup>a</sup>

453 TSS, total soluble solids; TA, titratable acidity; F, flavonoids: as (+)-catechin; A,  
454 anthocyanins: as malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside; TP, total polyphenols: as gallic acid; FRV,  
455 flavans reactive with vanillin: as (+)-catechin; P, proanthocyanidins: as cyanidin chloride;  
456 AA, antioxidant activity. †In rows, data followed by different letters indicate statistically  
457 significant differences at  $P < 0.05$ .  
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Compounds	Primitivo	Nero di Troia	Aglianico
Dp	†33.8±7.9 <sup>b</sup>	35.2±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	69.8±11.3 <sup>a</sup>
Cy	12.8±1.6 <sup>a</sup>	8.7±1.8 <sup>b</sup>	5.8±1.2 <sup>c</sup>
Pt	45.0±10.4 <sup>b</sup>	31.3±1.4 <sup>c</sup>	68.5±10.5 <sup>a</sup>
Pn	62.3±8.7 <sup>a</sup>	24.4±0.5 <sup>c</sup>	32.6±5.4 <sup>b</sup>
Mv	316.2±37.1 <sup>b</sup>	171.4±14.7 <sup>c</sup>	411.0±49.7 <sup>a</sup>
Dp-Ac	1.9±0.3 <sup>b</sup>	8.8±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	2.0±0.1 <sup>b</sup>
Pt-Ac	5.7±0.7 <sup>c</sup>	13.6±0.5 <sup>a</sup>	7.8±0.8 <sup>b</sup>
Pn-Ac	2.2±0.3 <sup>b</sup>	6.9±1.2 <sup>a</sup>	0.9±0.1 <sup>c</sup>
Mv-Ac	12.7±1.0 <sup>b</sup>	68.8±4.6 <sup>a</sup>	13.2±0.5 <sup>b</sup>
<i>cis</i> -Mv-Cm	3.3±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	3.7±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	0.7±0.1 <sup>b</sup>
Mv-Cf	9.4±0.6 <sup>b</sup>	16.8±1.4 <sup>a</sup>	8.1±0.7 <sup>b</sup>
Pt-Cm	5.1±0.2 <sup>b</sup>	6.5±0.5 <sup>a</sup>	3.4±0.1 <sup>c</sup>
Pn-Cm	21.2±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	11.7±1.3 <sup>b</sup>	7.1±0.8 <sup>c</sup>
<i>trans</i> -Mv-Cm	105.2±4.4 <sup>b</sup>	124.3±9.8 <sup>a</sup>	82.3±3.5 <sup>c</sup>
Total anthocyanins	639.7±44.4 <sup>b</sup>	542.6±33.9 <sup>c</sup>	717.4±75.6 <sup>a</sup>

460 Dp, delphinidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Cy, cyanidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Pt, petunidin-3-*O*-  
461 glucoside; Pn, peonidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Mv, malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Dp-Ac,  
462 delphinidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Pt-Ac, petunidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Mv-Ac,  
463 malvidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Dp-Cm, delphinidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; *cis*-Mv-  
464 Cm, *cis*-malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; Mv-Cf, malvidin-3-*O*-caffeylglucoside; Pt-  
465 Cm, petunidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; Pn-Cm, peonidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside;  
466 *trans*-Mv-Cm, *trans*-malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside. †In rows, data followed by  
467 different letters indicate statistically significant differences at  $P < 0.05$ .  
468

469 **Table 4**

Parameters	P-C	P-CM	P-UBF	P-UAF
E (% v/v)	†12.54±0.01 <sup>d</sup>	13.27±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	13.00±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	13.15±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
pH	3.50±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	3.47±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	3.48±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	3.41±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
TA (g/L)	5.81±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	6.60±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	5.65±0.03 <sup>d</sup>	6.50±0.02 <sup>b</sup>
VA (g/L)	0.35±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.37±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	0.43±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.35±0.01 <sup>b</sup>
MA (g/L)	1.33±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	3.23±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	0.23±0.01 <sup>d</sup>	2.61±0.03 <sup>b</sup>
LA (g/L)	0.70±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	ND	1.16±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.02±0.01 <sup>c</sup>
DRE (g/L)	28.0±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	29.2±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	27.5±0.1 <sup>c</sup>	29.2±0.1 <sup>a</sup>
Ashes (g/L)	2.92±0.01 <sup>b</sup>	3.03±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	2.78±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	2.75±0.03 <sup>c</sup>
F (mg/L)	1316±11 <sup>c</sup>	1616±94 <sup>a</sup>	1472±121 <sup>b</sup>	1534±66 <sup>b</sup>
A (mg/L)	387±12 <sup>b</sup>	452±24 <sup>a</sup>	392±20 <sup>b</sup>	385±21 <sup>b</sup>
TP (mg/L)	1512±73 <sup>d</sup>	1815±53 <sup>a</sup>	1606±30 <sup>c</sup>	1677±34 <sup>b</sup>
FRV (mg/L)	429±25 <sup>bc</sup>	636±11 <sup>a</sup>	458±15 <sup>b</sup>	415±25 <sup>c</sup>
P (mg/L)	725±44 <sup>d</sup>	1221±24 <sup>c</sup>	1508±20 <sup>a</sup>	1457±15 <sup>b</sup>
FRV/P	0.59	0.52	0.30	0.28
AA (µmol/L)	8822±260 <sup>c</sup>	10330±389 <sup>a</sup>	9465±349 <sup>b</sup>	10230±332 <sup>a</sup>
CI (pathlength 1 mm)	1.01±0.01 <sup>d</sup>	1.15±0.02 <sup>b</sup>	1.05±0.01 <sup>c</sup>	1.22±0.03 <sup>a</sup>
T (pathlength 1 mm)	0.56±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.55±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.54±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.55±0.01 <sup>a</sup>

470 P-C, Primitivo control; P-CM, Primitivo cryomacerated; P-UBF, Primitivo ultrasound before fermentation;  
471 P-UAF, Primitivo ultrasound after fermentation. E, ethanol; TA, titratable acidity: as tartaric acid; VA,  
472 volatile acidity: as acetic acid; MA, malic acid; LA, lactic acid; DRE, dry reduced extract; F, flavonoids: as  
473 (+)-catechin; A, anthocyanins: as malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside; TP, total polyphenols: as gallic acid; FRV, flavans  
474 reactive with vanillin: as (+)-catechin; P, proanthocyanidins: as cyanidin chloride; CI, colour intensity; T,  
475 tonality. ND, not detected. †In rows, data followed by different letters indicate statistically significant  
476 differences at  $P < 0.05$ .

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478 **Table 5**

Compounds	P-C	P-CM	P-UBF	P-UAF
Dp	†3.8±0.2 <sup>b</sup>	4.7±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	3.9±0.2 <sup>b</sup>	2.6±0.1 <sup>c</sup>
Cy	1.1±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	1.1±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	1.0±0.1 <sup>ab</sup>	0.8±0.1 <sup>b</sup>
Pt	6.4±0.5 <sup>b</sup>	8.0±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	6.4±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	4.6±0.1 <sup>c</sup>
Pn	6.6±0.4 <sup>b</sup>	8.8±0.6 <sup>a</sup>	7.0±0.3 <sup>b</sup>	4.4±0.2 <sup>c</sup>
Mv	57.4±4.1 <sup>b</sup>	65.7±1.6 <sup>a</sup>	56.3±0.8 <sup>b</sup>	40.6±0.2 <sup>c</sup>
Dp-Ac	1.1±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	2.0±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	1.7±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	2.0±0.1 <sup>a</sup>
Pt-Ac	0.8±0.1 <sup>ab</sup>	0.9±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.6±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	0.5±0.1 <sup>b</sup>
Pn-Ac	ND	0.4±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.3±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	ND
Mv-Ac	2.2±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	2.8±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	2.1±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	1.6±0.1 <sup>c</sup>
<i>cis</i> -Mv-Cm	0.6±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.5±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.6±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.6±0.1 <sup>a</sup>
Mv-Cf	1.2±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.7±0.2 <sup>b</sup>	0.6±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	1.2±0.2 <sup>a</sup>
Pt-Cm	1.1±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.9±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	0.5±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	ND
Pn-Cm	ND	1.5±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	1.3±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.8±0.1 <sup>b</sup>
<i>trans</i> -Mv-Cm	4.6±0.1 <sup>c</sup>	6.2±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	4.9±0.1 <sup>b</sup>	3.4±0.1 <sup>d</sup>
Total anthocyanins	86.9±6.1 <sup>b</sup>	106.5±2.6 <sup>a</sup>	88.3±2.2 <sup>b</sup>	63.2±0.1 <sup>c</sup>

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480 fermentation; P-UAF, Primitivo ultrasound after fermentation. Dp, delphinidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Cy,  
481 cyanidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Pt, petunidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Pn, peonidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Mv, malvidin-3-*O*-  
482 glucoside; Dp-Ac, delphinidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Pt-Ac, petunidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Mv-Ac,  
483 malvidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Dp-Cm, delphinidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; *cis*-Mv-Cm, *cis*-  
484 malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; Mv-Cf, malvidin-3-*O*-caffeylglucoside; Pt-Cm, petunidin-3-*O*-  
485 coumarylglucoside; Pn-Cm, peonidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; *trans*-Mv-Cm, *trans*-malvidin-3-*O*-  
486 coumarylglucoside. ND, not detected. †In rows, data followed by different letters indicate statistically  
487 significant differences at  $P < 0.05$ .  
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489 **Table 6**

Parameters	NT-DC	NT-DU	A-DC	A-DU
E (% v/v)	†11.82±0.05 <sup>b</sup>	12.39±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	12.73±0.05 <sup>y</sup>	13.07±0.08 <sup>x</sup>
pH	3.51±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	3.52±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	3.07±0.03 <sup>x</sup>	3.07±0.02 <sup>x</sup>
TA (g/L)	5.73±0.07 <sup>a</sup>	5.51±0.06 <sup>b</sup>	8.98±0.06 <sup>x</sup>	9.07±0.07 <sup>x</sup>
VA (g/L)	0.23±0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.24±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.24±0.02 <sup>x</sup>	0.26±0.03 <sup>x</sup>
MA (g/L)	2.79±0.05 <sup>a</sup>	2.59±0.06 <sup>b</sup>	4.56±0.08 <sup>x</sup>	4.62±0.07 <sup>x</sup>
LA (g/L)	ND	ND	ND	ND
DRE (g/L)	25.7±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	25.8±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	27.7±0.3 <sup>y</sup>	28.8±0.5 <sup>x</sup>
Ashes (g/L)	2.91±0.04 <sup>a</sup>	2.95±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	2.33±0.04 <sup>y</sup>	2.45±0.05 <sup>x</sup>
F (mg/L)	1553±23 <sup>a</sup>	1508±26 <sup>a</sup>	1248±22 <sup>y</sup>	1437±32 <sup>x</sup>
A (mg/L)	375±18 <sup>a</sup>	388±20 <sup>a</sup>	338±15 <sup>y</sup>	398±25 <sup>x</sup>
TP (mg/L)	1873±35 <sup>b</sup>	1975±47 <sup>a</sup>	1182±50 <sup>y</sup>	1343±46 <sup>x</sup>
FRV (mg/L)	875±35 <sup>a</sup>	835±37 <sup>a</sup>	923±33 <sup>x</sup>	861±27 <sup>y</sup>
P (mg/L)	2208±41 <sup>a</sup>	2072±36 <sup>b</sup>	1487±20 <sup>y</sup>	1574±26 <sup>x</sup>
FRV/P	0.40	0.40	0.62	0.55
AA (µmol/L)	10500±283 <sup>a</sup>	10819±605 <sup>a</sup>	8415±435 <sup>y</sup>	9433±260 <sup>x</sup>
CI (pathlength 1 mm)	0.66±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.67±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	1.25±0.03 <sup>y</sup>	1.50±0.05 <sup>x</sup>
T (pathlength 1 mm)	0.56±0.02 <sup>a</sup>	0.56±0.03 <sup>a</sup>	0.47±0.03 <sup>x</sup>	0.45±0.04 <sup>x</sup>

NT-DC, Nero di Troia diluted control; NT-DU, Nero di Troia diluted ultrasound; A-DC, Aglianico diluted control; A-DU, Aglianico diluted ultrasound. E, ethanol; TA, titratable acidity: as tartaric acid; VA, volatile acidity: as acetic acid; MA, malic acid; LA, lactic acid; DRE, dry reduced extract; F, flavonoids: as (+)-catechin; A, anthocyanins: as malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside; TP, total polyphenols: as gallic acid; FRV, flavans reactive with vanillin: as (+)-catechin; P, proanthocyanidins: as cyanidin chloride; CI, colour intensity; T, tonality. ND, not detected. †In rows, data followed by different letters (<sup>a,b</sup>Nero di Troia, <sup>x,y</sup>Aglianico) indicate statistically significant differences at  $P < 0.05$ .

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Compounds	NT-DC	NT-DU	A-DC	A-DU
Dp	5.2±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	5.6±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	†5.7±0.3 <sup>y</sup>	6.9±0.5 <sup>x</sup>
Cy	0.4±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.5±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	0.4±0.1 <sup>x</sup>	0.5±0.1 <sup>x</sup>
Pt	6.9±0.6 <sup>a</sup>	7.2±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	6.8±0.5 <sup>y</sup>	8.7±0.4 <sup>x</sup>
Pn	2.3±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	2.5±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	2.9±0.4 <sup>y</sup>	3.8±0.5 <sup>x</sup>
Mv	48.2±0.6 <sup>b</sup>	49.9±0.4 <sup>a</sup>	50.6±0.7 <sup>y</sup>	59.0±0.8 <sup>x</sup>
Dp-Ac	1.5±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	1.5±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	5.9±0.4 <sup>y</sup>	6.9±0.4 <sup>x</sup>
Pt-Ac	2.0±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	2.0±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	0.3±0.1 <sup>y</sup>	0.8±0.2 <sup>x</sup>
Pn-Ac	1.4±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	1.5±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	0.1±0.1 <sup>x</sup>	0.2±0.1 <sup>x</sup>
Mv-Ac	19.3±0.6 <sup>a</sup>	19.8±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	1.6±0.2 <sup>x</sup>	2.0±0.3 <sup>x</sup>
<i>cis</i> -Mv-Cm	0.3±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.3±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.9±0.2 <sup>x</sup>	1.1±0.2 <sup>x</sup>
Mv-Cf	1.4±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	1.5±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	1.3±0.3 <sup>y</sup>	2.3±0.4 <sup>x</sup>
Pt-Cm	1.1±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	1.2±0.3 <sup>a</sup>	0.4±0.1 <sup>x</sup>	0.3±0.1 <sup>x</sup>
Pn-Cm	0.9±0.2 <sup>a</sup>	1.1±0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.1±0.1 <sup>x</sup>	0.3±0.1 <sup>x</sup>
<i>trans</i> -Mv-Cm	7.7±0.8 <sup>a</sup>	7.9±0.6 <sup>a</sup>	3.0±0.5 <sup>y</sup>	4.5±0.6 <sup>x</sup>
Total anthocyanins	98.4±1.1 <sup>b</sup>	102.4±2.0 <sup>a</sup>	80.2±1.7 <sup>y</sup>	96.9±2.3 <sup>x</sup>

NT-DC, Nero di Troia diluted control; NT-DU, Nero di Troia diluted ultrasound; A-DC, Aglianico diluted control; A-DU, Aglianico diluted ultrasound. Dp, delphinidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Cy, cyanidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Pt, petunidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Pn, peonidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Mv, malvidin-3-*O*-glucoside; Dp-Ac, delphinidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Pt-Ac, petunidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Mv-Ac, malvidin-3-*O*-acetylglucoside; Dp-Cm, delphinidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; *cis*-Mv-Cm, *cis*-malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; Mv-Cf, malvidin-3-*O*-caffeylglucoside; Pt-Cm, petunidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; Pn-Cm, peonidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside; *trans*-Mv-Cm, *trans*-malvidin-3-*O*-coumarylglucoside. †In rows, data followed by different letters (<sup>a,b</sup>Nero di Troia, <sup>x,y</sup>Aglianico) indicate statistically significant differences at  $P < 0.05$ .

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