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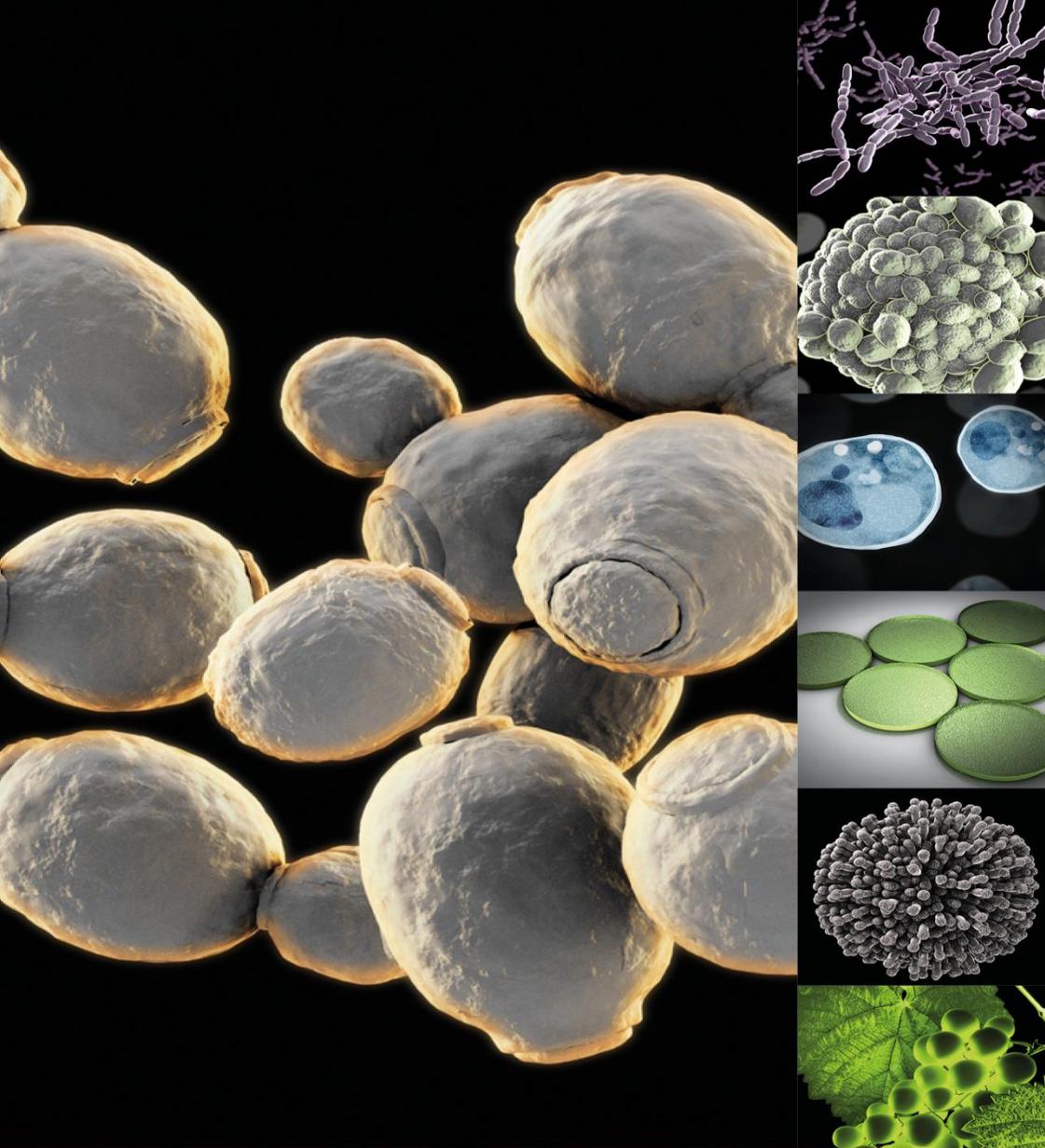
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# Finding the balance in nutrition for Cider

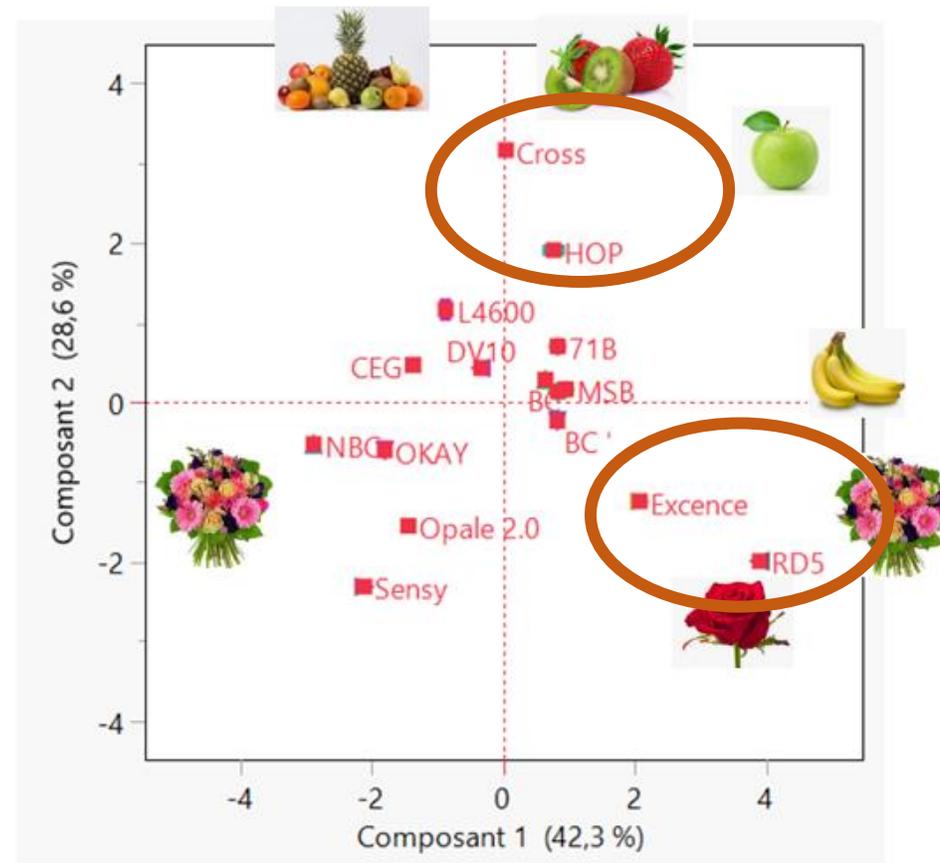
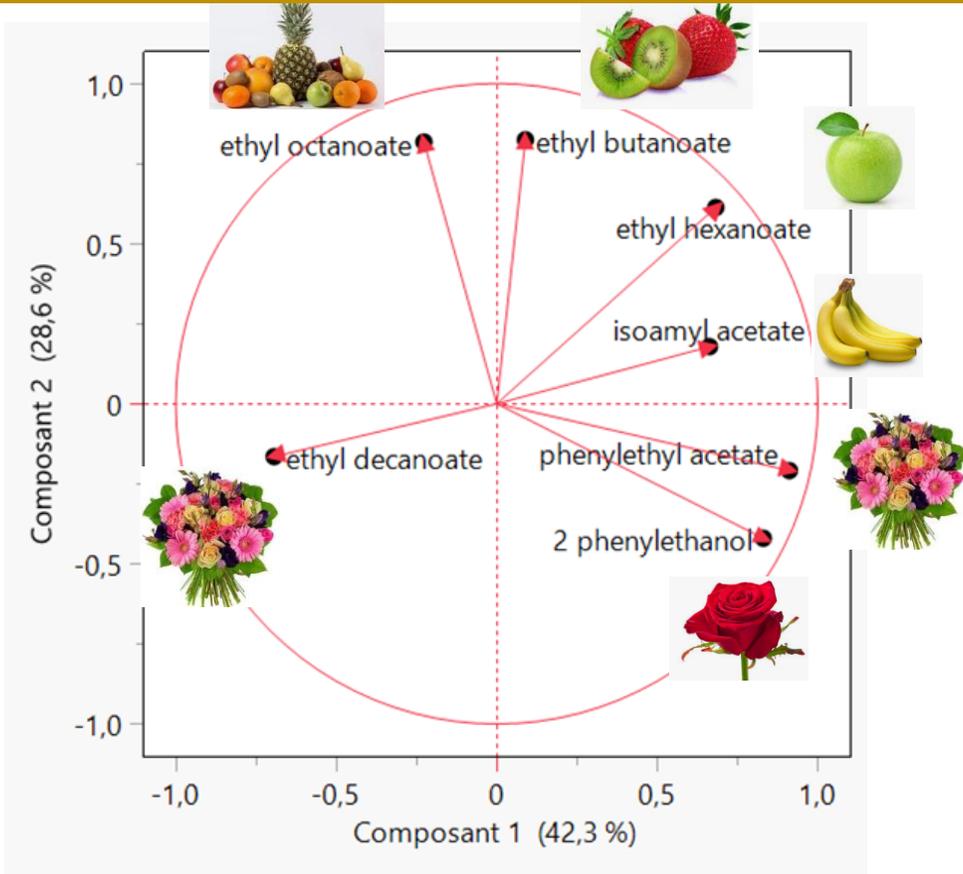


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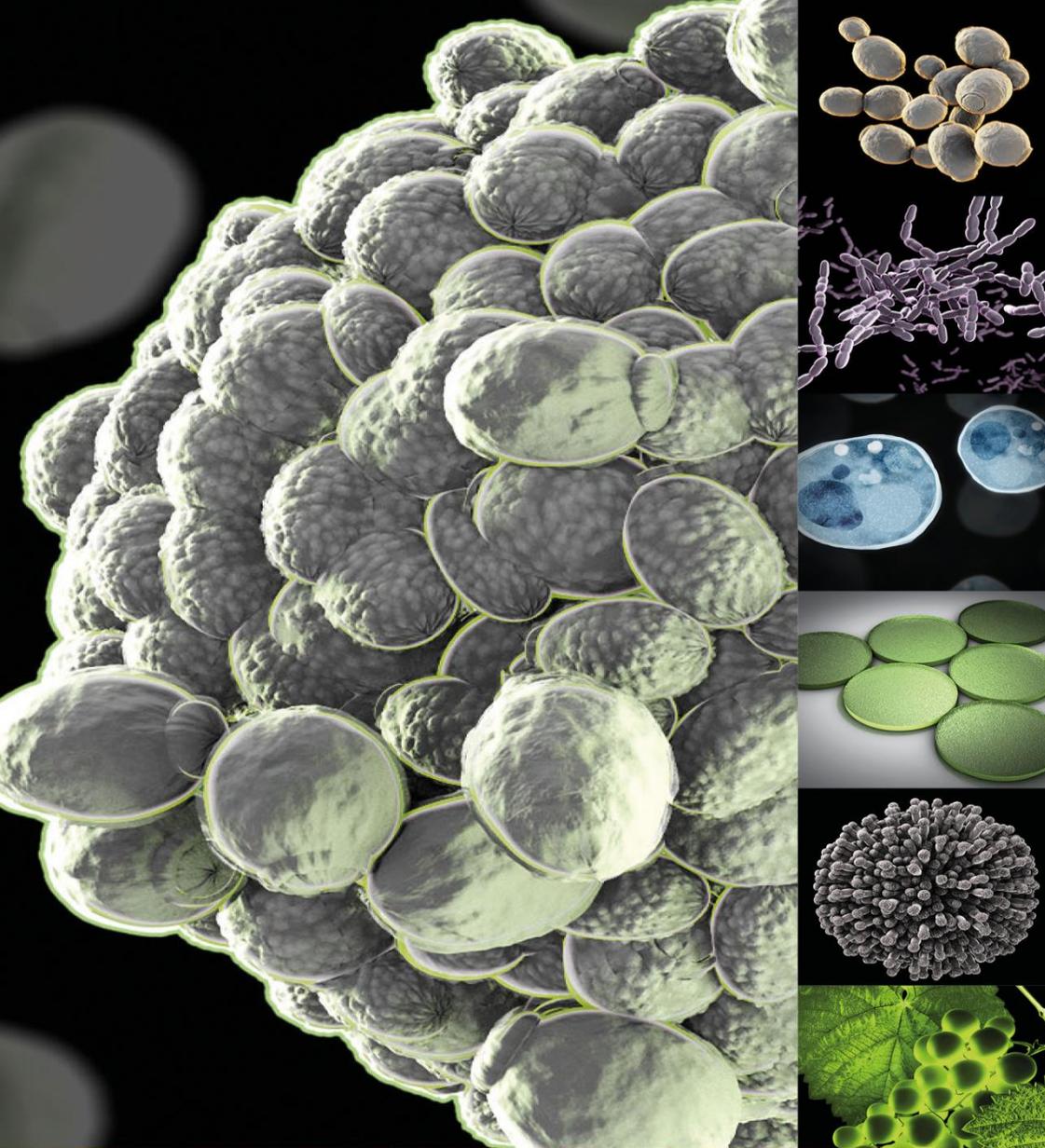


# Yeast

# Case study: evaluate yeast strains – kinetics & aromatic



- High strain effect
- Cross Evolution, HOP are more fruity style
- RD5, Excence are more floral, rose

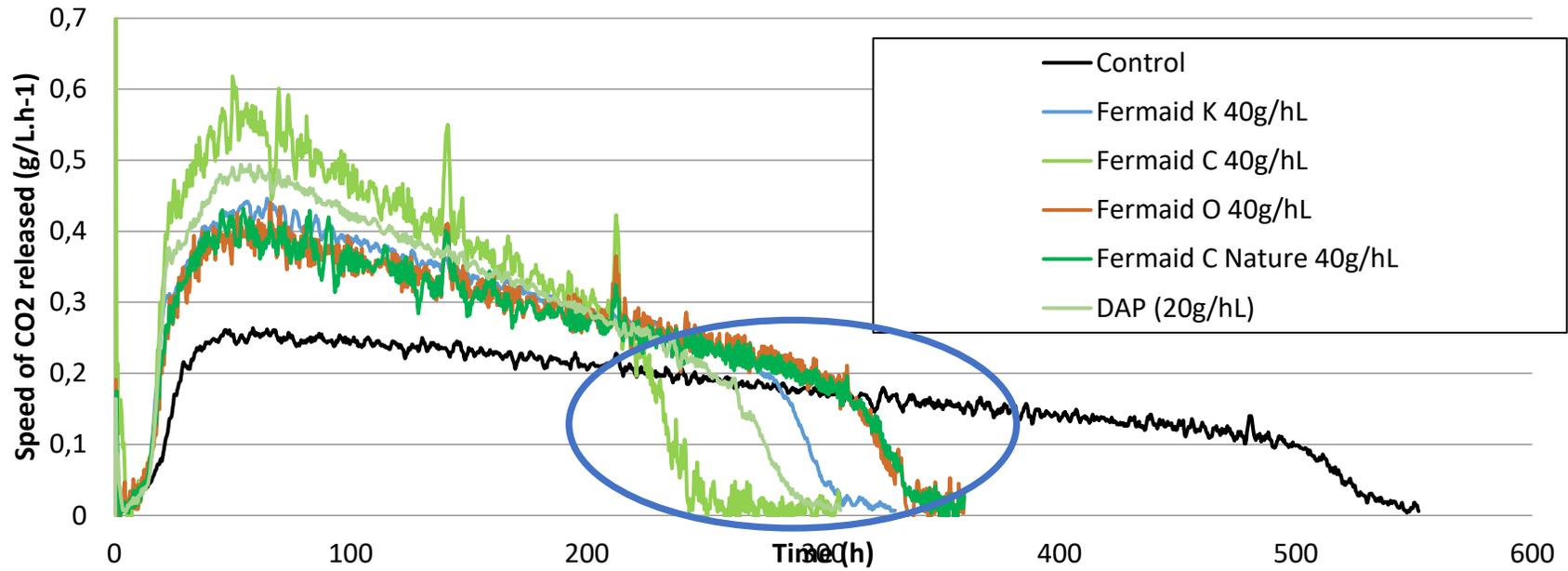


# Nutrition



# 1/ Fermentation and process performance The nutrition impact

Uvaferm BC: 25g/hL ; 22°C



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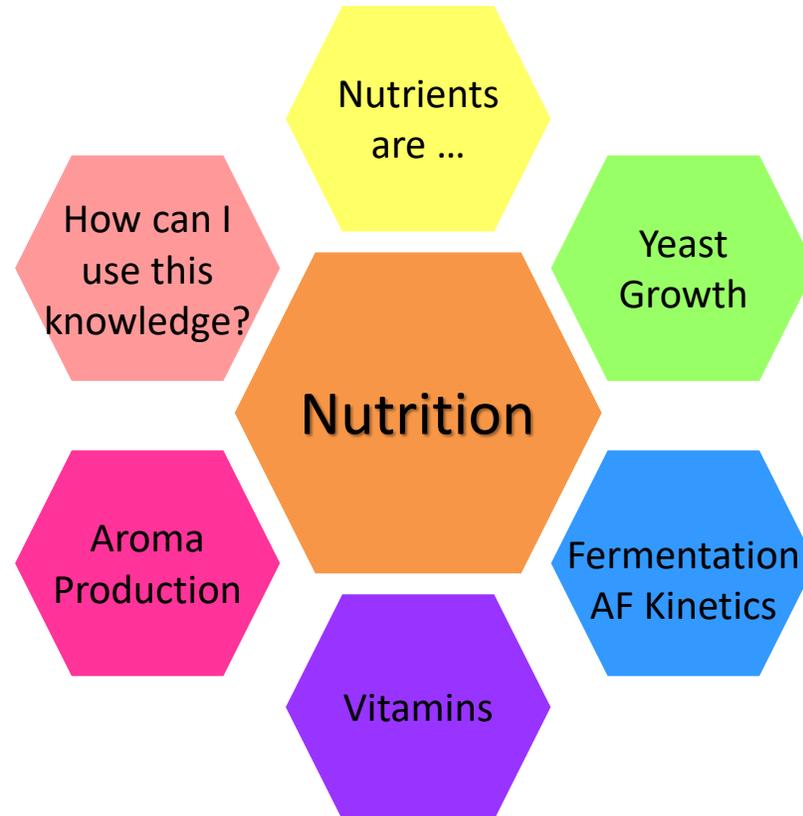


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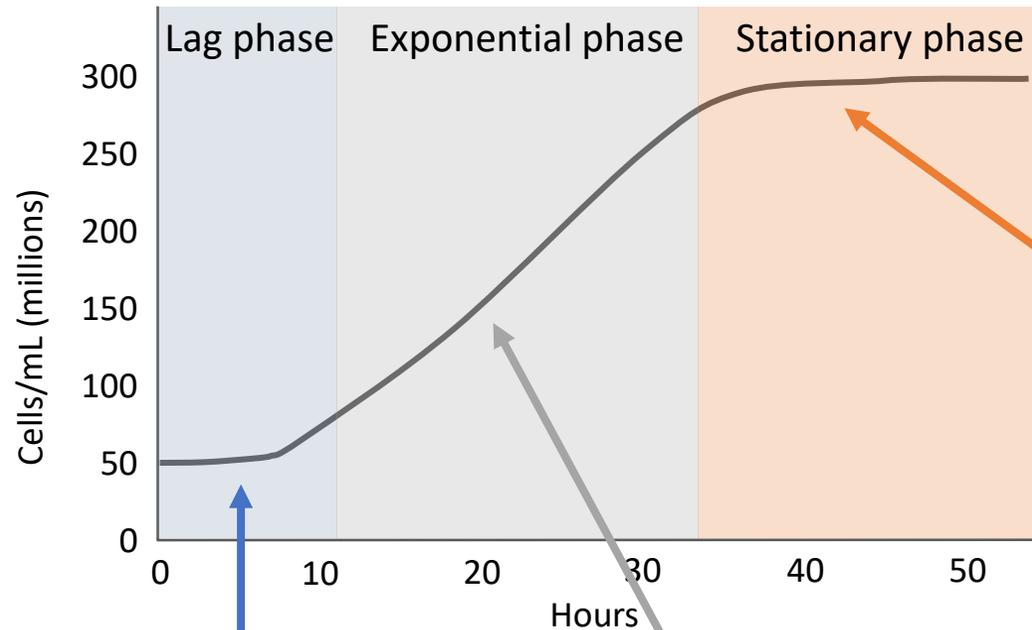
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# Nutrition is multifaceted



# The fermentation – What are the yeast doing?



## Phase 1 (lag phase)

Yeast adapting to the environment

(grape must/mash/apple)

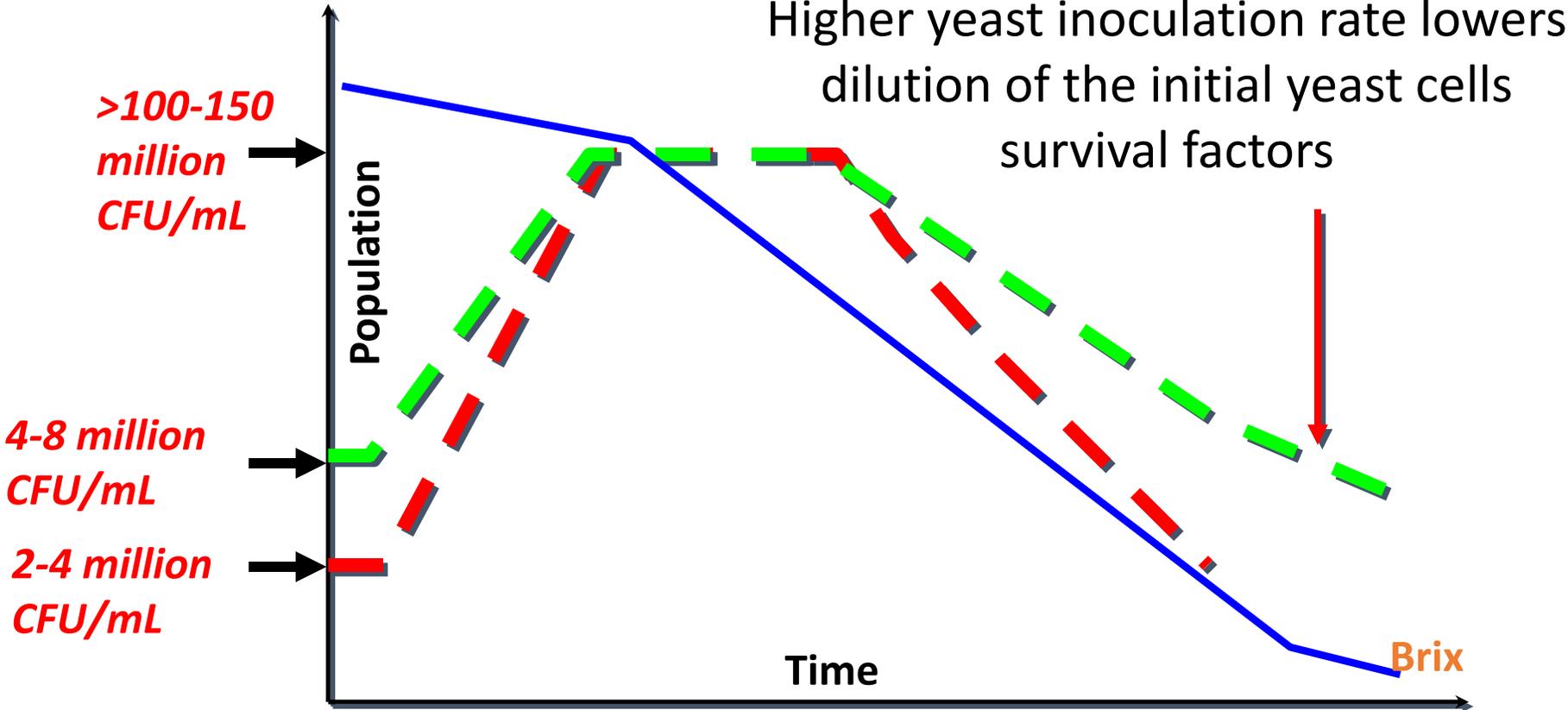
## Phase 2 (exponential phase)

Yeast focused on energy production from sugar and cell growth to achieve a sufficiently **high** enough population of **actively metabolising** (fit) cells to complete fermentation of all sugar present

## Phase 3 (stationary phase)

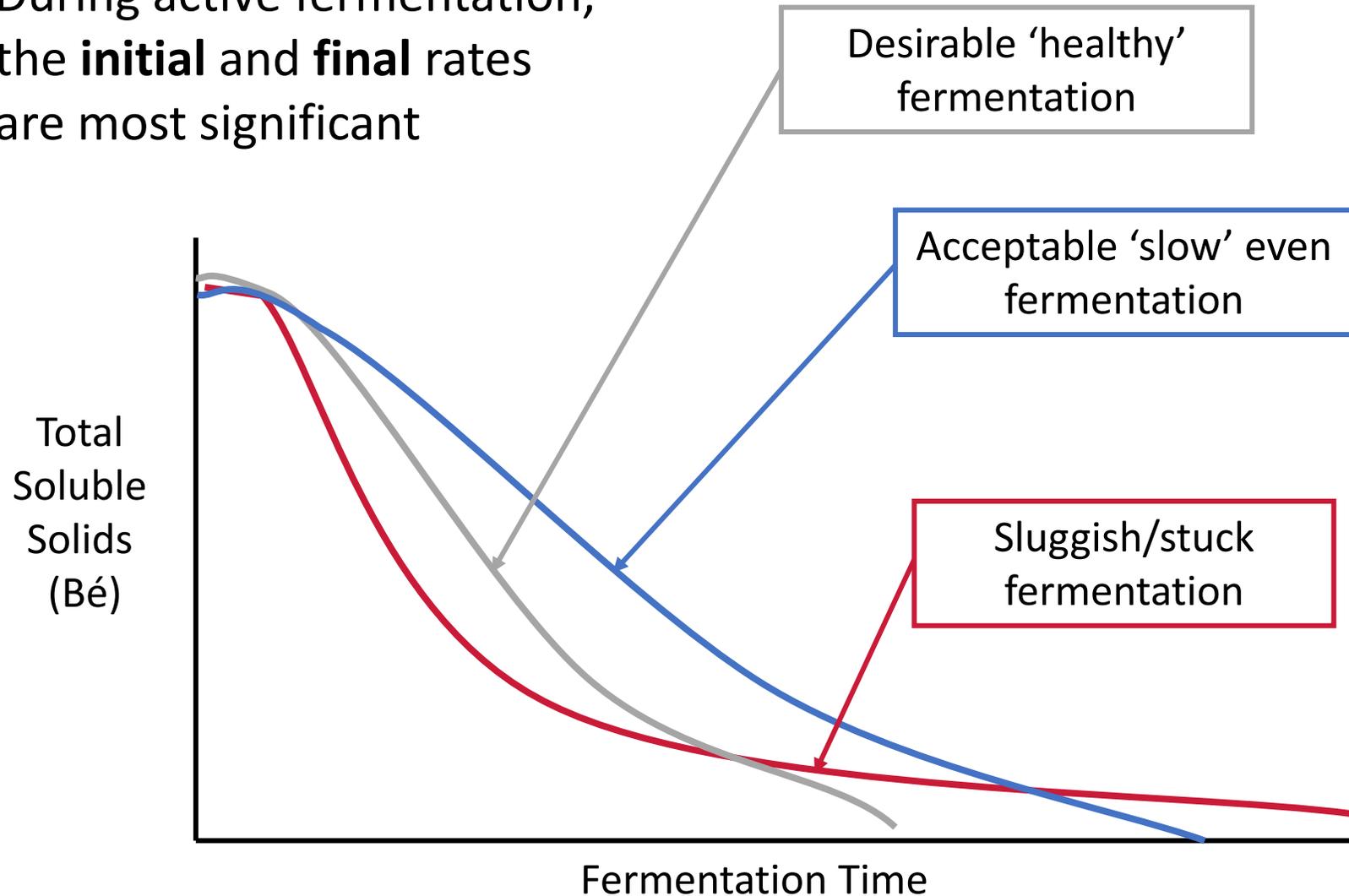
**Active yeast population** has to collectively work against increasing toxicity (e.g. alcohol & saturated fatty acids) and **complete fermentation**

# Normal Fermentation Curve



# Yeast fermentation patterns

- During active fermentation, the **initial** and **final** rates are most significant

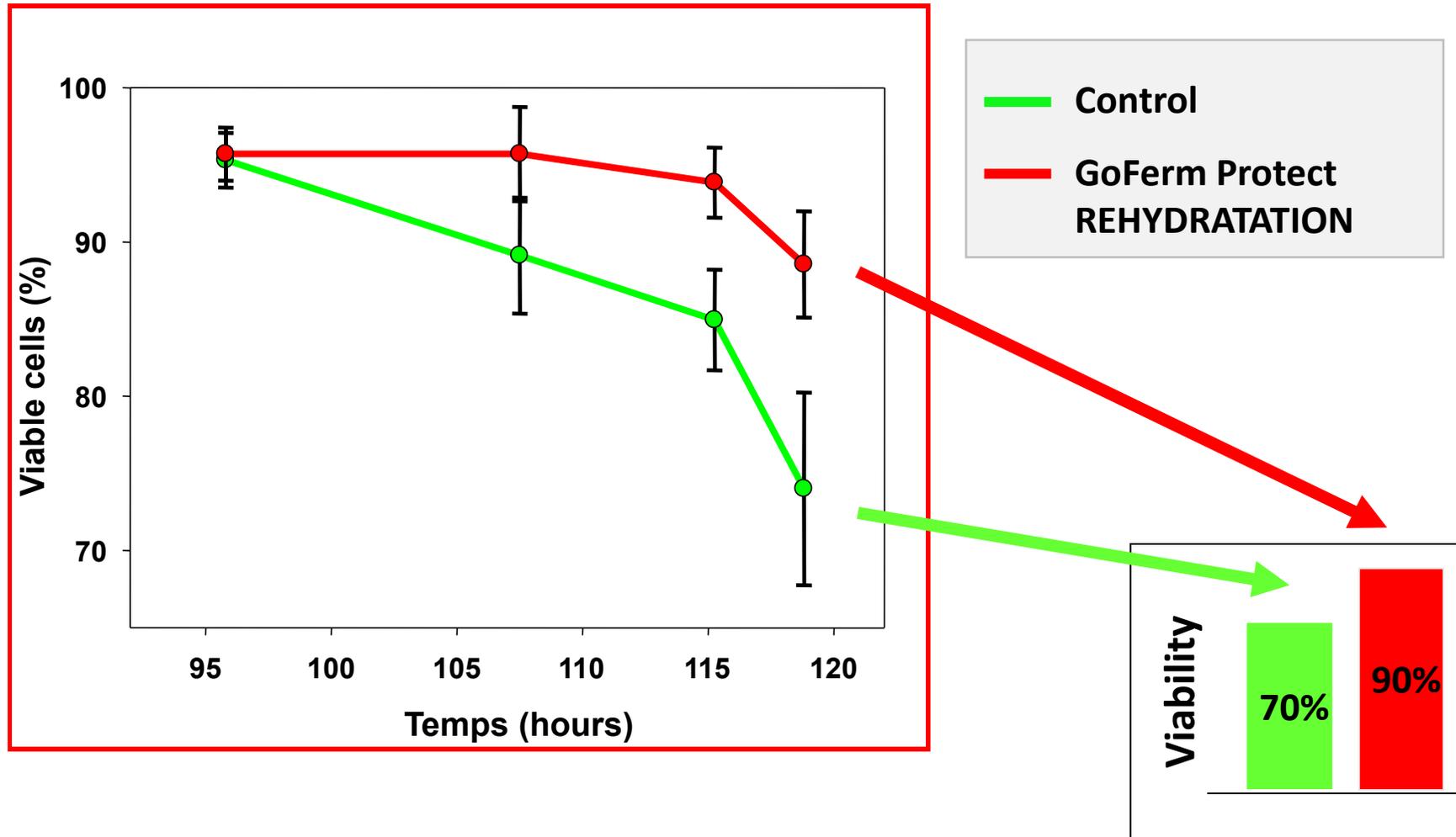


# Yeast Are Exposed to Stress During Fermentation

<i>Physical</i>	<i>Chemical</i>	<i>Biological</i>	<i>Microbiological</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Temperature</li><li>• Osmotic</li><li>• Shear</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ethanol</li><li>• Starvation</li><li>• Nutrient Limitation</li><li>• pH</li><li>• Metal Ions</li><li>• Acids</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DNA Mutation</li><li>• Replicative Aging</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contaminants</li></ul>

Adapted from Walker (1998) and Smart (2000).

# Impact of yeast protection on viability at the end of AF

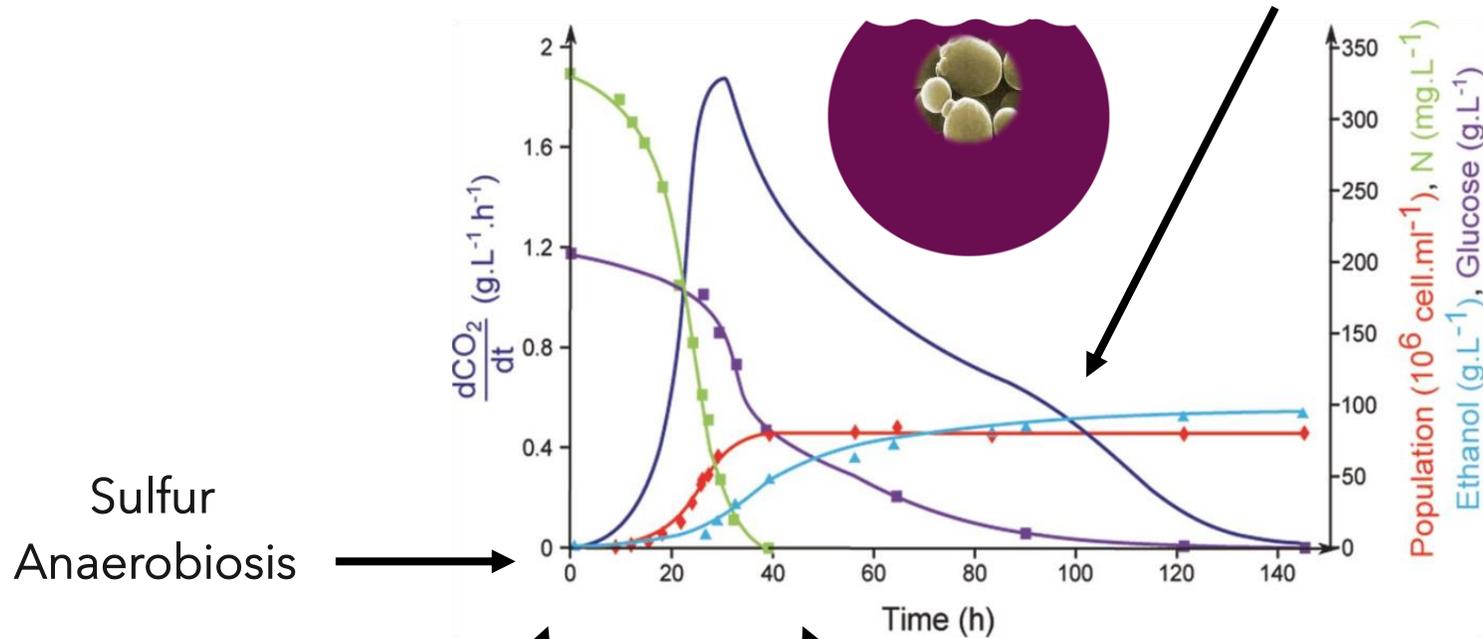


# Alcoholic fermentation



## A dynamic process

Ethanol stress (up to 15-16% vol)



Sulfur  
Anaerobiosis

pH stress  
pH (3.0 - 3.6)

Osmotic stress  
glucose - fructose  
180 - 260 g / L

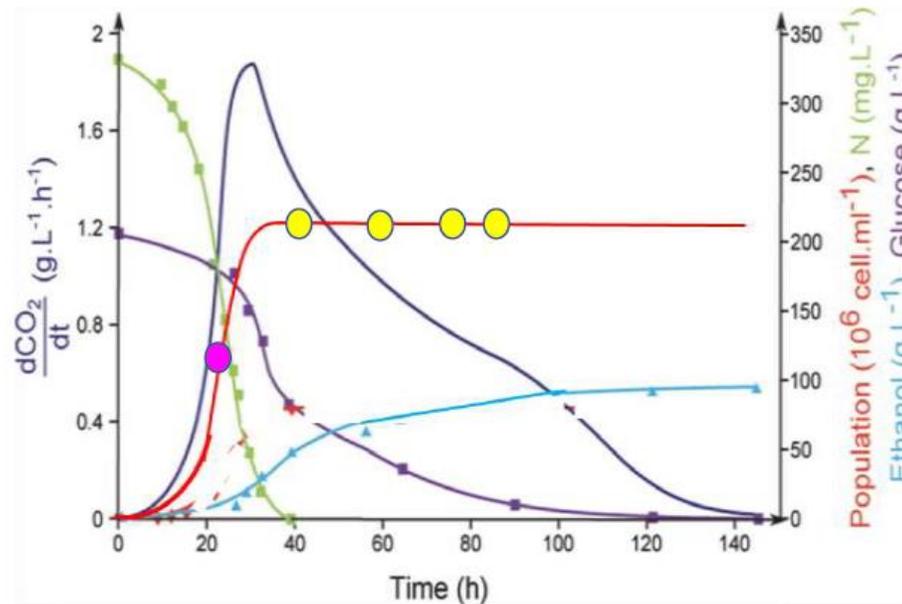
Nutritional stress  
Nutrient deficiencies (nitrogen, lipids, vitamins)

# When is vitality important?

- At the mid of the growth phase (multiplication)



Still high osmotic pressure, half of nutritional sources (YAN) consumed, competition with spoilage for vitamins, etc....needs to have strong enzymatic activities



- During stationary phase



Nutritional sources depleted, still half of the sugar to be uptaken, ethanol toxicity, time for most of the aromatic synthesis

# Protection of the cell membrane

- ADY

- Contain ~ 8% water (reduction in cell volume)
- This is insufficient for active metabolism
- They must be rehydrated to allow reabsorption of the water lost during drying



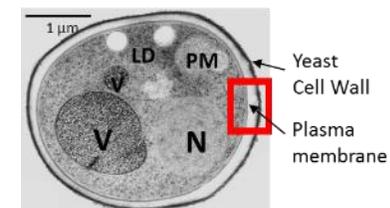
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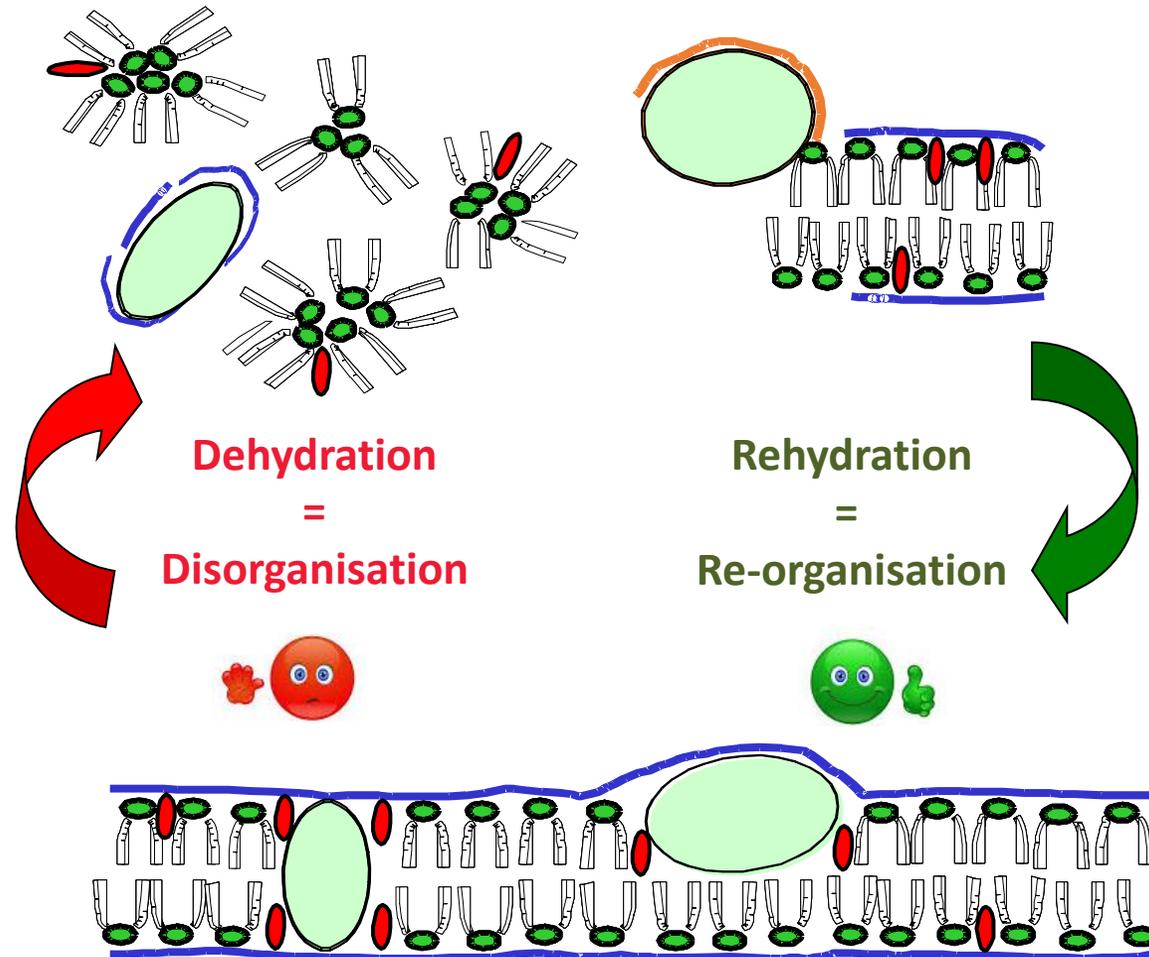
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Beker & Rapoport 1987

- What is the yeast trying to do:
- **Important to have time to get back a functioning cell**



# What happens to the yeast cell membrane?



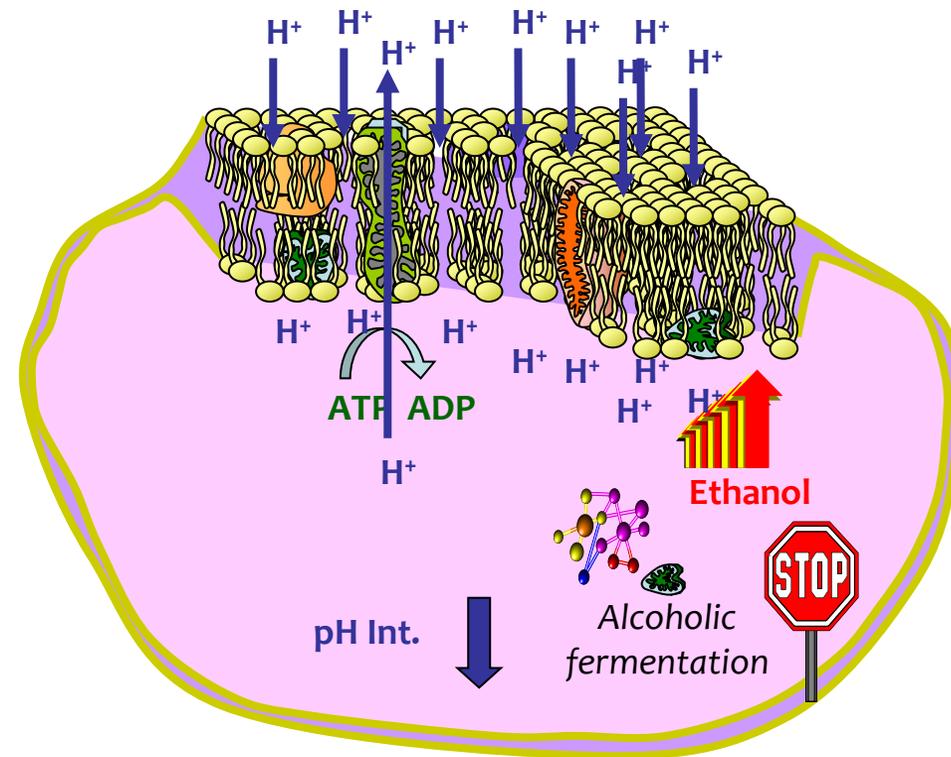
➤ Restoring membrane integrity, cell viability, ethanol tolerance

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- Especially important in the last ½ - ⅓ of AF
- Ethanol ↑
- Membrane integrity is compromised
- Internal acid protons ↑
- ATPase has to work harder to get them out

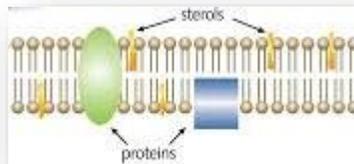
➤ Cell death

➤ Alcoholic fermentation ↓



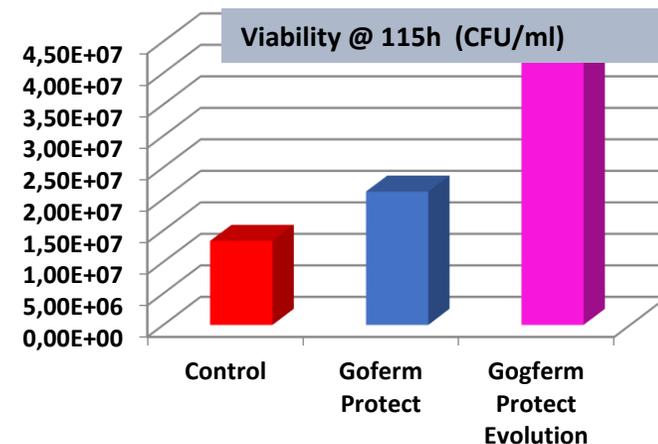
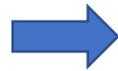
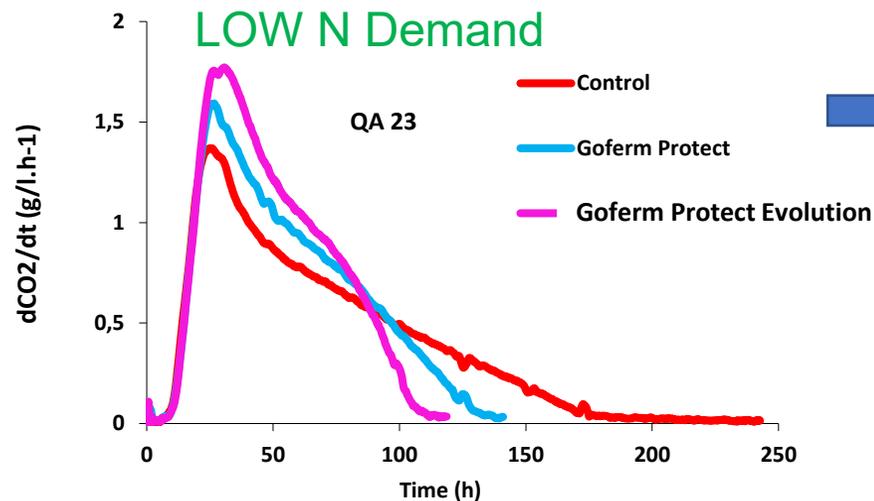
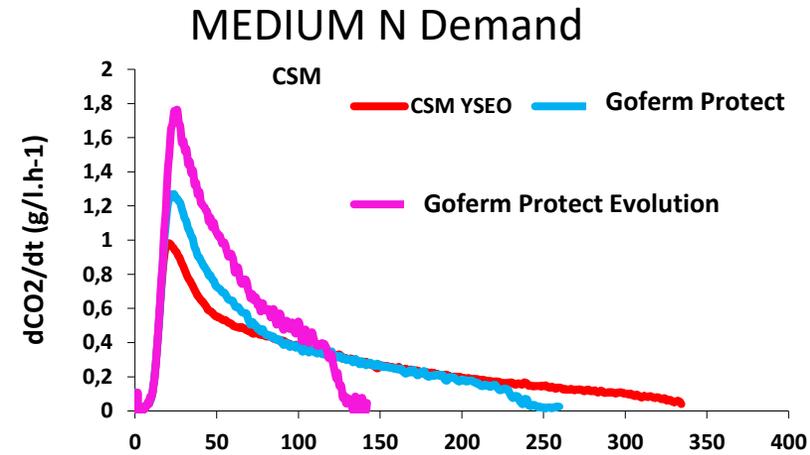
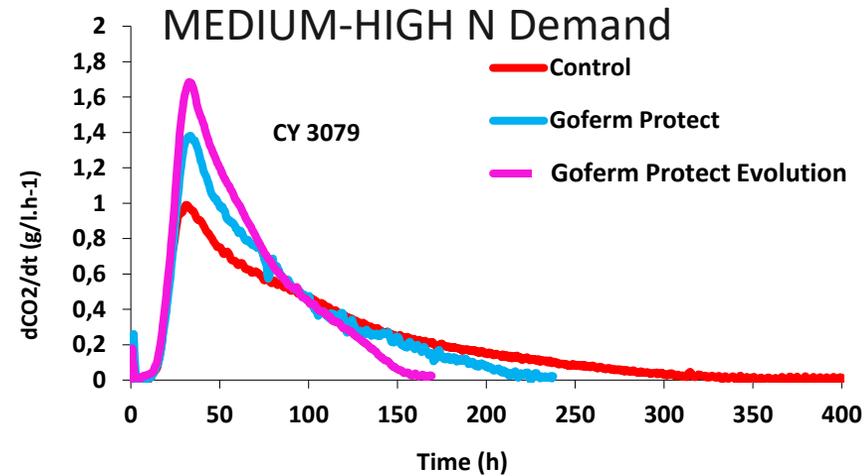
# Why is protection necessary?

- Winemaking practices that impact membrane pressures
  - Clarification – low TSS
  - Flotation – low TSS
  - High sugar must – osmotic stress
  
- These sterols are easily removed **during flotation** or cold settling



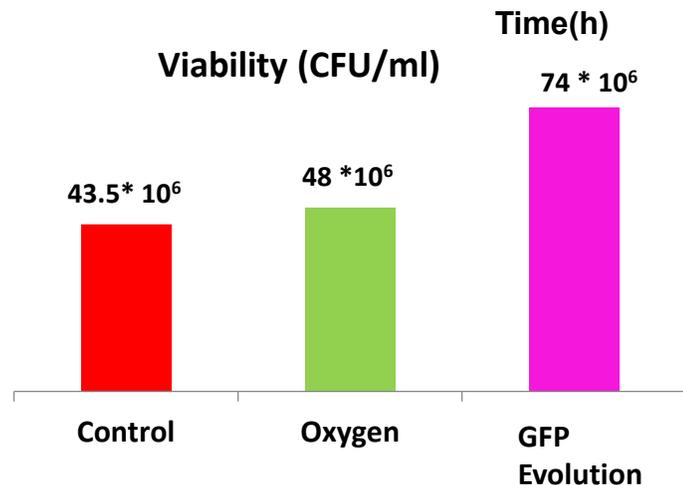
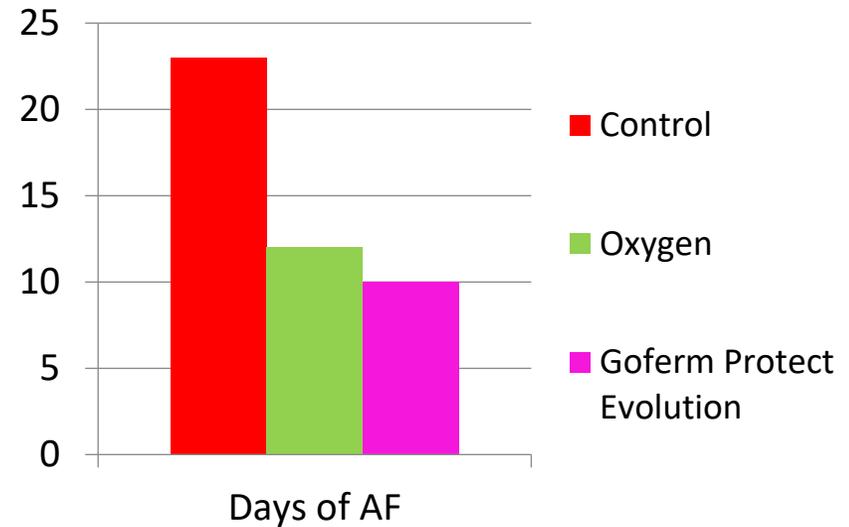
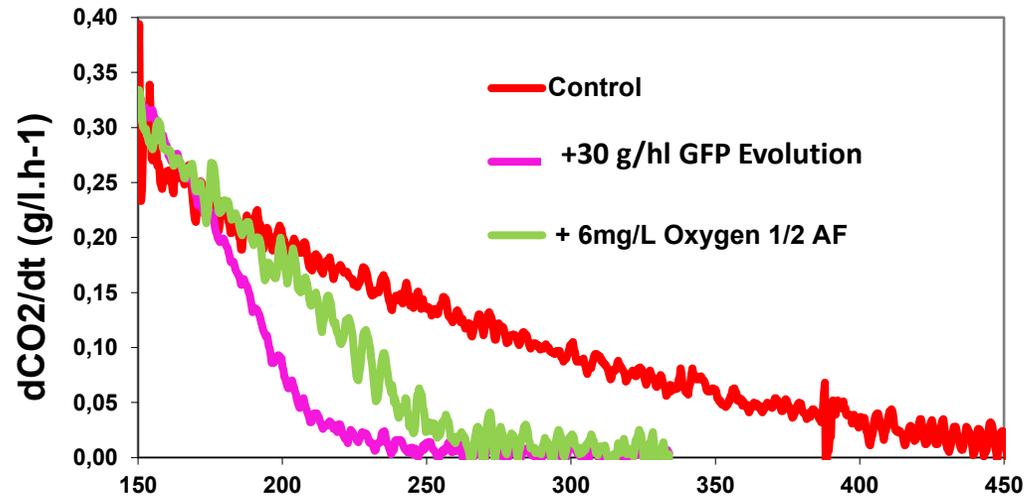
# Impact of level of sterols in rehydration

## High sterols deficiency conditions at 24°C - Protection effect on AF



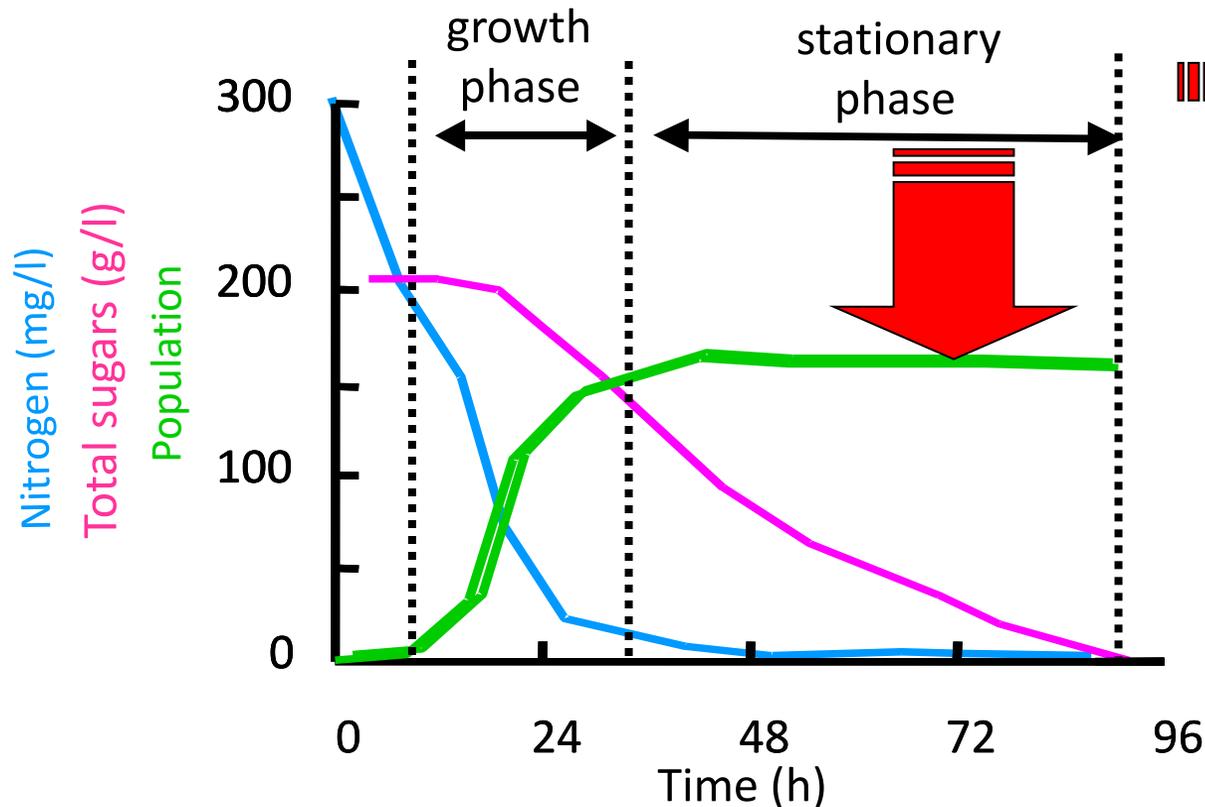
# GoFerm Protect Evolution versus Oxygen addition

Chardonnay, 20°C, high clarification



- More effective than O<sub>2</sub> during AF
- Enhancement of fermentation security and fermentation robustness
- Significant increase in viability, vitality flavour and aroma.

# AF: Sterol sources addition best timing



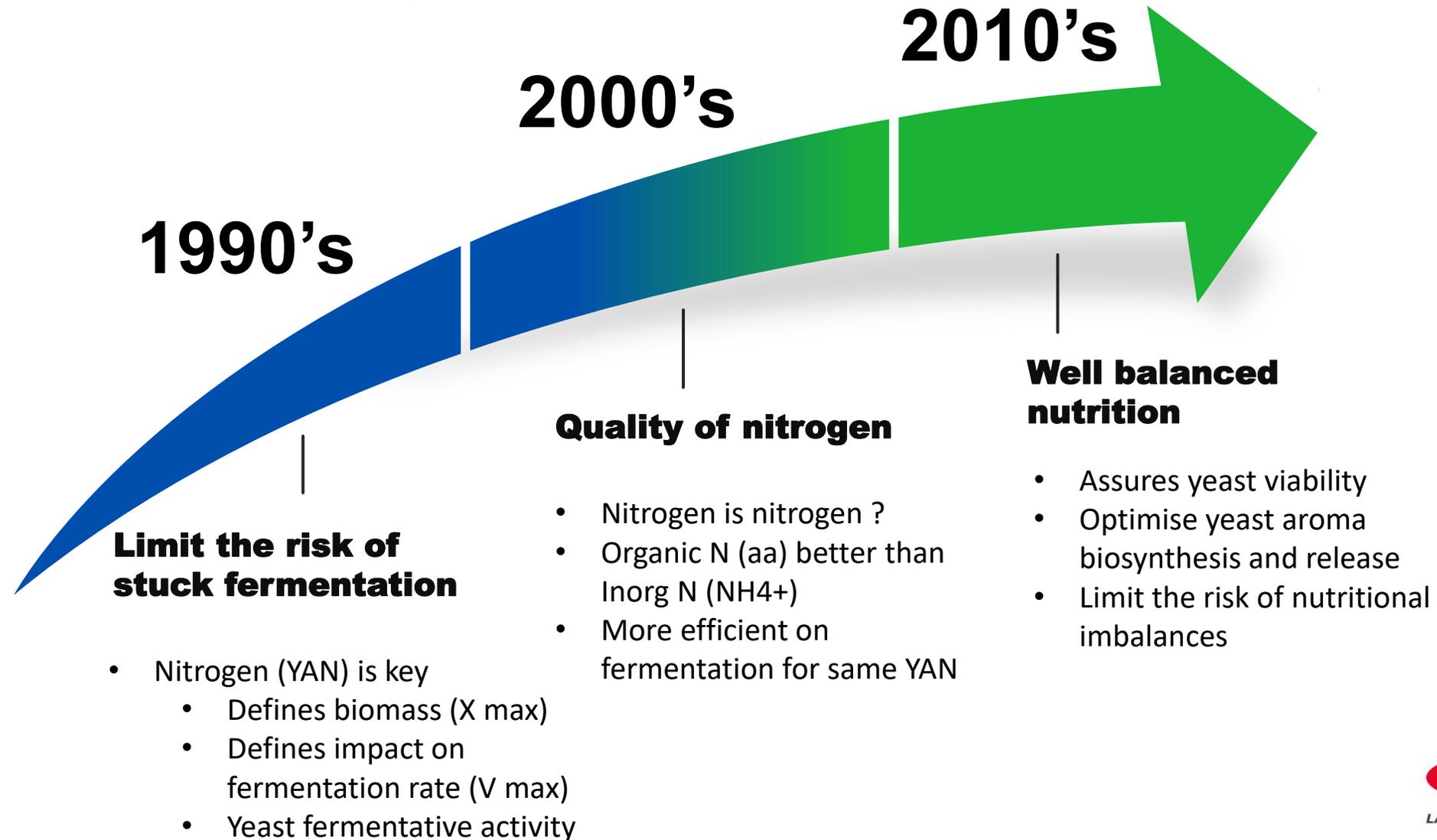
- Yeast cells weaker and weaker due to ethanol toxicity
- necessary to maintain yeast viability
- strongly linked with membrane sterols content



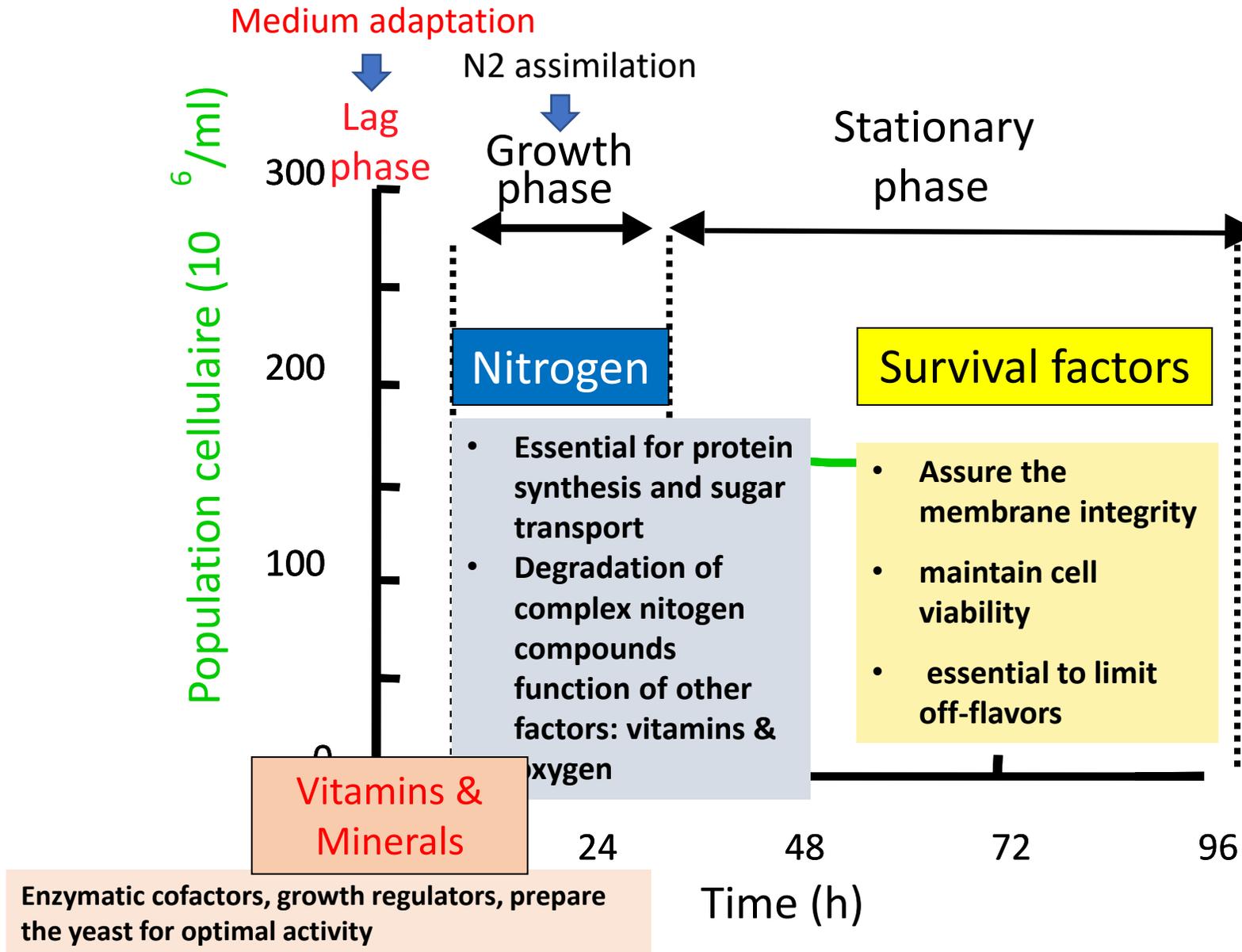
Optimum time to bring assimilable sterols to the yeast:

During their rehydration (= membrane reorganization after the drying process)

# Yeast Nutrition Management Evolution over the years

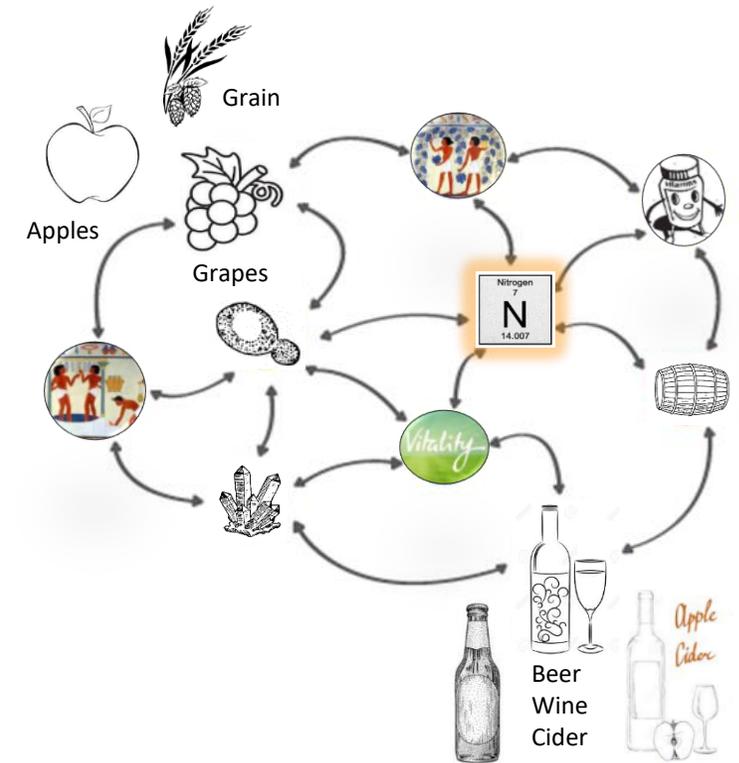
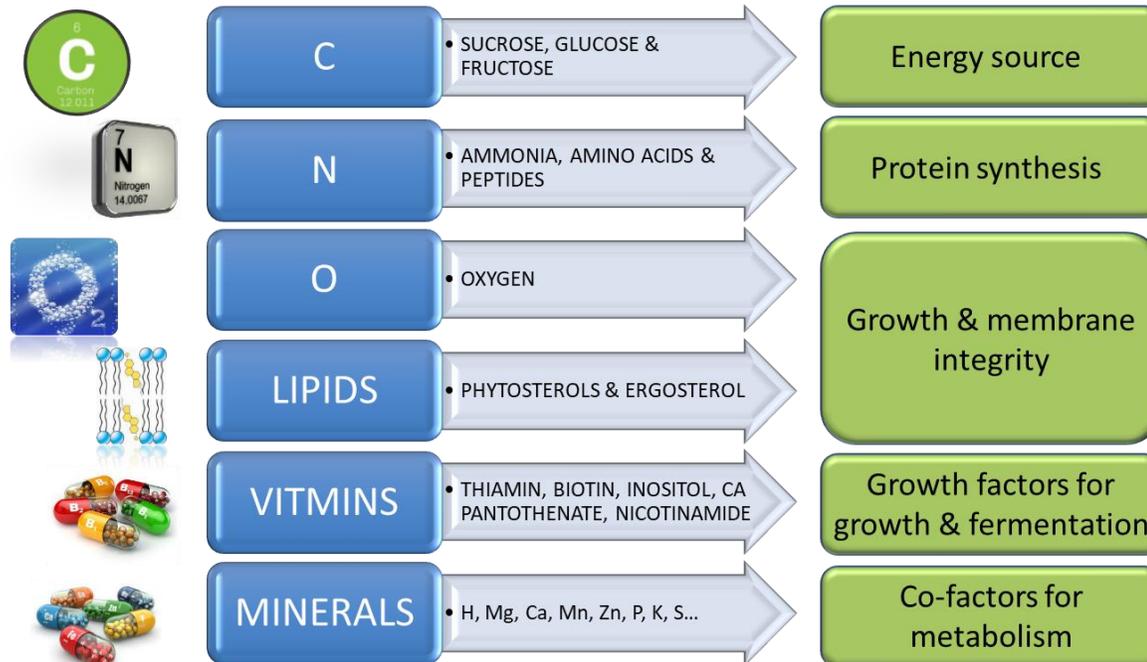


# Yeast nutrient requirements depending on fermentation phases



# Nutrition

- Key to all factors & aspects of fermentation
- Many contributors
  - Not always straight forward ➤ *Interlinked*
  - Not always defined

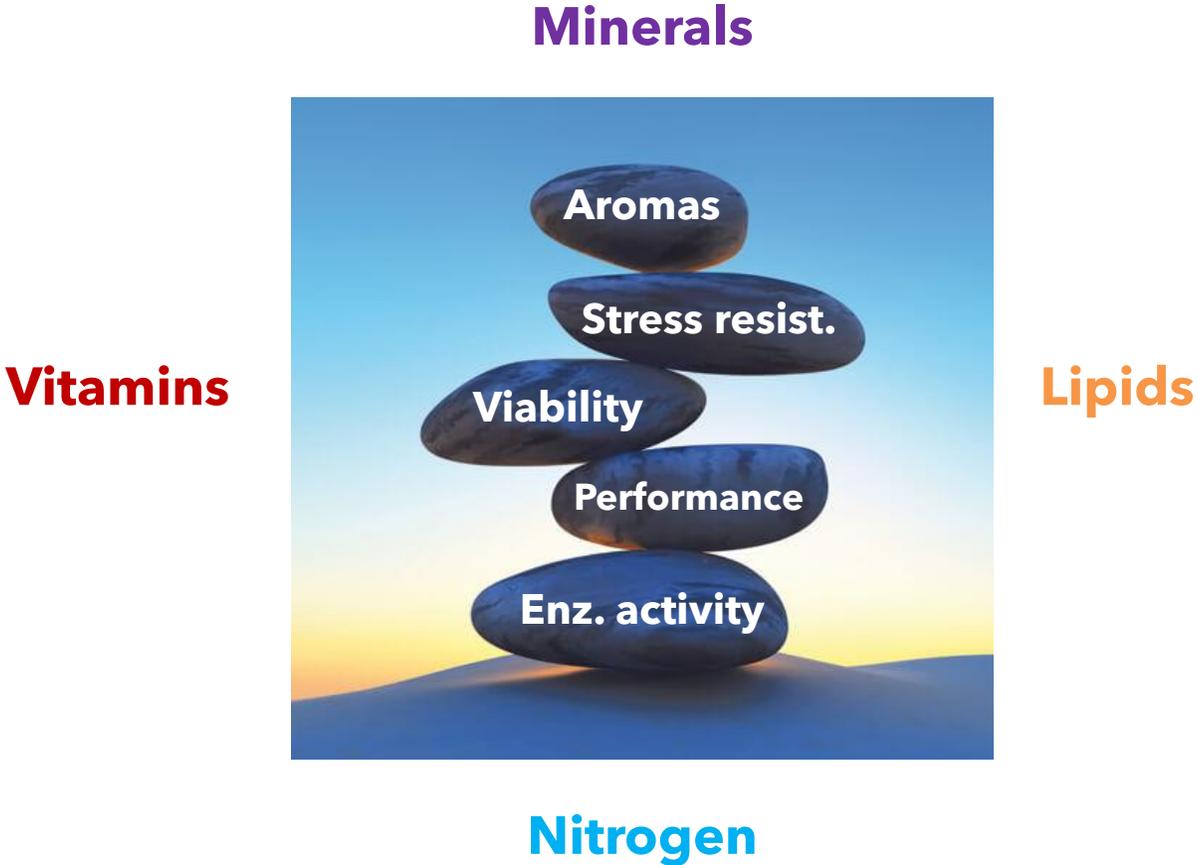


➤ Nutrients must be **Biologically available** and **Balanced**

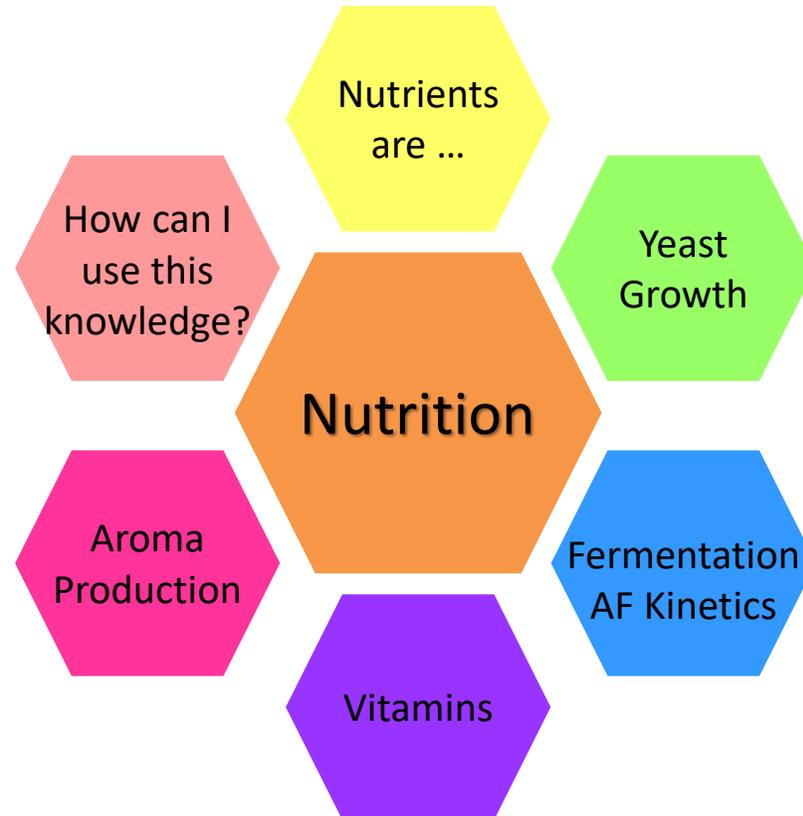
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Nitrogen, **YAN management** during the AF is important...but **not enough**  
The **notion of balance** and synergy between **micro-nutrients & nutrients** is **key**



# Nutrition is multifaceted



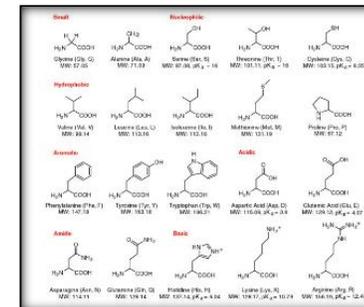
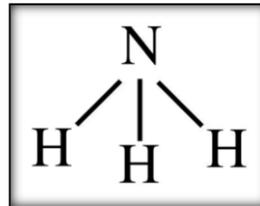
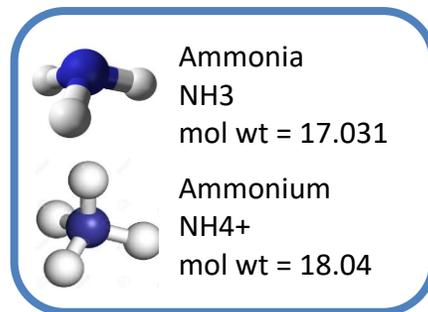
# What is assimilable Nitrogen?

- Ammonia (Inorganic N)

- Simple compound
- Preferentially used
- Fast = junk food
  - Only lasts for a bit
  - Does not provide lots of nutrition or balanced food

- Amino acids (Organic N)

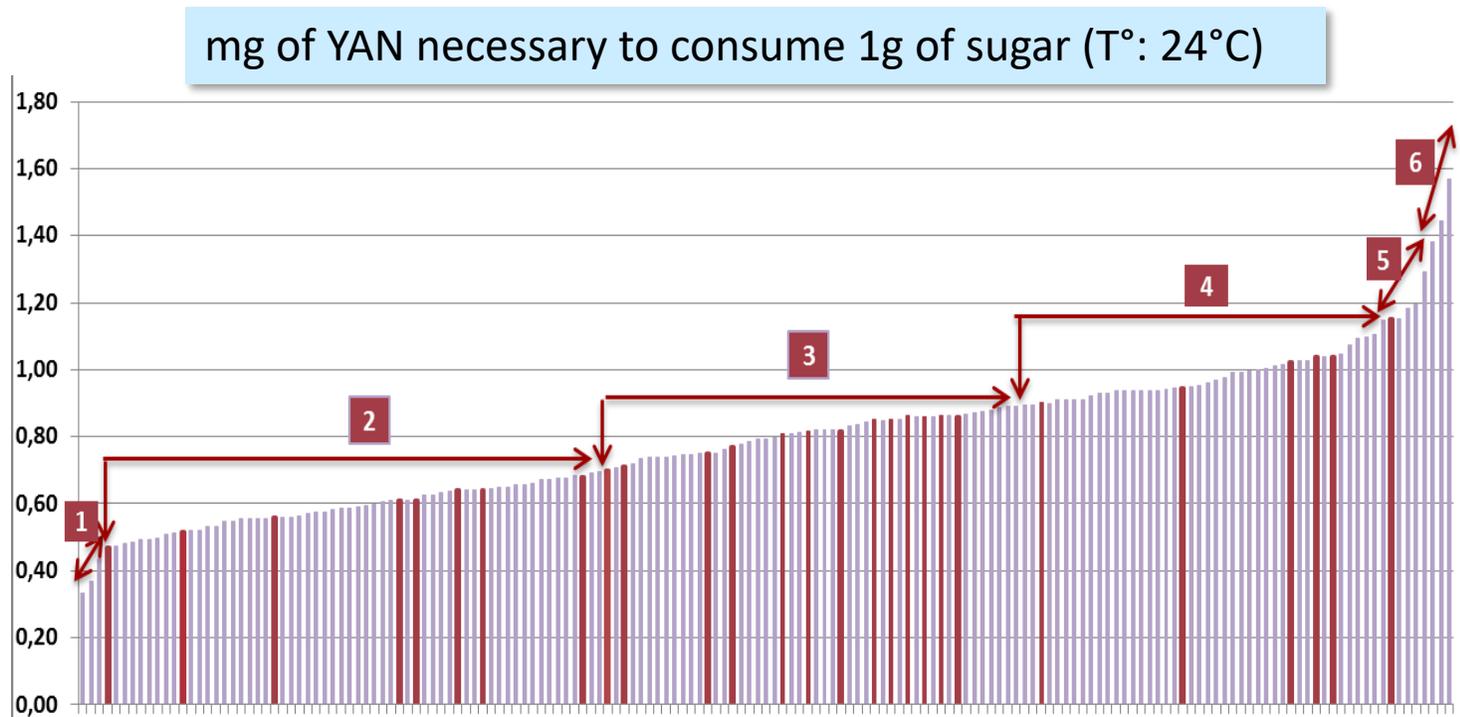
- Meaning amino acids & peptides
- Some are more preferentially used than others
  - Easy
  - Intermediate
  - Less so
- Also equals order of uptake



➤ **Essential for protein synthesis**  
Yeast growth & metabolism

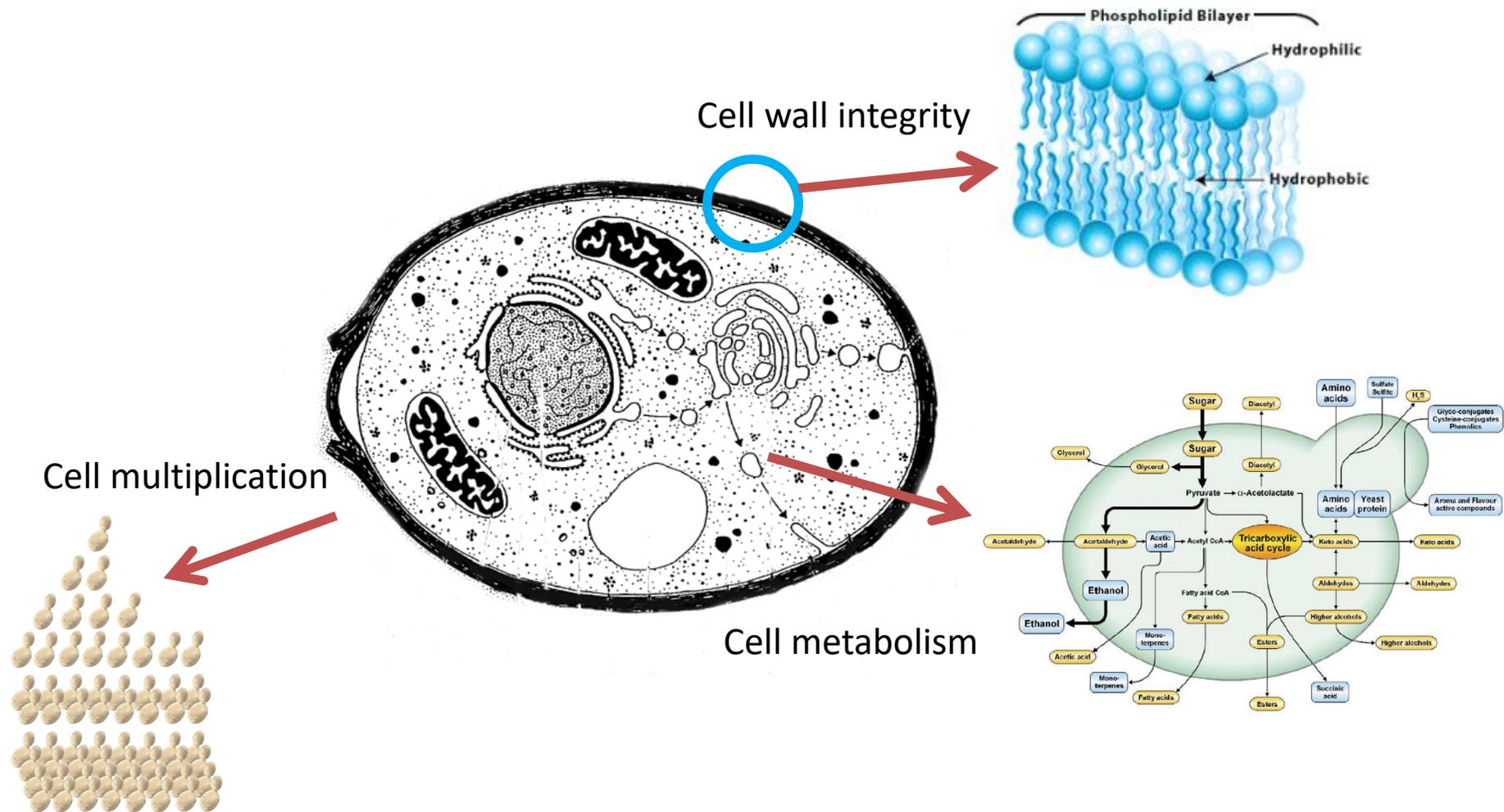
# Yeast nitrogen requirements

Yeast nitrogen needs to ferment a nitrogen deficient must (100mg/L YAN)

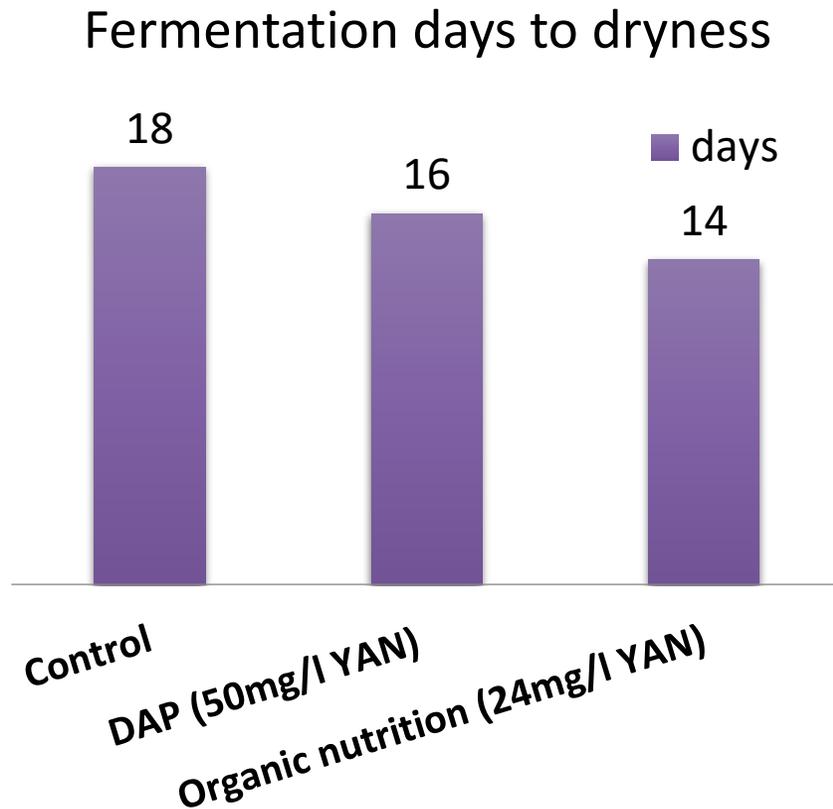


- Some yeasts need 4 times more N than others to ferment a deficient nitrogen must, at the same rate

# Nitrogen affects numerous aspects of yeast



# Nitrogen source – Efficiency on fermentation



⇒ Organic nutrition is 2 times more efficient than inorganic nitrogen to complete fermentation.

Adelaide Hills, 2010  
Chardonnay



The Australian Wine  
Research Institute

Analysis method: LC-UV (free amino acids, NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>)

ug/g "as is"	AA		N from AA or NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	
	NF20 19/3/20 (Thatchers)	NF10 19/3/20 (Thatchers)	NF20 19/3/20 (Thatchers)	NF10 19/3/20 (Thatchers)
Ala	67	87	11	14
Arg	13	12	4	4
Asn	346	1631	73	346
Asp	81	266	8	28
Cys	0	0	0	0
Gln	12	12	2	2
Glu	54	91	5	9
Gly	7	13	1	2
His	0	0	0	0
Ile	8	13	1	1
Leu	2	3	0	0
Lys	4	2	1	0
Met	3	4	0	0
Phe	2	5	0	0
Pro	51	32	6	4
Ser	23	75	3	10
Thr	27	36	3	4
Trp	0	0	0	0
Tyr	5	5	0	0
Val	8	12	1	1
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	3	8	3	7
FAN	-	-	122	427
YAN	-	-	124	434

„as is“ – results are based on apple concentrate

YAN (yeast assimilable nitrogen) = FAN + N from NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, FAN - free amino nitrogen (N from free AA)

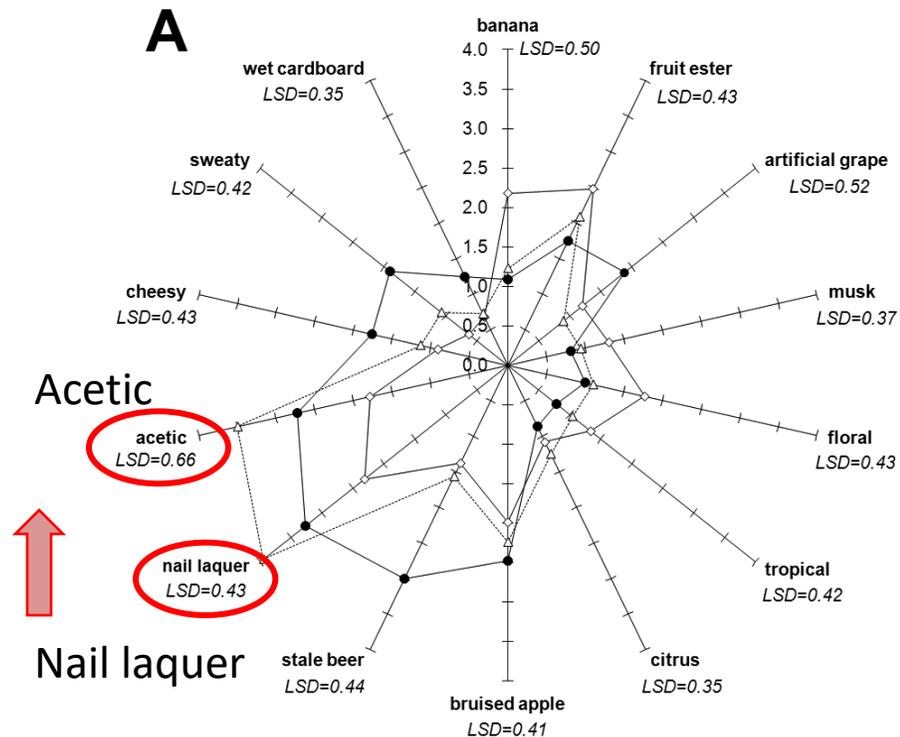
**this gives 25 ppm  
and 86 ppm N in  
the diluted juice  
(without added  
nutrients)!**

# Nitrogen source impacts on wine sensory profile

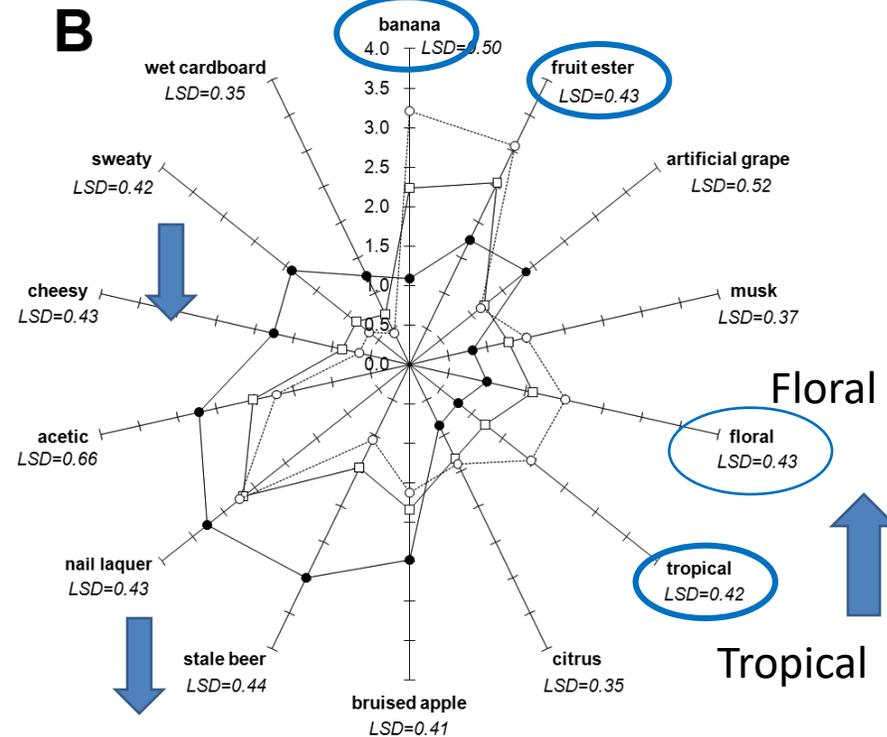


The Australian Wine Research Institute

+ Ammonium



+ Amino acids

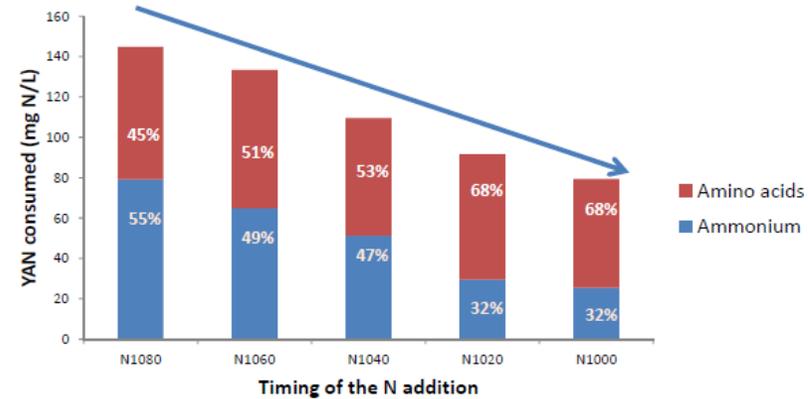


● Control (160) ○ NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (320) △ NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> (480) □ AAC (320) ○ AAC (480)

Henschke, 2010

# Timing of addition & Type of N source

- N additions during stationary phase improves fermentation rate without affecting yeast growth
- Only additions during exponential growth phase produces increases in yeast cell growth



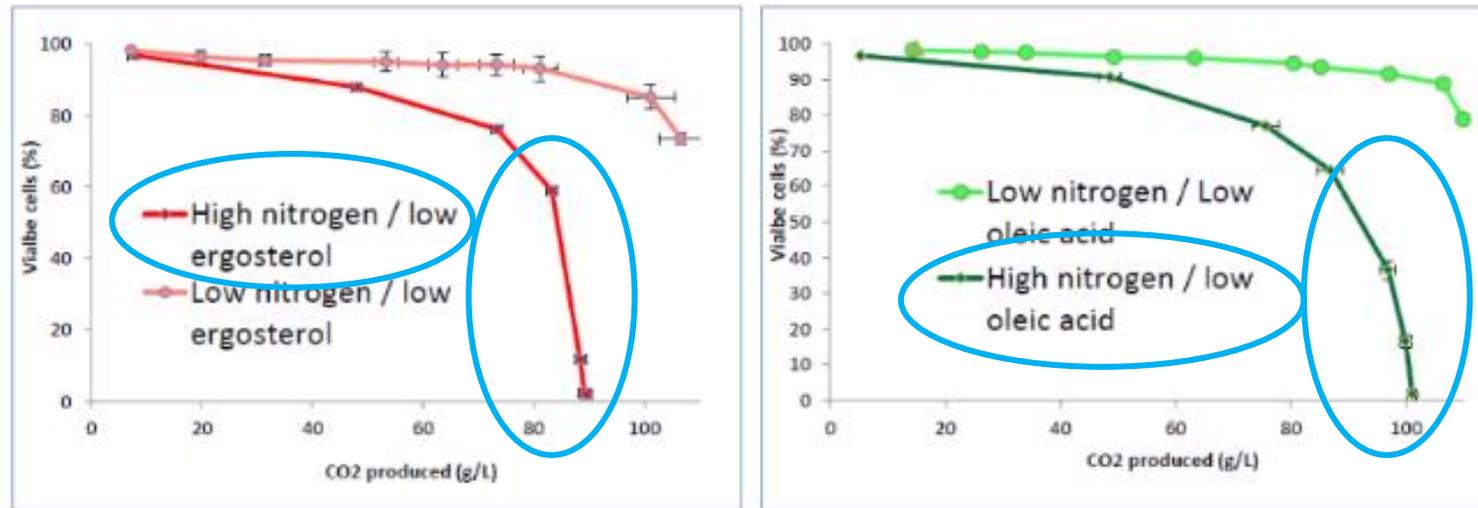
- Type of nitrogen

- Ammonium
  - Consumed preferentially during exp phase (growth)
- Amino acids
  - Consumed preferred sourced during stationary phase



# Nutritional imbalances

## Impact of lipids on yeast viability

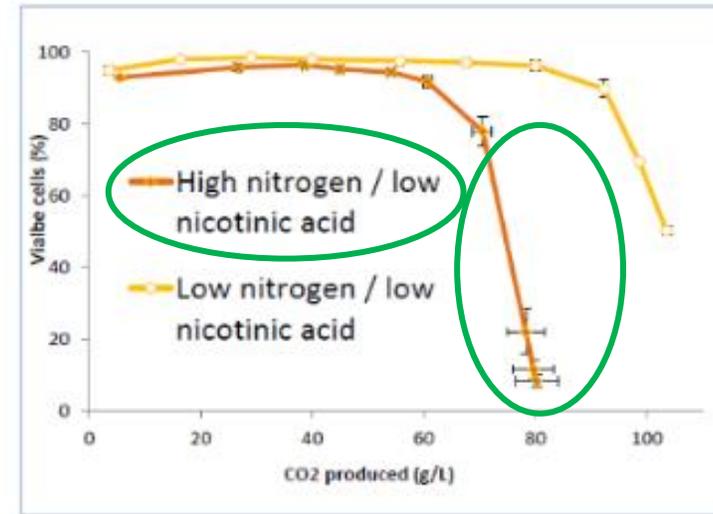
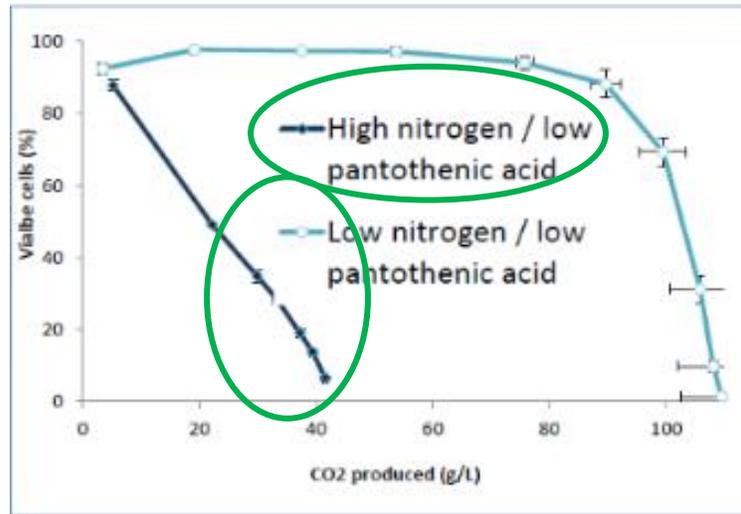


Duc C., 2017  
(PhD Lallemand – INRA)

- Lipid source starvation triggers cell death in a nitrogen-dependent manner
- *GoFerm Protect Evolution will prevent/limit this risk*

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## Impact of vitamins on yeast viability

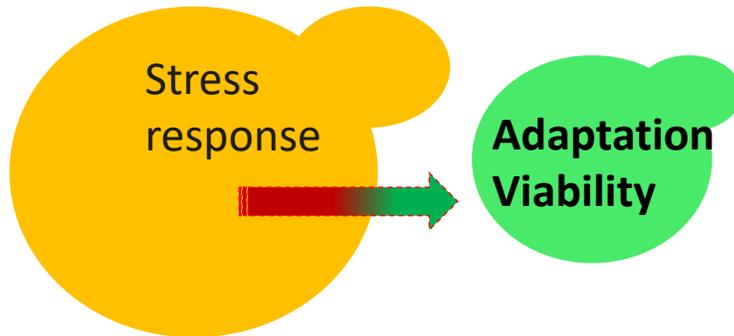


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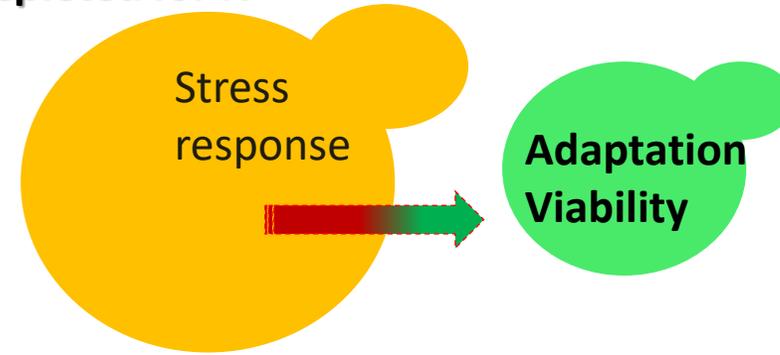
# Nitrogen has an important role in signalling a stress response & yeast cell death

Matrix depleted for nitrogen



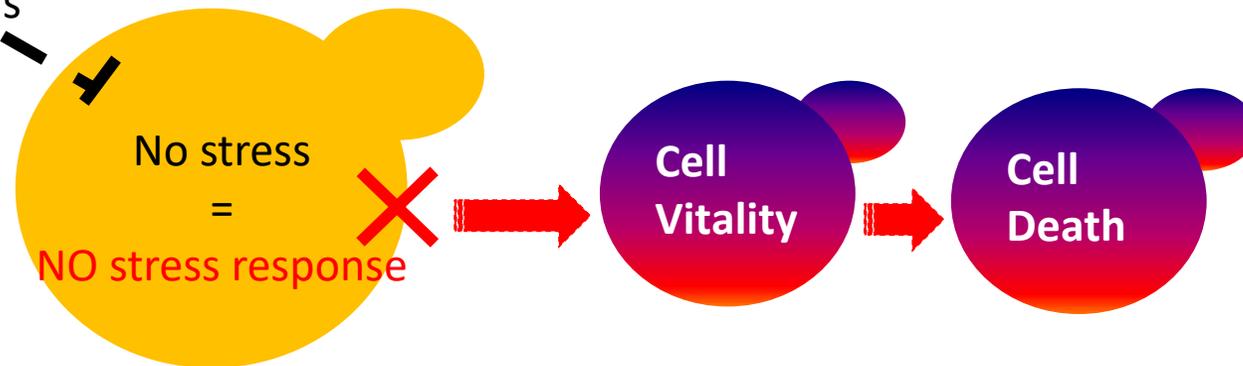
N- starved cells

Depleted for N



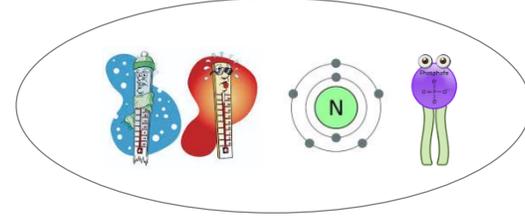
Micro nutrient-starved cells  
Vitamins & Minerals

Amino acids  
High  $\text{NH}_4^+$



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# Nitrogen, Temperature & Lipids



- A combined management
  - Nitrogen source (organic vs inorganic)
  - Timing of N addition
  - Temperature
  - Lipids (solids)
- Optimum conditions for production is different for higher alcohols and esters
- *Compromise*
  - Low temp - ↑ esters, but also ↑ fermentation time
  - Low turbidity (lipids) - ↑ esters, but ↑ risk of slow/sluggish AF and acetic acid

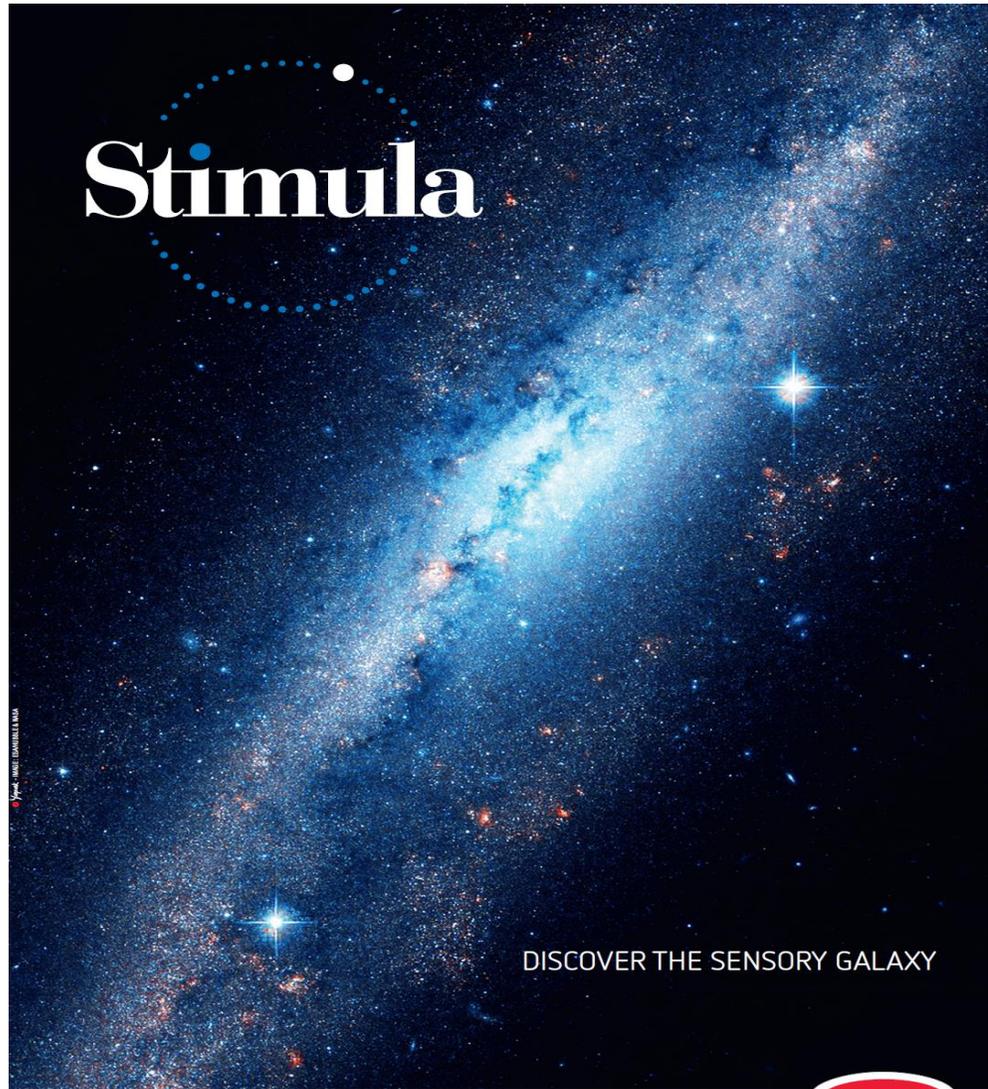
# Today : Yeast nutrition management:

1. **Focus on nutrients interactions and balance**
2. **Optimize yeast metabolism**

**STIMULATION of yeast metabolism :**

- **Specific composition (interactions of vitamins, sterols, YAN...)**
- **Timing of addition**
- **Target on aromas depending on the grape matrix (precursors)**

**Goal : optimize the aromatic potential of the grape**



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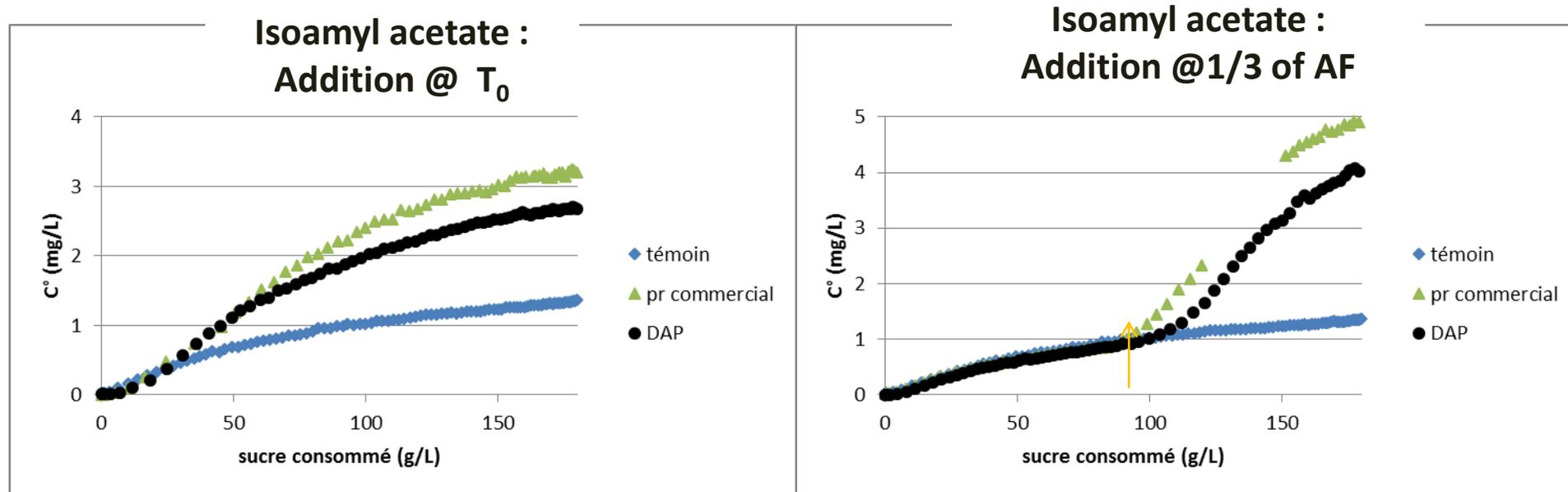
## A Balance composition

- Different nitrogen sources (100% yeast autolysate): to guarantee a balance nutrition & optimize the aromatic metabolism
- High vitamins content (pantothenate) to avoid H<sub>2</sub>S & increase thiols revelation
- High minerals content (Mg) to increase ethanol resistance (higher toxicity with high T°)

## Objectives

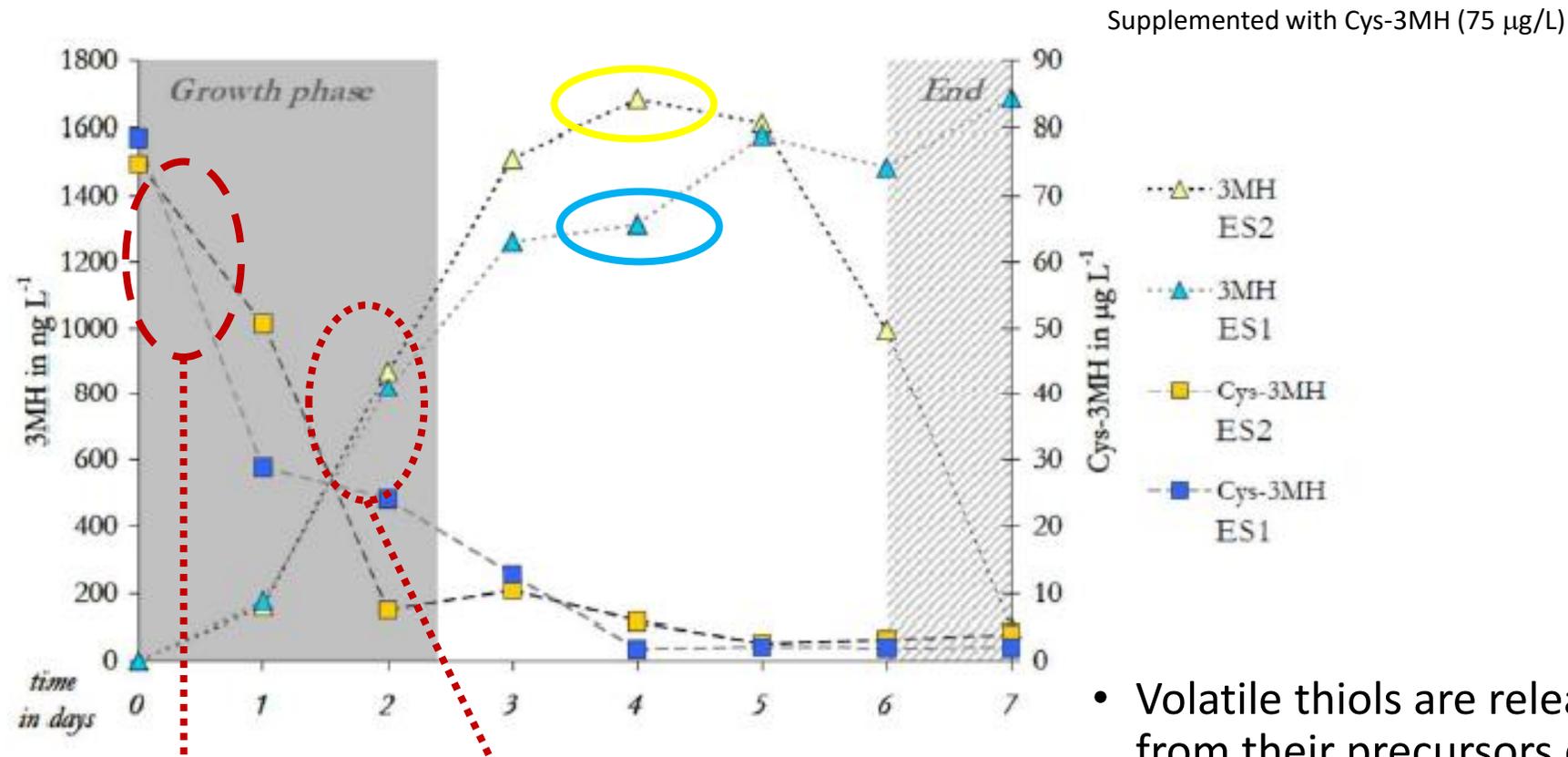
- To respect and enhance the varietal
- Remove the mask (off-flavors : H<sub>2</sub>S)
- To stimulate yeast metabolism of aromas synthesis (better precursors uptake) = Addition at the beginning of the AF
- Nutritional balance : free aas, peptides, vitamins & minerals.

# Esters synthesis : Impact of timing of nutrient addition (Stimula Chardonnay)



- Nitrogen addition impacts on the esters synthesis
- **Addition @ 1/3 : higher efficiency: +40%** compared to addition at  $t=0$
- **Stimula Chardonnay**: more efficient than DAP

# When are thiols released?



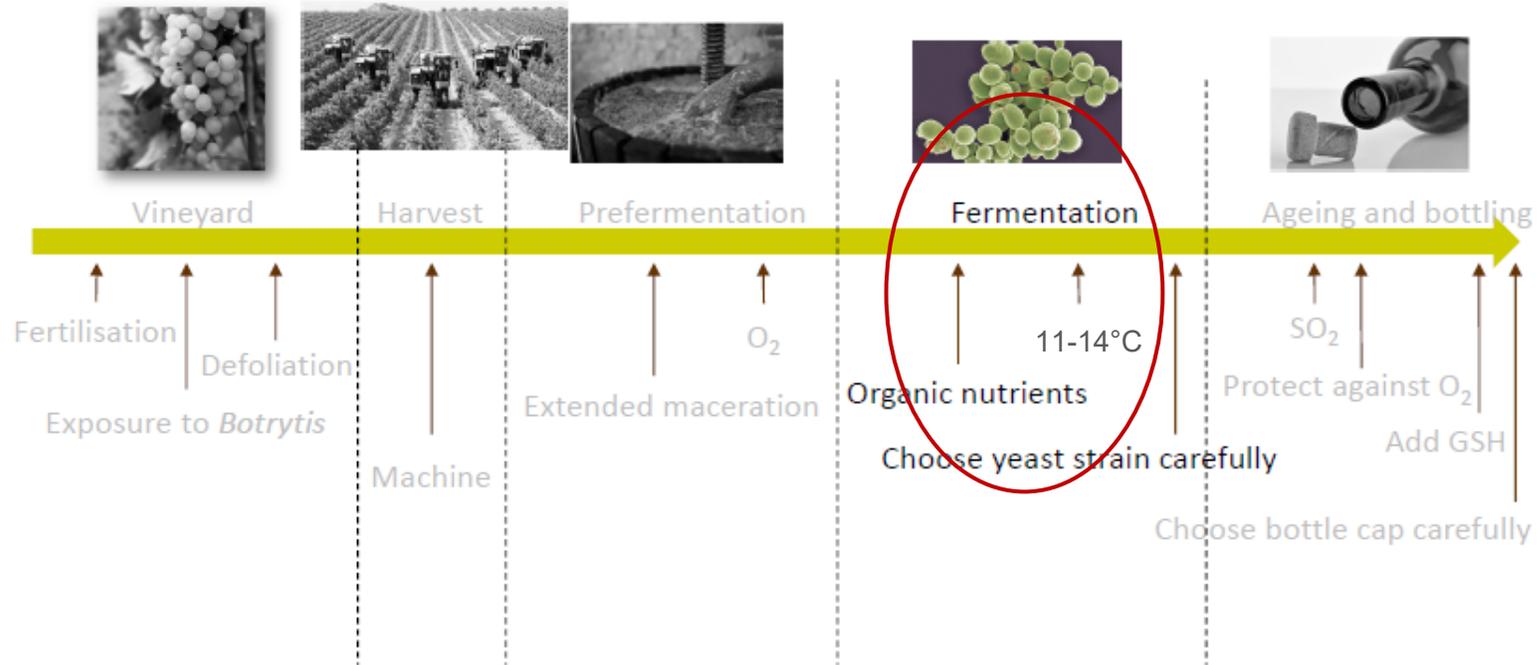
1<sup>st</sup> third of exp phase  
Uptake of thiol precursors

2<sup>nd</sup> third of exp phase  
Release of thiol precursors

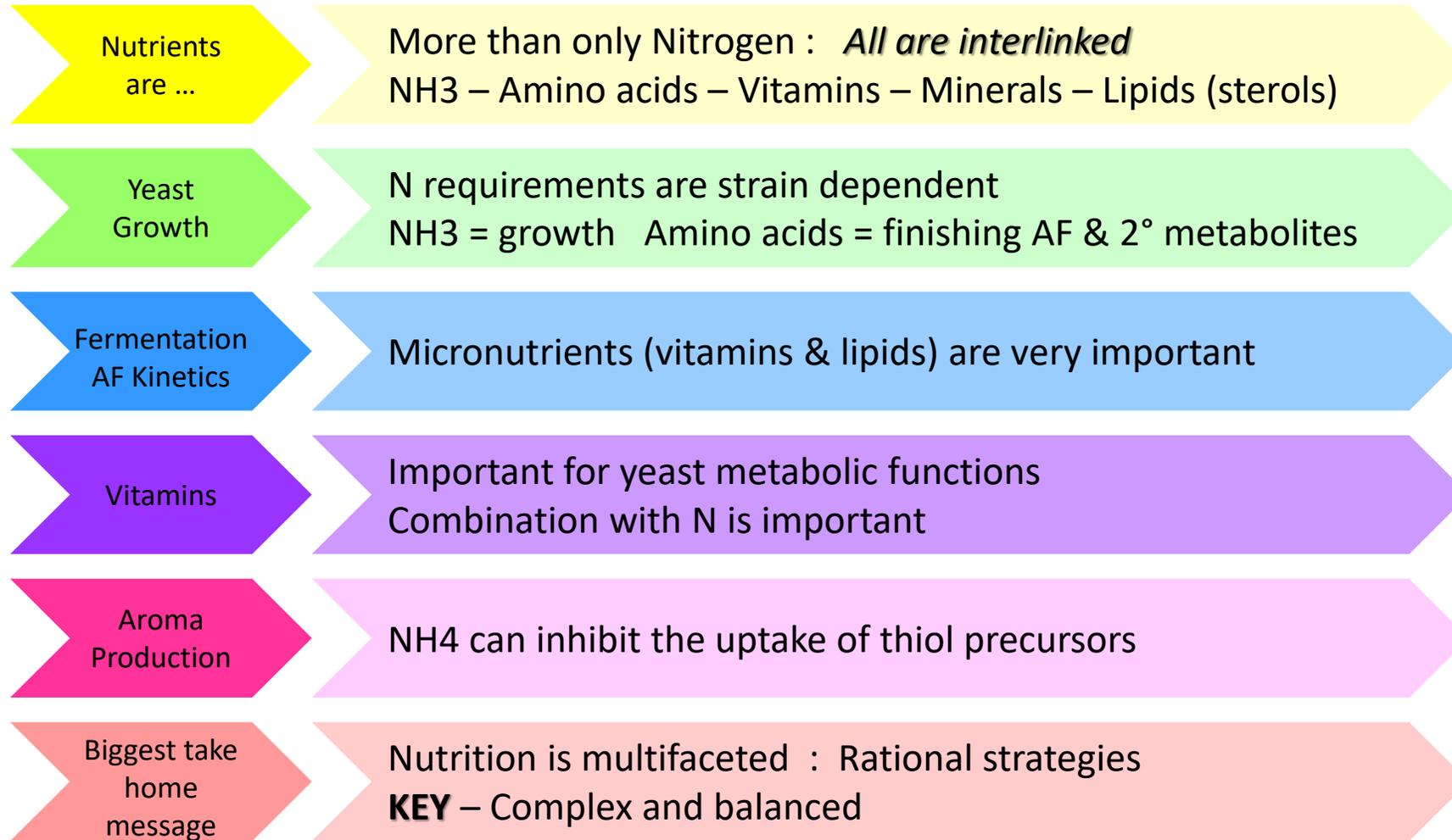
- Volatile thiols are released from their precursors during the yeast growth phase

- Release of thiols efficiency is yeast strain dependent

# Numerous ways to increase thiol production



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# Bactiless

Reduce the risk of spoilage bacteria



## PREVENTING SULFUR OFF-ODORS DURING FERMENTATION

Cider has a strong propensity to develop sulfur off-odors which are largely attributable to hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S). There are several variables and potential sources of these off-odors. This guide has been created to determine critical control points for preventing sulfur off-odors before they develop.

### TERMS USED TO DESCRIBE SULFUR OFF-ODORS INCLUDE:

H <sub>2</sub> S	Rotten Egg	Reduced	Burnt Rubber	Onion	Skunky	Garlic	Funk
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### HOW ARE THESE ODORS CREATED?

There are several potential sources of sulfur that end up creating off-odors including:

1. Elemental sulfur from orchards or storage
2. Sulfur dioxide (sulfite) additions to prevent spoilage or oxidation in juice
3. Sulfur from sulfur-containing amino acids
4. Naturally occurring sulfates in apples

## PREVENTING SULFUR OFF-ODORS

The key to preventing sulfur off-odors during fermentation is **compensating appropriately for your juice's nutritional shortcomings** and **maintaining a low-stress environment for yeast**:

### JUICE

*Understand and compensate for nutritional shortcomings*

### FERMENTATION

*Maintain a low-stress environment for yeast*

- Yeast nutrition
  - Healthy cells – vitality & viability
  - Organic & Complex nutrients (Fermaid O & Fermaid K)
- Yeast Handling
  - Dominate the microbial competition
    - Inoculate early
    - Protect (GoFerm Protect Evolution)
    - Manage temperatures

- Sulfur off-odors treatment:
  - Redules
    - Specific Yeast Derivative with fixed copper to reduce sulfur off-odors
    - Alternative to chemical copper treatments that damage the fruit character and create harsh flavour sensations
  - Noblesse
    - Specific Yeast Derivative nutrient that contributes to an overall roundness and rebalancing of flavours
    - Can help reduce undesirable aggressive characters or sensations of dryness

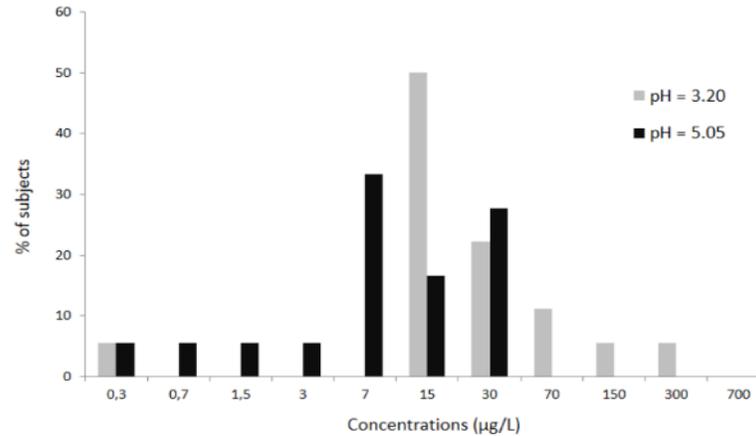


- Building positive mouthfeel
  - MannoLees
    - a unique blend of mannoproteins and vegetal polysaccharides
    - MannoLees can offer a degree of stability, soften aggressive sensations, enhance body, add length, and maintain fruity characters
    - 100% soluble
    - Add 24 hours before bottling the cider

What is Mousy taint?



# Sensory threshold – wine pH adjustment



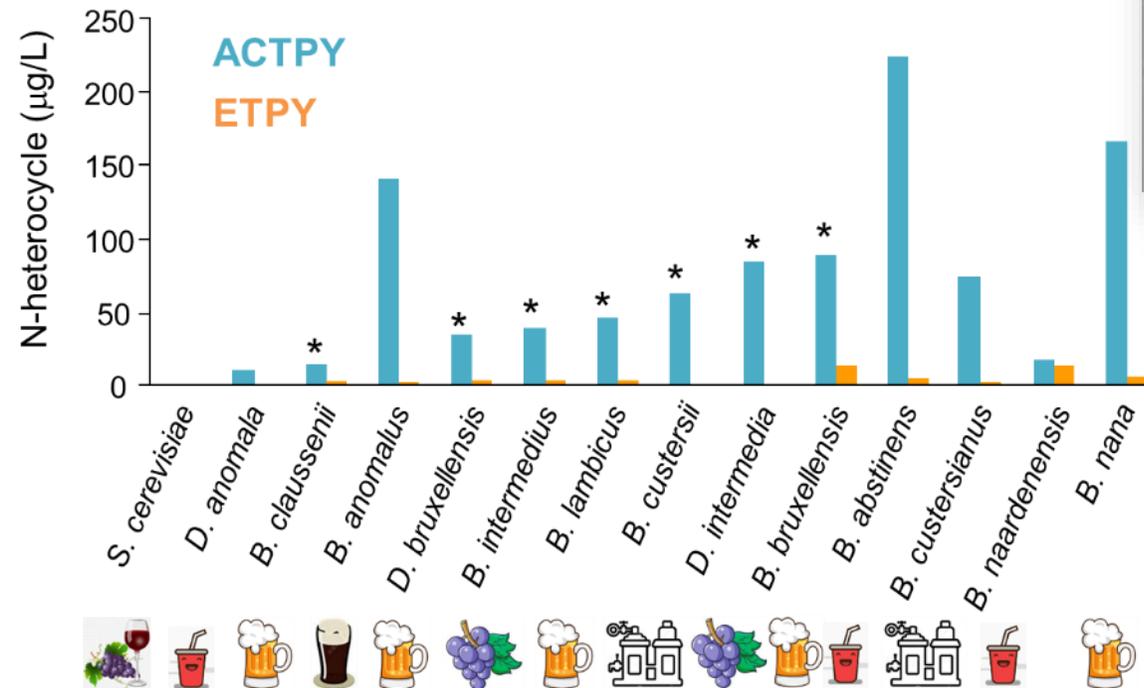
**FIGURE 3.** Individual detection threshold distribution for APY before and after pH adjustment (n = 18).

Compound	pH	Sensory threshold (µg/L)	R2
APY	3.2	54.9	0.91
	5.05	8.6	0.91

- The absolute threshold (group threshold) for APY in red wine (Gamay) was reduced by a factor of 6.4 when the pH was increased.

# Microbiology of Mousy taint – Yeast

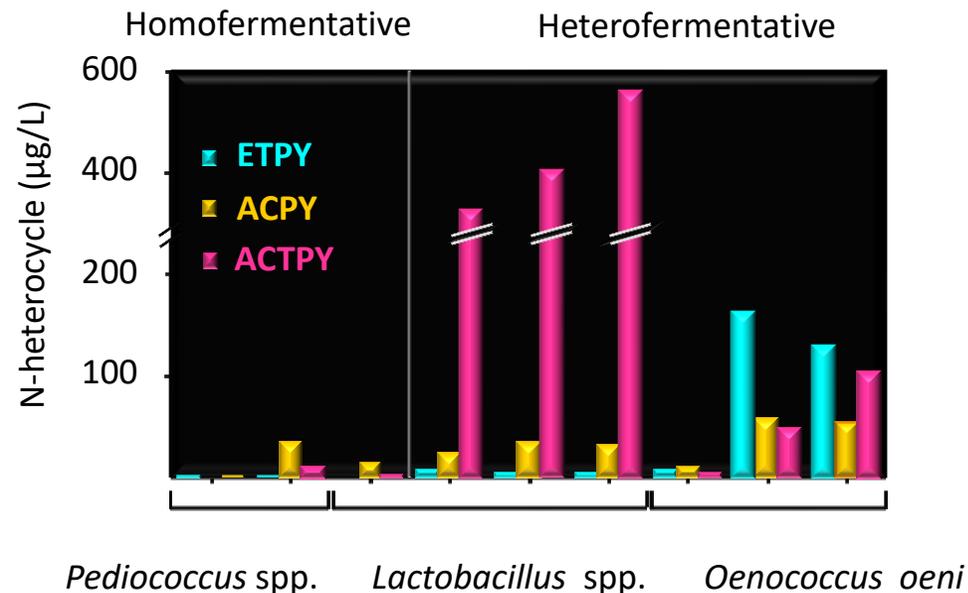
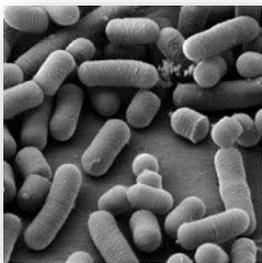
- Only species within *Brettanomyces* & *Dekkera* have been shown to produce mousy taint compounds
  - Main species is *Brettanomyces bruxellensis*



\* Species associated with wine

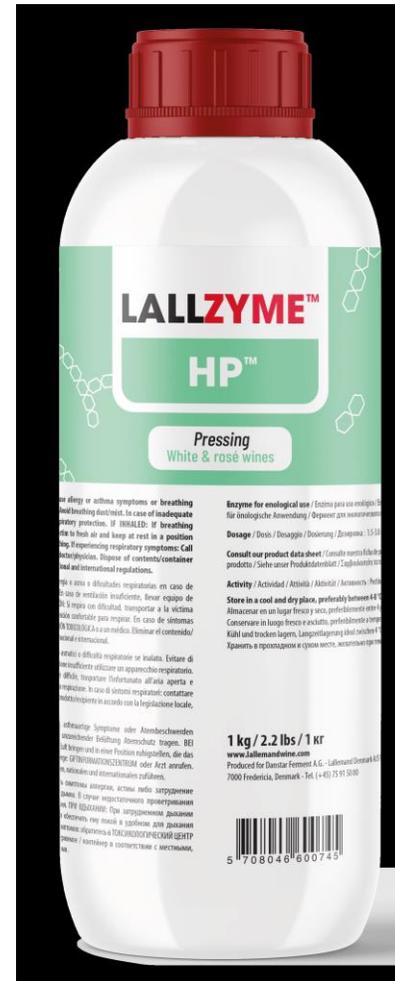
# Microbiology of Mousy taint – Bacteria

- LAB species have been shown to have the capability to produce mousy taint compounds
  - Bacteria are the main culprit for production of mousy taint compounds
- Heterofermentative LAB – main producers
  - *Lactobacillus hilgardii*
  - *Lactobacillus brevis*
  - *Oenococcus oeni*
- Homofermentative LAB – to a lesser extent
  - *Pediococcus*
  - *Lactobacillus plantarum*



# Fruit Pressing & Clarification

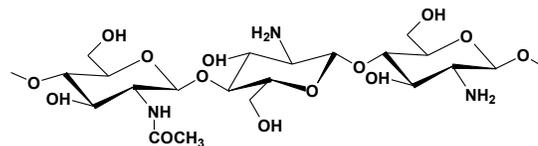
- Main factors influencing pectinase activity
  - Temperature – optimum 8 – 12 C
  - Treatment time – optimum 1 – 2 hours
  - Dosage – higher dosage => faster depectinization



# In conclusion ...



- Clarification
  - <https://scottlab.com/preventing-and-treating-sulfur-off-odors-in-cider>
- Yeast nutrition
  - Healthy cells – vitality & viability
  - Complex & Organic nutrients (Fermaid AT & Fermaid O)
- Fermentation
  - Malic acid reduction
- Oxidation protections
  - Specific Inactivated Yeast
- Manage spoilage
  - Chitosan products



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- 5 Spain:** Lallemand's experimental laboratory... (text partially obscured)