

The future of buffalo breeding

Mediterranean

Murrah

Nili-Ravi



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Stating the obvious

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Buffalo in Australian



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Buffalo Milk Halloumi: vacuum-packed
Buffalo Milk Fetta: vacuum-packed



Buffalo in Australian



Buffalo geymar/kaymak



Buffalo cheesecake



Buffalo salami



Buffalo whey sourdough with
buffalo cultured butter

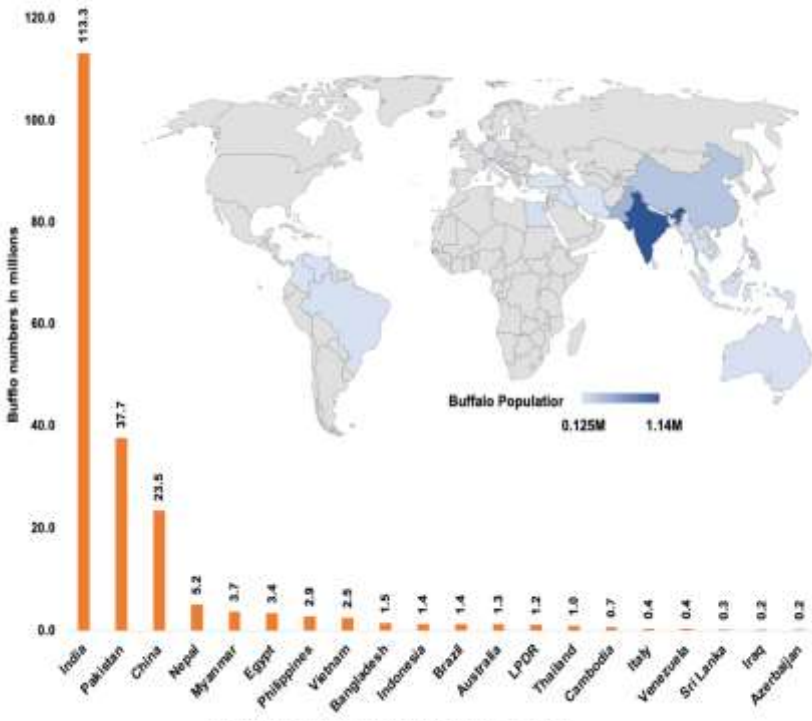
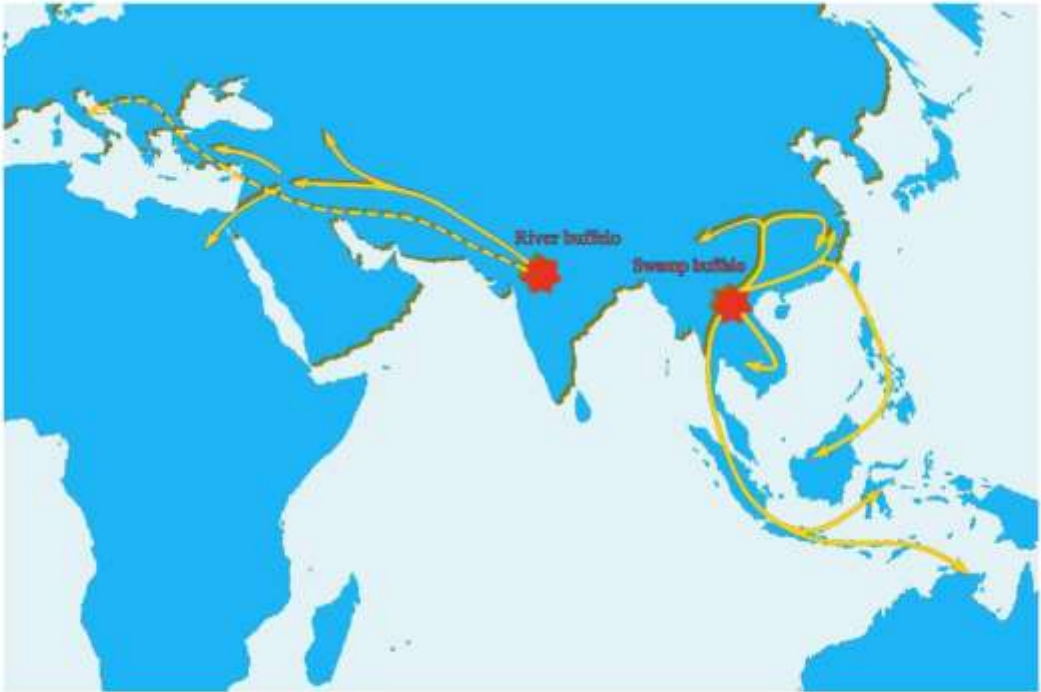


Buffalo rib fillet



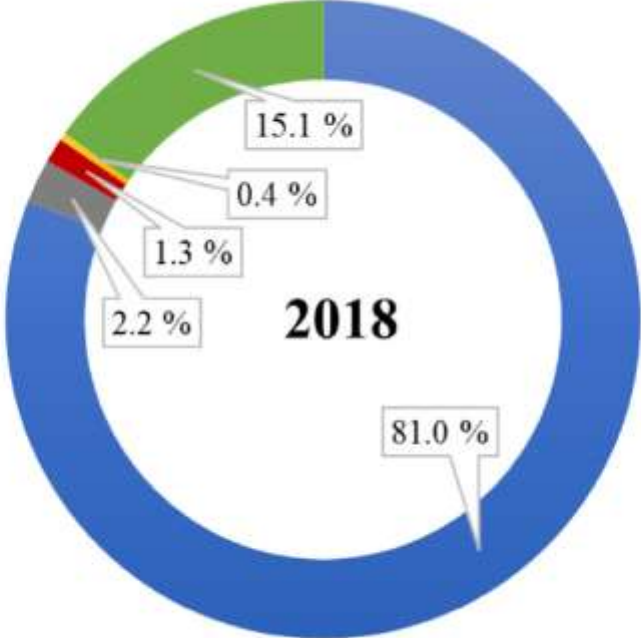
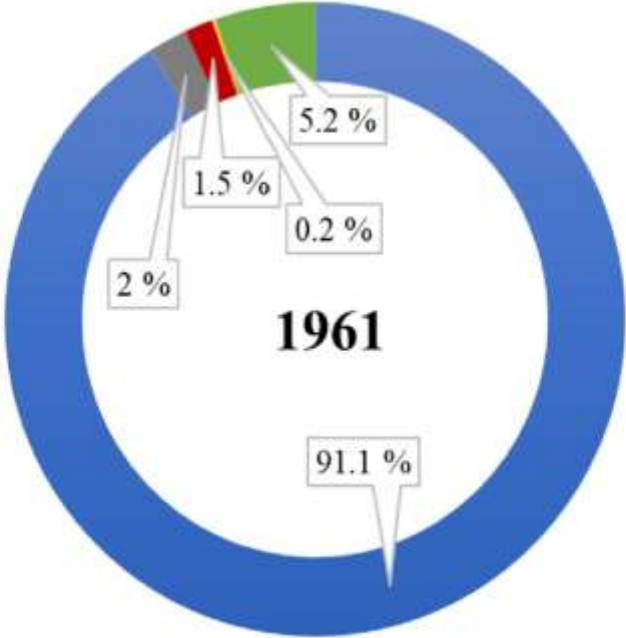
Buffalo fresh whole milk

Global	16%
South/Southeast Asia	35%



World buffalo and cow milk production

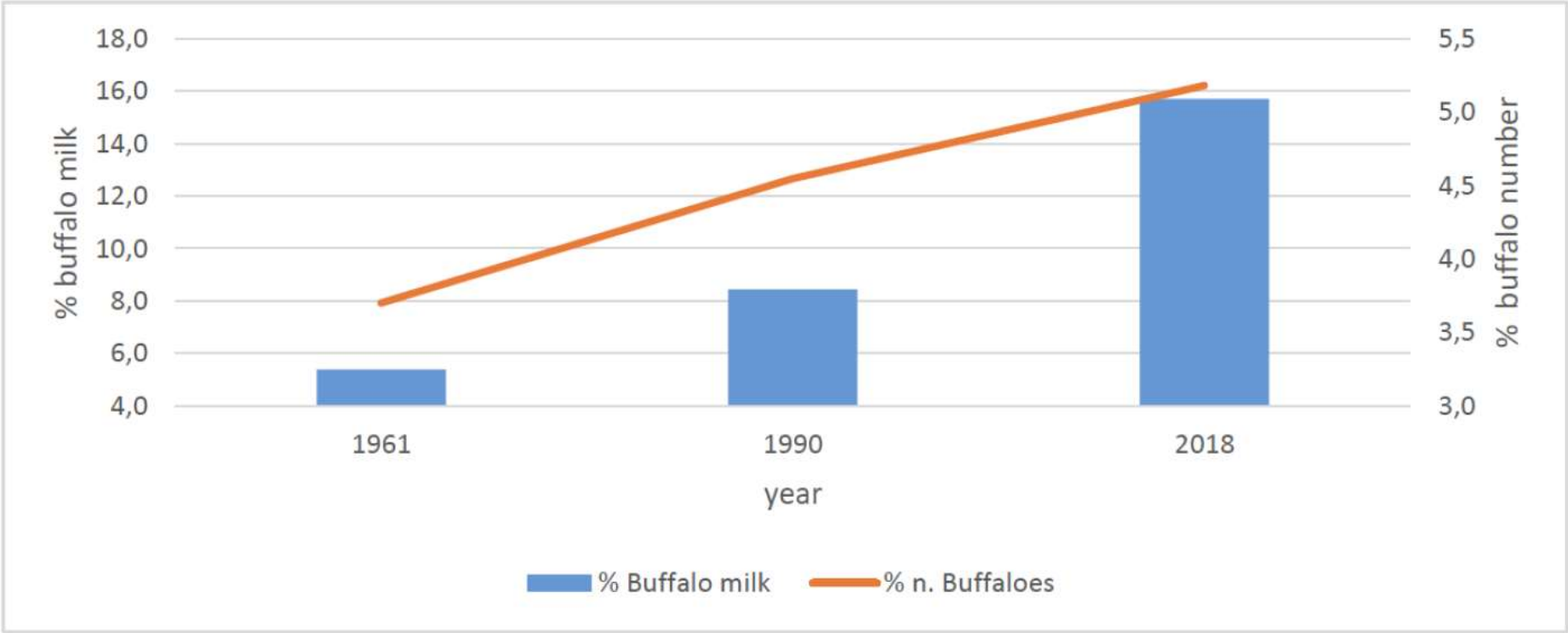
year	buffalo milk		cow milk	
	tons	% buffalo milk	tons	% cow milk
1961	17.858.061	5.19	313.626.619	91.12
1970	19.593.886	5.00	359.280.844	91.67
1980	27.525.084	5.91	422.351.163	90.67
1990	44.076.214	8.13	478.539.902	88.22
2000	66.650.866	11.50	489.874.522	84.53
2010	92.468.193	12.78	601.868.328	83.18
2018	127.338.184	15.10	683.217.055	81.04



■ Cattle milk ■ Goat milk ■ Sheep milk ■ Camel milk ■ Buffalo milk

Number of buffalo 1961-2018

(% of total of dairy ruminants)

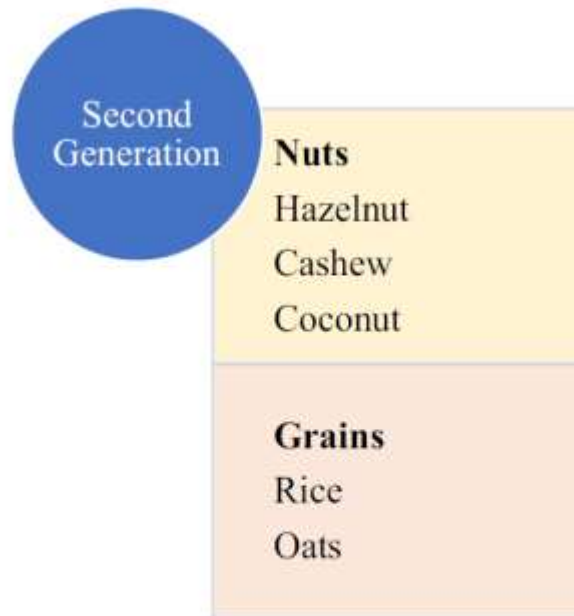
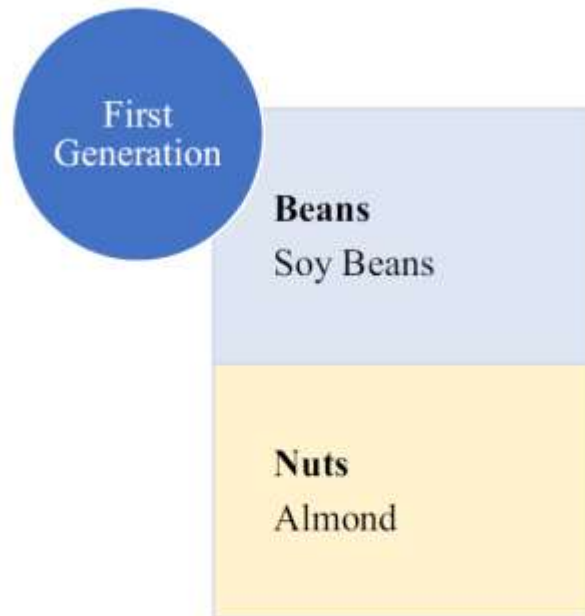


Global milk production trends 2021-2030

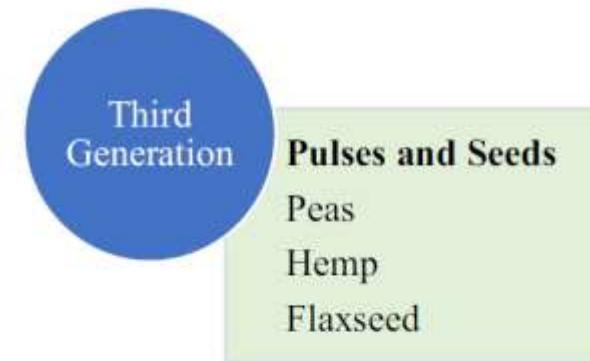
Year	Developed Countries (kt pw)	Developing Countries (kt pw)
2021	409,765	447,115
2030	435,996	583,695

Global milk production trends based on kilo of tonnes per week (OECD–FAO [2021](#))

Competition

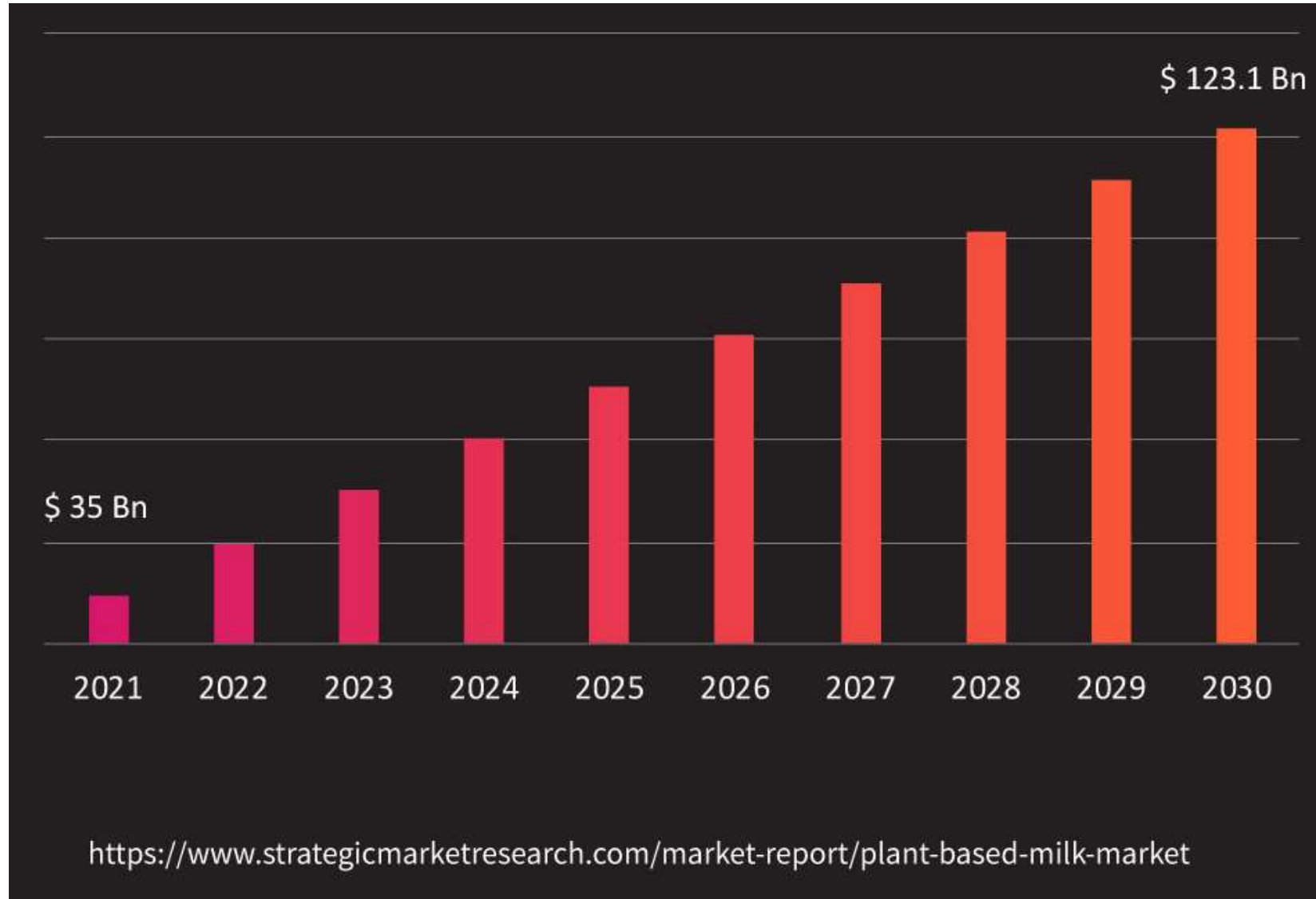


Plant-based 'milk'



Competition

Projected global plant-based 'milk' 2021-2030



Competition



Company behind lab-grown milk protein eyes Canadian animal-free dairy market

Animal-free dairy is more environmentally sustainable than traditional dairy production, and it also doesn't contain lactose, cholesterol or growth hormones.

Laboratory-grown 'milk'

The Growing Consumer Opportunity for Precision Fermentation



Distinguishing features of buffalo milk

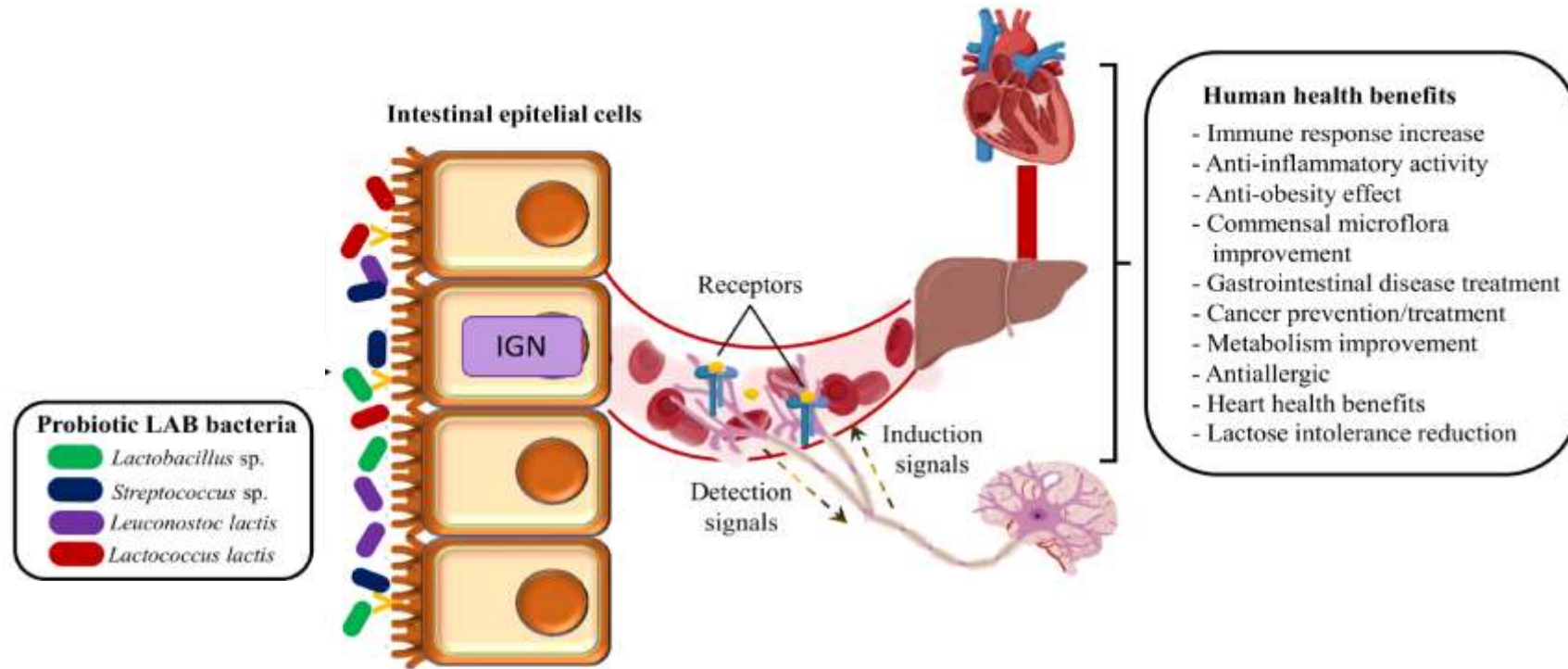
...points of product and market differentiation

Favourable fat profile

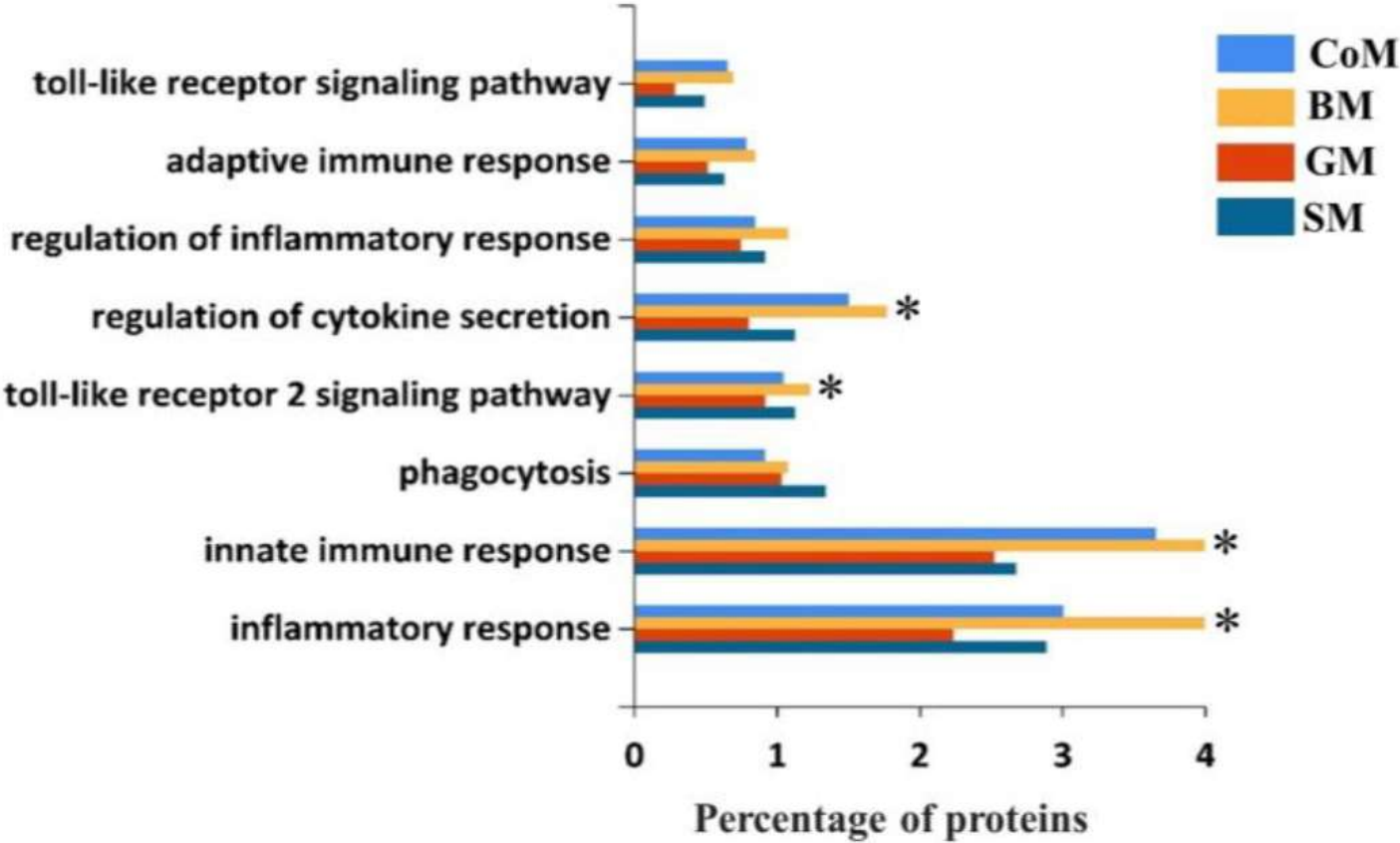
Functional biomolecules

Unique microbiota

Health benefits of functional molecules from buffalo milk microbiota



Extracellular vesicles from buffalo milk are enriched with proteins implicated in immune responses



Challenges, constraints, solutions



Genetics is permanent,
additive and can undergo
continuing improvement.

Constraints / Challenges

- Genetic  influence on economic traits
- Threat of global warming and climate change
- Delayed puberty
- Poor estrus signs
- Longer post-partum anovulation
- Lower CR with AI
- Cryodamages to sperm

Solutions

- Education
- Innovative, , transformative and translational research
- Technology transfer

Non-genetic strategies

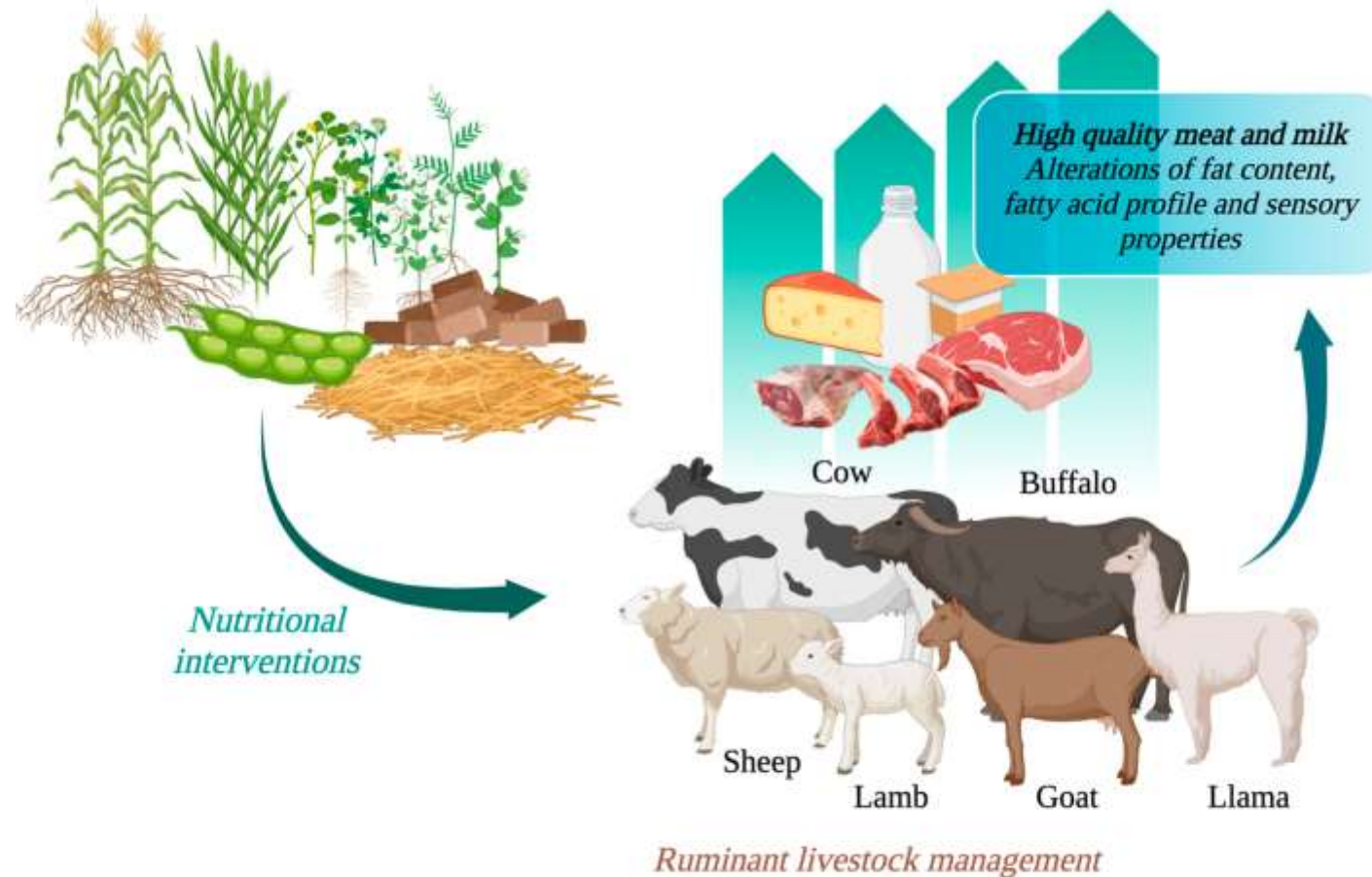
Nutritional factors that influence ruminant meat and milk production



Feed sources in tropical farming systems for ruminant milk and meat production



Forage, roughage and supplements to optimize the quality and nutritional value of ruminant meat and milk



Milk composition of buffalo fed TMR or TMR + green feed

Functional biomolecules (mg/L)

	TMR	TMR + green feed
L-carnitine	31.5 ± 0.7 ^A	42.0 ± 0.5 ^B
acetyl-L-carnitine	39.1 ± 0.5 ^A	49.8 ± 0.8 ^B
propionyl-L-carnitine	14.8 ± 1.3 ^A	21.1 ± 0.4 ^B
γ-butyrobetaine	4.8 ± 0.2	4.1 ± 0.2
δ-valerobetaine	18.2 ± 0.6 ^A	22.2 ± 0.5 ^B
glycine betaine	7.0 ± 0.02	7.2 ± 0.3

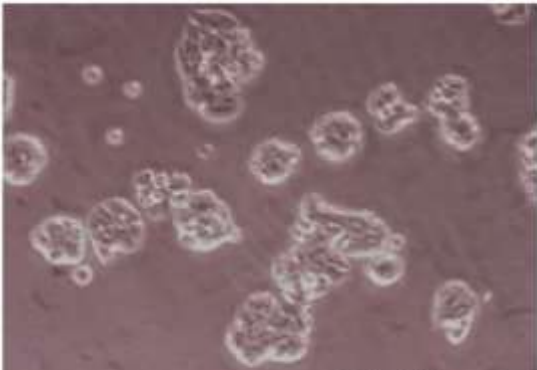
Fatty acids (% of total fatty acid)

	TMR	TMR + green feed
<i>Fatty acids</i>		
SFA	76.0 ± 0.3 ^A	71.9 ± 1.1 ^B
MUFA	20.9 ± 0.3 ^A	23.5 ± 0.7 ^B
PUFA	3.1 ± 0.1 ^a	4.5 ± 0.4 ^b
PUFA/SFA	0.0 ± 0.0 ^A	0.1 ± 0.0 ^B
ω-3	0.3 ± 0.0 ^A	0.6 ± 0.0 ^B
ω-6	2.8 ± 0.1 ^a	3.8 ± 0.3 ^b
ω-6/ω-3	8.7 ± 1.1 ^a	6.0 ± 0.2 ^b
α-Linolenic acid C18:3 n3	0.3 ± 0.0 ^A	0.6 ± 0.0 ^B

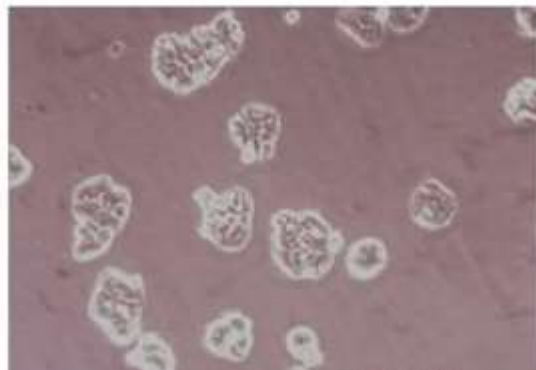
Anti-neoplastic activity of milk extract from buffalo fed TMR or TMR + green feed

human oral squamous carcinoma cells

TMR

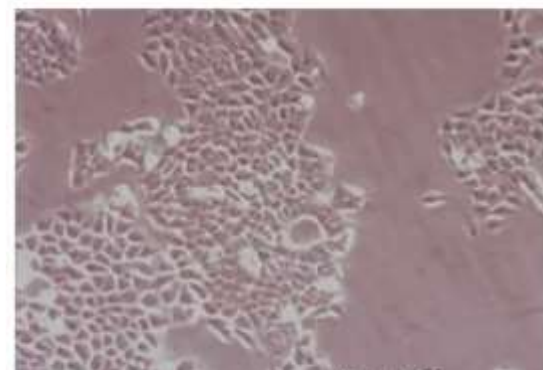


TMR + green feed

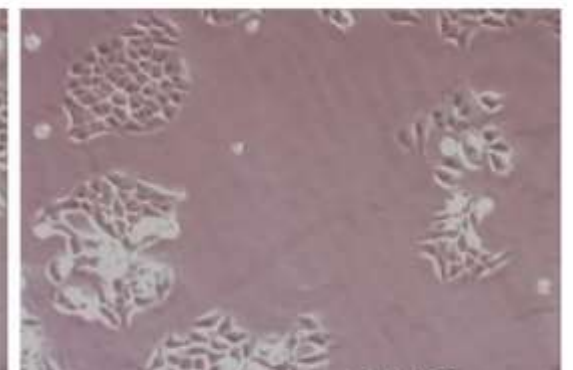


human colon cancer cells

TMR

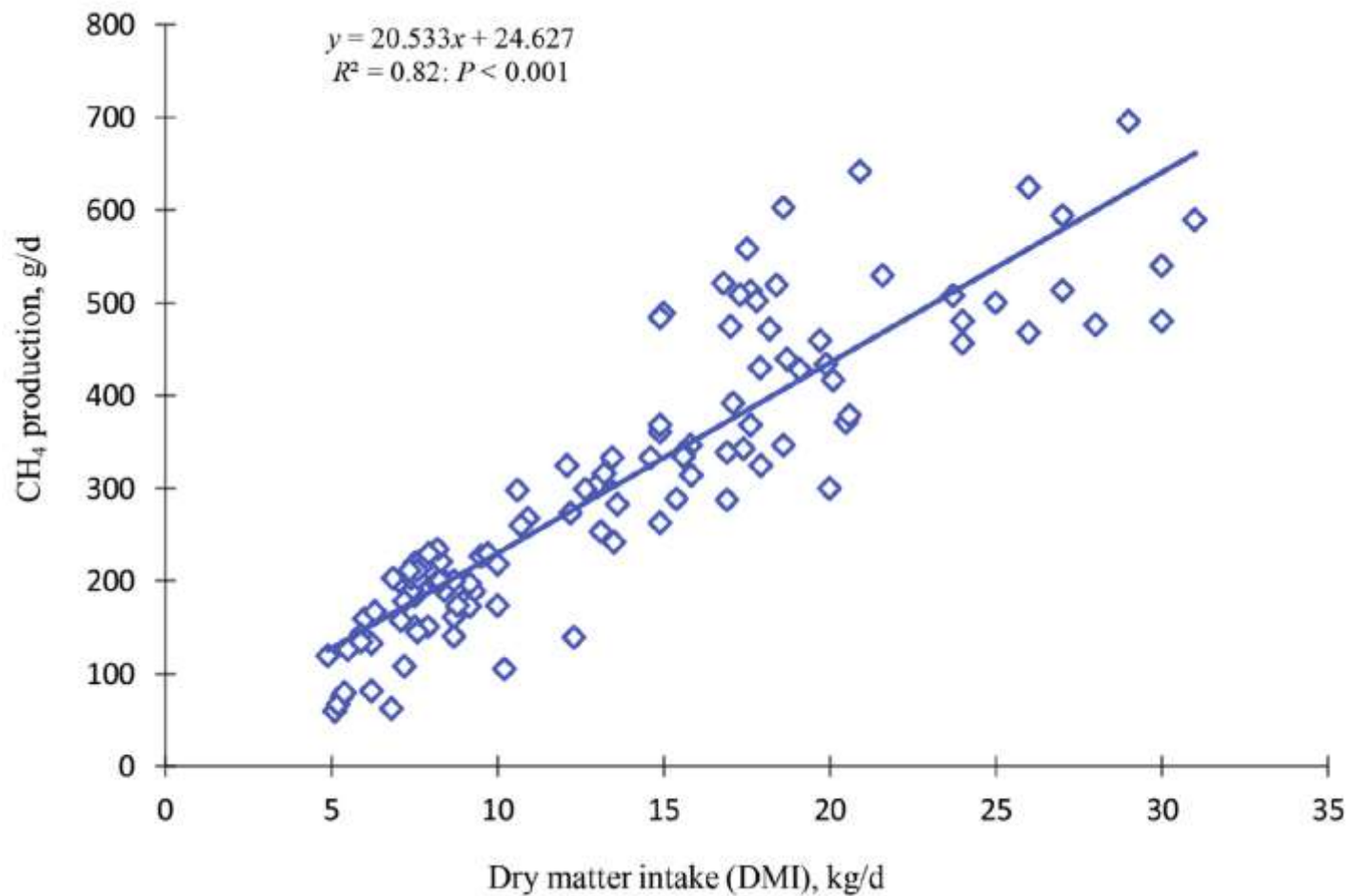


TMR + green feed

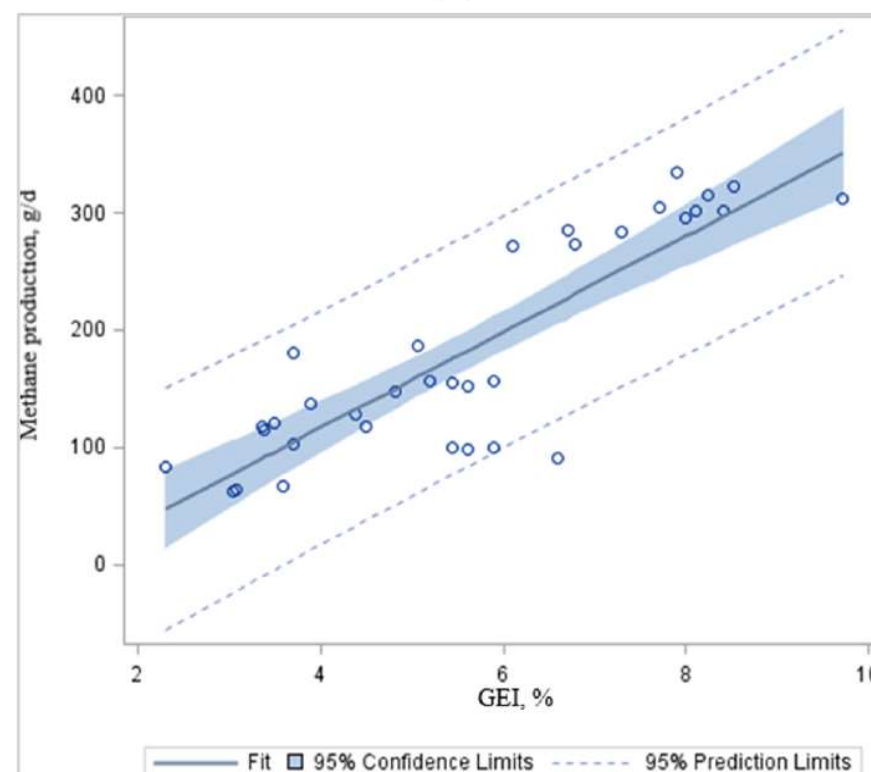
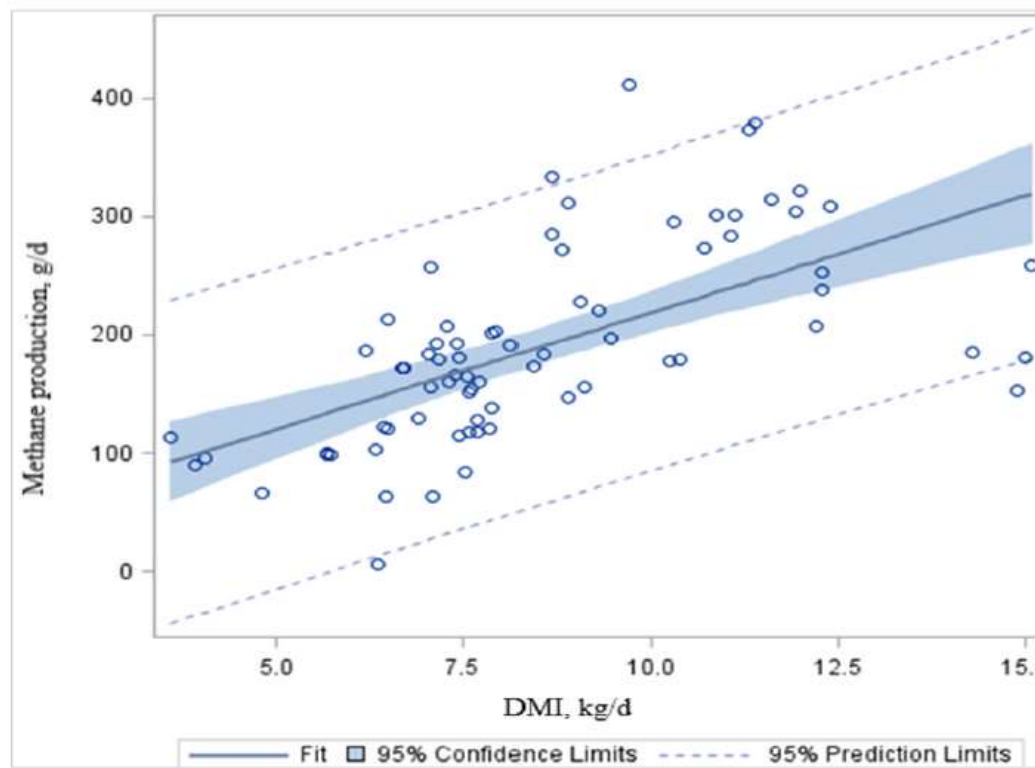


Methane challenge

Dry matter intake (DMI) and methane production

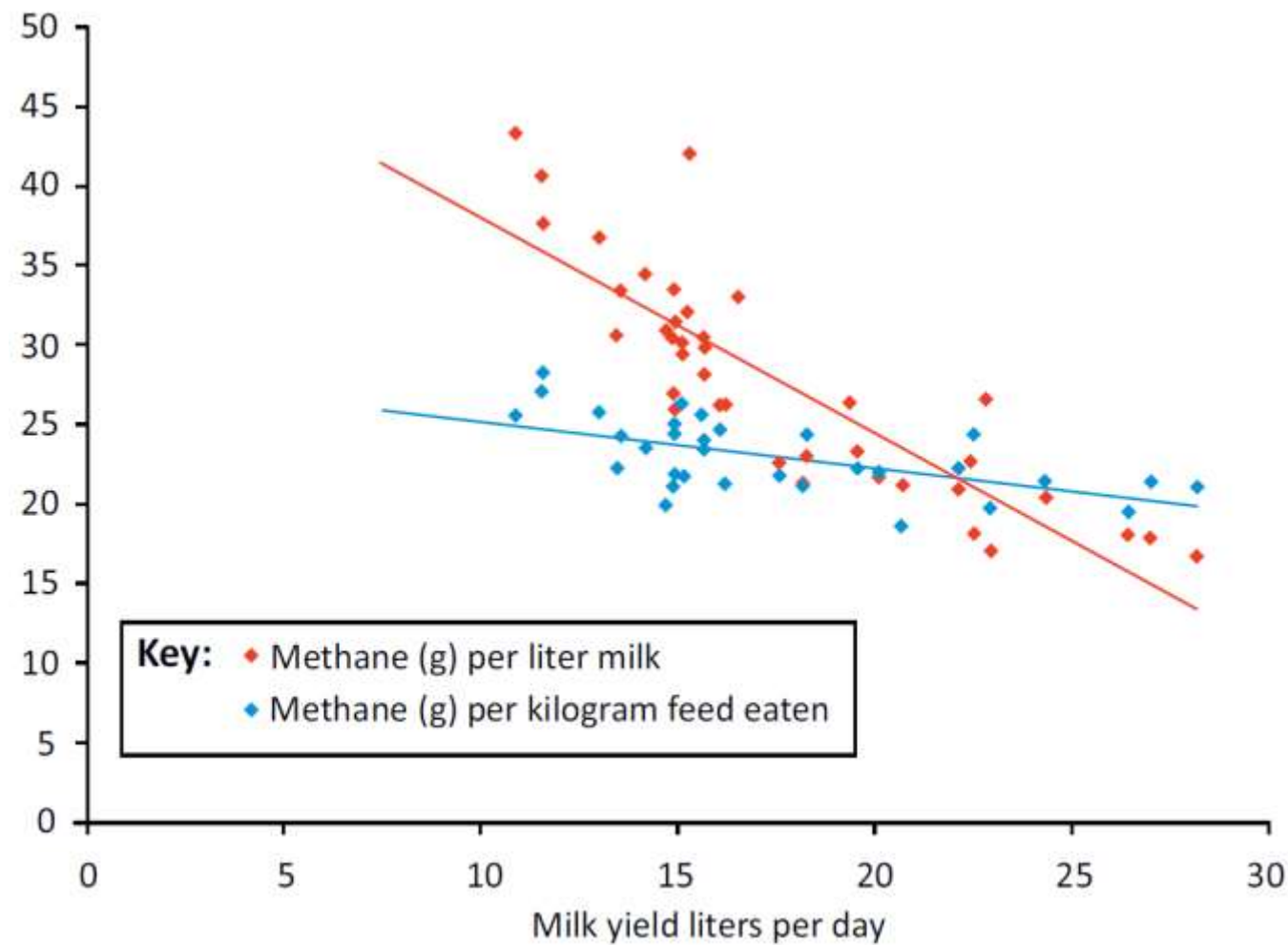


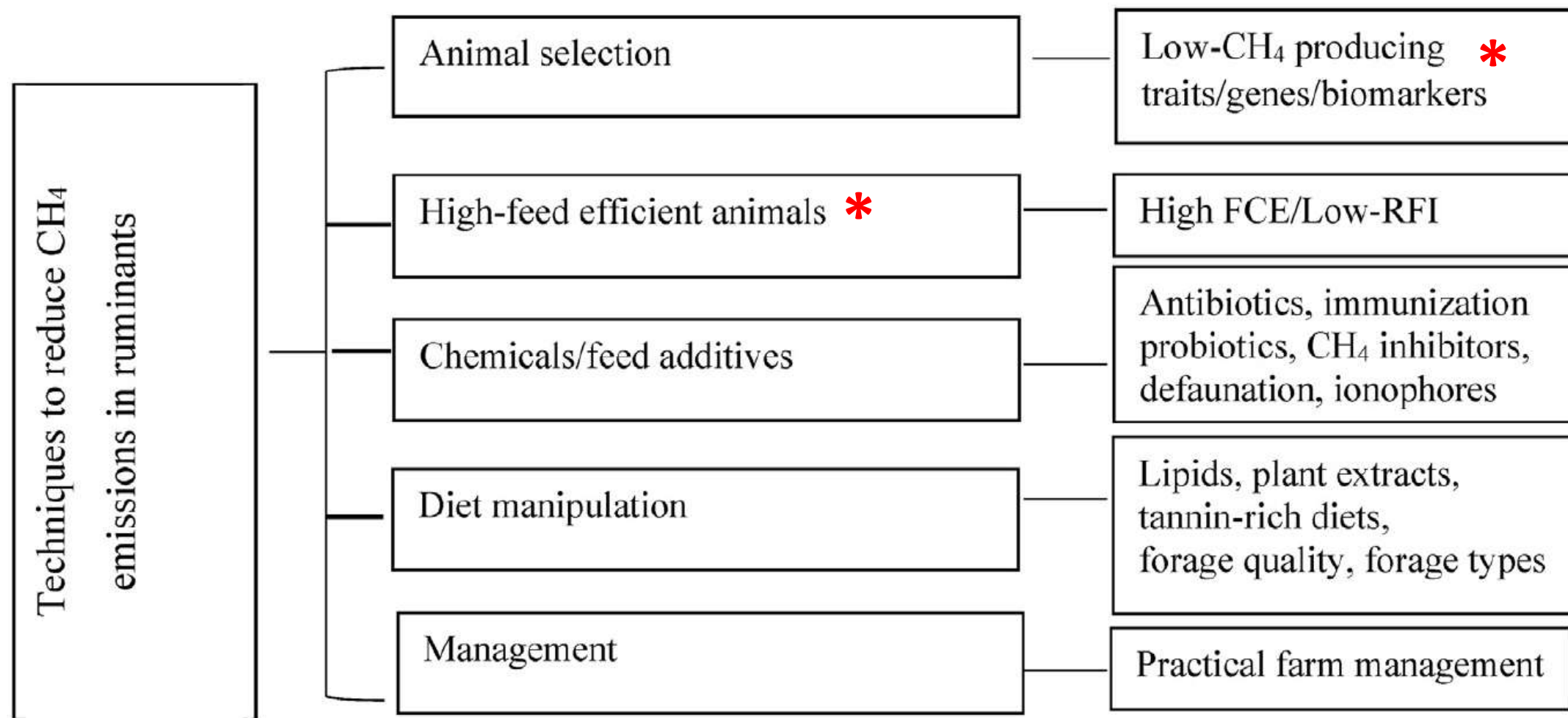
Dry matter intake (DMI) and gross energy intake (GEI) and methane production in beef cattle



Efficiency of production and methane emissions

Methane emissions are closely linked to feed intake and more efficient animals dilute intake for maintenance over more units of product.





Methane production is phenotypically and genetically correlated with important production traits.

Knowledge of residual feed intake (RFI) / net feed efficiency (NFE) is highly important in future buffalo selection and breeding.

....genes linked with RFI/NFE

Genetic strategies

Genetic correlations with residual feed intake (RFI) in Angus cattle

Genetic correlation	
Postweaning RFI with cow daily feed intake	0.64
Postweaning RFI and cow RFI	0.98

Genetics of buffalo milk production

Candidate genes associated with milk traits in buffalo

Trait	Candidate genes
Milk yield	<i>STAT1, STATSA, LEP, MC4R, OXT INSIG2, LALBA, BTN1A1, PRL, SCD, SREBF1</i>
Milk fat yield	<i>GHRL, A2M</i>
Milk fat (%)	<i>STAT1, TG, A2M, DGAT1, GHRL, LEP, MC4R, PRL, SCD, SREBF1</i>
Milk protein (%)	<i>CSNS1, DGT1, GHRL, ADRA1A, A2M MTNRIA, PRL, SPP1, INSIG2, MC4R</i>

A genome-wide scan for signatures of selection in Azeri and Khuzestani buffalo breeds

BMC Genomics (2018) 19:449

Candidate genes linked with milk production and composition in Azeri and Khuzestani buffalo



Putative
candidate genes

*FBX09, NDFiP1, ACTR3,
ARHGAP26, SERPINF2, BOLA-
DRB3, BOLA-DQB, CLN8, MYOM2*

Genotype and allelic frequency of **polymorphisms** in alpha-lactoglobulin (LALBA) gene in Nili-Ravi buffalo

SNP ID	Chromosomal position	Change in nucleotide	Transition/transversion	Allele frequency		Genotype frequency			HWE <i>P</i> < 0.05
LALBA1	34310913	G → A	Transition	A 0.3293	G 0.6707	AA 0.2683	AG 0.1463	GG 0.5854	0.0281*
LALBA2	34310940	C → G	Transversion	G 0.7073	C 0.2927	GG 0.2439	GC 0.1951	CC 0.5610	0.3262
LALBA3	34310958	A → G	Transition	G 0.7195	A 0.2805	GG 0.2683	GA 0.2195	AA 0.5122	0.0453*
LALBA4	34310984	A → G	Transition	G 0.6829	A 0.3171	GG 0.2683	GA 0.1951	AA 0.5366	0.0318*
LALBA5	34311015	G → A	Transition	A 0.6463	G 0.3537	AA 0.3871	AG 0.0645	GG 0.5484	0.0411*

Alpha- lactoglobulin is a bioactive milk protein

Signal transducer and activation of transcription (*STAT1*)
gene polymorphisms in buffalo

No.	Positions	Location	Types
SNP1	508	5' UTR ¹	G > A
SNP2	1,079	Intron2	C > A
SNP3	1,901	Intron2	A > T
SNP4	2,338	Intron2	T > C
SNP5	2,965	Intron2	A > C
SNP6	3,173	Intron2	T > G
SNP7	3,328	Intron2	G > C
SNP8	3,666	Intron3	G > A
SNP9	4,007	Intron3	T > C
SNP10	5,558	Intron4	G > T
SNP11	5,842	Intron4	T > A
SNP12	11,938	Intron9	A > G
SNP13	15,642	Exon10	G > T
SNP14	29,924	Intron21	G > C
SNP15	30,303	Intron21	C > T
SNP16	31,908	Intron22	G > A
SNP17	33,403	Intron23	T > C
SNP18	38,379	3' UTR	C > A

¹UTR = untranslated region.

STAT1 single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP)	
305-day milk yield	SNP4, SNP10
Protein %	SNP2, SNP5, SNP8, SNP9

STAT1 protein activates the transcription of
hundreds of genes

Relationship of single nucleotide polymorphisms of squalene epoxidase (SQLE)
gene to milk traits in Italian Mediterranean buffalo

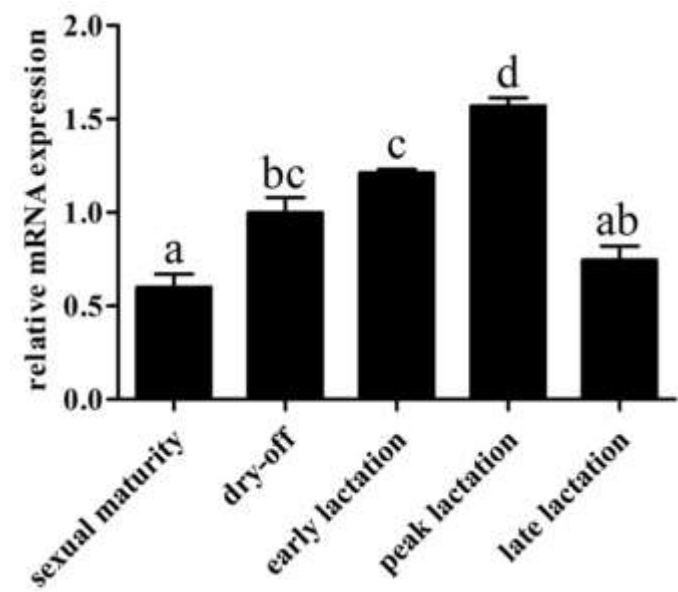
SQLE haplotype combinations and milk traits

	H1H1	H1H3	H2H3	<i>p</i> -Value
FY (kg)	235.78 ± 3.44 ^a	226.97 ± 5.00 ^{ab}	225.02 ± 3.09 ^b	0.03
FP (%)	8.03 ± 0.07 ^a	7.73 ± 0.10 ^b	7.94 ± 0.06 ^{ab}	0.04
PY (kg)	133.33 ± 1.88 ^a	131.63 ± 2.73 ^{ab}	127.80 ± 1.69 ^b	0.04
PP (%)	4.57 ± 0.02	4.53 ± 0.03	4.57 ± 0.02	0.44

SQLE is a key enzyme in cholesterol synthesis

ATP-binding cassette family G member 2 (*ABCG2*) gene
and milk fat content in buffalo

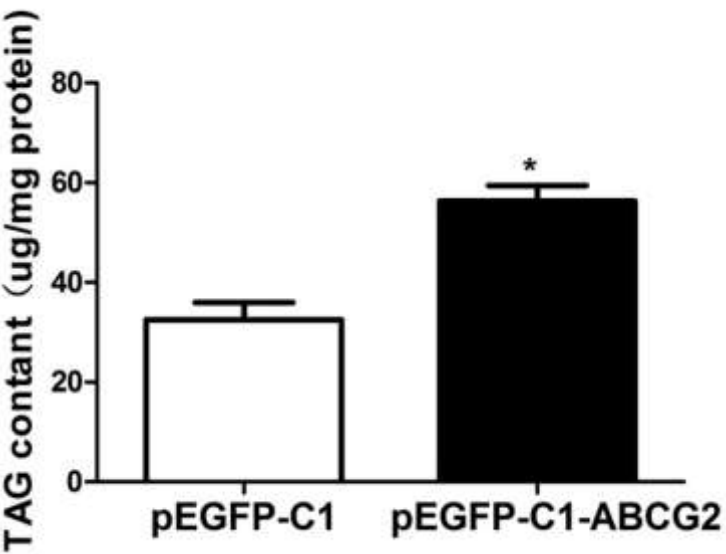
ABCG2 expression



Polymorphisms

SNP	Genotype
c.393 C>T	CC
	CT
	TT
c.471 T>C	TT
	TC
	CC
c.720 C>T	CC
	CT
	TT
c.861 G>A	GG
	GA
	AA
c.1290 C>T	CC
	CT
	TT

ABCG2-induced expression of liposynthesis-related genes and increased triglyceride (TAG) protein in buffalo mammary epithelial cells

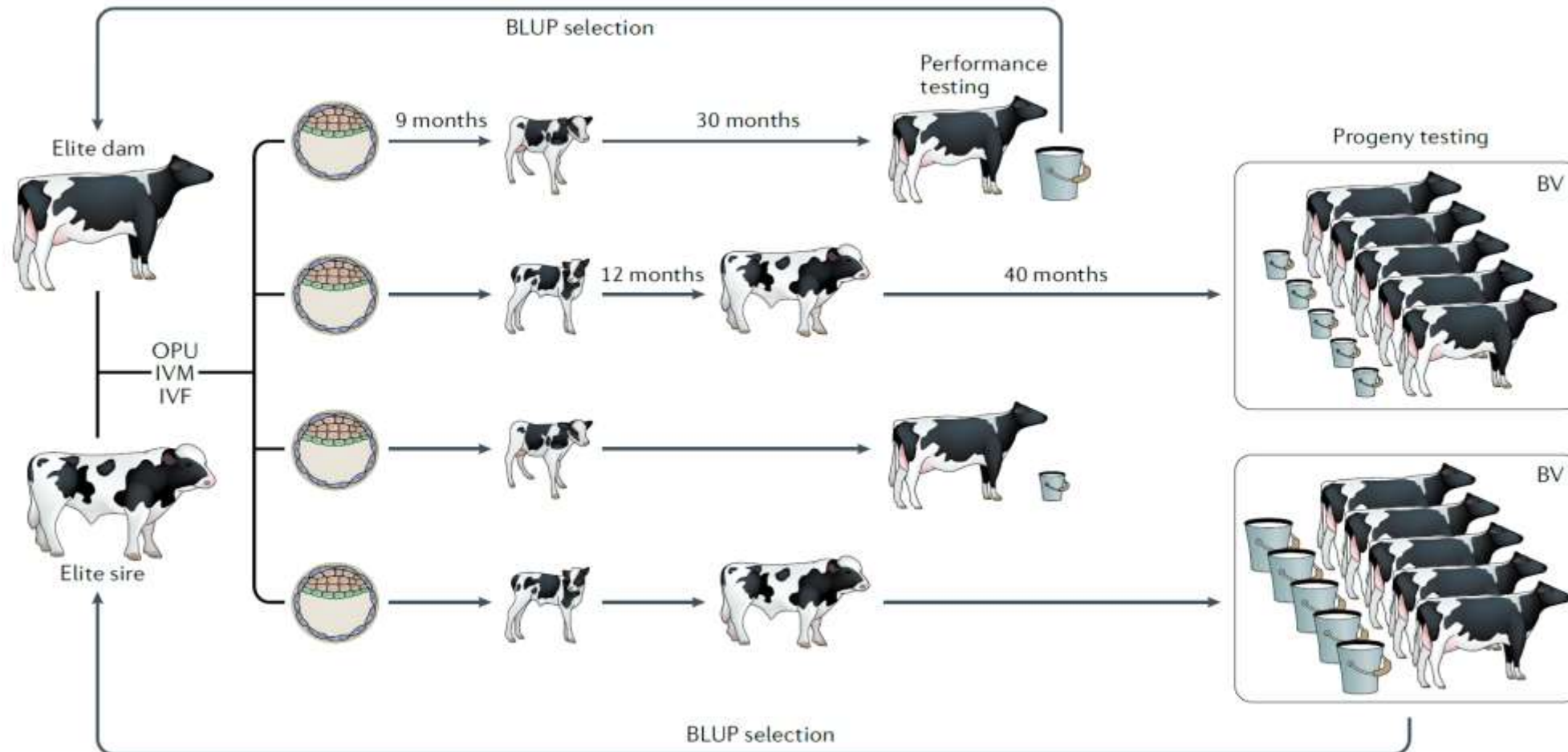


ABCG2 induces proteins involved in transport across cell membranes

Genomic breeding values

Best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP) of breeding value (BV)

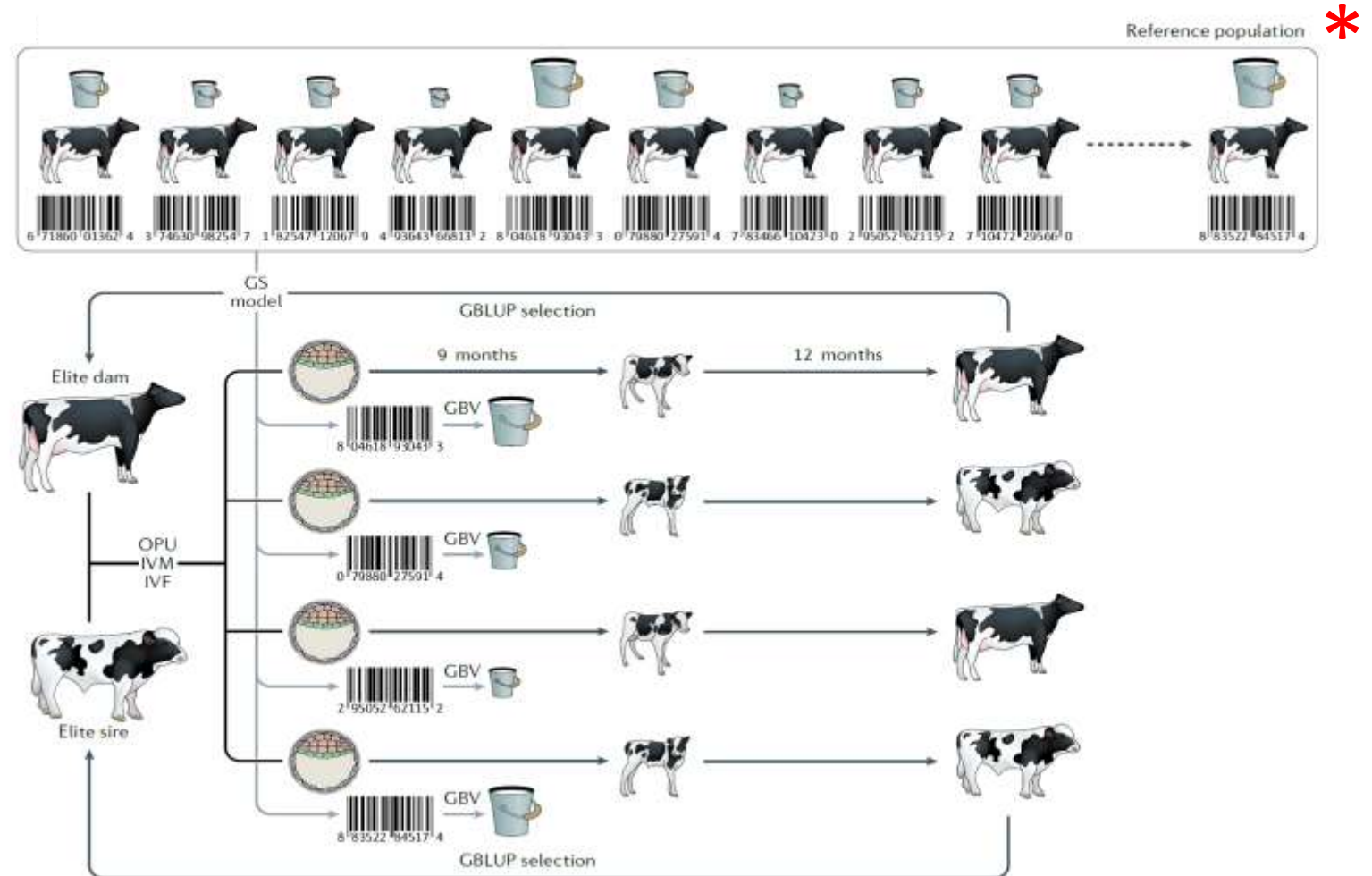
Environmental effects and pedigree information used to determine breeding value (BV)



Genomic best linear unbiased prediction (GBLUP) of breeding value (GBV)

Genotyping with genome-wide single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) arrays to determine genomic breeding value (GBV)

Statistical models for genomic selection (GS)
are trained on a reference population of
animals that have both SNP genotypes and
phenotypic information





Associazione Nazionale Allevatori Specie Bufalina



Bufala Mediterranea Italiana: tecnologie innovative per il miglioramento Genetico

Milk characteristics

Characteristic	Heritability
Production	0.34
Fat kg	0.26
Fat %	0.24
Protein kg	0.31
Protein %	0.34

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Records		Years
Milk production	276,451 cows 743,904 lactations	1984-2019
Morphology	91,966 cows	2004-2022

Prediction accuracy with best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP) and single-step genomic best linear unbiased prediction (ssGBLUP) in Italian buffalo

Report 1

	BLUP	ssGBLUP
Milk	0.60	0.77
Fat	0.55	0.72
Protein	0.57	0.76

Including male and female genotypes improved breeding value accuracy in Italian buffalo

Prediction accuracy for milk production with BLUB and ssGBLUP in Italian buffalo

Report 2

	Mean	Minimum	Maximum
BLUP	0.86	0.24	0.99
ssGBLUP	0.89	0.31	0.99

Genetic gain

$$\Delta G = \frac{r * i * \sigma_g}{N}$$

r accuracy

i selection intensity

σ_g genetic variation

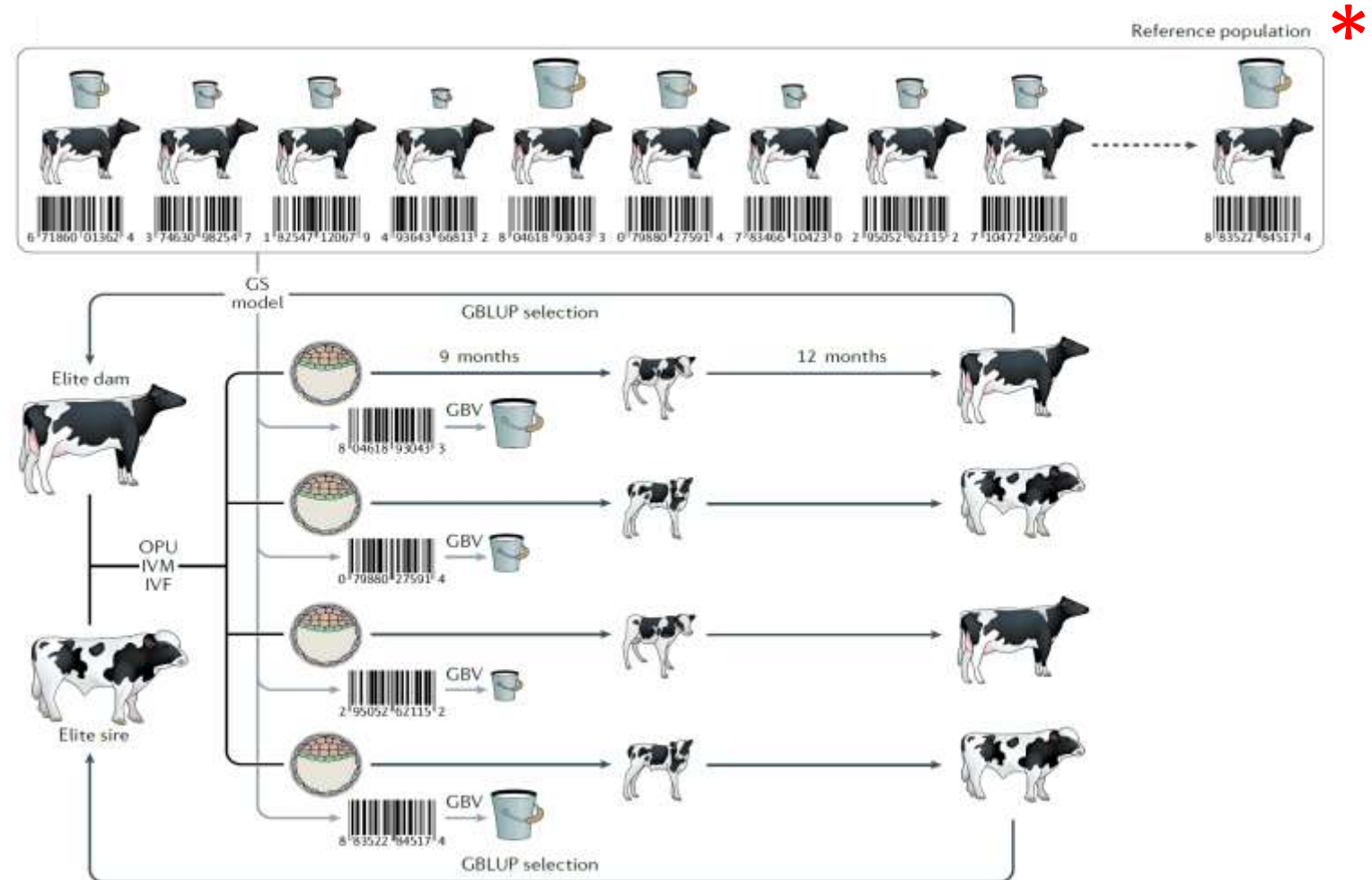
N **generation interval**

Harnessing reproductive technology

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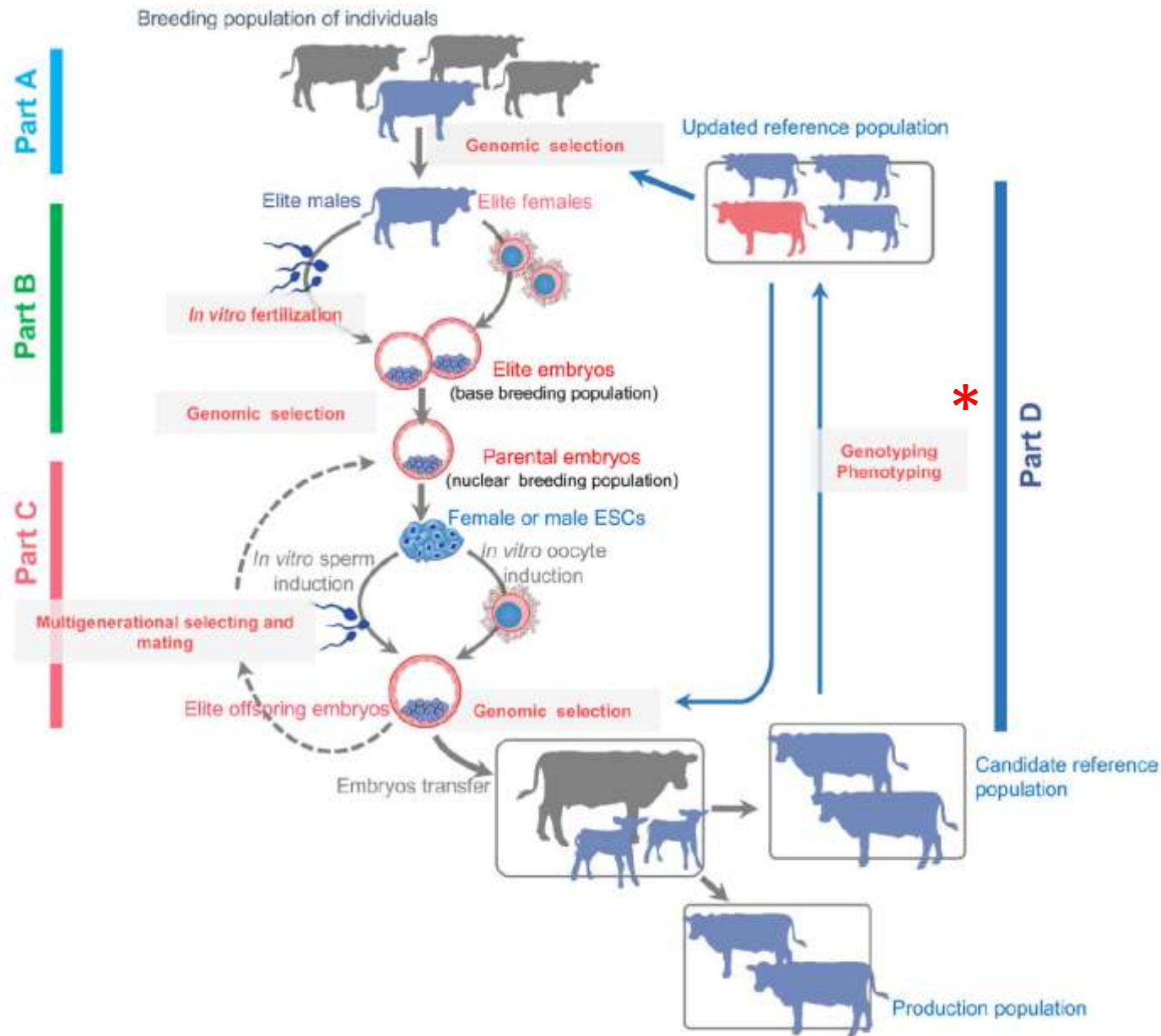


Revolutionize livestock breeding in the future: an animal embryo-stem cell breeding system in a dish

Journal of Animal Science and Biotechnology (2018) 9:90

Embryo-stem cell breeding system

- Part A, nuclear breeding population
- Part B, nuclear population of elite embryos
- Part C, transgenerational breeding cycle from parental embryos and offspring embryos
- Part D, reference population updating



Comparisons of different breeding systems

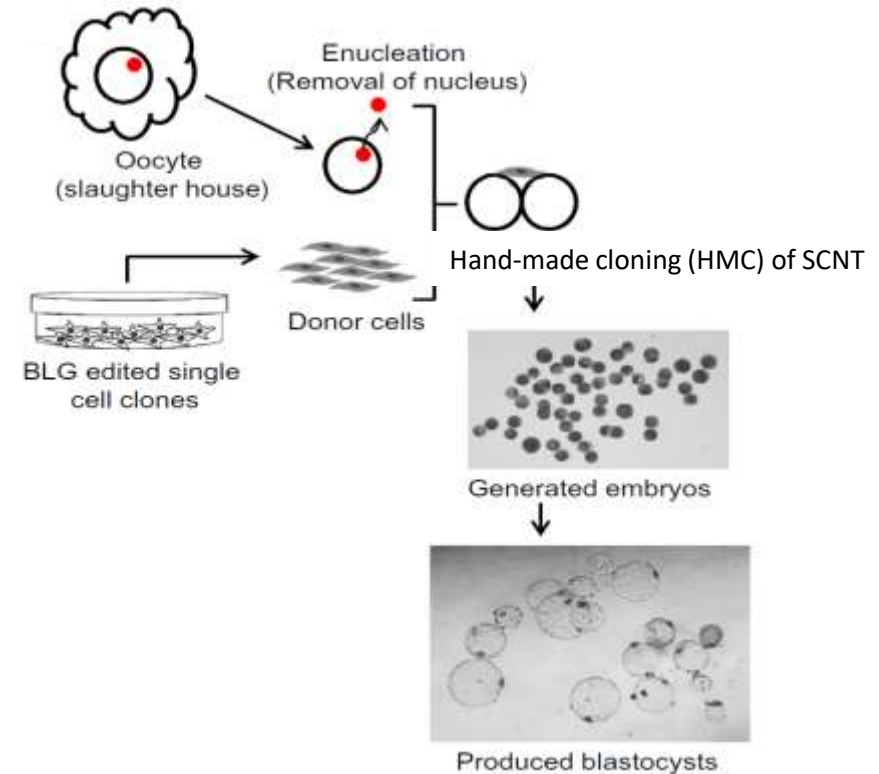
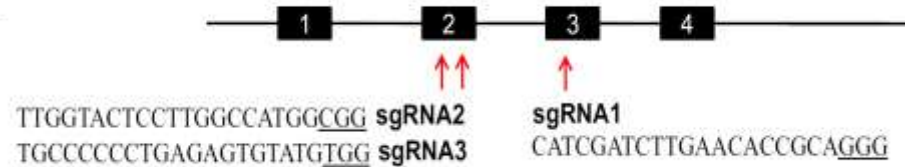
Major breeding elements	Conventional breeding	Genomic selection	Embryo-stem cell breeding
Breeding scheme	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pedigree record	Yes	Yes, can also reconstruct pedigree from genotyping data	Yes, can also reconstruct pedigree from genotyping data
Performance testing	Breeding animals	Only for reference population	Only for reference population
Reference population	No	Yes	Yes
Candidate breeding animal	Individual	Individual, embryo	Embryo
Generation transfer	Individual to individual	Individual to individual	Embryo to embryo
Breeding value	EBV	GBV	eGBV
Gametogenesis	In vivo gametogenesis	In vivo gametogenesis	In vitro induced gametogenesis
Fertilization /Embryo	In vivo fertilization and development; In vitro fertilization and culture	In vivo fertilization and development; In vitro fertilization and culture	In vitro fertilization and culture

CRISPR/Cas gene editing

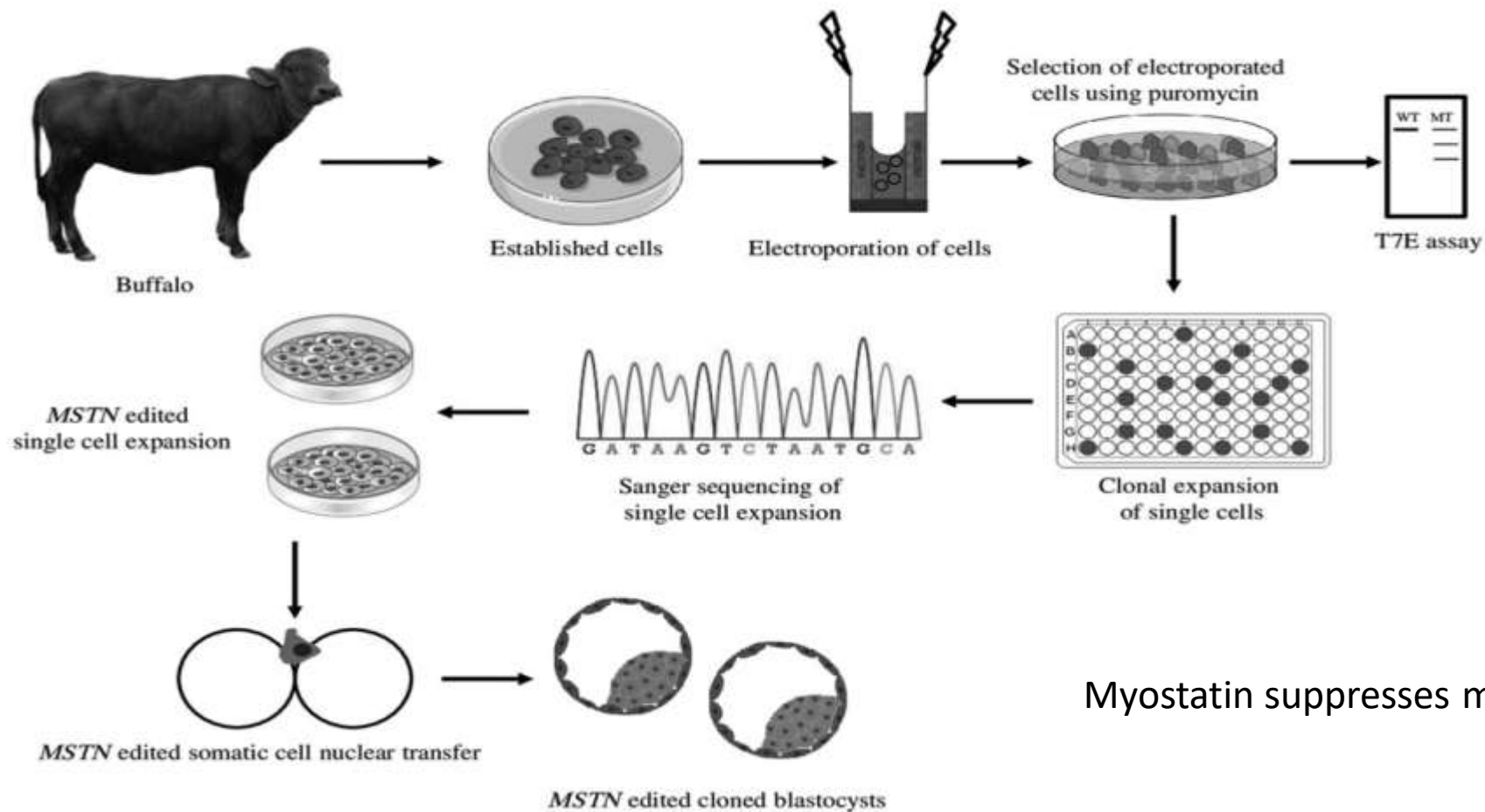
CRISPR-mediated editing of β -lactoglobulin (*BLG*) gene in buffalo

Scientific Reports | (2024) 14:14822

CRISPR/Cas editing of β -lactoglobulin gene exons 2 and 3 with single guide RNAs (sgRNAs) to reduce allergenic property of buffalo milk

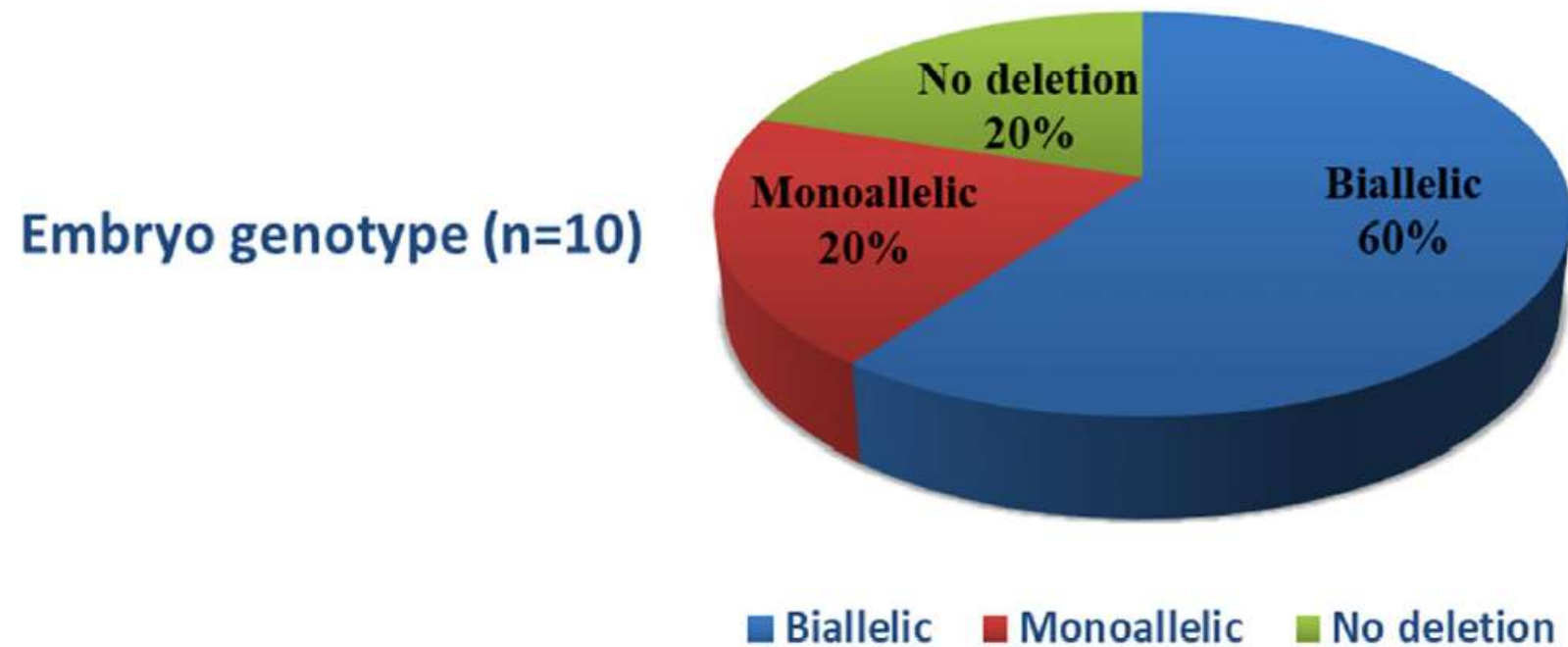


CRISPR plasmids (pX459) containing sgRNAs targeting of myostatin (*MSTN*) gene in buffalo



Myostatin suppresses muscle growth

Efficiency of CRISPR/Cas knockout in buffalo zygotes



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Future perspective

1. Ongoing refinement of animal and milk traits that have local and global importance.
2. Global reference populations to link phenotypes with genotypes.
3. Validation of global reference populations within and between breeds (Mediterranean, Murrah, Nili-Ravi)
4. Use information from reference populations for continued development and broad adoption of genomic breeding values.
5. Strategic use of reproductive technology to accelerate local and global genetic improvement.
6. Establish global consortium to coordinate, integrate and facilitate genetic improvement.
7. New differentiated products for changing global demographics and wealth distribution.

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Buffalo Dairy Waste: From Waste to Resource

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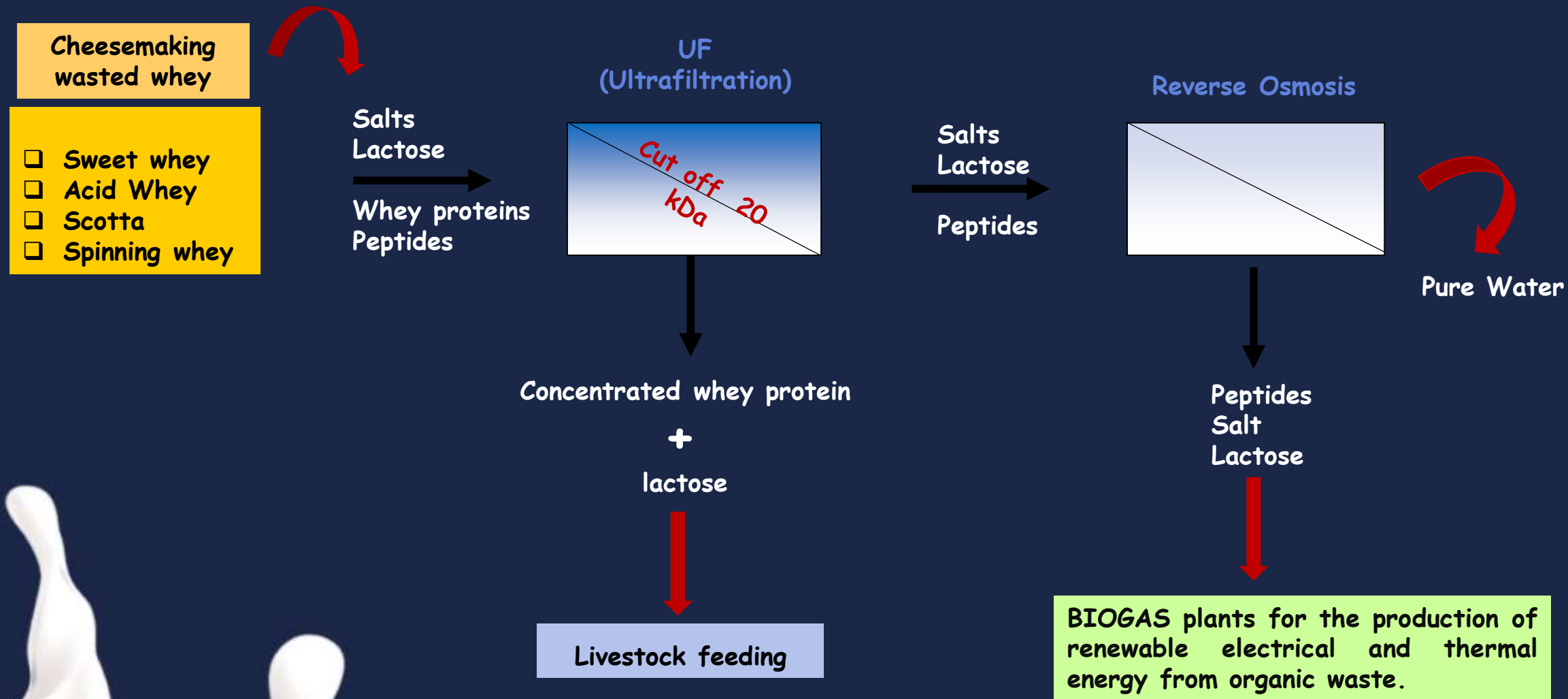
COLLABORATION BETWEEN RESEARCH CENTERS AND BUFFALO DAIRIES: RESULTS

We present the results of the collaboration between buffalo dairies and our research structures for an alternative utilization of dairy effluents, which traditionally were sent to wastewater treatment plants.

In dairies, there are four main effluents:

- sweet whey
- acidic whey
- unused whey starter
- spinning water
- deproteinized whey, known as 'scotta,' left over from Ricotta production

Whey Fractionation and Concentration Process Using Ultrafiltration and Reverse Osmosis





PROGETTO TRASFERIMENTO TECNOLOGICO E DI PRIMA INDUSTRIALIZZAZIONE PER LE IMPRESE INNOVATIVE AD ALTO POTENZIALE PER LA LOTTA ALLE PATOLOGIE ONCOLOGICHE – CAMPANIA TERRA DEL BUONO

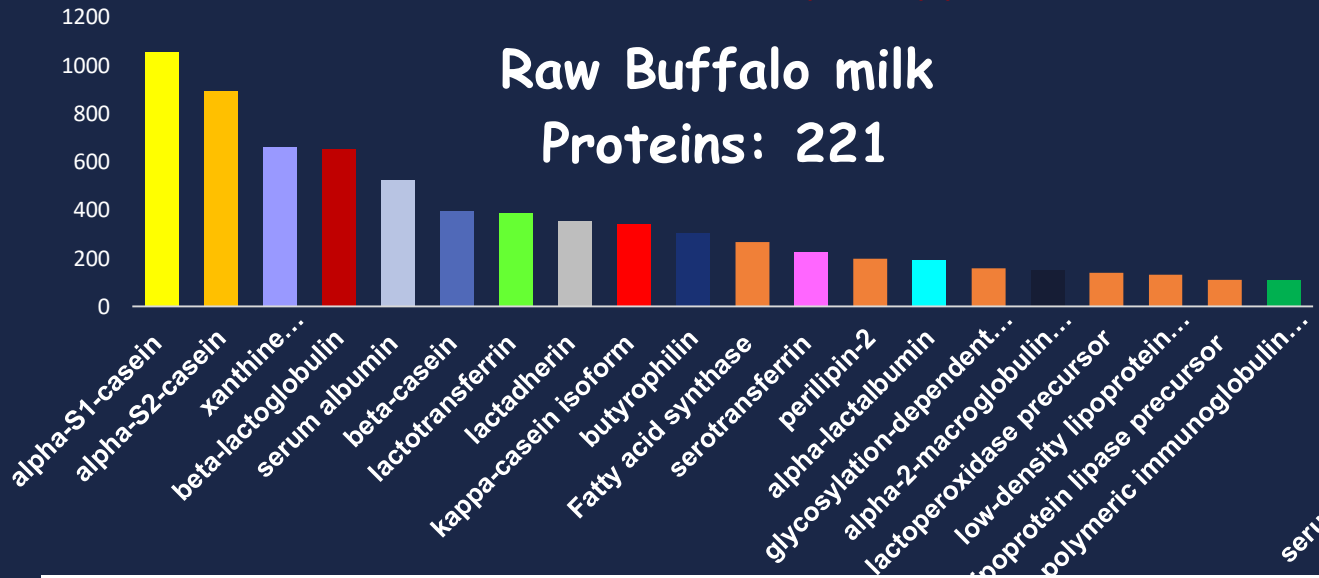
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PROGETTO IABUPO - INTEGRATORI ALIMENTARI DA SIERO BUFALINO PER IL TRATTAMENTO DI PAZIENTI AFFETTI DA PATOLOGIE ONCOLOGICHE: UN'OPPORTUNITÀ PER LA FILIERA BUFALINA IN UN'OTTICA DI ECONOMIA CIRCOLARE

An innovative project financed by the Campania region. The objective was to develop new uses for whey proteins, going beyond their use as animal feed. The project focused on creating supplements for cancer patients, turning a by-product into a valuable resource.

Molecular Characterization of Buffalo Milk and Whey: Proteins and Peptides Analysis

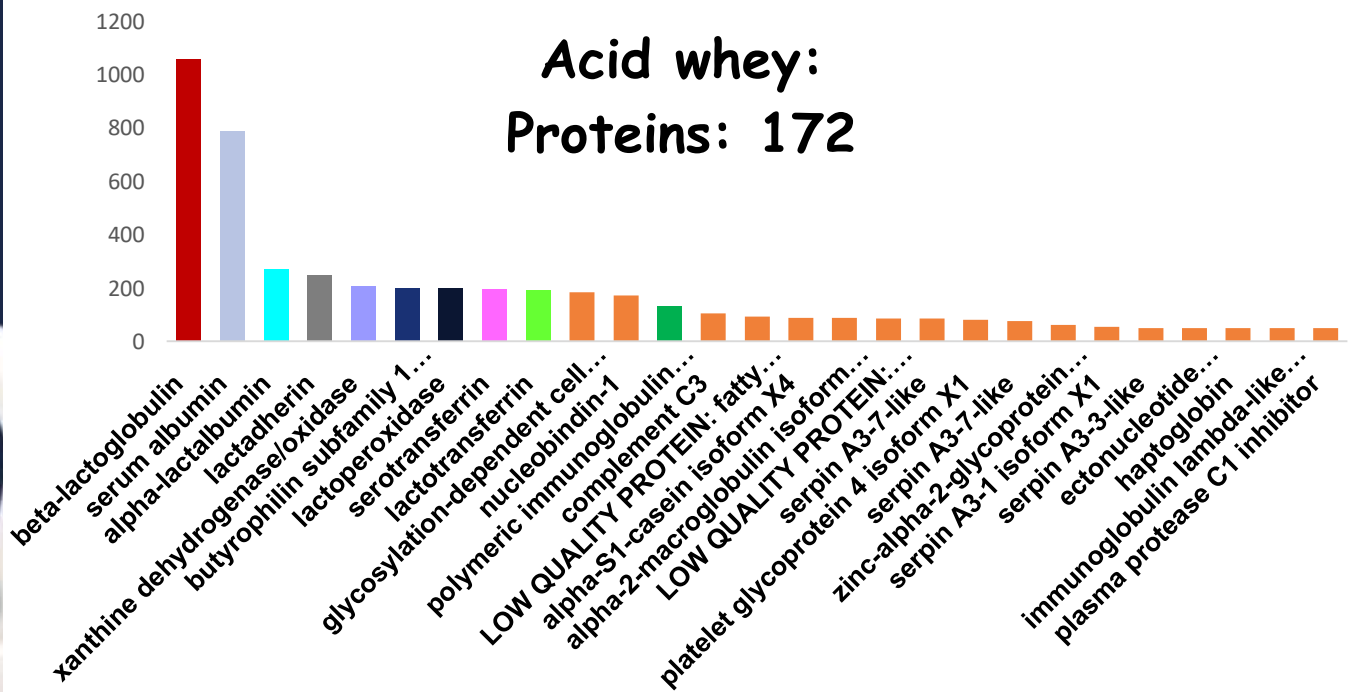
Raw Buffalo milk
Proteins: 221



Sweet whey
Proteins: 125



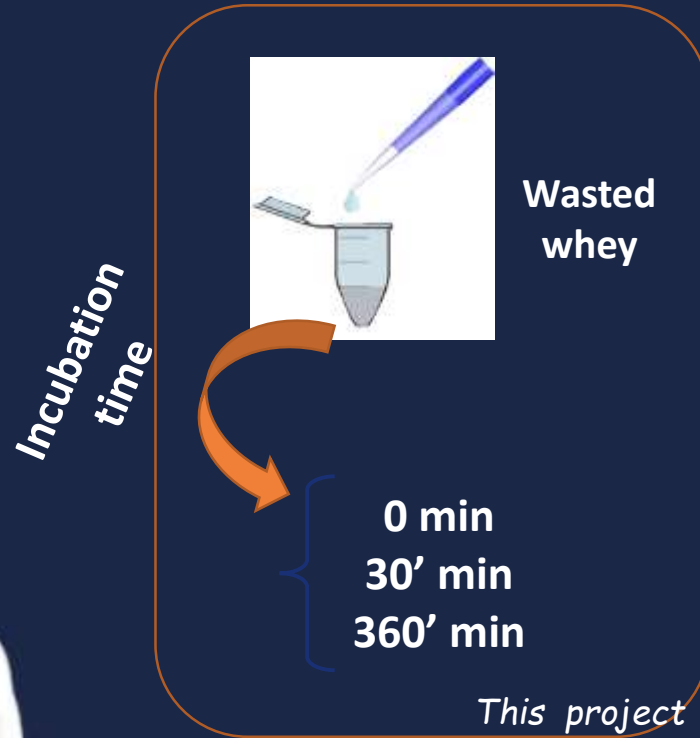
Acid whey:
Proteins: 172



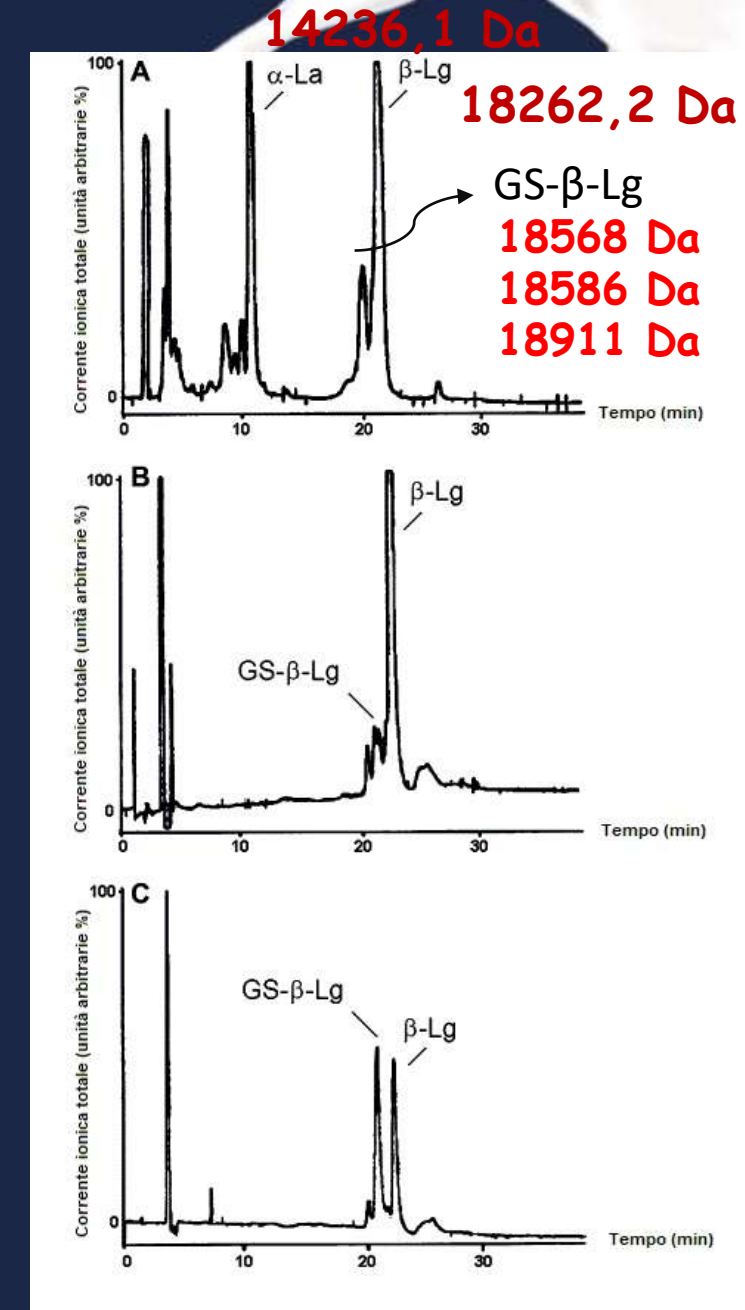
We analyzed buffalo milk and whey, recovering the four main types of effluents from the mozzarella production process. These fluids were fractionated, and we identified the protein and peptide compositions. In buffalo milk, we identified 221 proteins, 125 in sweet whey, and 172 in acidic whey.

Functionalization of Whey Proteins with Bioactive Compounds: Glutathione as a Bioavailability Enhancer

GSSG
Molecular Weight 307.32



This project aimed to use beta-lactoglobulin as a carrier for glutathione, a powerful antioxidant. Glutathione exists in two forms in the body: oxidized (GSSG) and reduced (GSH). We aimed to enhance glutathione's stability and absorption by binding it to beta-lactoglobulin. After six hours of reaction, the protein had bound approximately 50% of the available glutathione.



Buffalo Lactoferrin: Industrial Isolation and Health Applications



We isolated buffalo lactoferrin on an industrial scale.

Like bovine lactoferrin, buffalo lactoferrin carries two iron atoms and plays a key role in iron absorption and as a bacteriostatic agent.

The process is costly but offers promising health benefits and potential uses in nutraceuticals and cosmetics.

Functionalization of Buffalo Lactoferrin with Iron Ions: Enhancing Bioavailability

Functionalization with Fe^{+3} salts



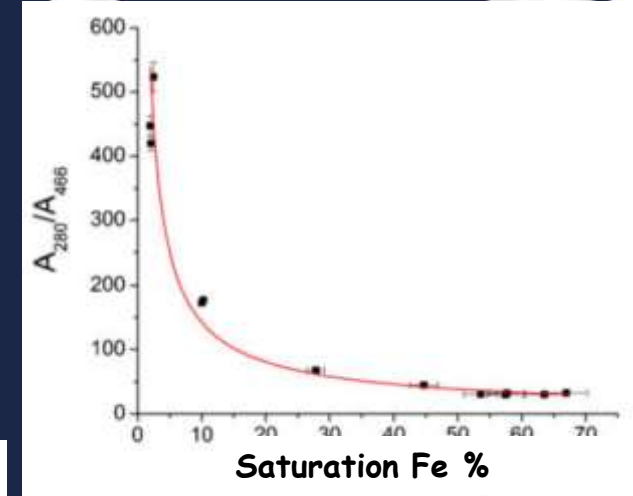
Lactoferrin

sodium citrate treatment

Spectrophotometer

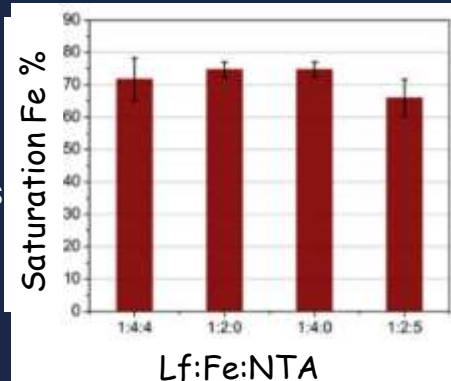


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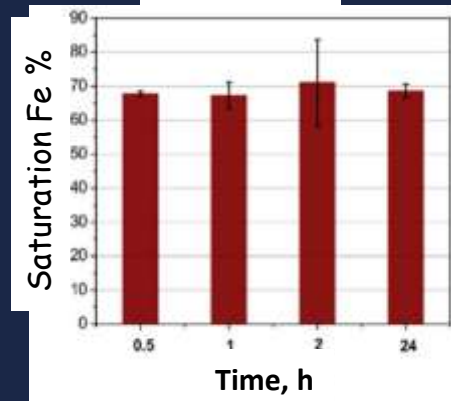
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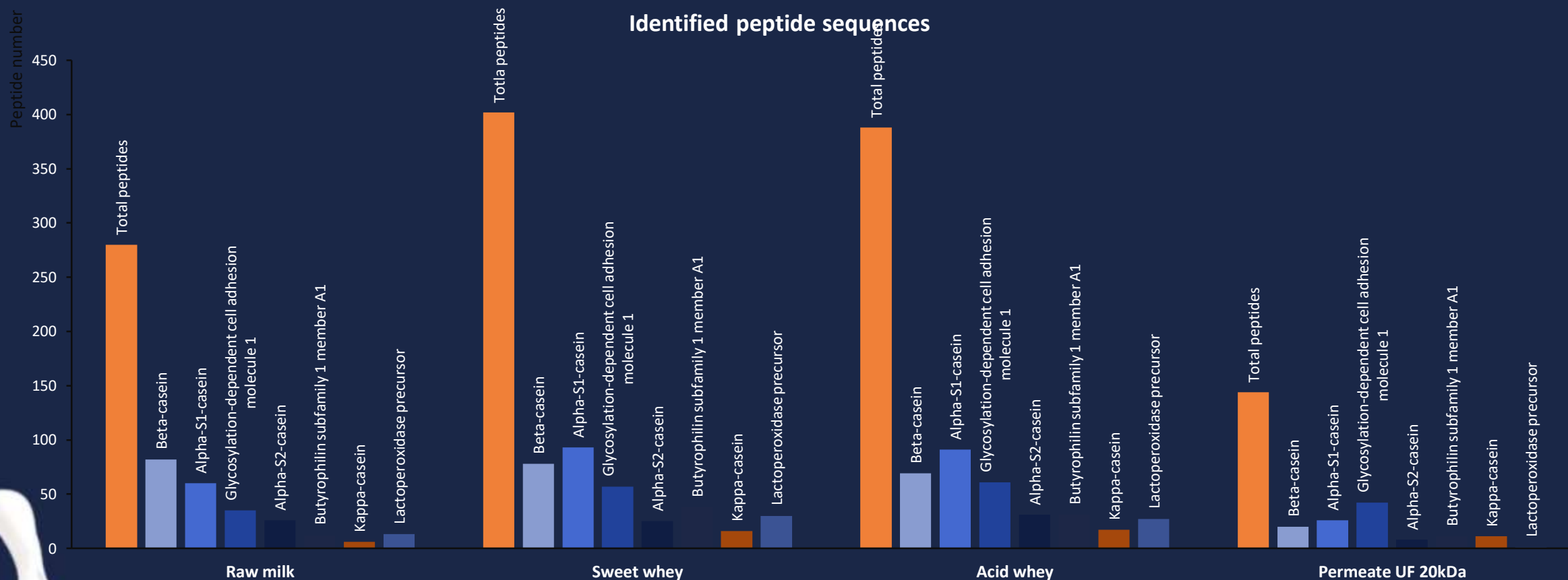
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Change incubation times



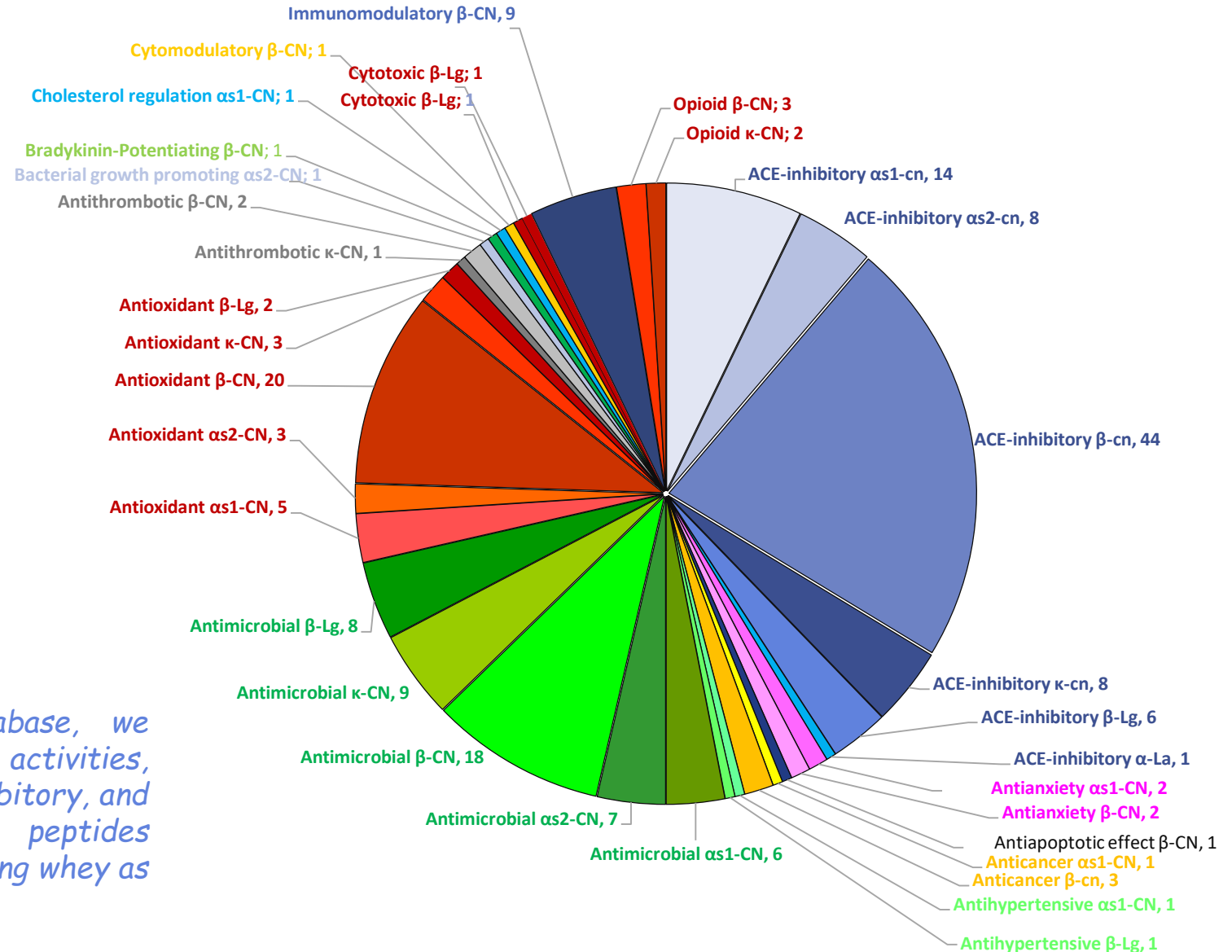
In this slide, we show the process of enriching buffalo lactoferrin with additional iron ions. This can support hemoglobin synthesis and prevent iron deficiency anemia. We optimized the conditions for iron binding, achieving a functionalization rate of over 85% at a pH of 5.0.

Peptide Profiles in Buffalo Milk and Whey: Identification and Origins



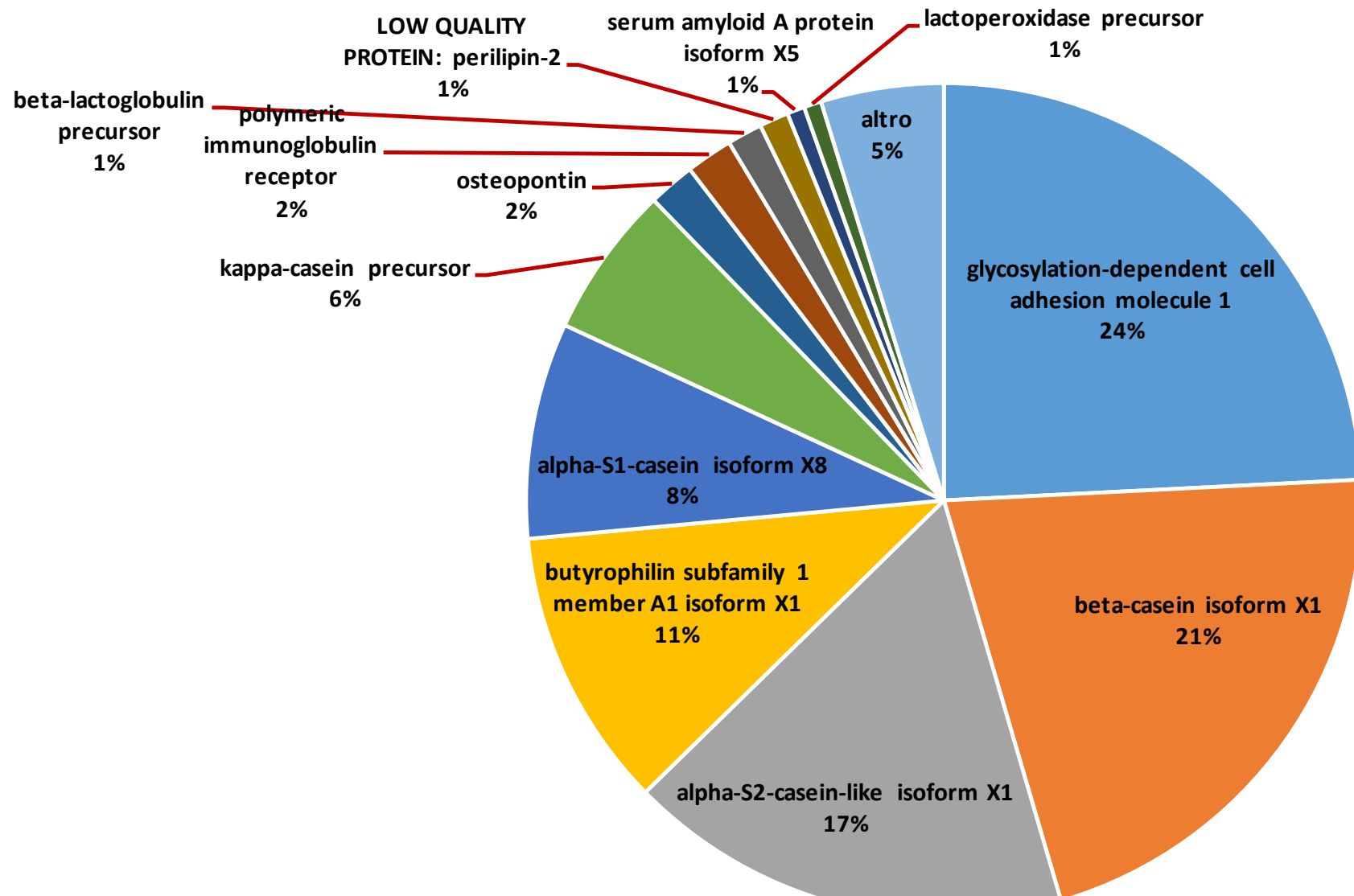
This slide provides an overview of the peptides identified in buffalo milk, sweet whey, acidic whey, and permeate. The total number of peptides was significantly higher in whey compared to milk and permeate. We also traced the origin of these peptides to understand their formation.

Bioactive Peptides in Whey: Potential Health Benefits



Using the Milk Bioactive Peptide Database, we identified peptides with various biological activities, including antimicrobial, antioxidant, ACE-inhibitory, and anticancer properties. These bioactive peptides highlight the potential health benefits of using whey as a base for functional beverages

Phosphopeptide Identification in Whey: Detecting Cold Storage Markers



We identified 442 phosphopeptides, with the largest number coming from GLYCAM, a protein associated with milk freezing and thawing. These phosphopeptides can be used as markers to determine if frozen milk was used in mozzarella production.

Phosphopeptides Applications: Nutraceuticals, Biomedical, and Food Additives

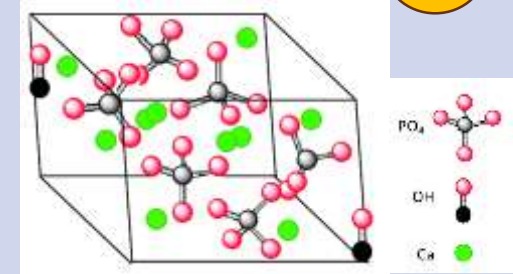
Patent n. 1404716

<<Preparation of a new product consisting of phosphopeptides immobilized on hydroxyapatite for nutraceutical and (other) innovative purposes>>

Key Claims of the Patent

- ❑ **Selective Isolation:** A fast and efficient system for the selective isolation of phosphoproteins and casein phosphopeptides (CPP) in complexes with hydroxyapatite (HA).
- ❑ **Nutraceutical Formulation:** The HA-phosphopeptide complex forms the basis of a nutraceutical product for use as a food additive or in biomedical applications.
- ❑ **High-Value Food Ingredient:** The HA-phosphopeptide complex can be used to make milk a functional food, enhancing its health benefits.
- ❑ **Phosphopeptide Recovery:** Quantitative recovery of phosphopeptides from complex mixtures, ensuring selective recovery of phosphorylated proteins.
- ❑ **Edibility and Taste:** The matrix used for immobilizing phosphopeptides is edible and does not impart a bitter taste, making it suitable for the food industry.
- ❑ **Dental and Bone Health:** Use of the HA-phosphopeptide complex for mineralization of dental plaque, as an ingredient in toothpaste, and for increasing the bioavailability of minerals to prevent osteoporosis and other calcium-deficiency diseases.
- ❑ **By-Products:** The non-phosphorylated peptides can be used as bioactive peptides, such as casomorphins and antihypertensive peptides, or as a nitrogen source for microorganisms.
- ❑ **Aquaculture:** Application of the HA-phosphopeptide complex as a growth initiator for eggshell formation in aquaculture and in the artificial breeding of bivalve mollusks and coral.

Hydroxyapatite HA



Protein and/or Peptide mixtures





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PON "Ricerca e Innovazione" 2014-2020 - Asse II; Area di specializzazione
"Agrifood"

PROTOTIPO DI BURRATA DI BUFALA

Ingredienti-Ripieno: Crema di latte di bufala pastorizzato (>90°C), Proteine di latte di bufala, proteine del siero concentrate e idrolizzate. Involucro: latte di bufala pastorizzato, sieroinnesto naturale, sale, caglio.

Prodotto da Caseificio Cirigliana s.r.l.
Nello stabilimento in Via Saudina 20
81053 Riardo (Ce)



**3 mg di peptidi / 100
mg di polvere**



**0,1 % di polvere di
idrolizzato proteico**

This prototype burrata was developed using buffalo whey concentrate in collaboration with the Cirigliana dairy under the ALIFUN project. The product is enriched with hydrolyzed protein, enhancing its nutritional value.

From Thesis to Market: Development of a New Buffalo Whey Product

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Gianpiero Calzolari, *Presidente Granarolo*



This innovative product originates from a university thesis by a student who developed a new product based on concentrated buffalo whey. The product was created by hydrolyzing whey proteins with non-human digestive enzymes, producing bioactive peptides.

PEPTIDES FROM ENZYMATIC HYDROLYSIS OF 12% WHEY PROTEINS

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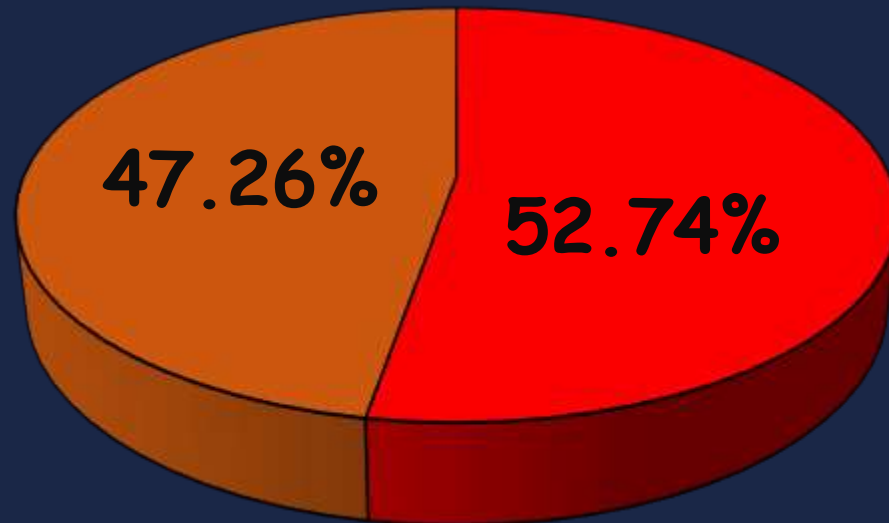
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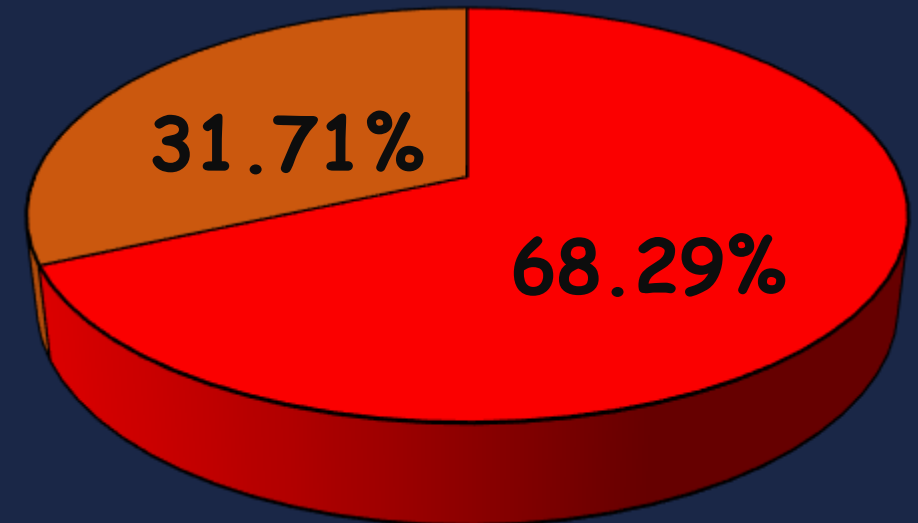


PEPTIDES IDENTIFIED IN SPRAY-DRIED AND 12% CONCENTRATED WHEY AFTER HYDROLYSIS
WITH ALCALASE® Food grade

ACE-INHIBITORY



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Whey proteins undergo progressive digestion during incubation with **alcalase®**.

The process leads to the formation of shorter peptides that include amino acid sequences recognized for their **ACE-Inhibitory**, antithrombotic and antihypertensive activities.

The peptide content varies between spray-dried whey and concentrated whey.

Absorptomics: A New Frontier in Nutrition Science






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In vivo absorptomics: Identification of bovine milk-derived peptides in human plasma after milk intake


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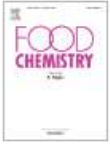



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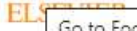
Recent developments in peptidomics for the quali-quantitative analysis of food-derived peptides in human body fluids and tissues

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Beyond the gut: Investigating the mechanism of formation of β -casomorphins in human blood





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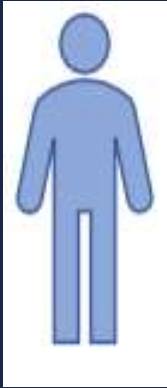
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Ex vivo degradation of β -Casomorphin-7 by human plasma peptidases: Potential implications for peptide systemic effects

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Monitoring the absorption of peptides into the bloodstream of 10 volunteers who consumed "ravioli" pasta filled with high-protein buffalo ricotta,

Volunteers: 1,210



Ravioli» pasta (250 g)

Recipe:

- wheat flour
- buffalo ricotta containing 10% milk
- eggs



Blood draw at different time points:
0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, and 24h
from the meal (250 g)

Peptides
purification
procedure

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MS/MS

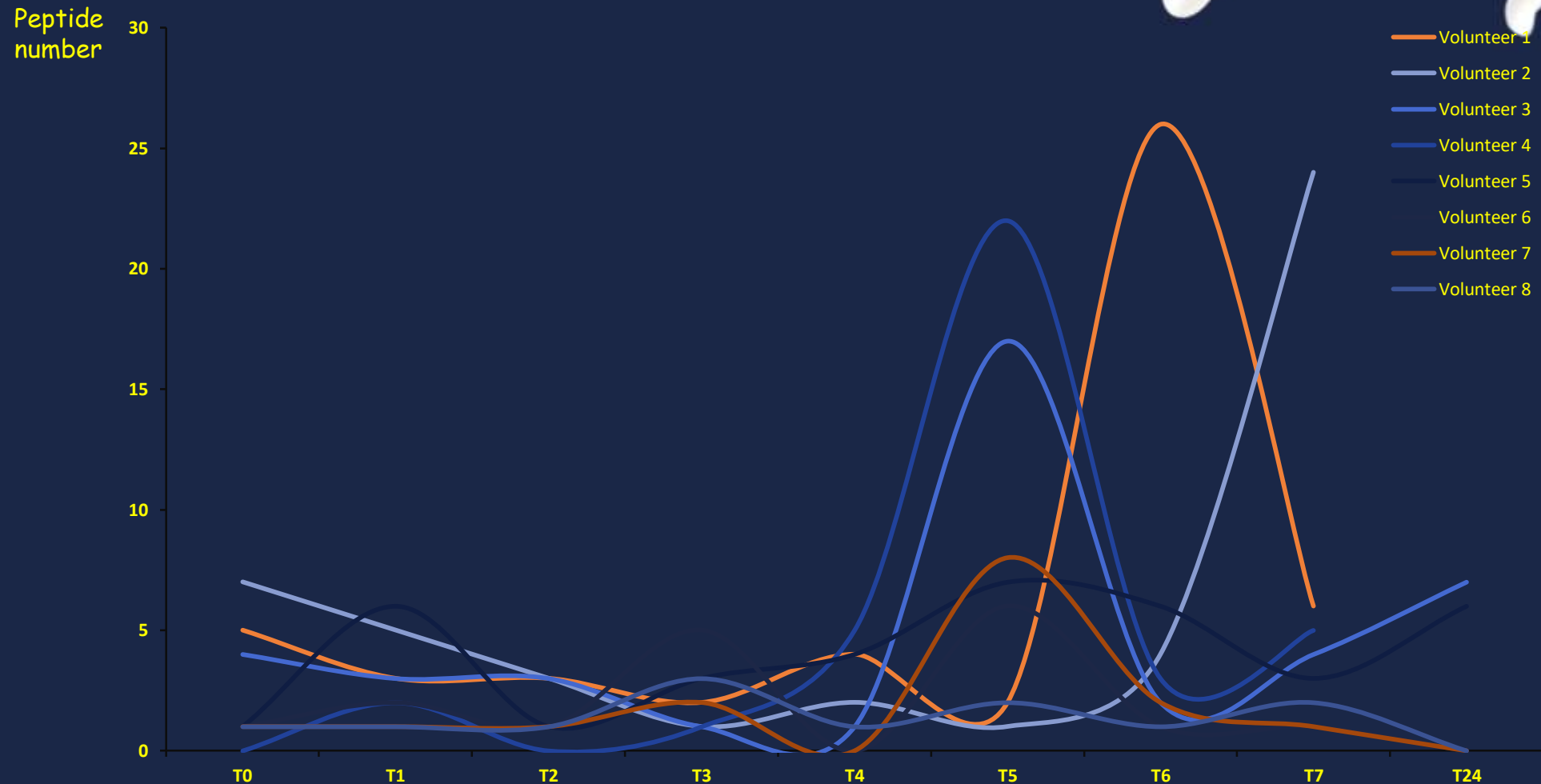
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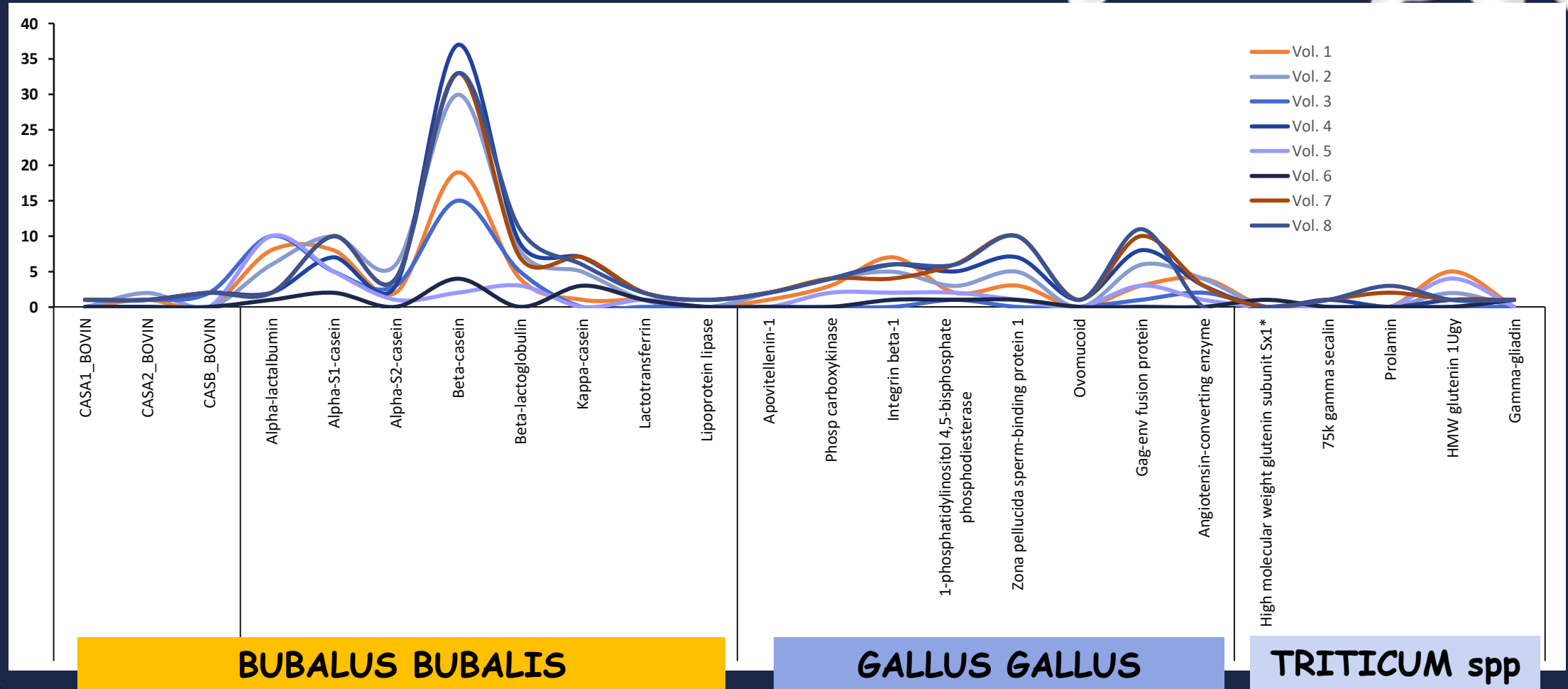
- buffalo Ricotta
cheese
- wheat
- eggs

Peptide Absorption Kinetics: Variability Among Volunteers



The results show significant variation in the number of circulating peptides between subjects, with the peak occurring between 5 and 7 hours after the meal. We also tracked peptide elimination through urine.

Origin and Circulation Time of Identified Peptides: Buffalo, Chicken, and Wheat Proteins



Comparison of Beta-Lactoglobulin and Alpha-Lactalbumin Peptides in Blood and Enzymatic Hydrolysates

Sequence	Mass	Description	species	Start	End
AIVQNNDSTE	1089,5	Alpha-lactalbumin	Buffalo	40	49
GYDTQ	582,23	Alpha-lactalbumin	Buffalo	35	39
KDLKDY	780,4	Alpha-lactalbumin	Buffalo	13	18
LACAAQAIIVT	1072,6	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	-6	4
DAQSAPLRVY	1118,6	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	33	42
LKPTPEGDLE	1097,6	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	46	55
KKIIAEKTKIP	1267,8	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	69	79
ALNENKVLVL	1111,7	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	86	95
DTDYKKY	931,43	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	96	102
LVRTPEVDDE	1171,6	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	122	131
LKALPMHIRLS	1277,8	Beta-lactoglobulin	Buffalo	140	150

We compared the beta-lactoglobulin and alpha-lactalbumin peptides identified in volunteers' blood with those generated through enzymatic hydrolysis. None of the peptides in the blood were identical to those produced by hydrolysis, demonstrating the unique activity of enzymatically derived peptides.

PROSALAB Project: Health-Promoting Products from Buffalo Milk



POR CAMPANIA FESR 2014/2020

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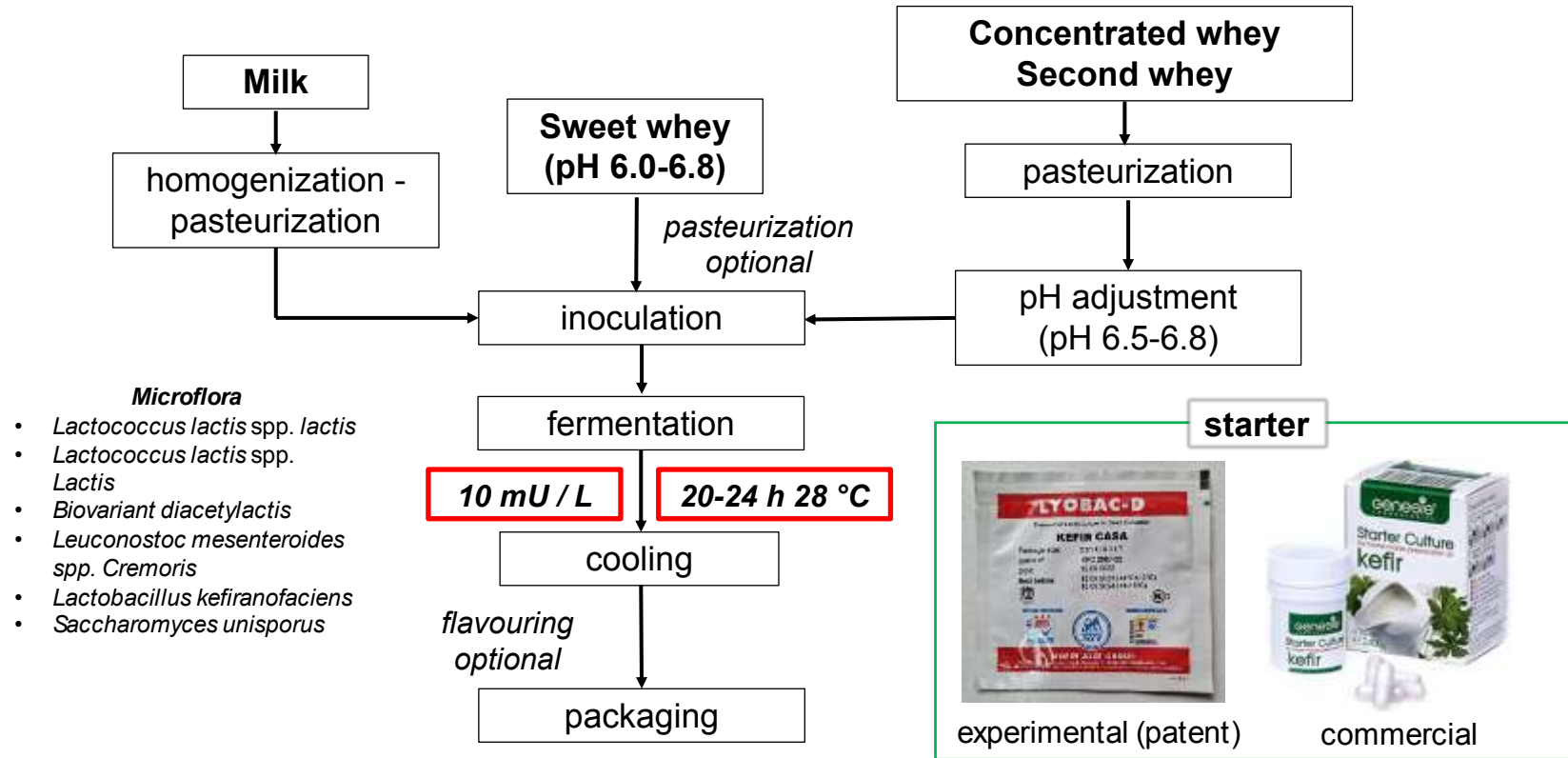
Progetto PROSALAB: Nuovi PROdotti SALutistici dal LATte di Bufala sano

Soggetto proponente: Aziende Agricole Associate (Cancello Arnone, Caserta)

As part of the PROSALAB project, developed with Azienda Agricole Associate, we created new health-promoting products from buffalo milk. One of the key innovations was the development of buffalo kefir, a fermented beverage with numerous health benefits.

Technology for Kefir Production from Buffalo Milk and Whey By-products

Kefir from buffalo milk and from byproducts of Mozzarella cheese manufacturing



This slide outlines the technological process for producing kefir from buffalo milk and whey by-products. The process involves pasteurization, inoculation, fermentation, and optional flavoring before packaging, with the final product offering numerous health benefits.

Kefir Varieties and Health Benefits from Whey and Concentrated Whey



We expanded kefir production to include versions made from whey and concentrated whey. Buffalo whey kefir contains about 1% protein, making it a refreshing beverage, while kefir from concentrated whey provides a high-protein option, ideal for athletes.

Kefiran: The Key Difference Between Kefir and Yogurt

The key difference between kefir and yogurt is the presence of kefiran, a polysaccharide produced during kefir fermentation.

Kefiran has antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and antimicrobial properties, and has attracted commercial interest for its potential health benefits.

Kefiran Production from Ricotta Whey: A New Functional Ingredient.

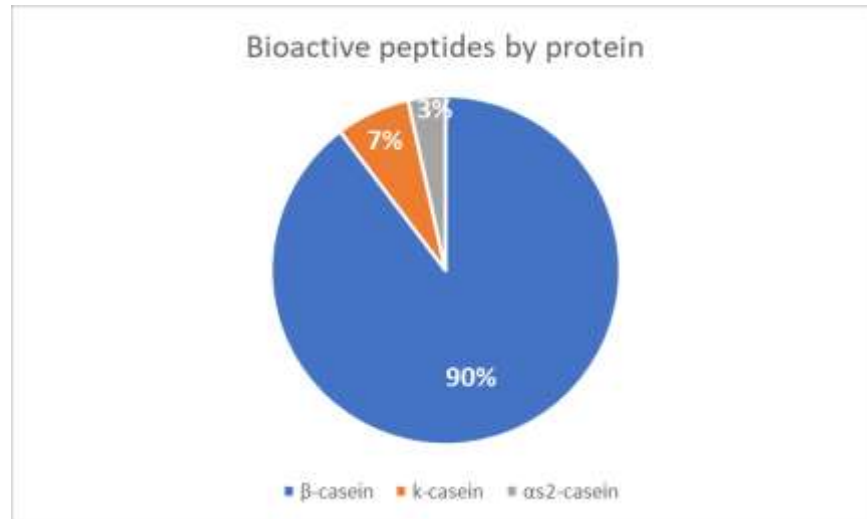
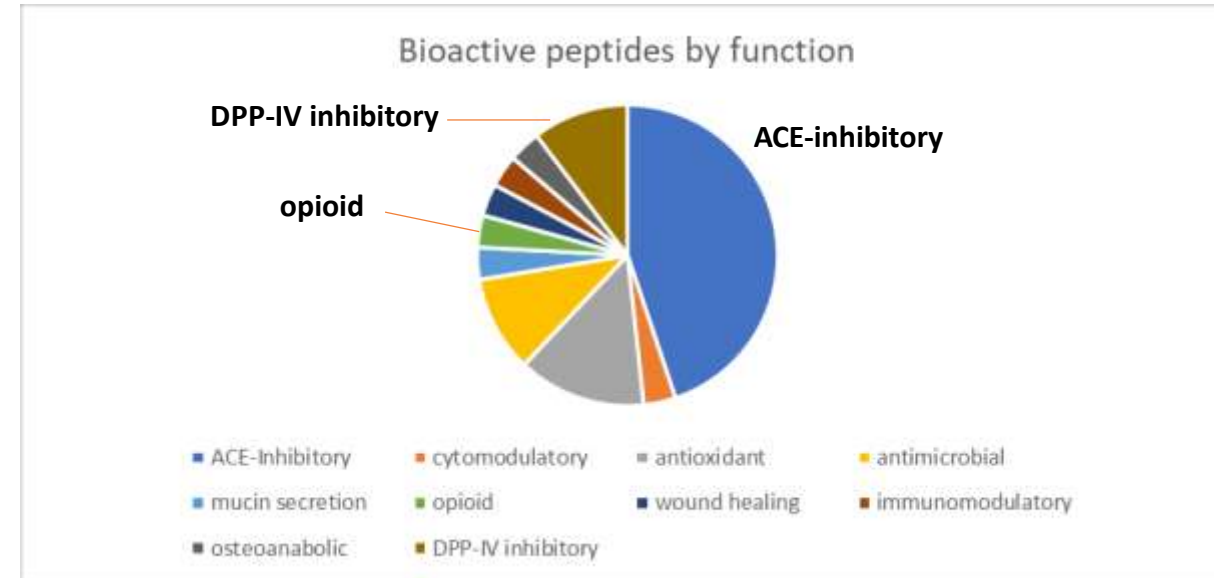
Obtained by fermenting the deproteinized whey with a starter rich in *Lactobacillus kefiranofaciens*, we produced kefiran, which increased the viscosity of the liquid. This innovation has already attracted interest from the Probiotal company for use as a supplement and in cosmetics.

Kefirani



Classification of bioactive peptides released in buffalo milk kefir

Peptides	Species Homology	Functions	Protein IDs
Grouped Results:	Homo sapiens: 2	ACE-inhibitory: 13	P05814: 2
	Bos taurus: 26	Cytomodulatory: 1	P02666: 25
	Bubalus bubalis: 1	Antioxidant: 4	P02668: 1
		Antimicrobial: 3	A0A1L6KYI1: 1
		Increase mucin secretion: 1	
		Opioid: 1	
		Wound healing: 1	
		Immunomodulatory: 1	
		Osteoanabolic: 1	
		DPP-IV Inhibitory: 2	
		Prolyl endopeptidase-inhibitory: 1	
Total Counts:	26	11	4

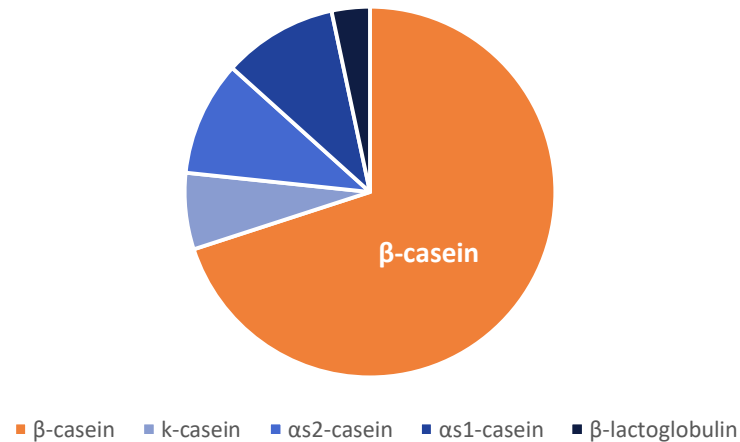


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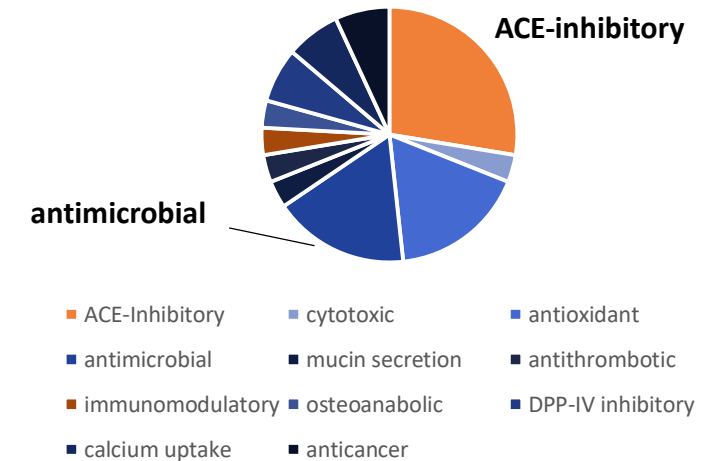
Classification of bioactive peptides released in buffalo whey kefir

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Grouped Results:		Bos taurus: 26	Antioxidant: 5	P02662: 3
		Bubalus bubalis: 1	Increase calcium uptake: 2	P02666: 20
		Bos spp: 1	ACE-inhibitory: 8	P02754: 1
		Capra hircus: 1	Antimicrobial: 5	P02668: 2
			Prolyl endopeptidase-inhibitory: 1	A0A1L6KYI1: 1
			Cytotoxic: 1	A0A344X7B9: 1
			Antithrombotic: 1	P33048: 1
			Osteoanabolic: 1	
			DPP-IV Inhibitory: 1	
			Anticancer: 2	
			Antithrombotic: 1	
			Immunomodulatory: 1	
Total Counts:	25	4	12	7

Bioactive peptides by protein



Bioactive peptides by function

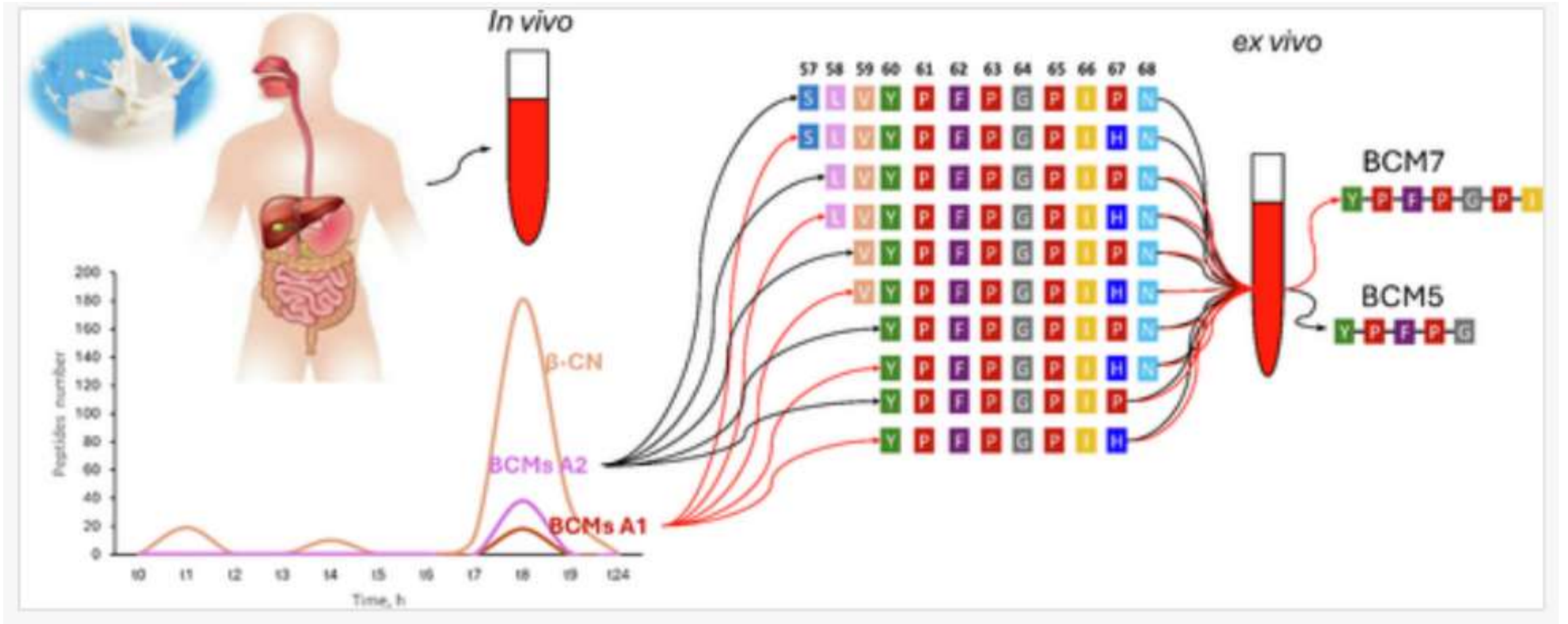


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CONCLUSIONS

- Buffalo dairy can make significant progress by closely collaborating with research institutes and universities.
- Scientific innovation combined with dairy tradition offers unprecedented opportunities to improve production processes and create new products with high added value.
- Scientific research can provide tools for optimizing resources, such as the use of whey and other by-products, while reducing waste and increasing sustainability.
- Furthermore, collaboration with researchers can pave the way for innovative products, such as buffalo kefir, phosphopeptides and kefirans, with applications not only in food but also in nutraceuticals and cosmetics.
- By working together, dairies and research institutes can not only respond to market needs, but also anticipate new trends, ensuring a future of growth and success for the buffalo sector.

Monitoring Peptide Absorption from Buffalo Ricotta in Human Blood





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RESEARCH PAPER

Simultaneously tracing the geographical origin and presence of bovine milk in Italian water buffalo Mozzarella cheese using MALDI-TOF data of casein signature peptides

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A Genotyping Method for Detecting Foreign Buffalo Material in Mozzarella di Bufala Campana Cheese Using Allele-Specific- and Single-Tube Heminested-Polymerase Chain Reaction

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PRECURSORS OF BIOACTIVE PEPTIDES AFTER ALCALASE ACTION

PEPTIDE	MW (Da)	SOURCE	ACTIVITY	REFERENCE
QTPVV VPPF	982,54877	β -CN (f84-86)	ACE-inhibitory	Nakamura et al., (1995)
SQS KVLPVPQ	1081,6132	β -CN (f169-174)	ACE-inhibitory	Maeno et al., (1996)
SQS KVLPVPQ	1081,6132	β -CN (f169-175)	ACE-inhibitory	Maeno et al., (1996)
LQ DKIH PF	996,53927	β -CN (f47-52)	ACE-inhibitory	Gobbetti et al., (2000)
HK EMPFPK YPVEPF	1744,8647	β -CN (f108-113)	Antihypertensive	Pihlanto-Leppala et al., (1998)
MAIPPKKNQDK TEIPTIN	2037,0929	κ -CN (f106-116)	Antithrombotic	Fiat and Jollée (1989); Jollès et al., (1986); Schlimme and Meisel (1995)
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NQDK TEIPTIN	1271,6357	κ -CN (f113-116)	Antithrombotic	Fiat and Jollée (1989); Jollès et al., (1986); Schlimme and Meisel (1995)
A IPPKKN	766,47012	κ -CN (f108-110)	Antihypertensive	Nakamura et al., (1995)
AIPPKKNQD	1009,5556	κ -CN (f128-136)	ACE-inhibitory	Shuang et al., (2008)
DTDYKKY LLF	1304,6653	β -Lg (f103-105)	ACE-inhibitory	Hernandez-Ledesma et al., (2002)
ALPM HIR	836,46908	β -Lg (f147-148)	ACE-inhibitory	Mullally et al., (1996)
HI RLS FNPT	1083,5825	β -Lg (f148-149)	ACE-inhibitory	Mullally et al., (1996)
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DKALK ALPM	985,56304	β -Lg (f142-145)	ACE-inhibitory	Murakami et al., (2004)
DAQSAPLRVY	1118.572	β -Lg (f49-58)	ACE-inhibitory	Tavares et al., (2011)
LVR TPEVDDEALEK	1612,8308	β -Lg (f141-151)	DPP-IV Inhibitory	Silveira et al., (2013)
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BUFFALO DAIRY PRODUCTS IN THE WORLD

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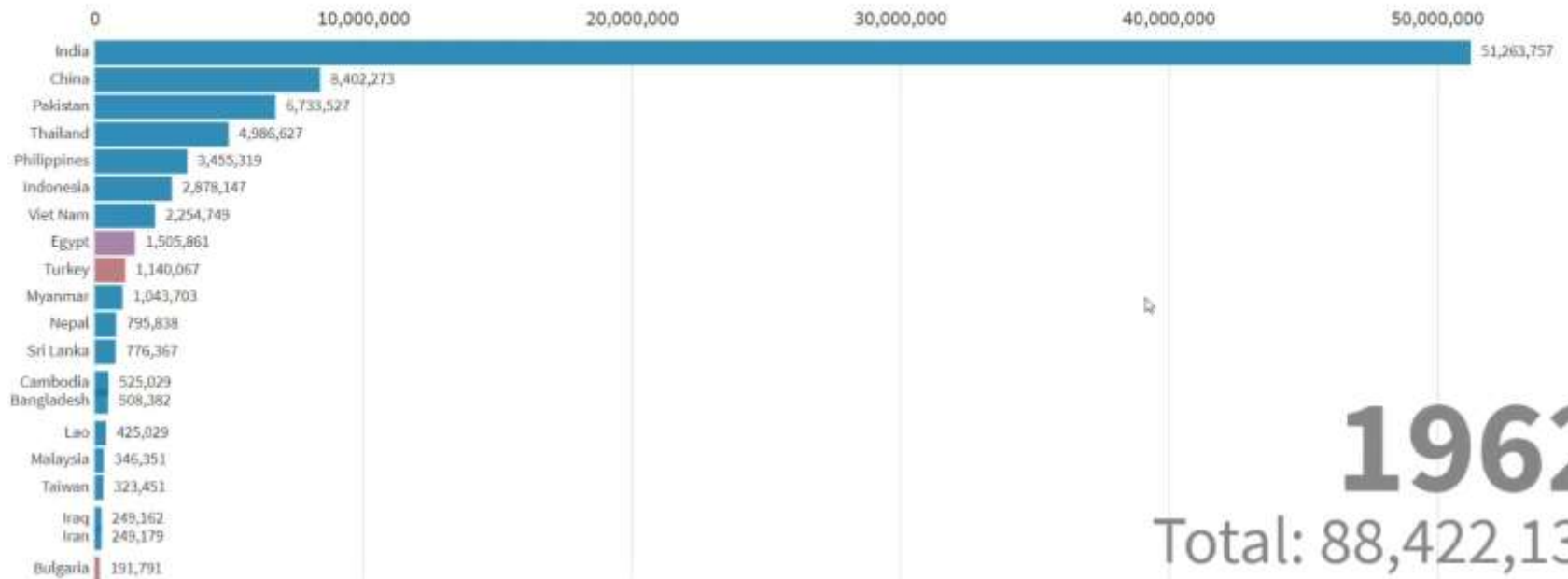


TARGET

Bubalus bubalis has a pivotal role in protein supplying and in the global economy, respecting sustainability


World Buffalo population

Continent EUROPE ASIA AMERICA AFRICA OCEANIA



Buffalo
population and
production in
the most
representative
countries
(FAO, 2022)

	Head (mil)	Milk (T)
Asia		
India	111.856.246	94.383.692
Pakistan	43.676.000	36.445.000
China	26.876.707	2.905.807
Nepal	5.132.931	1.419.412
Philippines	2.774.471	36.444
Viet Nam	2.231.600	26.622
Myanmar	2.000.000	176.137
Bangladesh	1.508.000	35.714
Laos	1.208.634	---
Indonesia	1.170.209	91.426
Thailand	735.248	6.674
Africa		
Egypt	3.445.172	1.508.000
Americas		
Brazil	3.000.000	---
Venezuela	2.800.000	---
Colombia	485141	23
Europe		
Italy	416000	257.460
Bulgaria	20320	---
Romania	17900	---
Germany	11680	---
Oceania		
Australia	180.000	---
World	205141830	137.761.643

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- Buffalo milk is utilized mostly as a drink following defatting, except in Italy.
 - Different types of cheese are produced according to local traditions and processing techniques.



Classification per water content

1. **Soft cheese** (water content > 45 percent): Karish, Mish and Domiati in Egypt; Madhfor in Iraq; Mozzarella in Italy; Alghab in Syria; Vladeasa in Romania.

2. **Semi-hard cheese** (water content 40-45 percent): Beyaz peyneri in Turkey.

3. **Hard cheese** (water content < 40 percent): Braila in Romania; Rahss in Egypt; White brine in Bulgaria; Akkawi in Syria.



Types of coagulation

Spontaneous acidification (Domiaty, Karish, Mish, in Egypt; Madhfor in Iraq; Alghab in Syria).

Adding starters, i.e. lactic bacteria cultures (Vladeasa, Beyaz peyneri) or natural whey cultures (Mozzarella).

Starters are also used in cheeses **where enzymatic coagulation prevails**, to favour rennet activity and following the processing stages (White brine cheese, Fresh cheese of Iraq, Braila).



Type of preserving

Some cheeses are consumed **FRESH**, i.e. only a few days after processing (Karish, Fresh cheese of Iraq, Mozzarella and Ricotta in Italy, Alghab)

Brine, to guarantee excellent conservation without expensive investments, such as refrigerators.

In Mish, acid buttermilk, skimmed milk and whey are added to the brine. In Domiati and Akkawi cheese, salt is added to the milk before processing

Ripening

dairy products processing

FAT-RICH MILK PRODUCTS: butter from buffalo cream displayed more stability than cow cream, due to the more solid fat. The texture of buffalo **ghee** is better than cow ghee due to its bigger grain size

HEAT-DESICCATED MILK PRODUCTS: Buffalo milk is preferred in India for heat-concentrated milk products like **khoa**, **rabri**, **kheer** and **basundi**.

HEAT-ACID COAGULATED MILK PRODUCTS: the quality of buffalo **paneer** is superior to the cow milk one.

FERMENTED MILK PRODUCTS: the buffalo superior body and texture of **dahi** could be attributed to the higher total solids content, especially fat and protein; **yoghurt** from buffalo milk is produced in many countries of Asia and in Europe.



dairy products processing

CREAMS: as **queshta mosakhana** in Egypt, **Gaymar** in Iraq, and **quishada** in Syria are obtained through different processing.

FROZEN MILK PRODUCTS: as **Ice creams**.

DEHYDRATED MILK PRODUCTS: buffalo milk is more appropriate for **tea and coffee whitener powders** production because milk and cream are intrinsically whiter and more viscous

RICOTTA and ALKARISH: produced from cheese whey and exploit the proteins lost in the whey (very rich in sulphurate amino-acids), are not produced in other countries



Gaymar



queshta mosakhana



Ice creams

QUALITY LABELS



Italy is the European country with the largest number of food products with designation of origin and geographical indication recognized by the European Union.



The EU's system of geographical indications favors the production system and the local economy protecting the environment, because the indissoluble bond with the land of origin requires the preservation of ecosystems and biodiversity.

It supports social cohesion of the entire community.

325 DOP, IGP, STG products
527 DOCG, DOC, IGT wines



*.....more than one
product, is a cultural value*



Bocconcini



Mozzarella



Aversana



Treccia



Nodini



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Germany: good quality dairy products together with cosmetics



Bulgaria Istituto SHUMEN: white brine cheese, **yoghurt**, **kiselo miyako**, where lactic acid is fermented by *Lactobacillus bulgaricus* and by *Streptococcus thermophilous*



Macedonia: simple cheese in rural villages

Other European countries

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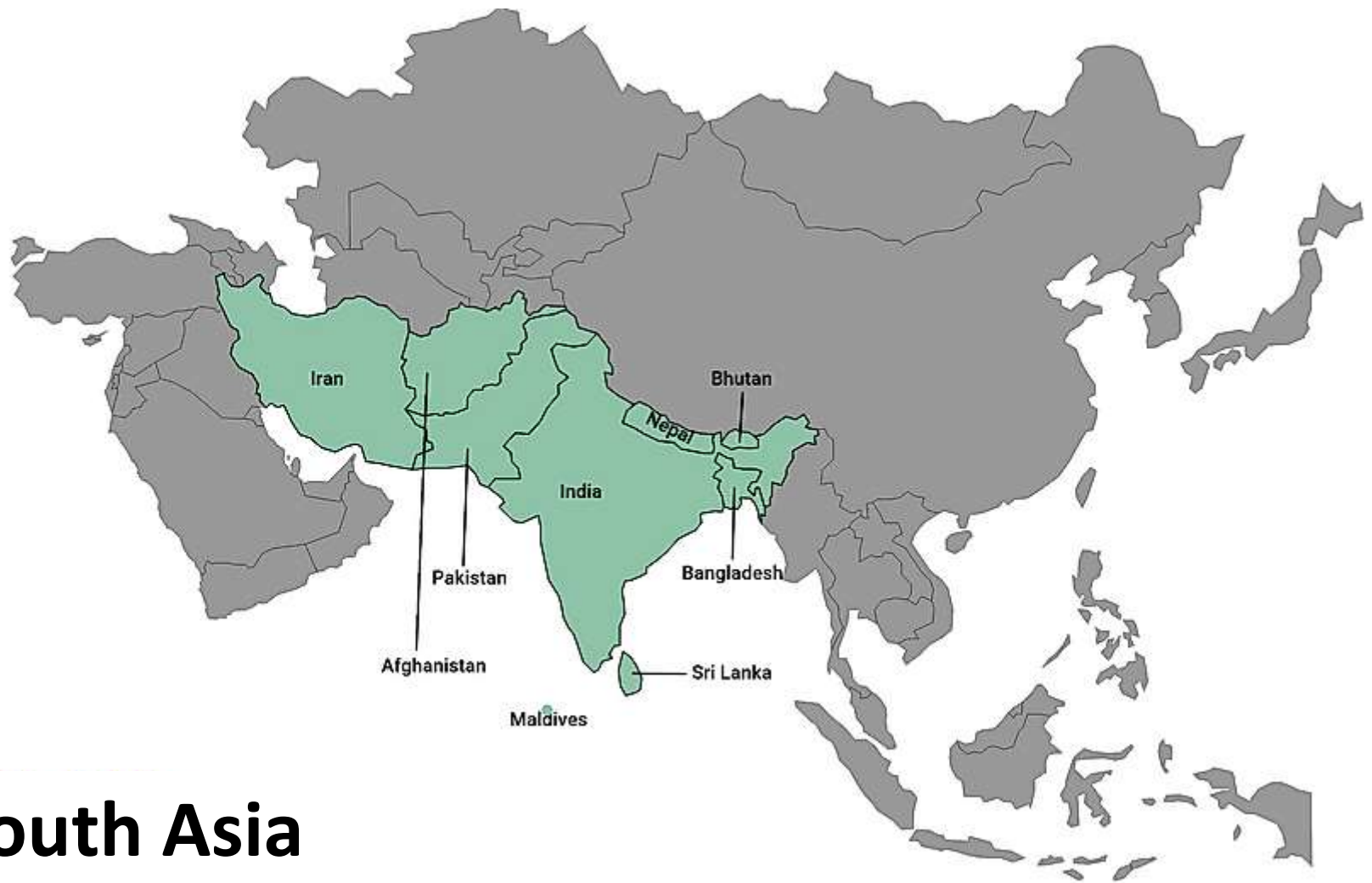
Greece: good quality yoghurt like Bulgaria



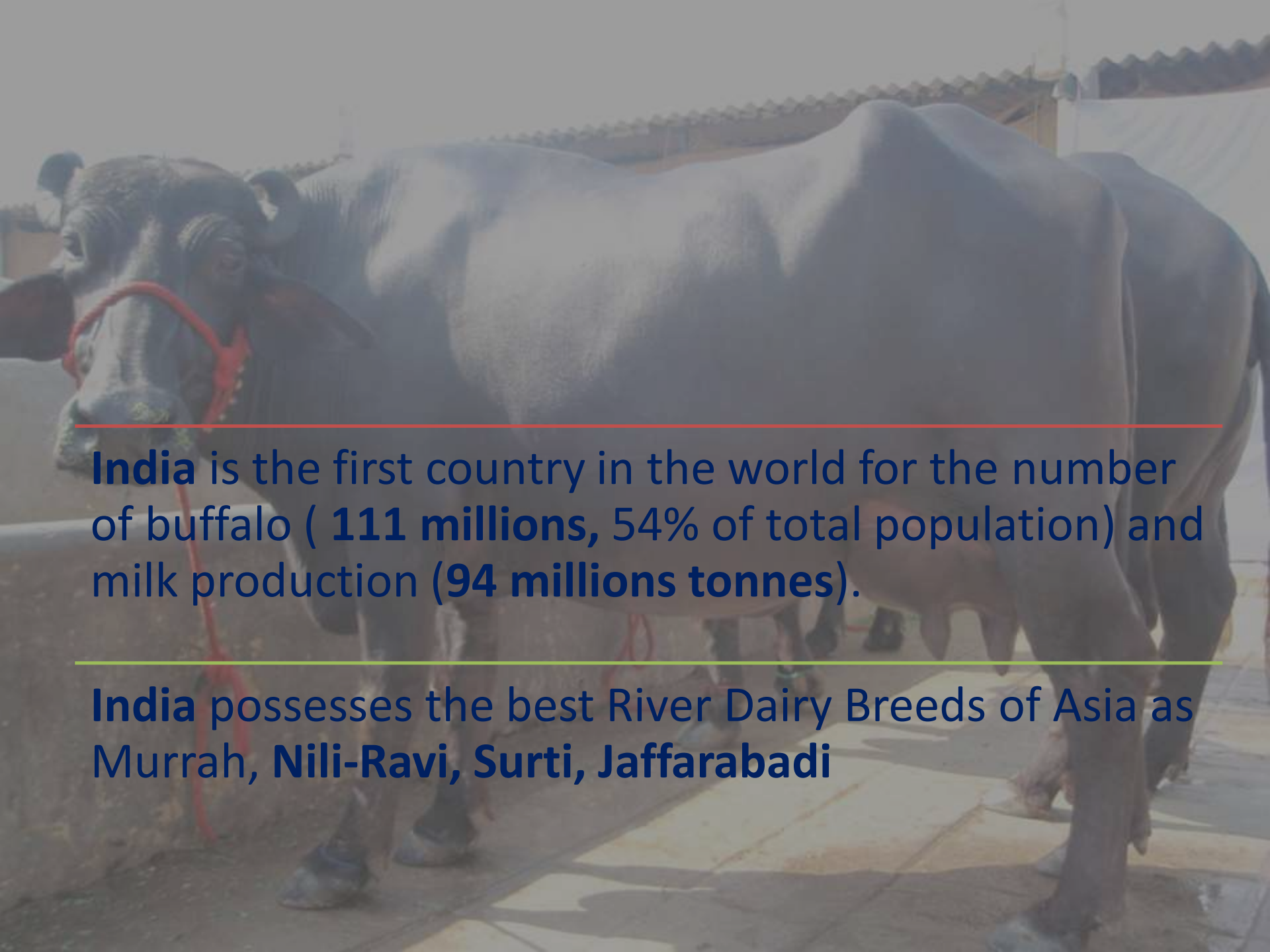
Hungary: Hungarian buffalo live free in National Park, a farm was founded in Mezotur with Mediterranean Italian to provide cheeses like Italy to the rich market in Budapest



Romania: Transilvania buffaloes live on pastures, a farm producing cheeses like Italy was founded by Transilvania Lactate to serve the market in Brasov



South Asia

A large water buffalo, likely a Murrah or Nili-Ravi breed, stands in a rural setting. The buffalo has a dark coat with a prominent white patch on its side. It is wearing a red halter. In the background, a building with a tiled roof is visible.

India is the first country in the world for the number of buffalo (**111 millions**, 54% of total population) and milk production (**94 millions tonnes**).

India possesses the best River Dairy Breeds of Asia as Murrah, **Nili-Ravi**, **Surti**, **Jaffarabadi**



Pakistan is the second most important country with **42 millions head** and **36 million tons of** milk production

South asian products

The most quantity of milk is used for **direct consumption after skimming**, fat is used to produce **butter, ghee and cream**. **Dry milk, condensed milk, milk replacers** are very used in national market and for export, as different industrial utilizations.

Paneer is a cottage cheese, used in several vegetarian curry dishes in India and other countries.

The **National Dairy Research Institute of India** formulated different new functional dairy products such as probiotic cheese, sports drinks, low-cholesterol ghee, ice cream, and burfi for diabetics.



China and Southeast Asia

The buffalo in this area is **Swamp type**, with a total of 18 local breeds.

Guangxi Buffalo Research Institute in China, the Philippines Carabao Center has successfully developed buffalo milk cheeses and created a food market.

In **Indonesia, The Philippines, Vietnam and Thailand** in the past years, there was a decreasing trend in the swamp buffalo population.



**Papangan buffalo
in the marshes
(Borghese photo)**





Milk putting in bamboo-cane



Dadiah



Sagon Puan

A map of Western Asia and surrounding regions, with countries labeled. The countries highlighted in a darker shade of gray are Georgia, Azerbaijan, Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Yemen, and the United Arab Emirates. The rest of the map is a lighter shade of gray.

Buffalo Dairy products in the Western Asia

Dairy buffalo is important also in the Near East Asian Countries, as Turkey, Iraq and Iran.

The most appreciated products in Iran and Iraq are: yoghurt, Ayran, fresh cream, fresh cheese, butter, ice cream, rice pudding, churned yoghurt, dried whey, ghee, sweet and cake.

Skimmed milk is used also for direct consumption.



Mesopotamian buffalo in Tigris river (Jabbar Al Saedy photo)



Sweet, curd and fresh cheeses



(Khalid Al-Fartosi photo)

Buffalo Dairy products in the Americas



Today there is great enthusiasm about buffalo in America, particularly among buffalo breeders and livestock associations.



Buffalo numbers have significantly increased to about 6.7 million head (Patino, 2023), as buffalo is not bred only for meat purposes as in the past in extensive system.



In the recent years the emerging request of cheese market produced a developing interest for milk purposes, similarly to Italian feeding style.



in South America, the buffalo dairy market is similar to the Italian one, with mozzarella, yogurt, cream, butter, and other cheeses.



Buffalo management in the humid savannah



Conclusions



Buffalo Mozzarella according to the Italian style is well-renowned and spread in all the countries



Buffalo milk is prevalently used fresh directly after being defatted. The fat is used to produce ghee for cooking. Often the milk is dehydrated to be conserved as milk powder.



Curd is used mixed to vegetables, cheese is not commonly used. The problem is the preservation in hot climate, particularly in the villages with no electricity.



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Buffalo dairy supply chain, present and future scenarios linked to new sustainability challenges

Antonio Limone

Ismea Qualivita rapporto 2023



896 milioni €
valore economico

14% peso DOP IGP
su agroalimentare

58 prodotti

+9,4% su 2021

8° regione per impatto

9.082 operatori

COMPARTO CIBO

793 milioni €

29 prodotti

+9,8% su 2021

3° regione per impatto

4.552 operatori

COMPARTO VINO

103 milioni €

29 prodotti

+6,2% su 2021

13° regione per impatto

4.530 operatori

TERRITORI

Caserta
321 milioni €

Napoli
296 milioni €

Salerno
188 milioni €

Benevento
58 milioni €

FILIERE

Formaggi
54%

Paste alimentari
30%

Vino
12%

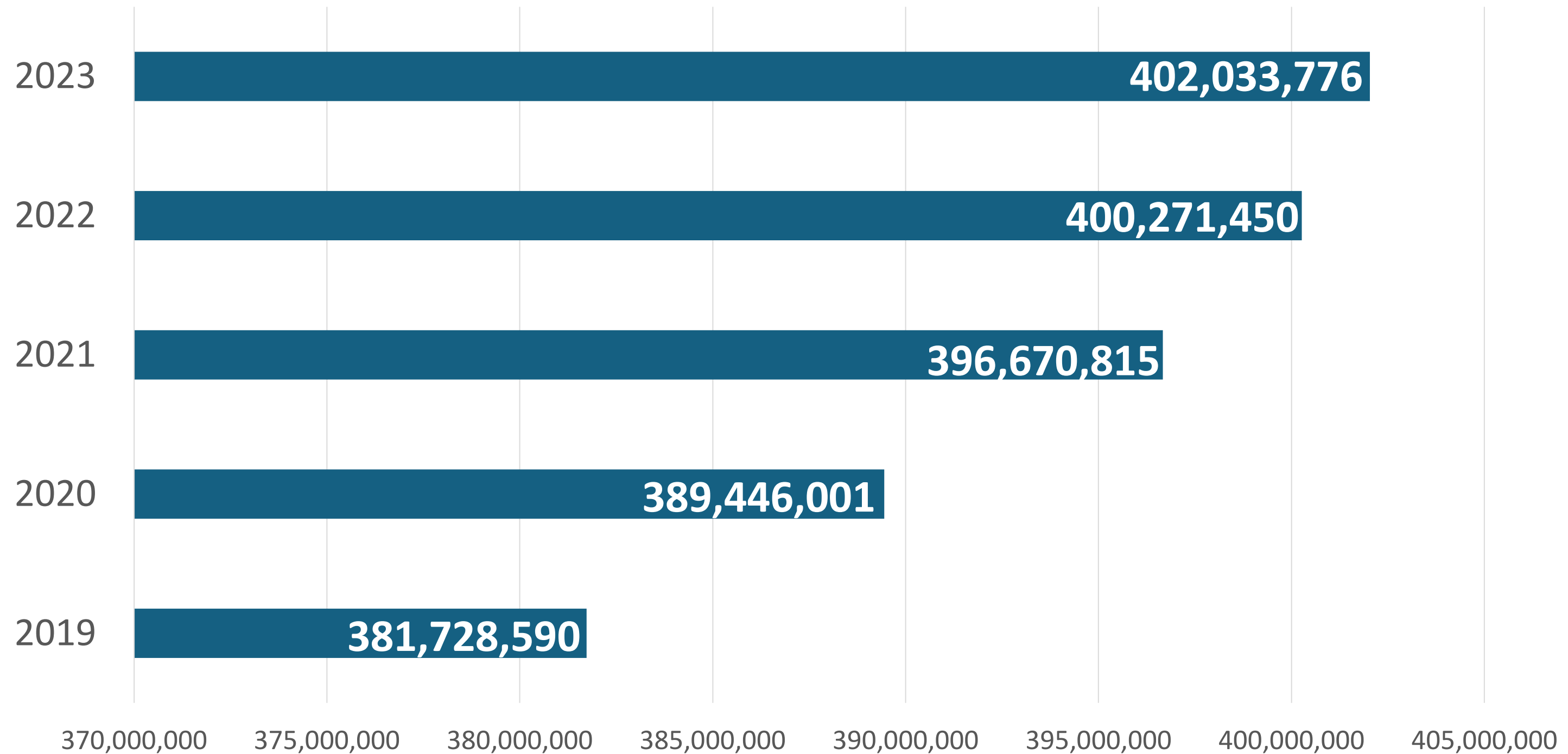
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4%

Formaggi DOP IGP STG

	PRODUZIONE CERTIFICATA (tonnellate)			VALORE ALLA PRODUZIONE (milioni di euro)			VALORE AL CONSUMO (milioni di euro)			VALORE ALL'EXPORT (milioni di euro)		
Prodotto	2021	2022	Var 22/21	2021	2022	Var 22/21	2021	2022	Var 22/21	2021	2022	Var 22/21
Grana Padano DOP	203.290	202.051	-0,6%	1.460	1.734	+18,8%	2.517	2.722	+8,3%	922	1.006	+9,2%
Parmigiano Reggiano DOP	155.277	161.520	+4,0%	1.607	1.720	+7,0%	2.756	2.949	+7,0%	845	905	+7,0%
Mozzarella di Bufala Campana DOP	54.039	55.815	+3,3%	459	502	+9,4%	838	893	+6,6%	163	217	+33,7%
Pecorino Romano DOP	34.303	32.602	-5,0%	302	378	+25,1%	465	595	+27,8%	216	271	+25,8%

	Produzione Certificata (tonnellate)			Valore Alla Produzione (milioni di euro)			Valore al consumo (milioni di euro)			Valore all' Export (milioni di euro)		
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Buffalo milk production in Italy (Kg) declared per year (2019-2023)



VARIAZIONE PATRIMONIO BOVINO E BUFALINO NEL TEMPO

SPECIE
BUFALINI

REGIONE
All

ASL
All

PROVINCIA
All

COMUNE
All

Fino al 30/11/2023 gli allevamenti sono distinti per codice aziendale, specie allevata e proprietario degli animali; dal 31/12/2023 gli allevamenti corrispondono alle attività dei singoli operatori (DL 134 del 05/08/2022)

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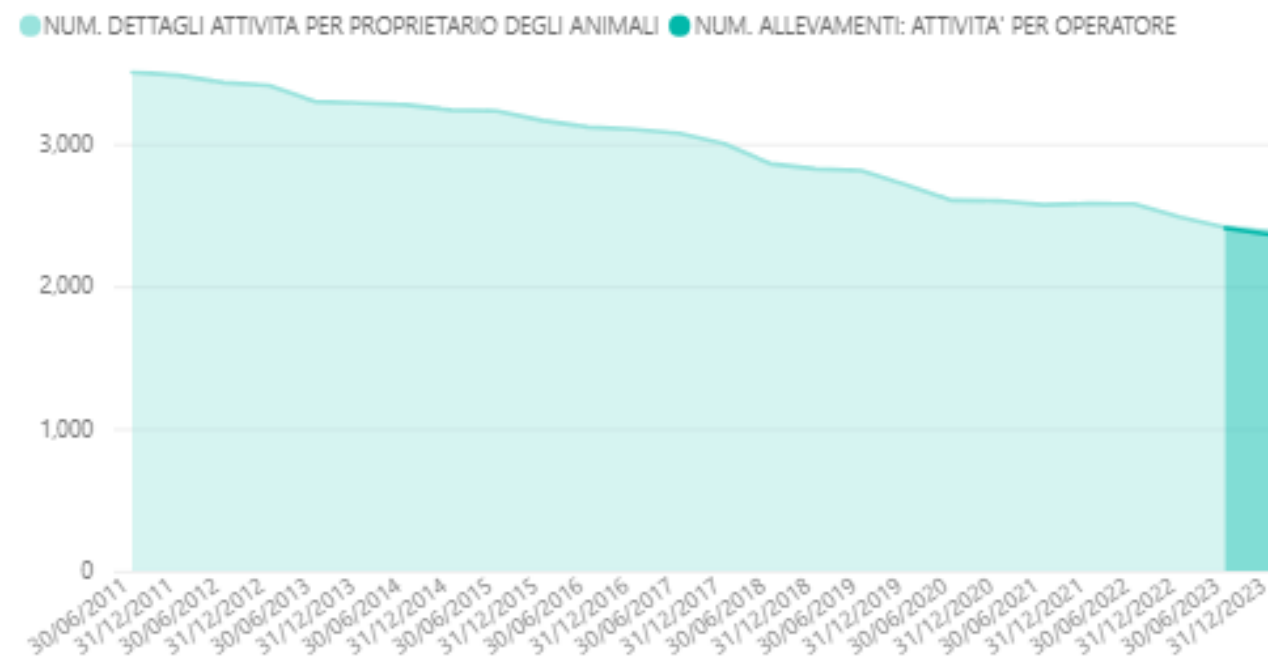
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CLASSE CONSISTENZA
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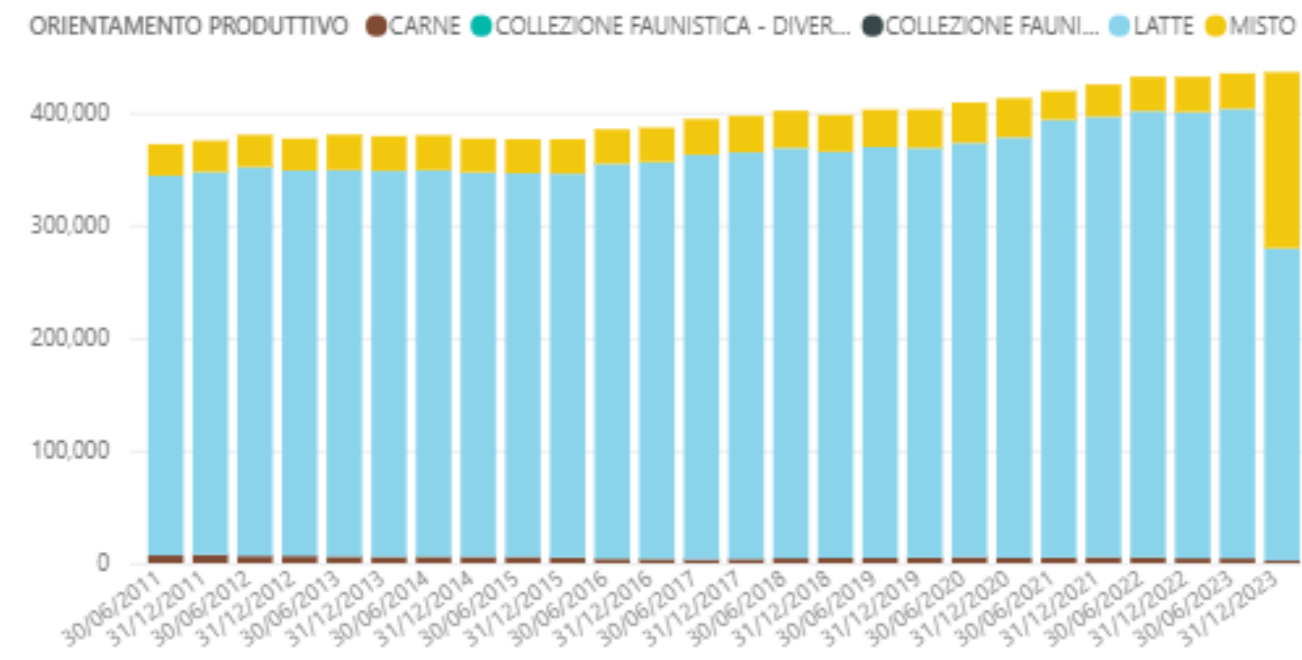
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NUMERO ALLEVAMENTI



Dati elaborati il 15/01/2024

NUMERO CAPI





Variazione patrimonio **Bufalino** Campano dal **2013 al 2023**



Sistema Informativo Veterinario - Statistiche

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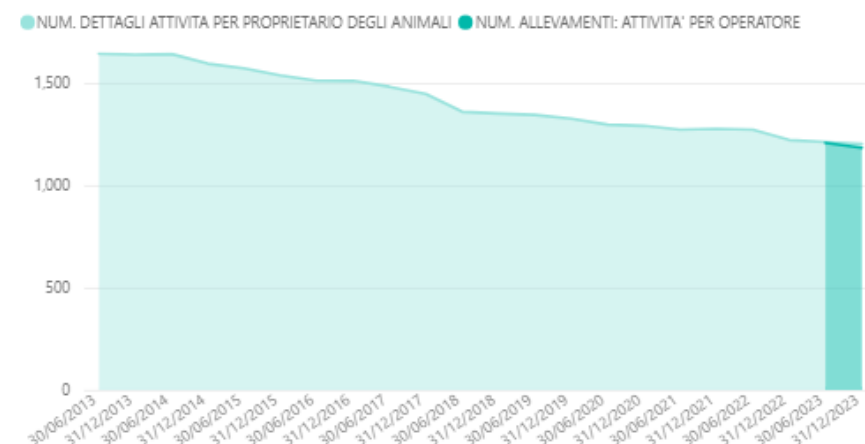
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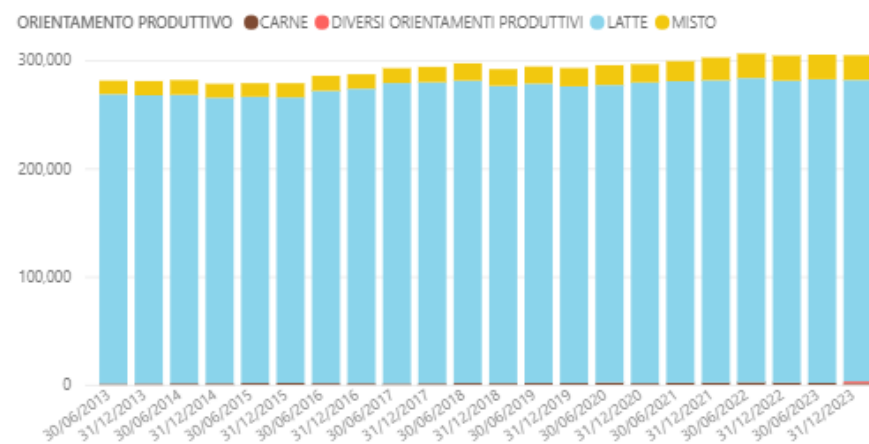
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NUMERO CAPI



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Numero totale Allevamenti

• -21,62%

Numero totale capi
Bufalini

• +8,37%

Latte +Misti

• +8,33%

Carne

• +17,16%



Variazioni patrimonio nel tempo

Densità allevamenti e capi bovini e bufalini

Consistenza allevamenti e capi per orientamento produttivo

Consistenza allevamenti e capi per classe di consistenza

Consistenza a

DENSITÀ ALLEVAMENTI E CAPI BOVINI E BUFALINI

DATA RIFERIMENTO

30/06/2024

DATA RIFERIMENTO

30/06/2024

SPECIE

BUFALINI

ORIENTAMENTO PRODUTTIVO

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CAMPANIA

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REGIONE	NUMERO ALLEVAMENTI	NUMERO CAPI
CAMPANIA	1,182	307,297
AVELLINO	8	345
BENEVENTO	19	2,429
CASERTA	740	186,109
NAPOLI	16	4,342
SALERNO	399	114,072
Total	1,182	307,297

0.0869

DENSITÀ ALLEVAMENTI (N. ALLEV. PER KMQ)

ALLEVAMENTI



22.6028

DENSITÀ CAPI (N. CAPI PER KMQ)

CAPİ



Densità allevamenti

CE 0,2804(n.allev per kmq

N all 740

SA 0,0811(n.allev per kmq

N all 399

Densità Capi

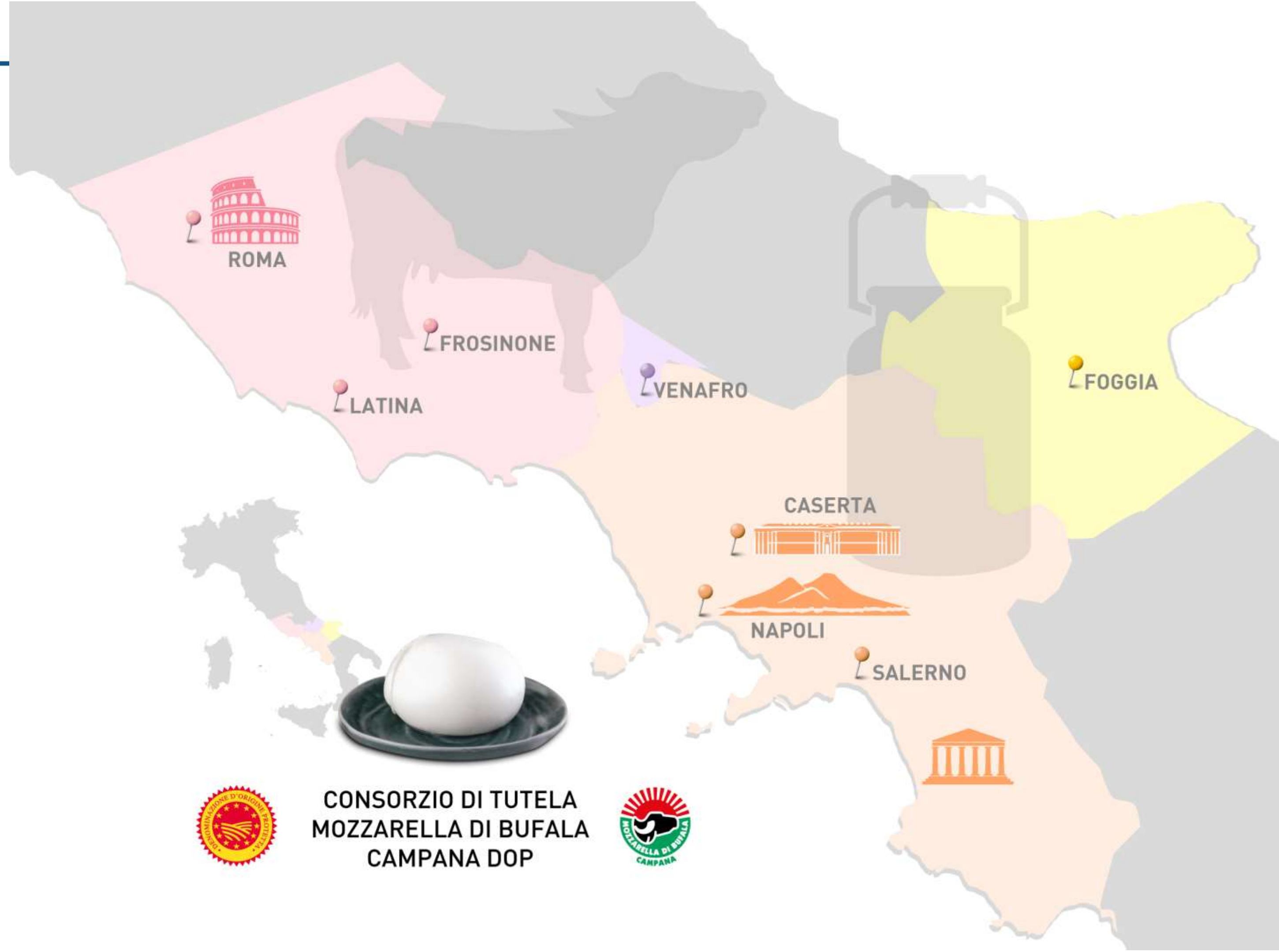
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N capi 114,072

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**CONSORZIO DI TUTELA
MOZZARELLA DI BUFALA
CAMPANA DOP**





Mediterranean Region

Temperature rise larger than european average

Decrease in annual precipitation

Decrease in annual river flow

Increasing risk of biodiversity losse

Increasing risk of desertification

Increasing Water demand for agriculture

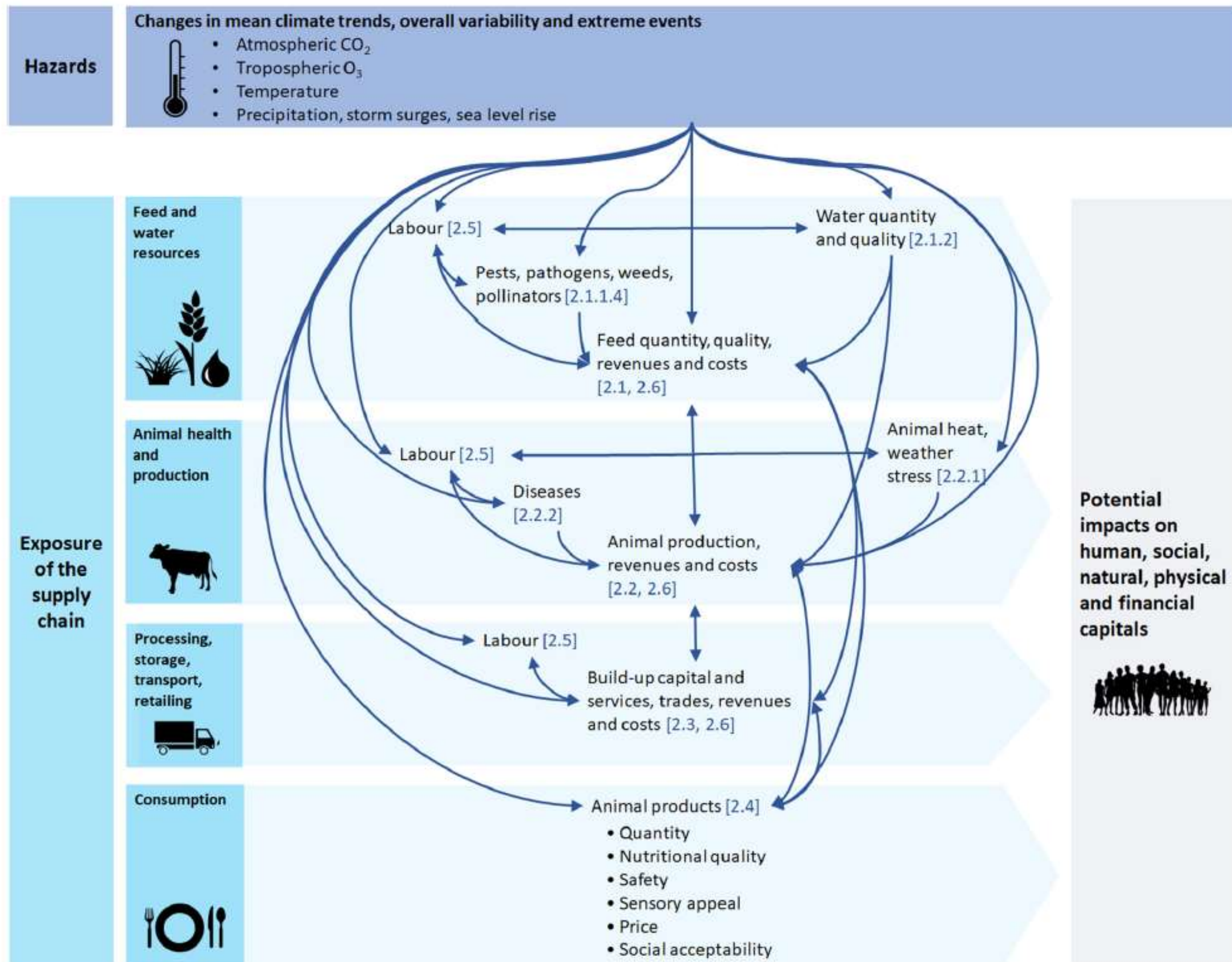
Decrease in crop yields

Increasing risk of forest fire

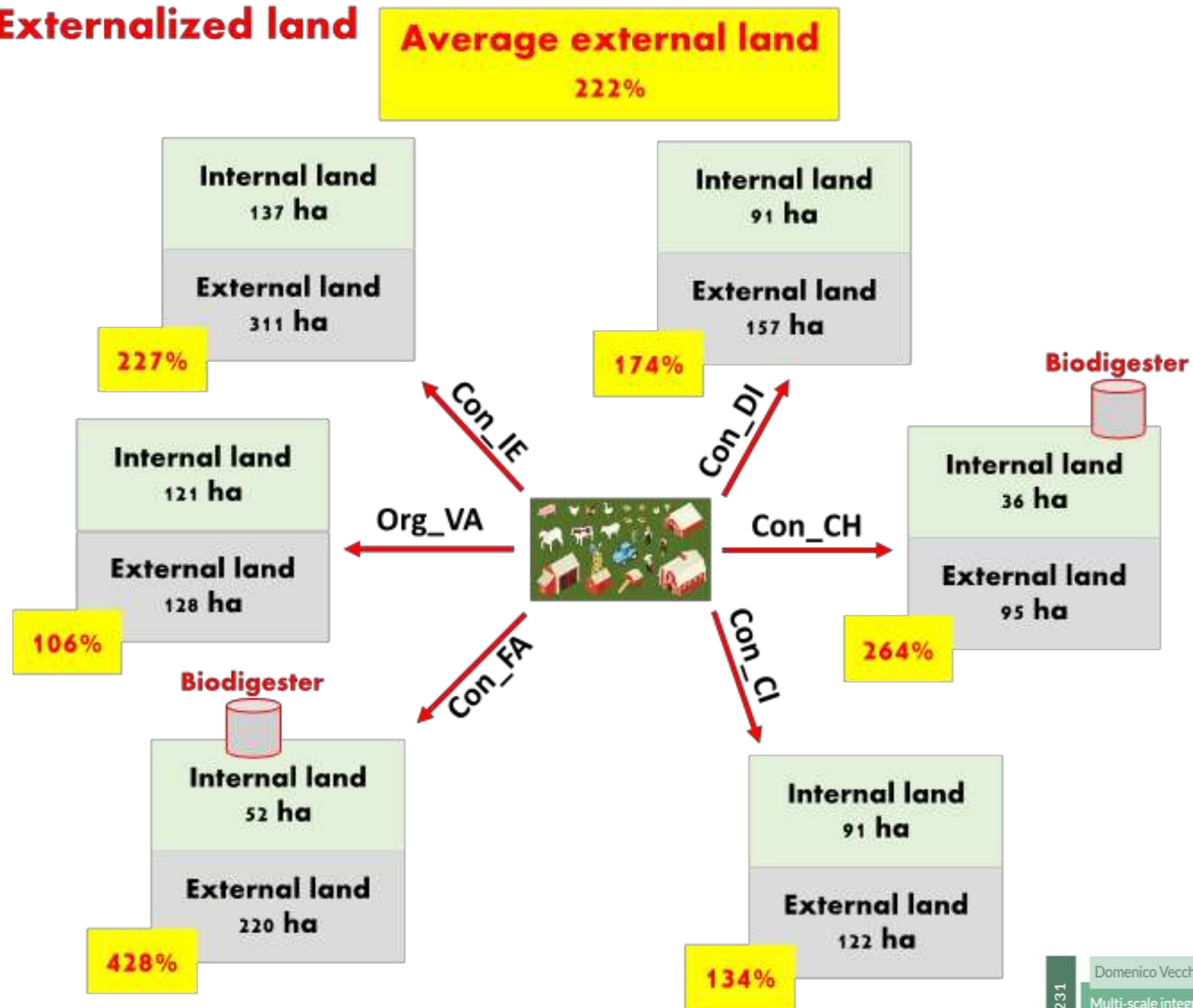
Increase in mortality from heatwaves

Expansion of habitats for disease-carrying insects

Decrease in hydropower potential



Externalized land



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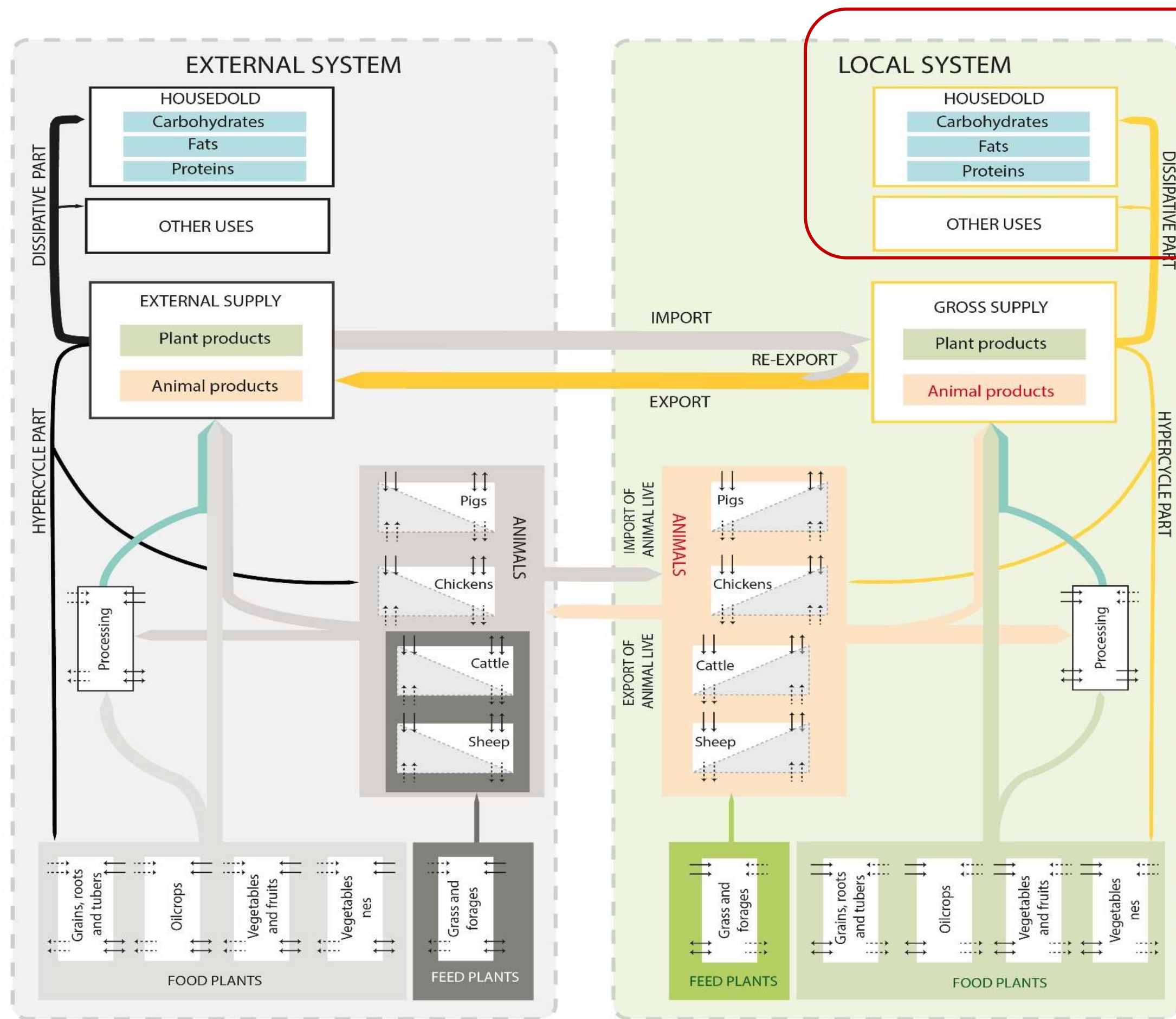
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Multi-scale integrated accounting of buffalo farms' metabolism

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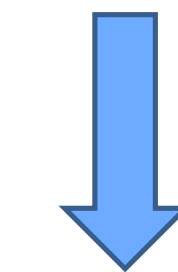
Figura 37 Contributo di utilizzo di terre intra-aziendali ed extra-aziendali per garantire il flusso di alimenti (foraggi e concentrati) alla mandria.



The MAGIC tool-kit

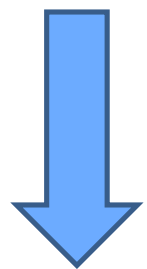
Required supply
in the diet

Actual
supply systems



Local
socio-economic
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Virtual
supply systems



Externalized
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The Drivers of Wildlife Interactions with Livestock

Global drivers of wildlife–livestock interactions

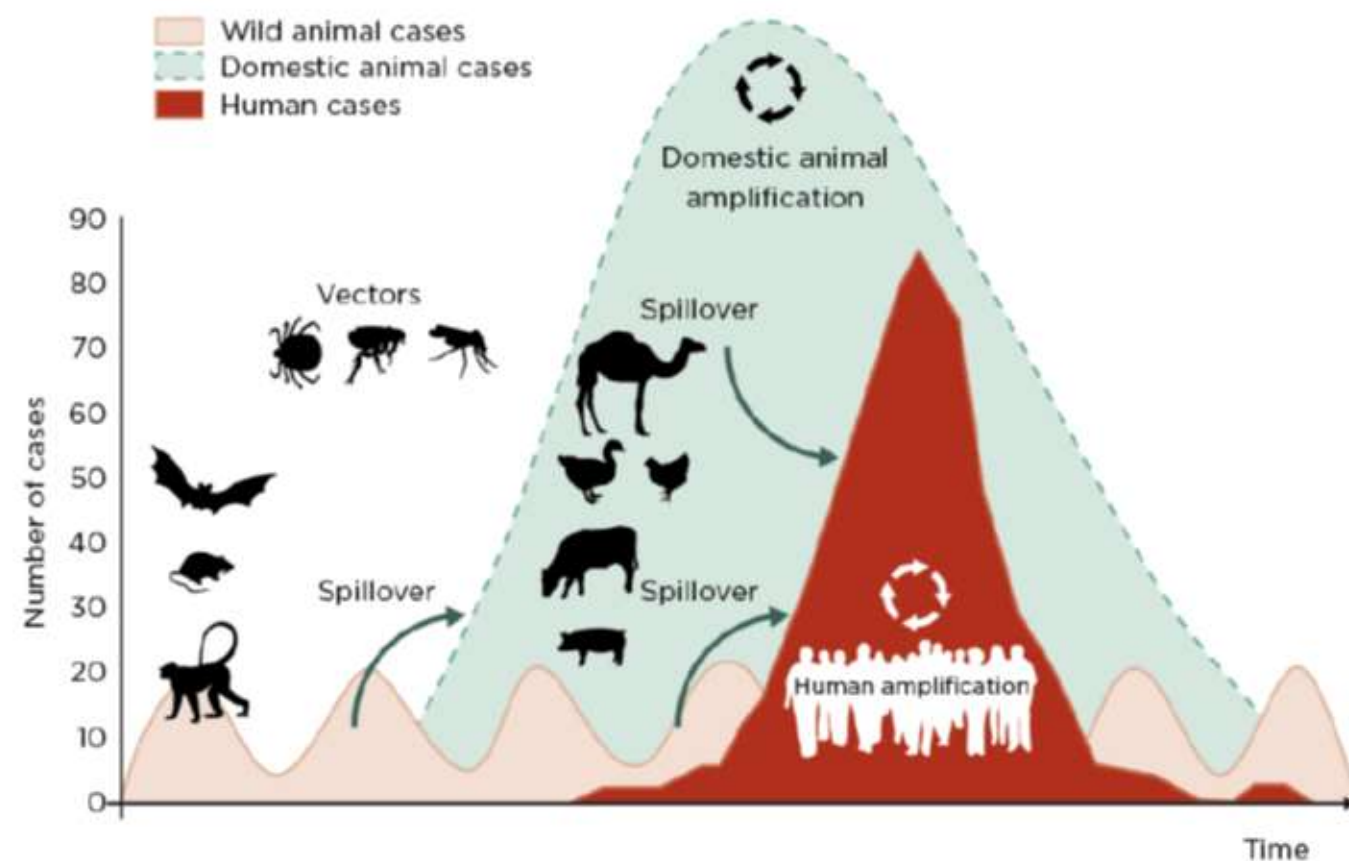
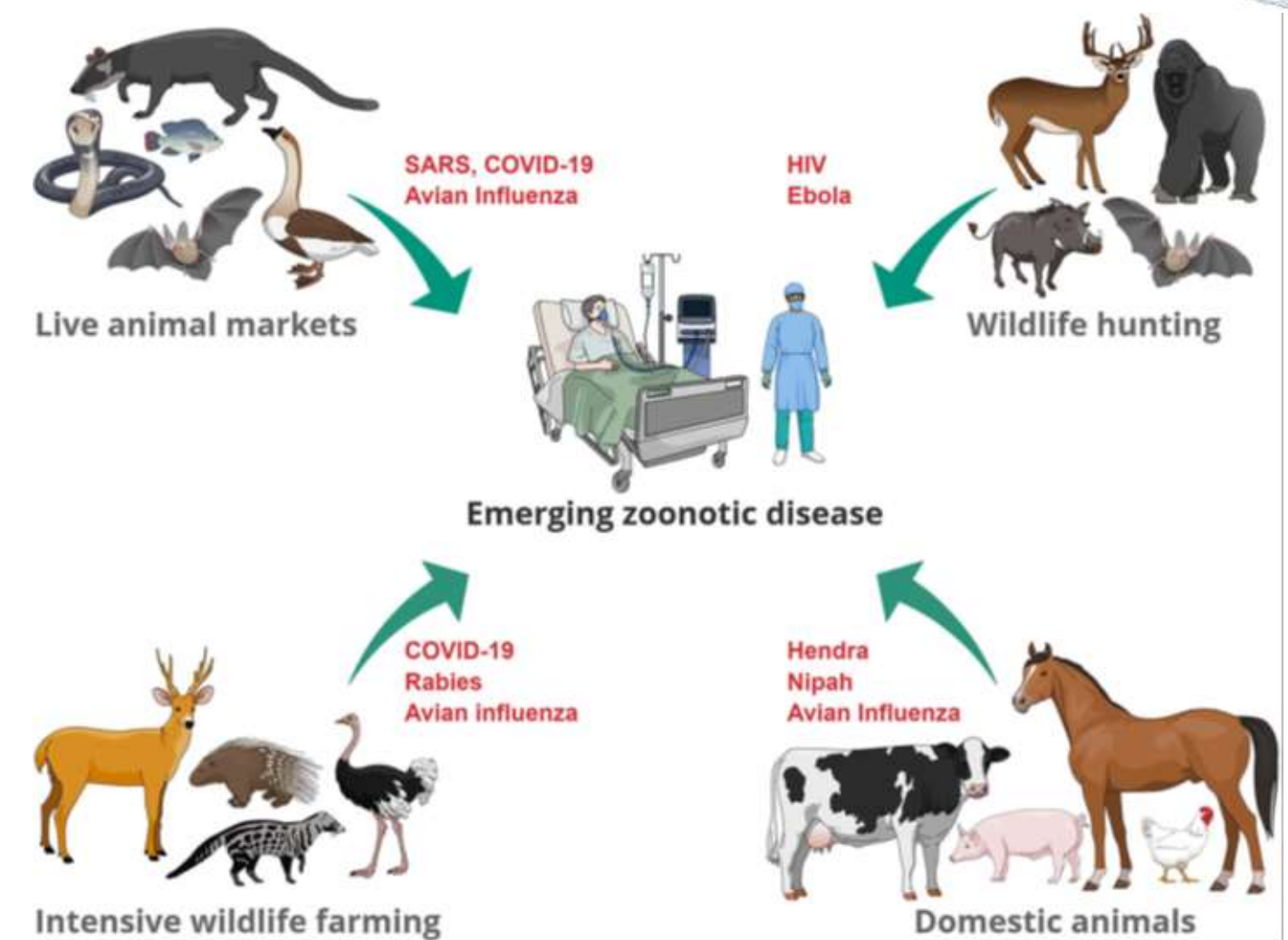
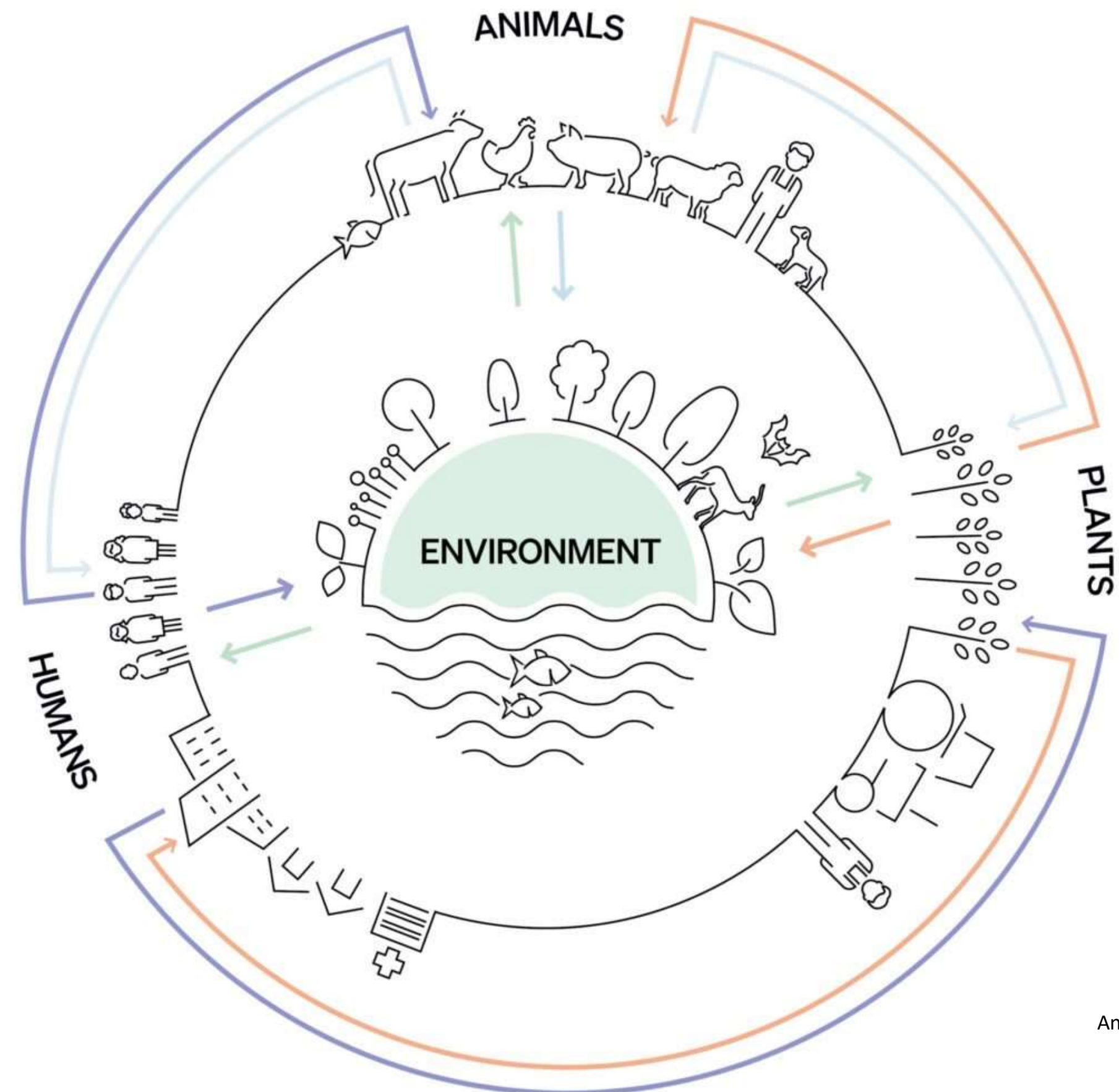


Figure 12: Transmission and amplification of zoonotic diseases. Transmission of a pathogen to people can occur directly from a wild animal or following an outbreak in livestock that amplifies the likelihood of transmissions to humans.

Source: Redrawn from Karesh, *et al.* (2012).



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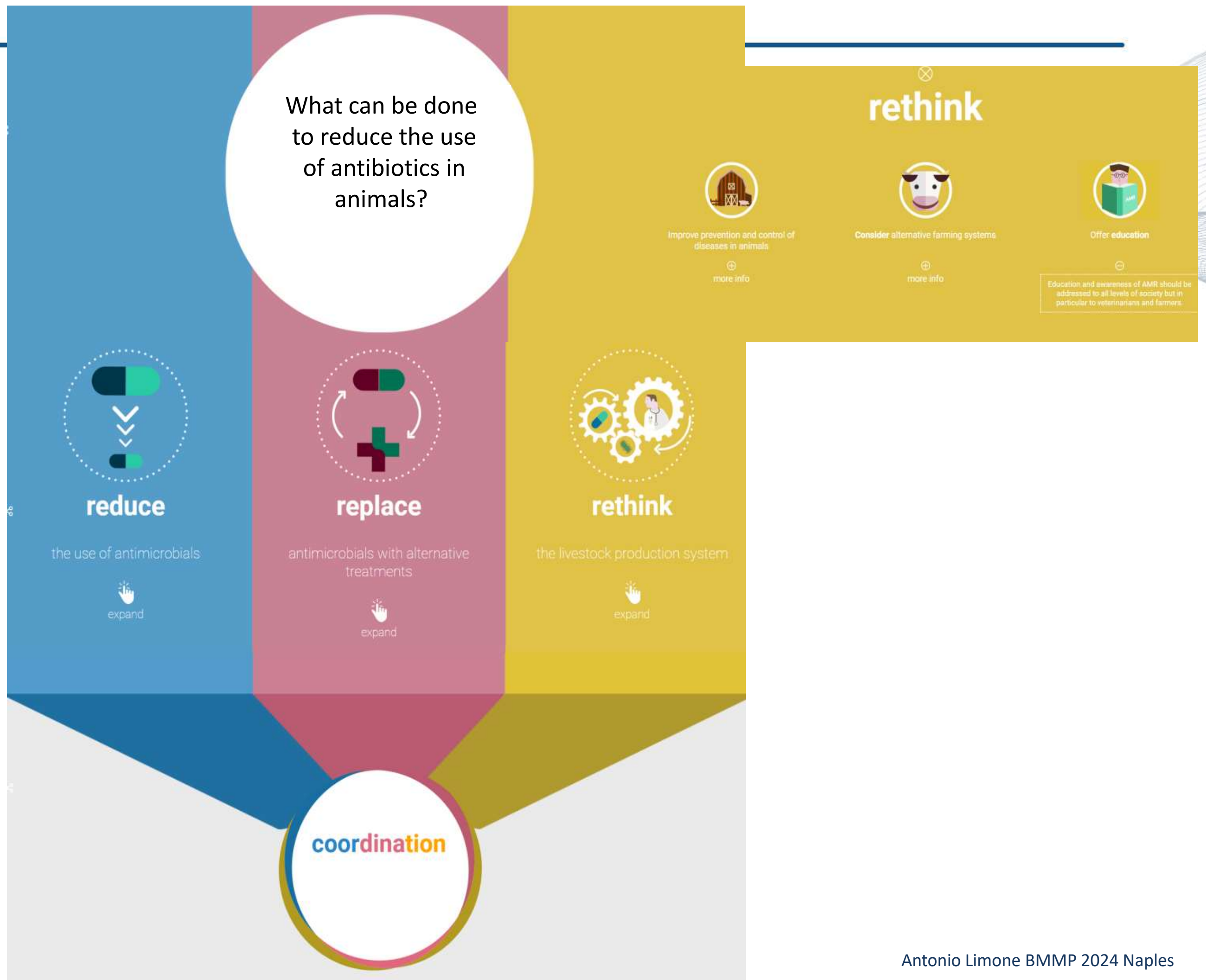


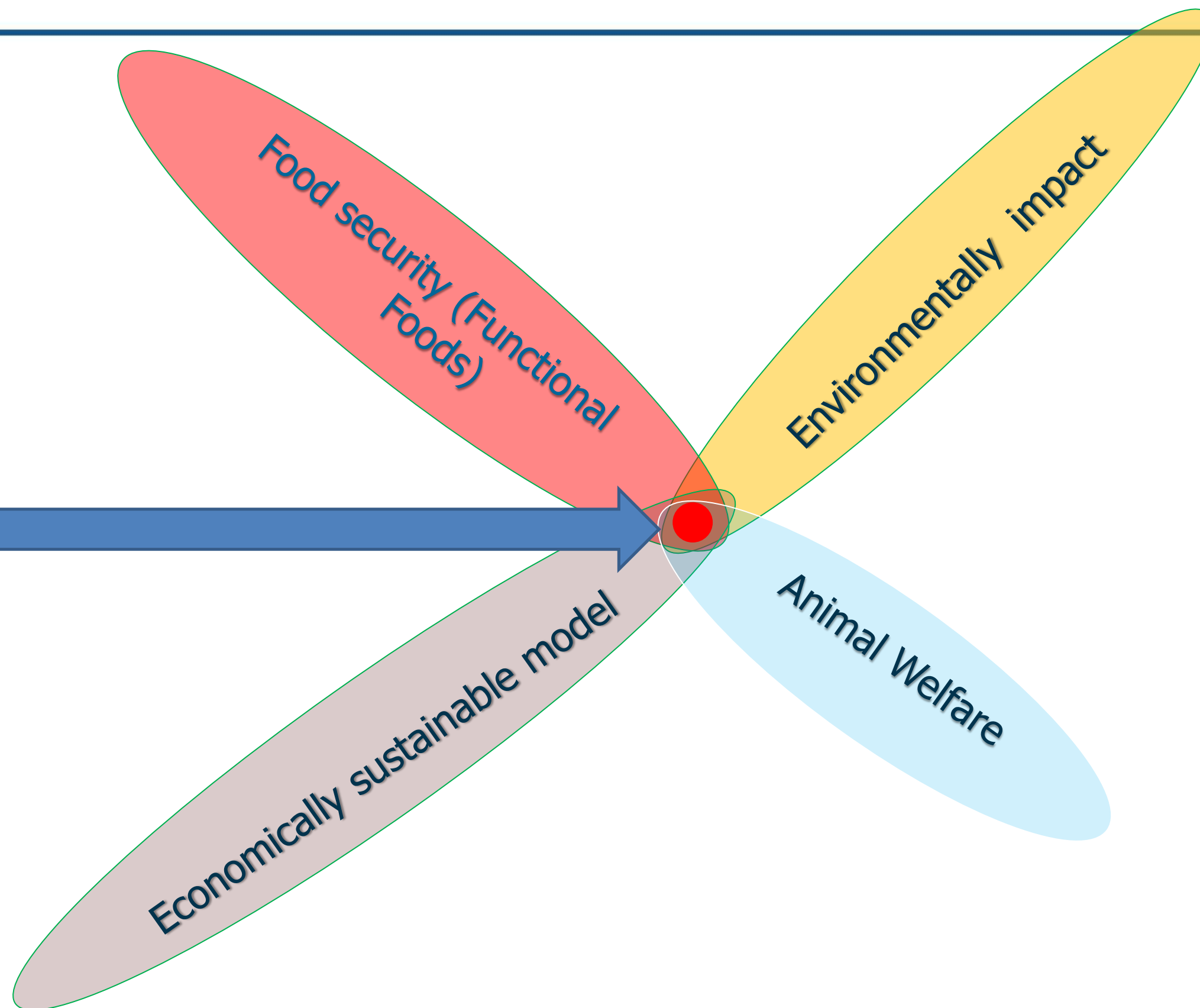
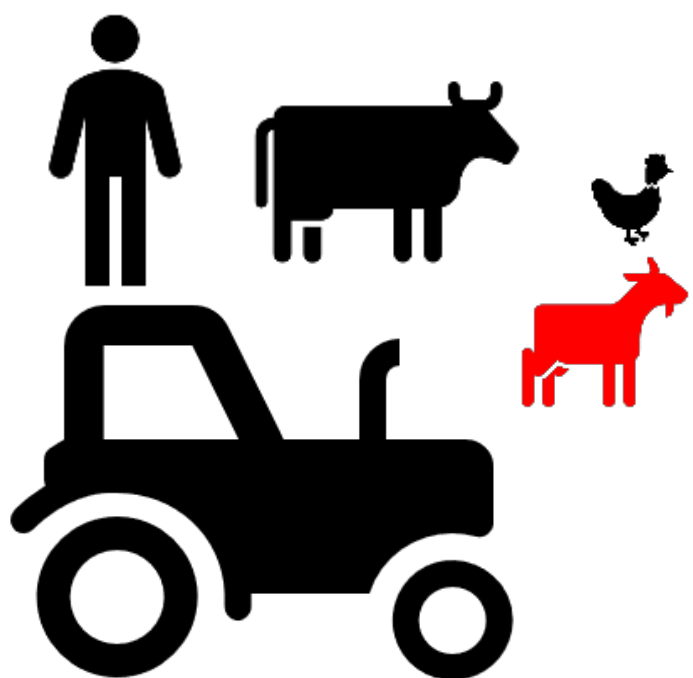
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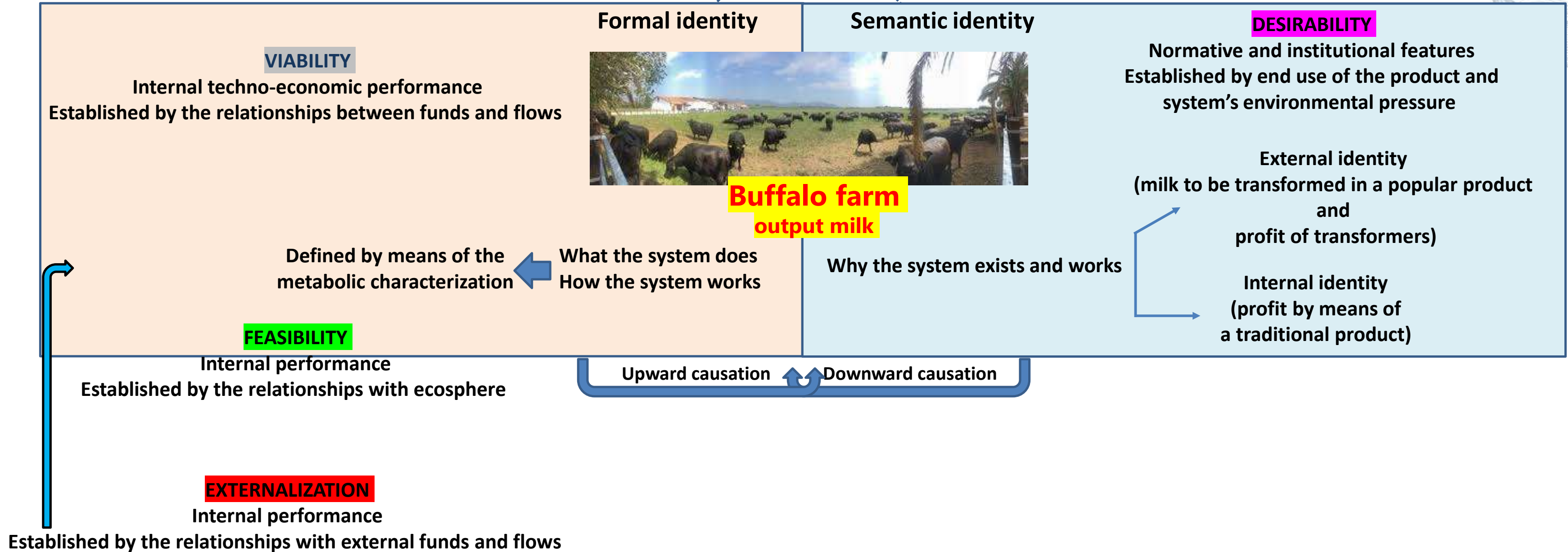
An illustration of the ecology of vector-borne diseases like the 2018 ebolavirus and 2019 coronavirus (Covid-19) by the artist [Olaf Hajek](#).

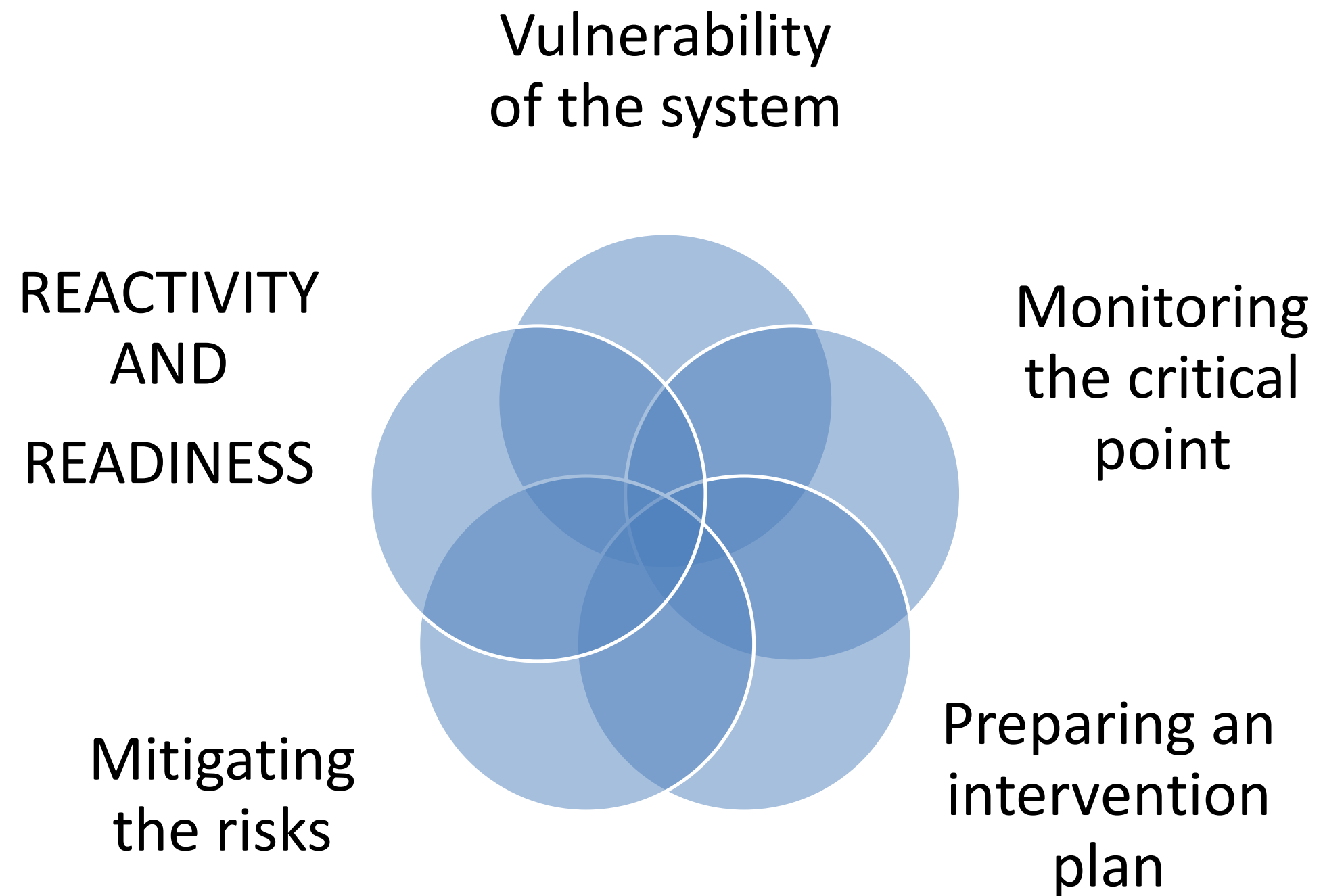
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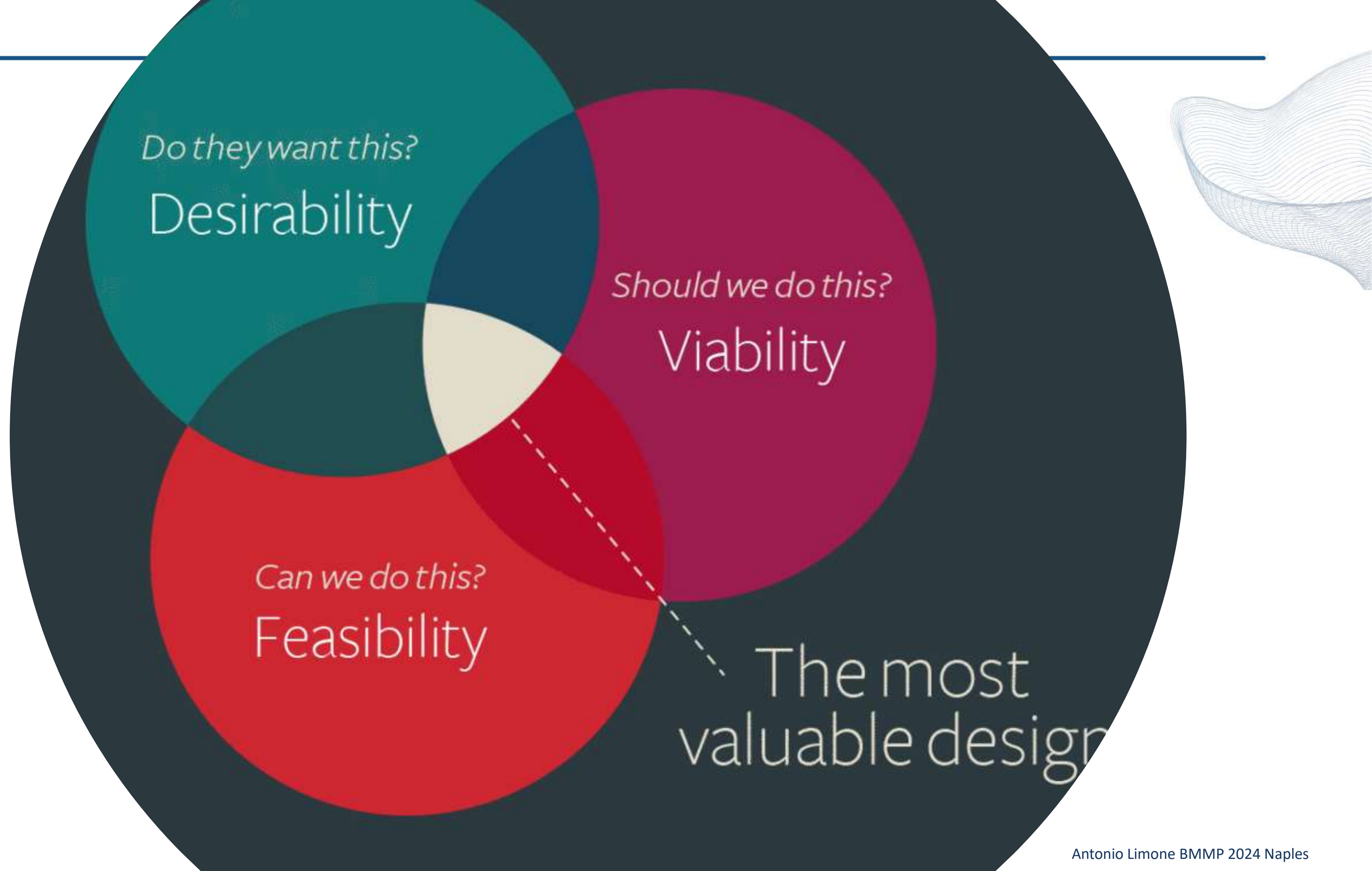




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First International Conference on Buffalo Mozzarella & Milk Products (BMMP)

BUFFALO MILK – **BLACK GOLD** Opportunities and Challenges in Production and Marketing

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President, Indian Dairy Association (IDA)

Chairperson, NIFTEM –T

25th SEPT. 2024, NAPLES, ITALY



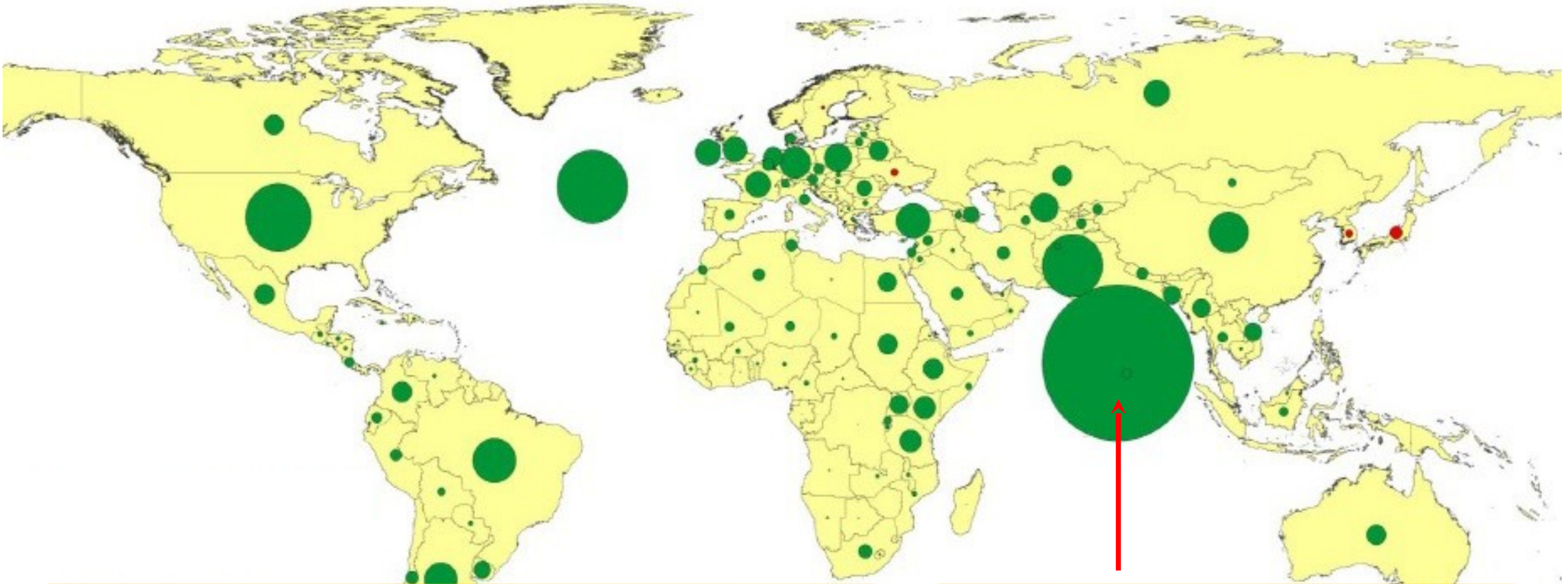
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World Dairy Scenario & India



World Milk Production (Year 2023)



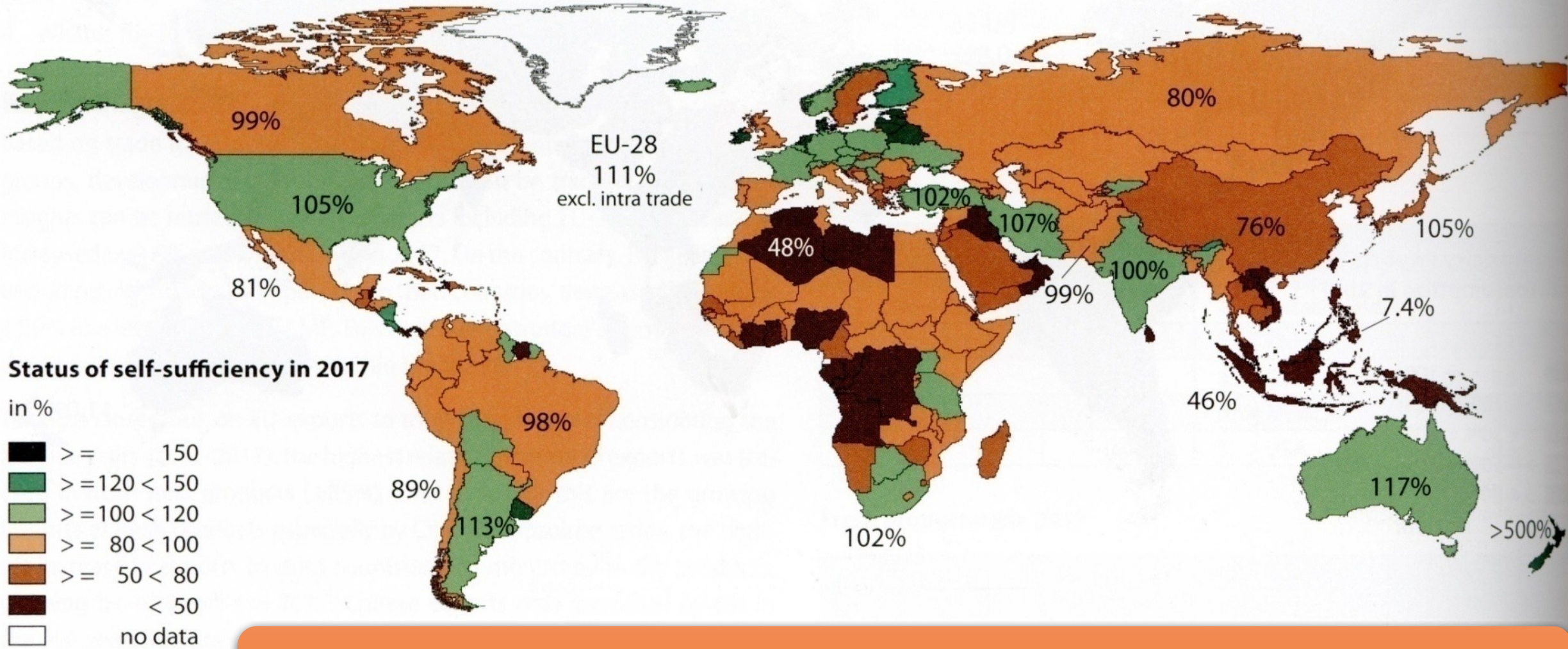
World milk production: **944 MMT**
World milk production growth: **1.8% of last 20 years**

INDIA No. 1 Milk Producer:
231 MMT (24% of world)

MMT: Million Metric Tonne

Source: FAO

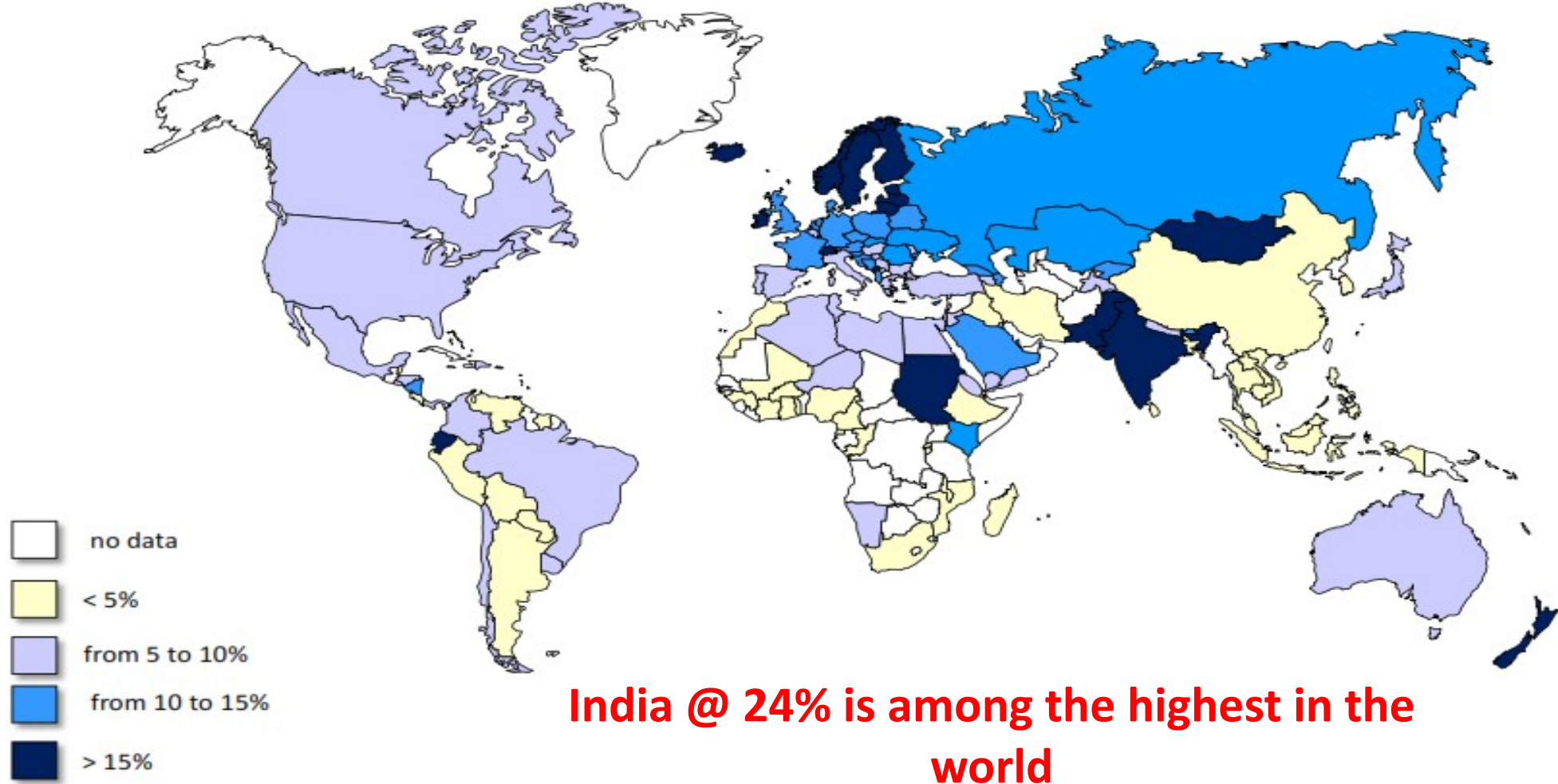
Status of Self Sufficiency for Milk



India is 100% self sufficient in Milk consumption.

- Huge potential for export in neighboring milk deficit nations

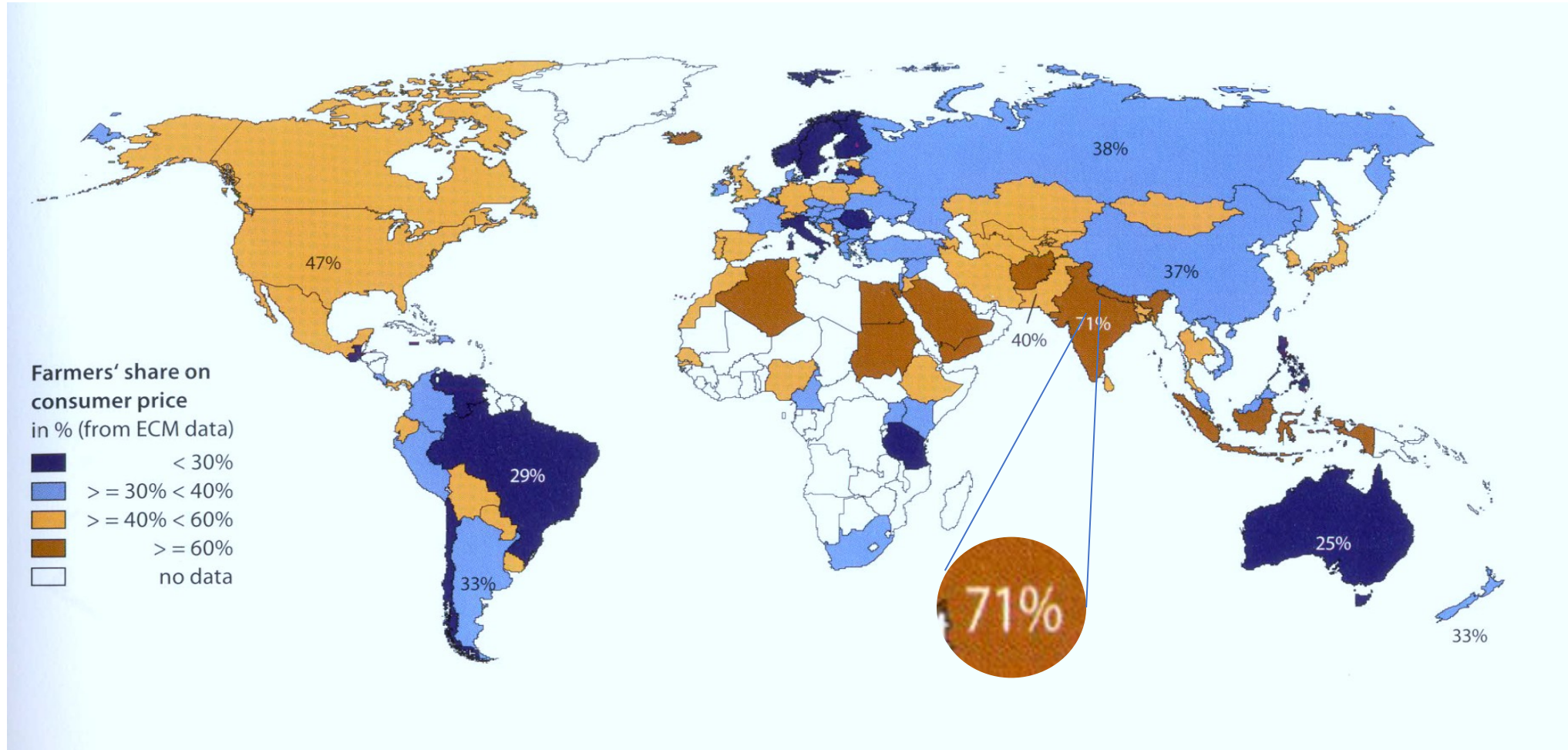
% Share of Dairy Sector in Total Agricultural Production



India: Building World Dairy Leadership

Competitiveness of Indian dairy products

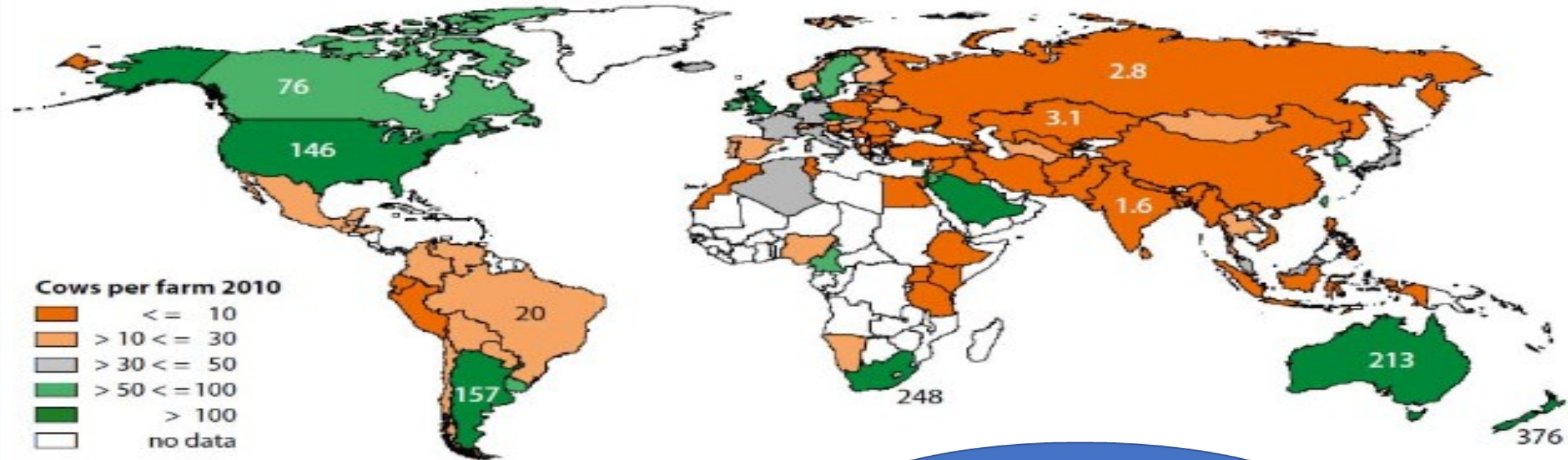
Farmer's share in consumer price



Indian Farmer has the highest share of consumer price

Source: IFCN

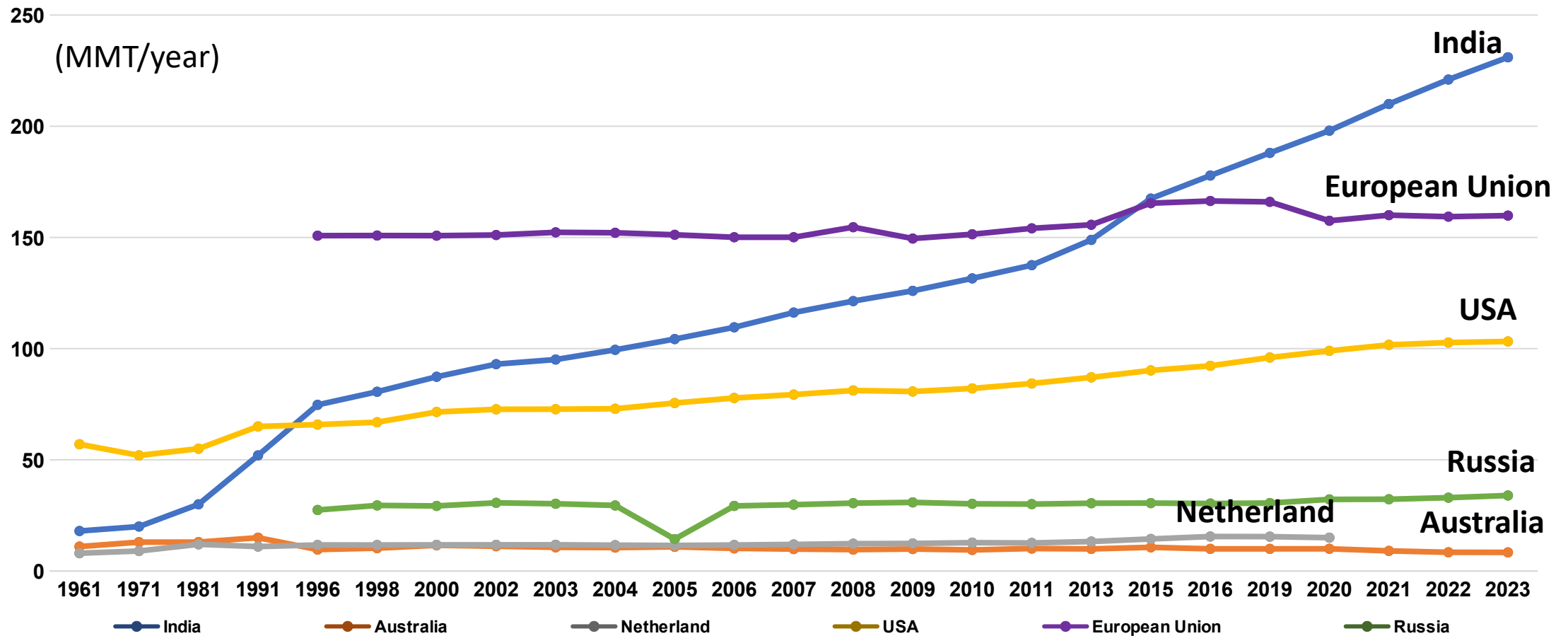
World Average Farm Size



World Average: 3
India Average: 1.6

Comparative Milk Production Growth

CAGR of last 15 years: **India: 4.9%** | USA: 2.3% | EU : 1.3% | AUS: 0.5% | Netherland: 2.7% | **World: 1.3%**



Milk production of India, Australia and Netherlands was almost similar in 1971

Source: FAO

Growth in Different Sectors and Major Products of Agriculture and their Share in Sectoral Growth between 1970-71 and 2020-21

Item	Compound Growth Rate %	Increase: times	Share in total increase in agri & allied output
1. All crops	2.46	3.38	52.59
Cereals	2.10	2.83	13.23
Paddy	2.08	2.80	6.66
Wheat	3.03	4.46	5.54
Maize	2.81	4.00	1.32
Pulses	1.68	2.30	2.36
Oilseeds	2.42	3.30	4.58
Condiment & spices	4.20	7.83	3.61
Fruits total	3.53	5.66	10.64
Vegetable total	3.43	5.41	6.08
2. Livestock	4.37	8.50	37.11
Milk	4.71	9.98	25.26
Poultry	6.42	22.45	6.30
3. Fishery	5.02	11.57	7.81
4. Forestry	0.55	1.31	2.49
5. Total Agriculture and allied	2.70	3.80	100.0
6. Human Population	1.84	2.50	--
7. Female bovine population	1.50	2.0	--

Consumption Trends Dairy V/s Bread, Pulses & Sugar

MILK > PULSES+BREAD+SUGAR

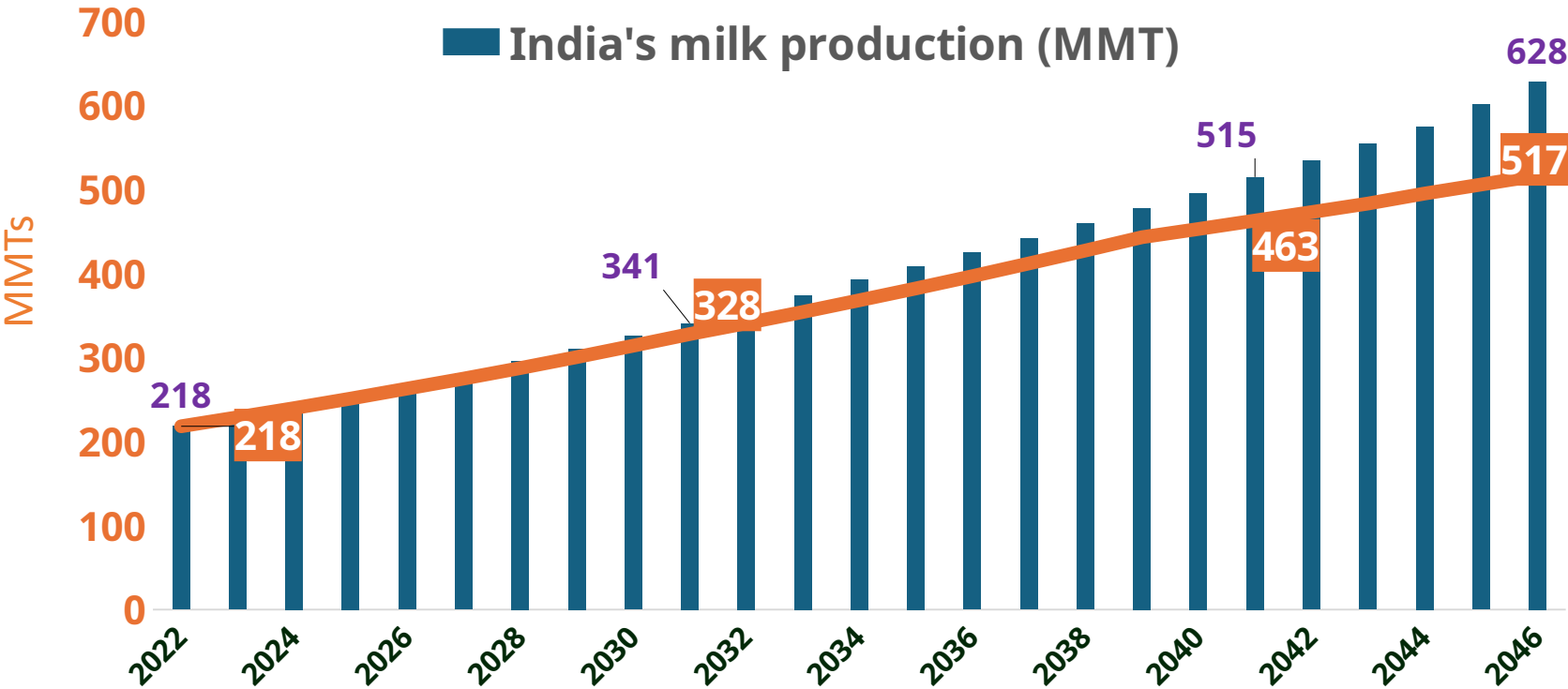
Item Groups	MPCE (Rs)		% Share in Total	
	Rural	Urban	Rural	Urban
Cereals & Substitute	185	235	4.91	3.64
Pulses & Their Products	76	90	2.01	1.39
Sugar & Salt	35	39	0.93	0.6
Roti+Dal+Chini	296	364	7.85	5.63
Milk & Milk Products	314	466	8.33	7.22

Growth of Indian Dairy Industry

Year	1972	1997	2023	2030	2048
Milk Production in MMT	24	71	231	330	628
% of World Milk Production	6	14	24	30	45
Per Capita Consumption Gram Per Person Per Day	110	214	466	550	852

By 2047, India will have
export surplus of around
111 MMTs

In next 25 years, Milk
Production of India will reach
628 MMTs, while demand for
Milk and Dairy products will
increase to 517 MTs



How did India succeed so spectacularly in Dairy Industry ?

The Amul Model

- Establishment of a direct linkage between milk producers and consumers by eliminating middlemen
- Milk Producers (farmers) control procurement, processing and marketing
- Professional management

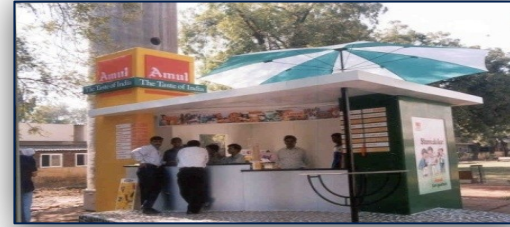
INDIA

Indian dairy cooperatives ensure that their farmers get **70%-86%** of Consumers Rupee spent on Milk & Milk Products

OTHER COUNTRIES

In USA, producers get **38%** of consumers' money spent on milk

In UK, producers get only **36%**



The Consumer



State Co-op. Milk Mktg. Fed.



Dist. Milk Co-op. Union



Village Dairy Co-op.

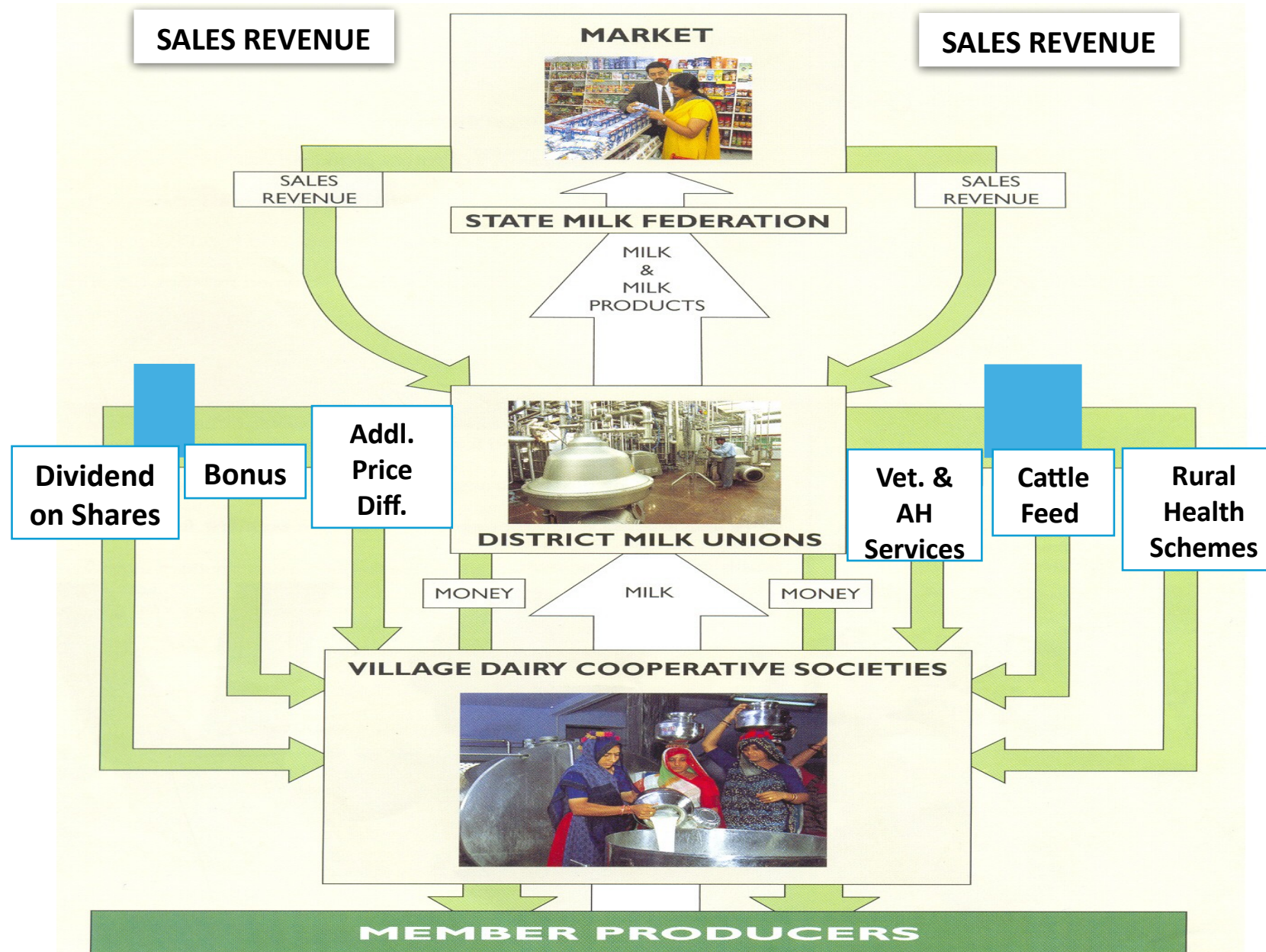


Milk Producer

By harnessing the collective power of our 80 million Smallholder Dairy Ecosystem



The Amul Model



**GCMMF
in
Gujarat**

**18 District
Unions in
Gujarat**

**18,559 VDCS
in Gujarat**

**3.6 million in
Gujarat**

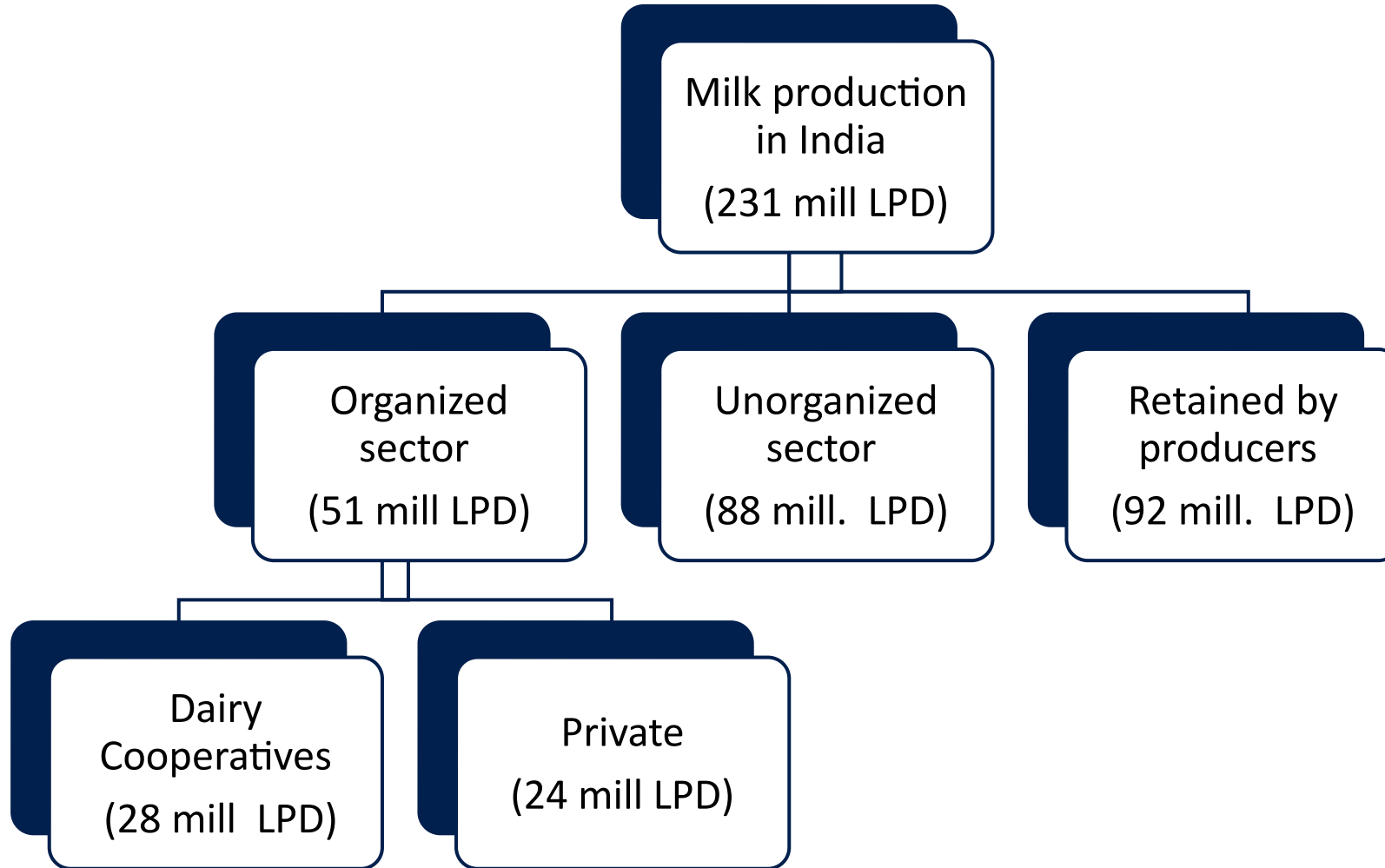
**28 State
Fedns. in
India**

**222 District
Unions in
India**

**228374
VDCS in
India**

**18million in
India**

Milk Production in India



Reasons for Success of White Revolution

- Vision -1970 self-sufficiency or *“Atma Nirbharta”*
- Farmer’s owned very efficient supply chain
- Selfless dedicated leadership
- Livelihood partial or major for 80 million families
- Very detailed planning, meticulous execution and monitoring OF
- Engaging best of the professionals
- Long-term investment in infrastructure rather than subsidies
- Emphasis on marketing and branding
- Technology integration and innovation and digitalization

BUFFALO MILK

World Buffalo Milk Production

**Ranking of countries
with the highest buffalo
milk production**

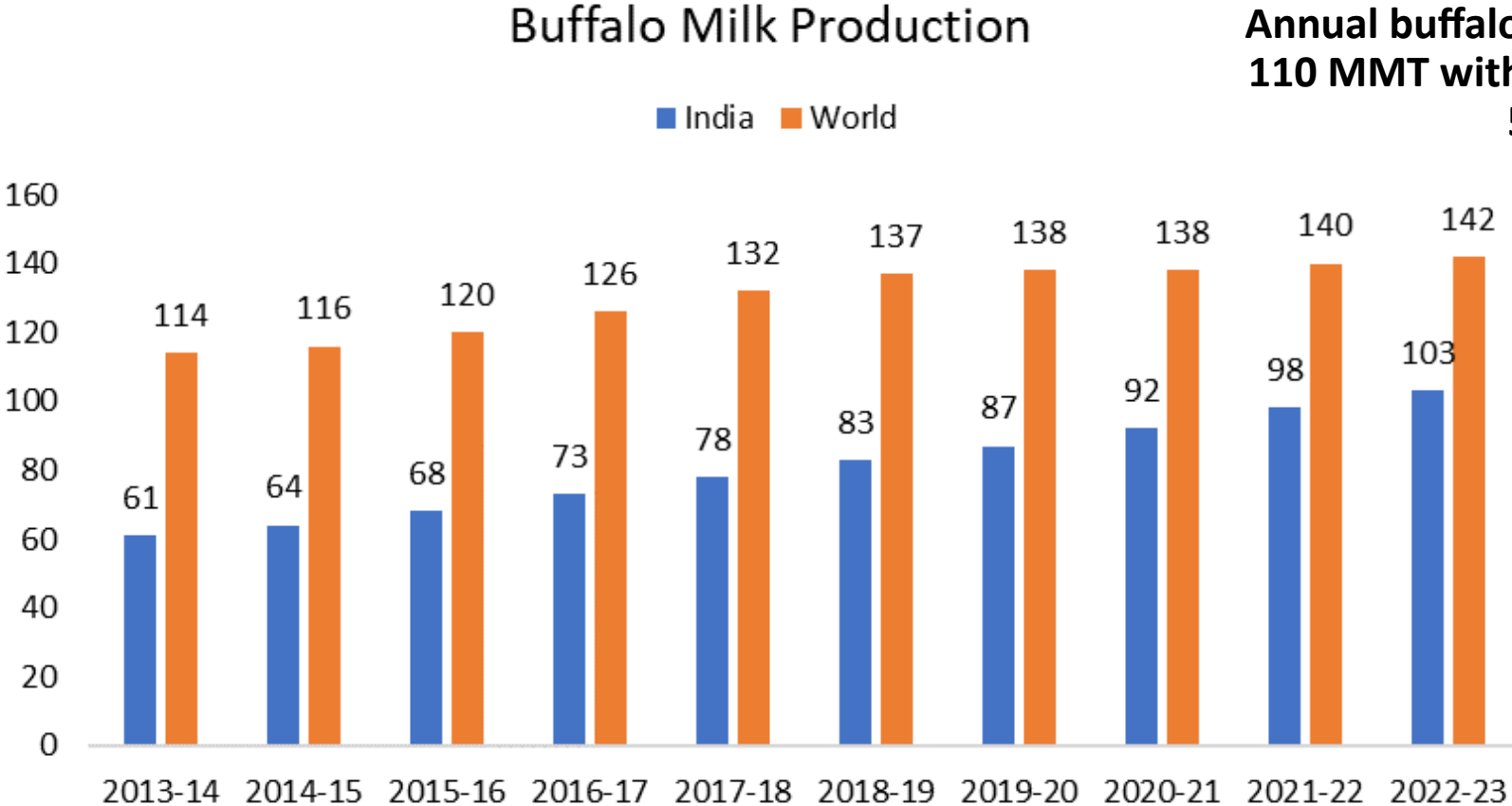
Country	Pound	% of Top 20
India	£ 202,82,50,40,000	68.78
Pakistan	£ 75,77,49,94,020	25.70
China	£ 6,45,59,40,865	2.19
Egypt	£ 5,49,94,24,590	1.19
Nepal	£ 3,02,67,33,821	1.03
Myanmar	£ 45,13,95,945	0.15
Iran	£ 28,21,91,360	0.10
Sri Lanka	£ 16,21,85,075	0.06
Turkey	£ 17,49,16,755	0.06
Indonesia	£ 18,84,37,690	0.06
Bangladesh	£ 7,89,03,350	0.03
Iraq	£ 7,93,24,432	0.03
Vietman	£ 5,99,89,913	0.02
Bulgaria	£ 2,91,00,984	0.01
Romania	£ 3,19,66,900	0.01
Netherlands	£ 61,72,936	0.00
Syria	£ 1,36,24,552	0.00
Georgia	£ 1,40,61,066	0.00
Malaysia	£ 1,69,55,732	0.00

India produces ~70% of
the world's buffalo milk

Source: Discover Food

Buffalo Milk Production: World vs India

Country	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
India	61	64	68	73	78	83	87	92	98	103
World	114	116	120	126	132	137	138	138	140	142
	53%	55%	57%	58%	59%	60%	63%	67%	70%	73%



Annual buffalo milk production of over 110 MMT with a consistent CAGR of 4-5% in India

Largest Bovine Population In The World : 310 Million

51%

Milk Solid
Basis

110 Million

45%

of total milk production

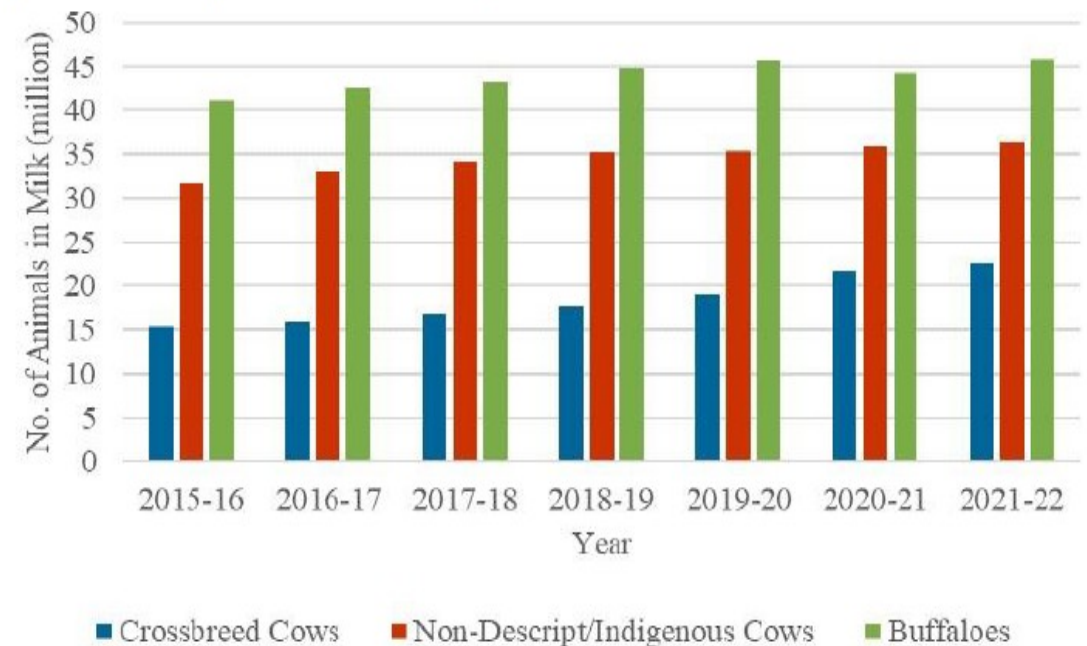
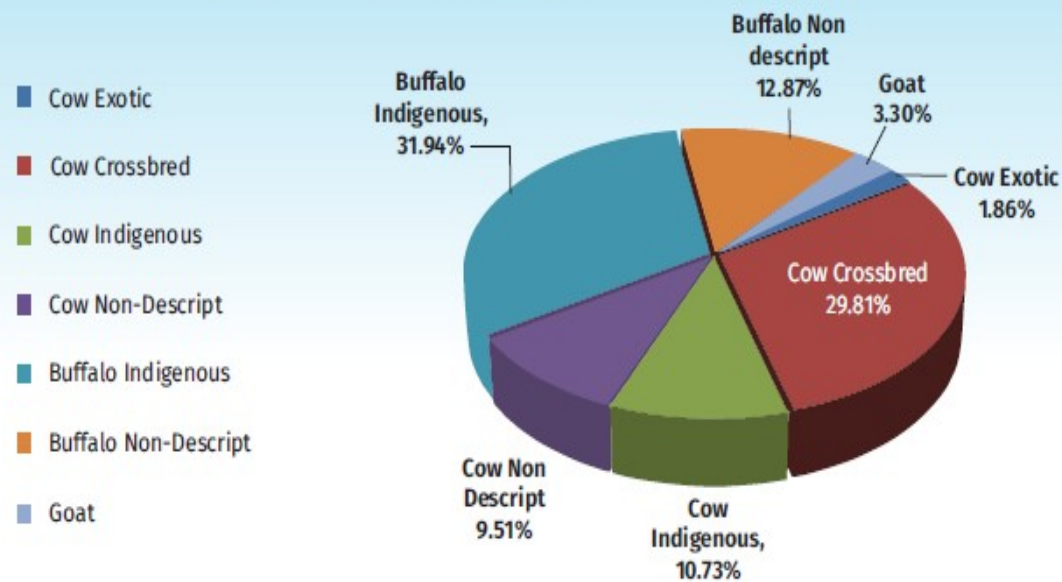


200 Million

55%

of total milk production

GRAPH 2.2: SPECIES-WISE MILK CONTRIBUTION IN 2022-23

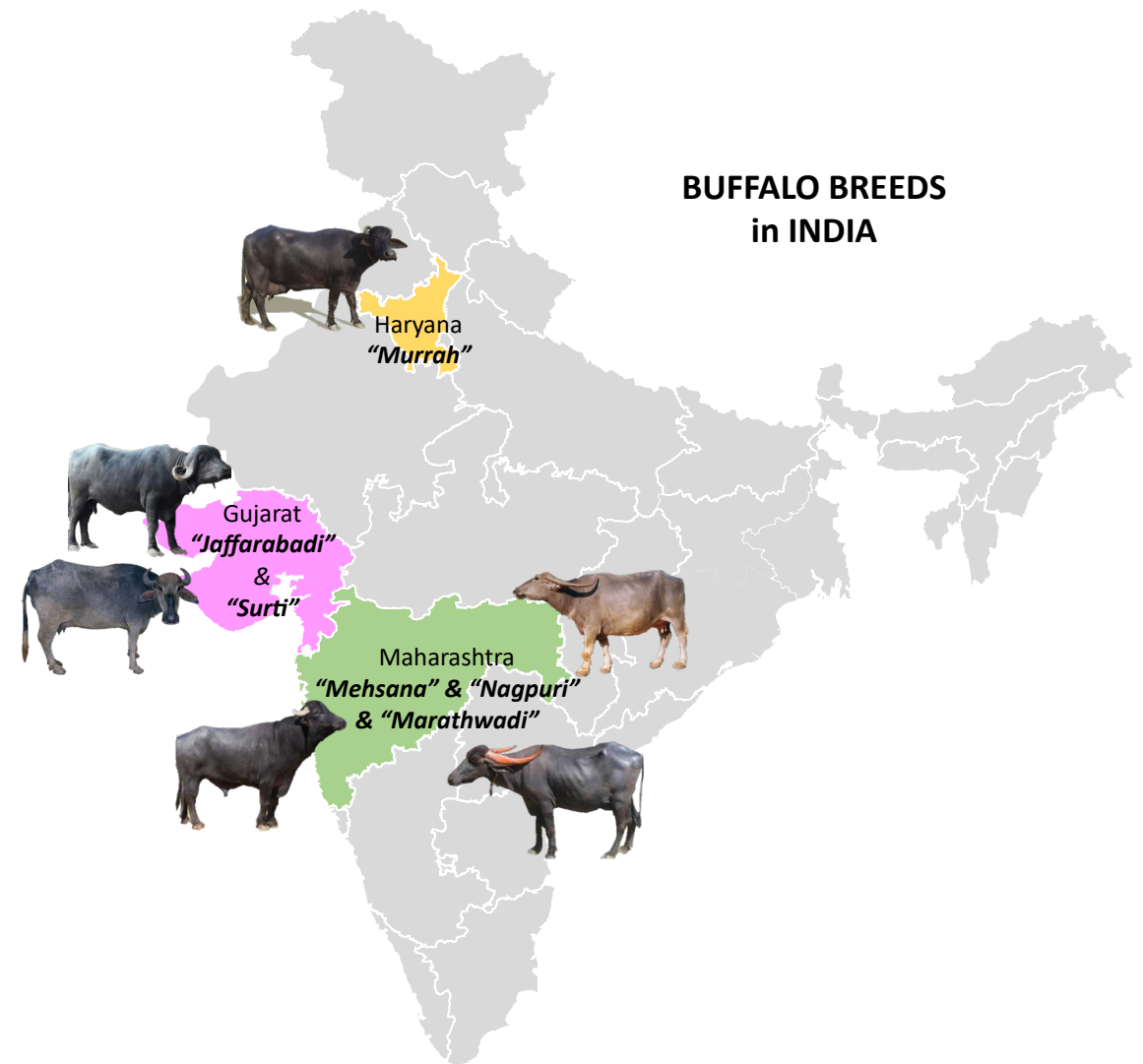


Buffalo Milk: An Essential Natural Adjuvant

Average Lactation Yield Per Animal (kg) 2023

Breed	Yield in Kg
Murrah	1752
Jaffarbadi	2239
Surti	1300
Mehsana	1988
Nagpuri/ Pandharpuri	1790
Marathwadi	1120

Density of milk: 1.03 g/mL



Comparison of Cow and Buffalo Milk



1 kg of **Cheese**

=

8 kg of Cow Milk

5 kg of Buffalo Milk 1

kg of **Butter**

=

14 kg of Cow Milk

10 kg of Buffalo Milk

MILK PROPERTIES	COW	BUFFALO
Fat	3-4%	6-8%
Protein	3-4%	4-5%
Shelf Life	6 days	7-10 days
PH	Low	High
Production	15-20 litres/ day	7-11 litres/ day
Lactose	4.7%	4.86%
Minerals (Daily Value)	29% of Phosphorous 21% of Calcium 6% of Magnesium 12% of Vitamin A	41% of Phosphorous 32% of Calcium 19% of Magnesium 14% of Vitamin A

Superiority of Buffalo Milk

PROPERTIES

- Rich composition
- More protein and fat content
- High in vitamin B12 (Decreased risk of heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular conditions)
- Exceptionally smooth, thicker consistency and white due to lack of carotene
- High richness makes it very ideal for processing- cost effective
- Fatter globule size
- Higher nutritious grade
- Resilient whey proteins
- Lactose in raw buffalo milk is 4.86%
- Great source: Ca, Mg, P, Zn and Vitamins A, B, D, E and K
- Therapeutic benefits and acts as an adjuvant
- 30% more total solids than cow milk
- Greater viscosity and antioxidant capacity than cow milk

Traditional Buffalo Farming



Buffalo Farms: Challenges



- 2-200 Buffalo herd size - Tied up Buffalo
- Hand Milking - Labour Intensive
- Buffalo Temperament
- Poor Animal Comfort & Hygiene
- Frequent Breeding Failure
- Reducing availability of Skilled Labour / Milker
- Different udder shapes – Different teat size
- Special physiology of Milk Ejection – Stimulation/ Calf



Conical shaped



Cylindrical shaped



Bottle shaped

Evolution of Organized Buffalo Farms in India

Adoption of Milking Solution for Different segment of Farms



Buffalo Bucket Milking Machine

Pipeline Milking System - Speedline



Fully Automatic Buffalo Milking Parlour



Buffalo Farm: New Generation Adopting Technology

NOBLE DAIRY FARM

- Traditional third generation farmer with 2000 + Buffaloes at Mumbai
- New generation in family decided for Green field farm for **800 Buffaloes**
- Location: Ghoti, Igatpuri, Nasik (Maharashtra)
- Complete mechanized Commercial Buffalo Dairy Farm
- Data collection and analysis automated with Delpro system from Delaval



Loose Housing Shed for comfort



DeLaval Herring Bone 2*24 Parlour

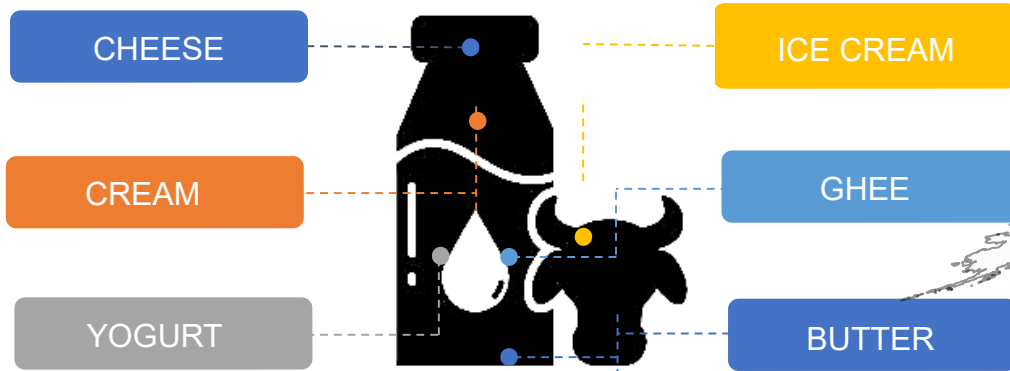


Cow Shower to address body heat and cleaning



Spacious Alley for TMR Feeding

Buffalo Milk & Products

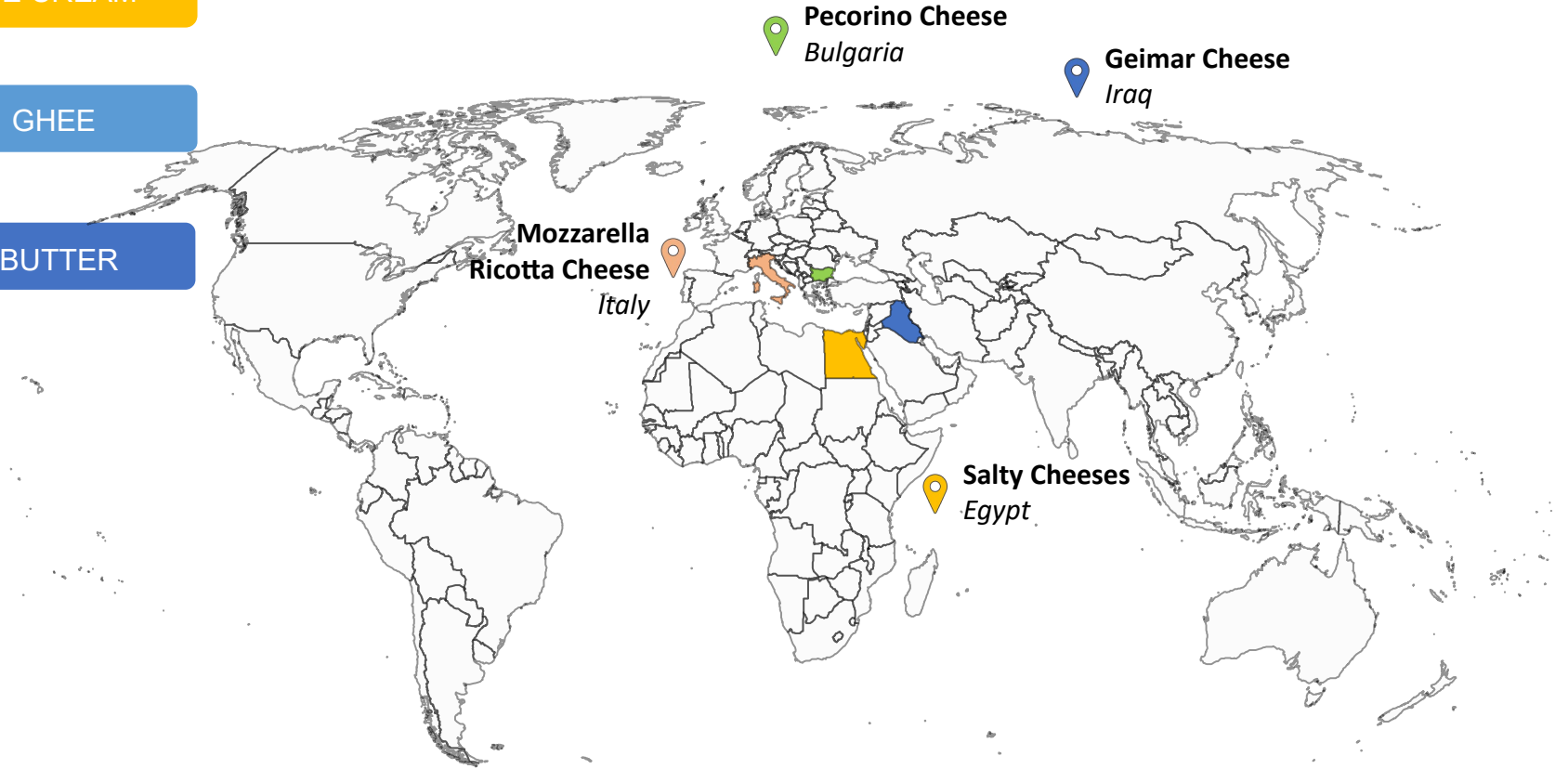


Variations in Milk is influenced by

- ✓ Age
- ✓ Breed
- ✓ Season
- ✓ Nursing stage

Curd tension of buffalo milk is higher

Butter from buffalo milk is tougher due to more fatty acids



Indian Buffalo Milk & Products

CURD



MILK



Indian Buffalo Milk & Products

GHEE

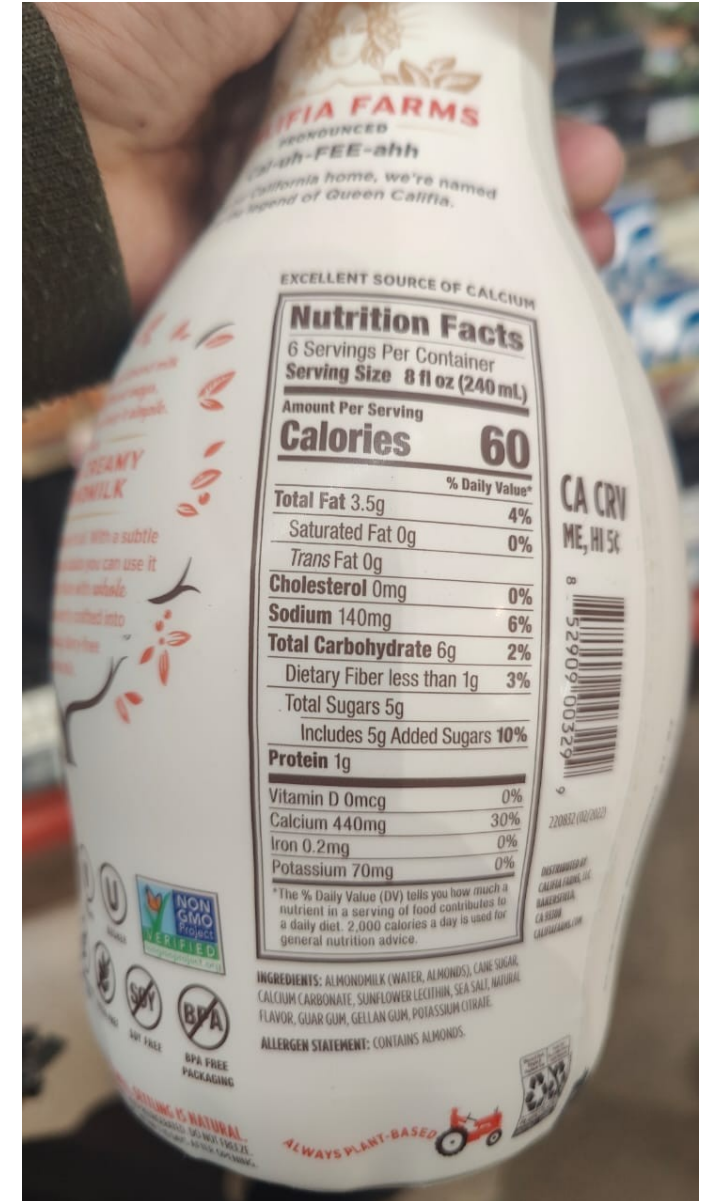


CHEESE



Plant Milk & Products

LIES OF PLANT BASED



Growth in Buffalo Milk Production & Consumption

GEOGRAPHIC REGION

- Some northern states prefer buffalo milk over cow milk
- Often used in traditional Indian cuisine and sweets
- Commands a premium price of ₹84/ ltr vis-à-vis cow milk at ₹67/ ltr

DAIRY INDUSTRY

- Heavy dependence on buffalo milk for various dairy products
- Cheese, yogurt, butter, ghee, condensed milk, ice cream

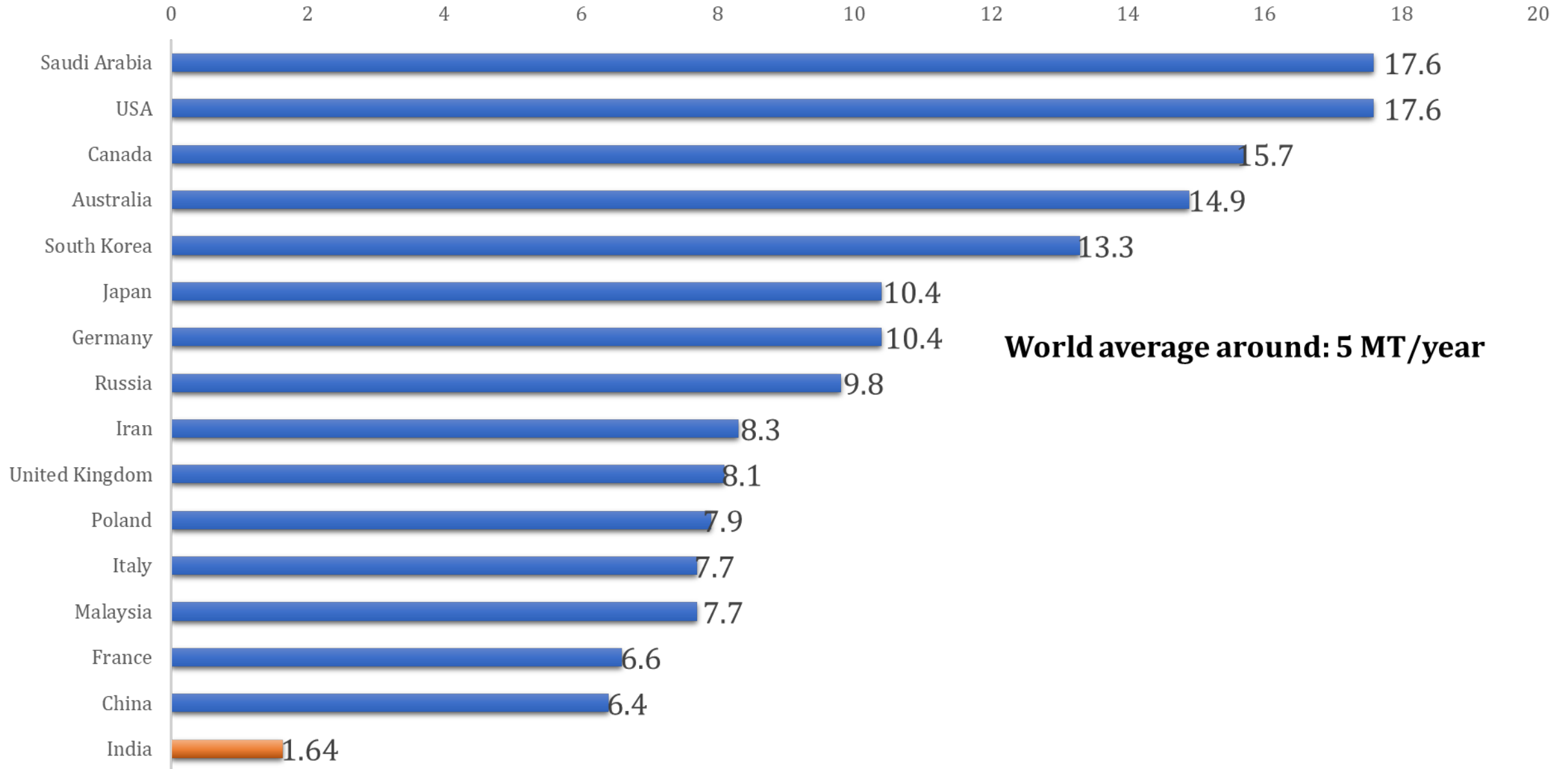
ECONOMIC IMPORTANCE

- Provides livelihood opportunities for almost 80 million households in India

Sustainability



Per capita emission (MT/year)



Indian Dairy Industry: Small Holder System (Economical Aspect)



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Value: USD 110 Billion
25% of Indian agriculture
231 MMT/year, CAGR: 4.5% of India
& < 2% of world

Symbiotic relationship between
rural producers & urban
consumers

Number of families depends
on dairy ~ 80 million.



75 – 80% consumer money goes **back**
to **milk producers**. Twice than
developed nations.



Dairy plants capacity: 120 million
liter/day, Cattle feed plants: 80,000
MT/day and Semen station capacity: 90
million/year



1 million retailers selling milk
and milk products

Indian Dairy Industry: Small Holder System (Environmental Aspect)



Largest producer of rice & fruits and second largest producer of wheat, sugarcane, groundnut, vegetables, fruit and cotton



Grains and pulses: Major source of nutrients



1.35 billion population. Milk and milk products are the major source of protein and minerals.



Largest producer of roughages.



75% of bovine diet is not consumed by humans.

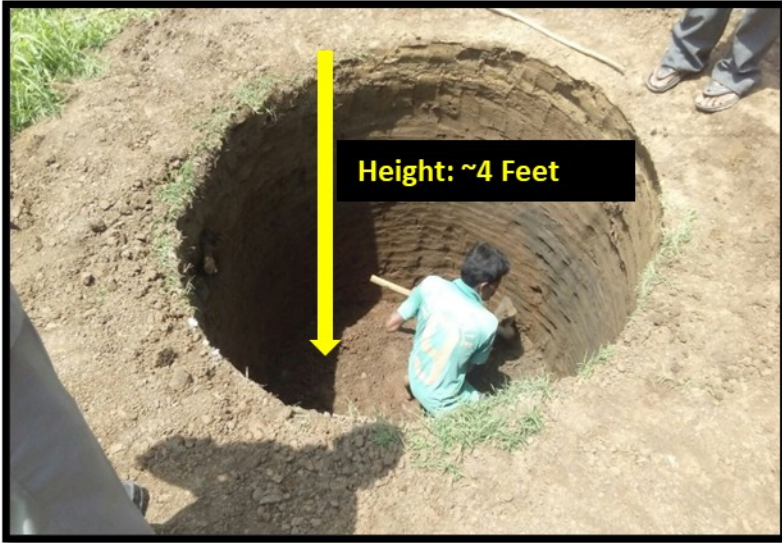


Self consumption by producer and excess milk selling within village

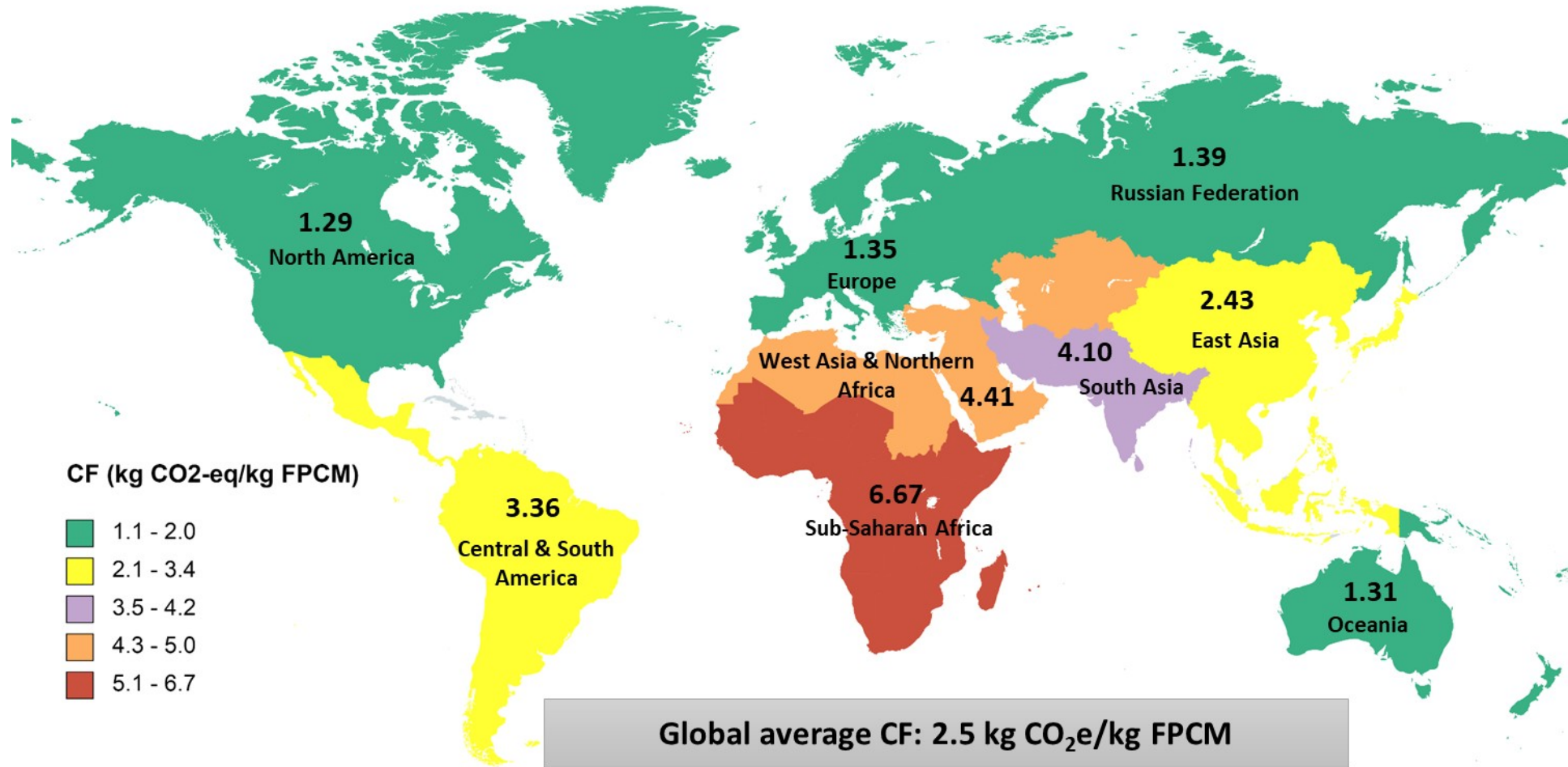
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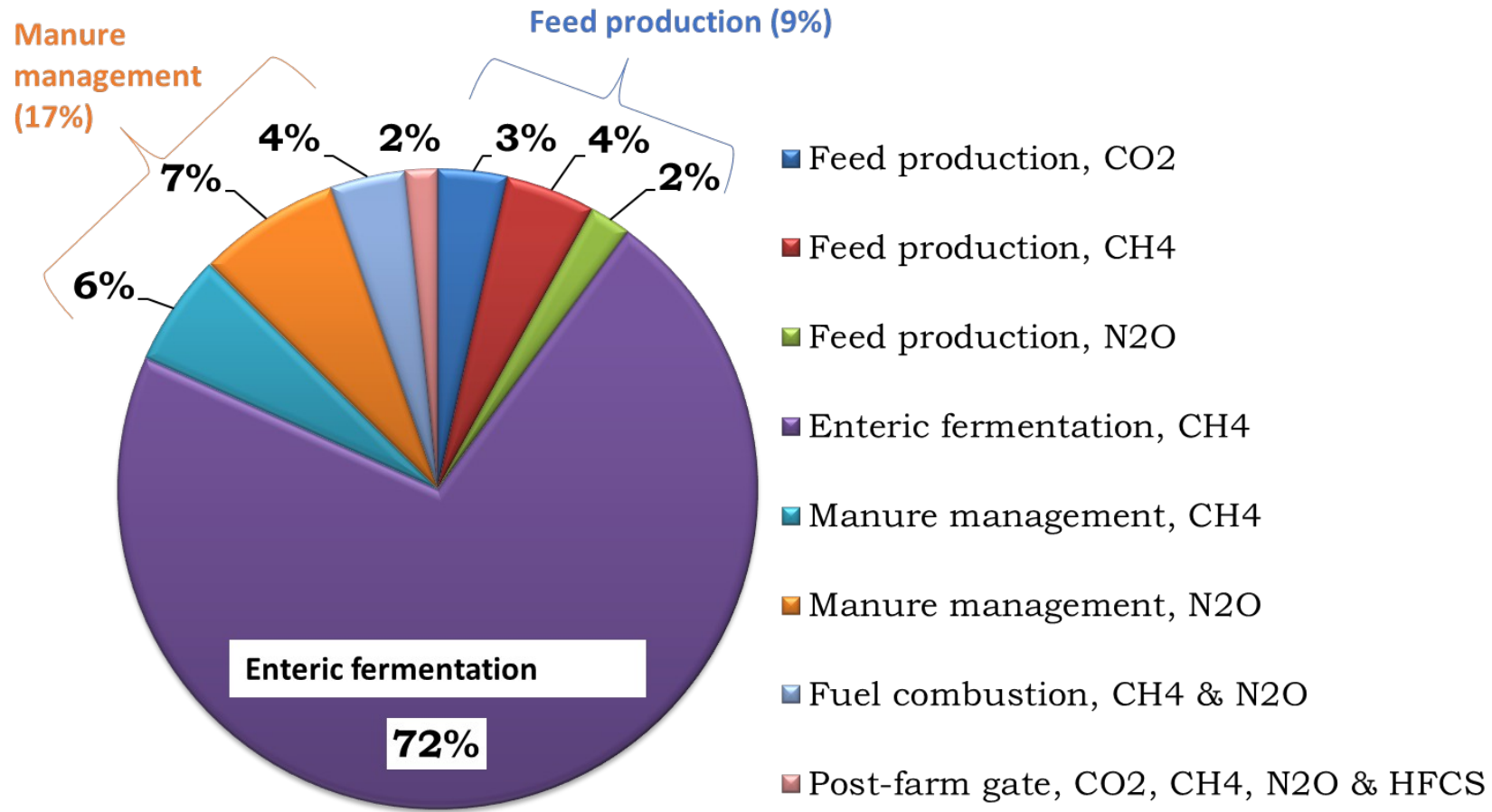
Flexi Dome Gobar Gas Plant Installation at Farmers Doorstep



Carbon Footprint (CF) of Milk by Region

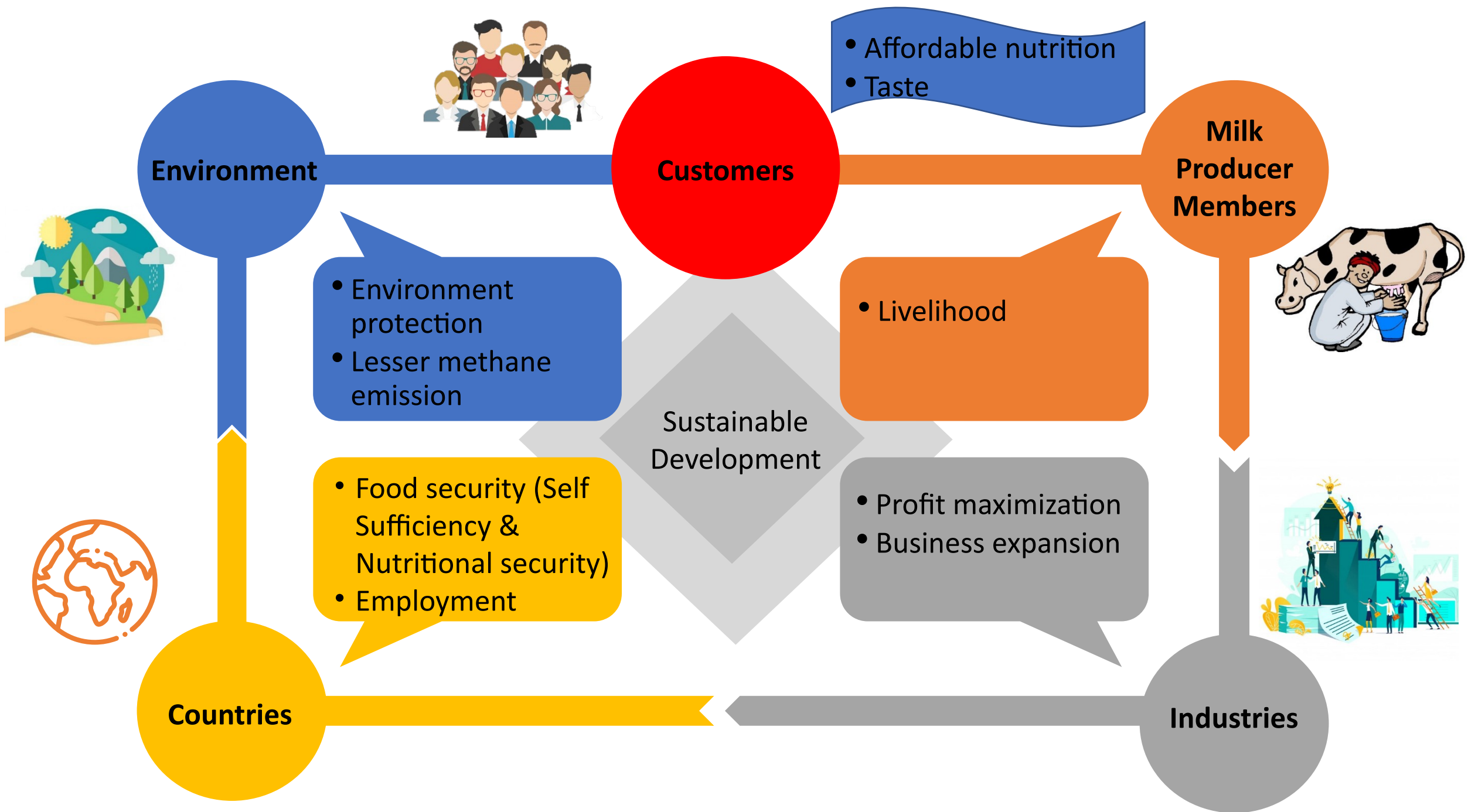


GHG Emissions by the Indian Dairy Sector



GHG Hotspots

- Enteric Methane (72%)
- Manure Management (17%)



Sustainability Starts When Stomach Is Full



Emission for Livelihood vs Emission for luxury

Challenges to Dairy Industry

- Milk Production
- Animal productivity and Breeding
- Animal health and prevention
- Animal feeding
- Policy level
- Adulteration
- Analogue products
- Free Trade Agreement (FTA)
- Price Volatility
- Next Gen: Not ready to work in dairying
- Shortage of professionals
- A1 versus A2
- Cow versus Buffalo Milk
- Leadership

And Finally....



“We have traversed a path few have dared to.

We are continuing on a path still fewer have the courage to follow.

We must pursue the path that even fewer can dream to pursue.

Yet, we must, because we hold in trust the aims and aspirations of millions of our countrymen.”

- Dr V. Kurien

THANK YOU



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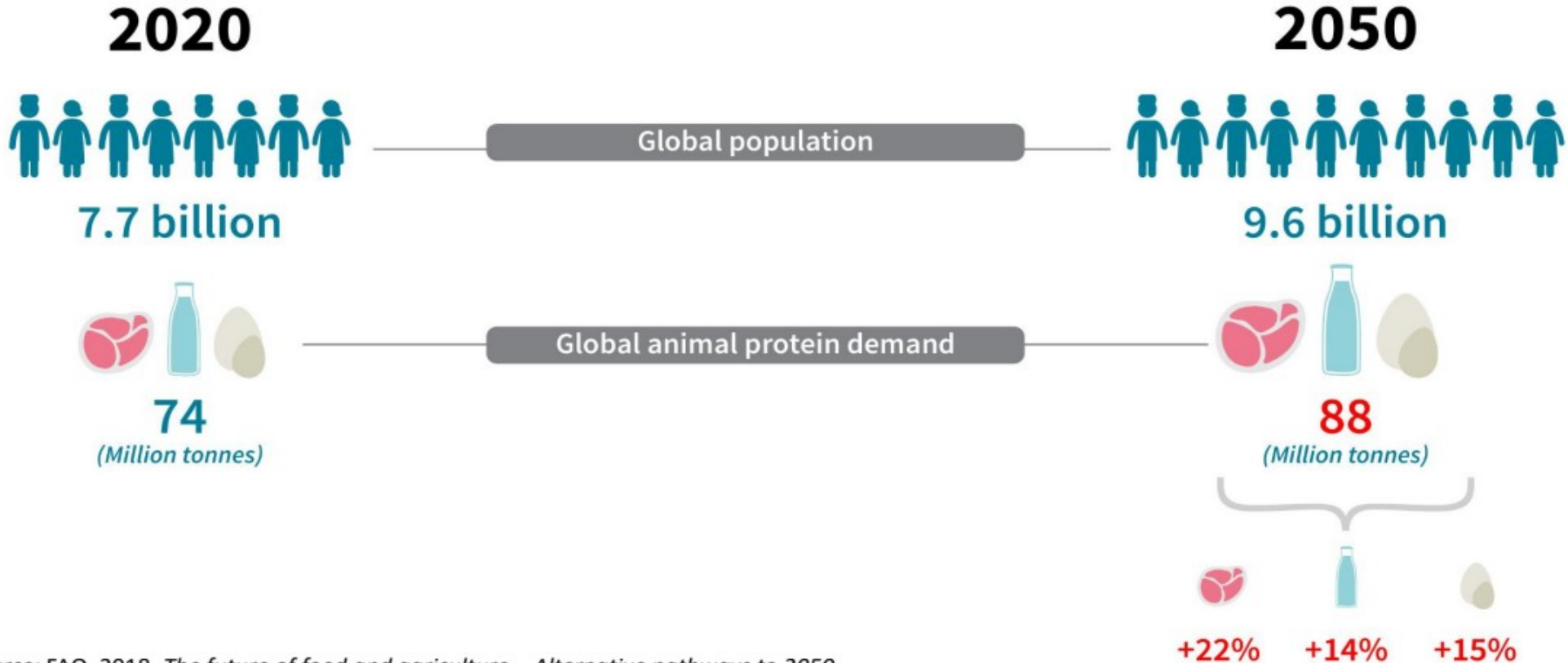
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How to feed people in this planet?

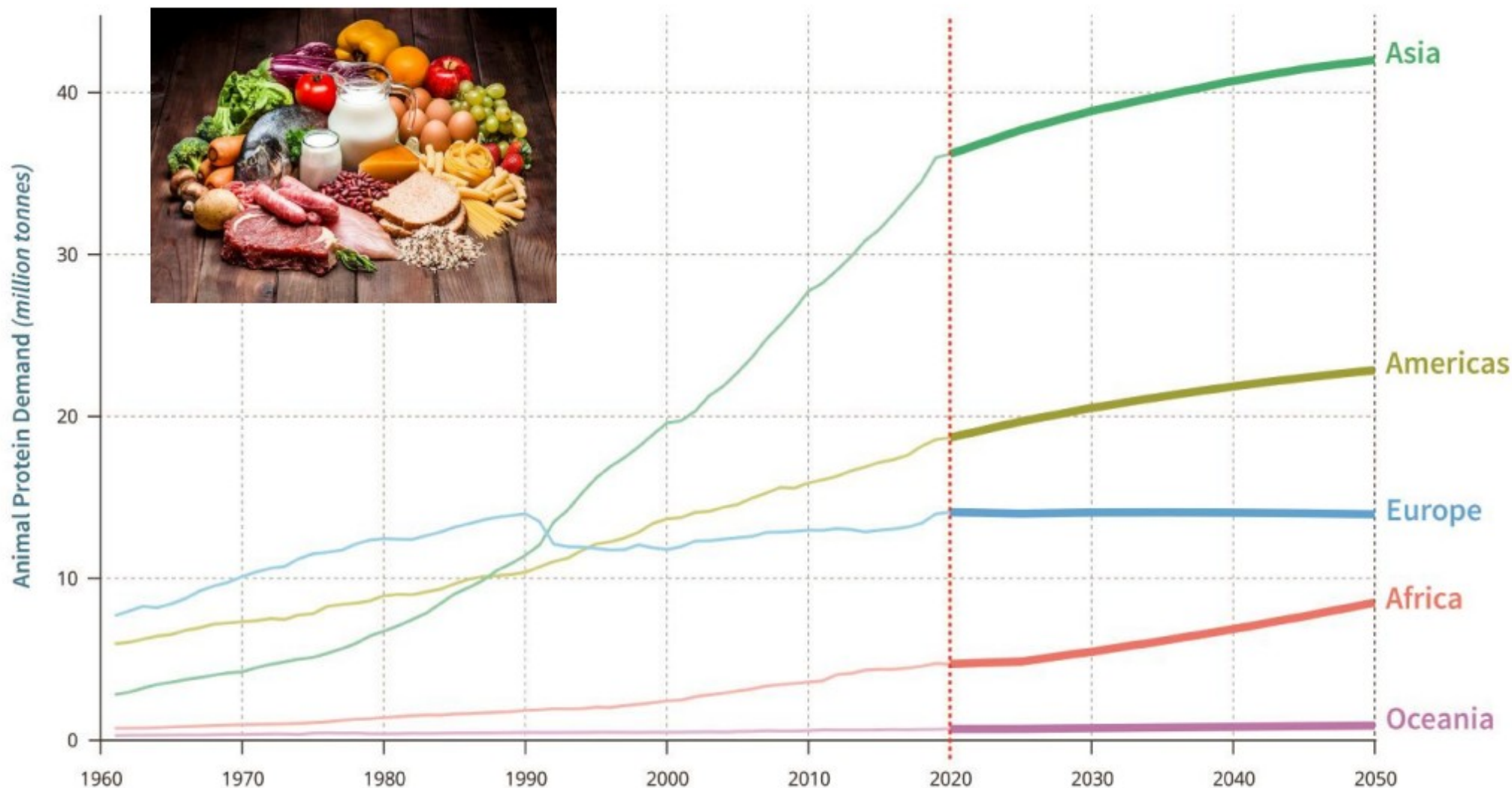
Population growth and global demands of animal-source foods



Source: FAO. 2018. *The future of food and agriculture – Alternative pathways to 2050*.



Demands of animal-source foods by Region



Projected
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animal protein
by 2050:

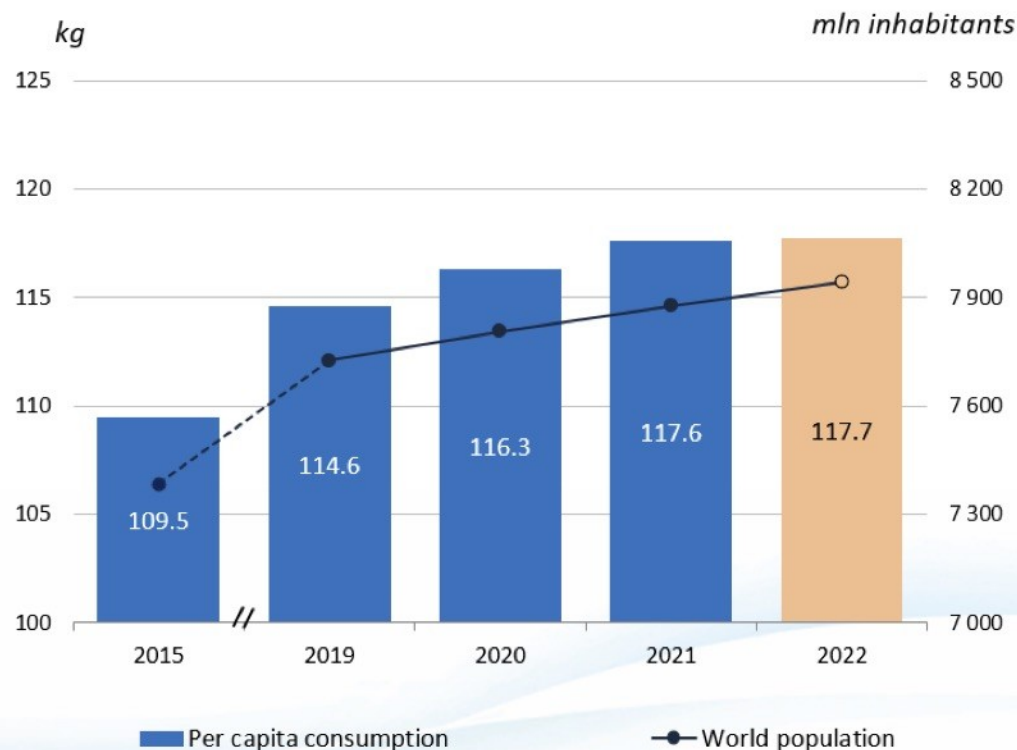
+ 20%

compared to
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DEMAND

Economic
outlook

World: per capita consumption and population



IDF World Dairy Situation - 2023

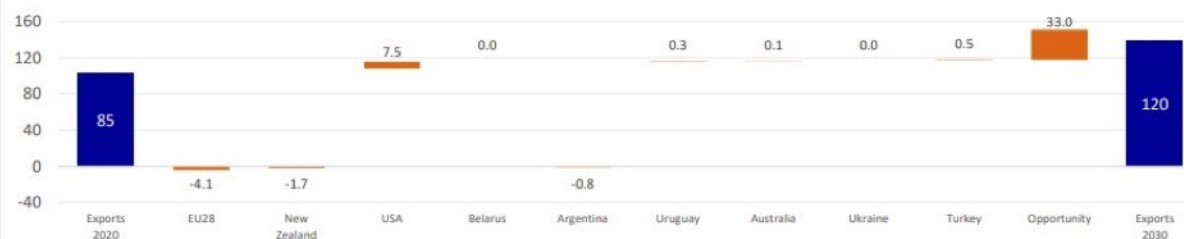
Global dairy supply and demand outlook

Updated 2023

Import Bridge: million tons liquid milk equivalents



Export Bridge: million tons liquid milk equivalents



Source: Rabobank, 2023

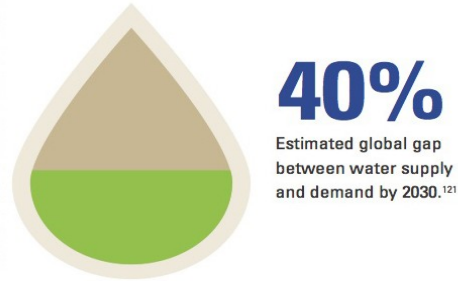
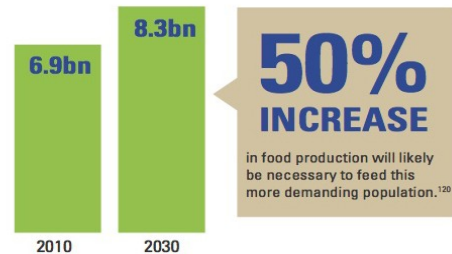
Global megatrend #8 Resource stress

The combined pressures of population growth, economic growth and climate change will place increased stress on essential natural resources including water, food, arable land and energy. These issues will place sustainable resource management at the center of government agendas.

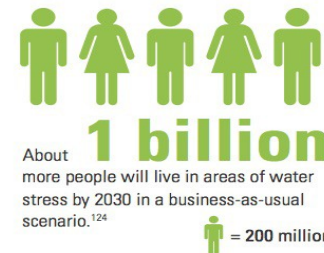
By 2030, significant changes in global production and consumption, along with the cumulative effects of climate change, are expected to create further stress on already limited global resources. Stress on the supply of these resources directly impacts the ability of governments to deliver on their core policy pillars of economic prosperity, security, social cohesion and environmental sustainability.

The evidence of change

The population is growing and so is the middle class:



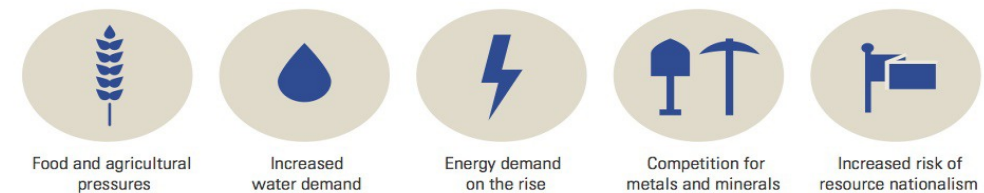
“If nothing is done we will run out of water faster than we will run out of oil.”¹²³
Peter Brabeck-Letmathe,
Chairman of the Board, Nestlé



Both growing demands and unstable production patterns due to climate change will cause global food prices to double between 2010 and 2030.¹²⁵



The consequences of resource stress



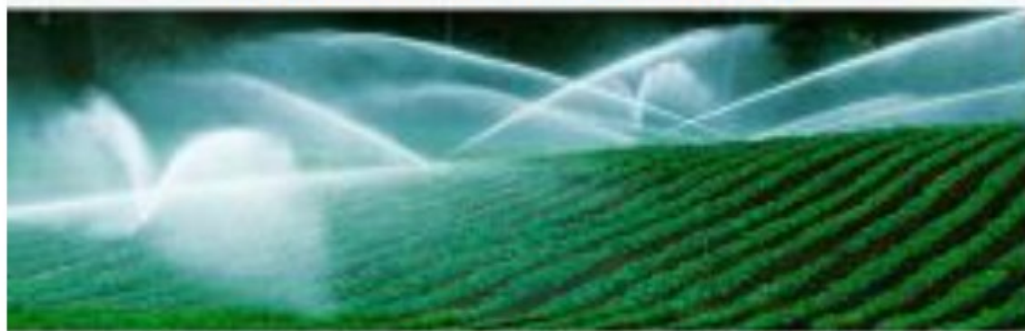


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Agri-food systems

uses 70% of fresh water



generates 24% of GHGs



uses 33% of land area



uses 30% of global energy



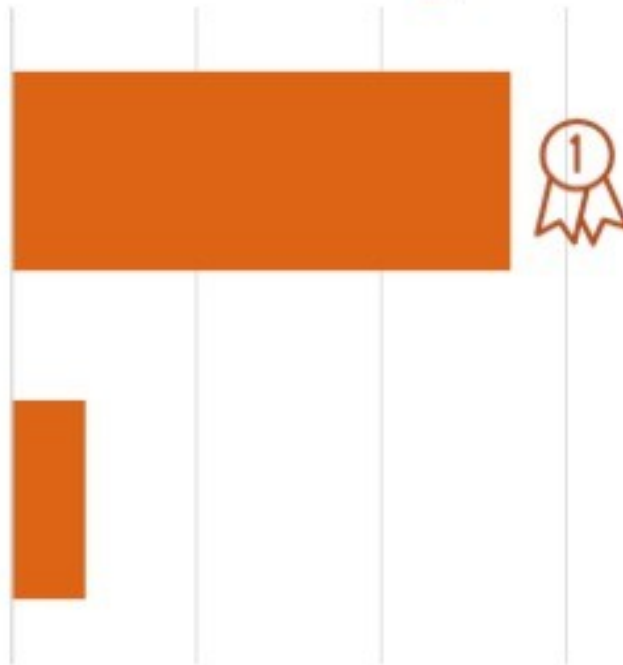
... But feed 100% of us

Metrics Matter

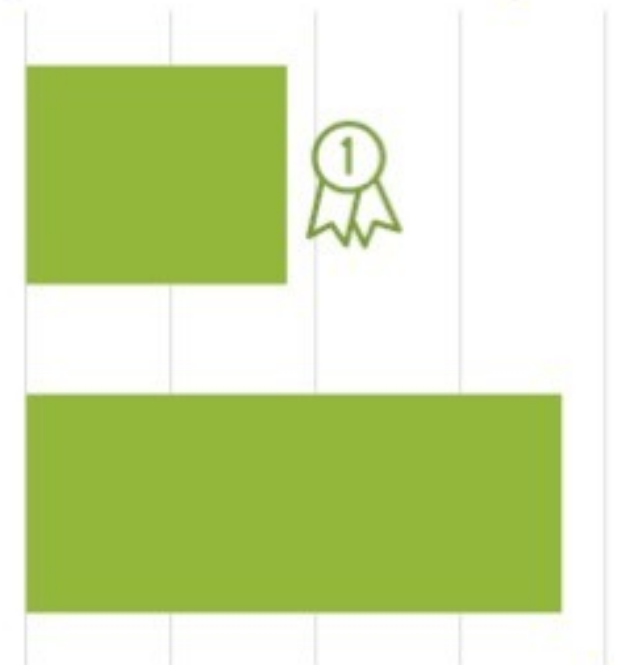
CO2eq emissions per 100 GRAM



Nutrient Density Index



CO2eq emissions per Nutrient Density value



Value of terrestrial animal source food in human health

Nutrients found concentrated and bioavailable in terrestrial animal source food play important roles in human health



MACRONUTRIENTS

High-quality proteins

- Increase muscle mass
- Prevent loss of muscle mass

Long-fatty acids and ratios of essential fatty acids

- Cognition
- Neurodevelopment
- Anti-inflammatory processes



MICRONUTRIENTS

Zinc

- Vital functions in growth, development and immunity

Vitamin B12

- Neurodevelopment
- Cell formation

Choline

- Growth
- Brain function
- Gene interactions

Calcium

- Bone health

Iron

- Prevents iron deficiency anaemia

Selenium

- Anti-inflammatory
- Genome-level processes

IDF Dairy Matrix - the Factsheets Series published on November 2023

The (2023) series of IDF factsheets consists of 4 factsheets: general, milk, yogurt, cheese.

Factsheet of the IDF N° 27/2023: Dairy matrix: Understanding its impact on the health effects of dairy foods



Factsheet of the IDF N° 33/2023: Dairy matrix: The case of milk



Factsheet of the IDF N° 34/2023: Dairy Matrix: The case of cheese



Factsheet of the IDF N° 35/2023: Dairy matrix: The case of yoghurt



The factsheets report the synthesis of the most recent scientific evidence on the dairy matrix.

Fundamental concept: “the combination effect”: the action of a single nutrient is probably also dependent on the others and on how they are “combined” in the food itself.



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GOALS

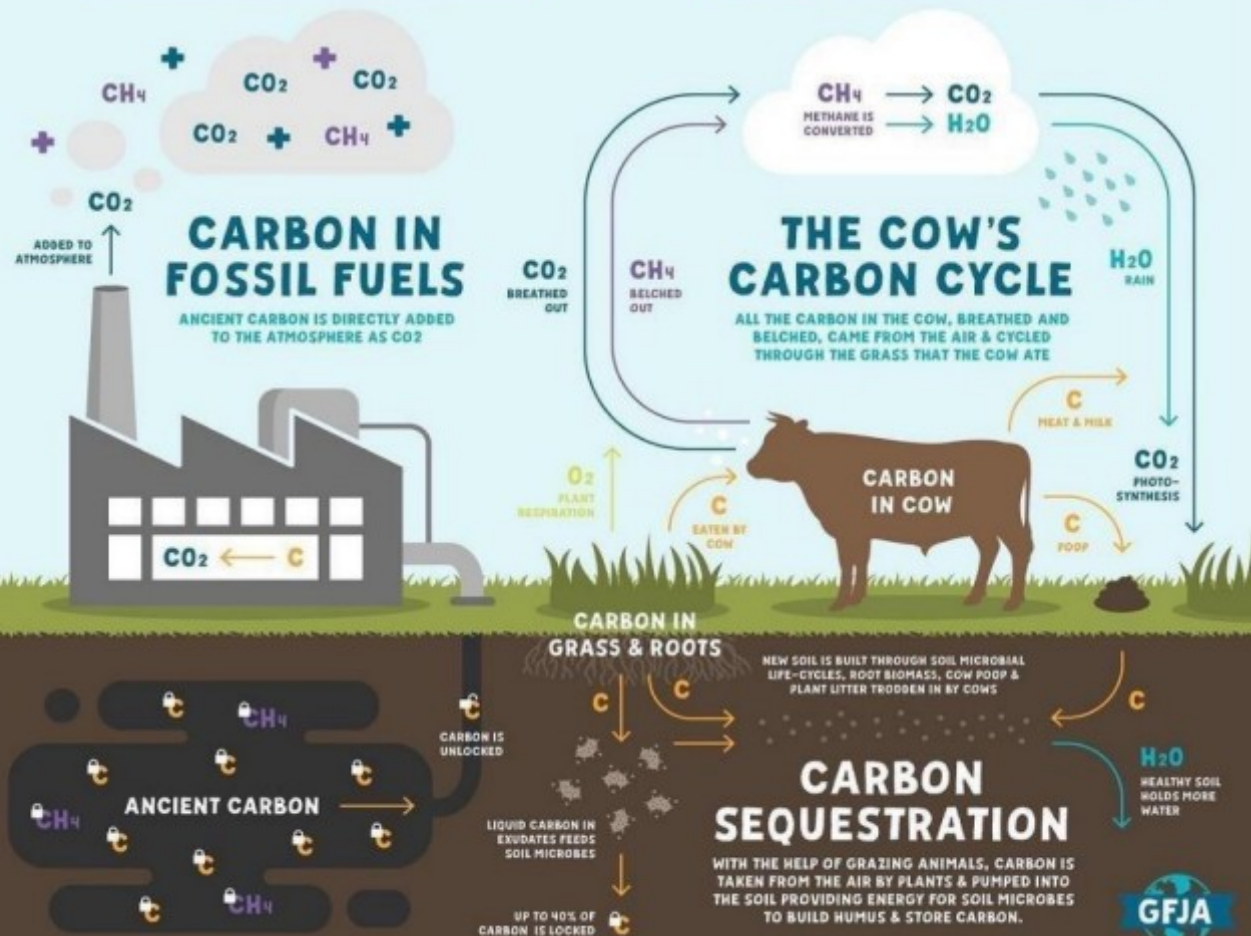


Net zero means we are not adding new emissions to the atmosphere. Emissions will continue, but will be balanced by absorbing and cycling.

CATTLE EMISSIONS ARE CYCLED, FOSSIL FUELS ARE ADDED

NEW CARBON IS ADDED

EXISTING CARBON IS CYCLED



INSPIRED BY: SMILING TREE FARM





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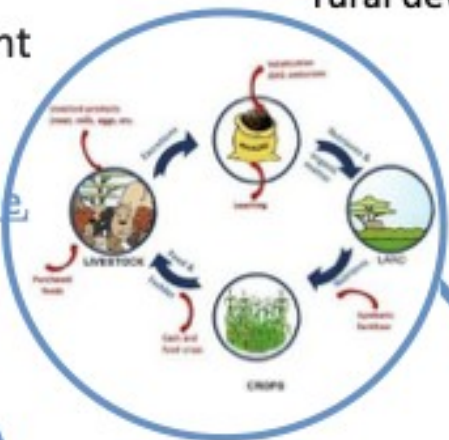


Livelihood, women &
youth employment,
rural development

Livestock's contribution to healthy people and planet

Crop-Livestock-Soil Nutrient
Cycling Systems

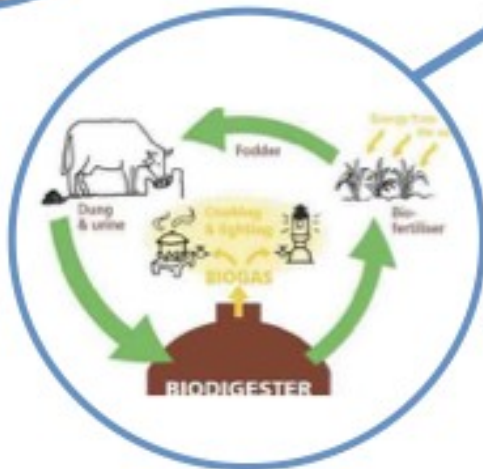
Biomass, Bio fertilizer,
Soil health, Use of crop residue,
Zero waste



Balanced &
healthy diets



Biogas &
renewable
energy



Food &
nutritional
security, essential
micronutrients



Pastoral systems and
livestock in drylands &
rangelands

Biodiversity &
Ecosystem services



Integrating livestock
with agroforestry
Grazing with trees





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Milk is Perfection

Milk is critical and essential for international efforts to combat poverty and hunger.



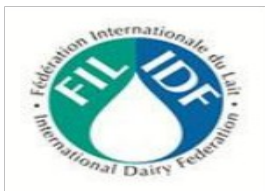
THE GLOBAL GOALS

For Sustainable Development



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IDF position to CL 2022/06/OCS - CCEXEC
Request for Information on New Food Sources and production systems; Need for Codex guidance and attention to inform the CCEXEC sub-committee on working on this topic
(5 April '22)

The International Dairy Federation (IDF) is grateful for the opportunity to provide a response to the Request for Information on New Food Sources and production systems; Need for Codex guidance and attention to inform the CCEXEC sub-committee on working on this topic.

In the context of this work on new food sources and production systems, we consider it essential to focus on and ground the work within the mandate of Codex of protecting public health via food safety and quality and ensuring fair practices in food trade. These new food technologies may raise significant challenges in terms of food safety, labelling, fair trade practices, and could have unknown impacts on human health over time. Currently, there is still the need to understand and learn about the impact of these “new foods” and innovative technologies at the different levels. Any work within Codex should be aligned with its mandate and its procedure manual¹.

In addition, Codex must carefully avoid conflicts with any existing Codex Standards, Guidelines, or Codes of Practice when initiating new work. We would, therefore, specifically note the relevancy of the Codex General Standard for the Use of Dairy Terms (GSUDT) (CXS 206-1999) to many issues associated with some of the new food sources identified in the CL. Established in 1999, the GSUDT provides guidance on the correct use of terms which are universally identified with dairy products. The GSUDT defines milk as “the normal mammary secretion of milking animals obtained from one or more milkings without either addition to it or extraction from it, intended for consumption as liquid milk or further processing.” If new work is initiated on these new food sources, this definition and other core principles of CXS 206-1999 must be considered and not undermined.

Consistent with the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods, a core principle of the GSUDT is that foods shall be described and presented in a manner that ensures consumers are not misled or confused². Labelling of dairy products or non-dairy products using dairy terms shall not be false, misleading, deceptive, or create an erroneous impression regarding its character in any respect, including being suggestive of any other product with which the food might be confused.

¹ Codex procedure manual. Twenty-seventh edition. 2019. Criteria for the establishment of work priorities p43

² IDF Bulletin 507/2020 – The Codex General Standard for the Use of Dairy Terms. Its nature, intent and implications (accessed on 22 March '22 [Bulletin-of-the-IDF-507_2020_The-Codex-General-Standard-for-the-Use-of-Dairy-Terms.CAT_-snusw3.pdf \(fil-idf.org\)](#))

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CCEXEC SUB-COMMITTEE ON NEW FOOD SOURCES AND PRODUCTION SYSTEMS – REPORT

(Prepared by the Chairperson of the sub-committee)

Introduction

1. Since FAO and WHO first introduced new food sources and production systems (NFPS) as an issue that needed attention, Codex has held discussions and collected information on several occasions. Discussions began at 81st session of the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CCEXEC81), which established a CCEXEC sub-committee to consider this issue further¹. CAC44 subsequently considered the issue, supported the need for Codex to be prepared to address cross-cutting, overarching and emerging issues, and requested the Codex Secretariat to issue a Circular Letter² (CL) to collect information from Members and observers on ongoing developments related to NFPS. The CCEXEC sub-committee supported the development of the CL and in addition a letter was sent to all Codex Members and observers inviting informal conversations with the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Commission to share views on this issue. A detailed overview of this first phase of the work was presented to CCEXEC82 as an interim report of the sub-committee³.

Overview of discussions at CCEXEC82 and ongoing work of the sub-committee⁴

2. CCEXEC82 considered the interim report of the sub-committee and underlined the complexity of this area. CCEXEC Members expressed different views about the pathway forward, including the need for sufficient time to consider the issues, and the need for specific expertise, or other working mechanisms to engage with the wider Codex membership (e.g. the establishment of an electronic working group (EWG) of the Commission). CCEXEC82 recognised that this ongoing CCEXEC work on NFPS did not preclude Codex committees from undertaking new work on such emerging issues falling within their respective mandates, using existing Codex working mechanisms. In noting the interim report of the sub-committee, the comments put forth during the debate and the extensive amount of data received in response to the CL, CCEXEC82 agreed that the subcommittee should continue its stepwise consideration of the issues, informed by an analysis of the information collected through the CL, CRDs and report of CCEXEC82.

3. With the support of FAO, a summary of the replies to the CLs was subsequently commissioned and is included as Appendix 2 to this report. This was considered further by an informal virtual meeting of the sub-committee.

4. Based on the summary of the replies from the CL, which allowed for a better understanding of the breadth of information about NFPS that was collected through the CL and the informal discussions, a virtual meeting of the sub-committee considered the potential way forward. Members recognized that NFPS presented both a

¹ REP21/EXEC 22/82/4, para 110

² The CL received replies from 25 Members and 10 Observers. Informal conversations were held with the six Regional Coordinators, CCAFRICA (Uganda), CCASIA (China), CCEURO (Kazakhstan), CCLAC (Ecuador), CCNASWP (Fiji) and CCNE (Saudi Arabia) and with the European Union, FAO, the Good Food Institute (GFI), International Dairy Federation (IDF), Germany and the United States of America

³ CX/EXEC 22/82/4

⁴ REP22/EXEC1, paragraphs 70-85



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FOOD SAFETY ASPECTS OF **CELL-BASED FOOD**



Comparison of carbon footprint and water scarcity footprint of milk protein produced by cellular agriculture and the dairy industry

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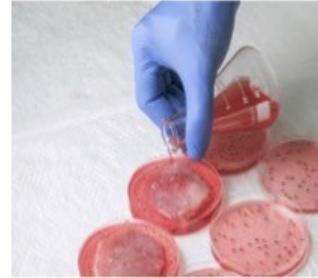
Purpose

This paper studies the carbon footprint and water scarcity footprint (WSF) of a milk protein, beta-lactoglobulin, produced by cellular agriculture and compares this to extracted dairy protein from milk. The calculations of the microbially produced proteins were based on a model of a hypothetical industrial-scale facility. The purpose of the study is to examine the role relative to dairy of microbially produced milk proteins in meeting future demand for more sustainably produced protein of high nutritional quality.

Methods

Cell-based meat could emit 25 times more than retail beef, study

Beef Central, 15/05/2023



RESEARCHERS from a renowned university in the United States say traditional meat production is likely to have less of an environmental footprint than producing meat in a lab.

The group from University of California Davis recently did life-cycle assessments on lab-grown meat and compared it to the warming potential of conventional meat. It has released the findings of the report, with the peer-review still to come.

Lab-grown meat, or animal cell-based meat, has been tipped as a more environmentally friendly alternative way of producing protein. But previous Beef Central articles have [raised doubts about its viability](#).

The results have shown that its environmental impact could be four-to-25 times greater than retail beef. The study focused on energy used to grow the animal cells and says it was likely to show the minimal impact of lab-grown meat.

“We also acknowledge that our analysis may be viewed as minimum environmental impacts due to several factors including incomplete datasets,” the study says.

“The exclusion of energy and materials required to scale the ACBM industry and exclusion of the energy and materials needed to scale industries which would support ACBM production.”

Measuring a burgeoning industry

One of the main limiting factors to the study was the small-scale nature of the cell-based meat industry. The study was based on impact of a scaled-up cell-based meat industry.

“Currently, ACBM products are being produced at a small scale and at an economic loss, however ACBM companies are intending to industrialise and scale-up production,” it says.

Environmental impacts of cultured meat: A cradle-to-gate life cycle assessment

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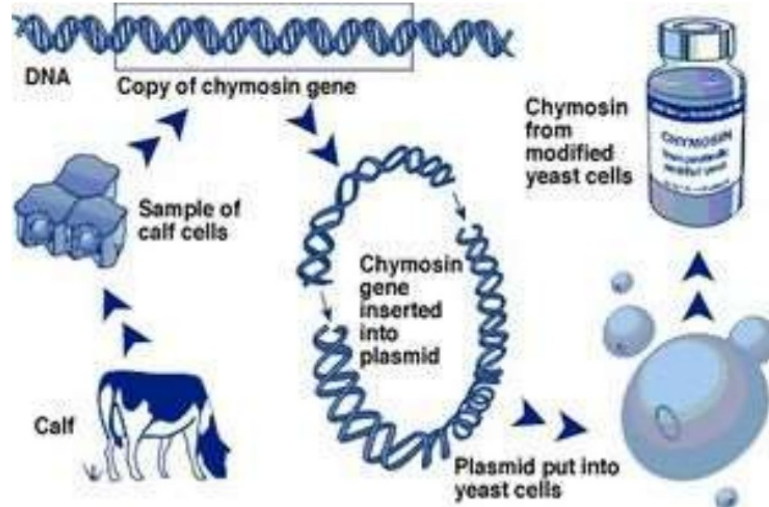
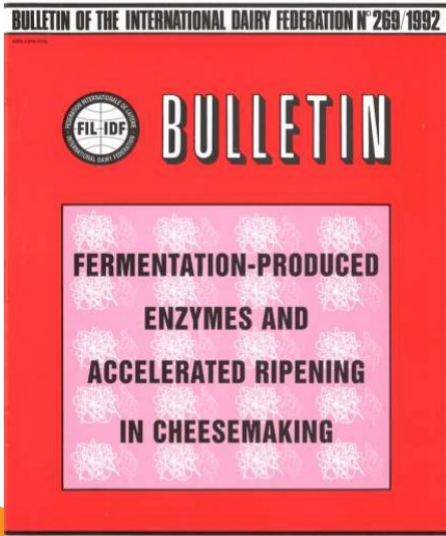
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Interest in animal cell-based meat (ACBM) or cultured meat as a viable environmentally conscious replacement for livestock production has been increasing, however a life cycle assessment for the current production methods of ACBM has not been conducted. Currently, ACBM products are being produced at a small scale and at an economic loss, however ACBM companies are intending to industrialize and scale-up production. This study assesses the potential environmental impact of near term ACBM production. Updated findings from recent technoeconomic assessments (TEAs) of ACBM and a life cycle assessment of Essential 8TM were utilized to perform a life cycle assessment of near-term ACBM production. A scenario analysis was conducted utilizing the metabolic requirements examined in the TEAs of ACBM and a purification factor from the Essential 8TM life cycle assessment was utilized to account for growth medium component processing. The results indicate that the environmental impact of near-term ACBM production is likely to be orders of magnitude higher than median beef production if a highly refined growth medium is utilized for ACBM production.

Introduction

Livestock production is an integral component of the global food system, providing staple proteins (milk, eggs, and meat) consumed worldwide, contributing to crop productivity via utilization of manure as fertilizer, and providing critical nutrition and income to underprivileged households in low to middle income countries (Gilbert et al., 2018; Robinson et al., 2011). Global meat production has increased from 70.57 million tonnes in 1961 to 337.18 million tonnes in 2020, though the consumption of different meat sources is highly regionalized (FOA, 2022; Ritchie et al., 2019). In 2020, beef and buffalo meat accounted for ~22% of global meat production, and poultry and pork accounted for ~39% and ~32% of worldwide meat production respectively (FOA, 2022; Ritchie et al., 2019).

Is Precision Fermentation New to the Dairy Industry? No!



https://microbewiki.kenyon.edu/index.php/Microbial_production_of_recombinant_chymosin

Scientific Status of Cell-based Processes to Make Milk Proteins

- Lack of peer reviewed studies on the structural, functional and allergenicity of any proposed Startup's recombinant milk protein (some studies on recombinant β -lactoglobulin produced by academic researchers, could be different folding, altered binding sites, other modifications, etc)
- No published studies on the properties of any proposed Startup's recombinant caseins or casein micelles
- Lack of published studies on the carbon footprint of these non-cow milk proteins (just websites and marketing info)

Questions

- *Can precision fermentation replicate the full structure and functionality of caseins/micelles (including the ability to make cheese using the traditional clotting approach, etc)?*

No? The formation of casein micelles requires two key modifications of the primary casein protein sequence which is done by **enzymes** in the mammary cells

- **Phosphorylation** (adding phosphate), allows the caseins to bind calcium
- **Glycosylation** (adding sugars) stabilizes the micelles

The industrial bacteria/yeast do not have these specific enzymes and cannot recreate the environmental conditions, (pH, salt, temperature) needed to carefully bioassemble these various components. Bacteria/yeast could be engineered to do these modification but where/how to do the bioassembly?

Micelles produced by cows are made up of **4 different types of caseins**, each would need to be generated separately and then carefully mixed with various salts!!

Questions

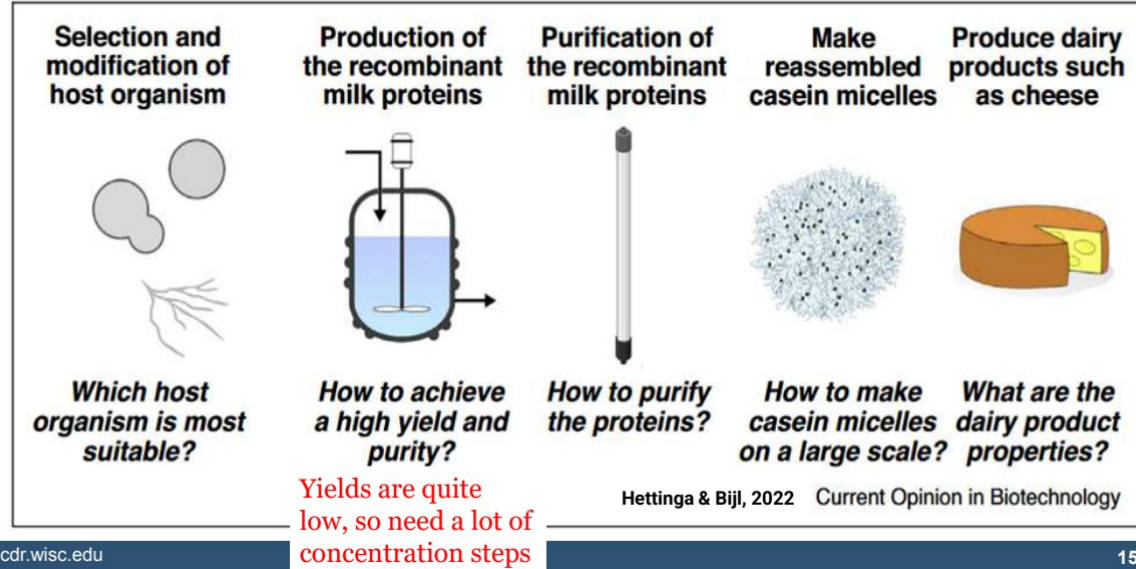
- *Can milk be recreated without the cow (in the lab, by plants)?*

Not by precision fermentation or transgenic plants (possibly by mammary cell-lines but that's not scalable for now, very expensive)

- **Too complex**, thousands of molecules, highly diverse,
- **Designed for nutrition** and health, not just a few basic components.
- **Requires bioassembly** into complex structures (casein micelles, fat globules) is critical for the functionality and nutritional aspects.

Startups will make a simple mixture of a couple of components and declare they have "replicated" milk!! Success!!

Some challenges for producing casein micelles by a precision approach, need to include how to do the post-translational modification?



Challenges

- Scalability (available fermentation capacity)
- Low yields (both precision fermentation and plant approaches)
- Cost
- Still a milk allergen
- Beyond the marketing hype of startups, the real LCA comparison to dairy components?
 - Environmental impact of a “milk” protein produced by precision fermentation **had a similar footprint** to proteins derived from the cow (Behm et al. 2022, Int. J. of Lifecycle Assessment, 27:1017)
- Sterility (for cell-cultured products)
- Consumer acceptance
- Regulatory acceptance

Opportunities for Precision Fermentation in the Dairy Industry?

- *Focus on high value components*
 - e.g., rennet is the most expensive ingredient in cheese
- *Focus on components present at low concentrations in milk*
 - precision fermentation can make more of it cost effectively
- *Focus on simple proteins*
 - where post-translation modification or further bio-assembly is not required
- *Examples:* lactoferrin, lactoperoxidase, immunoglobulins, oligosaccharides, etc
- Use of lactose-rich dairy feedstocks (e.g., permeate, acid whey) for the fermentation process improves the sustainability of dairy processing [*under one roof!*]

Conclusions

- Simple proteins or enzymes can be successfully made using the precision fermentation approach, e.g., rennet and β -LG
- Complex proteins, like casein, require critical post-translational modifications, unclear how these modifications can be done outside the mammary cells? Or if modified by a m/o then it's a GMO
- Unclear how bio-assembly of complex proteins structures like casein micelles can be done without the post-translation modification
- What is the functionality of these non-cow derived casein proteins? [*better than plant proteins but not identical to cow-derived*]
- Suggest precision fermentation focus should be on high-value proteins present in milk at low concentrations (e.g., lactoferrin)

Antibiotic resistance in potential probiotic and pro-technological lactic acid bacteria isolated from buffalo milk

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Buffalo Mozzarella

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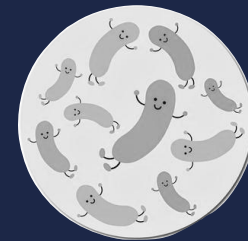




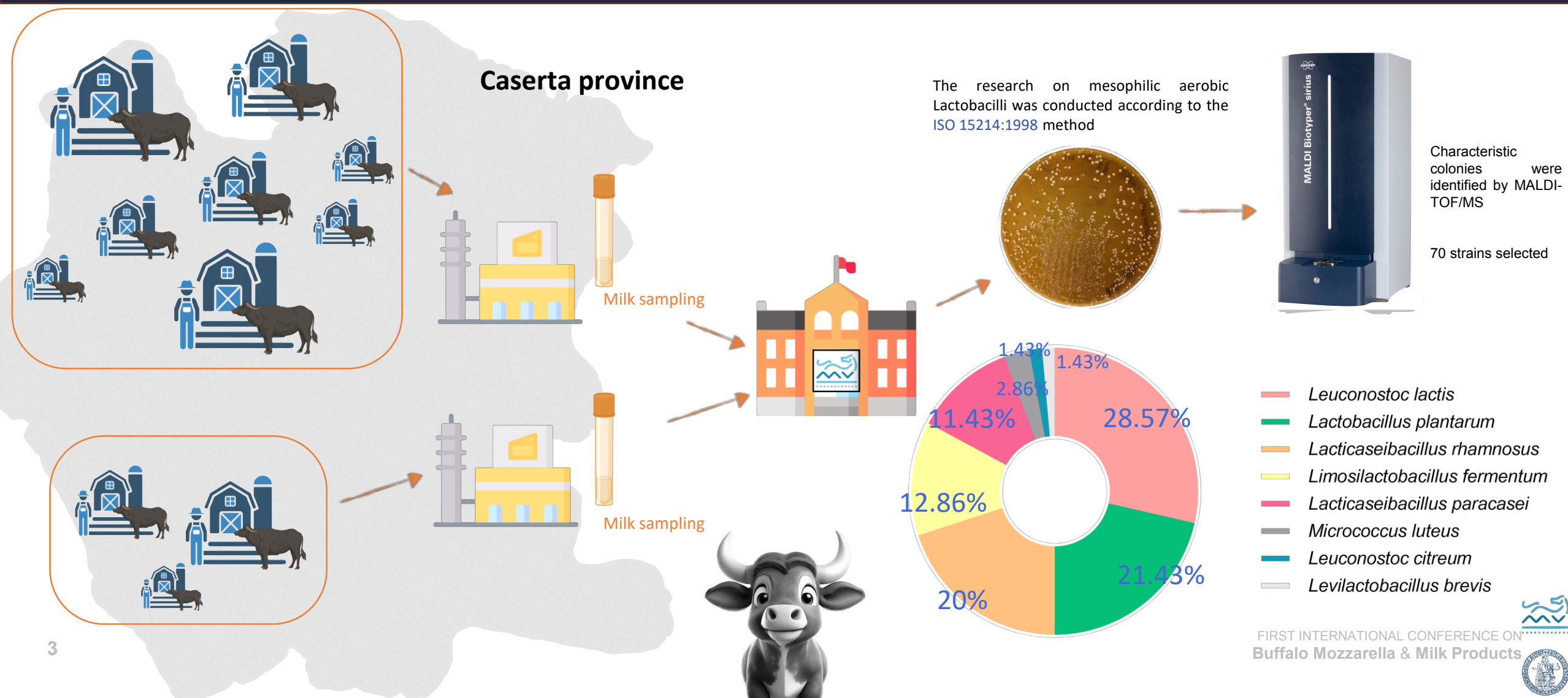
Context & AIM

Lactic acid bacteria (LAB) are safely used as probiotics and normally used technologically in dairy production. However, these bacteria could spread antibiotic resistance genes.

In this context, this study aimed to contribute to expanding knowledge on probiotic and pro-technological bacteria of buffalo milk.



M&M and Results

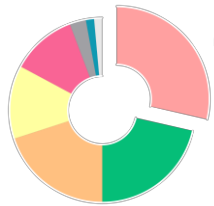


M&M and Results

code	antibiotics	disk content
penicillins		
AMC	Amoxicillin - clavulanic acid	20 - 10 µg
AMP	Ampicillin	2 µg
PRL	Piperacillin	30 µg
cephalosporins		
FOX	Cefoxitin	30 µg
CPT	Ceftaroline	30 µg
fluoroquinolones		
CIP	Ciprofloxacin	5 µg
aminoglycosides		
CN	Gentamicin	10 µg
glycopeptides		
VA	Vancomycin	30 µg
macrolides		
E	Erythromycin	15 µg
tetracyclines		
TE	Tetracycline	30 µg
miscellaneous agents		
SXT	Trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole	1.25-23.75 µg
RD	Rifampicin	5 µg

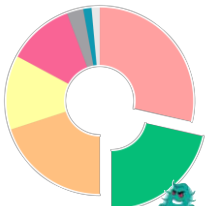
Disc diffusion method	Zone diameter (mm)
Susceptible	>20
Intermediate	15–19
Resistant	≤14

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doi : 10.1111/jfs.12211
doi : 10.1007/s13205-017-0682-0



Leuconostoc lactis

ID	AMC	CAMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
LTC1_45												
LTS5_10												
LTS5_33												
LTS5_50												
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LTS5_39												
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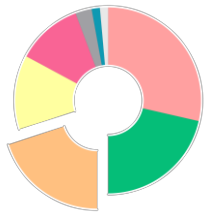


Lactobacillus plantarum

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LTS5_47												
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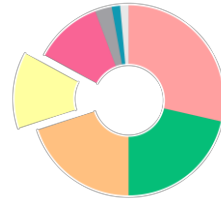


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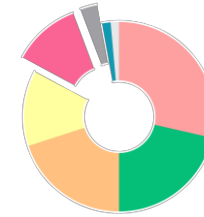
— *Lactocaseibacillus rhamnosus*

ID	AMC	AMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
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LTS2_29												
LTS2_27												



— *Limosilactobacillus fermentum*

ID	AMC	AMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
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LTC6_27												
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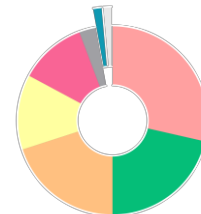


— *Lactocaseibacillus paracasei*

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LTC1_30												
LTC1_4												
LTC1_14												
LTS6_40												
LTC1_12												
LTS5_35												

— *Levilactobacillus brevis*

ID	AMC	AMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
LTC1_34												



— *Leuconostoc citreum*

ID	AMC	AMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
LTC1_32												

— *Micrococcus luteus*

ID	AMC	AMP	PRL	FOX	CPT	CIP	CN	VA	E	TE	SXT	RD
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LTS6_33C												

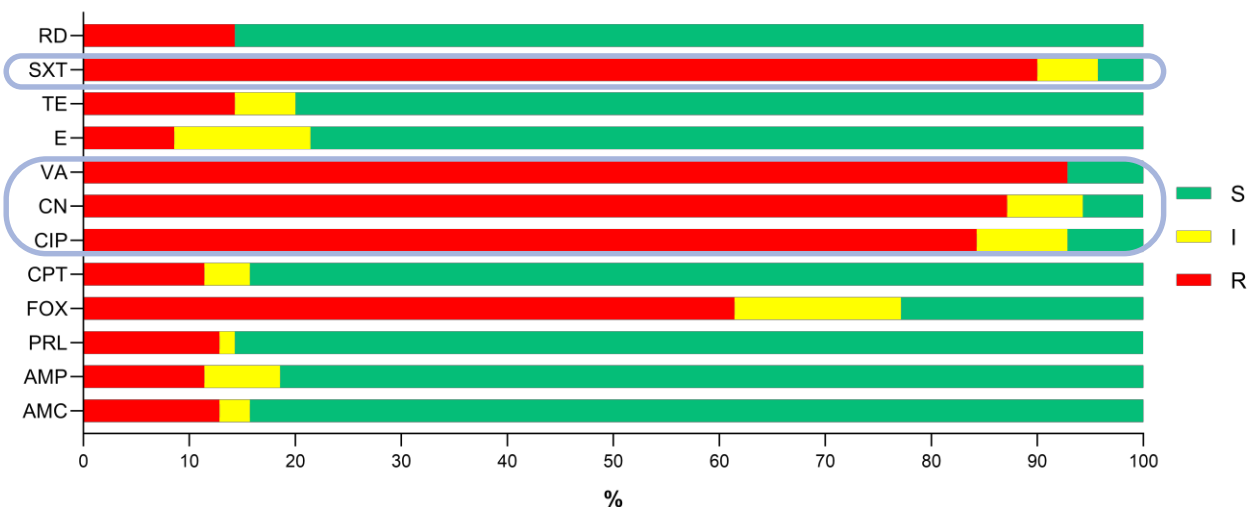


5 All strains were resistant to at least two antibiotics, and 7.14% of them were resistant to all tested antibiotics

Results & Discussion

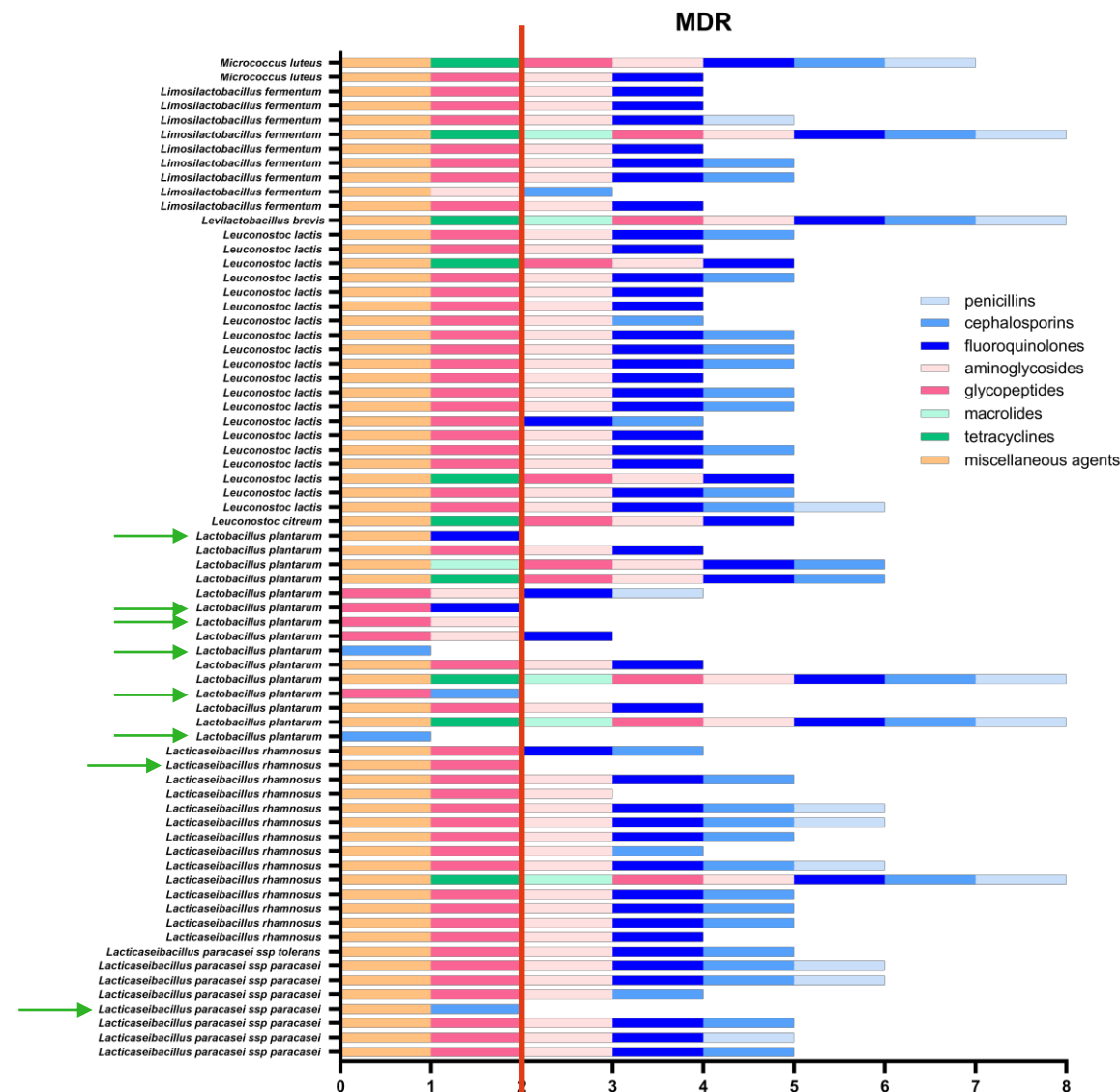
Percentage of **resistance (R)**, **intermediate sensitivity (I)** and **sensitivity (S)** of the strains with respect to the tested antibiotic

Overall AMR picture



The highest resistances were found for **vancomycin (92.86%)**, **trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole (90%)**, **gentamicin (87.14%)** and **ciprofloxacin (84.29%)**

Resistances in relation to the pharmacological classes to which the tested antibiotics belong



88.57% of strains were multi-resistant



Discussion

Duche et al. BMC Microbiology (2023) 23:142
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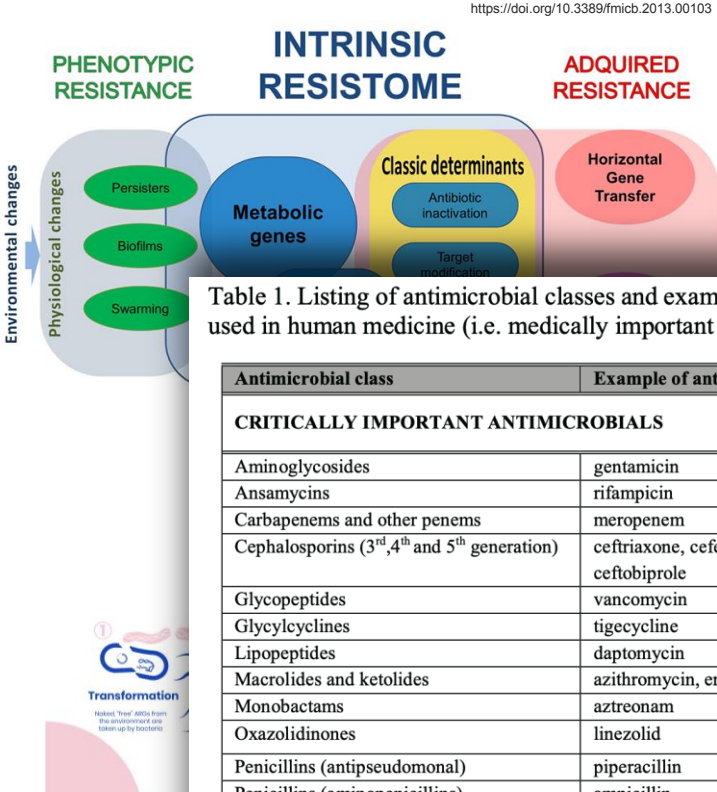
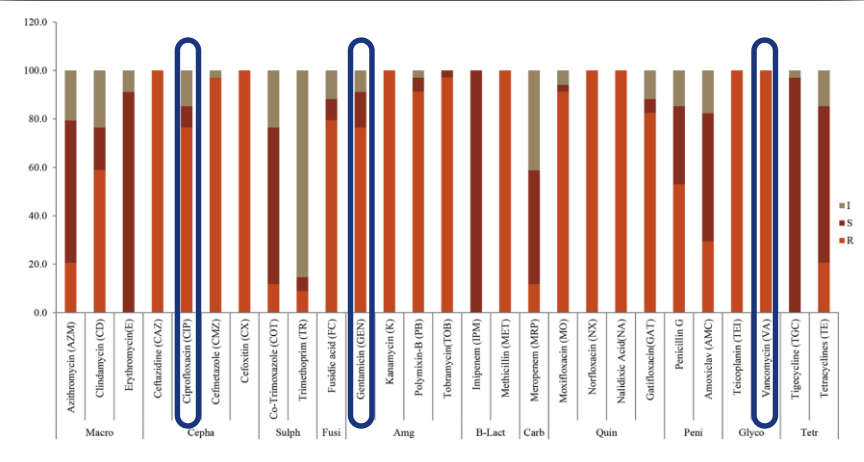


Table 1. Listing of antimicrobial classes and example antimicrobial agents used in human medicine (i.e. medically important antimicrobials)

Antimicrobial class	Example of antimicrobials(s)
CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ANTIMICROBIALS	
Aminoglycosides	gentamicin
Ansamycins	rifampicin
Carbapenems and other penems	meropenem
Cephalosporins (3 rd , 4 th and 5 th generation)	ceftriaxone, cefepime, ceftaroline, ceftobiprole
Glycopeptides	vancomycin
Glycylcyclines	tigecycline
Lipopeptides	daptomycin
Macrolides and ketolides	azithromycin, erythromycin, telithromycin
Monobactams	aztreonam
Oxazolidinones	linezolid
Penicillins (antipseudomonal)	piperacillin
Penicillins (aminopenicillins)	ampicillin
Penicillins (aminopenicillin with beta-lactamase inhibitors)	amoxicillin-clavulanic-acid
Phosphonic acid derivatives	fosfomycin
Polymyxins	colistin
Quinolones	ciprofloxacin
Drugs used solely to treat tuberculosis or other mycobacterial diseases	isoniazid

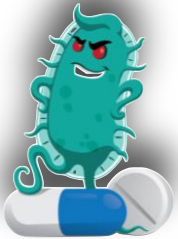


Critically Important Antimicrobials for Human Medicine

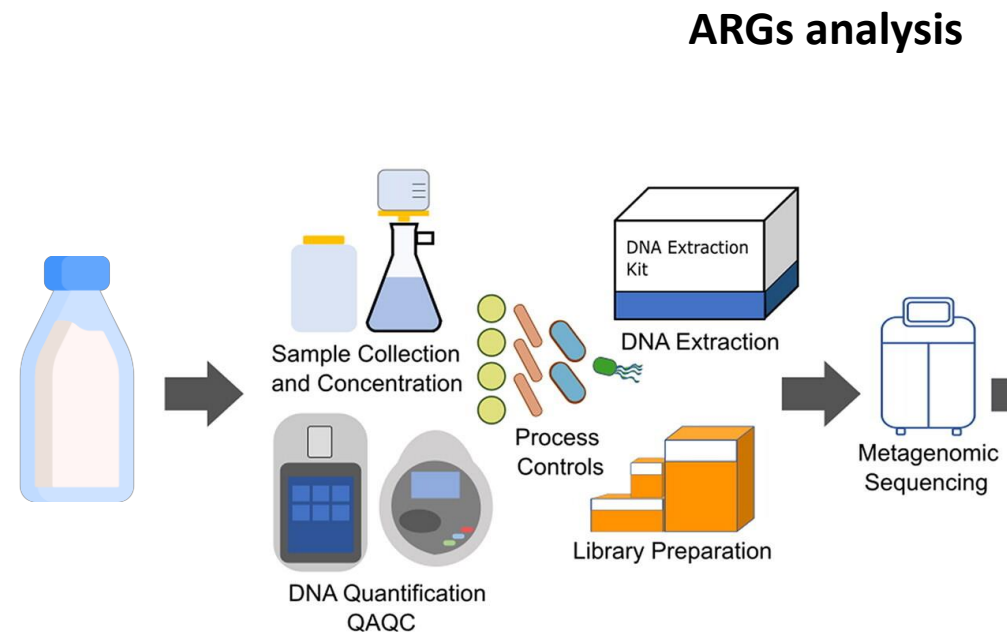
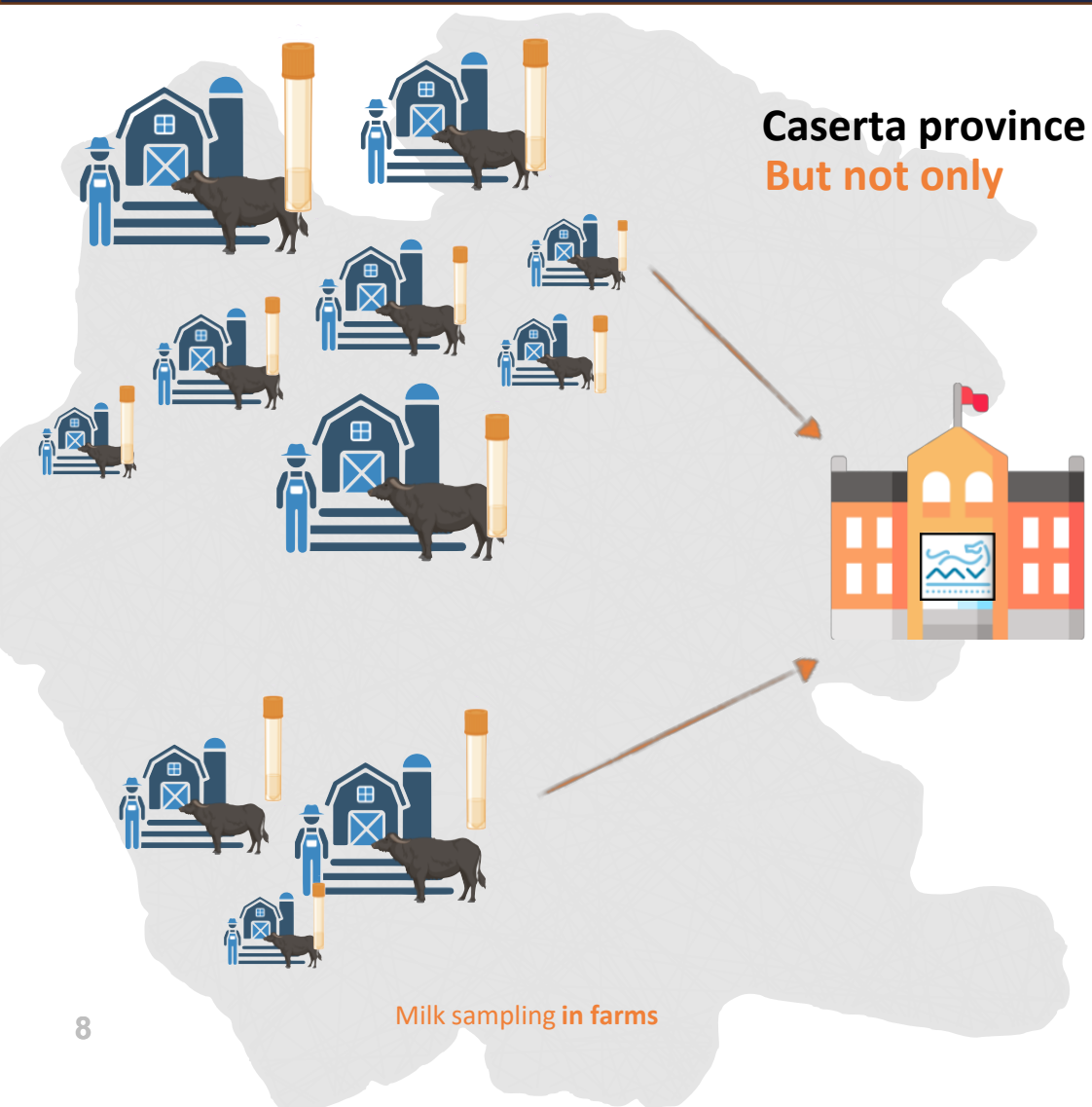
6th Revision 2018

Ranking of medically important antimicrobials for risk management of antimicrobial resistance due to non-human use

World Health Organization



New ideas, future prospects and Conclusions



- ✓ The awareness that LAB can present AMR genes transferable to other microorganisms, including pathogenic ones, must move the scientific/managerial communities towards monitoring plans that better allow the surveillance and containment of the spread of AMR.



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Differential SCC and MPO evaluation as buffaloes milk indicators of udder status under heat stress

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**Buffalo
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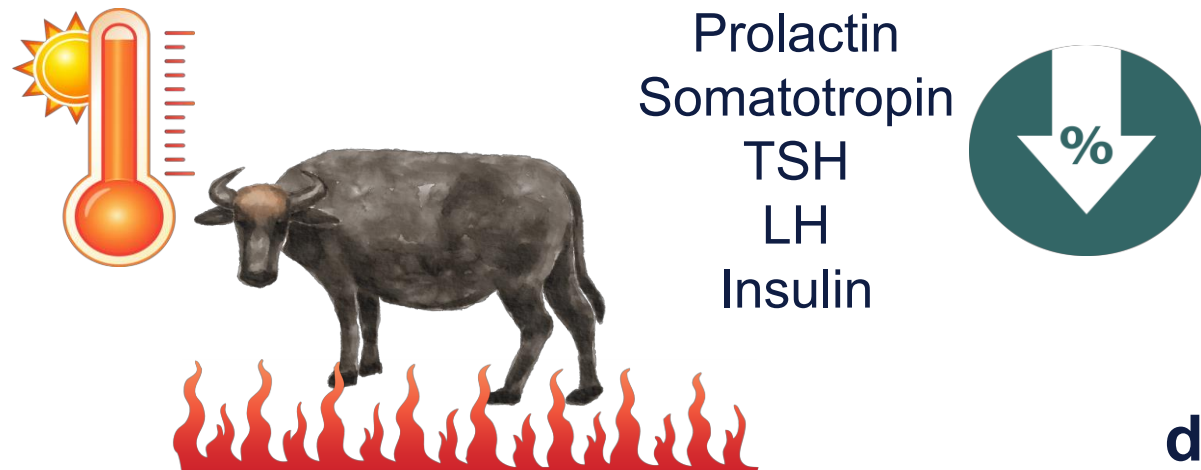
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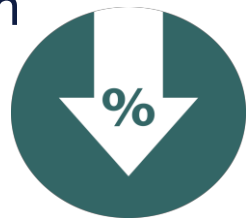
Context

When addressing GW and livestock species, heat stress is the most important outcome that negatively impacts animals' health, welfare, and productive performance (Bernabucci, 2019).



This study aimed at the evaluation of the differential milk somatic cell count (DSCC), and the surface expression of myeloperoxidase (MPO) and its activity in somatic cell (SC).

Milk yield and composition
Growth
Disease resistance
Reproduction efficiency



Methods



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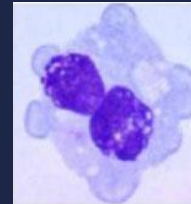
SUMMER

3 THI classes

THI < 72 (no HS)

THI > 72 < 76 (moderate HS)

and THI > 76 (severe HS)



Macrophages



PNeMs



Lymphocytes

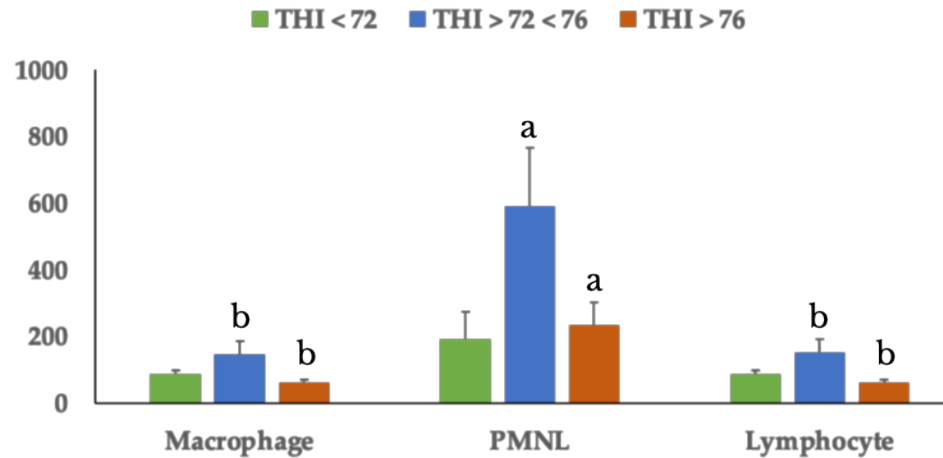
Abs panel cross-reactivity with buffalo



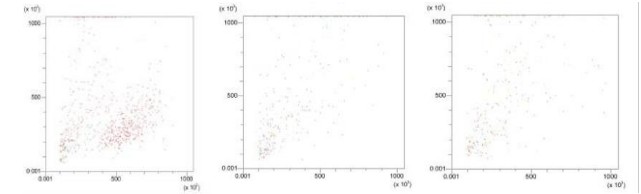
MPO surface expression
MPO activity by ELISA

Results

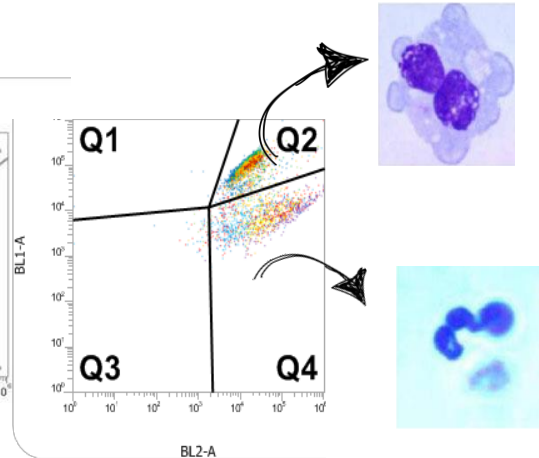
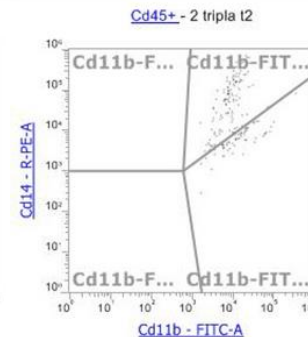
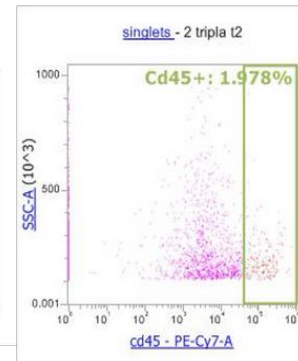
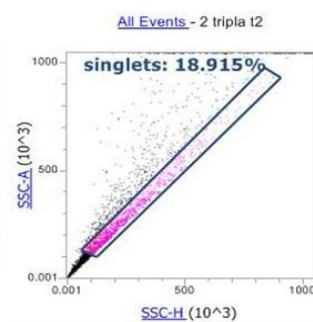
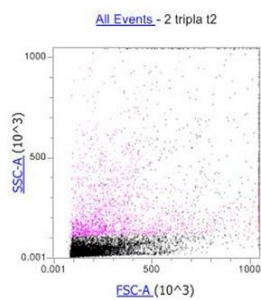
Morphological dot plot of positive somatic cell to MPO-FITC antibody



SSC-A versus FSC-A



	THI<72	THI>72<76	THI>76	P-value
MPO activity, U/mL	209.97 a	209.21 a	156.74 b	0.06
MPO surface expression, % on gated cells	2.30 a	1.43 b	1.16 b	0.024





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To be or not to be safe and
sustainable?

Comparing different scenario in lab-
grown food and dairy trades

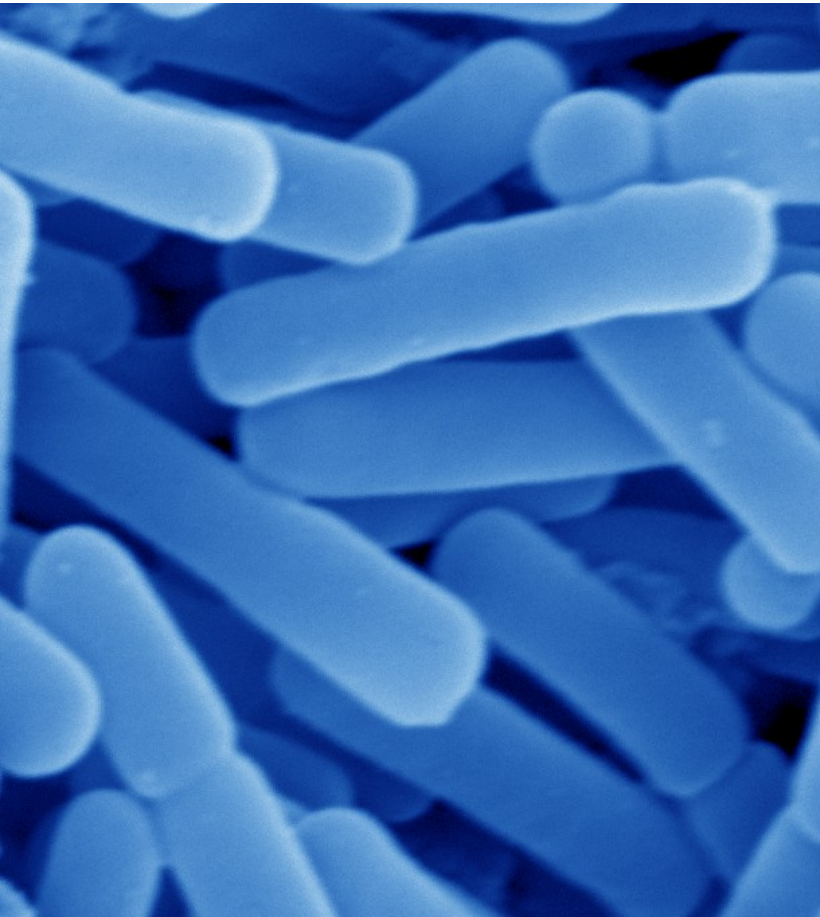
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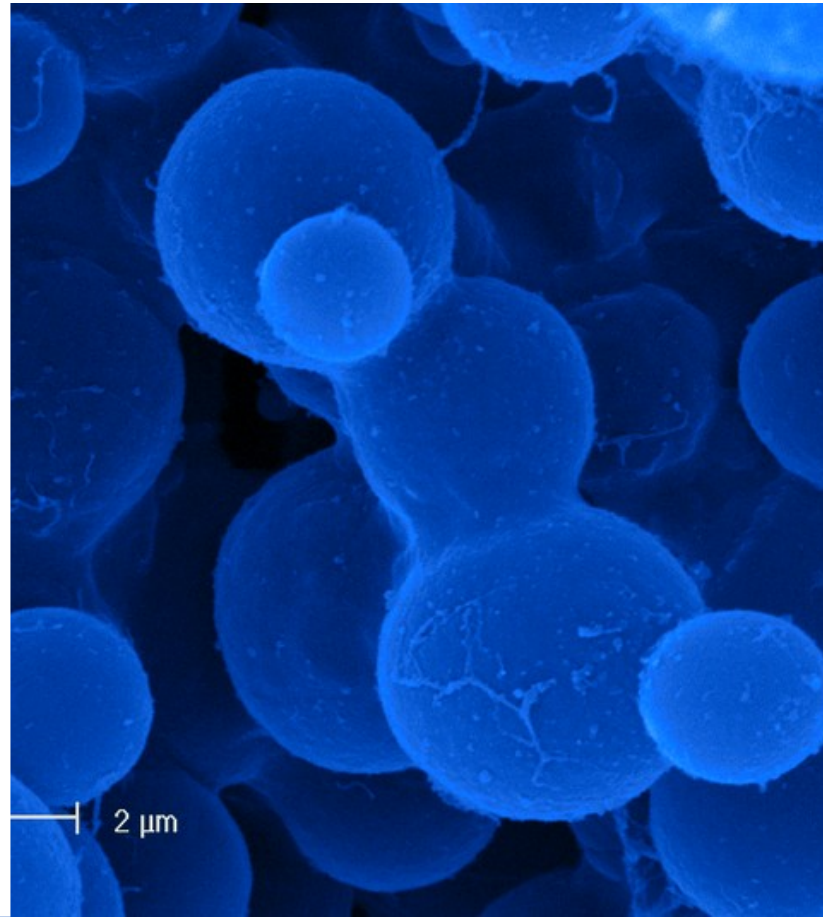
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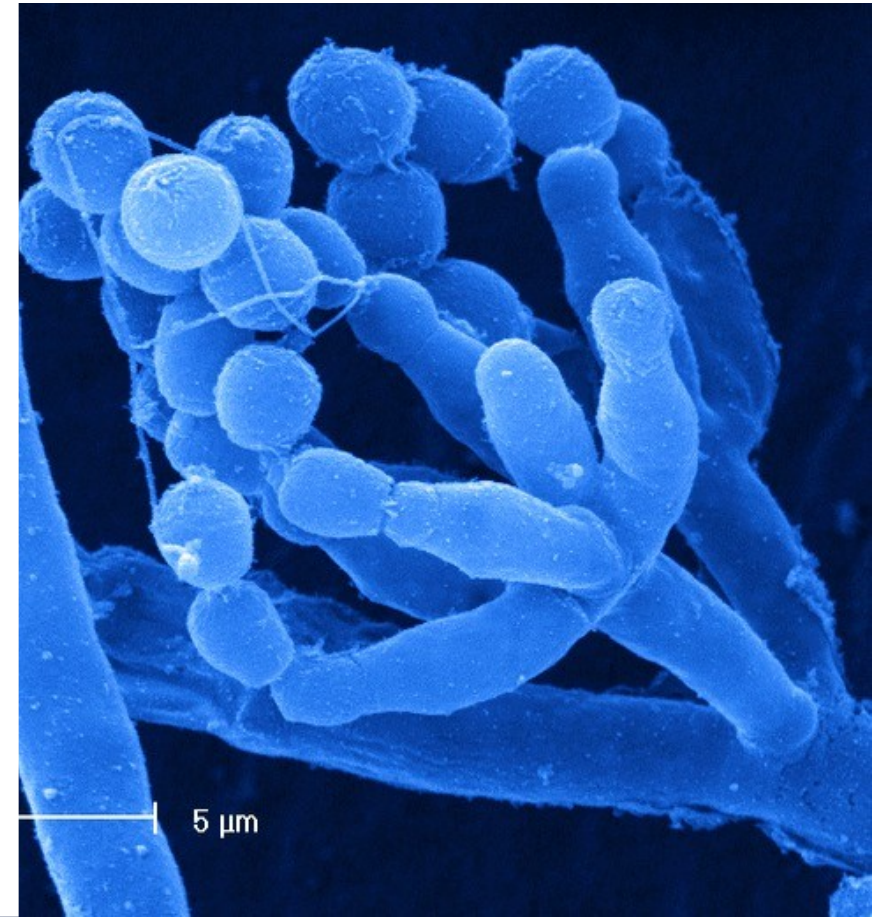
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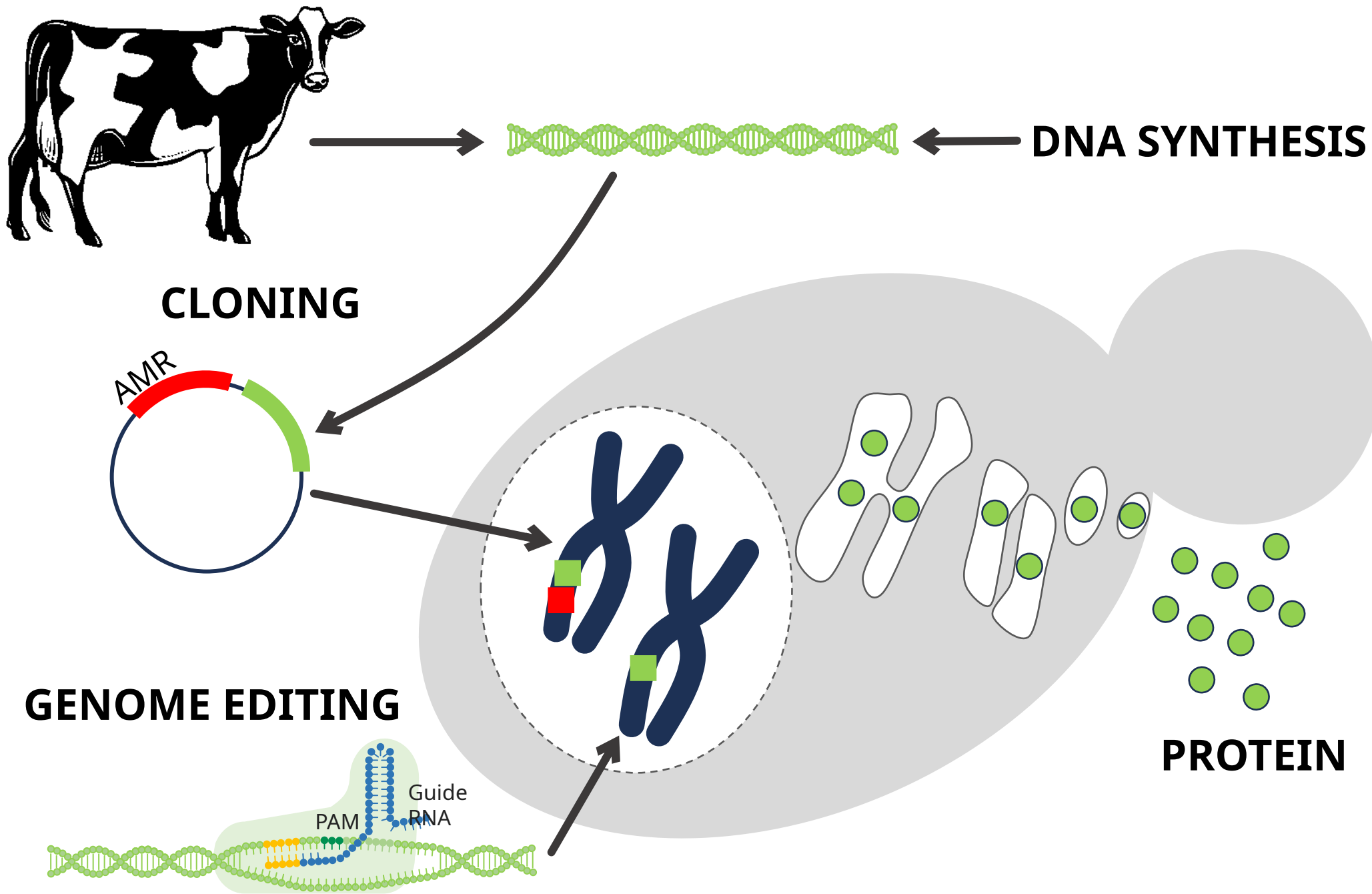
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YEASTS

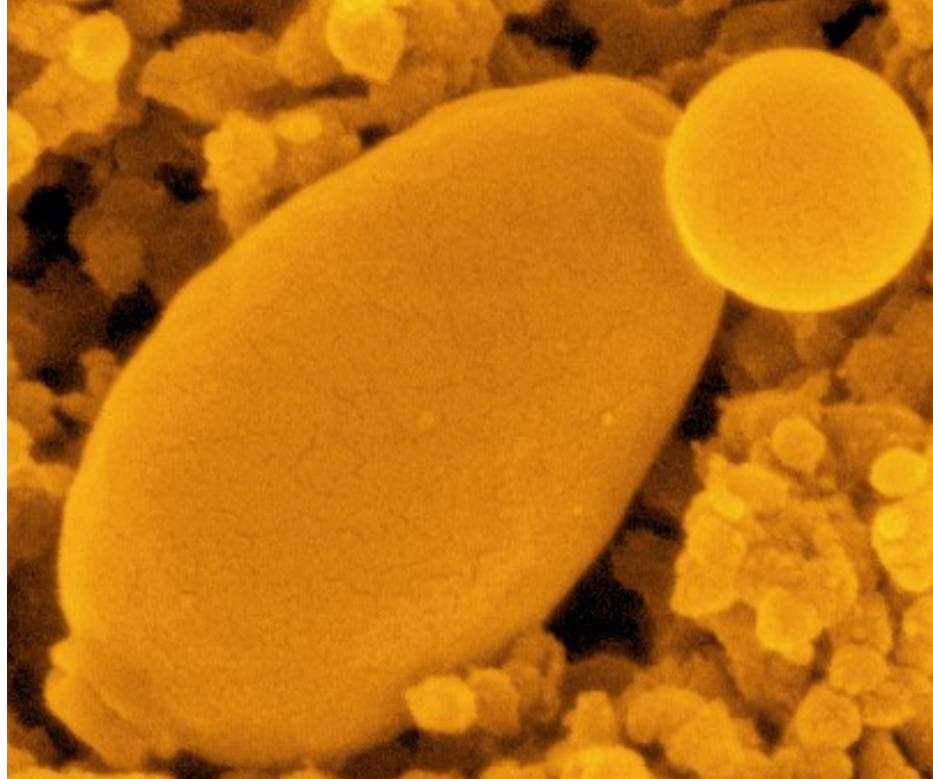


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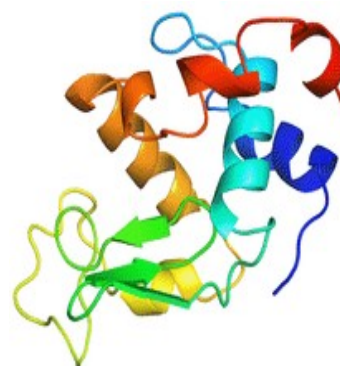
→ **FOOD**



CHYMOSIN



LACTOFERRIN



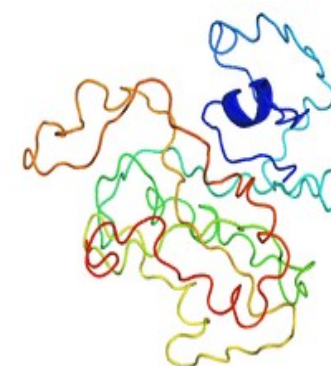
α -Lactalbumin



β -Lactoglobulin



α_{s1} -Casein



β -Casein

Milk Components

Proteins

Casein Proteins (80% of total milk protein)

α S1-casein (Alpha S1-casein): 32-35% of total milk protein

α S2-casein (Alpha S2-casein): 8-10%

β -casein (Beta-casein): 25-28%

κ -casein (Kappa-casein): 8-10%

Whey Proteins (20% of total milk protein)

β -lactoglobulin (Beta-lactoglobulin): 50% of whey proteins

α -lactalbumin (Alpha-lactalbumin): 20-25%

Immunoglobulins (IgG, IgA, IgM): 10-15%

Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA): 5-10%

Lactoferrin: < 1%

Lysozyme: Trace amounts

Minerals

Calcium (Ca):

Phosphorus (P):

Magnesium (Mg):

Potassium (K)

Sodium (Na):

Chloride (Cl):

Trace minerals:

Zinc (Zn), Copper (Cu),

Iron (Fe) Iodine (I)

Selenium (Se)

Vitamins

Vitamin B1 (Thiamine)

Vitamin B2 (Riboflavin)

Vitamin B3 (Niacin)

Vitamin B5 (Pantothenic acid)

Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine)

Vitamin B7 (Biotin)

Vitamin B9 (Folate)

Vitamin B12 (Cobalamin)

Vitamin C (Ascorbic acid)

Vitamin A (Retinol)

Vitamin D

Vitamin E

Vitamin K

Free Amino Acids

Glutamic acid

Leucine

Lysine

Aspartic acid

Arginine

Isoleucine

Proline

Valine

Phenylalanine

Histidine

Methionine

Tryptophan

Triglycerides:

component, 98% of total milk fat

Phospholipids: ~1%, essential for cell membranes

Cholesterol: ~0.3%

Fatty Acids: Includes both saturated (65-70%) and unsaturated fatty acids (30-35%)

Saturated:

Palmitic acid,

Myristic acid

Stearic acid

Unsaturated:

Oleic acid,

Linoleic acid

α -linolenic acid

Short-chain fatty acids:

Butyric acid

Caproic acid

Caprylic acid

Enzymes

Lactoperoxidase

Xanthine oxidase

Lipase

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Vitamin C (Ascorbic acid)

Vitamin A (Retinol)

Vitamin D

Vitamin E

Vitamin K

Free Amino Acids

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Alkaline phosphatase

Catalase

Triglycerides:

component, 98% of total milk fat

Phospholipids: ~1%, essential for cell membrane

Cholesterol: ~0.3%

Fatty Acids: Includes both saturated (65-70%) and

unsaturated fatty acids (30-35%)

Saturated:

Palmitic acid,

Myristic acid

Stearic acid

Unsaturated:

Oleic acid,

Linoleic acid

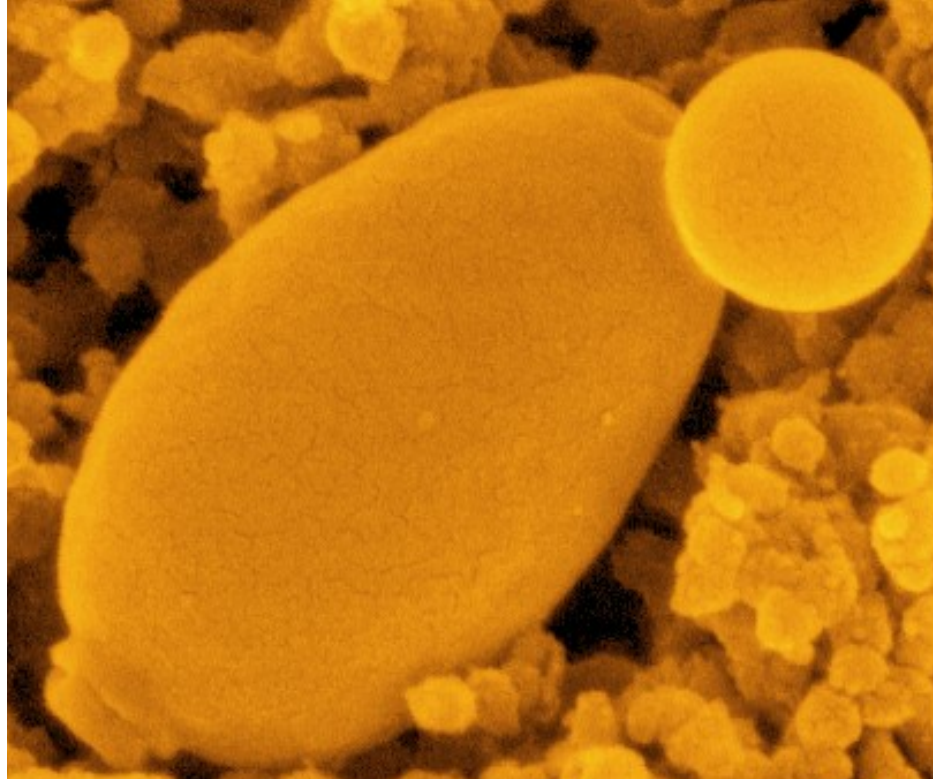
α -linolenic acid

Short-chain fatty acids:

Butyric acid

Caproic acid

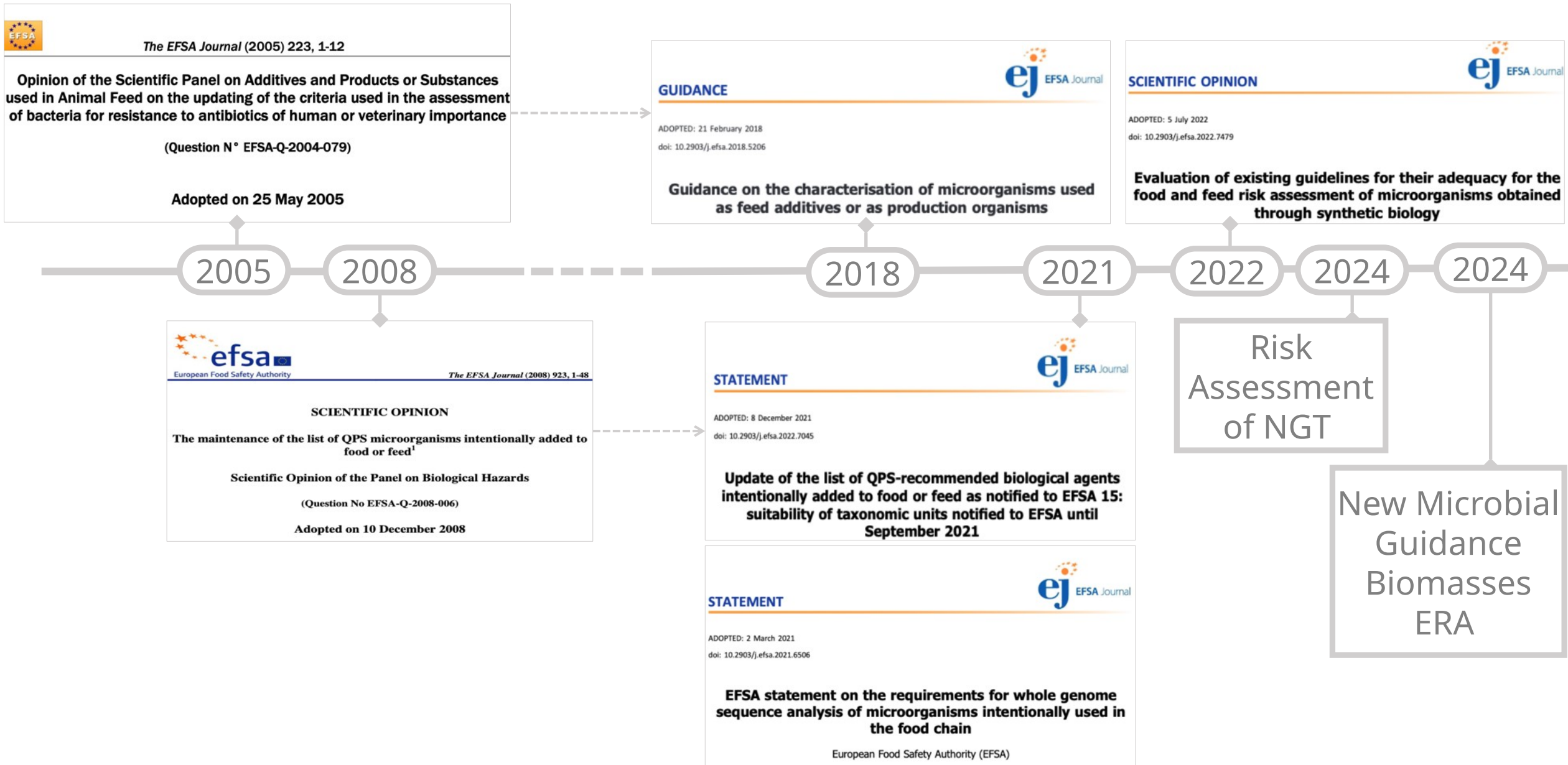
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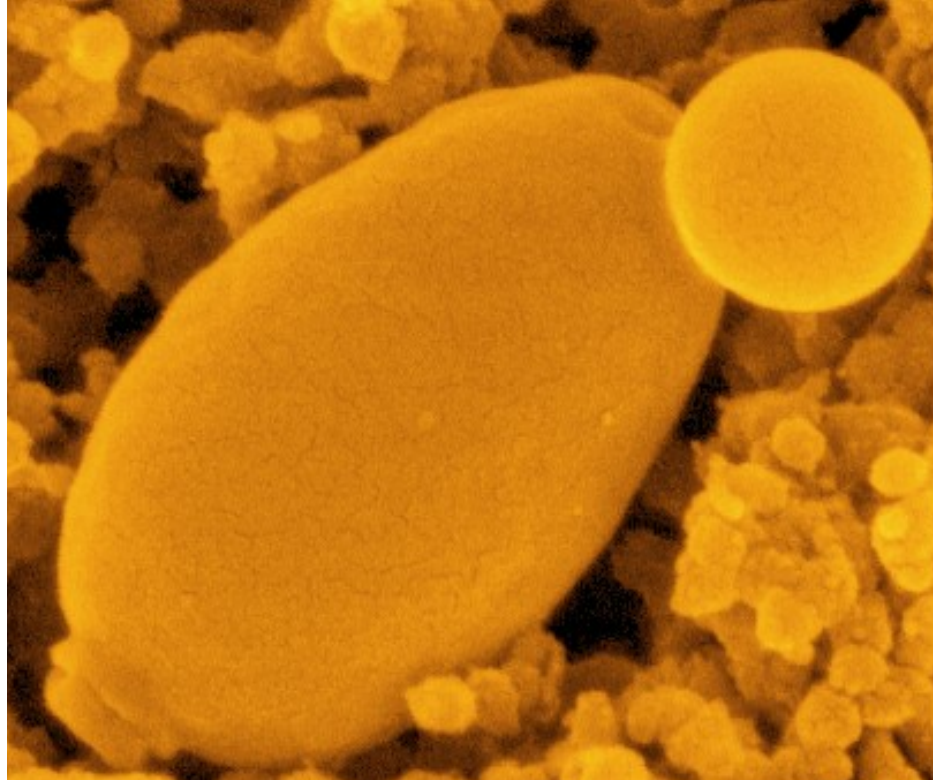
SAFETY

SUSTAINABILITY

Risk Assessment of microorganisms and their products non-GM – GM – NGT (genome editing)

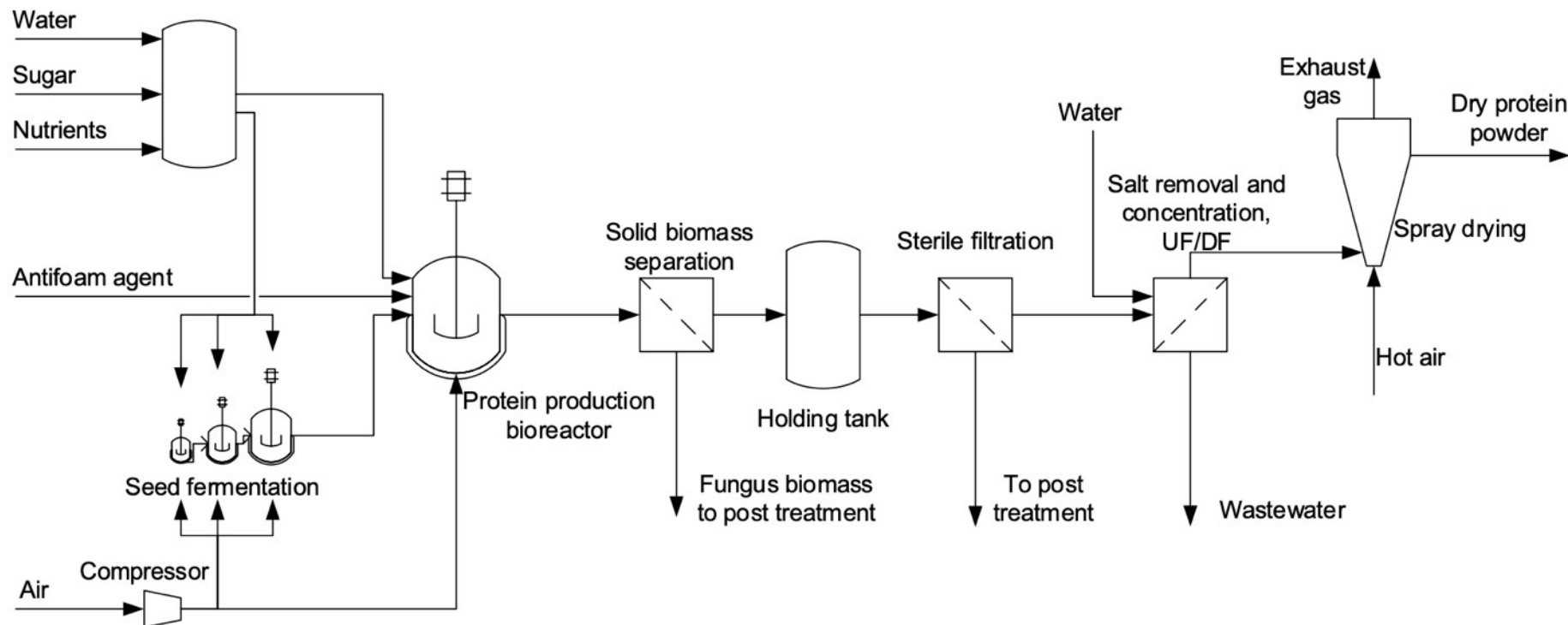


SAFETY



Food Enzymes
Processing Aids
Food/Feed
additives
Novel Foods

- Whole genome Sequence and GMM assessment of the strains
- Presence of Antimicrobial Resistance Gene(s)
- Toxicology
- Manufacturing process
- Presence/Absence of viable cells and DNA of the production host




A

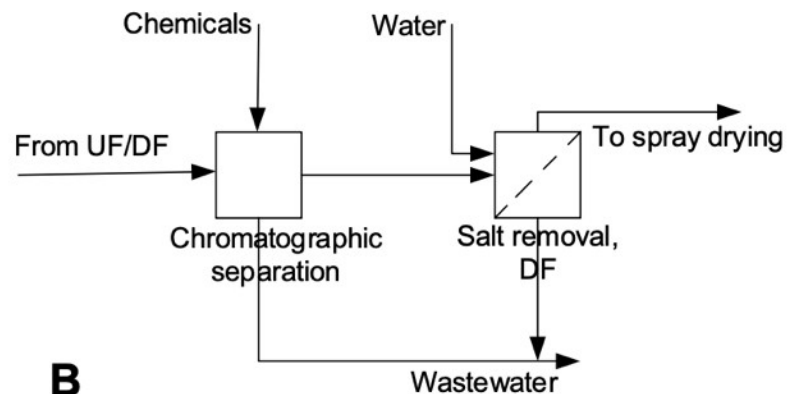
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CARBON FOOTPRINTING



Comparison of carbon footprint and water scarcity footprint of milk protein produced by cellular agriculture and the dairy industry

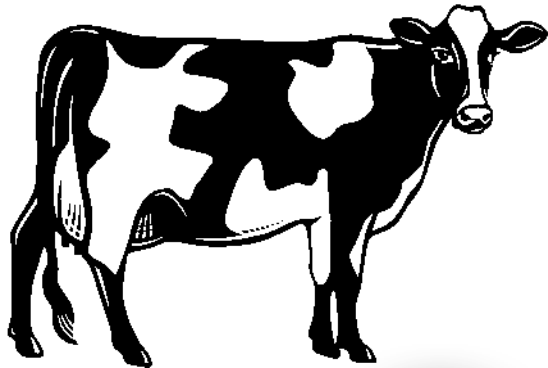
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B

Fig. 1 Schematic process flow diagram: **A** main process; **B** additional steps for product purification (scenario 4)

SUSTAINABILITY - efficiency - LCA



volume	protein yield/d	protein kg/d	hard cheese
45 L	3.3%	1.44	4.5
1000 L	0.13%	1.33	?

Breeding techniques and nutritional quality of milk productions

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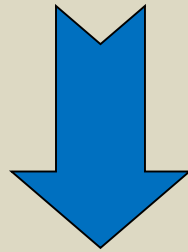
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Problems related to animal-derived products

- ✓ "Intensification" of livestock systems
- ✓ Excessive exploitation of farm animals
- ✓ Increased exploitation of environmental resources
- ✓ Excessive use of antibiotics and synthetic products (residues)
- ✓ Use of GMOs



Lack of trust in animal-derived products

Future of animal breeding

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graph TD; A[Future of animal breeding] --> B[Environmental and economic sustainability]; A --> C[Quality of production processes and production of functional foods]; A --> D[Animal welfare]; B --> E[Correct information of the consumers]; C --> E; D --> E;
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Environmental and
economic sustainability

Quality of production processes
and production of functional
foods

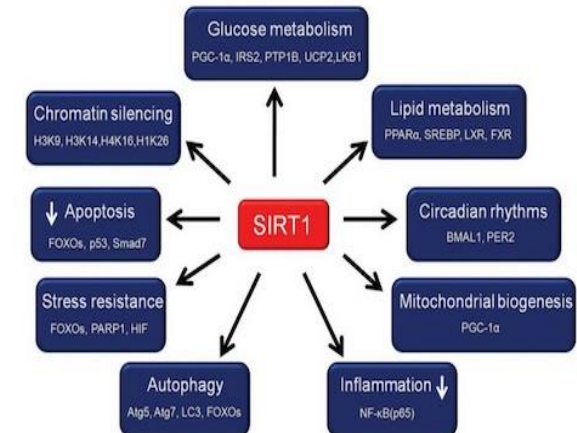
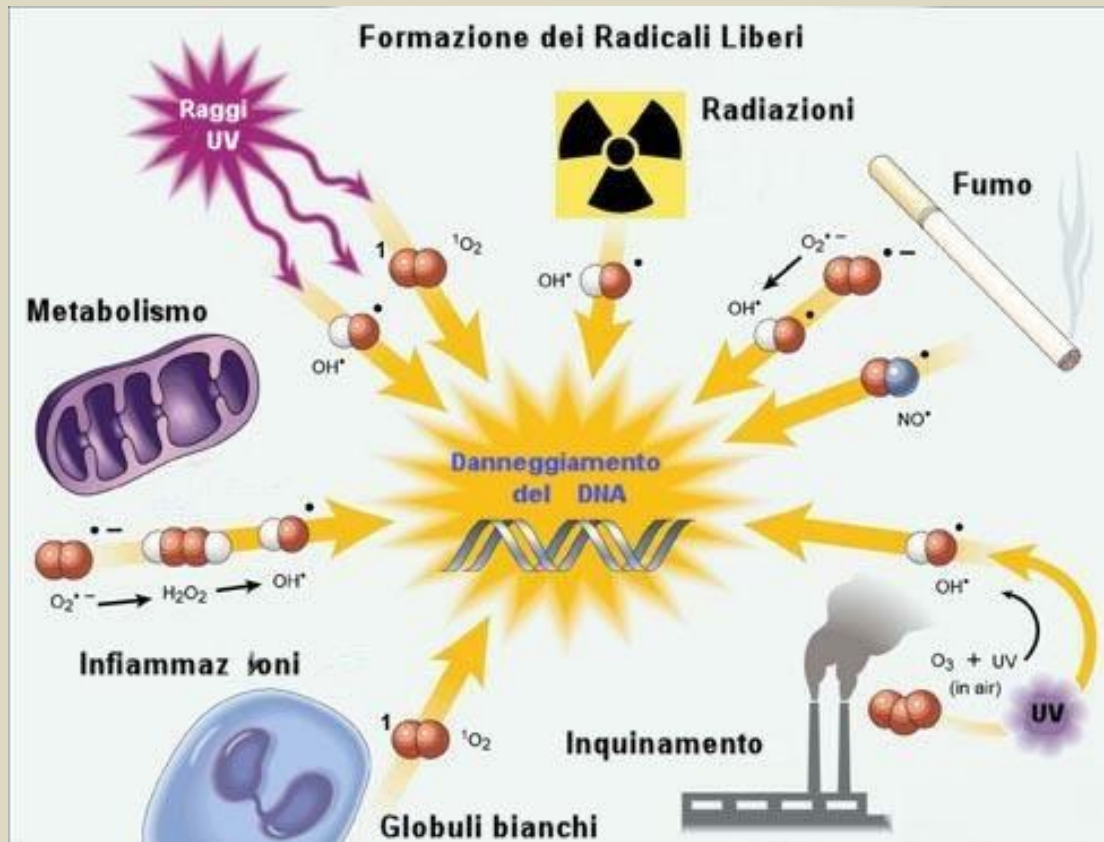
Animal welfare

Correct information of the consumers






Functional properties of buffalo products



SIRT foods: foods for longevity



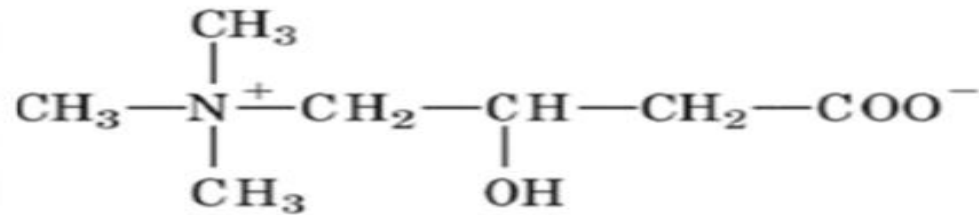
ACTIVITY OF MILK BIOPEPTIDES

- *Opioid-like and anti-opioid activity*  *Caseomorphins – Lactorphines;
Casoxin;*
- *Antimicrobial activity*  *Lactoferrin;*
- *Antihypertensive activity*  *Casochinine – Lactochinine;*
- *Antithrombotic activity*  *Caseoplateline;*
- *Fixing activity of minerals*  *Phosphopeptides*

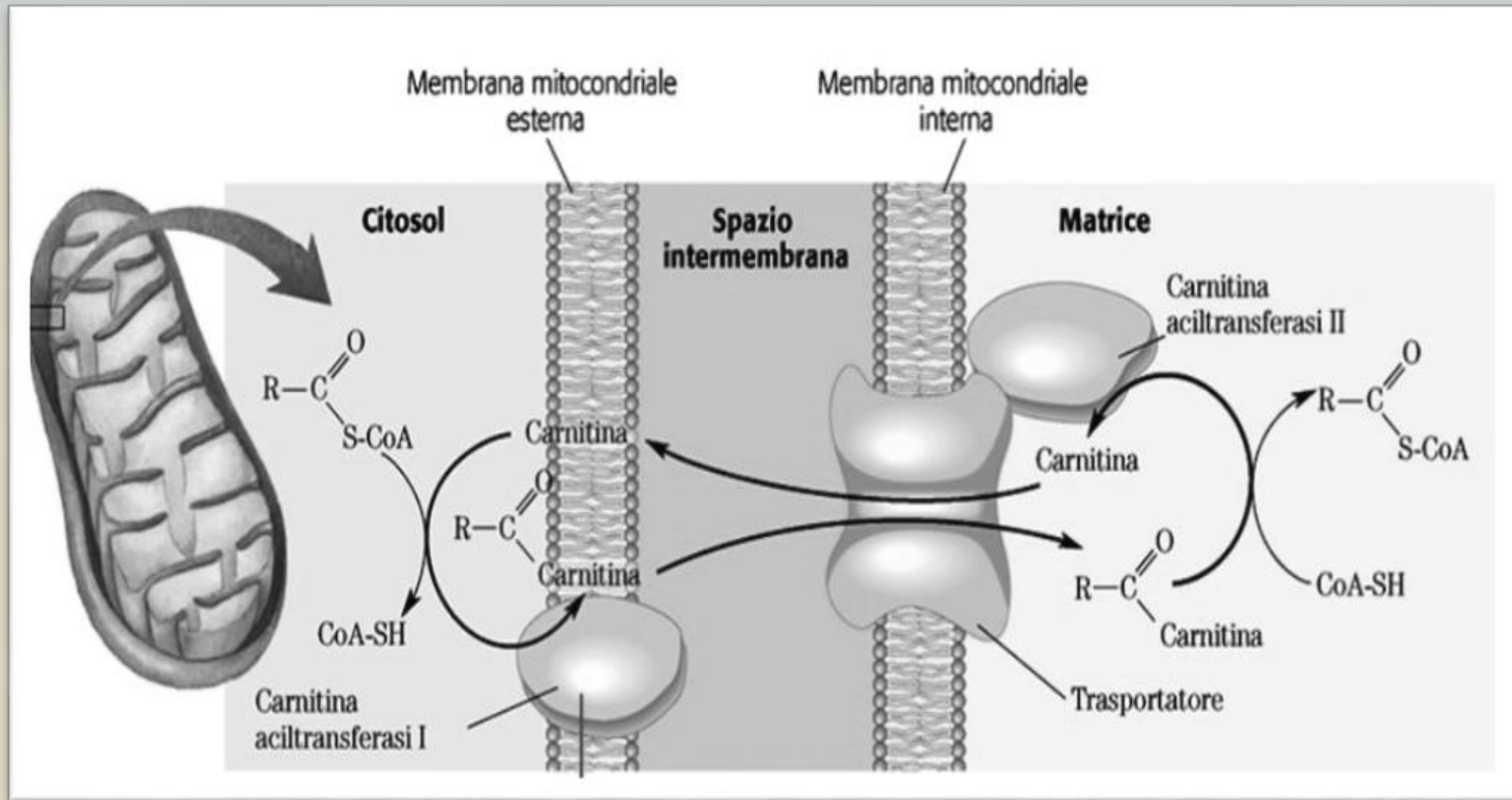
MILK AND NUTRITIONAL PROPERTIES: CARNITINE

Milk and dairy products, together with fish and meat, are the main source of **carnitine**.

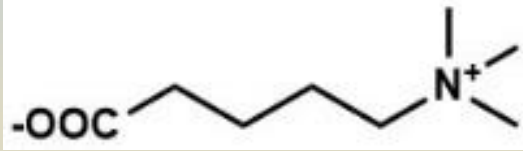
Chemically, carnitine belongs to the methylamine family and, despite being structurally similar to an amino acid, it does not form proteins, and is more similar to acetylcholine. It is a short-chain carboxylic acid and amino acid.



CARNITINE MEDIATED THE TRANSPORT OF FATTY ACIDS INTO THE MITOCHONDRIA

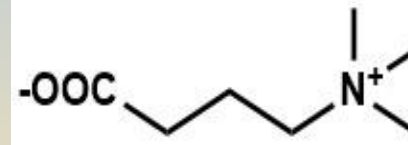


Bio-molecules of buffalo milk

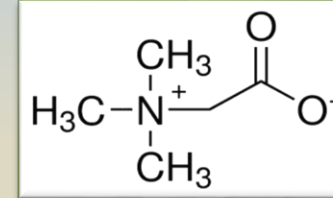


δ-Valerobetaine

Antioxidant and
Anti-inflammatory action

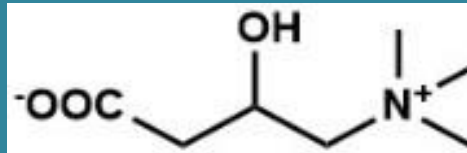


γ-Butirobetaine

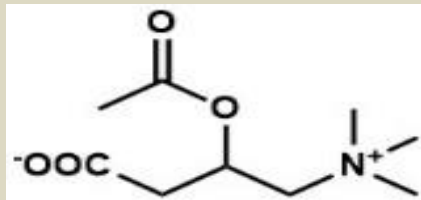


Glicine betaine

Hepatoprotective
Anticirrhotic
Antioxidant
Antiatherosclerotic
action

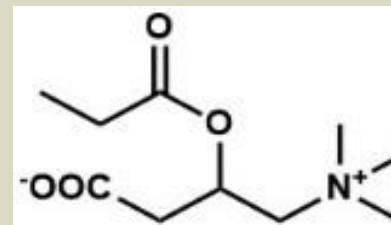


Carnitine



Acetilcarnitine

Powerful anti-aging antioxidant
Neuroprotector (Alzheimer's)



Propionilcarnitine

Anti-ischaemic properties
Protection from ischemia-reperfusion injury
Improve endothelial function

δ -Valerobetaine in different milk sources

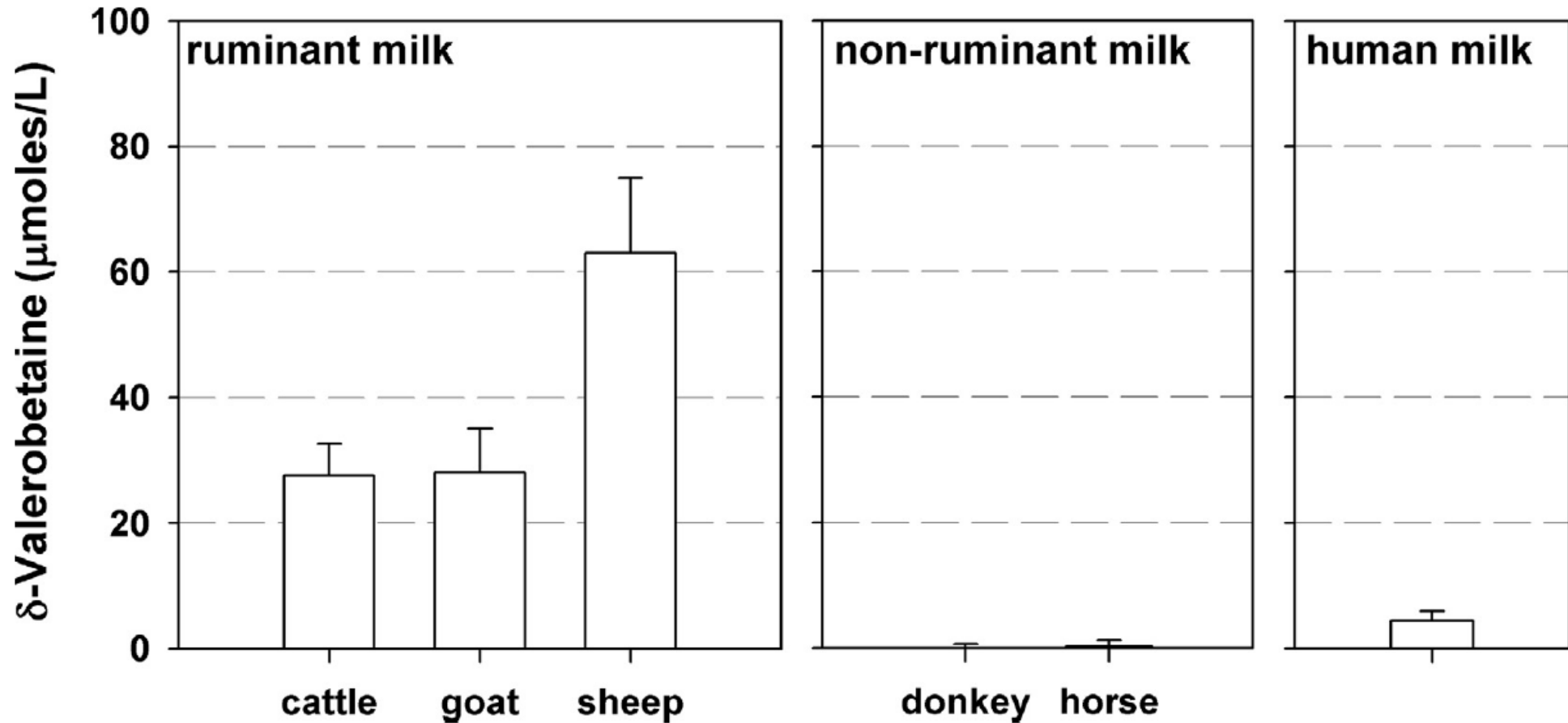
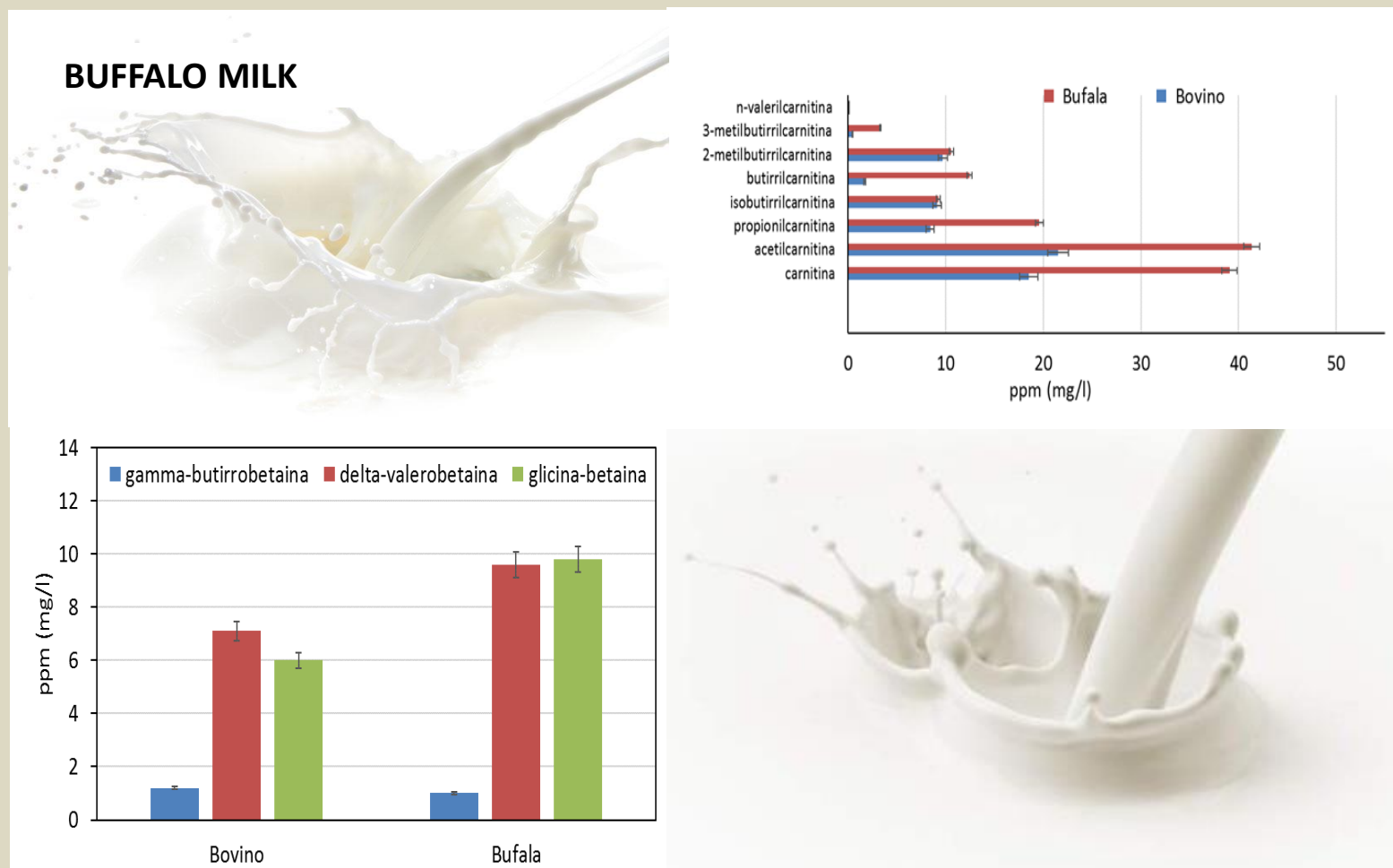


Fig. 3. Distribution of δ -valerobetaine content in ruminant and non-ruminant milk.

Biomolecules of buffalo milk



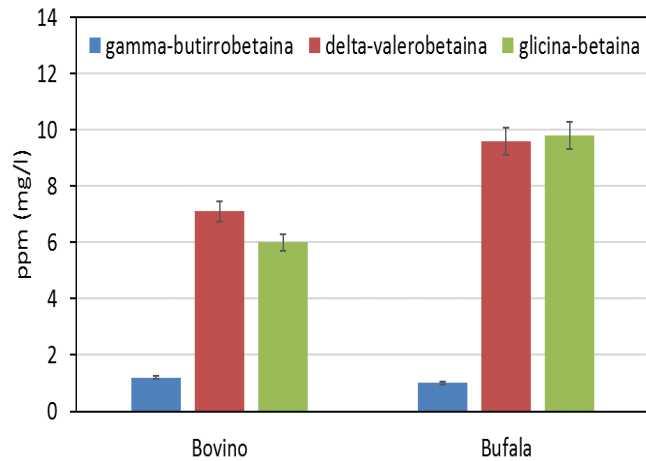
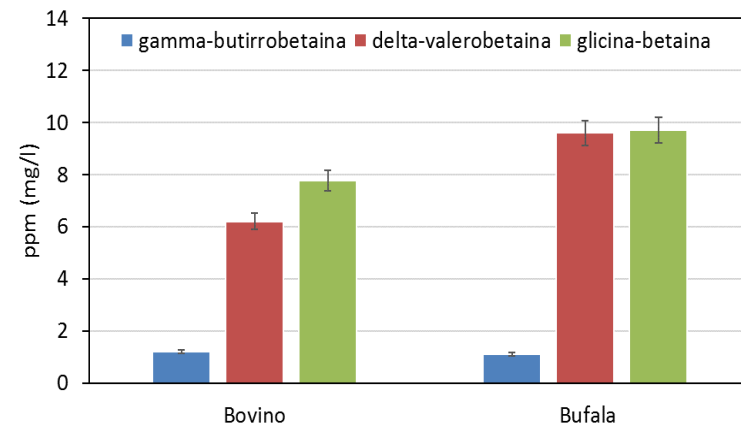
Buffalo milk is rich in carnitine, acetyl carnitine, propionyl carnitine, d-valerobetaine and glycine-betaine compared to bovine milk



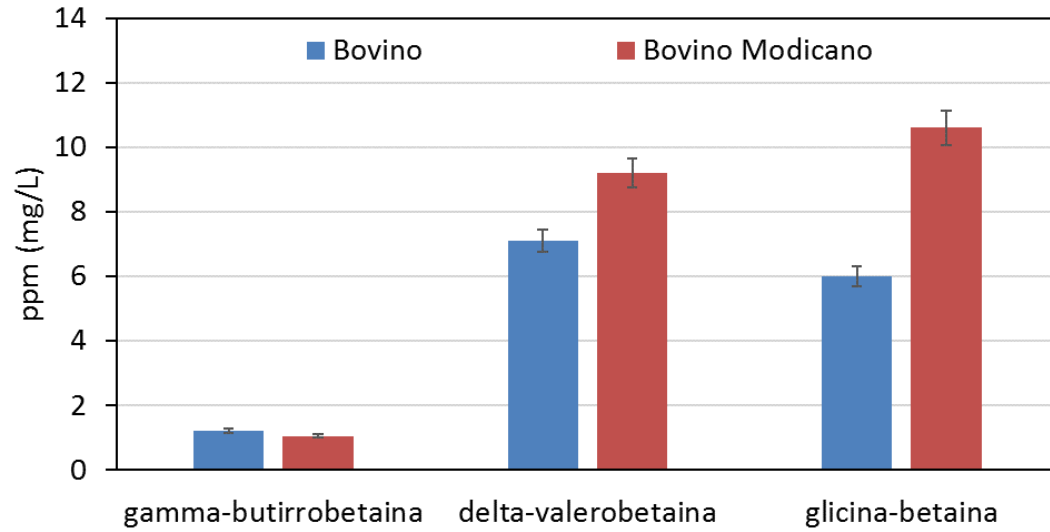
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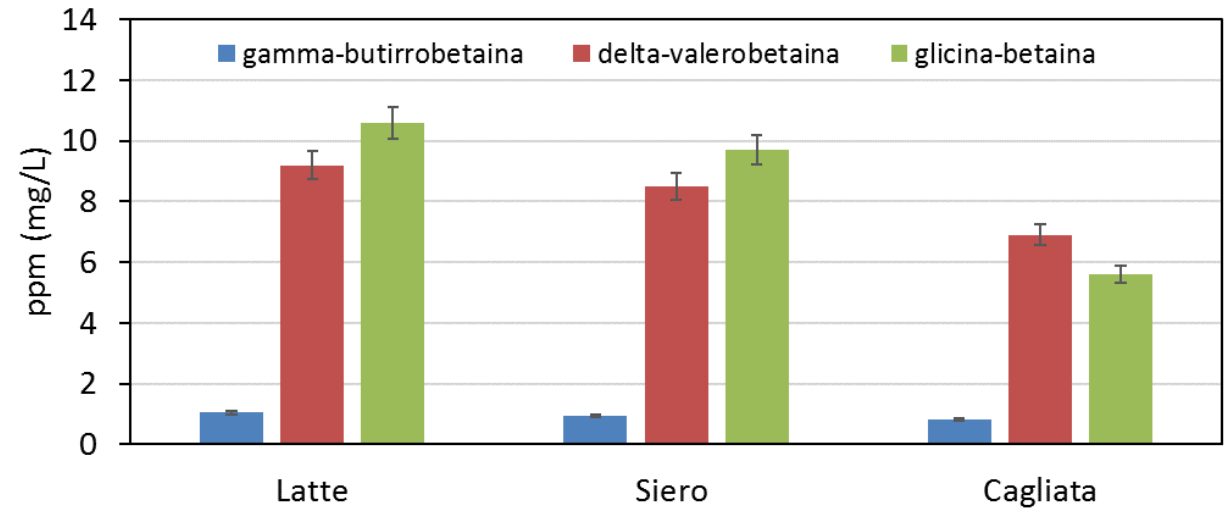
...as well as yogurt and whey...



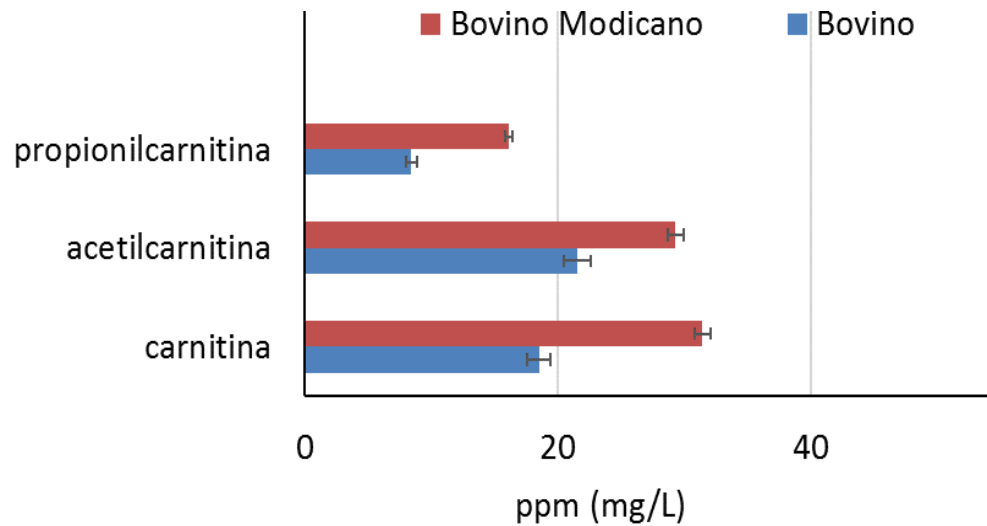
Betaine levels in Holstein (blue) and Modicana (red) milk



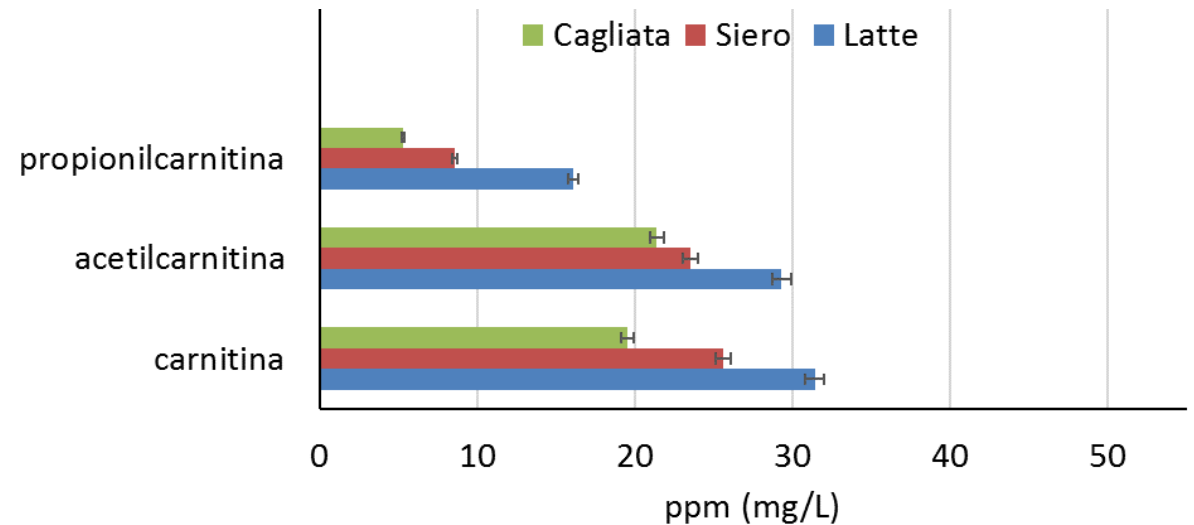
Betaine levels in Modicana milk and dairy products



Carnitine and acil-carnitine levels in Holstein (blue) and Modicana (red) milk



Carnitine levels in Modicana milk and dairy products



Use of breeding techniques



Availability of space

A greater availability of per capita space increases the nutraceutical power of milk (Salzano et al., 2019)



Feeding regimen

Using green forage, especially alfalfa, in the diet increases the health-promoting power of the milk (Salzano et al., 2021)



Biomolecules of buffalo milk



		Biomolecules ¹ expressed in mg/l							
Product	Group ²	Car	C ₂ Car	C ₃ Car	IC ₄ Car	nC ₄ car	γ-BB	δ-VB	glyBet
Milk	S15	56,7±1,1 ^A	51,9±0,3 ^A	34,8±1,0 ^A	10,9±0,6	14,2±1,2	6,6±0,2	24,2±0,5 ^A	23,1±2,0 ^A
	S10	39,8±0,7 ^B	39,7±0,7 ^B	21,0±0,9 ^B	11,3±0,9	12,6±0,9	6,1±0,2	16,7±0,5 ^B	13,5±1,6 ^B
Whey	S15	40,9±0,8 ^A	41,1±1,7 ^A	26,9±0,8 ^A	10,4±1,2	14,3±1,2	6,0±0,4	22,0±0,9 ^A	10,7±0,4 ^A
	S10	31,7±0,7 ^B	28,7±2,6 ^B	17,6±1,2 ^B	11,3±1,3	13,6±1,3	5,9±0,3	15,5±0,7 ^B	7,9±0,5 ^B
Mozzarella	S15	27,0±0,7	12,2±1,0	6,0±0,3	2,4±0,2	2,6±0,1	2,3±0,2	6,1±0,1	4,3±0,5
	S10	28,3±1,3	12,0±1,0	6,3±0,3	2,1±0,2	2,5±0,2	2,6±0,3	5,9±0,1	3,8±0,4
Ricotta	S15	44,2±2,2	39,3±1,4	22,5±0,9	9,8±0,7	11,1±0,5	6,5±0,3	15,7±0,3	14,9±0,8
	S10	41,4±0,9	36,8±0,8	23,9±0,7	10,7±0,5	11,7±0,7	6,1±0,2	16,0±0,4	15,6±0,7

¹Car = l-carnitine; C2Car = acetylarnitine; C3Car = propionilcarnitine; δ-VB = δ-valerobetaine; γ-BB = γ-butyrobetaine; iC4Car = isobutyrrilcarnitine; nC4Car = butyrrilcarnitine; glyBet = glycine betaine.

²S15= pro capita space of 15m² S10= pro capita space of 10m²

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Influence of animal welfare (space availability: 10 vs. 15 m²)

Biomolecules of buffalo milk



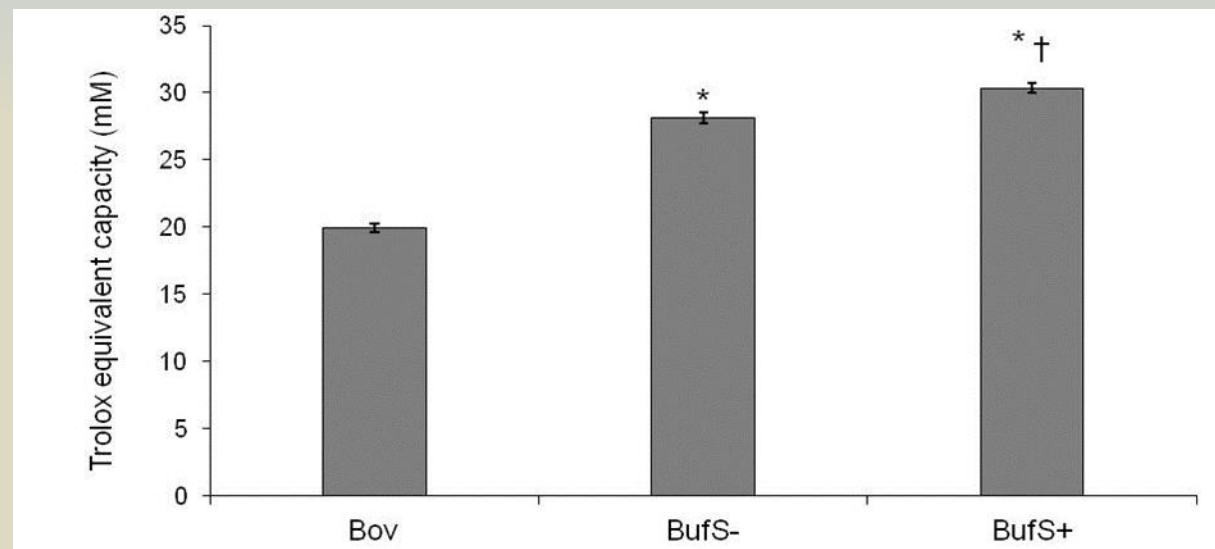
		Biomolecules ¹ expressed in mg/l							
Product	Group ²	Car	C ₂ Car	C ₃ Car	IC ₄ Car	nC ₄ car	δ-VB	γ-BB	glyBet
Milk	dry	31.5±0.8 ^a	39.1±1.3 ^a	13.5±1.3 ^a			18.3±0.4 ^a	4.8±0.3	7.01±1.7
	green	41.6±0.5 ^b	49.7±0.8 ^b	20.5±1.7 ^b			21.8±0.4 ^b	3.3±1.1	7.11±0.7
Yogurt	dry	35.7±1.7	24.8±5.2	25.5±5.6	10.9±0.5	11.6±0.8	17.2±0.5	5.6±0.2	5.2±0.5
	green	31.1±3.6	20.6±2.0	23.0±1.6	8.6±1.2	8.4±0.6	14.0±3.0	3.4±0.6	4.9±0.2
Mozzarella	dry	15.1±1.2	8.8±0.3	1.4±0.1	0.6±0.1	0.4±0.1	1.6±0.3	6.3±0.1	2.0±0.2
	green	13.6±0.1	7.3±1.2	1.1±0.2	0.6±0.1	0.4±0.1	1.4±0.2	5.0±0.8	2.0±0.7
Ricotta	dry	23.8±0.3	15.9±0.4	7.2±1.1	3.3±0.1	2.2±0.2	1.2±0.2	13.2±0.8	6.6±0.7
	green	21.1±0.5	13.8±0.6	5.9±1.0	3.0±0.5	1.9±0.3	1.4±0.4	11.0±2.3	14.9±1.3
Whey	dry	39.2±0.1	24.1±2.5	27.1±2.5	11.4±0.5	15.8±0.5	2.2±0.3	23.3±0.8	9.3±0.3
	green	31.2±0.5	24.4±2.5	25.1±0.9	10.6±0.0	14.7±0.5	2.7±0.3	20.9±0.5	8.5±0.7
¹ Car = l-carnitine; C ₂ Car = acetyl carnitine; C ₃ Car = propionyl carnitine; δ-VB = δ-valerobetaine; γ-BB = γ-butyrobetaine; iC ₄ Car = isobutyryl carnitine; nC ₄ Car = butyryl carnitine; glyBet = glycine betaine. ^{a, b} , Values within columns with different quotes differ; P < 0.05									

Influence of feeding regimen (green vs. dry forage)

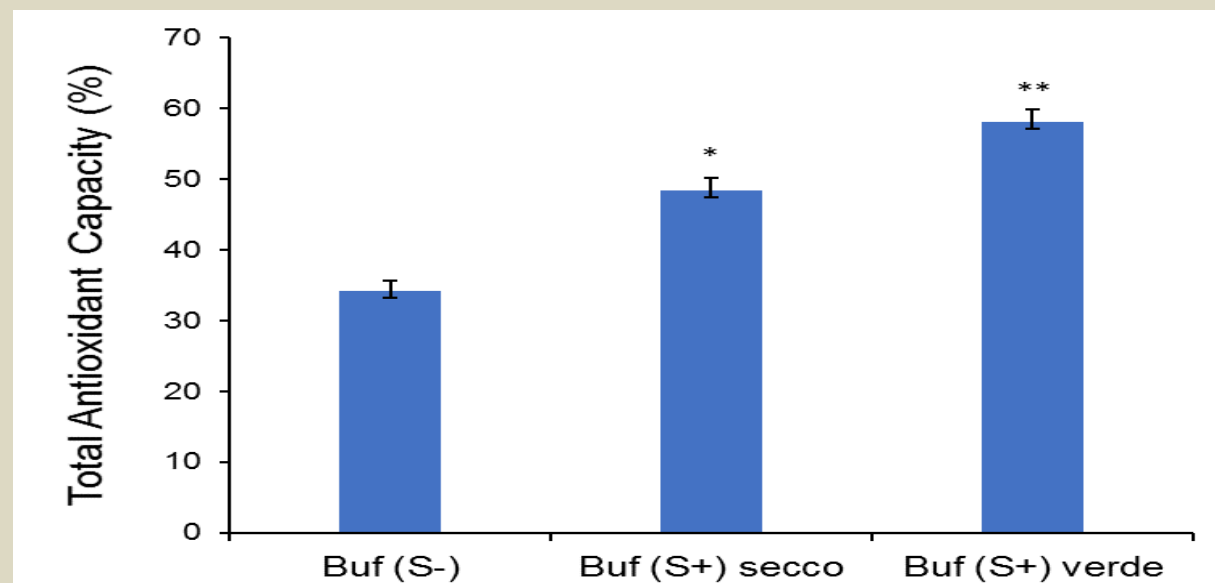
Bio-molecules of buffalo milk



Antioxidant power of buffalo milk: influence of breeding techniques and animal welfare (space availability: 10 vs. 15 m²)



Bio-molecules of buffalo milk: antioxidant activity and dietary pattern (green vs dry forage)



What happens inside the rumen?

The study was carried out over 60 days by using Italian Mediterranean dairy buffaloes (n=16; 8 per group). Animals were randomly assigned to two homogeneous groups (Control and Treated) according to parity, age, days in milk and average milk production.

Control buffaloes received a total mixed ration (TMR) whilst treated buffaloes received TMR + green forage which comprised ryegrass (30% of the diet).

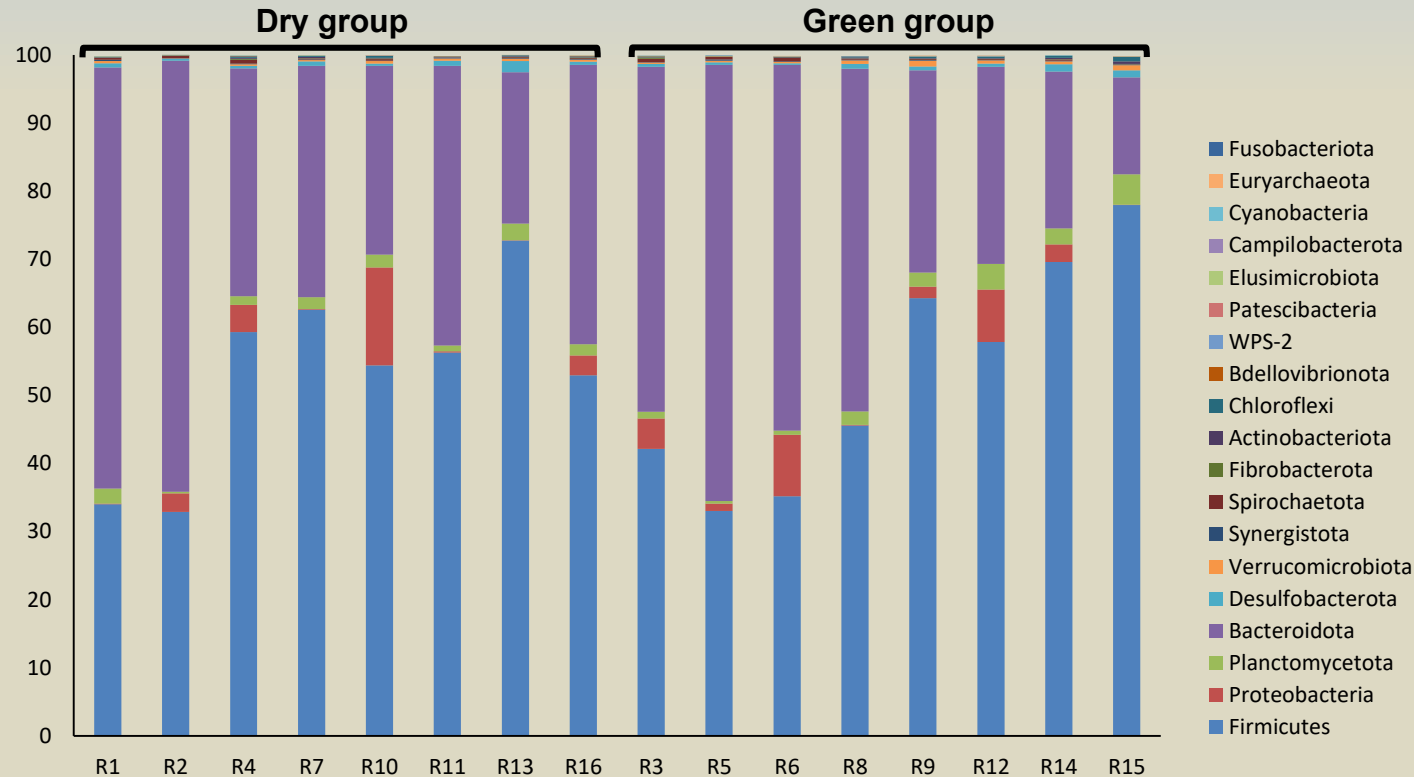
The two diets were created isonitrogenous and isoenergetic and differed only in the inclusion of ryegrass in treated animals.

At the end of the trial, samples of rumen and rumen liquid were collected for molecular studies.

Item	Control buffaloes	Treated buffaloes
Component	Amount (kg of feed)	
Ryegrass	-	25
Corn silage	18	13
Alfalfa hay	5	1
Soybean meal (48%)	1.6	-
Concentrate	4.4	4
Corn meal	1	1.8
Hydrogenated fats	0.3	0.3
Calcium Carbonate	0.1	-
Salt 1:3	0.1	0.1
Vitamins	0.1	-
Composition (% on dry matter intake)		
Dry matter	16.5	16.6
CP	14.7	14.7
Fat	6.0	7.0
NDF	36.8	36.8
ADF	21.2	19.5
NSC	33.8	34.7
Starch	18.8	18.8
Ash	8.8	6.8
Calcium	0.9	1
Phosphorus	0.4	0.4
MFU	0.93	0.93

Table. Feed and chemical composition of the buffalo diets without (Control) or with (Treated) 30% green ryegrass. NDF, neutral detergent fiber; ADF, acid detergent fiber; NSC, non-structural carbohydrates; MFU, milk forage units.

Green feed increases rumen bacterial diversity in dairy buffaloes

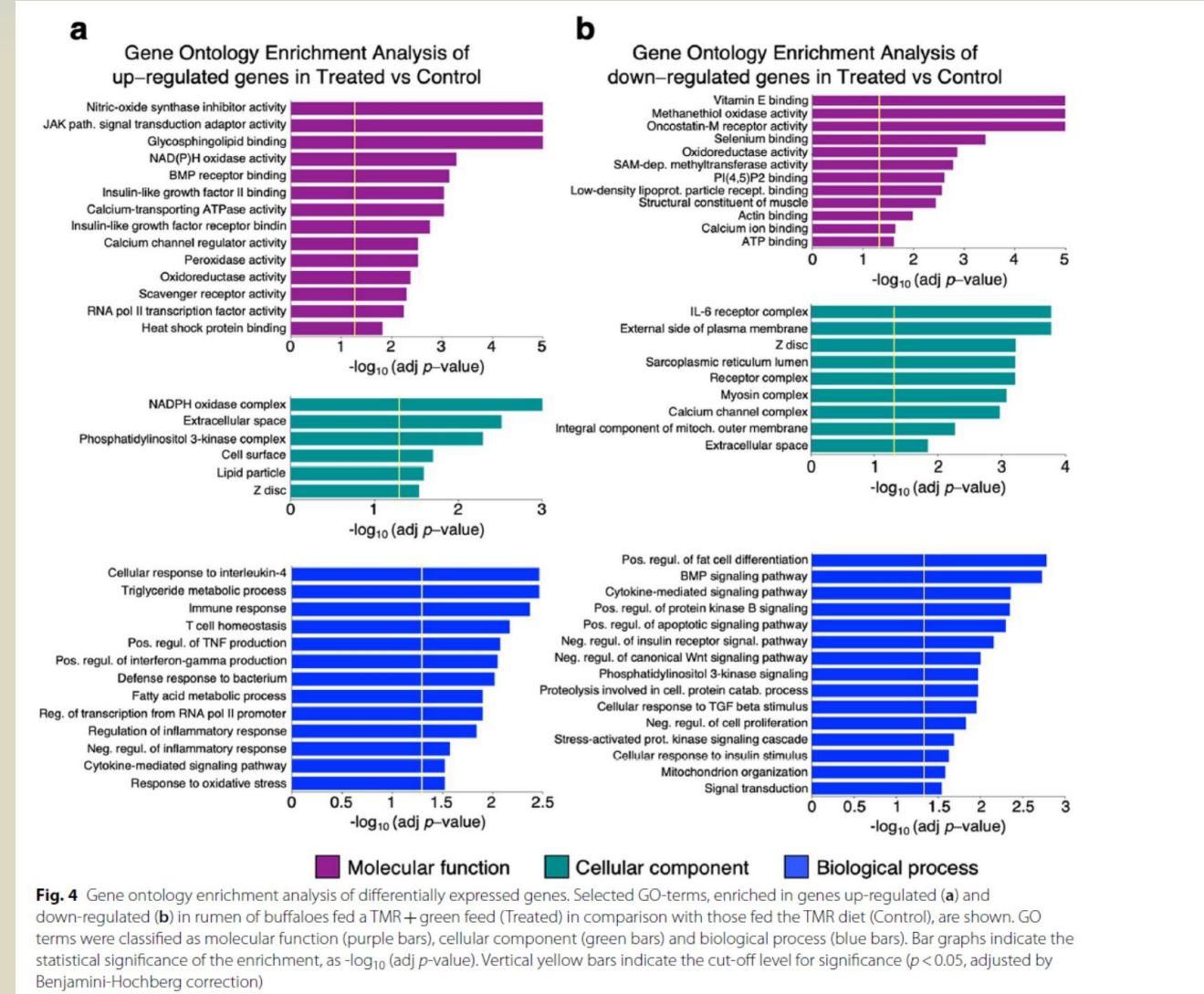


Green diet regimen slightly affects the microbial composition of the rumen of water buffaloes. Rumens of animals fed green diet have an increased microbial biodiversity, mainly due to low (below 1%) represented bacterial genera. The metagenomic analysis indicated an increased number of metabolic functions associated to the rumen microbiota of the animals fed Green diet and different Carbohydrate-active enzymes that support the synthesis of functional biomolecules in milk.

Transcriptomic profiles of buffaloes ruminal wall fed green forage

Green feed diet in ruminants exerts a beneficial effect on rumen metabolism and enhances the content of milk nutraceutical quality. We performed RNA-sequencing in the rumen of buffaloes fed green feed (treated) or TMR (control), and identified differentially expressed genes.

Green feed modulates biological processes relevant for the rumen physiology and, then, health and well-being of buffaloes, such as lipid and protein metabolism, response to the oxidative stress, immune response, and muscle structure and function.



GENES RELATED TO FACTORS INVOLVED IN THE REGULATION OF BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES

ENERGY, AMINO ACID, AND LIPID METABOLISM

↑ ARFGEF3: Codes for the BIG3 protein, which participates in the regulation of systemic glucose homeostasis, through the regulation of insulin and glucagon secretion.

↑ HSD17B13: Associated with an increase in lipogenesis.

↓ CDO1 and SELENBP1: Related to the metabolism of cysteine/methionine, serine, and lysine.

CELLULAR RESPONSE TO STRESS

↑ VNN1: Codes for the pantetheinase enzyme, involved in the production of pantothenic acid (vitamin B5) and coenzyme A (CoA).

IMMUNE SYSTEM AND INFLAMMATION

↑ TRIM14: Codes for a protein belonging to the TRIM family, also known to promote the body's defense against viral infections.

↑ IGFBP6: Involved in the immune response.

GENES RELATED TO FACTORS INVOLVED IN THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE RUMEN

ORGANIZATION OF THE EXTRACELLULAR MATRIX

↑ LAMA1 and COL4A6: Main constituents of the extracellular matrix.

↓ COL1A1 and UGDH: Main constituents of the extracellular matrix.

MUSCLE STRUCTURE/FUNCTION

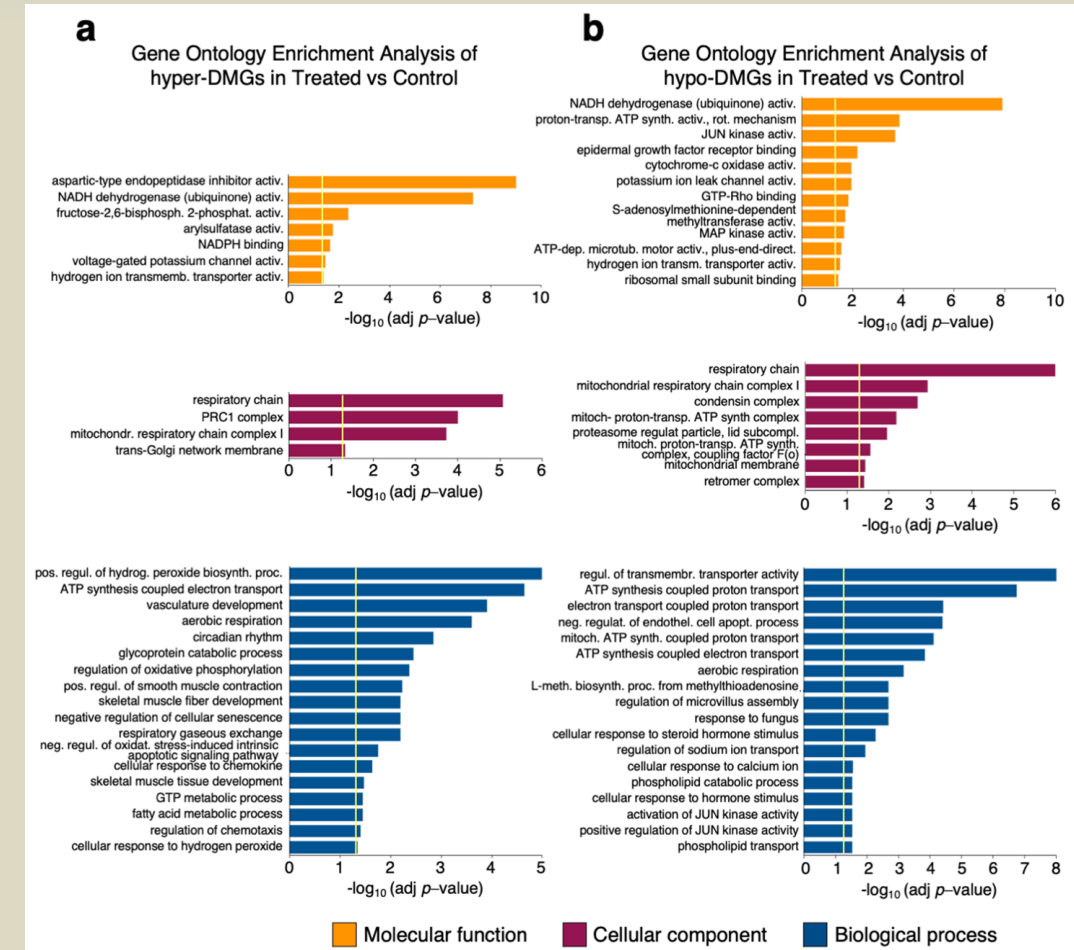
↑ KCNK10, CACNG4 and ATP2B4: Codes for factors that modulate Ca²⁺ homeostasis.

Green forage impacts on the DNA methylation in the ruminal wall of IMB

The aim of this study was to identify genomic regions differentially methylated in the ruminal wall of IMB fed green forage compared to a standard TMR diet, through the RRBS technique.

We highlighted 4648 genes associated with differentially methylated regions, the majority of which (82.4%) were protein-coding genes. Gene Ontology found categories related to response to oxidative stress, circadian rhythms, fungal infections and inflammation, rumen functionality, energy, lipid, and amino acid metabolism.

The integration of differential expression data with methylation data allowed to identify a discrete number of genes for which their expression varies as a function of DNA methylation.



Gene ontology enrichment analysis of genes associated with DMRs. Selected GO-terms, enriched in genes associated with hyper-DMRs (a) and hypo-DMRs (b) in the ruminal wall of BMI fed green forage in comparison with animals fed standard diet, are shown.

Buffalo milk and rumen fluid metabolome are significantly affected by green feed

Milk

The study of milk metabolomic profile revealed a compositional differences between buffaloes fed TMR only (DD group) or green feed (ZG group). As resulted from the multi- and univariate analysis of the LC-MS dataset, DD and ZG groups cluster separately from each other when comparing samples collected at the same time point, differing in the abundance of specific metabolites (Table 2). In rumen fluid, among the molecules differentially accumulated, four have been putatively identified (Table 5). All these compounds are down regulated in control vs green feeding.

Compound	Monoisotopic mass (Da)	Regulation DD vs ZG					
		June	July	August	LnFC (June)	LnFC (July)	LnFC (August)
γ-Butyrobetaine	145.1098	Down	Down	Down	- 18.1088	- 7.8222	- 16.2603
δ-Valerobetaine	159.1254	n.d.	Down	Down	n.d.	- 2.98936	- 14.3323
L-Carnitine	161.1048	n.d.	Down	Down	n.d.	- 3.20882	- 14.6969
Acetylcarnitine	203.1163	Up	Down	Down	21.28232	- 2.96594	- 14.6381
Propionylcarnitine	217.1312	n.d.	Down	Down	n.d.	- 14.4192	- 10.7945
Butyrylcarnitine	231.1485	Up	Down	Up	22.13542	- 2.93003	7.460587
2-Methylbutyrylcarnitine	245.1644	Up	Down	Up	19.65461	- 3.0367	5.092634
Glycerophosphocholine	257.1036	Down	Down	n.d.	- 12.3487	- 3.10791	n.d.
2-Hexanoylcarnitine	257.1664	Up	n.d.	n.d.	15.89597	n.d.	n.d.
Hexanoylcarnitine	259.1796	Down	n.d.	n.d.	- 15.6068	n.d.	n.d.

Table 2. Metabolites obtained from LC-MS data (positive mode), that are differentially accumulated in milk samples from buffaloes of DD Group (fed a total mixed ratio (TMR)) and ZG Group (fed TMR + 30% of green forage) analyzed for 3 months (June, July and August). Identifications were performed by comparing results with known compounds present in freely available electronic databases. Milk Composition Database (MCDB) and Bovine Metabolome Database (BMDB) were used for the identification. Up, up regulated; Down, down regulated; n.d., compounds not detected after statistical analysis. LnFC, Natural logarithm of Fold Change.

Rumen fluid

Compound	Monoisotopic mass (Da)	Regulation DD vs ZG	LnFC (DD vs. ZG)
3-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-propanoate	165.0338	Down	- 19.4548
Indole-3-acrylic acid	187.0635	Down	- 4.18757
Oleamide	281.2724	Down	- 3.20791
20-Carboxy-leukotriene B4	366.2024	Down	- 6.38134

Table 5. Metabolites obtained from LC-MS data (positive mode), that are differentially accumulated in ruminal fluid samples from buffaloes of DD Group (fed a total mixed ratio (TMR)) and ZG Group (fed TMR + 30% of green forage). Identifications were performed by comparing results with known compounds present in a freely available electronic database. Bovine Metabolome Database (BMDB) was used for the identification. Up, up regulated; Down, down regulated. LnFC, Natural logarithm of Fold Change.

Former food products (FFPs) and biomolecules in milk

Our hypothesis was to test if FFPs could be used as an alternative to green forages to improve rumen metabolism and ensures higher levels of carnitine precursors during all year round. The inclusion of FFPs containing 87% biscuit meal in the diets of dairy buffaloes reached similar values to green feed for δ -valerobetaine and acetyl-L-carnitine while the antioxidant activity in milk and plasma is still higher in green feed compared to FFPs.

TABLE 7 Functional biomolecules content in milk (mg/L)

Group	Green	FFPs
<i>γ-butyrobetaine</i>	6.24 \pm 0.10 ^A	5.87 \pm 0.10 ^B
<i>δ-valerobetaine</i>	17.4 \pm 0.14	17.2 \pm 0.21
<i>glycine betaine</i>	15.5 \pm 0.14 ^A	15.0 \pm 0.12 ^B
<i>L-carnitine</i>	39.6 \pm 0.36 ^A	37.3 \pm 0.17 ^B
<i>acetyl-L-carnitine</i>	45.4 \pm 0.59	43.8 \pm 0.71
<i>propionyl-L-carnitine</i>	25.0 \pm 0.36 ^A	22.3 \pm 0.32 ^B

Note: Different letters along the row indicate statistically significant differences (^{A,B} $p < 0.01$). Values are expressed as mean \pm SEM. (standard error of the mean). Green is the group fed with fresh forage, FFPs is the group fed with Former Food Products (Top Star®).

TABLE 8 Total antioxidant activity (TAC) and Ferric Reducing Antioxidant Power (FRAP) in blood and milk

	Green	FFPs
TAC <i>Milk</i>	276.51 \pm 9.31 ^b	252.45 \pm 7.66 ^a
FRAP <i>Milk</i>	240.62 \pm 6.00 ^B	213.86 \pm 4.89 ^A
TAC <i>Plasma</i>	77.52 \pm 1.43 ^B	71.66 \pm 1.74 ^A
FRAP <i>Plasma</i>	58.53 \pm 2.22 ^b	51.10 \pm 1.89 ^a

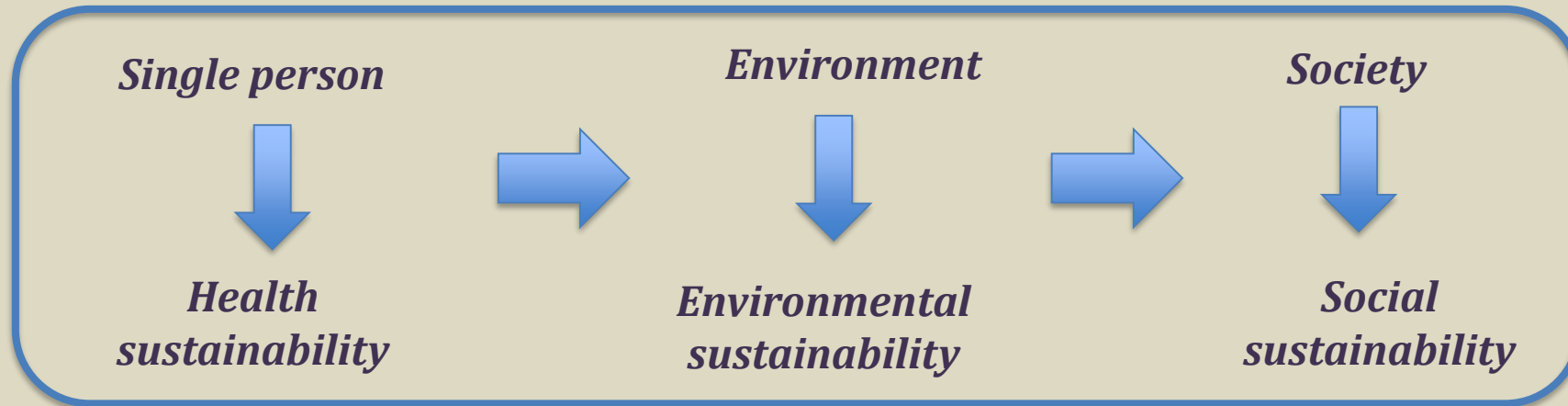
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Abbreviations: TAC, total antioxidant capacity, FRAP, ferric reducing antioxidant power assay.

Bio-molecules of buffalo products: quality nutrition

**Offer the consumer food able to
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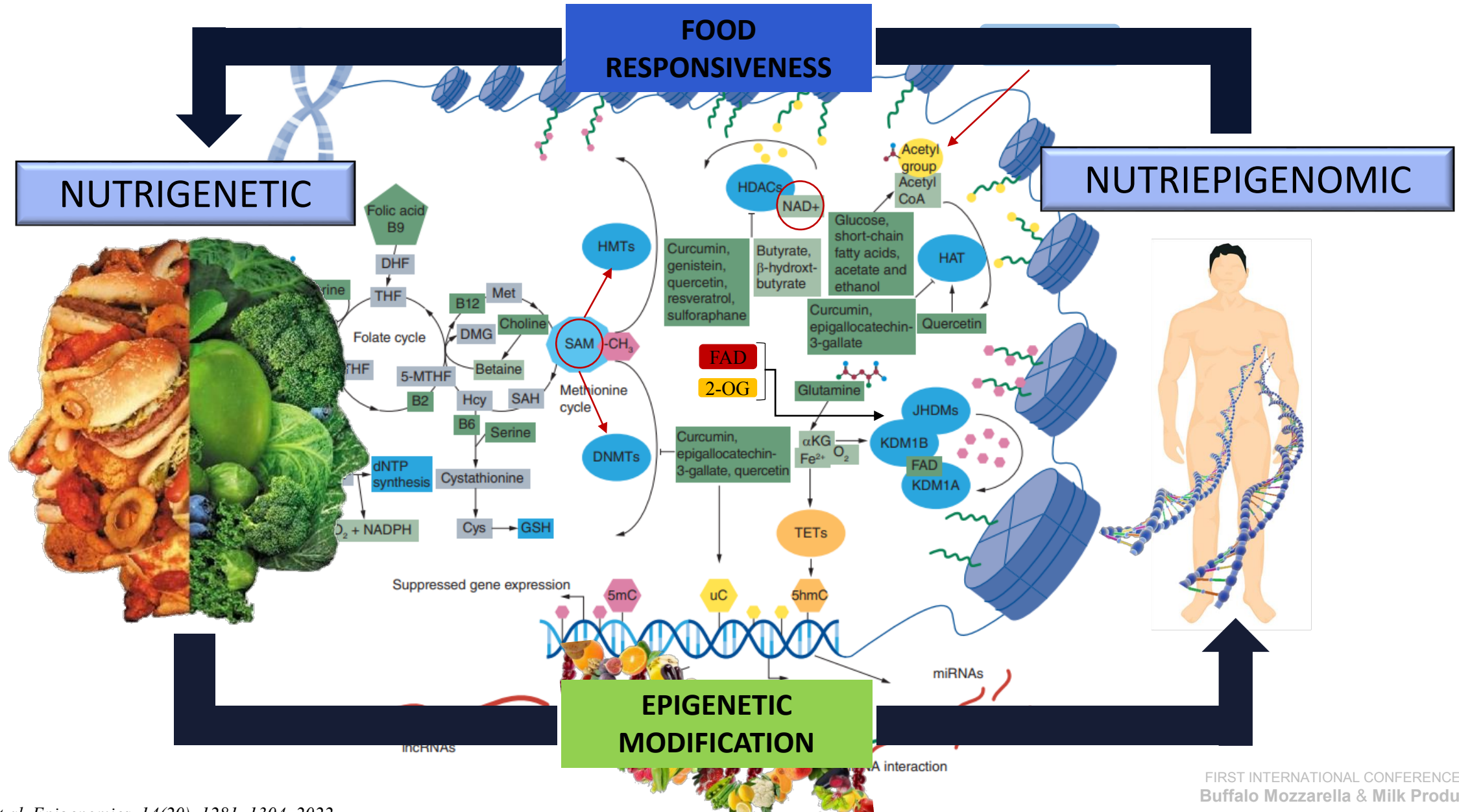
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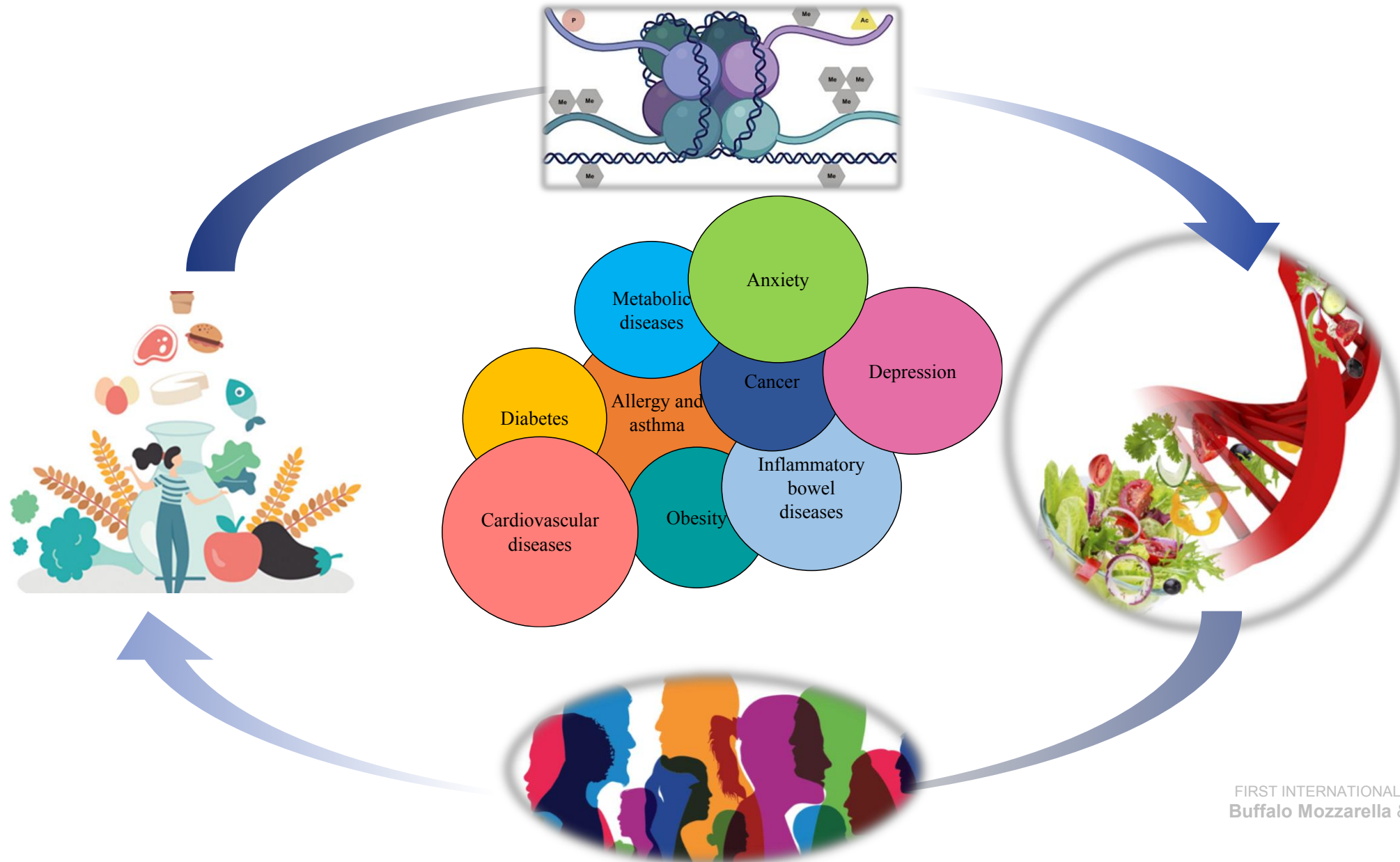
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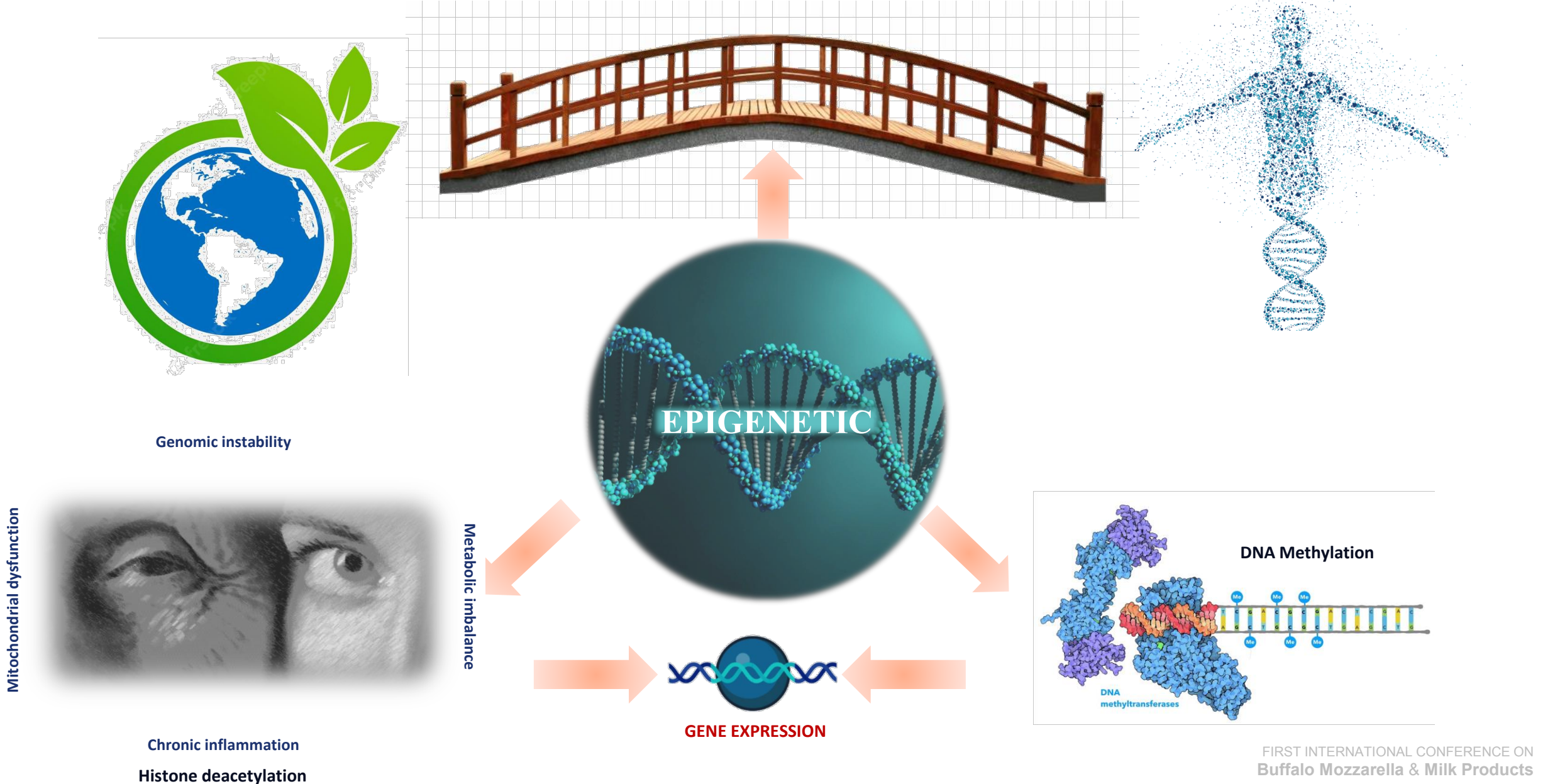
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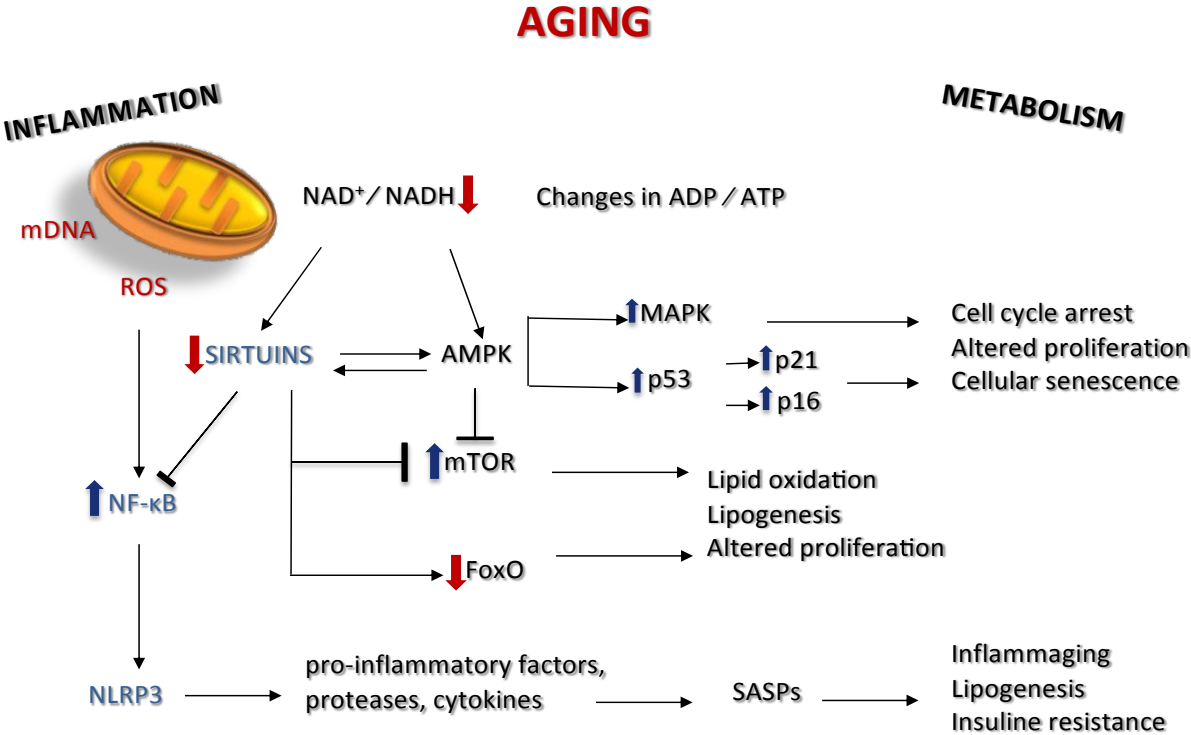
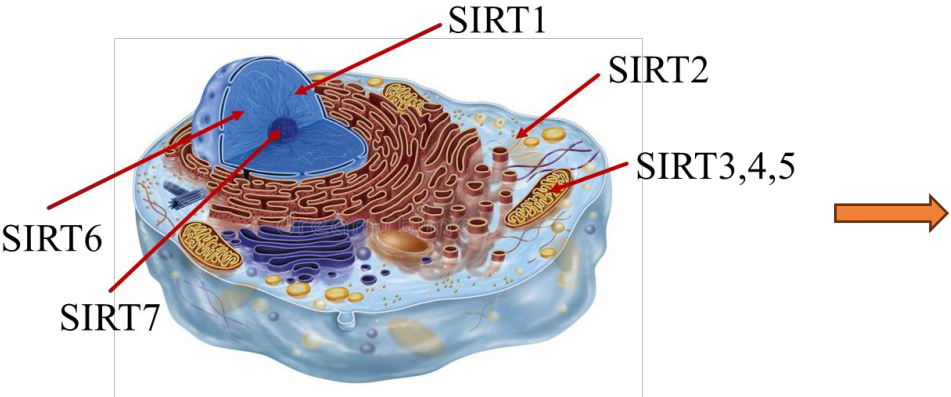
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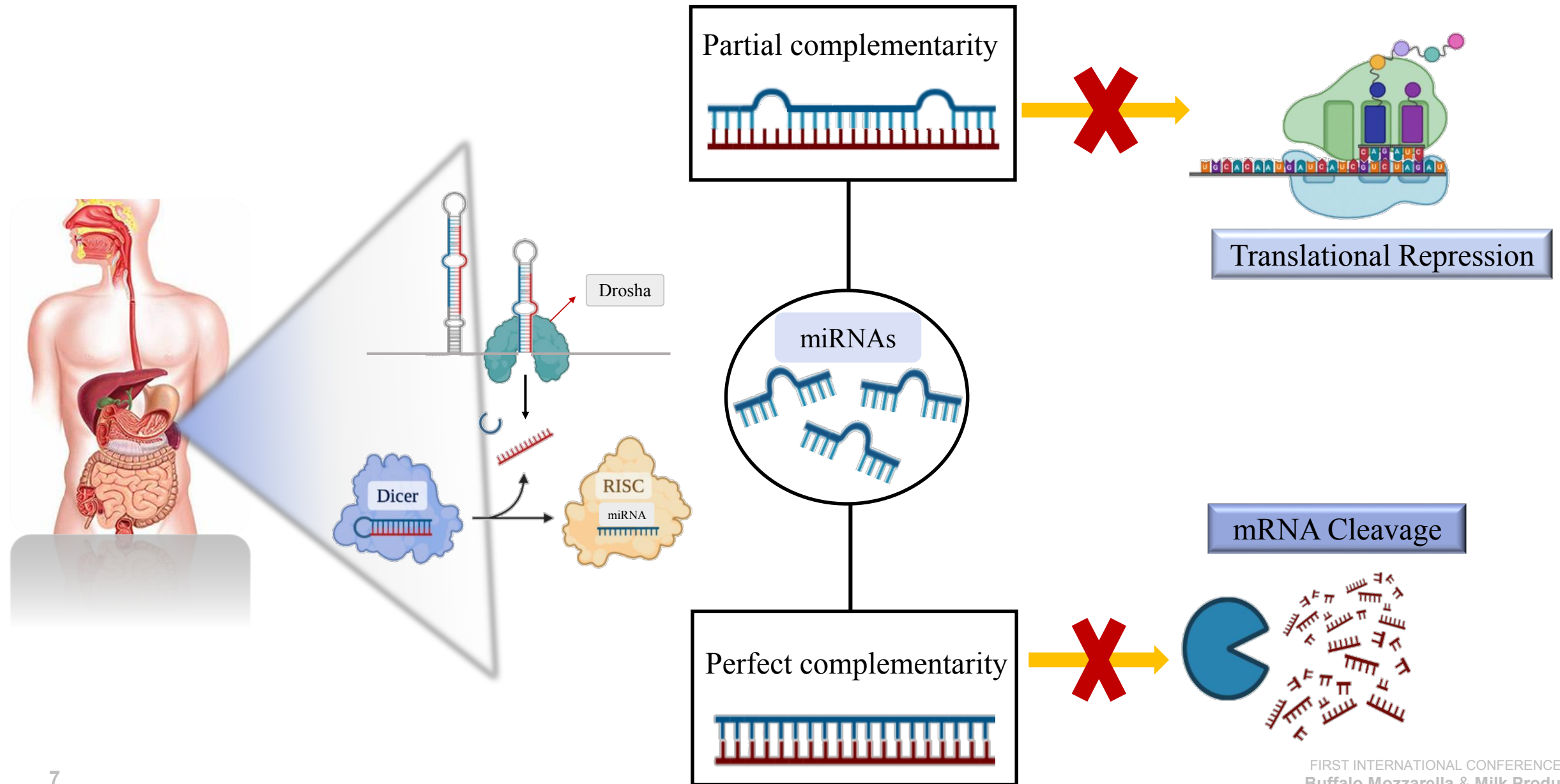
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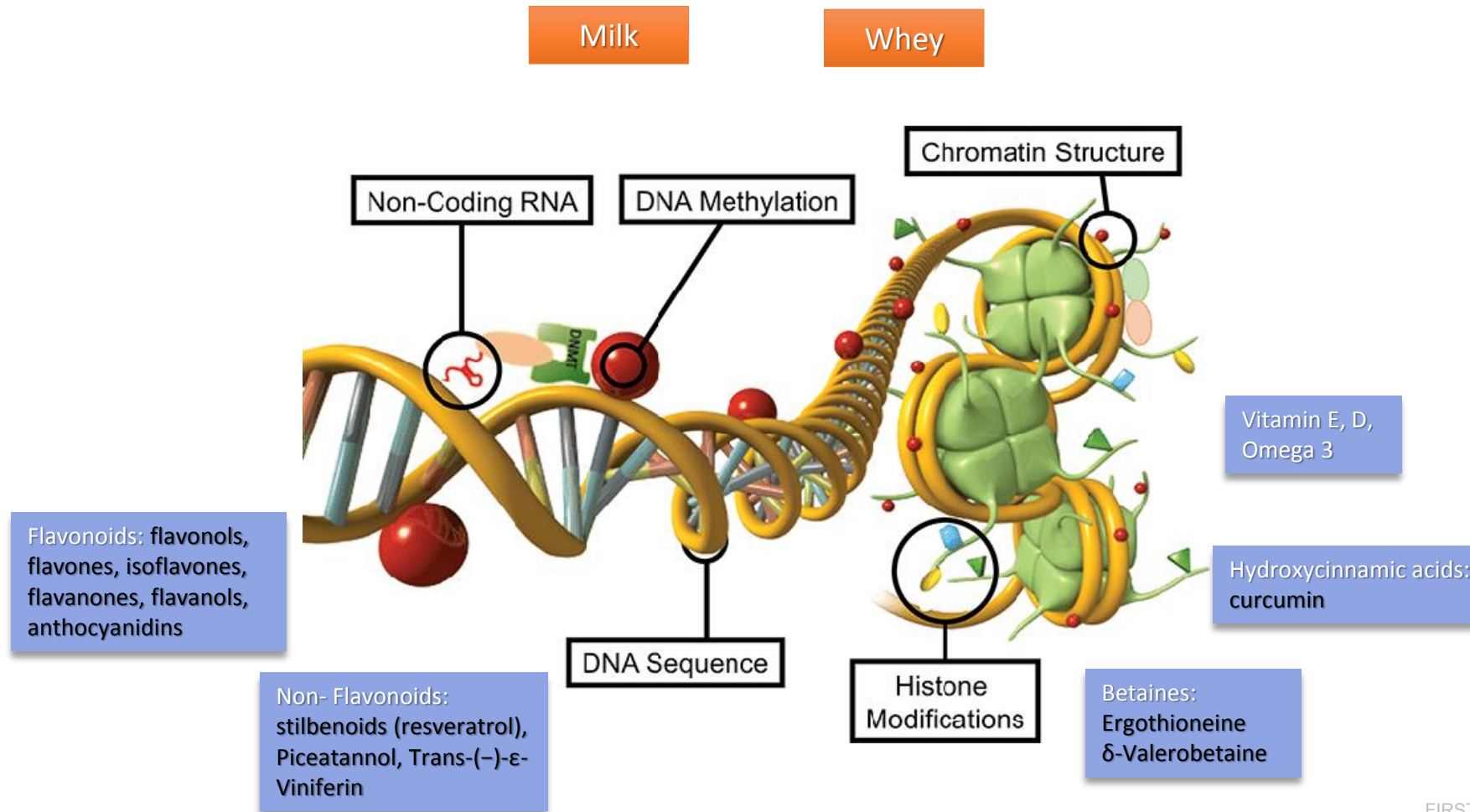




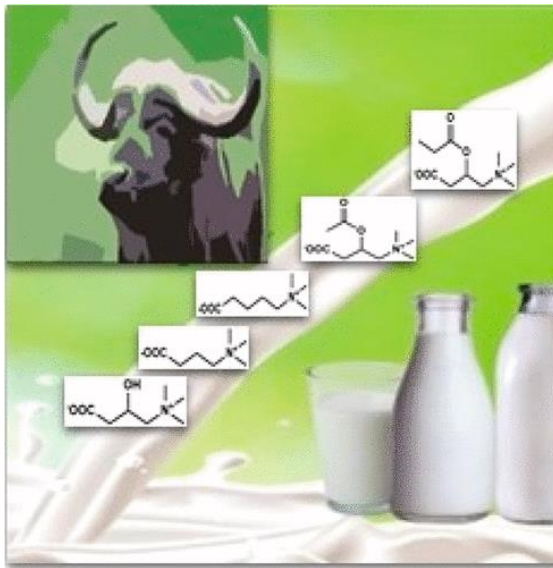
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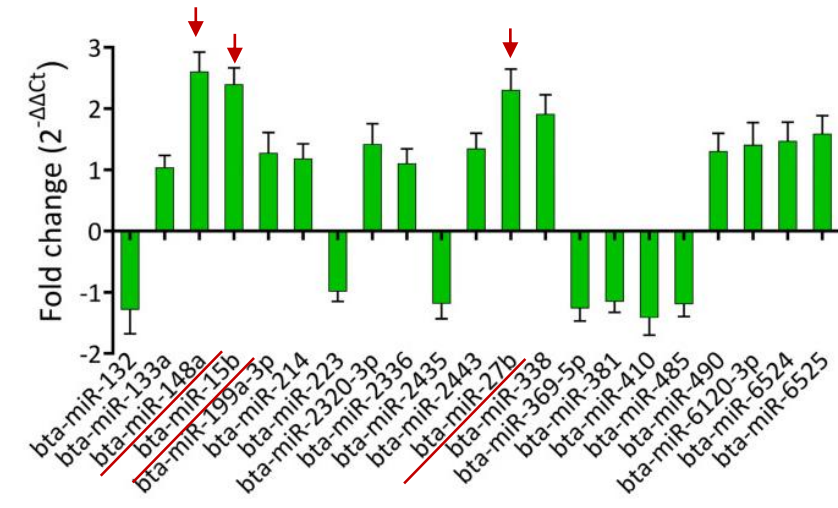
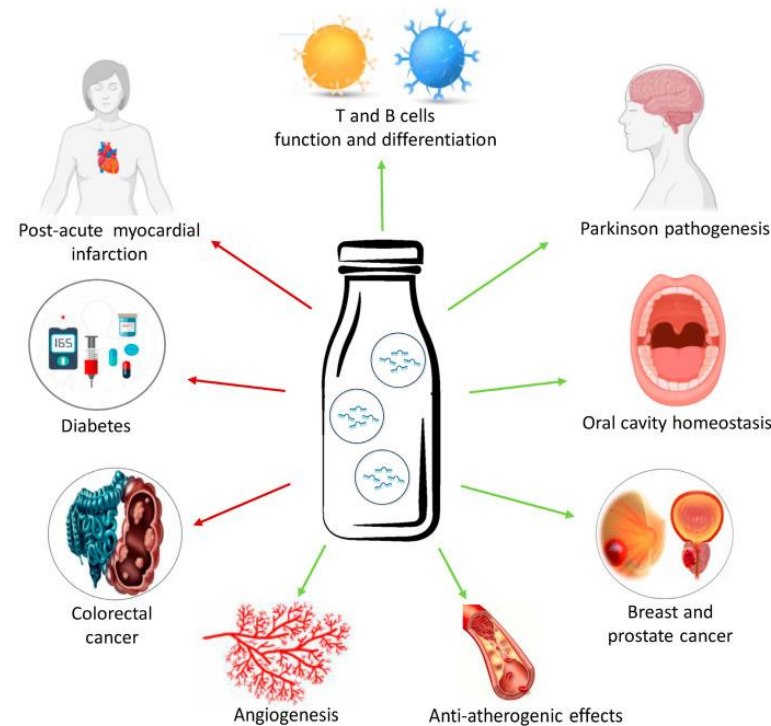


Epigenetic modulators of buffalo milk



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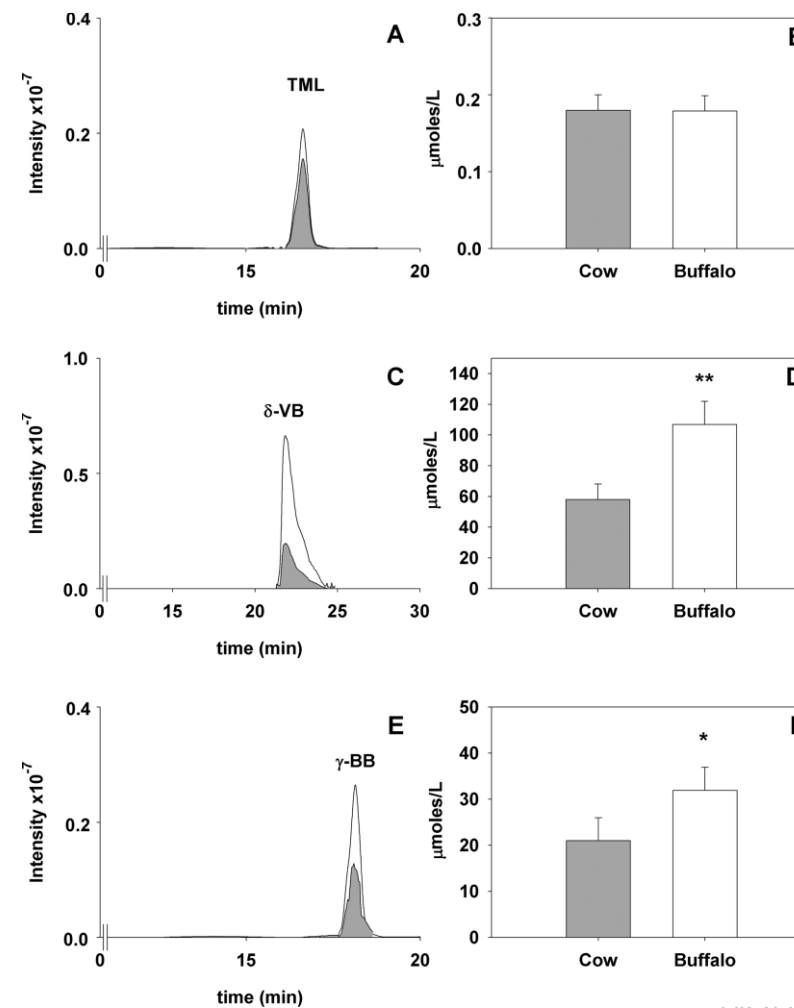
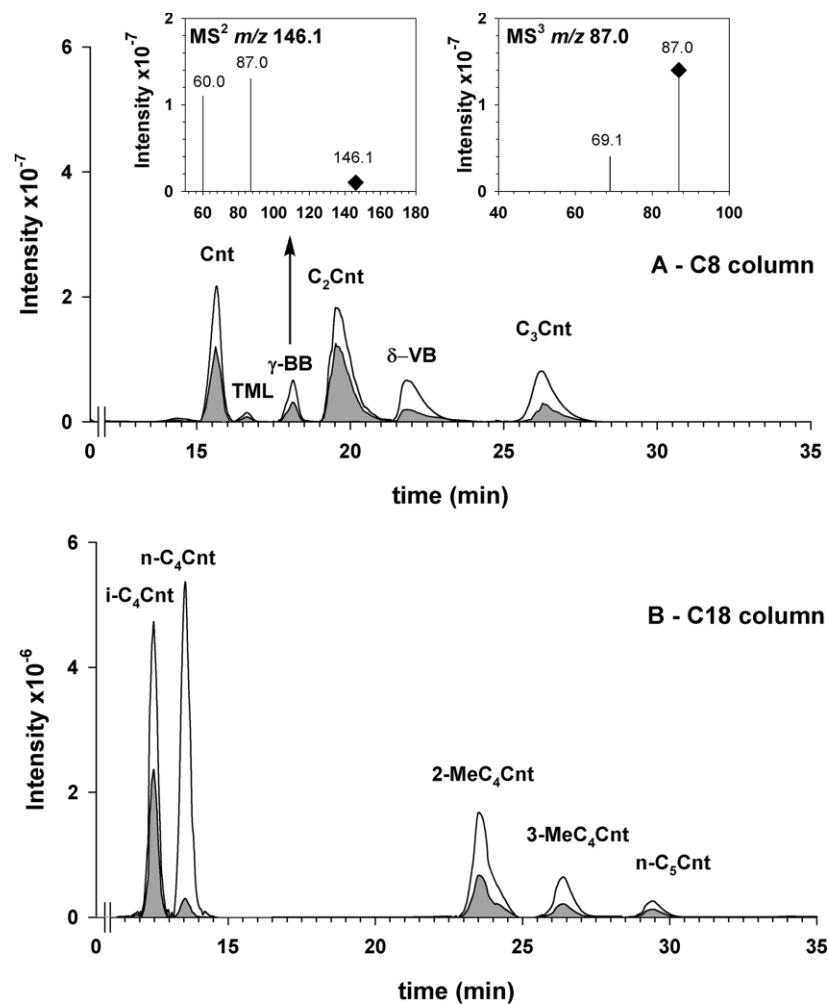
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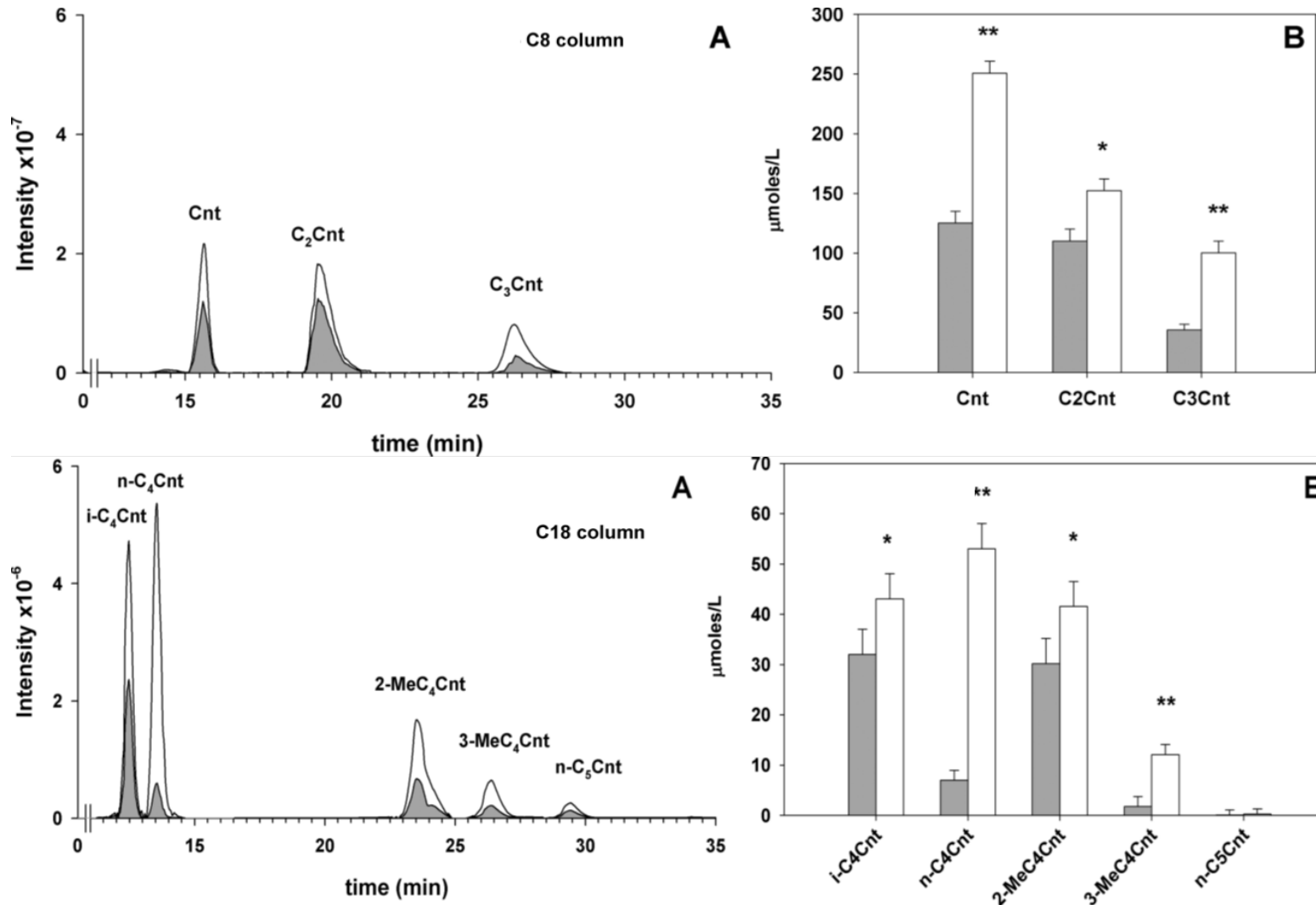
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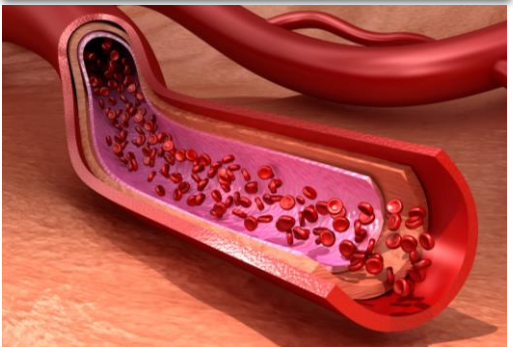
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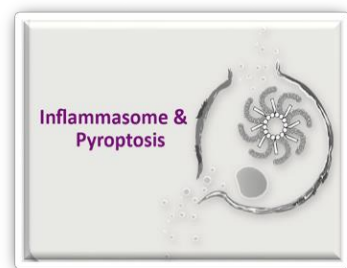
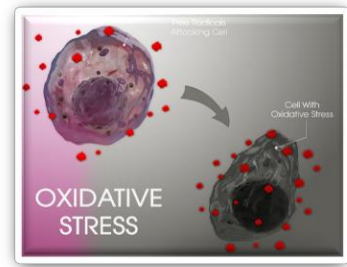


In vitro models of human endothelial cells

Oral Squamous Cell Carcinoma



In vitro model of human oral squamous cell carcinoma



Colorectal cancer

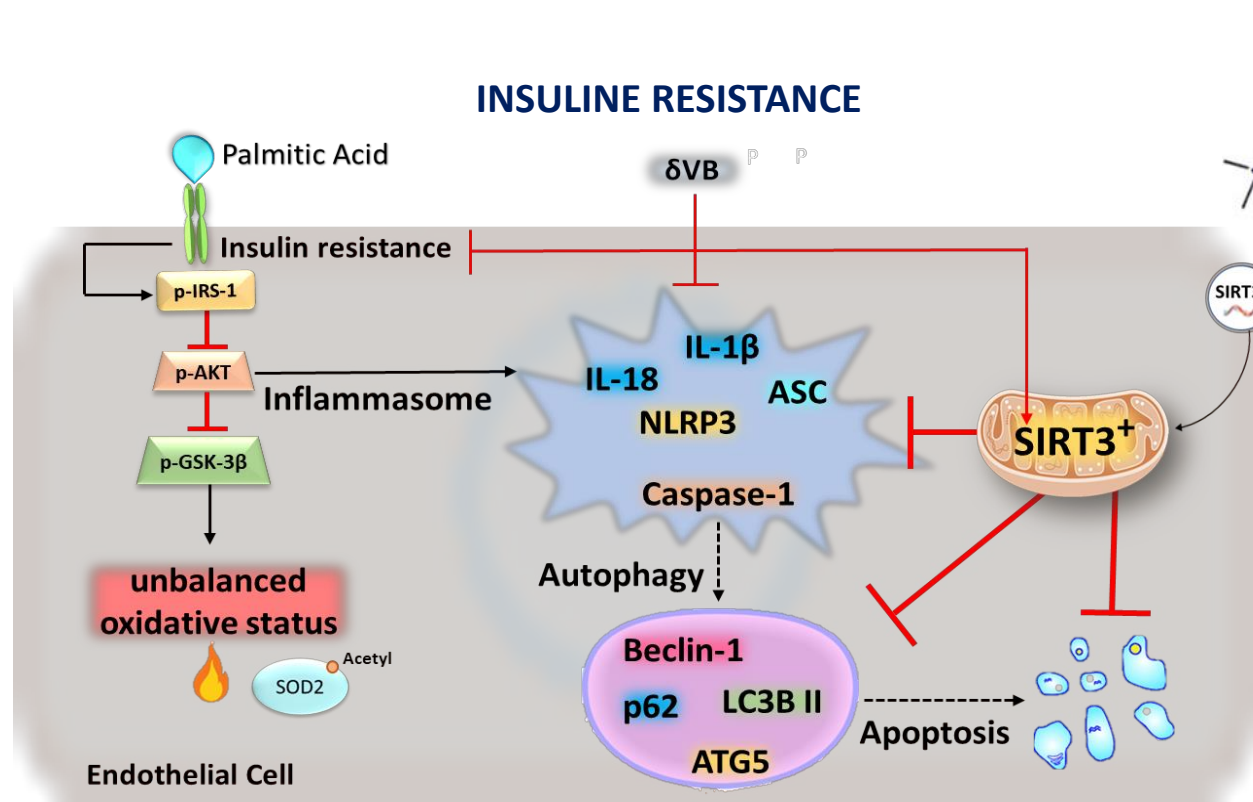


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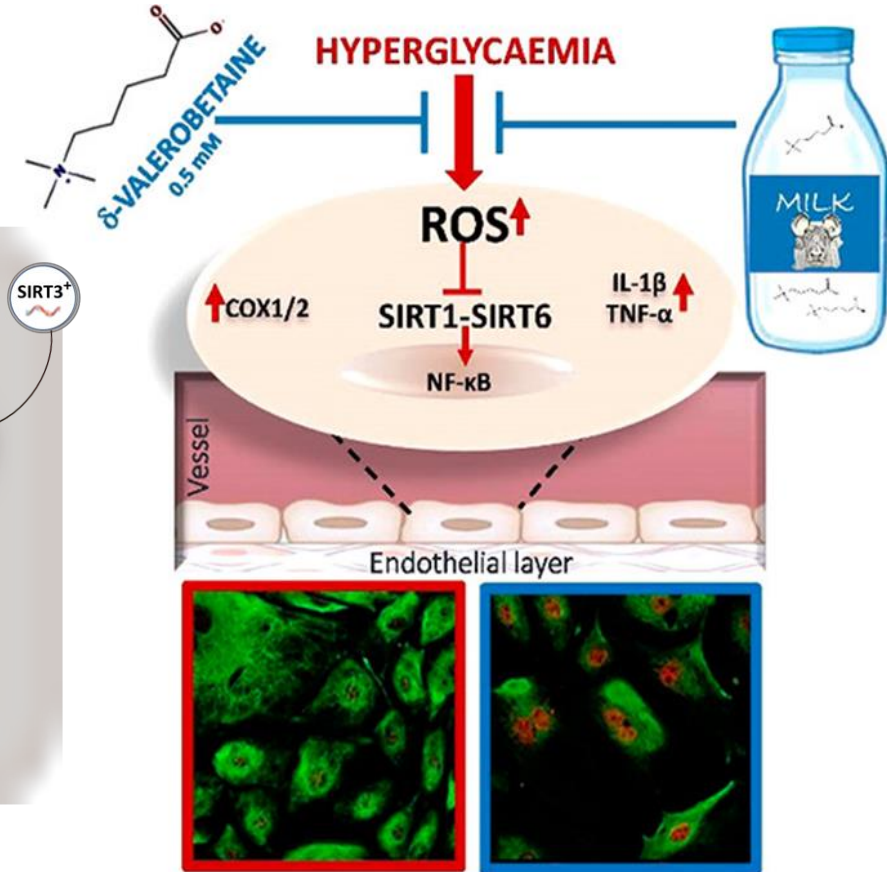


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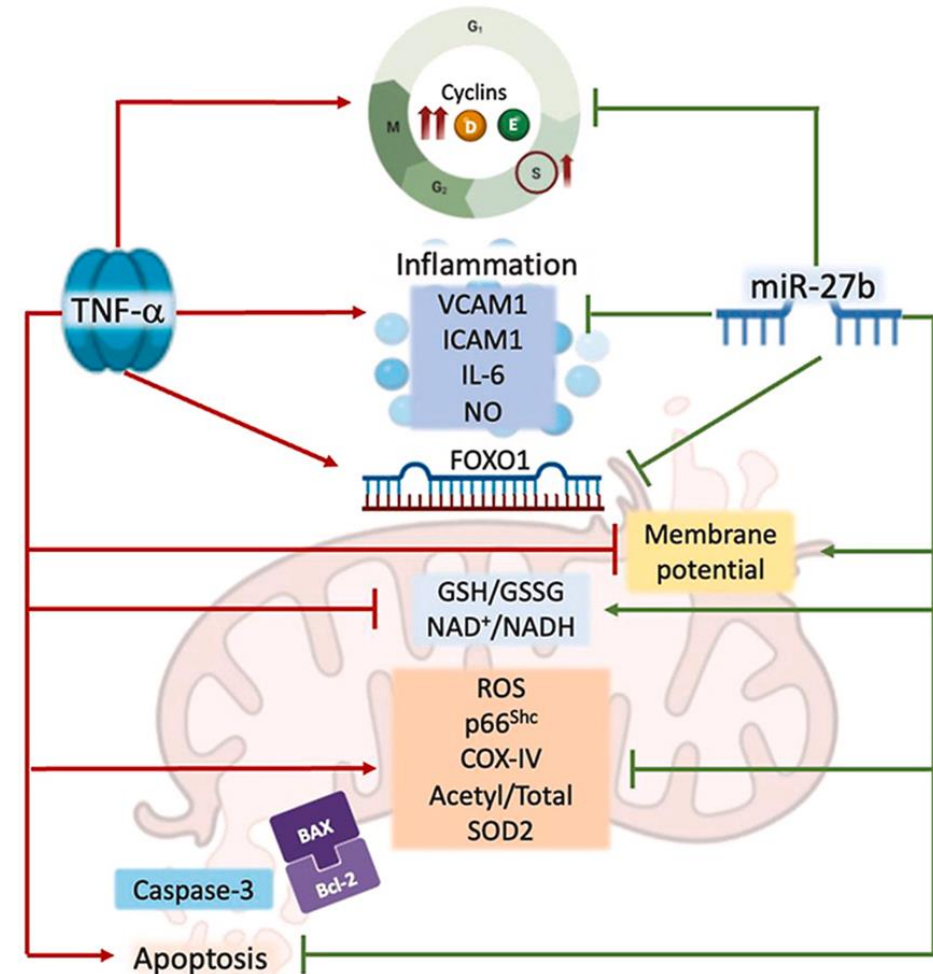
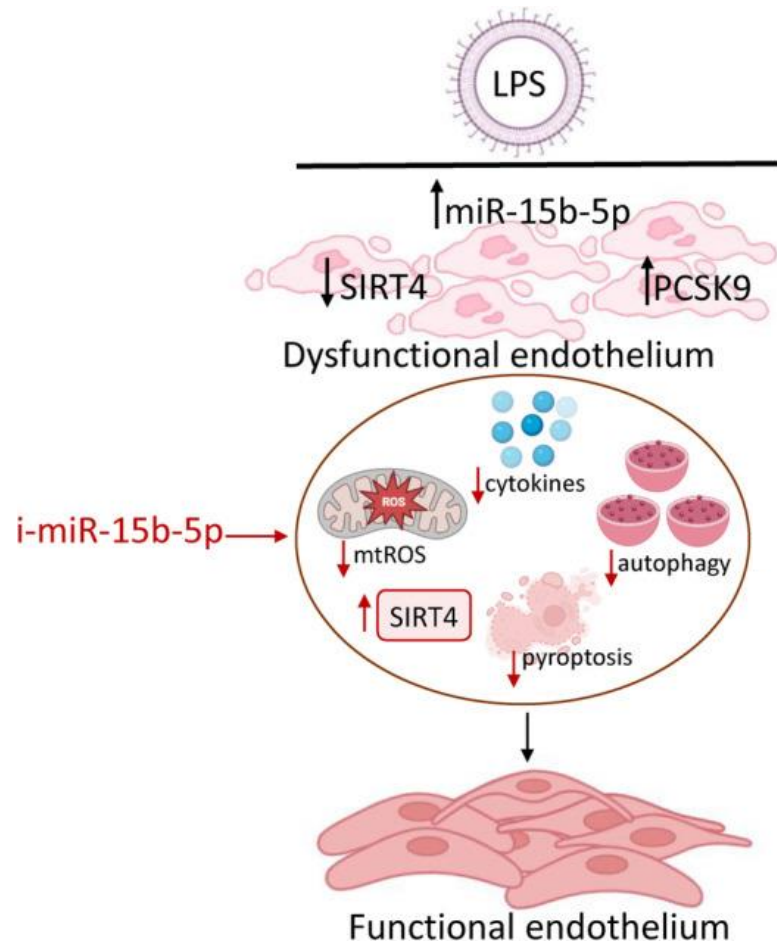


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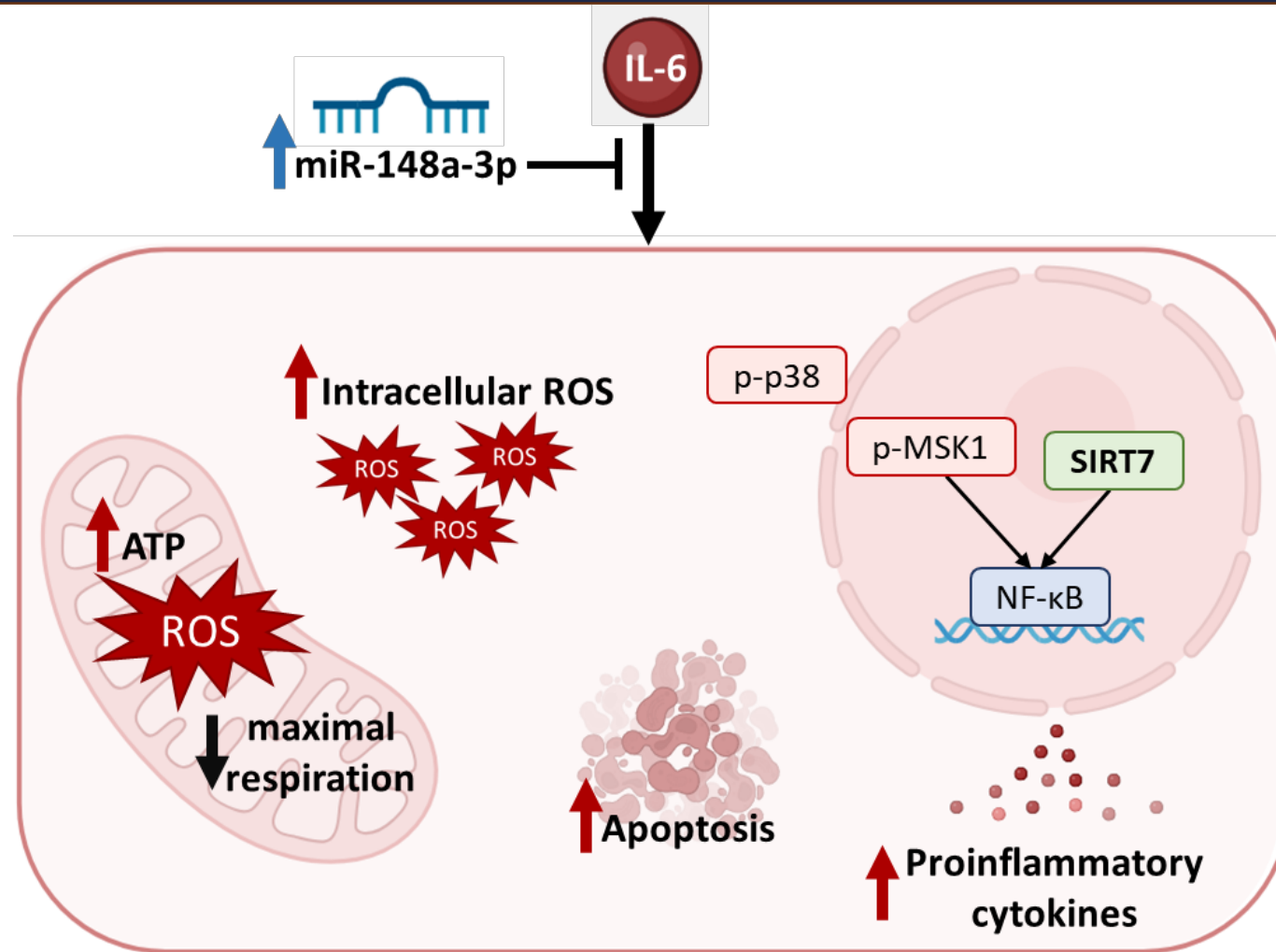


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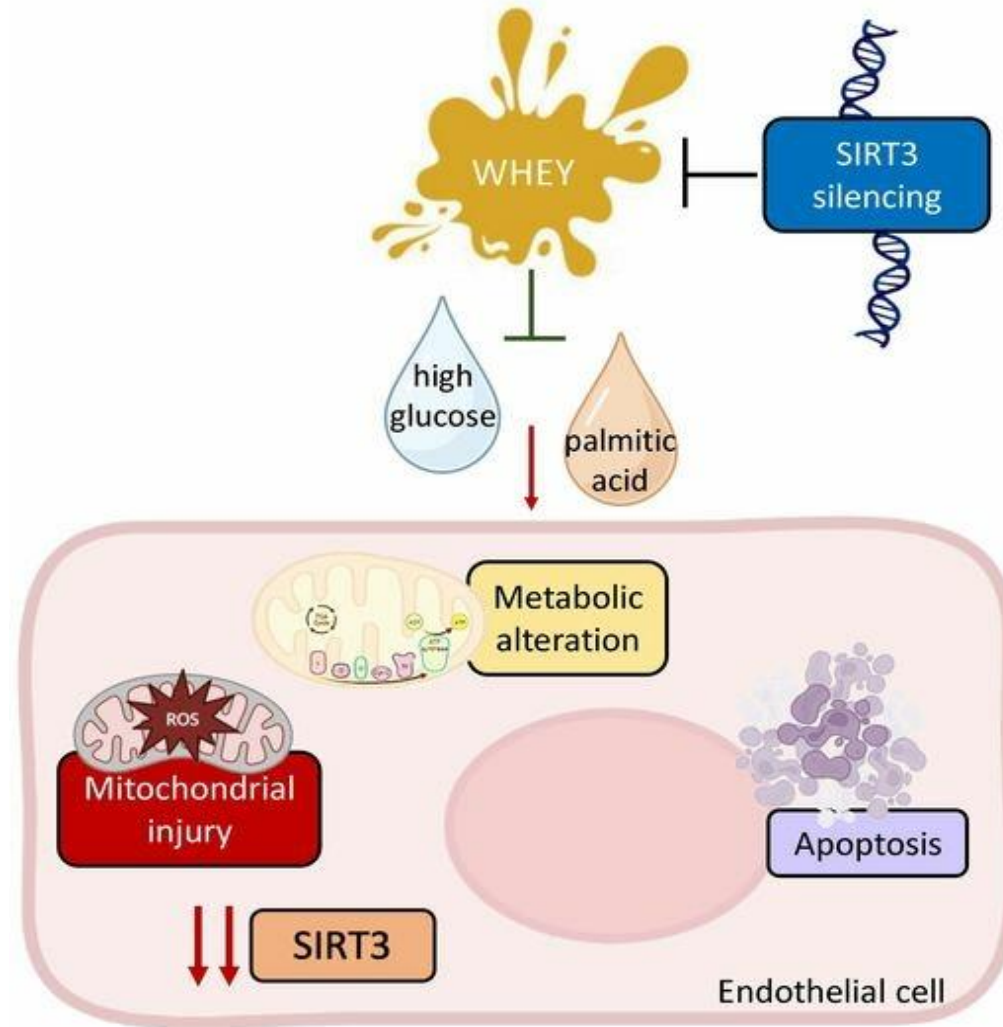
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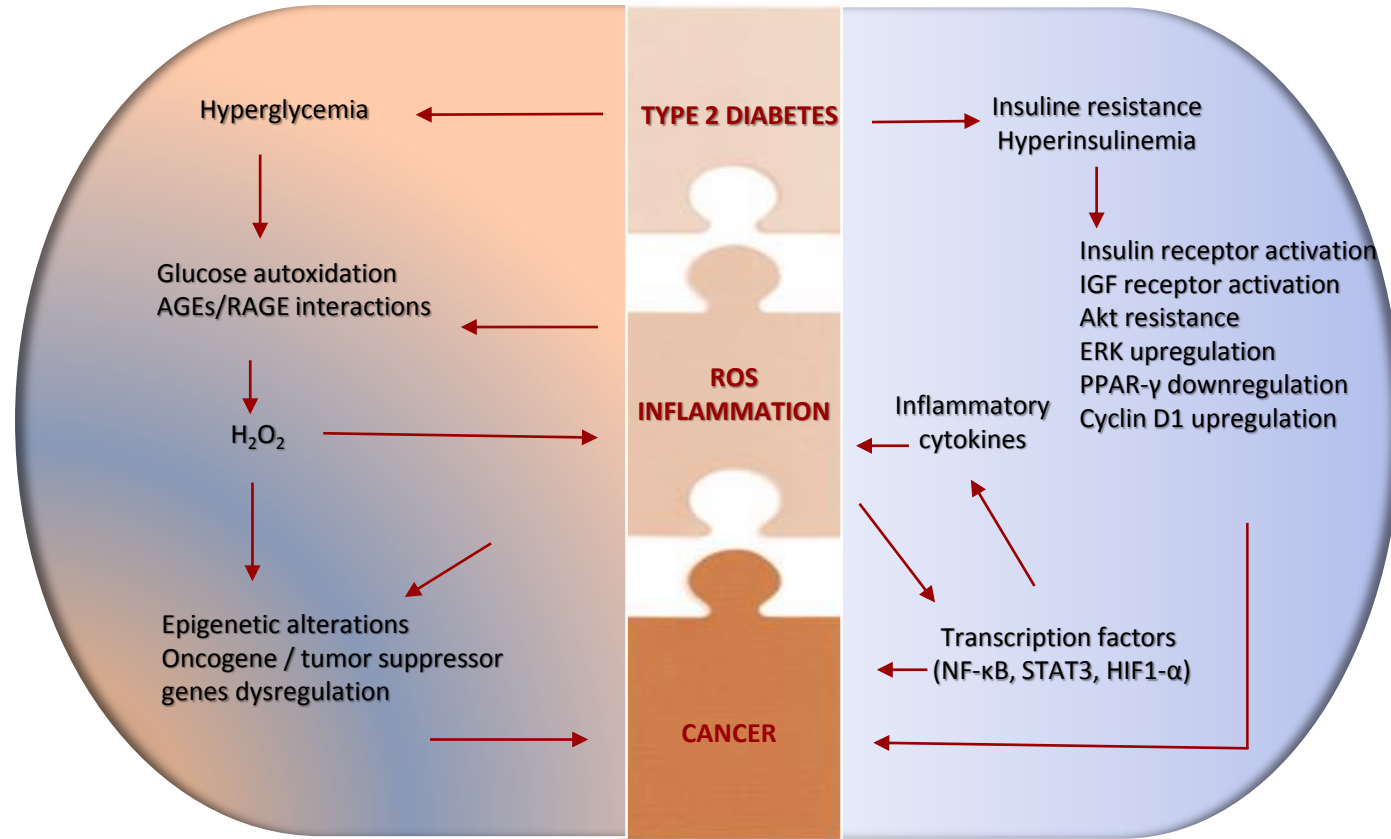
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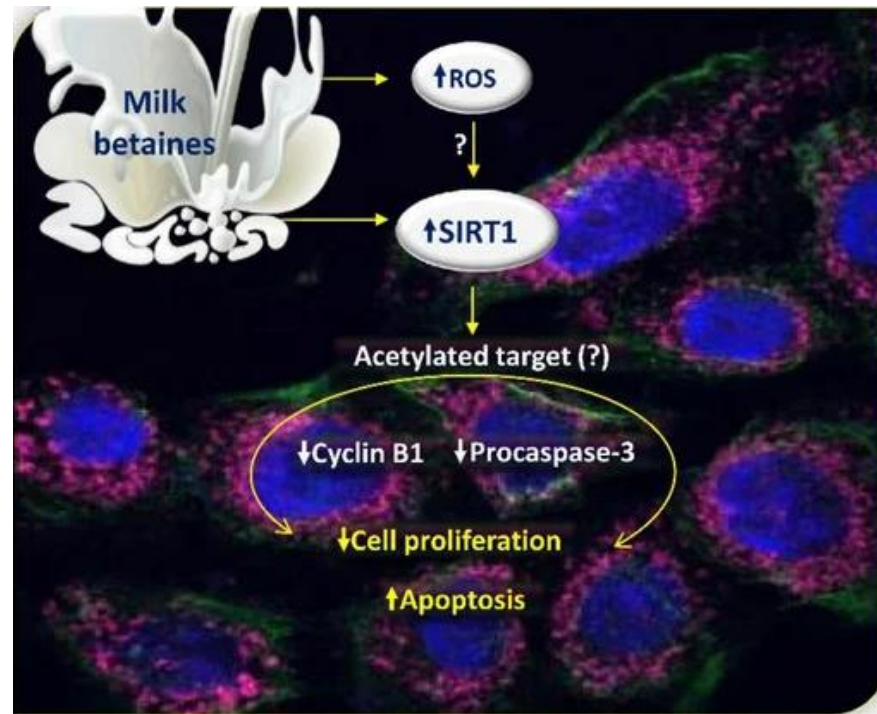
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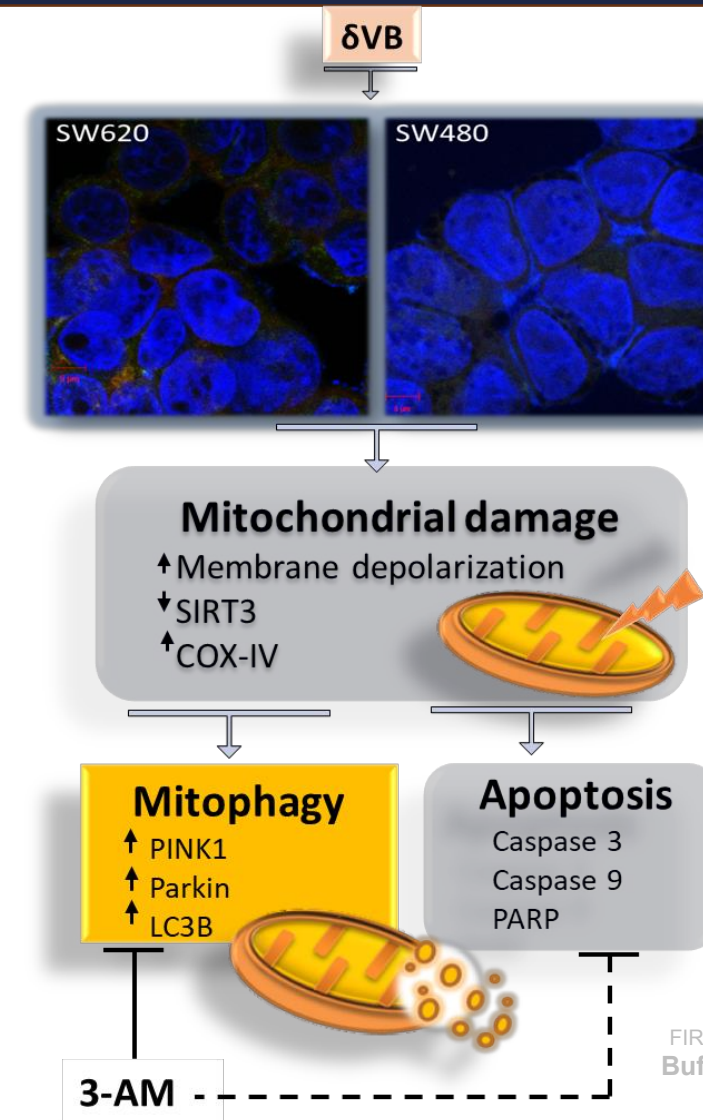
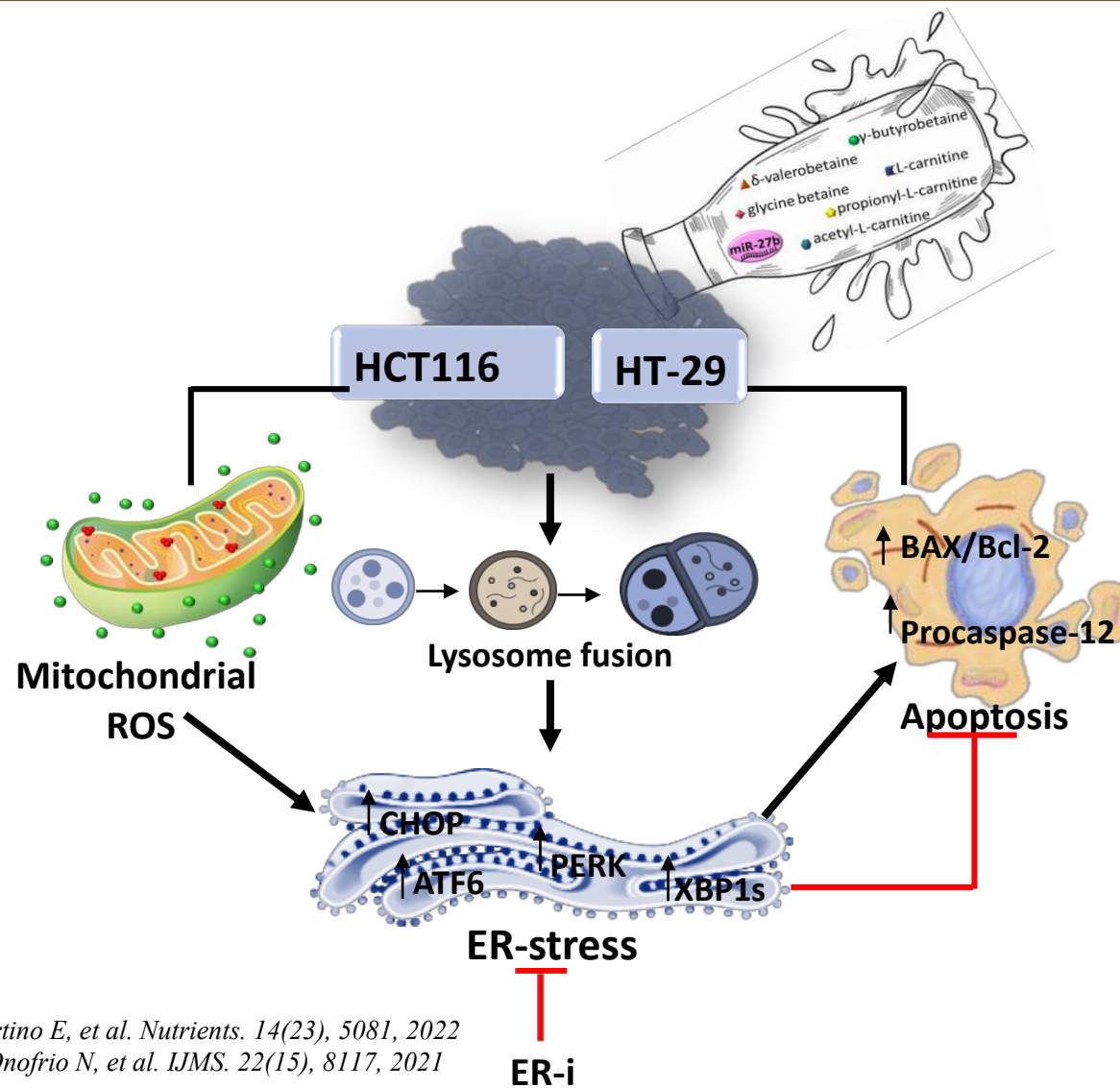


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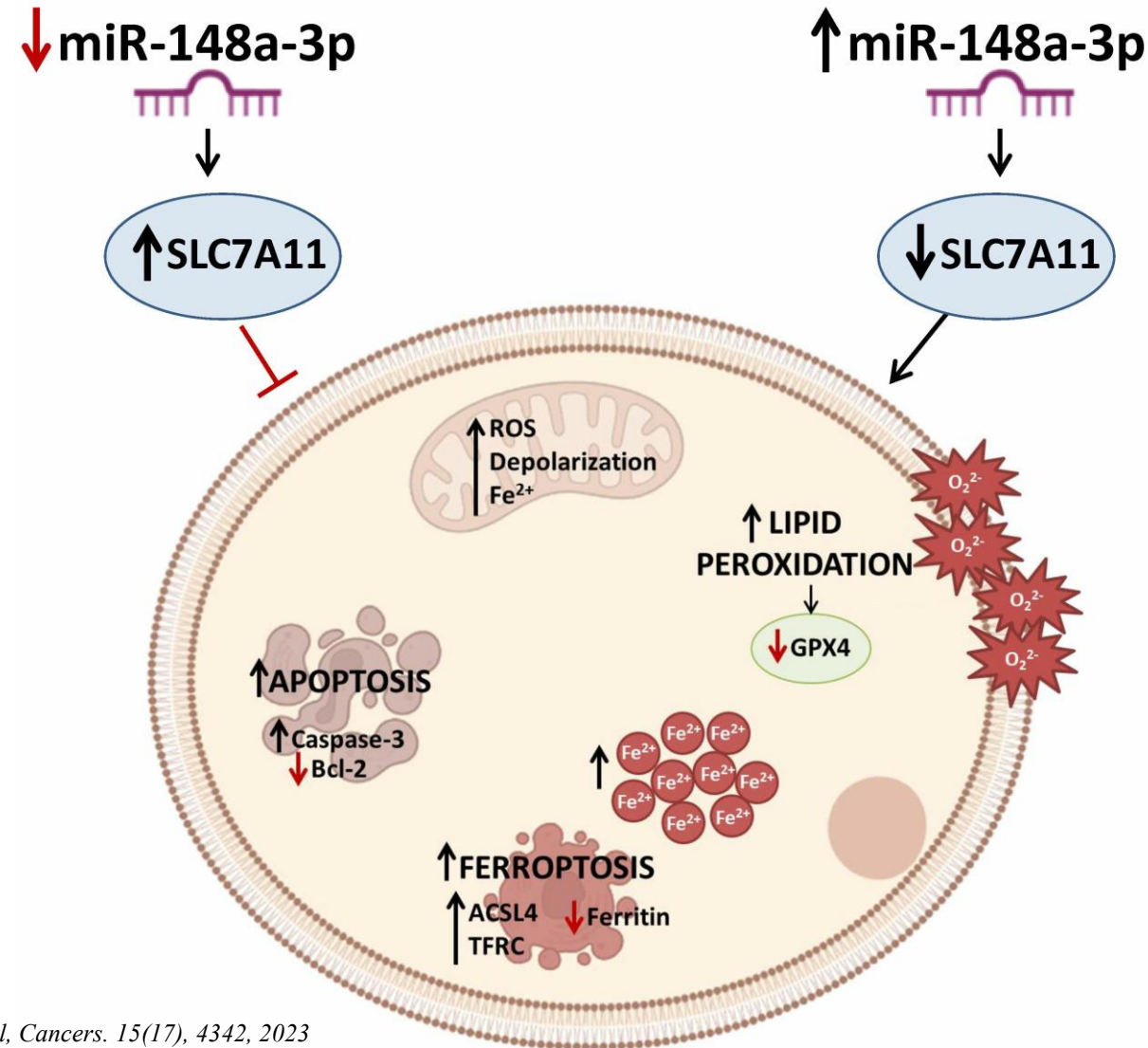


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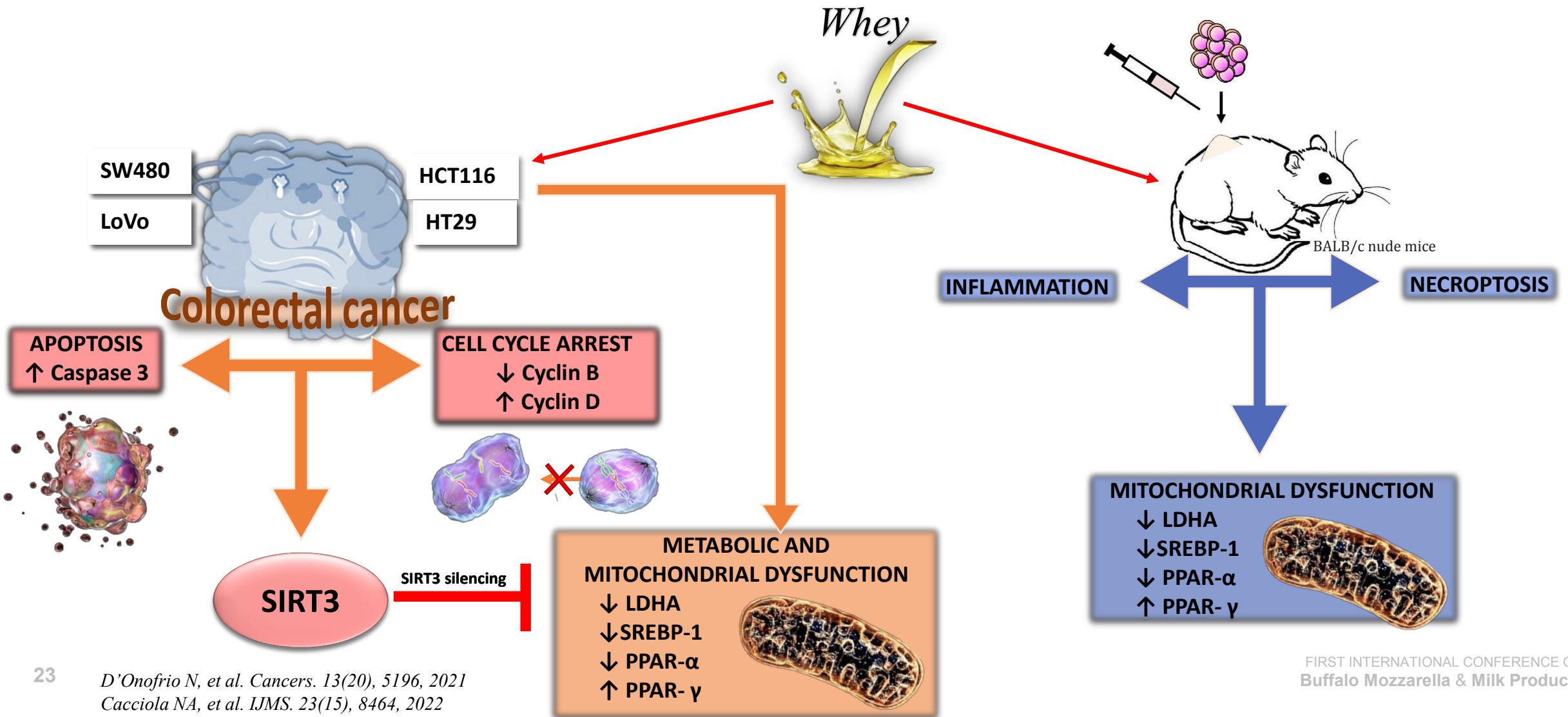
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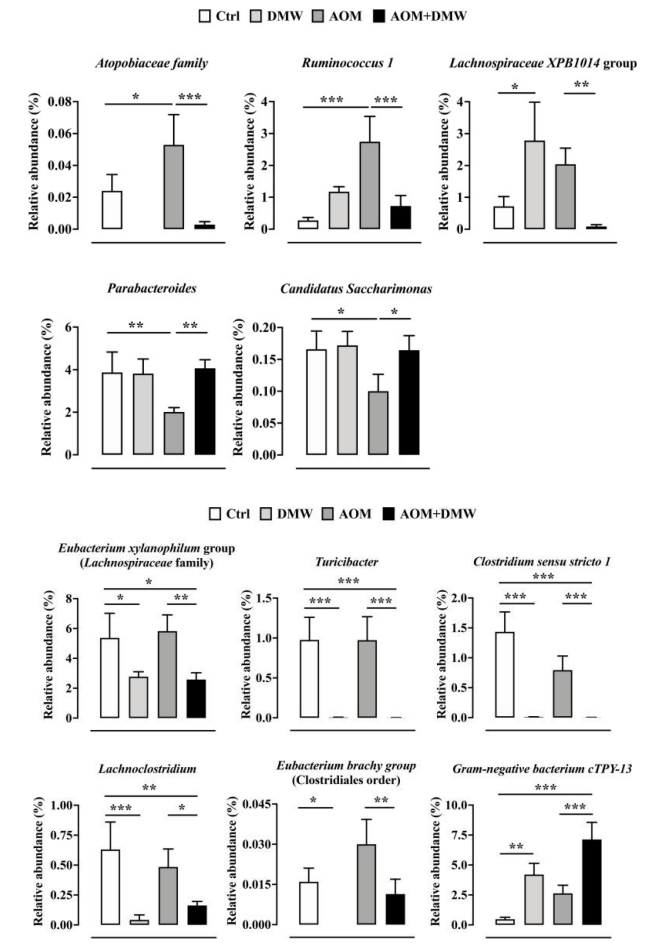
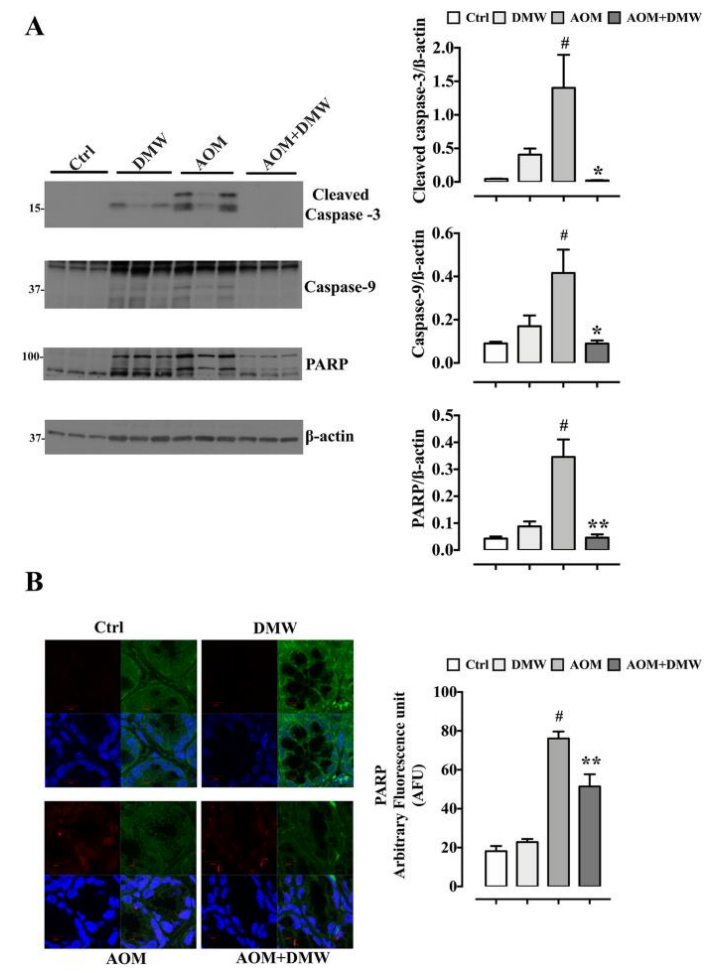
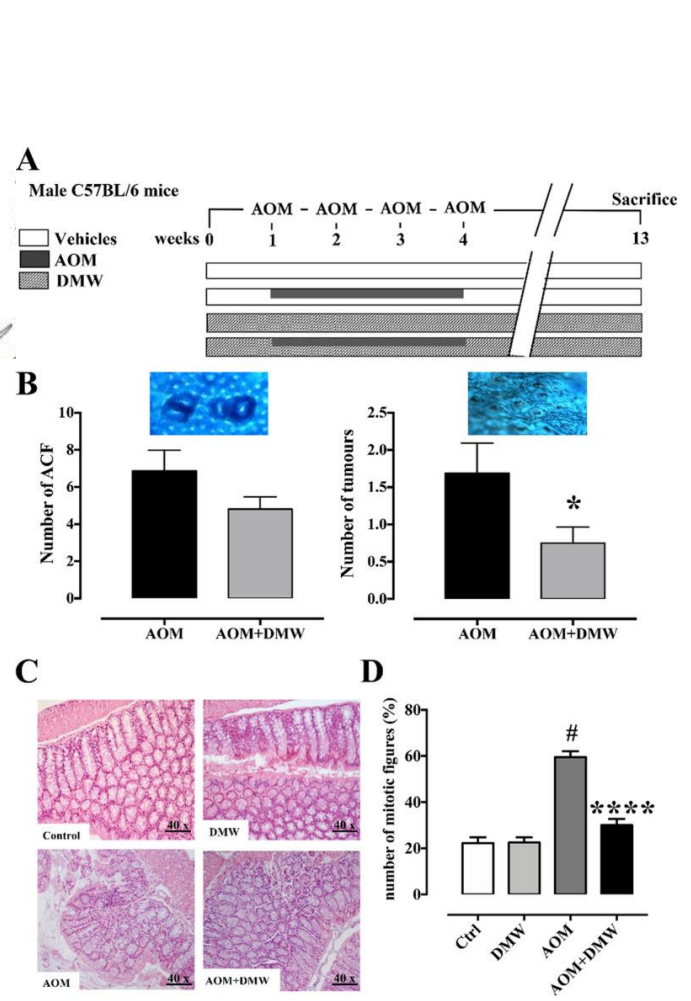
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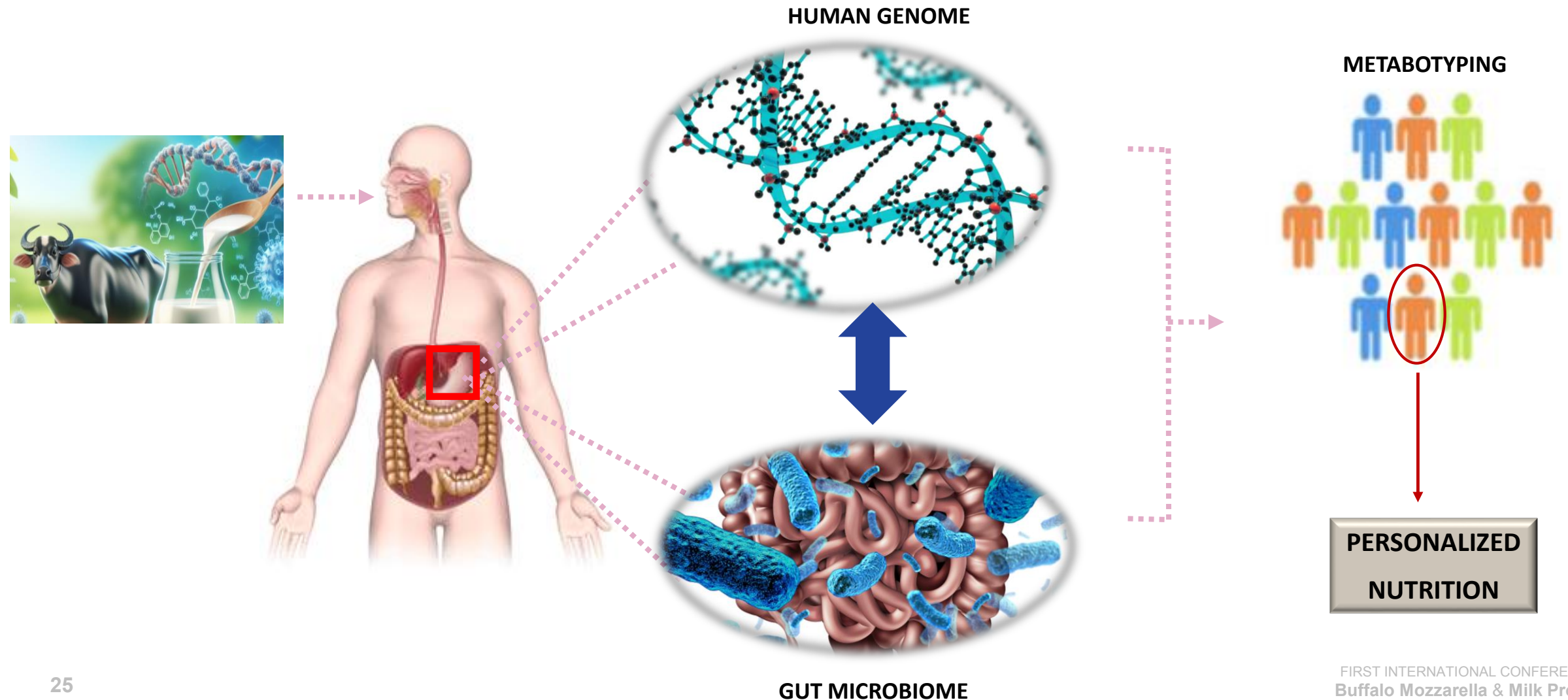
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EXPLORING WINE AND CHEESE PAIRING



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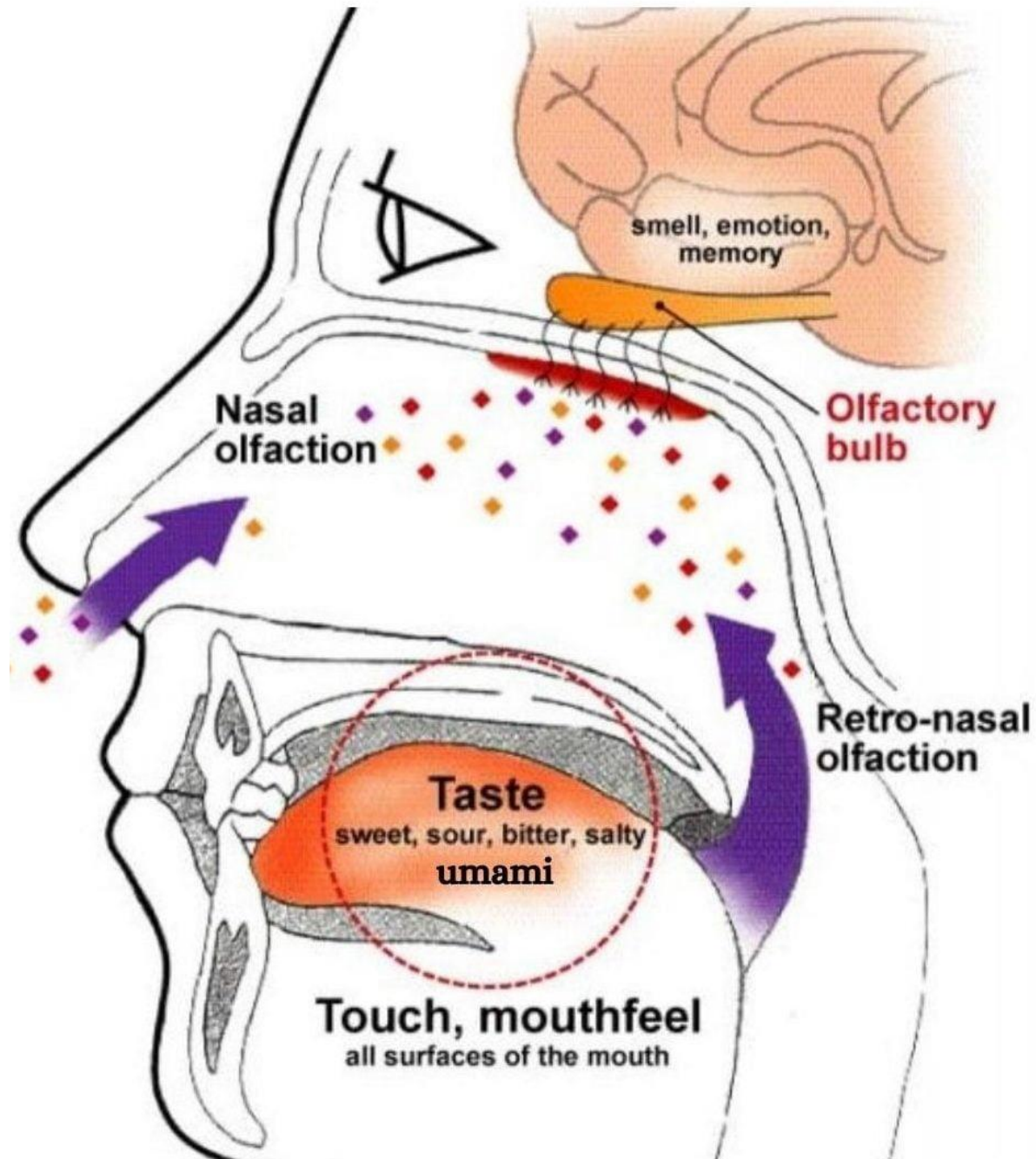
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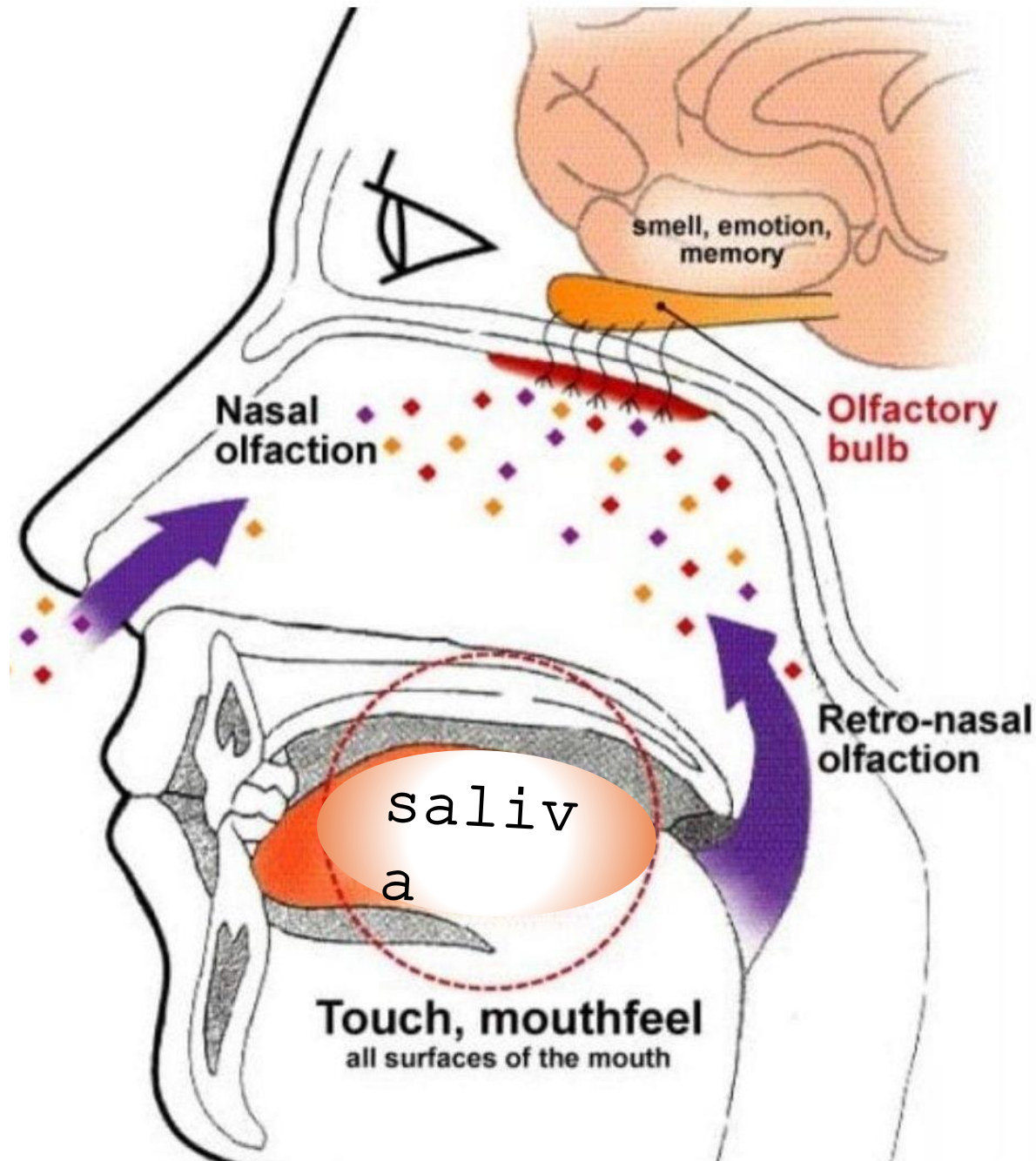
.....a question of interaction

NUTRITIONAL or
SENSORY
POINT OF VIEW?



Stimula:

- Odour active volatile compounds
- Tasty molecules
- «Touch molecules»



Stimula:

- Odour active volatile compounds
- Tasty molecules
- Polyphenols, proteins, fats

Mouthfeel active compounds



proteins, vitamin A, zinc, sodium, lactose, **fats**, phosphorus,
calcium, volatile compounds

Mouthfeel active compounds



ethanol, sugars, **acids**, volatile compounds,
phenolic compounds

MOUTHFEEL SENSATION



A complex system:

cheese compounds (fats and proteins)
wine compounds (polyphenols and
acids)
saliva



Food and beverages pairing by experts was described to depend on three perceptual principles: 1) rinsing for maintaining the qualities of each product;
2) masking for suppressing off-flavor in one product;
3) synergy for enhancing a positive attribute in a product.

Exploring cheese and red wine pairing by an *in vitro* simulation of tasting

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Two pivotal factors may contribute to a positive evaluation of the cheese and red wine pairing:

suppression of astringency of red wine



By determining the precipitation of astringent tannins during tasting due to the cheese coating of mouth and saliva

oral cleansing: effect of red wine in cleansing the oral cavity from mouth-coating and lingering aftertaste due to fat and proteins of cheese



By determining the decrease in residual proteins in mouth occurring during wine tasting



WINES



CHEESE

	% Fat
Primo sale cheese (P)	17
Semi-hard cheese (M)	50
Hard cheese (D)	45
Dry ricotta (R)	23

	Ethan ol (%v/v)	Titratable acidity (g/L)	pH	Glucose + fructose (g/L)	Malic acid (g/L)	Lactic acid (g/L)	Free sulphur dioxide (mg/L)	Total sulphur dioxide (mg/L)
Wine 1	12.03 ±0.1	4.31±0.0 2	3.96±0.0 4	0.13±0.0 2	0.02±0.0 1	1.7±0.1	21.94±1. 2	36.00±1. 22
Wine 2	12.11 ±0.03	4.27±0.0 5	3.97±0.0 3	0.10±0.0 4	0.57±0.0 3	1.6±0.1	6.53±0.9 4	28.23±1. 35

SIMULATION OF TASTING



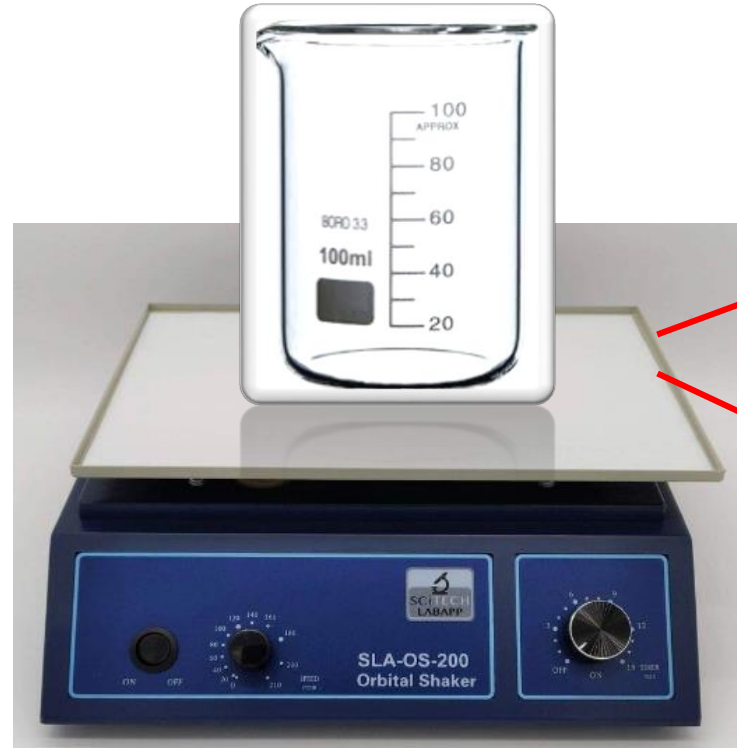
- 10 mL Wine



- 15% high-fat
 - 4% low-fat
- } 6 g



- 1 mL Saliva



15 seconds



37 °C

Analytical tools: SPI and residual proteins



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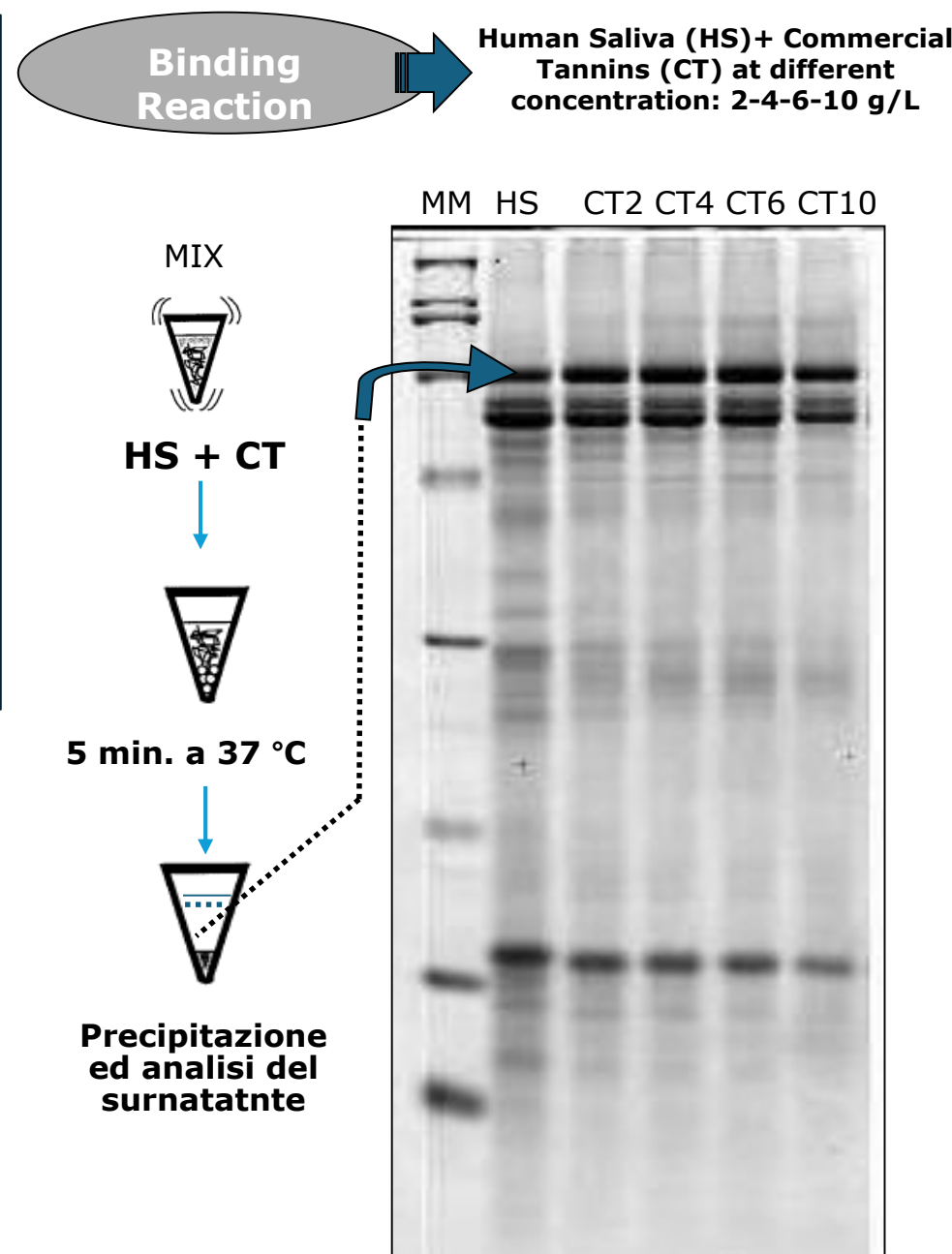
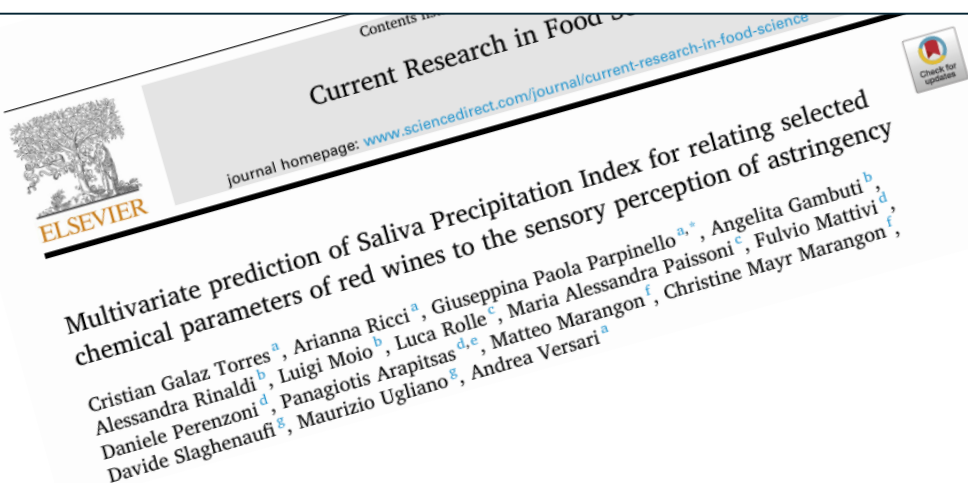
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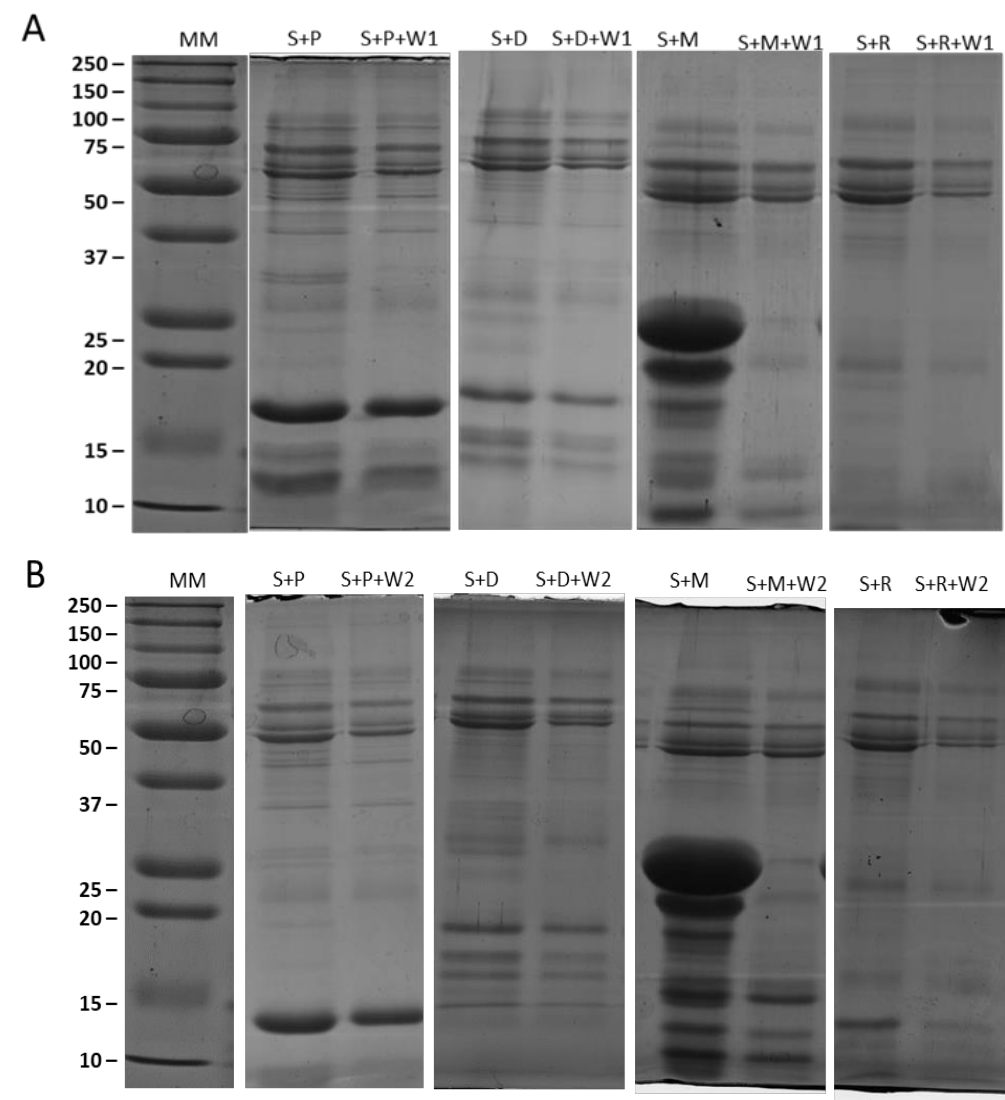
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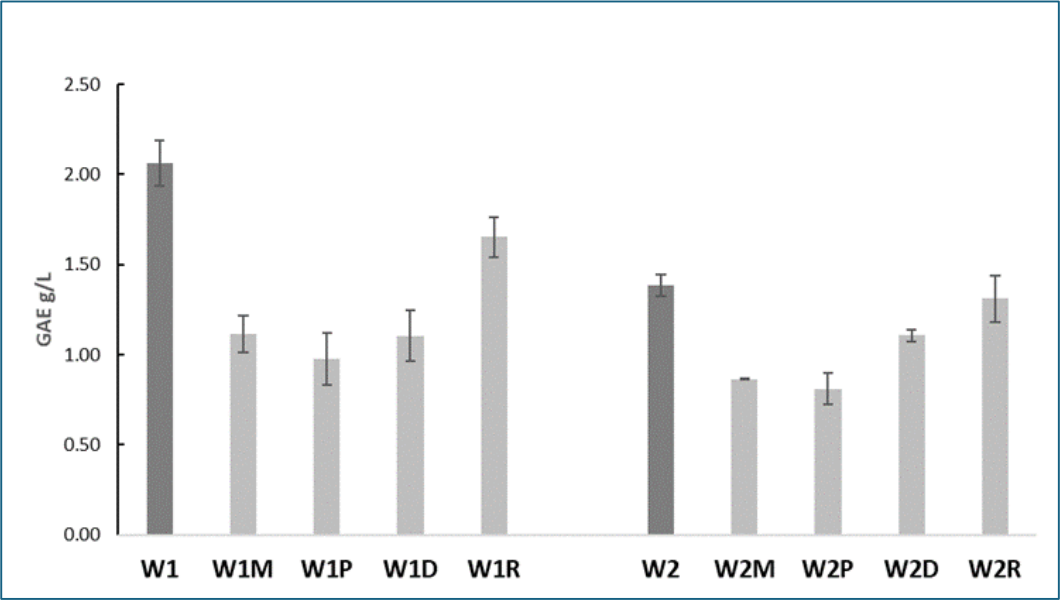


cleansing effect



The SDS-PAGE electrophoretic pattern of salivary proteins (S) interacting with cheeses (P, D, M, R), before (S+P, S+D, S+M, S+R) and after (S+P+W1, S+D+W1, S+M+W1, S+R+W1) the interaction with wine W1 (Figure 5A) and W2 (Figure 5B). MM: molecular marker (kDa).

SPI



The Saliva Precipitation Index (SPI) of wines before (W1 and W2) and after the interaction (W1M, W1P, W1D, W1R; W2M, W2P, W2D, W2R) with cheeses (M=semi-hard cheese; P= Primo sale cheese; D=Hard cheese; R=dry ricotta) expressed in g/L of gallic acid equivalent (GAE). Error bars represent standard deviation over three replications.

OP Optimal Pairing Index

In equation 1 (**Eq.1**), let:

OP be the optimal pairing score between cheese and wine.

$\Delta_{\text{cleansing effect}}$ be the **percentage decrease of total proteins (cheese and saliva) by wine**.

Δ_{SPI} be the **decrease of astringency by cheese**, measured by SPI.

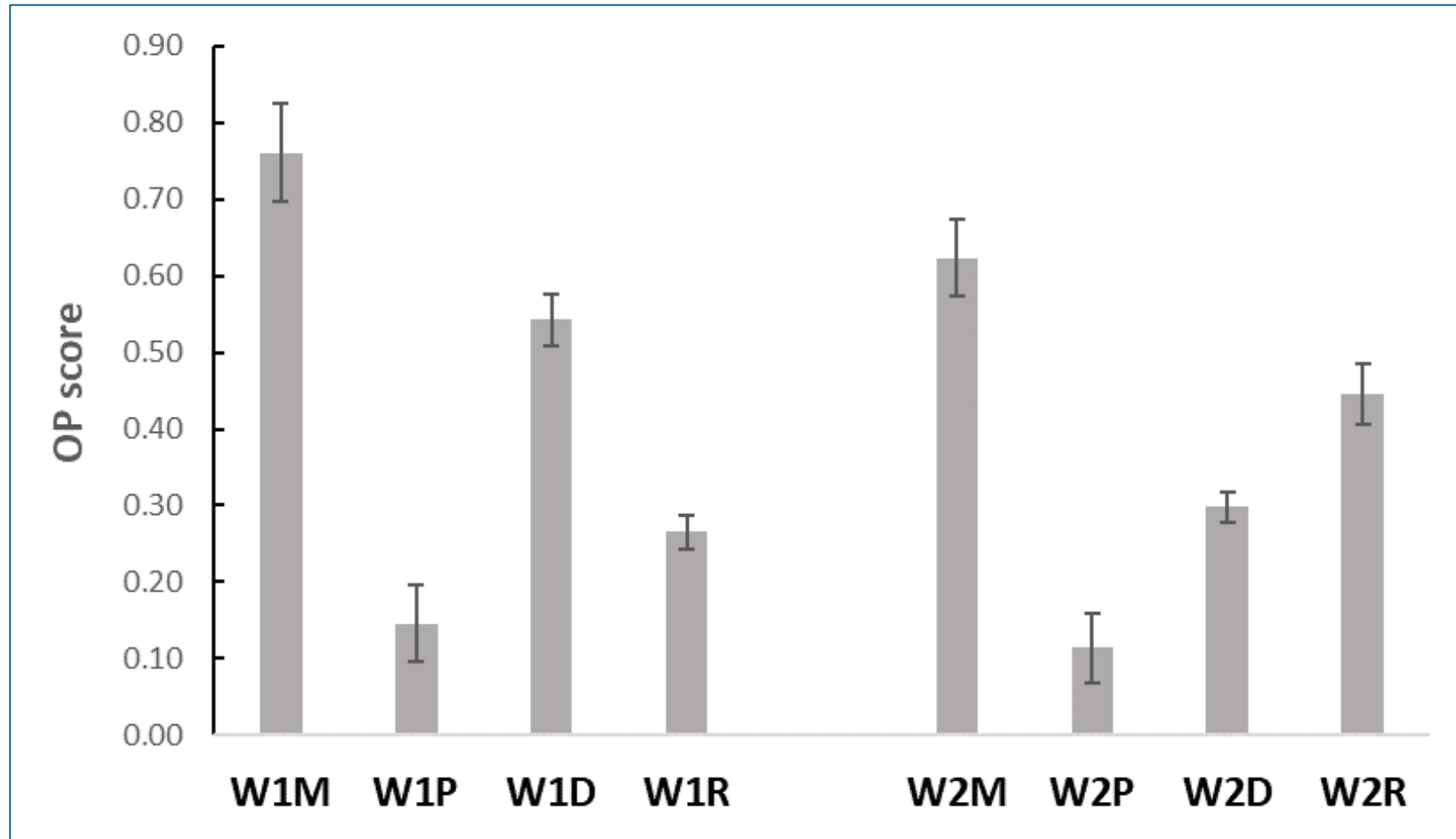
Residual fat be the content in fat (g) that would remain to coating mouth after eating a piece of cheese of 6 g (Repoux et al., 2012).

The OP is a function of these factors:

Eq.1:
$$\text{OP} = [1 - (1 - \Delta_{\text{cleansing effect}}) \cdot (1 - \Delta_{\text{SPI}})] * \text{residual fat (g)}$$

The **Eq.1** assumes that a higher percentage decrease in cheese protein by wine and a higher decrease in astringency (SPI) by cheese in presence of saliva contribute positively to the pairing score.

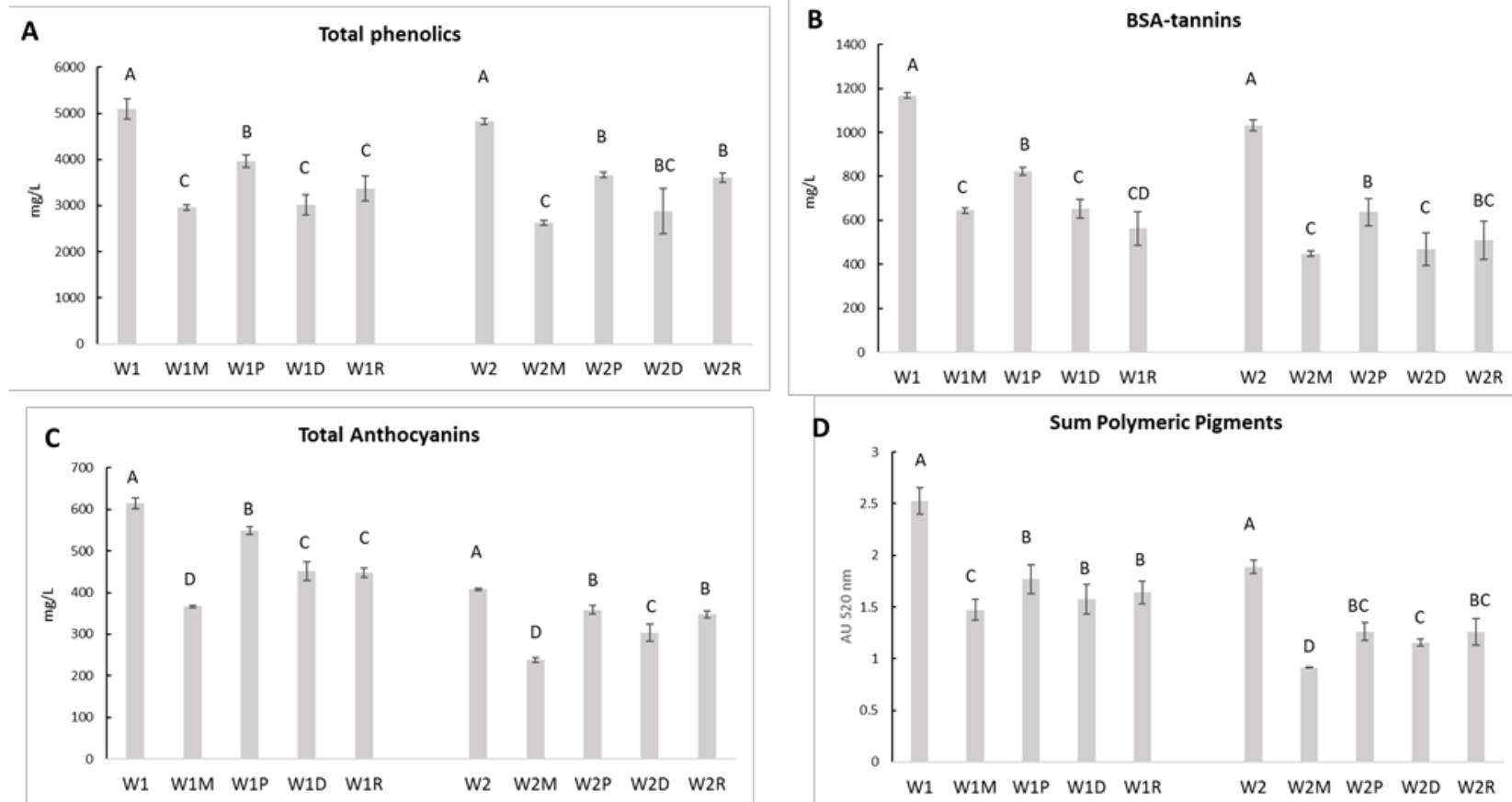
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Cheese wine optimal pairing (OP) between wines (W1 and W2) and cheeses (M=semi-hard cheese; P= Primo sale cheese; D=hard cheese; R=dry ricotta). Error bars represent standard deviation over three replications.

NUTRITIONAL
POINT OF VIEW?

Content of residual phenolic compounds in supernatant



Concentration of total phenolics (A), BSA-reactive tannins (B), total anthocyanins (C), and polymeric pigments (D) in wines before (W1 and W2), and after the interaction I with saliva and cheese (M=semi-hard cheese; P= Primo sale cheese; D=hard cheese; R=dry ricotta). Error bars represent standard deviation over three replications.

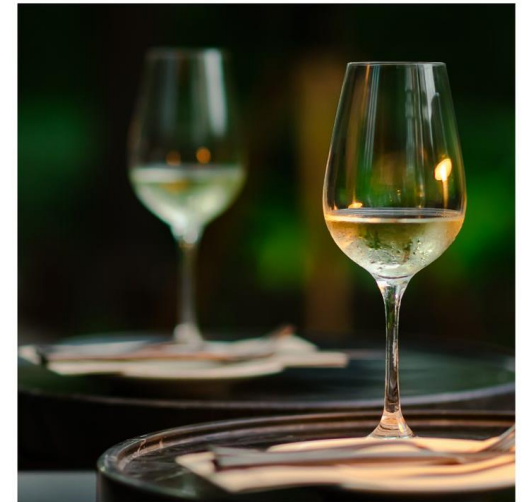
What is the effect on bioaccessibility and bioavailability?

CONCLUSION

The analysis of the proteins and phenolic compounds after the binding reactions represented only one side of the chemical interactions in food and wine pairing.

The study of the aroma and texture of both wine and cheese should also be considered from a sensory point of view.

Several variables affect the entity of the reciprocal interactions between polyphenols and other cheese compounds. Deeper in vitro and in vivo studies are urgently needed to understand all the variables that can influence the entity of these reciprocal interactions, from the cheese matrices (i.e., types, structures, concentrations, hydrophilic/hydrophobic characteristics), to the environmental conditions (pH, temperature, processing methods), until to the physiological situations (bioavailability,



Thank you for your kind attention !



ANY QUESTIONS?

Utilization of molasses-derived feeds in Italian Mediterranean buffaloes

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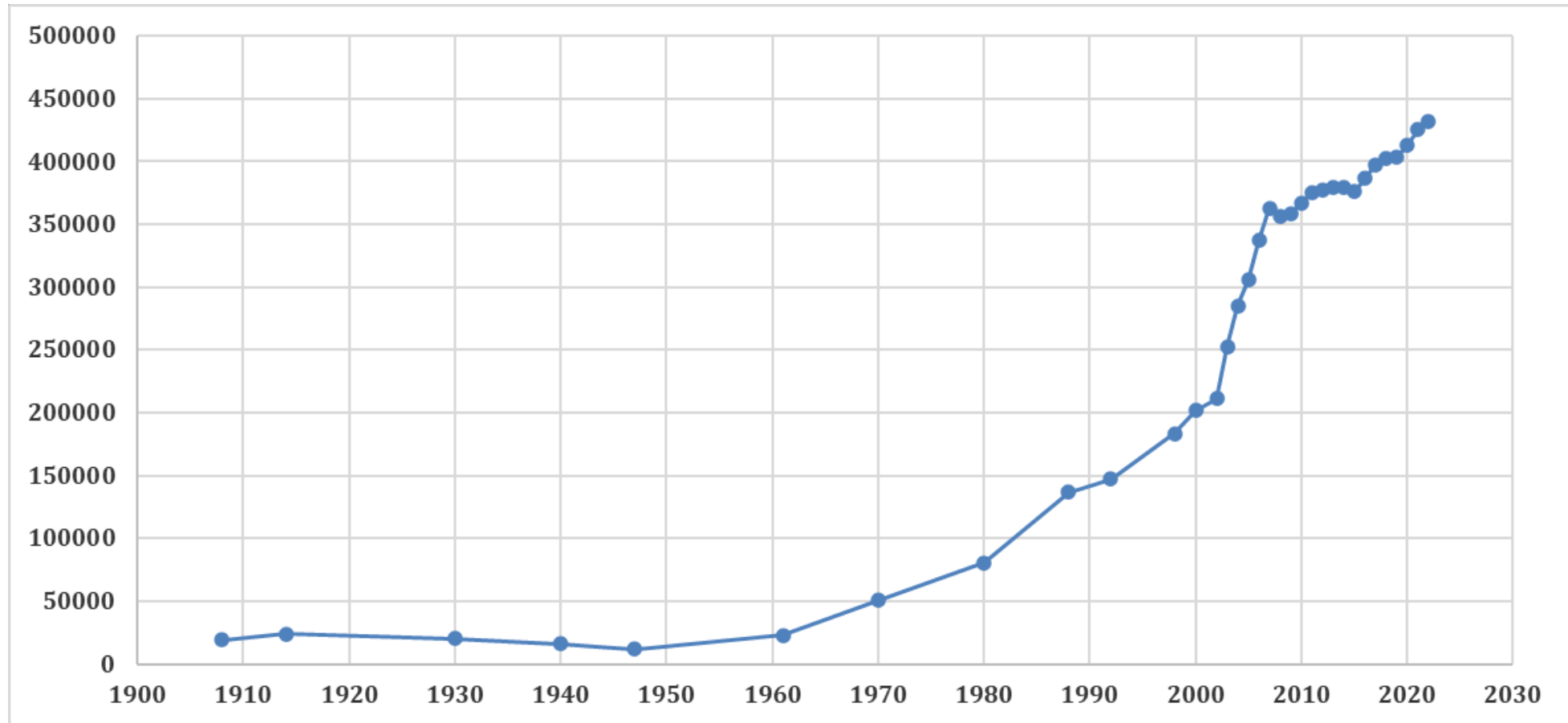
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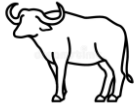


Background



Buffalo population in Italy has grown significantly - from just 12,500 animals in 1947 to nearly 432,000 in 2022 (National Zootechnical Database).

Materials and Methods



64 Italian Mediterranean buffaloes



Cancello ed Arnone, Italy



134 days from February to June 2023



- Buffaloes' milk production (daily)
- Milk samples (every 15 days) – fat, protein, casein levels
- Blood samples – metabolic profiles
- In vitro fermentation tests – impact of molasses on rumen efficiency

Two homogeneous groups (32 buffaloes each)

Group C (control)

Group T (treatment)

Standard total mixed ration (TMR)

TMR + molasses-based liquid feed (SUGARPLUS®)

Diet and Production Efficiency



PRODUCT:
Mozzarella di Bufala Campana

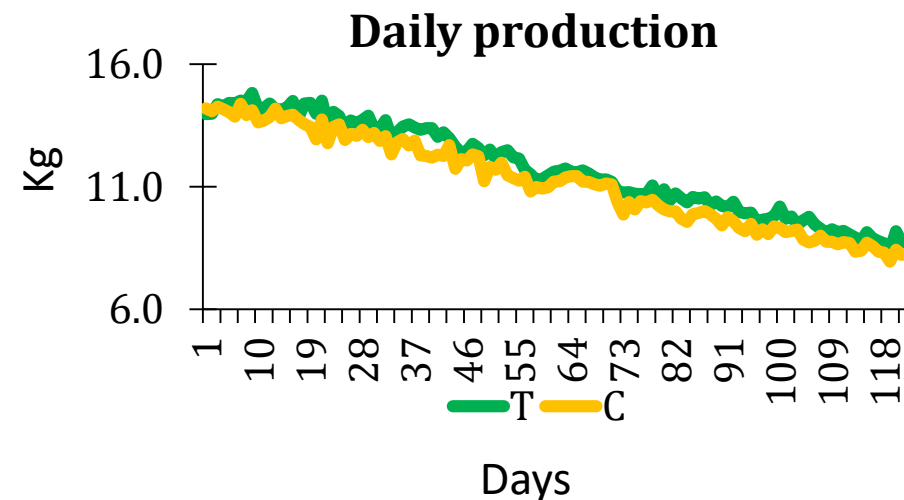


Molasses-based liquid feeds:

ADVANTAGES

- Highly palatable
- Readily fermentable sugars, which increase feed intake
- Rumen efficiency
- Better digestion, nutrient absorption, and overall productivity

Experimental results



Buffaloes in the molasses-fed group produced more milk daily, averaging 12.2 kg per day, compared to 11.7 kg in the control group.

Caratteristiche qualitative del latte registrate nel corso dello studio.									
Gruppo	Grasso (%)	Proteine (%)	Lattosio (%)	Caseina (%)	SCC (n)	DSCC (%)	Urea (%)	Acetone (%)	BHB (%)
Controllo	8.34±0.06 ^A	4.42±0.03	4.68±0.02	3.54±0.03	114.5±11.53	46.23±1.25	43.07±0.83 ^A	0.32±0.02	0.22±0.01 ^A
Trattato	8.59±0.06 ^B	4.43±0.03	4.63±0.02	3.57±0.02	150.4±39.48	44.20±1.13	35.68±0.71 ^B	0.36±0.03	0.28±0.01 ^B

Valori con lettere differenti nella stessa colonna sono significativamente differenti (A,B, P<0,01)

Treated group's milk had a higher fat content—8.58% compared to 8.33% in the control group.

Resa alla caseificazione registrata durante la prova.								
Gruppo	pH inizio	pH aggiunta caglio	pH rottura cagliata	pH filatura	t inizio-caglio (min)	t caglio-rottura (min)	t rottura-filatura (min)	Mozzarella (kg)
Controllo	6,6975±0,0	6,635±0,0	6,4325±0,1	4,87±0,3	9,25±2,1	91,25±11,5	220,75±47	27,25±1,2
Trattato	6,7025±0,0	6,6225±0,0	6,4125±0,1	4,97±0,2	7,75±2,2	93,75±11,8	219±49	28,25±1,3

Cheese yield was higher in the treated group, increasing from 27.3% in the control group to 28.3%.

Experimental results

Impact on Milk Quality

Profilo acido del latte registrato nel corso dello studio.								
Gruppo	SCFA (mg/100 g)	MCFA (mg/100 g)	LCFA (mg/100 g)	MUFA (mg/100 ml)	PUFA (mg/100 ml)	UFA (mg/100 ml)	SFA (mg/100 ml)	TFA (mg/100 ml)
Controllo	768,9±53,13 ^c	8135±77,99 ^a	3242±79,59	2171±59,88	0,20±0,01	2076±54,58	5706±144,1 ^b	0,14±0,01
Trattato	913,2±54,02 ^d	8379±79,63 ^b	3330±82,79	2226±61,04	0,21±0,01	2124±54,75	6140±150,4 ^a	0,13±0,01
Valori con lettere differenti nella stessa colonna sono significativamente differenti (c,d, P<0,10; a,b, P<0,05; A,B, P<0,01)								

Improvements in fat and protein content

Parametri di coagulazione registrati nel corso dello studio.			
Gruppo	RCT (min)	K20 (min)	A30 (mm)
Controllo	12,0 ^a	1,43	43,26 ^a
Trattato	11,0 ^b	0,98	48,63 ^b
Valori con lettere differenti nella stessa colonna sono significativamente differenti (a,b, P<0,05)			

Milk from the treated buffaloes had a shorter coagulation time and firmer curd

Risultati ottenuti in seguito al setacciamento delle feci nel corso dello studio.			
Gruppo	Setaccio superiore (0,47 mm) (%)	Setaccio intermedio (0,32 mm) (%)	Setaccio inferiore (0,16 mm) (%)
	< 10%	< 20%	< 50%
Controllo	7,45 ^A	11,5	20,28
Trattato	2,14 ^B	11,8	21,27
Valori con lettere differenti nella stessa colonna sono significativamente differenti (A,B, P<0,01)			

Milk from the treated group had higher levels of short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) and medium-chain fatty acids (MCFAs)

Conclusions



Using molasses-based liquid feeds can improve both the quantity and quality of milk, boost milk yield, enhance milk's suitability for cheese-making, particularly for mozzarella production.

Sustainable and efficient way to improve production outcomes.



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Effect of feeding and ripening system on nutritional and functional profile of buffalo cheeses

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The chemical characteristics of buffalo milk interfere and extend the ripening process of buffalo cheeses

Ripened buffalo cheeses?

Accelerated Ripening

Biochemical changes that occur during ripening are relatively slow in buffalo milk cheeses (El Soda, 1993; Kanawjia and Singh, 1991). As a consequence, flavor development in buffalo milk Cheddar cheese is considerably slower than in regular Cheddar. Therefore, there is a need to accelerate ripening of cheeses made from buffalo milk. Several approaches, such as an elevated ripening temperature, stimulation of starter culture, use of an adjunct culture, addition of enzymes, and supplementation with goats' milk, among

SOURCE: Batool et al., 2018



a cost for a company that wants to invest in buffalo ripened cheeses



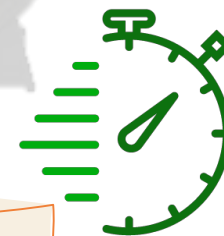
Inclusion of green feed

The present study proposes to evaluate the effect of

provide solutions that enable the production of nutritionally competitive and sustainable products



Innovative Ripening System



MATERIALS AND METHODS

Animals, Diet, Cheese Making and Ripening process

Animals and Diet

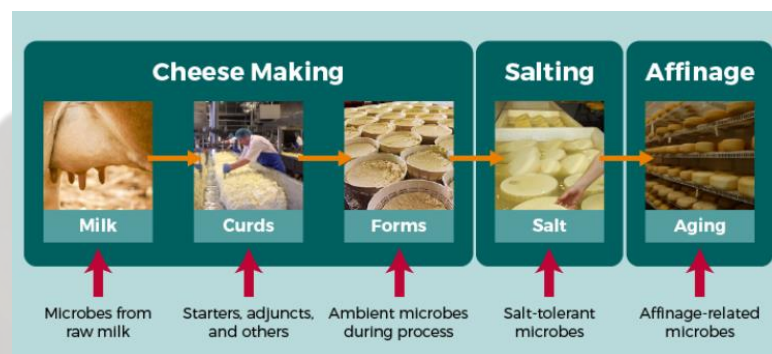
Feed (Kg)	Diet	
	CTL	FRS
Concentrate	5.50	2.50
Alfalfa	4.50	2.60
Straw	1.20	1.20
Silomais	23.00	18.00
Green ryegrass	-	25.00
Hydrogenated fats	-	0.30
Calcium carbonate	-	0.05
TOTAL	34.20	49.65

Table 1. Diets composition (kg) of buffaloes fed with (FRS) and without (CTR) green feed inclusion.

Buffalo were randomly divided in two group:

- **Control group, CTR**; $n = 25$
- **Fresh group, FRS**; $n = 25$

Cheese Making



Relative Humidity (RH%)

Temperature (°C)

Air Flow

pH

Ripening system

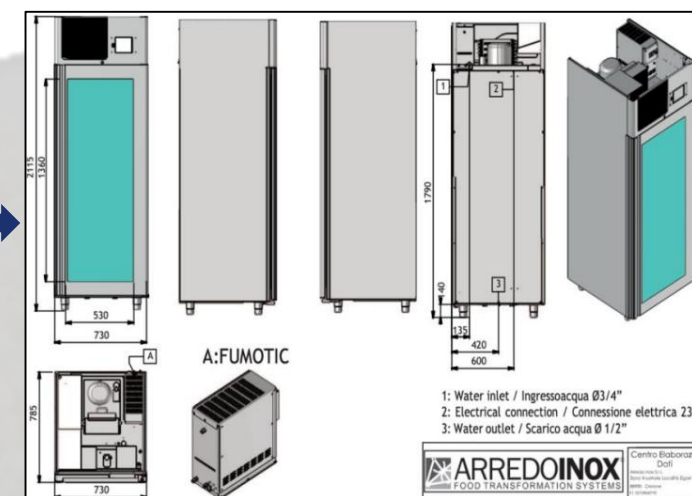


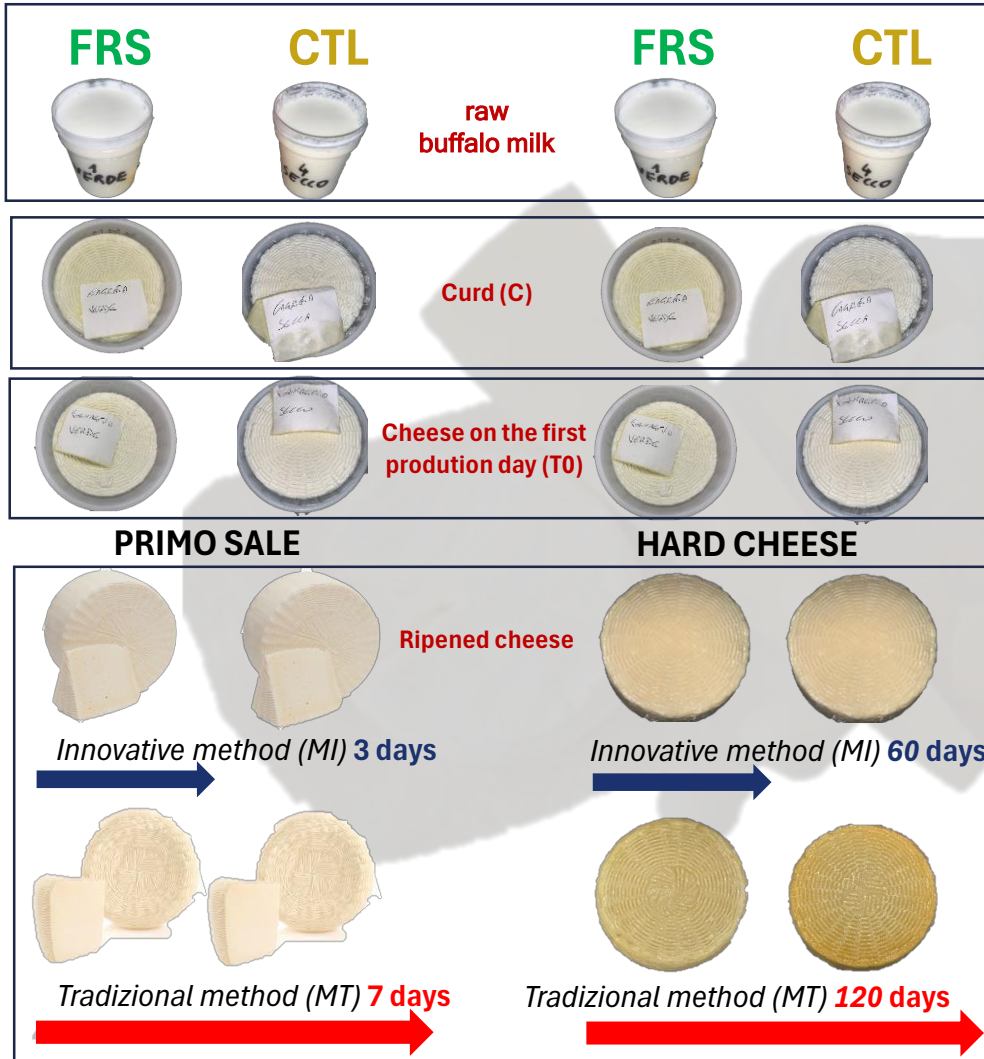
Figure 1. Industrial ripening plant (Stagionello® European Patented Device and controlled pH – n. EP 2769276B1) to ripen cheeses.

The cheeses were ripened using a system called Stagionello®, equipped with an **internal control device** that allow the monitoring of the physical and chemical state of cheese during the ripening by continuously measuring of pH and climatic parameters.



MATERIALS AND METHODS

Sampling procedure



Climatic recipes

The cheeses obtained were ripened using two different methods: a **longer, traditional method** and a **shorter, experimental method**.

Cheese	Ripening time	Ripening steps	pH	Air temperature (°C)	RH (%)	Airflow
Hard cheese	INNOVATIVE 60 days	Stewing (1 h)	5.5	26	85	0
		Dripping (8 h)	4.8	24	80	1
		Drying 1 (24 h)	5.0	22	75	0
		Drying 2 (24 h)	5.0	21	76	0
		Drying 3 (24 h)	5.1	19	78	0
		Drying 4 (24 h)	5.1	17	80	0
		Pre- ripening 1 (48 h)	5.1	15	82	0
		Pre- ripening 2 (48 h)	5.2	14	82	0
		Pre- ripening 3 (48 h)	5.3	13	84	0
		Pre- ripening 4 (48 h)	5.4	12	85	0
		Ripening (48 days)	5.5	11	73	1
		TRADITIONAL 120 days	-	+14/15	90-96	-
		INNOVATIVE 3 days	5.6	10	35	0
		TRADITIONAL 7 days				
Primo sale						

Table 2. Experimental ripening design for hard cheese and primo sale cheese.

For each interval, 2 samples were collected and classified based on the type of feed administered to the animals (CTL = without green feed; FRS = green feed).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Analysis

The effects of the feeding and accelerated ripening were evaluated through **physicochemical analysis**, examination of **health-promoting biomolecules** and **antioxidant power**.

Study of the physical and chemical characteristics

- Chemical composition (AOAC International, 2002)
- Color (CIE L*a*b*) (Serrapica *et al.*, 2020)
- Texture profile Analysis – TPA (Di Paolo *et al.*, 2023)

Study of the lipolysis and oxidation indexes

- Free Fatty Acids - FFA (Manzo *et al.*, 2019)
- Thiobarbituric Acid - TBARs (Ambrosio *et al.*, 2014)
- Peroxide Value - PV (De Luca *et al.*, 2019)



Study of health-promoting biomolecules and antioxidant power

- **Health-promoting biomolecules:** γ -butyrobetaine, glycine betaine, δ -valerobetaine, l-carnitine, acetyl-l-carnitine and propionyl-l-carnitine (Salzano *et al.*, 2021)
- **Antioxidant power** – FRAP; Assay Kit (MBS169262) and total antioxidant capacity (TAC); Assay Kit (#K274-100) (Salzano *et al.*, 2021)

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Study of the chemical composition and the lipolysis and oxidation indexes

		Primo sale				Hard cheese			
		Semi-finished products		Ripened cheeses		Semi-finished products		Ripened cheeses	
Item		C	T0	MI	MT	C	T0	MI	MT
Fat, %	CTL	17.56±0.65	18.22±1.23	16.85±0.81	16.56±1.77	23.35±1.07	34.52±1.24	33.58±1.25	44.43±0.81
	FRS	21.66±0.38	19.23±1.61	13.06±0.41	15.98±0.35	24.83±1.18	33.95±0.80	44.86±2.40	45.61±0.87
Protein, %	CTL	12.56±0.77	11.61±0.49	16.85±0.81	16.56±1.77	15.37±0.50	16.69±0.74	24.83±1.12	19.26±0.78
	FRS	11.45±0.77	12.54±0.87	13.06±0.41	15.98±0.35	14.97±0.65	15.34±0.74	25.51±2.46	19.41±1.04
Moisture, %	CTL	56.63±1.43	57.74±0.57	39.60±1.94	32.77±1.31	49.16±0.86	49.30±0.80	18.23±0.78	13.55±0.76
	FRS	58.86±1.66	56.23±1.44	42.20±0.74	37.91±1.93	48.69±1.52	49.00±2.54	17.56±0.81	13.35±0.76
NaCl, %	CTL	0.20±0.06	2.53±0.09	4.19±0.31	6.13±0.45	0.19±0.03	0.41±0.03	1.76±0.38	1.67±0.22
	FRS	0.15±0.01	2.49±0.14	4.33±0.29	5.44±0.55	0.09±0.01	0.37±0.05	1.70±0.18	2.11±0.12

Table 3. Effects of feeding system and ripening time on **chemical composition** of primo sale cheeses and hard cheeses.

		Primo sale				Hard cheese			
		Semi-finished products		Ripened cheeses		Semi-finished products		Ripened cheeses	
Item		C	T0	MI	MT	C	T0	MI	MT
PV, meqO2/kg	CTL	1.346	1.965	2.964	5.028	1.538	1.550	1.395	1.257
	FRS	1.683	2.348	2.475*	4.582*	1.328	1.423	1.741	1.431
FFA, %	CTL	0.047	0.037	0.065	0.052	0.148	0.112	0.693	0.946
	FRS	0.056	0.037	0.047	0.054	0.076	0.114	0.630	1.080
TBARs, mg/kg	CTL	0.028	0.012	0.064	0.025	0.054	0.076	0.061	0.538
	FRS	0.012	0.125	0.055	0.010	0.086	0.132	0.129	0.429*

Table 4. Effects of feeding system and ripening time on the **lipolysis and oxidation indexes** of primo sale cheeses and hard cheeses.

Effect of feeding

The inclusion of green feed in the buffalo diet did **not significantly affect** the chemical composition of buffalo cheeses.

The **lowest peroxide values** were observed in **cheeses** of fresh group (FRS), pointed out the influence of the feeding system on the levels of antioxidant compounds during ripening.

Effect of ripening method

The ripening method did **not significantly affect** the chemical composition of buffalo cheeses.

Lower levels of lipid oxidation in cheeses subjected to a **fast innovative ripening method (MI)**.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Study of antioxidant power

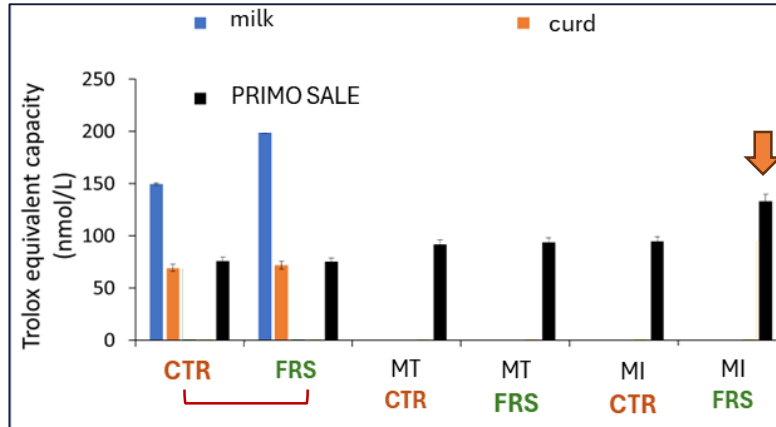
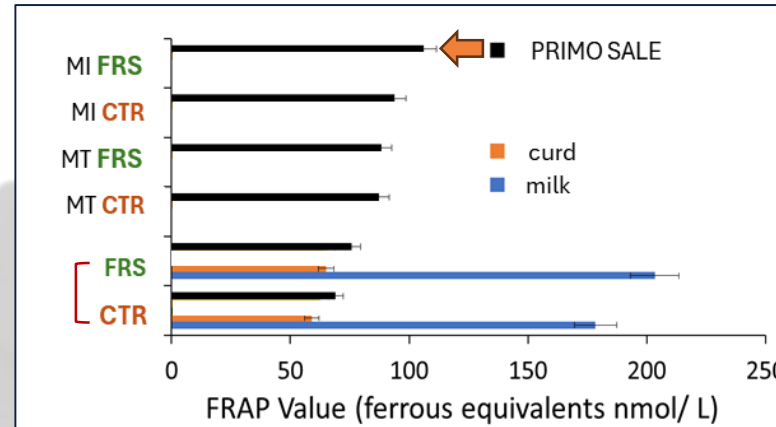


Figure 4. Antioxidant power of primo sale cheese during the ripening period.



Effect of feeding

Higher antioxidant power was found in milk and cheese of fresh group (FRS) compared to the control group (CTR).

Leafy vegetables contain relatively **high amounts of Nε-trimethyl lysine (TML)**, which participates in l-carnitine and δ-valerobetaine biosynthesis, and has recognized antioxidant properties (Salzano et al 2021).

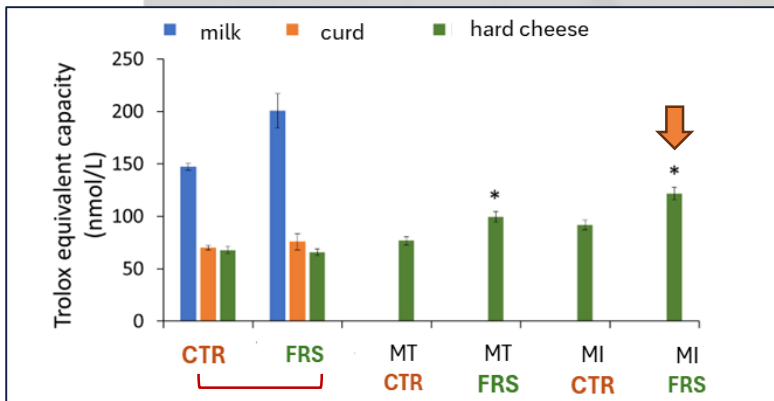
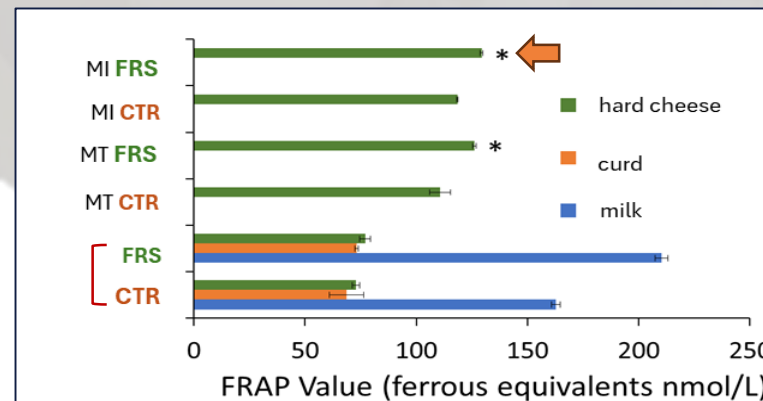


Figure 5. Antioxidant power of hard cheese during the ripening period. *=p<0.05 vs CTR group.



Effect of ripening method

The innovative ripening method (MI) **improved the antioxidant properties** of both buffalo cheeses.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Study of health-promoting biomolecules

ppm		Primo sale					Hard cheese				
		milk	C	T0	MI	MT	milk	C	T0	MI	MT
γ-butyrobetaina	CTL	5.09±0.15	2.12±0.05	5.76±0.35	6.84±0.02	6.16±0.29	4.74±0.44	2.38±0.38	2.81±0.15	3.02±0.06	3.09±0.14
	FRS	5.96±0.5*	2.54±0.03	6.41±0.18	7.14±0.10*	6.42±0.07	5.00±0.51*	2.73±0.09	3.82±0.17*	4.03±0.06	3.87±0.61
δ-valerobetaina	CTL	17.57±0.46	6.25±0.07	14.56±0.47	15.15±0.04	14.97±0.24	18.58±0.22	6.11±0.47	6.04±0.03	6.08±0.10	5.98±0.19
	FRS	26.22±0.62**	6.43±0.19	16.29±0.42	16.85±0.14*	15.36±0.17	27.10±1.24**	7.05±0.46*	6.77±0.32*	7.03±0.04*	6.95±0.39
glicinabetaina	CTL	16.87±0.11	4.19±0.3	14.23±0.05	14.47±0.07	14.16±0.07	16.57±0.88	3.90±0.09	4.93±0.13	5.05±0.06	5.01±0.09
	FRS	18.53±1.75*	5.11±0.06	14.88±0.22	15.61±0.24*	14.96±0.13	18.60±0.30*	4.95±0.12*	5.09±0.20	5.35±0.17	5.12±0.11
carnitina	CTL	38.45±1.73	21.99±2.30	30.10±1.64	37.69±0.55	34.62±0.26	39.8±0.86	23.54±0.35	30.37±0.44	30.58±0.60	29.96±0.21
	FRS	45.26±1.75**	25.50±1.10	30.15±0.47	33.2±0.7*	29.99±0.71	44.3±1.91*	24.25±0.39	32.04±0.80	32.32±0.70*	31.96±0.09
acetilcarnitina	CTL	40.20±0.6	11.62±1.78	23.02±0.08	23.99±0.40	23.37±0.50	40.38±0.70	12.12±0.40	13.76±0.15	14.15±0.04	19.96±0.08
	FRS	49.94±0.96**	13.55±0.98*	22.62±0.47	24.75±0.16*	22.26±0.31	49.08±0.56**	13.37±0.60	14.79±0.93*	15.2±0.12*	14.91±0.09
propionilcarnitina	CTL	16.72±1.52	5.54±0.12	20.54±0.41	21.63±0.21	20.49±0.29	16.80±1.61	5.44±0.17	5.93±0.13	6.06±0.04	5.98±0.07
	FRS	27.01±1.88**	6.02±0.18	23.27±0.24	23.61±0.29	23.71±0.50	28.83±0.95**	6.26±0.25*	6.21±0.04*	6.35±0.16	6.19±0.11

Table 5. Effects of feeding system and ripening time on **health-promoting biomolecules** of primo sale cheeses and hard cheeses.

Effect of ripening method

The innovative method, compared to the traditional one, did not negatively affect the content of betaine and carnitine but **positively contributed to their accumulation** in the cheeses.

Effect of feeding

Higher concentration of the health-promoting biomolecules in milk and cheeses of fresh group (FRS) compared to those fed without green feed (CTR).

The **greater δ-valerobetaine** content of milk in buffaloes that received green feed provides one explanation for the greater total antioxidant capacity compared with buffaloes of the CTR group (**D'Onofrio et al., 2019**).

CONCLUSION







Inclusion of green feed

the role of a diet with **green forage** on
buffalo productions



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Role of Feeding and Novel Ripening System to Enhance the Quality and Production Sustainability of Curd Buffalo Cheeses

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the **importance of choice suitable**
climatic parameters

Therefore, **accelerated ripening methods** and **functional diets** could be candidates as promising systems for the valorization of buffalo cheeses in the dairy industry.



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Effect of dietary administration of green forage on carbohydrate-active enzymes (CAZymes) and milk quality in Italian Mediterranean buffaloes

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Green feed increases antioxidant and antineoplastic activity of buffalo milk:
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Transcriptomic profiles of the ruminal wall
in Italian Mediterranean dairy buffaloes fed
green forage


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The ruminal microbiota produces carbohydrate-active enzymes (**CAZymes**) which include lignocellulolytic enzymes that fundamentally determine the degradation and debranching of plant polysaccharides.



Glycoside hydrolases
(GH, hydrolyze and/or rearrange glycosidic bonds)




Polysaccharide lyases
(PL, non-hydrolytic cleavage of glycosidic bonds)




Auxiliary activities
(AA, redox enzymes that act in conjunction with CAZymes)



Glycosyl transferases
(GT, form glycosidic bonds)




Carbohydrate esterases
(CE, hydrolyze carbohydrate esters)





AIM

To determine the effect of including green forage (GF) in the diet of Italian Mediterranean buffaloes (IMB) on the CAZymes profile, functional biomolecules and total antioxidant activity in milk.



Animals and Diets

Commercial buffalo farm located in Southern Italy

60 days

16 Italian Mediterranean buffaloes

Two diets iso-nitrogenous and iso-energetic

Two homogeneous groups by live weight, parity (ODP), days in milk (DIM), production (MY)

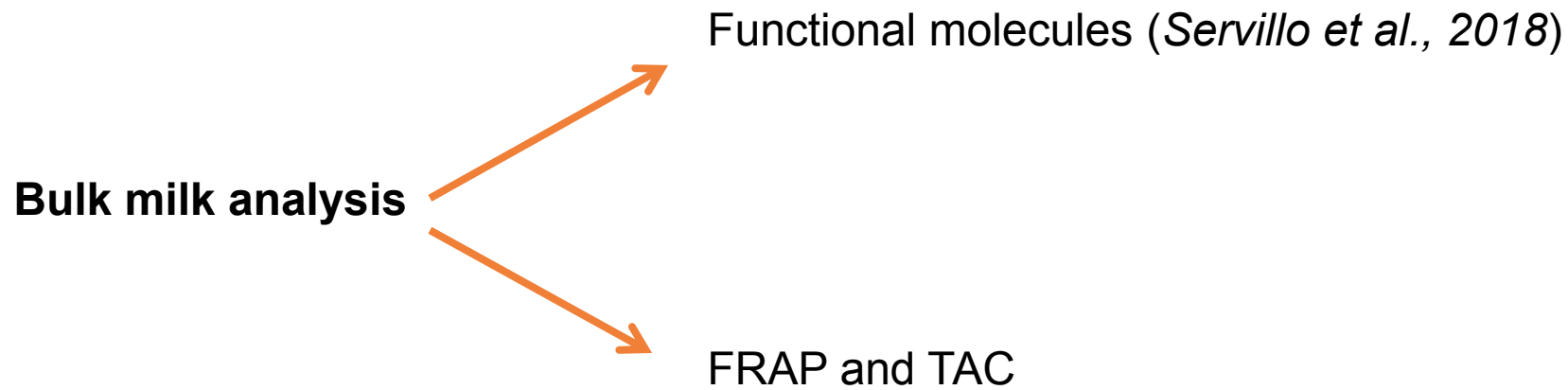
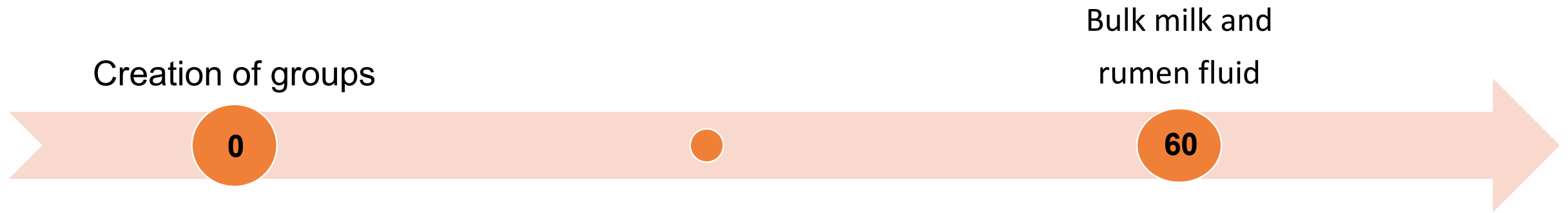
Gruppo C – TMR standard

Gruppo T – TMR + Green forage

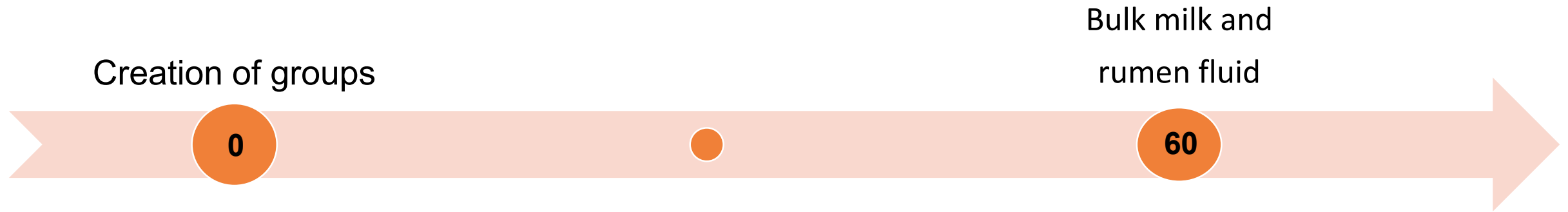
Item	TMR	TMR + green feed
<i>Component (kg of feed)</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
Ryegrass	-	24
Corn silage	22	17
Alfalfa hay	4	2.5
Soybeanmeal (48)	0.6	-
Concentrate	3.8	2.4
Wheat straw	1	1.1
Hydrogenated fats	0.3	0.3
Calcium Carbonate	0.1	0.2
Salt 1:3	0.2	0.2
Vitamins	0.1	-
<i>Composition (dry matter intake)</i>		
Dry matter	16.0	16.1
CP	14.5	14.4
Fat	4.8	5.0
NDF	38.0	38.5
ADF	24.0	23.4
NSC	34.0	33.1
Starch	21.0	15.5
Ash	8.1	9.0
Calcium	0.9	1
Phosphorus	0.4	0.4
MFU	0.93	0.91



Experimental Design



Experimental Design



Rumen fluid



Microbiomes were investigated through metagenomic analysis and CAZymes were identified using the HMMER 3.0 package with the dbCAN CAZyme database.



**Materials and
methods**



Results and
discussion



Conclusion

Results

	TMR	TMR + green feed
L-carnitine	30.4±0.7 ^A	41.0±0.6 ^B
acetyl-L-carnitine	38.6±0.5 ^A	48.4±0.6 ^B
propionyl-L-carnitine	15.7±1.0 ^A	22.1±0.5 ^B
γ-butyrobetaine	4.4±0.3	3.8±0.2
δ-valerobetaine	19.1±0.6 ^A	23.4±0.6 ^B
glycine betaine	7.3±0.1	7.4±0.3
TAC	220.3±5.5 ^A	249.5±7.7 ^B
FRAP	194.3±4.2 ^A	225.8±4.8 ^B



Results

GT	Genus
GT4	Selenomonas, Prevotella, Oscillospiraceae
GT14	Prevotella
GT20	Prevotella
GT26	Selenomonas, Prevotella, Oscillospiraceae
GT30	Selenomonas, uncultured Prevotella
GT39	Oscillospiraceae
GT56	-

Group T had a greater ($p < 0.01$) abundance of CAZymes of the **GT** class (GT4, GT14, GT20, GT26, GT39) and **AA** class (AA1, AA3, AA6)



Conclusions

The inclusion of green feed in the diet of dairy buffaloes favors ruminal microbiota that produce **CAZymes** that support the synthesis of amino acids and *functional biomolecules*.

The findings provide incentive to further refine feeding strategies that meet consumer preference for food products sourced from animals fed natural diets.

The approach adopted in the present study for buffaloes should also be applicable to dairy cattle.





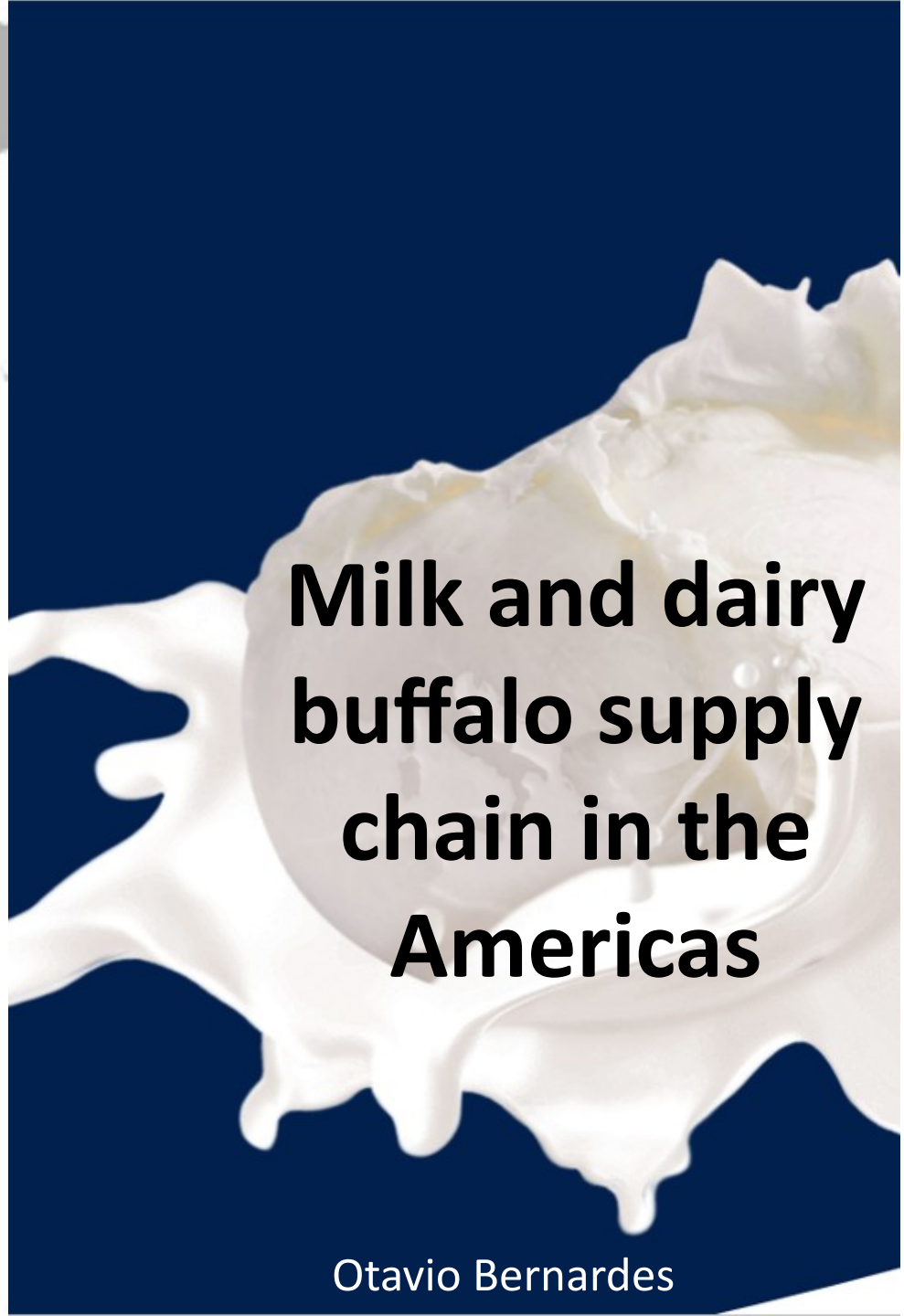
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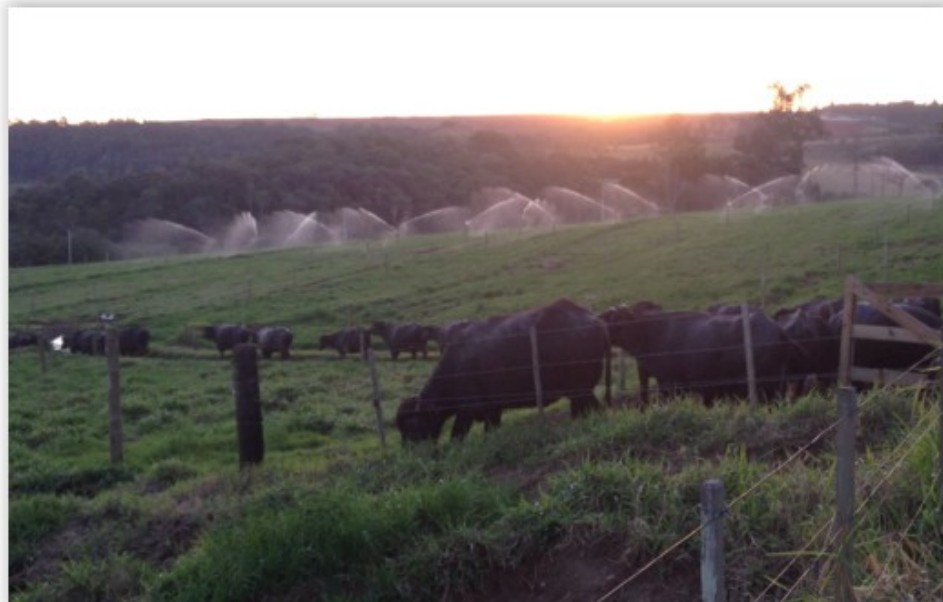


**Milk and dairy
buffalo supply
chain in the
Americas**

Otavio Bernardes

Pastures: the most common model of exploitation in tropical and equatorial areas of Latin America





	supplementation and irrigation	without supplements
Kg of milk/animal/year	3.552 kg	1.460 kg
Kg of milk/ ha /year	11.668 kg	1.168 kg

Fat (%): 6,6 - 7,5 %

Protein (%): 4,1 a 4,3 %

Lactose(%): 4,4 a 5,5 %

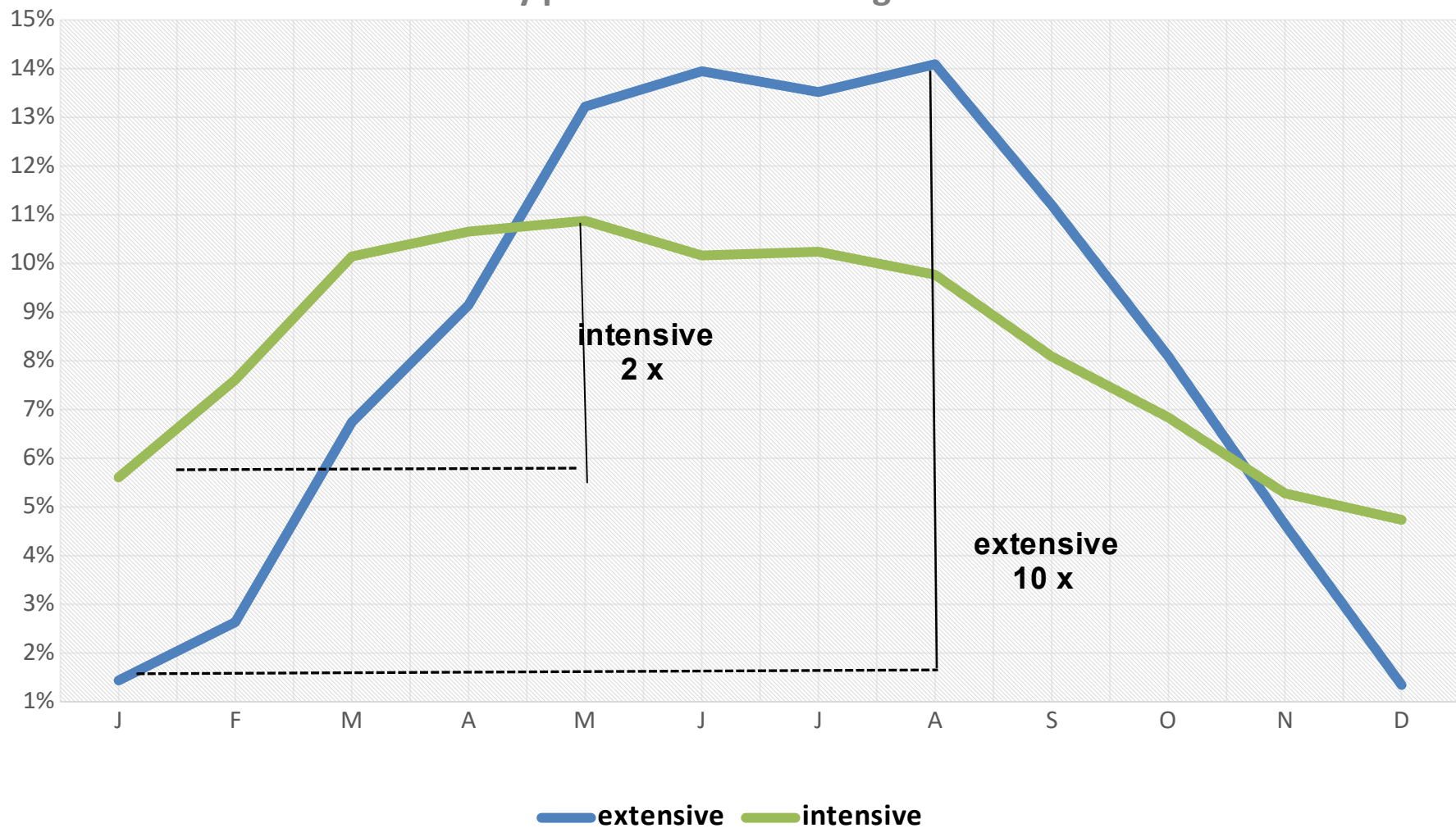
Industrial yield: 16-18 %

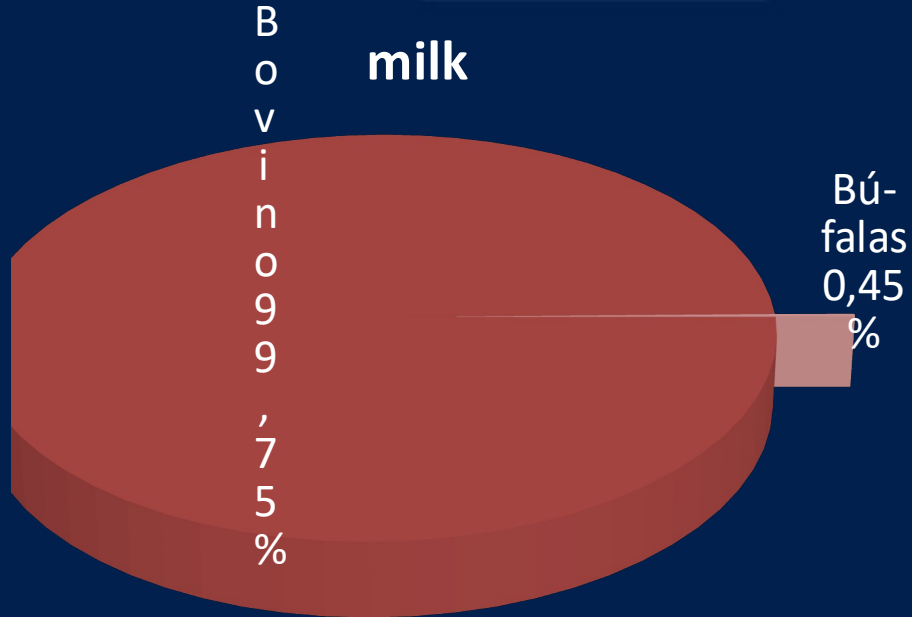


Tabela 6 - Teores de gordura, proteína e nitrogênio uréico no leite de búfalas ao longo da lactação

Variáveis	Faz.	Colheitas								Média
		Abril	maio	junho	julho	agosto %	setembro	outubro	novembro	
Gordura	1	5,8±0,38 ^{1c}	6,7±0,34 ^b	7,7±0,64 ^a	7,5±0,34 ^{ab}	7,6±0,34 ^a	7,5±0,34 ^{ab}	8,4±0,34 ^a	8,6±0,68 ^a	7,5±0,16
	2	5,4±0,34 ^b	7,4±0,34 ^a	7,3±0,34 ^a	7,4±0,34 ^a	7,3±0,53 ^a	7,6±0,34 ^a	7,6±0,34 ^a	7,7±0,48 ^a	7,2±0,15
	3	5,9±0,40 ^c	6,6±0,34 ^{abc}	6,8±0,34 ^{abc}	6,5±0,34 ^{bc}	6,6±0,37 ^{abc}	7,4±0,39 ^{ab}	7,6±0,40 ^a	7,1±0,56 ^{abc}	6,8±0,16
	4	6,4±0,37 ^b	6,3±0,36 ^b	6,3±0,34 ^b	6,1±0,34 ^b	6,1±0,34 ^b	6,3±0,34 ^b	7,0±0,55 ^{ab}	8,3±0,56 ^a	6,6±0,17
	5	5,7±0,34 ^b	6,5±0,34 ^a	7,3±0,34 ^a	6,9±0,36 ^a	6,7±0,34 ^a	6,4±0,34 ^{ab}	7,0±0,34 ^a	6,4±0,48 ^{ab}	6,6±0,15
Proteína	1	4,2±0,13 ^b	4,1±0,12 ^c	4,1±0,12 ^c	4,0±0,12 ^c	4,0±0,12 ^c	4,4±0,12 ^b	4,5±0,12 ^a	4,5±0,24 ^a	4,2±0,06
	2	4,3±0,12 ^b	4,1±0,12 ^c	4,1±0,12 ^c	4,2±0,12 ^c	4,2±0,14 ^c	4,3±0,12 ^b	4,8±0,12 ^a	4,6±0,17 ^a	4,3±0,06
	3	4,0±0,14 ^b	4,0±0,12 ^c	4,0±0,12 ^c	3,9±0,12 ^c	4,1±0,13 ^c	4,4±0,14 ^b	4,7±0,14 ^a	4,6±0,19 ^a	4,2±0,06
	4	4,3±0,13 ^b	3,8±0,13 ^c	3,9±0,12 ^c	3,9±0,12 ^c	3,7±0,12 ^c	3,9±0,12 ^b	4,3±0,19 ^a	4,9±0,20 ^a	4,1±0,06
	5	4,5±0,12 ^b	4,1±0,12 ^c	4,1±0,12 ^c	3,8±0,13 ^c	4,0±0,12 ^c	4,0±0,12 ^b	4,2±0,12 ^a	4,5±0,17 ^a	4,2±0,06

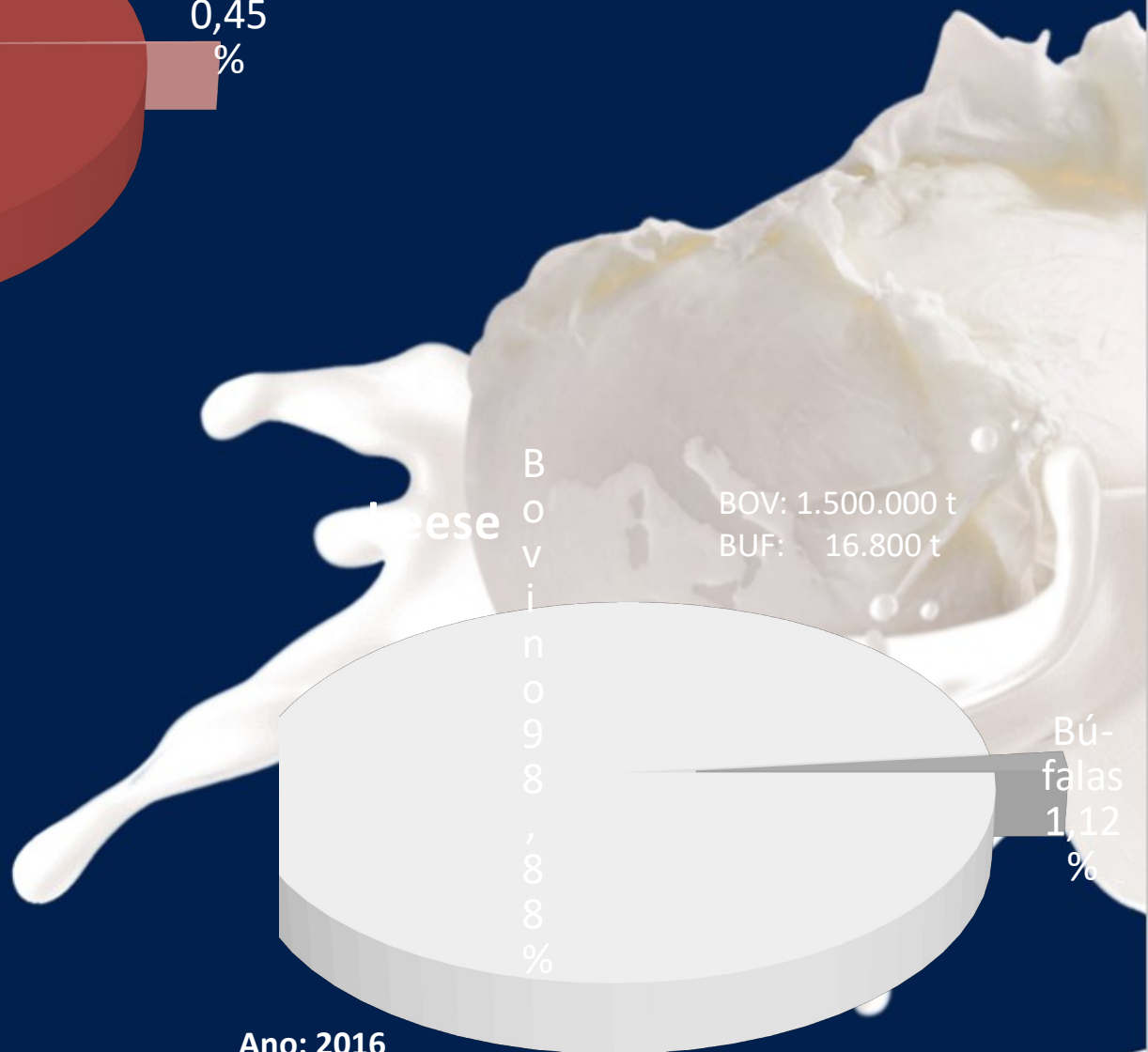
monthly production according to intensification





BOV: 35.400 milhões litros
BUF: 160 milhões litros

Brazil



Ano: 2016

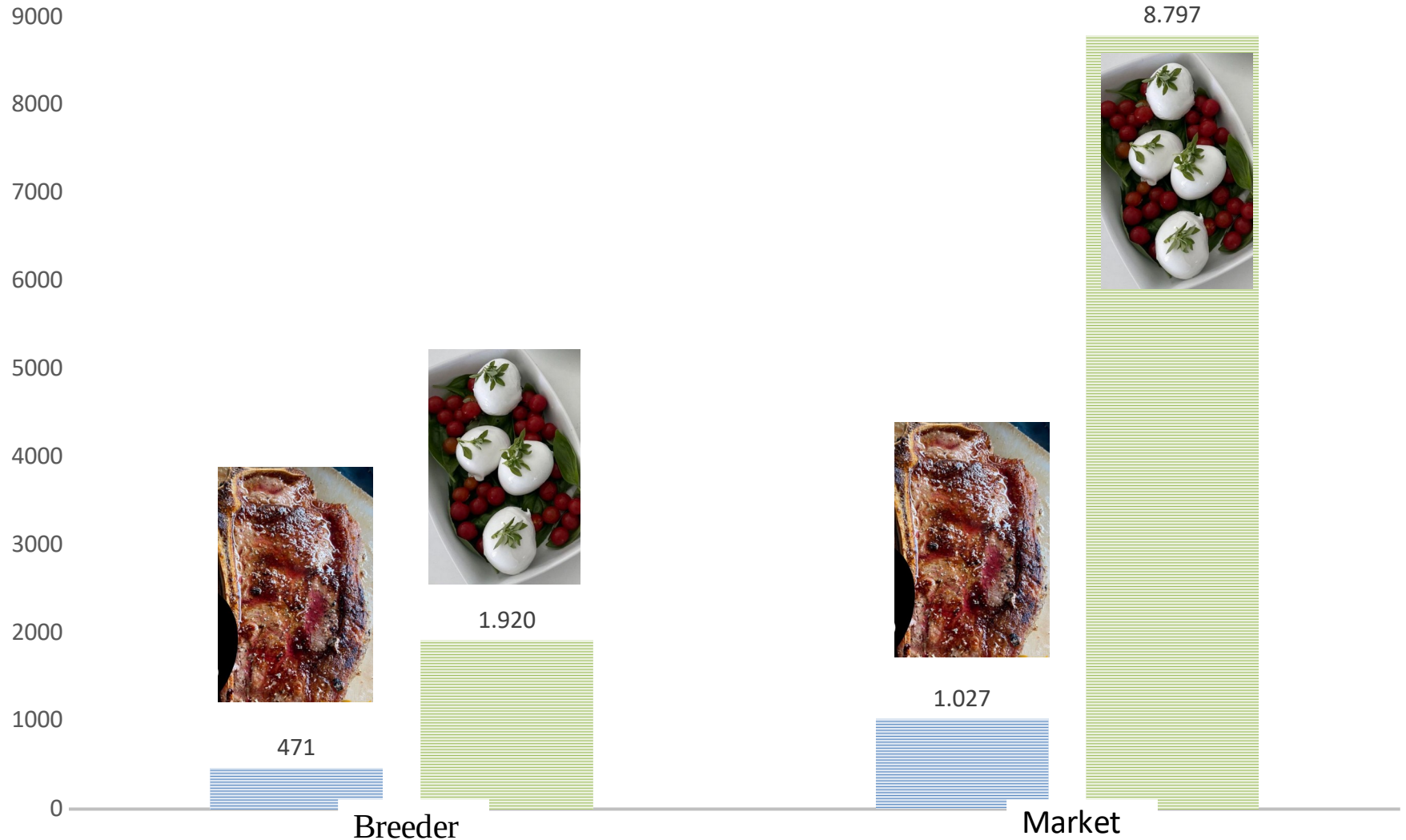
Colombia 64 milhões de litros

Venezuela 40% processed milk

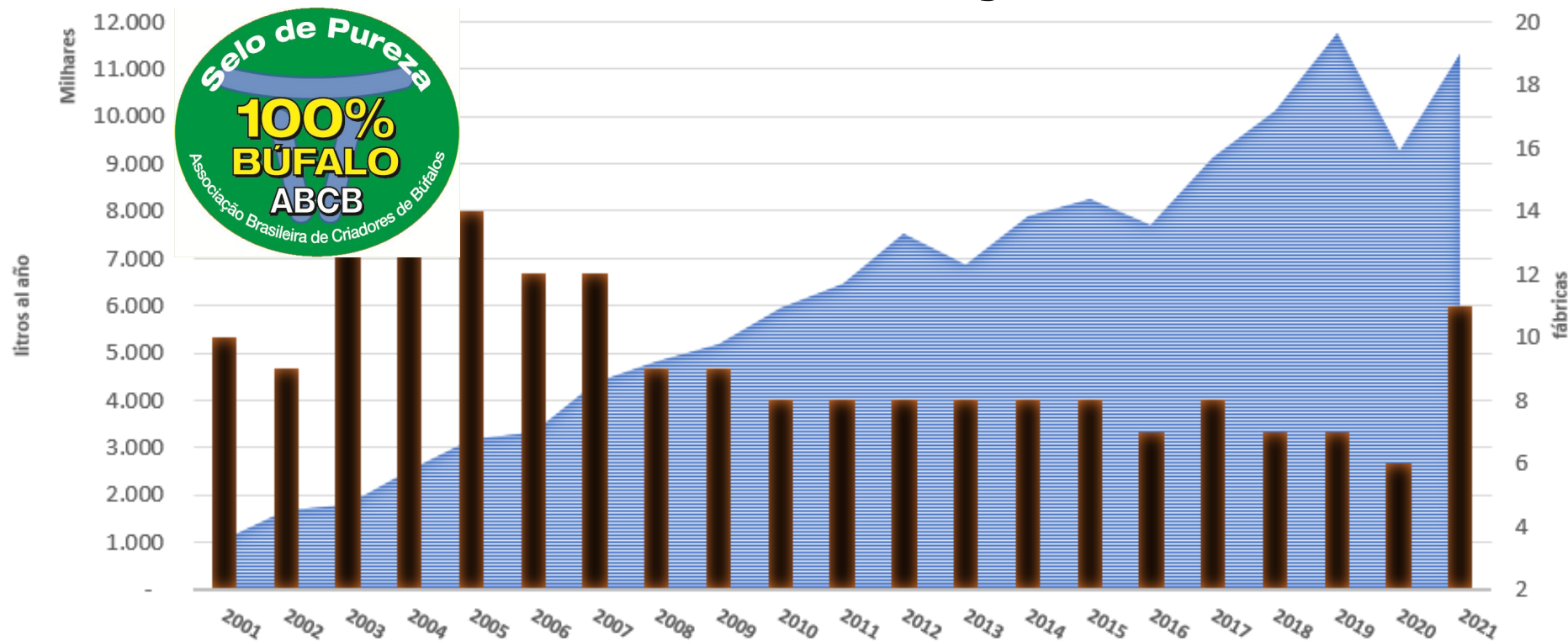


Revenue/value (R\$) in Brazil per buffalo in the herd according to type of farm

■ Corte ■ Leite

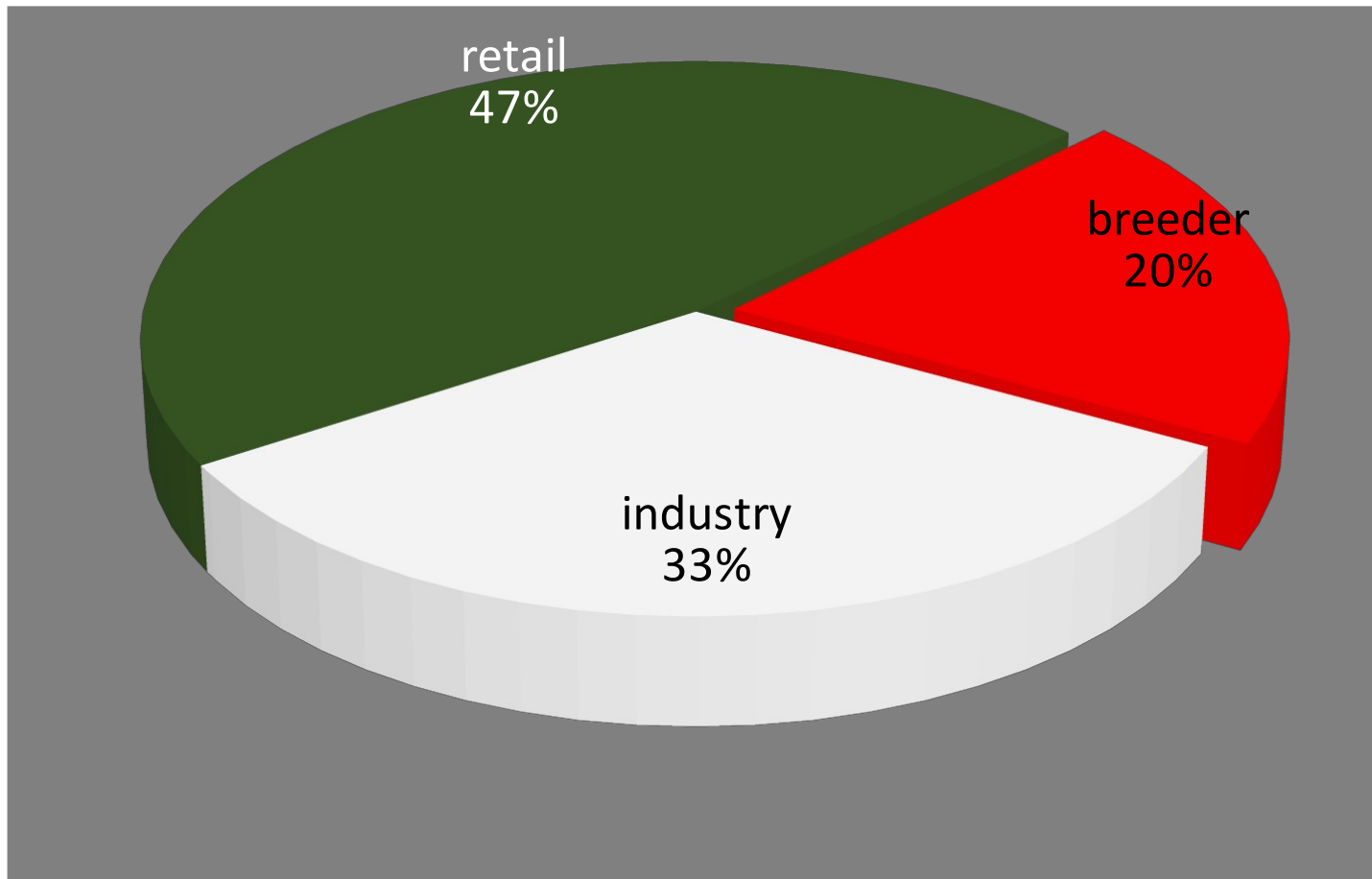


milk and dairy factories



The milk processed under the program maintains an average annual growth of **12.7%** between 2001 and 2021, higher than that of bovine milk (4,5%)

Added value per liter in the buffalo milk mozzarella “chain”



milk price (breeder): € 0,60 – 0,70 / litro

wholesale value: € 10 – 12 / kg bocconcini

Retail price: € 18 – 20 / kg

Traditional cheeses made with buffalo milk





Suero costeño



Queso campesino



Queso llanero venezuelano



Queso de Mano





Queso Criollo



Queso maduro





Requeijão cremoso de búfala



Manteiga de leite de búfala





Doce de leite de búfala



Coalhada de búfala



Requeijão marajoara



Queijo coalho de búfala



PARMESÃO DE BÚFALA

PEDRA DA MINA

Peça com 5kg



**Consumers
attribute value to
dairys produced
with buffalo milk**



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Queijo Minas Frescal De Búfala Bom Destino 500g

R\$41,45
R\$82,90/Kg



Queijo Minas Frescal Vitalatte Pote 420g

R\$23,05
R\$54,90/Kg



Filtros

acceso em
14/07/2021

Leche vaca

Leche búfala

Leche vaca

Leche búfala

-20 %

~~\$10.100~~

\$ 8080 VISA ⓘ

Gramo a \$ 40,56
Queso Mozzarella Bien
Star 15 Tajadas x 249 gr

-20 %

~~\$14.400~~

\$ 11.520 VISA ⓘ

Gramo a \$ 57,6
Mozzarella mezzalibbra x
250 g

-20 %

~~\$3500~~

\$ 2800 VISA ⓘ

Gramo a \$ 17,5
Suero costeño ALQUERIA
200 gr

-20 %

~~\$4600~~

\$ 3680 VISA ⓘ

Gramo a \$ 23
Suero costeño búfala
PLANETARICA 200 gr

+ 42%

+ 31%



17/09/24



Muçarela De Búfala
Vitalatte Média 250g

BÚFALA

~~R\$35,90~~
R\$31,90



Queijo Mozzarelline
Vitalatte Pequena Pote
250g

VACA

R\$26,90



Queijo Muçarela De
Búfala Bom Destino Bola
Média Pote 250g

BÚFALA

R\$34,90

Argentina

21/05/24

VACA



MOZZARELLA BOCCONCINO

\$16,852.00

1000 gr.

200 gr.

500 gr.

BÚFALA



Mozzarella

\$6.614,00 ARS **\$ 44.093** / 1000 g

Presentación

Mozzarella - Pulpeta x 150 g

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Requeijão Levitare 200g



Por apenas
R\$ 16,98 un.

Requeijão Tirolez Cremoso 200g



Requeijão
Cremoso

200g

Por apenas
R\$ 9,48 un.



**alternative
products are
beginning to be
made with buffalo
milk**



Leite e creme de leite pasteurizados de búfala (A2A2)



Embalagem para consumo (sem refrigeração)



Embalado à vacuo



Mixed products (bovine and buffalo)



Yema Queijo Mozzarella
Bocconcino

Produtos orgânicos certificados



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PRODUTOS ORGÂNICOS 100% PUROS

Produção isenta de aditivos químicos desde a criação dos búfalos até a produção de queijos e manteiga.

SAIBA MAIS

COMO COMPRAR

Produção 100% orgânica, com certificação

Único da Bahia que tem em suas embalagens o selo desta certificação, presente em todos os seus produtos, o que comprova sua qualidade e exclusividade.



Queijos orgânicos de leite de búfala



Manufacturers process multiple types of derivatives seeking to reach a greater number of consumers and increase the sales ticket.





**Maior diversidade
aumento do
“cupom”**



MANTEIGA TARTÉ FTE

MONTADELI A FATIANA

BIFETA FRESCA NA FESTINHA



COTTAGE

CEREJA EM POTE

CEREJA A VÁCUO



BOLA EM POTE

BOLA A VÁCUO

BOLA EM BANDEJA



GRAN CEREJA LIGHT

CEREJA

BOLA EM SAQUINHO



CAPRESE

GRAN CAPRESE EM SAQUINHO

ROLO CAPRESE



QUEIJO MINAS PADRÃO ZERO LACTOSE

QUEIJO MINAS FRESCAL ZERO LACTOSE

BARRA ZERO LACTOSE



BURRATA

RICOTA

QUEIJO MINAS PADRÃO



QUEIJO MINAS FRESCAL

MANTA

BARRA



BURRATA

RICOTA

BARRA

Maior diversidade
aumento do
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Mozzarella
Manta



Mozzarella Barra



Mozzarella
Dibufalo



Bocconcini Alla
Panna



Provolone
Fresco



Queijo Minas
Frescal



Burrata



Ricota



Queijo Coalho
Dibufalo

Inclusion of
bovine line to
expand
portfolio and
overcome
seasonality



Queijo Minas
Frescal Light



Queijo Minas
Frescal



Cottage



Queijo de Coalho
Light



Queijo de Coalho



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Our Cheeses

Soft Cheeses

Fresh Cheeses

Semi-Soft, Semi-Firm & Firm
Cheese

Water Buffalo Cheese

Cheese made with water buffalo milk is graceful, porcelain white freshness. Water buffalo milk is thicker, richer and nutritionally superior to cow's milk. Our Water Buffalo Cheese is sourced from Island farms where the gentle water buffalo roam.

Surprise your palate with a simple but profound taste by pairing our tender, moist Mozzarella di Bufala, Buffalo Brie or, for a truly exotic indulgence, add our handcrafted Buffalo Brie.



Mozzarella di Bufala

Authentic Italian mozzarella made with 100% free range water buffalo milk from Vancouver Island. Pure white, firm on the outside and moist creaminess on the inside. Delivers a simple yet profound taste that unfolds in layers of flavour and texture.

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Type of Milk: Italian Mediterranean Buffalo Production

Area: Mozzarella di Bufala Campana PDO is mainly produced in the Campania region, in the provinces of Caserta, Salerno and in several municipalities in the



México



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**Queso Tipo Provolone
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Ahumado**
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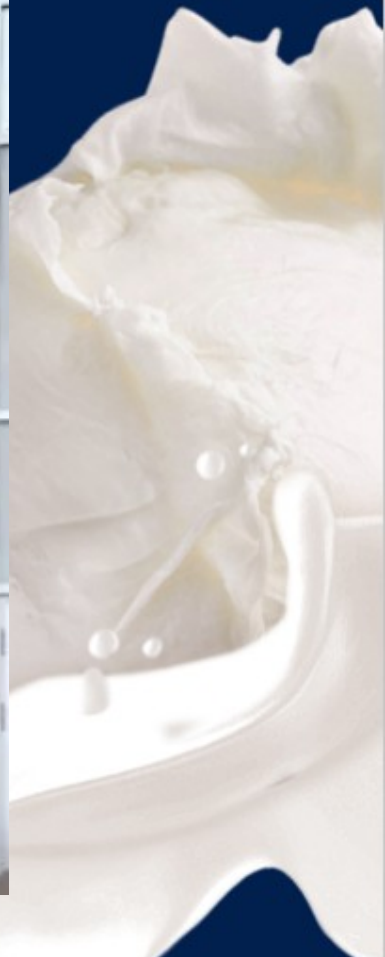


Cuba



Queso de Búfala

República Dominicana

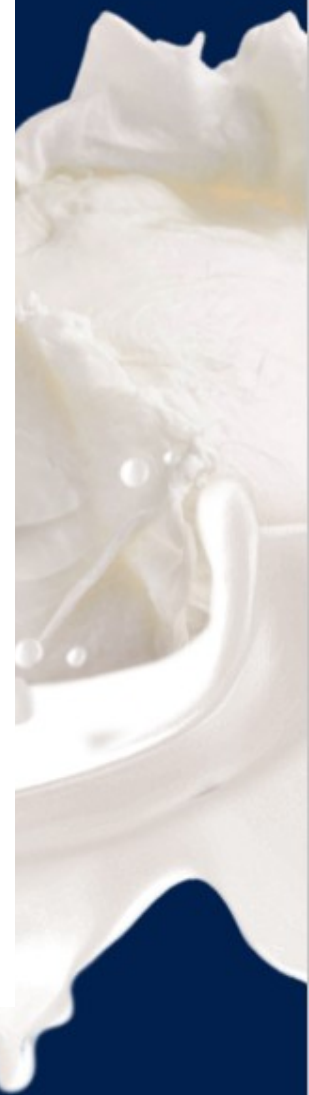


Aperturan en Punta Cana primera quesería que fabrica quesos con leche 100% italiana

Equador



Peru



Bolivia



Quesos BAYRO

1,1 mil curtidas • 1,2 mil seguidores



Paraguay



Equador



Chile



Argentina



Colômbia



Venezuela





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Selo de pureza



Buffalo mozzarella cheese's: the contribution of the CREA cheesemaker school

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CREA cheesemaker school

Bella Muro (PZ): S.S. 7 Via Appia

CREA School was set up, at the Bella (PZ) site of CREA research Centre for Animal Production and Aquaculture, in collaboration with Research Centre of Policy and Bioeconomy Basilicata (CREA-PB)



Target - To train young people in the dairy sector

Specialised profiles capable of preserving the typicality of traditional cheeses and innovation

This cheesemaker's school develops joint actions with public and private objects for the development of the dairy sector and the Italian inner areas

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CORSO PER TECNICI SPECIALIZZATI NELLE PRODUZIONI LATTIERO-CASEARIE TRADIZIONALI SOSTENIBILI

PROGRAMMA

MODULO INTRODUTTIVO

14 novembre 2022 – 16 novembre 2022

SOSTENIBILITÀ/BIODIVERSITÀ

17 novembre 2022 – 18 novembre 2022

QUALITÀ DELLE PRODUZIONI PRIMARIE: IL LATTE

21 novembre 2022 – 25 novembre 2022

IMPIANTI, METODI E CERTIFICAZIONI PER LA QUALITÀ

28 novembre 2022 – 2 dicembre 2022

PASTE FILATE

12 dicembre 2022 – 16 dicembre 2022

I FORMAGGI A PASTA DURA TRADIZIONALI E INNOVATIVI

19 dicembre 2022 – 23 dicembre 2022

GESTIONE AMMINISTRATIVA DEI CASEIFICI TRADIZIONALI E INNOVATIVI

16 gennaio 2023 – 20 gennaio 2023

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*This course aimed at young people **under 40 years** of age with a technical or professional diploma or with skills acquired in the dairy sector. **This is a 540-hour course, including 240 hours of internship in affiliated companies,** to acquire multiple skills in different subject areas: **sustainability and biodiversity, quality of primary productions, plants, methods and certifications for quality, administrative management of traditional and innovative dairies, pasta filata, fresh and soft cheeses, hard cheeses, sheep and goat cheeses, cheese-making with different types of cheese with sensory analysis***

CONCLUSIONS

Training is one of the fundamental factors in meeting the challenges of competitiveness and innovation by guaranteeing the quality of our Italian excellence



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EVALUTATION OF THE NON-COMPLIANCES IN BUFFALO MILK AND BUFFALO DAIRY PRODUCTS IN THE PROVINCE OF CASERTA

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The Buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*)

Milk and Dairy Products

Mozzarella
di Bufala
Campana
DOP
o è così, o non è.





The Buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*)

Official controls

The activity is carried out through official control over the entire milk production chain, from the farm to the final consumer, and is implemented across all stages: raw material production, thermal treatment, processing, storage, and distribution.

Why?

- ❖ check the health of animals,
- ❖ monitoring the cleanliness and hygiene of the milking process,
- ❖ Test the milk and dairy products for contaminants or diseases.



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Aim

Aim

Analysis of the prevalence of non-compliance observed in buffalo milk and buffalo dairy products in the province of Caserta during the years 2022 and 2023.





Materials and Methods

Materials and Methods



ATTENZIONE
GISA e gli altri sistemi sono accessibili esclusivamente tramite SPID/CIE al link sca.gisacampania.it.
Solo i **NUOVI** utenti dovranno prima registrarsi seguendo le istruzioni indicate al medesimo link.



Results

Results

n. 1330 samples (2022= 829, 2023= 501)

**837 Milk samples and 483 Dairy products
(35 Food matrices)**



813 livestock companies



240 registered companies

276 approved companies



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Results

Chemicals		
ADDITIVES	Polyphosphates	2
ALLERGENS	Lactose	2
CONTAMINANTS	Arsenic	1
	Dioxin	3
	Dioxin And Pcb Dioxin Like	13
	Phytosanitary	11
	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (Pah)	1
	Pcb Dioxin Like	4
	Pcb-Ndl	8
CHEMICAL ELEMENTS	Nickel	1
INHIBITING	Inhibiting	5
HEAVY METALS	Lead	15
	Cadmium	2
	Mercury	1
MYCOTOXINS	Aflatoxin M1	48
	Aflatoxin B1	2
FOOD QUALITY	Caseinate And Cow's Milk Revelation	114
	Species Identification	2
	Species Proteins	2
	Lactose Quantification	4
	Cow Milk Research	1
	Cow's Milk Whey Protein	6
DRUG RESIDUES	Polypeptide Antibiotics	1
	Avermectin	4
	Avermectins/Milbemicins	1
	Benzimidazoles	9
	Caf	1
	Quinolonics	10
	Chloramphenicol	10
	Macrolides	4
	Penicillins	13
	Sulphamides	8
	Tetracyclines	12

Bacteriological		
BACTERIA	<i>B. Cereus</i>	3
	Sulfite-Reducing Bacteria	1
	<i>Brucella Spp.</i>	557
	<i>Brucella Abortus</i>	44
	Mesophilic Bacteria	87
	<i>Clostridium Perfringens</i>	1
	<i>Coliforms</i>	1
	Enterobacteriaceae	24
	Staphylococcal Enterotoxin	74
	<i>Escherichia Coli</i> O157:H7	3
	Detection Of <i>Escherichia Coli</i>	14
	Verocitotoxic <i>Escherichia Coli</i>	15
	<i>Listeria Spp</i>	5
	<i>Listeria Monocytogenes</i>	101
	Enumeration Of <i>Escherichia Coli</i>	11
	Enumeration Of <i>Pseudomonas</i>	4
	Enumeration Of <i>Stafiloccoccus Aureus</i>	4
	Enumeration OF Coagulase-Positive Staphylococci	29
	<i>Salmonella Spp</i>	37
	Salmonella Thyphimurium	2
	Staphylococci	2
	Streptococci	11
	Gene Sequencing	1
	Radionuclides	2
	Mould And Yeast	11



Results

8.38 %, (n = 71/847)



2.59 %, (n = 7/270)



Caseinate and Cow's Milk Revelation

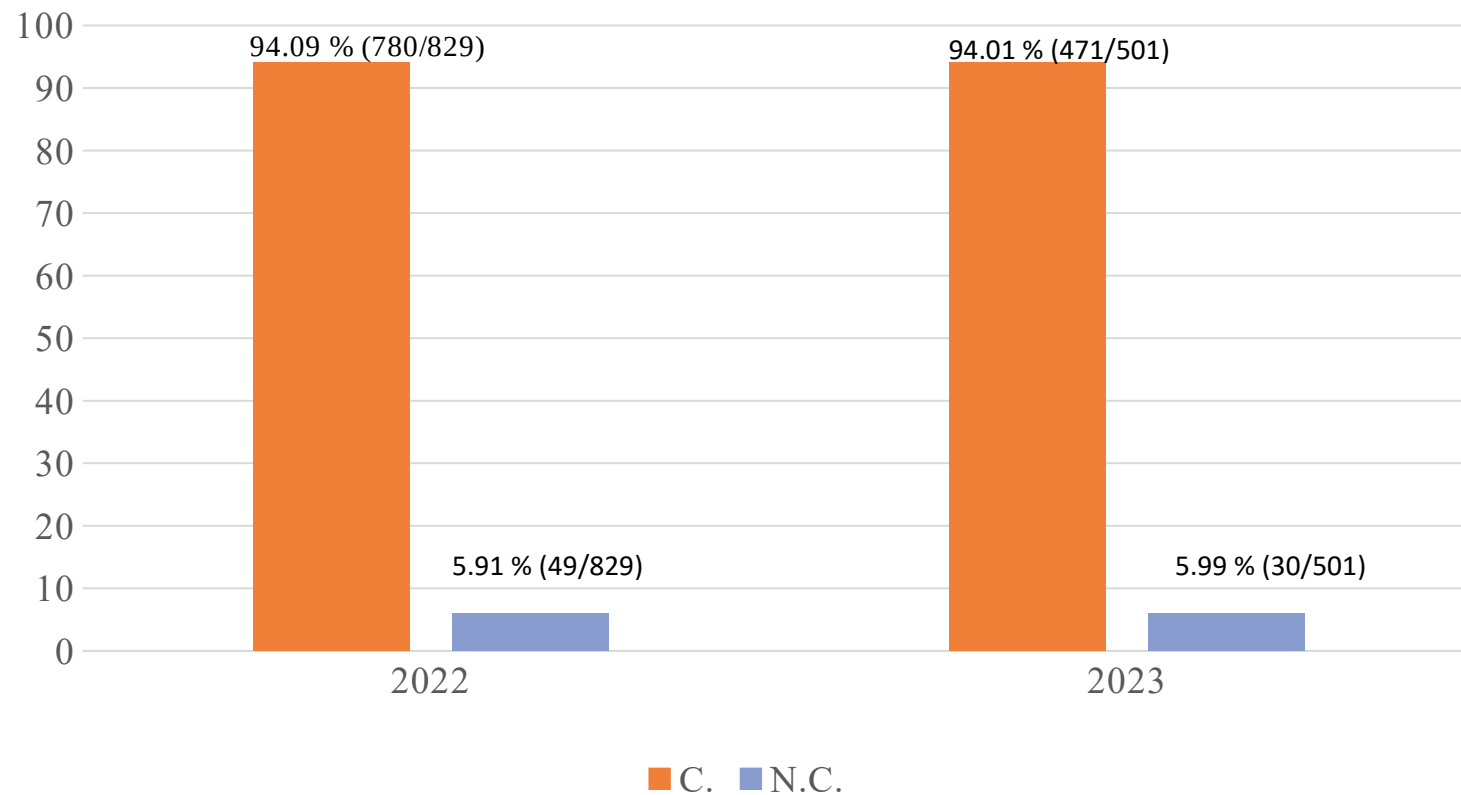
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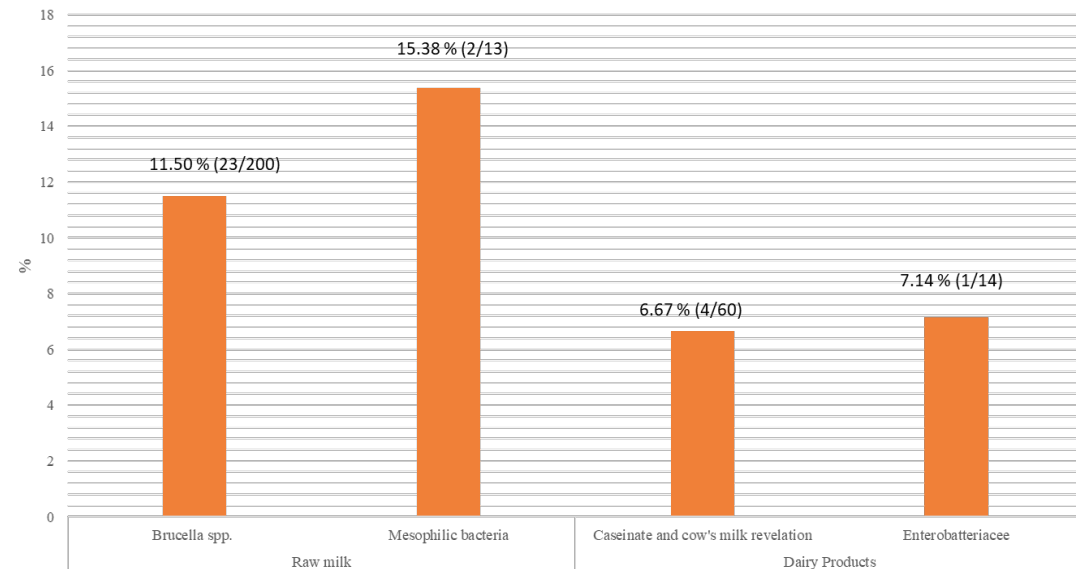
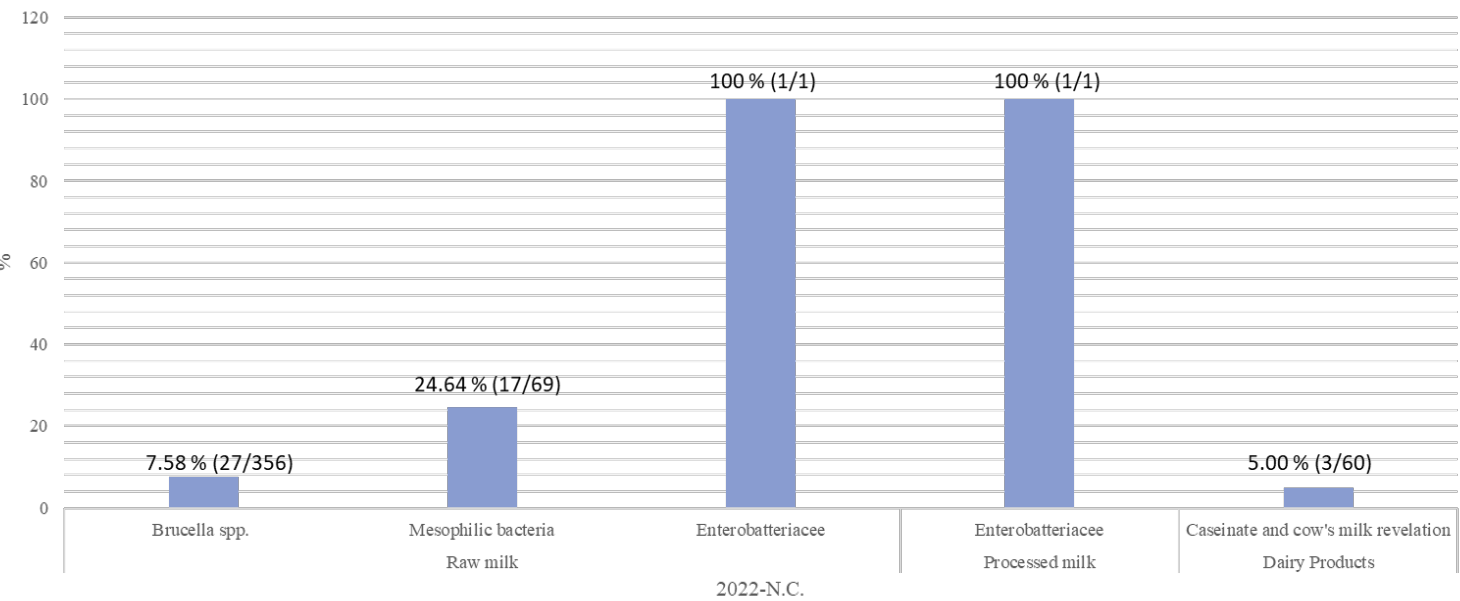
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Results



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Discussions

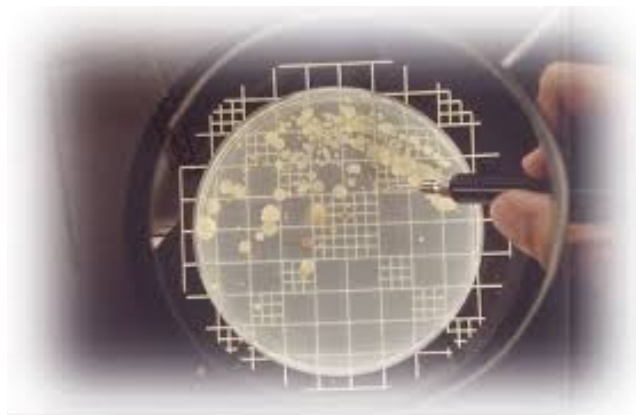
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23.17 % of samples exceed the limit for mesophilic bacteria in milk

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of 29 April 2004
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(OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 55)



3. (a) Food business operators must initiate procedures to ensure that raw milk meets the following criteria:

- (i) for raw cows' milk:

Plate count at 30 °C (per ml)	≤ 100 000 (*)
Somatic cell count (per ml)	≤ 400 000 (**)
(*) Rolling geometric average over a two-month period, with at least two samples per month.	
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- (ii) for raw milk from other species:

Plate count at 30 °C (per ml)	≤ 1 500 000 (*)
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- (b) However, if raw milk from species other than cows is intended for the manufacture of products made with raw milk by a process that does not involve any heat treatment, food business operators must take steps to ensure that the raw milk used meets the following criterion:

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Discussions

9 % of samples were positive to the milk-ELISA test

- milk-ELISA test is a screening test
- No information on the outcome of the serological tests.

5.83 % of samples were positive to caseinate and cow's milk revelation

The addition of cow milk is the most common fraud in the production of Mozzarella di Bufala Campana PDO (buffalo mozzarella)



Conclusions

Discussions

A low number of non-compliances was detected; however, while the results are encouraging, further and continued monitoring would be necessary to ensure long-term safety of buffalo dairy products





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Index of freshness: a tool to assess the quality of the Buffalo Mozzarella cheese production

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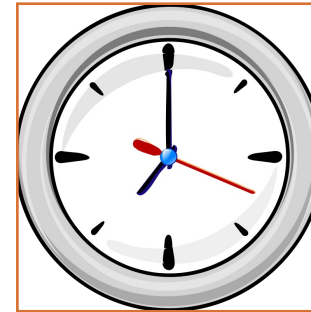
Freshness of Buffalo Mozzarella Cheese (BMC)

Freshness is a complex attribute to define, since it is the expression of technological, chemical and sensory elements and it is one of the attributes expected by the consumers.



Spherical shape, white porcelain colour, smooth, bright and humid surface and pleasant, slightly sour flavour

The use of fresh milk and the preservation of technological properties (i.e., texture and aroma)



The use of milk within 60 hours from milking, allow to expect very specific characteristics of the raw material

Regulation (EC) no. 1107/1996

Plasmin Activity

- Lys²⁸-Lys²⁹
- Lys⁶⁸-Ser⁶⁹
- Lys¹⁰⁵-His¹⁰⁶
- Lys¹⁰⁷-Glu¹⁰⁸



The occurrence of primary proteolysis

Index of Freshness

Chemical assessment

The study of primary proteolysis on β -CN, with the formation of γ -CN fragments, through an electrophoretic approach was applied as method to assess the freshness of PDO Buffalo Mozzarella cheese.

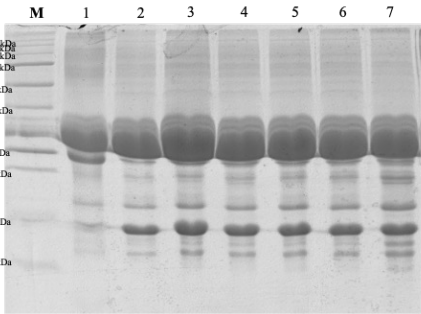
$$\Phi = \frac{\beta - \text{CN}}{\beta - \text{CN} + \gamma_1 + (\gamma_2 + \gamma_3) + \gamma_4} \times 100$$

Trace quantity of the electrophoretic bands, obtained by the image analysis



- 145 buffalo mozzarella cheese samples were purchased from the market evaluating their Φ and comparing it with the values obtained from a “**Control Line**” obtained from buffalo PDO samples testing three temperatures of storage for different times.

Outcomes of the investigation



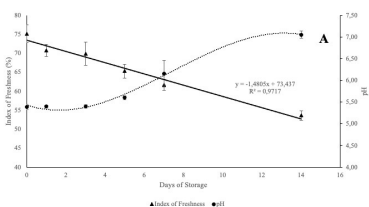
Index of freshness of the samples from the Market

Batch 1		Batch 2				Batch 3	
Samples	Φ (%)	Samples	Φ (%)	Samples	Φ (%)	Samples	Φ (%)
1	66,03	1(53)	56,88	53(105)	72,5	1(127)	68,02
2	70,39	2(54)	54,53	54(106)	70,13	2(128)	66,16
3	74,00	3(55)	59,7	55(107)	63,92	3(129)	66,63
4	72,62	4(56)	50,7	56(108)	68,14	4(130)	64,03
5	71,09	5(57)	58,86	57(109)	76,07	5(131)	60,55
6	72,31	6(58)	62,24	58(110)	57,33	6(132)	60,37
7	74,67	7(59)	67,57	59(111)	79,17	7(133)	59,73
8	70,51	8(60)	59,42	60(112)	67,19	8(134)	62,13
9	74,32	9(61)	60,92	61(113)	74,06	9(135)	63,04
10	71,1	10(62)	65,54	62(114)	75,48	10(136)	63,67
11	70,77	11(63)	59,5	63(115)	74,02	11(137)	65,19
12	75,56	12(64)	64,65	64(116)	71,91	12(138)	61,38
13	74,67	13(65)	58,91	65(117)	79,59	13(139)	62,89
14	56,1	14(66)	64,3	66(118)	76,07	14(140)	67,43
15	59,74	15(67)	63,65	67(119)	75,68	15(141)	65,43
16	65,1	16(68)	63,66	68(120)	79,04	16(142)	63,77
17	71,76	17(69)	53,76	69(121)	62,73	17(143)	64,89
18	62,1	18(70)	58,3	70(122)	70,59	18(144)	62,09
19	75,51	19(71)	66,69	71(123)	66,22	19(145)	62,59
20	67,34	20(72)	67,89	72(124)	78,52		
21	67,22	21(73)	64,24	73(125)	74,06		
22	65,99	22(74)	62,25	74(126)	74,34		
23	68,25	23(75)	61,06				
24	71,82	24(76)	66,78				
25	64,75	25(77)	65,78				
26	54,00	26(78)	59,2				
27	64,23	27(79)	59,03				
28	68,98	28(80)	74,69				
29	60,36	29(81)	69,41				
30	66,31	30(82)	66,6				
31	70,98	31(83)	70,67				
32	60,07	32(84)	59,05				
33	64,39	33(85)	73,4				
34	63,02	34(86)	67,96				
35	61,31	35(87)	72,92				
36	61,7	36(88)	75,32				
37	65,38	37(89)	72,81				
38	51,48	38(90)	70,79				
39	65,61	39(91)	74,91				
40	59,37	40(92)	69,52				
41	64,43	41(93)	69,48				
42	65,49	42(94)	72,49				
43	60,23	43(95)	69,21				
44	63,65	44(96)	70,96				
45	62,36	45(97)	73,2				
46	67,82	46(98)	71,74				
47	60,32	47(99)	73,28				
48	62,61	48(100)	72,86				
49	63,81	49(101)	73,22				
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51	61,44	51(103)	73,87				
52	56,55	52(104)	79,11				

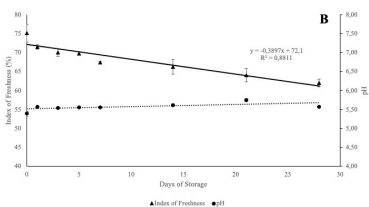
The values of the index of freshness ranged from a maximum of 79.59% to a minimum of 50.7%. Overall, 34.5% of the samples had an index of freshness > 70.00% and 65.5% had an index of freshness < 70.00%, but from these latest, only 21 samples (15%) had an index of freshness <60%.

A value higher than 70% is maintained up to 3 days at RT, 5 days at 4°C and about 10 days at 20°C. Comparing results of the samples from the market with those of the “Control Line” samples, the data of the index of freshness of the unknown samples were consistent with them, considering that the manufacturing and the quality of the raw matter can influence the rate of proteolysis and, consequently, the index.

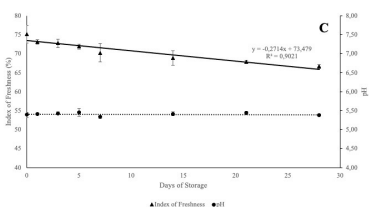
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- **At room temperature:** freshness ranged from 75.10% to 69.84 % (3 days). Then, freshness decreased with a concomitant increase of pH (pH 5.40) up to the 54.64 % with the loss of the structure (pH 7.05);



- **At 4°C:** from 75.10% up to 69.75 % (5 days).



- **At -20°C:** freshness could be considered prolonged until 14 days (from 75.10% up to 68.84 %).



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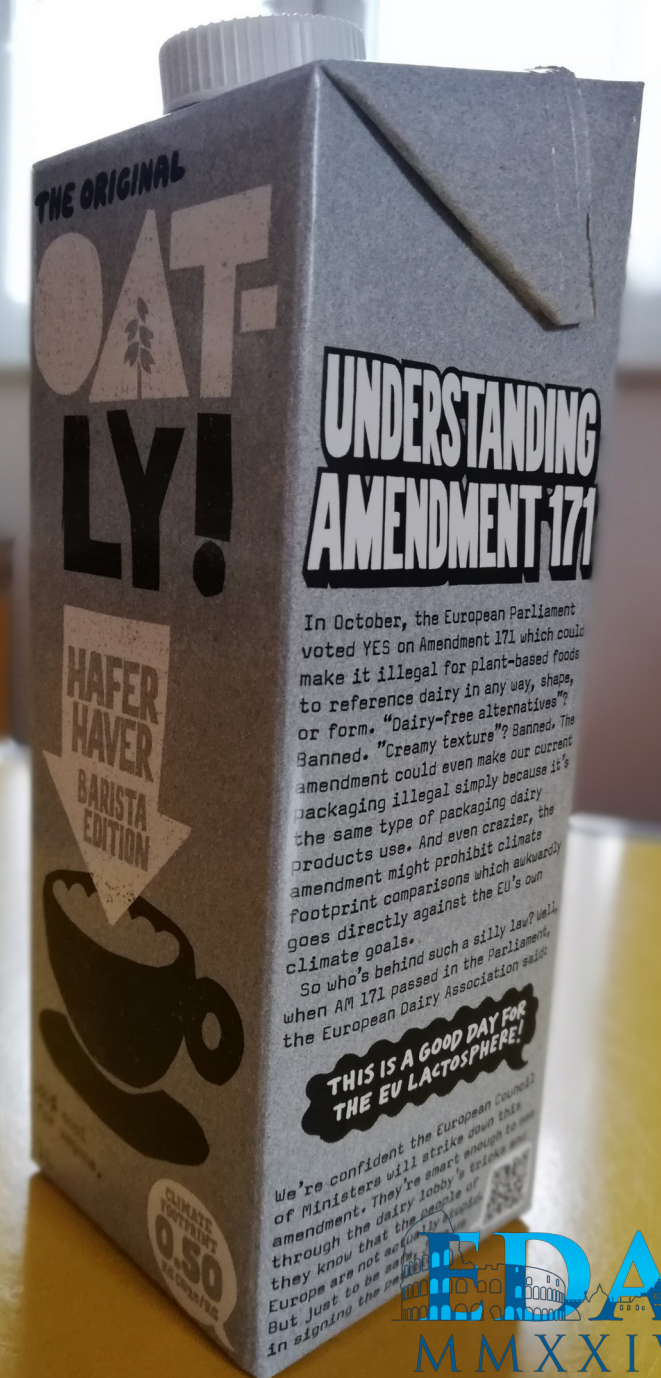
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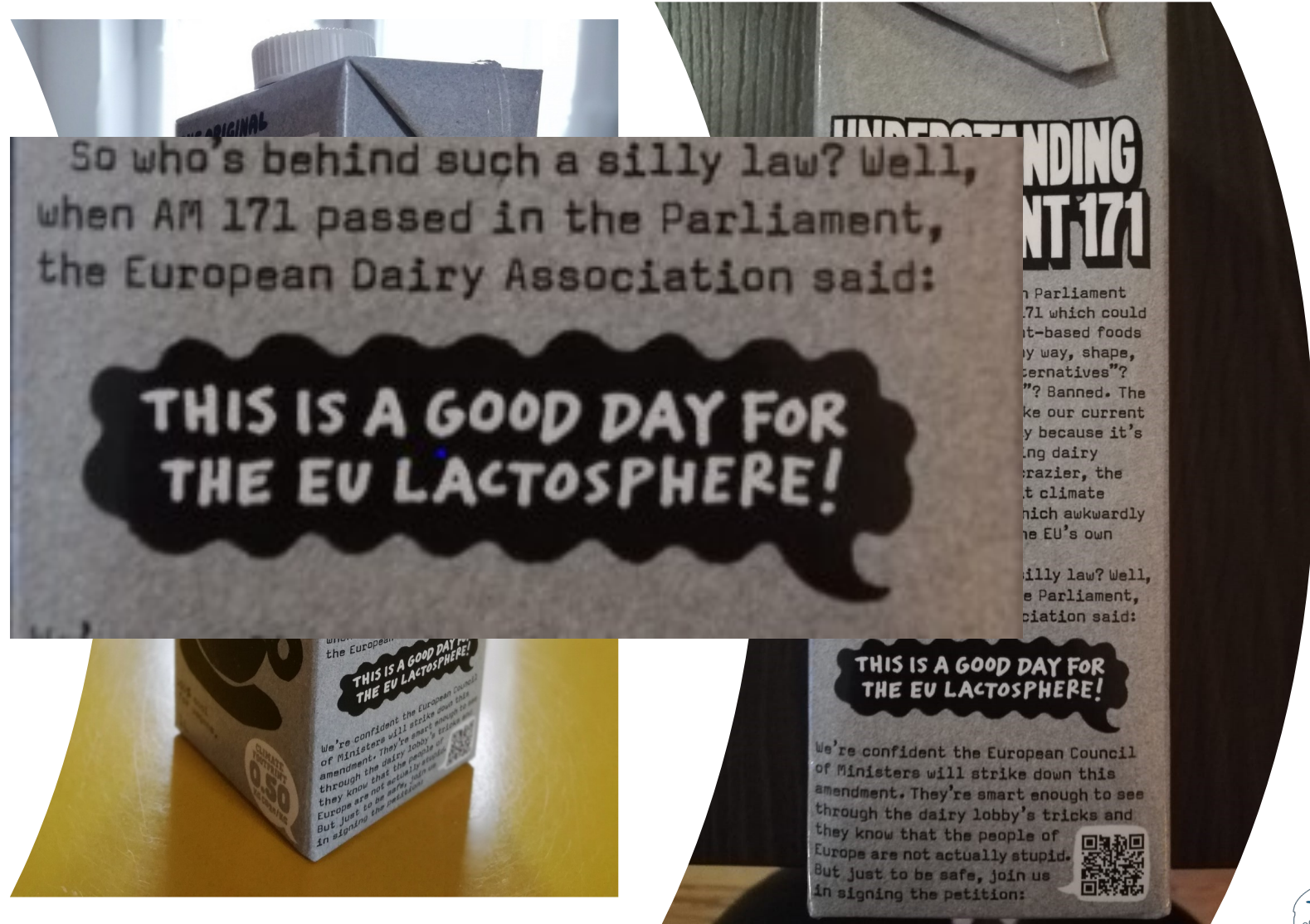
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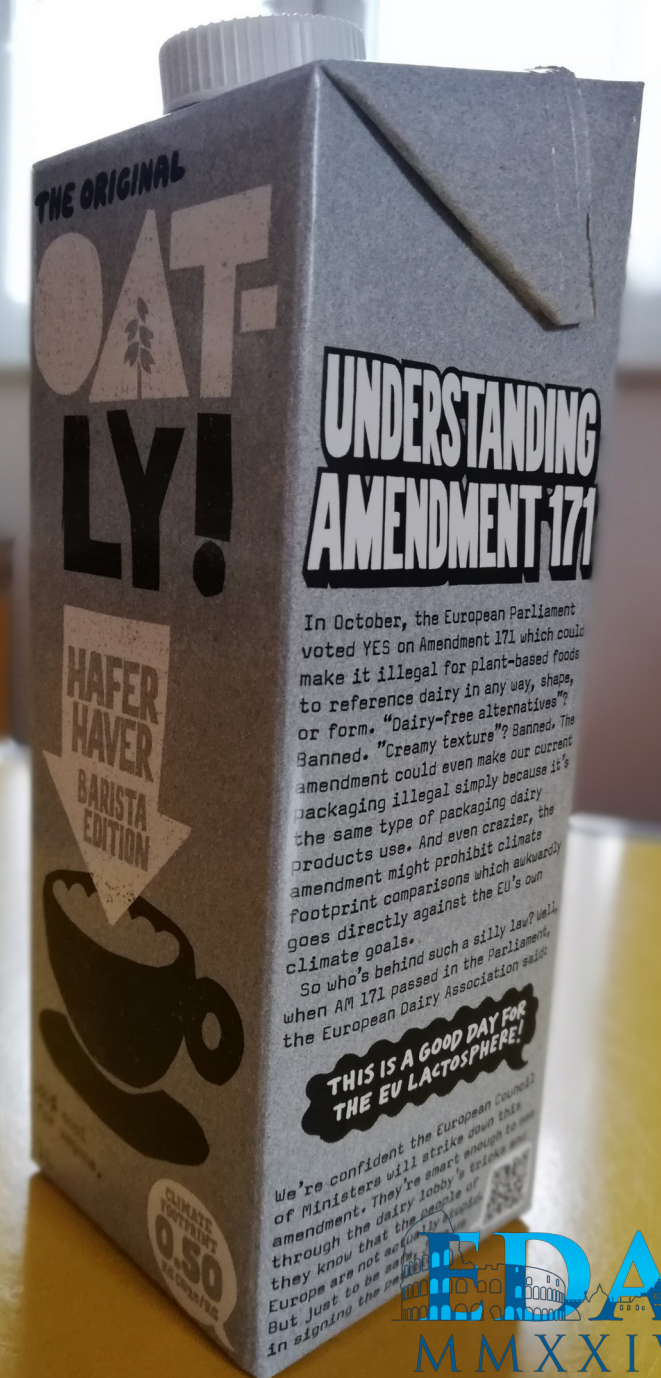
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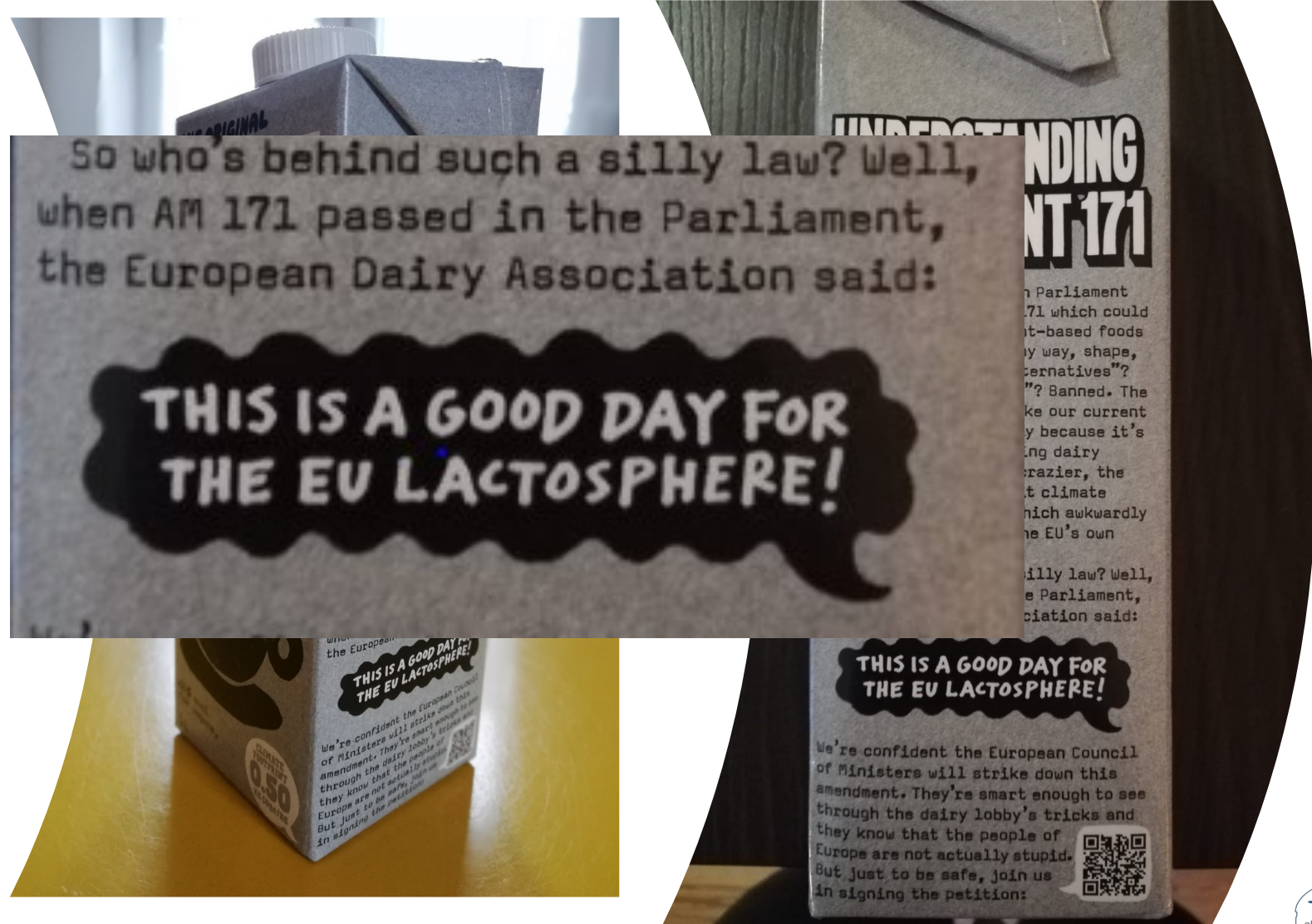
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INNOVATION

The innovation of the BluDev® technology system lies in creating a BIOLOGICAL DIGITAL FOOTPRINT (BFP Bio-FingerPrint) for each batch of actual finished product, with the information obtained being stored in a virtual laboratory to create a digital twin, capable of tracing origin and quality throughout all stages of the production process.

The acquisition of information regarding the analyzed matrices is based on spectroscopy.

Artificial Intelligence, combined with predictive models, transforms the input data into unique digital objects, generating a DIGITAL BIO FINGER PRINT.

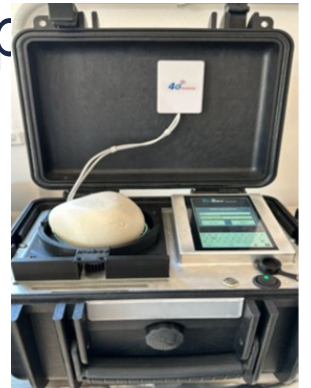
All supported by safety systems to protect the data harvested

The aim of the following study is to develop an algorithm to discriminate between mozzarella produced with 100% buffalo milk and mozzarella produced with a mixed milk (buffalo and cow's milk).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The analyses were carried out using two portable devices of the BluDev® system used in the laboratories of the Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Mezzogiorno (IZSM) in Portici on known frozen mozzarella samples.

Specifically the analysis involved thawing the sample, taking a portion and scanning that portion.



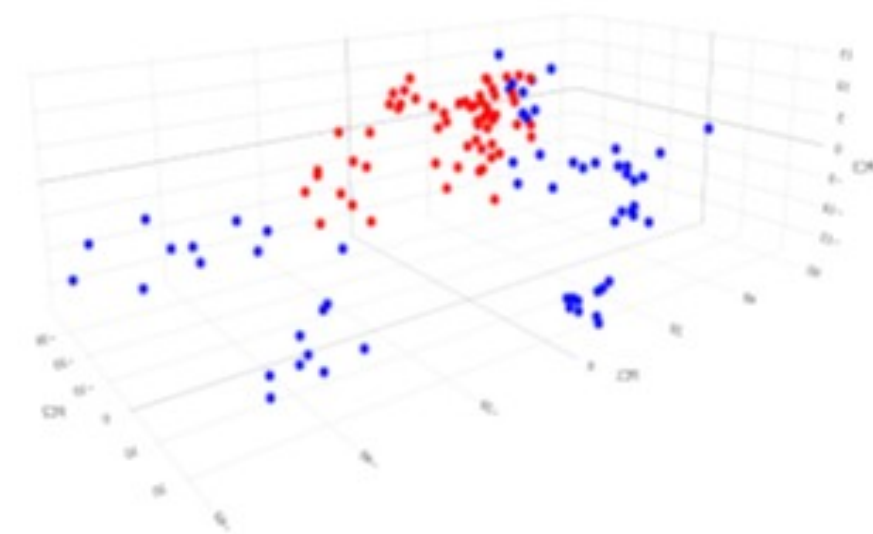
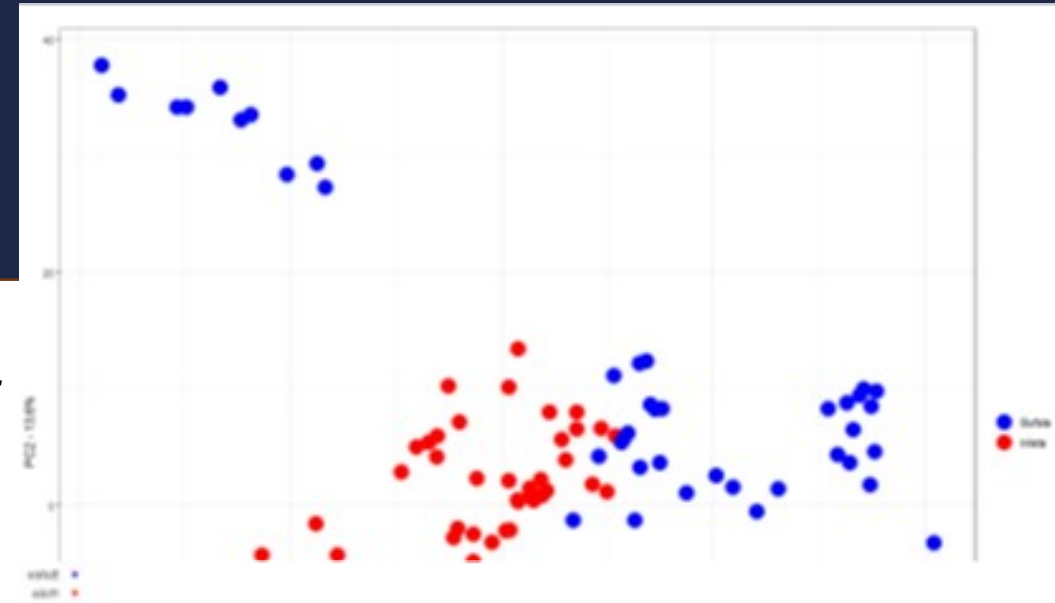
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For the first BluDev Pro® device, a total of 12 aliquots from 12 samples (121 scans) were selected, with each sample being scanned at least 10 times. In the initial phase, a Principal Component Analysis (PCA) was performed for preliminary data exploration and to check for potential clustering

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

The following images display the results of this exploratory in both a 2-dimensional and a 3-dimensional charts.

It is possible to observe a random distribution of buffalo mozzarella (indicated in blue) compared to mixed mozzarella (indicated in red). There does not appear to be a clear separation between the two clusters. Although this is a relatively common situation, it does not preclude further analysis and model development based on the available data. This is only a preliminary study



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TOTAL	61 (6)	60 (6)	121 (12)

Before creating an actual model, all the scans were divided into two separate groups "Train" and "Test": the two groups represent 80% and 20% respectively. In order to have a dataset for training the model (Train) and another statistically significant dataset for its validation (Test). Thus, the larger group will contain samples not present in the smaller group, and vice versa. This approach ensures that the model is validated using data that were previously unknown and separate from the initial dataset

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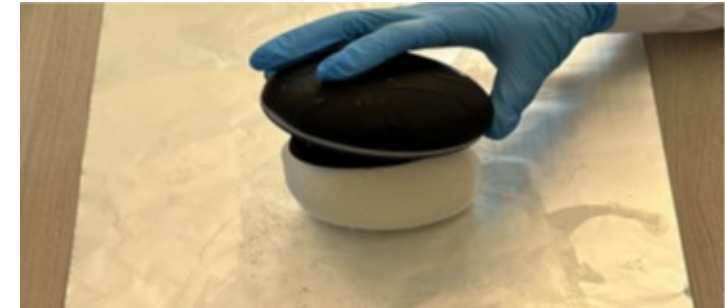
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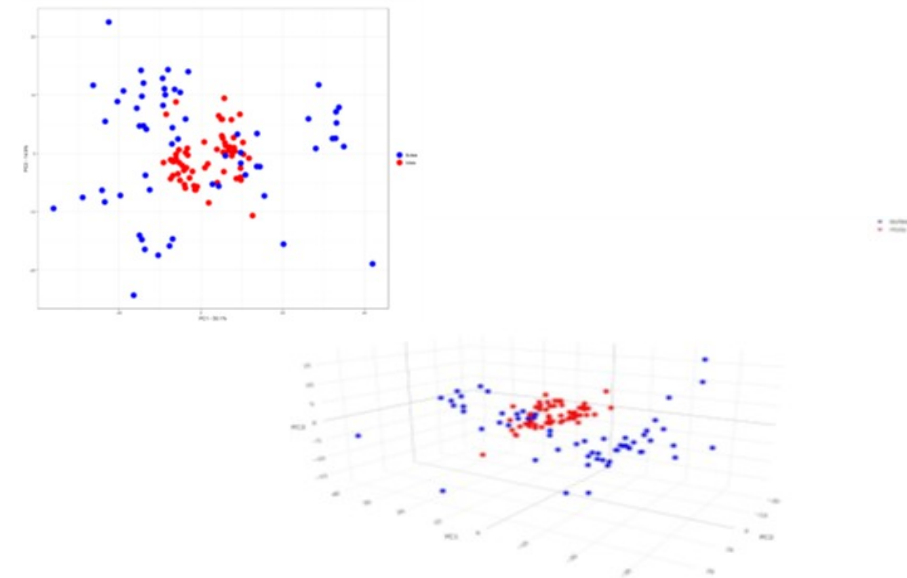
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The same type of analysis, including modeling, was conducted by a second portable device, BluDev Hand®. In this case, 12 aliquots from 12 samples (121 scans) were also used. The following figures display the results of the PCA analysis in both 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional formats, the detailed composition of the Train and Test datasets, and the confusion matrix related to the model validation.

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CONCLUSION

We can conclude that this developed model suggests promising prospects for further improvement in near future: increasing the number of samples will improve the confidence of the method in order to discriminate between buffalo and mixed mozzarella.

We could imagine a *virtual* laboratory, performing a simple scan to screen mozzarella, identifying suspicious samples to be analysed to detect fraud.





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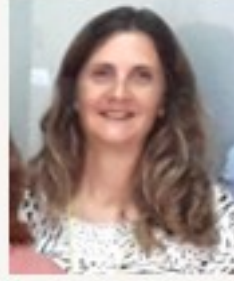
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Objective

- The main objective of this work was to advance in the development of a healthy buffalo milk-based food product as an innovative alternative to traditional buffalo cheeses.

We proposed the manufacture of a vanilla custard-type dessert intended for child nutrition.



In a previous work...

RESEARCH
ARTICLE

Exploring the sensory properties of buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*) milk custards through a consumer-based study performed with children

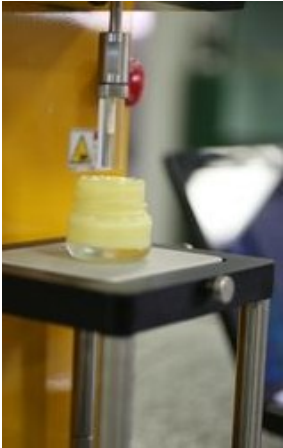
- We tested three formulations varying the amount of cornstarch, sucrose, and food-grade flavor/colorant to get samples with distinctive textural, sweetness, and chromatic properties.
- A sensory evaluation performed with 100 children (8 to 12 age) allowed identify the most relevant attributes and get precise indications for reformulation and product optimization.
- Obtained product required attention because it was high in calories and non-stable for long period in cold-storage (1 week).



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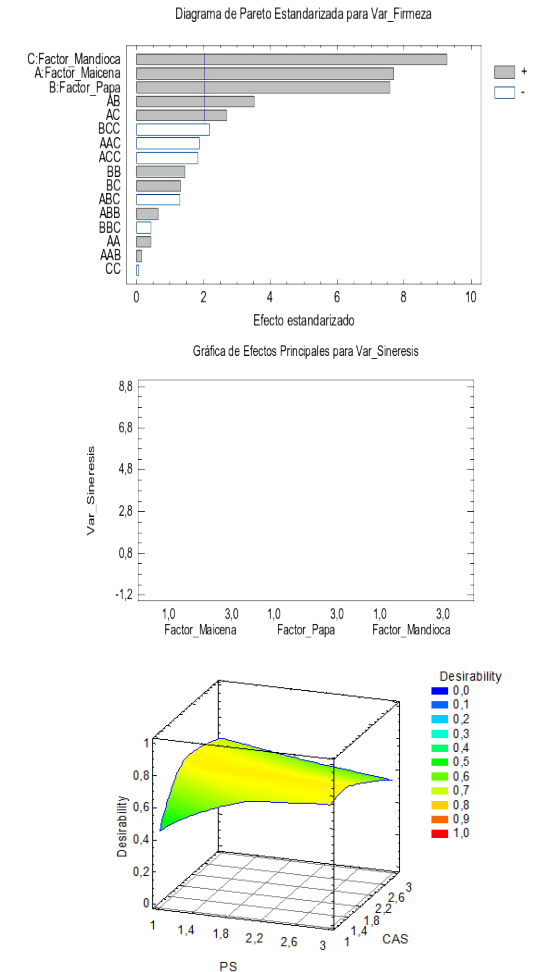
- The total replacement of sucrose with a non-caloric natural sweetener (Stevia) was proposed. ➔ **Calories reducing strategy.**
- The mixture of native starches from potato, cassava and corn was assessed as a healthier texturizer or stabilizer alternative to the modified starches commonly used in the industry. ➔ **Natural additives as clear-label foods approach.**



- The impact of formulation changes were assessed on textural and appearance properties by instrumental analysis.
- Cold-storage physical stability (water holding capacity and syneresis) was also monitored.

Outstanding results...

- Potato, cassava and corn starches and their interactions exerted a significant positive effect on the firmness of custards as assessed through Texture profile analysis (TPA).
- Color parameters (L^* , a^* and b^*) and opacity did not show statistical differences.
- Cold-storage stability measured in terms of water holding capacity (accelerated water leakage) and syneresis (spontaneous water leakage) was mainly affected by cassava starch and starch mixtures.
- It is was possible to obtain an optimum that conserve the most preferred texture of custard, minimizing the time-depending changes over cold-storage.





CONCLUSIONS

Obtained results encourage the use of non-caloric sweetener and the mixture of native starches for making healthy and commercially attractive dairy desserts.

Manufacture of buffalo custards constitutes a promising alternative for using of buffalo milk in less explored dairy products.



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A tailored-made model to predict the behaviour of *Listeria monocytogenes*

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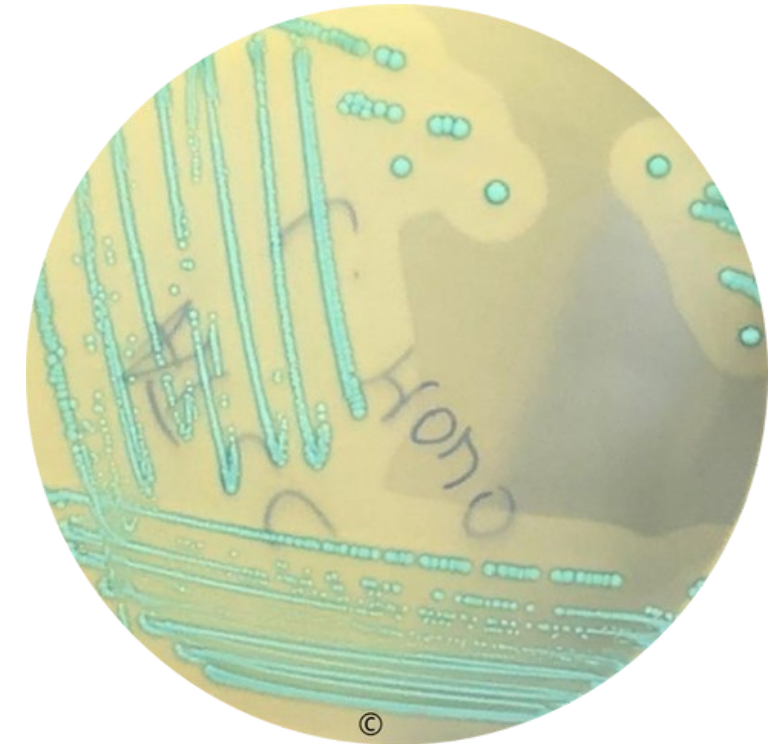




The villain

Name: *Listeria monocytogenes*

Type: *Bacterio Gram+*



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Seen last time: intestine, soil, farm, mastitic milk, dairy, any type of surface, kitchen... basically everywhere

It loves 1) high pH foods 2) cold places 3) doing things slowly

It hates: 1) heat 2) good microorganisms

Particular signs: very evil with children, old people, pregnant women and sick people



Presence of *Listeria monocytogenes* in mozzarella (Italian-style soft cheese)

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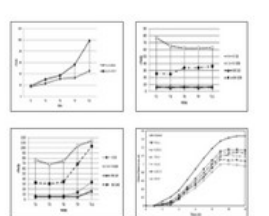
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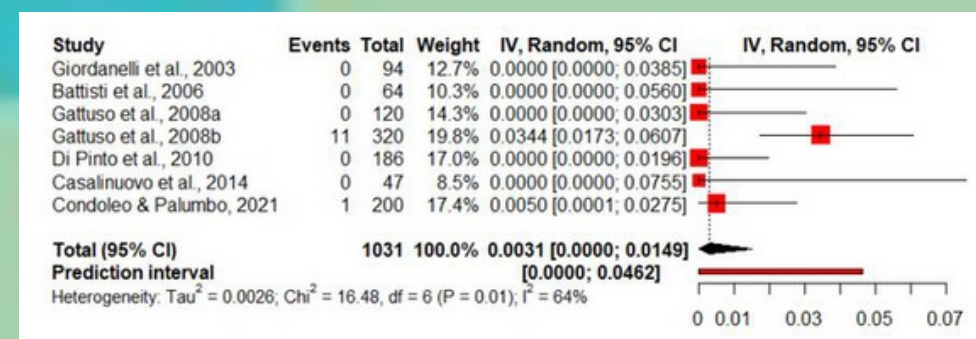




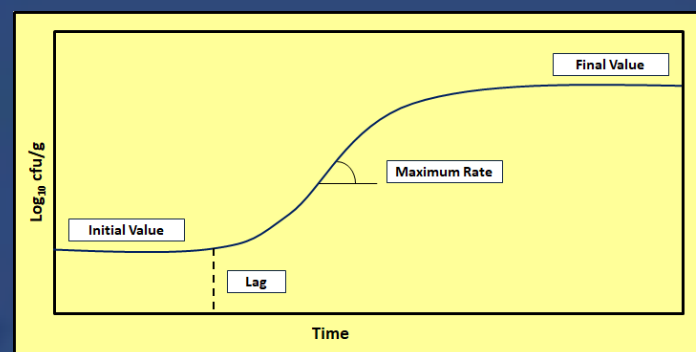
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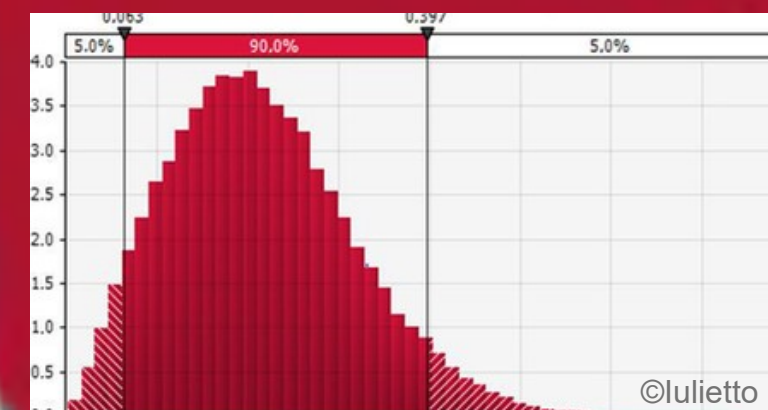
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Predictive microbiology model



Risk assessment of listeriosis by mozzarella consumption

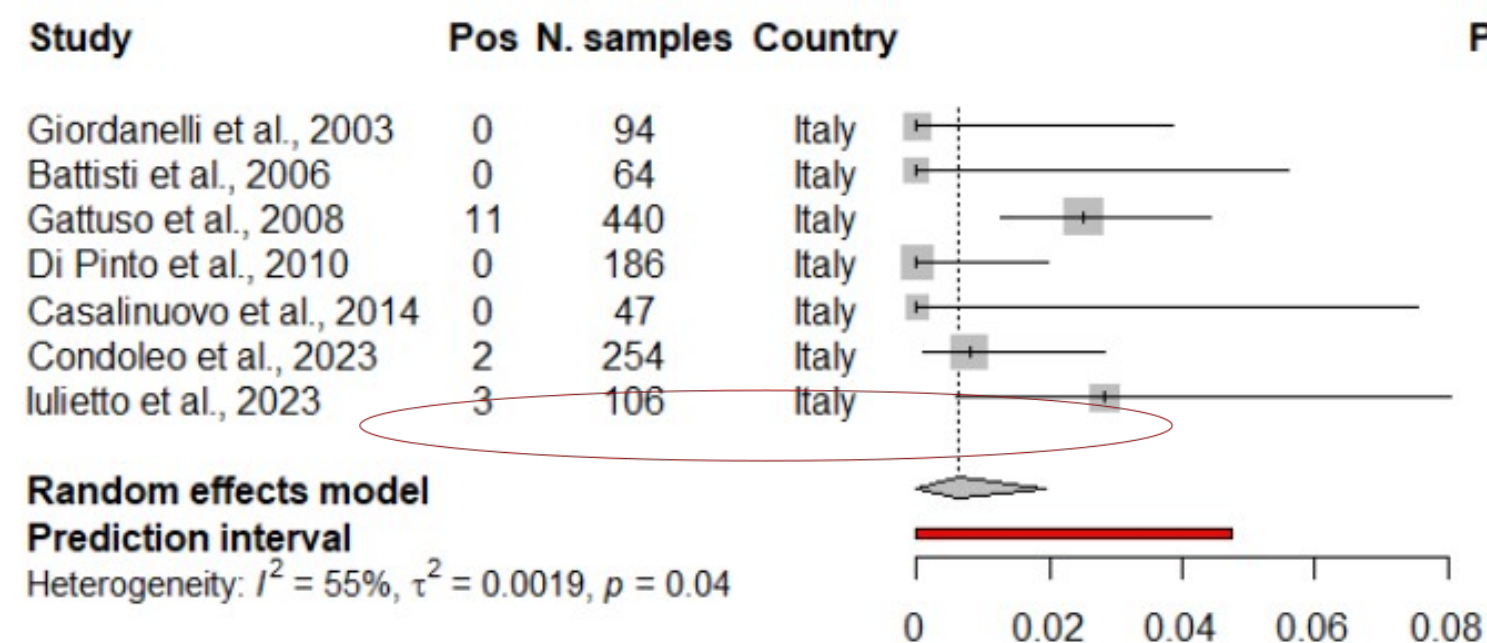
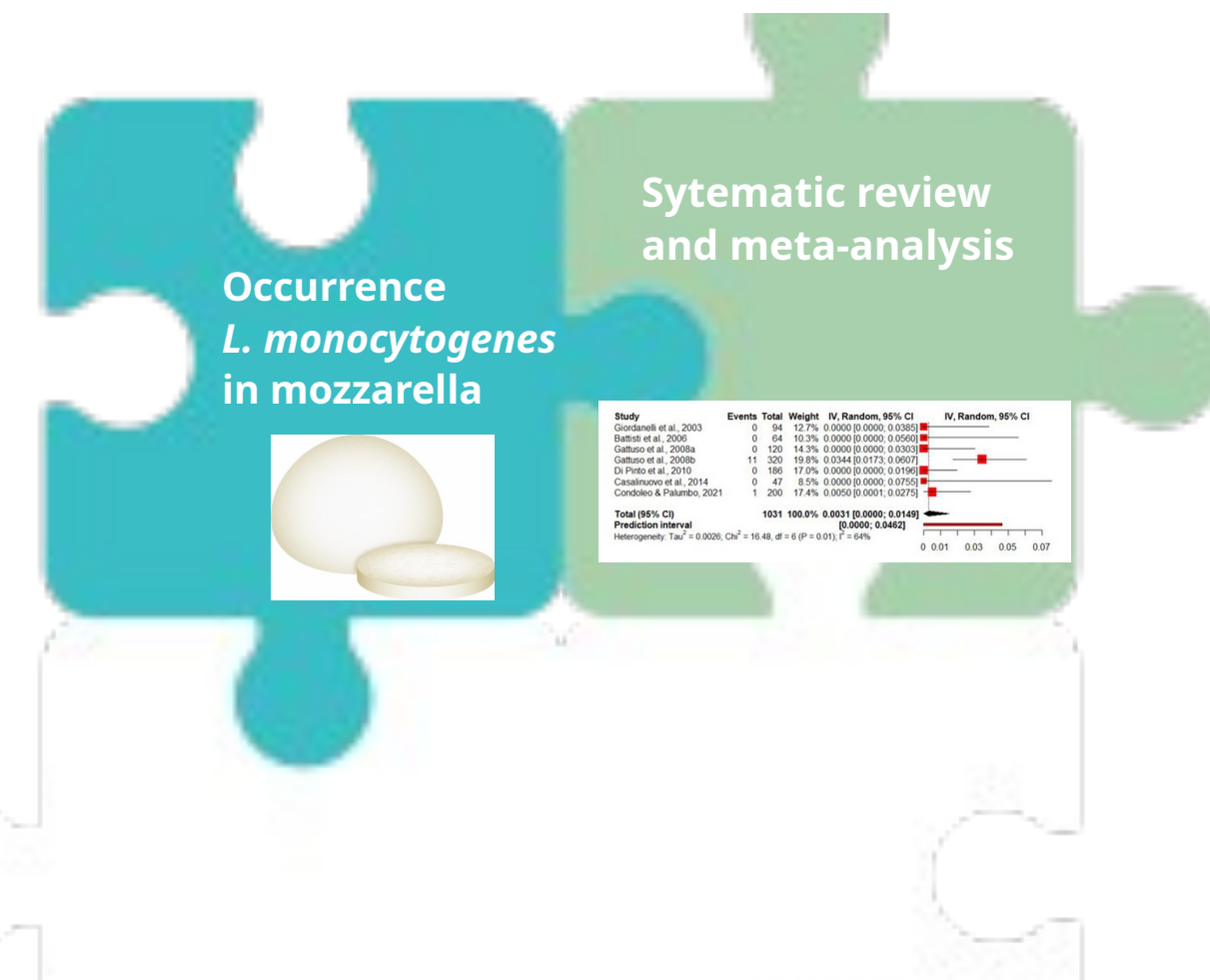




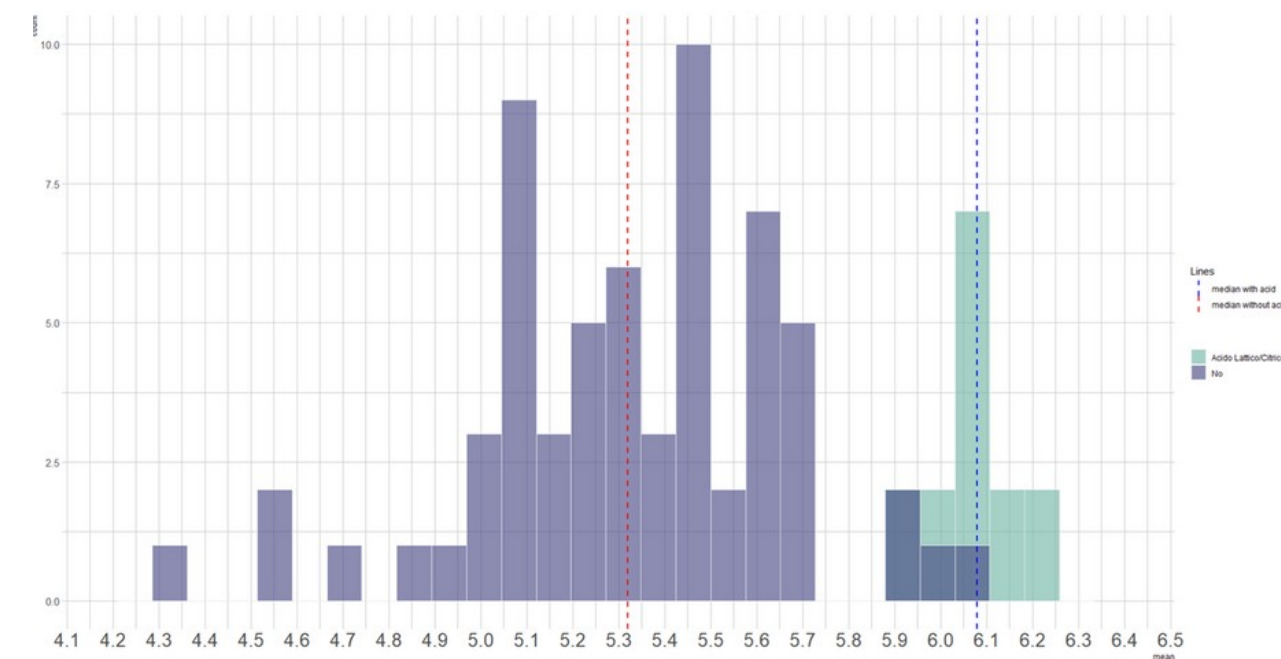
3 out of 106 batches were contaminated with *L. monocytogenes*. Occurrence was 2.8% (IC 95% 0.6-8%)



Low concentration *L. monocytogenes* nei prodotti contaminati (< 10 CFU/g)



Proportion	95%-CI	Weight
0.000	[0.000; 0.038]	12.0%
0.000	[0.000; 0.056]	9.5%
0.025	[0.013; 0.044]	22.1%
0.000	[0.000; 0.020]	16.9%
0.000	[0.000; 0.075]	7.6%
0.008	[0.001; 0.028]	19.0%
0.028	[0.006; 0.080]	12.9%
0.006	[0.000; 0.019]	100.0%
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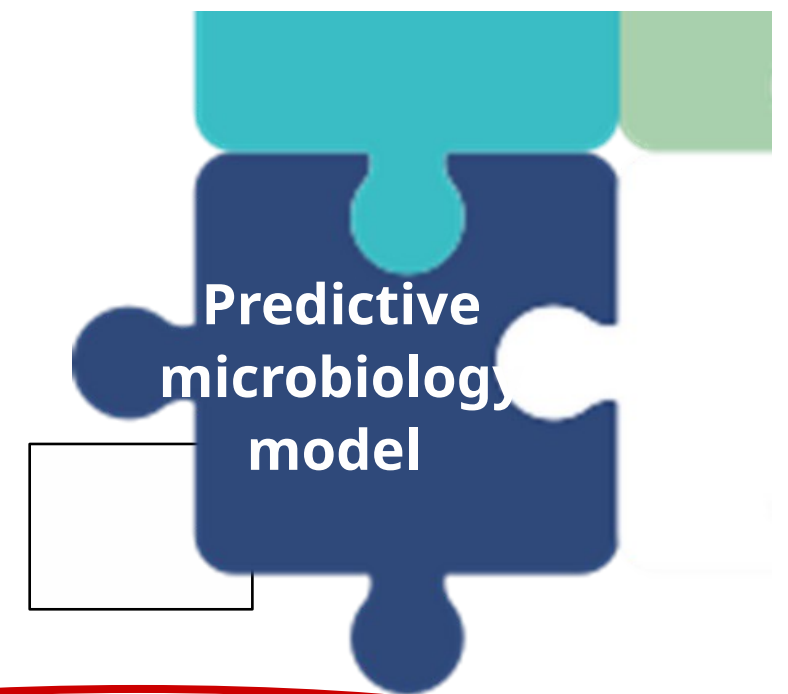
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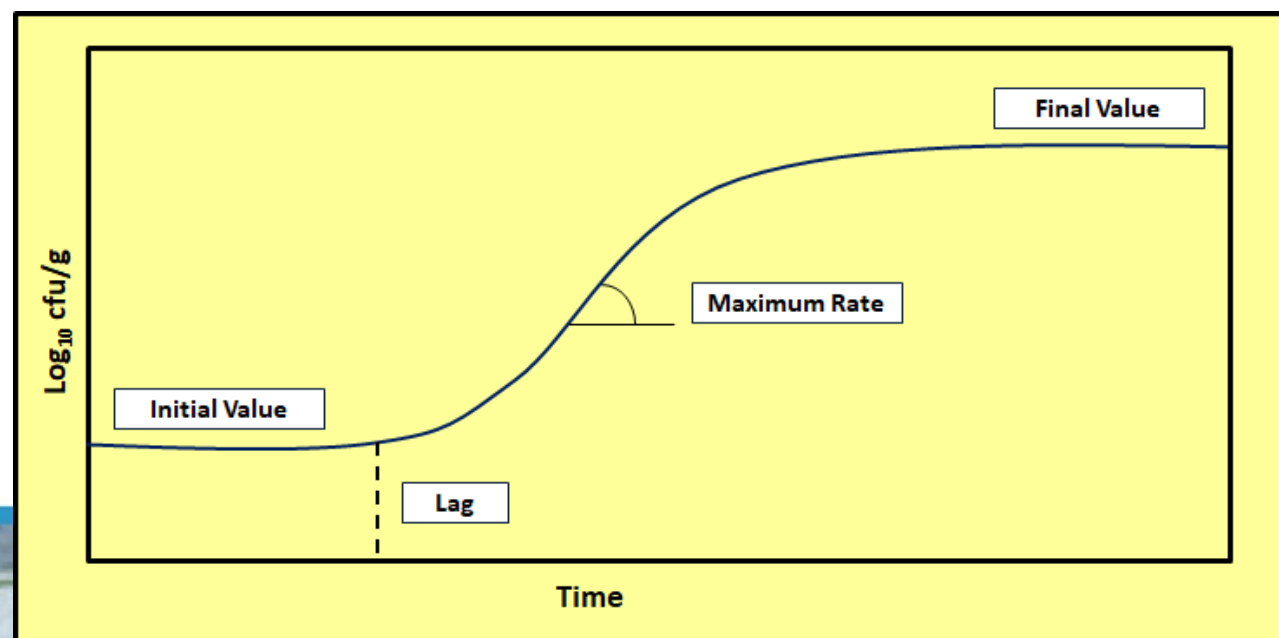
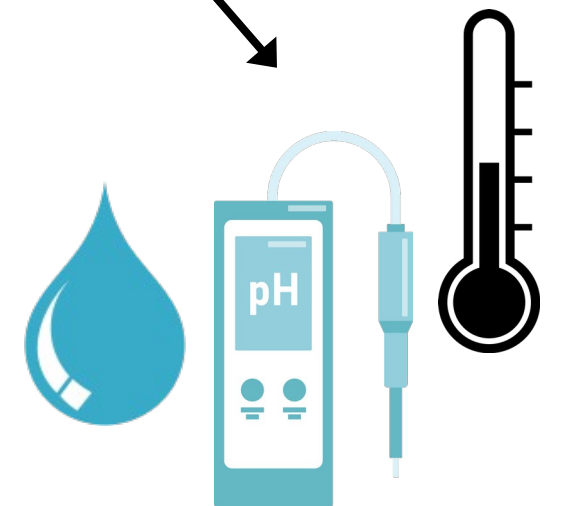
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Predictive Microbiology in few words...



A detailed knowledge of microbial behaviour in certain conditions described in a mathematical model that allows objective assessment of the food safety of the processing, retail and storage phases along the food chain without the need of microbiological tests



Reference	Year	Temperature °C	Max rate (Log CFU/day)
Murru et al (2018)	2018	4	0.028
Murru et al (2018)	2018	20	0.271
Murru et al (2018)	2018	30	0.211
Murru et al (2018)	2018	4	0.066
Murru et al (2018)	2018	20	0.206
Murru et al (2018)	2018	30	0.136
Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	0.213
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Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	0.114
Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	0.083
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	0.020
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	-0.003
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	0.104
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	0.027
Han et al (2014)	2014	10	0.247
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	5	-0.014
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	10	-0.140
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	15	-0.151
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	20	-0.132
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	5	-0.039
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	10	0.079
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	20	0.244
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	5	0.093



Potential growth of *Listeria monocytogenes* (Log CFU/g/day) in mozzarella cheese as affected by microbiological and chemical-physical environment.

Primary model fitting: takes into account only the time (experimental factors are not considered)



Reference	Year	Temperature °C	ph	Max rate at 8 °C
Murru et al (2018)	2018	4	5.40	0.08
Murru et al (2018)	2018	20	5.39	0.05
Murru et al (2018)	2018	30	5.37	0.02
Murru et al (2018)	2018	4	5.40	0.19
Murru et al (2018)	2018	20	5.39	0.04
Murru et al (2018)	2018	30	5.37	0.01
Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	6.23	0.26
Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	6.19	0.26
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Kapetanakou et al. (2017)	2017	7	6.14	0.10
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	5.38	0.01
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	5.38	0.00
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	5.38	0.05
Nava et al. (2016)	2016	12	5.38	0.01
Han et al (2014)	2014	10	5.80	0.17
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	5	4.96	-0.03
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	10	4.95	-0.10
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	15	4.89	-0.05
Serraino et al (2012)	2012	20	4.66	-0.03
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	5	4.79	-0.08
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	10	5.13	0.05
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	20	4.66	0.05
Finazzi et al. (2011)	2011	5	4.63	0.20
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	4	6.51	0.89
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	4	6.51	0.57
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	9	6.51	0.61
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	9	6.51	0.65
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	15	6.51	0.43
Tirloni et al (2019)	2019	15	6.51	0.51
Rivas et al (2022)	2022	10	5.36	0.01

Square-root model modified from McMeekin (1992)

$$\mu_{ref} = \mu_{obs} * \frac{(T_{ref}-T_{min})^2}{(T_{obs}-T_{min})^2} * \frac{pH_{ref}-pH_{min}}{pH_{obs}-pH_{min}}$$

Modello gamma-concept modified from Zwietering et al., (1992)

$$\mu_{max}(T, pH) = \mu_{opt} \tau(T) \rho(pH)$$

$$\tau(T) = \left(\frac{T - T_{min}}{T_{opt} - T_{min}} \right)^2$$

$$\rho(pH) = \left(\frac{pH - pH_{min}}{pH_{opt} - pH_{min}} \right)$$

Modello cardinale from Rosso et al., (1995)

$$\mu_{opt} = \frac{\mu_{max}}{\gamma(T) \cdot \gamma(pH) \cdot \gamma(aw) \cdot \gamma(AH) \cdot \gamma(int)} \quad (6)$$

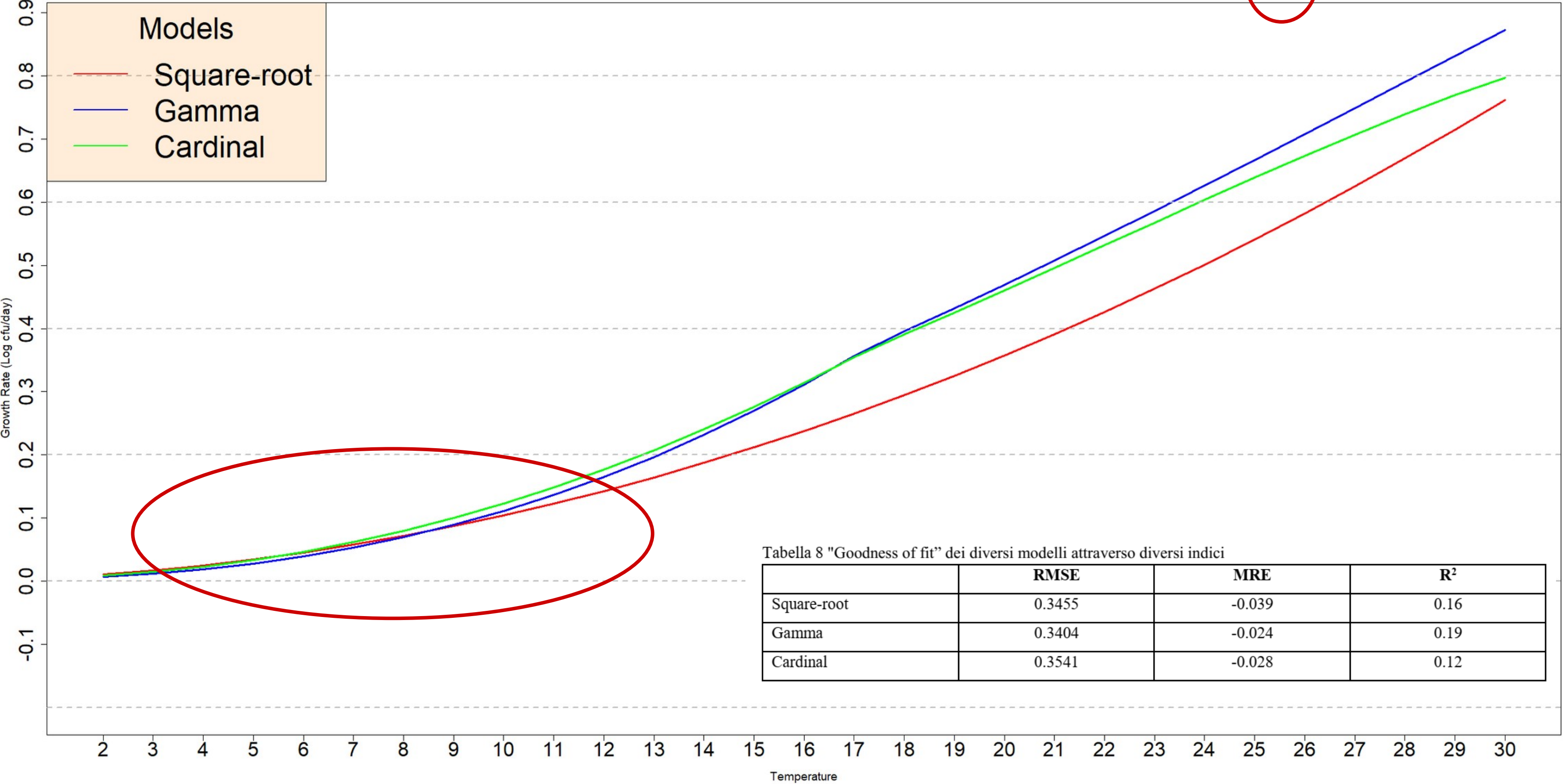
$$\gamma(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & , T \leq T_{min} \\ \frac{(T - T_{max})(T - T_{min})^2}{(T_{opt} - T_{min})[(T_{opt} - T_{min})(T - T_{opt}) - (T_{opt} - T_{max})(T_{opt} + T_{min} - 2.T)]} & , T_{min} < T < T_{max} \\ 0 & , T \geq T_{max} \end{cases}$$

$$\rho(pH) = \frac{(pH - pH_{min})(pH - pH_{max})}{(pH - pH_{min})(pH - pH_{max}) - (pH - pH_{opt})^2}$$

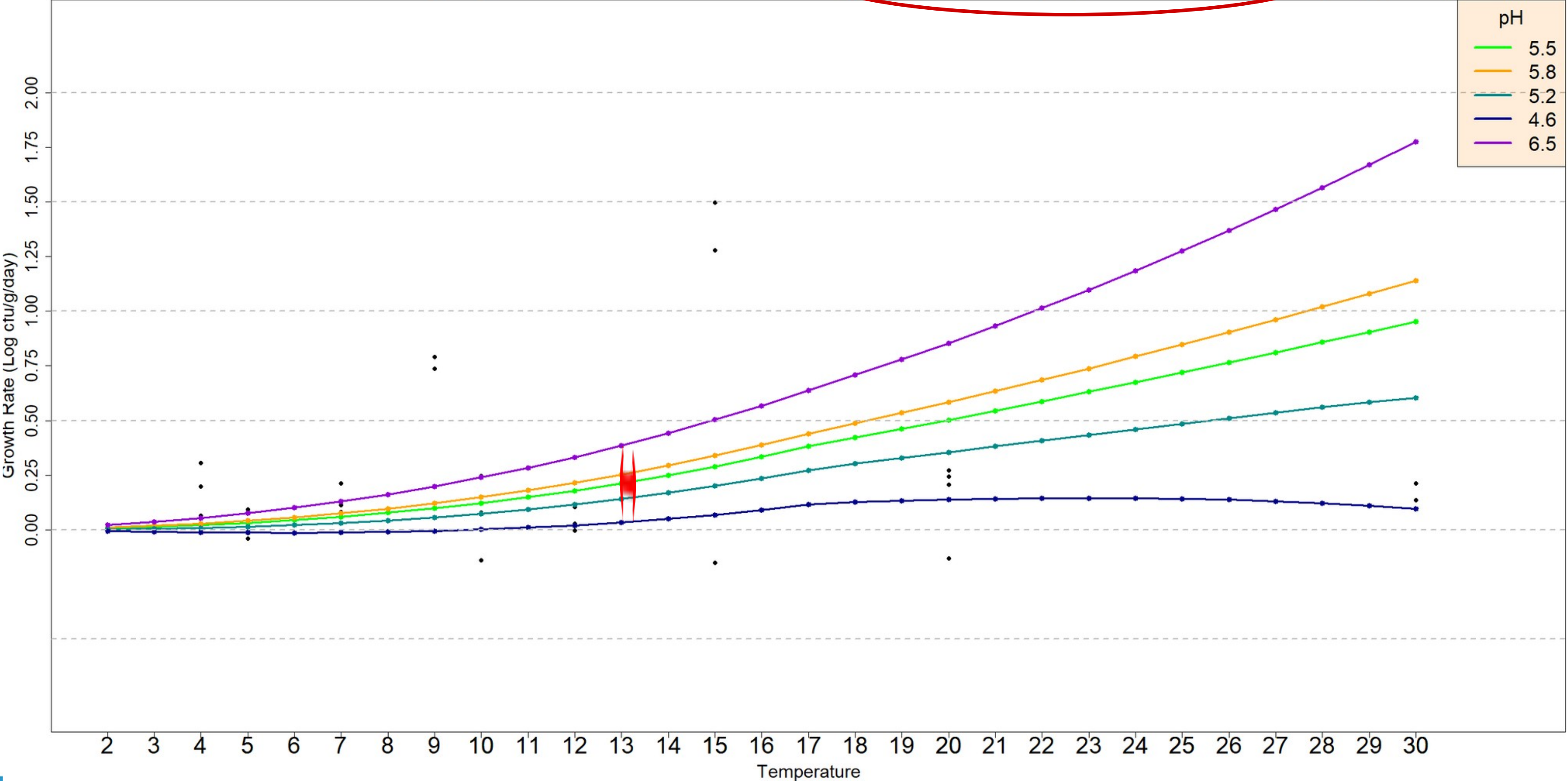
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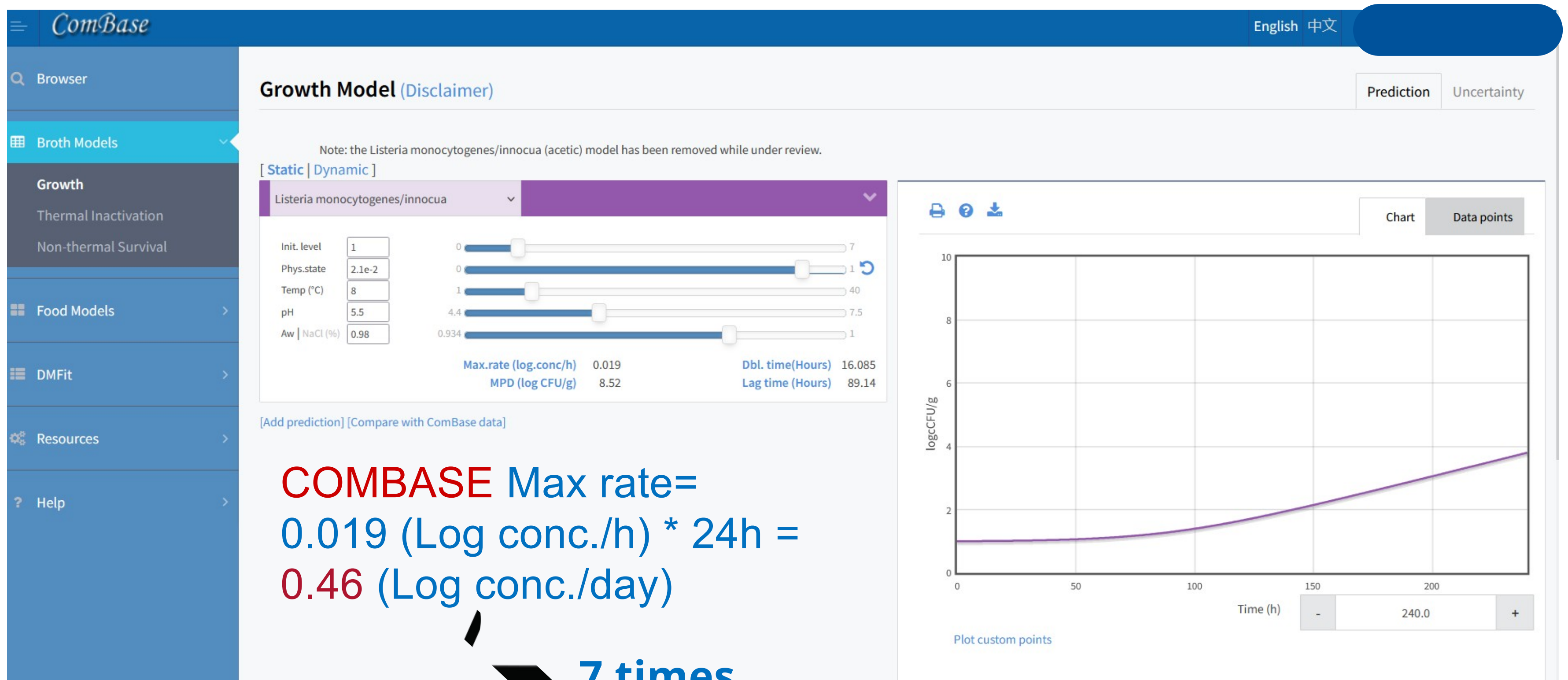
- RMSE (Root Mean Squared Error)
- MRE (Mean Relative Error)
- R2 (Coefficient of determination)

Estimated Maximum growth of *L. monocytogenes* in mozzarella by different predictive models at different temperatures and ph 5.5 (Log cfu/day)



Growth rate of *L. monocytogenes* on the basis of the gamma-concept predictive model (Log cfu/g/day)





Take-home messages

The model is more robust than those developed using lab media and can support FBO to predict the concentration *L. monocytogenes* during the shelf life at certain conditions

pH of the product is an important factor to limit the growth of the microorganism

The model should be improved in term of accuracy with new experimental data



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Effect of aging on probiotic bacteria in semi-hard buffalo cheese

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Introduction




Cheese refinement relies on complex processes, with bacteria playing a key role in developing flavor and texture. These microorganisms can originate from milk, the environment, or starter cultures, but production methods often impact which bacteria dominate.



Aim of the study

The aim of the study was to compare the effect of the traditional refinement method (**Trad; 98 days**) with the rapid method (**Fast; 42 days**) on probiotic bacteria in semi-hard raw milk buffalo cheese.



Materials and methods



Raw buffalo milk at 31.5 °C

Heating at 40 °C (5 min)

Adding commercial
starter mix (CO.02)

Adding kid lipase
after 2 minutes

Adding kid rennet paste
after 60 min

Manual curd breaking
after 60 min

Whey curd extraction

Pressing curd into
cylindrical forms

Steam cooking (30 min)

Pre-ripening at 4° C (48 h)

Salting in brine (20%) for 1 h



Raw buffalo milk



Curd



**Cheese on the first
production day (t0)**

Semi-hard cheese



42 days

**Ripened cheese
RAPID METHOD**



98 days

**Ripened cheese
TRADITIONAL METHOD**

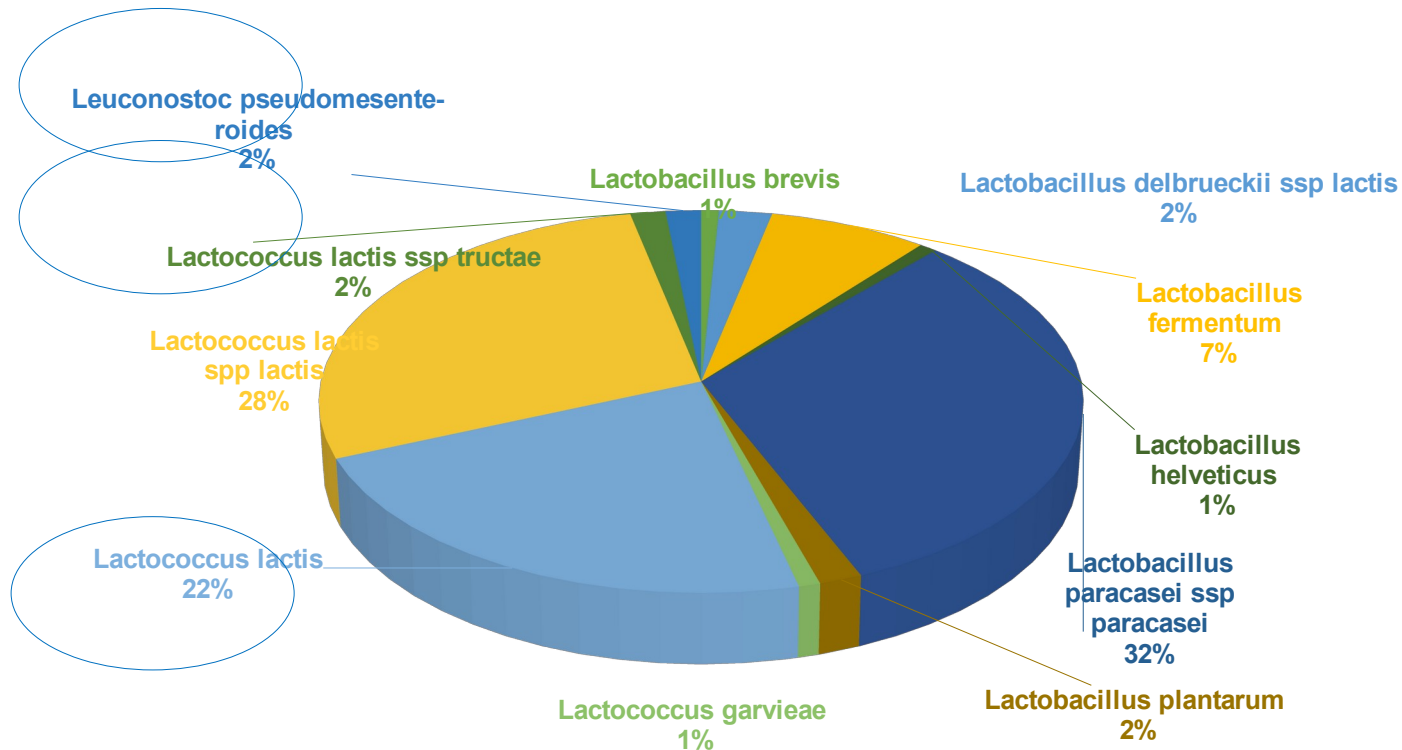
Industrial maturation chamber



The chamber is capable of automatically regulating the climatic parameters, preserving the quality and characteristics of the cheeses..

Results and discussion

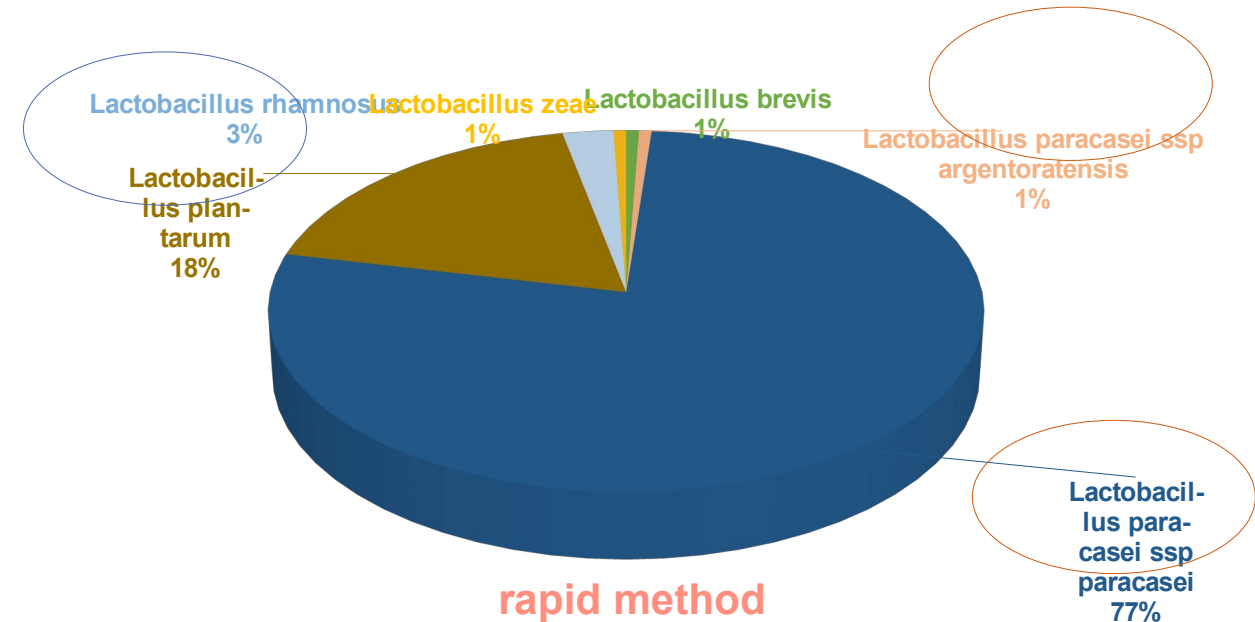
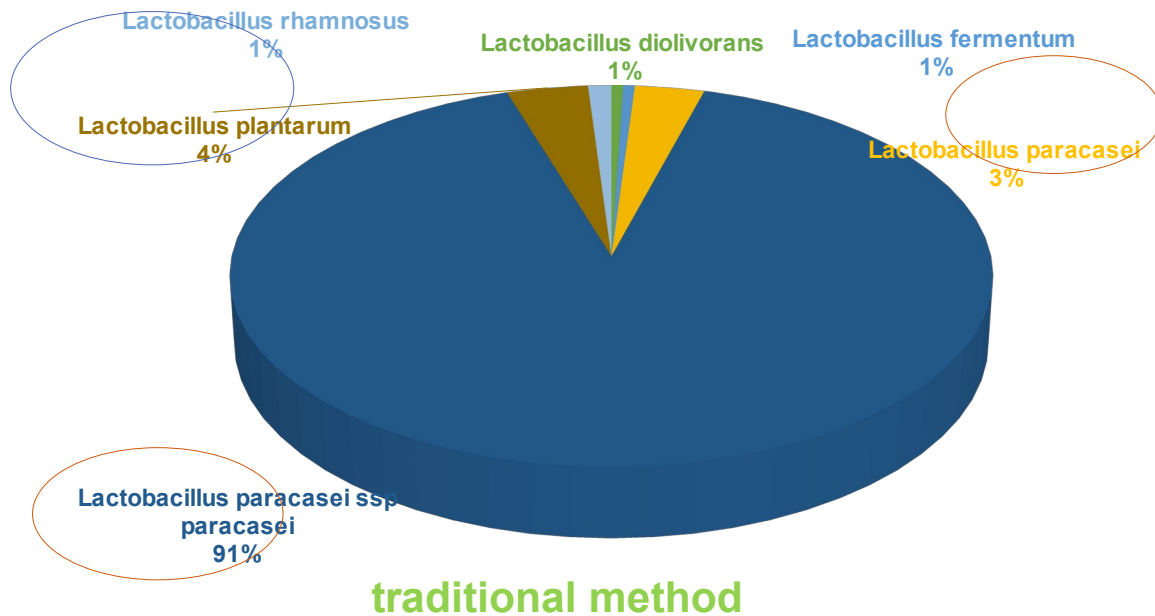
semi-hard cheese after 24h from production



The **MALDI-TOF/MS** identification of the predominant bacterial populations isolated from pre-aged cheeses (after 24 hours from cheese production) indicates the presence of *heterofermentative bacilli*.

***Lactococcus lactis* was the dominant species (52%).**

Results and discussion



After the ripening periods, indigenous lactic acid bacteria decreased in both experimental setups, allowing other microbial populations to prosper:

- the cocci were replaced by bacilli with *Lactobacillus paracasei* dominance (trad 94%; fast 78%);
- interesting was the isolation of *Lactobacillus plantarum*, which exhibited a higher prevalence in the rapid method (18%) compared to the traditional one (4%).

Conclusions



Certain strains of ***Lactobacillus plantarum*** are recognized for their capacity to produce natural antimicrobial compounds, such as bacteriocins, which can inhibit undesired bacteria sharing the same ecological niche.



The rapid refinement method not only shortened production times but also facilitated the selection of a diverse bacterial flora, promoting the prevalence of selected strains into the starter during the process.



Grazie per l'attenzione!

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