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Wine (viticulture) in the Light of Climate Change in Germany



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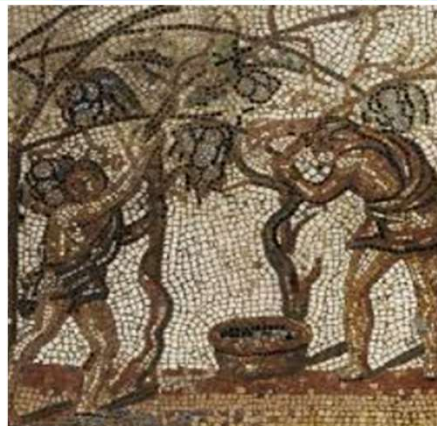
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Qualität pflanzlicher Erzeugnisse

Wine Region, South West Germany



Neumagnerer Weinschiff ca. 220 BC



Universität Hohenheim (Stuttgart)



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Universität Hohenheim (Stuttgart), red Saloon



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Universität Hohenheim (Stuttgart), Palace Park

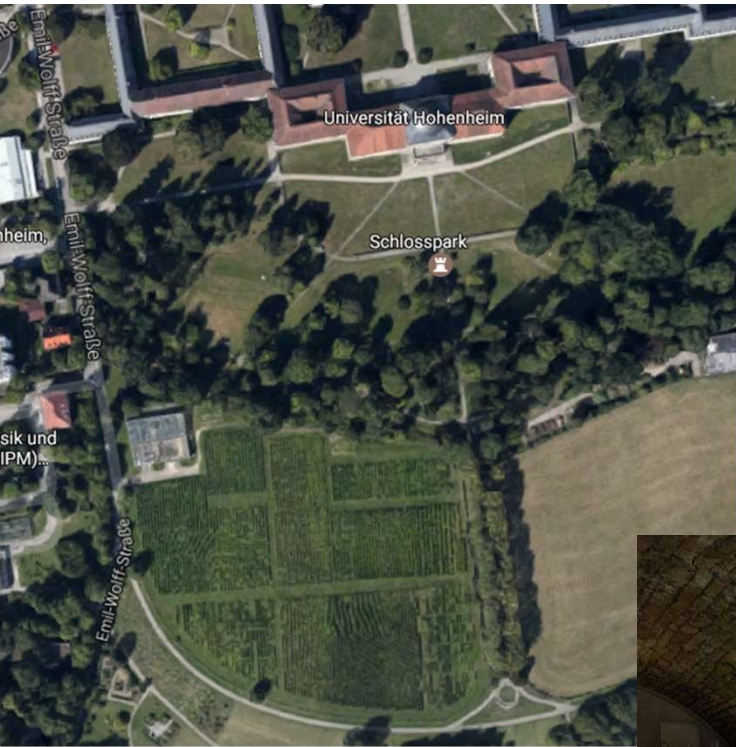


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Universität Hohenheim (Stuttgart), Vine Yard



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Vine Yard and Wine Cellar Uni Hohenheim



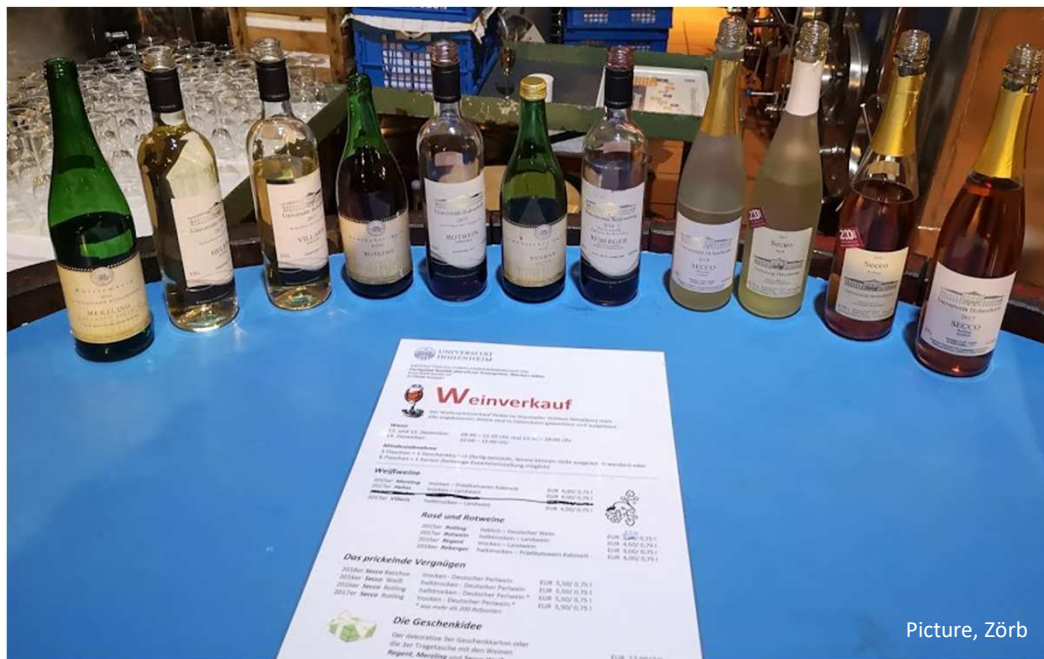
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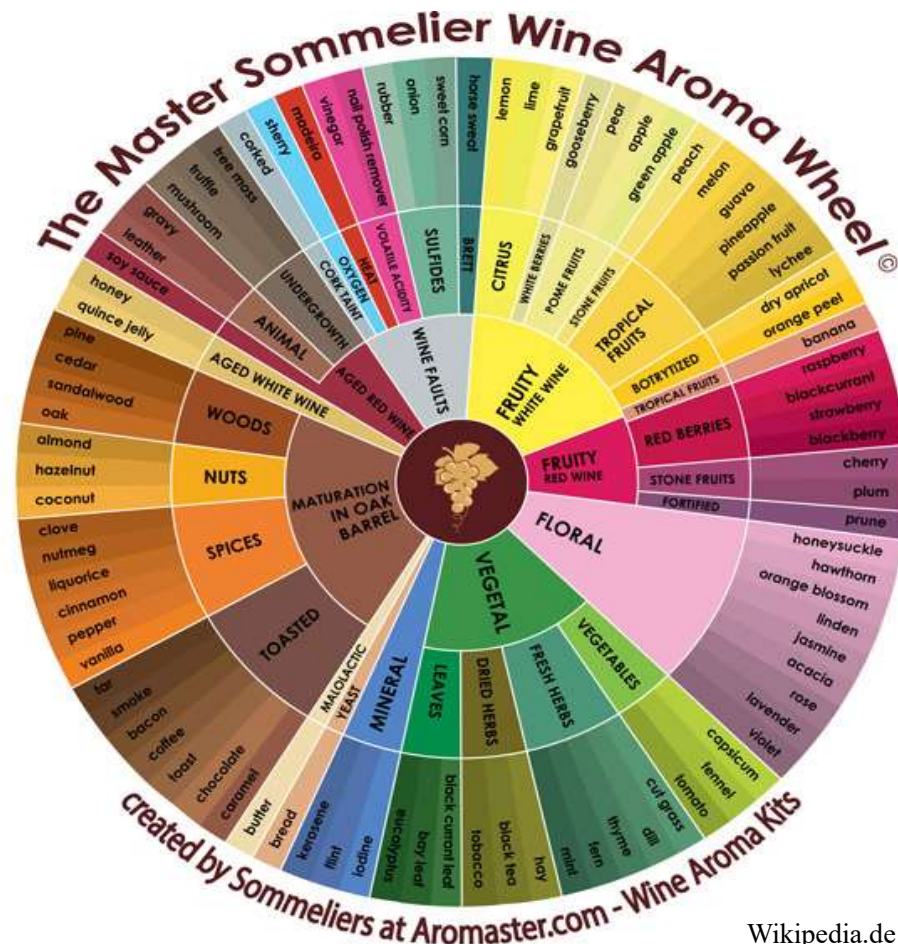


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- **Climate change problems and challenges**
- Viticulture in Germany
- Silviculture as an option
- Diverse training systems as option
- Drought stress research
- New varieties

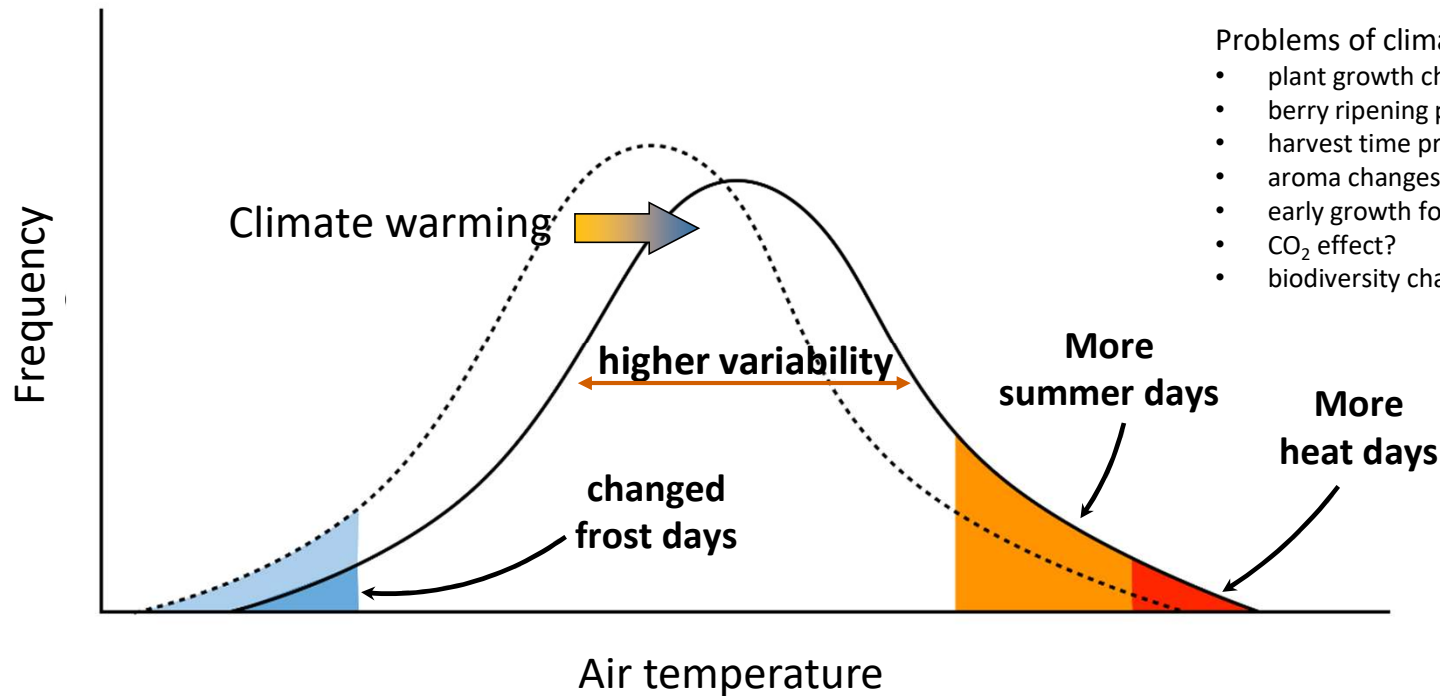
Which changes are necessary for to maintain our viticulture? Will the future aroma of wine be changed?



Wikipedia.de



Influence of rising temperature and increasing variability on extreme weather events in climate change



Problems of climate change

- plant growth changed, varieties suitable?
- berry ripening period shortened
- harvest time prematured
- aroma changes?
- early growth followed by frost?
- CO₂ effect?
- biodiversity changed?

Summer day: $T_{\max} > 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Hot days: $T_{\max} > 30\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Frost days: $T_{\min} < 0\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

According to Feldmann et al. (2010)

Frost event after warm April in early May 2020



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Free Air Carbon Enrichment (FACE)



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Biodiversity in the vineyard



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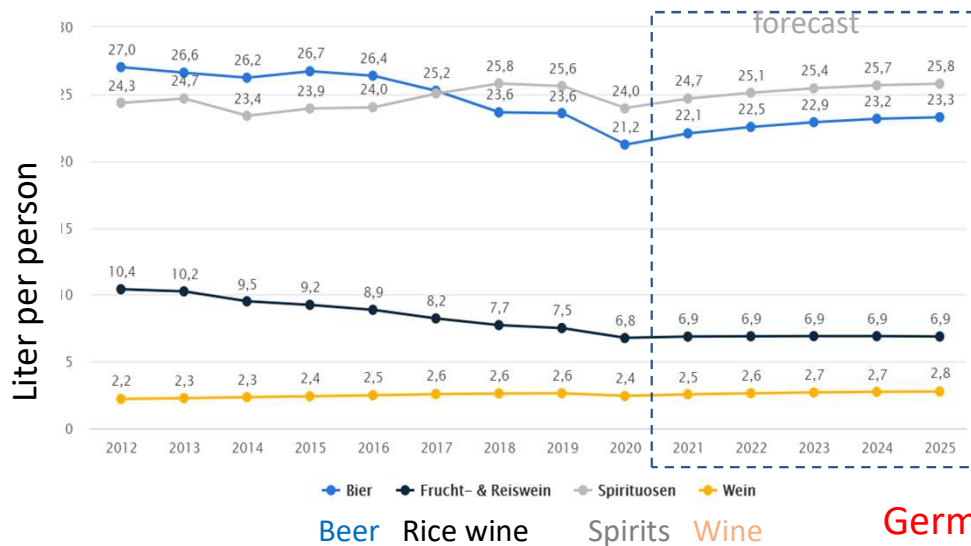
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Viticulture in Japan 日本ブドウ栽培

- since about 12. Century
- some wild varieties: *Vitis coignetiae* (but not *Vitis vinifera*)
- mostly production of raisins, (sugar compensation)
- wine produced by buddist monks for „medical“ purpose
- Muscat Bailey a sweet white wine, produced in Japan;
- also: Koshu and Zenkoji grapevine at Jujisan and west of Tokyo area
- Tokachi-Ikeda Reseach Institute for Viticulture and Enology (池田町ブドウ・ブドウ酒研究所),

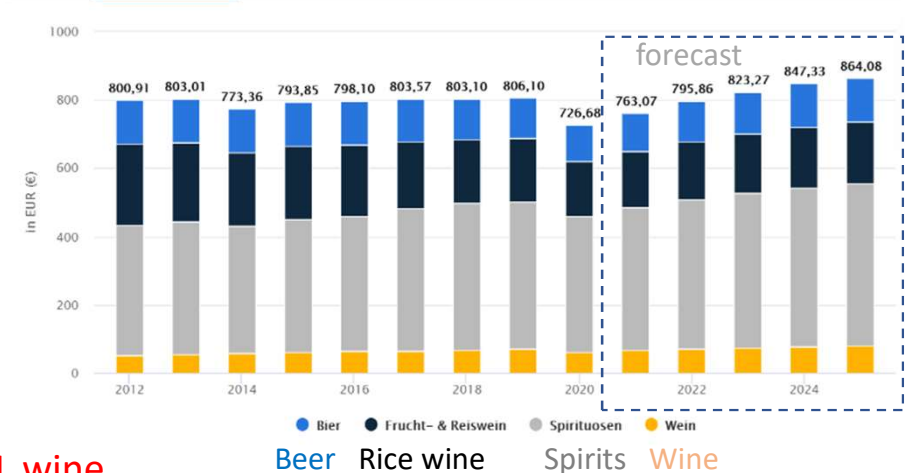


Japan: average consumption per capita, per year



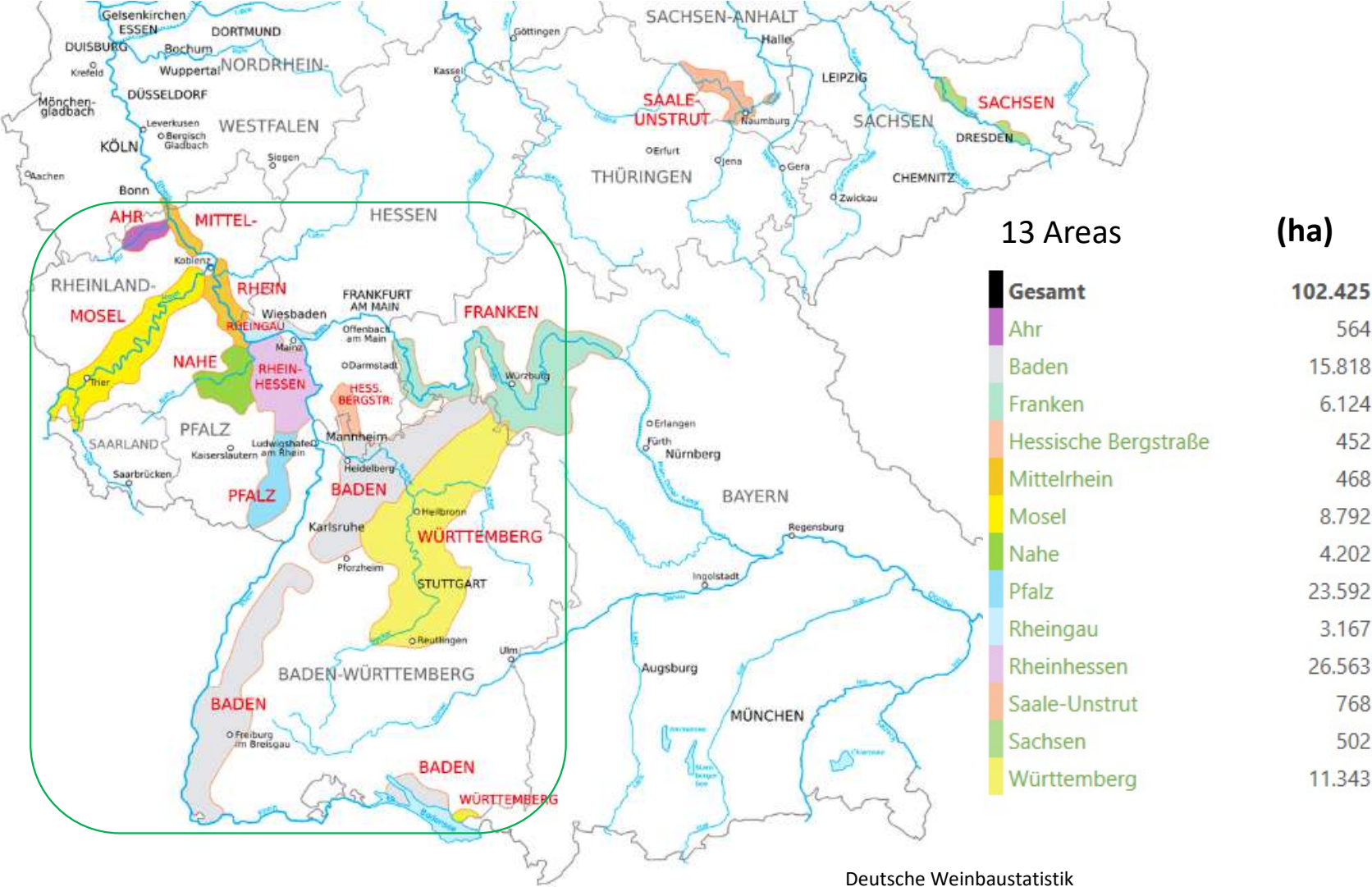
Germany: 20 L wine
3 L Champagne

Japan: average sales per capita, per year



Source: Statista

Areas for growing high quality wine 'Qualitätswein' in Germany



Deutsche Weinbaustatistik

Steep vineyards



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Steep vineyards with old structures



Viticulture in Germany: 100 000 ha

Common produced wine varieties in Germany

 Riesling	22,7%
 Müller-Thurgau	12,5%
 Spätburgunder	11,5%
 Dornfelder	7,8%
 Grauburgunder	5,5%
 Silvaner	4,9%
 Weißburgunder	4,7%
 Portugieser	3,4%
 Kerner	2,8%
 Trollinger	2,2%

Quality classes of wine produced

Type	Amount	Percentage
Landwein	342.240 hl	3,7 %
Qualitätswein	7.239.015 hl	78,7 %
Prädikatswein	1.620.753 hl	17,3 %
Insgesamt	9.202.008 hl	100,0 %

Amounts according to wine types

Type	Amount	Percentage
 Weißwein	4.347.000 hl	58,6 %
 Rotwein	2.257.000 hl	30,5 %
 Rosé	808.000 hl	10,9 %

General taste of wine produced

Taste type	Amount	Percentage
 dry	3.296.000 hl	44,5 %
 semi-dry	1.637.000 hl	22,1 %
 sweet	2.443.000 hl	33,0 %

Vineyard Uni Hohenheim, autumn 2020



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Vineyard Uni Hohenheim, late autumn 2020



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Vineyard Uni Hohenheim, winter 2021



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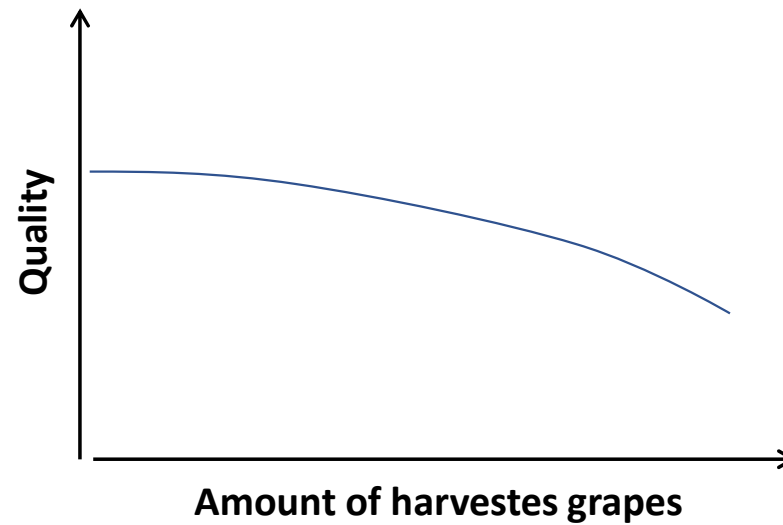


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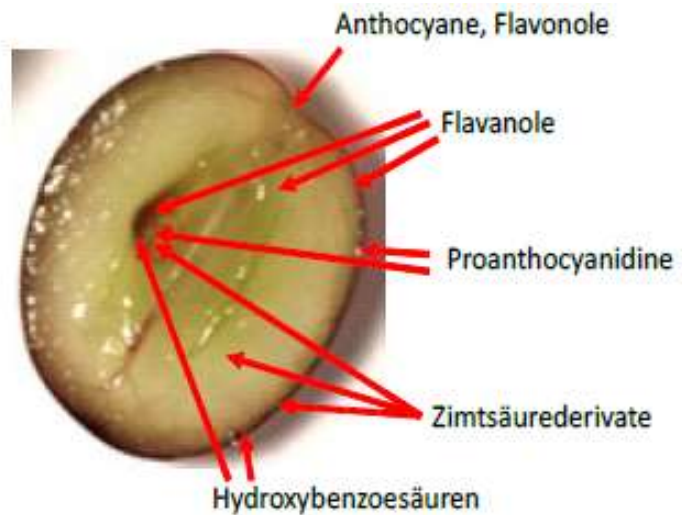
Wine: Quantity versus Quality



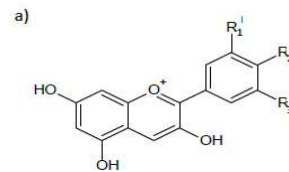
The quantity-quality rule in viticulture: Schematic representation of the opposing relationship between the level of yield and the quality of the berries for wine production.

Source: Diagnose des Ernährungszustandes von Kulturpflanzen Kapitel Weinbau (Zörb, Merkt); Agrimedia 2019

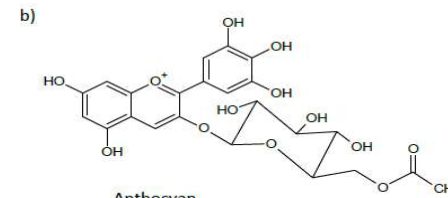
Health promoting substances in wine



Anthocyanidines

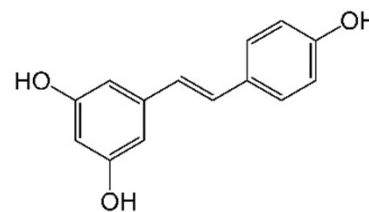


Anthocyanidine
 Delphinidin: $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = OH$
 Cyanidin: $R_1 = R_2 = OH, R_3 = H$
 Petunidin: $R_1 = OCH_3, R_2 = R_3 = OH$
 Paeonidin: $R_1 = OCH_3, R_2 = OH, R_3 = H$
 Malvidin: $R_1 = R_3 = OCH_3, R_2 = OH$

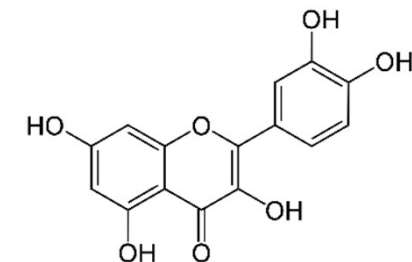


Anthocyan
 Delphinidin-3-O-acetylglucosid

Resveratrol (a stilbenoid)



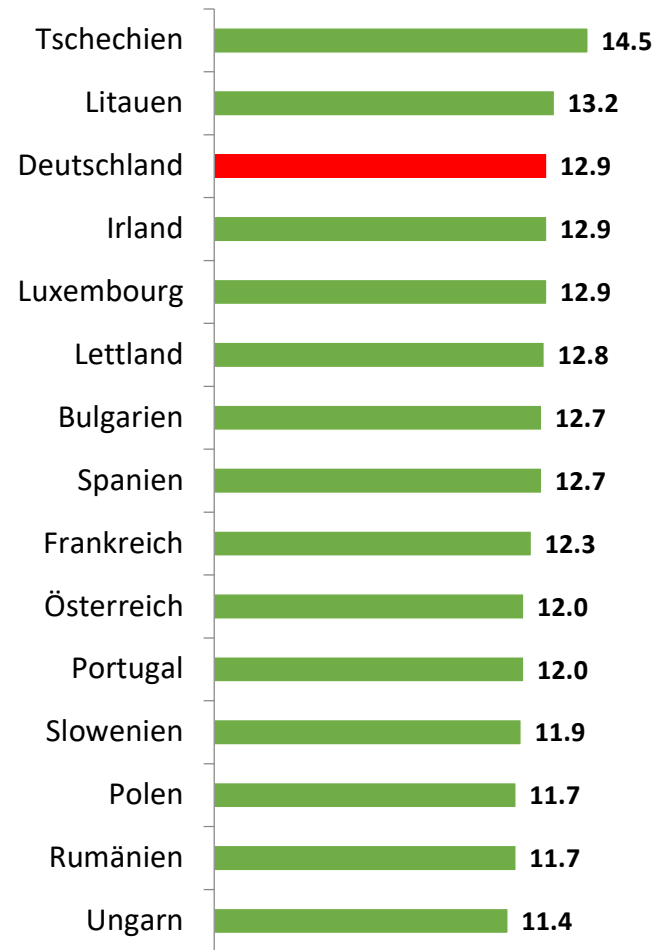
Quercetin (a flavonol)



Quercetin is a plant flavonol from the flavonoid group of polyphenols. Quercetin has a bitter flavor.

Alcohol consume in Europe

yearly per capita in Litre pure alcohol



Source, WHO 2016-2018



Coose responsibly

enjoy and share

drink in moderation

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AGROFORESTRY

Simultaneous cultivation of trees and vines

Nitrogen isotope discrimination

Microvinification

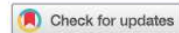
Wine sensory analysis

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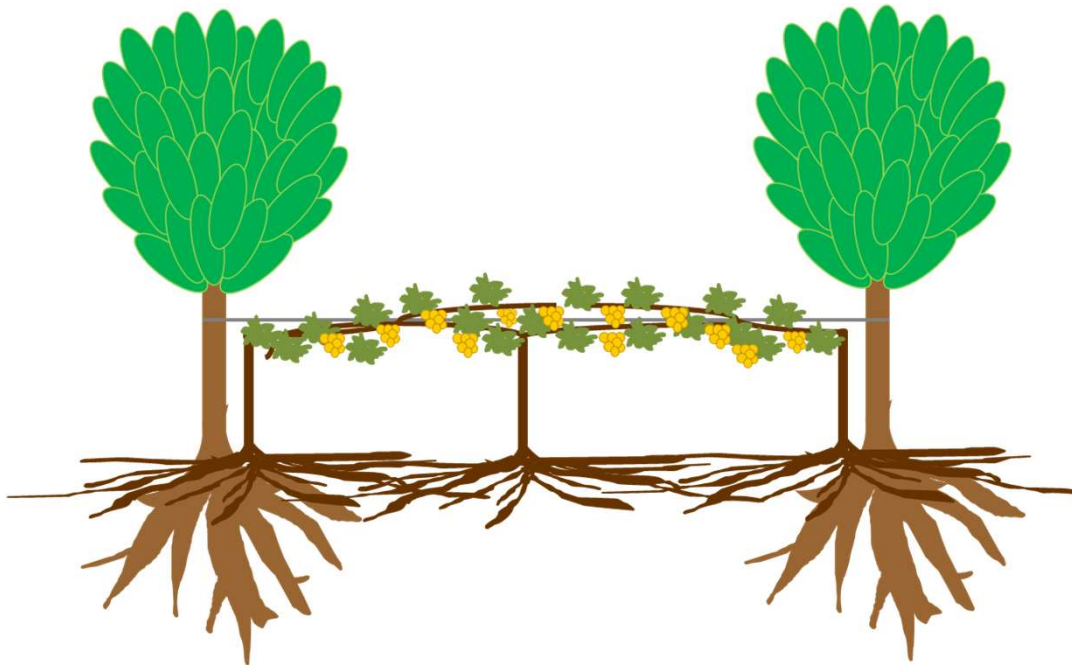
Interaction between grapevines and trees: effects on water relations, nitrogen nutrition, and wine

Carina P. Lang^a, Nikolaus Merkt^a, Christoph-Martin Geilfus^b, Simone Graeff-Hönninger^c, Judy Simon^d, Heinz Rennenberg^e and Christian Zörb^a



Co-cultivation of trees and vines

single cropping	mixed cropping
Sauvignon Blanc (S)	Sauvignon Blanc & oak (SO)
Riesling (R)	Sauvignon Blanc & poplar (SP)
oak (O)	Riesling & oak (RO)
poplar (P)	Riesling & poplar (RP)

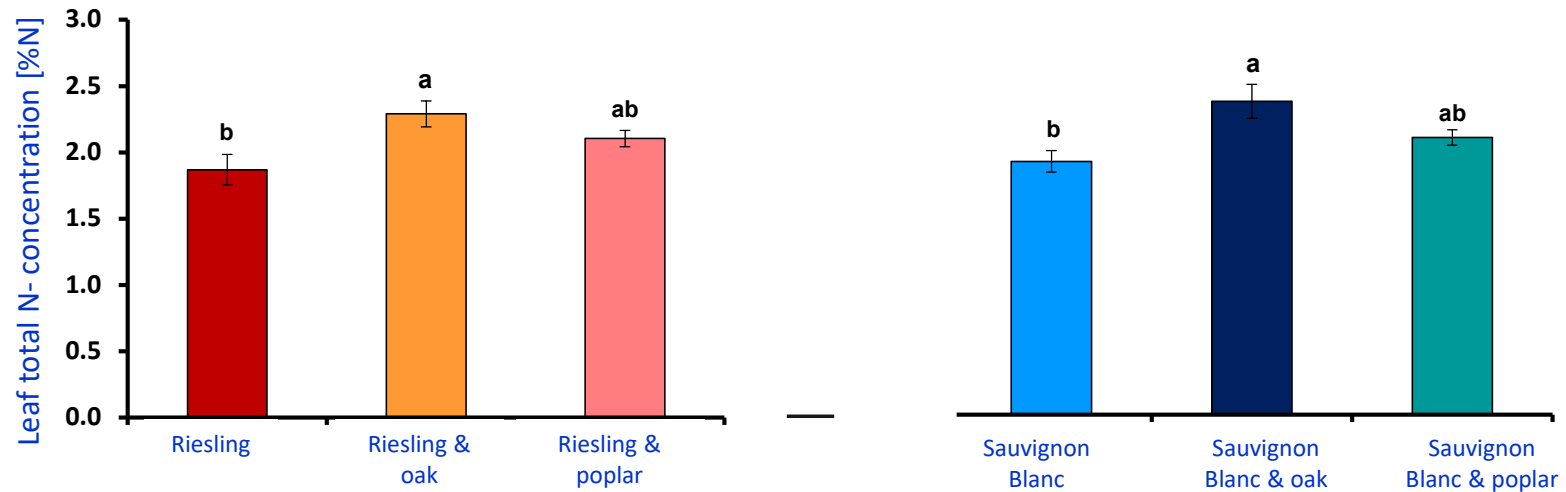


Nitrogen isotope discrimination assay



Figure & Foto: Lang, C.P.

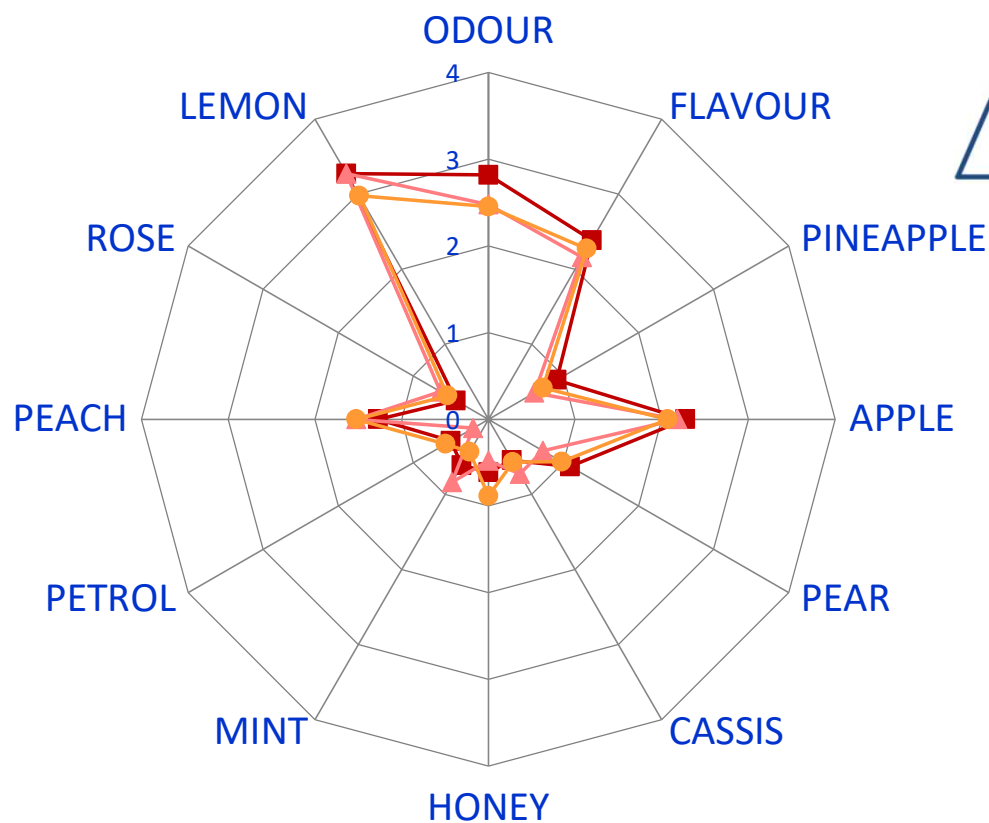
Nitrogen uptake in single cropping vs mixed cropping systems



➔ Mixed cropping systems increase leaf N- content and N uptake

Lang et al. 2018

Effect of silviculture on wine aroma attributes



Silviculture: slightly changed individual wine aroma attributes

- Riesling
- Riesling & oak
- Riesling & poplar

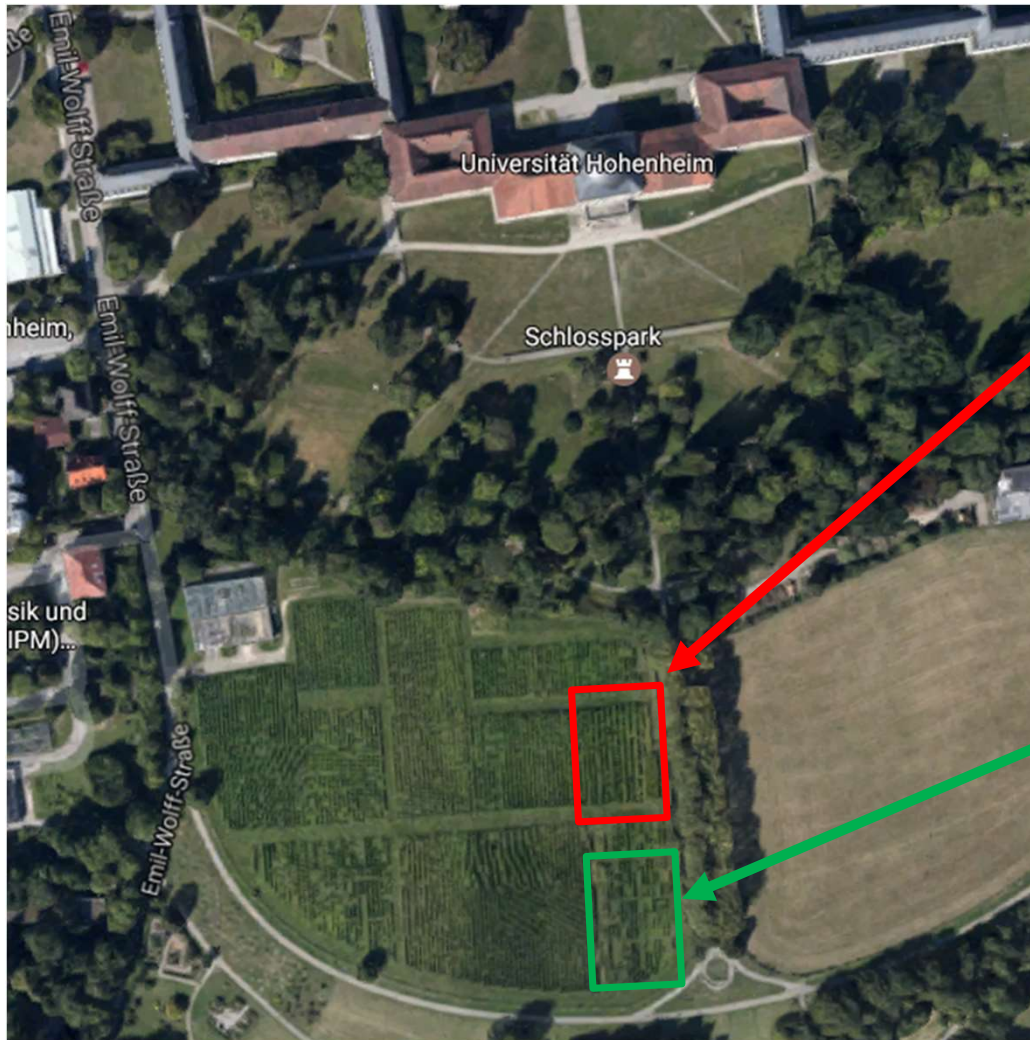
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Vineyard, University of Hohenheim (ca. 2 ha)



18 different grapevine training systems

Variety Helios (white wine)

Research Question:

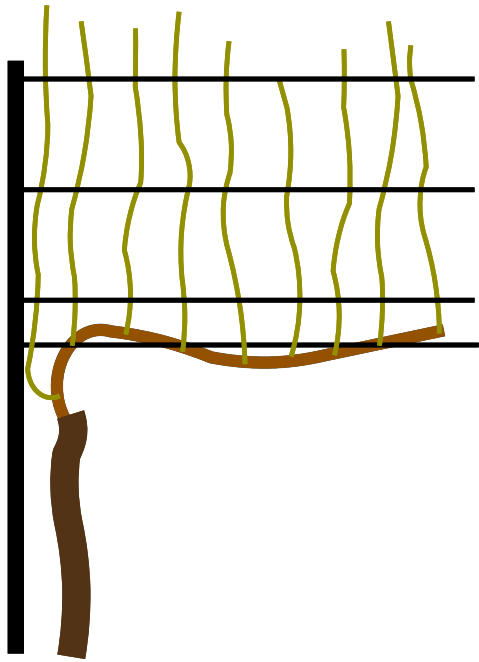
- Which training system performs better in climate change

250 different grapevine varieties

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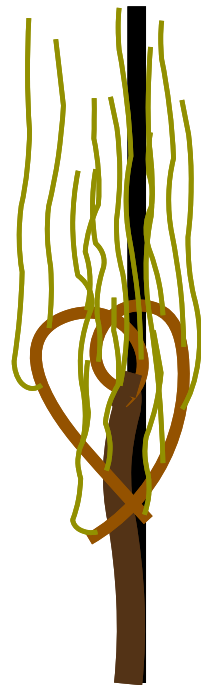
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18 different training (pruning) systems at vinyard University of Hohenheim (only 4 are shown here)

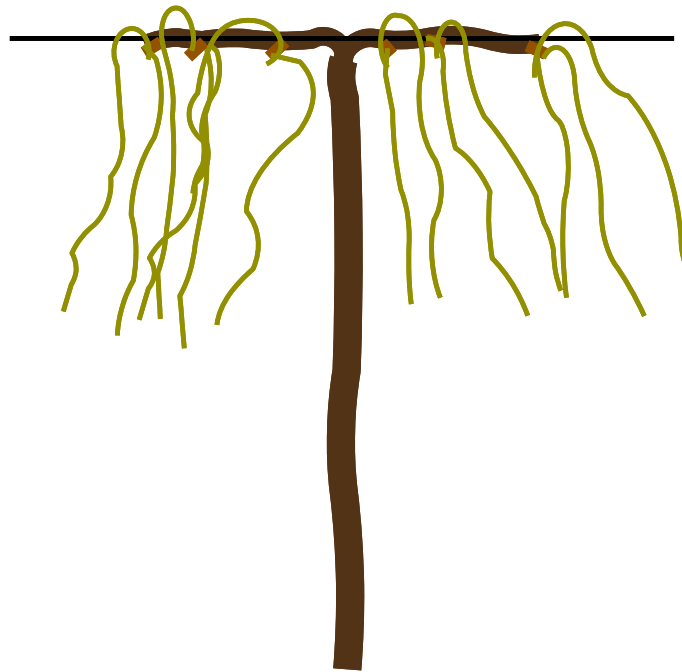


Options: vertical

Spaliererziehung

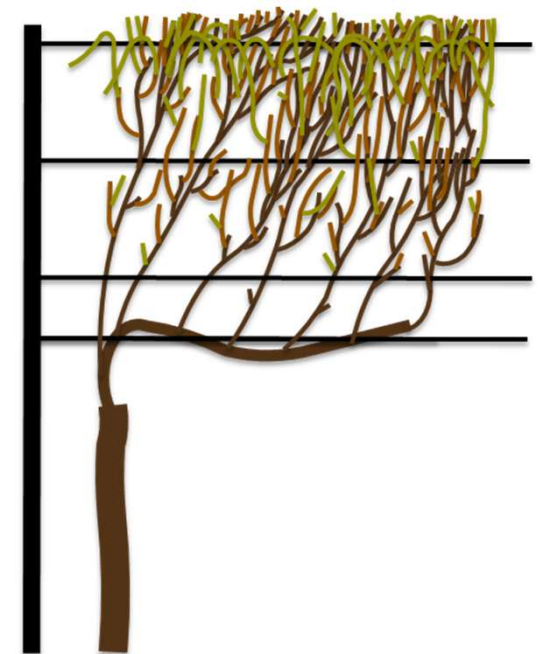


Mosel-Einpfahl-Erziehung



hanging

T-Umkehrerziehung



minimal

Minimalschnitt

Metabolic Responses in Grapevine Leaves and Wine of the Different Training Systems (GC-MS/MS)

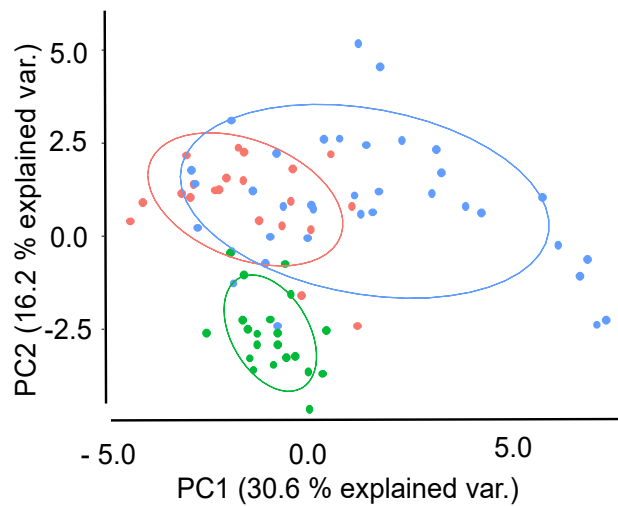


Principal Component Analysis

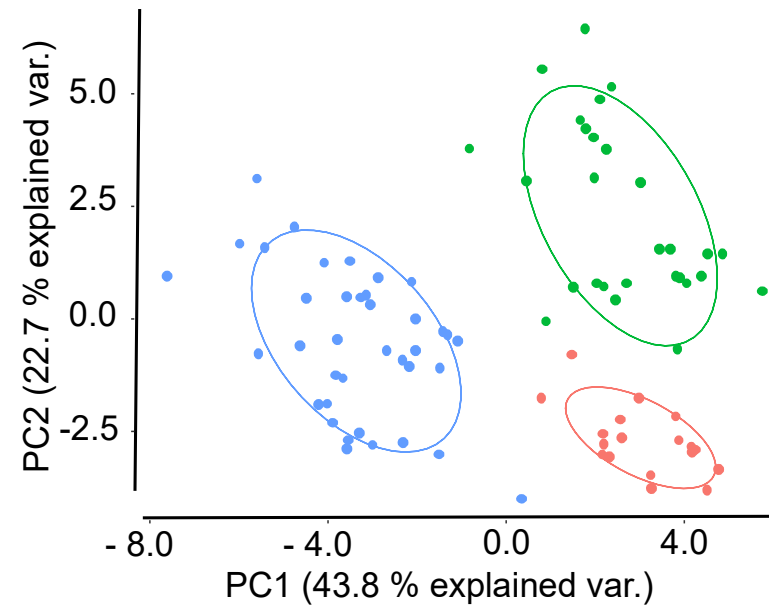
- Vertical shoot positioning systems
- Minimal pruning systems
- Hanging shoot systems

Paper under submission

Leaf

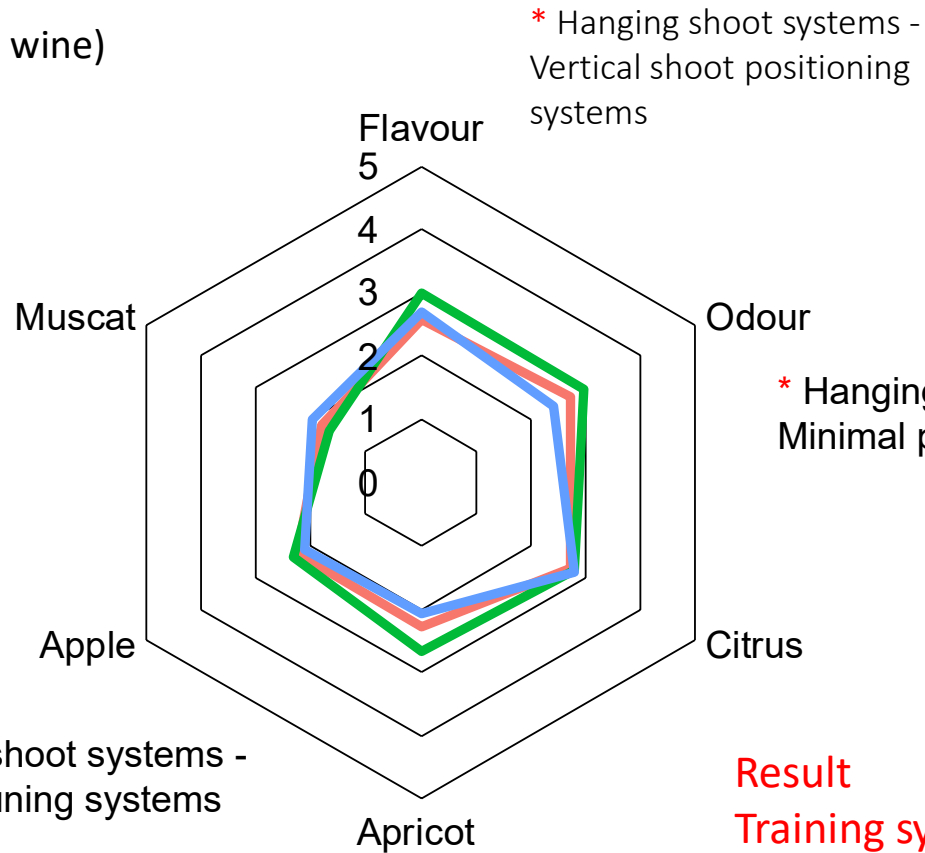
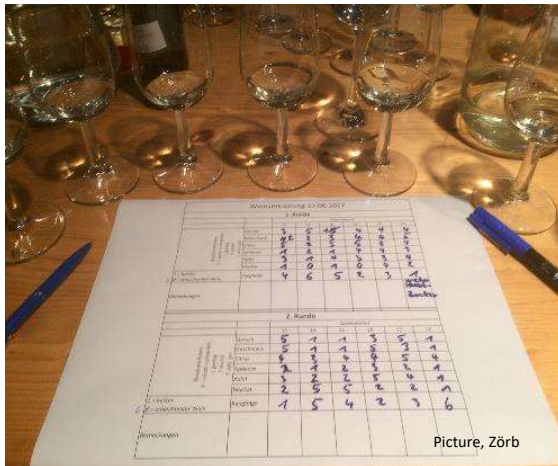


Wine



Wine sensory profile

Variety Helios (white wine)



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* significant change

* Hanging shoot systems - Minimal pruning systems

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* Hanging shoot systems - Vertical shoot positioning systems

Result
 Training systems may be changed according to the local climate without large effects on wine aroma

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Effect of drought, heat and combined stress



Heat, 29°C – 39°C



50% of field capacity



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Heat plus drought in combination



2 varieties, Riesling and Cabernet Sauvignon

University of Hohenheim and
Washington State University



Analyses: plant physiological stress parameter (Photosynthesis rate, stomata regulation, ABA, prolin,...)

Results of the drought, heat and combined stress experiments with grapevine

- Combined heat and drought is not the sum of stress from heat and drought alone
- There is unique response of combined stress (signature for decreasing stomatal conductance and photosynthetic rate)
- Stomatal conductance has a signature particularly for combined stress in contrast to individual stresses
- While plants open their stomata under heat conditions to lower the leaf temperature, they close their stomata under water deficit to save water.
- The pattern of proline (prolin concentration and key gene P5CS expression) was particularly influenced by combined stress.
- Drought stress has greatest influence on ABA concentration (plant stress hormone) and NCED1 gene expression (key enzyme of ABA synthesis)

Climate change with more drought and heat events therefore has great influence on grapevine physiology

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Breeding of new varieties

(the classic breeding process takes 20-30 years)

- resistance against fungal disease
- viral diseases
- with new quality aspects
- changed structure of the clusters
- later ripening to cope against climate change

Germany: Regent, Helios, Villarís, Solaris Calardis blanc, Souviniac,...

Japan: Shinano-Riesling



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Grafting of new variety on old rootstock 43



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