



FOOD MATRIX EFFECTS: IS IT TIME TO RE-THINK HOW WE EVALUATE THE HEALTH **EFFECTS OF FOODS?** lan Givens **Professor of Food Chain Nutrition Director, Institute for** Food, Nutrition & Health University of Reading, UK Institute for Food Nutrition & Healt

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#### What is the food matrix?



#### Nutrient-based nutrition system





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...a substance in which other things are fixed, buried, etc...





## Can the food matrix affect nutrient bioavailability?



#### Effect of food matrix of wheat on glycaemic response

Jenkins et al. (1998)



## Effect of almond particle size on lipid bio-accessibility *in vitro*



Grundy et al. (2015a)



Effect of mastication of almonds on parenchyma cell damage and hence lipid bioavailability



Grundy et al. (2015b)



#### Acute effect of 50g fat on plasma TAG in healthy men







#### The dairy food matrix: Some examples



#### Effect of 40 g fat/day for 8 weeks with (whipping cream) and without (butter oil) MFGM on plasma lipids



Rosqvist et al., 2015

Confocal laser scanning micrographs



Milk fat globules in emulsion from butter oil Fat=red; MFGM=green



Milk fat globules from whipping cream Fat=red; MFGM=green



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Plasma lipids at baseline and after butter and cheese (both 40 g fat/d for 4wk)





No Ca data

#### Changes in total and LDL-cholesterol after consumption of ~80 g/d fat (~36g/d SFA) as cheese or butter for 6 wk



Hjerpsted et al., 2011.

\*\*\* Cheese vs. butter (P<0.0001) +++/+ Butter vs. run-in (P<0.0005/0.05)



Ca 1192 mg cheese, No effect on faecal fat excretion 417 mg butter



## Dairy calcium intake modifies faecal fat, Ca and bile acid excretion

Lorenzen and Astrup (2011)

	High fat		Low fat		P for	
Faecal losses	Low Ca	High Ca	Low Ca	High Ca	Ca	Fat
Fat (g/d)	6.6	11.3	5.5	8.0	***	**
Ca (mg/d)	549	2477	576	2478	***	NS
Bile acid (µmol/d)	274	393	178	346	**	NS

Faecal fat only explains about 30% of effect on cholesterol

#### Effect dairy Ca from cheese and milk on blood lipids in young men (~46g SFA/d) soeren



Soerensen et al., 2014



## Meta-analysis of RCTs: cheese vs. butter on LDL-C (TC same)



De Goede et al., 2015



#### Is the role of Ca in reduced fat absorption due to saponification with fatty acids?





Effect of reduced bile acid enterohepatic recycling on plasma cholesterol







# Do certain components in the food matrix modify/ compensate fat/SFA effects?



# PP kinetics of TAG after high fat meal including casein, whey protein and enriched whey protein





Mariotti et al. (2015)

#### Milk proteins and blood lipids



Fekete et al., AJCN (2016)



#### Conclusions





- The matrix effect is probably mainly a combined function of nutrient composition and food structure
- May be physical, chemical or associative and maybe all?
- They mean that health effects of a food cannot be determined simply on the basis of the individual nutrients it contains.
- The food matrix can determine nutrient digestion and absorption, thereby also altering the overall nutritional properties of the food.
- Evidence to date suggests the dairy matrix may have unique benefits for bodyweight control, bone and cardiovascular health but more on these to follow.....



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