Table S3 LMM analysis of predicted and measured citrate concentration (g 100 g FW<sup>-1</sup>) during postharvest fruit ripening. The factors studied were ripening stage, fruit age at harvest, cultivars and pruning treatment in the 2011 experiment, and ripening stage, cultivars and potassium fertilization treatment in the 2012 experiment.

| F-value <sup>a</sup> and significance <sup>b</sup> |                |                                 |                                |
|--|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Year   | Factors        | Predicted citrate concentration | Measured citrate concentration |
| 2011   |                |                                 |                                |
|  | c              | 517***                          | 496***                         |
|  | p              | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | a              | Ns                              | 23***                          |
|  | r              | 241***                          | 21***                          |
|  | $r^2$          | 36***                           | 45***                          |
|  | $\mathbf{r}^3$ | 6*                              | 5*                             |
|  | p:r            | 10**                            | Ns                             |
|  | a : c          | 15***                           | Ns                             |
|  | a:r            | 21***                           | Ns                             |
|  | c : r          | 1204***                         | 212***                         |
|  | p : a          | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | p : c          | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | a:c:r          | 35***                           | Ns                             |
|  | p :a :c        | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | p:a:r          | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | p:a:c:r        | Ns                              | Ns                             |
| 2012   | •              |                                 |                                |
|  | c              | 147***                          | 252***                         |
|  | f              | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | r              | 106***                          | 6*                             |
|  | $r^2$          | 20***                           | 29***                          |
|  | $\mathbf{r}^3$ | 7**                             | Ns                             |
|  | c : f          | 6**                             | Ns                             |
|  | c : r          | 564***                          | 104***                         |
|  | f : r          | Ns                              | Ns                             |
|  | c: f : r       | Ns                              | Ns                             |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The F-value is given only for the factors retained from the optimal model.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>text{b}}$  \*\*\* p-value < 0.001; \*\* p-value < 0.01; \* p-value <0.05 ; Ns : not significant.

