



# Reducing salt, fat and sugar in everyday foods

## Results from TeRiFiQ EU project and opportunities for food industry



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- National, European and World institutions alert that excess intake of salt, lipid, sugar lead to the onset of life-threatening pathologies. For example, sodium-rich diets have been widely demonstrated as promoting hypertension and saturated fats are positively associated with serum cholesterol level.
- Many countries and health organisations have encouraged the food industry to reduce the salt, fat, sugar content and (or) to improve fat quality in processed foods.
- However, these components are multifunctional. Consequently, changes in concentration or by substitution will change many properties of the food such as texture, flavour perception, acceptability, shelf life, safety and nutritional properties.





• Many interactions can occur between the flavour stimuli and the food matrix. As example, previous studies showed that saltiness perception was governed by the concentration of sodium present in saliva which varied not only according to salt content but also according to cheese composition, and more precisely lipid/dry matter ratio.



Lawrence et al. J Agric Food Chem (2012) 60, 5287-5298.

- <u>Binary reduction</u>:  $\checkmark$  (Fat Sodium Sugar)  $\rightarrow$   $\checkmark$  fat/sodium &  $\checkmark$  fat/sugar
- <u>**Combining technologies**</u> to achieve significant binary reductions in sodium, fat and sugar content in everyday foods whilst optimising their nutritional quality





## • Food categories

- Fat/sodium in dairy (cheeses), meat (dry and cooked sausages) and sauces (for pizza) products

- Fat/sugar in bakery (Muffins, madeleines) and sweet cream products

- Physicochemical and perceptual interactions for these two systems while at the same time ensuring the products' nutritional and sensorial qualities, safety and affordability for both industry and consumers.

In particular, Terifiq explored promising strategies notably:

Modifying the composition of the food to increase stimuli release in-mouth (development of multiple emulsions),

- Perceptual interactions, mainly taste/aroma to enhance sweetness, saltiness and fat perception by congruent aroma notes.

## • SME participation

Total EC subvention: 3 M€ EC contribution including >1 M€ for 11 SMEs partners (35%)





 TeRiFiQ aims to achieve significant binary reductions in sodium-fat and fat-sugar content of the most frequently consumed food products around Europe whilst at the same time ensuring the products' nutritional and sensorial qualities, safety and affordability for both industry and consumers.

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17 partners including 11 SMEs involved at all stages of project

• Structure of project

**4 years:** 3 years for reformulated food development / research at the lab scale and the last year for demonstration at the industrial scale



## Non SMEs partnership







## SMEs partnership



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## Structure of the project









#### 1 Reducing sodium content and improved fat composition in cheese

- T1.1 The relations between salt-level reductions and fermentations in cheese
- T1.2 Relation of salt-level reduction and the ripening process (lipolysis, proteolysis, lactates fermentations, opening etc.),
- T1.3 influence of salt-level reduction on cheese final acceptability (texture, functionalities, taste, aroma).
- T1.4 Correction of salt reduction by modulation of composition parameters
- T1.5 Study of the increase of unsaturated fatty acids

#### 2 Reduction of fat and sodium in cooked and dry-fermented sausages

- T2.1 Exploring the application of new technologies in sausage production
- T2.2 Optimisation of functional properties of salt and protein
- T2.3 Impact of fat and sodium reductions on water and salt transfers and formation of odour and flavour compounds
- T2.4 Process optimisation in pilot-scale
- T2.5 Evaluation of product quality and consumer acceptance

#### 3 Bakery products with reduced fat and sugar content

- T3.1 Development of model bakery product with reduced fat and sugar content
- T3.2 Optimization of the formulation of model bakery product
- T3.3 Up-scaling of model products and evaluation of their nutritional quality, sensory performance and consumer acceptance

#### 4 Reduction of fat and sodium in readymade sauces and meals

- T4.1 Development of model foods with reduced fat and sodium.
- T4.2 Pilot scale production of ready meals with reduced fat and sodium
- T4.3 Sensory assessment of pilot scale formulations
- T4.4 Evaluating product quality

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## 5 Optimising flavour release and perception changes induced by fat, sodium and/or sugar reduction

- T5.1 Perceptual interactions
- T5.2 In vivo flavour release and perception
- T5.3 In vitro flavour release
- T5.4 Small size solute diffusion in reformulated products

#### 6 Development of reformulated products at industrial scale

- T6.1 Industrial scale production of cheeses with reduced fat and sodium
- T6.2 Industrial scale production of sausages with reduced fat and sodium
- T6.3 Industrial scale production of bakery products with reduced fat and sugar
- T6.4 Industrial scale production of ready-made sauces with reduced fat and sodium
- T6.5 Consumer behaviour

#### 7 Technology transfer, dissemination and outreach

- T7.1 Dissemination to the scientific community
- T7.2 Technology transfer to the industry
- T7.3 Communication to stakeholders (general public and policy markers/consumer groups)

#### 8 Project Management

- T8.1 Strategic steering
- T8.2 Project monitoring
- T8.3 Administrative and Financial Management

# Final symposium goals and participants



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			Less sodium, fat and sugar in everyday foods
			-the science behind
		10.20 40.25	Session Chair: Christian Salles
ľ		10:30-10:35	welcome address - Maurizio Notartonso, FEDERALIMENTARE
,		10:35-10:50	Introduction to TeRiFiQ - Christian Salles, INRA
(		10:50-11:10	Introduction to the topic and outlook - Tim Gumbel, EC DG SANTE
		11:10-11:30	Invited speaker from PLEASURE EU project - Alain Le Bail, ONIRIS
	Scientific session: the most interesting scientific results in the objective of a food	11:30-11:50	Less sodium content and better fat in cheeses - Jean-René Kerjean, ACTALIA
		11:50-12:10	Less fat and sodium in sausages - Rune Rødbotten, NOFIMA
	reformulation of quality	12:10-12:30	~~Coffee break~~
	l'oronnalation or quanty	12:30-12:50	Less fat and sugar in muffins and madeleines - Markus Stieger, WUR
		12:50-13:10	Less fat, salt and sugar in sauces - Peter Wilde, IFR
		13:10-13:30	Flavour release and perception in reformulated foods - towards a better understanding - Christian Salles
		13:30-14:30	~~Buffet lunch~~
			Less sodium, fat and sugar in everyday foods
			–opportunities for SMEs and industry
			Session Chair: Christophe Cotillon
		14:30-14:50	Intro to demonstration activities - Christophe Cotillon, ACTIA
	<b>Industrial session</b> : the most successful	14:50-15:40	Success stories by TeRiFiQ SMEs - Moderator: Christophe Cotillon
		15:40-16:00	Health claim dossier: opportunities for SMEs and lessons learnt - Alfonso Siani, EFSA
		16:00-16:30	~~Coffee break~~
	objective		Roundtable with industry and public stakeholders: Tim Gumbel (EC DG SANTE), Dirk Jacobs (FoodDrinkEurope),
12		16:30-17:15	Agostino Macri (UNC), Alfonso Siani (EFSA) [to be confirmed], Dario Vallauri (Tecnogranda, SALUX Coordinator), Moderator: Igor Bodnár, Firmenich
		17:15-17:30	Conclusions - Christian Salles
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The **main goal** of this "TeRiFiQ open Symposium" is to present the main project outcomes to the main Food and Drink stakeholders.

- Scientific original results in relation with reformulation
- Industrial application

### **Participants**

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**Scientifics** Industry (SME and LE) Food clusters Associations (consummers, health)

As the symposium is open, all the people interested by the toppic







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#### I wish you a nice TeRiFiQ final meeting