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*ESJARA - ACEITE ESENCIAL DE JARA PARA EL DESARROLLO DE LA BIOECONOMÍA EN EL MEDIO RURAL.*

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**INVERSIÓN:**

**Total**

611.486,29 €

**Cofinanciación UE**

100 %



# APROVECHAMIENTO DE ESTEPA PARA OBTENCIÓN DE BIOPRODUCTOS

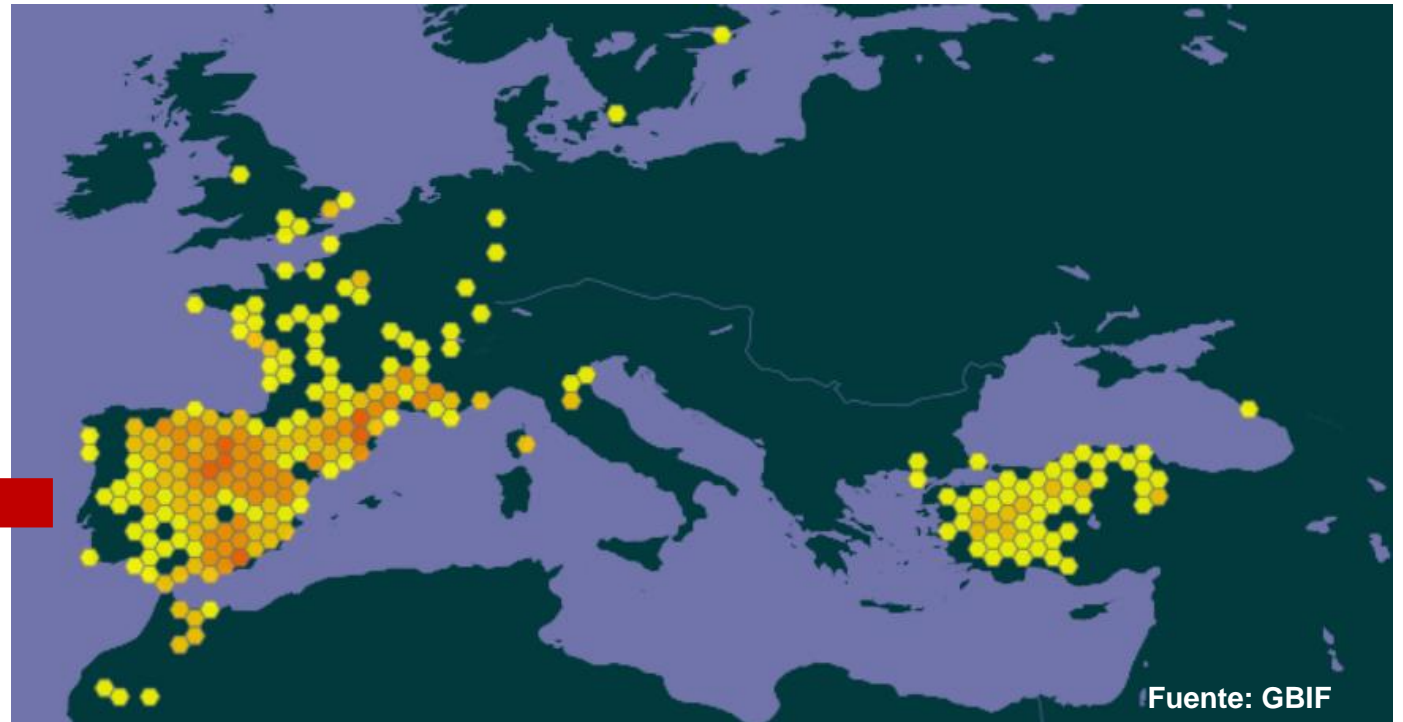
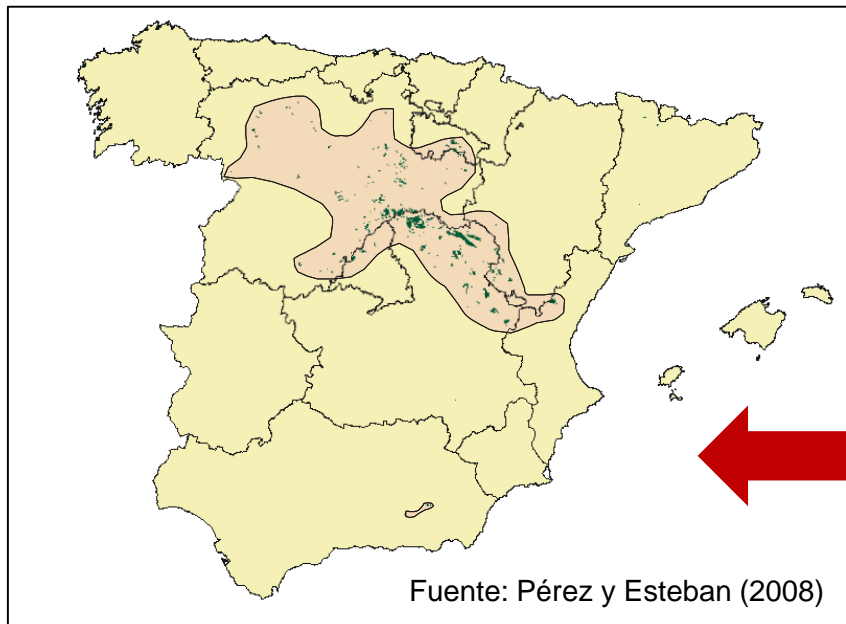
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# ESTEPA: LOCALIZACIÓN



Los estepares de *C. laurifolius* ocupan más de 51.000 ha como especie dominante y alrededor de 680.000 ha como especie secundaria



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# ESTEPA: USOS

## USOS TRADICIONALES: PLANTA MEDICINAL EN TURQUÍA

- Tratamiento de **hemorroides** (doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2023.117122)
- Tratamiento de **úlceras pépticas** (Yesilada et al., 1997)
- **Analgésico y anti-inflamatorio** (doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2007.04.011)
- **Antioxidante** (doi: 10.1016/j.jics.2022.100569)

Comprobación con estudios científicos sobre extractos alcohólicos



## ESTUDIOS CIENTÍFICOS SOBRE OTRAS APLICACIONES DE EXTRACTOS CON RESULTADOS PROMETEDORES

- Efecto **antidiabético** (doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2013.02.016)
- Efecto contra enzimas que influyen en el **Alzheimer** (doi: 10.1016/j.foodchem.2011.09.041)

## ESTUDIOS CIENTÍFICOS SOBRE ACEITE ESENCIAL

- Efecto **antiedad sobre la piel** (doi: 10.3390/molecules27072053)



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# ESTUDIO SOBRE LA OBTENCIÓN DE ACEITE ESENCIAL DE ESTEPA Y SU BIOACTIVIDAD



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## **CISTUS LAURIFOLIUS L. ESSENTIAL OIL, A HIGH ADDED VALUE PRODUCT OBTAINED WHILE REDUCING FOREST FIRES RISK**

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**ABSTRACT:** *Cistus laurifolius* is a shrub naturally distributed in the Iberian Peninsula, Morocco, Southern France, and Turkey. It is known for its resistance to extreme continental climates and adaptability to poor and dry soils, particularly in burnt areas. Promising results have been obtained concerning its harvesting, conditioning, and combustion, although considering the high costs involved in forest management of shrub lands, the search of high added value products, like essential oils, is a key factor to achieve economic viability. The objective of this work is to study the annual variation of *C. laurifolius* essential oil yield, composition, and antibacterial activity. Samples of *Cistus laurifolius* were collected in central-East Spain each 2 months between October 2019 and August 2020 and were distilled using steam distillation. Low yields of essential oil were obtained, with the highest values in autumn followed by winter. Regarding the composition of the essential oil, it was variable along the year, with higher concentrations of monoterpenes and oxygenated monoterpenes in autumn and winter, and higher concentrations of sesquiterpenes and oxygenated sesquiterpenes in spring and summer. Additionally, the essential oil exhibited bacteriostatic activity against Gram-negative and Gram-positive bacteria, with particular effectiveness against *Staphylococcus aureus*.

**Keywords:** bacteria, biobased products, forest residues, steam distillation

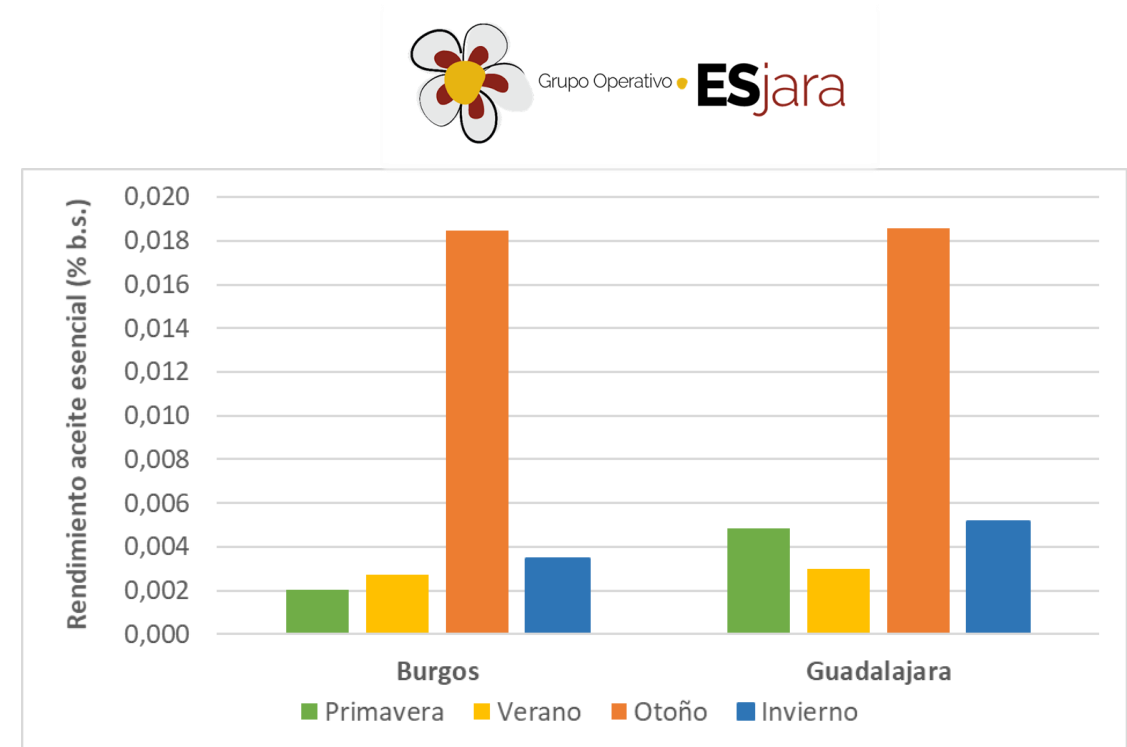
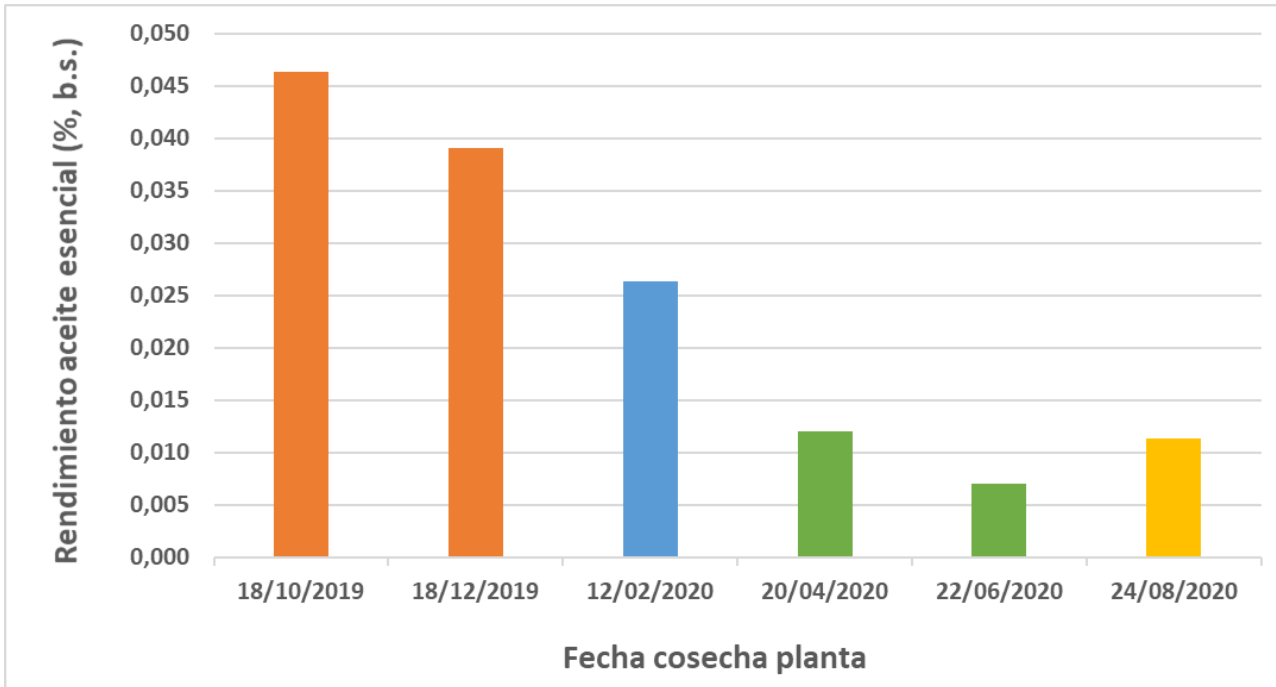


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# ESTUDIO SOBRE LA OBTENCIÓN DE ACEITE ESENCIAL DE ESTEPA Y SU BIOACTIVIDAD

## EVOLUCIÓN DEL RENDIMIENTO DE PRODUCCIÓN DE ACEITE A LO LARGO DE UN AÑO



# ESTUDIO SOBRE LA OBTENCIÓN DE ACEITE ESENCIAL DE ESTEPA Y SU BIOACTIVIDAD

## ACTIVIDAD ANTIBACTERIANA DE LOS ACEITES ESENCIALES

**Table I:** Antibacterial activity of *C. laurifolius* essential oil (MIC and MBC values, % (v/v)) (samples of biomass collected from October 2019 to February 2020)

Bacteria	18/10/2019	18/12/2019	12/02/2020
Gram negative			
	MIC / MBC	MIC / MBC	MIC / MBC
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	2.5 / b	2.5 / b	2.5 / b
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	2.5 / b	2.5 / b	2.5 / b
Gram positive			
<i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>	b / b	b / b	b / b
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	0.15 / b	0.3 / b	0.3 / b

b: No inhibition was visually observed for the maximum tested concentration (2.5%) Positive controls: **Streptomycin** (*Escherichia coli* (0.01mg/mL); *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (0.06mg/mL); *Staphylococcus aureus* (0.007mg/mL)) **Vancomycin** (*Propionibacterium acnes* (0.07 mg/mL)).

**Table II:** Antibacterial activity of *C. laurifolius* essential oil (MIC and MBC values, % (v/v)) (samples of biomass collected from April 2020 to August 2020)

Bacteria	20/04/2020	22/06/2020	24/08/2020
Gram negative			
	MIC / MBC	MIC / MBC	MIC / MBC
<i>Escherichia coli</i>	2.5 / b	2.5 / b	1.25 / b
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	2.5 / b	1.25 / b	1.25 / b
Gram positive			
<i>Propionibacterium acnes</i>	1.25 / b	1.25 / b	1.25 / b
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	0.3 / b	0.15 / b	0.07 / b

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Se encontró mayor actividad antibacteriana frente a las bacterias testadas (*E. coli*, *P. aeruginosa*, *P. acnes*, *S. aureus*) en los meses de **verano**, pudiendo destacarse la actividad contra la ***S. aureus***





# ANÁLISIS DE LA ESTEPA COMO BIOCOMBUSTIBLE

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## Effect of mechanical harvesting on the chemical composition and combustion behaviour of shrub biomass

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### ABSTRACT

Shrub lands are an important source of genetic resources and raw materials for a bioeconomy-based future. The main objective of this study is to determine the effect of mechanical harvesting on the chemical composition and the combustion quality properties of typical shrub formations in the Mediterranean area, whose prevailing species are broom, rockrose and gorse.

Above ground, shrub biomass was collected manually and mechanically and its main properties and chemical composition were compared. Its combustion behaviour was predicted by using fuel indices related to emissions, deposit build-up and ash melting. The predictions were evaluated after performing combustion tests with mechanically harvested shrub pellets.

The chemical composition and combustion behaviour of the biomass differed greatly depending on the prevailing species. Mechanised harvesting can cause the ash content and the levels of several elements, particularly Si, to increase through the inclusion of soil particles, which influence combustion behaviour. The Si/(Ca+Mg) index appears to be a good indicator to predict the slagging tendency of these fuels. However, the K+Na+Zn+Pb index could not accurately predict aerosol emissions and ash deposition. The information provided by this index should be complemented by using the Si/K index, which considers the influence of Si on alkali retention.

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### Article

## The Influence of the Long-Term Outdoor Storage of Rockrose (*Cistus laurifolius* L.) Shrub Biomass on Biofuel's Quality, Pre-Treatment and Combustion Processes

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**Simple Summary:** Rockrose (*Cistus laurifolius* L.) is a pyrophyte species with allelopathic effects that colonizes acid forest soils in the Mediterranean basin. Its continuous spread contributes to increasing wildfire risk, even more so in the current context of forecasts of increasingly intense and prolonged heat waves and droughts. Its mechanized collection and transformation into biofuels contributes to climate change mitigation, the economic development of rural areas and wildfire risk reduction. Biomass storage is an essential requirement in the supply chain of bio-refineries and biomass plants. This research aims to evaluate the influence of long-term outdoor storage (1 year) of baled rockrose shrub biomass on the quality of biofuels (30 mm milled material and pellets), on pre-treatment processes and on combustion emissions in an industrial boiler. After storage, no significant differences were observed in the biomass pre-treatment processes or in the emissions in an industrial combustion boiler. Biomass weight loss was 12% after storage. Some quality biofuels parameters improved, with the reduction in ash content being the most prominent aspect, which allowed 30 mm of milled material to be classified as II, according to ISO 17225-9:2022, and rockrose pellets as class I3 for industrial use, according to the ISO 17225-2:2021 standard.



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**Table 3**

Composition of the biomass collected manually from shrub lands characterised by different prevailing species.

Area		Las Navas del M.	Garray	As Pontes de G. R.
Main shrub		Broom	Rockrose	Gorse
Property	Unit	Average (n = 30)	Average (n = 30)	Average (n = 30)
Moisture	wt.%, w.b.	37.2b	32.2a	47.2c
Ash	wt%, d.b.	1.4a	2.6b	1.5a
HHV	MJ/kg, d.b.	20.73c	19.90a	20.12b
LHV	MJ/kg, d.b.	19.36c	18.58a	18.78b
C	wt.%, d.b.	50.6b	49.4a	50.4b
H	wt.%, d.b.	6.3c	6.0a	6.2b
N	wt.%, d.b.	1.1c	0.47a	0.85b
S	wt.%, d.b.	0.06b	0.04a	0.06b
Cl	wt.%, d.b.	0.05b	0.02a	0.07c
Al	wt.%, d.b.	0.020a	0.035a	0.020a
Ca	wt.%, d.b.	0.17a	0.76b	0.15a
Fe	wt.%, d.b.	0.012a	0.046a	0.016a
K	wt.%, d.b.	0.31c	0.21a	0.27b
Mg	wt.%, d.b.	0.067a	0.068a	0.068a
Na	wt.%, d.b.	0.0046a	0.0048a	0.074b
P	wt.%, d.b.	0.047ab	0.039a	0.052b
Si	wt.%, d.b.	0.23b	0.21ab	0.16a
Ti	wt.%, d.b.	0.0011a	0.0014a	0.0014a

n: number of samples; wt.%: weight %; w.b.: wet basis; d.b.: dry basis; HHV: high heating value; LHV: low heating value.

**Table 4**

Trace elements of the biomass collected manually from shrub lands characterised by different prevailing species.

Area		Las Navas del M.		Garray		As Pontes de G. R.	
Main shrub		Broom		Rockrose		Gorse	
Element	Unit	Aver. (n = 30)	Max.	Aver. (n = 30)	Max.	Aver. (n = 30)	Max.
As	mg/kg, d.b.	<0.10 (83%)	0.14	<0.10 (97%)	0.11	<0.10 (87%)	0.26
Cd	mg/kg, d.b.	<0.10 (83%)	0.20	0.37	1.1	<0.10 (47%)	0.88
Cr	mg/kg, d.b.	<1.0 (100%)	<1.0	<1.0 (100%)	<1.0	<1.0 (80%)	3.2
Cu	mg/kg, d.b.	3.3	7.1	2.7	4.0	8.1	145
Hg	mg/kg, d.b.	0.007	0.011	0.007	0.013	0.005	0.030
Ni	mg/kg, d.b.	<1.0 (90%)	2.4	2.0	3.8	2.1	4.1
Pb	mg/kg, d.b.	<1.0 (97%)	1.8	<1.0 (50%)	4.0	<1.0 (93%)	4.2
Zn	mg/kg, d.b.	19	35	23	42	14	41

n: number of samples; Aver.: average; Max.: maximum; d.b.: dry basis.

**Table 5**

Composition of the shrub pellets produced from biomass collected by mechanical means.

Parameter	Unit	Broom	Rockrose	Gorse	Pine
Moisture	wt.%, w.b.	9.6	7.2	10.8	6.3
Ash	wt%, d.b.	1.4	4.2	3.8	0.5
HHV	MJ/kg, d.b.	20.27	19.94	19.90	20.39
LHV	MJ/kg, d.b.	18.90	18.68	18.57	19.07
C	wt.%, d.b.	50.3	50.2	50.0	51.4
H	wt.%, d.b.	6.3	5.8	6.1	6.1
N	wt.%, d.b.	0.88	0.40	0.97	<0.05
S	wt.%, d.b.	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.02
Cl	wt.%, d.b.	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.01
Al	wt.%, d.b.	0.036	0.063	0.22	0.007
Ca	wt.%, d.b.	0.15	0.67	0.35	0.11
Fe	wt.%, d.b.	0.020	0.046	0.14	0.0070
K	wt.%, d.b.	0.21	0.24	0.30	0.043
Mg	wt.%, d.b.	0.060	0.067	0.10	0.018
Na	wt.%, d.b.	0.011	0.0067	0.095	0.0024
P	wt.%, d.b.	0.046	0.050	0.061	0.0055
Si	wt.%, d.b.	0.15	0.67	0.72	0.033
Ti	wt.%, d.b.	0.0021	0.0059	0.0095	0.00039

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PARÁMETRO	ESTEPA	REFERENCIA ISO 17225-9:2022 (mat. triturado uso industrial)			
		I1	I2	I3	I4
Ceniza (% , b.s.)	2,6	≤3,0	≤5,0	≤6,0	≤7,0
N (% , b.s.)	0,47	≤0,5	≤1,0	≤1,0	≤1,5
S (% , b.s.)	0,04	≤0,05	≤0,1	≤0,1	≤0,1
Cl (% , b.s.)	0,02	≤0,05	≤0,05	≤0,1	≤0,1
As (mg/kg, b.s.)	<0,10	≤1,0	≤1,0	≤4,0	≤4,0
Cd (mg/kg, b.s.)	0,37	≤2,0	≤2,0	≤2,0	≤2,0
Cr (mg/kg, b.s.)	<1,0	≤20	≤20	≤20	≤30
Cu (mg/kg, b.s.)	2,7	≤30	≤30	≤30	≤50
Pb (mg/kg, b.s.)	<1,0	≤10	≤20	≤20	≤30
Hg (mg/kg, b.s.)	0,007	≤0,1	≤0,1	≤0,1	≤0,1
Ni (mg/kg, b.s.)	2,0	≤10	≤10	≤10	≤10
Zn (mg/kg, b.s.)	23	≤100	≤100	≤100	≤100



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