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Innovation and good practices in the technology of functional and dietary flouring products

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THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS TO OBTAIN DIETARY FLOURING PRODUCTS

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- **hypoglycemic products** for patients with diabetes,

B

- **Gluten free products** for people with gluten intolerance (Celiac disease)

C

- **Products fortified with iron** intended especially for people suffering from anemia.

D

- **Infant formula and baby food products** based on processed cereals with and without added fruits and vegetables,

THE BAKERY AND PASTRY LABORATORY



Cereals dietary and functional products



Cereal products can be considered among the first foods included in the category of dietary foods.



Since 1997 was confirmed the importance of dietary fiber from whole grains in reducing the incidence of colon cancer, respectively cardiovascular disease.



Studies show that in our country 68% of the population never consume cereals at breakfast, while 23% do not know about their benefits.



Comparatively, a Romanian consume, a average, of 1.75 kg cereals annually, while a European consumes 2 to 9kg of Breakfast Cereals per year. The Breakfast Cereals segment is expected to show a volume growth of 3.4% in 2024. [Breakfast Cereals - Romania | Statista Market Forecast](#)



GLUTEN FREE PRODUCTS



1. premix flours based on corn and rice with addition of raisins and figs



Celiac disease (CD) is most prevalent genetic disease in Europe.

Epidemiological studies indicate that irritable bowel syndrome - celiac reach between 2% -15% of world population, with variations depending on the area, more common in Europe and lower in the U.S. and Asia.

<https://www.aoecs.org/>

The overall CD prevalence in 2010 was **1.0%**. In subjects aged 30-64 years CD prevalence was 2.4% in Finland, 0.3% in Germany, and 0.7% in Italy. (Mustalahti K et al., 2010).

In Romania the CD prevalence was **2.22%** (Dobru D., 2003).



2. Gluten free pasta obtained from rice flour mixed with corn flour



3. Gluten free biscuits obtained from rice flour and sea buckthorn extract



Hypoglucidic products



Among the most common metabolic disease is diabetes. **Diabetes** is consider the disease of 21 century.



About **422 million people worldwide** have diabetes, the majority living in low-and middle-income countries, and **1.5 million deaths** are directly attributed to diabetes each year [Diabetes \(who.int\)](http://Diabetes.who.int)



Diabetes is one of the public health priorities in **Romania**, with increasing incidence, from 321.2 cases per 100 000 population in 2011 to 397.2 cases per 100 000 in 2019 (INSP, 2020), and prevalence, from 3% in 2011 to **3.9%** in 2019 (WHO – HFA, 2020).



Dietary Cake with Seabuckthorn jelly

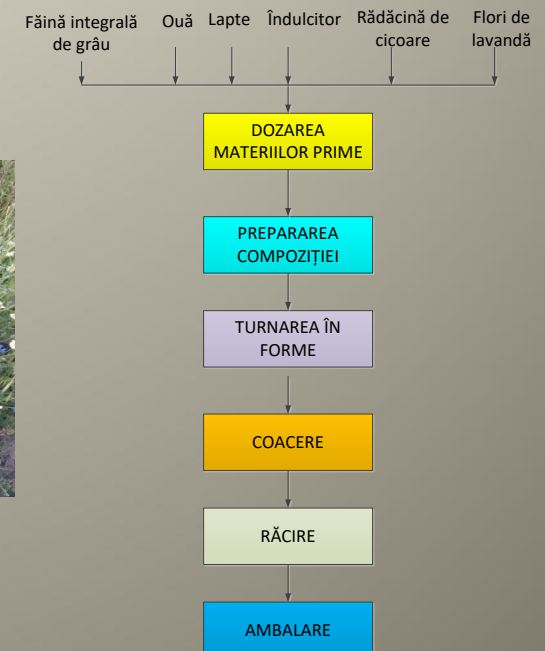
Products used in Hypoglycaemia diseases

BISCUITS WITH CHICKPEAS



MUFFINS with CHICORY and LAVENDER

- Chicory (*Cichorium intybus*) is known as a hypoglycemic diuretic and laxative recommended in the hypoglycemic diet and chronic liver disease.
- Contents: whole wheat flour, lavender flowers and chicory root, eggs, milk, natural sweetener.



Pasta with *Momordica charantia* extract

- Contents: wholemeal flour, wheat germ and *Momordica charantia* extract, egg, salt, egg.



- *Momordica Charantia* - bitter cucumber or plant insulin. *Momordica charantia* has a very low glycemic index (GI = 15).





IRON ENRICHED FLOURING PRODUCTS



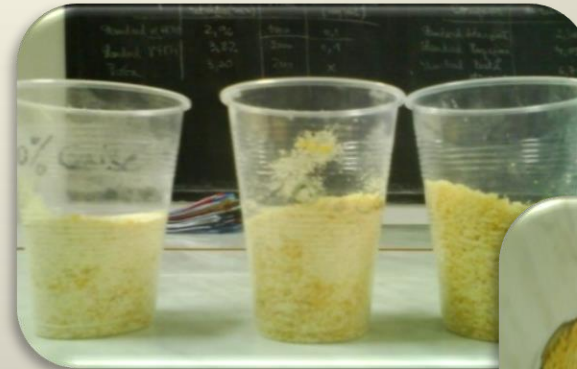
1. Fe enriched premix

Iron is an essential trace element present in all cells of the body. The absence of iron in the diet leads to the disease called Iron Deficiency Anemia.

In 2019, global anaemia prevalence was **39.8% in children** aged 6-59 months, equivalent to 269 million children with anaemia <https://www.who>.

In Romania, in 2016, the prevalence was **48.7-59%** at 6-23 months of age (Stativa, 2016).

Prevalence of anemia among non-pregnant women (% of women ages 15-49) in Romania was reported at **22.6 %** in 2019, according to the World Bank collection of development indicators, compiled from officially recognized sources.



Content: wheat semolina, apricot, lentil, starch, ascorbic acid

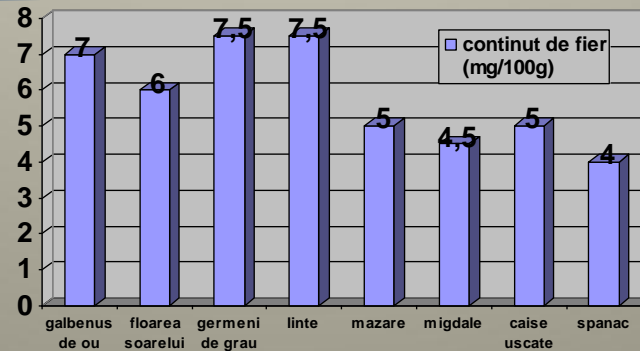
2. Pasta enriched in iron



Content:
Faina grau durum pentru paste, oua, spanac, apa



3. Premix based on wheat semolina, with the addition of legumes (lentils) in different proportions



Content:
wheat semolina, Lentil, starch, ascorbic acid



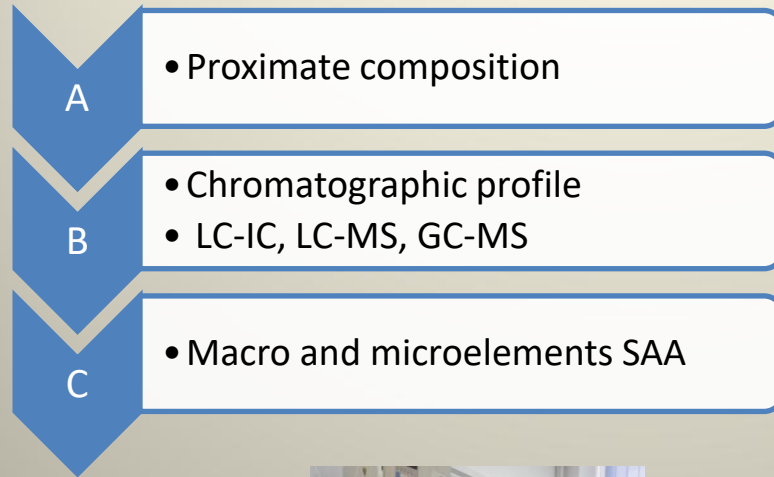
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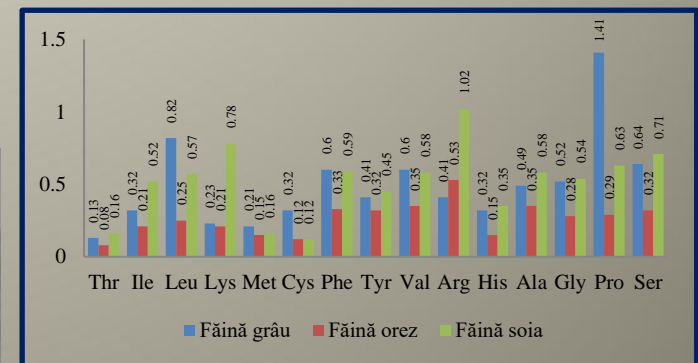
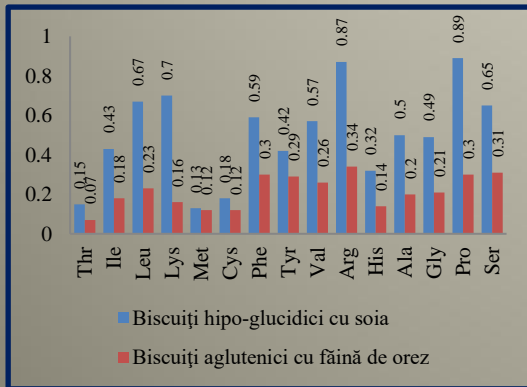
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Nutritional characterization of functional and dietary foods



LC-IC Dionnex IC - 3000





Interdisciplinary Research Platform (IRP)

OBJECTIVES

Domain of R&D interest: **Food technologies and analysis of food products**

1. Obtain functional/ dietary flouring products
2. **Develop technologies** to obtain functional flouring products
3. Analyze food products

Research infrastructure focus area: **Targeted nutrition**

- **HACCP authorized** for manufacture of bread, cakes and fresh pastries (no. 2242.18.09.2020)
- **GMP** (good production practices) & **GHP** (good hygiene).

RESEARCH ACTIVITY WITH PHD AND MASTER STUDENTS

SERVICES TO THIRD PARTIES

RESEARCH&INOVATION&DEVELOPMENT



EXPERTISE - EXISTING KNOW-HOW

1. **Technologies to obtain functional/dietary flouring products** (premix with cereals, fruits, leguminous, corn flakes, hypoglucidic bread hypoglucidic biscuits, muffins, flouring products enriched in bioactive principle from byproducts, gluten free products).
2. **Analysis of vegetal raw materials and food products** (physical-chemical analysis, rheological bakery parameters, senzorial analysis, chromatographic and spectrophotometric methods for detection and quantification of organic compounds)
3. **Elaboration of technical flow and specifications for bakery products**, identification parameters for food labels.
4. **Elaboration of documentation necessary for trademarks and patents in food area.**



FACILITIES & TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

1. MICROPILOT STATION TO OBTAIN BAKERY AND PASTRY PRODUCTS

Dadex bakery oven; electric baking oven with 12 trays; manual dough divider; electric pastry oven; spiral mixer with a capacity of 32 l; electric fryer with a capacity of 30 l; planetary mixer



2. AUTOMATED TECHNOLOGICAL LINE FOR CEREALS PROCESSING

Combi Junior laboratory mill with a production capacity of 50-80 kg / h; automated technological line for obtaining cereal flakes consisting of: mixer, extruder, oven and flavouring line.



FACILITIES & TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

1. The physical – chemical laboratories

- Equipment for proximate analysis of food (protein, lipids, mineral substances)

2. The chromatographic laboratory

- Liquid chromatography (Dionex ICS 3000), LC/MS (SHIMADZU), HPLC
- Gas chromatography (GC/MS)

3. Spectrophotometric laboratory

- UV-Vis spectrophotometer (Specord 210)
- Spectrophotometer with atomic absorption (AAS), XRF analyzer
- Eliza (PR1100) equipment.

4. Microbiological laboratory

- two MEMERT incubators type INB 500; an incubator with a controllable atmosphere (high concentration of CO₂); Nucleocounter SCC – 100
- Tryton type continuous culture biofermenter, as well as on the Leica TCS SPE DM 2500 laser confocal microscope



COOPERATION WITH INDUSTRY

Since 2012 PCI offers **services** to 3rd parties for the physical-chemical and nutritional analysis of food products, serving around **50 clients each year**, by providing a number of approximately 200 analyses/year.

It also had and continues to have **R&D contracts with private companies** in the food sector and supports and promotes **cross-border collaboration** through the Erasmus **strategic partnerships** developed at transnational levels.



OUR COMMERCIAL OFFER



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO

1. Functional premixes and products with low glycemic index
2. Functional bakery / pastry products with high antioxidant activity;
3. Innovative bakery products based on agricultural / horticultural by-products;
4. Gluten free premixes mixed with fruits and / or legumes;



RESEARCH AND COOPERATION WITH INDUSTRY

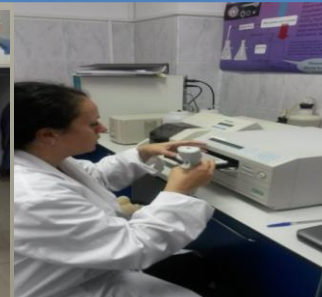
Patent application with industry

Technological transfer in partnerships with enterprises

Patent Number	Patent Assignee Name(s)	Topic
RO132919-A0	PANETONE SRL	Natural products
RO132842-A0	Prospero	Lipids for pastry
RO133305-A0	PANETONE SRL	Natural products
RO133316-A0	PANETONE SRL	Natural products



- Strategies to predict, prevent and reduce the effect of fungal contamination on cereals quality, production and food safety**
Project Reference : 2017-1-RO01-KA202-037215
- BG-15, Natural preparation with antifungal activity**
UEFISCDI, 15BG din 30/09/2016, Project code: PN-III-P2-2.1-BG-2016-0126, Partner: SC Panetone SRL
- Use of stearin obtained by dry fractionation of pork lard as a substitute for margarine in the puff pastry technology**
Contract nr.61CI/2017 , UEFISCDI, Project code PN-III-P2-2.1-CI-2017-0493, Partner: SC Prospero SRL
- Natural biofertilizers for organic agriculture**
Contract nr.63CI, UEFISCDI, PN-III-P2-2.1-CI-2017-0346, contract nr. 63/CI/2017, Partner: SC Panetone SRL
- Modern technologies for monitoring land covered with waste in order to restore their initial use, IPA ROMANIA SERBIA INTERREG, RORS 365, 2019-2021**



PROIECT POR/824/1/1/Creșterea inovării în firme prin susținerea entităților de inovare și transfer tehnologic în domenii de specializare inteligentă

REALIZAREA TRANSFERULUI TEHNOLOGIC ÎN VEDEREA OBȚINERII UNOR ALIMENTE FUNCTIONALE INOVATIVE IMBOGĂTITE IN COMPUSI BIOACTIVI - CTTU 2020 SMIS 140030 Project manager: Prof.dr.ing. Isidora Radulov



The project aims to continuously develop links and synergies between academia and the private sector in technology research, technology transfer and eco-innovation. In this sense, the Technology Transfer Centre (TTC) of the USVT provides scientific, logistical and informational support for the development and implementation of technologies to obtain functional flour premixes with added fruits, rich in active principles, which can be used as vegetable matrices in bakery, farinaceous food, pastry and confectionery technology. The research results expressed in optimised solutions for obtaining functional premixes with multiple food uses will be transferred to the economic environment, agricultural raw material processing units, for production and marketing on the food market or HORECA.



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LET'S PRODUCE NEW FUNCTIONAL BAKERY PRODUCTS FOR PEOPLE WITH DIGESTIVE DISORDERS

Program Erasmus+ - Strategic partnership ERASMUS K2-2019-1-RO01-
KA202-063170

SA PRODUCEM PRODUSE DE PANIFICATIE FUNCTIONALE PENTRU PERSOANELE CU PROBLEME DIGESTIVE ACRONIM FBforPDD

2019-2021

Coordonator proiect:

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Parteneri:

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KERI Ingredients (Irlanda)

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The project, through its objectives, responds to the requirements of the bakery industry in the partner countries to obtain functional products for people with digestive disorders, in order to ensure a healthy and rational diet, with high fiber content and low nutritional value, without salt or gluten.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Exchange of best practices and training of specialists from partner countries on the manufacture of functional bakery products for people with digestive disorders.

Awareness of manufacturers in the bakery industry and consumers about the importance of using functional bakery products in the diet.

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The general objective of project is to develop a transnational partnership as well as joint initiatives for cooperation and exchange of good practices at EU level regarding the possibilities to recover the by-products rich in biologically active compounds from agriculture and horticulture and to include this matrix in functional foods obtained in other technologies (bread and pastry).

To support the development, transfer and implementation of innovative practices in context of 'circular economy'

A curriculum and a course destined to specialists in agro-food technologies and nutrition that establish the cognitive skills and practical ability regarding:

- i) the management of by-products resulted in wine-making technology, fruit/vegetable processing industry and beer industry
- ii) the possibilities to obtain functional foods (bakery and pastry products) with nutritional added value recommended in a healthy diet.

Increasing the training level of 10 specialists

(2 from each partner) and of **72 MSc and PhD students** (3 training x4 Institutions x6 students) with high qualification in the field of food technologies and nutrition.

Awareness of the population.

Through dissemination activities (4 multiplier events, 10 newsletter)



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*"Methods to reduce food waste in flour products by developing the specific competence of specialists in the sector,,
ERASMUS K2, project no. 2021-1-RO01-KA220-VET-000028008*



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GENERAL OBJECTIVE OF THE PROJECT is to reduce food waste on flour products in the current conditions of sustainable development of circular economy in partner countries with effects on all actors involved in the chain of producers-distributors-merchants

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Improving procedures and means to reduce food waste in institutions from the partner countries	Decrease food waste on flour products in the production sector of flour products	Empowering specialists in distribution and marketing of flour products to save natural resources and protect the environment	Strengthening the institutional capacity of partner organizations by achieving exchanges of good practices on reducing food waste in the flour industry	Awareness of specialists in the flour products industry in the distribution and marketing chain in partner countries on the importance of reducing food waste of flour products
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BY-PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM WINE MAKING PROCESS

- 1. *Produse naturale ecologice cu acțiune antifungică*, Bridge Grant, PNCDI III, UEFISCDI, PNIII-P2-2.1.BG-2016-0126, BG-15, Acronim PNA, 2016-2018, Director Alexa Ersilia
- 2. *Systems to reduce mycotoxin contamination of cereals and medicinal plants in order to preservation native species and traditional products in Romania-Serbia-Croatia*, Regional Programme for Cooperation with South-East Europe (ReP-SEE), SEE-ERA.NET PLUS, Project reference number: ERA 139/01, 2010-2012, Director Alexa Ersilia



- Annualy Grape production
- 75 million tons



Grape pomace



- grape byproducts
- 13-14.5 million tons



Grape seeds



FUNCTIONAL FOODS WITH GRAPE BYPRODUCTS



Bread with grape pomace/seeds



Control



P+RI



P+PN



Pasta with grape pomace/seeds



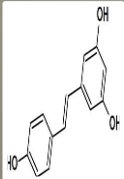
Control



B+RI



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Biscuits with grape pomace/seeds



BY-PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM BEER MAKING PROCESS



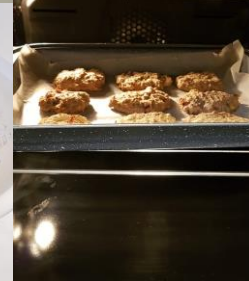
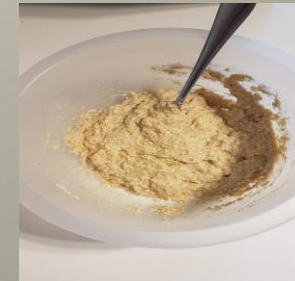
- According to (Amoriello, Mellara, Galli, Amoriello, & Ciccoritti, 2020), from every 1000 tons of beer a total amount ranging from 137 to 173 tons of solid waste are generated.



- From the beer making process, several by-products such as barley malt roots, spent grain, spent hops and trub, spent yeast are generated.



Barley malt rootlets are rich sources of bioactive compounds such as protein (25%), crude fibre ranging from 11% to 14%, radical scavenging activity of 49.9% and free phenolic content 3.8 mg/g dry weight (Budaraju et al., 2018)





MANAGEMENT OF DIABETIC DISEASE USING HYPOGLYCEMIA FOODS AND PLANT EXTRACTS

Erasmus+ – Strategic Partnerships
Project No: 2019-1-RO01-KA203-063499

"Cooperation on innovation and exchange of good practice in the hypoglycemia diet for people with diabetes"



<https://hypoglycediet.wixsite.com/>

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Strategies regarding the valorization of horticultural and agricultural by-products as functional foods in the context of a circular economy

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