Comparison of the acidification activities of commercial starter cultures in camel and bovine milk

Camel milk has been reported to be difficult to ferment due to anti-microbial properties. The present study tested eight commercial starter cultures for their ability to grow in camel milk. All investigated cultures were able to acidify camel milk and reached a final pH at a level similar to what was achieved in bovine milk, but the speed of acidification was generally lower in camel milk. This could be due to inhibitory substances in camel milk or due to reduced availability of nutrients. Experiments using mixtures of camel and bovine milk or supplementation with casein hydrolysates allowed us to distinguish between these possibilities. High acidification rates were obtained in camel milk mixed with bovine milk or supplemented with casein hydrolysate. This demonstrates that the cultures are not inhibited by camel milk and we conclude that the growth rates of these cultures in pure camel milk are limited by the rate of proteolysis.
Redox reactions in food fermentations

Food fermentations are typically performed without actively supplying air. Except for possible surface microorganisms, oxygen will only be transiently available and the redox reactions during the fermentation need to be in balance. Production of ATP from fermentation of carbohydrates typically involves oxidative steps in the early part of the pathways whereas a multitude of different reactions are used as compensating reductions. Much of the diversity seen between food fermentations arise from the different routes and the different electron acceptors used by microorganisms to counterbalance the initial oxidative steps.

This review gives a short overview of the routes employed by microorganisms in food fermentations to find ultimate electron acceptors allowing them to balance their fermentative metabolism.

The diversity of acceptors used leads to diversity of metabolic end products and this contributes to the diversity in flavor, color, texture, and shelf life. The review concludes that these reactions are still only incompletely understood and that they represent an interesting area for fundamental research and also represent a fertile field for product development through a more conscious use of the redox properties of strains used to compose food cultures.
during ripening. However, cheese made with 85 IMCU L−1 coagulant resulted in softening of cheese texture and higher salt uptake. Using descriptive sensory analysis, the experimental cheeses were described as salty, sour and firm. The volatile aroma compounds formed in soft ripened camel milk cheese are affected by ripening time, and coagulant and NaCl levels.

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Antimicrobial peptide CAP18 and its effect on Yersinia ruckeri infections in rainbow trout Oncorhynchus mykiss (Walbaum): comparing administration by injection and oral routes

The antimicrobial peptide CAP18 has been demonstrated to have a strong in vitro bactericidal effect on Yersinia ruckeri, but its activity in vivo has not been described. In this work, we investigated whether CAP18 protects rainbow trout Oncorhynchus mykiss (Walbaum) against enteric red mouth disease caused by this pathogen either following i.p. injection or by oral administration (in feed). It was found that injection of CAP18 into juvenile rainbow trout before exposure to Y. ruckeri was associated with lowered mortality compared to non-medicated fish although it was less effective than the conventional antibiotic oxolinic acid. Oral administration of CAP18 to trout did not prevent infection. The proteolytic effect of secretions on the peptide CAP18 in the fish gastrointestinal tract is suggested to account for the inferior effect of oral administration.

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Characterisation of lactic acid bacteria in spontaneously fermented camel milk and selection of strains for fermentation of camel milk

The microbial communities in spontaneously fermented camel milk from Ethiopia were characterised through metagenomic 16S rRNA sequencing and lactic acid bacteria were isolated with the goal of selecting strains suitable as starter cultures. The fermented camel milk microbiota was dominated either by Lactobacillales or by Enterobacteriaceae, depending on incubation temperature and the provider of the milk. Strains of species with a potential use as starter cultures i.e., Lactococcus lactis, Lactobacillus plantarum, and Pediococcus acidilactici, were isolated. Fast acidifiers of camel milk have been isolated from the species of Lc. lactis, P. acidilactici, and Streptococcus infantarius. Gram-negative and potentially pathogenic microorganisms were frequent in spontaneously fermented camel milk, indicating the need for improved hygiene in Ethiopian camel farms. The profiled microbiota of spontaneously fermented camel milk and the isolated LAB strains will significantly contribute towards improving food safety and food security in dry regions that depend on camel milk production.

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There is much interest in the study and production of nondigestible oligosaccharides (NDOs), due to their bioactivities and beneficial effects to the human health. The main approach in the production of NDOs relies on the action of glycosidases performing hydrolysis or transglycosylation of polysaccharides and sugars. In this chapter, a description of the main microbial glycosidases used for NDOs production, their sources, their principal properties, and a description of the production processes with the better results obtained are discussed.

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Processing Challenges and Opportunities of Camel Dairy Products
A review on the challenges and opportunities of processing camel milk into dairy products is provided with an objective of exploring the challenges of processing and assessing the opportunities for developing functional products from camel milk. The gross composition of camel milk is similar to bovine milk. Nonetheless, the relative composition, distribution, and the molecular structure of the milk components are reported to be different. Consequently, manufacturing of camel dairy products such as cheese, yoghurt, or butter using the same technology as for dairy products from bovine milk can result in processing difficulties and products of inferior quality. However, scientific evidence points to the possibility of transforming camel milk into products by optimization of the processing parameters. Additionally, camel milk has traditionally been used for its medicinal values and recent scientific studies confirm that it is a rich source of bioactive, antimicrobial, and antioxidant substances. The current literature concerning product design and functional potential of camel milk is fragmented in terms of time, place, and depth of the research. Therefore, it is essential to understand the fundamental features of camel milk and initiate detailed multidisciplinary research to fully explore and utilize its functional and technological properties.

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Factors influencing the gelation and rennetability of camel milk using camel chymosin
The effects of temperature, pH, concentration of camel chymosin and addition of CaCl2 on the hydrolysis of κ-casein (κ-CN) and the coagulation kinetics of camel milk were investigated. The rate of κ-CN hydrolysis was higher at 40 °C than at 30 °C and with increasing addition of chymosin and decreasing pH. For all samples gelation was initiated at levels of camel milk κ-CN hydrolysis >95%. The gelation time (Tg) of camel milk was significantly reduced (from 717 to 526 s) at 30 °C when the concentration of chymosin was increased, but was independent of chymosin concentration at 40 °C. Reducing pH also reduced Tg. The gel firmness increased at 40 °C (58 Pa) compared with 30 °C (44 Pa) and effect of CaCl2 addition on the gelation properties of camel milk was found to be dependent on pH; a significant improvement was only found at pH 6.3.

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This review summarises current knowledge on camel milk proteins, with focus on significant peculiarities in protein composition and molecular properties. Camel milk is traditionally consumed as a fresh or naturally fermented product. Within the last couple of years, an increasing quantity is being processed in dairy plants, and a number of consumer products have been marketed. A better understanding of the technological and functional properties, as required for product improvement, has been gained in the past years. Absence of the whey protein β-LG and a low proportion of κ-casein cause differences in relation to dairy processing. In addition to the technological properties, there are also implications for human nutrition and camel milk proteins are of interest for applications in infant foods, for food preservation and in functional foods. Proposed health benefits include inhibition of the angiotensin converting enzyme, antimicrobial and antioxidant properties as well as an antidiabetogenic effect. Detailed investigations on foaming, gelation and solubility as well as technological consequences of processing should be investigated further for the improvement of camel milk utilisation in the near future.
Proteolysis of camel milk by lactic acid bacteria

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Viden er den vigtigste ingrediens

Comparative Evaluation of the Antimicrobial Activity of Different Antimicrobial Peptides against a Range of Pathogenic Bacteria
The rapid emergence of resistance to classical antibiotics has increased the interest in novel antimicrobial compounds. Antimicrobial peptides (AMPs) represent an attractive alternative to classical antibiotics and a number of different studies have reported antimicrobial activity data of various AMPs, but there is only limited comparative data available. The mode of action for many AMPs is largely unknown even though several models have suggested that the lipopolysaccharides (LPS) play a crucial role in the attraction and attachment of the AMP to the bacterial membrane in Gram-negative bacteria. We compared the potency of Cap18, Cap11, Cap11-1-18m2, Cecropin P1, Cecropin B, Bac2A, Bac2A-NH2, Sub5-NH2, Indolicidin, Melittin, Myxinidin, Myxinidin-NH2, Pyrrhocoricin, Apidaecin and Metalnikowin I towards Staphylococcus aureus, Enterococcus faecalis, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Escherichia coli, Aeromonas salmonicida, Listeria monocytogenes, Campylobacter jejuni, Flavobacterium psychrophilum, Salmonella typhimurium and Yersinia ruckeri by minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC) determinations. Additional characteristics such as cytotoxicity, thermo and protease stability were measured and compared among the different peptides. Further, the antimicrobial activity of a selection of cationic AMPs was investigated in various E. coli LPS mutants.
Starter Cultures: Uses in the Food Industry.

Starter cultures are preparations of microorganisms serving as inoculants for the production of fermented foods. The production of cheese, yogurt, fermented milk, wine, sauerkraut, hams, and sausages occurs through the use of starter cultures that are consistent, predictable, and safe. The cultures provide the food products with a multitude of properties. Acidification of the food matrix is a primary property in a large number of food fermentations. Acidification activity often will be used to define packaging size and the unit of activity, whereas other characteristics differentiate a culture from the range of other available starter cultures. Starter cultures are commercially available in liquid, frozen, or lyophilized form from several companies serving regional or global markets.
Food fermentations: Microorganisms with technological beneficial use

Microbial food cultures have directly or indirectly come under various regulatory frameworks in the course of the last decades. Several of those regulatory frameworks put emphasis on “the history of use”, “traditional food”, or “general recognition of safety”. Authoritative lists of microorganisms with a documented use in food have therefore come into high demand. One such list was published in 2002 as a result of a joint project between the International Dairy Federation (IDF) and the European Food and Feed Cultures Association (EFFCA). The “2002 IDF inventory” has become a de facto reference for food cultures in practical use. However, as the focus mainly was on commercially available dairy cultures, there was an unmet need for a list with a wider scope. We present an updated inventory of microorganisms used in food fermentations covering a wide range of food matrices (dairy, meat, fish, vegetables, legumes, cereals, beverages, and vinegar). We have also reviewed and updated the taxonomy of the microorganisms used in food fermentations in order to bring the taxonomy in agreement with the current standing in nomenclature.

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Analysis of the human intestinal epithelial cell transcriptional response to Lactobacillus acidophilus, Lactobacillus salivarius, Bifidobacterium lactis and Escherichia coli

The complex microbial population residing in the human gastrointestinal tract consists of commensal, potential pathogenic and beneficial species, which are probably perceived differently by the host and consequently could be expected to trigger specific transcriptional responses. In this study, a comparative analysis of the global in vitro transcriptional response of human intestinal epithelial cells to Lactobacillus acidophilus NCFMTM, L. salivarius Ls-33, Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis 420 and enterohaemorrhagic Escherichia coli O157:H7 (EHEC) was conducted. Of particular note, L. salivarius Ls-33 DCE-induced changes were overall more similar to those of B. lactis 420 than to L. acidophilus NCFMTM, which was consistent with previously observed in vivo immunomodulation properties. In gene ontology and pathway analyses, both specific and unspecific changes were observed. Common to all was the regulation of apoptosis and adipogenesis, and lipid metabolism related regulation by the probiotics. Specific changes, such as regulation of cell-cell adhesion by B. lactis 420, superoxide metabolism by L. salivarius Ls-33 and regulation of MAPK pathway by L. acidophilus NCFMTM, were noted. Furthermore, fundamental differences were observed between the pathogenic and probiotic treatments in the Toll-like receptor pathway, especially for adapter molecules with a lowered level of transcriptional activation of MyD88, TRIF, IRAK1 and TRAF6 by probiotics compared to EHEC. Results provided insights into the relationship between probiotics and human intestinal epithelial cells, notably with regard to strain-specific responses, and highlighted the differences between transcriptional responses to pathogenic and probiotic bacteria.

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**The Legal Status of Microbial Food Cultures in the European Union: An Overview**

The production of fermented foods is one of the oldest food processing technologies known to man. Since the dawn of civilisation, methods for the fermentation of milks, meats, fish and vegetables have been used to produce safe foods with distinctive organoleptic properties. Microbial food cultures (MFC) with a technological impact on food are called “starter cultures”. They may be present as natural microflora in the food, or as a result of the intentional addition of the microorganisms in an industrial food fermentation process. MFC that are used for their beneficial effect on consumers’ health are called probiotics. Probiotics are always intentionally added to the food as they have been carefully selected and studied to guarantee that they provide a proven beneficial effect to consumers. They may be used in both fermented and non-fermented foods such as food supplements. This paper aims to provide an overview of the European regulatory framework which governs the use and labelling of commercial microbial food cultures intentionally added in a food manufacturing process.

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**Engineering of Bacillus subtilis 168 for increased nisin resistance**

Nisin is a natural bacteriocin produced commercially by Lactococcus lactis and widely used in the food industry as a preservative because of its broad host spectrum. Despite the low productivity and troublesome fermentation of L. lactis, no alternative cost-effective host has yet been found. Bacillus subtilis had been suggested as a potential host for the biosynthesis of nisin but was discarded due to its sensitivity to the lethal action of nisin. In this study, we have reevaluated the potential of B. subtilis as a host organism for the heterologous production of nisin. We applied transcriptome and...
proteome analyses of B. subtilis and identified eight genes upregulated in the presence of nisin. We demonstrated that the overexpression of some of these genes boosts the natural defenses of B. subtilis, which allows it to sustain higher levels of nisin in the medium. We also attempted to overcome the nisin sensitivity of B. subtilis by introducing the nisin resistance genes nisFEG and nisI from L. lactis under the control of a synthetic promoter library.
Effect of four probiotic strains and Escherichia coli O157:H7 on tight junction integrity and cyclo-oxygenase expression

Controversy exists as to whether contact between a probiotic bacterial cell and an epithelial cell in the gut is needed to confer beneficial effects of probiotics, or whether metabolites from probiotics are sufficient to cause this effect. To address this question, Caco-2 cells were treated with cell-free supernatants of four probiotics, Bifidobacterium lactis 420, Bifidobacterium lactis HN019, Lactobacillus acidophilus NCFM™, Lactobacillus salivarius Ls-33, and by a cell-free supernatant of a pathogenic bacteria, Escherichia coli O157:H7 (EHEC). Tight junction integrity as well as expression of cyclo-oxygenases, which are prostaglandin-producing enzymes, were measured. Probiotic-specific as well as EHEC-specific effects on tight junction integrity and cyclo-oxygenase expression were evident, indicating that live bacterial cells were not necessary for the manifestation of the effects. B. lactis 420 cell-free supernatant increased tight junction integrity, while EHEC cell-free supernatant induced damage on tight junctions. In general, EHEC and probiotics had opposite effects upon cyclo-oxygenase expression. Furthermore, B. lactis 420 cell-free supernatant protected the tight junctions from EHEC-induced damage when administered prior to the cell-free supernatant of EHEC. These results indicate that probiotics produce bioactive metabolites, suggesting that consumption of specific probiotic bacteria might be beneficial in protecting intestinal epithelial cells from the deleterious effects of pathogenic bacteria.

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Characterization of recombinant camel chymosin reveals superior properties for the coagulation of bovine and camel milk

Enzymatic milk coagulation for cheese manufacturing involves the cleavage of the scissile bond in κ-casein by an aspartic acid protease. Bovine chymosin is the preferred enzyme, combining a strong clotting activity with a low general proteolytic activity. In the present study, we report expression and enzymatic properties of recombinant camel chymosin expressed in Aspergillus niger. Camel chymosin was shown to have different characteristics than bovine chymosin. Camel chymosin exhibits a 70% higher clotting activity for bovine milk and has only 20% of the unspecific protease activity for bovine chymosin. This results in a sevenfold higher ratio of clotting to general proteolytic activity. The enzyme is more thermostable than bovine chymosin. Kinetic analysis showed that half-saturation is achieved with less than 50% of the substrate required for bovine chymosin and turnover rates are lower. While raw camel milk cannot be clotted with bovine chymosin, a high clotting activity was found with camel chymosin.

Keyword: Camelus dromedarius, Milk clotting enzyme, Heterologous gene expression, Cheese, Camel chymosin, Aspergillus niger

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General information

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Organisations: Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Chr. Hansen A/S
Projects:

**Allergenicity of camel milk**

National Food Institute  
**Period:** 01/05/2018 → 30/04/2021  
**Number of participants:** 4  
**Phd Student:** Maryniak, Natalia Zofia (Intern)  
**Supervisor:** Hansen, Egon Bech (Intern)  
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**Main Supervisor:** Begh, Katrine Lindholm (Intern)

**Financing sources**

Source: Internal funding (public)  
Name of research programme: Samfinansierede - Virksomhed  
Project: PhD

**PROVIDE - Protein valorization through informatics, hydrolysis, and separation**

PROVIDE is a project to develop bioinformatics technology for the discovery of protein based food ingredients. Five enterprises and two universities collaborate with the aim to create the technology and develop new high value food and feed ingredients from protein sources that are currently under-utilized. We will use bioinformatics to predict and identify embedded peptides that can be released from proteins through hydrolysis, fermentation and separation. The targeted functionalities are antimicrobials, antioxidants, gelation, emulsifying and flavoring properties. Functional assays will be established and synthetic peptides will be used for validation. Release of the active peptides from the protein matrix will be obtained by enzymatic hydrolysis and fermentation. The participating companies utilize specific protein sources, mainly plantbased, and are united in the desire to develop novel high value food and feed functional ingredients through the proposed technology.

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**Unibio A/S**

**University of Aalborg**  
**Period:** 01/09/2017 → 31/08/2021  
**Number of participants:** 7  
**peptides, by-products, bioinformatics, ingredients**  
**Acronym:** PROVIDE  
**Project participant:** Holdt, Susan Løvstad (Intern)  
Jacobsen, Charlotte (Intern)  
Hansen, Egon Bech (Intern)  
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**Project**
**NOBLE - Non digestible oligosaccharides (NDOs) from food processing residues**

The objective of the project is to use byproducts from the Brazilian food industry to develop non-digestible soluble fibers with specific health benefits for applications in food and feed. Non-digestible oligosaccharides (NDOs) have been established as food and feed supplements due to their beneficial effect on microbiota of the intestinal tract. NDOs vary in composition and structure depending on the source, and different NDOs also differ in their effect on the intestinal microbiota. We will take advantage of the specific properties of side streams from the Brazilian food industry to develop novel types of NDOs. We will use enzyme technology developed at Sao Paulo State University to produce the novel NDOs. The biological activity of the NDOs will be characterized by technology established and developed at the Technical University of Denmark. The research will be conducted in close collaboration with industrial partners and the project is expected to result in commercial applications that will bring food and feed with improved nutritional value on the market. The project will generate new bioactive food and feed ingredients from residues not currently utilized by the Brazilian food industry. The processing technology will be based on membrane reactors with immobilized enzymes. The technology will minimize generation of waste and minimize consumption of water and other resources. The technology developed represents in itself a major result of the project. We expect several of the NDOs developed in this project to be significantly different from currently available NDOs, due to the specific raw materials and due to our specific enzymes and process technology. The impact on human and animal health will be examined through state of the art microbiological and metagenomic analyses. In this aspect the project use nutrigenomics to analyze health aspects of novel ingredients. For the participating universities and industries an important outcome will be a close collaboration around development of technology and products. The industries are expected to implement the research results without unnecessary delay, and the universities intend to continue and expand the collaboration around research and training of young scientists.

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University of São Paulo  
Period: 01/01/2017 → 30/06/2019  
Number of participants: 2  
oligosaccharides, enzymes  
Acronym: NOBLE  
Project ID: 5133-00006B  
Project Manager, organisational:  
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Project Coordinator:  
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**Financing sources**

Source: Public research council  
Name of research programme: InnvationsFonden  
Amount: 1,657,830.00 Danish Kroner  
Year of approval: 2016

**Lactic Acid Bacteria as cell factories**

National Food Institute  
Period: 01/06/2014 → 30/09/2017  
Number of participants: 6  
Phd Student:  
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**Financing sources**

Source: Internal funding (public)
Haramaya Camel Dairy

Milk production is the primary purpose of camel husbandry. Secondary purposes are meat production and transportation. The number of camels in the world amounts to about 24 million, of which 89% are one-humped (Camelus dromedarius) and the remaining 11% are two-humped (Camelus bactrianus) camels (FAOSTAT, 2010). Ethiopia is estimated to have the third largest camel herd in the world after Somalia and Sudan. The number of camels in Ethiopia is estimated to 2.4 million of the dromedary type (FAOSTAT, 2009).

Although the total global production of camel milk equals half the Danish milk production it plays very little significance in the global economy, and the FAO statistics does not list any other camel dairy products than fresh whole milk. There is thus a great potential for initiating a significant value generation in countries struggling with poverty and droughts. As the primary production is already established, what is needed is to establish an infrastructure and to develop locally suitable dairy products in order to create a camel dairy industry. Dairy products based on camel milk can, however, not be developed just by technology transfer as camel milk differs more from bovine milk than milk from the four true ruminants (cows, buffaloes, sheep and goats) differ from each other.

With this project we will conduct the research needed for product development and establish the necessary scientific capacity at Haramaya University in eastern Ethiopia to support infrastructure and product development locally.

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Chr. Hansen A/S
Period: 01/12/2012 → 31/12/2017
Number of participants: 5
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Financing sources
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Amount: 8,500,000.00 Danish Kroner
Documents:
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Brug af Bacillus Subtilis til Poduktion af et naturligt aromastof

Department of Systems Biology
Period: 01/02/2005 → 23/09/2009
Number of participants: 7
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Supervisor:
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Main Supervisor:
Jensen, Peter Ruhdal (Intern)
Examiner:
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Kuipers, Oscar Paul (Ekstern)
Mascher, Thorsten (Ekstern)
Financing sources
Source: Internal funding (public)
Name of research programme: 1/3 DTU-stip, 2/3 FUR/andet
Project: PhD

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Coagulants et cultures pour le lait de chamelle
Period: 20 Nov 2017
Egon Bech Hansen (Guest lecturer)
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Coagulants et cultures pour lait de chamelle

Related event
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Tlemchen, Algeria
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Press clippings:

DTU's ingredienssektorudviklingsrapport
Egon Bech Hansen
20/01/2017
National Food Institute, Research Group for Gut Microbiology and Immunology

Media contribution (1)

DTU's ingredienssektorudviklingsrapport
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Food Navigator, Web
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National Food Institute, Research Group for Gut Microbiology and Immunology
Press / Media

DTUs Sektorudviklingsrapport "Viden er den vigtigste ingrediens"
Egon Bech Hansen
12/12/2016
National Food Institute, Research Group for Gut Microbiology and Immunology

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DTUs Sektorudviklingsrapport "Viden er den vigtigste ingrediens"
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DR2 Dagen, Television
Mads Færch
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Fakta om GMO
Egon Bech Hansen
19/10/2016
National Food Institute, Research Group for Gut Microbiology and Immunology
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Fakta om GMO
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Samvirke, Print
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Kamelmælk
Egon Bech Hansen
07/06/2016
National Food Institute, Research Group for Gut Microbiology and Immunology

Media contribution (1)

Kamelmælk
07/06/2016
BT Søndag, Web
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TV2, Television
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Probiotika, prebiotika og mælkesyrebakterier
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