RESOLUTION OENO 4/97

BIOGENIC AMINES

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

ON THE PROPOSAL of Commission II « Oenology », after study by the expert group « Food safety »,

AFTER hearing several reports concerning biogenic amines,

CONSIDERING that the content in wines is low but that in a few instances this content can be increased, notably for reasons of hygiene,

CONSIDERING that biogenic amines are often incriminated in the outward signs of food sensitization such as headaches, etc..,

CONSIDERING that information on its pharmacological actions is insufficient and that the relationship between biogenic amines content in wines and the occurrence of the aforementioned food sensitizations is not sufficiently established from a scientific point of view,

ASKS the Member States to gather maximum data on this subject and encourage pharmacological and toxicological research on biogenic amines.

ASKS the expert group « Wine microbiology » and « Wine technology » to study, if need be, the means to be implemented to reduce biogenic amines in wines.

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