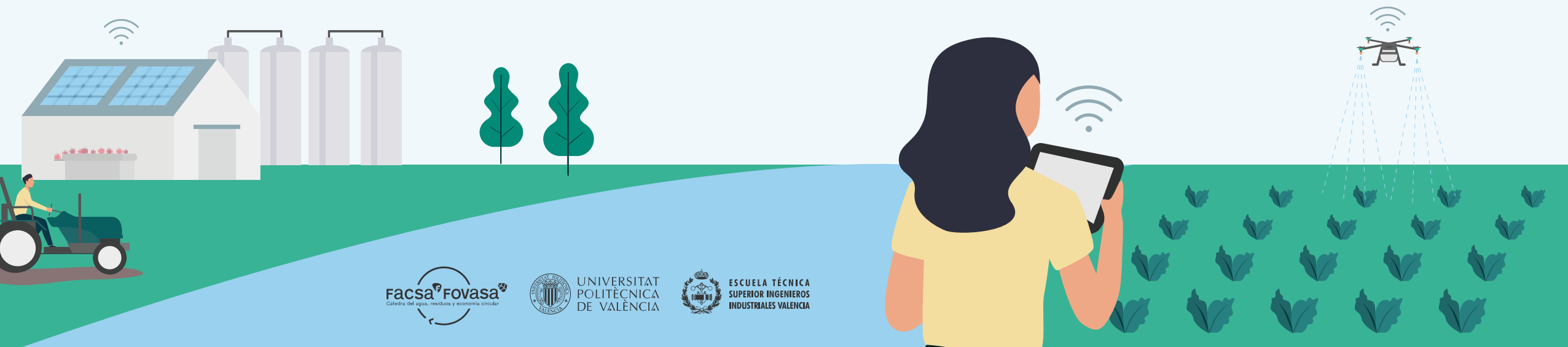


Recuperación de compuestos bioactivos de residuos y efluentes del procesado de la alcachofa e higo chumbo

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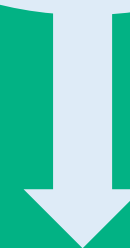


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Planta herbácea originaria del Mediterráneo occidental y alcanza una altura de **1.4 - 2.0 m**.

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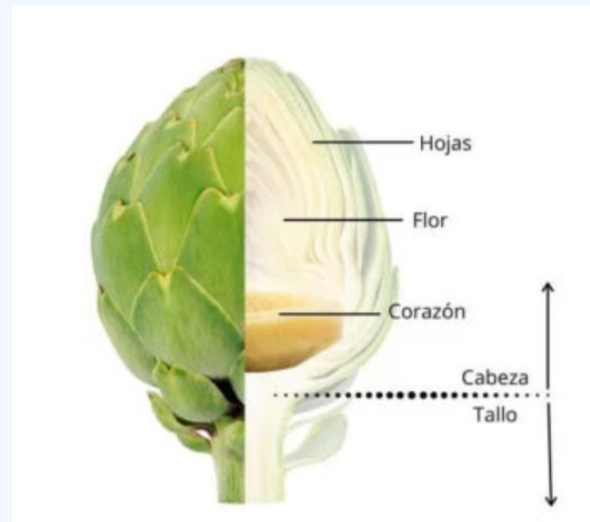


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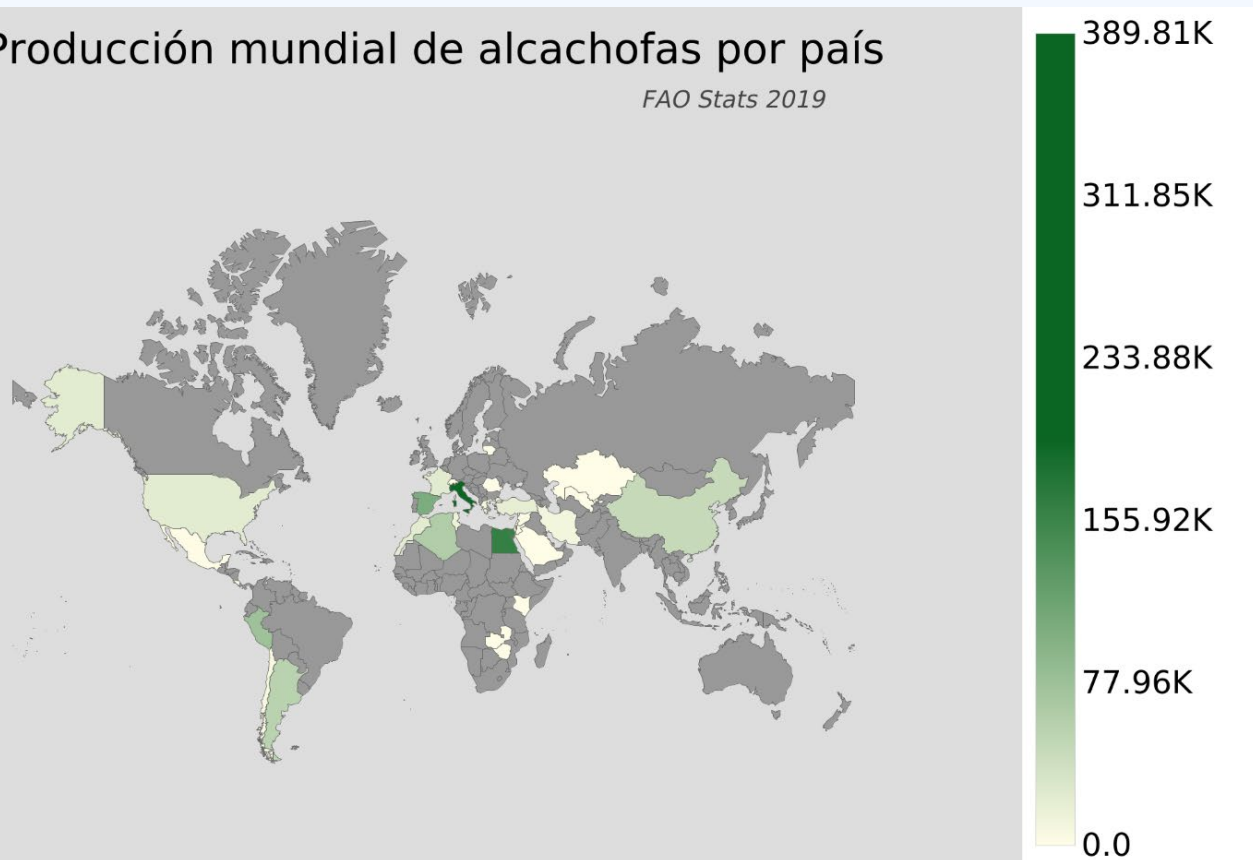
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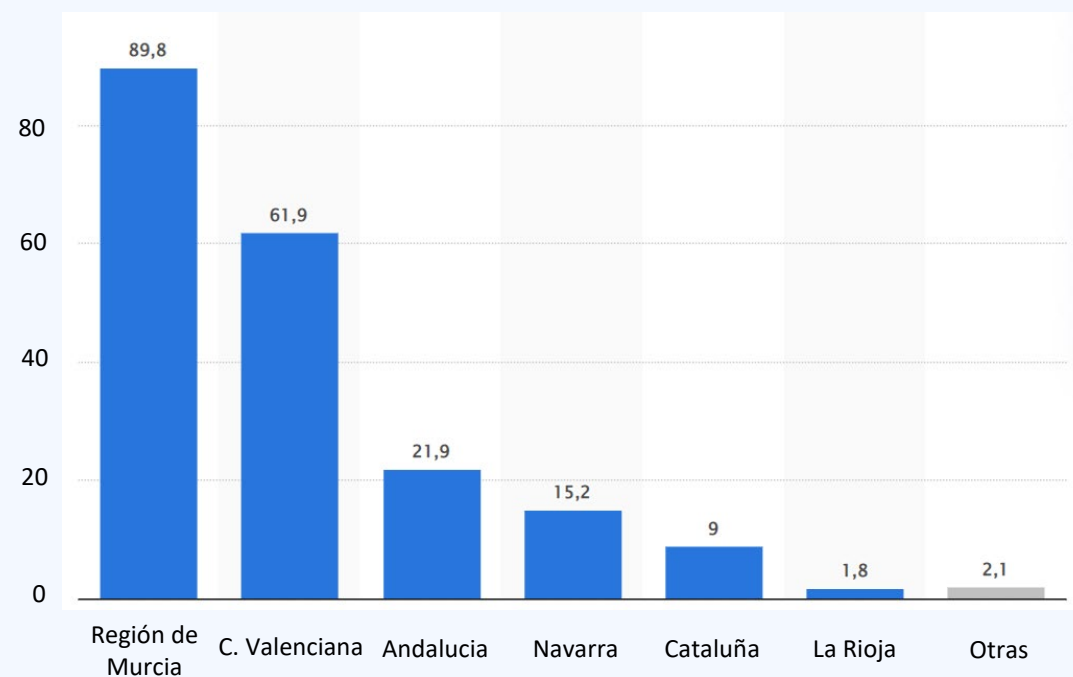
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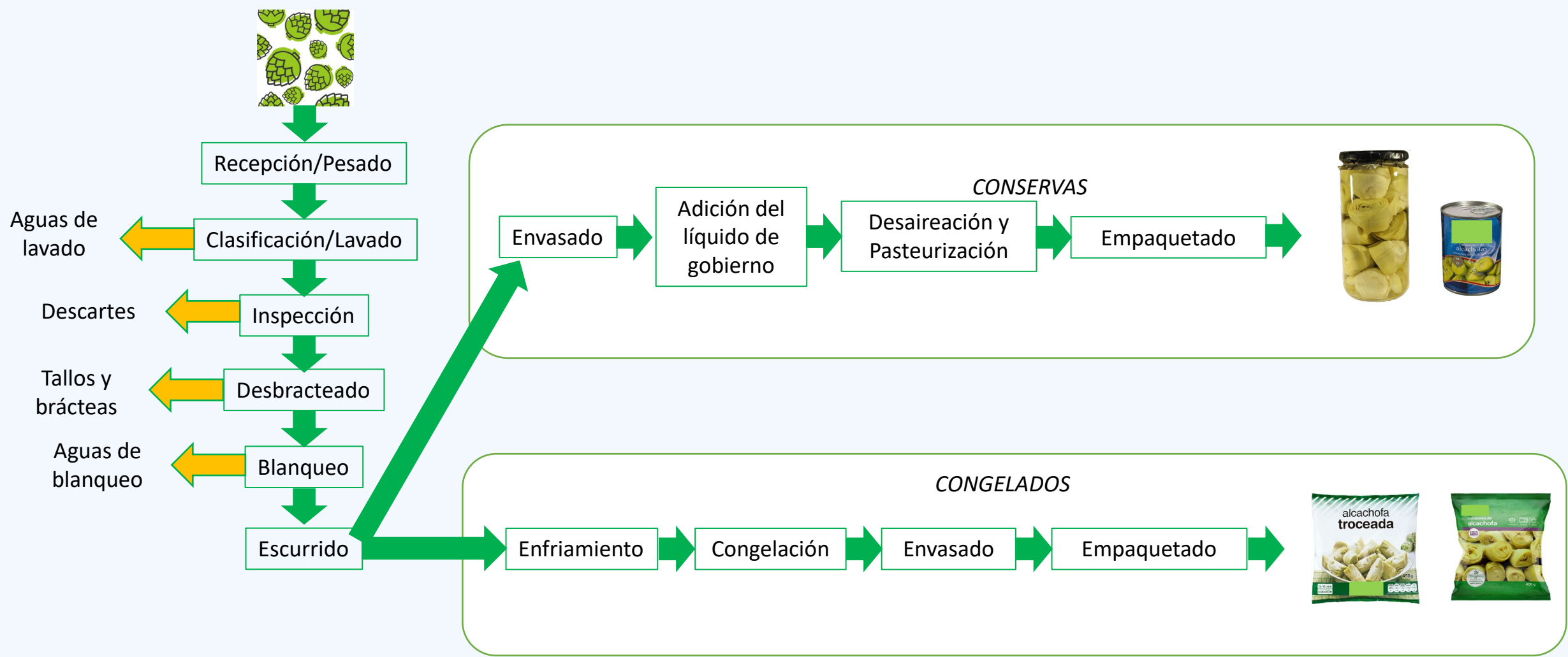
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- Suponen entre un 60-65% de la M.P. procesada (<https://prtr-es.es/Data/images//Gu%C3%ADa%20MTD%20en%20Espa%C3%B1a%20Transformados%20Vegetales-1F078444C914B509.pdf>).
- Compuestos por piezas defectuosas, tallos y brácteas externas.
- Usos tradicionales: producción de compost, metano, bioetanol...

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- Consumo de agua conservas alcachofa: 6-20 m³/ton M.P.
- Consumo de agua congelados vegetales: 5-8.5 m³/ton M.P.
- 70-80% del agua de consumo se vierte como agua residual (<https://prtr-es.es/Data/images//Gu%C3%ADa%20MTD%20en%20Espa%C3%B1a%20Transformados%20Vegetales-1F078444C914B509.pdf>).
- DQO=600-1000 mg/L y SS=100-500 mg/L (https://www.esamur.com/dmdocuments/agrupal_esamur_depuracion%20aguas.pdf).
- Procede mayoritariamente de aguas de blanque, lavado y sistemas de intercambio de calor.

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Valorization of artichoke wastewaters by integrated membrane process

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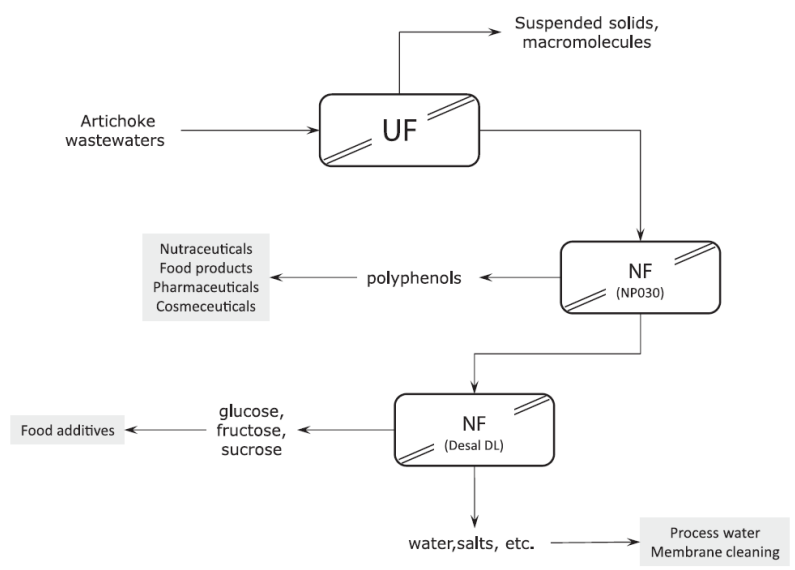
ABSTRACT

In this work an integrated membrane system was developed on laboratory scale to fractionate artichoke wastewaters. In particular, a preliminary ultrafiltration (UF) step, based on the use of hollow fibre membranes, was investigated to remove suspended solids from an artichoke extract. The clarified solution was then submitted to a nanofiltration (NF) step. Two different 2.5 × 21 in. spiral-wound membranes (Desal DL and NP030) with different properties were investigated. Both membranes showed a high rejection towards the phenolic compounds analysed (chlorogenic acid, cynarin and apigenin-7-O-glucoside) and, consequently, towards the total antioxidant activity (TAA). On the other hand, the Desal DL membrane was characterized by a high rejection towards sugar compounds (glucose, fructose and sucrose) (100%) when compared with the NP030 membrane (4.02%). The performance of selected membranes in terms of permeate flux, fouling index and water permeability recovery was also evaluated. On the base of experimental results, an integrated membrane process for the fractionation of artichoke wastewaters was proposed. This conceptual process design permitted to obtain different valuable products: a retentate fraction (from the NP030 membrane) enriched in phenolic compounds suitable for nutraceutical, cosmeceutical or food application; a retentate fraction (from the Desal DL membrane), enriched in sugar compounds, of interest for food applications; a clear permeate (from the Desal DL membrane) which can be reused as process water or for membrane cleaning.

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Table 2 – Chemical composition of artichoke wastewaters.

Suspended solids (%)	2.5 ± 0.10
TSS (°Brix)	3.05 ± 0.05
Glucose (mg/L)	960 ± 1
Fructose (mg/L)	837 ± 1.07
Sucrose (mg/L)	1050 ± 0.41
TAA (mM Trolox)	8 ± 0.042
Chlorogenic acid (mg/L)	251 ± 2.64
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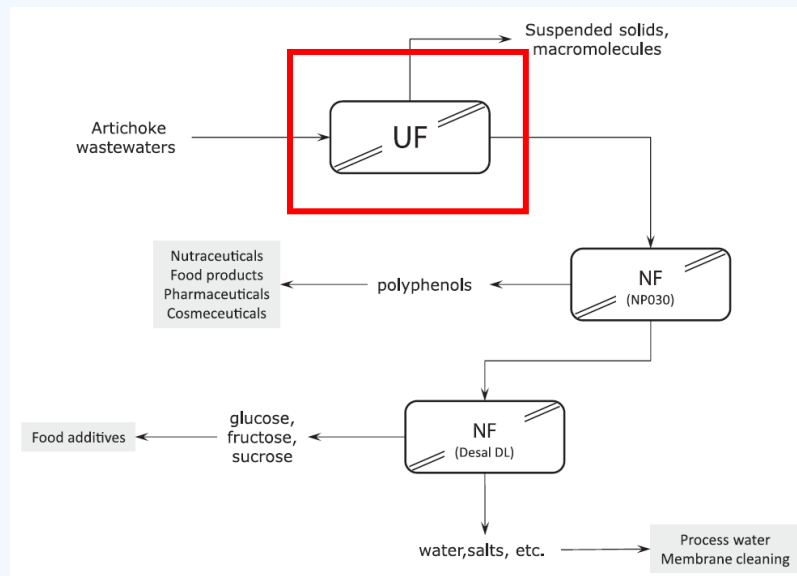


Conceptual process design for the treatment of artichoke wastewaters based on UF and NF operations.

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Condiciones del proceso:

- TMP=0.31 bar
- Qf=556 L/h
- T=24°C
- VRF=5.67

Membrana de UF:

- Fibra hueca
- Polisulfona
- MWCO=50 kDa

Table 4 – Chemical composition of artichoke wastewaters before and after the clarification with the UF membrane.

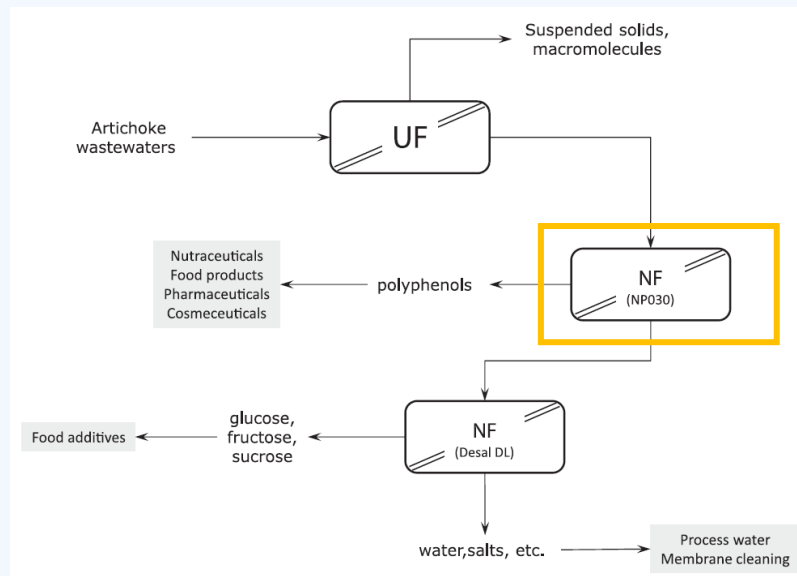
Parameters	Feed	Permeate	Retentate
Suspended solids (%)	2.5 ± 0.10	n.d.	2.43 ± 0.10
TSS (°Brix)	3.05 ± 0.05	2.94 ± 0.065	3.11 ± 0.07
Glucose (mg/L)	960 ± 1	958 ± 0.93	966 ± 0.66
Fructose (mg/L)	837 ± 1.07	830 ± 2.5	840 ± 1.70
Sucrose (mg/L)	1050 ± 0.41	1040 ± 0.49	1055 ± 0.6
TAA (mM Trolox)	8 ± 0.042	7.9 ± 0.04	8.2 ± 0.3
Chlorogenic acid (mg/L)	251 ± 2.64	245 ± 4.6	250.6 ± 1.52
Cynarin (mg/L)	164.7 ± 1.41	161 ± 1.1	162.6 ± 1.52
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside (mg/L)	101 ± 2	100 ± 4.5	100.4 ± 2.9

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Condiciones del proceso:

- TMP=8 bar
- Qf=300 L/h
- T=25°C
- VRF=5.0

Membrana de NF:

- Arrollamiento en espiral
- Polietersulfona
- MWCO=400 Da

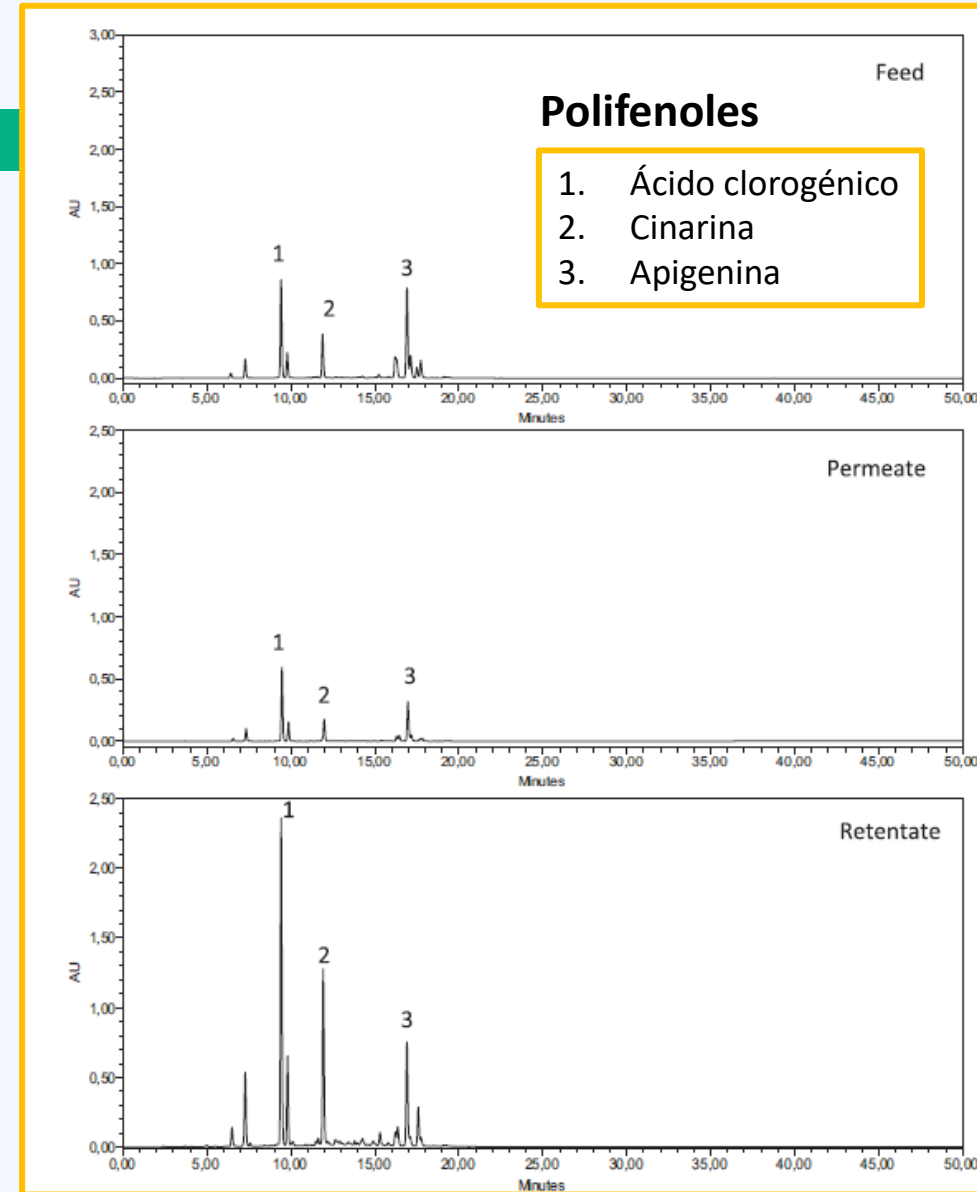
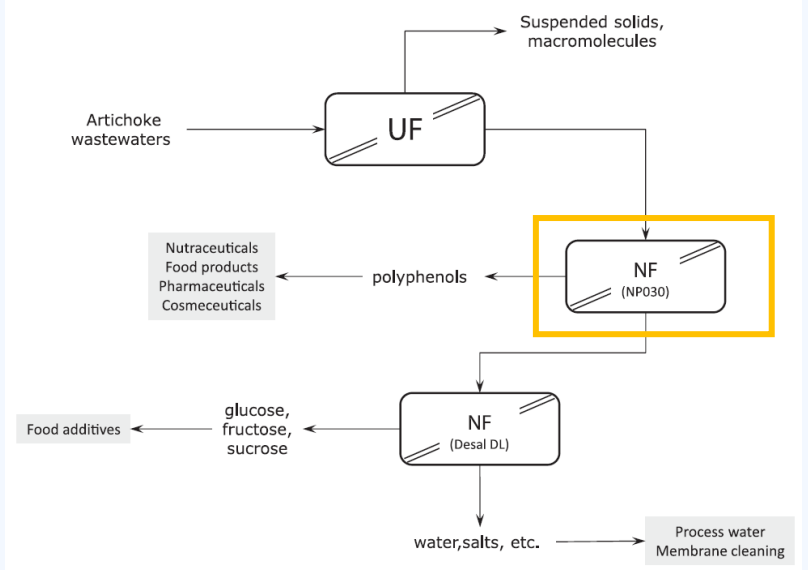


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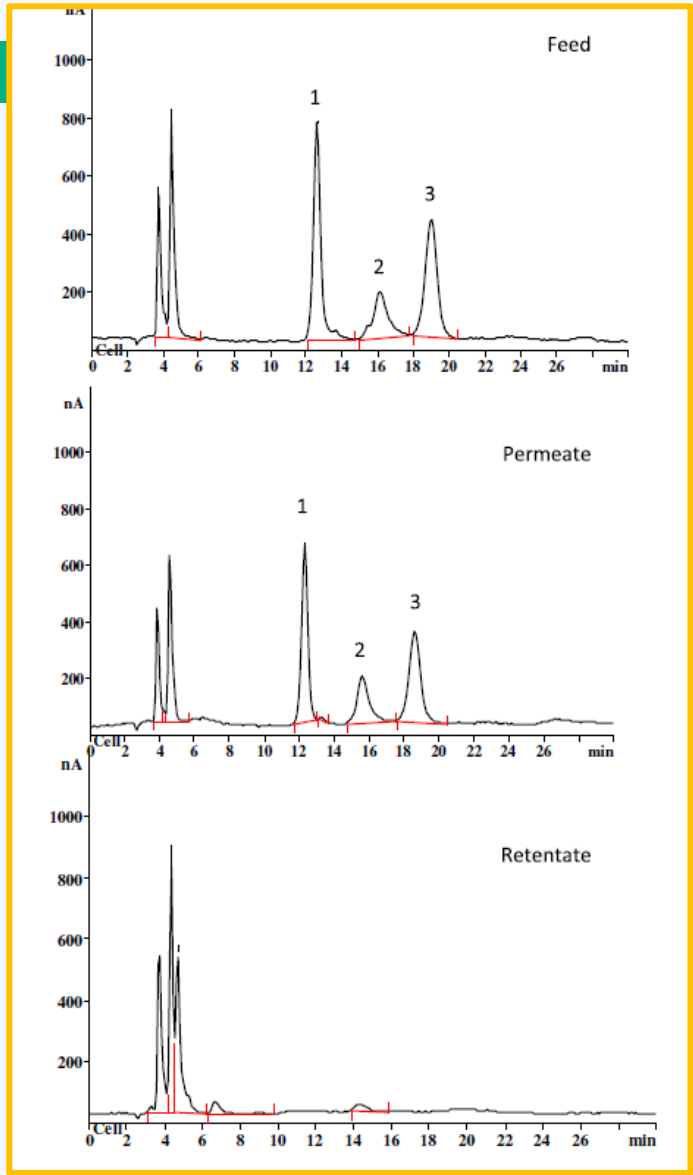
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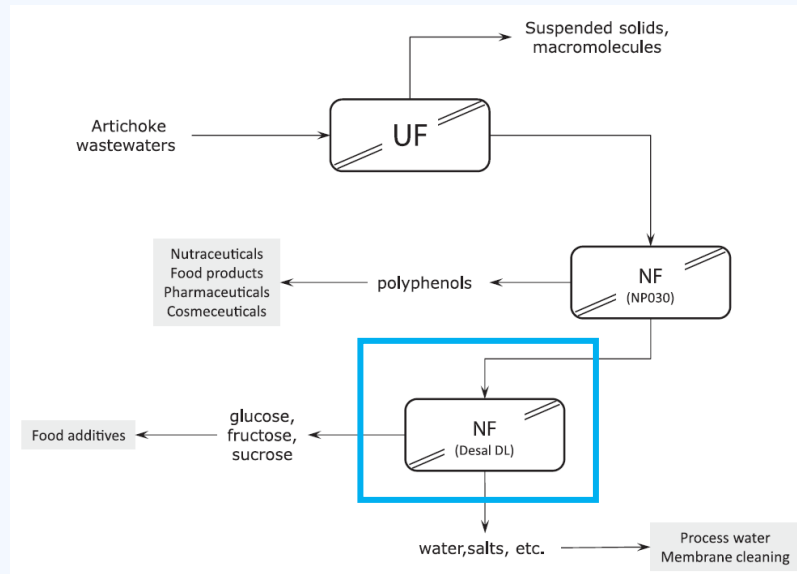
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Fig. 6 – HPAEC chromatograms of sugars detected in feed, permeate and retentate samples coming from the NF process with the NP030 membrane. Peak 1: glucose; 2: fructose; 3: sucrose.

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- MWCO=150-300 Da

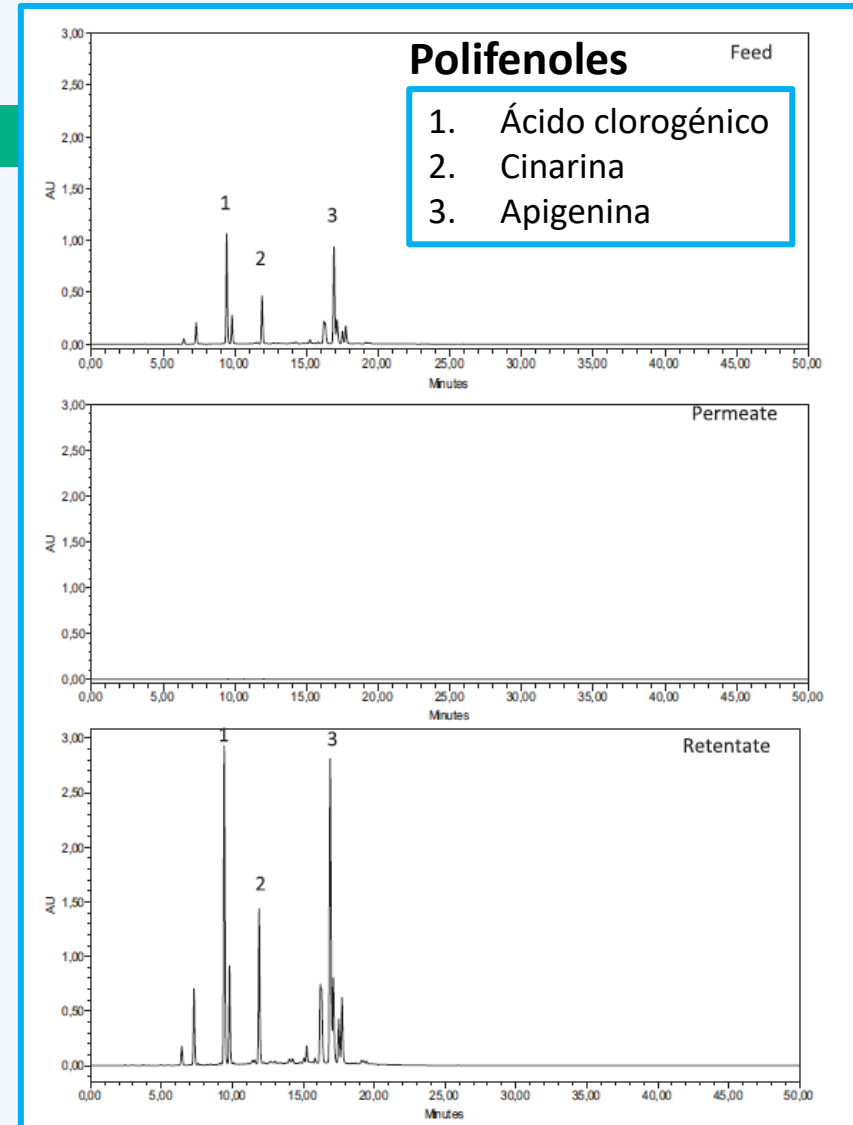
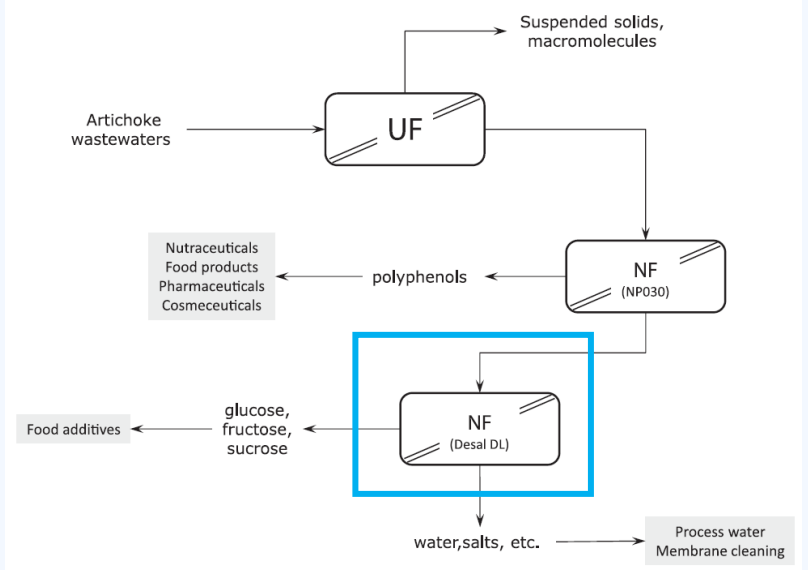


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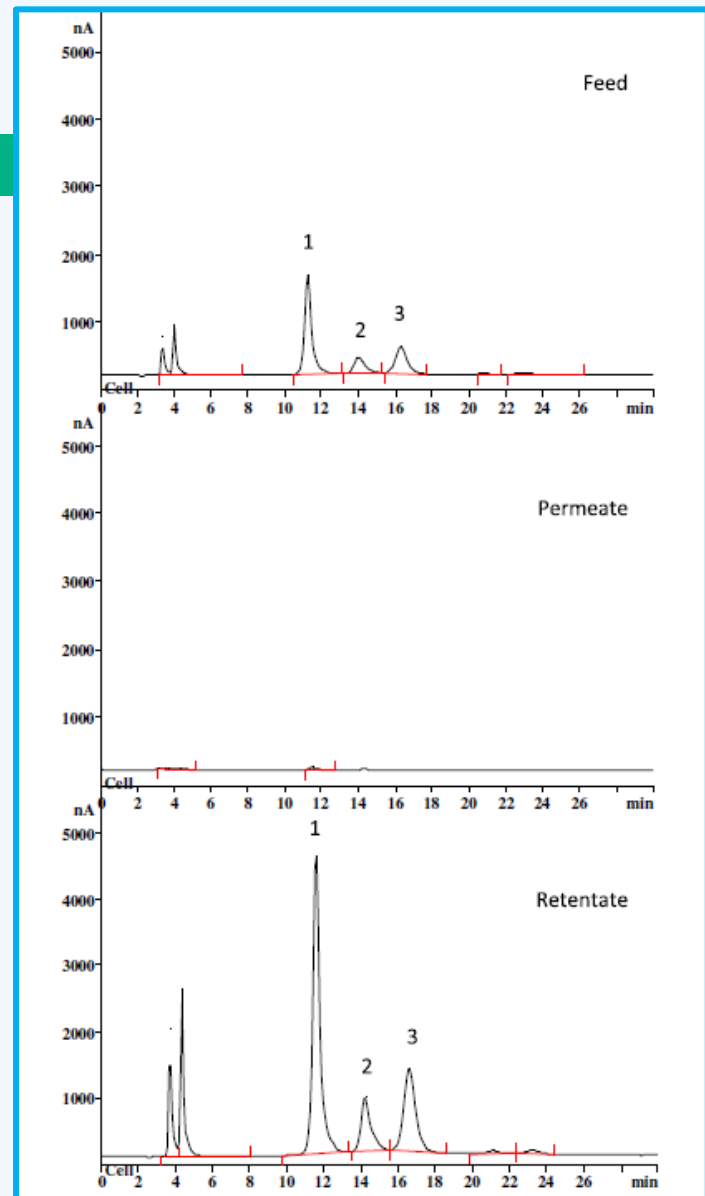
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ABSTRACT

The present study aimed at evaluating the potential of an integrated process based on the use of membrane technology and adsorbent resins for the recovery, concentration and purification of phenolic compounds from artichoke wastewaters.

In particular, artichoke wastewaters coming from the blanching step were pre-treated by ultrafiltration (UF) in order to remove suspended solids and macromolecular compounds. The UF permeate was submitted to a nanofiltration (NF) process producing a concentrated fraction enriched in phenolic and sugar compounds.

Three different macroporous resins were tested through adsorption/desorption methods to produce purified phenolic fractions with high antioxidant activity. Samples produced in UF, NF and adsorption-desorption tests were assayed for phenolic composition (chlorogenic acid and apigenin 7-O-glucoside), sugar composition (fructose, glucose and sucrose) and antioxidant activity.

Among the three different tested resins, the S 7968 offered the best performance in terms of adsorption/desorption ratio for chlorogenic acid, with a total adsorption/desorption yield (TADY) of 63.39%; for the apigenin 7-O-glucoside the S 7968 and the S 2328 resins showed a TADY in the range 68.31–78.45%.

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Table 1
General composition of artichoke wastewaters

Parameters	Feed
pH	4.18 ± 0.03
TSS (°Brix)	2.3 ± 0.1
Suspended solids (%)	3.08 ± 0.08
TAA (mM Trolox)	13.2 ± 0.2
Chlorogenic acid (ppm)	560.1 ± 1.3
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside (ppm)	80.0 ± 1.3
Glucose (ppm)	1422.0 ± 2.5
Fructose (ppm)	614.0 ± 2.1
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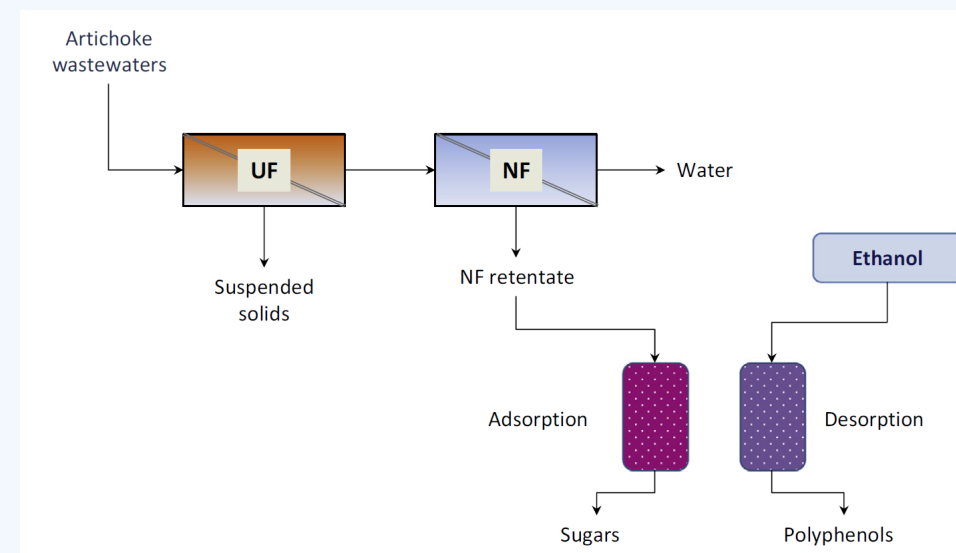


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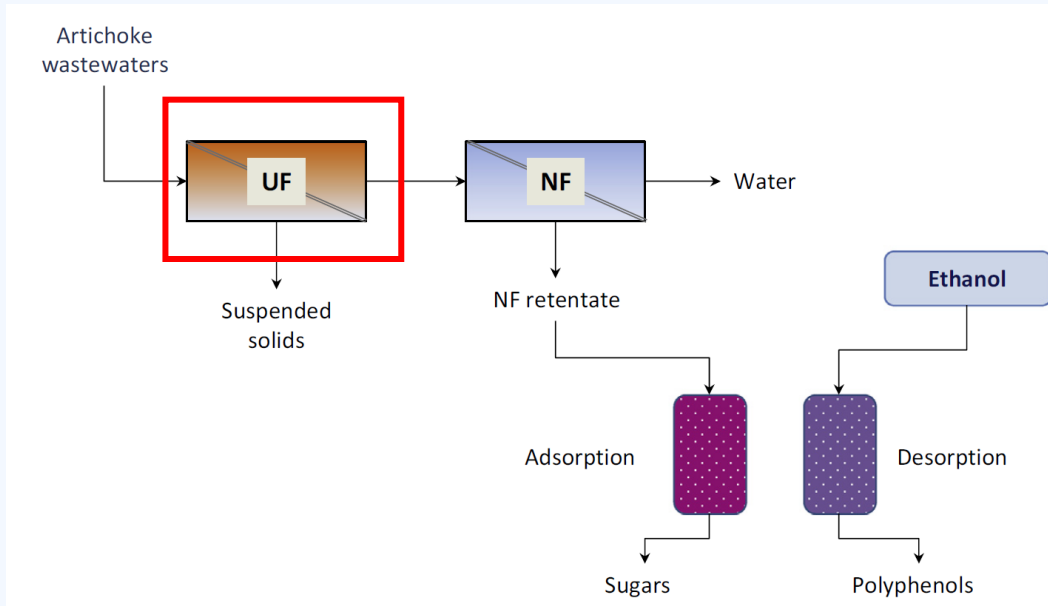


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Condiciones del proceso:

- TMP=430 kPa=4.3 bar
- Qf=4 m³/h
- T=25°C

Membrana de UF:

- Tubular
- TiO₂
- MWCO=15 kDa

Table 1

General composition of artichoke wastewaters before and after the UF process.

Parameters	Feed	Permeate	Retentate
pH	4.18 ± 0.03	4.12 ± 0.12	4.16 ± 0.60
TSS (°Brix)	2.3 ± 0.1	2.3 ± 0.1	2.6 ± 0.1
Suspended solids (%)	3.08 ± 0.08	n.d.	3.17 ± 0.07
TAA (mM Trolox)	13.2 ± 0.2	13.0 ± 0.2	13.1 ± 0.1
Chlorogenic acid (ppm)	560.1 ± 1.3	555.4 ± 1.2	556.20 ± 3.0
Apigenin-7-O-glucoside (ppm)	80.0 ± 1.3	75.0 ± 0.2	81.0 ± 2.1
Glucose (ppm)	1422.0 ± 2.5	1400.0 ± 3.2	1450.0 ± 1.7
Fructose (ppm)	614.0 ± 2.1	600.0 ± 2.3	627.0 ± 2.7
Sucrose (ppm)	350.0 ± 2.4	320.0 ± 3.1	365.0 ± 3.7

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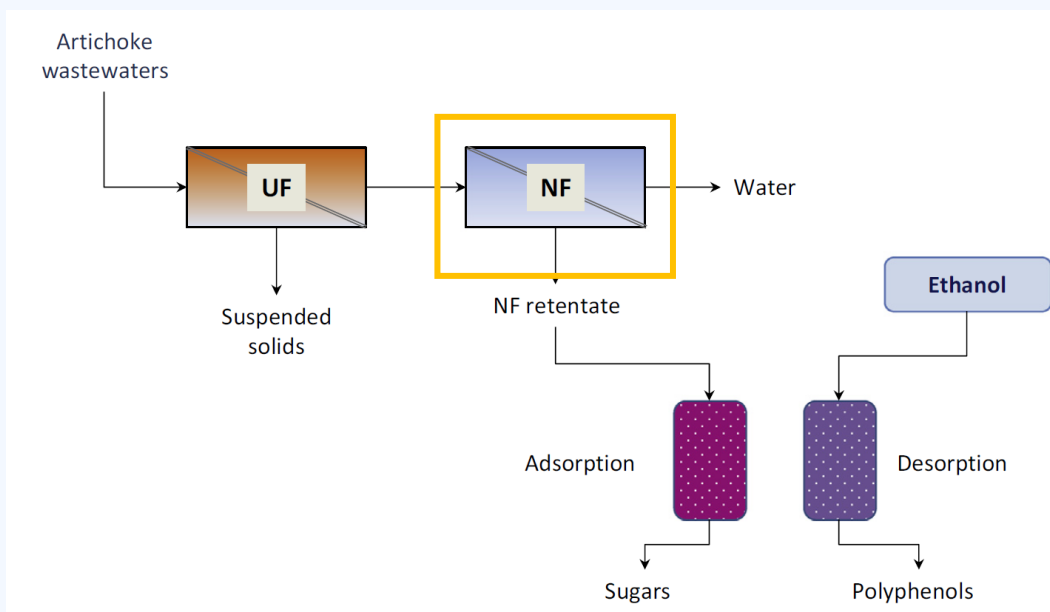


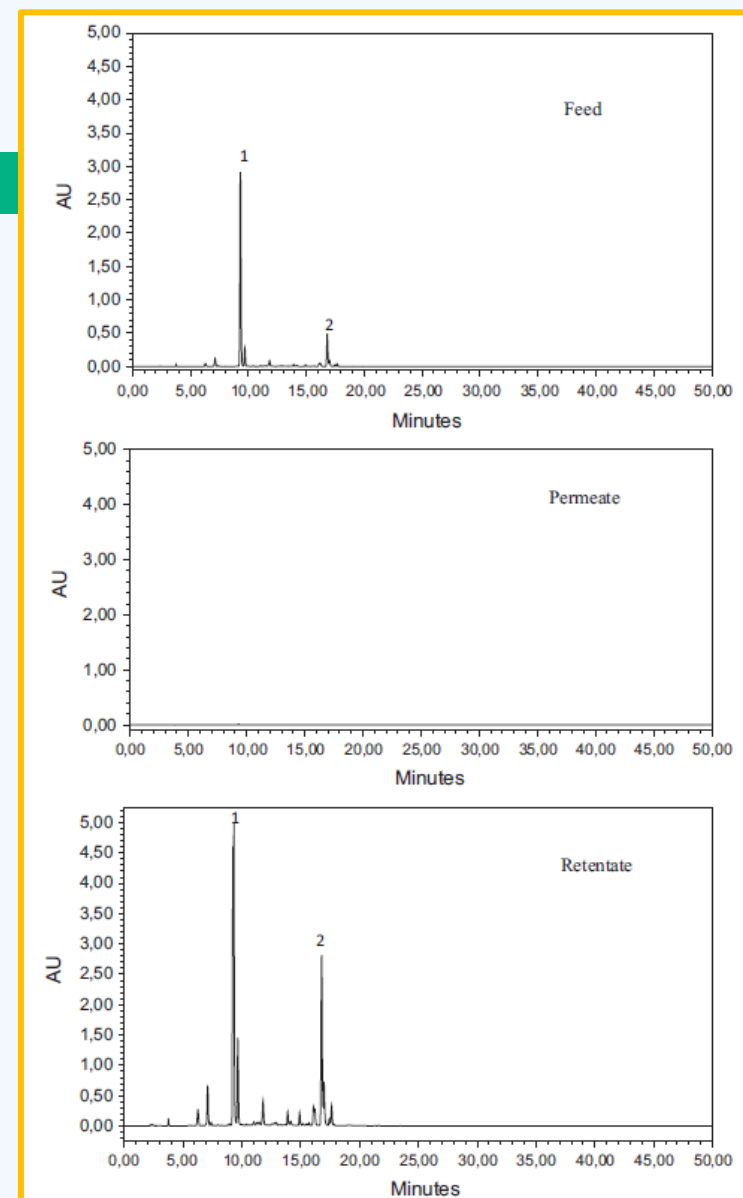
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Condiciones del proceso:

- TMP=800 kPa=8 bar
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- T=12°C
- VRF=5.0

Membrana de NF:

- Arrollamiento en espiral
- Poliamida aromática
- MWCO=200-300 Da



Polifenoles

1. Ácido clorogénico
2. Apigenina

Fig. 4. HPLC chromatograms of phenolics compounds detected in feed, permeate and retentate samples coming from the NF process. Peaks: 1, chlorogenic acid (CA); 2, apigenin 7-O-glucoside (AOG).

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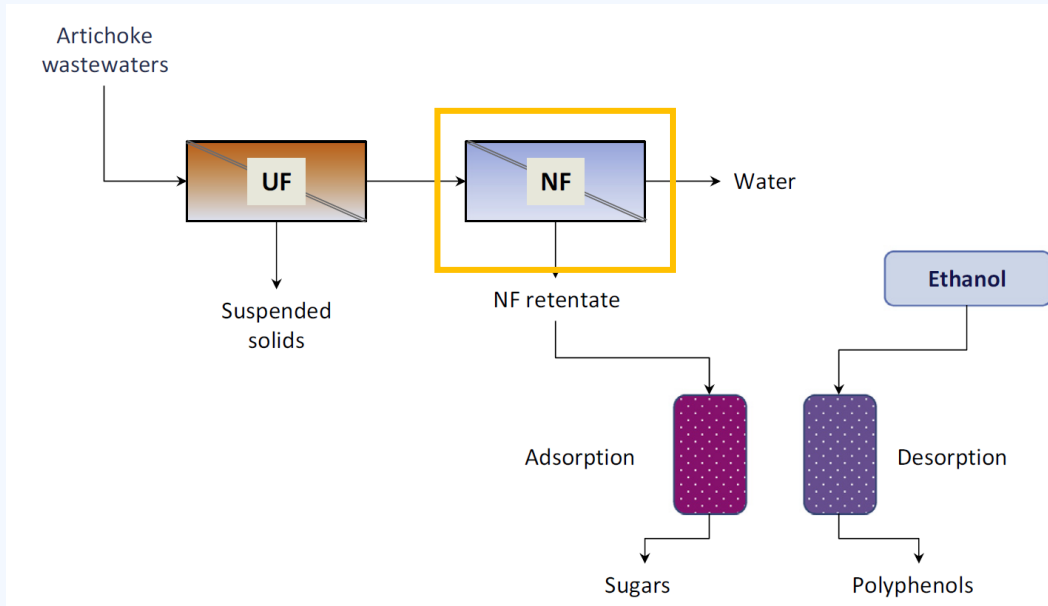


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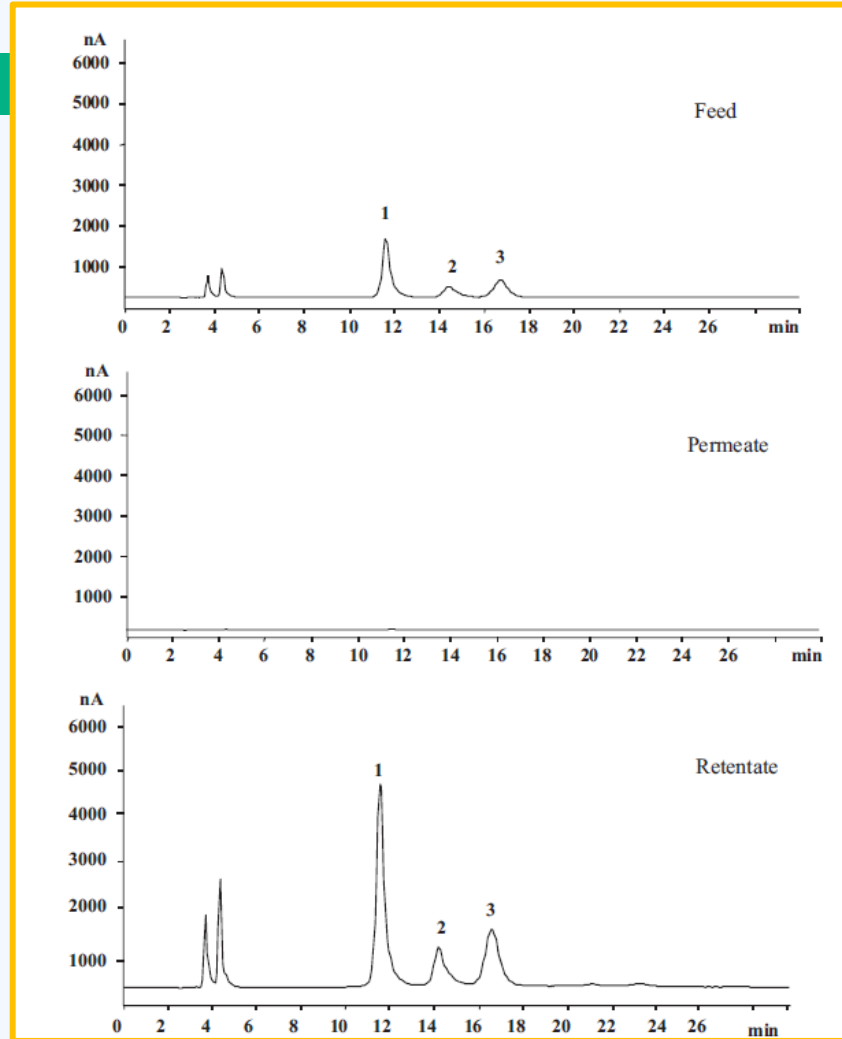


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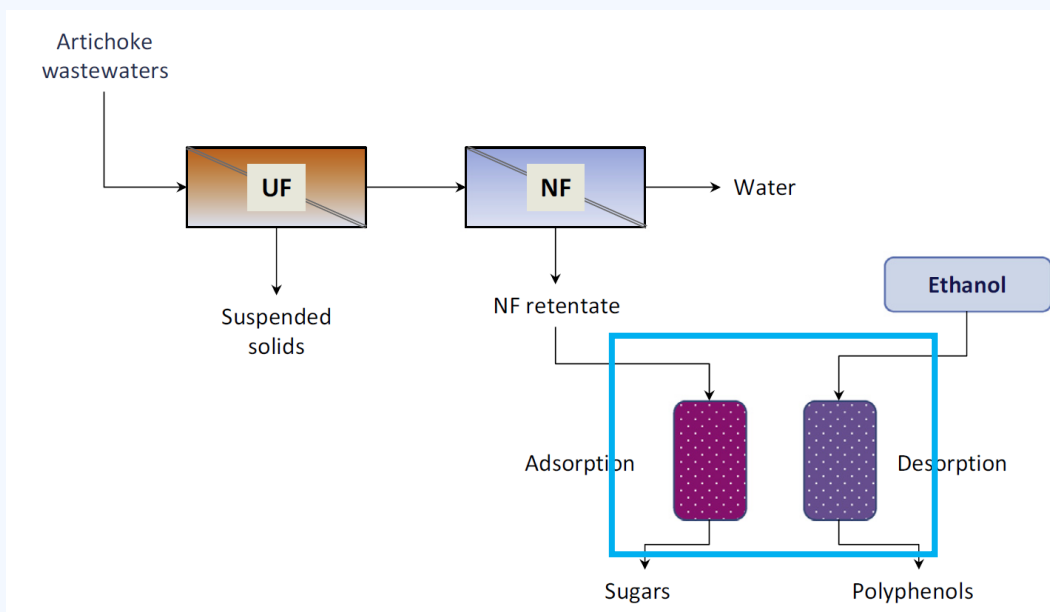


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Table 5

Adsorption and desorption ratios of chlorogenic acid and apigenin-7-O-glucoside for all tested resins

Resin	Adsorption (%)	Desorption (%)
<i>Chlorogenic acid</i>		
Lewatit S 6328A	38.38 ± 1.47	75.74 ± 3.29
Lewatit S 2328	26.65 ± 1.54	72.81 ± 8.10
Lewatit S 7968	81.35 ± 1.91	77.92 ± 1.26
<i>Apigenin 7-O-glucoside</i>		
Lewatit S 6328A	99.88 ± 6.79	20.78 ± 0.91
Lewatit S 2328	85.70 ± 6.42	91.54 ± 4.38
Lewatit S 7968	100 ± 6.23	68.31 ± 1.55

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Table 6

Concentration of glucose, fructose and sucrose in samples before and after the treatment with the tested resins.

Resin	NF retentate (ppm)	After treatment with resin (ppm)
<i>Glucose</i>		
Lewatit S 6328A	5341.0 ± 10.4	5311.0 ± 15.6
Lewatit S 2328	5523.0 ± 6.3	5496.0 ± 11.6
Lewatit S 7968	5638.0 ± 8.4	5622.0 ± 9.2
<i>Fructose</i>		
Lewatit S 6328A	2596.0 ± 6.2	2596.0 ± 5.5
Lewatit S 2328	2662.0 ± 14.6	2625.0 ± 8.8
Lewatit S 7968	2685.0 ± 10.4	2634.0 ± 9.4
<i>Sucrose</i>		
Lewatit S 6328A	1346.0 ± 5.7	1326.0 ± 8.4
Lewatit S 2328	1355.0 ± 9.4	1348.0 ± 10.5
Lewatit S 7968	1388.0 ± 12.5	1375.0 ± 9.7

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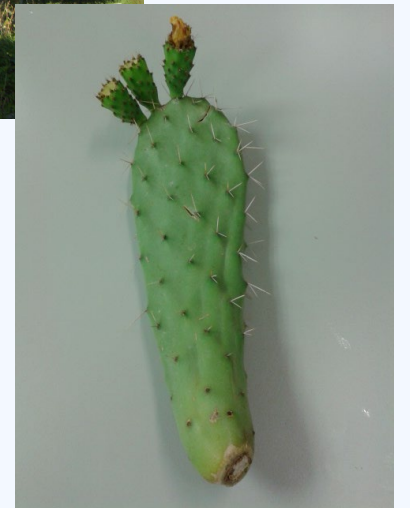
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El género *Opuntia* abarca cerca de 300 plantas de muy diferentes tamaños y características variables.

Sólo 12 de estas especies son utilizadas en la actualidad por el ser humano, ya sea como alimento o forraje para animales.

Especies cultivadas: *Opuntia ficus-indica*, *O. amyclaea*, *O. xoconostle*, *O. megacantha*, *O. streptacantha*.



Opuntia ficus-indica



O. robusta

Especies silvestres: *O. hyptiacantha*, *O. leucotricha*, *O. robusta*.

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Beneficios medioambientales

En zonas áridas en las que no es posible el crecimiento de otro tipo de especies vegetales, en unos dos años la planta de higo chumbo puede quedar establecida realizando labores de sujeción de suelo y evitando, consecuentemente, la erosión y desertificación del mismo generando ya producción en esos dos años.



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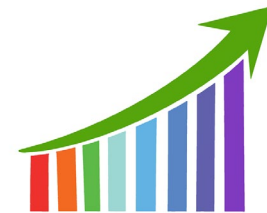
México 345.000 Ton/año
70.000 ha

Italia 70.000 Ton/año
3.500 ha

Sudáfrica En auge

España 720 Ton/año

- Canarias: 486 Ton/año
- R. Murcia: 137 Ton/año
- C. Valenciana: 53 Ton/año
- Andalucía: 44 Ton/año



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Table 4

Average commercial quantities and prices, average quantity (in micrograms in a gram of cactus pear dry weight) for the main bio-functional, medicinal, nutraceutical and cosmetic components and value of each g of cactus (dry weight) according to its composition.

Compound	Weight	Average price (€)	Average price (€ μg^{-1})	Average content (μg) in 1 g dw of cactus pear	Value (€) of 1 g dw of cactus pear
Kaempferol (520-18-3)	20 mg	213.68	0.010684	34.04	0.36
Myricetin (529-44-2)	20 mg	238.11	0.011906	65	0.77
Rhamnetin (90-19-7)	10 mg	198.42	0.019842		
Fisetin (528-48-3)	10 mg	195.37	0.019537		
Isorhamnetin (480-19-3)	10 mg	204.53	0.020453	589.87	12.06
Myrcene (123-35-3)	100 mg	134.32	0.0013432		
Galangin (548-83-4)	20 mg	225.89	0.0112945		
Kaempferide (491-54-3)	10 mg	177.05	0.017705		
Luteolin (491-70-3)	10 mg	189.26	0.018926	8.4	0.16
Ferulic acid (537-98-4)	1 g	134.32	0.134320	1050	141.04
Gossypetin (489-35-0)	10 mg	265.58	0.026558		
4-Coumaric acid (501-98-4)	1 g	134.32	0.00013432		
3-Coumaric acid (14755-02-3)	1 g	134.32	0.00013432		
2-Coumaric acid (614-60-8)	1 g	134.32	0.00013432		
(+)- Catechin (154-23-4)	10 mg	186.21	0.018621	50	0.93
Morin (480-16-0)	20 mg	195.37	0.0097685		

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Opuntia Ficus Indica
Var. *Gialla*



Opuntia Ficus Indica
Var. *Sanguigna*



Opuntia engelmannii



Nutritional value and hydrophilic compounds of the studied *Opuntia* spp.

	OG	OS	OE
Moisture (%)	83.38 ± 0.07 ^a	81 ± 2 ^a	65 ± 2 ^b
Fat (g/100 g FW)	0.037 ± 0.001 ^b	0.063 ± 0.004 ^b	0.38 ± 0.03 ^a
Proteins (g/100 g FW)	0.52 ± 0.01 ^c	0.84 ± 0.03 ^b	1.62 ± 0.06 ^a
Ash (g/100 g FW)	0.348 ± 0.004 ^c	0.42 ± 0.02 ^b	0.75 ± 0.02 ^a
Carbohydrates (g/100 g FW)	15.68 ± 0.04 ^b	18 ± 2 ^b	33 ± 2 ^a
Energy (kcal/100 g FW)	65.1 ± 0.1 ^b	77 ± 7 ^b	140 ± 6 ^a
Sugars (g/100 g FW)			
Fructose	4.13 ± 0.02 ^b	4.97 ± 0.07 ^a	0.53 ± 0.01 ^c
Glucose	5.53 ± 0.05 ^b	6.30 ± 0.03 ^a	0.83 ± 0.01 ^c
Sucrose	0.133 ± 0.005 ^c	0.157 ± 0.001 ^b	0.31 ± 0.01 ^a
Sum of free sugars	9.79 ± 0.07 ^b	11.43 ± 0.09 ^a	1.68 ± 0.02 ^c
Organic acids (mg/100 g FW)			
Oxalic	26.7 ± 0.3 ^b	29.5 ± 0.6 ^a	tr
Quinic	28 ± 1 [*]	35.6 ± 0.3 [*]	nd
Malic	tr	tr	tr
Ascorbic	2.3 ± 0.1 ^b	2.0 ± 0.1 ^b	19.7 ± 0.1 ^a
Citric	49.3 ± 0.7 ^a	46.9 ± 0.1 ^b	0.8 ± 0.01 ^c
Succinic	184 ± 1 [*]	131 ± 2 [*]	nd
Fumaric	8.0 ± 0.1 [*]	6.3 ± 0.2 [*]	nd
Sum of organic acids	298.1 ± 0.8 ^a	251 ± 2 ^b	20.5 ± 0.1 ^c

FW, pulp fresh weight; nd, not detected; tr, traces. OG, *Opuntia ficus-indica* var. *Gialla*; OS, *Opuntia ficus-indica* var. *sanguigna*; OE, *Opuntia engelmannii*. In each row different letters mean significant differences ($p < 0.05$).

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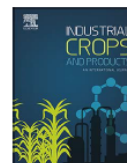


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Opuntia extracts

Phenolic and betalainic detection and quantification

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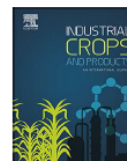


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Keywords: *Opuntia*; by-products; phenolic compounds; betalains; extraction optimization; response surface methodology (RSM)

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Ultrasonidos

- tiempo = 2,5 min
- Ratio = 5 g/L
- % disolvente = 34,6%
- Temperatura = 30 °C.

- Betalaínas = 201,6 mg/g
- Ácidos fenólicos = 13,9 mg/g
- Flavonoides = 2,4 mg/g

Microondas

- tiempo = 1,4 min
- Ratio = 5 g/L
- % disolvente = 0%
- Temperatura = 36,6°C.

- Betalaínas = 132,9 mg/g
- Ácidos fenólicos = 8,0 mg/g
- Flavonoides = 1,5 mg/g

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