



# Marine BioTech Applications in Industry

FINAL CONFERENCE, SUBMARINER PROJECT

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## **Agenda**

- 1. What we mean with Marine Biotech**
- 2. Brief introduction to DuPont and DuPont Nutrition & Health**
- 3. Examples of marine biotech applications**
- 4. Outlook**

**... The application of Science & Technology to living marine organisms, as well as parts, products and models thereof...**



BIOTECHNOLOGY IS DEFINED as the application of science and technology to living organisms, as well as parts, products and models thereof, to alter living or non-living materials for the production of knowledge, goods and services (OECD). Marine or Blue Biotechnology encompasses the application of biotechnology tools on marine resources.

Marine organisms used for Blue Biotechnology can be both microorganisms, such as bacteria, fungi, and microalgae, or macroorganisms, such as macroalgae and mussels. They are directly used as biomass or as producers of valuable ingredients such as active biological compounds, pigments, antioxidants, vitamins, fatty acids, enzymes, polymers or other biomaterials.

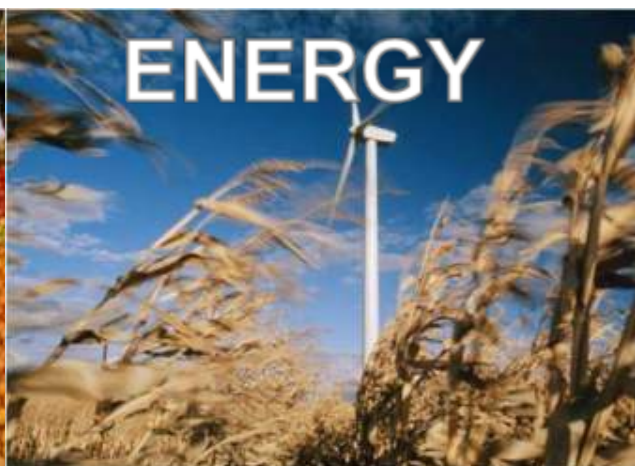
High value marine products and technologies can have a wide range of applications in health, food, feed, cosmetics, aquaculture, agriculture, industrial processes, environmental remediation, environmental monitoring and research tools.

A variety of techniques are used in the field. Among them are the fermentation using bioreactors, microbiological and chemical techniques, as well as cell-, gene-, protein- and other molecule-based techniques.

**We are applying our science to find  
solutions to some really  
BIG challenges...**



Feeding the World



Reducing Our Dependence  
On Fossil Fuels

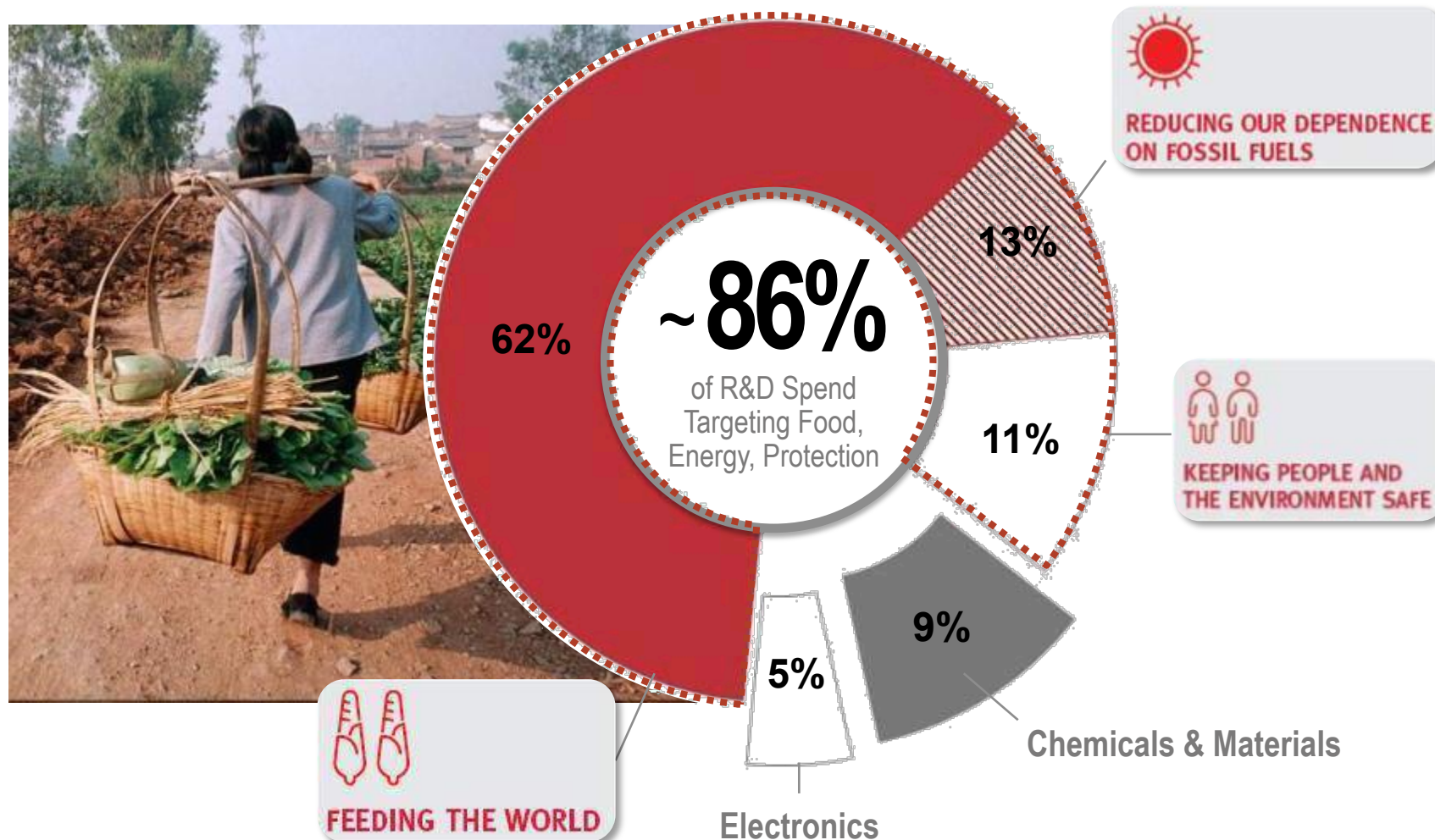


Keeping People and the  
Environment Safe



# Innovating to feed the world

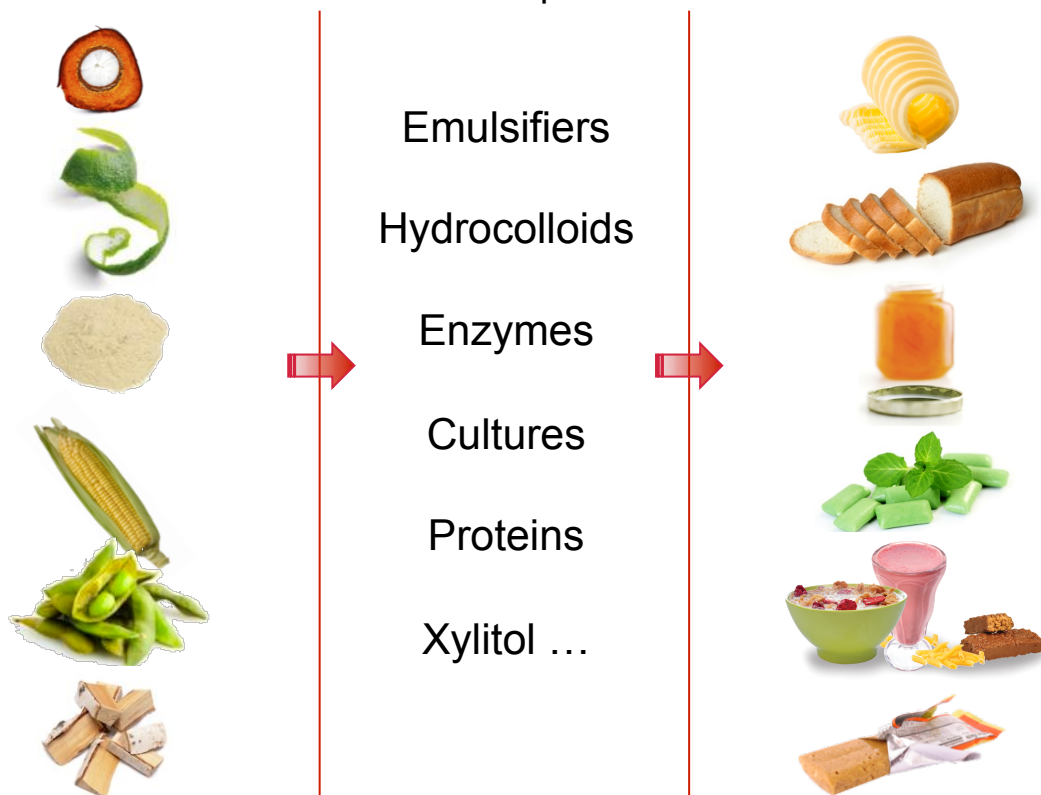
*\$2 billion R&D Spend in 2011*



# Nutrition & Health

## What we do

We take renewable raw materials to create food ingredients that ... food manufacturers use to create safe, nutritious and healthy products



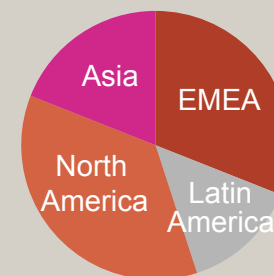
## Business description

Approx. 7200 employees

### Capabilities

- Over 100 sites
- Over 50 manufacturing sites
- Over 20 research and innovation centers

### Sales by region



2011 Sales of \$3.5B

*Molecular Diagnostics Systems ensure food is safe from pathogens*

## DuPont Nutrition & Health

*Globally, our ingredients can be found in ...*

...every 2nd ice cream



...every 2<sup>nd</sup> infant formula



...every 2<sup>nd</sup> nutrition bar



...every 3<sup>rd</sup> cheese



...every 4<sup>th</sup> loaf of bread



## Hexose Oxidase from *Chondrus crispus*

- **Source:** The red seaweed *Chondrus crispus*
- **Molecular weight:** 126 kDa (by gel filtration), 71 kDa by SDS-PAGE
- **Production:** Heterologous expression in different hosts
- **Applications:** Bakery



**Discover**

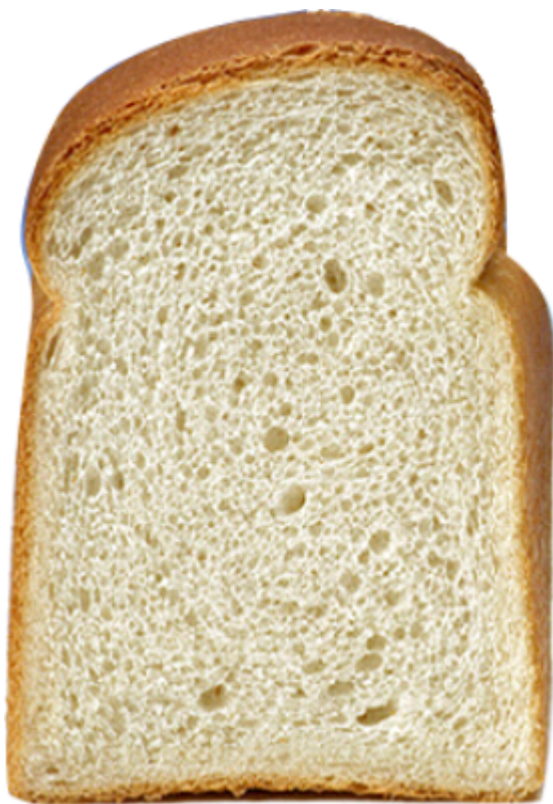
**Apply**

**Engineer**

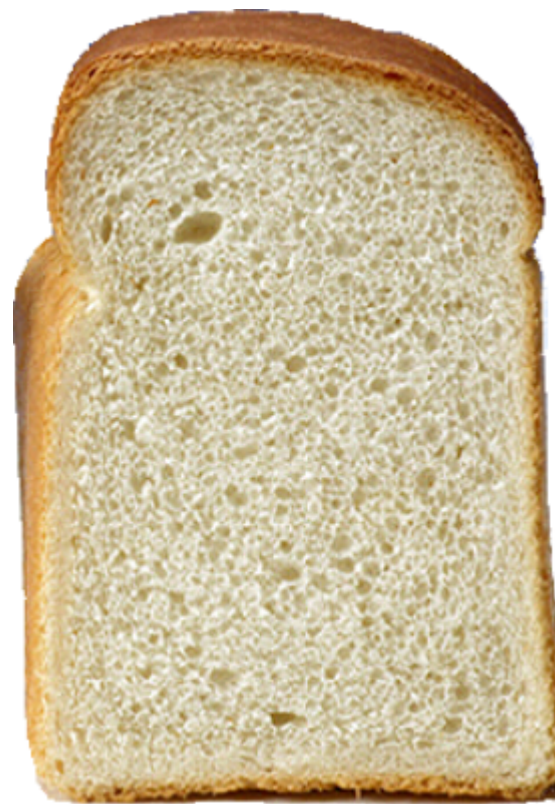
**Produce**



## US no-time dough



90 U/kg flour  
Hexose Oxidase



30 ppm  
Potassium Bromate



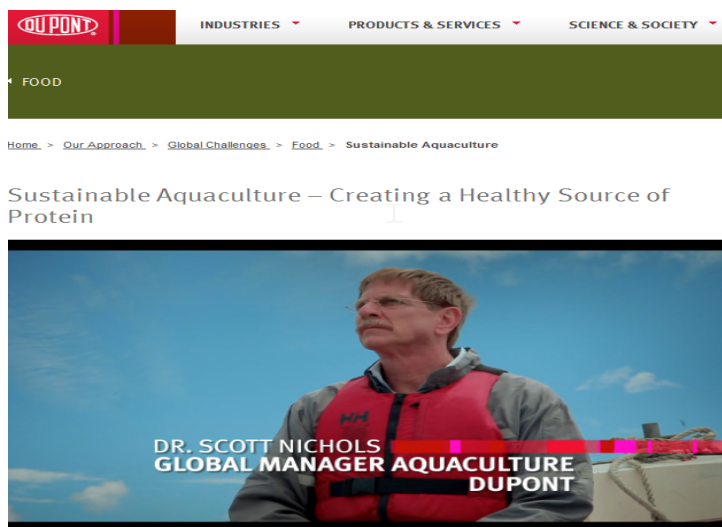
## Antibrowning effect of HOX





## Yeast containing omega-3 for fish feed

- Omega-3 demands are increasing as consumers focus on health and wellness.
- The total omega-3 market is growing 10-12% per year
- Primary source of omega-3s is wild-caught ocean fish, which are processed to produce fish oil directly or are used as feed in aquaculture
- DuPont uses metabolically engineered oleaginous yeast (*Yarrowia lipolytica*) to produce a clean and sustainable source of omega-3
- By using the omega-3 rich yeast in the salmon's diet, DuPont and AquaChile together reduce the dependency on feeder fish by 75%.



## DuPont N&H has a global sourcing network to secure seaweed raw materials and carrageenan extracts

- Production in Chile
- Access to more than a dozen seaweed species (incl. species from overseas)
- A multitude of carrageenan extracts based on different raw materials and process conditions



## Different seaweeds have different carrageenan content

Seaweed	Origin	κ content
<i>Kappaphycus alvarezii</i> <sup>1</sup>	Tropical waters	90%
<i>Chondrus crispus</i>	North Atlantic	70%
<i>Gigartina skottsbergii</i>	South America	59%
<i>Sarcothalia crispata</i>	South America	57%
<i>Eucheuma denticulatum</i> <sup>2</sup>	Tropic waters	4%
<i>Sarcothalia crispata</i> <sup>3</sup>	South America	0 %

<sup>1</sup> Considered as pure kappa carrageenan

<sup>2</sup> Considered as pure iota carrageenan

<sup>3</sup> From separate live stage of seaweed, 100 % lambda

DuPont's production facility in Pargua





## Carrageenan – Summary

Carrageenan is a hydrocolloid derived from red seaweeds

Carrageenan has three unique functional features

- Supreme gelling agent
- Protein interaction at neutral pH
- Synergies with other polysaccharides

Carrageenan has two distinctive E-numbers

- E407 – refined carrageenan
- E407a – semi-refined carrageenan



# Alginate – Summary

Alginate is a hydrocolloid derived from brown seaweeds

Alginate has three unique functional features

- Cold soluble
- Cold gelling
- Heat-stable gelling (in contrast to carrageenan)

Alginate has six distinctive E-numbers

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|-----------------------------|---|
| • E400 – alginic acid       | • E403 – ammonium alginate                |
| • E401 – sodium alginate    | • E404 – calcium alginate                 |
| • E402 – potassium alginate | • E405 – propylene glycol alginate (PGA)* |

\* Alginate derivative, not produced by DuPont



## Different seaweeds have different M/G-ratios

Seaweed	Origin	M:G ratio
<i>Laminaria hyperborea</i>	Northern Europe	0.5
<i>Lessonia trabeculata</i>	South America	0.5
<i>Ecklonia maxima</i>	South Africa	1.2
<i>Laminaria digitata</i>	Europe	1.4
<i>Macrocystis pyrifera</i>	California	1.6
<i>Ascophyllum nodosum</i>	North Atlantic	1.8
<i>Laminaria japonica</i>	East Asia	1.9
<i>Durvillea antarctica</i>	Southern Pacific	2.4



DuPont's production facility in Landerneau



# DuPont™ Danisco® carrageenans and alginates are tailormade for various food applications



### What role will marine biotech play for us moving forward?

- Further understand the role of marine biotechnology in terms of global challenges (e.g. Food & Energy)
- Research sustainable production routes for marine products (e.g. fish and seaweed aquaculture)
- The marine ecosystem as a source of unknown biodiversity
- An important, yet underutilized space for collaboration: ...



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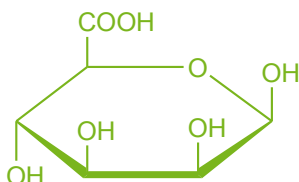
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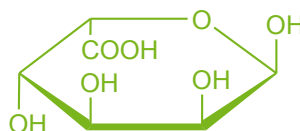
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## Alginates give brown seaweeds their structural integrity

Alginates consist of:



Mannuronic acid (M)



Guluronic acid (G)

