

Protein transtion

from animal to plant-based foods



NIZO for better food & health

- Independent, private contract research company for food and health
 - Proteins
 - Bacteria
 - Processing
- HQ in The Netherlands (Food Valley)
- 100 professionals
- From lab to practice
 - Food-grade pilot plag





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PROTEIN TRANSITION IN FOOD



Climate impact of Protein Sources

Carbon Footprint of Protein Sources



Gardner, Christopher & Hartle, Jennifer & Garrett, Rachael & Offringa, Lisa & Wasserman, Arlin. (2019). Maximizing the intersection of human health and the health of the environment with regard to the amount and type of protein produced and consumed in the United States. Nutrition Reviews. 77. 197-215. 10.1093/nutrit/nuy073.



Healthy balance 50:50 target

Green Protein





Healthy balance

historical perspective







VoedselConsumptiePeiling (VCP) van het RIVM (van Rossum et al., 2011); PBL NEAA (2011) The protein puzzle

Protein transition

the historic perspective in absolute numbers





20 g protein = 1 kg of lettuce



Voedingscentrum (2018) Brondocument Naar een meer plantaardig voedingspatroon. VoedselConsumptiePeiling (VCP) van het RIVM (van Rossum et al., 2011); PBL NEAA (2011) The protein puzzle

Alternatives for animal products



Protein transition in food

- The transition from animal protein to plant protein
 - This is not about alternative proteins in general
- Proteins for human consumption
 - Excluding animal feed
- Insects are excluded
 - Insects are animals and do not contribute to the protein transition
- Not limited to meat replacement
 - Replacing milk, egg and meat proteins







Proteins *what are proteins*

- Chain of amino acids
 - Polypeptides

- Source of nutrients
 - Essential nutrients

- Food ingredient
 - Technical functionality



Amino acids





How to tempt the consumer?

plant protein drinks, a full alternative to milk?

Nutritional composition varies widely







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Protein transition in food

balance between technology and consumer



How to tempt the consumer?

eating more protein rich vegetable products?



How to tempt the consumer?

developing the ultimate burger?



Meat alternatives different types of meat alternatives

- Pulses as part of the daily diet
 - Pea, soy, chickpea, beans and so on
- Protein rich meat replacers
 - (traditional) plant-based products to are rich in protein
 - Tofu, tempeh, seitan
- Meat substitutes, meat analogues
 - Products based on plant protein ingredients
 - Aimed at mimicking the eating experience of meat and meat products









Issues with meat alternatives

- The major issue with meat alternatives
 - Structure
 - Texture (perception)
 - Nutritional profile, salt content
- Categories of meat alternatives
 - Meat: focus on developing meat like structure/texture
 - Ready to use (minced meat analogues)
 - Processed meat (sausages, ham: almost not meat structure)





MICROSTRUCTURE

the gateway to understand ingredient functionality

- Need for low cost sources of ingredients / proteins
- Need for flexibility in ingredient sourcing

NIZO offers state-of-the-art CLSM equipment combined with 20⁺ years of experience

- Confocal Laser Scanning Microscopy
 - Limited sample preparation
 - 3D imaging
- Simultaneous visualization of different ingredients
 - Protein, fat, starch
- Visualize the impact of processing and ingredients





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COOKED SAUSAGE

microstructure







MEAT VS. MEAT ALTERNATIVES

different microstructures different perception



Fresh chicken meat showing fibres



Meat alternative composed of protein "lumps"





Tofu *a traditional Asian product*

- Traditional tofu
 - Soy milk prepared from whole soy beans
 - Coagulation of soy with heat and salts
 - CaSO₄, CaCl₂, MgSO₄,
- New process: silken tofu
 - Soy milk prepared from whole soy beans
 - Gelation by slow acidification
 - Addition of glucono- δ -lacton





feng et al. (2016) Food Chemistry, 213, 561-566

Tempeh *a traditional Asian product*

- Fermented soy beans
 - Dehulled, partly cooked soy beans
 - Controlled fermentation by *Rhizopus* oligosporus
 - Soy beans hold together by the mycelium
 - Cakes of fermented soy beans can be sliced
- Specialty tempeh
 - Other beans, wheat or whole grains





Quorn *British company founded in 1985*

- Mycoprotein
 - Mycelium resembles meat texture
 - Produced by fermentation with *Fusarium Venenatum*
 - Glucose as carbohydrate source
 - Vitamins and minerals added for nutritional profile
 - Mycelium is cooked and dried
 - Mixed with chicken egg white as binder
 - Potato protein is used in the vegan products
 - Shaped into products





Production of meat alternatives



Fibre technologies

- Proven technologies
 - Extrusion
 - Texturised Vegetable Proteins (TVP): dry extrusion
 - High Moisture Meat Analogues (HMMA): wet extrusion
 - High Moisture Extrusion Cooking (HMEC)
 - Calcium alginate technology
- Experimental technologies
 - Shear cell technology
 - Cultured meat (clean meat)









Extrusion

- Texturised Vegetable Proteins (TVP)
 - Dry ingredients
 - Mainly soy
 - Steam injection
 - Extrusion
 - Drying
- Sponge-like texture
 - Rehydration is required before use







Extrusion

- High Moisture Meat Analogues (HMMA)
 - Recipe
 - Different protein sources
 - Water
 - Fat
 - Wet extrusion
 - Texturising, cooling, cutting
- Fibrous texture
 - Ready to used







Calcium alginate method

- Interactions results in structured products
 - Alginate originates from seaweeds
 - Produced as sodium alginate
 - Mixed with the protein source
 - Flour, concentrate, isolate
 - Interaction with calcium chloride results in skin formation
 - Cooking and freezing







Shear cell technology

- Homogeneous shear field
- Mixture of proteins
 - Soy, Pea, Wheat, Lupin
- Up-scaling is ongoing







STRUCTURING PROTEIN INTO FIBROUS TEXTURES

the NIZO fibrous proteins bring "bite" and juiciness



- Demand for a sustainable food production, protein enrichment and meat alternatives with the 'bite of meat'
- NIZO fibrous proteins bring texture & "bite"
 - in Meat and meat alternatives
 - with a wide range of protein sources

The NIZO fibrous proteins bring "bite" and juiciness





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Production of meat alternatives



HOW TO TEMPT THE CONSUMER?

which protein ingredient is most appealing

ESTABLISHED



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UP COMING













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Protein source

how to select the right ingredient

- Flour
 - Low in protein
- Concentrate
- Isolate
 - Highly purified
 - High in protein



PLANT PROTEINS

economic drivers











Oil and starch are part of the economic picture of plant proteins



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EXTRACTION PROCESS

pea proteins (and other starch seeds)



DRY VS. WET SEPARATION OF PEA PROTEIN

analysis of the environmental impact







Wet fractionation

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Pelgrom (2015) PhD thesis Geerts et al. / Journal of Cleaner Production 183 (2018)

Protein yield of different crops

compairing proteins based on their yield (ton protein/hectare/year)



http://www.feedipedia.org http://ecocrop.fao.org

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PULSE project

from seed to food



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Protein Utilisation from Legumes for a Sustainable European crop Legumes as a source of dietary protein in a sustainable food chain (PULSE)

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Details Project number RAAK.PR002.051

PULSE project

a multi-disciplinary project





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HAS Food Experience 2018











HAS Food Experience 2020





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APPLICATIONS IN MEAT ALTERNATIVES

salt content under discussion



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"Excessive salt levels" found in meat alternatives, says UK campaign group

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23 Oct 2018 --- Campaign group Action on Salt (AoS) is urging the government to step up legislation on salt reduction after finding "excessive amounts" in some processed meat alternatives. A UK product survey reveals several meat-free products are far higher in salt than the recommended guidelines. And, Public Health England, the government agency responsible for the UK's salt reduction program, admits "there is still a long way to go" on decreasing the nation's salt intake.



Vraag en antwoord

Afvallen en gewicht

Zwangerschap en baby

Kinderen en iongeren

Koken en bewaren

Eten kopen en keurmerken

Veilig eten en E-nummers

Vragen aan het Voedingscentrum

Aandoeningen

Gezonde voeding en voedingsstoffen

Based at Queen Mary University London, Action on Salt claims that meat-free products, like alternative burgers, bacon-style rashers and sausages, often

contain more salt than their real meat counterparts. These meat-free alternatives are often perceived by consumers to be a healthier alternative, according to AoS, but 28 percent of all products surveyed are higher in salt than the UK government's recommended salt targets.



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De vleesvervanger is ongekend populair, zeker na het knallende beursdebuut van Beyond Meat op Wall Street. Ook in Nederland voorspelt ABN Amro een flinke groei van de markt voor vleesvervangers, dankzij voedingsinnovaties. Er is alleen nog wel wat te verbeteren aan de producten, melden voedseldeskundigen. Vegaburgers en 'kipstuckjes' blijken namelijk niet zo gezond. Hoe zit dat?

Vegaburger: goed voor dieren, minder

Volgen via mijn nie	uws
Beursgang	+ Voig
Beyond Meat	+ Volg

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Wat zijn gezonde vleesvervangers als je meer vegetarisch wilt eten?

Als je een gezond vegetarisch gerecht wilt maken, kun je vlees of vis vervangen door bijvoorbeeld eieren, noten, peulvruchten of producten op basis van soja (tofu of tempé/tempeh), lupine of tarwe-eivit (seitan). Je kunt ook kiezen voor een kant-en-klare vleesvervanger zoals een vegetarische burger, groenteburger, vegetarisch gehakt, vegetarische balletjes (o.a. falafel) of vleesstukjes, of een vleesvervanger van merken zoals de Vegetarische Slager, Quorn, Valess, Tivall, Vivera of een huismerk van ie supermarkt.





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Veel kant-en-klare vleesvervangers zijn echter niet zo gezond, omdat ze veel zout en

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Jernen Kool

EXTRACTION PROCESS

pea proteins (and other starch seeds)



LOW SODIUM PEA PROTEIN ISOLATE

mildly extracted PPI

- Low Sodium pea protein isolate has been produced in the NIZO processing centre
 - Starch separation
 - Protein purification
 - Spray drying
- Batch size: 1 4 m³
- Low Sodium PPI showed
 - Good solubility/dispersibility
 - Good emulsifying properties
 - Excellent heat stability

Sodium content of NIZO Low Sodium PPI is 40 times lower than commercial PPI





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PROTEIN FLEXIBILITY

developing new protein ingredients

- One-to-one protein or ingredient replacement is not always possible
- Nutritional quality
 - Proteins from different sources have different amino acid profiles (essential amino acids) and digestibility
- Technical functionality
 - Solubility, gelling, emulsifying, foaming
 - Interaction with hydrocolloids
- Taste and smell
- Environmental impact

A Infant, Sport & Clinical
B Food - functional ingredient
C Food - bulk nutrition
D Pet food
E Feed
F Energy, Bioplastics & Chemicals









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amino acid composition



Dairy proteins Meat proteins Vegetable proteins Insects

Clustering of the amino acid composition per origin





DIGESTIBILITY

FAO discussion on methods



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

PDCAAS: Protein Digestibility Corrected Amino Acid Score

- \rightarrow $\;$ Established method according to AOAC $\;$
- ightarrow Measurement in the faeces
- ightarrow Bioavailability of single amino acids is not taken into account

FAO expert consultation 2012: Dietary protein quality evaluation should be performed by DIAAS

• DIAAS: Digestible Indispensable Amino Acid Score

- ightarrow True ileal digestibility ightarrow sampling at terminal ileum
- \rightarrow Measure digestibility for individual essential amino acids
- → Preferably determined in humans > if not possible: pigs > if not possible: rats
- No established AOAC method yet

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WHAT DOES YOUR BODY THINK OF NEW PROTEINS?

- Growing demand for the use of new protein sources
- Evaluate digestibility of emerging and upcoming protein sources compared to established ingredients

In vitro digestibility increased with: low MW potato < casein < high MW potato < pea < soy << whey protein A similar trend was observed for the in vivo amino acid digestion profiles: TAA, EAA, BCAA and Leucine

• Screen protein digestibility using *in vitro* GI model

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Relate data to *in vivo* absorption kinetics: postprandial plasma amino acid concentrations





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