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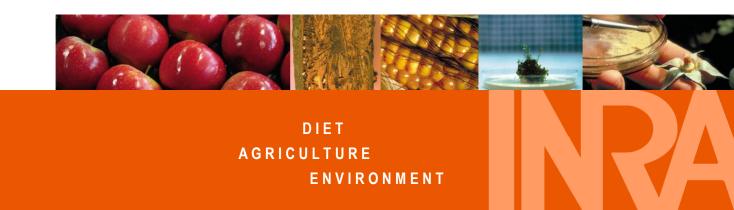
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# **The National Institute for Agronomic Research**

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### Keywords

Egg products, cheese technology, milk processing (spray-drying, membrane filtration, heat treatment), dairy products Nutrition, digestion, bioactivity Probiotics, lactic acid bacteria, propionic acid bacteria, food spoiling, mastitis.

### **Facilities**

Milk processing platform (PFL/800m<sup>2</sup>), spray-drying (Bionov/industrial scale), Strain library (CIRM-BIA), L2-level labs, cell culture labs

### Workforce

**83 permanent staff** (39 scientists and professors; 44 technicians and engineers) **Total workforce: 130-140 persons.** 

~25 PhD and post-docs /year

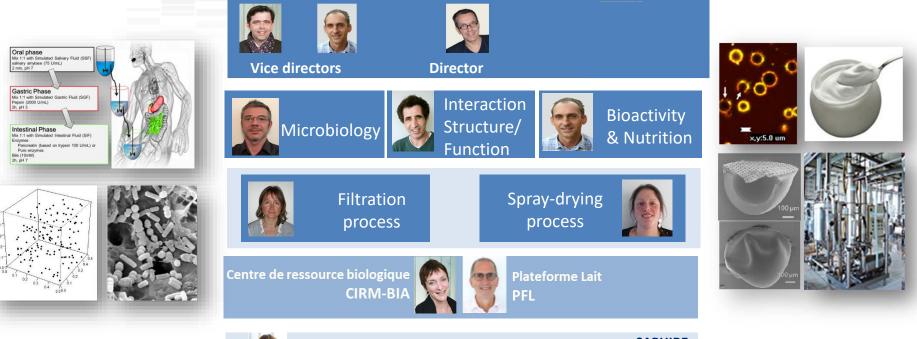
~20 students (shorter training periods)

16 staff from industrial R&D teams





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# A 800 m<sup>2</sup> Dairy Platform





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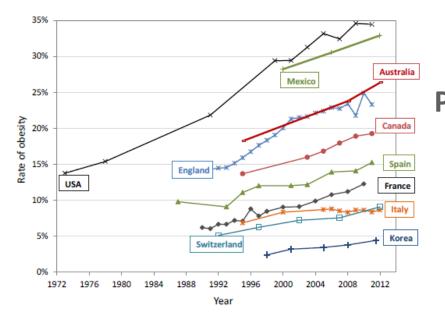
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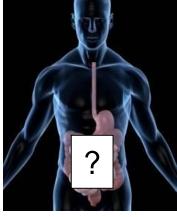




# Food and human health: the key role of digestion



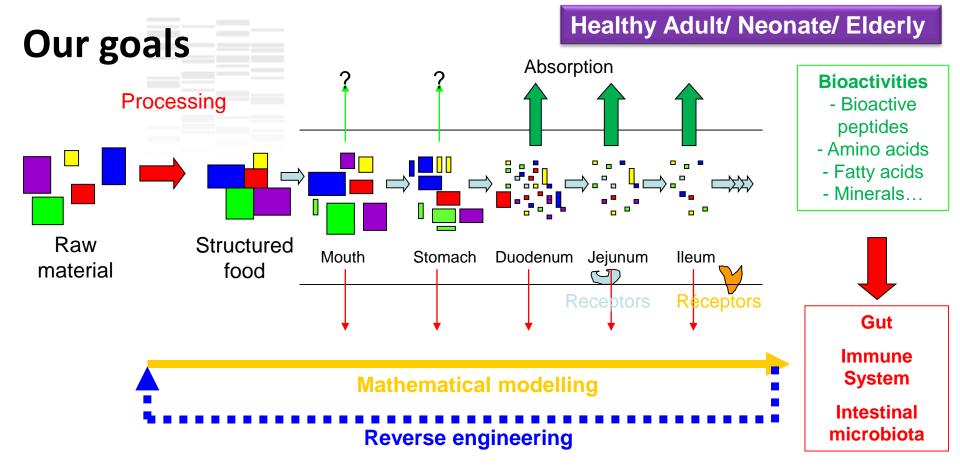
Diet-related diseases ↑ Prevent these pathologies rather than cure them



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 the digestive process 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



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

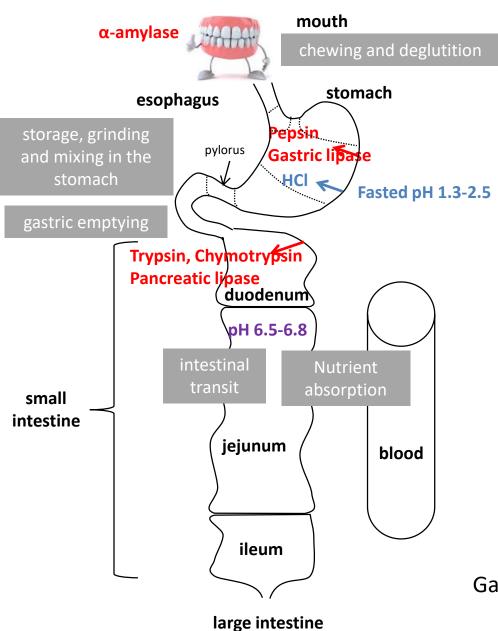
To determine the impact of the structure of food matrices on nutrient bioavailability

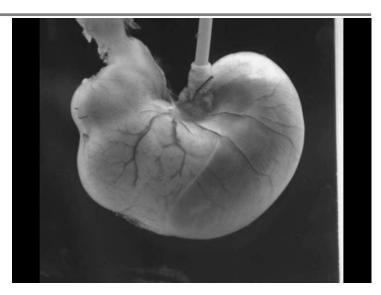
To model these phenomena in order to develop a reverse engineering approach



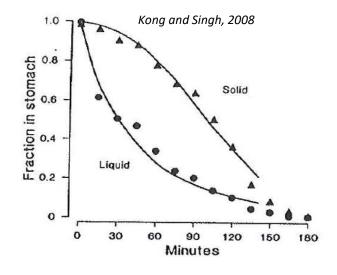


# The digestive process





From Roger Lentle, Massey Univ. NZ



Gastric phase = a very complex but crucial step for the whole digestion process

# Models available at INRA for simulating digestion

Dupont et al. 2010ab, **Mol Nutr Food Res** 

Le Feunteun et al. 2014

**Food Bioprocess** 

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models

 $\Phi_{12} = k_{12whev} \times \left(V_1 - m_{caswpd1} \times \alpha\right) + k_{12ager} \times m_{caswpd1} \times \alpha$ 

Sanchez et al. 2015 **Food Res Int** 

In vitro dynamic models (infant, adult, elderly)

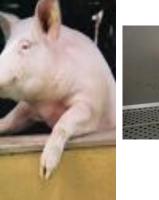


Human models





Animal models





Menard et al. 2014,

**Food Chem** 

Barbé et al. 2013, 2014 **Food Chem** Le Huerou-Luron et al. 2016 Eur J Nutr

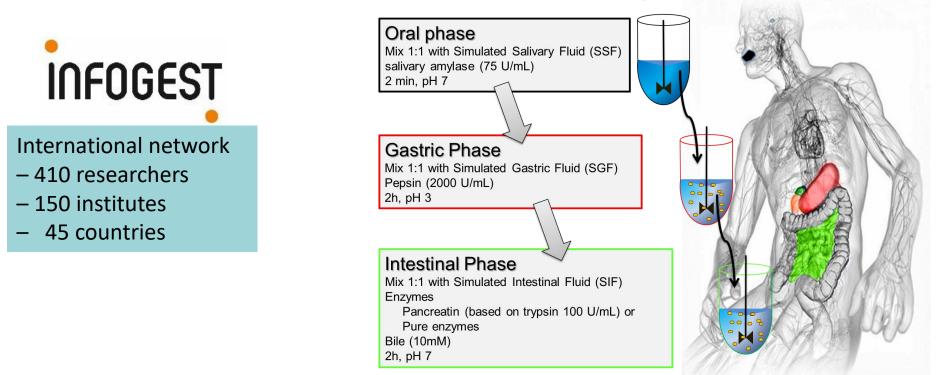
De Oliveira et al. 2016 **Am J Clin Nutr** De Oliveira et al. 2017 **Clin Nutr** 



# Static in vitro digestion models

- The Huge diversity between the models mimicking the GI tract of the adult (E/S, pH...)
- The study to another Need for harmonization

Consensus in vitro digestion method for food



A standardised static in vitro digestion method suitable for food- an international consensus, Food & Function, Minekus et al. 2014 – Highly Cited Paper 800 citations in 4 years!

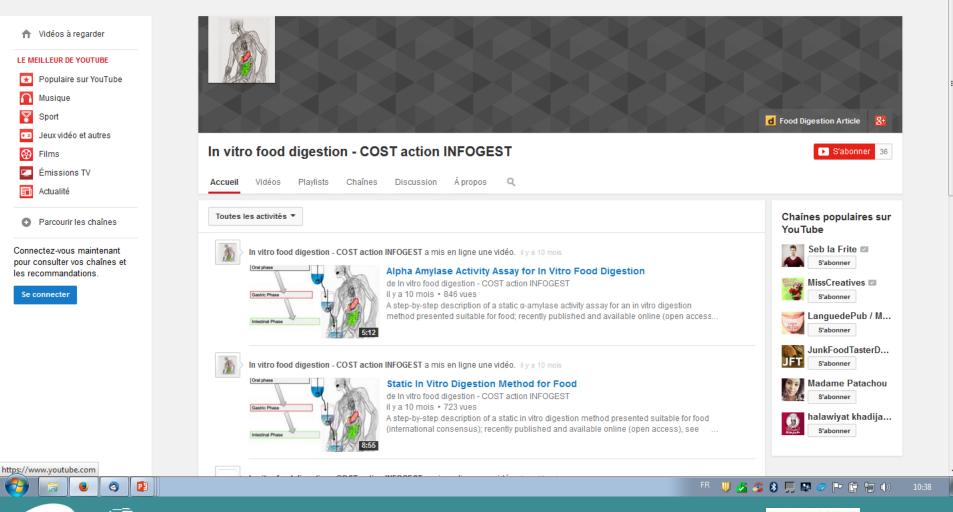




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### The INFOGEST model can be learned through videos on YouTube





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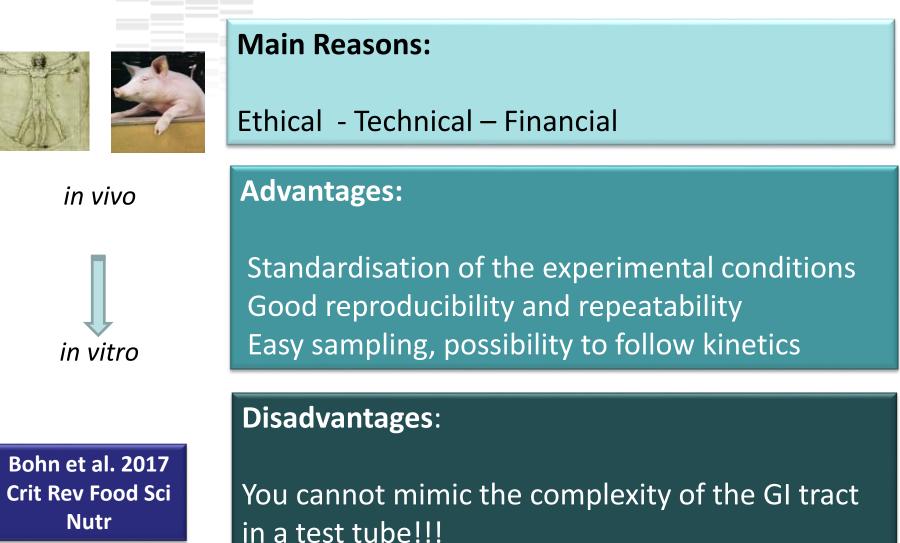
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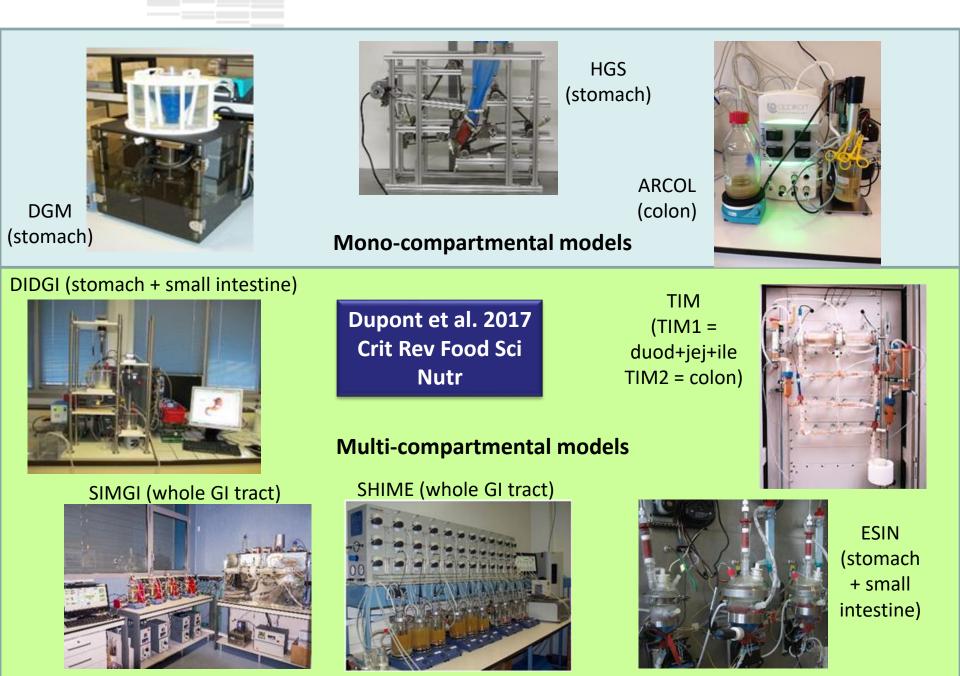
# Static In vitro digestion models: pro's & con's



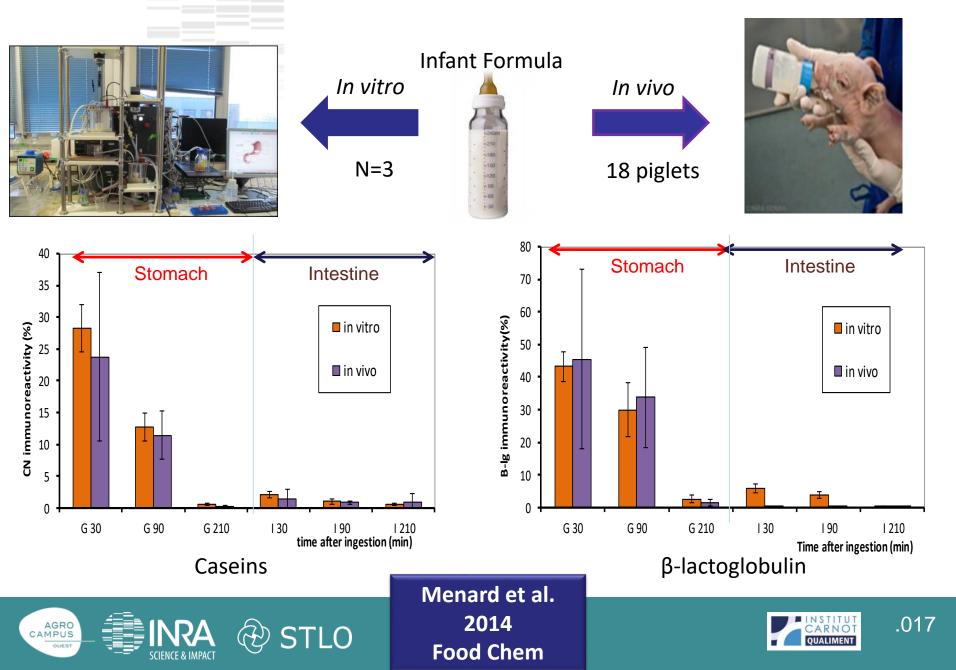




### Dynamic in vitro digestion models

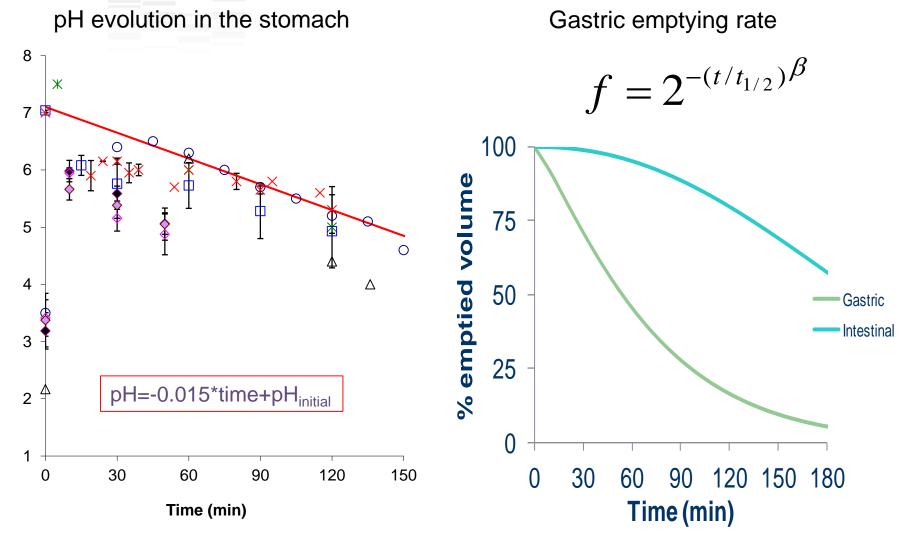


# Validation of the dynamic in vitro digestion system



# Need parameters to set up the simulator

### Parameters taken from previous in vivo studies



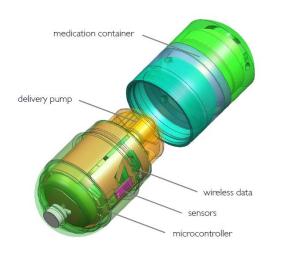




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# When parameters are not available, you need to determine them For example, for the pH, the Intellicap<sup>®</sup> System

- Ingestible capsules
- Real-time monitoring of physiological parameters
- Controlled drug delivery unit
- Size: 11 x 26 mm
- IntelliCap<sup>®</sup> measurements:
  - pH (relative accuracy: ± 0.3 pH units)
  - Temperature (relative accuracy: ± 0.1 °C)



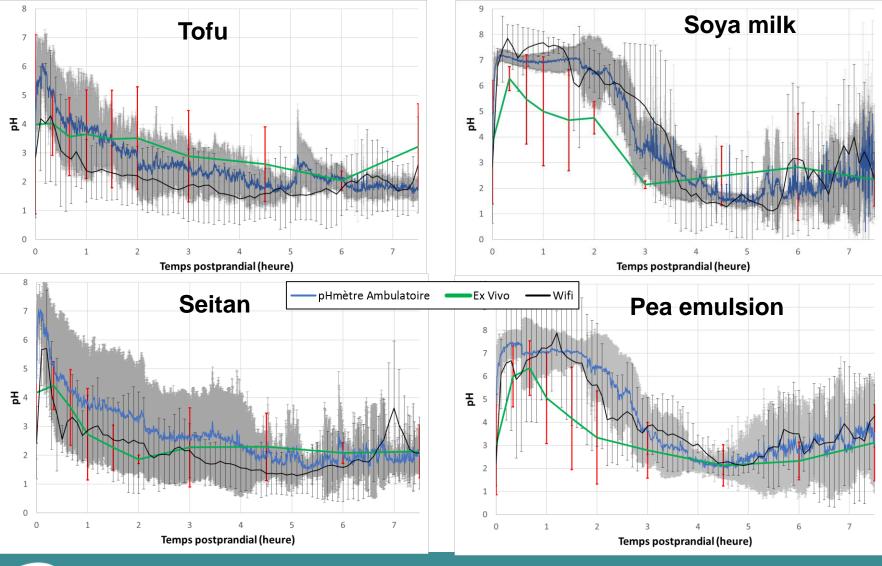








# Evolution of gastric pH in mini-pigs during digestion of plant matrices comparison of 3 measurement systems



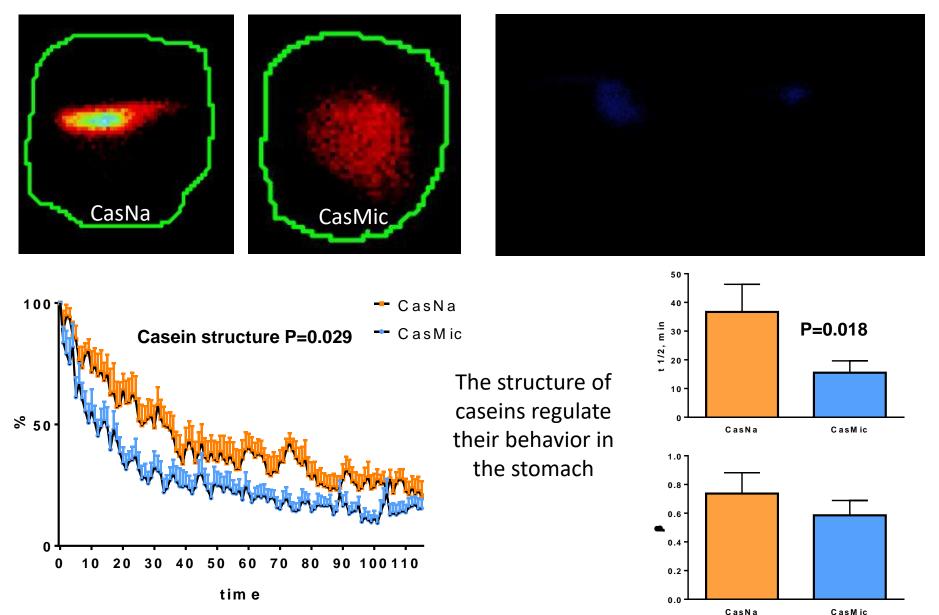




## Gastric emptying by gamma-scintigraphy on pigs



Comparison of sodium caseinate/ casein micelles



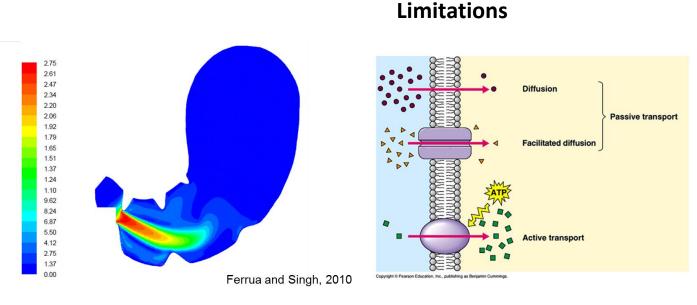
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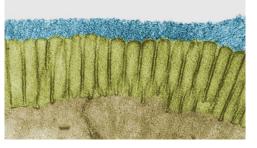


- Highly reproducible
- Physiologically relevant if parameters are available



- More expensive than static models
- Too « large » to use pure enzymes (gastric lipase)
- Low throughput





### Role of the brush border

Porcine Intestinal Mucus



### Shape of the stomach

Absorption is usually poorly mimicked

#### Role of the mucus layer

# In vivo (animal) models

# Rodents





Probably not the best model to mimic the upper part of the human GI tract Gnotobiotic animals (« humanized » mice) are of interest to study the effect of food on the microbiota

Pigs



Piglets



Mini-pigs



Multi-canulated and catheterized pigs

Pretty good model of the upper GI tract

Canulas and catheters allow to collect effluent and plasma throughout digestion (kinetics)

# **Human Models**

### Patients with ileostomy









Naso-gastric or naso-jejunal probes





# Food structure as modified by processing affects the kinetics of food digestion

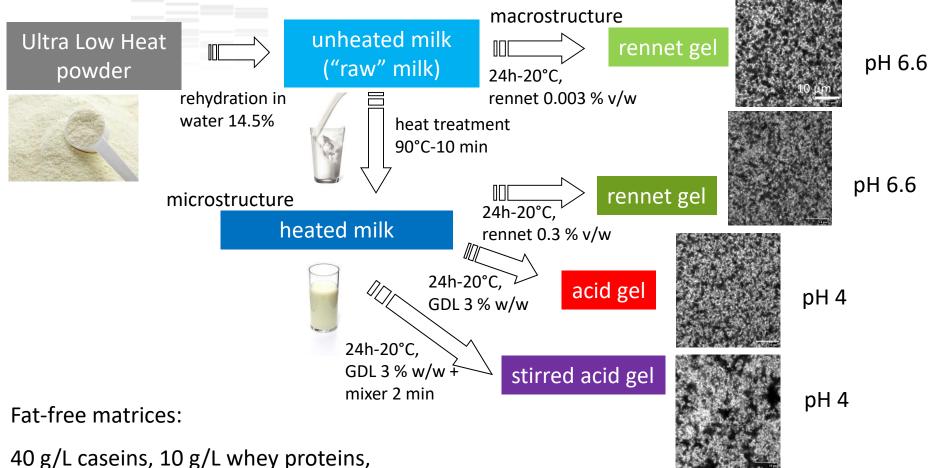


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# Comparison of 6 dairy products of identical composition but different structure



95 g/L lactose and minerals

+ marker of the meal transit (Cr<sup>2+</sup>-EDTA)  $\rightarrow$  Gastric emptying half-time





### The multi-canulated mini-pigs

<u>6 minipigs (20  $\pm$  1kg)</u>

1 catheter: abdominal aorta

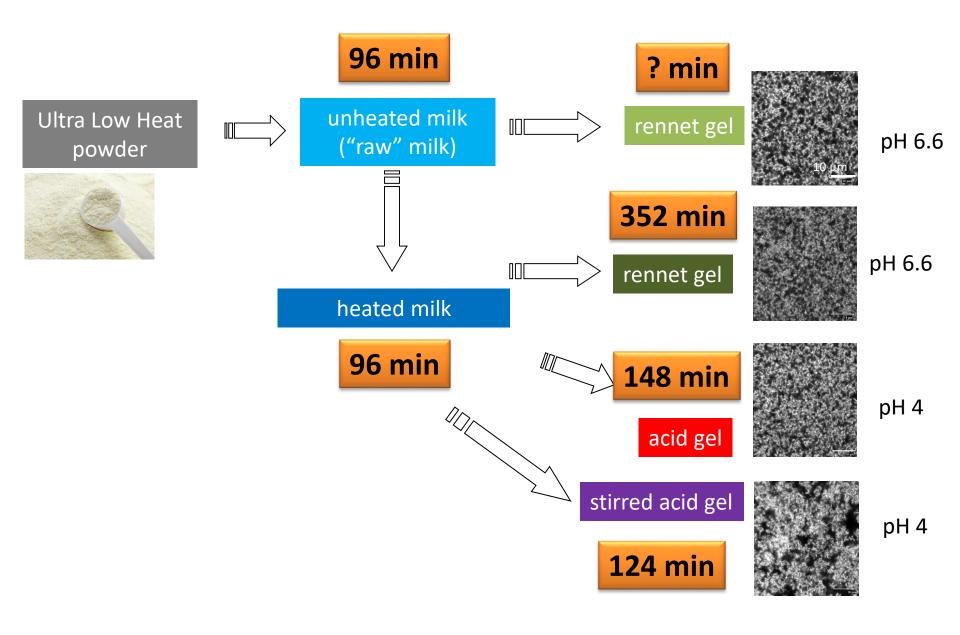
6 minipigs × 6 matrices × 8 sampling times after ingestion = 288 plasma samples collected

2 cannulas: end of stomach and mid-jejunum

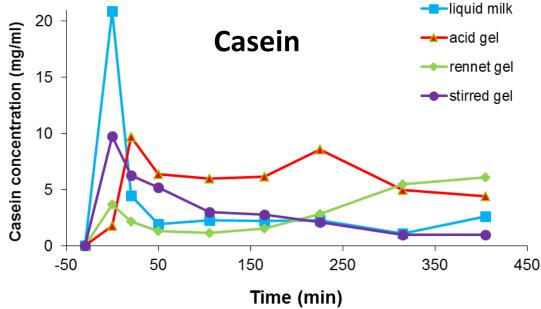
6 minipigs
× 6 matrices
× 8 sampling times after ingestion
× 2 sampling sites

576 effluent samples collected

## Gastric emptying half time

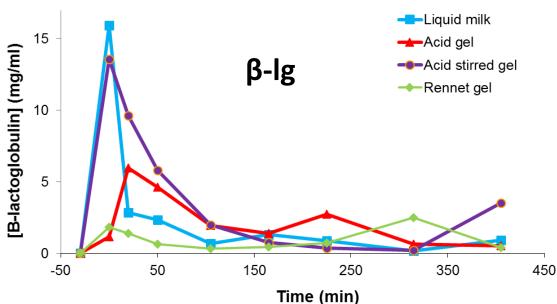


# Milk proteins in the duodenum (ELISA)



- Intense and early peak with milk
- Lower and delayed with gels
- Intermediate behaviour with stirred gel
- Low concentrations with rennet gel but casein release tends to increase over time

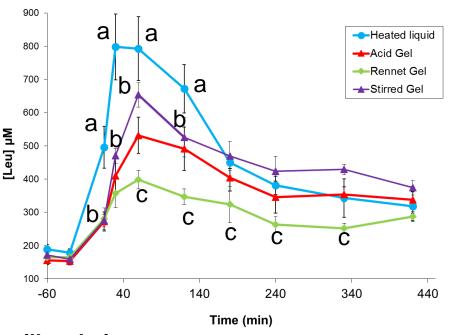
- Only traces of milk proteins ٠ found in the jejunum
- Dairy products remain highly ٠ digestible



# The liquid-gel transition

Barbé *et al*. Food Chem 2013 Highly cited paper

### Effect on absorption



milk gelation:

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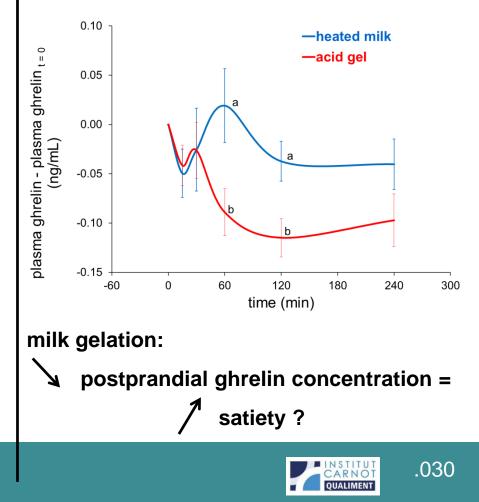
 $\rightarrow$  delayed proteins transit  $\rightarrow$  delayed AA absorption

maximal AA concentration in the plasma

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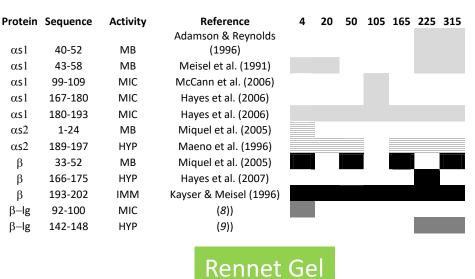
### Potential effect on satiety

ghrelin (gastrointestinal hormone  $\rightarrow$  appetite stimulation)



### **Bioactive peptides released during digestion differ from one matrix to another** More than 16000 peptides identified by LC-MS-MS in the jejunum

Protein	Sequence	Activity	Reference	4	20	50	105	165	225	315
as1	1-23	EMUL	Shimizu et al. (1984)							
as1	23-34	HYP	Maruyama & Suzuki (1982)							
as1	30-45	MB	Meisel et al. (1991)							
as1	40-52	MB	Adamson & Reynolds (1996)							
as1	43-58	MB	Meisel et al. (1991)							
as1	91-100	STRE	Miclo et al. (2001)							
as1	99-109	MIC	McCann et al. (2006)							
as1	167-180	MIC	Hayes et al. (2006)							
as1	180-193	MIC	Hayes et al. (2006)							
as2	1-24	MB	Miquel et al. (2005)							
as2	124-146	MB	Miquel et al. (2005)							
as2	183-206	TRAN	Kizawa et al. (1996)							
as2	183-207	MIC	Recio & Visser (1999)							
as2	189-197	HYP	Maeno et al. (1996)							
as2	190-197	HYP	Maeno et al. (1996)							
β	1-24	MB	Bouhallab et al. (1999)							
β	33-52	MB	Miquel et al. (2005)							
β	60-80	OPI	Jinsmaa & Yoshikawa (1999)							
β	98-105	OXI	Rival et al. (2001)							
β	114-119	OPI	Jinsmaa & Yoshikawa (1999)							
β	132-140	HYP	Robert et al. (2004)							
β	192-209	IMM	Coste et al. (1992)							
β	193-202	IMM	Kayser & Meisel (1996)							
β	193-209	IMM	Coste et al. (1992)							
κ	18-24	HYP	Lopez-Exposito et al. (2007)							
κ	106-116	THR	Jolles et al. (1986)							
β–lg	32-40	HYP	Pihlanto-Leppala et al. (2000)							
$\beta$ –lg	92-100	MIC	Pellegrini et al. (2001)							
β–lg	142-148	HYP	Mullally et al. (1997)							



- More bioactive peptides identified during digestion of acid gel than rennet gel
- Nature of peptides is identical (clearly defined by the digestive enzyme specificity)
- Kinetics of release are different

Barbé et al. 2014 Food Res Int



# Differential behaviour of acid/rennet gels in gastric conditions

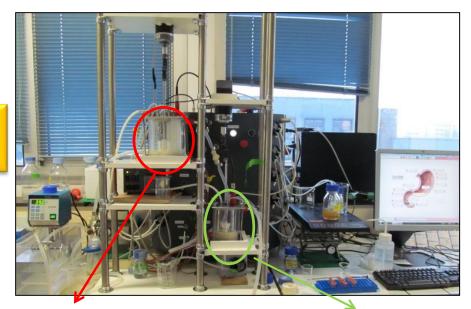
Acid/Rennet gel: identical composition, similar rheological properties and pore size

- $\checkmark$   $\neq$  Time of residence in the stomach (Acid 148 min /Rennet 352 min)
  - How can we explain this difference? Dynamic *in vitro* digestion of the 2 gels ()

Ménard et al. Food Chem 2014

- Pepsine

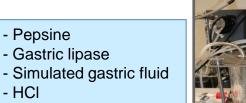
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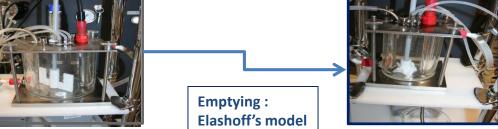




### StoRM<sup>®</sup> software

### Stomach





- **Small intestine**
- Pancreatin
- Bile
- Simulated intestinal fluid
- NaHCO<sub>3</sub>

**Emptying**: Elashoff's model

# Behaviour of acid and rennet gels in the stomach during *in vitro* dynamic digestion

Barbé et al. Food Chem. 2014



Formation of a strong coagulum with rennet gel  $\rightarrow$  slow down the gastric emptying of caseins

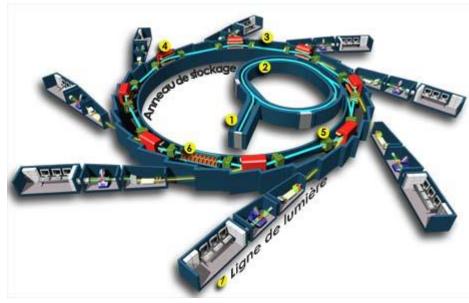
The structure that a food adopts in the stomach is essential to understand its digestion







Soleil is a particle (electron) accelerator that produces the synchrotron radiation, an extremely powerful source of light that permits exploration of inert or living matter





DISCO is a VUV to visible beamline dedicated to biochemistry, chemistry and cell biology. The spectral region is optimized between 60 and 700 nm with conservation of the natural polarization of the light

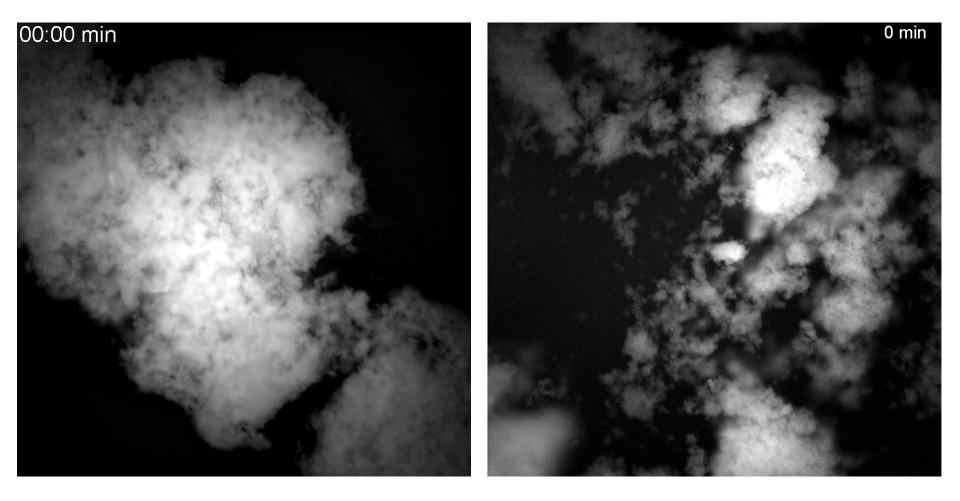
Allow the imaging of protein intrinsic fluorescence with a UV microscope



SOLEIL is the French national synchrotron facility, a multi-disciplinary instrument and research laboratory.



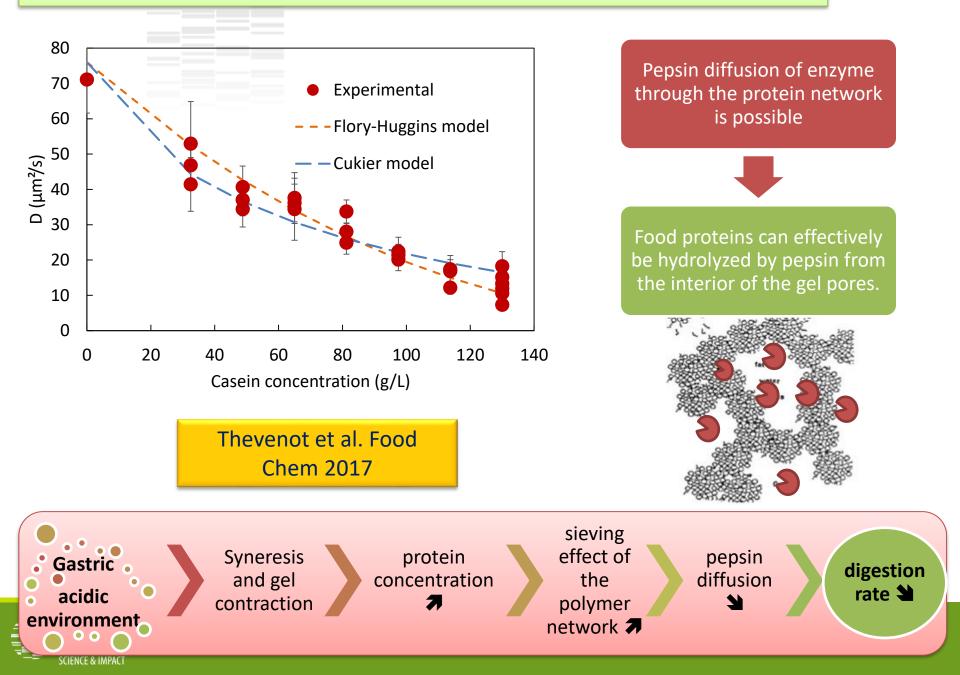
### **Kinetics of gel particles disintegration**



# **Rennet Gel**



#### Diffusion of FITC-pepsin in Rennet gel of increasing casein concentration (37°C)



What happens when food have the same macrostructure but different microstructures? The case of egg white gels

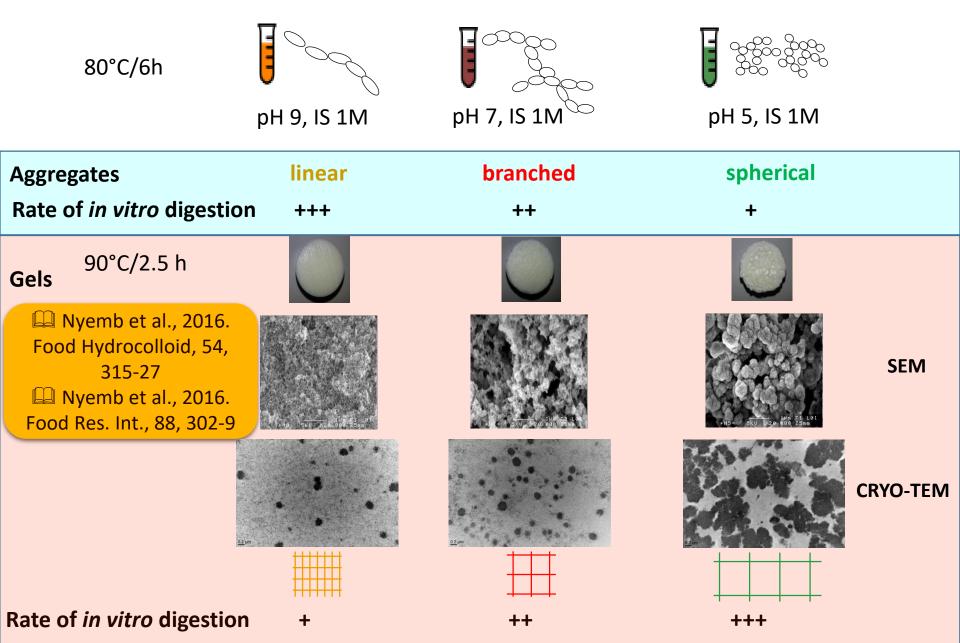


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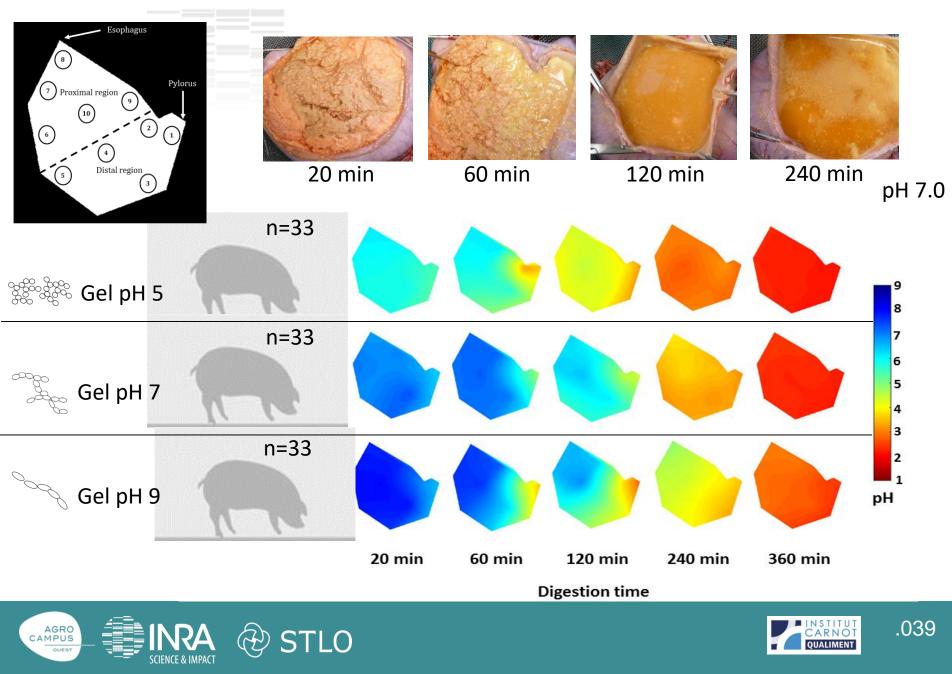
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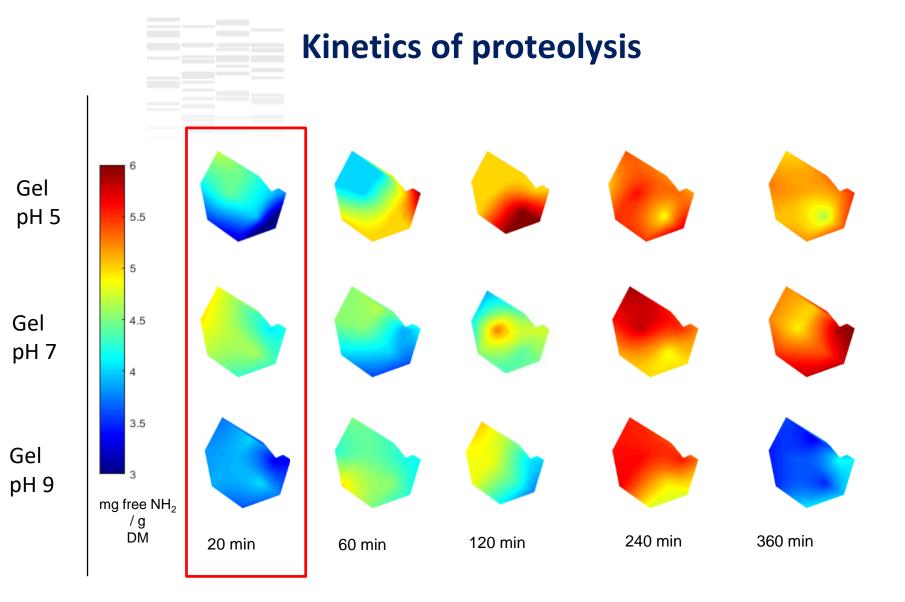


## The microstructure of egg-white gels made from different types of aggregates affects the kinetics of proteolysis



#### Spatio-temporal evolution of pH during an in vivo digestion





Proteolytic activity even at pH 7 and 9: probably driven by local pH





Digestion and oral comfort of cheese developed to meet the sensory and nutritional needs of the elderly



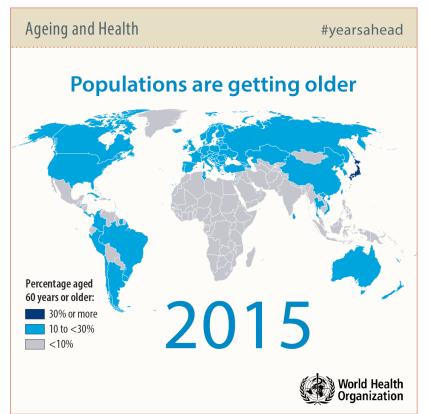
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## AGEING = a world problem...

The EU population over 65 2015 : **1/5** of the population 2050 : **1/3** of the population

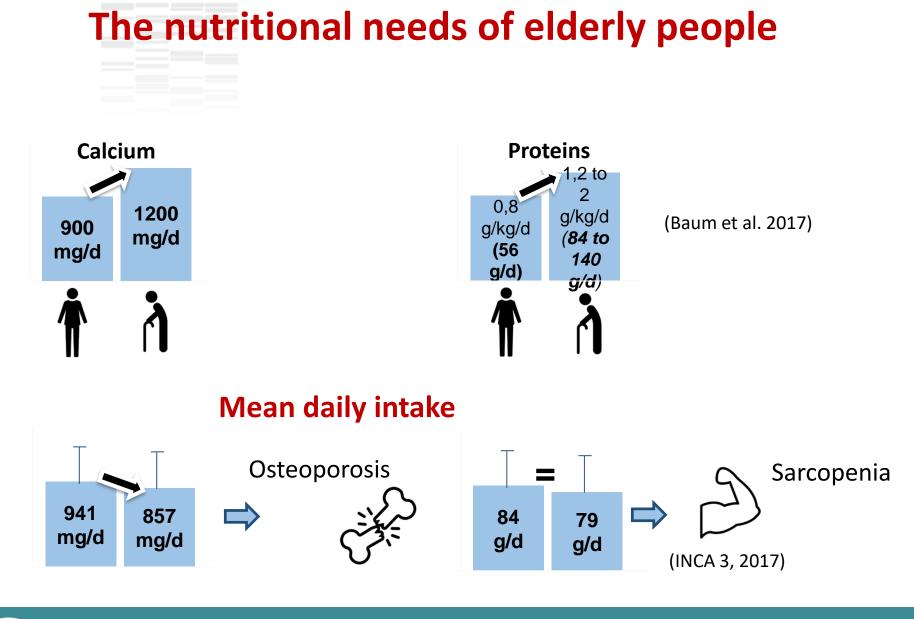


#### **Challenge : healthy ageing**

- Keeping people autonomy
- Offering them physical and social activities
- Preventing the development of pathologies
- Offering them an adequate diet



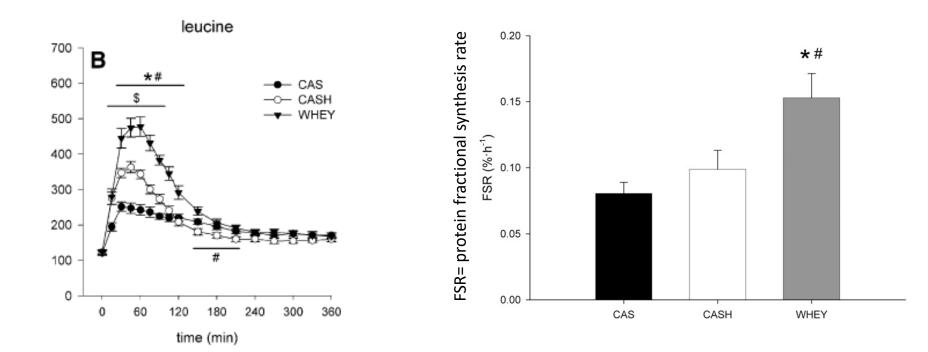








### Muscle protein synthesis can be restored when providing high amounts of Leucine through whey proteins (10 g) but not caseins



Pennings et al. 2013







To **design a range of cheeses** with identical composition (n=4):

@ exclusively made of whey proteins to provide 10 g of protein/portion and high intake of Leucine

@ enriched in calcium to provide 280
mg of calcium (25% of the daily intake)

To **assess the sensory perception of these cheeses** by elderly people with impaired or intact dental health (n=76)

To **assess the calcium and amino acid bioavailability** in conventional pigs











### **Design of the cheeses**

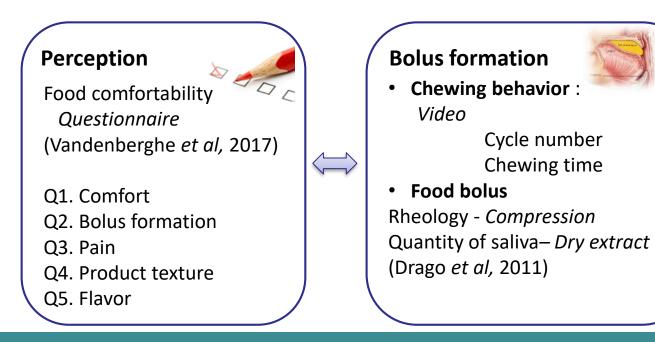
	Heat Treatm (HT)	nent	+ Acid	+ HT	+ Whipped + Acid X4 HT	
	Liquid <b>5</b> (24%)	Soft	Processed	Hard	Whipped	Mozzarella
Texture perception		Soft and melting	Sticky and pasty	Firm and slightly dry	Dry and granular	Elastic
рН	<b>6.4</b> ±0.05	<b>6.4</b> ±0.05	<b>6.0</b> ±0.05	<b>6.4</b> ±0.05	<b>5.6</b> ±0.05	<b>5.3</b> ± 0.05
Hardness		<b>16</b> ±8	<b>9</b> ±4	<b>108</b> ±20	<b>6</b> ±1	<b>95</b> ± 1
Type of protein	Whey proteins					Caseins
[Leucine] g/kg	<b>4.70</b> ±0.41					<b>3.61</b> ±0.01
Microstructure confocale x60 scale: 20 μm Proteins Lipids						

## Which textures of cheeses are comfortable for older people with or without oral health impairment?



76 volunteers + 65 y.o (Dentition and Flow saliva) x 4 cheese models

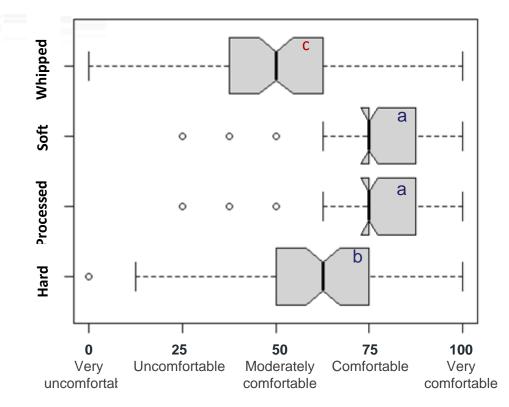








## The food comfortability is mainly impacted by the type of product consumed



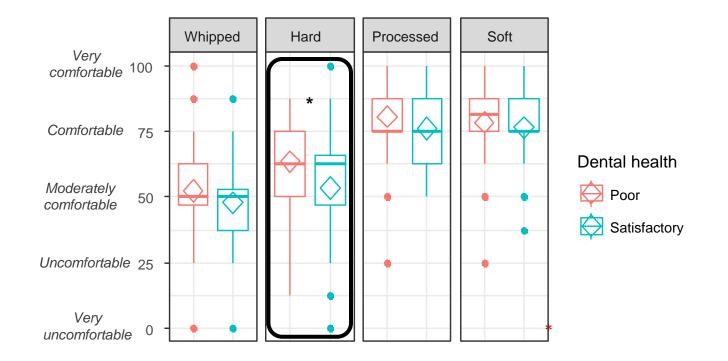
ANCOVA : Variable~ Product + Error(Subject)

The most comfortable products are the Soft and Processed products





### The food comfortability is not negatively impacted by the dental health



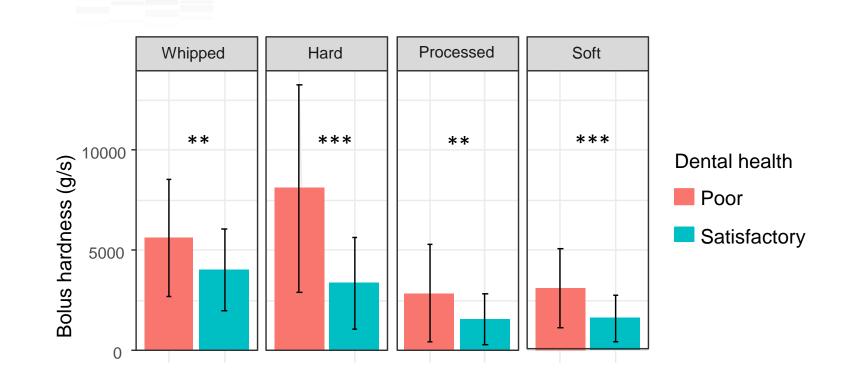
 $\Box$ 

Elderly people with a poor dental health considered the Hard product more comfortable than elderly people with a satisfactory dentition





## Elderly persons with a poor dental health made harder bolus than elderly persons with a satisfactory one





Decrease in food bolus disintegration by denture wearers observed by Mishellany-Dutour *et al.* (2008), Woda *et al.* (2006), Yven *et al.* (2006)





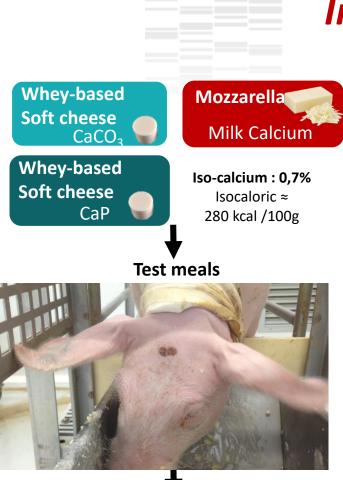
## Which textures of cheeses are comfortable for older people with or without oral health impairment?

- 1 . A product is comfortable when the bolus is easy to form
- 2 . Melting and greasy Firm Dry and very sticky In-mouth comfort
- **3** . Oral health alterations do not negatively impact the in-mouth comfort Vandenberghe-Descamps et al (2017), Assad-Bustillos et al. (2017), Laguna (2016)

But the bolus formed are different (hardness and humidity)

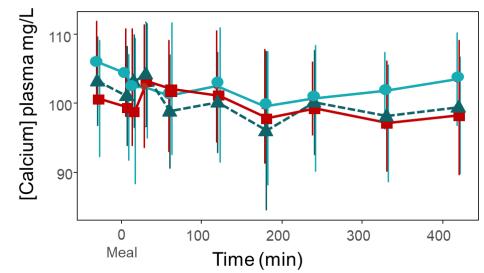






**Blood samples** from 30 min before to 7h after meal ingestion

## In vivo digestion



6 canulated and catheterized pigs

#### [Calcium] in plasma is highly stable

**Both calcium sources allow to provide bioavailable calcium** Needs long-term studies for possible consequences on bone health

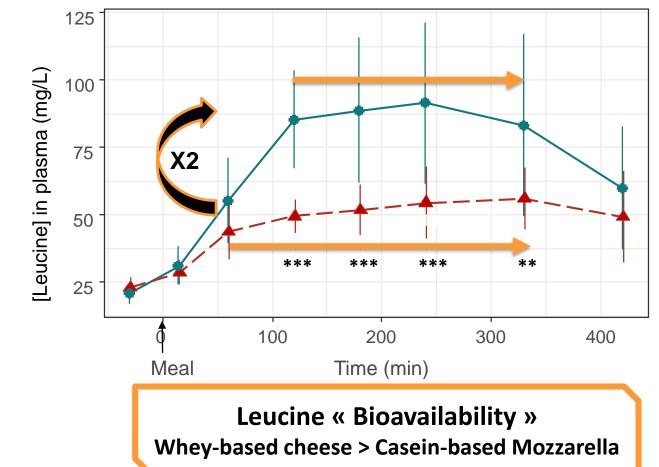






#### Leucine « bioavailability »

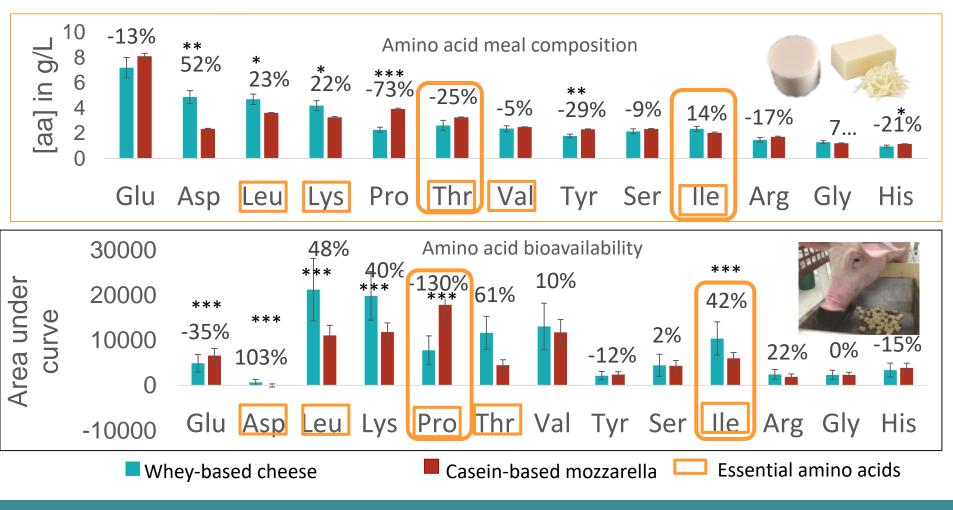
Cheese leucine content (g/Kg) +23% 4 \* 2 0 Area under the curve (g/L/min) 40 +48% 30 \*\*\* 20 10 Whey-based Caseincheese based mozzarella







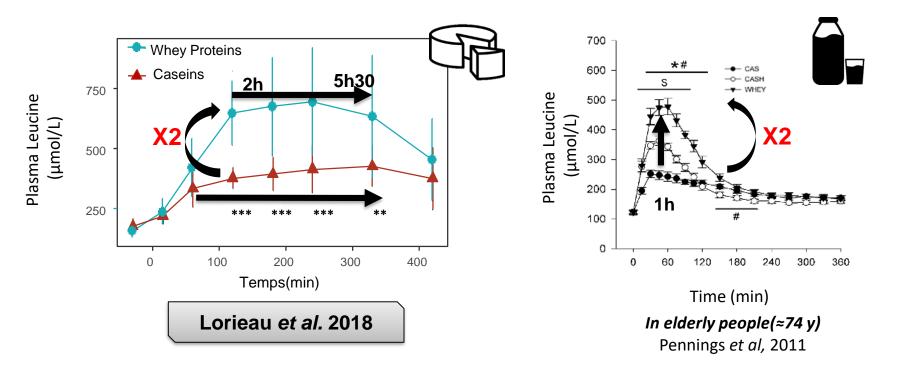
#### What about the other amino acids?











Our data confirm those previously obtained on elderly for liquid samples





### **Conclusion & perspectives**

No differences in Ca bioavailability were seen during the *in vivo* study on pigs

Whey-based cheeses allowed to increase Leu bioavailability

The differences between casein and whey-based cheeses could be due difference in kinetics of digestion. This could result in the selective sequestration of some AA by the splanchnic area ? Or be due to oxidation of some AA before and after absorption???

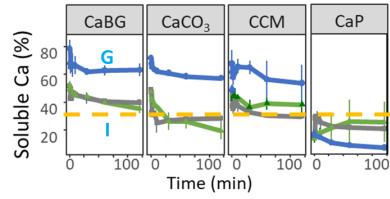
In the future, we would like to determine:

if other sources of calcium can increase its bioavailability

how the hardness and humidity of the bolus will affect digestion in elderly

if the whey-based cheeses really allow to restore muscle synthesis in elderly





In vitro digestion





Understanding human milk digestion to design new infant formulas that will have the same behaviour in the GI tract



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### Human/ bovine milk / Infant Formula Protein structures

Human milk



Bovine milk

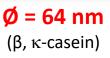


**Ø** = **182 nm** (αs1, β-casein)





(Turck et al, 2010)

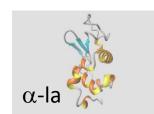


Casein micelle

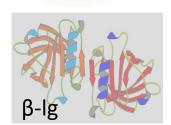




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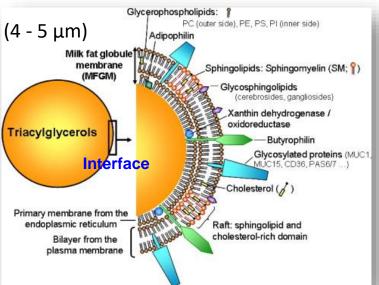
## Human/ bovine milk / Infant Formula Lipid globule structure



Bovine milk



#### Native milk fat globule

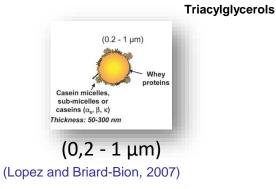




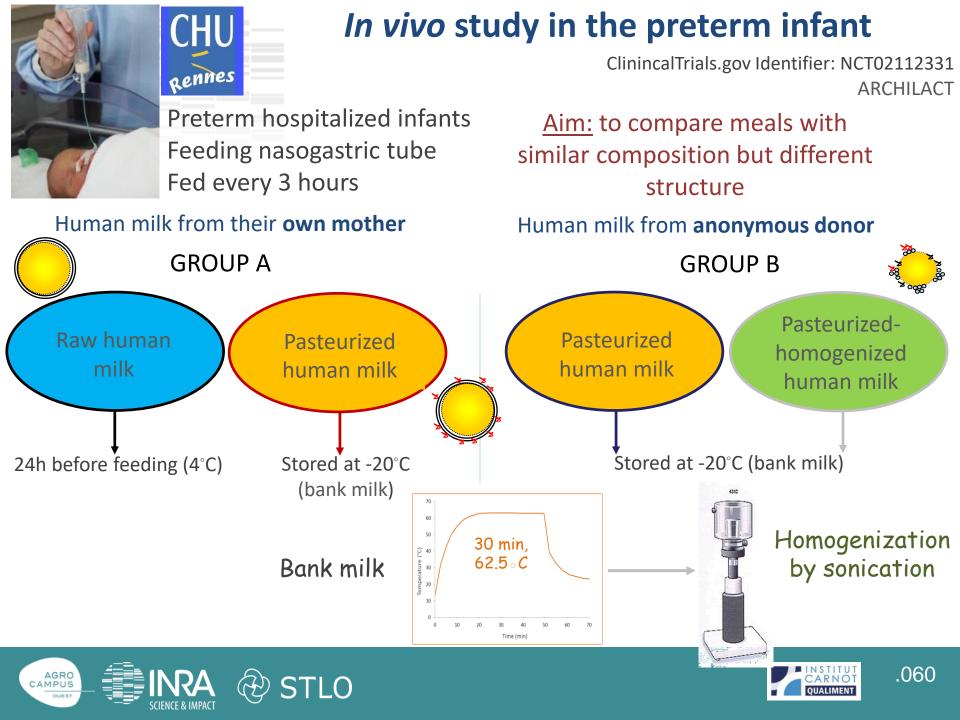
(Lopez, 2010)



Lipid droplets

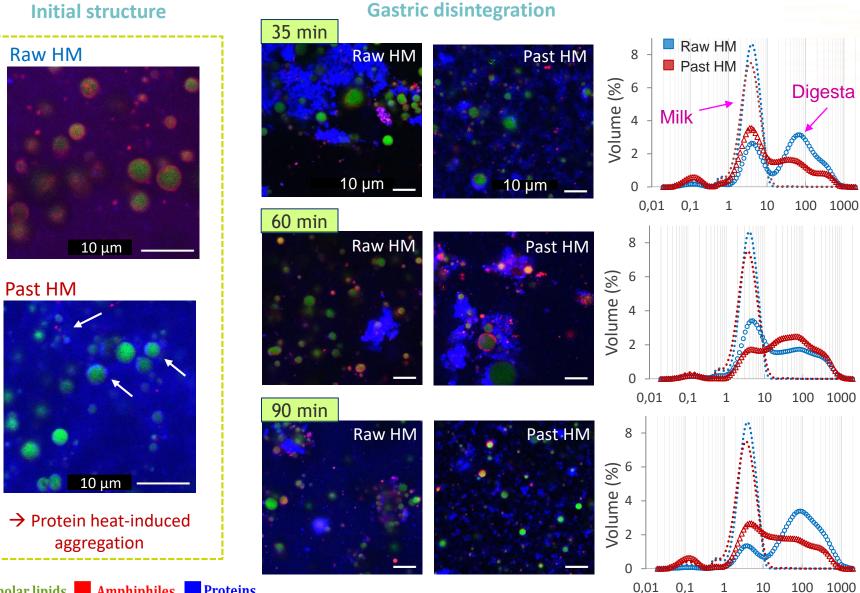






#### Pasteurization affected the initial structure and the emulsion disintegration of HM

(n = 6 infants)

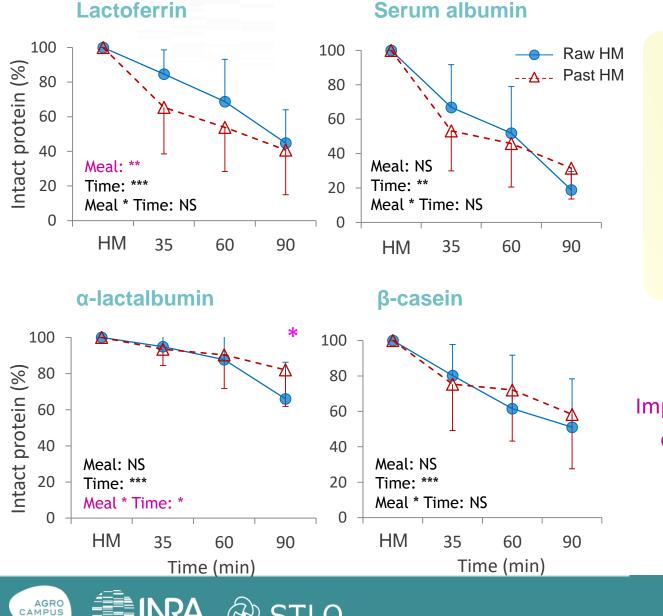


Size (µm)

Apolar lipids Amphiphiles

Proteins

#### Pasteurization selectively impacted gastric proteolysis



 → Faster decrease of lactoferrin in Past HM
 → Slower decrease of α-lactalbumin in Past HM (only at 90 min)
 → α-lactalbumin was the most resistant to gastric digestion

Impact on protective qualities of the native lactoferrin?

De Oliveira et al., Am J Clin Nutr 2017

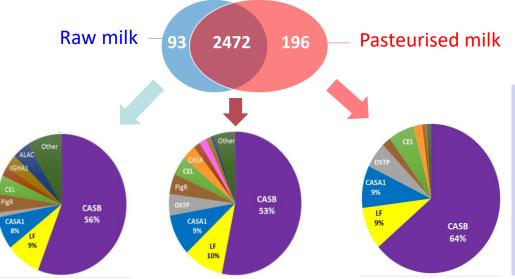


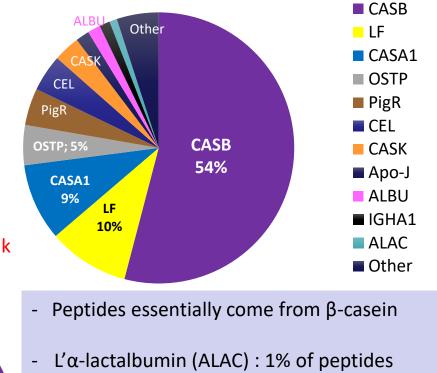


#### **Effect of pasteurisation on gastric peptidome**

#### ightarrow 2761 peptides in milk and digestas

**Originating from 18 proteins** with 7 proteins contributing to less than 1% of the peptides





- → Resistant to gastric digestion
- $\rightarrow$  4 disulphide bridges



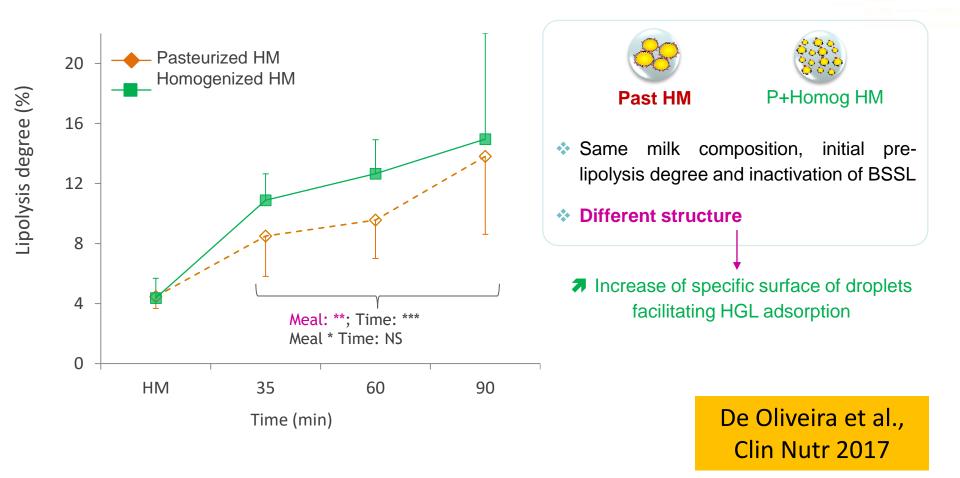
- More peptides specific of pasteurised milk





#### Homogenization accelerates gastric lipolysis

#### Instantaneous lipolysis level











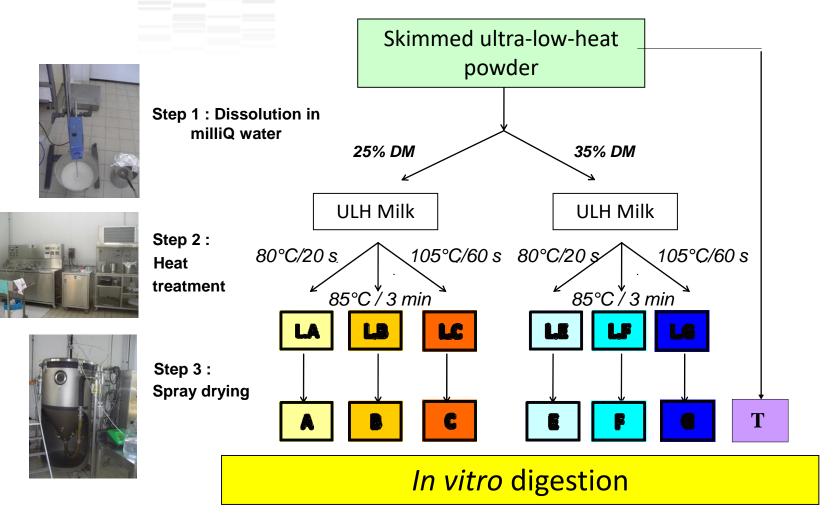
# Effect of heat treatment on casein *in vitro* digestion in model infant formula





## Objective

Toes processing affect protein hydrolysis during milk powder digestion?

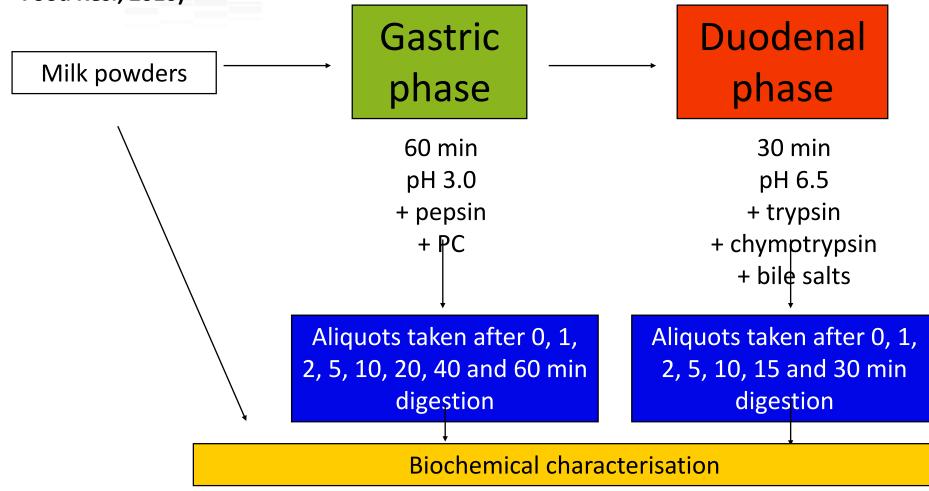






## Infant Gut Model

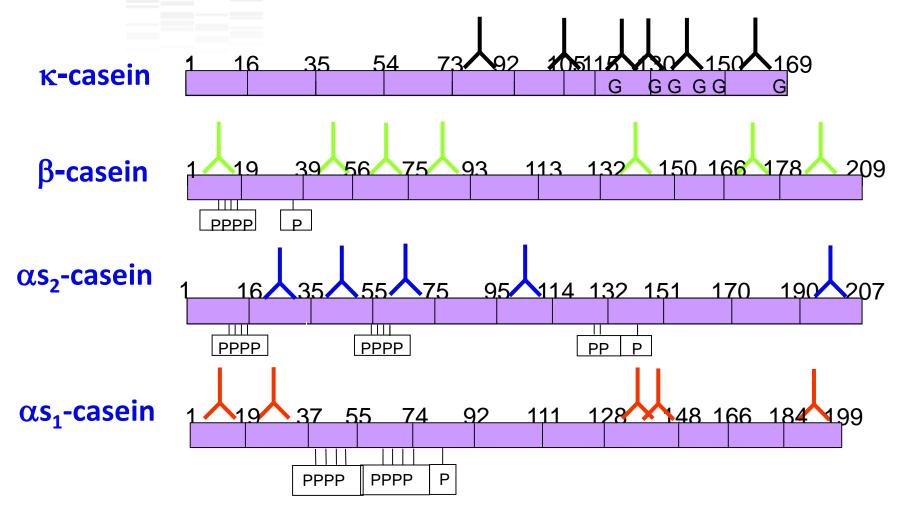
Cooperation with the Institute of Food Research in Norwich UK (Dupont *et al*. Mol. Nutr. Food Res., 2010)







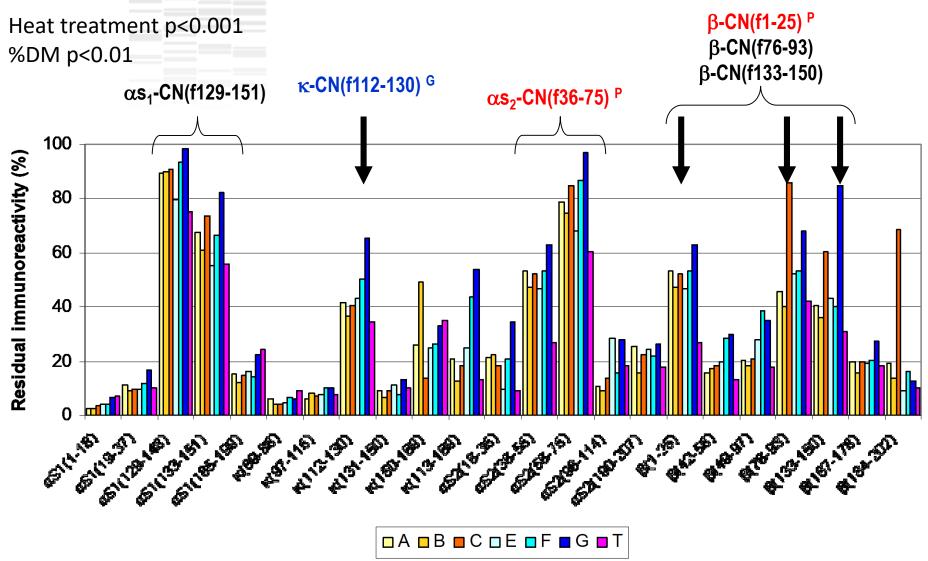
## Identification of epitopes resistant to digestion by ELISA using specific Mabs







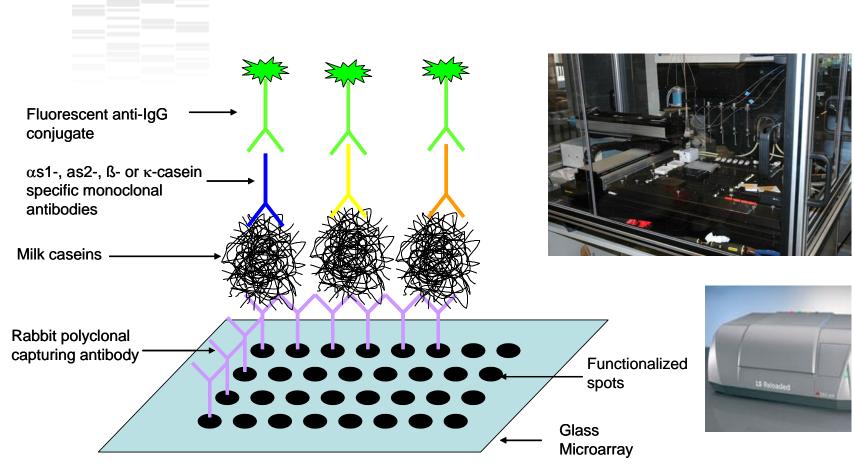
#### **Residual immunoreactivity of casein fragments**







#### **Development of antibody array technologies**



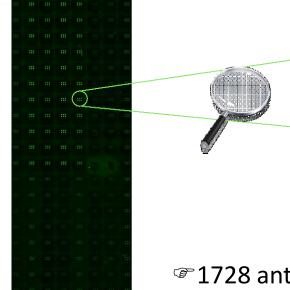
Cooperation with the Van Andel Research Institute

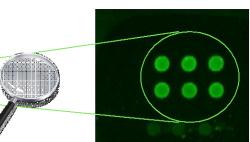






### Antibody arrays – an example of results





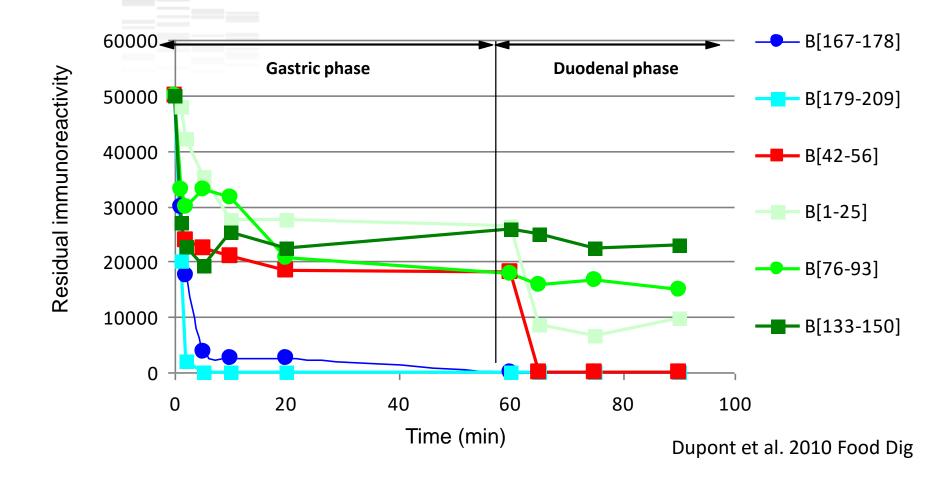
1728 antigen-antibodies interactions studied simultaneously
 2-3 μl of sample
 Softwares available for data integration



Microscope glass slide



#### **Kinetics of β-casein digestion**



 $\ensuremath{^{\textcircled{\mbox{\tiny \mbox{\tiny G}}}}$  Kinetics of  $\beta$ -casein digestion differ according to the area studied







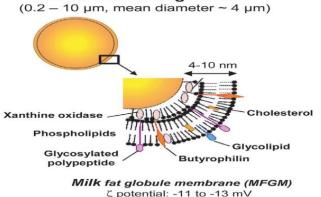


## Can we design new generation of infant formula that would be biomimetic of human milk?





#### Infant formulas: can we create lipid structures biomimetic on the native fat globule? Formula Formula Formula T2 Т3 Т1 Interface 100 % Proteins Interface 100 % phospholipids Interface 100 % phospholipides 100% vegetable oil 40% vegetable oil + 60% milk fat 100% vegetable oil Natural milk fat globules $(0.2 - 10 \mu m, mean diameter ~ 4 \mu m)$

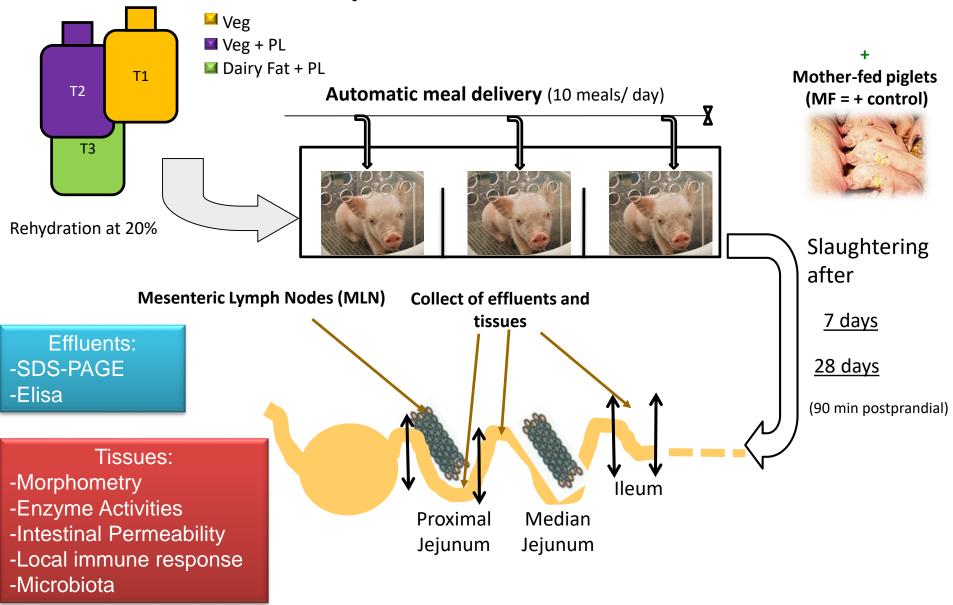


Lopez, (2007)

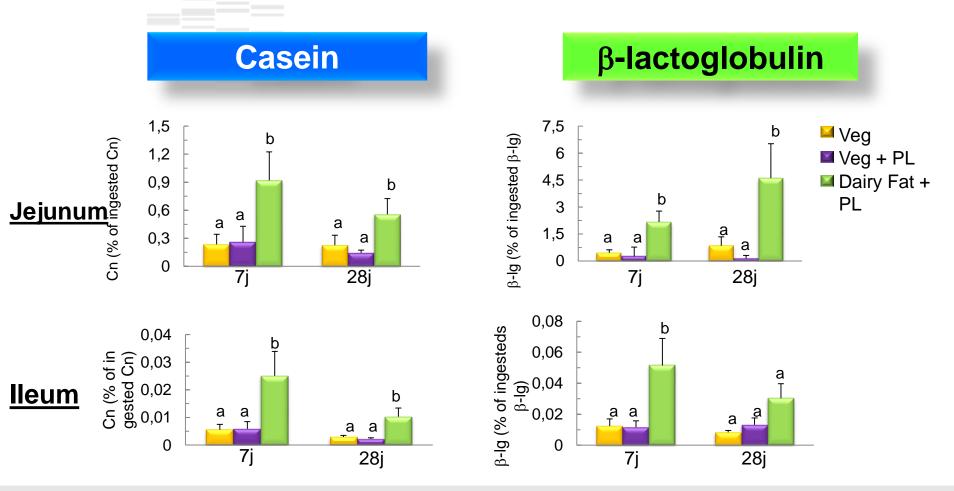




## Can the composition of infant formula modulate the physiological response of the neonate?



#### **Protein Digestion**



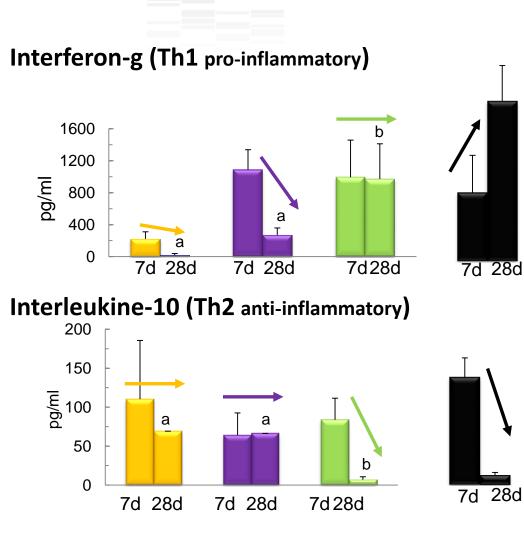
Milk Proteins better resist to intestinal digestion in the presence of dairy fat → Modification of the interface

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

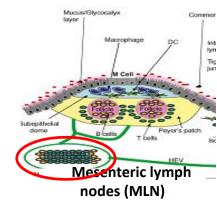




#### **Secretory activity of MLN**



✓ Veg
 ✓ Veg + PL
 ✓ Dairy Fat + PL
 ■ Porcelets SM

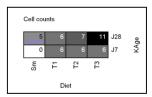


Milk lipids → maturation of the piglet's immune system more similar than with sow's milk

Le Huerou et al. Eur J Nutr 2017



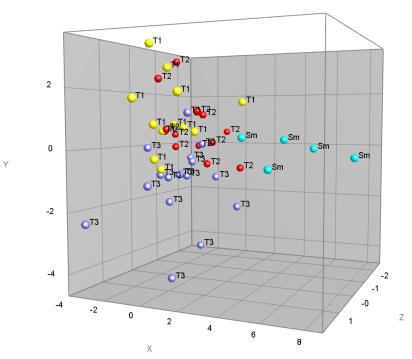




#### **Microbiota by DHPLC**



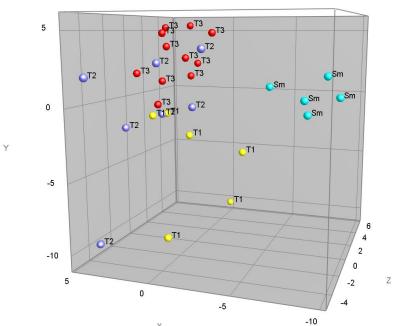
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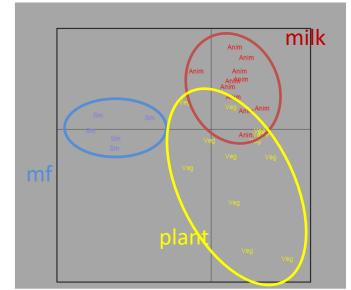
The composition/structure of the infant formula « orientates » the microbiota

More Proteobacteria with milk fat / More Firmicutes with plant oil

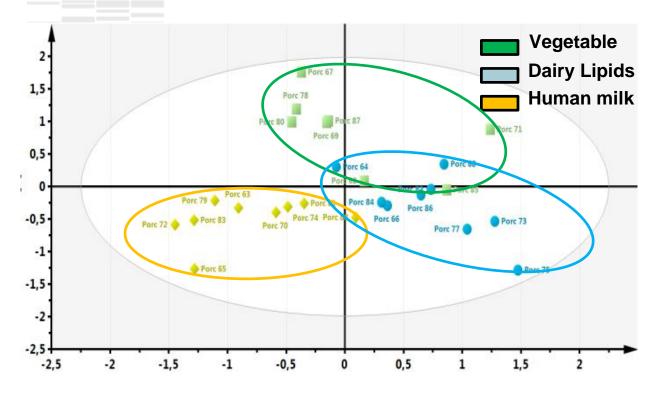
Bourlieu et al. Eur J Lipid Sci Technol 2016



**D28** 



#### What happens when they become older (140 d)?



Some differences remain in:

- \* the microbiota composition
- \* the metabolome with 5 discriminating metabolites (including propionate)

\* the immune system with a reduced susceptibility to inflammation with milk lipids (lower TNF $\alpha$  and IL8 with dairy lipids)







**NativIF** 



# Design of a «native » infant formula using filtration technologies : nutritional, physiological and sensory impacts

Coordinator : Amélie Deglaire

Involved partners : PNCA (AM Davila), CSGA (S Nicklaus)

Duration of the project : 36 months (January 2018-December 2020)

#### Main objective :

To assess the nutritional, physiological and sensory potential of infant formula as native as possible but microbiologically safeusing a cascade of filtration technologies compares to one submitted to several heat treatments







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Formula produced	T- : No heat treatment	T+ : One final heat treatment (75°C, 2 min)	T+++ : Multiple heat treatments (Max: 85°C, 2 min)
Microbiological safety/ Nutritional Composition	validated	validated	validated
% of protein denaturation	4,1 ± 0,7 %	7,2 ± 1,1 %	57,6 ± 0,2%
Furosine (mg / 100 g Total Nitrogen) Carboxymethyl-lysine (mg / 100 g NT)	576 ± 14 8,2 ± 0,3	516 ± 48 8,2 ± 0,3	544 ± 29 10,3 ± 2,1
Amount conditionned in boxes	35 kg	35 kg	35 kg

#### Bacteriological analysis of the formulas

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	Т-	T+	T+++	
		ufc / g poudre		
Flore totale à 30°C	500	340	100	
Bacillus cereus	<10	<10	<10	
Coliformes totaux	<10	<10	<10	
Cronobacter spp	non détecté	non détecté	non détecté	
Entérobactéries	non détecté	non détecté	non détecté	
Listeria monocytogenes	absence	absence	absence	
Salmonella	absence	absence	absence	
Staphylocoque à coagulase positive	absence	absence	absence	
Levures	<10	<10	<10	
Moisissures	<10	<10	<10	

#### Nutritional composition

		T-	T+	T+++
	Unité	/ 100 g poudre		
Extrait Sec Total	g	97.9	97.8	97.7
Energie	kcal	526	532	531
Proteines ratio massique CN : PS	g	10.6 55:45	11.2 55:45	10.2 57:43
Lipides	g	29	30	30
Lactose	g	56	54	55
Cendres	g	2.7	2.5	2.7

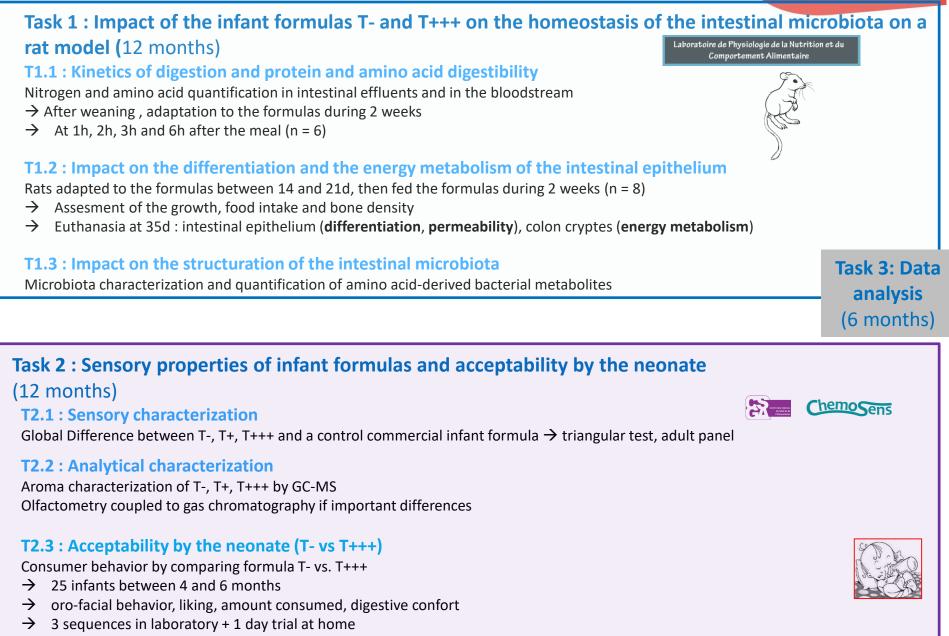
Minerals and vitamins added

ightarrow Composition in agreement with the legislation

#### $\rightarrow$ In agreement with the legislation







## Amino acid bioavailability, particularly tryptophane, in human milk and infant formula

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- Isabelle Le Huërou-Luron (INRA Saint Gilles, Numecan NGB)
- Paul Moughan (Riddet Institute, Nouvelle-Zélande)

#### **Research Questions :**

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- What is the amino acid bioavailability, especially that of tryptophane, in human milk and infant formula?
- What is the effect of the protein type and amount of the infant formula on :
  - the tryptophane bioavaialbility?
  - the production of tryptophane metabolites (e.g. sérotonine, mélatonine, indole) ?
  - The intestinal maturation and the brain development?







Funding





### Scientific context

#### **Essential amino acid** bioavailability in human milk

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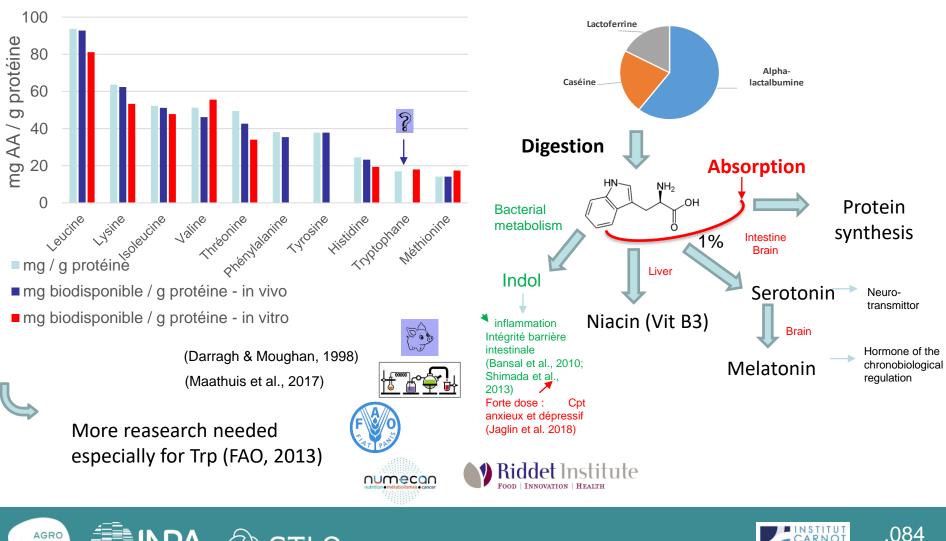
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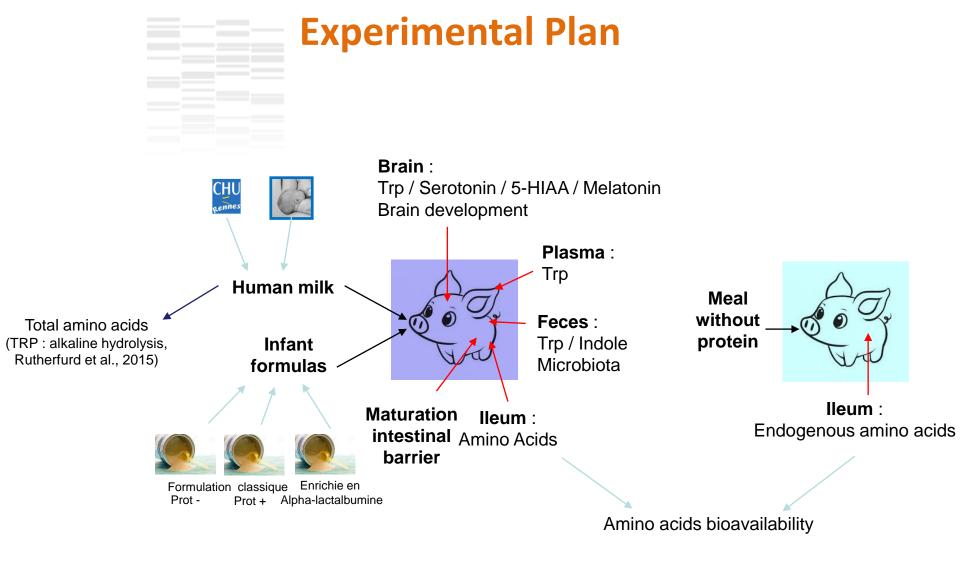


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#### **Origin in human milk**



















## May bioactive peptides released during digestion have an effect *in vivo*?



### In vivo digestion of milk proteins

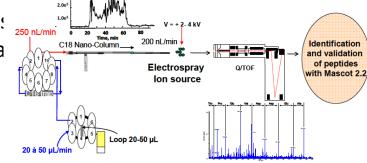
- 16 subjects were fed with 30g of either:
  - Caseins

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- •Whey proteins
- Intestinal contents were collected through a double lumen nasogastric tube placed in their jejunum during 6 h after ingestion (location of the sampling site was controlled by radiography)
- Effluents were then freeze-dried until further use. Before analysis, effluents were rehydrated in 50 mM Tris HCl buffer pH 8.0 and 2M urea, centrifuged for 10 min a 2000 g
- Samples were characterized by ESI-MS-MS. Only
   peptides larger than 5 amino acids are considered





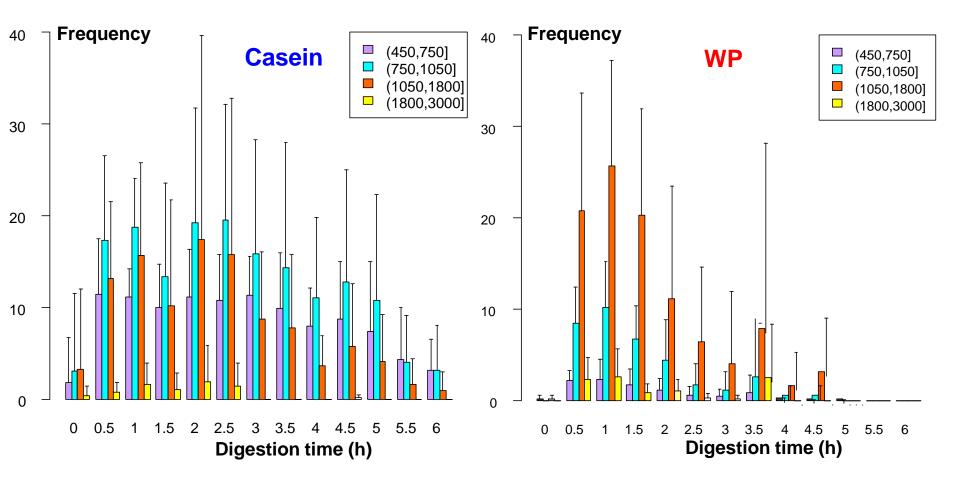






#### **Kinetics of peptides release**

4704 dietary peptides unambiguously identified



Release of casein peptides throughout digestion

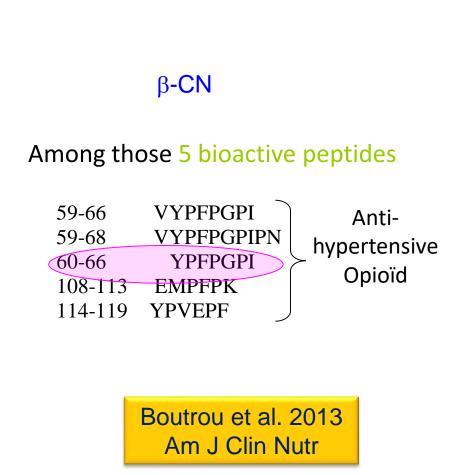
Peptides generated from whey proteins digestion are larger

Seneration of a unique database of dietary peptides bioaccessible

# A great variability in patterns but some peptides present in all subjects

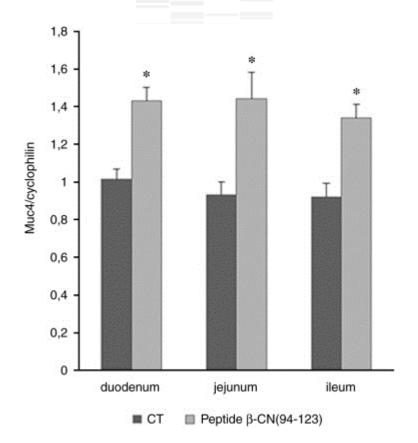
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throughout digestion		in all th	in all the subjects		
1-6	RELEEL		-		
57-66	SLVYPFPGPI	57-66 S	SLVYPFPGPI		
58-66	LVYPFPGPI				
58-68	LVYPFPGPIPN				
59-66	VYPFPGPI	59-66	VYPFPGPI		
59-67	VYPFPGPIP				
59-68	VYPFPGPIPN	59-68	VYPFPGPIPN		
60-66	YPFPGPI	60-66	YPFPGPI		
61-66	PFPGPI	60-67	YPFPGPIP		
73-79	NIPPLTQ				
73-80	NIPPLTQT				
73-82	NIPPLTQTPV				
80-91	TPVVVPPFLQPE				
81-87	PVVVPPF				
81-91	PVVVPPFLQPE	81-91 P	VVVPPFLQPE		
81-92	PVVVPPFLQPEV		VVVPPFLQPEV		
83-91	VVPPFLQPE	01 /21			
84-91	VPPFLQPE				
85-091	PPFLQPE				
	KEMPFPK				
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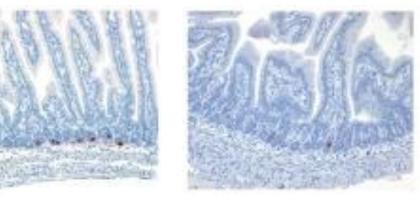


# Bioactive peptides released during digestion can reinforce the defense of the intestinal epithelium



β-CN(94-123) stimulates the mucus production in vitro (HT-29 MTX) and in vivo (rat)

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Before

After

Sections of duodenum after 10 d of administration of peptide  $\beta$ -CN (94-123)

Plaisancie et al. 2013, J Nutr Biochem Plaisancie et al. 2015, J Dairy Res



#### Conclusion

The structure/composition of food regulate the kinetics of protein digestion and the release of amino acids in the bloodstream

Gastric emptying rate will highly depend on the structure that the product will adopt in the stomach cavity.

Understanding the mechanisms of food particle breakdown in the stomach is critical to control the structure a food will adopt in gastric conditions

Being able to design food structures for controlling the kinetics of hydrolysis of macronutrients will allow to obtain food particularly adapted to specific population



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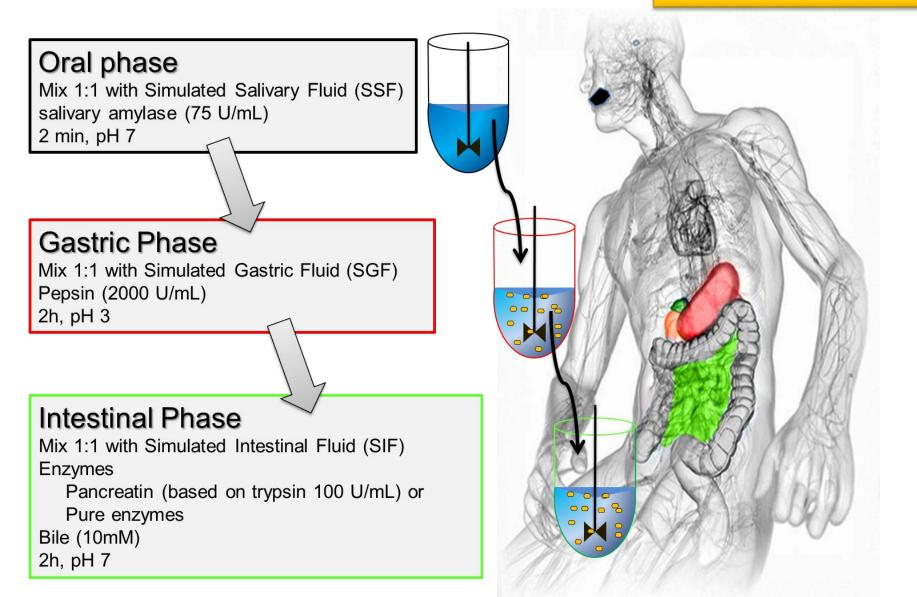
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*In vitro* gastrointestinal digestion Consensus INFOGEST protocol Minekus et al. 2014 Food & Function, 5, 1113-1124 **700 citations** 



An updated version of the protocol published last week!

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PROTOCOL https://doi.org/10.1038/s41596-018-0119-1

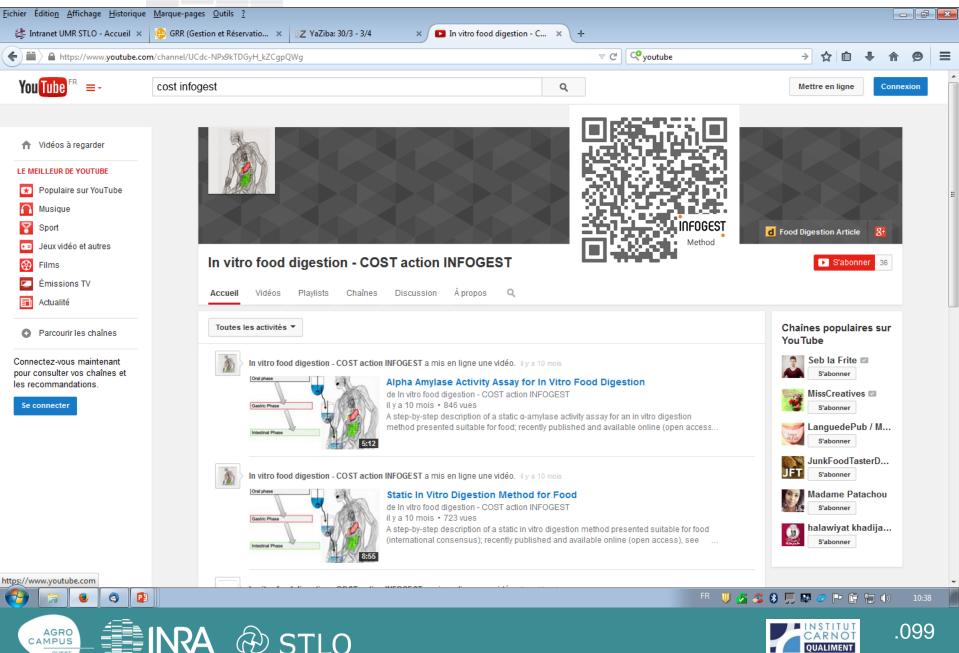
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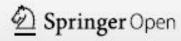
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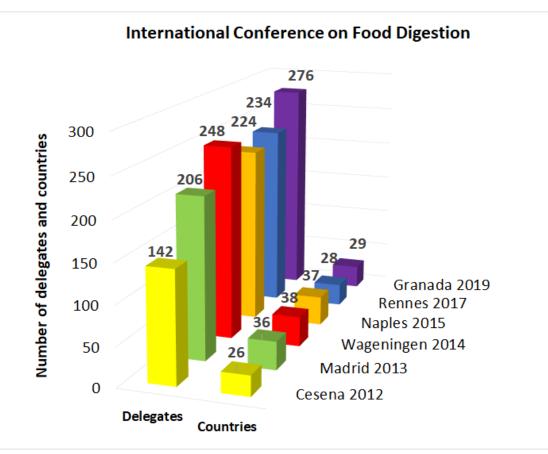
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