



Potatoes supplemented with phenolics from unused chokeberries by ultrasound-assisted osmotic treatment.

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Phenolic compounds

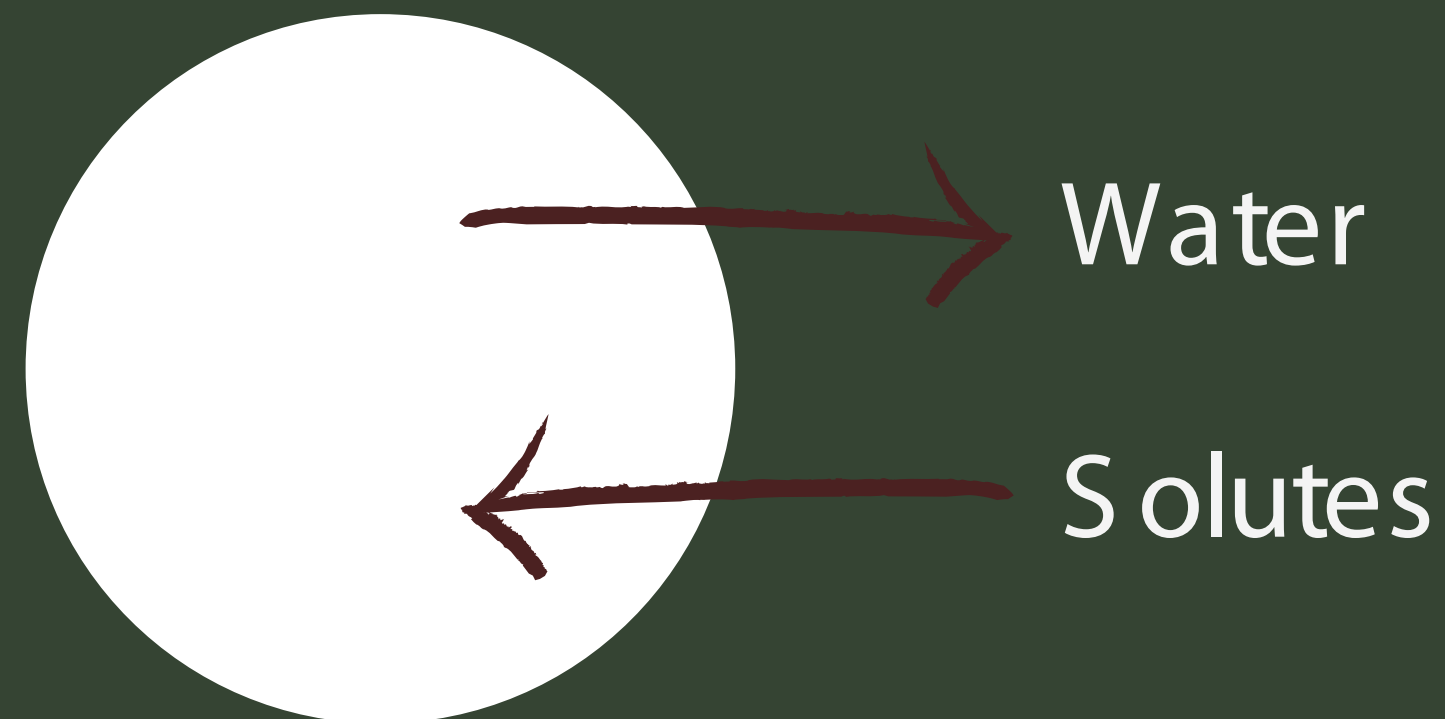
- ✓ Secondary metabolites
- ✓ Provide health benefits and basic nutrition
- ✓ Antioxidant, antimutagenic, antifungal, and antimicrobial properties
- ✓ Obtained through modification of standard processes or addition of compounds with bioactive properties
- ✓ Attempts to enrich food products with phenolic compounds

Osmotic treatment

Appropriate for formulating new products as it:

- ✓ Partially removes water
- ✓ Impregnates the product with solutes from the osmotic solution

It is, essentially, the placement of a raw material into a concentrated solution of soluble solids with higher osmotic pressure and lower water activity, that, due to osmosis, impels water to move through the selective permeable membrane, out of the product, and, at the same time, solutes move from the osmotic solution into the food material.



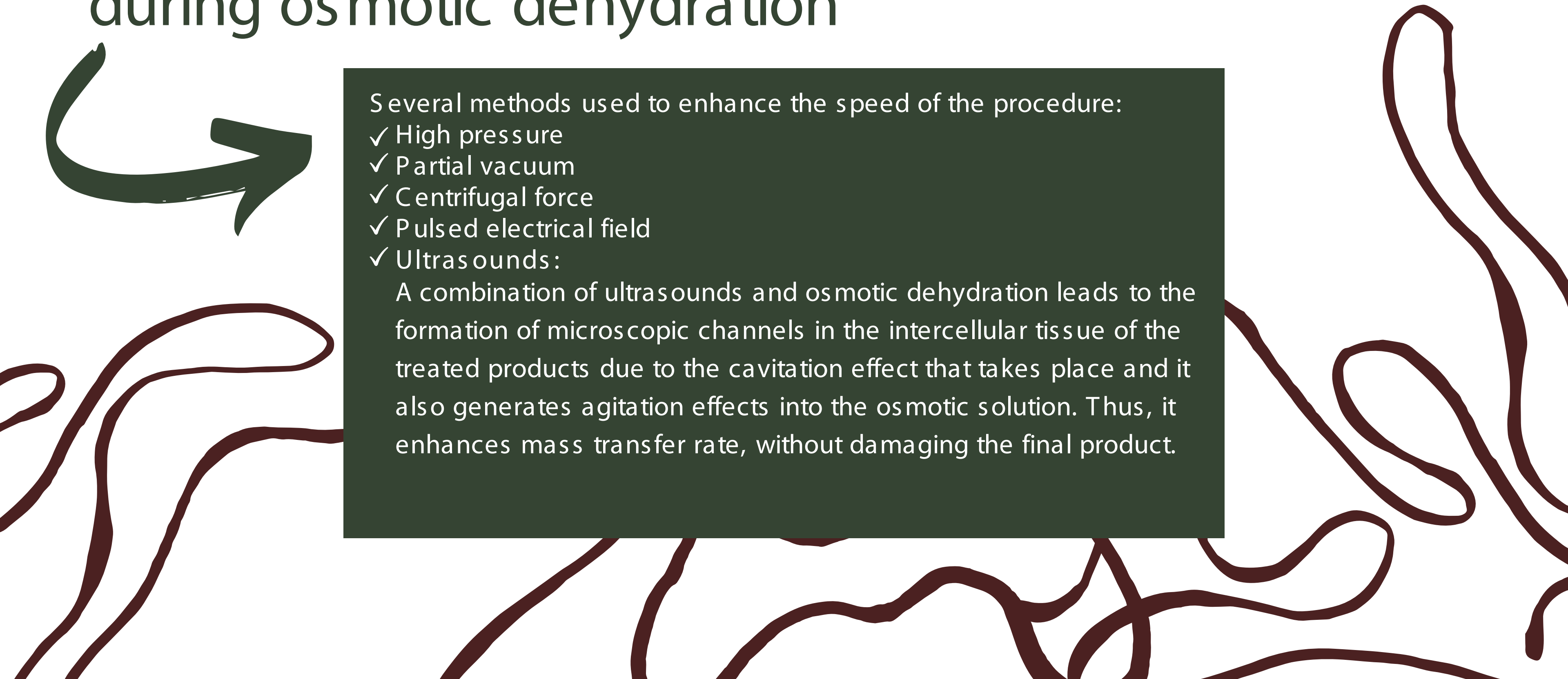
Low rate of mass transfer during osmotic dehydration



Several methods used to enhance the speed of the procedure:

- ✓ High pressure
- ✓ Partial vacuum
- ✓ Centrifugal force
- ✓ Pulsed electrical field
- ✓ Ultrasounds:

A combination of ultrasounds and osmotic dehydration leads to the formation of microscopic channels in the intercellular tissue of the treated products due to the cavitation effect that takes place and it also generates agitation effects into the osmotic solution. Thus, it enhances mass transfer rate, without damaging the final product.



Chokeberry (*Aronia melanocarpa*)

One of the richest plant sources of phenolic compounds (1494-5292 mg/100g):

- ✓ Anthocyanins (141-2468 mg/100g) found in aronia are mainly derivatives of cyanidin of which the most abundant are cyanidin-3-galactoside (68.9%) and cyanidin-3-arabinoside (24.5%)
- ✓ Flavonols of which quercetin is the most abundant with 93.07% in total flavonol amount

Aronia's phenolic extracts are mainly used in the development of high nutritional value foods, such as:

- ✓ Supplementing confections
- ✓ Fruit fillings
- ✓ Sauces
- ✓ Beverages
- ✓ Pasta products

No reports of using them to infuse fresh solid foodstuff





Potatoes

- ✓ Fourth most important food crop in the world
- ✓ Osmotically dehydrated potato can be used as a quick-cooking product
- ✓ Food industry is looking for a way to make healthier snacks with functional and antioxidant properties



Offers a chance for a functional snack that could increase the consumption of phenol rich product.





Objective

→ To study

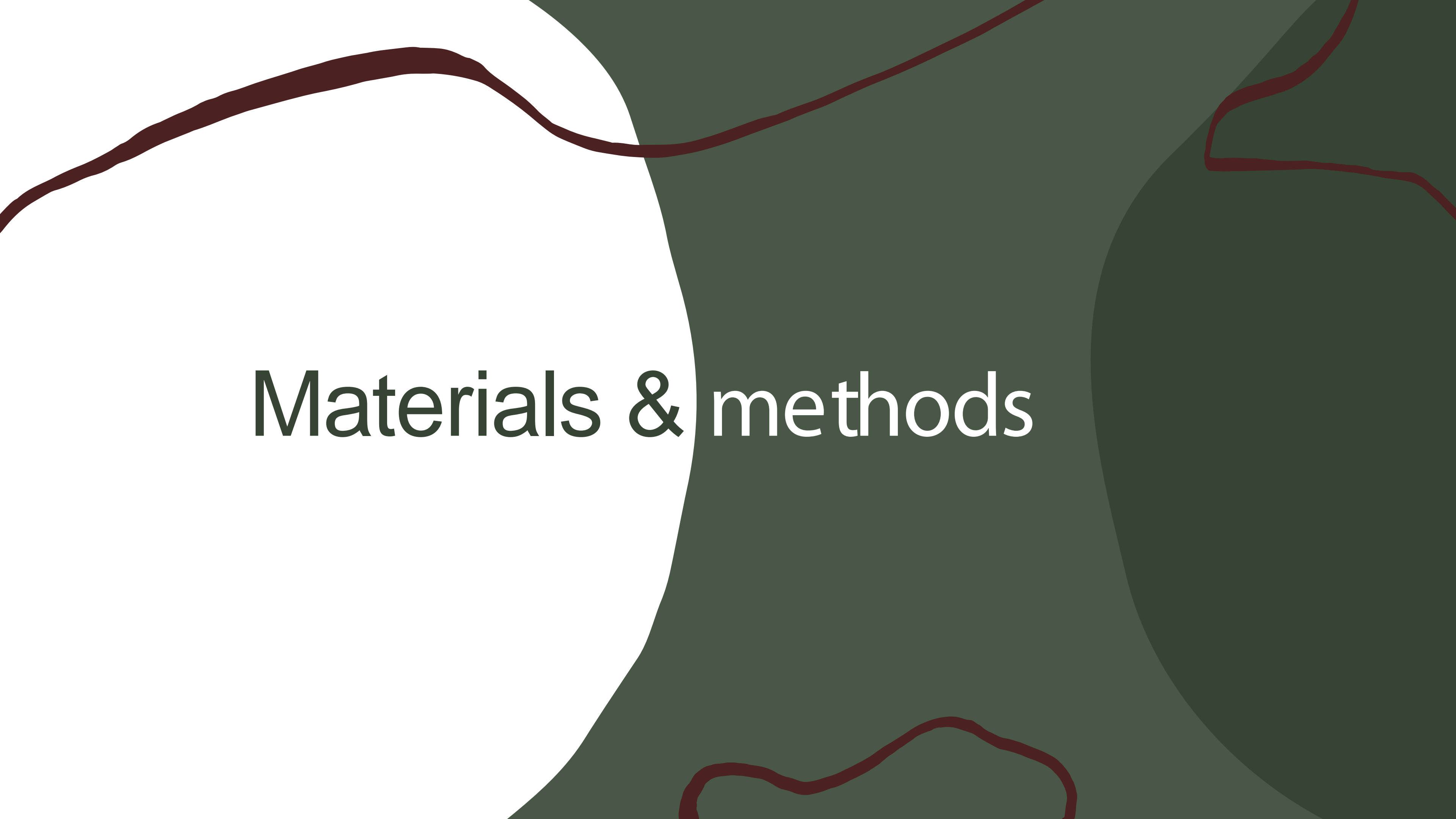
The rate of phenolics infusion into potato cubes during osmotic dehydration

→ To estimate

The diffusion coefficients of water, solute, and phenolics during osmotic treatments

→ To evaluate

The possible enhancement of mass transfer due to ultrasounds application

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Materials & methods

Raw materials

Potatoes:

- ✓ Washed and handpeeled
- ✓ Cut in 14mm side cubes

Maltodextrin:

- ✓ 12 Dextrose Equivalent
- Sodium chloride

Aronia berries:

- ✓ Dried at 40 °C for 48h to a 9.5 ± 0.5 % moisture content
- ✓ Grounded (0.4 mm diameter particles) in a laboratory grinder





Phenolic extract

- ✓ Multiwave closed microwave system equipped with 6 sample vessels
- ✓ 50% aqueous ethanol solvent at a 24/1 mL/g ratio
- ✓ At microwave power of 400 W for 7 min.
- ✓ Extraction yield of 32.5 GAE/g of dry aronia

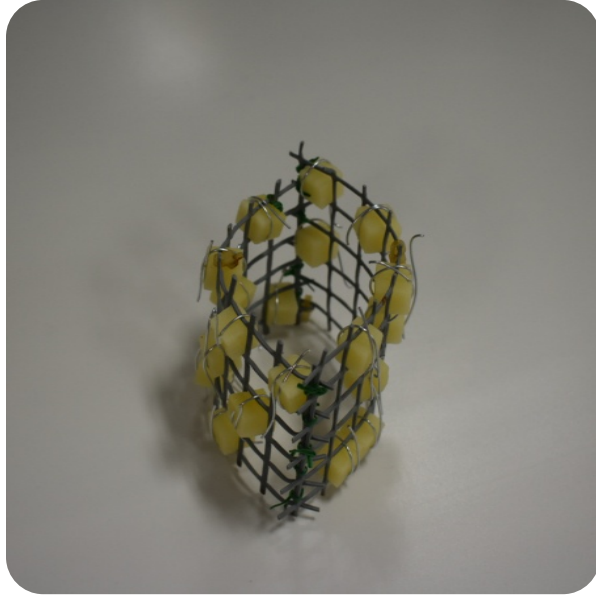


- ✓ Evaporated under 150 mbar vacuum at 40 °C using a rotary evaporator

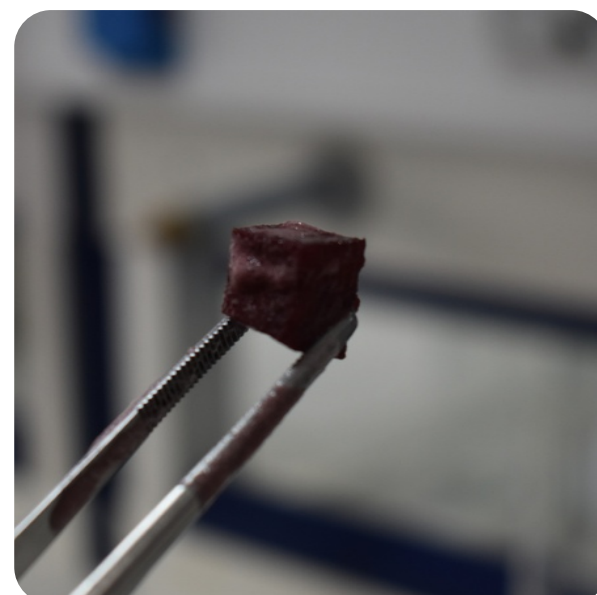


Until 30% solid content.

Osmotic dehydration experiments



- ✓ T (20-45°C)
- ✓ Ct (15-30%)
- ✓ CNaCl (0-12%)
- ✓ A (20-60%)
- ✓ Total of 31 experiments.



- ✓ Water Loss (WL)
- ✓ Solid Gain (SG)
- ✓ Phenolics Gain (PG)



Calculations

Mass and moisture and phenolic content data were used to calculate water loss (WL), solid gain (SG), and phenolics gain (PG) of the samples, according to the equations:

$$WL = \frac{w_i X_i - wX}{w_i}$$

$$SG = \frac{w_i S_i - wS}{w_i}$$

$$PG = \frac{w_i P_i - wP}{w_i}$$

Mathematical modeling

According to Fick's second law of diffusion:

$$MR = \frac{X - X_e}{X_i - X_e} = \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2v+1)^6} \exp \left[-(2v+1)^2 \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Weff} t}{4L^2} \right]$$

$$SR = \frac{S - S_e}{S_i - S_e} = \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2v+1)^6} \exp \left[-(2v+1)^2 \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Seff} t}{4L^2} \right]$$

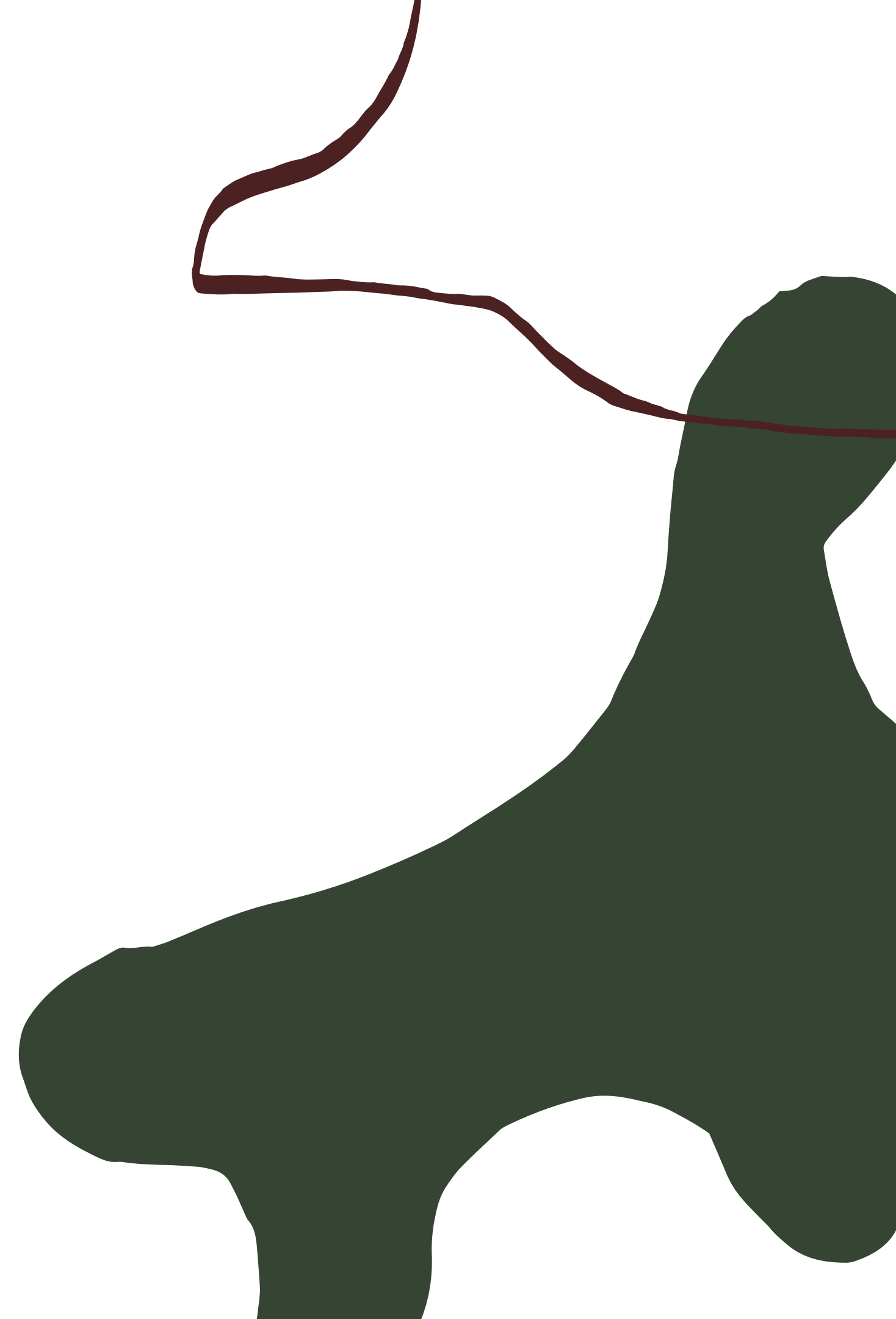
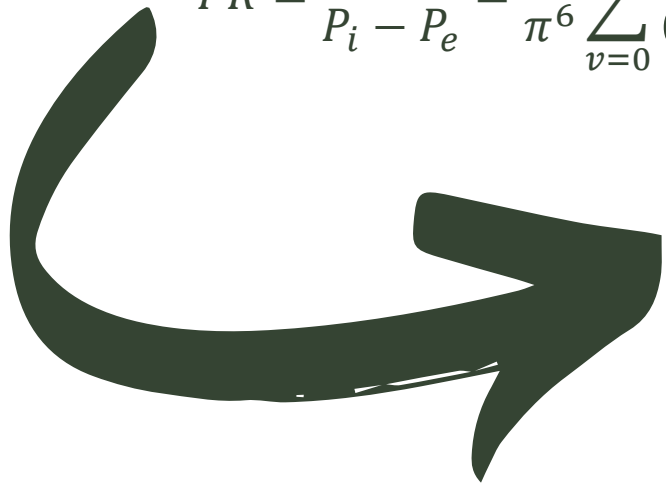
$$PR = \frac{P - P_e}{P_i - P_e} = \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} \sum_{v=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2v+1)^6} \exp \left[-(2v+1)^2 \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Peff} t}{4L^2} \right]$$

To determine effective diffusivities:

$$\ln MR = \ln \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} - \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Weff} t}{4L^2}$$

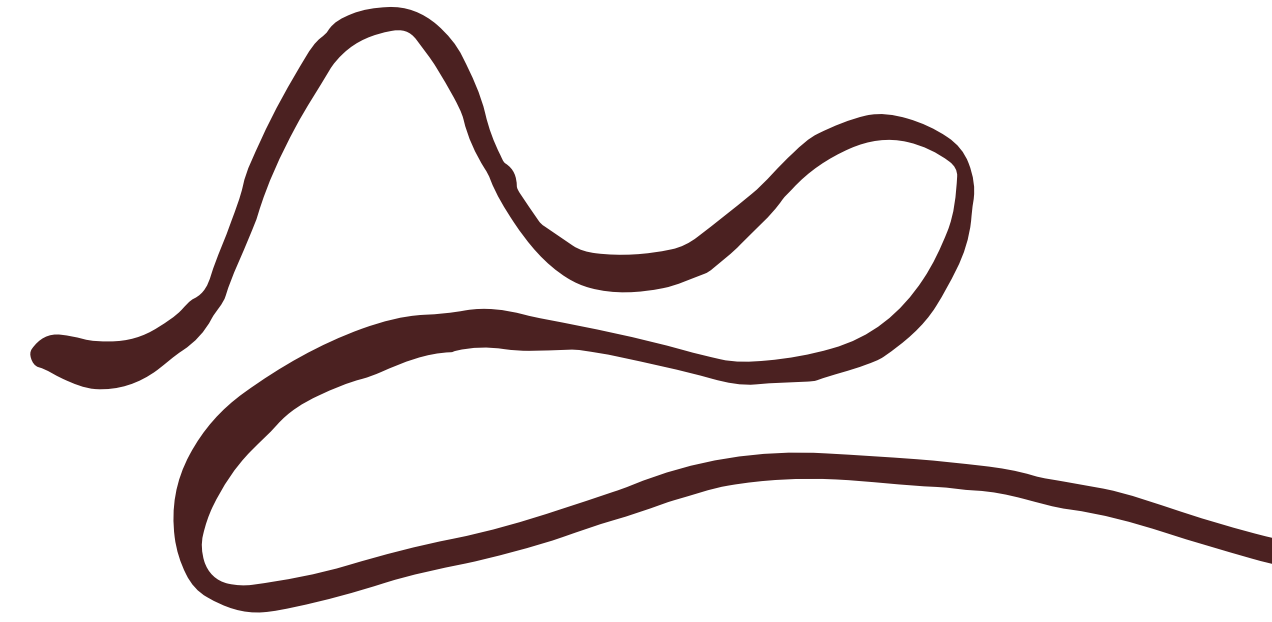
$$\ln SR = \ln \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} - \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Seff} t}{4L^2}$$

$$\ln PR = \ln \frac{8^3}{\pi^6} - \frac{3\pi^2 D_{Peff} t}{4L^2}$$



Microstructure analysis

- ✓ SEM System (Quanta-200)
- ✓ Potatoes samples: dried, mounted on aluminium stubs with conductive adhesive and coated with gold
- ✓ x100 magnification



Statistical analysis

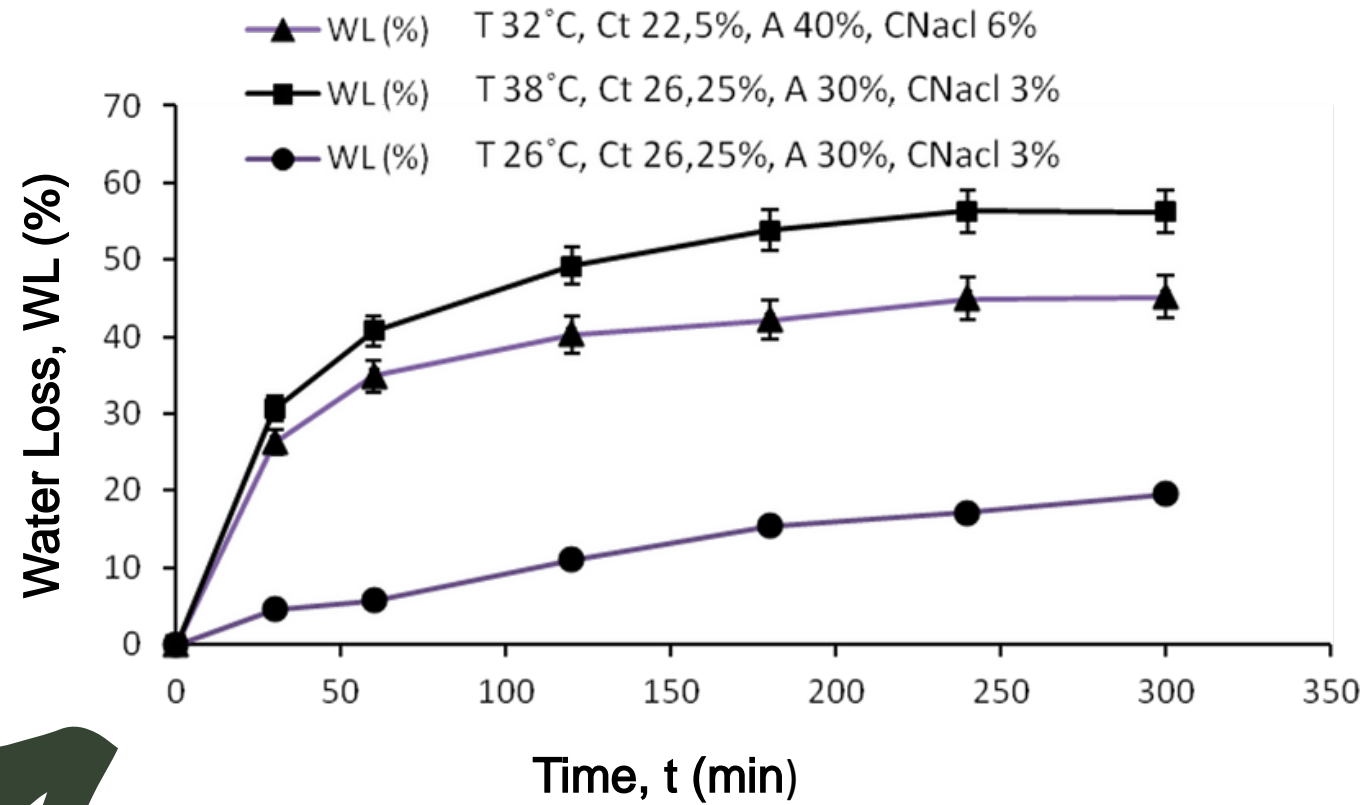
- ✓ Minitab™
- ✓ ANOVA
- ✓ p less than 0.05 was statistically significant



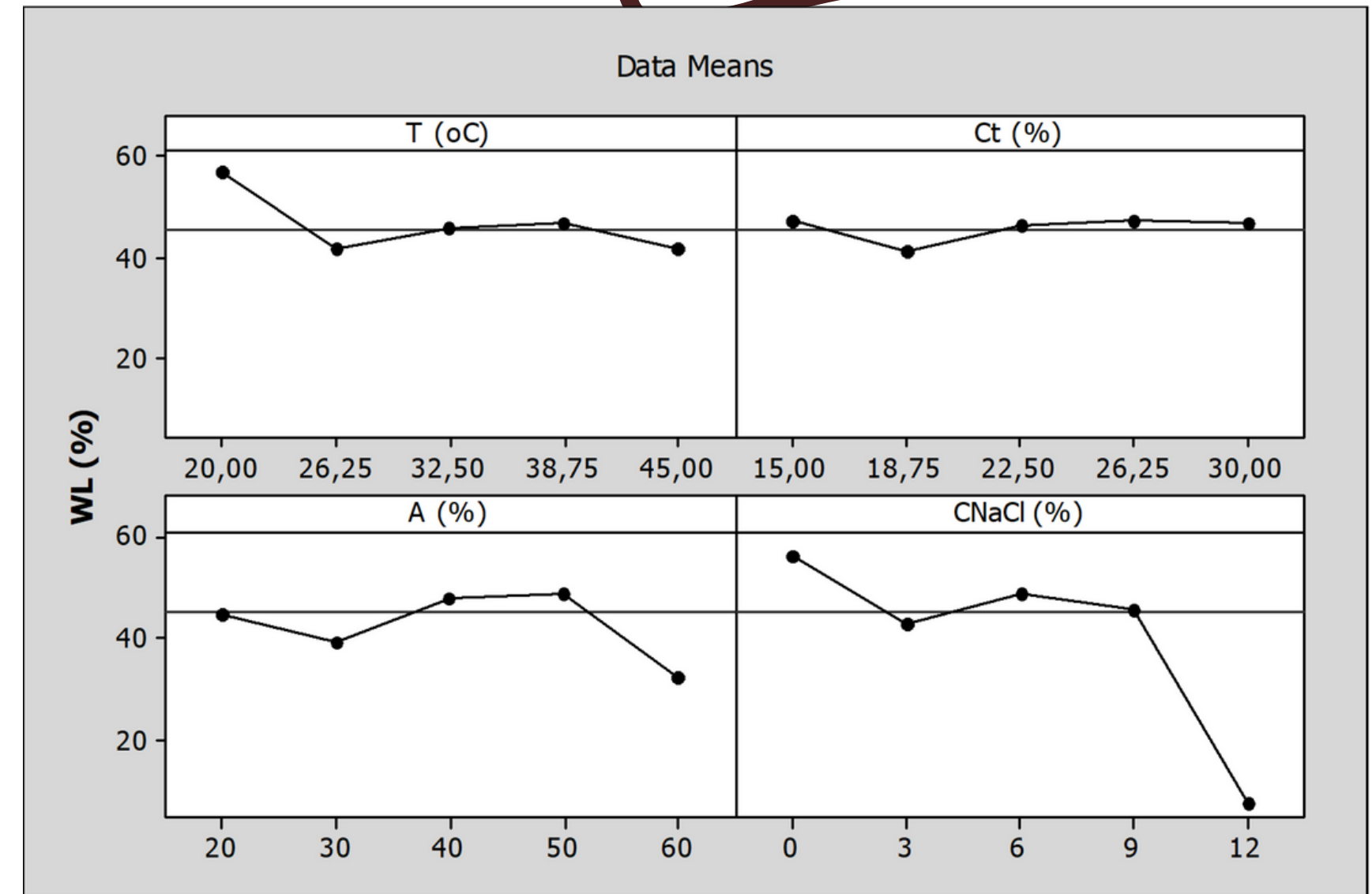
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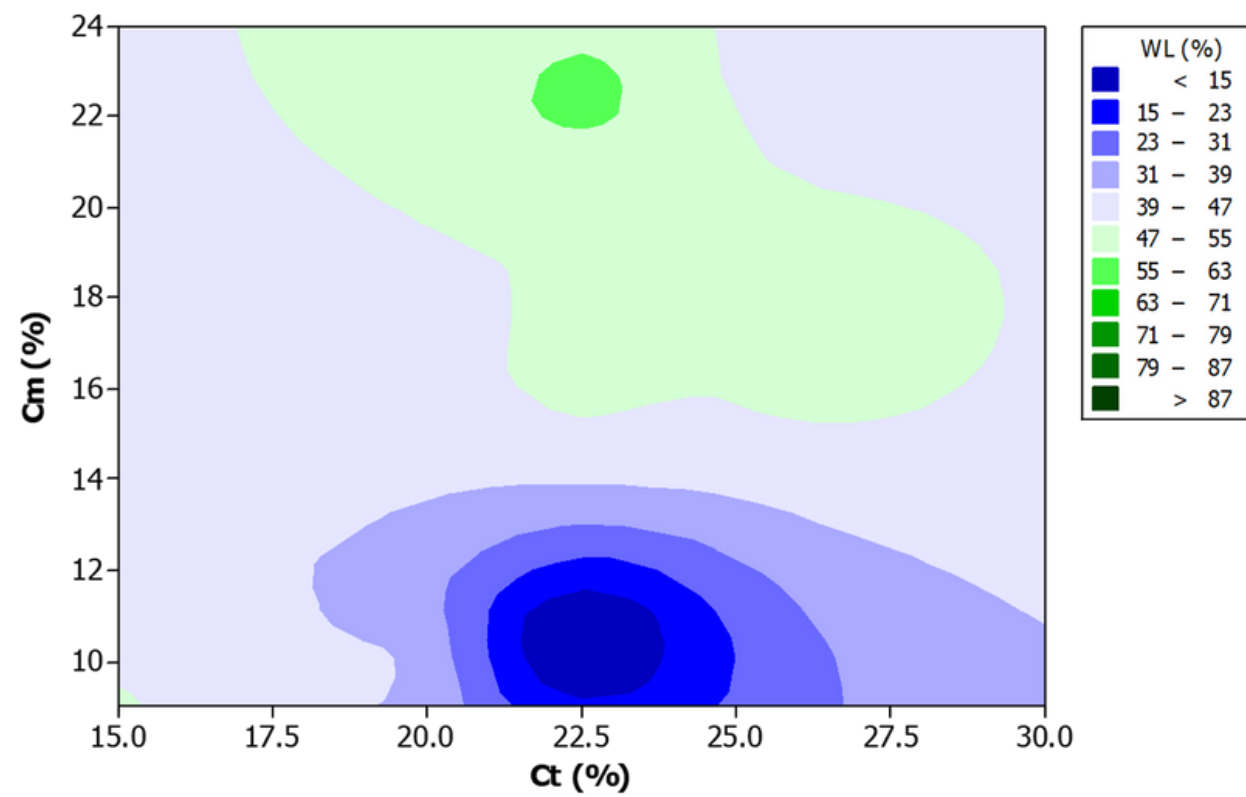
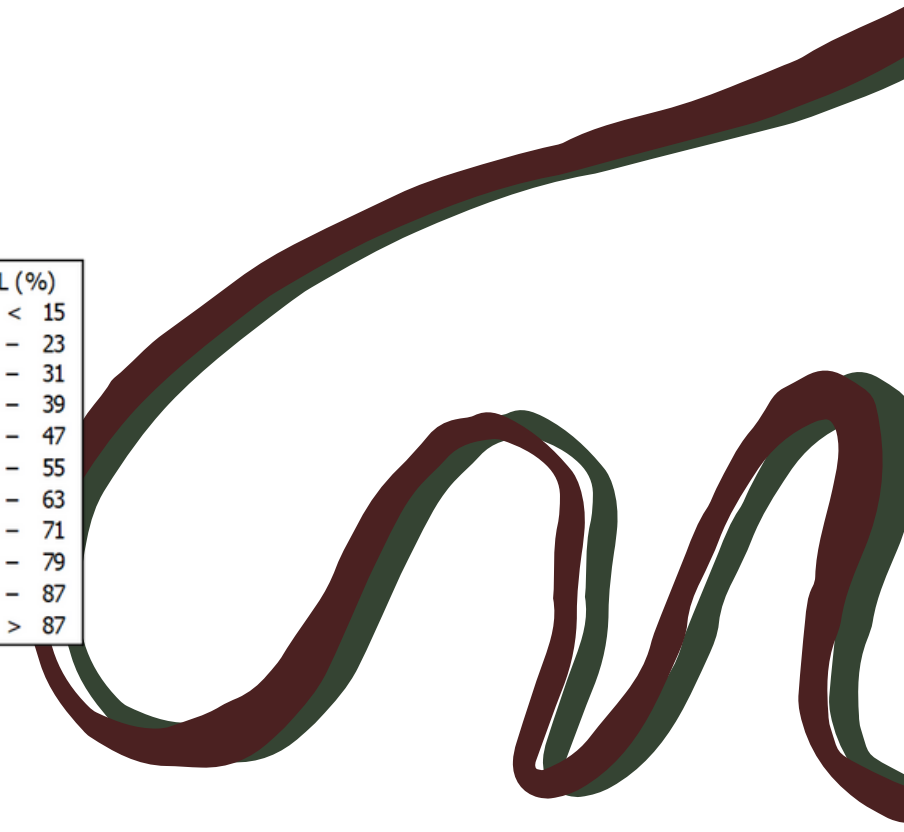
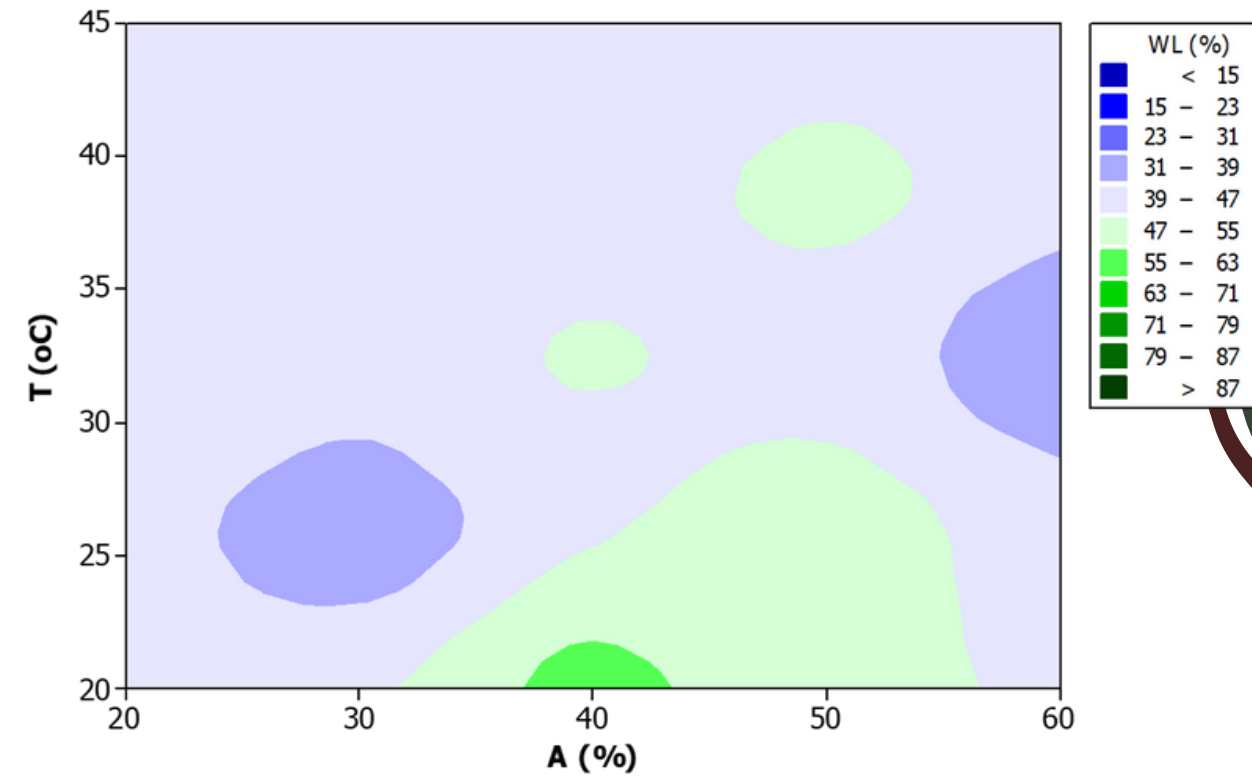
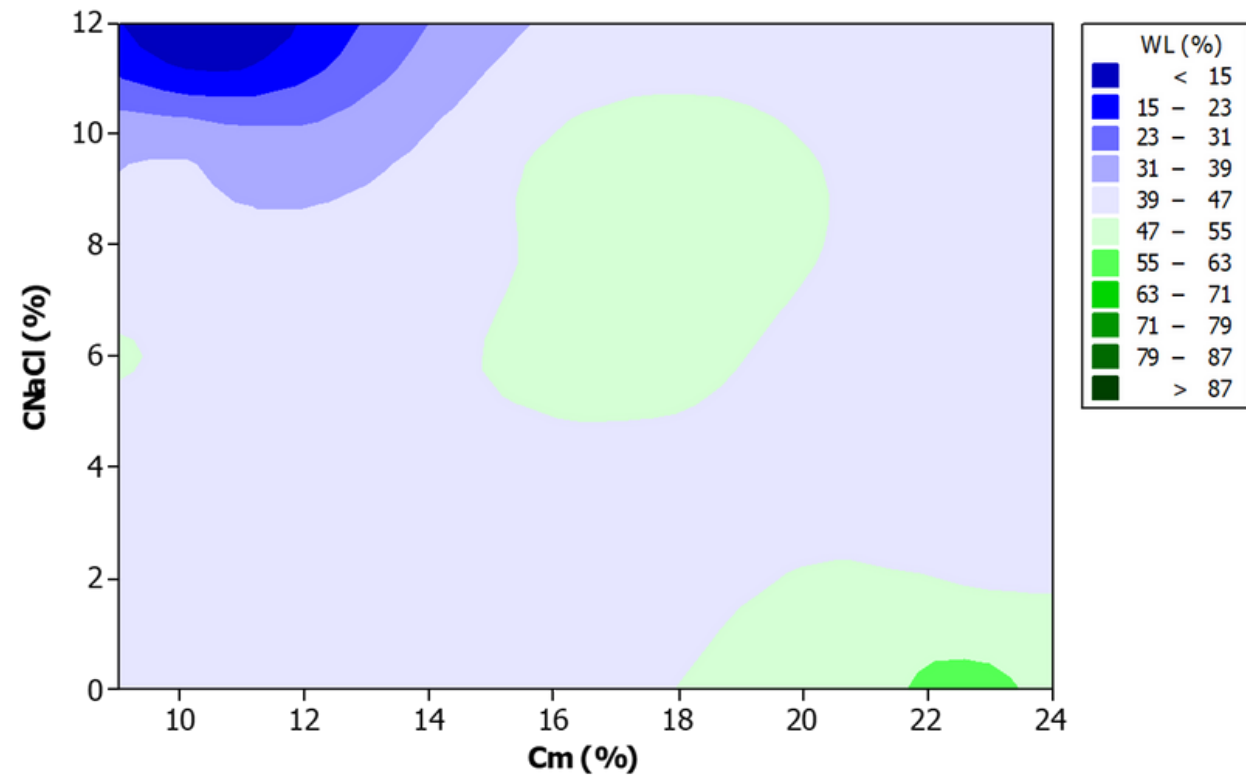
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Water Loss



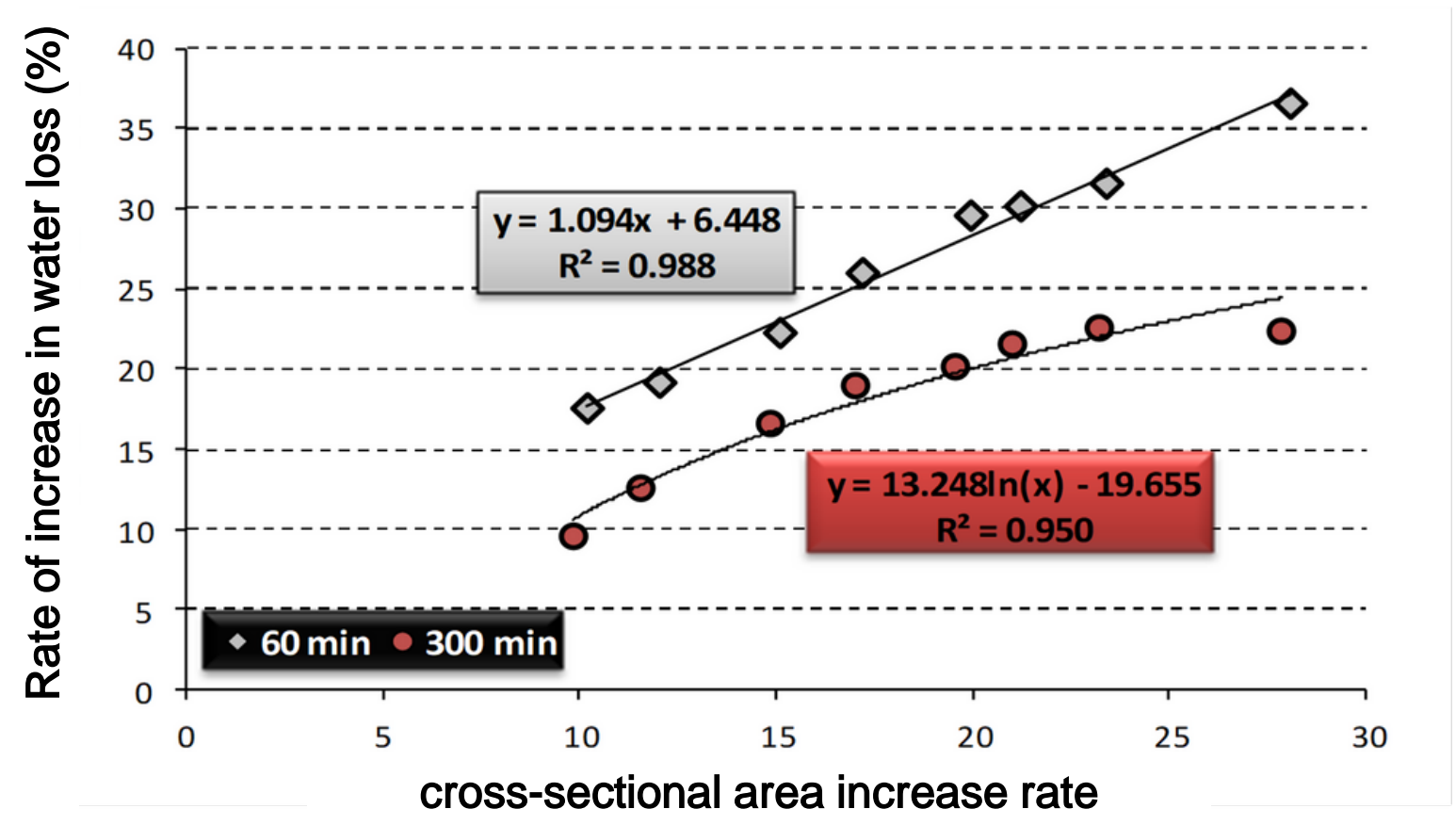
During the first hour of osmotic dehydration, the rate of increase in moisture loss is higher due to the difference in osmotic pressure between the sample and the surrounding hypertonic osmotic solution





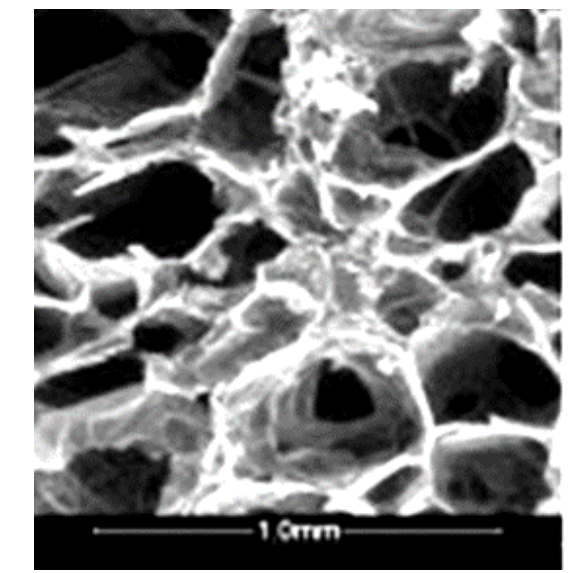
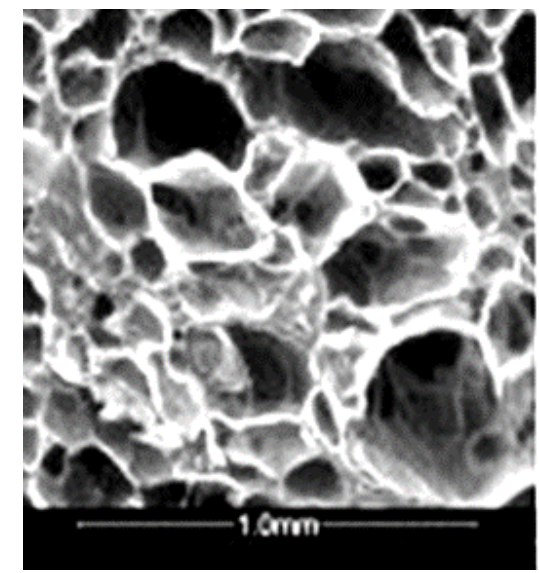
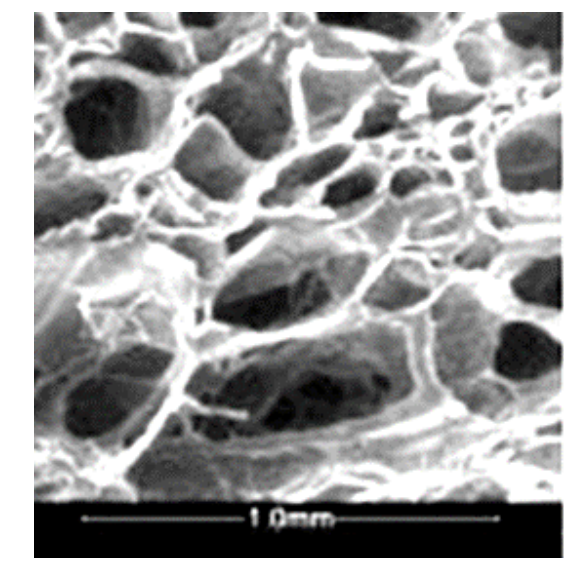
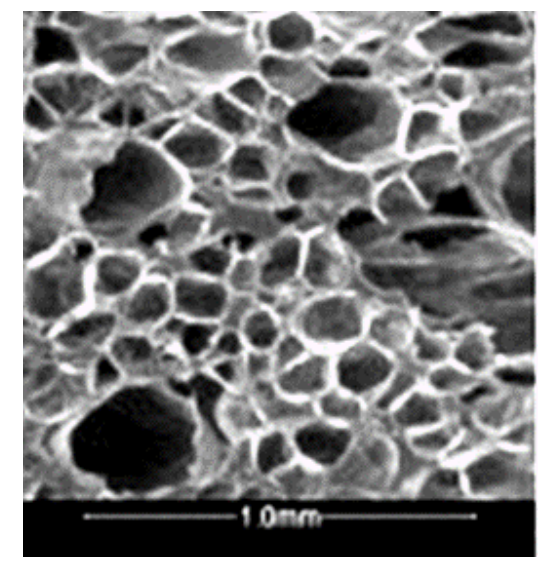
- ✓ Decrease in maltodextrin concentration causes a decrease in moisture loss.
- ✓ The observed decrease in water loss may be related to the decrease in maltodextrin concentration and not to the increase in NaCl concentration.

Effect of ultrasound on water loss



60 min.

300 min.



Using stirring

Using ultrasound power

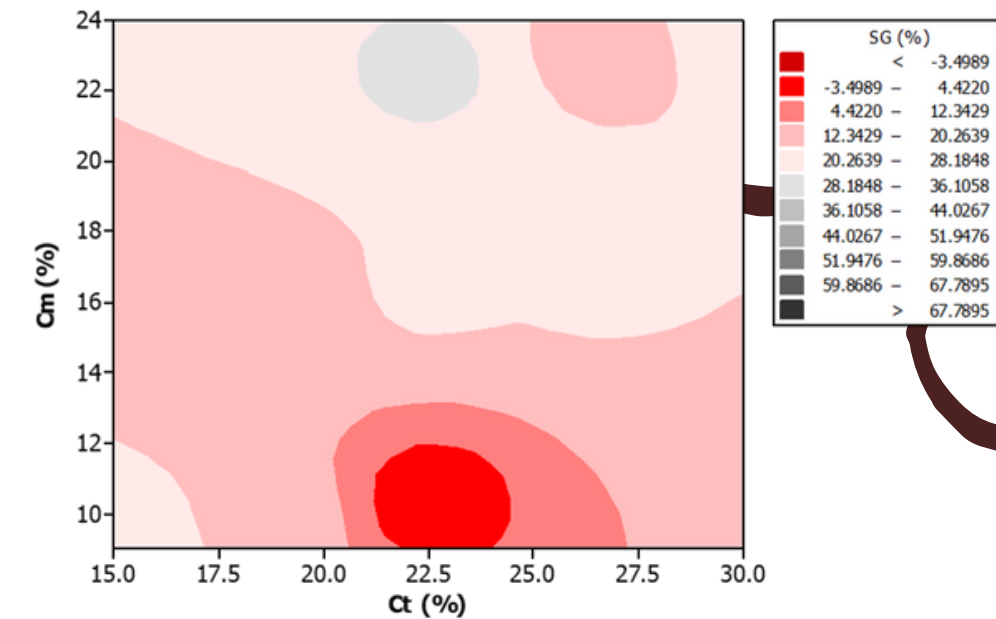
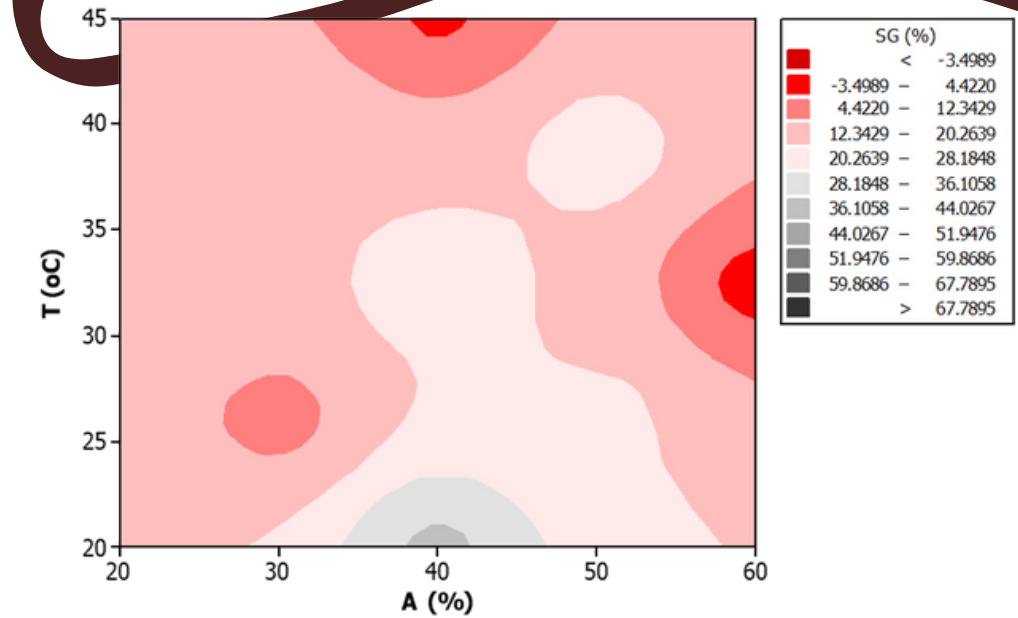
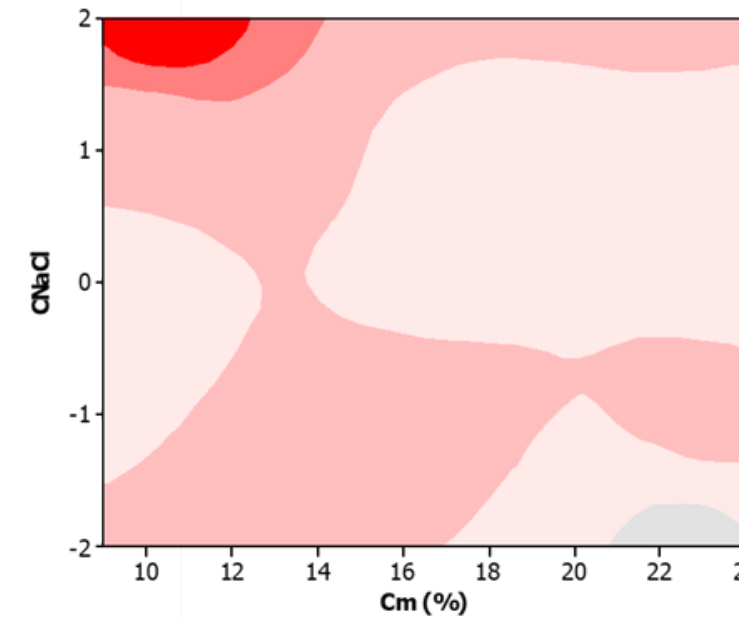
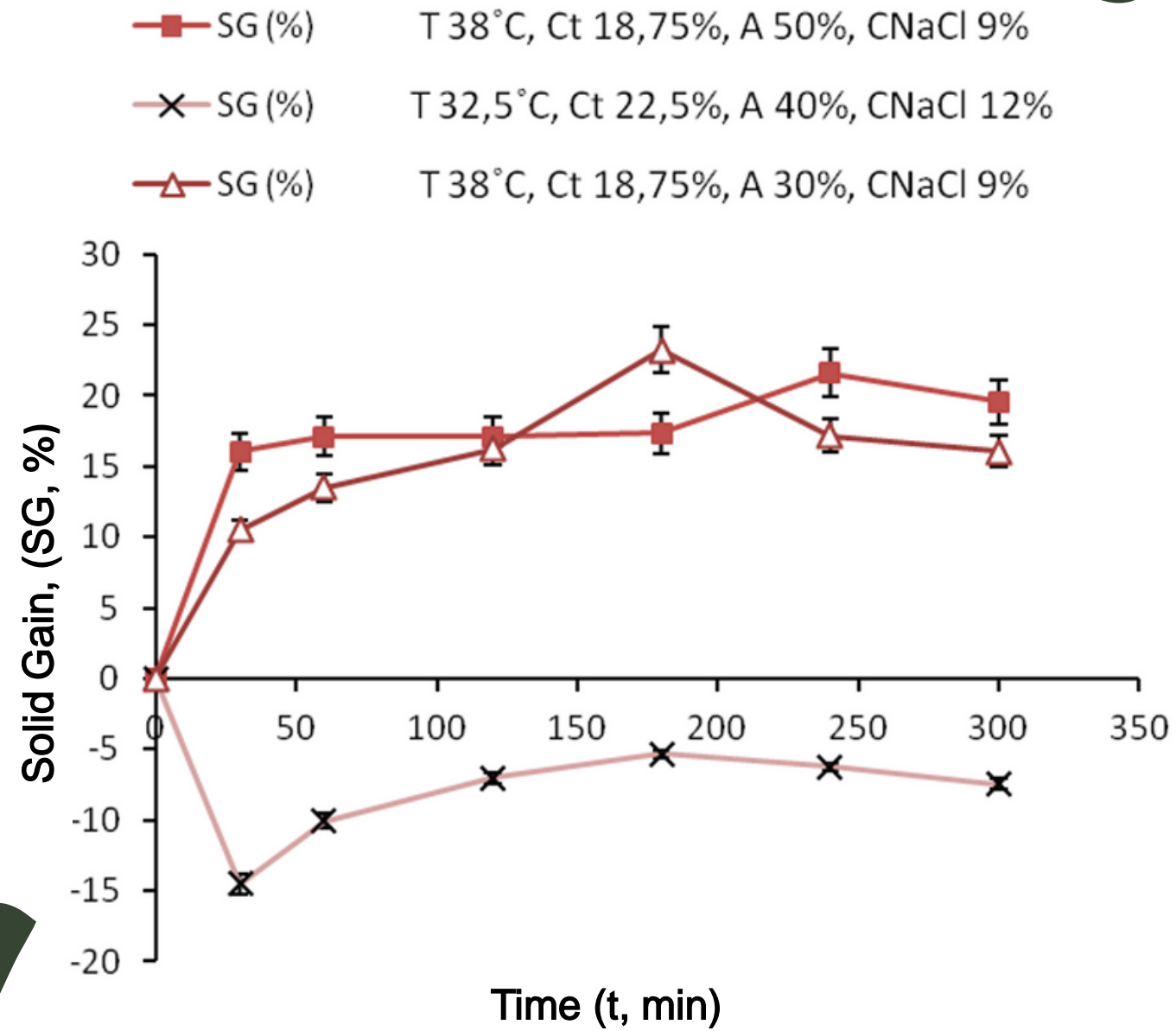
Regression Analysis for Water Loss

| Term | Coef | SE Coef | t | p |
|---|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Constant | 52,005 | 6,047 | 8,600 | 0,000 |
| T | 0,522 | 3,266 | 0,160 | 0,875 |
| C _{total} | 1,855 | 3,266 | 0,568 | 0,578 |
| A | 2,216 | 3,266 | 0,678 | 0,507 |
| C _{NaCl} | -3,174 | 3,266 | -0,972 | 0,346 |
| T*T | -0,204 | 2,992 | -0,068 | 0,947 |
| C _{total} * C _{total} | -0,834 | 2,992 | -0,279 | 0,784 |
| A*A | -2,969 | 2,992 | -0,992 | 0,336 |
| C _{NaCl} * C _{NaCl} | -4,624 | 2,992 | -1,546 | 0,142 |
| T* C _{total} | -1,482 | 4,000 | -0,371 | 0,716 |
| T*A | -3,209 | 4,000 | -0,802 | 0,434 |
| T* C _{NaCl} | -9,318 | 4,000 | -2,330 | 0,033 |
| C _{total} * A | -1,065 | 4,000 | -0,266 | 0,793 |
| C _{total} * C _{NaCl} | 2,583 | 4,000 | 0,646 | 0,528 |
| A* C _{NaCl} | -2,538 | 4,000 | -0,635 | 0,535 |

✓ Statistically significant parameters:

$p < 0.05$

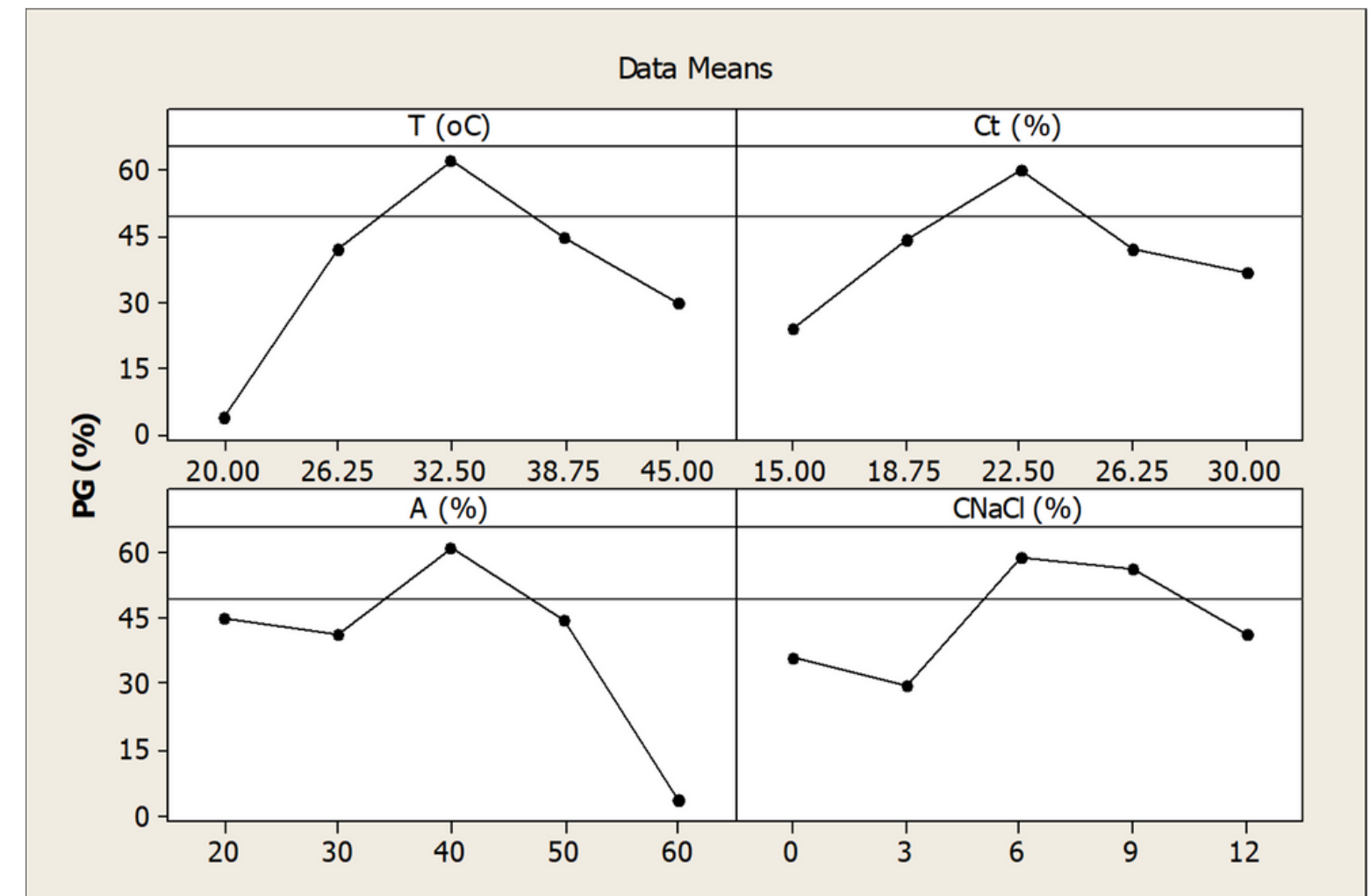
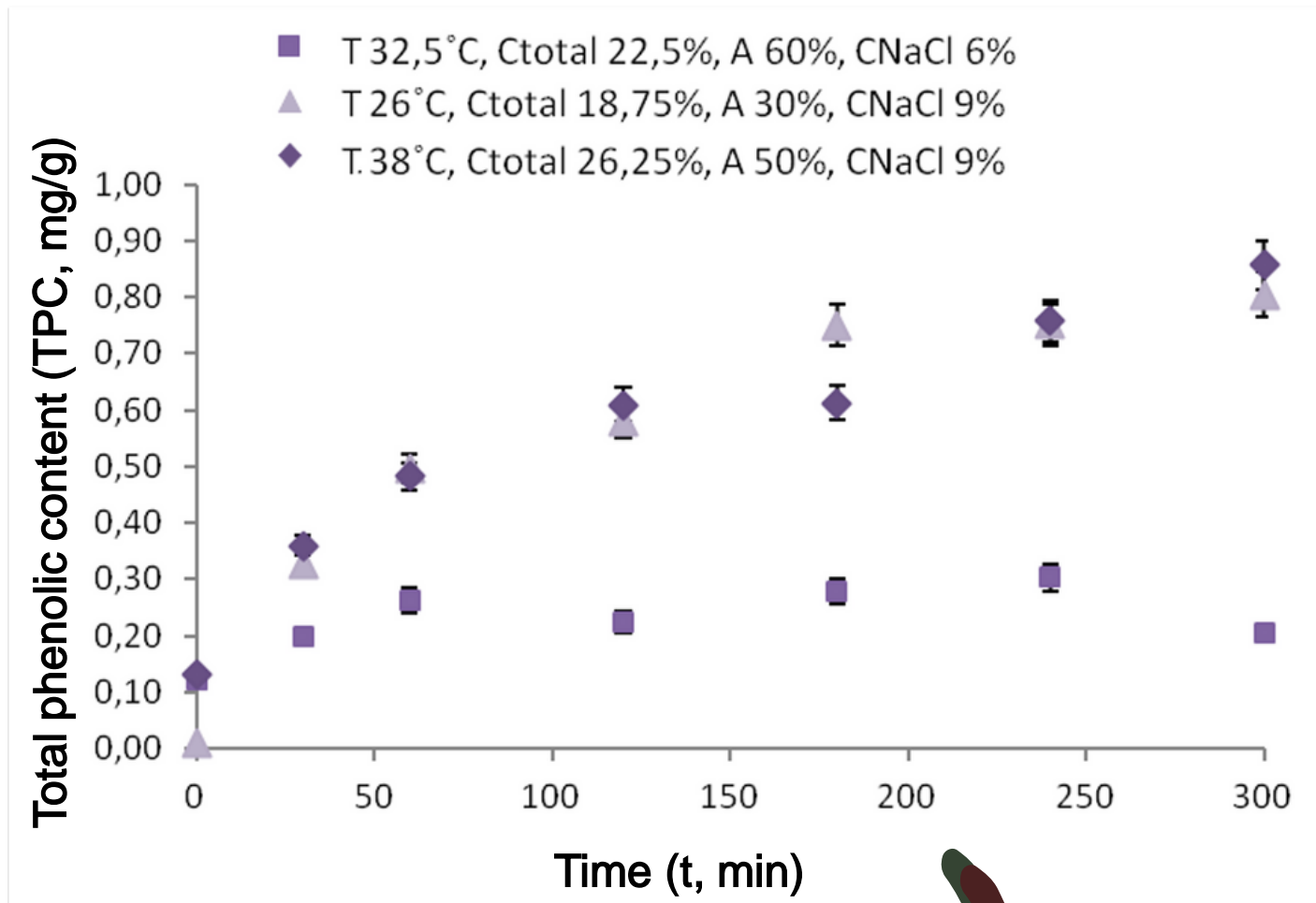
Solid Gain



The rate of solids intake is lower than the rate of moisture loss
 In some experiments, an initial loss of solids from the sample
 to the solution is observed, which over time is converted to
 solids uptake, but is at very low levels.

Phenolics Gain

- ✓ Maximum percentage of phenolic intake = 103,1%
- ✓ Maximum concentration of phenolics = 1,34 mg/g

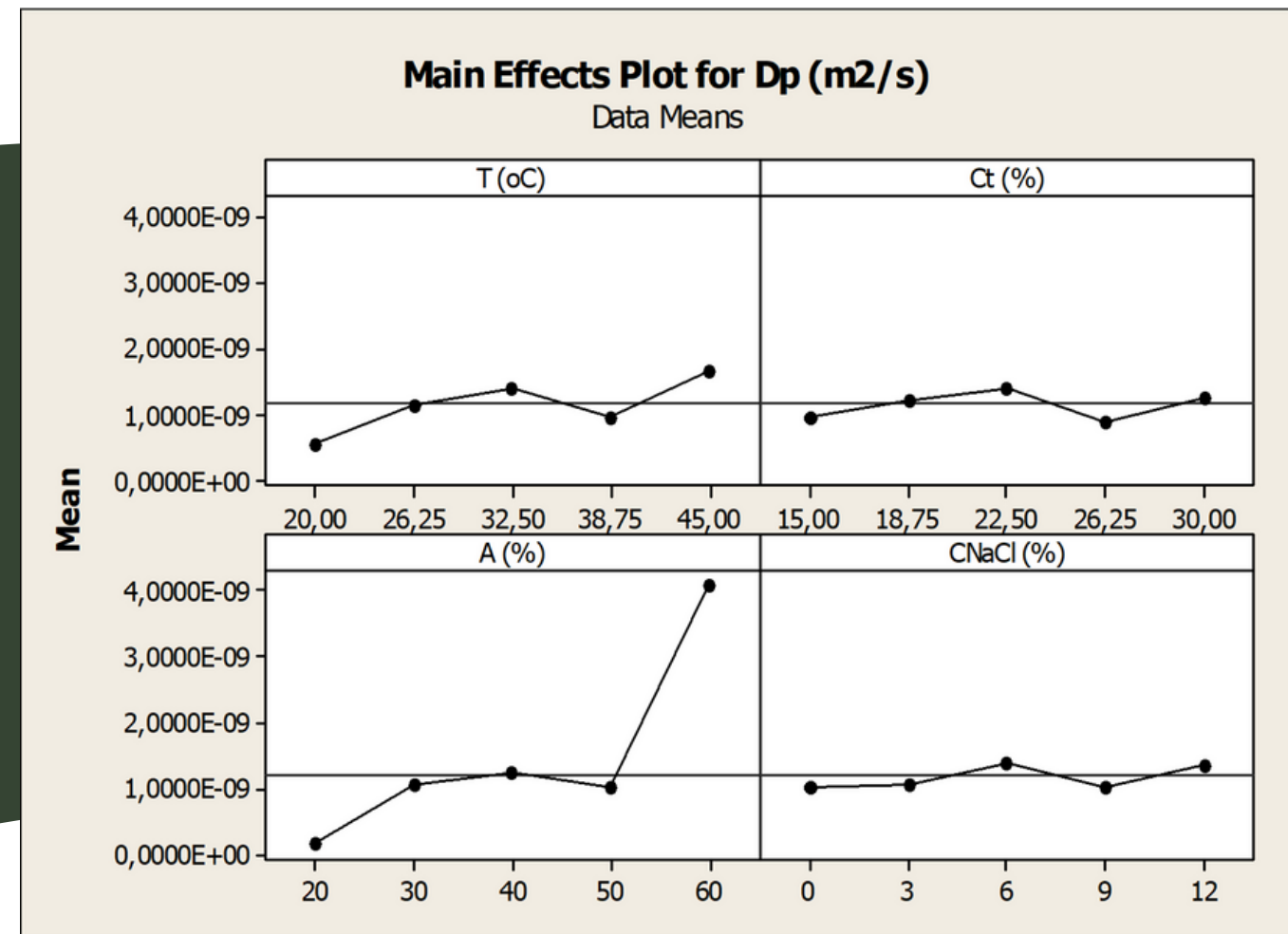


Mathematical modeling

| | MOISTURE | SOLIDS | PHENOLICS |
|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Simplified - Vconstant | $2,95 \cdot 10^{10} - 5,39 \cdot 10^9$ | $5,26 \cdot 10^{10} - 6,91 \cdot 10^9$ | $3,51 \cdot 10^{10} - 9,37 \cdot 10^9$ |
| Simplified - Vvariable | $1,73 \cdot 10^{10} - 3,15 \cdot 10^9$ | $2,47 \cdot 10^{10} - 3,26 \cdot 10^9$ | $2,29 \cdot 10^{10} - 5,98 \cdot 10^9$ |
| Analytical - Vconstant | $2 \cdot 10^{10} - 3,74 \cdot 10^9$ | $3,54 \cdot 10^{10} - 4,71 \cdot 10^9$ | $2,18 \cdot 10^{10} - 6,57 \cdot 10^9$ |
| Analytical - Vvariable | $1,18 \cdot 10^{10} - 2,14 \cdot 10^9$ | $1,67 \cdot 10^{10} - 2,37 \cdot 10^9$ | $1,65 \cdot 10^{10} - 4,07 \cdot 10^9$ |

- ✓ The simplified method gives values that are significantly different and, in particular, higher than the analytical method.

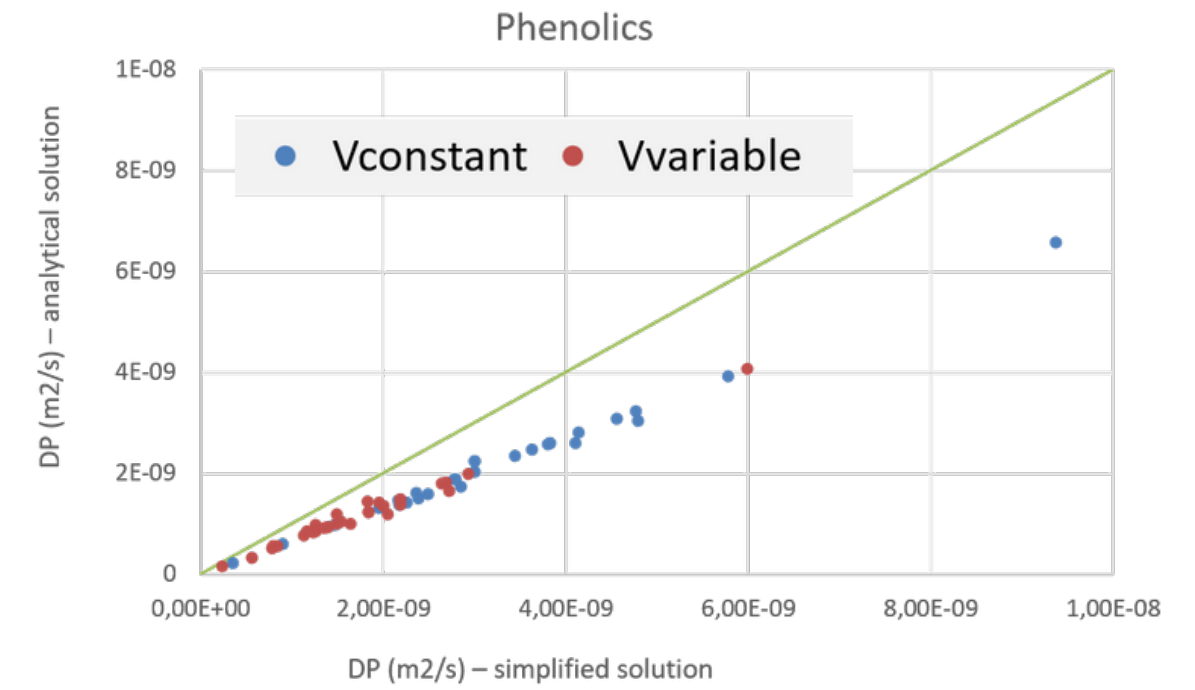
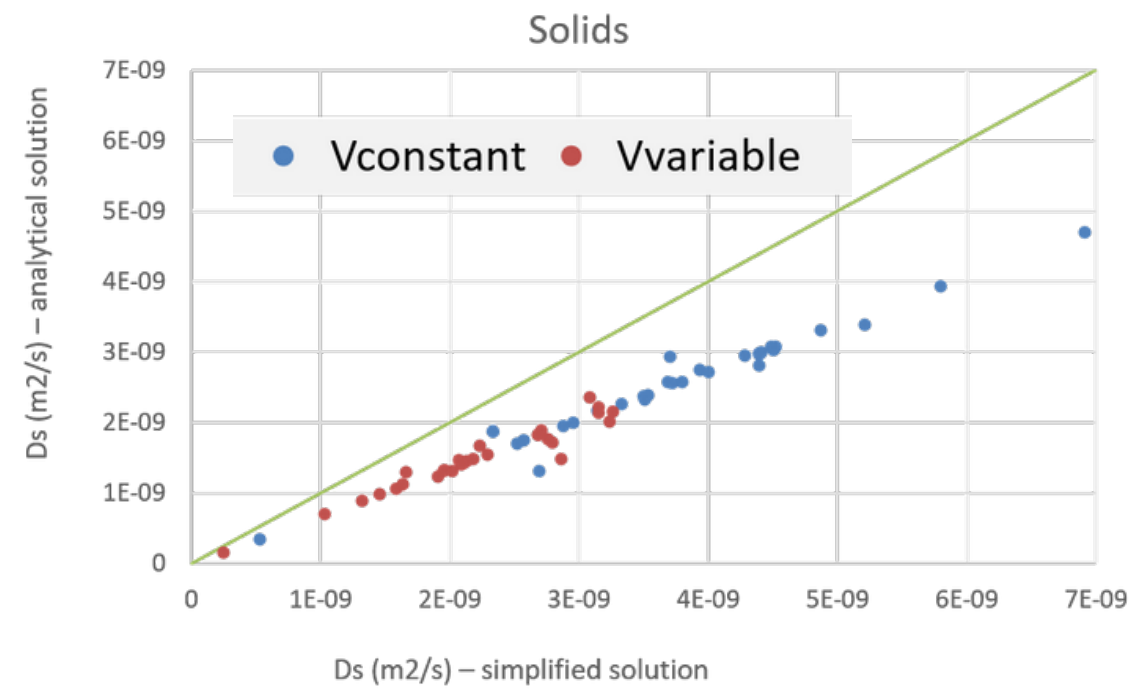
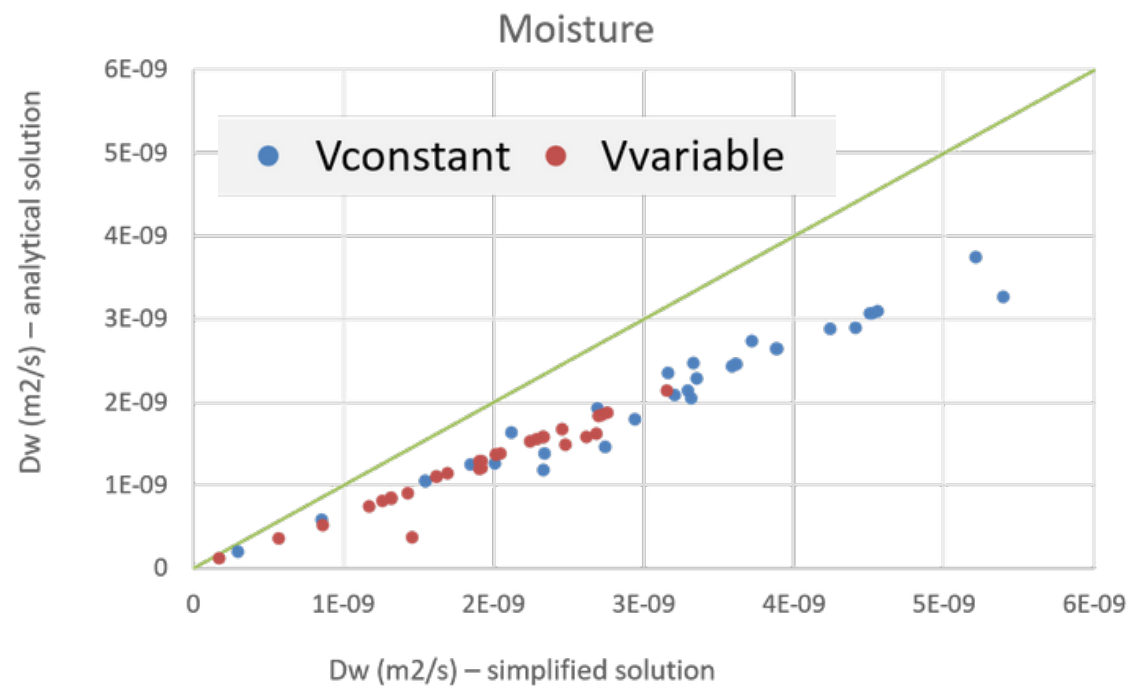
Diffusion Coefficient for Phenolic Gain



- ✓ Increase of the total solids concentration was shown to favor the uptake of phenolic substances in potato samples, with an optimal concentration of 22.50%
- ✓ An intensity of 40% significantly helped to enrich the potato cubes with phenolic components

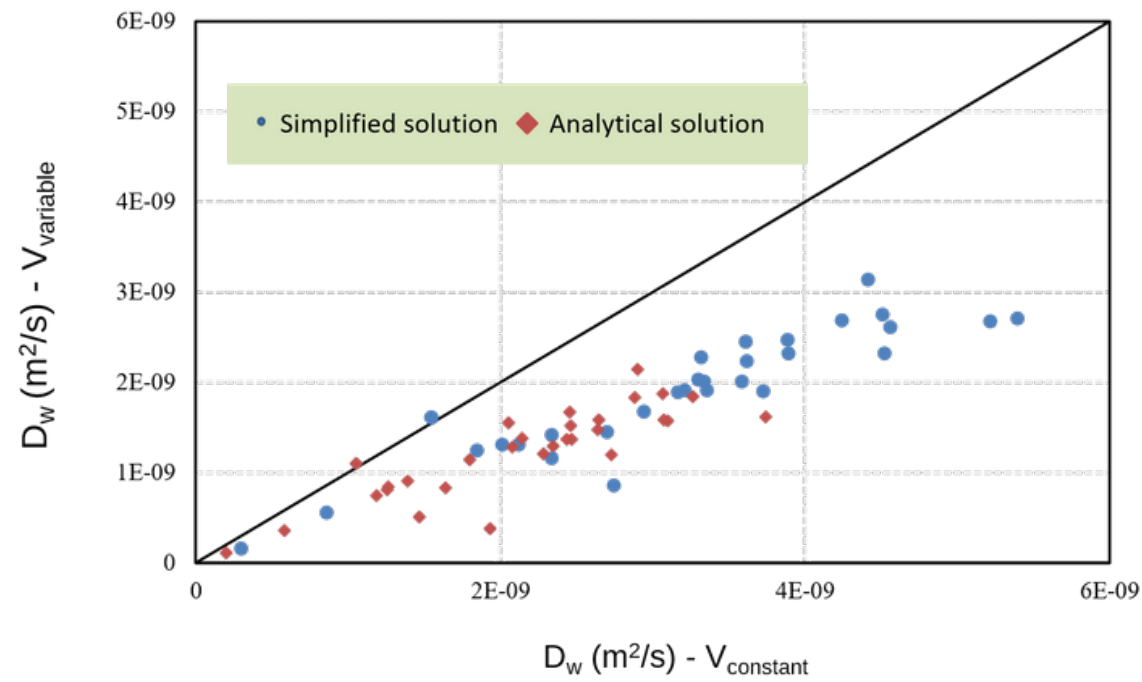
- ✗ 20 °C & 45 °C had a negative impact on the uptake of phenolic compounds in the food matrix
- The sodium chloride concentration did not appear to affect to the same extent as the other factors the uptake of phenolic compounds into potato cubes

Comparison of simplified and analytical solution

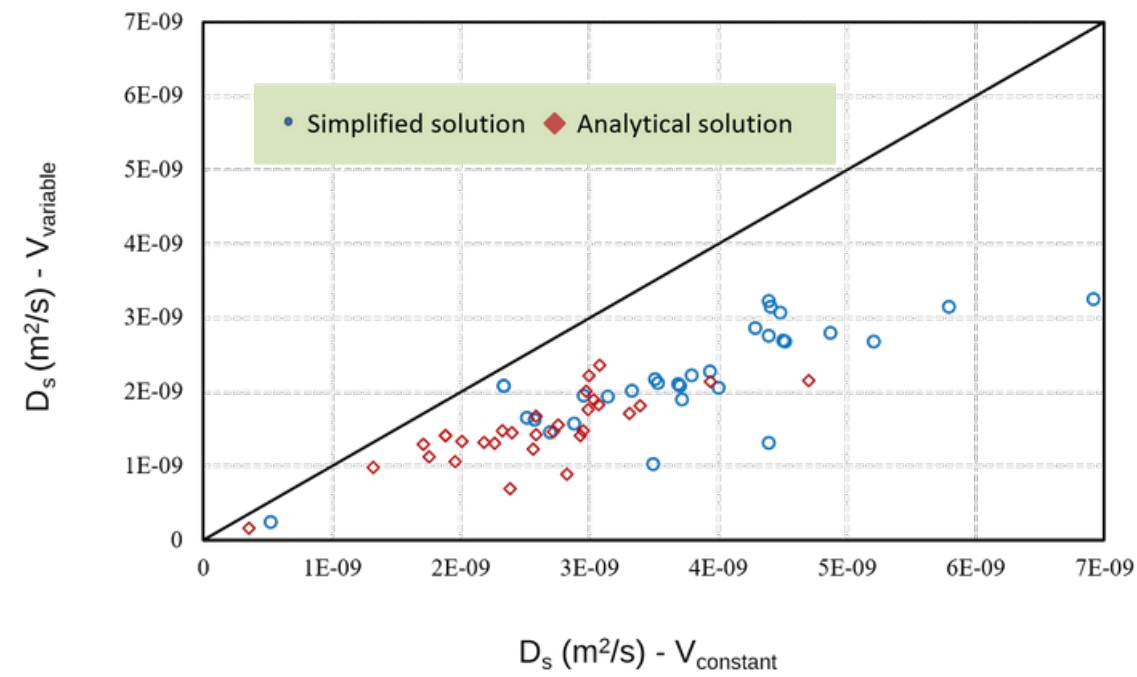


Comparison of V constant and V variable hypothesis

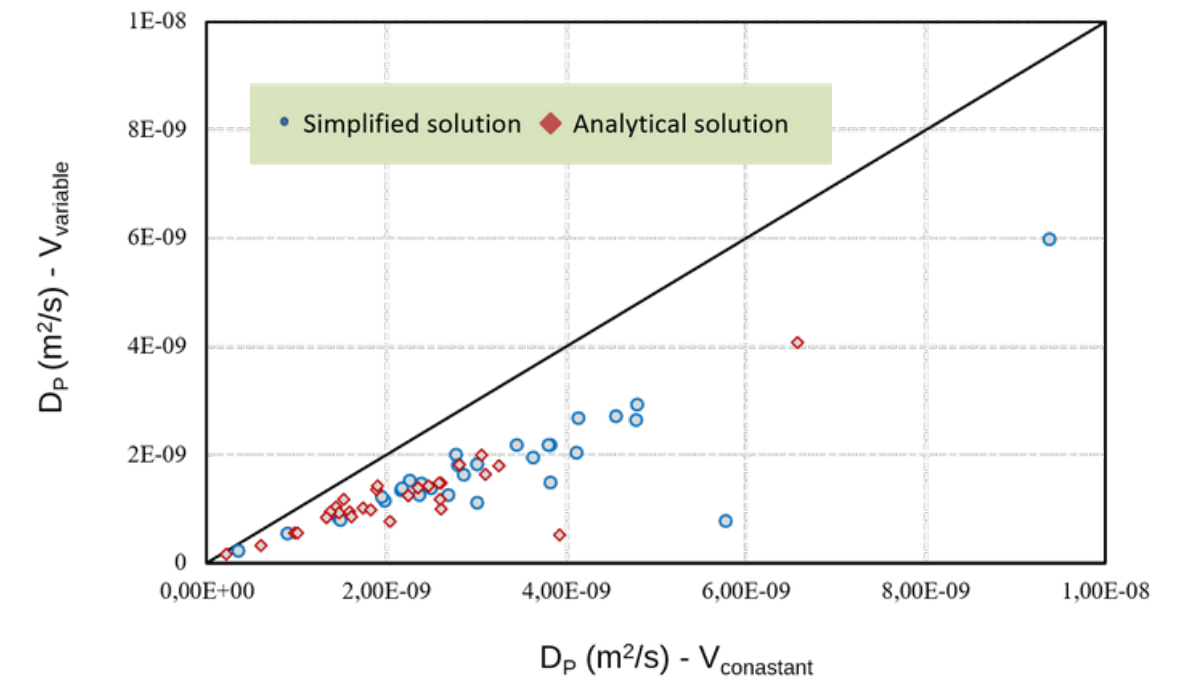
Moisture



Solids



Phenolics



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Conclusions



Conclusions

→ Osmotic treatment was proved to be a feasible method to incorporate phenolic compounds in potato cubes without altering their structure.



Total phenolic content similar to that of the richest fruits, about 1.34 mg/g

→ The mass transfer rate for solids gain is slower than that of water loss because of the resistant characteristic of cell wall and the higher molecular weight of solute.

→ The factors of temperature, total solids concentration of the osmotic solution, and intensity of ultrasounds had a significant effect.



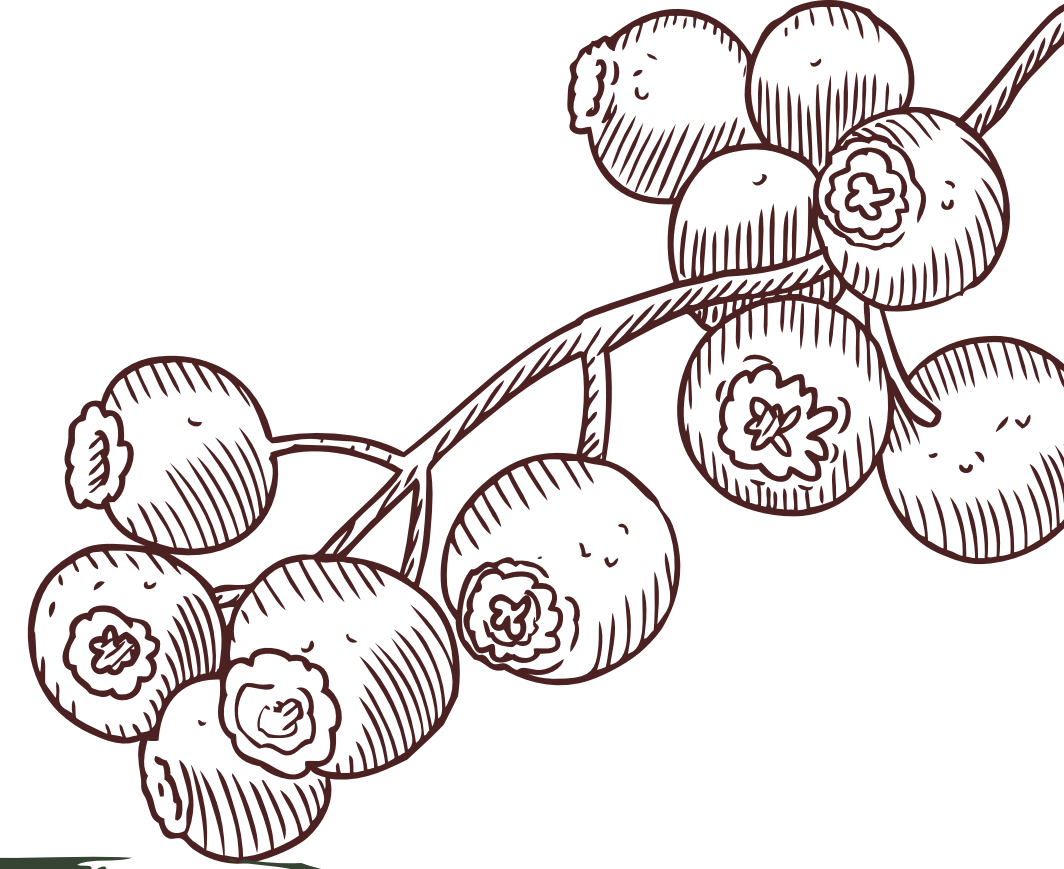
Temperature = 32,5 °C

Osmotic solution concentration = 22,5 %

w/w

CNaCl = 6 % w/w

→ The values of diffusion coefficients are lower when volume change is considered in their estimation.



Thank you for your attention

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