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OBJECTIVE 1: Estimation of the plant viability

Plant Viability

METHODOLOGY:

- Random sampling of 5 to 10% of the plants
- Precise location and identification by GPS
- Parameters:
 - vigor (activity)
 - height of the plant
 - a biotic damages
 - defoliation percentage
 - Temperature and water height in the Waterboxx





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RESULTS:

- Damage by frost and low temperatures:
 - Reversible damage in the plants with the Waterboxx
 - Irreversible damage in the control plants
- Damage by wildlife: moles and rabbits
 - High percentage of death control plants
 - Low percentage of death plants with the Waterboxx



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Plants viability

DAMAGE BY FROST AND LOW TEMPERATURES IN RIOFRÍO DE ALISTE

- **Damage in control plants:**
 - Most of the control plants have disappeared
- **Damage in plants with the Waterboxx:**
 - Most of the plants with the Waterboxx looked dry and some even death caused by frosts (close to -10°C)
 - Once checked inside the Waterboxx we observed that the plants were green inside because they are protected. Therefore, we expect that the plants will recover during spring.





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DAMAGE BY WILDLIFE: MOLES AND RABBITS IN MATELLANA

- **Damage in control plants:**
 - Most of the control plants have suffered irreversible damages
Plants have disappeared or have been cut at the superior part
 - Only in special cases the plant have been cut the sprout





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DAMAGE BY WILDLIFE: MOLES AND RABBITS IN MATALLANA

- **Damage in plants with the Waterboxx:**
 - Number of attacks is much less
 - Most of the damage have been caused by the moles. They have digged galleries below the boxes and came inside





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OBJECTIVE 2: Control the status of the Waterboxx

Control of the Waterboxx

- Most of the Waterboxxes are in perfect conditions and are full with water
- Problems observed (already known):
 - Algae inside the boxes
 - Open Waterboxx by wrong installation or ice effect
 - Clogged holes by accumulation of dead leaves and mud
 - Wicks destroyed by moles



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METHODOLOGY:

- Recorders are installed in the different plots. Inside and outside the Waterboxx
- Maintenance and control of the data
- Results interpretation





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TEMPERATURE (° C)

COMPARISON BETWEEN TWO SAMPLES
INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE WATERBOXX

- Sample 1 INSIDE WATERBOXX (IW):
 - 1729 results between $-3,0^{\circ}\text{C}$ and $18,5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Sample 2 OUTSIDE WATERBOXX (OW):
 - 1729 results between $-9,5^{\circ}\text{C}$ and $37,5^{\circ}\text{C}$

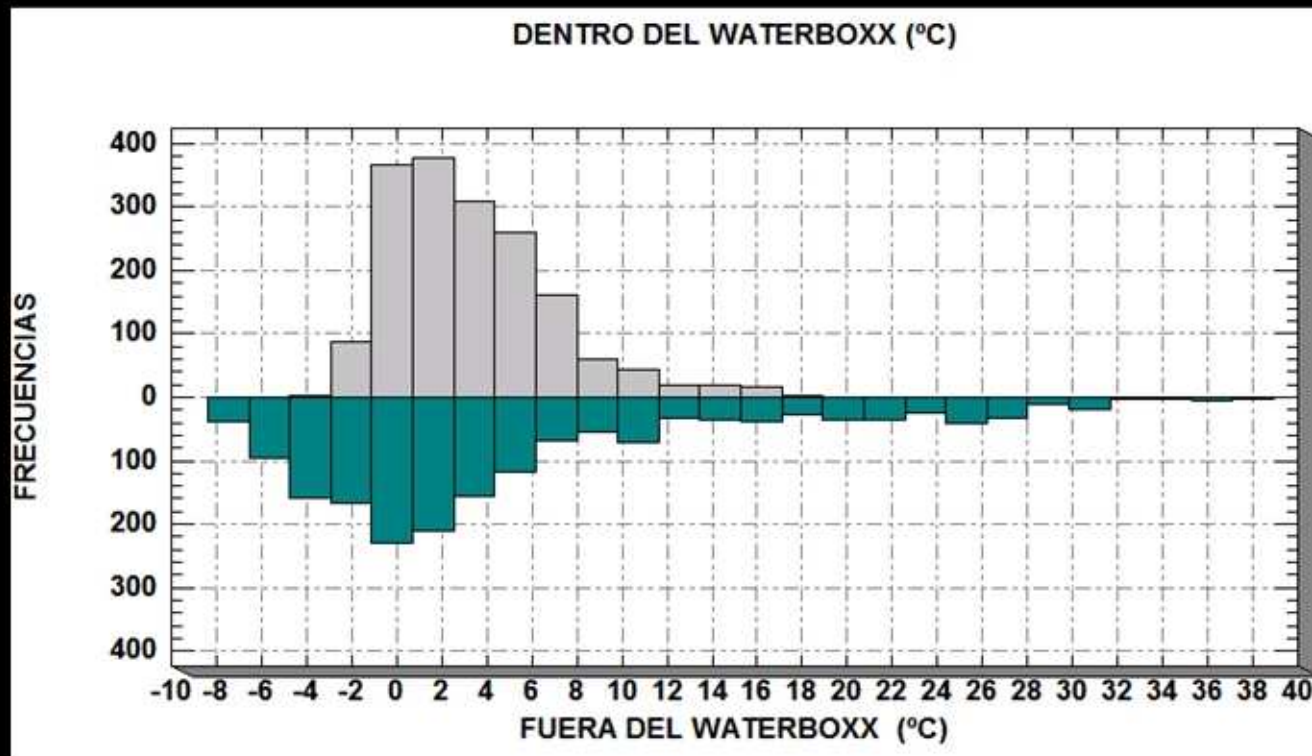
	IW	OW
Average	$3,3^{\circ}\text{C}$	$5,0^{\circ}\text{C}$
Standard deviation	$3,6^{\circ}\text{C}$	$9,5^{\circ}\text{C}$
Coefficient of Variation	108,44%	187,86%
Minimum	-3°C	$-9,5^{\circ}\text{C}$
Maximum	$18,5^{\circ}\text{C}$	$37,5^{\circ}\text{C}$
Range	$21,5^{\circ}\text{C}$	47°C



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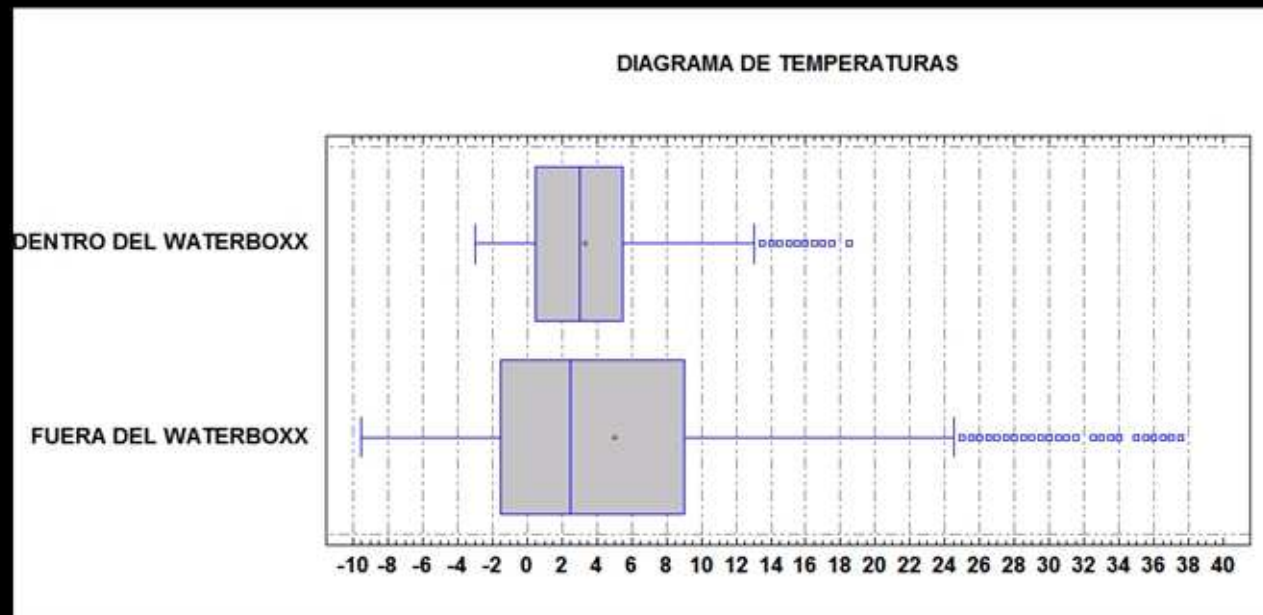




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(°C)IW	(°C)OW	DIFFERENCE
-3	-6	3
-3	-7	4
-3	-7,5	4,5
-3	-7	4
-2,5	-7,5	5
-2,5	-7,5	5
-2,5	-5,5	3
-2,5	-8	5,5
-2,5	-5,5	3
-2,5	-6,5	4
-2,5	-6,5	4
-2,5	-8	6,5
-2,5	-8,5	6
-2,5	-8,5	6
-2,5	-9	6,5
-2,5	-5,5	3
-2,5	-6,5	4

TEMPERATURE (° C)

(°C)IW	(°C)OW	DIFFERENCE
16	29	13
16	25,5	9,5
16	37,5	21,5
16	33,5	17,5
16	33,5	17,5
16,5	30	13,5
16,5	27,5	11
16,5	31,5	15
16,5	30	13,5
16,5	36	19,5
16,5	36,5	20
16,5	37,5	21
17	31	14
17	29,5	12,5
17	33	16
17,5	37	19,5
17,5	35,5	18
17,5	31,5	14



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HUMIDITY (% HR)

COMPARISON BETWEEN TWO SAMPLES - HUMIDITY(%RH)IW & HUMIDITY(%RH)OW

- SAMPLE 1 INSIDE WATERBOXX:
 - 1729 results between 23,0 and 98,5
- SAMPLE 2 OUTSIDE WATERBOXX:
 - 1729 results between 6,5 and 98,5

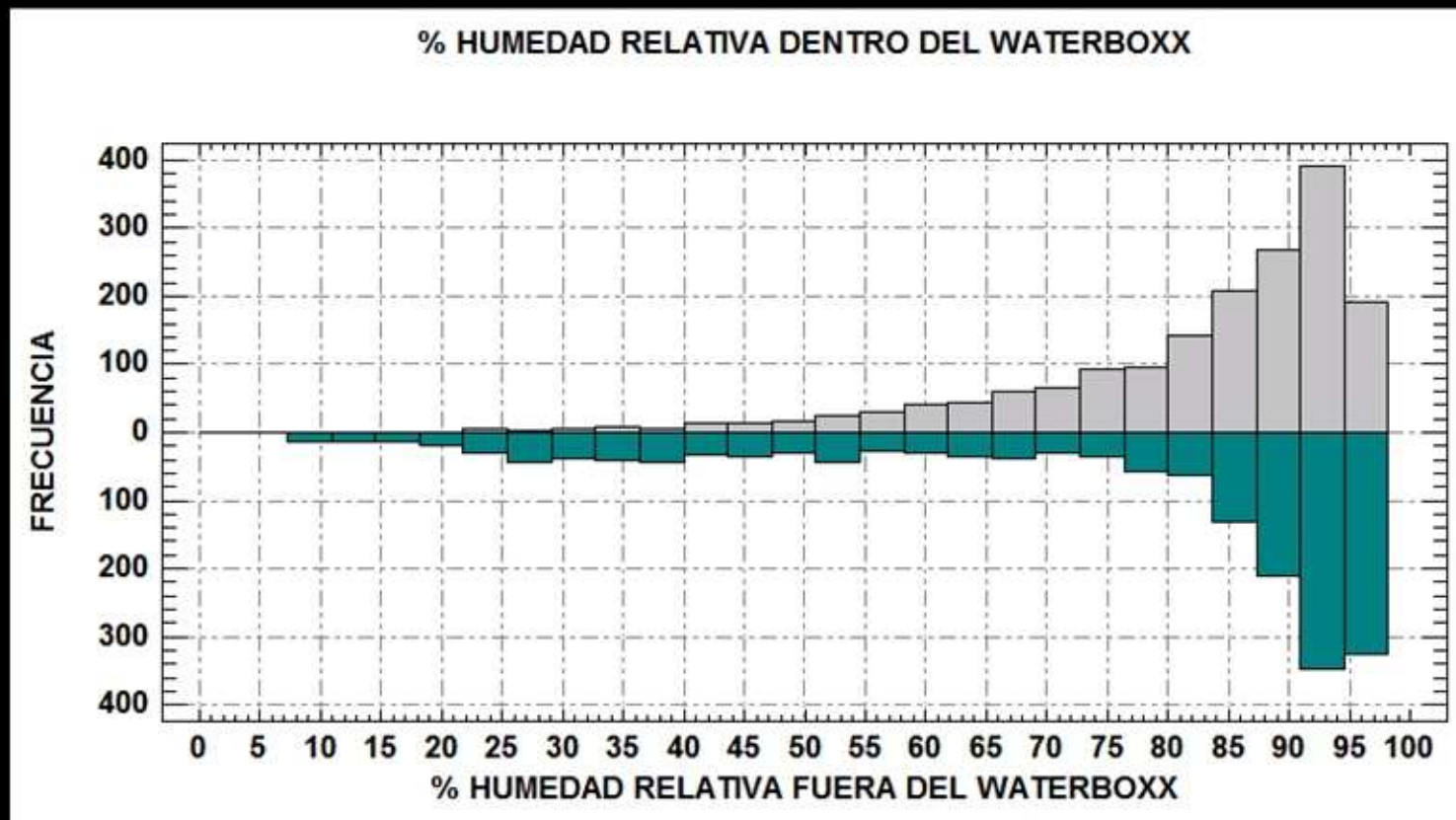
	Humidity(%rh)DW	Humidity(%rh)FW
Results		1729 1729
Average	82,5124	75,1631
Standard deviation	13,9403	24,7487
Coefficient of Variation		16,89% 32,
Minimum	23	6,5
Maximum	98,5	98,5
Range	75,5	92



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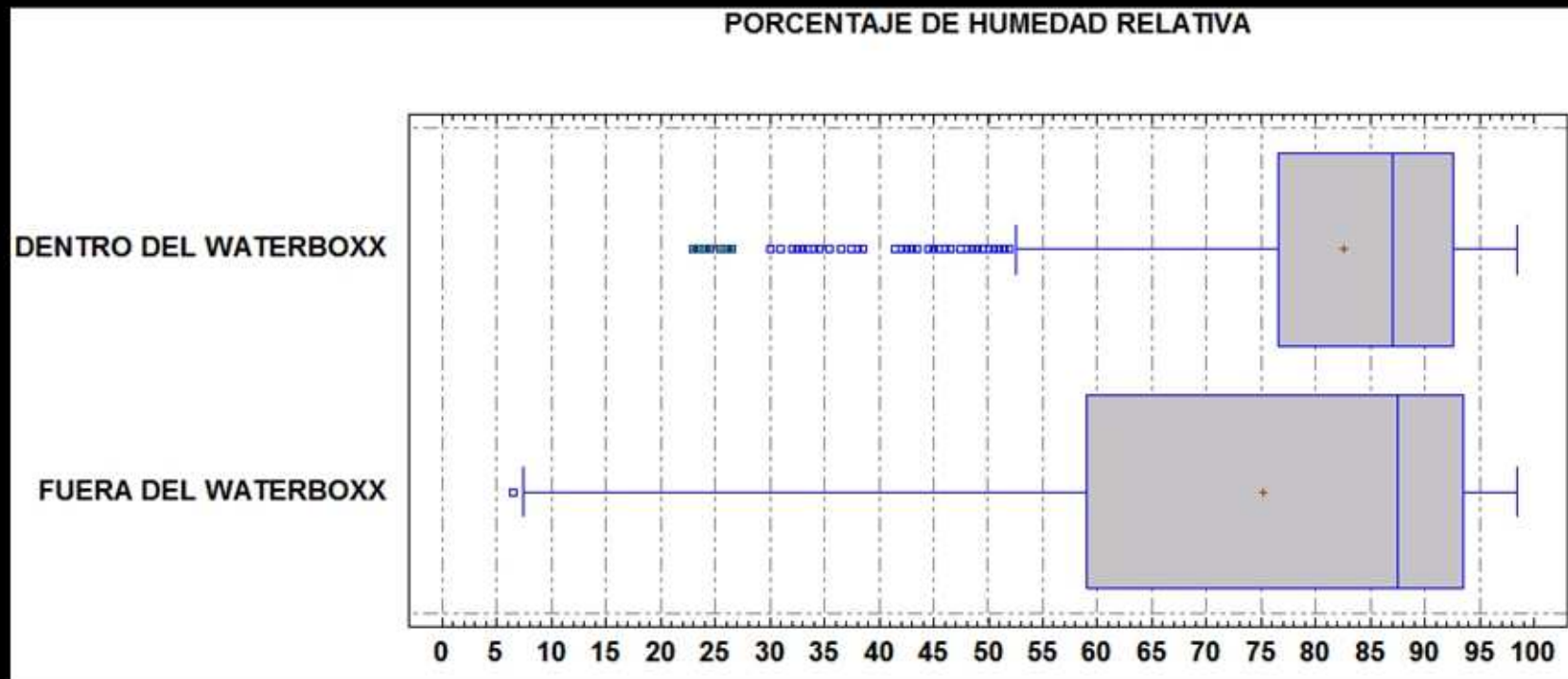




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(% HR)IW	(% HR)OW	DIFFERENCE
23	7,5	15,5
23,5	6,5	17
24	8,5	15,5
24,5	10	14,5
24,5	7,5	17
25,5	15,5	10
25,5	7,5	18
26	7,5	18,5
26,5	17	9,5
30	25,5	4,5
30	9	21
31	10	21
32	18	14
32	10	22
32,5	25,5	7
33	9	24

HUMIDITY (% HR)

(%HR)IW	(%HR)OW	DIFFERENCE
98	94,5	3,5
98	94	4
98	94	4
98	94	4
98	95	3
98	95,5	2,5
98	82,5	15,5
98	46,5	51,5
98	98	0
98	36,5	61,5
98	31,5	66,5
98,5	35,5	63
98,5	38,5	60
98,5	96	2,5



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OBJECTIVE 4: Improvement in the design of the remote sensing control

Improvements in the racks of drones camera support

METHODOLOGY:

- Research phase to adapt the rack prototype of cameras support to make it possible to obtain requested data through MDT technology
- Issues with weight and autonomy of the drones





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