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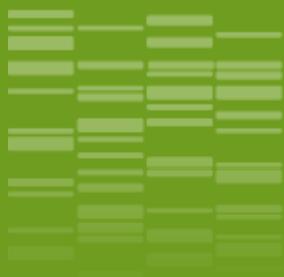
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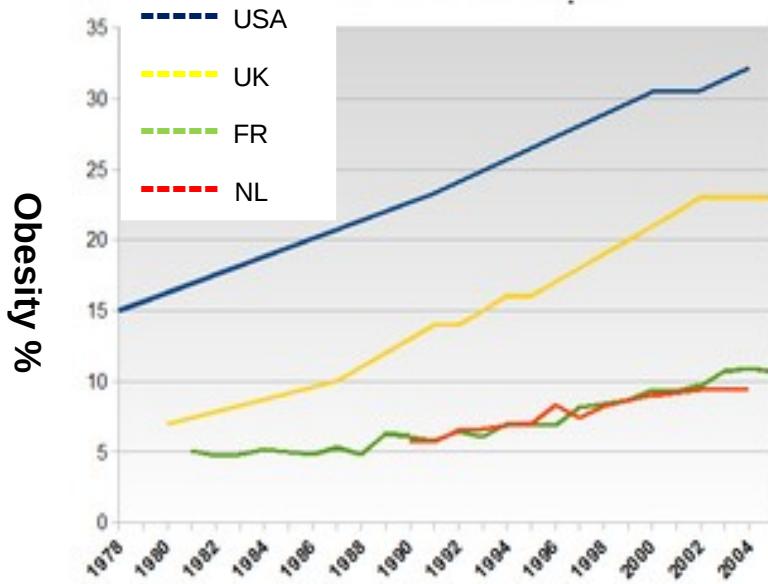
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• Scientific Context



Diet-related diseases ↑

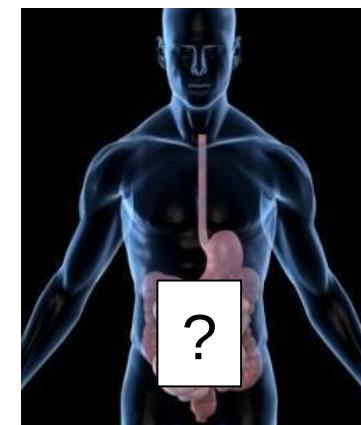
Prevent these pathologies rather than cure them

Obesity %

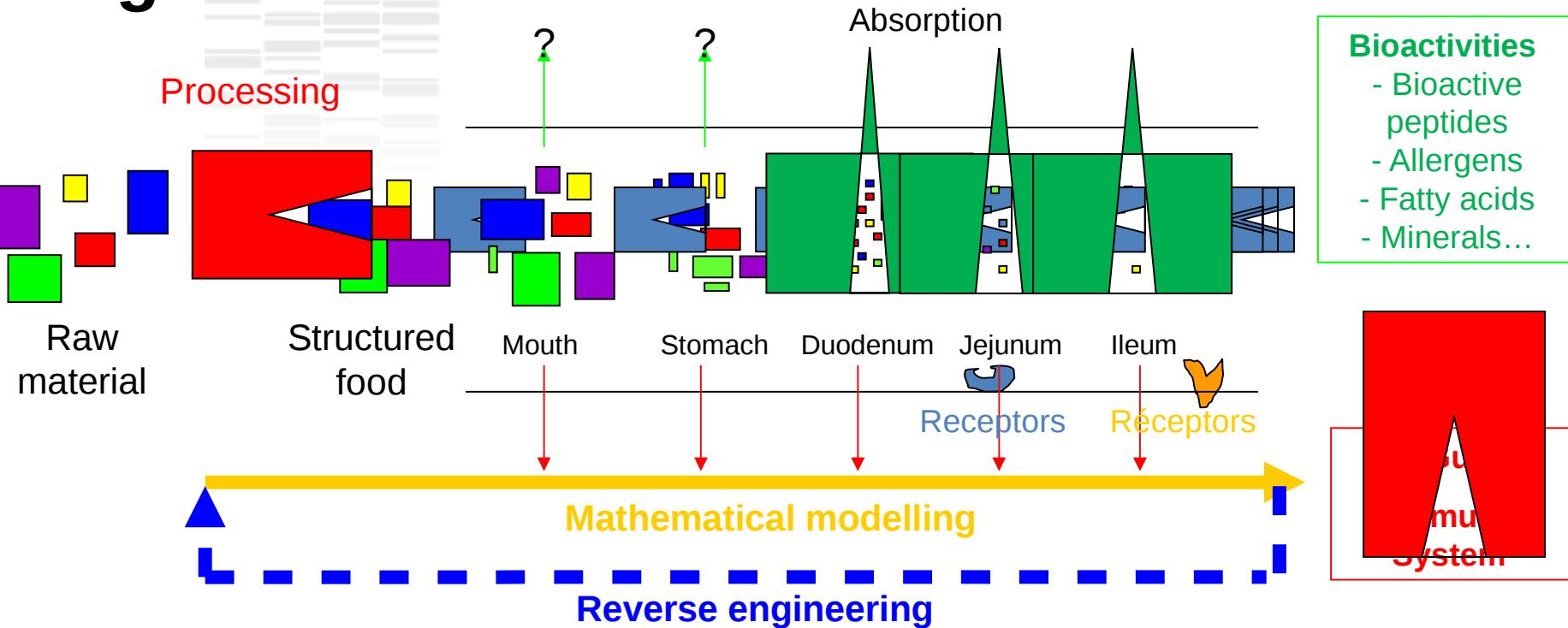
Gut = interface between food and human body
Digestion releases food components that can have a beneficial or a deleterious effect on human health

... but the mechanisms of food disintegration in the gastrointestinal tract remain unclear and digestion has been considered as a black box so far

By increasing our knowledge on food digestion, we will increase our knowledge on the effect of food on human health

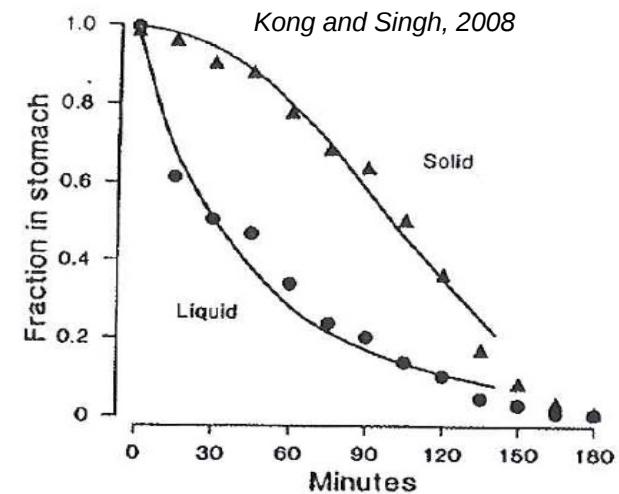
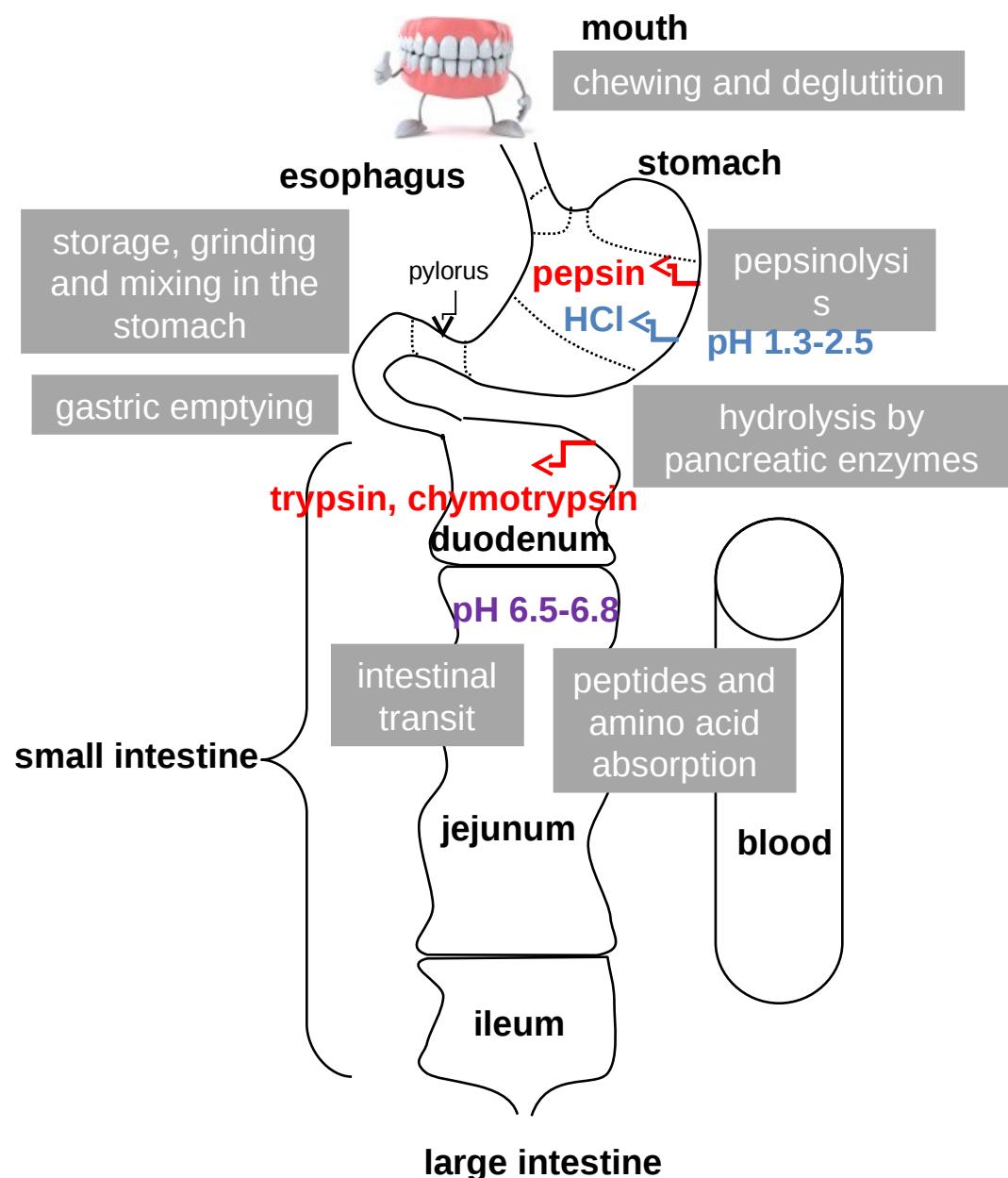


Our goals



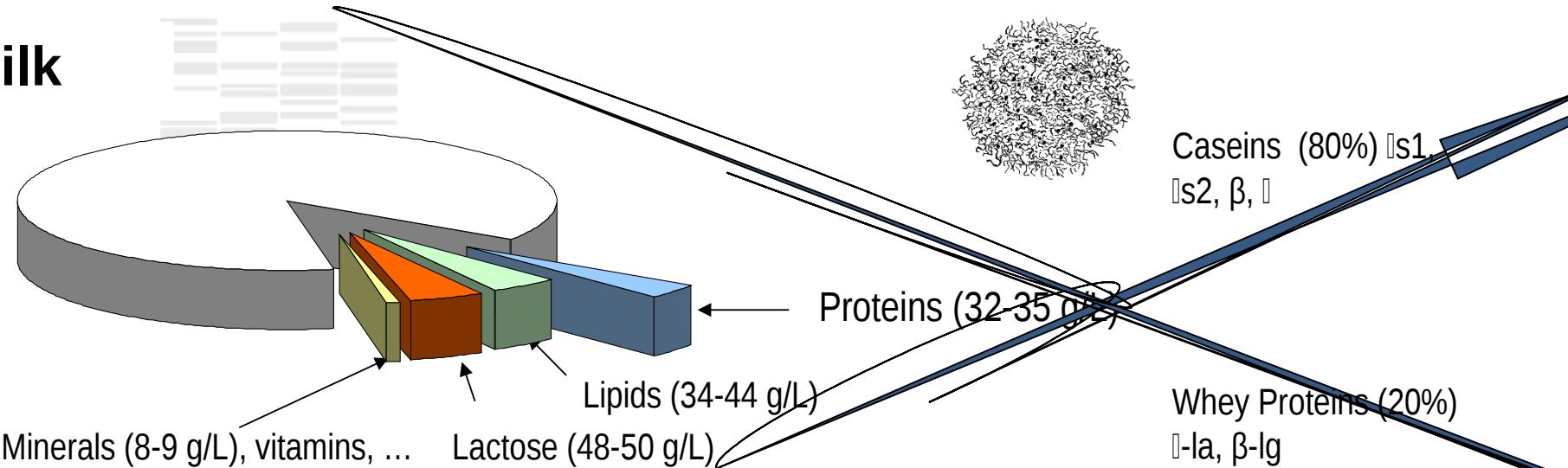
- To understand the mechanisms of breakdown of food matrices and their constituents in the gut and identify the beneficial/deleterious food components released during digestion
- To determine the impact of the structure of food matrices on these mechanisms
- To model these phenomena in order to develop a reverse engineering approach

The digestive process



→ Gastric phase = key step for the whole digestion process

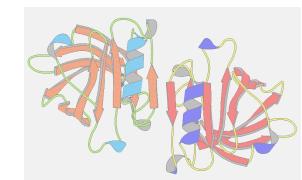
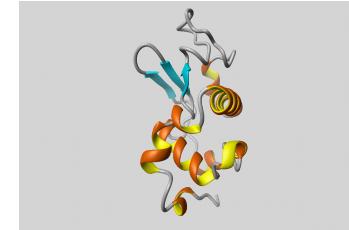
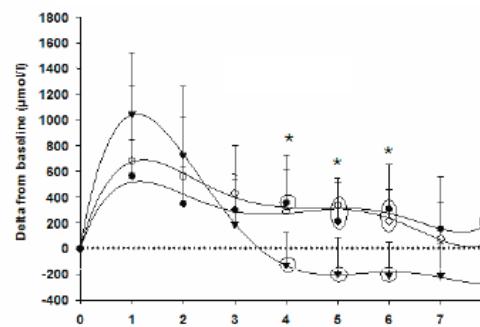
Milk



Caseins and whey proteins are:

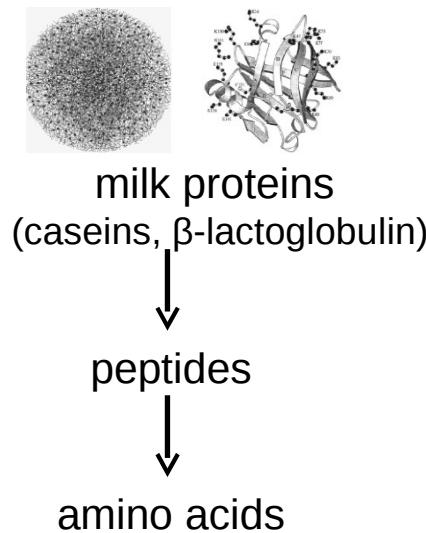
- Structurally opposite (globular/flexible)
- Differently metabolized (fast/slow proteins)
- Highly digestible (>95%)
- Excellent sources of essential amino acids
- Milk can be transformed into several dairy products (liquids, gels, solids) of similar composition but different structure

Total
amino acid



Does the food matrix regulate protein digestion and aa bioavailability?

Understanding and modeling milk proteins digestion in the gastrointestinal tract of mini-pigs in relation with the dairy matrix ingested



How does the milk product structure influence:

- ¹⁾ Transit and proteolysis in the gastrointestinal tract ?
- ²⁾ Appearance of (bioactive) peptides in the lumen?
- ³⁾ Release of amino acids in the blood compartment ?

Experimental strategy

dynamic

modeling of milk protein transit and digestion and absorption products (end of stomach and jejunum) + amino acids (plasma)

6 dairy matrices manufacturing



in vivo digestion by 6 mini-pigs

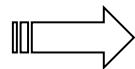


effect of the structure of the dairy matrix on the kinetics of milk proteins digestion (gastric emptying, hydrolysis and absorption)



The food matrices

Ultra Low
Heat powder

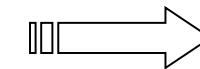


unheated milk
("raw" milk)

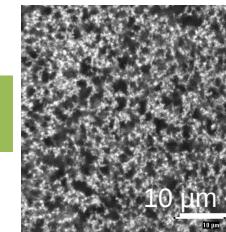


rehydration
in water
14.5%

macrostructure



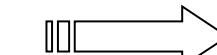
rennet gel



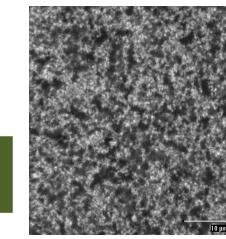
pH 6.6

microstructure

heated milk



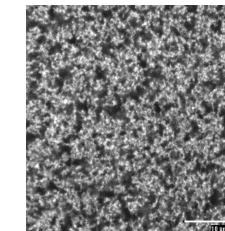
rennet gel



pH 6.6

24h-20°C,
GDL 3 % w/w

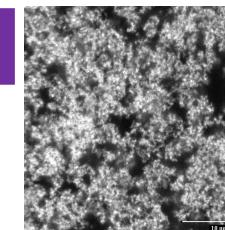
acid gel



pH 4

24h-20°C,
GDL 3 % w/w
+ mixer 2 min

stirred acid gel



pH 4

Fat-free matrices:

40 g/L caseins, 10 g/L whey proteins,
95 g/L lactose and minerals

+ marker of the meal transit (Cr²⁺-EDTA) □ Mean Retention Time in the stomach

The multi-canulated mini-pigs

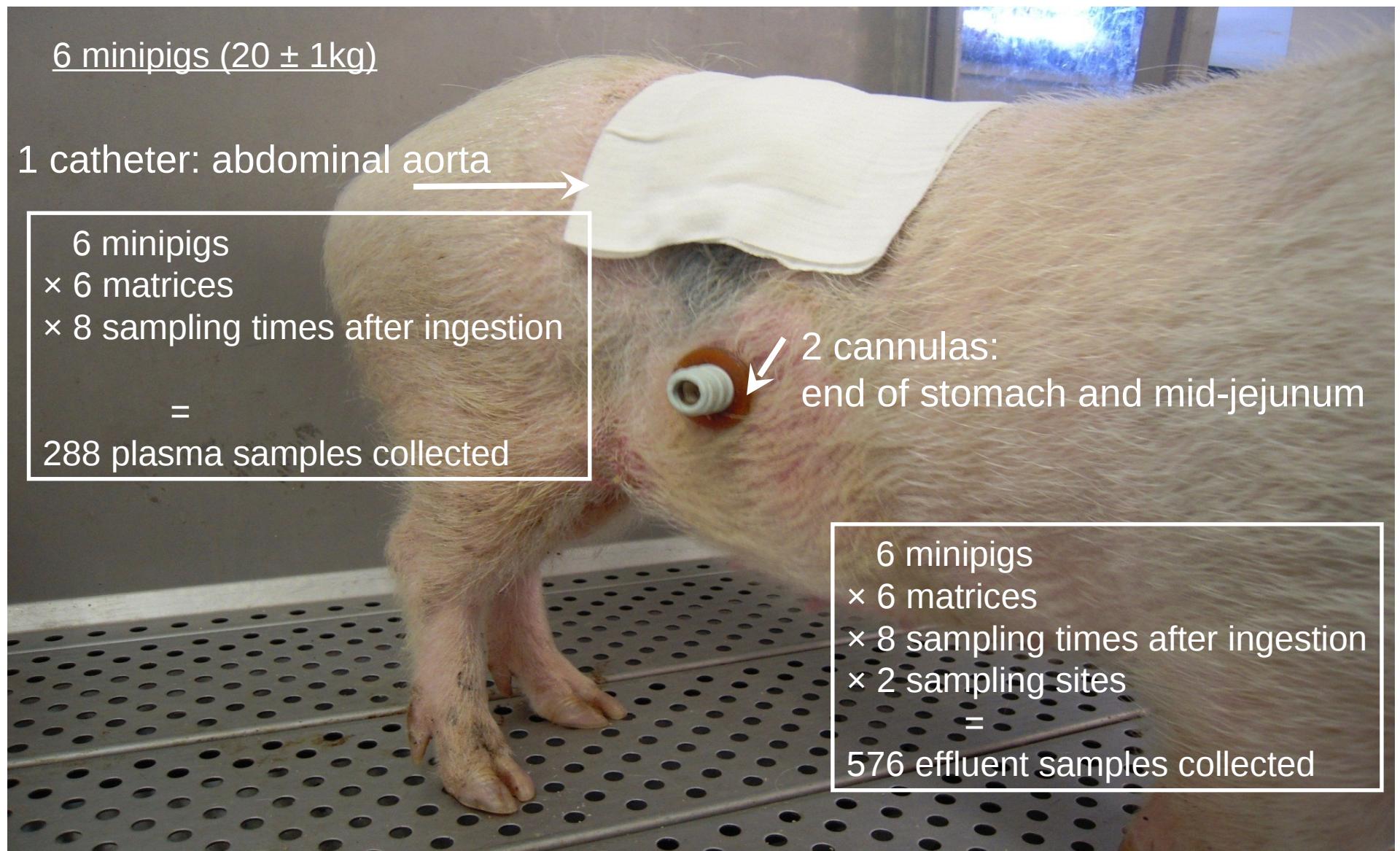
6 minipigs ($20 \pm 1\text{kg}$)

1 catheter: abdominal aorta

6 minipigs
× 6 matrices
× 8 sampling times after ingestion
=
288 plasma samples collected

2 cannulas:
end of stomach and mid-jejunum

6 minipigs
× 6 matrices
× 8 sampling times after ingestion
× 2 sampling sites
=
576 effluent samples collected



The liquid-gel transition



1) effect on transit

Mean Retention
Time in the
stomach (min)

96.9 ± 14.3

acid gelation

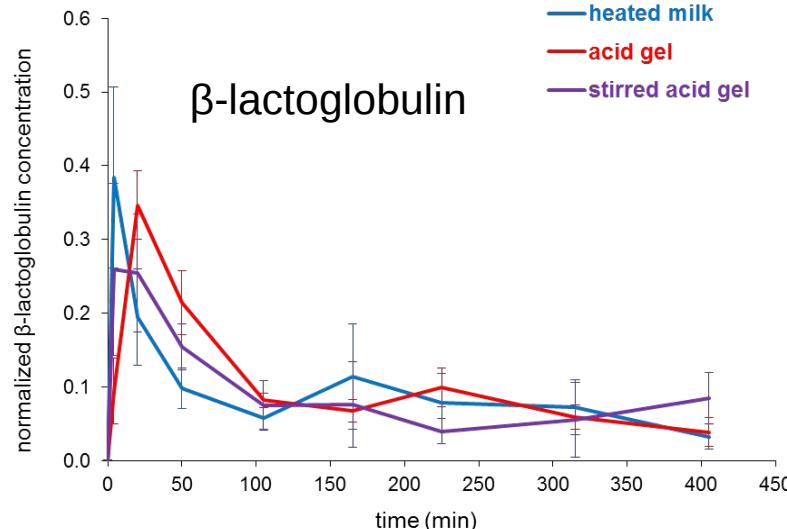
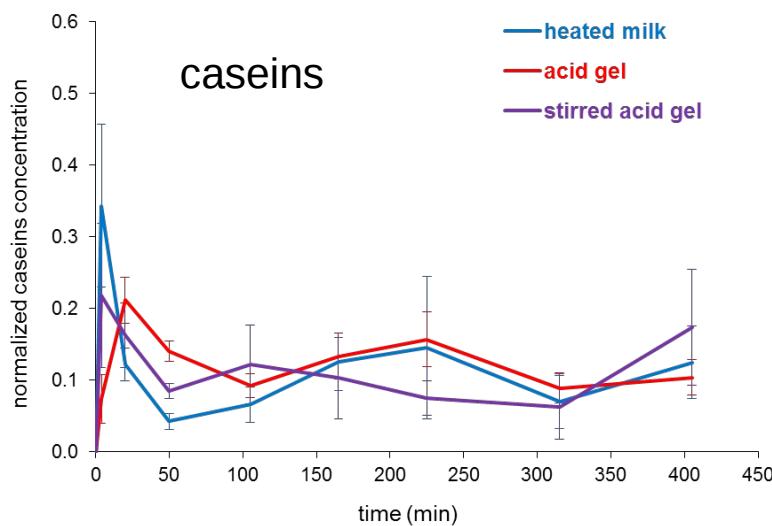
acid gel

stirred acid gel

stirring

124.0 ± 14.2

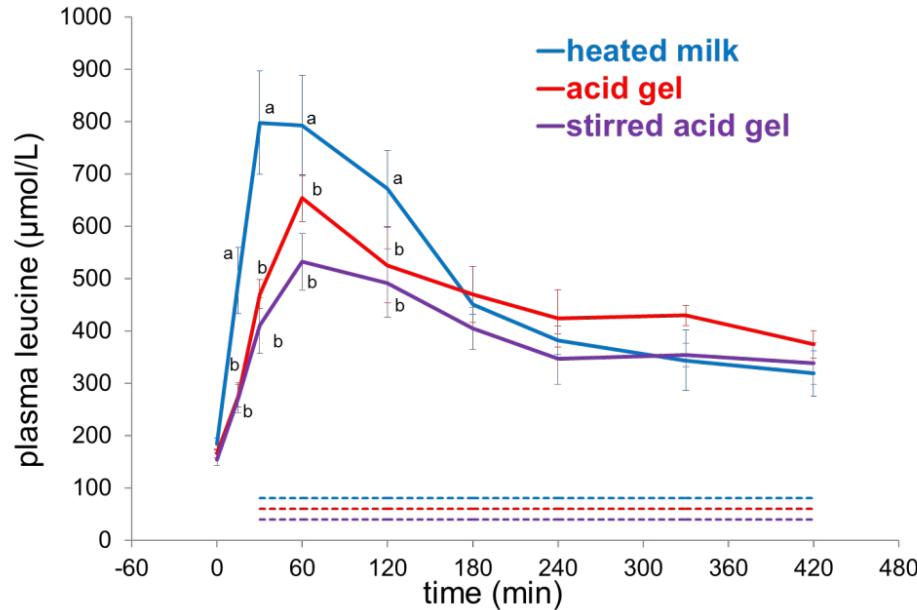
stirring



intermediate structure (stirring) similar digestion kinetics liquid milk/stirred acid gel

The liquid-gel transition

2) effect on absorption



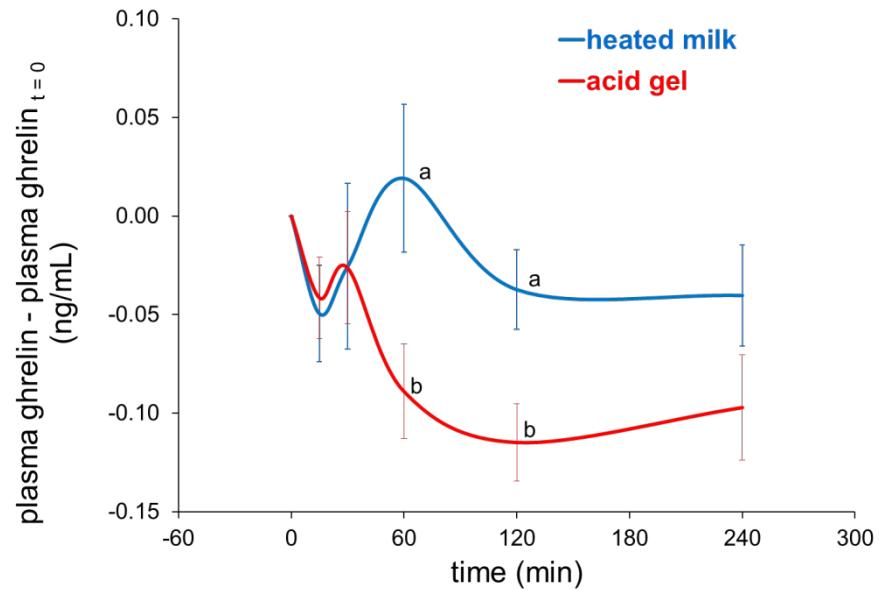
milk gelation:

delayed proteins transit delayed AA absorption

→  maximal AA concentration in the plasma

3) potential effect on satiety

ghrelin (gastrointestinal hormone appetite stimulation)



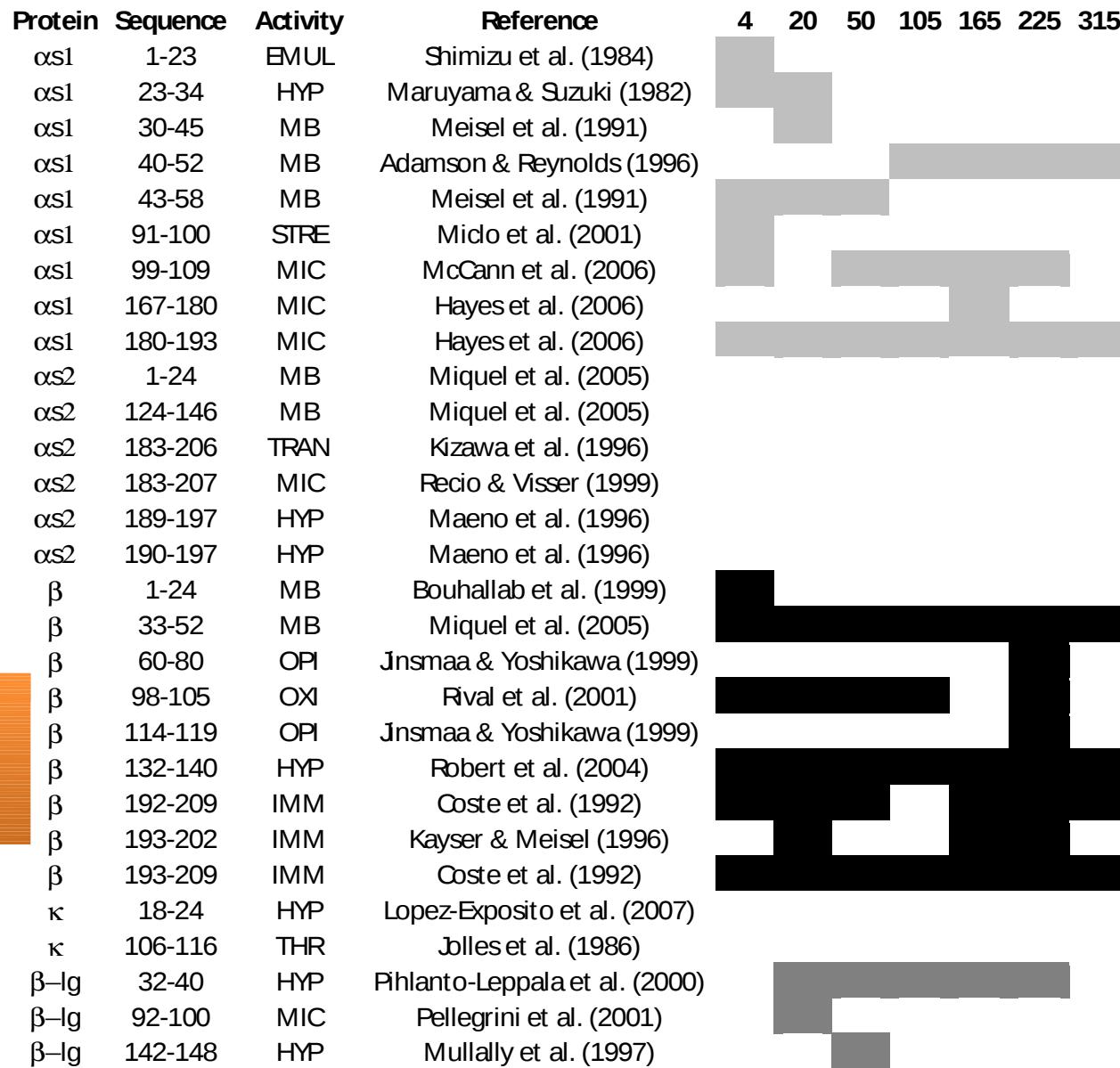
milk gelation:

 postprandial ghrelin concentration =
↑ satiety ?

Many bioactive peptides are released in the gut during digestion

More than
16000
peptides
identified in
the lumen

Barbé et al.
2014 Food Res
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Impact of skim milk powder processing on casein digestion by an *in vitro* infant model

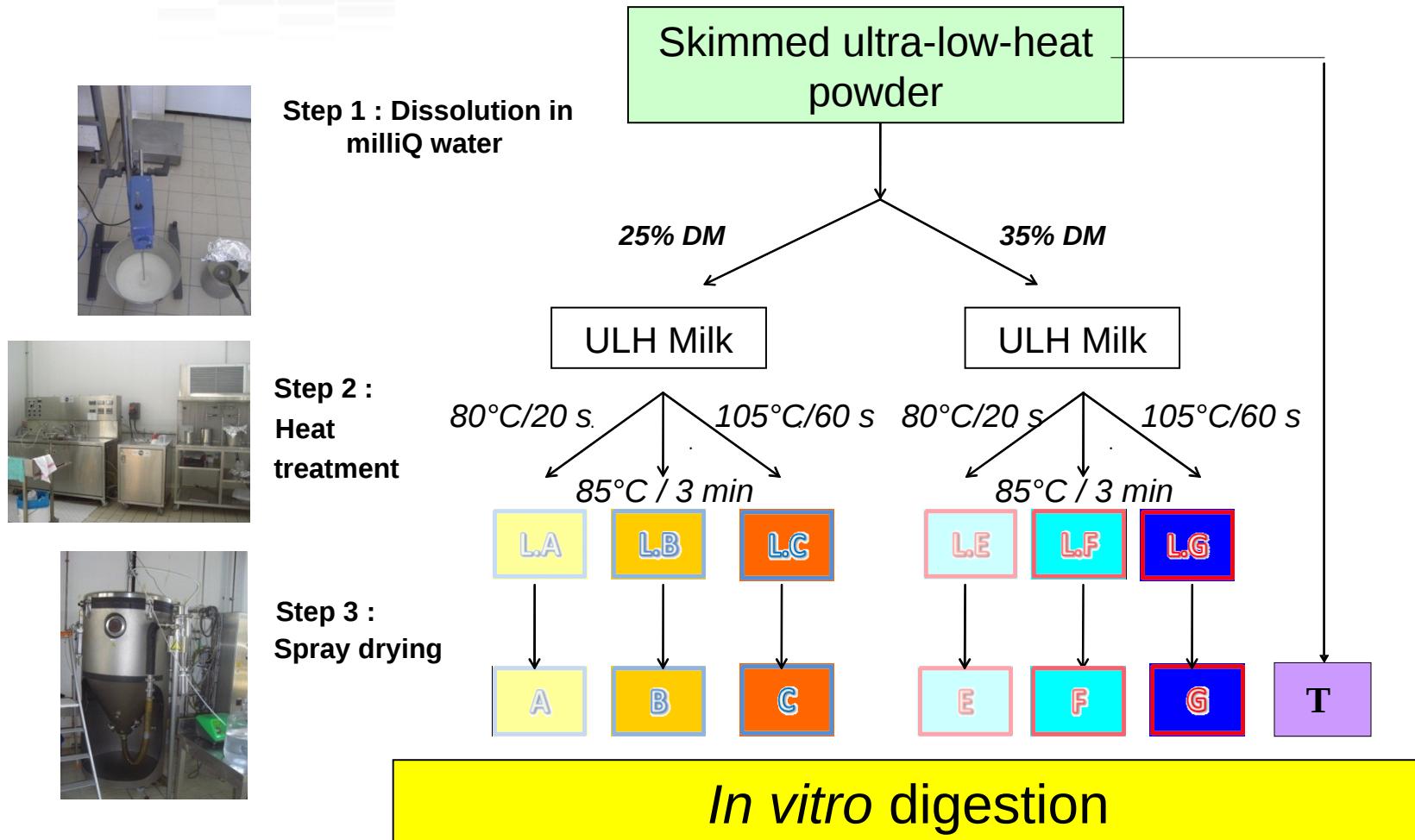
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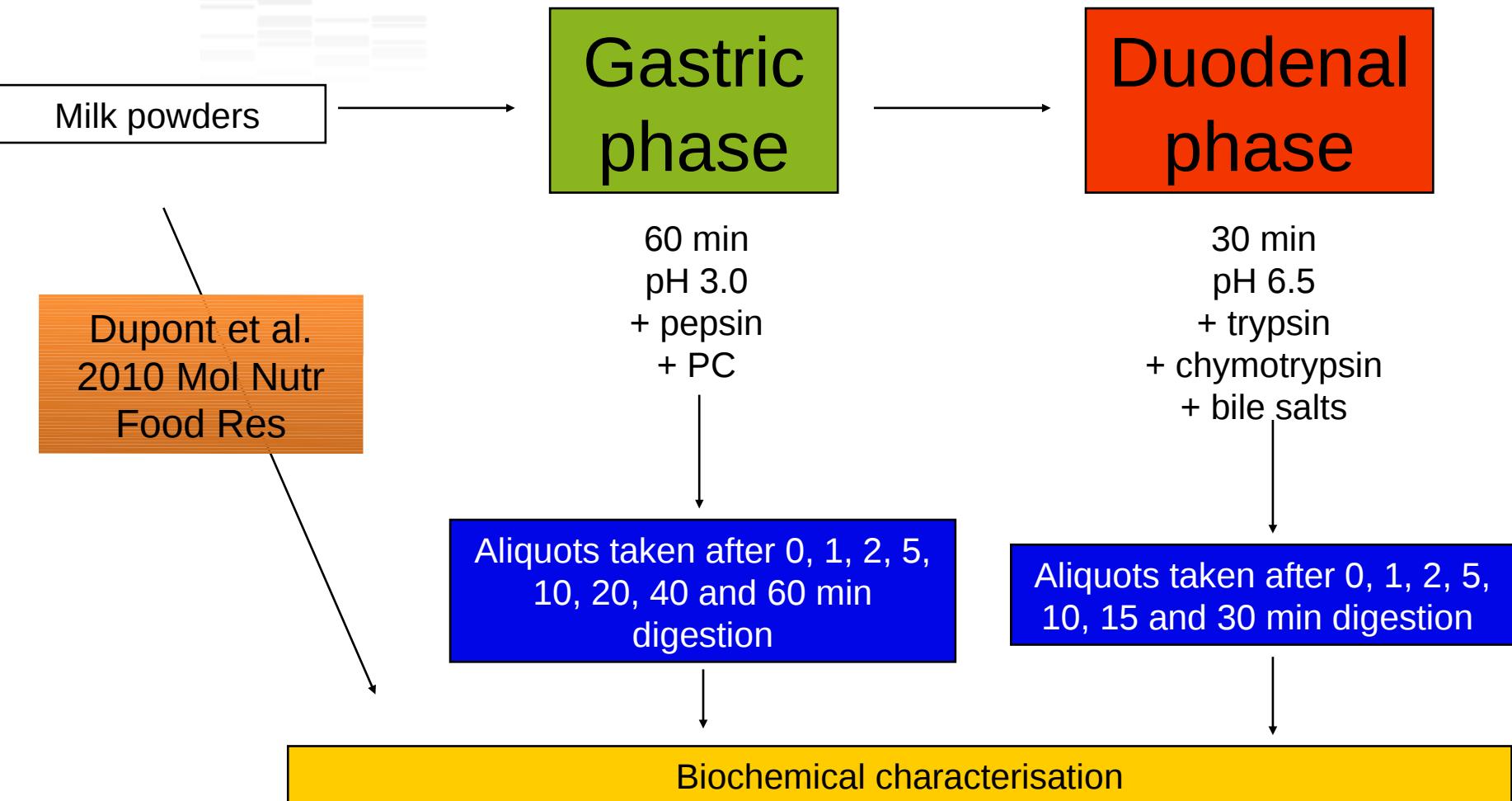
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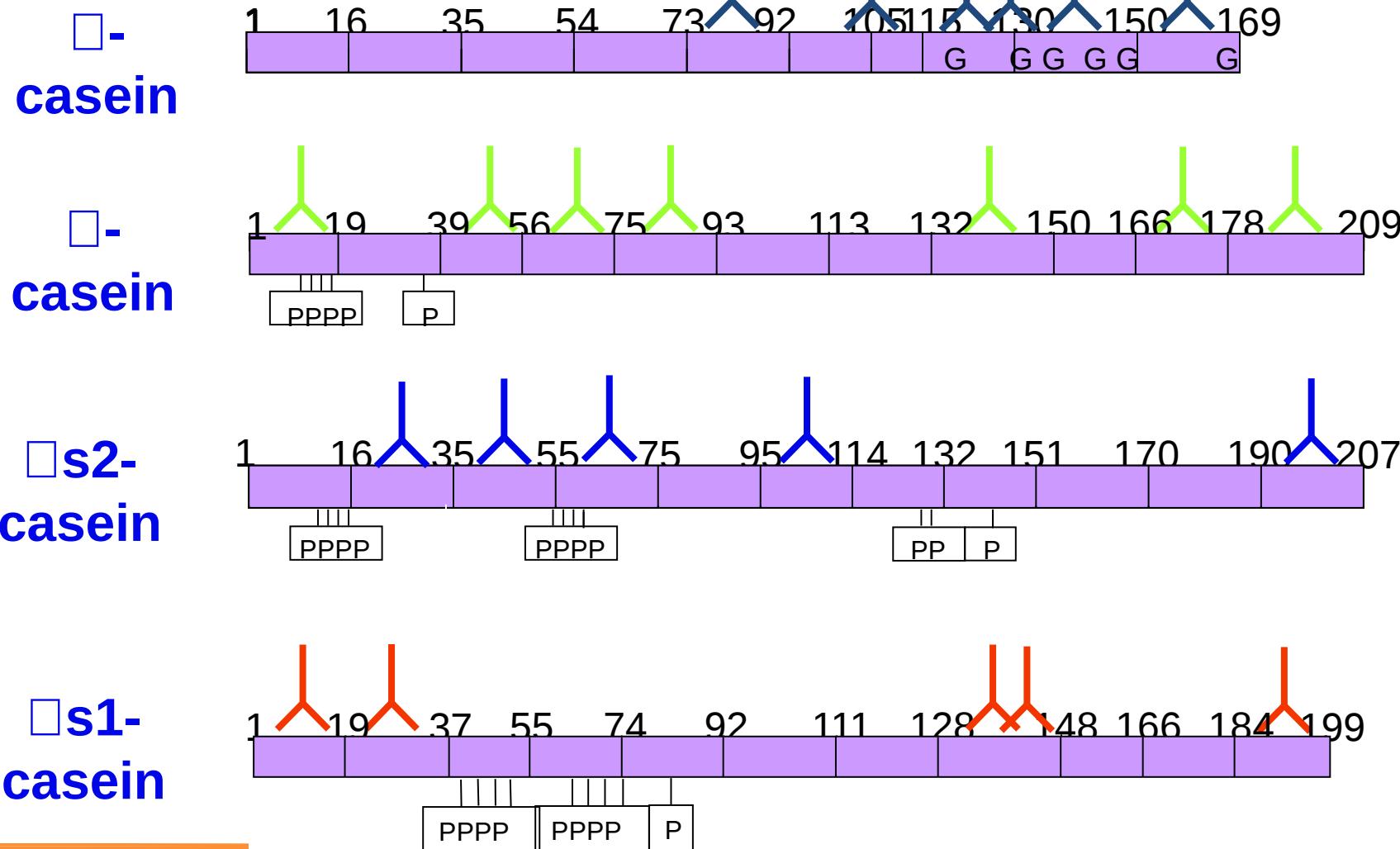
Objective: Determine if heat treatment affects casein digestion



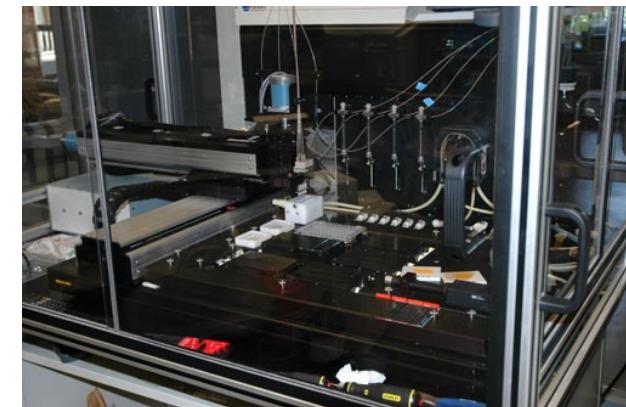
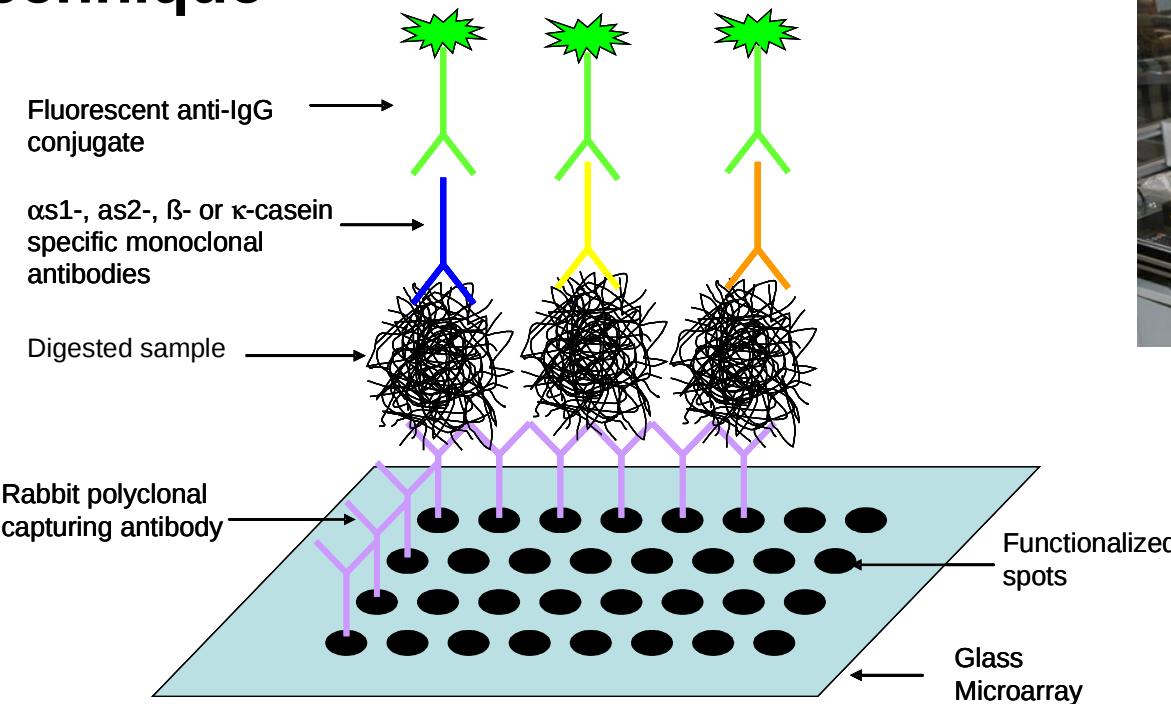
Infant gut Model



Identification of epitopes resistant to digestion using specific Mabs



Principle of the technique

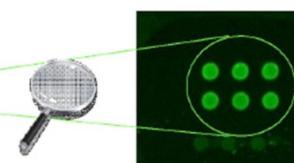


Dupont et al.
2010 Food Dig

Van Andel Inst.

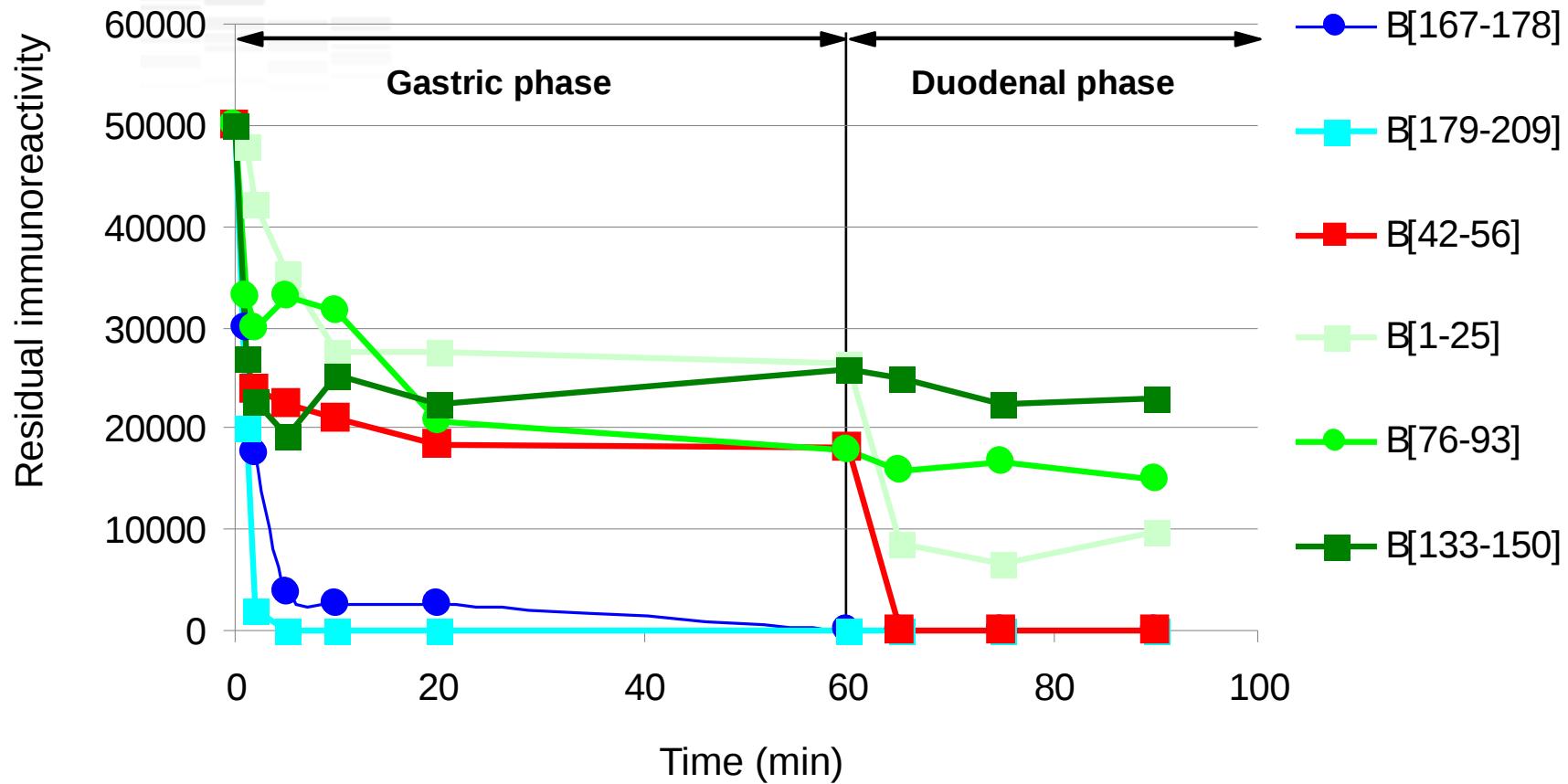


Microscope slide



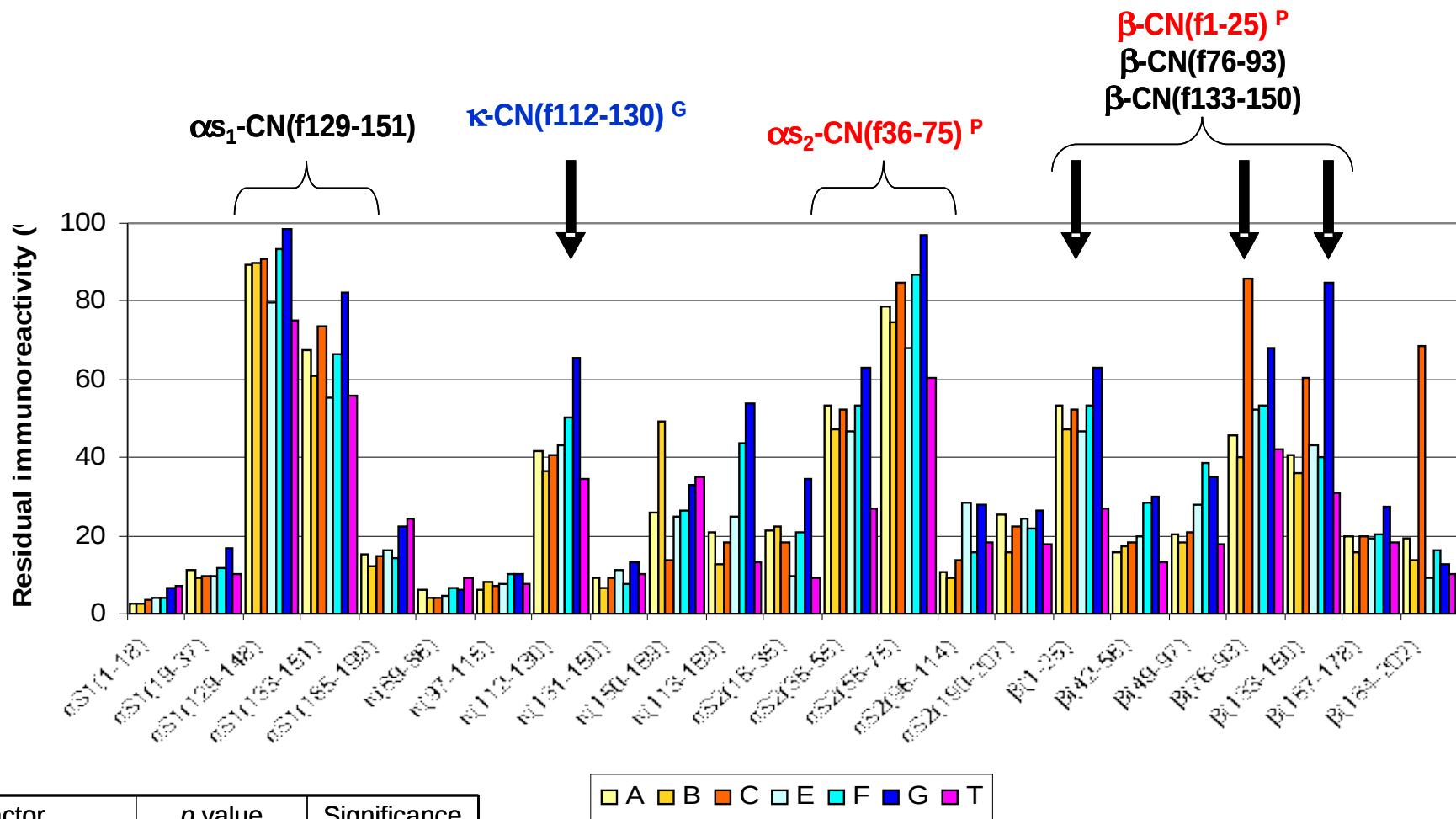
1728 Antigen-Antibody
interactions simultaneously
2-3 μ l of sample

Kinetics of β -casein digestion



☐ Kinetics of β -casein digestion differ according to the area studied

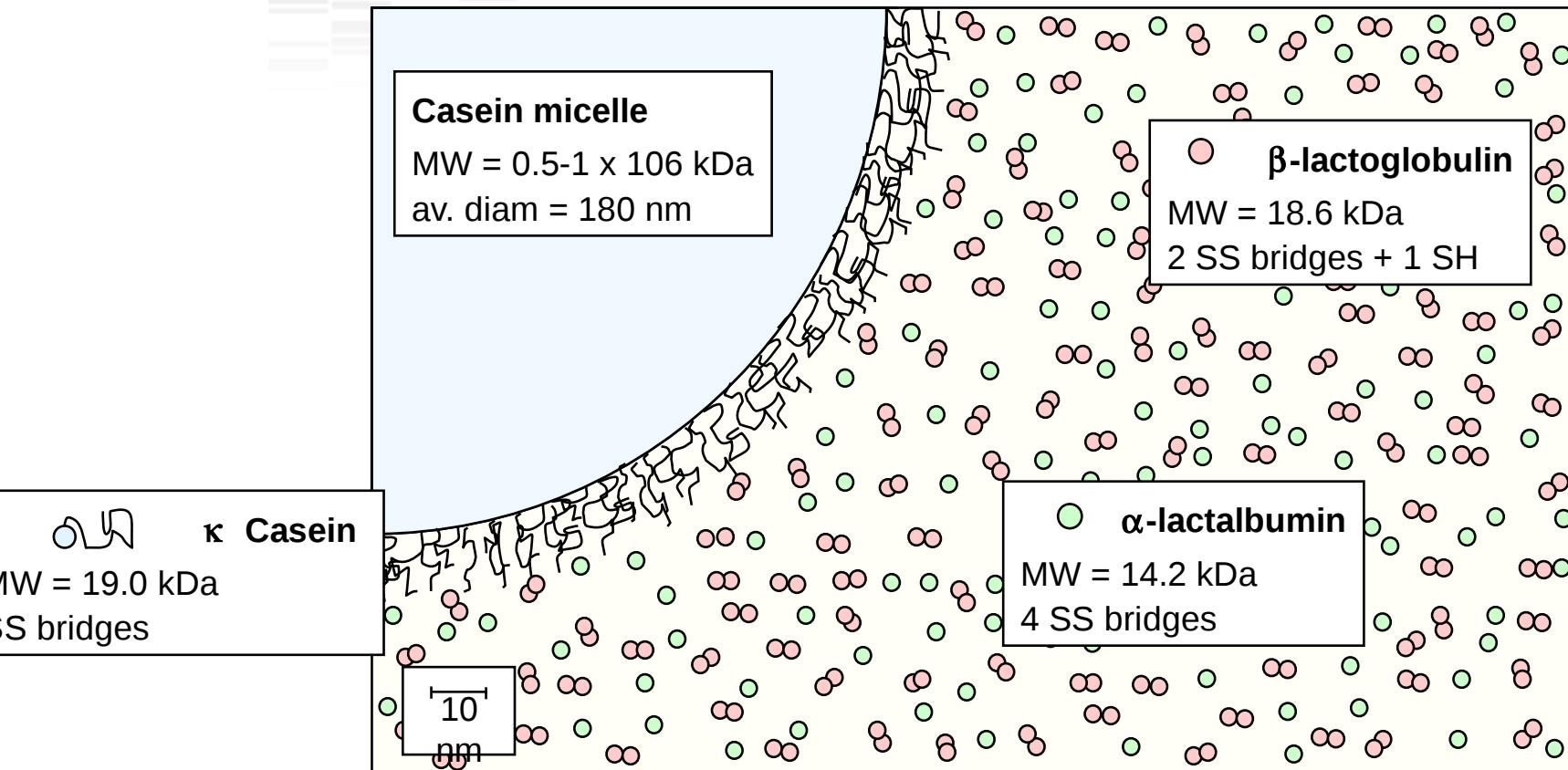
Residual immunoreactivity of casein fragments



Factor	p value	Significance
T	0.00001	***
% DM	0.00555	**
T:%DM	0.03262	*

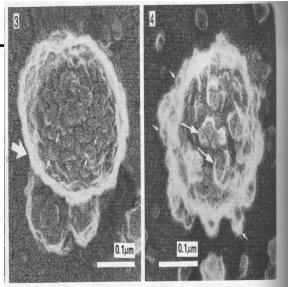
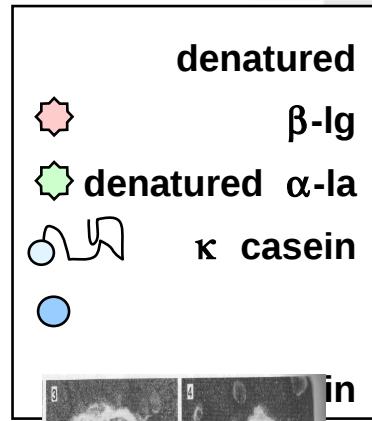
Increasing the heat-treatment makes casein more resistant to digestion

Thermal aggregation of whey proteins on the casein micelle

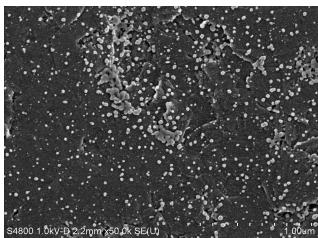


To scale schematic representation of the major whey proteins and of the casein micelle in unheated milk

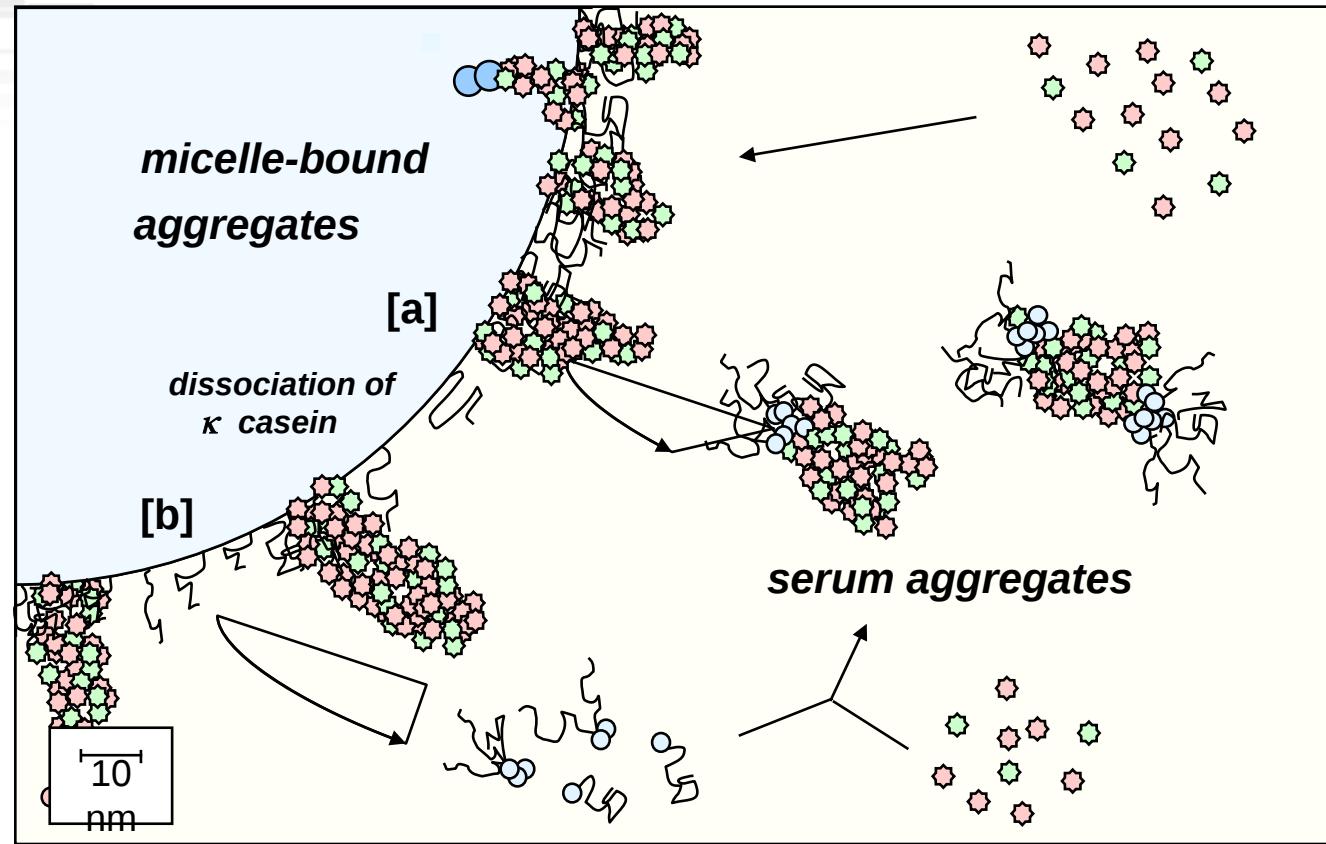
Thermal aggregation of whey proteins on the casein micelle



a (Harwalkar et al., 1989)

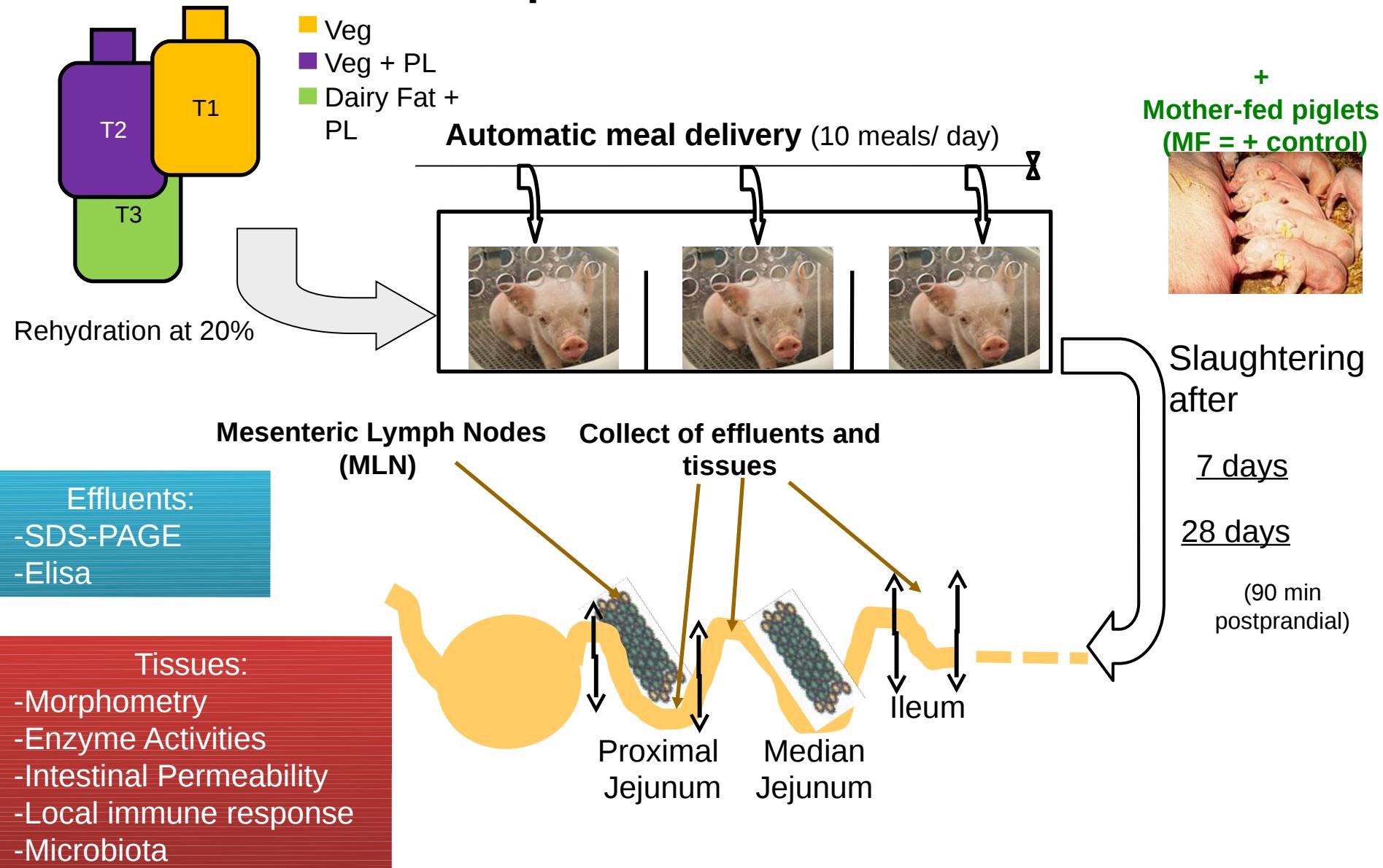


b (Rodriguez del Angel & Dalgleish, 2006)



Micelle-bound and serum aggregates are formed, containing denatured whey proteins, κ casein and possible traces of αs2 casein. [a] and [b] indicate the 2 possible ways for the formation of the serum aggregates.

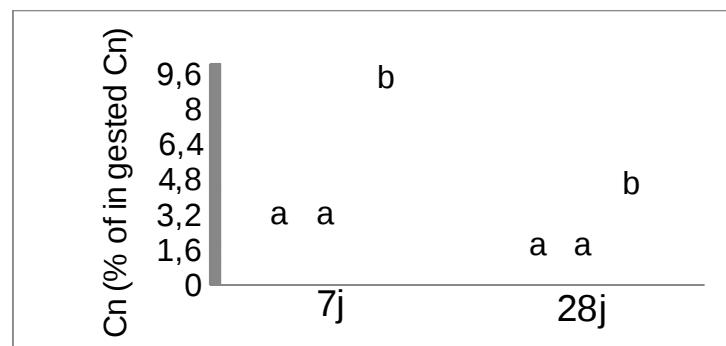
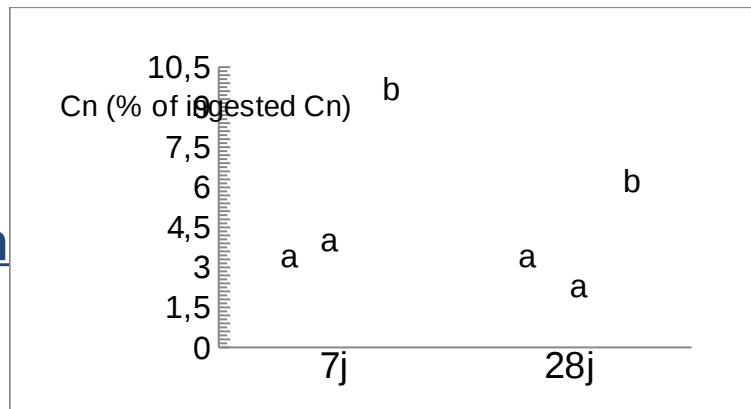
Can IF of different composition modulate the physiological response of the host?



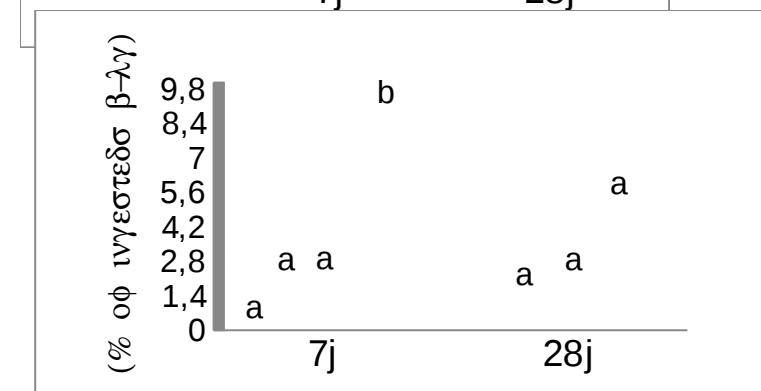
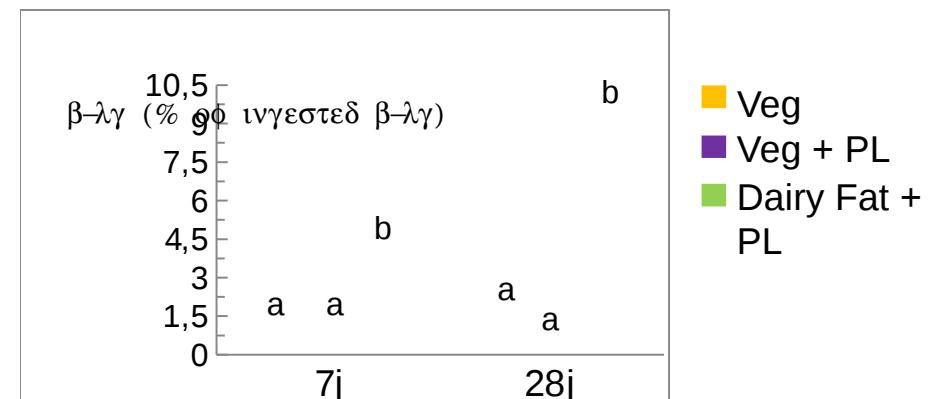


Protein Digestion

Casein



β -lactoglobulin

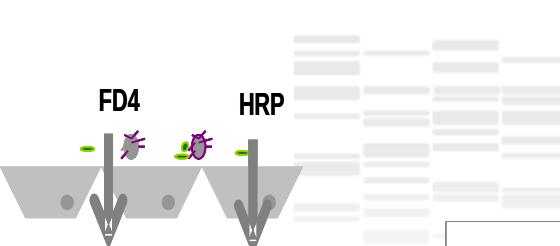


Milk Proteins better resist to intestinal digestion in the presence of dairy fat

Modification of the interface

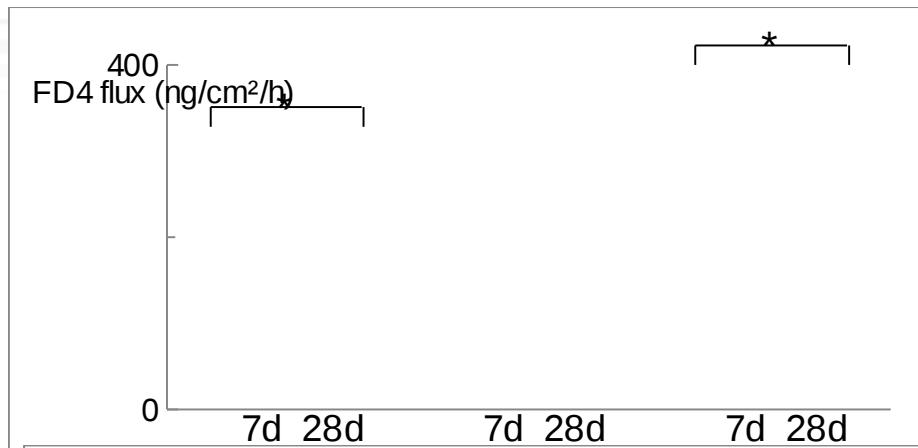
(Granger *et al* 2005; Davies *et al*, 2001)

Paracellular Permeability

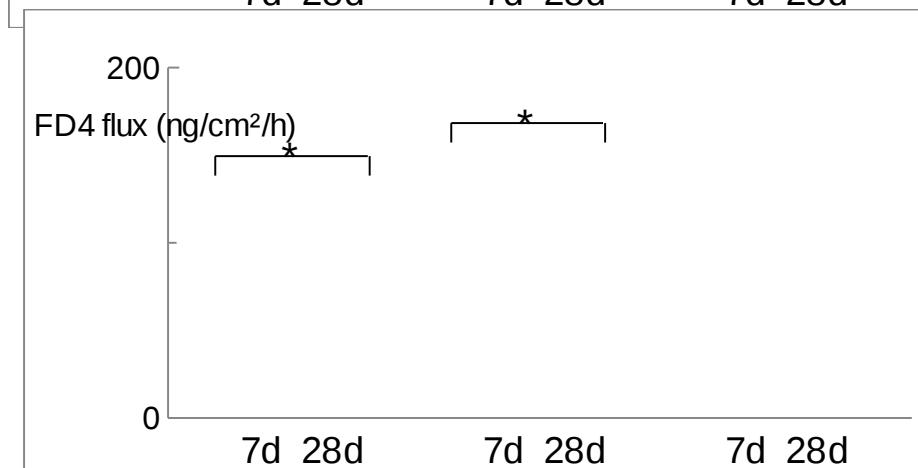


FD4 = FITC-Dextran (4kDa)

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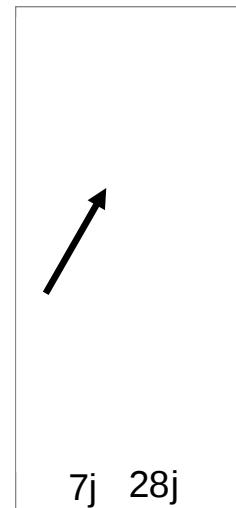
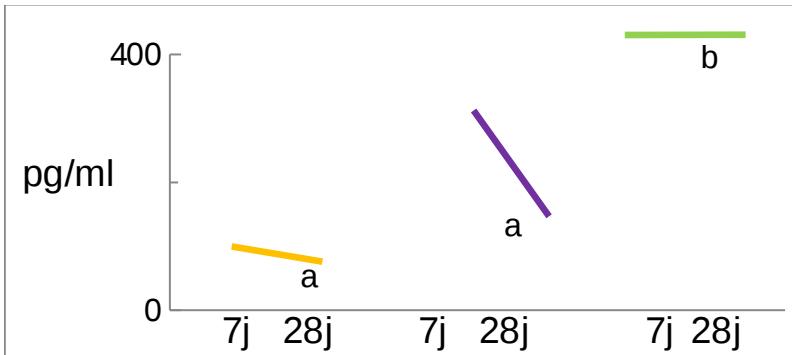


Limited effect of the infant formula structure/composition on paracellular permeability

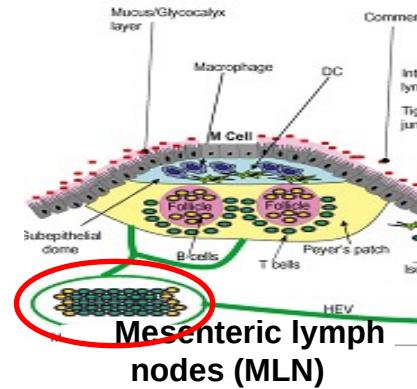


Secretory activity of MLN

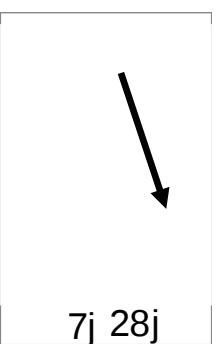
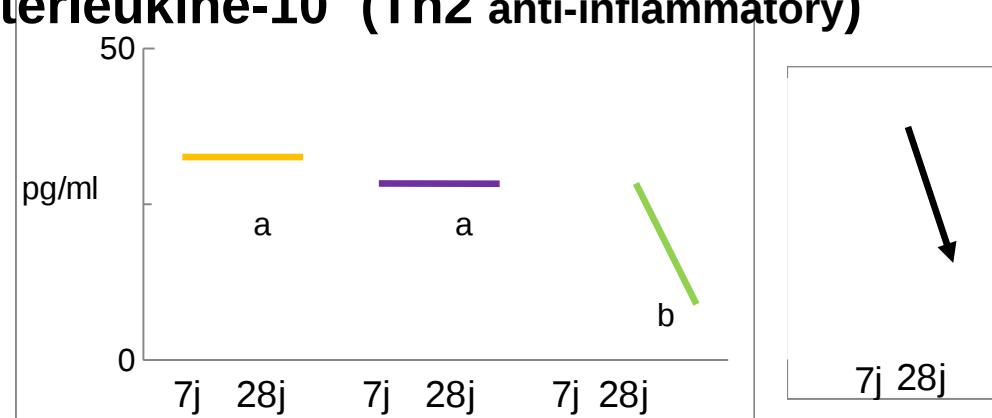
Interferon- γ (Th1 pro-inflammatory)



- Veg
- Veg + PL
- Dairy Fat + PL
- Porclets SM



Interleukine-10 (Th2 anti-inflammatory)



Milk lipids □ maturation of the piglet's immune system more similar than with sow's milk

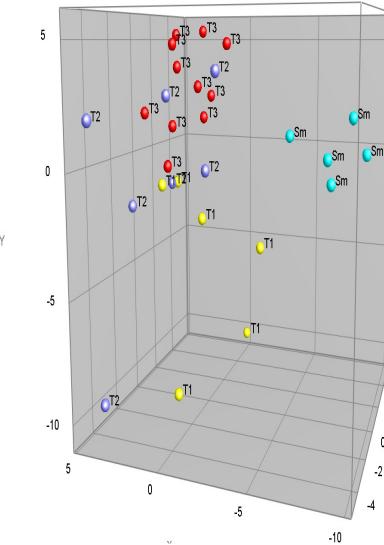
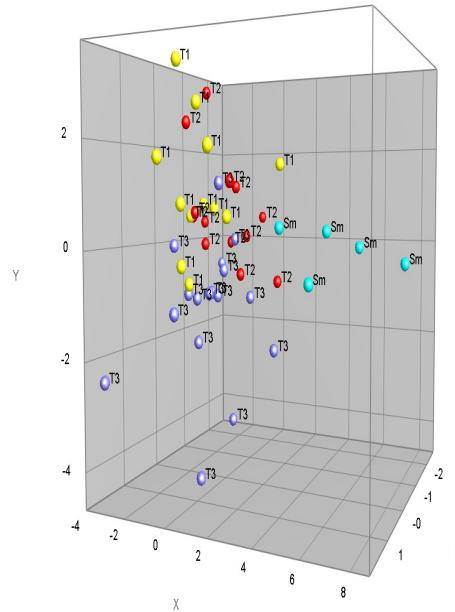
Microbiota by DHPLC

Cell counts					J28
Sm	T1	T2	T3	J7	Kage
5	6	7	11	11	
0	6	6	6	6	

Diet

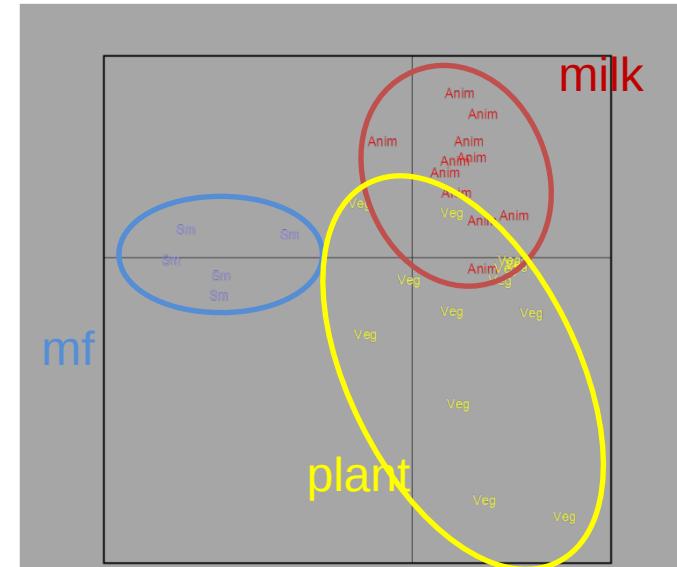
D7 & D28

D28



The composition/structure of the infant formula « orientates » the microbiota

More Proteobacteria with milk fat /
More Firmicutes with plant oil



Conclusion

The structure of dairy products, as modified by the processing conditions, regulates the kinetics of protein digestion and dietary amino acids bioavailability

For the neonate, substitution of vegetable oil by milk fat allows a better maturation of the immune system and a modification of the microbiota, but more work is needed to determine whether these modifications are transient or will remain with time

Understanding the disintegration of dairy products in the gastrointestinal tract is essential for designing new foods dedicated to specific sub-populations (elderly, athlete, infant, overweight people....)

Improving health properties of food by sharing our knowledge on the digestive process

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