

# Cleaning and disinfection in organic wine production

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# Principles of cleaning and disinfection

1. Prewash: Removing dirtiness from the surfaces of installations
2. Cleaning: Removal of dirtiness adhering to the surfaces of installations.
3. First rinse: Remove detergent residues.
4. Disinfection: Removal of residual microorganisms.
5. Second rinse: Removal of residual disinfectants.

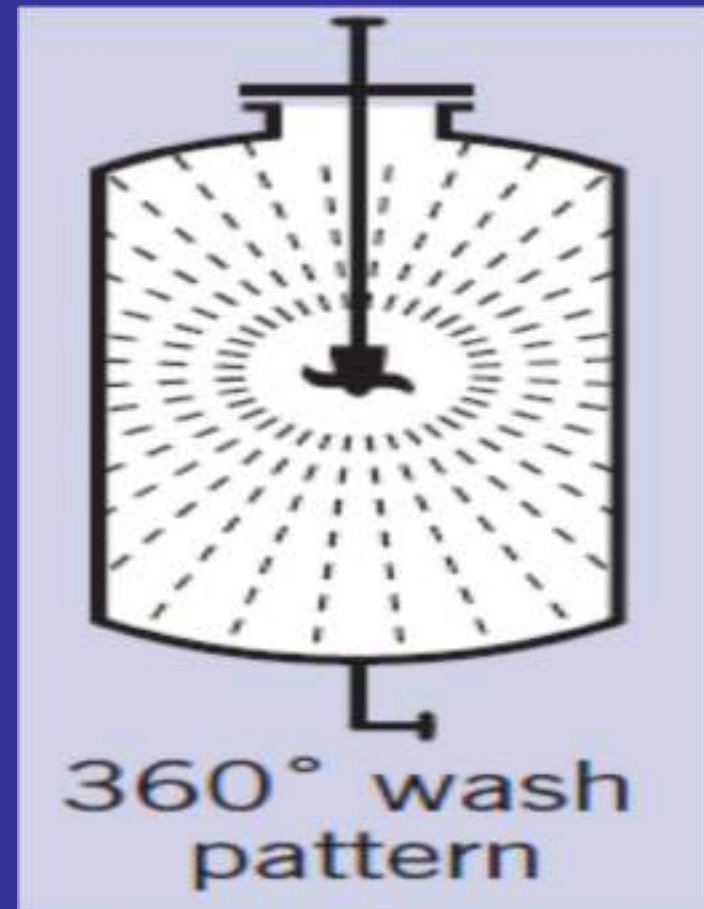
## Importance of hygiene in wine containers

- **Control and dominate the hygiene of wine containers allows:**
  - Eliminate the risk of chemical contamination;
  - Reduce the risk of microbiological contamination;
  - Maintain the favorable changes to the stabilization or improvement of the quality of the wines along the aging process and in particular in the case of aging in wood.

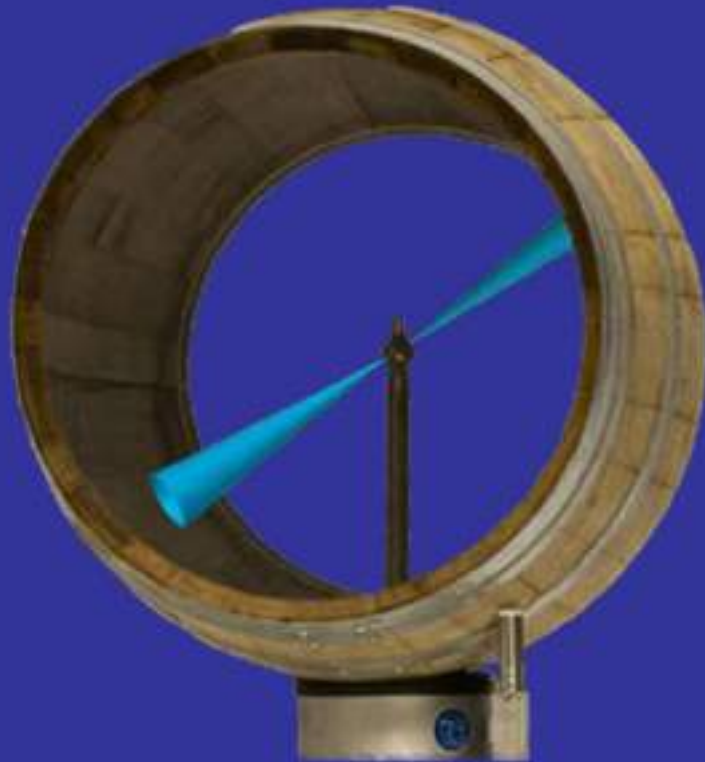


# Operations can be done manually





or by automatic means  
in barrels



The only products that can be used in organic wine production are the following:

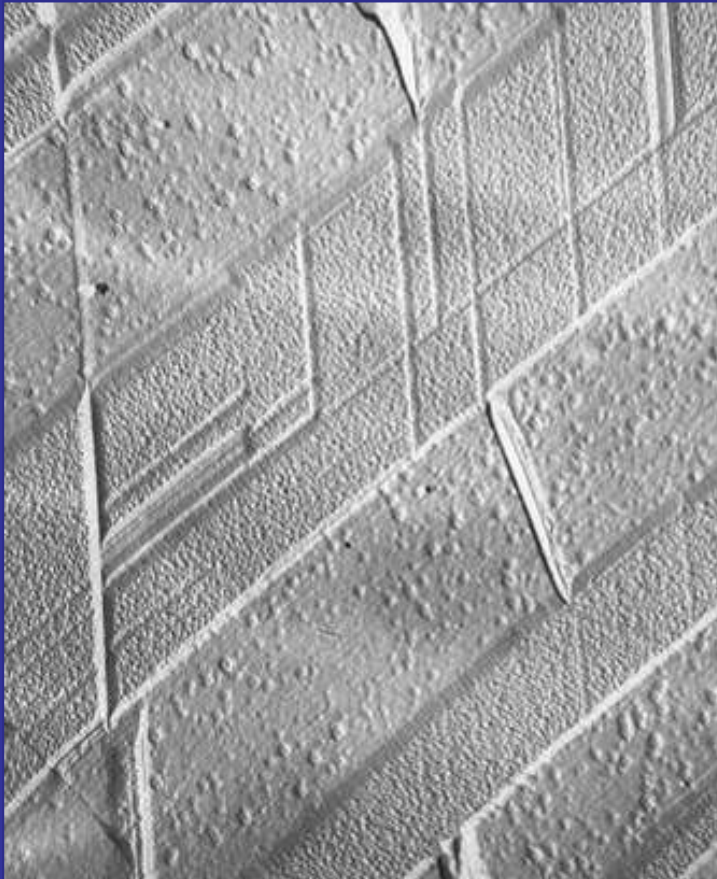
- Sodium Hydroxide,
- Soft soap
- Peracetic Acid
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Citric Acid
- Quaternary ammonium
- Potassium metabisulphite
- Solutions of ethanol in water

These products are quite effective in most of the materials of wineries such as stainless steel, plastic and metallic pipes, pumps, pressing and bottling machines, etc...

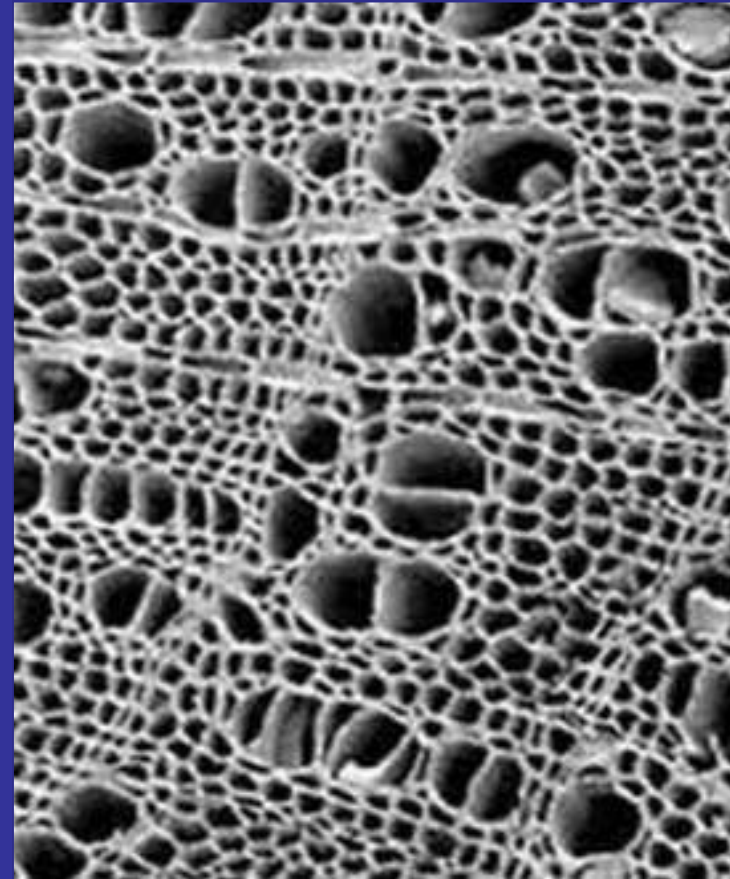
But most of them cannot be employed in oak barrels because it can degrade the wood itself or can impregnate the porous wood material and therefore contaminate the wine



## The different surfaces



**stainless steel**



**Wood**

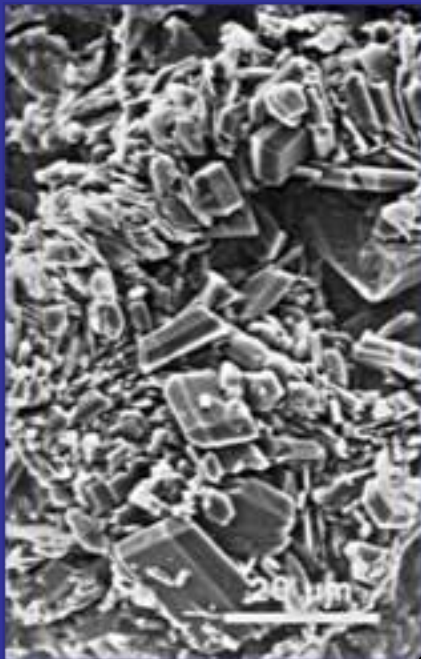
## The traditional practice of burning sulfur inside the barrels



This practice will be forbidden



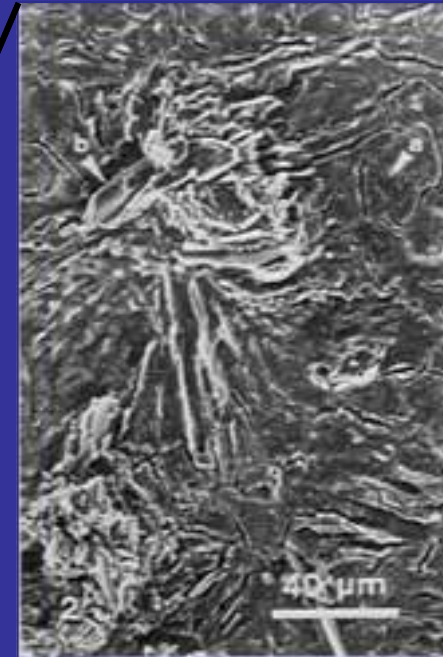
# Maintenance of wood barrels with red wine



**Crystals**

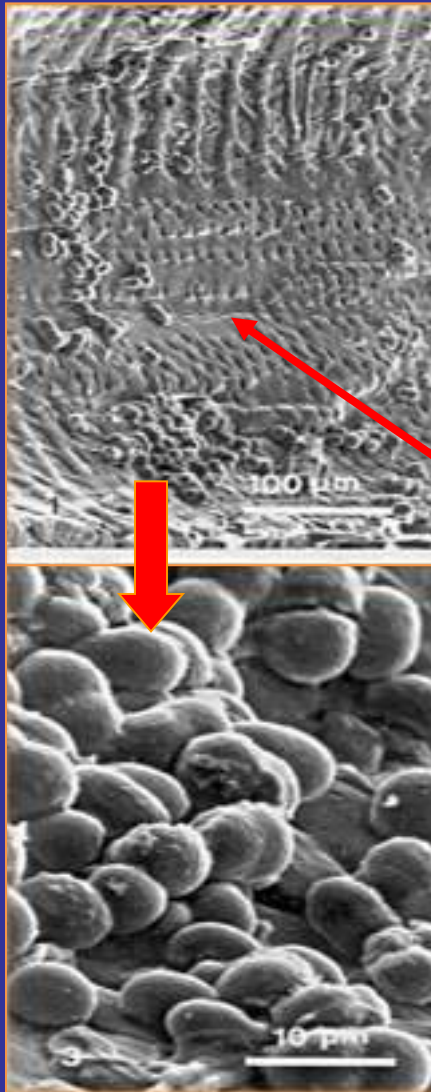


**Cleaning Rinsing**

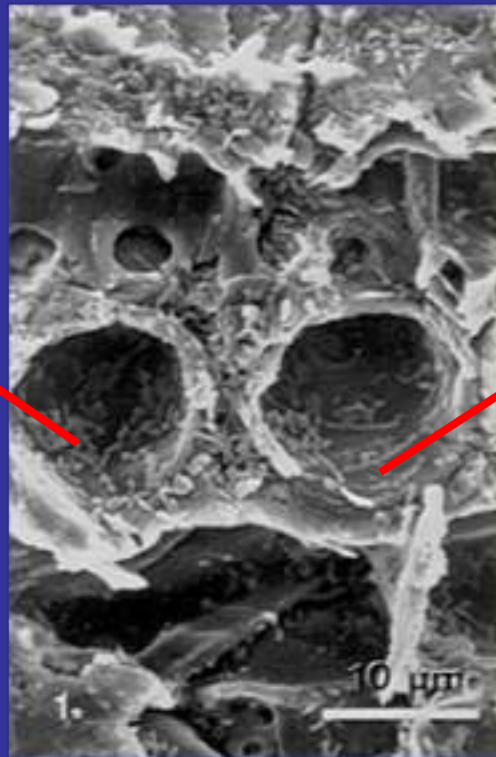


**coloring matter**

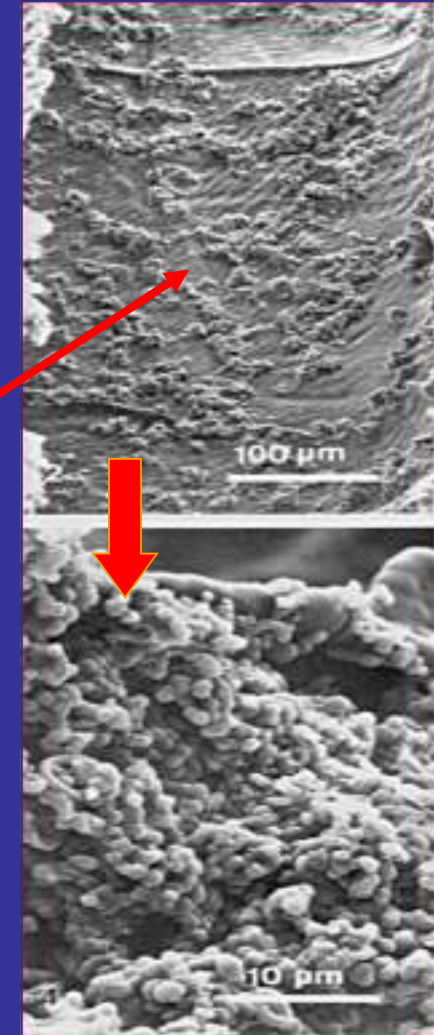
# The microporosity of wood; an ideal refuge



**Yeasts : *Brettanomyces sp.***



**Surface of a stave  
after rinsing**



**Bacterias : *Acetobacter aceti***

# Disinfection:

Destruction of viable germs to reduce in depth the residual populations by chemical and/or physical action





# Main dangerous microorganisms to wine quality

- **Yeasts**

- Aerobic: forming films
  - *Hansenula*
  - *Pichia...*
- Anaerobic:
  - *Saccharomyces*
  - *Zigosaccharomyces*
  - *Brettanomyces*



- **Bacteria**

- Aerobic:
  - *Acetobacteria*
- Anaerobic: Lactic bacteria:
  - *Leuconostoc*
  - *Pediococcus*
  - *Lactobacilus*



## Different approaches for disinfection of wooden containers

- **Disinfection by chemical means:**
  - Acidifying agents = sulfur dioxide
  - Oxidizing agents:
    - Halogen agents = unusable in the cellar!
    - Peroxides
    - Permanganate
    - Ozone
- **Disinfection by physical means:**
  - Thermally:
    - Hot water
    - Water Vapor
    - Electromagnetic treatment = microwaves
  - Ultrasounds
  - Dry ice



# 1-. Employment of sulfur dioxide:



## Employment of sulfur dioxide

- **In liquid form (in the wine):**
  - Potassium metabisulfite solution
- **In gaseous form (over wood and wine):**
  - Combustion of sulfur, tablets or wicks (x2).
  - Using liquefied gas.



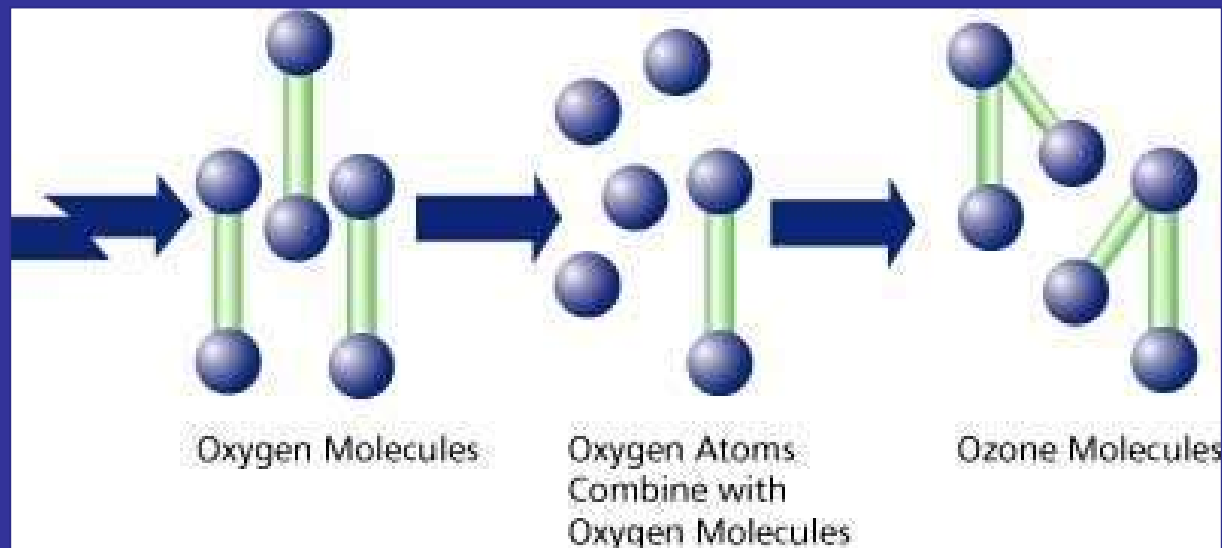
# 1. SO<sub>2</sub>: Add directly to wine? or treat the wood?

Conditions of adding sulfites	Measured parameter	t = 0	t = 3 months	t = 4,5 months
Tablet 7.5 g of sulfur per barrel	Free SO <sub>2</sub> (mg/l)	22	16	13
	<i>Brettanomyces</i> /ml	6	0	1
	Ethyl-phenol (µg/l)	285	285	293
Tablet 5.0 g of sulfur per barrel	Free SO <sub>2</sub> (mg/l)	14	11	8
	<i>Brettanomyces</i> /ml	6	0	0
	Ethyl-phenol (µg/l)	285	285	288
Sulfur solution added directly to the wine 2g/Hl	Free SO <sub>2</sub> (mg/l)	13	10	6
	<i>Brettanomyces</i> /ml	6	510	1200
	Ethyl-phenol (µg/l)	285	296	652

**The efficiency is higher when the SO<sub>2</sub> is applied to clean wood!**



## 2-. Ozonated water

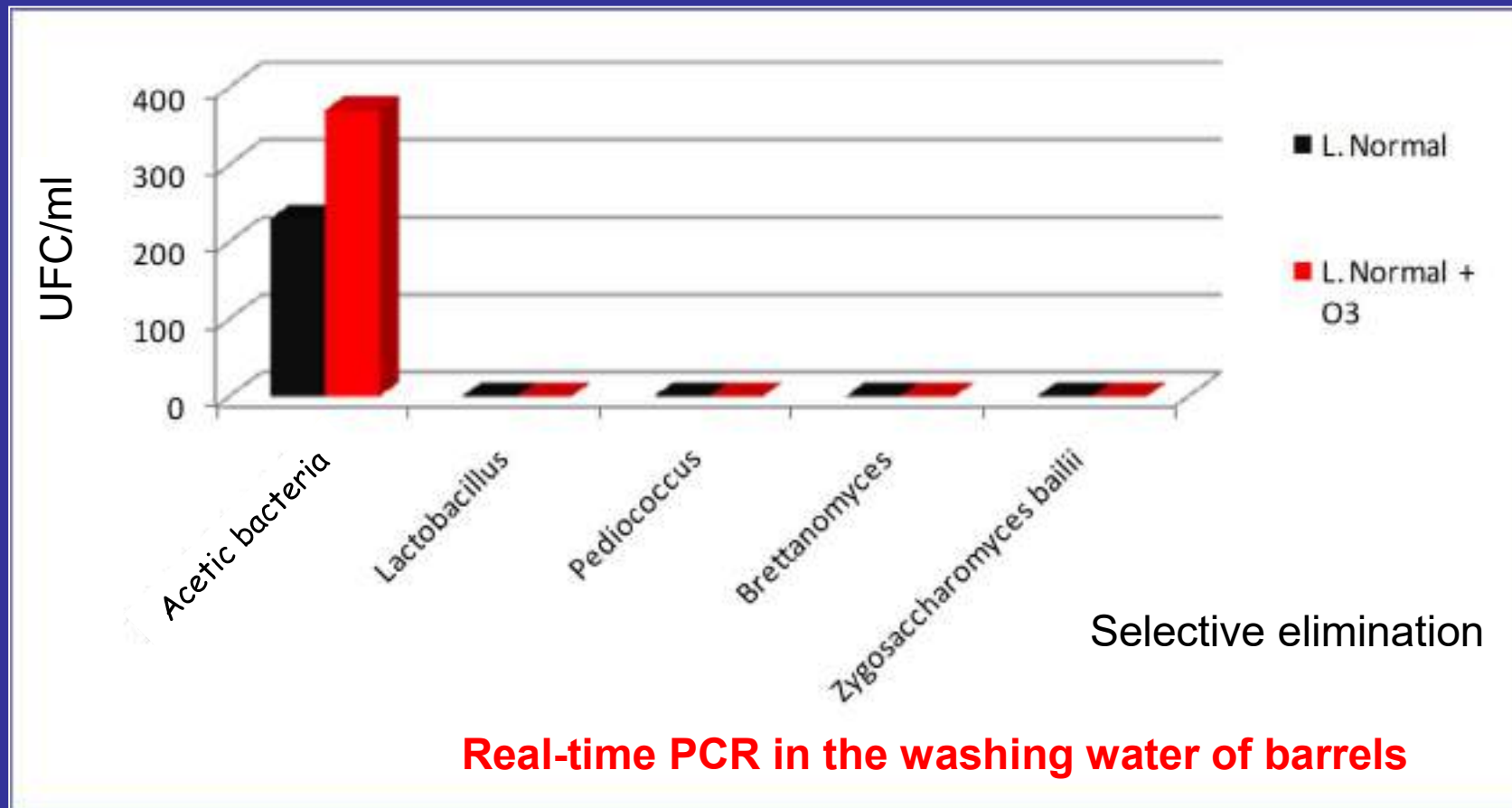


## Use of ozonated water

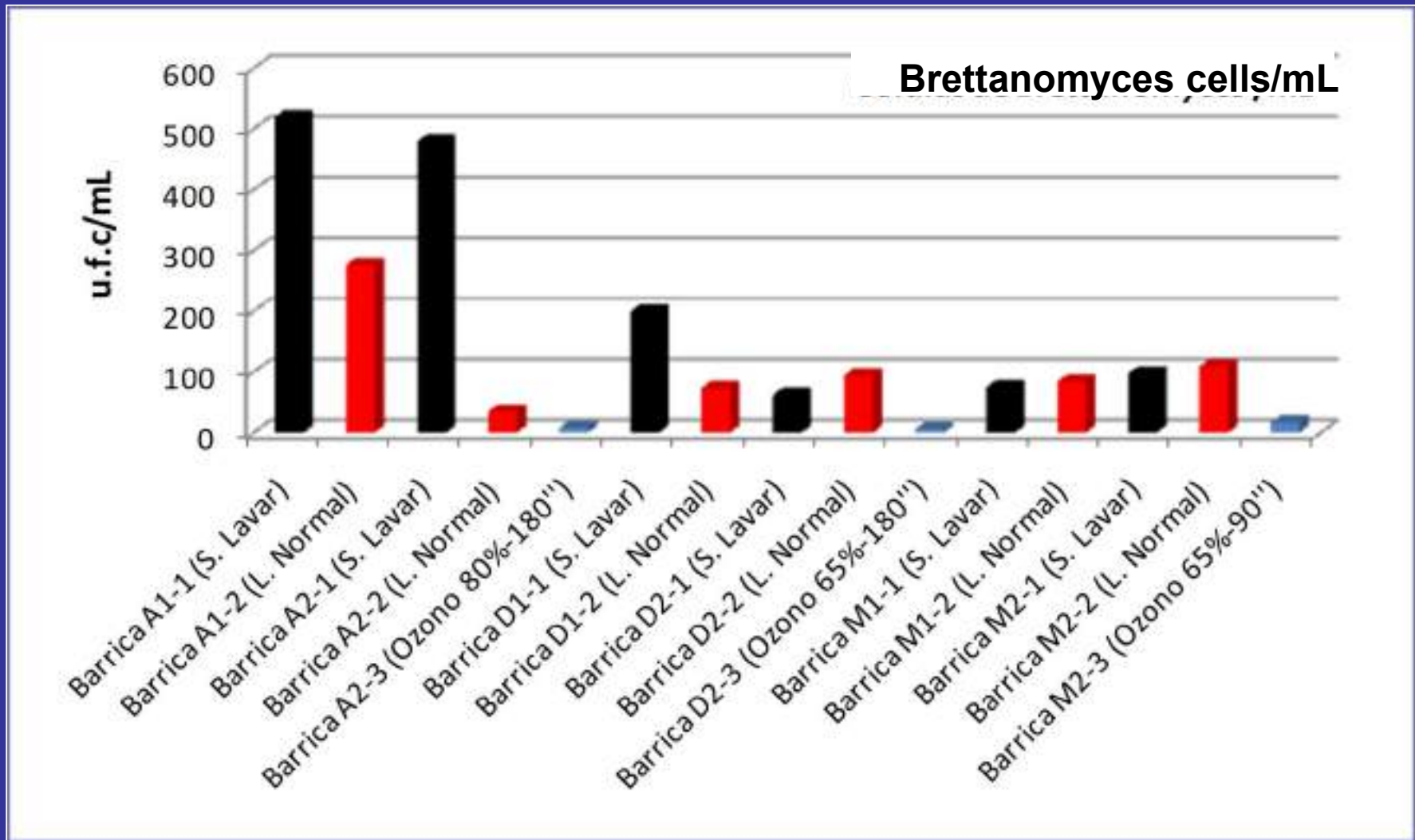
Barrels treated with a generation of 15 g ozone/h, 1.5 ppm in water barrels (it is not enough).

<b>Concentration</b>	<i>Normal cleaning</i>	<i>Normal cleaning</i> + O <sub>3</sub>
<b>Ethyle Ac. (mg/L)</b>	0,5	0,1
<b>4-EF (µg/L)</b>	33,7	11
<b>4-EG (µg/L)</b>	4,3	0,4
<b>TCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>TeCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>TBA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>PCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd

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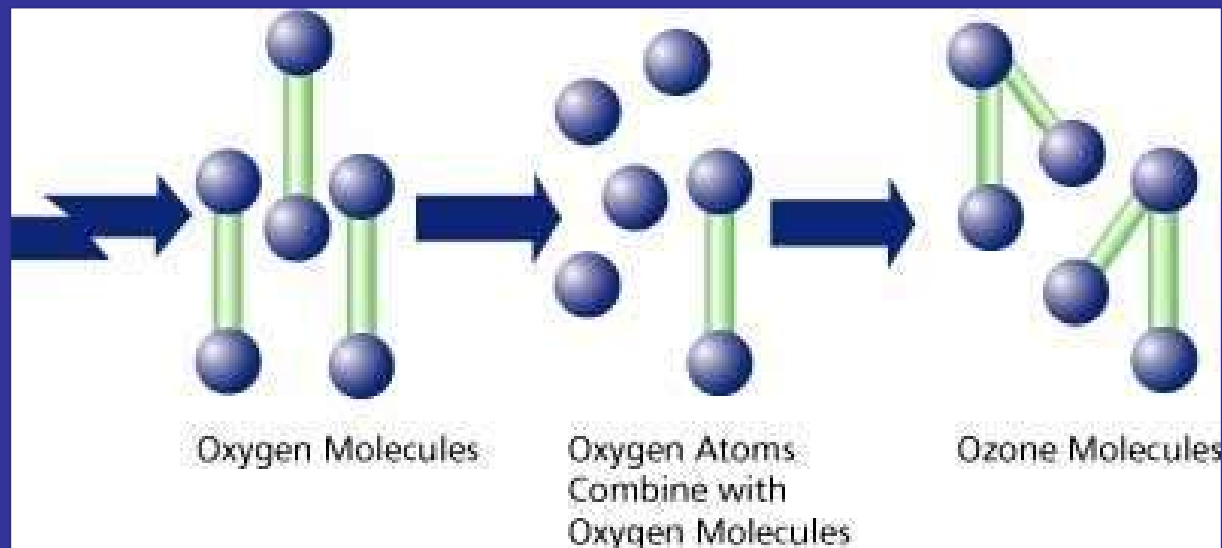


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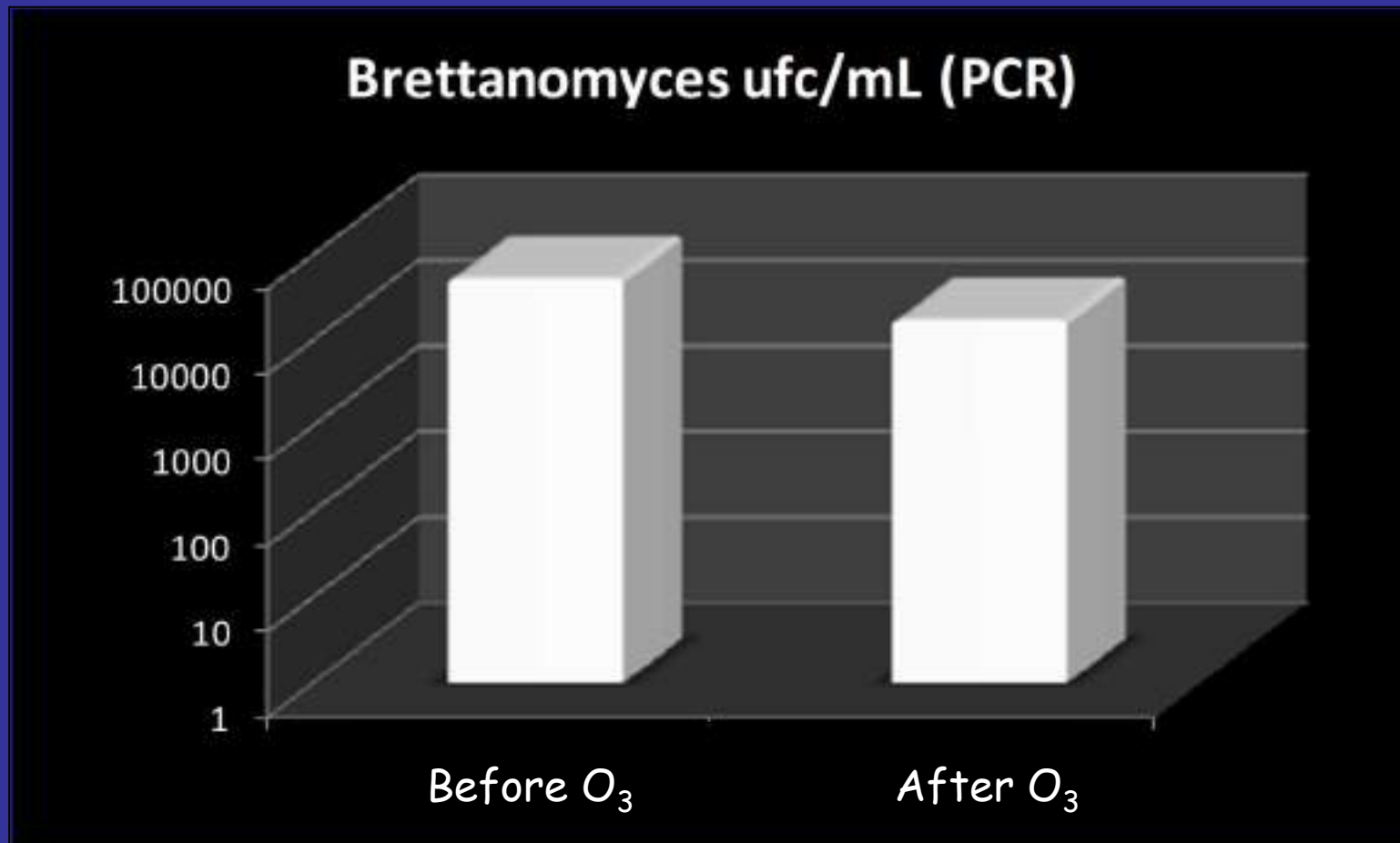
**Specific culture media in washing water of the barrels**

# 3-. Ozonated gas





## Use of ozonated gas (O<sub>3</sub>)

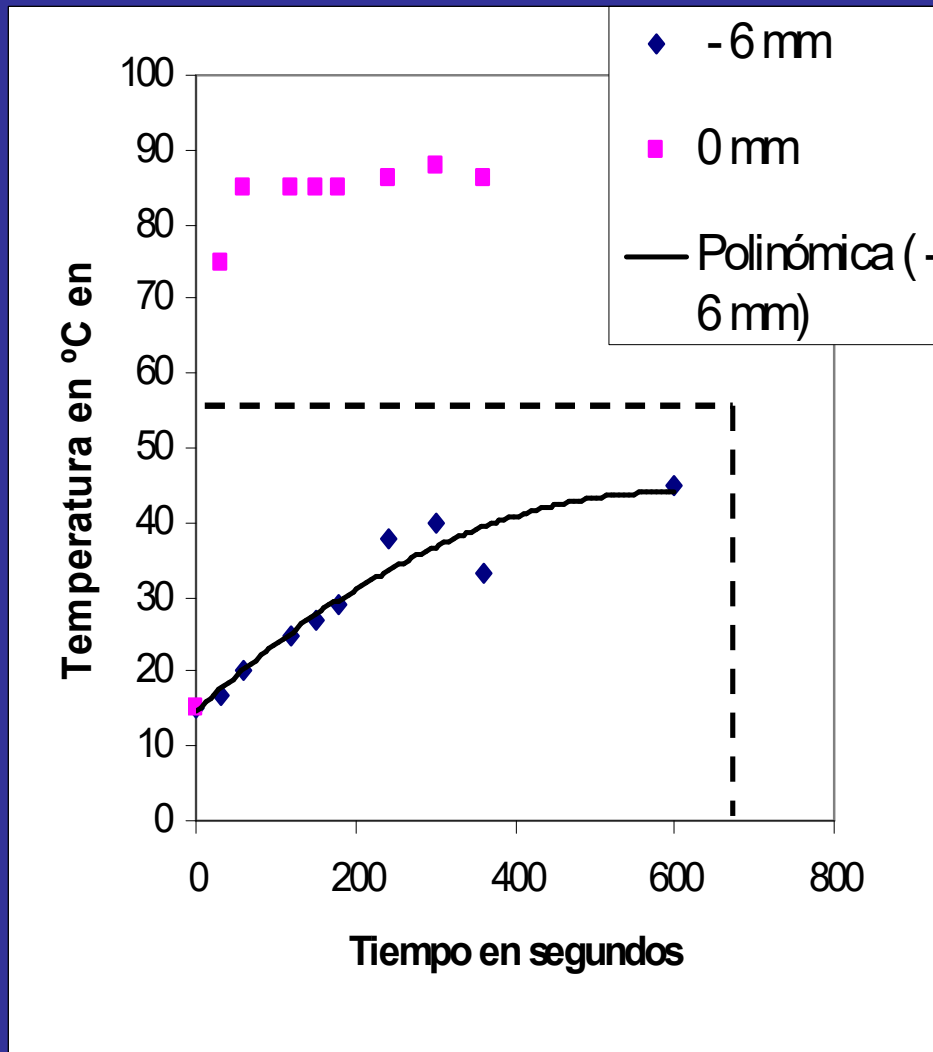


**Application of Ozone gas: 30 ppm; 10 min., Without pressure,  
by exposure. Tempranillo 2011**

# 4-. Thermal treatments :



## Use of hot water



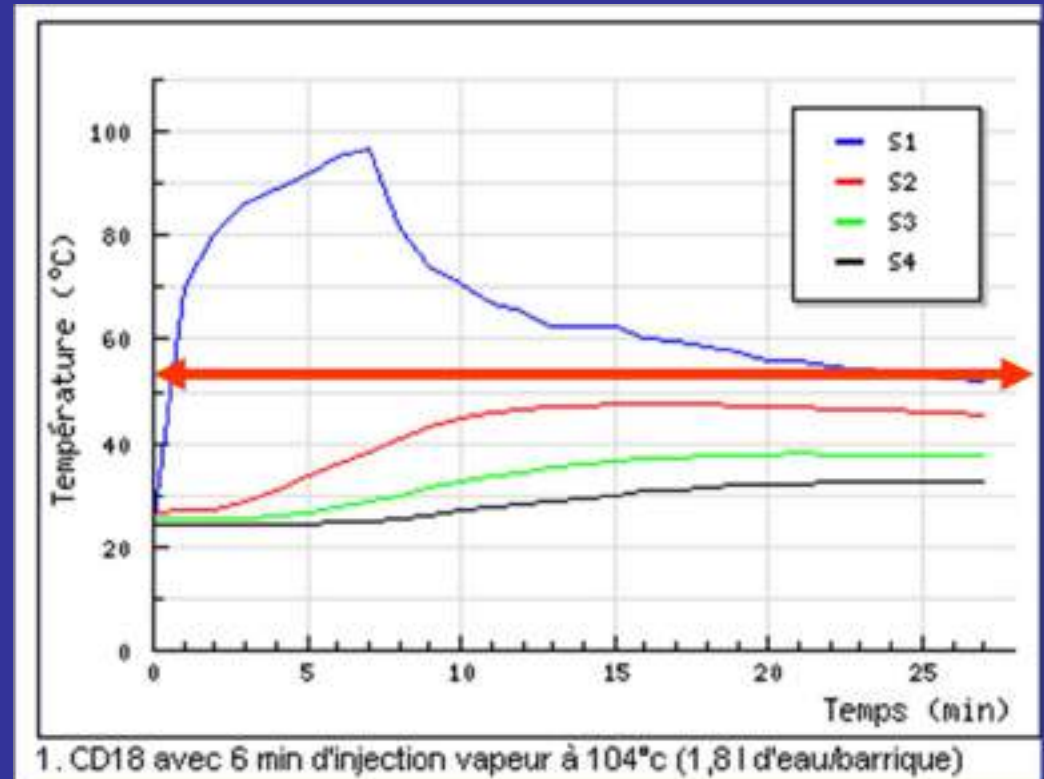
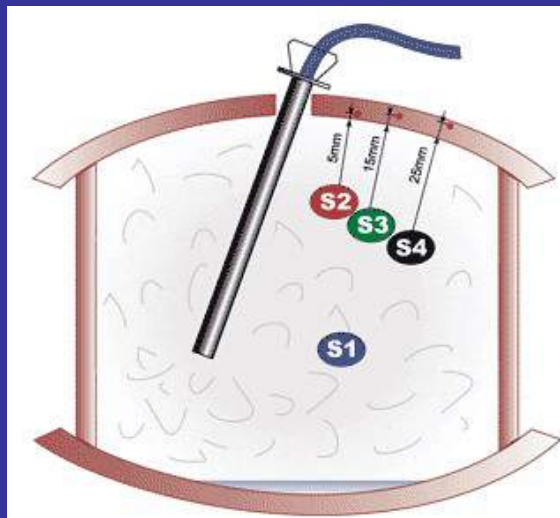
**Hot water pressure washers with mobile compressor may produce water at 80-90 ° C between 80 and 300 bars**

**This device allows you to clean without detergent and disinfect the surface; disinfecting efficacy is limited in depth because the temperature rise is too slow!**

**→ Wood staves swells which improve tightness**

## Vapor heat treatment at 105 ° C

\* Generator output, input to the barrel takes 3 minutes to reach this temperature, hold for 3 more minutes. Attention not more than 10 min. (blisters).



**S1** : air temperature in the barrel  
**S2** : temperature 5mm. within wood

**S3** : temperature 15 mm.  
**S4** : temperature 25 mm.

## Vapor heat treatment at 105 ° C

Normal wash: hot water at 80 ° C for 3 minutes

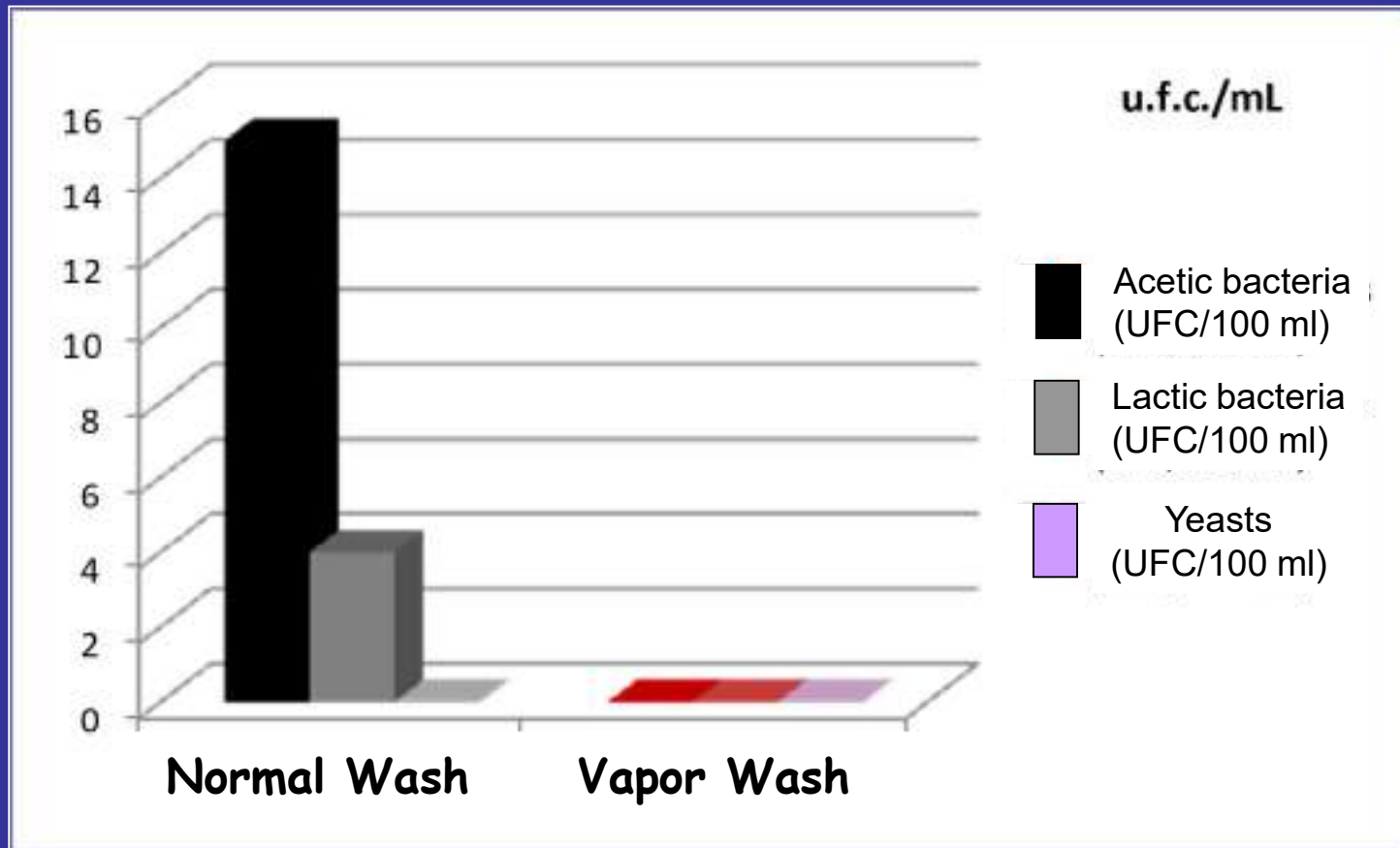
Vapor Treatment: Normal Wash + high pressure vapor: 95 ° C for 3 min at 10 bar.

Concentration	Normal Wash	Vapor Wash
<b>Ac. Etilo (mg/L)</b>	0,9	0,8
<b>4-EF (µg/L)</b>	19,4	6,3
<b>4-EG (µg/L)</b>	1,7	0,5
<b>TCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>TeCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>TBA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd
<b>PCA (ng/L)</b>	nd	nd

**Gas Chromatography and Mass Spectrometry (CGSM) in  
washing water barrels**



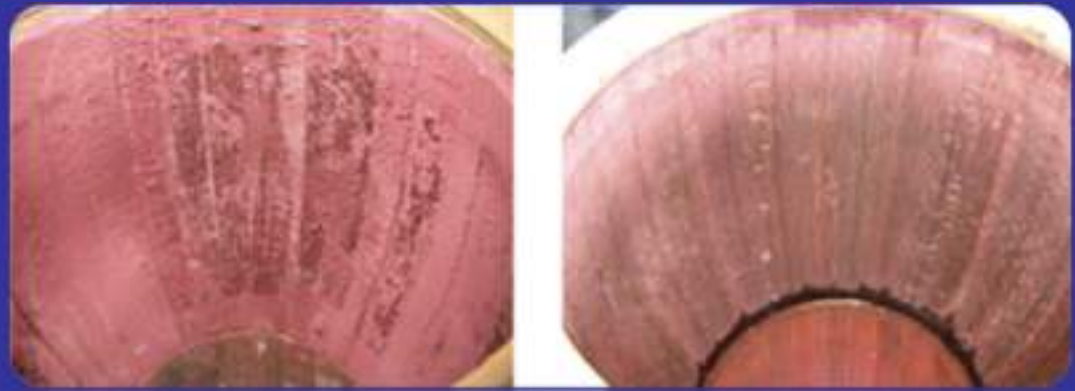
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# 5- Ultrasounds:

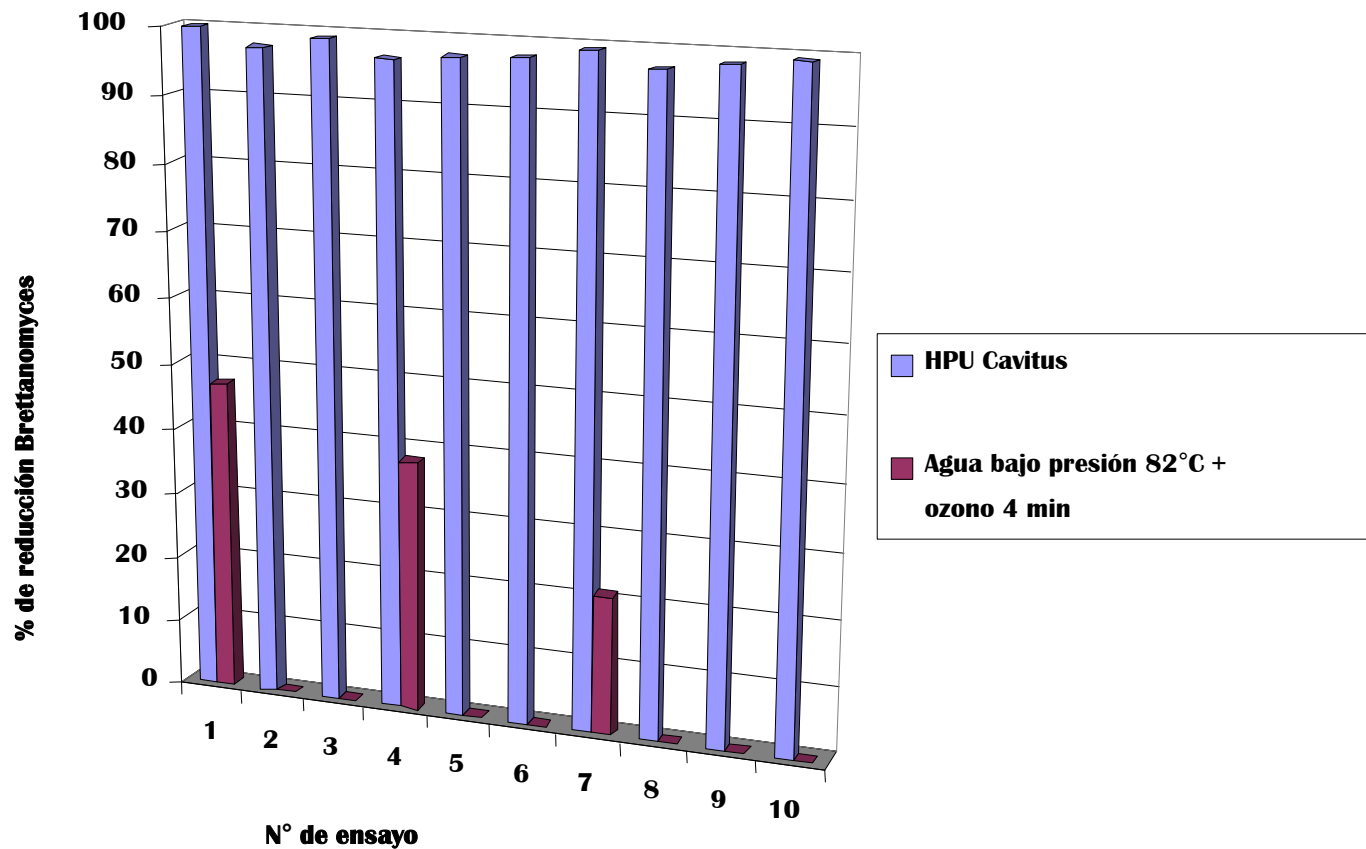


## Treatment by ultrasounds (Cavitus®)



- One Sonotron is inserted into the barrel filled with recycled water (60 ° C)
- The ultrasound (150 kHz) produced on the first millimeters of the surface of the wood high pressure to the microscopic level millimeters (> 2000 bars) by cavitation of water, cleaning completely and destroying micro-organisms at the same time (disinfection).

## Treatment by ultrasounds (Cavitus®)



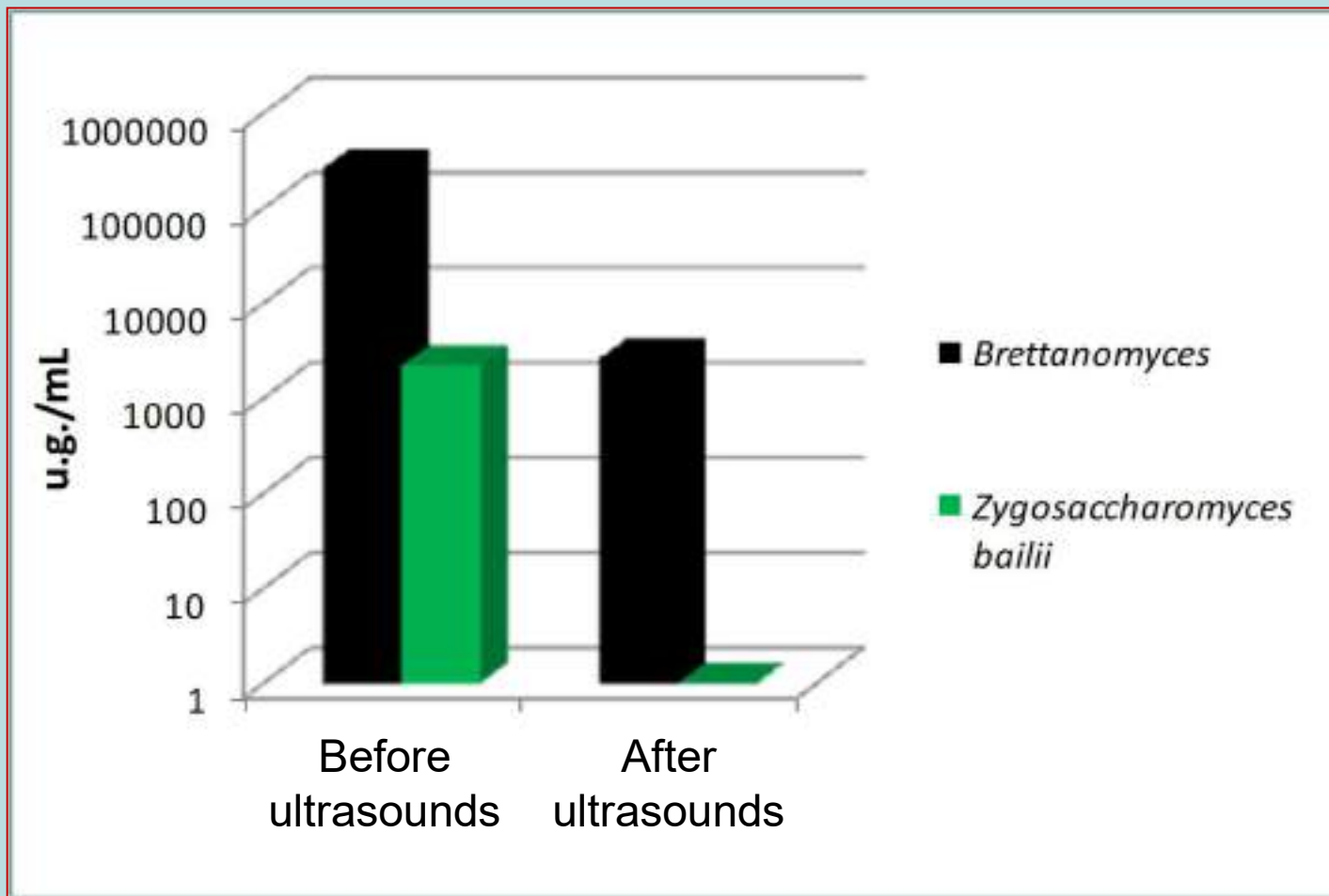
# Treatment by ultrasounds

## Real-time PCR in washing water

<b>u.g./gramo</b>	Bacterias Acéticas	<i>Lactobacillus</i>	<i>Pediococcus</i>	<i>Brettanomyces</i>	<i>Zygosaccharo myces bailii</i>
<b>Lote C36</b>	82	10	0	330	0
<b>Lote C36 (3 min y 65°C)</b>	44	120	0	0	0
<b>Lote C72</b>	830	650	0	0	0
<b>Lote C72 (3 min y 65°C)</b>	18	26	0	0	0
<b>Lote B36</b>	260	7600	0	3200	0
<b>Lote B36 (10 min y 65°C)</b>	40	280	0	65	0
<b>Lote B72</b>	45	9800	0	0	0
<b>Lote B72 (10 min y 65°C)</b>	71	2000	0	0	0
<b>Lote A36</b>	420	980	0	67	0
<b>Lote A36 (20 min y 65°C)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Lote A72</b>	170	370	0	0	0
<b>Lote A72 (20 min y 65°C)</b>	69	92	0	0	0

## Treatment by ultrasounds (Cavitus®)

Population u.g./mL	Before	After
<i>Brettanomyces</i>	260000	2600
<i>Zygosaccharomyces bailii</i>	2200	0





# 6- Sanding:



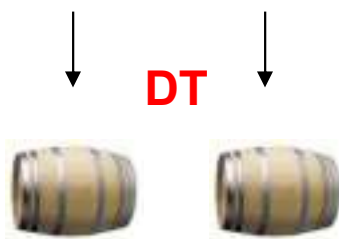
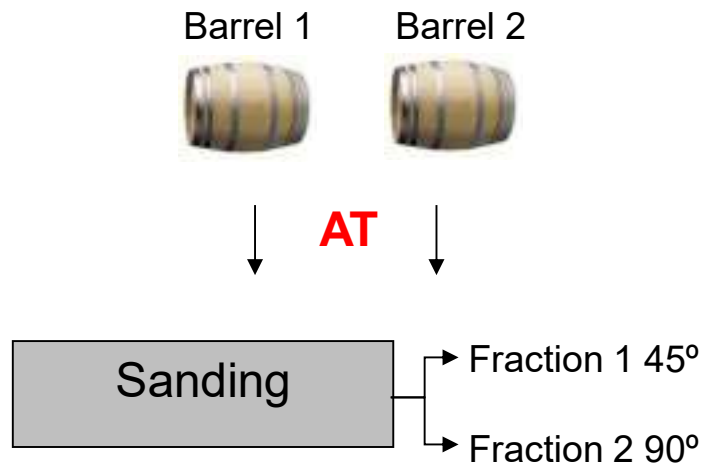
## Inner Sanding (Barena®)

- **1. Cleaning (pickling) physico-mechanical projection of a natural abrasive:** The mineral is projected with an adjustable pressure depending on the state of the barrel. Being the aim to achieve maximum conservation of the initial roasting. The etching is made on a thickness ranging between 0.2 and 0.4 millimeters.
- **2. The mineral and the residues are evacuated** by hydraulic projection using dechlorinated water
- **3. Asepsia:** To ensure the cleanliness of the barrel and full decontamination, dry vapor is applied above 100 degrees for several minutes. After this first phase of sepsis, is holding a rinse to remove colloids and coloring (anthocyanin). Subsequently gaseous sulfur is applied.

## Inner Sanding (Barena<sup>®</sup>)

The procedure allows regeneration inside the used wine barrels, through the bunghole without removing staves or funds. A natural abrasive treatment and two treatments for asepsis, vapor and sulfur dioxide are applied.





## Comparison between treatments

Treatment	DRAWBACKS	ADVANTAGES
<b>Combustion of sulfur</b>	Limited action, formation of sulfites, long time of action, unstable (wick)	Good wine preservation. Active against acetic acid bacteria
<b>Ozonated water</b>	Superficial and intermediate-acting. Reactivity with organic material.	Easy Application. It is a good disinfectant. Removing anisols
<b>Vapor</b>	Long times. Thermal inertia of wood	Very safe. Good disinfectant. economic
<b>Ultrasounds</b>	Water and energy expenditure, application time, investment	Easily removes tartrates. Active at surface and intermediate level. Very innocuous with the wood