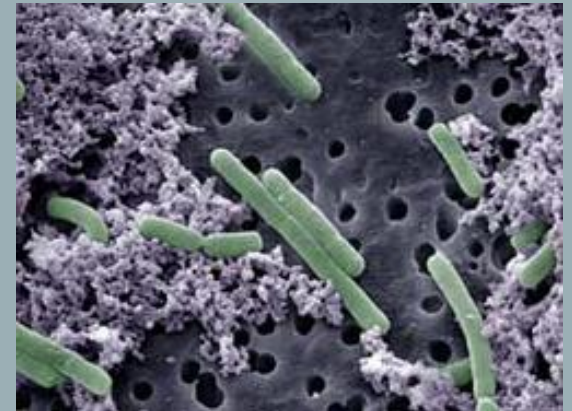




PROBIOTICS & NEW TECHNOLOGY

What, why, where and how

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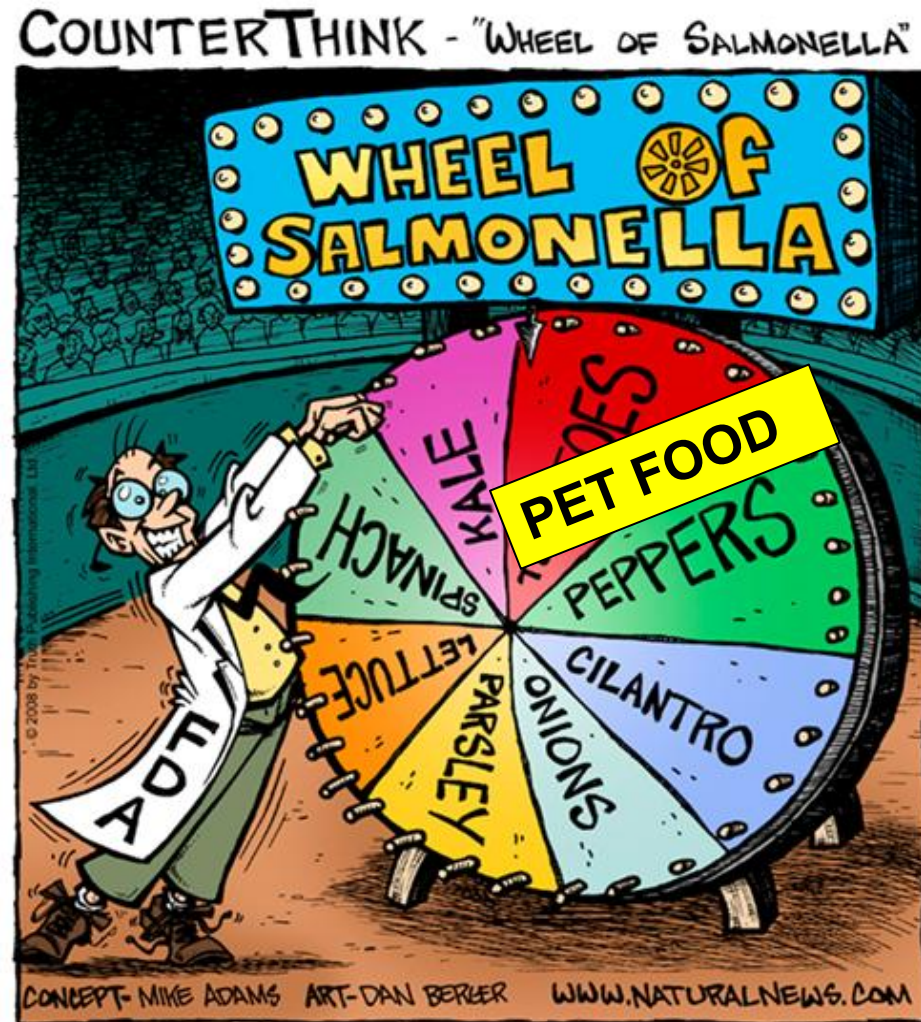
- Globalization
- Greater consumer awareness
- Very public outbreaks
- FSMA



❖ Driving forces in the food industry ...

PET FOOD INDUSTRY

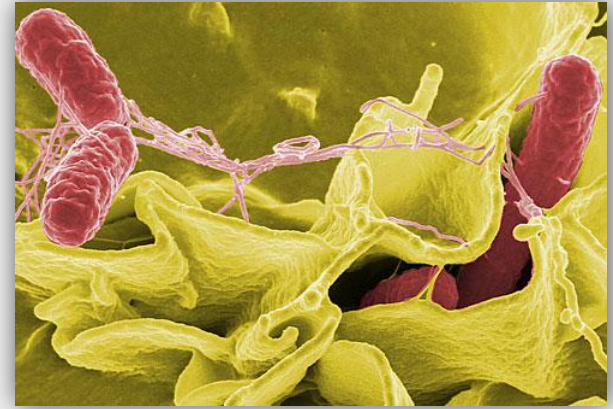
- Melamine - 2007
- Salmonella - 2008
- Zero Tolerance
- Risk



PET FOOD INDUSTRY

- ***Salmonella* Risk**
 - **REAL?**
 - **PERCIEVED?**

- **Does it really matter?**



CONTAMINANTS IN ANIMAL FEEDS

➤ Environmental contaminants

- Pesticides, radionuclides, and heavy metals

➤ Bacterial contaminants

- *E. coli* O157:H7 (cattle feed), *Salmonella enterica* and *Campylobacter* spp. (poultry litter), *Listeria monocytogenes* (silages and big-bale silage)

➤ Fungal contaminants

- *Aspergillus*, *Penicillium*, *Fusarium*, and *Alternaria*
- Mycotoxins, Aflatoxins, Ochratoxins, Fumonisin

➤ Plant toxins

- Lectins, Cyanogens, Antigenic proteins, Gossypol, Saponins

➤ Weed seeds

- Alkaloids, Amino acids, and Proteinase inhibitor

➤ Animal toxins

- Prion proteins (Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy)



PROBIOTIC CRITERIA FOR FOOD:

- International Scientific Association for Probiotics and Prebiotics (ISAPP)
 - be alive when administered
 - have undergone controlled evaluation to document health benefits in the target host
 - be a taxonomically defined microbe or combination of microbes (genus, species and strain level)
 - be safe for its intended use (GRAS status)

WHAT ARE PROBIOTICS?

➤ **Non-Heat Tolerant Strains:**

- *Lactobacillus*
- *Bifidobacterium*
- *Enterococcus*
- *Saccyromyces*
- *Pediococcus*
- *Escherichia*
 - *Bacillus*

WHAT ARE PROBIOTICS?

<i>Lactobacillus</i>	<i>Bifidobacterium</i>	<i>Streptococcus</i>
<i>acidophilus</i>	<i>longum</i>	<i>thermophilus</i>
<i>casei</i>	<i>bifidus</i>	<i>salivarius</i>
<i>fermentum</i>	<i>breve</i>	
<i>lactis</i>	<i>infantis</i>	
<i>reuterii</i>	<i>adolescentis</i>	
<i>bulgaricus</i>	<i>lactis</i>	
<i>plantarum</i>		
<i>salivarius</i>		

WHAT ARE PROBIOTICS?

➤ Non Heat Resistant Strains

- **Pro's**
 - Well documented probiotic characteristics
 - Easy to isolate, identify, culture, grow, and maintain
 - High numbers (10^8 or 10^9) achievable
 - Establish as resident microflora in GI system
- **Con's**
 - If not selected properly, do not survive processing
 - Bacteriophage or other contaminants

WHAT ARE PROBIOTICS?

➤ Heat tolerant strains

- *Bacillus* spp. (ex, *coagulans*) ,spore-forming, facultative anaerobic, lactic acid-producing
- Pro's
 - Produce some related probiotic effects
 - May survive certain production processes
 - Survival through extrusion distinguishes this process from others that are patented by other manufacturers (Nestec)
- Con's
 - Not as well documented
 - Difficult to isolate, grow, culture and maintain
 - Very susceptible to contamination events due to difficulty in routine QC programs

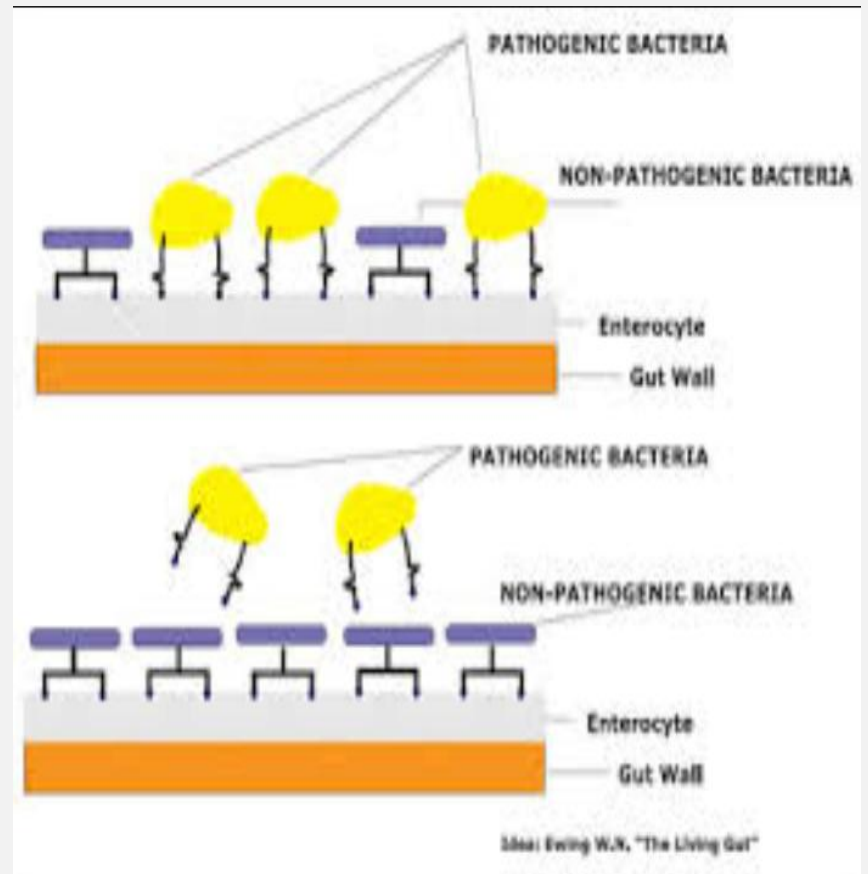
WHAT DO PROBIOTICS DO?

- Aid in digestive health

- Competitive inhibition
- Competitive exclusion
- Receptor binding
- Antagonistic behavior

- Secondary benefits

- Antimicrobial characteristics in:
 - FINISHED PRODUCTS
 - INGREDIENTS



- Environmental Application

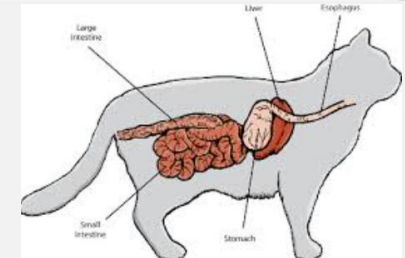
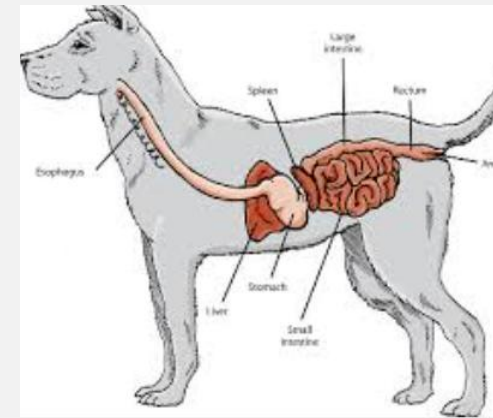
WHY DO WE WANT PROBIOTICS?

- ❖ Animal Health
- ❖ Superior Product Lines
- ❖ Market Share
- ❖ \$ and Competition
- ❖ Robust Antimicrobial Characteristics--
--Not a Probiotic!
 - Antimicrobial



KEY BENEFITS OF PROBIOTICS

- **Improve pet GI health**
- **Food Safety Effect**
 - Competitive Inhibition of Pathogens (i.e. *Salmonella*)
 - Competitive Exclusion of Pathogens
- **Probiotics are effective against pathogens:**
 - In the laboratory
 - In the human or animal
 - In the environment



WHY DO WE WANT PROBIOTICS?

- Danisco Market Breakdown (May 2009)
 - Asia, North America and Europe: 1.5 Billion/68 Billion
 - 5-25% growth rate
 - Health Claims (Humans and Animals) (2000-2007)
 - Gastrointestinal Health (56%)
 - “Healthy Digestion”, “Gut Flora and Pathogens” “Nutrient Absorption” “Transit Time”
 - Immune Health Claims (27%)
 - “General Health” “Allergy”

WHERE DO THEY COME FROM?

- Human to Human
- Swine to Swine
- Bovine to Bovine
- Canine to Canine
- Feline to Feline
- **Any animal species**



WHERE TO START?

- Find organism
 - Buy or “License” the organism forever
 - Contract for delivery of probiotic for addition to product ([Hollison](#))
 - Nestec (Lactic Acid Bacteria)
 - Procter & Gamble Pet Care (*Bifidobacteria*)
 - AFB International (*Bacillus* spp.)
 - Danisco/Dupont

- Is this organism going to work?

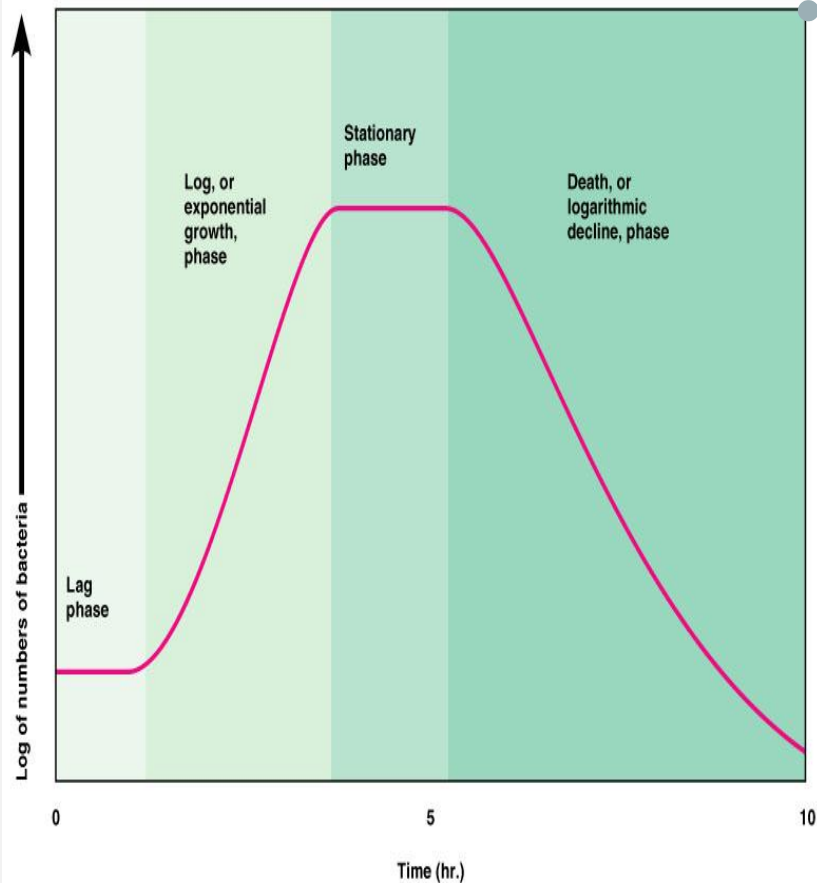


WHERE AND HOW TO START?

- Find organism that works!
- Screen for healthy animals fed target diet
 - **Obtain** freshly voided feces
 - **Rescue LAB** but uses selective screening for:
 - **Primary** Screening:
 - Bile tolerance, pH tolerance
 - **Secondary** Screening:
 - Pathogen inhibition, heat sensitivity or resistance, other characteristics.
 - Phenotypic and Genotypic **Identification**
 - Strain **lypholyzation and preservation**



HOW:



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Grow the organism

- Cell stability depends upon harvest time within the stationary phase.
- Fermentation with continuous gas and pH adjustments allow for most stable harvest time assessment.



HOW:

➤ Small Batch Formulation:

- Grow organism with designed parameters
 - pH, temperature, gas control
 - 20-50 Liter Capacity
- Continuous centrifugation to harvest cells
- Run QC checks on concentrated cell suspension
- Apply cell suspension to product (pilot plant)

Concentrated
cell suspension
(10^{10} cfu/g)



HOW:

- Apply cell suspension to product (lab scale or pilot plant)
- Liquid/Paste (Applied with CWG or Oils or Water Spray)
- Powder (Applied with dry powder carrier) ***viable cells may die***



Concentrated
cell suspension
(10^{10} cfu/g)

Post Extrusion, Post Drying,
Topical Application to Food
Product

HOW:

- Liquid/Paste (Applied with CWG or Oils or Water Spray)



Concentrated
cell suspension
(10^{10} cfu/g)



Need to determine initial viability and stability over time.

Need to conduct feeding trials to verify nutritional claims, if any

Need to screen for antimicrobial properties

HOW:



➤ Large Batch Formulation

- Grow organism
- Extensive “clean-room” environmental program
- Extensive culture maintenance program
- Extensive Quality Control Program
- May have to manage low level contaminants

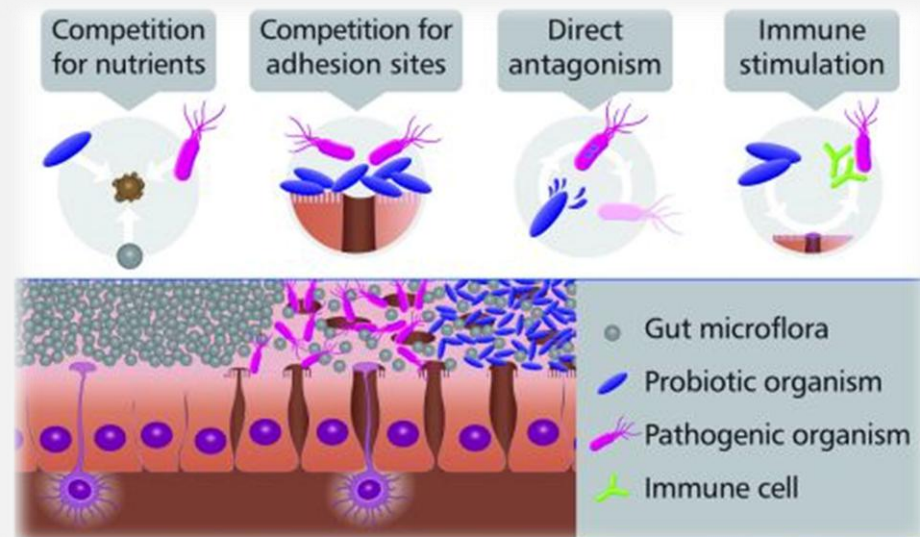


DO WE REALLY NEED THE "PROBIOTIC" EFFECT?

➤ Probiotic Effect

- Dietary Adjuncts
- Direct Fed Microbials
- Enhanced Microbial Therapy

YES

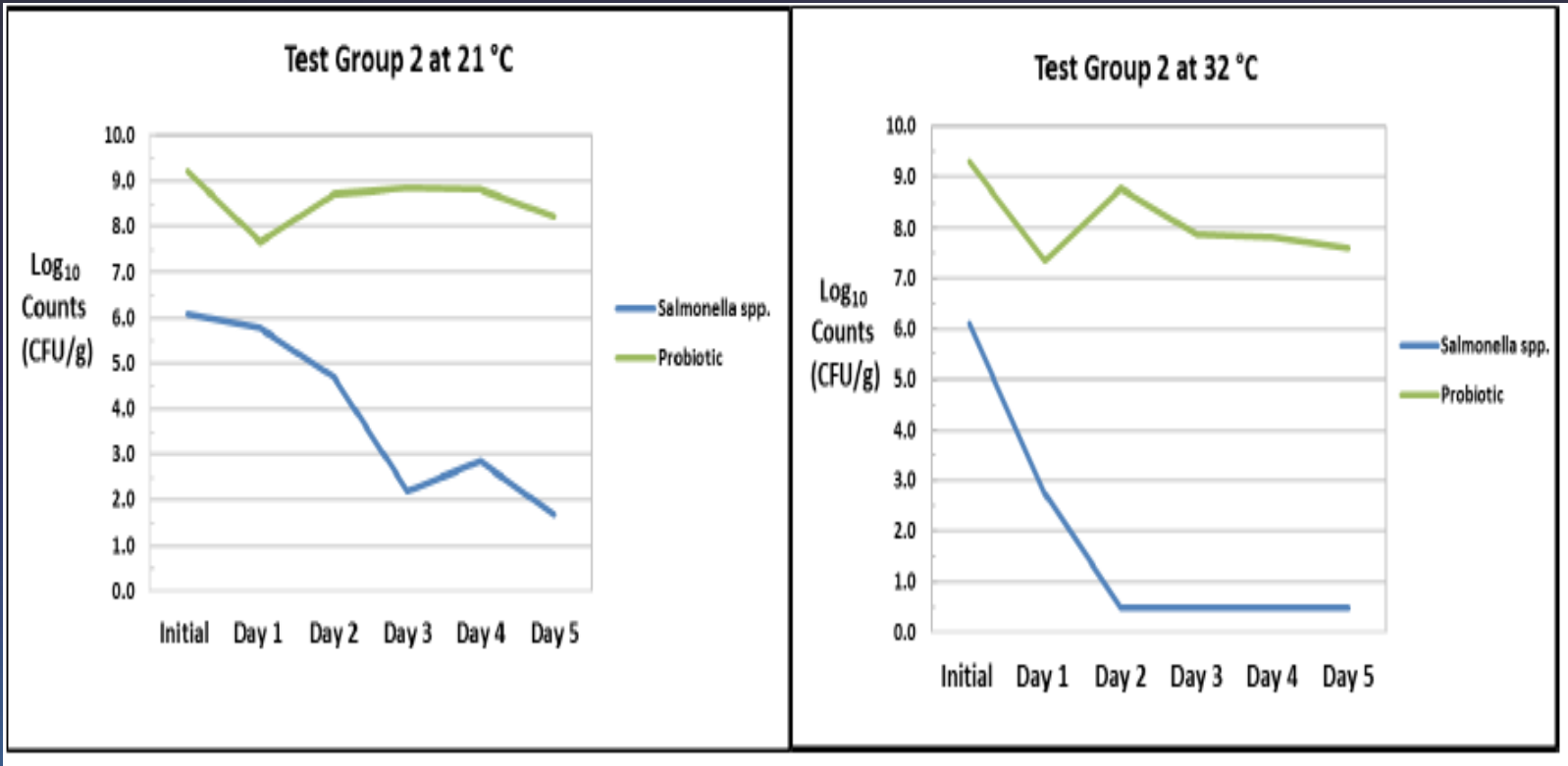


or

➤ Food Safety Effect

- Robust Microbial Inhibition
- Pathogen Interference Factors

Does it really work?



Notable log reductions of *Salmonella* spp. were achieved for test group 2. A log reduction of 4.41 was achieved for test group 2 when stored at 21 °C and a log reduction of 5.58 was achieved when the organisms were stored at 32 °C. The data indicate that the probiotic cocktail will out compete *Salmonella* spp. when initial concentrations are high ($\sim 10^9$ CFU/mL).

BUYER BEWARE

- **Bacteriological evaluation of dog and cat diets that claim to contain probiotics** (The Canadian Veterinary Journal)
 - **J. Scott Weese and Luis Arroyo. Department of Clinical Studies, Ontario Veterinary College, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario N1G 2W1.**
- 19 products were screened
- No products contained all of the organisms presented on labels
- 9 products contained no probiotic listed
- 0 to 10^5 cfu/g
- Overall, the actual contents of the diets were not accurately represented by the label descriptions.



HOW IS IT USED IN THE U.S.

APPLIED DIRECT TO PRODUCT
OR
IN THE ENVIRONMENT

HOW HAS THIS BEEN ACCEPTED BY END USERS?

**Our customers that
show probiotic on
the label have seen
increased sales.**

What's Next?

➤ Outside the box – The Future...

- New Monitoring Technology
- Novel Uses For Ingredients
- Food Safety Partnership and Collaboration

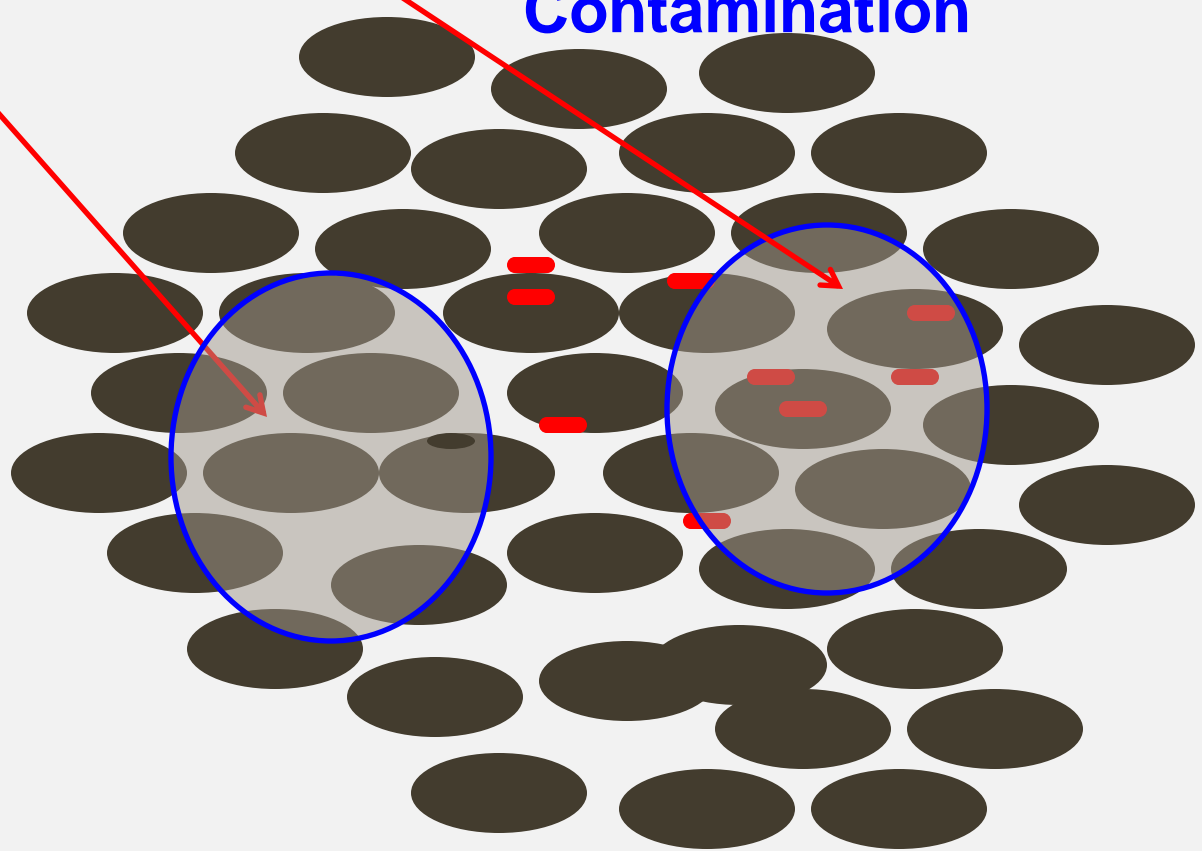


GRAB SAMPLING

Traditional "Grab Sample"

**Negative
Contamination?**

**Positive
Contamination**



1:100,000 Probability of detection

(based on statistical calculation by weight)

OLD WAY

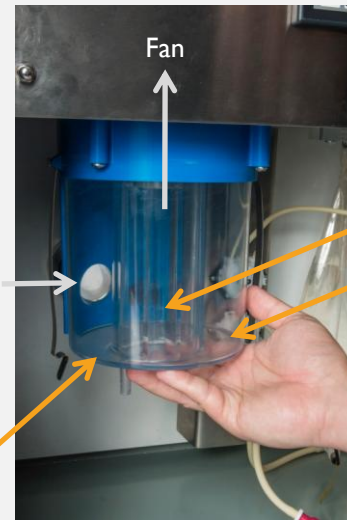
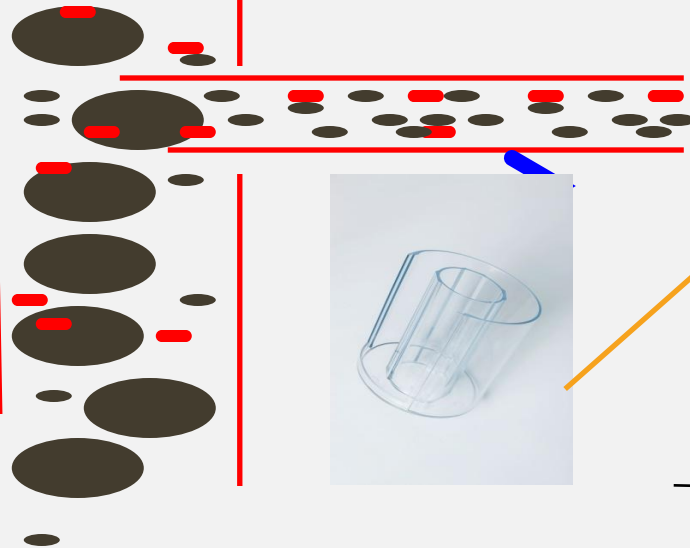


New Monitoring Technology

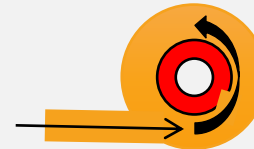


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Aerosol dispersion 70-80%



Inner
Outer

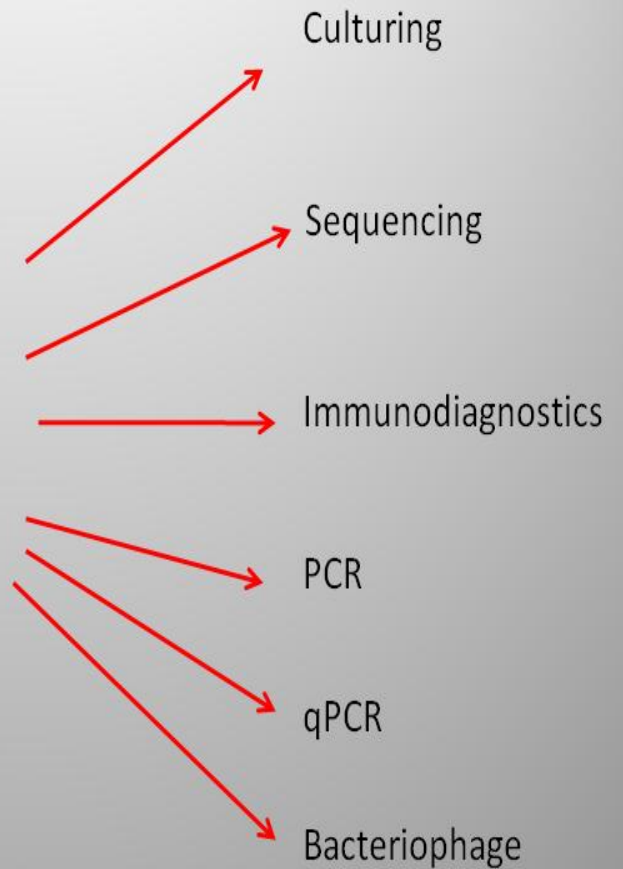


SEPARATION / COLLECTION /
HYDROSOLIZATION

SAMPLE COLLECTION



“Lab-ready” sample



MATRIX TYPES (DRY PARTICULATE FOOD)



Considerations

Moisture / fat content

Size of product

Internal / Surface contamination

Aggregation characteristics

Homogeneity

Porosity

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



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