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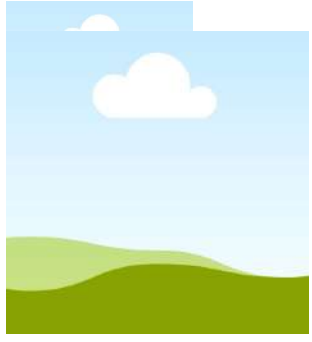
## MODELOS DE NEGOCIO PARA EL DESARROLLO DE INGREDIENTES Y ALIMENTOS PLANT-BASED A TRAVÉS DEL AGREGADO DE VALOR.

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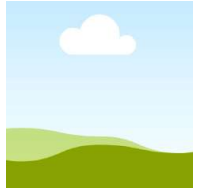


# Business models for developing plant-based ingredients and foods

Pablo Juliano, Group Leader  
Food Processing and Supply Chains

Australia's National Science Agency





# Outline

- CSIRO
- Plant based research at CSIRO
- Trends in plant-based food
- Challenges
- Recent technical innovations
  - Dry vs wet fractionation
  - Precision fermentation
  - Upcycling
- Business models – how to scale up the innovation?



Who we are

# Australia's national science agency



One of the world's largest multidisciplinary science and technology organisations



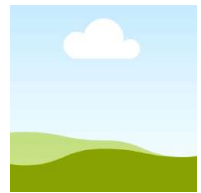
5,200+ dedicated people working across 58 sites globally



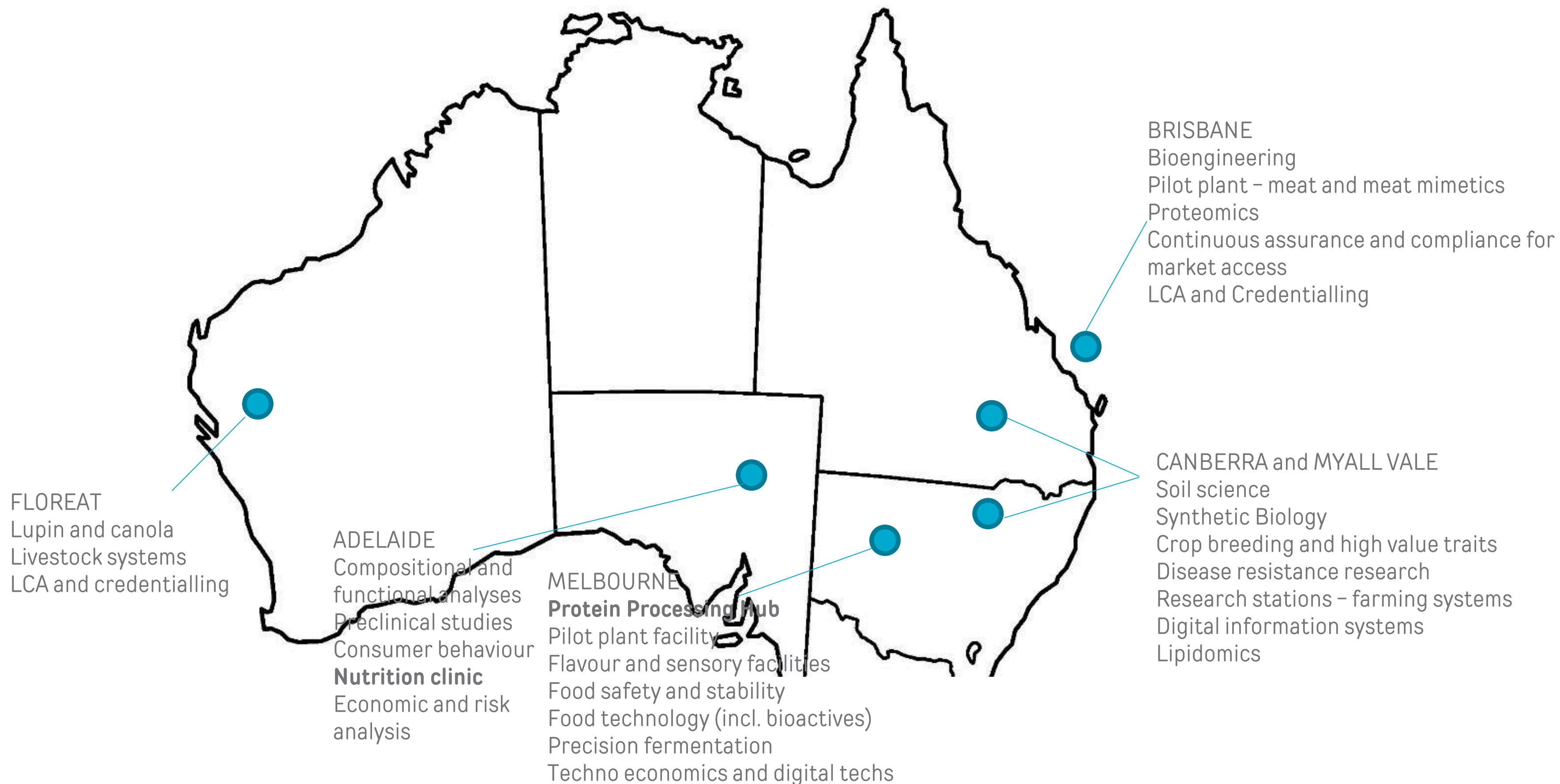
State-of-the-art national research infrastructure



We delivered \$7.6 billion of benefit to the nation in FY21

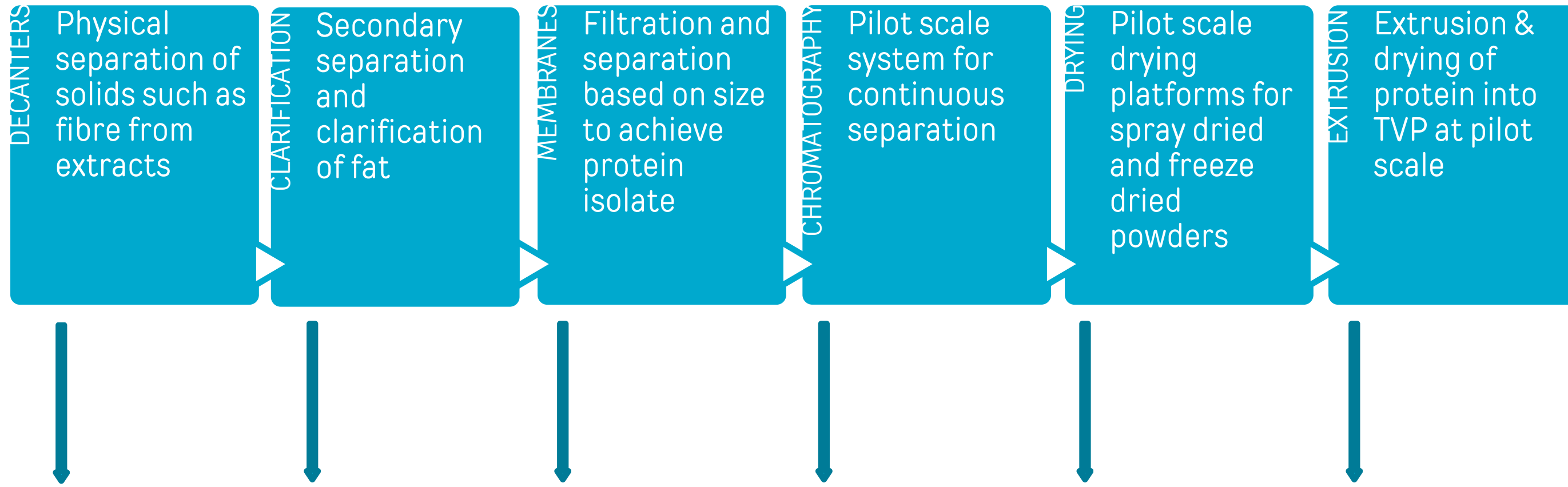


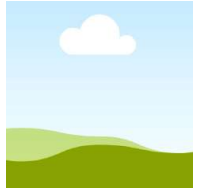
# Plant based industrial research at CSIRO





# Extraction, Separation, Drying and Extrusion Capability





# Extraction Capability

Food grade pilot systems for process scale up and production of ingredients – concentrates & isolates



GEA Multi-purpose Model RO Plant

Ceramic Microfiltration Plant

Reactors

Decanters

Separators

Drying Systems

Chromatography

Extrusion

Membrane based filtration



# Dry Fractionation Plant Equipment



**DESTONER**



**PULSE HULLING  
MACHINE**



**DEHULLER MHSA**



**HAMMER MILL**



**Classifier Mill**



**Air Classifier**

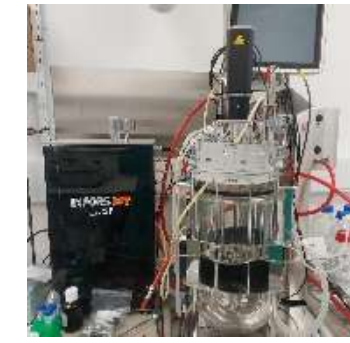




# Precision Fermentation Capability

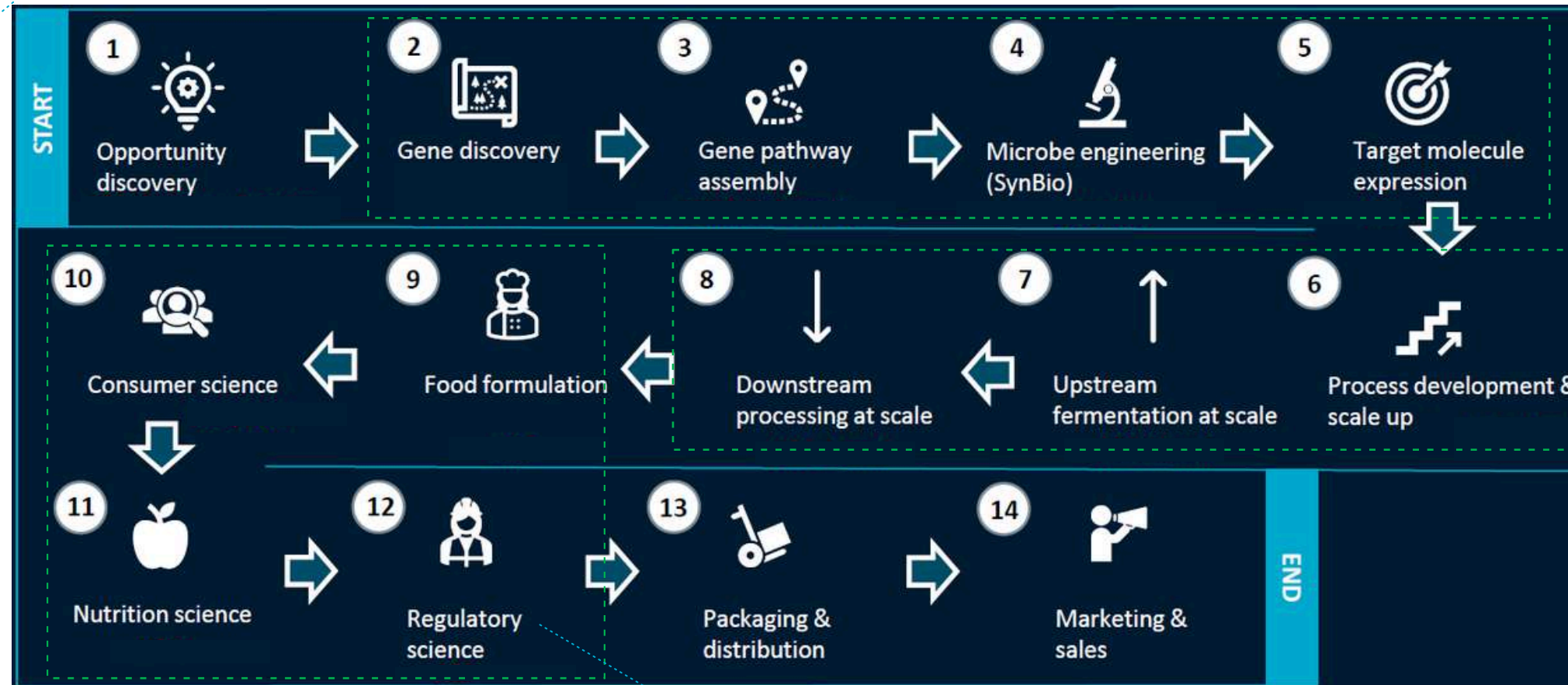
**BESTeam | BD&G**  
CSIRO Business Engagement and Solutions Team

**Market Analysis to Identify Commercial Opportunities**



**Strain Engineering & Lab-scale Process Development**

- *Strain Engineering;*
- *Feedstock optimisation;*
- *High through-put screening;*
- *Flask to 10 L fermentation process;*



**Value-adding process and food formulation:**

- *Extrusion process;*
- *Nutrition, digestibility, sensory expertise;*
- *Hybrid food formulation with microbial and/or plant proteins;*



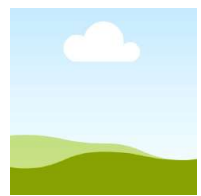
**Regulatory Science**

- *In vitro, in vivo toxicity study;*
- *Human clinical trial in safety and health substantiation;*
- *Science advisory to regulators;*



**Pilot-scale Process Development:**

- *400L pilot-scale bioreactor;*
- *DSP with homogeniser, TFF, MF, UF, spray drying, freeze drying ;*

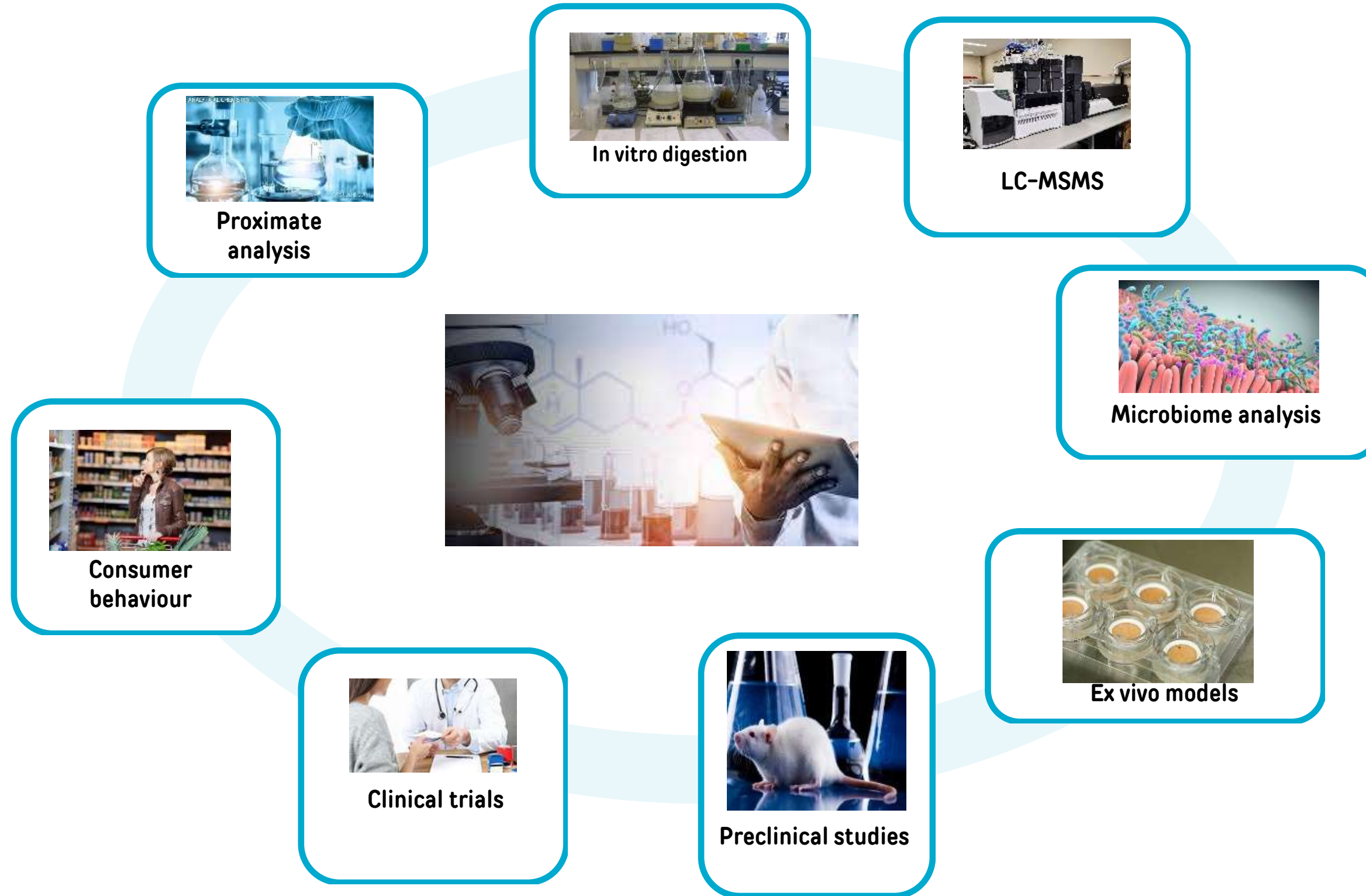


# Consumer and flavour science








# Preclinical and clinical trial capability



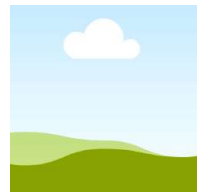


# Plant based market

- Global plant-based food market is expected to reach US\$78 billion in 2025 and forecasted to double by 2030.

Category	Invested capital Q1 2024	Invested capital 2023	Total invested capital 2015-Q1 2024
<b>Total alternative protein</b>	<b>\$299 M</b>	<b>\$1.6 B</b>	<b>\$15.8 B</b>
 <b>Plant-based</b>	<b>\$58 M</b>	<b>\$908 M</b>	<b>\$8.4 B</b>
 <b>Fermentation</b>	<b>\$228 M</b>	<b>\$515 M</b>	<b>\$4.3 B</b>
 <b>Cultivated</b>	<b>\$12 M</b>	<b>\$226 M</b>	<b>\$3.1 B</b>

Source: GFI analysis of data from Net Zero Insights. Note: Aggregated data has not been reviewed by Net Zero Insights analysts.



# Plant-based ingredient and food growth



- **Vegans & Vegetarians:** Only make up 12% of plant-based meat buyers
- **Largest Market Opportunity:** 46% of consumers looking to reduce their meat consumption
- **Health:** Consumers #1 reason for buying plant-based meat (followed by animal welfare & sustainability)

Legume	Market size protein products + ingredients (USD Billion)	CAGR (%)
Soybean	7.11 (2019)	7.3 (2026)
Field pea	0.84 (2021)	13.5 (2026)
Chickpea	0.66 (2018)	11.2 (2025)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11.6 (2020)</b>	<b>8.8 (2025)</b>



# The 2023 Alternative Protein Industry Landscape

## CREATING ALT-PROTEIN

### CELL-BASED CONSUMER GOODS & RAW MATERIALS

**AIR-BASED**  
Arkeon  
Avecom CALYSTA  
CIRCE Deep Branch  
econutri Spira  
String SOLAR FOODS

**BEEF**  
ALEPH FARMS BiBQ  
biftek.cd DaNAgreen  
MIRAI FOODS mosa meat  
meatleo Quest Meat Seifi  
ALT FLAS BeneMeat Technologies

**BIO-PRINTING**  
COCUUS  
NOVAMEAT  
TissenBioFarm  
vivax bio

**BIO-REACTORS**  
culture  
MGT BIO unicorn  
ERIDIA

**CELL LINES**  
Cell 4 Food  
ROSUN Technologies  
Sea 2 Cells

**FATS**  
yali bio  
CUBI FOODS HOXTON FARMS  
M Melt & Marble nourish INGREDIENTS

**FERMENTATION (EGGS, DAIRY, HONEY)**  
bee-io EGSTACY EVERY Family Formo helaina maramila  
MelBio New Culture NUTROPY ONEGO OTRO opalia  
remilk. shiru Zero Cow Factory Better Dairy Bon Vivant change FOODS  
Daisy Lab Imagindairy motif Perfect Day REAL DEAL MILK STANDING OVATION The VEGAN COWBOYS

**GROWTH FACTORS & MEDIA**  
BioBetter FURIOIQ  
NUProtein Qxine tiamat TRITON  
Bright Biotech CORE Merck KGaA Darmstadt, Germany  
multus media ORF SOPHIE'S BIONUTRIENTS Sticta

**MULTI-SPECIES**  
3dbio ArtMeat BIOMILQ CellX CIRCE  
FLAVUOR meatiply Moolec Microharvest NOUBIO  
MOGALE opalia STEM tartiize unicorn Vow Yeastup  
Cellular Agriculture GABA FOODS ivufarm Mission Barns MAGIC VALLEY  
MZANSI MEAT CO. RENAISSANCE FARMS Steakholder UPSIDE FOODS

**PET FOOD**  
FIVE LETTER FOODS  
BECAUSE  
BOND PET FOODS GOOD DOG FOOD  
Pristine Pet Food W.D. EARLE

**PORK**  
edge  
MEATABLE  
MEWERY  
Bio.Tech. EVOLVED  
Hs NEW AGE EATS MEAT TOMORROW

**POULTRY**  
AIR PROTEIN  
ClearMeat  
GOURMEY  
SuperMeat  
VITAL MEAT

**SCAFFOLDING**  
cass materials  
Excell GELTOR Gelatex  
NOVAMEAT POLYBION  
PROVENANCE ECOVATIVE DESIGN  
Cellivate Technologies MICRO MEAT WHITEBOARD FOODS

**SEAFOOD**  
avant BlueNalu  
Fisheroo forsea MAGICCAVIAR  
seawith JShiok Meats UMAMI wanda.fish  
Cell CeliMEAT Finless MERMADE  
Bluu Biosciences PEARLITA FOODS Sustineri Piscis WEL TYP

**TECH**  
BioRaptor CELLREV  
FoldChanges luyef  
michroma  
OSPIN Gaia laboratories  
ALFRED'S Food Tech

### PLANT-BASED CONSUMER GOODS

**EGGS** Clara Foods evo Moolec MyE nummy nibbles PERPEGGT Vegg JU ST FOLLOW YOUR HEART. ZERO EGG.

**MEAT** akua ALGAMA alvego alver amidori anamma ASINTE BAROECUE BEAT blackBird Bonduelle Bona BIRI Cavi-art chunk  
daiya DAIZ dst evo FRESHCAP fazenda futuro Foodture. FRYS gardein geronimo GREEN GREAT  
Garden Gourmet giro greenest GOLD & GREEN GreenVe GUSTA HILARYS HEARTBEST Hügli HARI&CØ Moolec  
**HERITAGE** heura hilcona hoober innomy IKEA IMPOSSIBLE iglo JACKFRUIT Jensen Kindness. LIFE3 Longve LIDE maiko Loop Foods  
**MIGHTY MEAT** MOON MEALS MorningStar MOKU Mushlabs NATURINNI NATURLI neat Nestlé NEXT MEATS NotCo  
**NO EVIL** Nowadays NEXT! NUGGS NUTROPY Outstanding Odontella OLJCK MD Osh OMNI OhVeg Paris Phuture planted. Plant Ranch  
**REGAINED** RILBITE Rubisco RIP ROBI samhoud SGProtein SMALLHOLD SWEET EARTH schoutens p e r o Sider STARFIELD  
**THIS SPACE** THRILLING! Tofurky Tyson unisoy UNREAL UPTON UNMEAT food Tizer vegafit Vegky. Veganz VerdienFoods Vegat  
Vegg veggie life vegini Wego Winko wessanen WELLDONE WORTHINGTON Yamechops Yves ZEROMEAT alpha ALTERNATIVE FOODS

**ALTERNATIVE MEAT** BEYOND MEAT BETTER Chew better nature aqua BACK TO ROOTS BOTANIC BITES Black Sheep CRAFT MEAT CO. DARING fable eat meati F8Wd  
Foiled Evolution good dot green wise hoohey HUICUI Hylfe foods JO JACK & JERRY Y'ALL JUST VEGAN les nouveaux fermiers LOVE SEITAN MADE MARVELOUS FOODS

**PLANT-BASED** MARFRIG Global Foods MEET JACK MEAT VEG MOVING MOUNTAINS MRS. GOLDFARB'S Unreal Deli Ocean Orchards MUSHROOM NEW BREED PLANT CRAFT PLANT POWER plant revol  
Pleazette PRIMA KLIMA pure prime roots Quorn RAISED & ROOTED rebellious RÜGENWALDER MUMLE simple truth Sol sunflower family SAVORY WILD SCelta Soli YAM DAWG

**SEAFOOD** avant Bettafish BONSAN BY2048 FRYS gardein HOOKED IKEA JINKA KONSCHIOUS KORALO Legendary Vish Lema  
Marinò MIMIC MEATI May Wah New Wave Foods Quorn SAVE-SEA OPENMEALS Seamore TUNO Vegafit food VEGEFARM  
aqua GOOD CATCH eat meati good dot impact prime roots SoFine Sol Rival Foods THE VEGETARIAN BUTCHER VEGAN SEASTAR VIV ERA

### PLANT-BASED RAW MATERIALS

AJINOMOTO CO. ALGAMA ALGENUITY Amäi AOT  
Balletic Foods ARRIOM Algorithm Biomimetic  
Avecom CIRCECHICK.P DUPLACO EatWell enterBio  
emergy EQUINOM ENOUGH GreenFood50  
HIFOOD HINOMAN Harvest B hoober!  
IMCD inalve INNOVOPRO iwi KERRY  
kinoko KYANOS Lycored LenioBio LEKITHOS  
The Lupin Co. meatless MeliBio Mushlabs  
MIGHTY MEAT MICROBIOMEN michroma Moolec  
MYCELIA MycoTechnology MYCOWORKS MYCORENA  
NEXTERA novonutrients NOBLEGEN  
novozymes NUTRIATI OTRO MD phycom  
PARABEL protilla protera PROEON PEVESA  
plantible PLANTIFY PURIS Qkine shiru Shihua  
Syntheseeas Terviva THAI WAH TRITON Vestkorn WealSEA  
ALKION BIO INNOVATIONS aqua  
Australian Plant Proteins Barentz. BIOCATALYSTS  
CHINOVA BIOWORKS Deep Branch eat meati ECOVATIVE DESIGN  
FUMI Fynd green wise Hylfe foods JACK & JERRY  
KIVERDI Kynda Merit motif MUSH FOODS MYCO LABS OCEANUM  
OPW ORF PLANTICANS Rubisco SEAWEED ENERGY SOLUTIONS  
SUNBLOOM PROTEINS Sticta TMRW FOODS The VEGAN COWBOYS

## SUPPORTING ALT-PROTEIN

### PRODUCTION & MANUFACTURING CORPORATE PARTNERS

AJINOMOTO CO. BIOREALIZE BUHLER Brabender EatWell  
EXTRACTIS handtmann MULTIVAC MD omve planetary Repeel Senggen  
SiccaDania schenckprocess BOLINA SYNERGY URSCHEL VEMAG WENGER ALFRED'S aqua  
BIOCATALYSTS ERIDIA ESCO ASTER EVONIK GEA Engineering for a better world OPW Rival FOODS A&B PROCESS SYSTEMS Tubanharan Protein Engineering

### INCUBATORS

BIG IDEA VENTURES LDAO FOODS Food FoodFORWARD FOOD-X INNOVATE 360 -ivoro  
INDIE BIO KITCHENTOWN brinc MISTA nova PLUGANDPLAY Startupbootcamp THE CULTURED HUB  
The Kitchen ATLANTIC FOOD LABS Chobani Incubator EATABLE ADVENTURES FORWARD FOODING KICKSTART ACCELERATOR innov8 INFECTION GREENHOUSE proveg INUBATOR SHAKEUP FACTORY

### RESEARCH

ACCSA CNTA CEFET-MG COME DIL KENT STATE UC DAVIS VTT WPI  
GFP Global Food Programme MICAL NC STATE UNIVERSITY NEW HARVEST Tufts UNIVERSITY  
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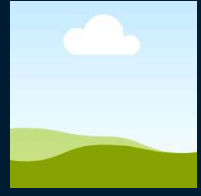


# Australian demand for plant-based ingredients

- Several plant-based start-ups launched
- 5-fold increase consumption in Australian supermarkets
- 42% of Australian are flexitarians, meat reducers, vegans

Australia's plant based meat  
AUD 133M (2020)  AUD 3B 2030

169,000 tonne plant-based product potential by 2030

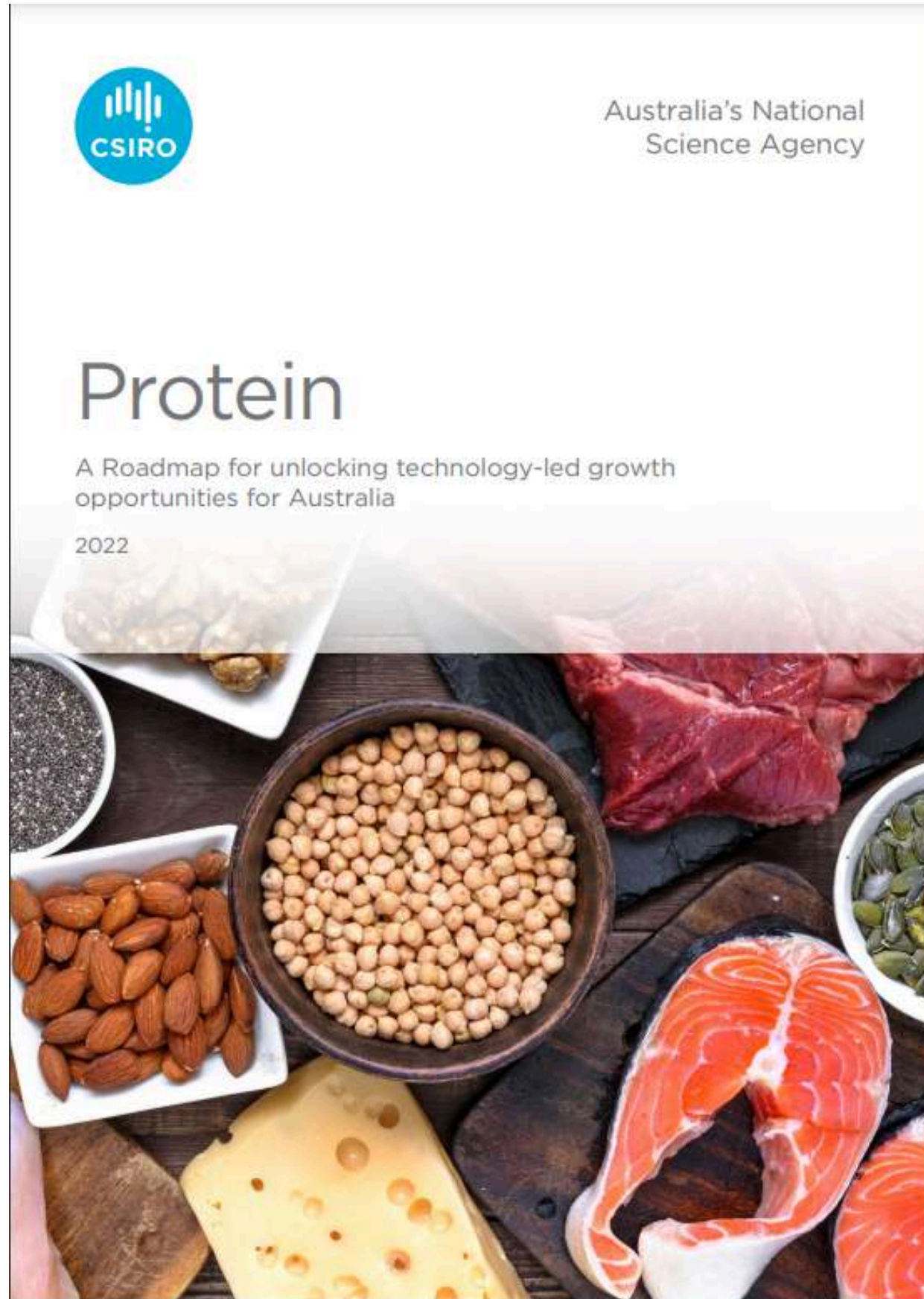


# Grain based ingredients and food





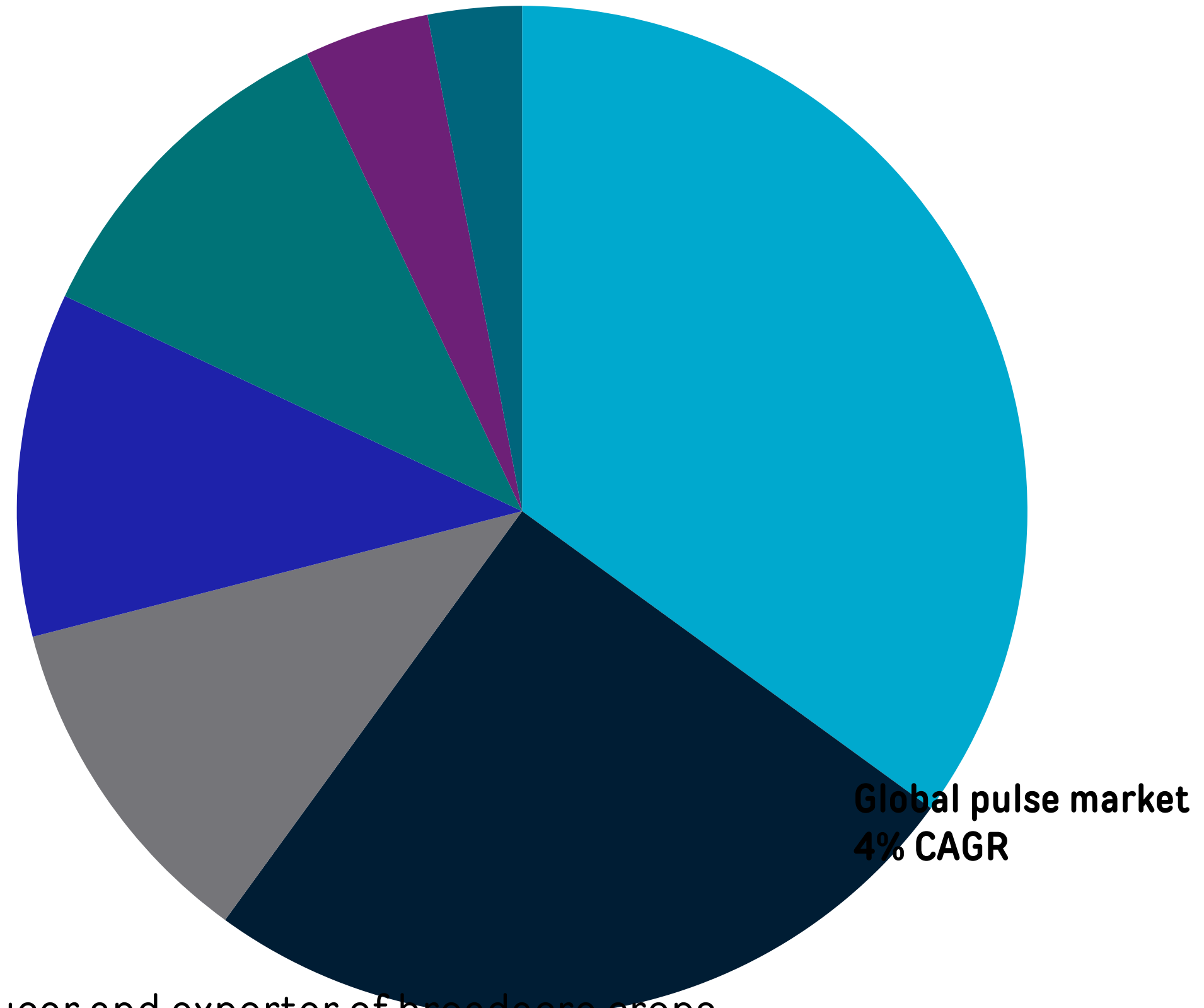
# Australia's national protein roadmap



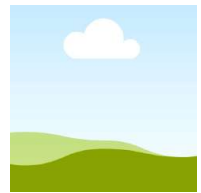
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# Australian legumes



Australia is a key producer and exporter of broadacre crops



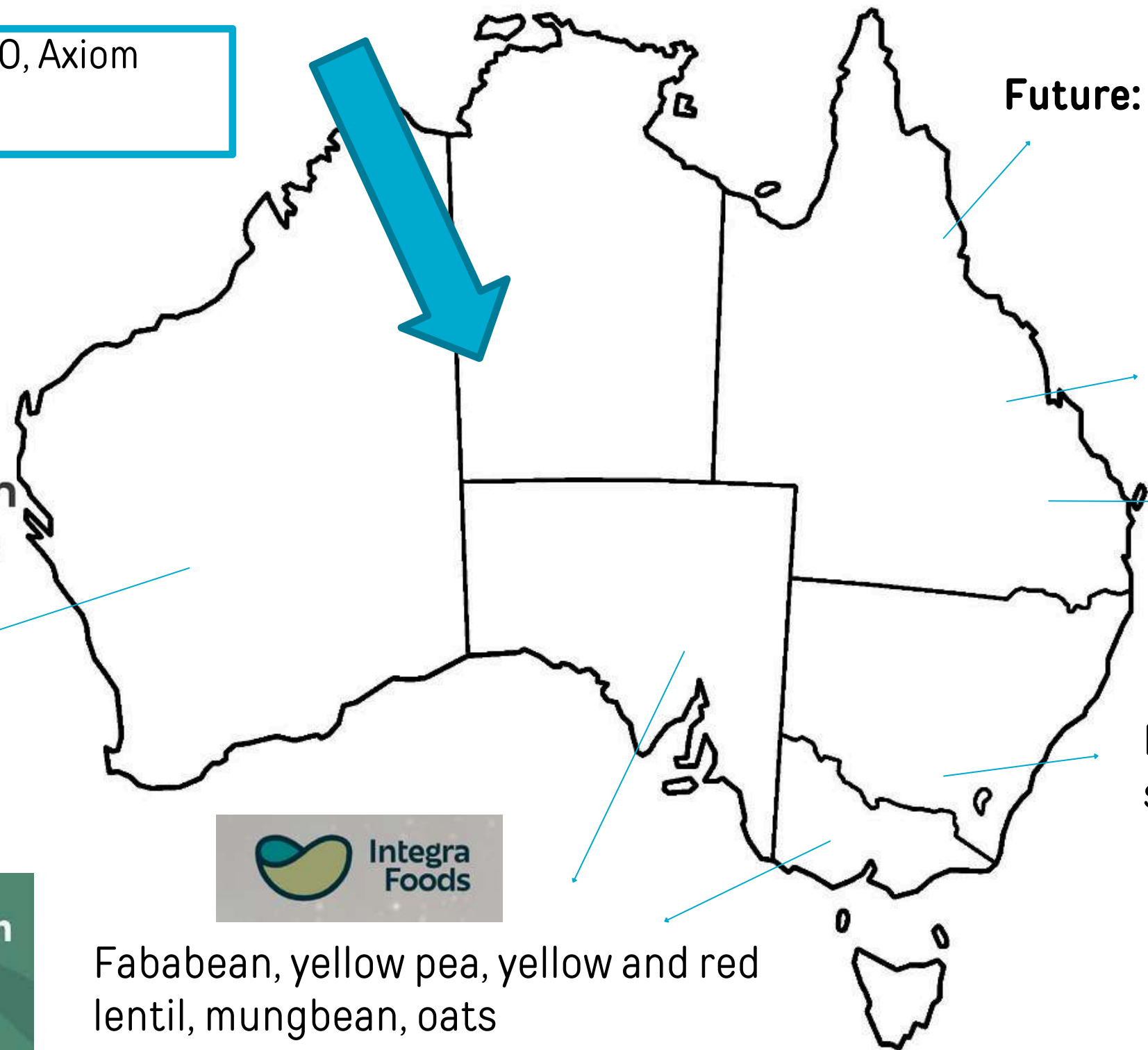
# Plant-based protein ingredients in

## Australia

China, Europe, USA

Soybean

E.g. Corbion, ADM, AMCO, Axiom Foods, Cargill, Dupont



Future: Hemp

Future: Mungbean

Wheat gluten



Future: canola, soybean



Lupin



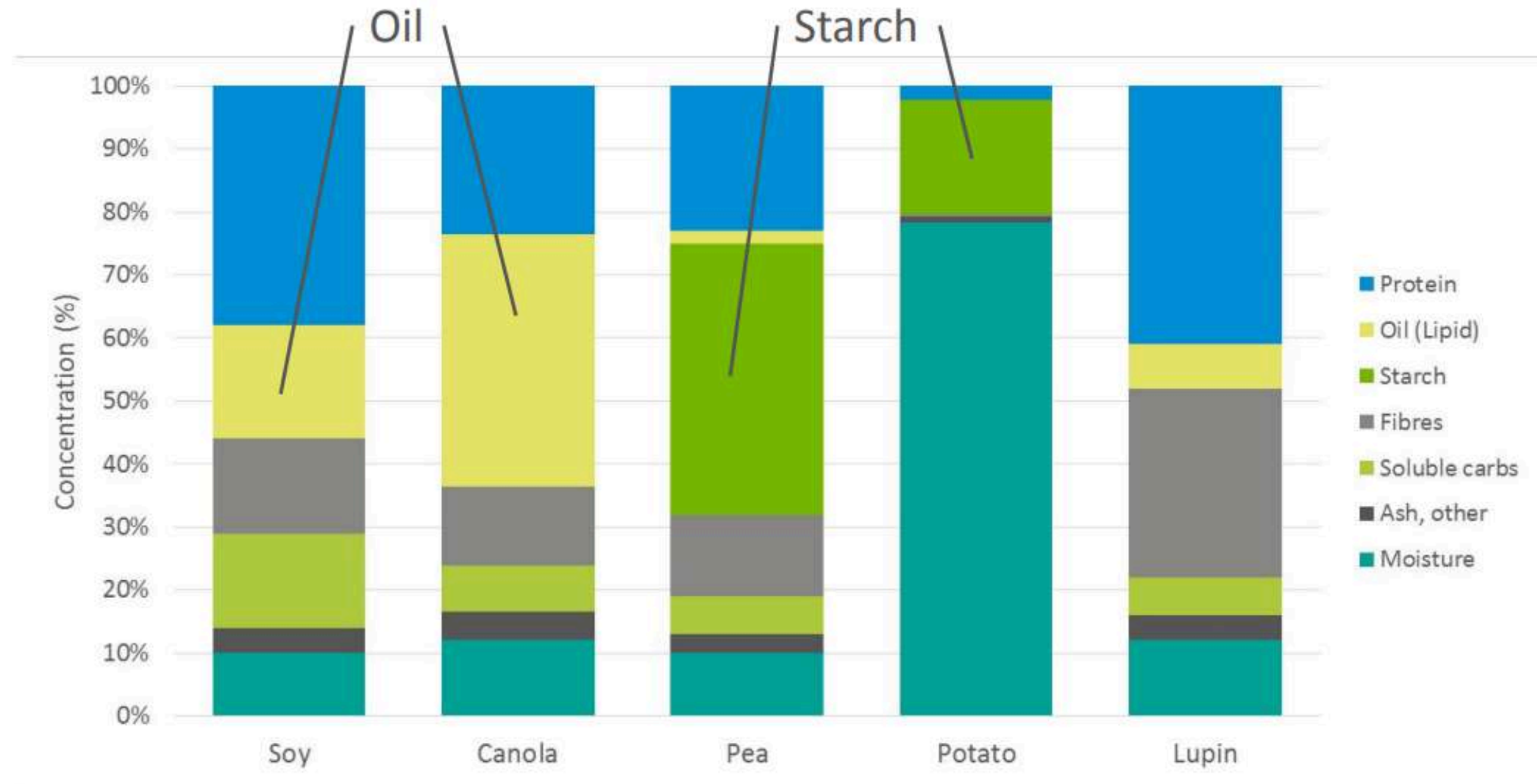
Fababean, yellow pea, yellow and red lentil, mungbean, oats



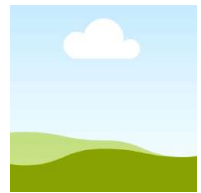
Future: hemp



# Protein sources



Oil and starch are important for the economic feasibility



# Protein content in commercially available ingredients

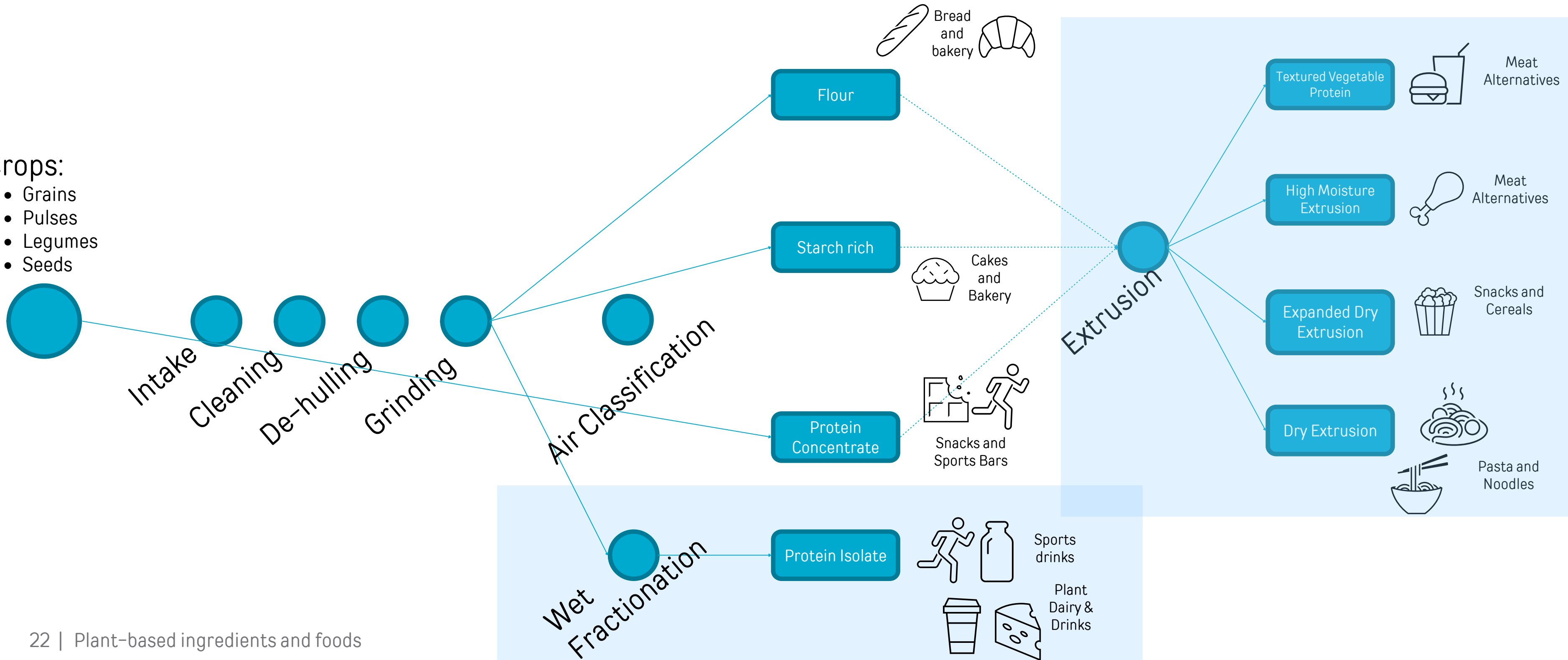
	<b>Protein variations</b>	<b>Protein USD/kg (bulk estimates)</b>
Flour	11-39%	1 – 6
Concentrate	>50-85%	3 – 14
Isolate	85-90%	4 – 15

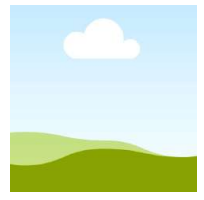


# Wet and dry fractionation

## Crops:

- Grains
- Pulses
- Legumes
- Seeds



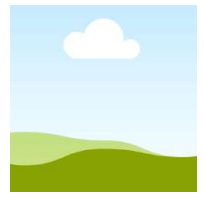


# Challenges in plant-based products

1. Texture and taste
2. Developing cost-effective products
3. Clean label: long list of ingredients
4. Nutritional value and nutrient bioavailability



*Source: Maaïke Nieuwland, Wageningen University & Research*



# Ingredient requirements

## Local

### Need

Locally-produced sources for nutrition and texture in plant-based foods

### Solution

**Pulses** are already widely cultivated but have not been bred for protein

## Functional

### Need

Functional proteins to replace egg and dairy proteins

### Solution

Agricultural and industrial **side streams** can contain high functional specialty proteins

## Low-cost

### Need

Currently no new protein source can compete with soy on cost

### Solution

**Fermentative biomass** can be produced inexpensively from side streams / organic residues





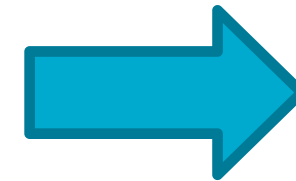
# Maximising regional benefits from plant protein

## Protein processing hub

Scoping study

Full Harvest Solutions, Townsville

- 19,200 tonnes of seed annually
- 100% yield
- Capital infrastructure \$6-22M
- Net Present Value - \$15-\$710M
- Payback 1-5 years
- **30-50 specialised jobs**



20-30% protein

Food, petfood, aquafeed products



**By-products:**  
Starches, fibre

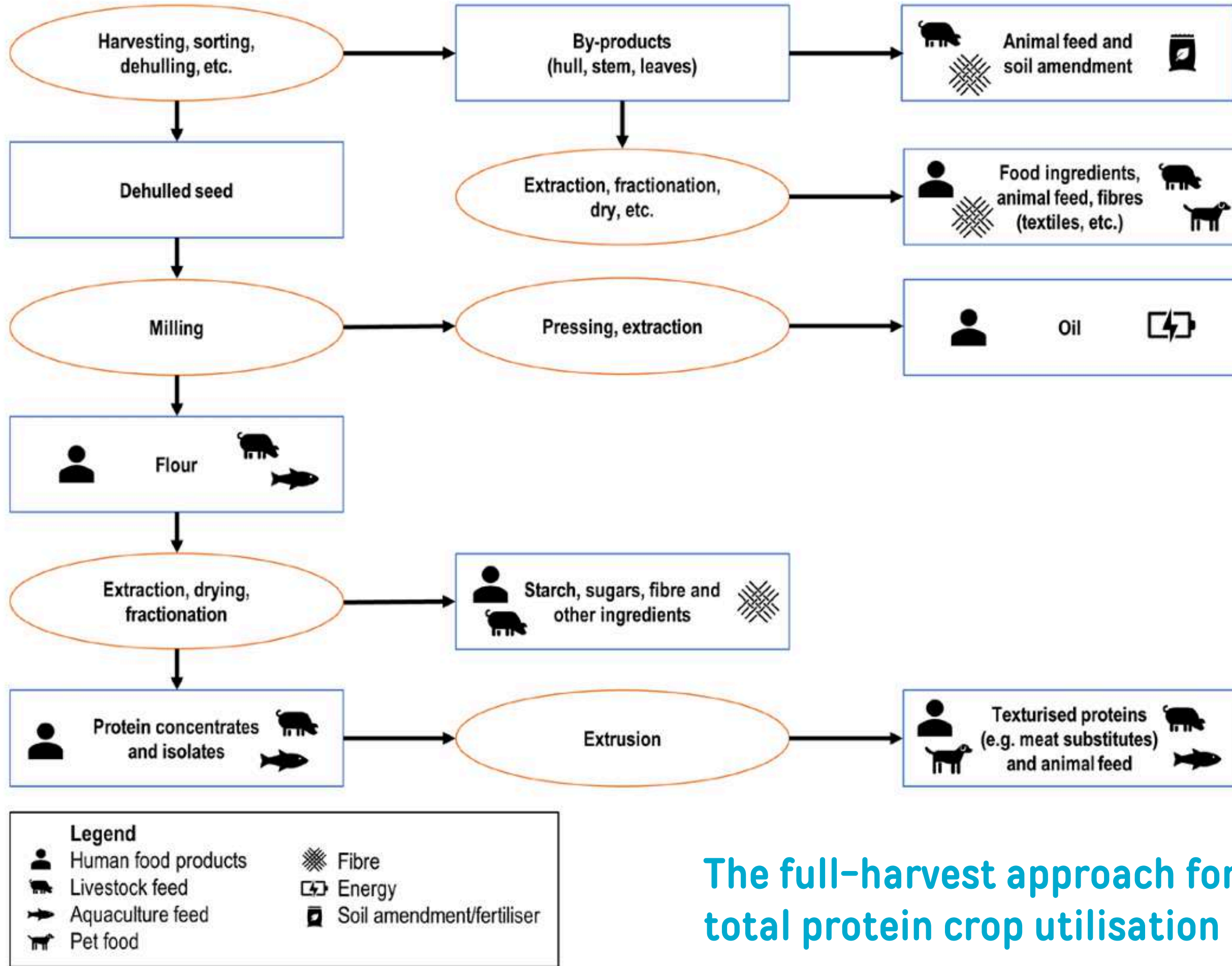
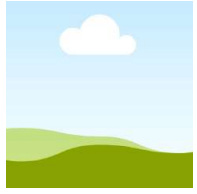
Other food ingredients, animal feed, composites, textiles, soil amendment

### Key environmental indicators

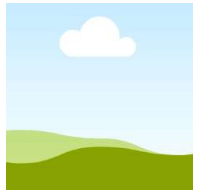
GHG; Water use; Eutrophication

Packaging ; Land water use

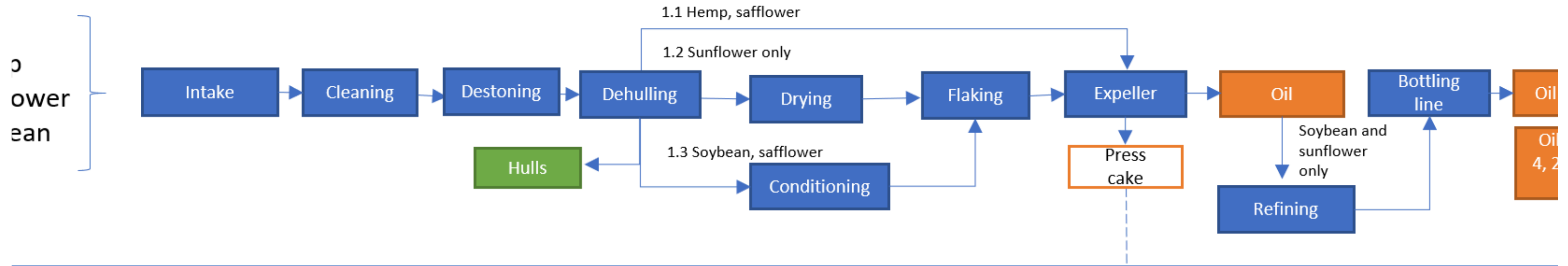
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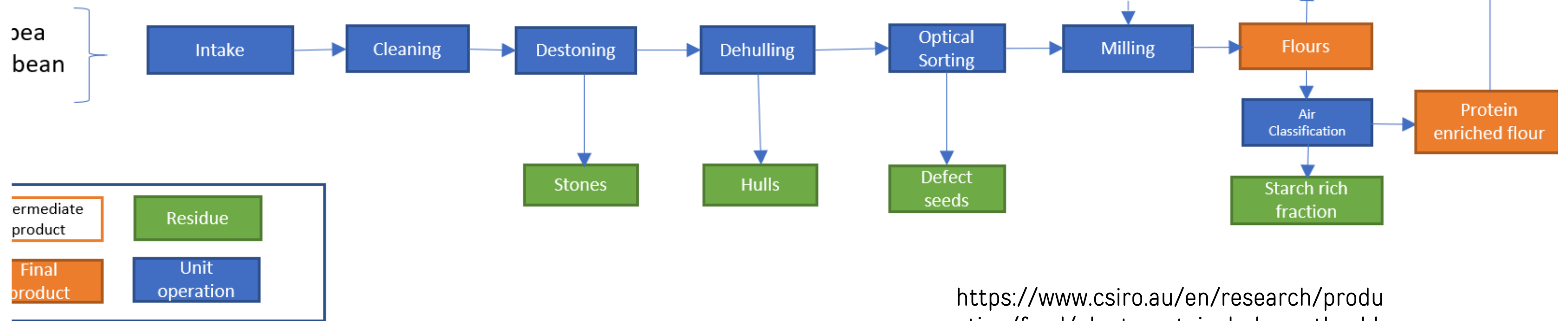
## The full-harvest approach for total protein crop utilisation



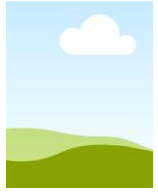
## Process 1 – Crude and refined oil (oilseeds)



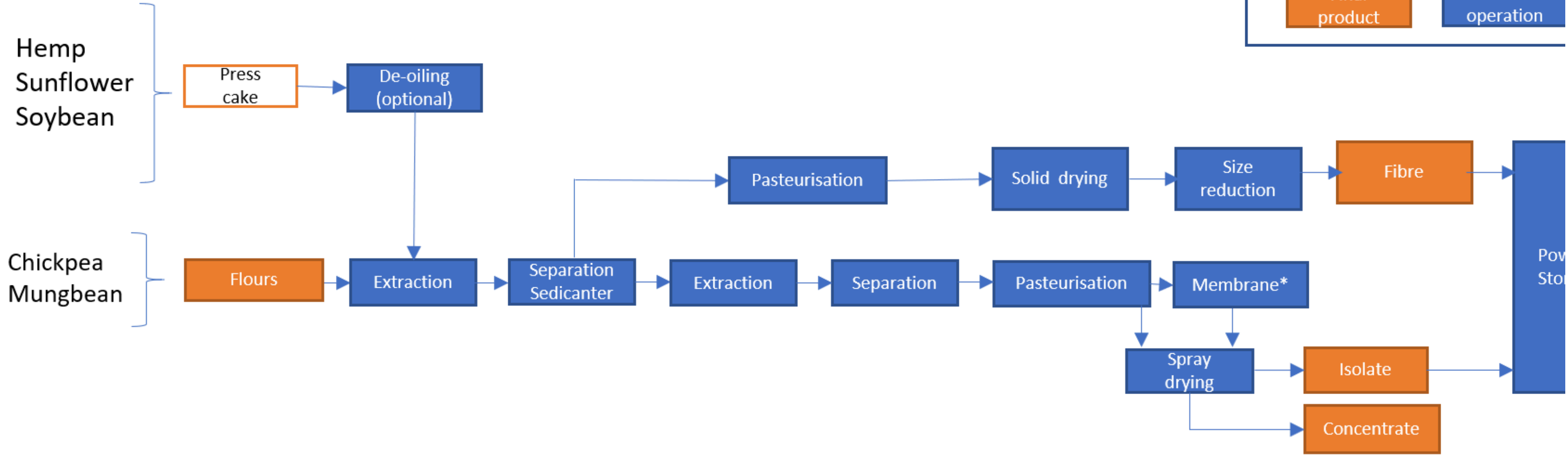
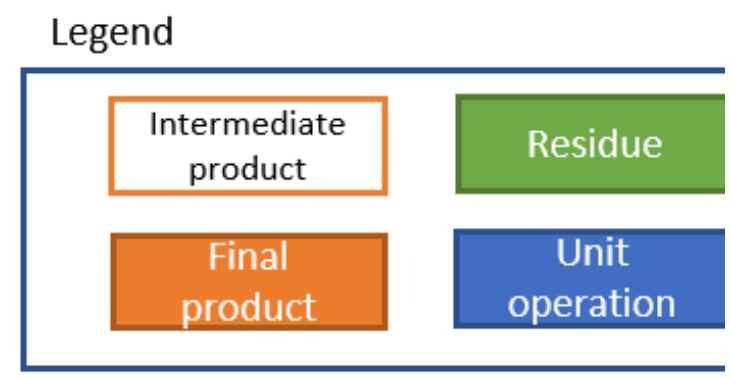
## Process 2 – Specialty flours (legume seeds)



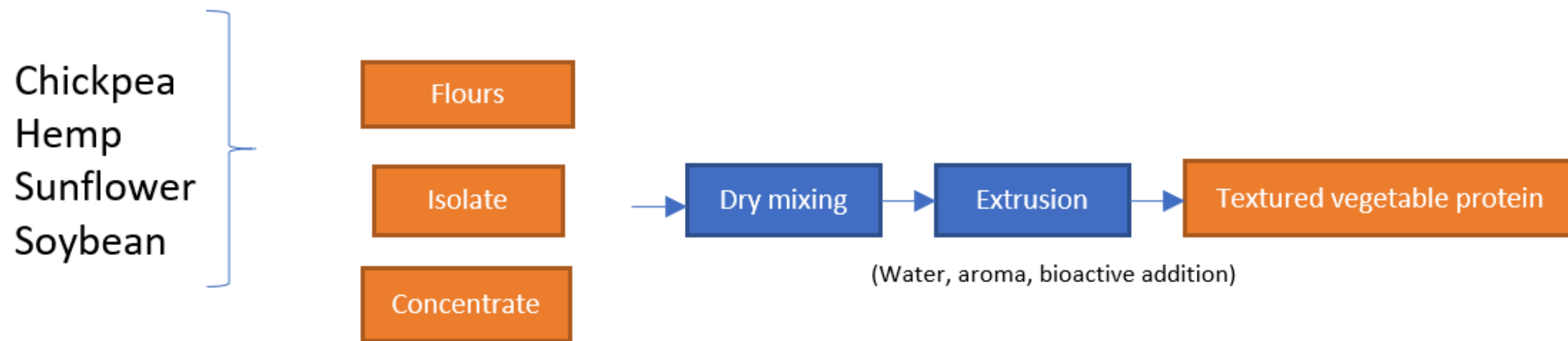
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### Process 3 – Concentrates, isolates and fibre



### Process 4 – Textured vegetable protein

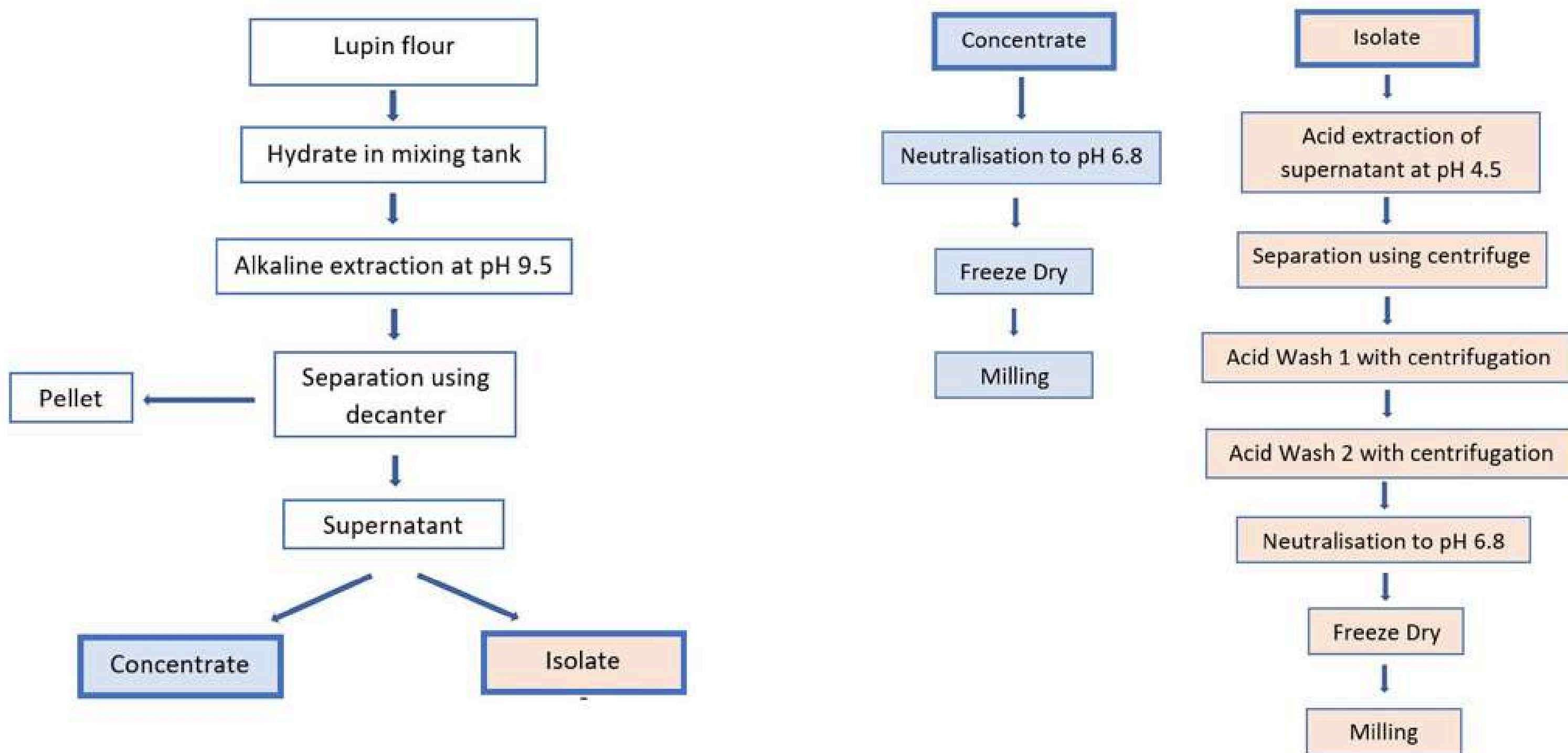


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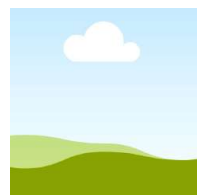


# Wet fractionation example

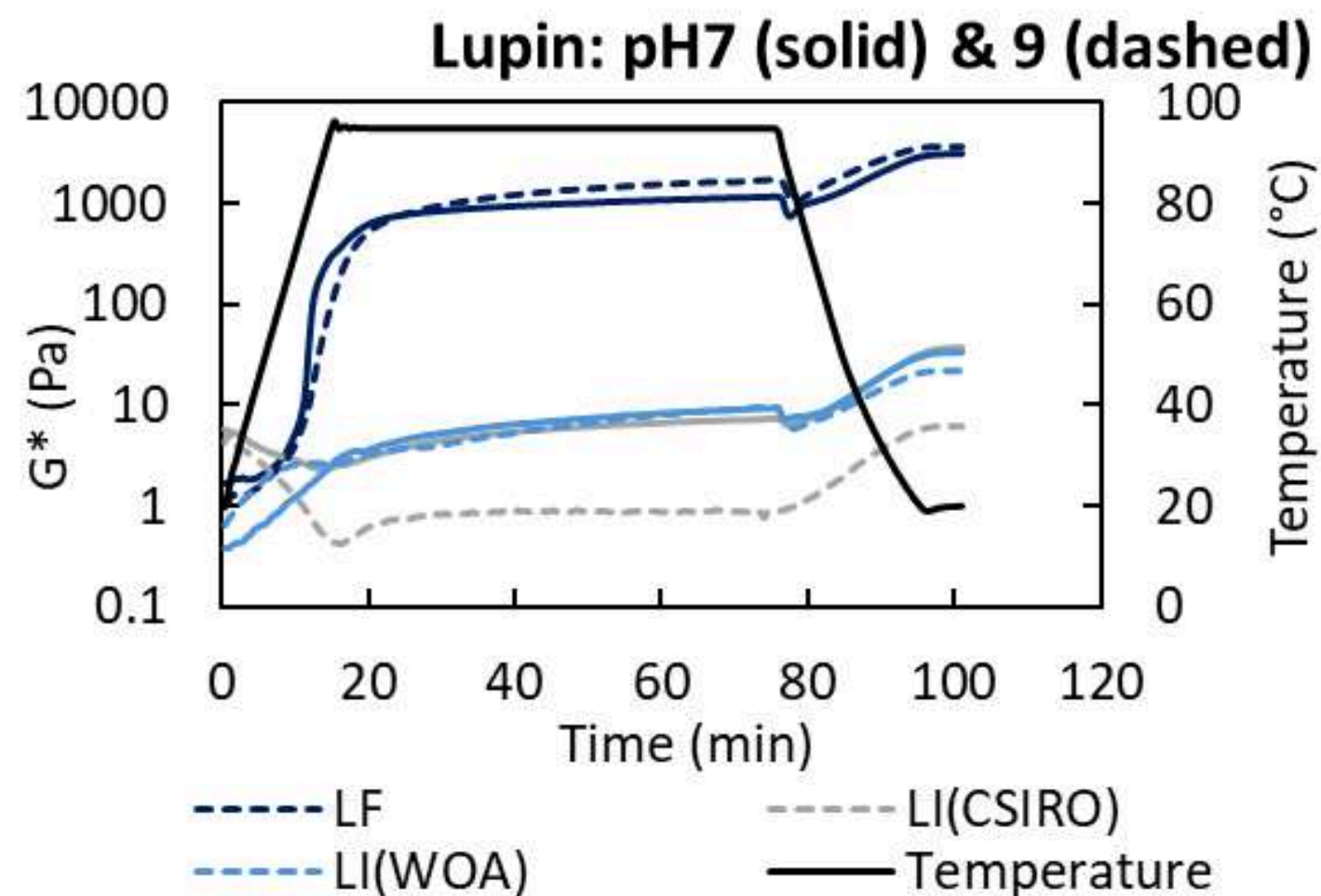
## FPC Flow chart for lupin



Regine Stockmann



# Ingredient Functionality & Food Structure



Lupin flour gels strongly on heating: crust formation early in bake, leading to cracking

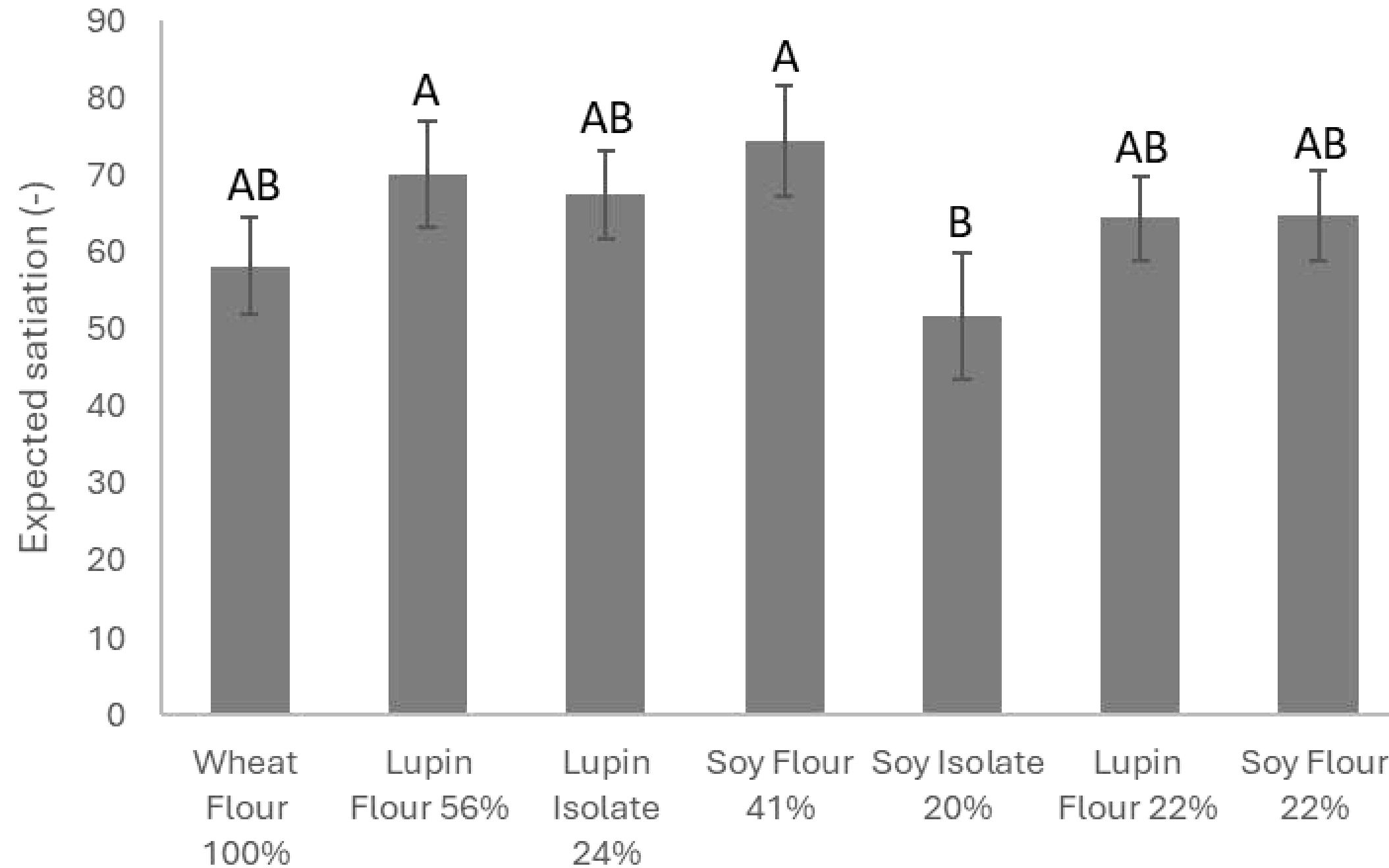
Lupin isolate gels weakly: minimal crusting and cracking



*Simon Loveday*



# Satiation of lupin flour

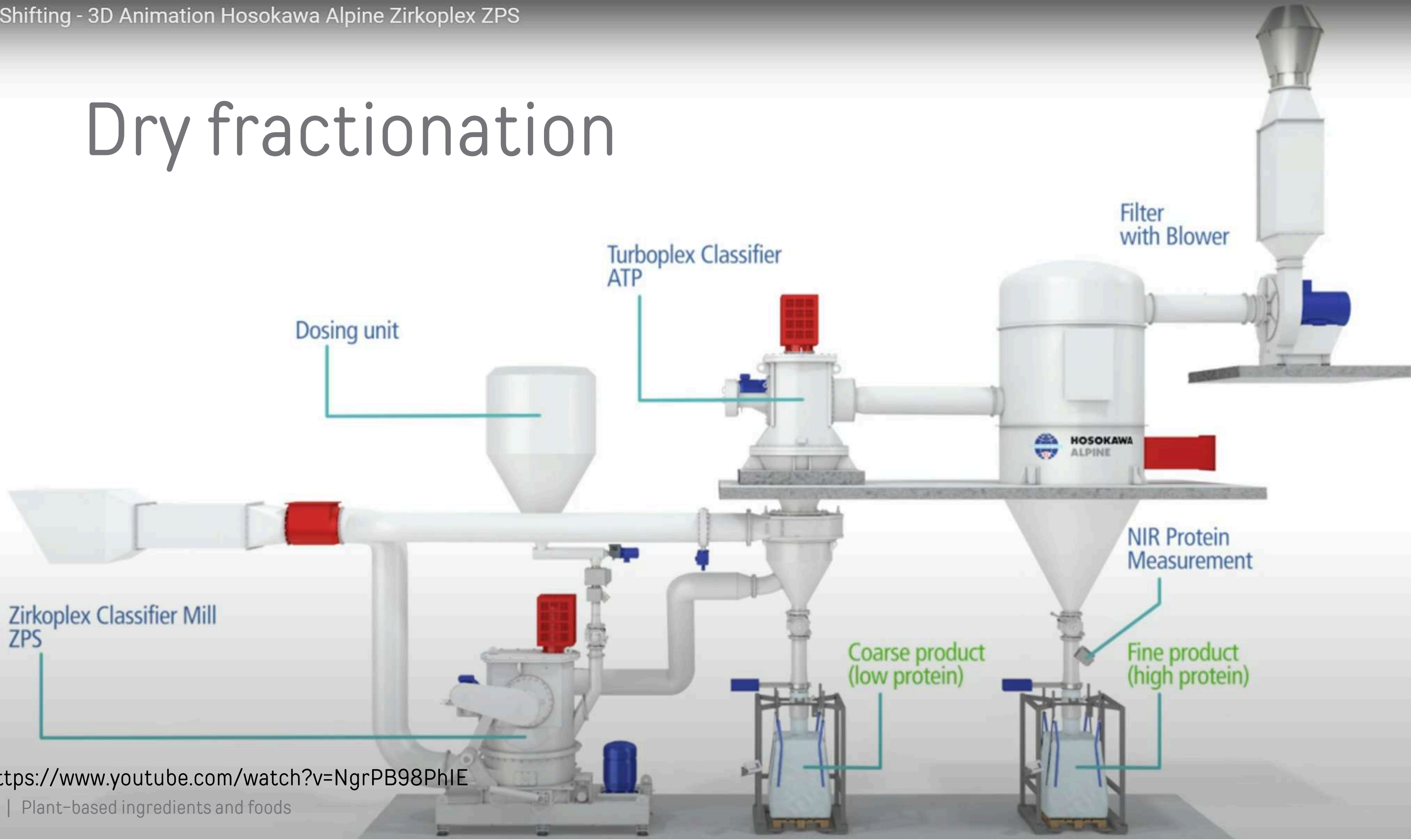


Similar liking as wheat flour and tended to be more satiating than soy isolate



Carol Mosca

# Dry fractionation

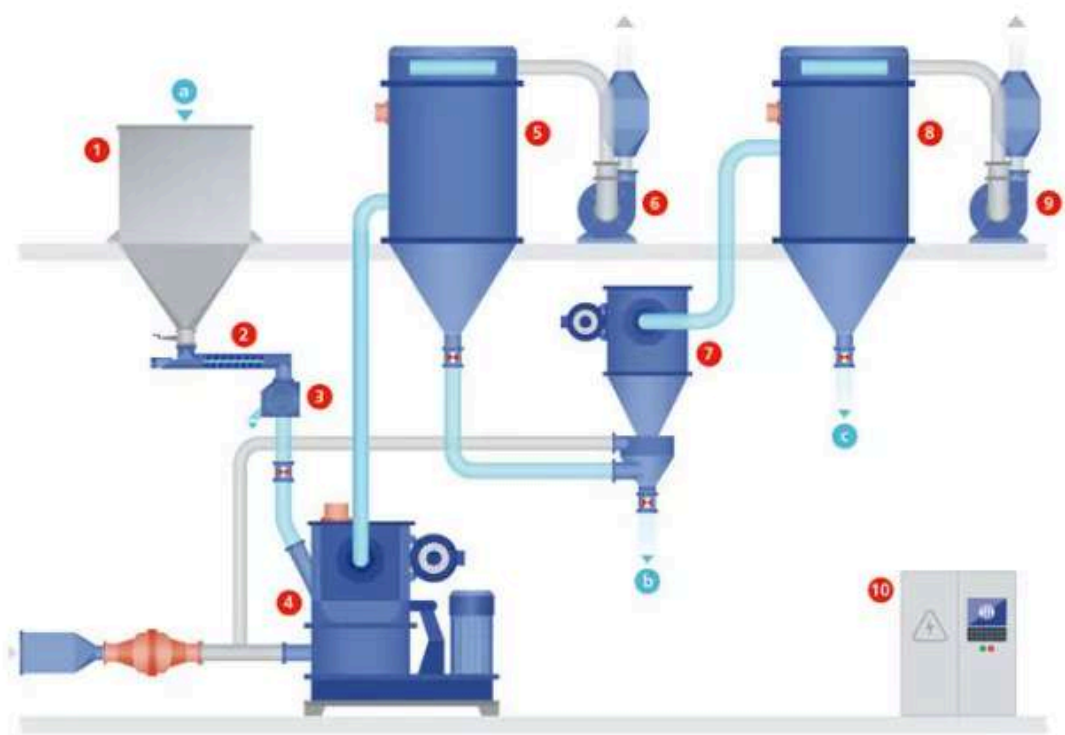


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NgrPB98PhIE>





# Combined mill and air classifier units



- 1 Feeding bin 2 Feeding screw 3 Metal separator 4 ZPS classifier mill
  - 5 ZPS automatic filler 6 ZPS blower 7 ATP air classifier
  - 8 ATP automatic filter 9 ATP blower 10 Control cabinet
- (a) Feeding product (b) Low-protein fraction (c) High-protein fraction

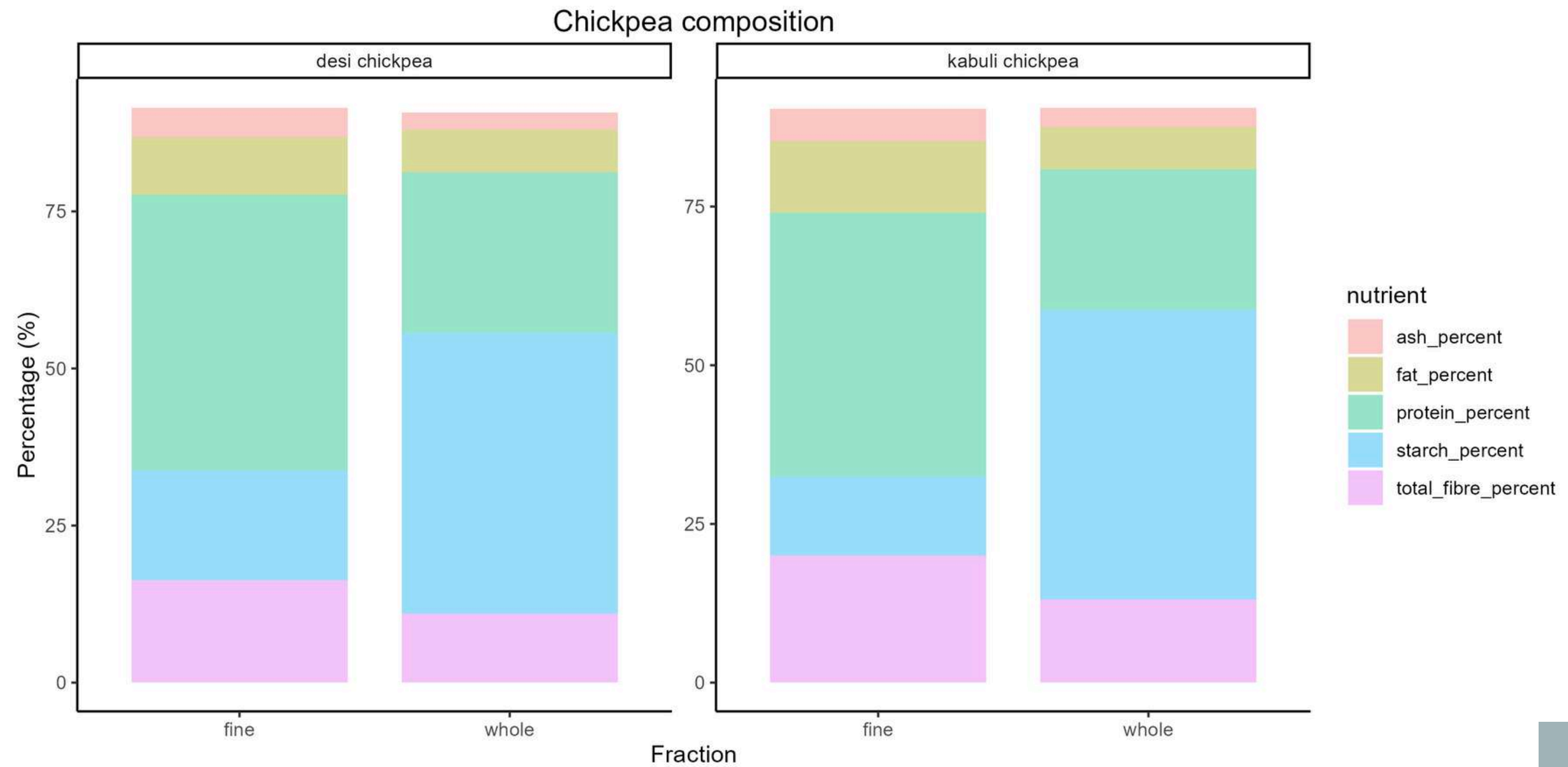


Regine Stockmann

Hosokawa multiprocess unit with an ATP classifier (2–5 kg/h classifier capacity)

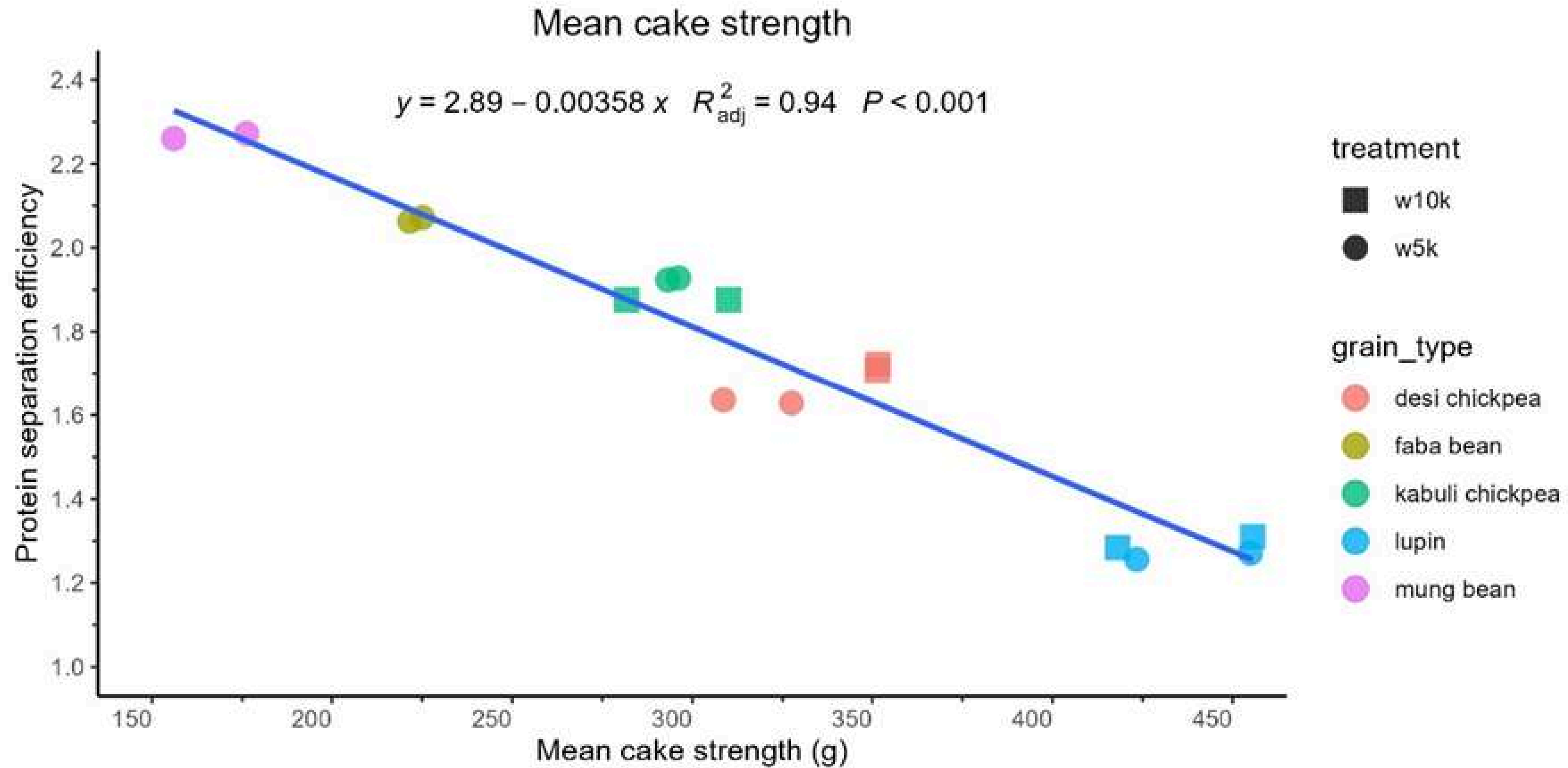


# Dry fractionation example





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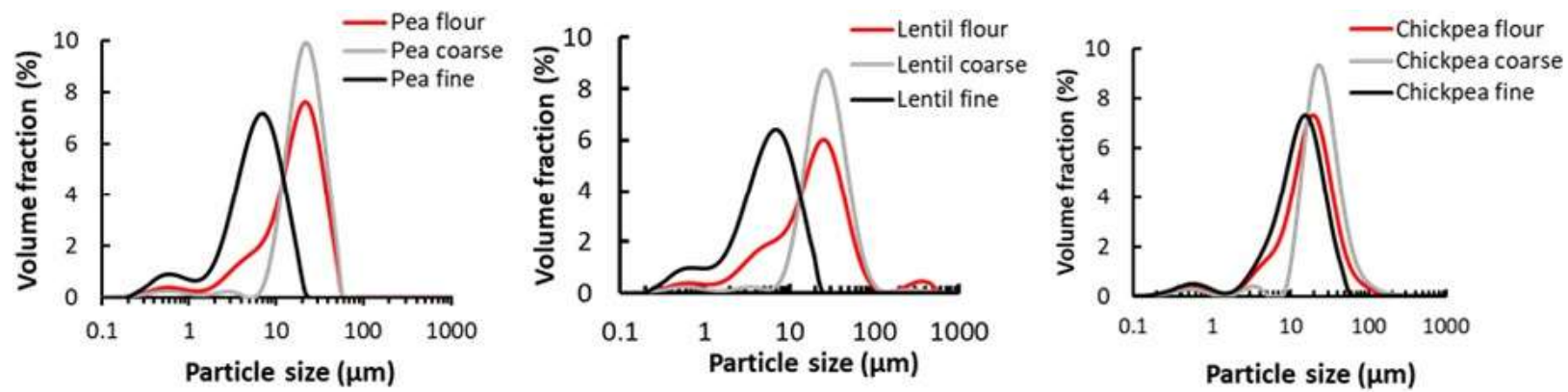
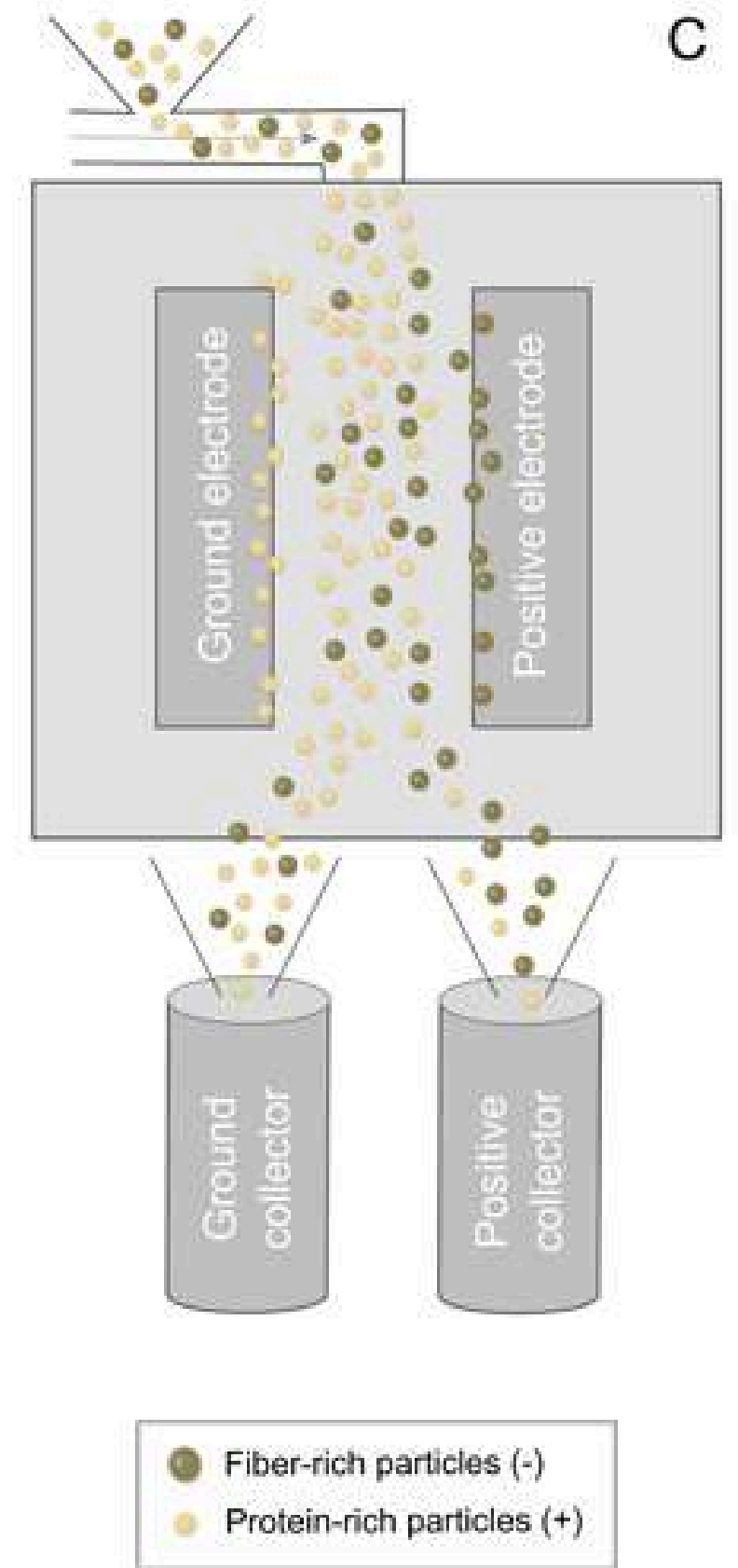
# Electrostatic separation



*ST Equipment and technology*



*Alpiger et al 2024*



*Xing et al 2020*

Commercial process under development



# Extrusion Texturised Plant Protein

- Low moisture extrusion – T



- High moisture extrusion –



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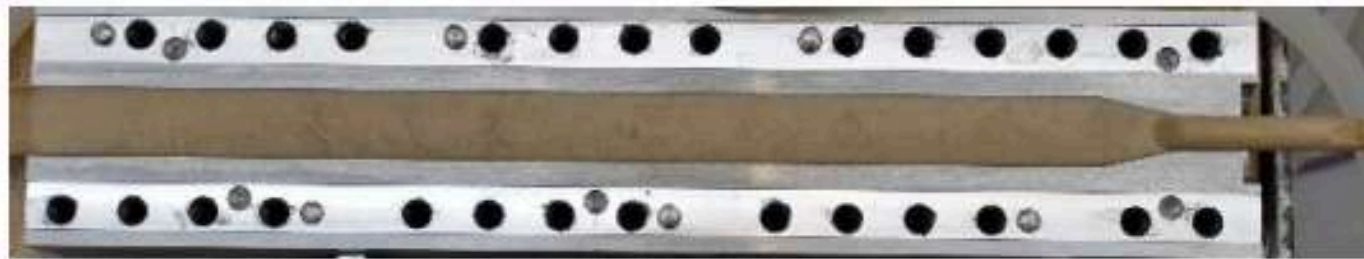
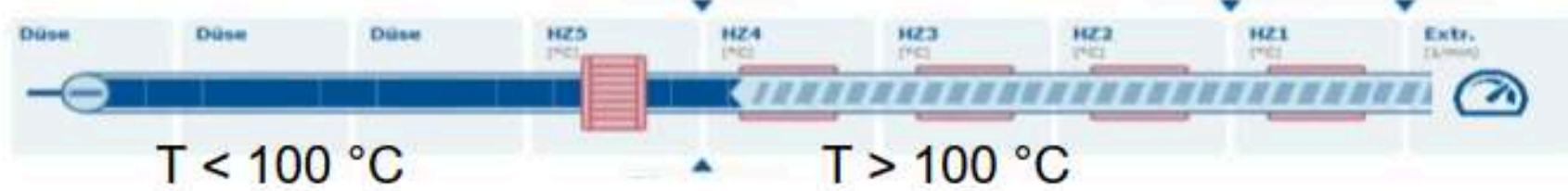
# High Moisture extrusion

## meat analogue – extrusion process & modular cooling die

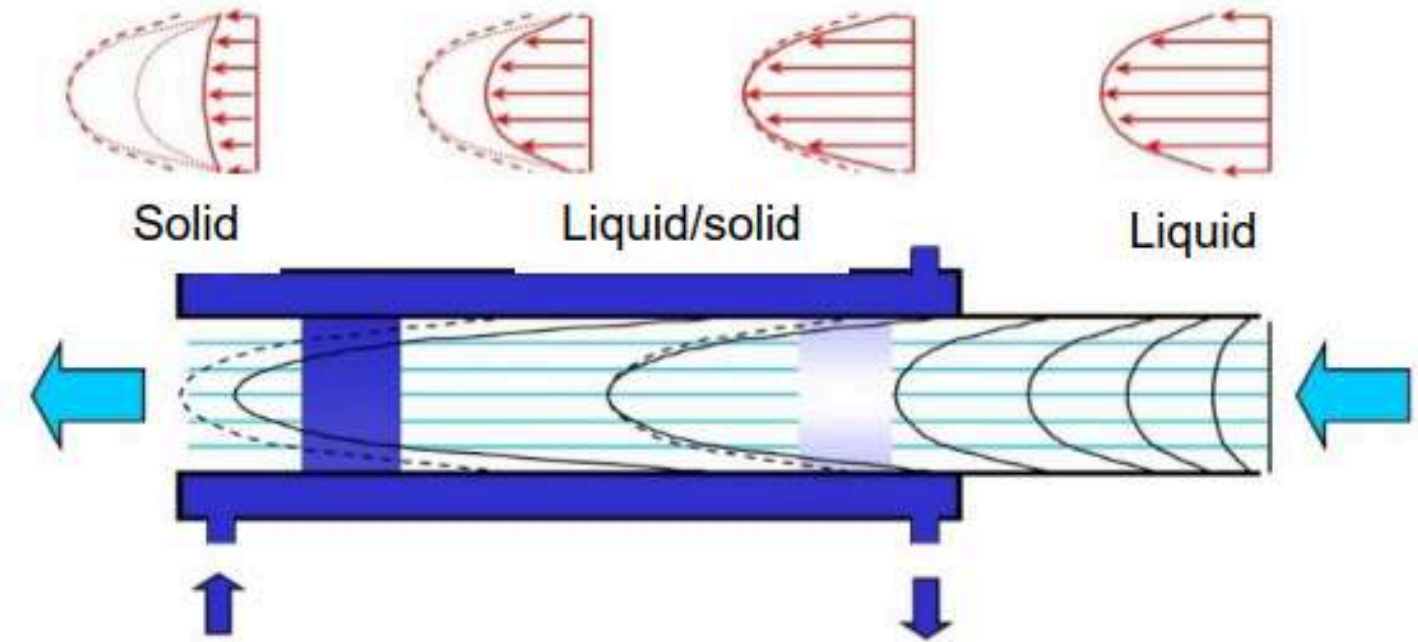


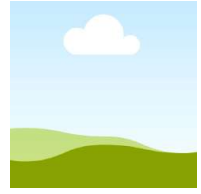
80 – 40 %  
Water

20 – 60 %  
Protein



## lamination



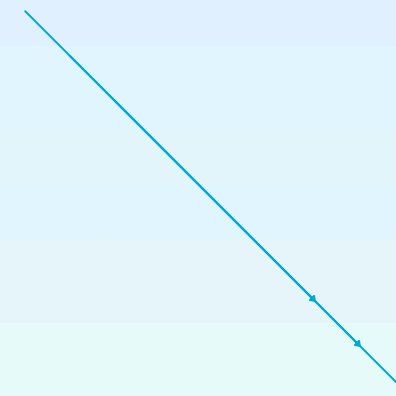


Chemistry during extrusion linking  
to food and feed nutrition and  
texture



Foundation research:  
physicochemical, nutritional, and  
sensory properties of food and  
feed extruded products

Computational  
modelling of food and  
feed extrusion



Over-Arching  
Project  
Intelligent food and feed  
extrusion



*Jordan Pennells*





# AI Case Studies for Food Manufacturing

Process Optimisation



**GreenProtein AI** (est. 2023, Israel) is an initiative supported by Food System Innovations, leveraging AI machine learning technology to optimize the extrusion process for plant-based meat production.

Companies in the plant-based meat sector are facing challenges related to fibrous texture optimization, mainly due to the high costs associated with extrusion R&D. These texture issues have hindered the mainstream adoption of plant-based meat!



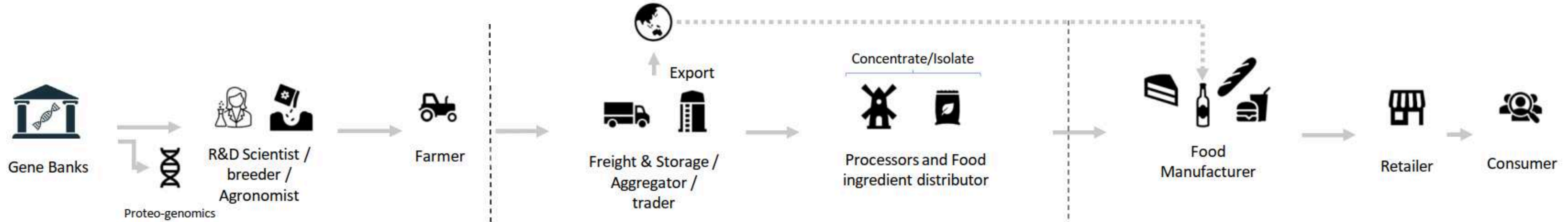
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# Strategic investment in plant protein mapping and gap analysis summary

Protein Discovery, Production & Characterisation

Freight, Storage, Seed Grading, Ingredient Fractionation & Characterisation

CPG Product Performance & Consumer Behaviour



**CSIRO DOMAIN EXPERTISE & CAPABILITY REQUIRED**

- CROPS / TRAITS / ML-AI FSP**
- Germplasm Populations
  - Speed breeding
  - Genome sequencing and analysis (e.g. pangenomics)
  - Gene editing
  - Gene discovery
  - Trait targets
  - Phenotyping & ML
  - Proteo-genomics / bioinformatics

- SYSTEMS / CROPS / AQUACULTURE / H&B / L&W / AI4M**
- Identify and develop new cropping areas
  - Agronomy
  - Modelling (APSIM)
  - Pest & Pest control
  - Biological control of diseases
  - Soil Carbon, N cycle and Soil health
  - Field Trials

- FOOD / H&B / DATA61**
- Safety and Quality
  - Pest & Pest Control (e.g. rodent, insects)
  - Quality control and monitoring (IoT)

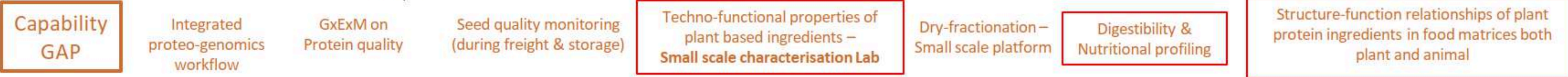
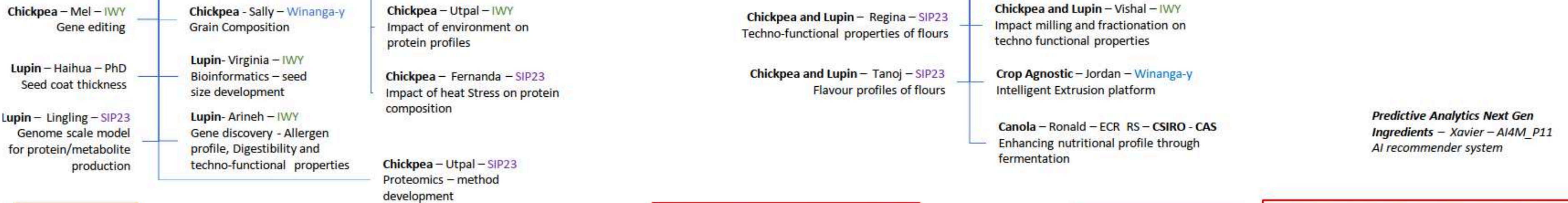
- TRUSTED EXPORT MISSION / L&W**
- Life Cycle Assessment
  - Safety and Quality
  - Provenance

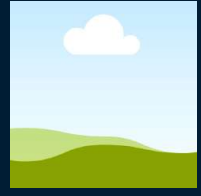
- FOOD / MANUFACTURING / AI4Design / AI4M**
- Milling
  - Protein / Starch fractionation
  - Extrusion
  - Protein techno-functionality characterisation
  - Protein modification
  - Flavour profiling
  - Fermentation
  - Process Optimisation

- FOOD/AQUACULTURE / MANUFACTURING / H&B**
- Product development & testing
  - Feed formulation
  - Feeding trials
  - Micro-encapsulation
  - Nutrition/ Digestibility

- TRUSTED EXPORT MISSION / MANUFACTURING**
- New packaging materials
  - Safety and Quality
  - Provenance

- FOOD / H&B**
- Consumer behaviour
  - Sensory science





# Case studies

Plant-based protein ingredients and product innovations

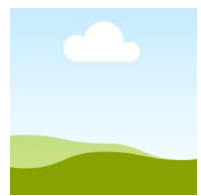


# Australian Plant Proteins

- Optimised wet protein fractionation of faba bean concentrate
- Powder with significantly better functional properties (taste and texture) than other products on the market
- \$35M plant protein facility in Horsham, Victoria
- Hub in South Australia under construction
- **Challenge:** circular use of starch and fibre by-products
- Crops: fababean, yellow pea, yellow and red lentil, mungbean,



<https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/SME/CSIRO-Kick-Start/APP>



# Wide Open Agriculture

- Lupin sourced in regenerative farming systems
- Translated process developed at Curtin university to pilot function (gelling, moisture retention, oil binding, neutral fl)
- Produced samples for market testing (protein content 75%)
- WoA Buntine Protein



### SENSORY

Colour	Pale yellow/neutral
Texture	Flowing powder
Smell	Neutral, slight grain
Taste	Neutral

### TECHNO FUNCTIONAL PROPERTIES

Solubility - HIGH	Min. 80%
Emulsifying Capacity - HIGH	Min. 60%
Emulsifier Stability - HIGH	Min. 65%
Gel Strength - HIGH	Min 80g
pH value	Neutral



<https://ecos.csiro.au/cracking-lupin-wide-open-sausages-to-high-value-protein-ingredient/>



**FIGHT FOOD WASTE**  
Cooperative Research Centre  
REDUCE - TRANSFORM - ENGAGE

# Spent grain valorisation

- Commercialised spent grain flour
- Protein enrichment and fractionation (ongoing)





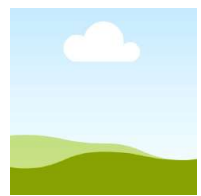
# NutriV

- Brought solution to key grower packer for large supermarket
- brassica and other vegetables
- Non-retail and waste products is converted into vegetable
- Supported snack line launch of Goodies offering 2 serve



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# Bestie Kitchen



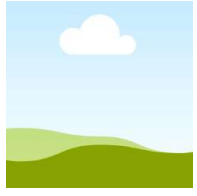
- Supported the product and process development for several dogs
- Developed suitable carrier formulations and processing to maintain bioactivity of the chew
- Supported translation of extrusion into commercial trials



<https://blog.csiro.au/pet-food/>







# CannPal Therapeutics

- Helped discover natural therapeutic oils and include them into a joint health supplement powder to prevent osteoarthritis
- CSIRO's microencapsulation technology MicroMAX applied to cannabidiol and cannabigerol into powder formulation
- Pilot trials enabled commercial samples that led to manufacturing and international customers



<https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/SME/CSIRO-Kick-Start/CannPal-Animal-Therapeutics>



# v2Food



- Developed new IP to create plant-based meat products with unique sensory and market differentiation
- Process developed at our pilot plants
- Facilities hired for commercial ingredients management
- Reverse engineered meat flavours from animal products
- Nutrition science support



Mince



Sausages



Schnitzel



Tenders



Ready Meals



Popcorn Bites



# v2Food – Nutrition Science



- **Overall Objective:** To ensure that product development activities have a nutritional lens applied and look for opportunities for improvement
- Focus on protein quality, nutrient bioavailability and potential health benefits (microbiome, satiety)
- Exploring opportunities to enhance product to deliver benefits in developing countries





# v2Food – Nutrition Science to Date

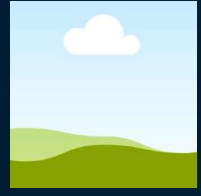
- Characterising the nutritional quality of v2mince
  - Fibre composition
  - Protein content and aa composition
- Understanding functional attributes
  - *in vitro* fermentation, microbiome composition, short-chain fatty acid production
  - Protein digestibility
  - Effects on satiety
  - Iron bioavailability
- Understanding nutrition requirements for different meat varieties
- Understanding nutritional challenges in specific markets



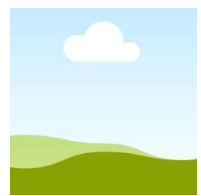


# v2foods commercial pilot testing



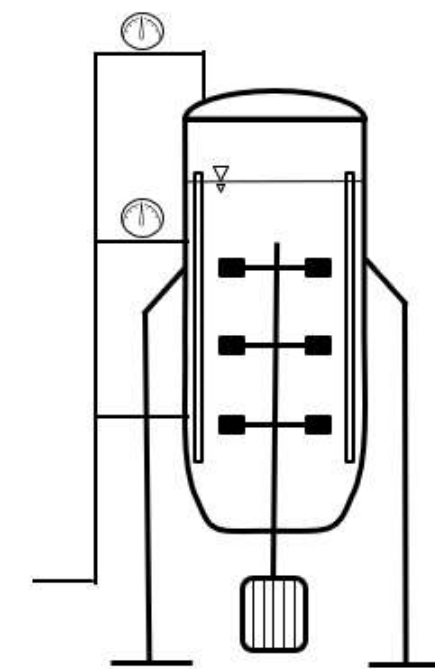
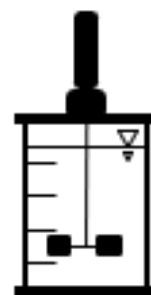
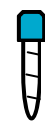
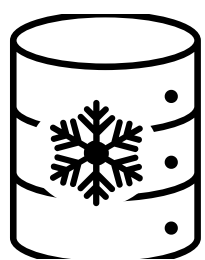
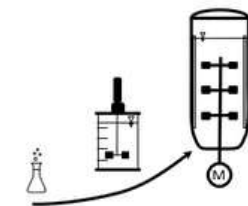


# Precision fermentation for development of “cowless” protein and fat



# Fermentation

## Upstream processing (USP)



Working cell bank

Seed train

Pilot plant production



- Cell banking



- Shaker incubator for flasks and microtiter plates



- 2L glass benchtop fermenters



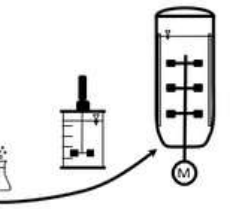
- Stainless steel vessels (10 L, 50 L, 100 L, 400 L)
- **Future vision:** 1000 L



Geoff Dumsday



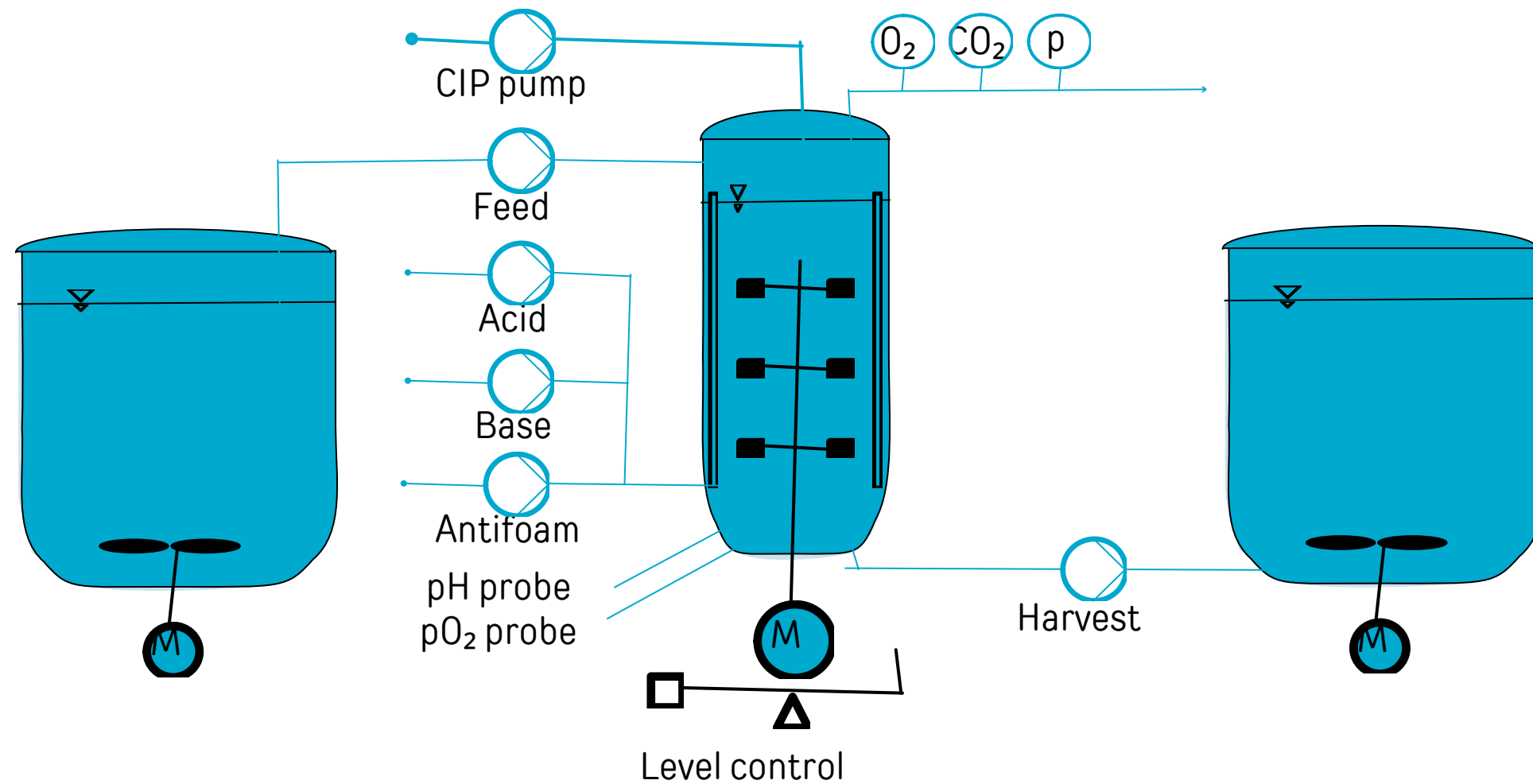
# Bioreactor configuration



Feed tank

Bioreactor

Storage tank

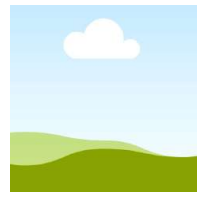


## Bioreactor configuration (flexible):

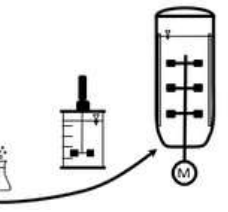
- Batch, fed-batch and continuous operation modes
- Process monitoring: pH, pO<sub>2</sub>, temp. and pressure controlled, off-gas analysis (O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub>)
- Enables:
  - Real-time kLa determination
  - RQ controlled feeding
  - Precise determination of steady-state
- Monitored SIP and CIP systems (food-grade compliant)

**Aim of the design** = High degree of **flexibility** for a wide bandwidth of bioprocesses

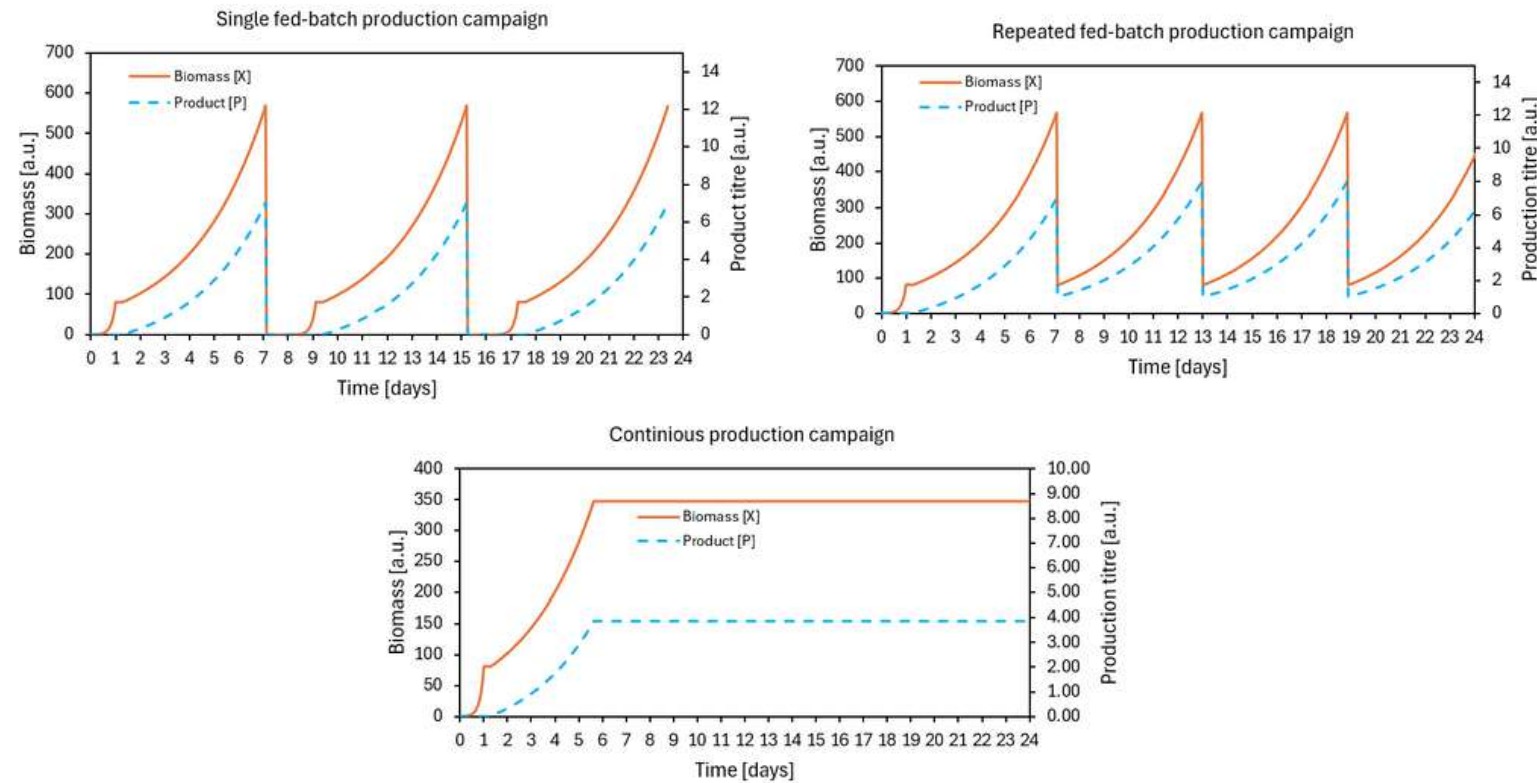




# Bioprocess modelling

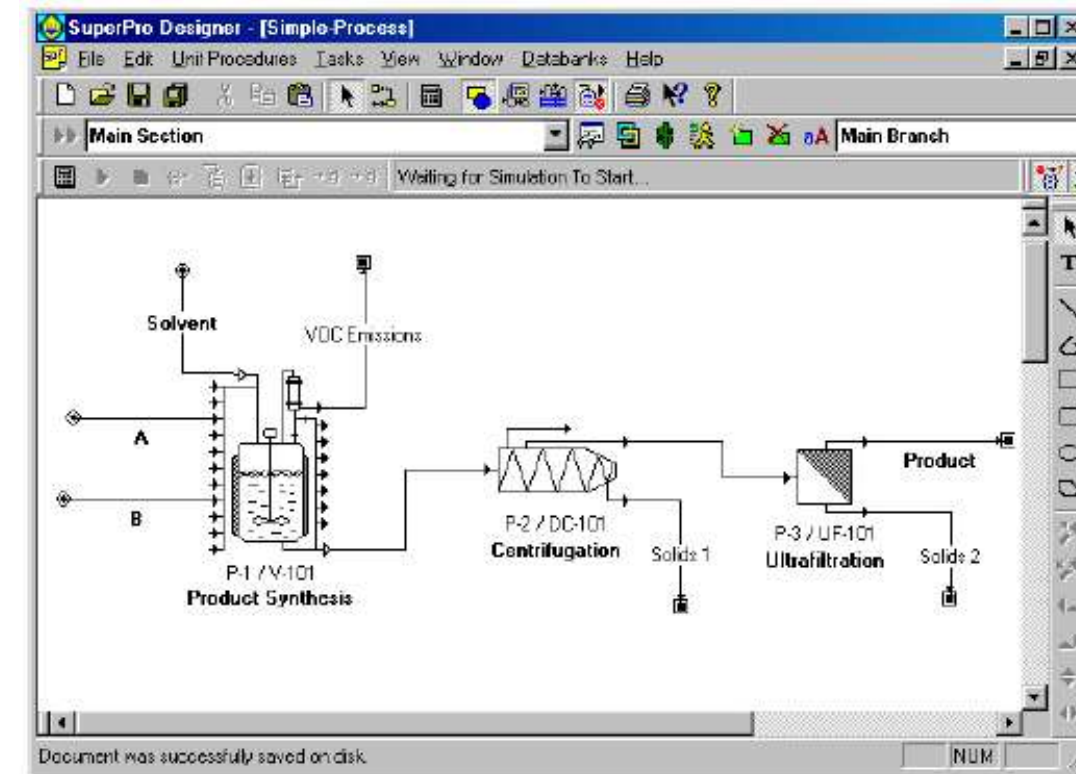


## 1. Kinetic modelling



- Individual for every process
- Comparing operation modes
- Predict space-time-yield (STY)
- Predict oxygen demand
- Predict generated heat

## 2. Techno Economic modelling



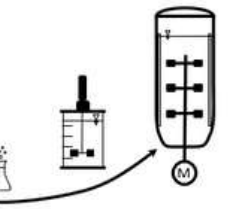
- Number of bioreactors
- Size of USP and DSP equipment
- Mapping mass flows
- Variation in raw material costs



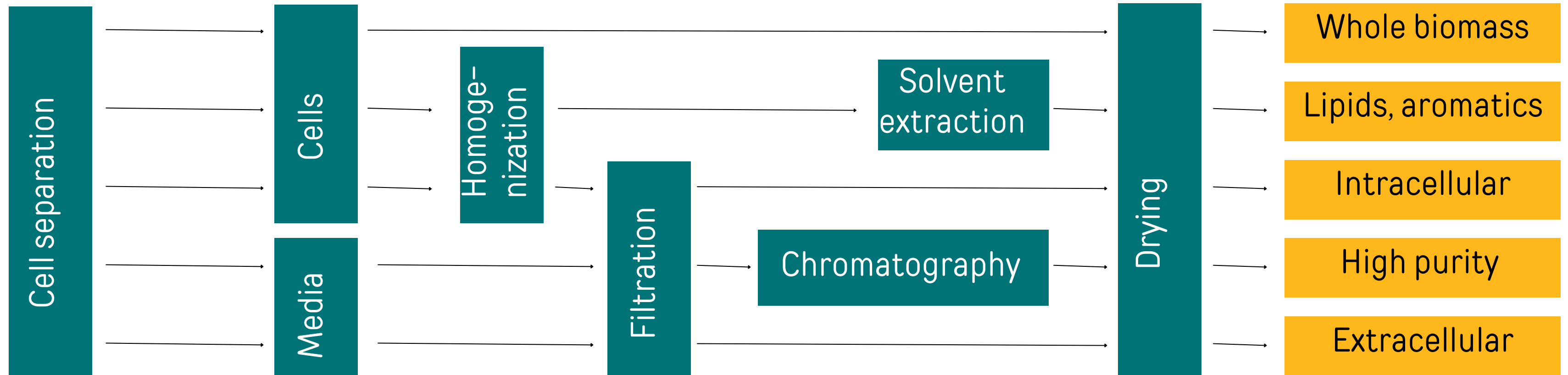
David Wollborn



# Product purification



## Downstream processing (DSP)



**Solids separation**  
Centrifugation (or filtration)



**Cell lysis**  
Homogenisation or chemical



**Separation/Extraction**  
Filtration/Chromatography /extraction



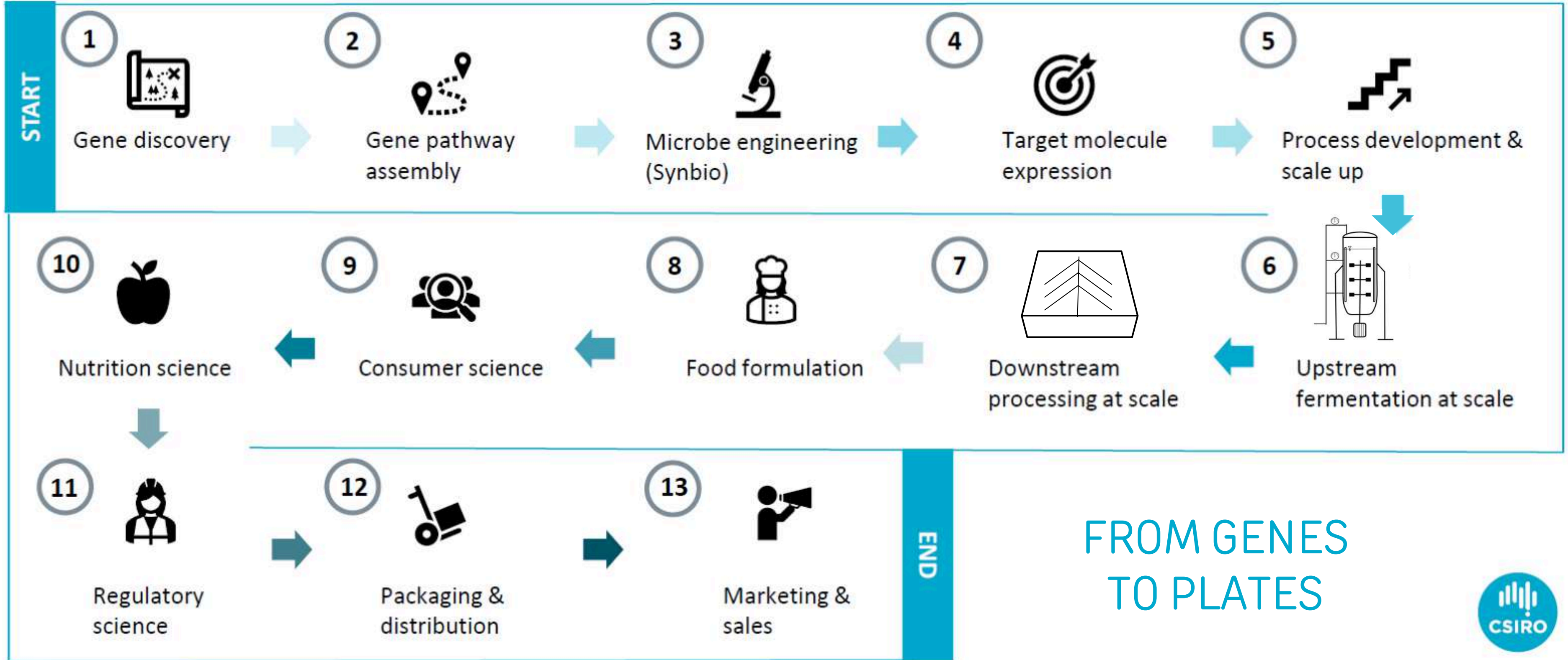
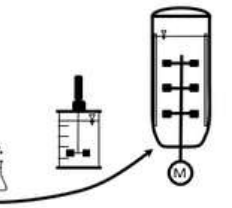
**Drying**  
Spray drying  
Freeze drying



**Formulation and products**  
Encapsulation  
Food science  
Testing



# Recap of our One-Stop-Shop capabilities





# Potential microbial-based ingredients

- Flavours
- Colours
- Texturised protein (e.g., quorn, Typcal)
- Biomolecules from side streams – carbohydrates can be upcycled as a feedstock to make more protein

*Quorn mycoprotein –  
Fusarium venenatum*





# AI Case Studies for Food Manufacturing

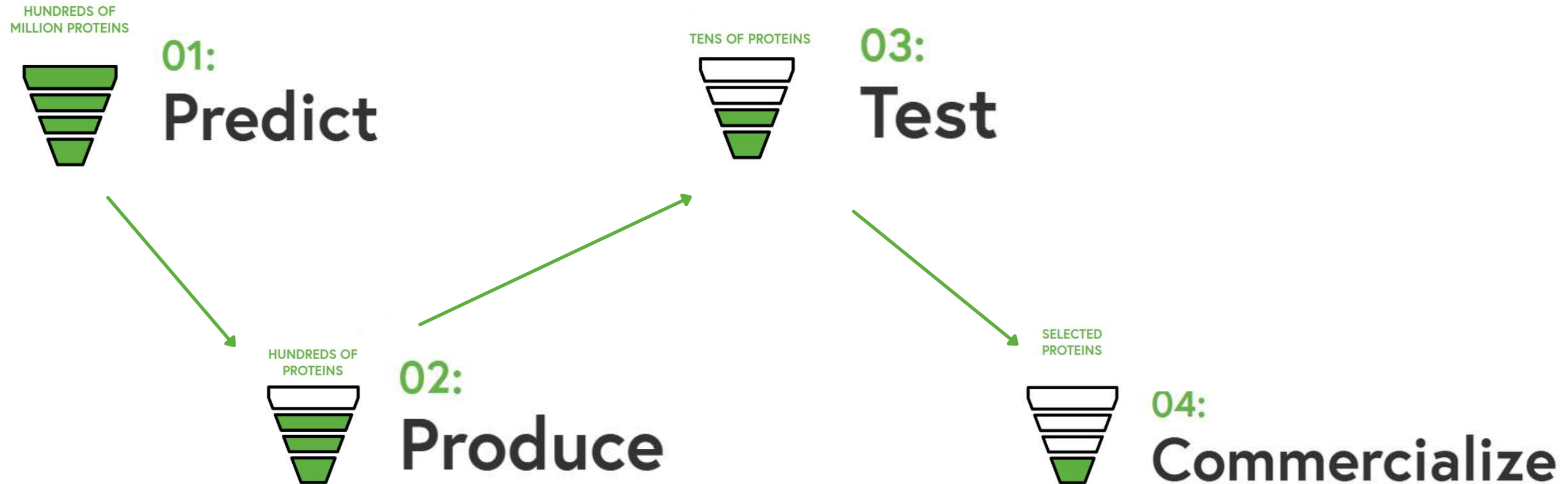
## Ingredient Identification



**Shiru (est. 2019, USA)** uses AI, bioinformatics, and precision biology to discover & produce high-value ingredients from functional **proteins found in nature**



*Their 1<sup>st</sup> product (OleoPro™) was launched in 2023: a plant protein-based fat ingredient that is solid at room temperature*





# AI driven protein flavour prediction database

Proteins  
[current number: 773]

Bioactive peptides  
[current number: 5014]

Allergenic proteins  
with their epitopes  
[current number: 136]

Sensory peptides and  
amino acids  
[current number: 582]

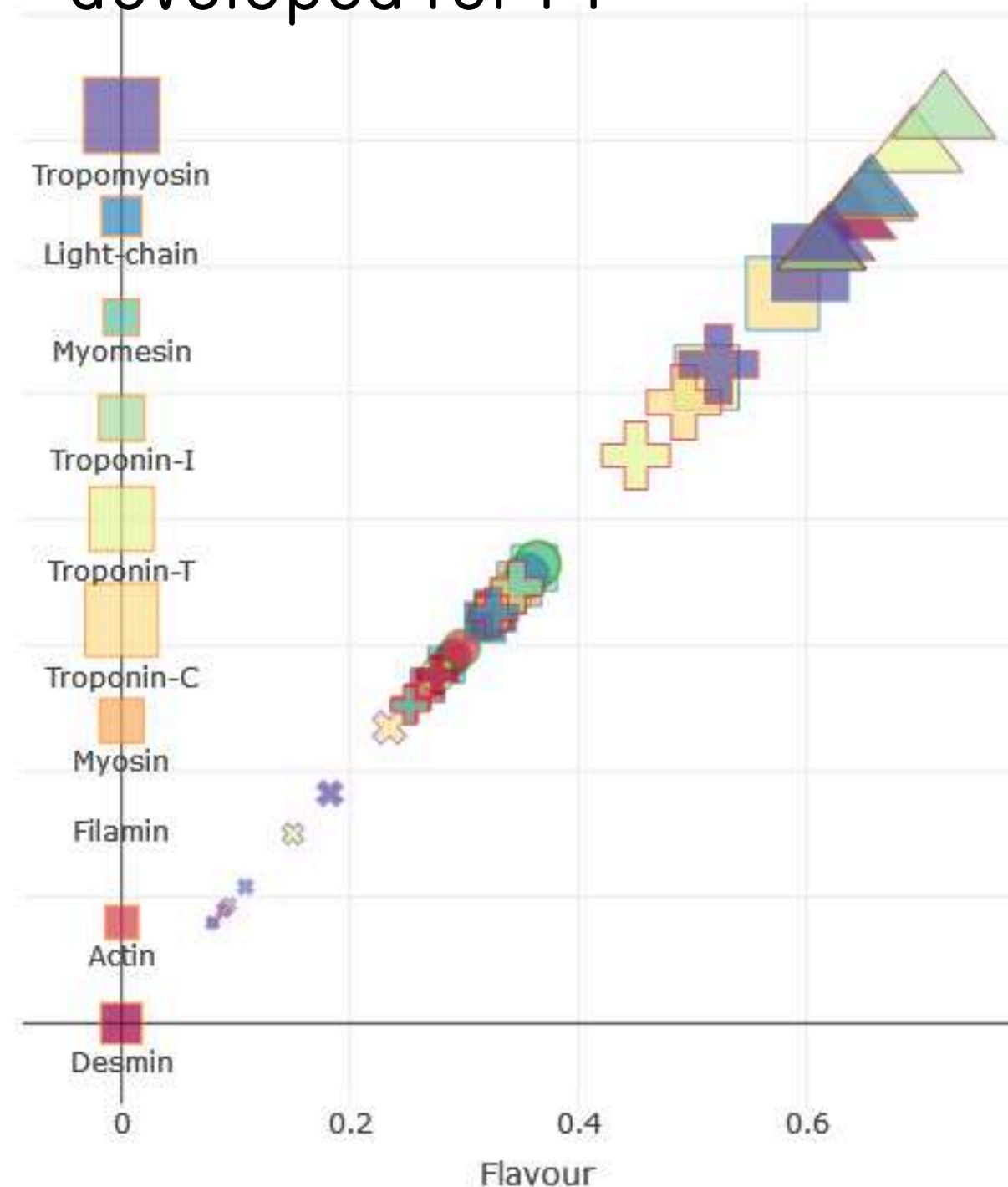
BIOPEP-UWM Virtual  
[current number: 312]

BIOPEP-UWM repository of amino  
acids and modifications  
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Submit new peptide  
sequence

<https://biochemia.uwm.edu.pl/biopep-uwm/>

Example for myofibrillar protein  
developed for PF

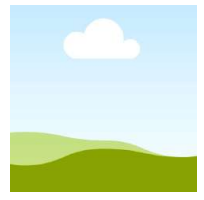


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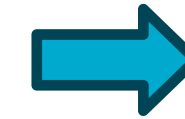
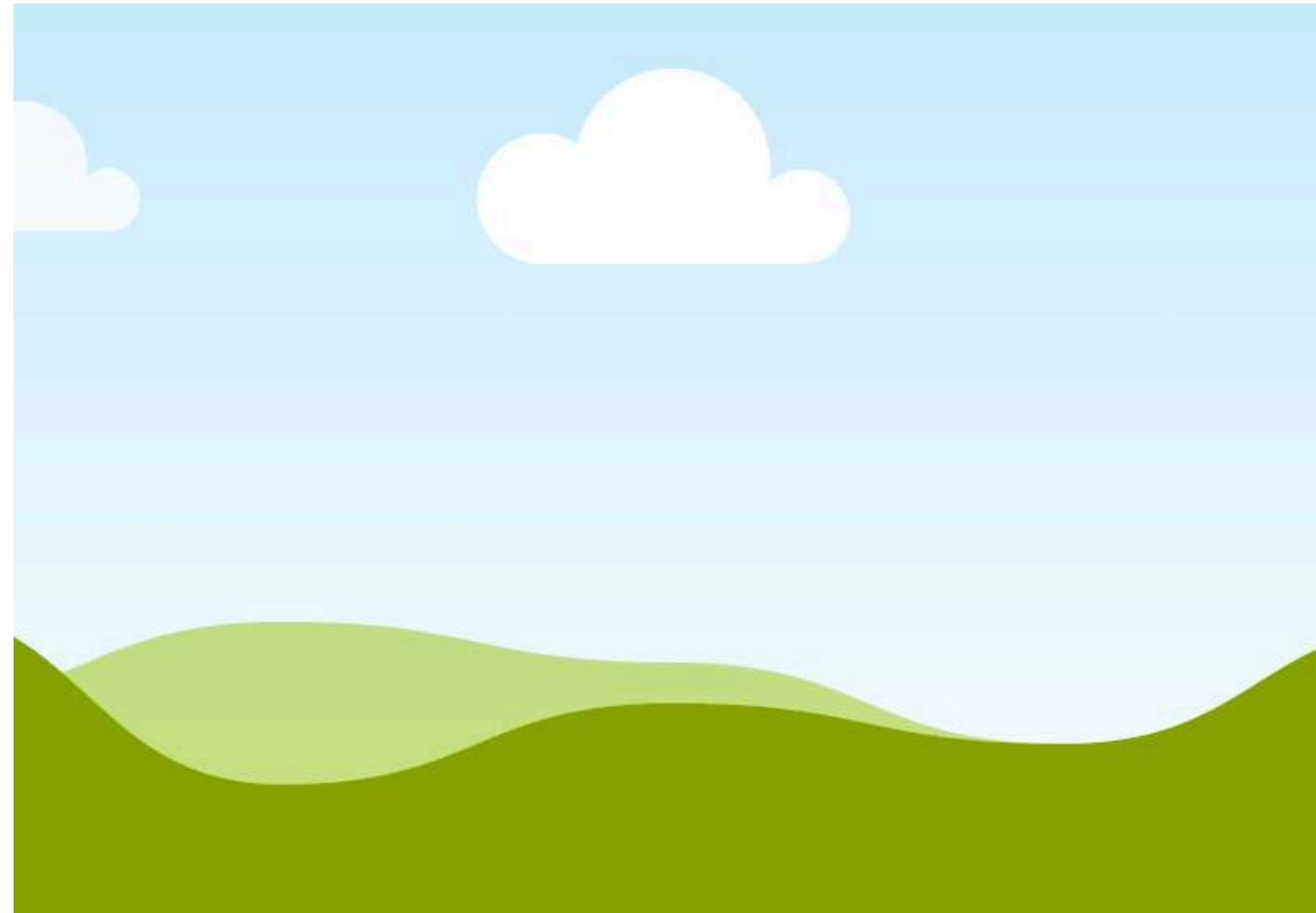
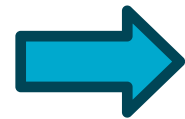
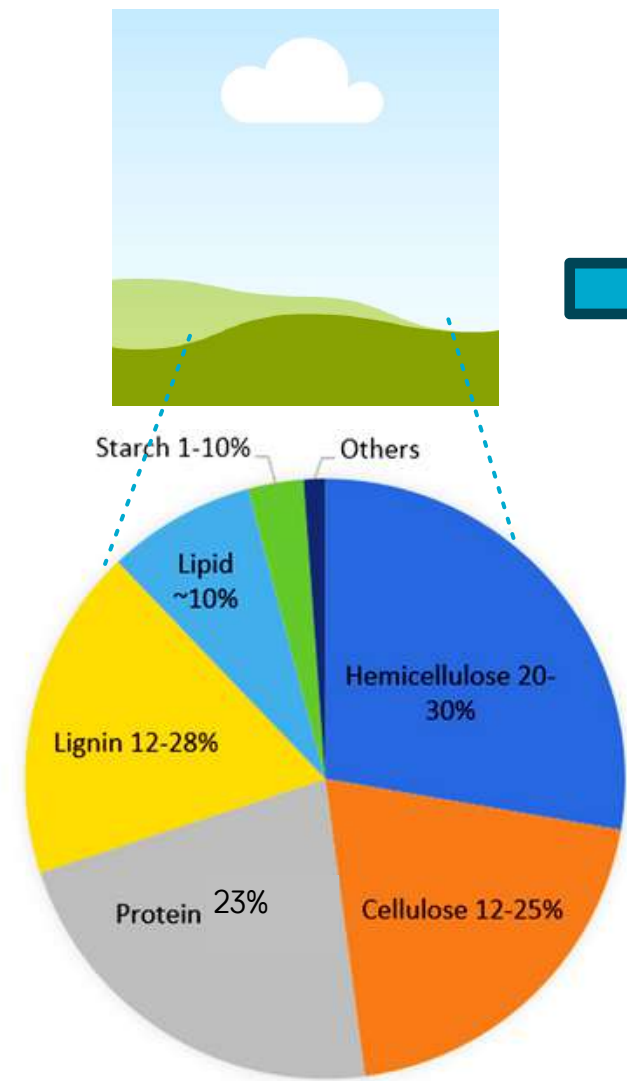
Algorithm – virtuous multitaste



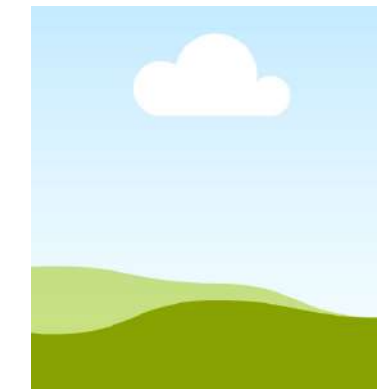
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# Brewer's spent grain (BSG) upcycling



**Fibre-rich & protein-rich  
BSG-derived ingredients**

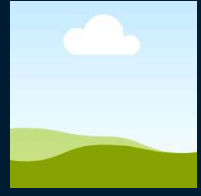


Total Lipid (%)	~12.9
Total Protein (%)	44%
Carbohydrate (%)	58.9
Total amino acid (g/kg DW)	236.1-294
Gross Energy (MJ/Kg)	22.2

>95% conversion of BSG biomass waste into fermentable sugar

High yield (>44%) in *Pichia fermentas*, (other microbial studies, 32-42%)

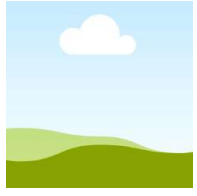




# Case studies

Precision fermentation for development of “cowless” protein and fat





# Eden Brew

- CSIRO's Synbio technology in yeast to produce milk proteins through precision fermentation
- Precision fermentation processes commercial-scale development
- Collaboration with local dairy giant Norco. Co-operative Limited to launch animal-free dairy products





# Nourish Ingredients

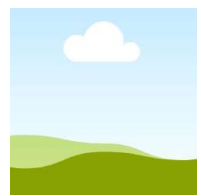
- Precision fermentation technology to produce animal fats without using animal products or palm/coconut oil
- Animal-free fermented fat as flavour and functional ingredients supplied to other next-gen foods such as plant-based, alternative non-dairy milk
- “*Cell-cultured meat meets animal-free fermented fat*” – collaboration between cultured meat company Vow and Nourish Ingredients

**nourish**  
INGREDIENTS

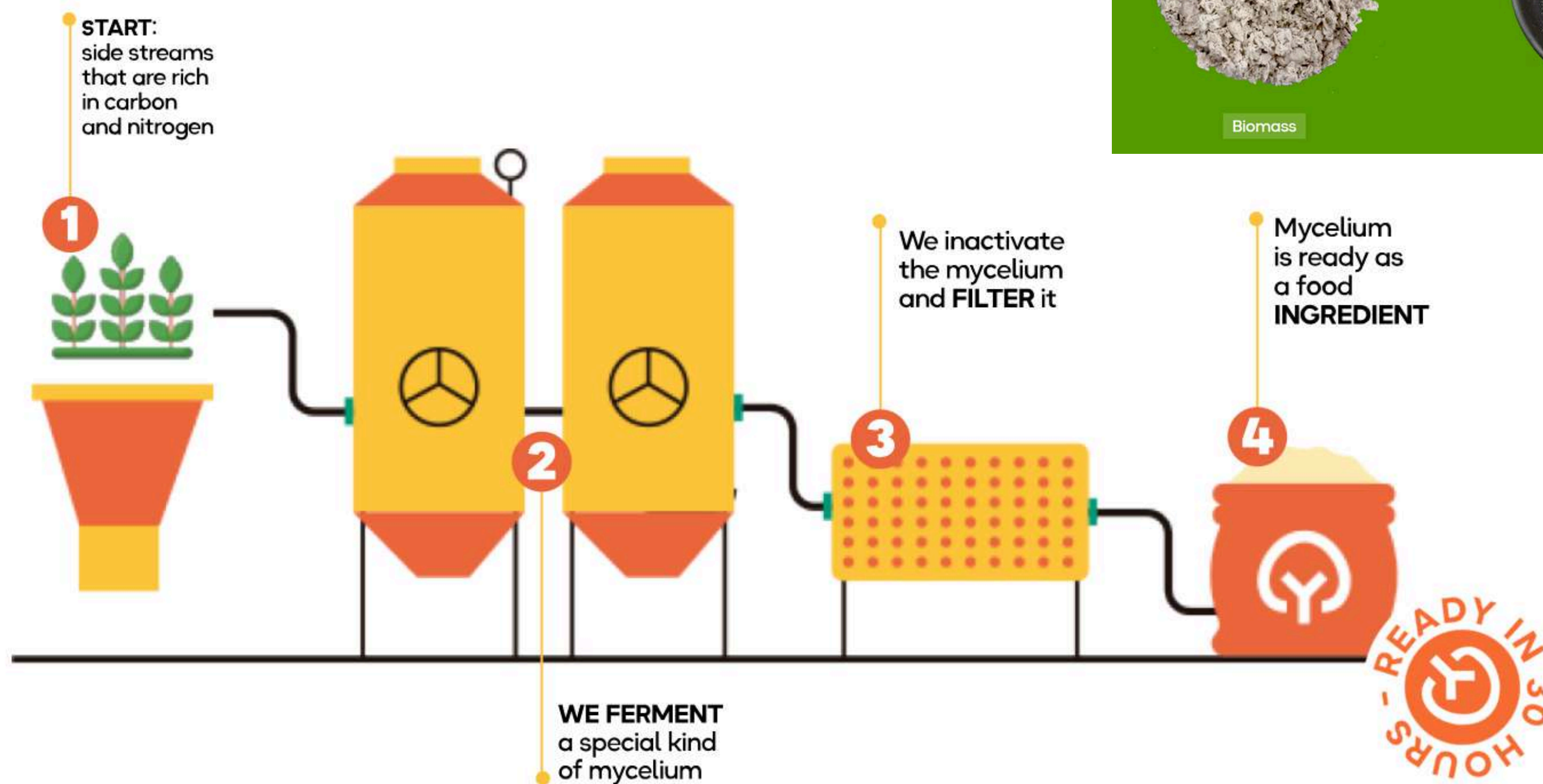
## The secret ingredient.

These days, there are a lot of companies focusing on alternative proteins, but fats are essential in making them taste incredible. By overlooking fats, the market has missed the most essential element to the taste experience. That's where Nourish comes in.





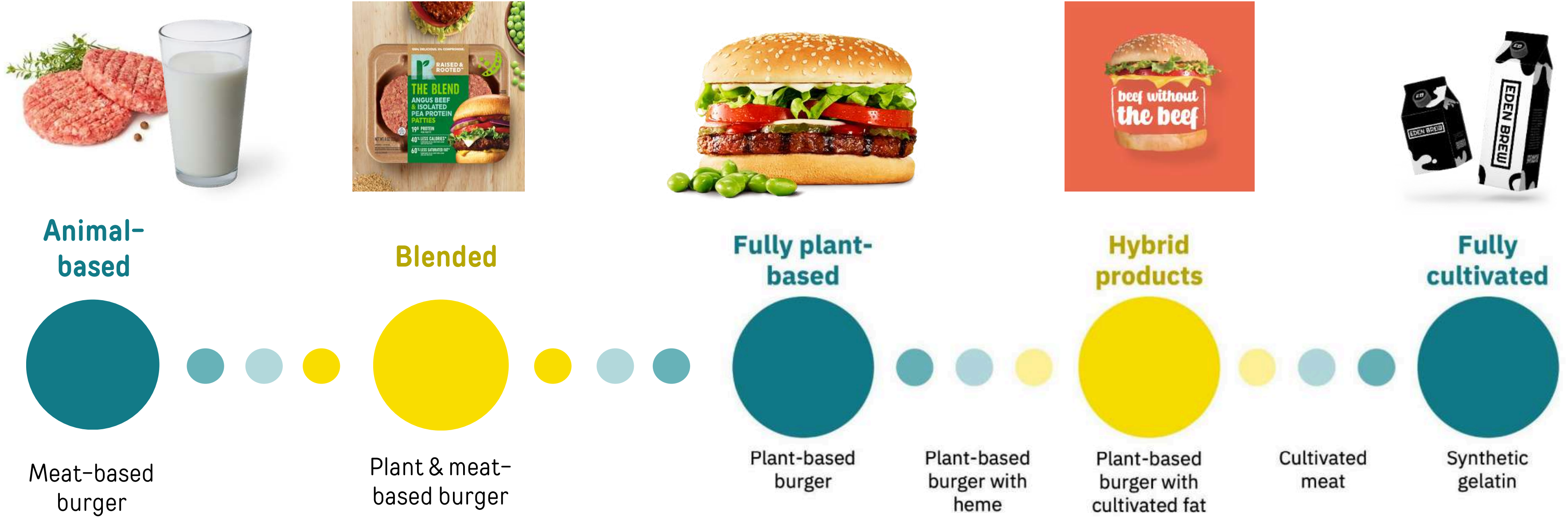
# Typcal



Typcal – Typcal – O futuro do alimento



# Innovation creates choice for all consumers

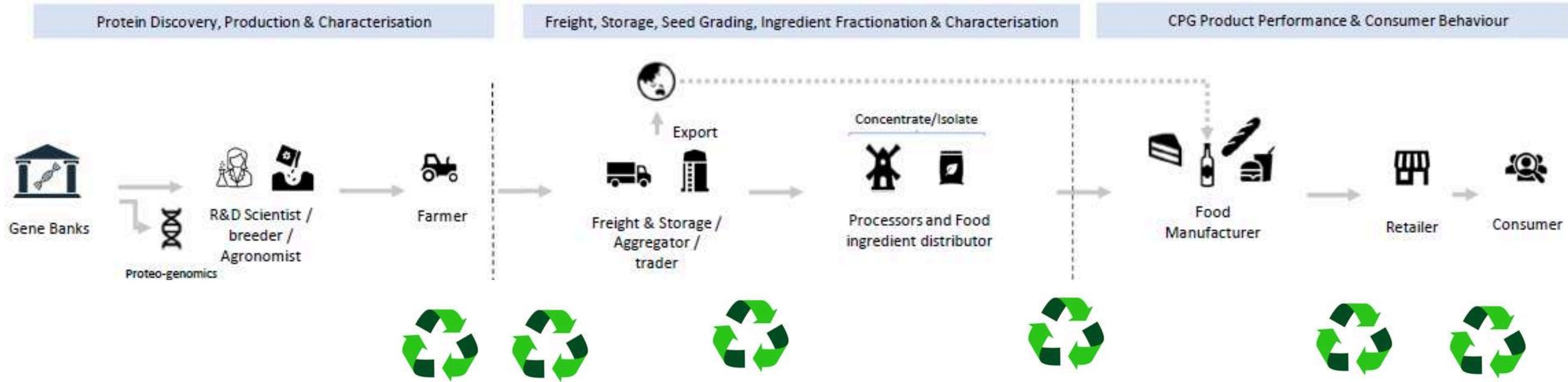




# Challenges ahead

## Upcycling economy

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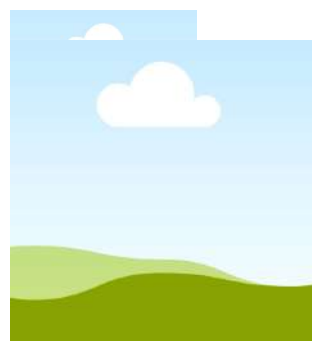
**Redesigning future crops** Novel processing for safety, functionality, stability and health

**Environmental sustainability and market access**



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