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# INFLUENCE OF ROSEHIP POWDER ADDITION ON QUALITY INDICATORS OF MIXTURES OBTAINED WITH DIFFERENT TYPES OF WHEAT FLOUR

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Abstract: This study was focused on the chemical analysis of the mixtures of wheat flour with rosehip powder. Different types of wheat flours, i.e., white flour (WF), intermediate wheat flour (IWF), whole wheat flour (WWF) and wheat flour with bran (WFB), and various amounts of rosehip powder (Rp), i.e., 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, and 21 % were used to obtain several flour mixtures whose proximate composition and physical properties were determined. The data show that chemical composition of the flours is modified by the addition of Rp: the moisture, protein and wet gluten content decreases and the ash content increases with an increased addition of Rp. One-way ANOVA showed significant differences (p < 0.05) between flour mixtures, separately for each type of flour. The in-depth analysis of the quality indicators of flours reveals that the wet gluten content corresponds to the optimal level only for all the WF-Rp mixtures. This leads to the selection of the WF-Rp to obtain bread and study the influence of Rp addition on bread properties in future research.

**Keywords**: *ash content, moisture, protein content, rosehip powder, wheat flour, wet gluten content, quality attributes* 

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Bread is one of the most popular and consumed food worldwide [1] and is a staple food in many regions and countries [2]. It is generally baked from wheat flour, water, salt and yeast as leavening agent [3]. Since wheat flour is the main ingredient due to its baking performance related to its gluten protein content, bread properties depend on both flour quality and the breadmaking method [4].

After processing the grains of wheat to obtain flour, some beneficial substances are largely lost due to bran and germ removal [5]. Moreover, natural fibers, famous for their nutritional value, are eliminated almost completely during milling [6]. Therefore, wheat flour has a lower or even very low (i.e. white flour) content in vitamins, minerals and fibers, compared to the whole wheat [7].

Since deficiencies in flour quality must be compensated to obtain an acceptable product, the addition of other ingredients to flour is widely used in bakery, such as flour of other cereals: rye [8, 9], rice [10, 11], oat [12 - 14], barley [15], maize [16]; pseudo-cereals: sorghum (17], buckwheat [18, 19], millet [20, 21], tef [22, 23]; legumes: chickpea [24 – 26], pea [24, 27 – 29], and fruits: apple [30, 31], banana [32], chestnut [33, 34], date, pear [30]. Other ingredients used in researches to replace wheat flour in different proportions are: potato [35, 36], cassava starch [37], rice bran [38], chia seeds and flour [39 – 41], bean pods fiber [42], modified starch from pea [43] or by-products such as bagasse [44], chilli spent residue [45], dry onion skin [46], or grape pomace [47].

Rosehip (*Rosa canina* L.) fruits are rich sources of biologically active compounds including important dietary antioxidants [48, 49]: vitamins (C, A, E, and B), bioflavonoids, carbohydrates, and mineral salts (calcium, potassium, phosphorus, and magnesium). The high antioxidant activity is especially attributed to the ascorbic acid that ranges from 100 mg/100 g to 1,400 mg/100 g [49 – 53]. Carotenoids are mainly represented by lycopene and  $\beta$ -carotene, with traces of lutein and zeaxanthin [54], tocopherols include  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -tocopherols [55) and phenolic compounds include flavonoids (glycoside derivatives of quercetin) and proanthocyanidins [56, 57]. Rosehip fruits are also used as a natural remedy for a variety of health problems [58, 59].

The aim of this paper is to study the influence of rosehip powder addition on the physical-chemical properties of different wheat flours and to conclude which mixtures could be used in bakery, for further researches.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

#### Materials

#### Wheat flours

Several samples of wheat flours were purchased either from local milling companies (Dizing SRL, Brusturi, Neamt and Pambac SA, Bacau) or from the local market and analysed (data not shown). One sample of each type of flour was selected, codified as follows: white flour (WF) 550 type, intermediate wheat flour (IWF) 900 type, whole wheat flour (WWF) 1250 type and wheat flour with bran (WFB) 1350 type. The physical-chemical properties of the selected flour samples are presented in the results and discussion section (Table 2).

### Rosehip powder

The rosehip (*Rosa canina* L.) fruits were collected from Dofteana area, Bacau County at the harvesting time in order to be matured and have the higher content of bioactive compounds. The achenes (real fruits) containing the seeds, the dried sepals and the remain of anthers and filament were discarded and the hypanthium (fleshy shell or pulp) was dried in atmospheric conditions to avoid the loss of vitamins.

The rosehip powder was prepared by grinding the dried pulp of rosehip fruits by an ultra-centrifugal laboratory mill type ZM 200 Retsch (18.000 rpm, 4 min) and sieving the powder with sieves of different size to select the particles having around 180  $\mu$ m size. The rosehip powder was stored in airtight brown glass jars, in dark and cold until use. The physical-chemical properties of the rosehip powder are presented in the results and discussion section (Table 3).

### Mixtures of wheat flour and rosehip powder

The mixtures were obtained through the addition of different quantities of rosehip powder to the wheat flour samples: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18 and 21 %, resulting 28 mixtures whose symbols are presented in Table 1.

Rosehip powder	Wheat flour samples				
$(R_p)$ addition, [%]	WF 550 type	IWF 900 type	WWF 1250 type	WFB 1350 type	
3.0	WF-Rp 3.0	IWF-Rp <sub>3.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>3.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>3.0</sub>	
6.0	WF-Rp 6.0	IWF-Rp <sub>6.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>6.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>6.0</sub>	
9.0	WF-Rp 9.0	IWF-Rp <sub>9.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>9.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>9.0</sub>	
12.0	WF-Rp 12.0	IWF-Rp <sub>12.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>12.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>12.0</sub>	
15.0	WF-Rp 15.0	IWF-Rp <sub>15.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>15.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>15.0</sub>	
18.0	WF-R <sub>p 18.0</sub>	IWF-Rp <sub>18.0</sub>	WWF-Rp <sub>18.0</sub>	WFB-Rp <sub>18.0</sub>	
21.0	WF-Rp 21.0	IWF-Rp <sub>21.0</sub>	WWF-Rp 21.0	WFB-Rp <sub>21.0</sub>	

 Table 1. Mixtures of wheat flour and rosehip powder (symbols)

## Chemicals and reagents

Ethanol (C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH, min. 95 % w/w), concentrated sulphuric acid (98 %), copper sulphate (CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O), boric acid (H<sub>3</sub>BO<sub>3</sub>), hydrochloric acid (HCl) and borax (Na<sub>2</sub>B<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O) of analytical grade were purchased from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany). Calcium chloride, natrium hydroxide, natrium chloride and phenolphthalein of analytical grade were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich (Steinheim, Germany).

## Methods

## Determination of physical-chemical properties of wheat flours and rosehip powder

The proximate composition and physical properties of the wheat flours and rosehip powder were determined according to the official methods of analysis of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists [60] and in force standards.

Thus, the wheat flour content of moisture, ash, total protein and wet gluten, and the sedimentation index were determined by an INFRATEC 1241 apparatus according to SR 90:2007 [61] (moisture), SR EN ISO 2171:2010 [62] (ash), SR EN ISO 20483:2014 [63] (Kjeldahl method, protein = total nitrogen  $\times$  6.25), SR EN ISO 21415-1:2007 [64] (wet gluten), SR 90:2007 [61] (sedimentation index). Other determined properties were:

dry gluten content (SR EN ISO 21415-3:2007) [65], gluten deformation index, acidity, water holding capacity, maltose index, falling index, and granulosity (SR 90:2007) [61]. The proximate composition of rosehip powder was determined as follows: moisture, ash and total protein content by the same methods used for the wheat flours, content of carbohydrates by Luff-Schoorl iodometric method (AOAC, 920.183) [60], lipids by organic solvent extraction (Soxhlet method) (AOAC, 983.23) [60] and ascorbic acid (vitamin C) by indophenol method (AOAC, 967.21) [60].

## Mixtures quality evaluation

The proximate composition of mixtures was determined according to the official methods as described by AOAC [60]. INFRATEC 1241 apparatus was used to determine the moisture, ash, protein and wet gluten content considering these the most important quality parameters.

### Color evaluation

The color of flour samples and mixtures of flours with rosehip powder was determined by using the Pekar Colour Test (Slick Test, AACCI Method 14-10.01) [66].

### Calculation and statistical analysis

Each experiment was carried out in duplicate and the results were provided as average  $\pm$  SD (standard deviation). Excel programme of Microsoft Office 2010 software was used for calculations, plots and to analyze the data by one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) then tested by least significant difference (LSD) for mean comparison when level  $p \leq 0.05$ .

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

## Physical-chemical characteristics of wheat flour samples

The four selected samples: WF 550 type, IWF 900 type, WWF 1250 type and WBF 1350 type, according to Materials and methods, were analyzed to determine the physical-chemical characteristics: moisture, ash, protein, wet and dry gluten content, gluten deformation index, acidity, water holding capacity, maltose index, falling index, granulosity and sedimentation index (Table 2).

Analyzing the data presented in Table 2, the following statements are done:

- The moisture content of all wheat flour samples corresponds to standard limits,  $14.0 \pm 0.5$  %;
- The ash content corresponds to the flour type:  $0.55 \pm 0.01$  % (g/100 g of flour) for WF,  $0.90 \pm 0.02$  % (IWF),  $1.25 \pm 0.03$  % (WWF) and  $1.35 \pm 0.01$  % (WFB);
- The protein content is similar to the values presented in literature, e.g. 12.40 % (WF 550 type) and 16.20 % (wheat flour 1200 type) (Bordei, Table 1.3, p. 15) [67]; The protein content depends on the extraction degree and the content of wheat in proteins. However, the quality of wheat proteins is more important than the content. The quality of wheat flour proteins is due to the gluten content which is expressed as wet and dry gluten.

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	Wheat flour samples						
Physical-chemical properties	WF	IWF	WWF	WFB			
	550 type	900 type	1250 type	1350 type			
Moisture, [%]	14.15±0.017	$14.20 \pm 0.011$	$13.80 \pm 0.002$	14.25±0.012			
Ash content, [%]	0.550±0.002	$0.900 \pm 0.009$	$1.250\pm0.010$	$1.350\pm0.002$			
Protein content, [%]	14.75±0.005	$13.50 \pm 0.005$	$12.80 \pm 0.004$	14.10±0.011			
Wet gluten content, [%]	34.10±0.068	30.03±0.081	27.30±0.081	29.00±0.109			
Dry gluten content, [%]	12.40±0.017	$11.50 \pm 0.023$	10.15±0.013	11.60±0.012			
Gluten deformation index,[mm]	6	7	8	11			
Acidity, degrees of acidity	2.20±0.030	3.20±0.024	3.60±0.041	3.90±0.034			
Water holding capacity, [%]	59.60±0,010	61.50±0.010	61.00±0.012	62.00±0.015			
Maltose index, [mg/10 g]	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.2			
Falling index, [s]	324±2	330±3	310±5	328±3			
Granulosity max., [µm]	180	180	190	190			
Sedimentation index	25.35±0.015	26.15±0.021	21.00±0.017	27.75±0.019			

 Table 2. Physical-chemical properties of wheat flour samples

Notes: WF – white flour; IWF – intermediate wheat flour; WWF – whole wheat flour; WFB – brown wheat flour

- The wet gluten is high for flours of small extraction due to the presence of proteins of endosperm which are gluten forming proteins. All the flour types have the wet gluten content higher than 27 % that is the minimum value for a flour used to obtain bread with good quality (Bordei, Table 1.18, p. 88) [68];
- The dry gluten follows the variation of wet gluten;
- According to the deformation index (D, mm) of gluten, WF, IWF and WWF are very good for baking (D values range between 5 and 10 mm), and WWB is good for baking (D value ranges between 10 and 15 mm) (Burluc, p. 28) [69];
- The acidity of wheat flour samples is similar to the values presented in literature: the ranges 2.0–2.2 degrees of acidity for WF and 3.0-4.0 degrees of acidity for high extraction flours (Bordei, p. 36) [67];
- The water holding capacity (mL of water absorbed by 100 g of flour at kneading to form a dough with the best rheological properties and a best possible bread) is high for all wheat flour samples indicating that the quality of bread will be also high;
- Maltose index has values which indicate a good capacity of all wheat flour samples to form fermentescible glucides (Bordei, p. 40) [67];
- Falling number has values slightly higher than 300 s showing a relatively poor content in  $\alpha$ -amylase of all wheat flour samples (Burluc, p. 29) [69] that lead to a bread with rather dry crumb;
- Granulosity of wheat flour samples correspond to the extraction type: WF and IWF flour contain 10-20 % particles with 180-190 μm and the rest with lower dimensions, WWF and WFB contain around 70 % of particles with 190-200 μm or higher due to the presence of particles from embyio and outside layer (Bordei, p 35) [67];
- The sedimentation index of all wheat flour samples ranges between 20 39, indicating a very good baking quality.

As a conclusion, all the wheat flour samples are good for baking.

#### Physical-chemical characteristics of rosehip powder

The content of moisture, carbohydrates, fibers, protein, fats, ash and vitamin C were determined for the rosehip powder (Table 3).

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ſ	Moisture	Carbohydrates	Fibers	Proteins	Fats	Ash	Vitamin C	
	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]	[mg/100 g]	
ĺ	$13.40\pm0,13$	65.00±0.21	8.63±0.23	$4.89 \pm 0.11$	0.76±0.10	$6.50 \pm 0.07$	820±35	

Table 3. Physical-chemical properties of rosehip powder

The rosehip powder has the moisture content lower than wheat flours and a high content of vitamin C which belongs to the interval 100 - 1.400 mg/10 g [49 - 53]. It also has a high ash content indicating a high content of mineral salts, low lipid and protein contents, and high levels of fibers and carbohydrates.

### Proximate composition of mixtures of different wheat flours with rosehip powder

All the mixtures of wheat flours with rosehip powder (Table 1) were analyzed and moisture, ash, protein and wet gluten contents were determined. The results of the chemical composition of wheat flour with addition (0, 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18 and 21 %) of rosehip powder are shown in Figures 1 - 4.

### Moisture

The moisture content of all flours decreases with the increase of the amount of rosehip addition (Figure 1) because the rosehip powder has a lower value of the moisture (13.40  $\pm$  0.13 %) than the wheat flours (13.80 - 14.25  $\pm$  SD %). Thus, the moisture content decreased from 14.15  $\pm$  0.0170 % to 13.972  $\pm$  0.0276 % for WF-Rp mixtures, from 14.201  $\pm$  0.0113 % to 14.005  $\pm$  0.0955 % for IWF-Rp mixtures, from 13.806  $\pm$  0.0021 % to 13.648  $\pm$  0.0127 % for WWF-Rp mixtures, and from 14.25  $\pm$  0.012 to 14.101  $\pm$  0.0078 % for WFB-Rp mixtures. The statistical analysis by one-way ANOVA and LSD showed significant differences (p < 0.05) between the flour mixtures (Table 4).

The results are consistent with several literature data. Thus, Soto-Maldonato *et al.* [70] reported lower moisture content after the addition of overripe banana flour to wheat flour used to obtain muffins product. Also, Wambua *et al.* [71] reported lower moisture content when replaced the wheat flour with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 % cassava flour. Thus, they also found that the moisture decreased significantly (p < 0.05) with the increase in substitution of wheat flour with cassava flour [71].

In another study, Dhen *et al.* [72] substituted the wheat flour with apricot kernels flour in the range of 4 - 24 %. The moisture of flour blends decreased from 13.45 to 8.91 % for wheat flour replacement with increased level of apricot kernels flour due to the low-moisture of apricot kernels flour (5.52 %) in comparison with wheat flour. The authors consider that the lower values of moisture avoid the microbial growth during the storage of flours [72].

The moisture of several composite flours obtained with cassava and soybean flours was also influenced by the individual moisture of each ingredient and the range of addition [73]. Thus, the substitution of wheat flour (moisture: 14 %) with cassava flour

(moisture: 8.51 %) and soybean flour (moisture: 6.63 %) lead to composite flours with moisture content ranging from 9.37 % to 11.94 % [73].

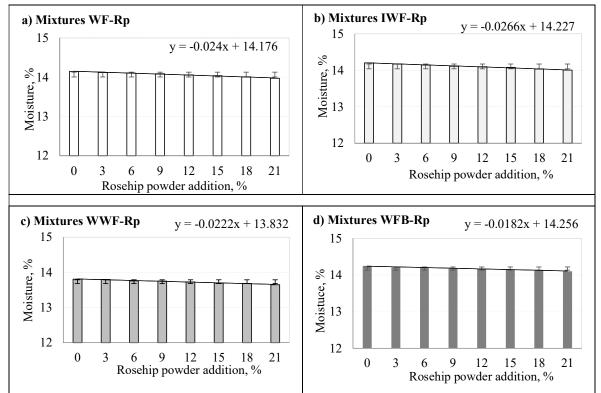


Figure 1. Moisture variation of mixtures of wheat flours with rosehip powder

1	<b>Table 4.</b> The results of the moisture analysis by ANOVA single factor						
	Mixtures	WF-Rp	IWF-Rp	WWF-Rp	WFB-Rp		
	<i>P-value</i>	$2.75 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.010674	$7.66 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$7.71 \cdot 10^{-6}$		

## Ash content

The ash content is related to the content in minerals. It also influences the color of flours and of bread and gives a reference of the extraction degree of flour from the grains. The ash content of wheat flours corresponds to the type of flour: 0.55 % (WF type 550), 0.90 % (IWF type 900), 1.25 % (WWF type 1250) and 1.35 % (WFB type 1350) (Table 2), while the ash content of the Rp is several times higher (6.5 %; Table 3) than that of wheat flours. Consequently, the addition of Rp to wheat flours determines the increase of the ash content of the flour mixtures (Figure 2).

Thus, the ash content increases from  $0.55 \pm 0.0021$  % to  $1.60 \pm 0.0064$  % for WF-Rp mixtures, from  $0.90 \pm 0.0099$  % to  $1.901 \pm 0.0304$  % for IWF-Rp mixtures, from  $1.25 \pm 0.0106$  % to  $1.154 \pm 0.002$  % for WWF-Rp mixtures, and from  $1.351 \pm 0.0021$  % to  $2.255 \pm 0.021$  % for WFB-Rp mixtures. Increasing ash content is associated with the high concentration of minerals in Rp, such as calcium, potassium, phosphorus, magnesium, and iron [48].

It is worth to mention that the color of flours determined using the Pekar method is in good correlation with the ask content. Because the Pekar method gives only qualitative information the results related to the color of flours are not discussed here.

The ANOVA single factor and LSD used for statistical analysis of the showed significant differences (p < 0.05) between the flour mixtures (Table 5).

The results are consistent with Al-Sahlany *et al.* [74] who reported higher ash content after the addition of 1, 5 and 10 % banana peels flour to wheat flour. Also, Dhen *et al.* [72] obtained flour blends with higher ash content ranging from 0.70 % to 1.10 % due to the higher ash content of apricot kernels flour (2.76 %) compared to the ash content of wheat flour (0.64 %).

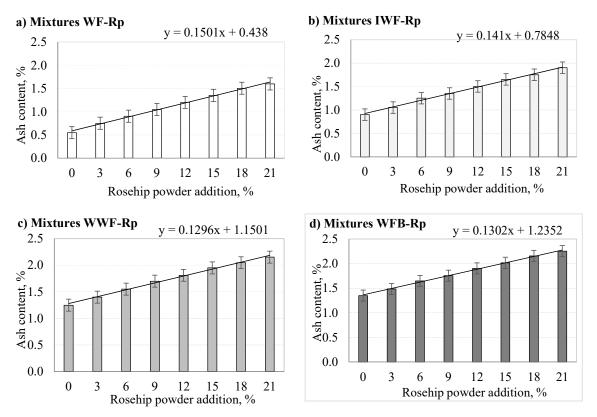


Figure 2. Ash content variation of mixtures of wheat flours with rosehip powder

1	Table 5. The results of the ash content analysis by single way ANOVA							
	Mixtures	WF-Rp	IWF-Rp	WWF-Rp	WFB-Rp			
	P-value	$8 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-13}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$			

#### Protein content

The protein content of rosehip powder (4.89 ± SD %, Table 3) is smaller than that of each type of wheat flour (12.80 - 14.75 ± SD %, Table 2). Logically, any addition of rosehip powder to the wheat flours leads to a decrease of the protein content of the mixture. Indeed, the decrease of the protein content of flour mixtures is inversely proportional to the addition of the rosehip powder (Figure 3). Thus, the protein content decreased from 14.75 ± 0.0049 % to 13.006 ± 0.0417 % for WF-Rp mixtures, from 13.50 ± 0.0049 % to 12.00 ± 0.0064 % for IWF-Rp mixtures, from 12.80 ± 0.042 % to 11.43 ± 0.0099 % for WWF-Rp mixtures, and from 14.102 ± 0.0106 % to 12.503 ± 0.014 % for WFB-Rp mixtures. The statistical analysis of protein content by one-way

ANOVA and LSD showed significant differences (p < 0.05) between the flour mixtures (Table 6).

The results are consistent with Al-Sahlany *et al.* [74] who reported lower protein content after the addition of 1.5 and 10 % banana peels flour to wheat flour. Similarly, Díaz *et al.* [75] reported a decrease of the protein content of flours after the addition of 17, 34 and 50 % Jerusalem artichoke flour to wheat flour for biscuits formulation. Wambua *et al.* [71] outlined a significant decrease (p < 0.05) of the protein content of wheat flour substituted with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 % cassava flour because cassava flour has a very low protein content of 3 - 4 %.

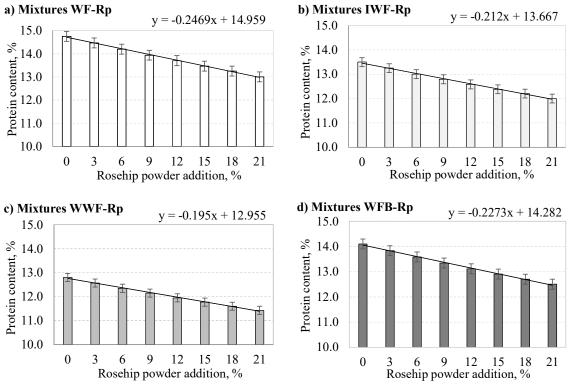


Figure 3. Protein content variation of mixtures of wheat flours with rosehip powder

Та	Table 6. The results of the protein content analysis by single way ANOVA							
	Mixtures	WF-Rp	IWF-Rp	WWF-Rp	WFB-Rp			
	<i>P-value</i>	$6.26 \cdot 10^{-13}$	$1.06 \cdot 10^{-12}$	$2.89 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$2.04 \cdot 10^{-14}$			

Even though the protein content of flours decreases with Rp addition, the values are higher than 10.5 % for all 28 flour mixtures, which means that from the point of view of protein content, all mixtures correspond to breadmaking requirement for a good quality bread (Bordei, p. 79) [68].

#### Wet gluten content

The wheat flour quality is primarily attributed to the wet gluten quality because it is the main protein in wheat flour that influences the rheological properties of the dough [76]. The wet gluten content in wheat flours varies between 27.30 % for WWF, and 34.10 % for WF (Table 2). The Rp contains no gluten-forming proteins. Therefore, the wet

gluten content of all flours decreases with the increase of the amount of rosehip addition (Figure 4). Thus, the wet gluten content decreases from  $34.102 \pm 0.0686$  % to  $28.204 \pm 0.0389$  % for WF-Rp mixtures, from  $30.032 \pm 0.0813$  % to  $24.801 \pm 0.0226$  % for IWF-Rp mixtures, from  $27.356 \pm 0.0813$  % to  $22.501 \pm 0.0255$  % for WWF-Rp mixtures, and from  $29.005 \pm 0.1096$  % to  $24.00 \pm 0.0177$  % for WFB-Rp.

The decrease of wet gluten content is significant (p < 0.05) according to the single way ANOVA and LSD statistical analysis (Table 7).

The results are consistent with Al-Sahlany *et al.* [74] who reported lower gluten content in wheat flour substituted with 1.5 and 10 % banana peels flour.

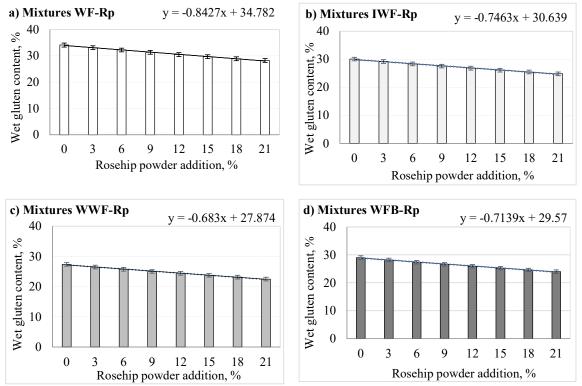


Figure 4. Wet gluten variation of mixtures of wheat flours with rosehip powder

Table 7. The results of the wet gluten analysis by single way ANOVA						
Mixtures	WF-Rp	IWF-Rp	WWF-Rp	WFB-Rp		
P-value	$1.11 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$3.09 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$7.39 \cdot 10^{-14}$	$8.35 \cdot 10^{-14}$		

Also, Franco-Miranda *et al.* [76] reported a reduction of the gluten content when Lima bean or cowpea hydrolysates were added at 1 or 3 % to wheat flour for making *concha*-type Mexican sweet bread.

The formation of gluten and the level and quality of the gluten-forming proteins are essential in breadmaking processes [3]. According to Bordei (Table 1.18, p. 88) [68], the optimal level of wet gluten of wheat flour from which a good quality bread is obtained are to be between 27 and 32 %. Thus, the flours that have an adequate content of wet gluten are: all the WF-Rp mixtures, the IWF-Rp mixtures with 3, 6, and 9 % Rp substitution, and the WWB-Rp mixtures with 3 and 6 % Rp substitution.

This analysis allows the selection of the appropriate type of flour to be used in future research, consisting in bread obtaining from wheat flour with the addition of rosehip powder. Therefore, the selected type of flour is the white wheat flour.

### CONCLUSIONS

The study reveals that chemical composition, in terms of moisture ash, protein and wet gluten contents, of mixtures obtained by the addition of rosehip powder to different types of flour (WF, IWF, WWF and WWB) is modified. The moisture, protein and wet gluten content decreases and the ash content increases with a higher percentage of Rp added to wheat flours and the data show significant differences (p < 0.05) between flour mixtures, separately for each type of flour. The values of protein content are higher than 10.5 % for all the flours, thus all the mixtures can be used in breadmaking to obtain good quality bread. However, the wet gluten content of several mixtures of wheat flour and Rp is lower than the minimum level of this quality indicator, 27 %, for a bread of good quality, e.g. IWF with 12, 15, 18, and 21 % Rp addition, all WWF and WWB with 9, 12, 15, 18, and 21 % Rp. Therefore, because the wet gluten content of all the mixtures of white flour with Rp corresponds to the optimal level of a flour that can be used to obtain a bread of good quality, the WF-Rp mixtures are selected for the future research, to obtain bread and study the influence of Rp addition on bread properties.

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