

Opportunities and Challenges Commercializing Quality Traits

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Fresh Produce Value Chain – US Market



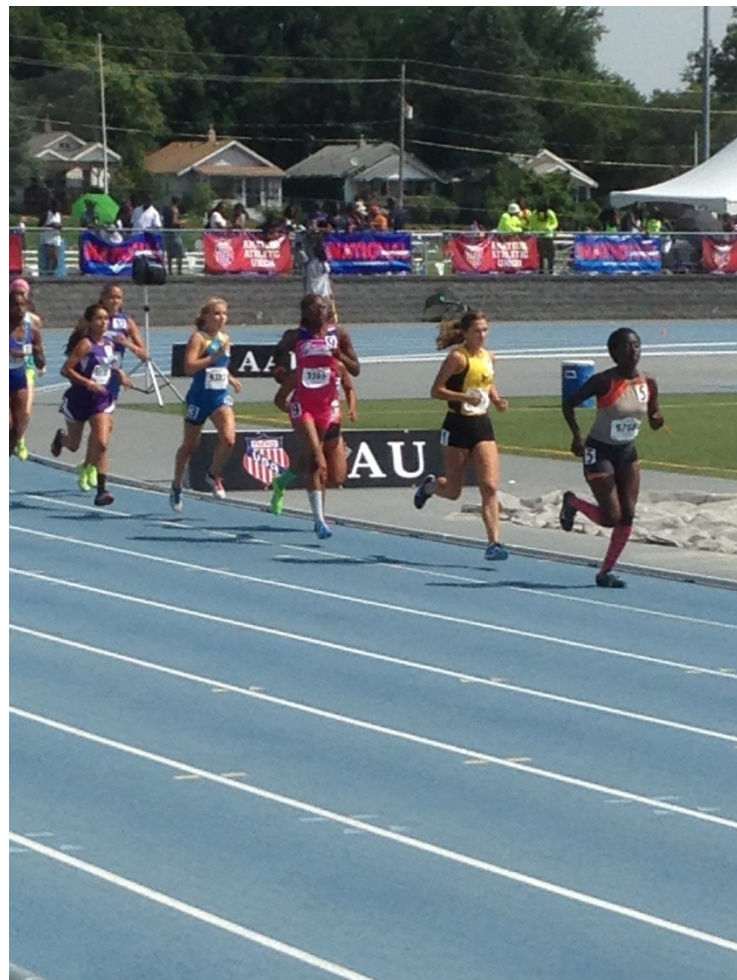
\$122B Consumers

\$69.2B Retail

\$51.1B Foodservice

\$26.8B Farmgate

\$500M Seed



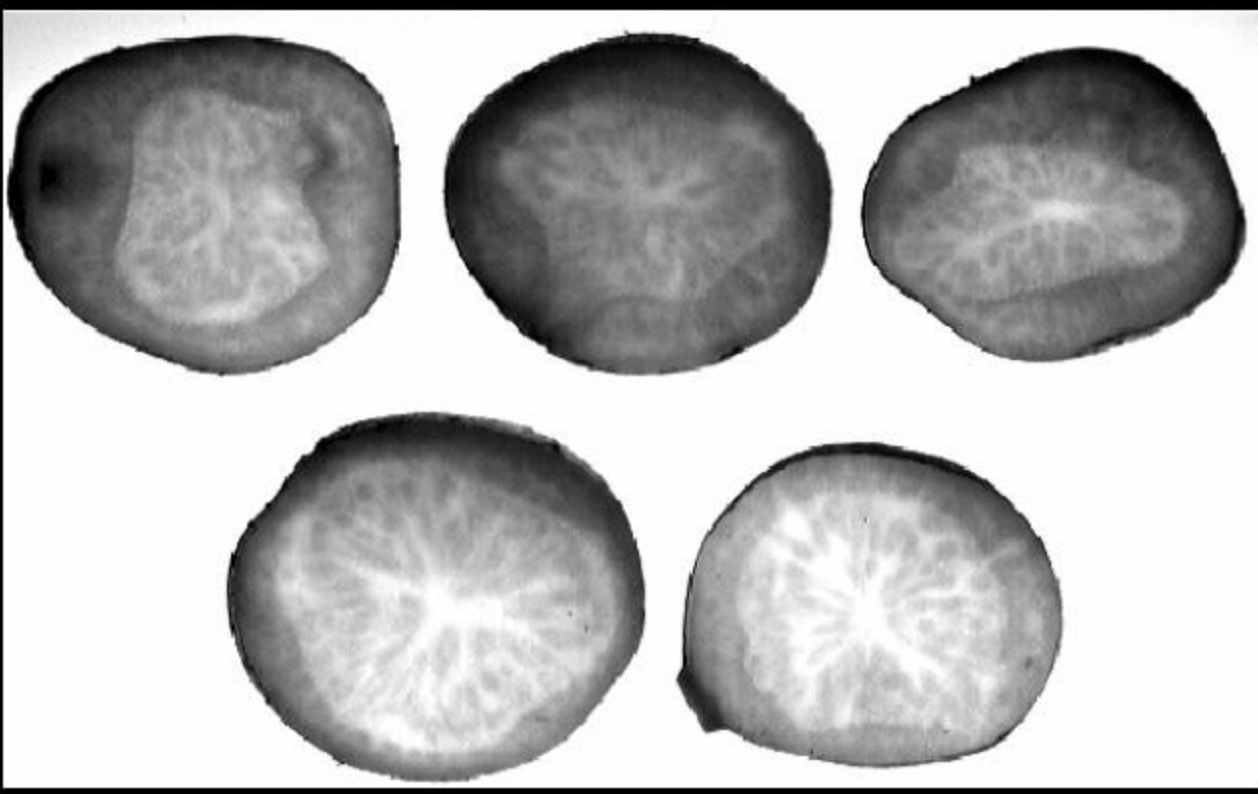
Two main approaches to health and nutrition



Improved Potato Solids Concept:

Lower fat, better quality and flavor fries and chips

Potato Tuber Cross-Sections of Improved Solids Uniformity Russet Burbank Lines



Top Row:

Tubers from 3 transgenic
Russet Burbank lines:
expressing solids
uniformity

Bottom Row:

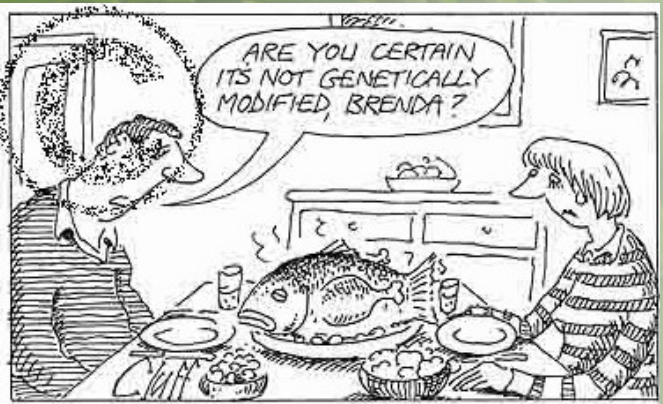
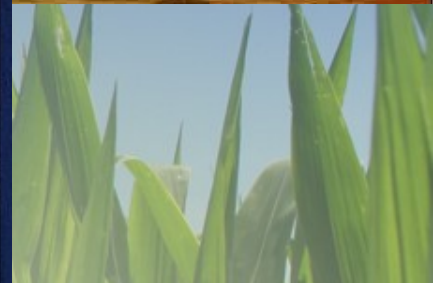
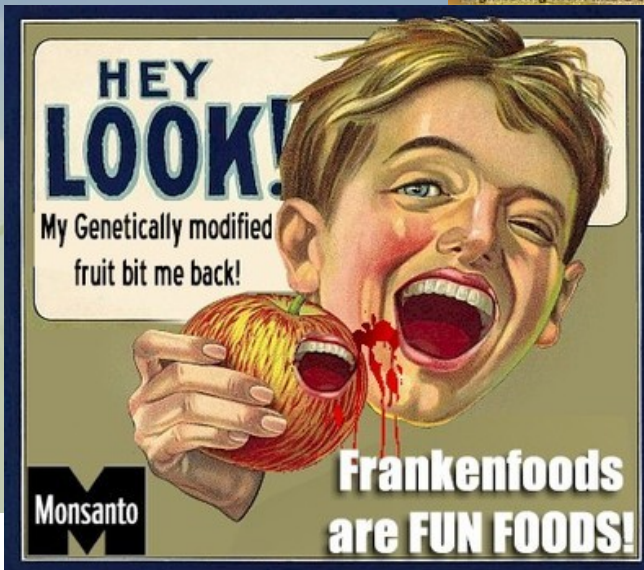
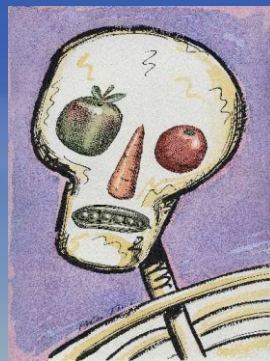
Tubers from unimproved
Russet Burbank.

Anti-Bruise Technology



**Anti-Bruise Russet
Burbank Line**

**Bruise Susceptible
Russet Burbank
Line**





★ NEWS ★
TRANS FAT
LABELS NOW
REQUIRED ON
FOOD - FDA

RUFF
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POST-GAZETTE

WHO targets a trans fat-free Europe

By Caroline Scott-Thomas, 19-Sep-2014

The World Health Organization (WHO) has called for a complete ban on trans fats throughout Europe as part of a new action plan on diet and health.

<http://www.foodnavigator.com/Legislation/WHO-targets-a-trans-fat-free-Europe>

Industry Challenge

Before Trans Fat

One soybean

One oil

Hydrogenation



After Trans Fat

Several soybeans

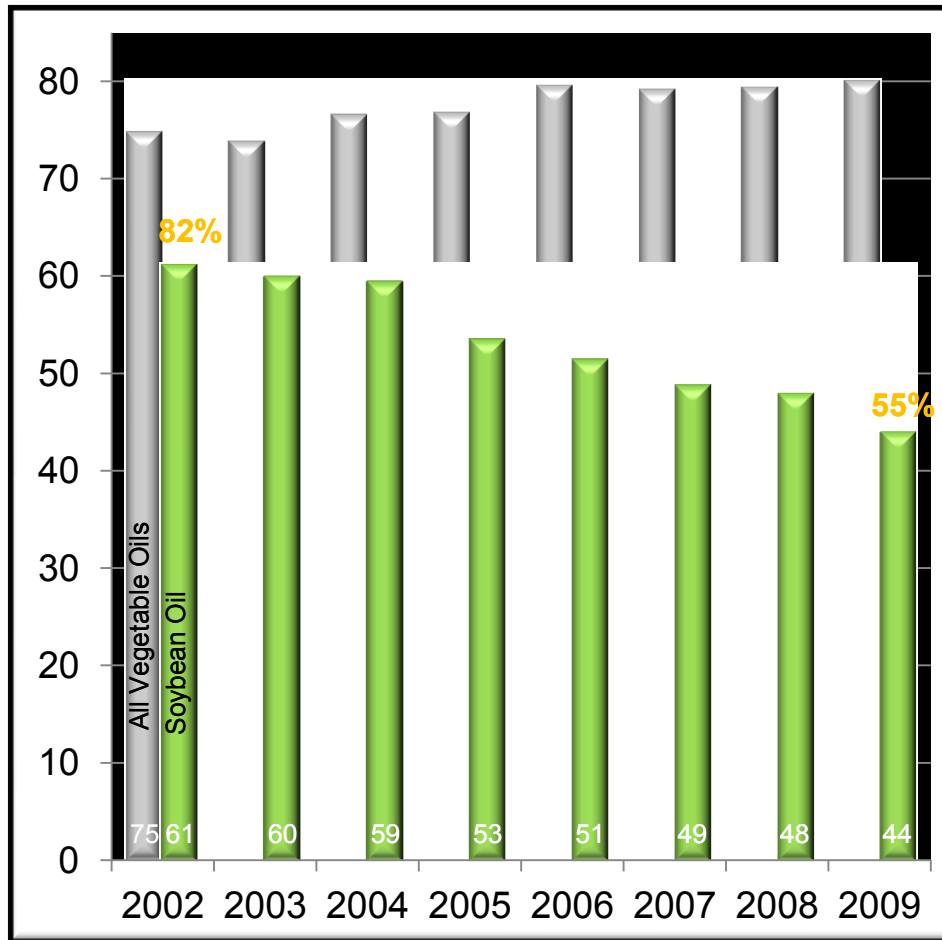
Several oils



All 'soybean oil', but each one is different

Soybean Oil Share of US Food Market

U.S. Annual Lbs Oil Consumed per Person

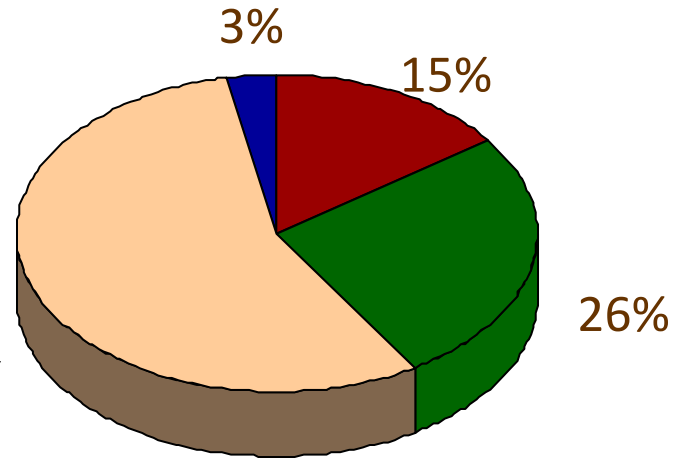


Trans Fat Legislation



Vistive low lin

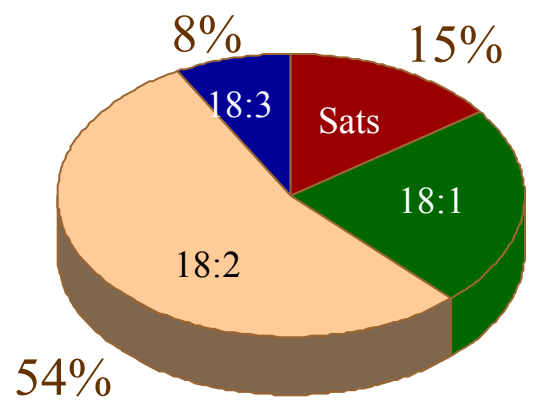
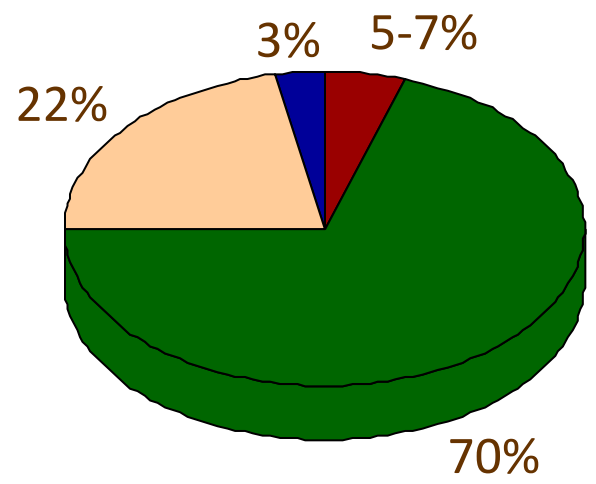
56%



23%

Vistive Gold
(high oleic, low lin)

22%



Supply chain challenges; seed production decisions made several years in advance of oil supply – Not *Just-In-Time*!

2009 delivery of oil



Farmers contracted by Feb. '08



Seed production contracts finalized March '07



Seed decision Sept. '06 (normal cycle)

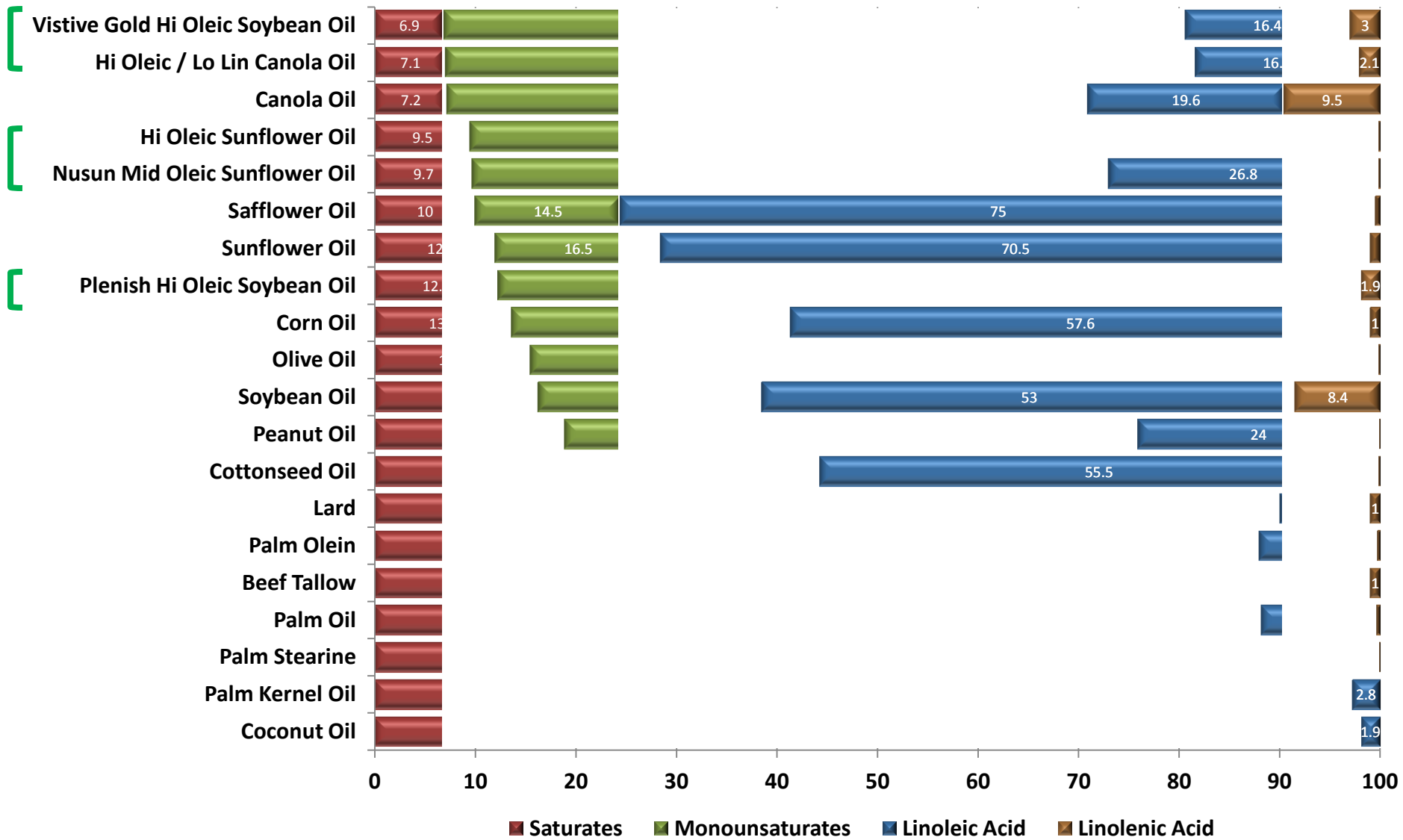


Low Linolenic Soy

Overall not a success

- Limited value (oil life, polymerization, cost)
- Slow, expensive grower adoption
- Yield drag in early years
- Volume limited; supply not reliable
- Food co reformulation costs
- ✓ Built IDP system

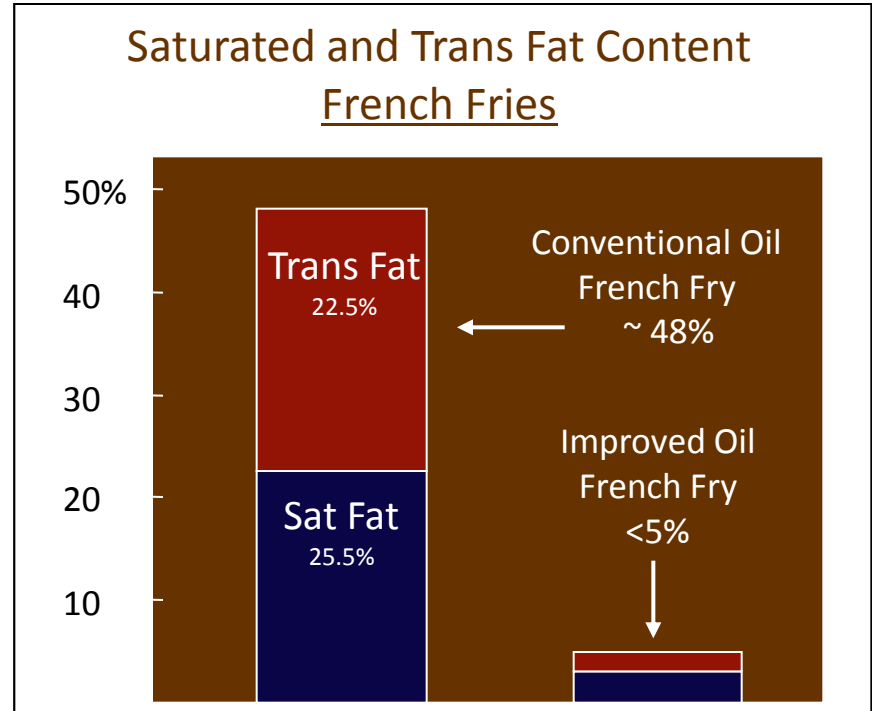
Fatty Acid Composition





90% reduction in saturated fat and trans fat*.

3.5 oz serving of French fries with 8 fewer grams of bad fat's.



- great performance, oil life, flavor
- becoming more cost competitive
- grower adoption

High Oleic Oils...

HIGH OLEIC



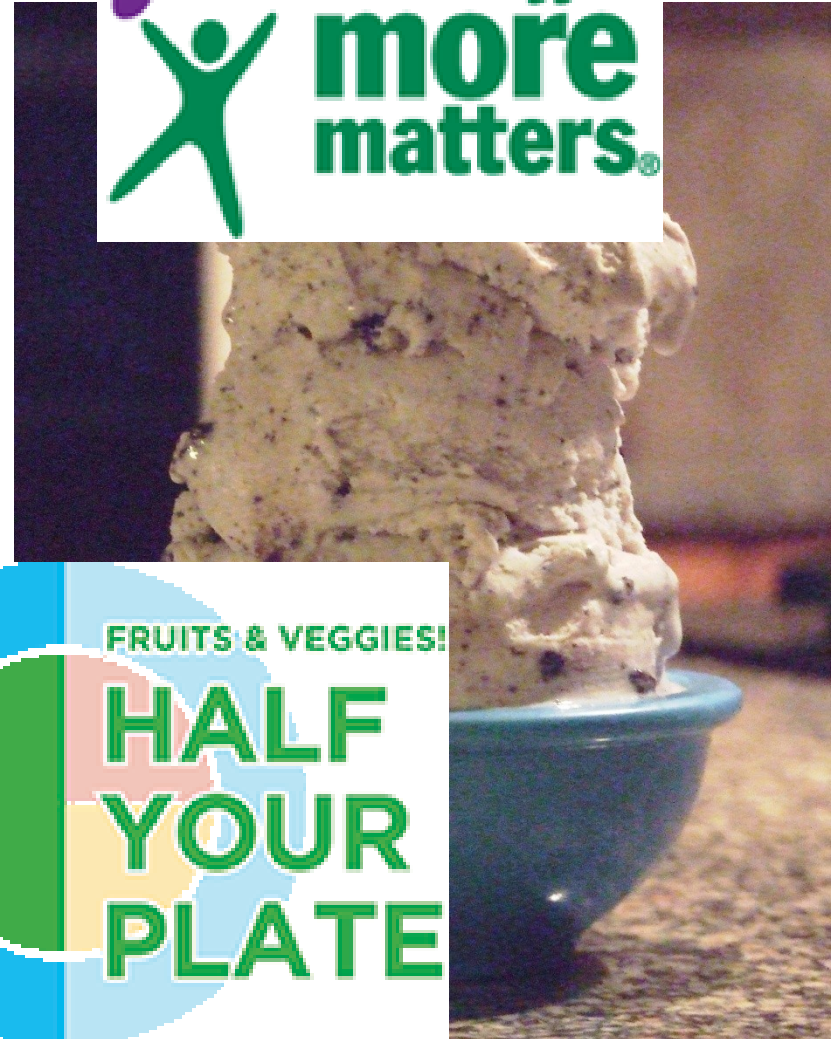
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pure performance™

Vistive.
a better rapeseed oil, naturally

Omega-9 Oils
Healthier Oils. Healthier Business™

...a success



- 26.3% American adults ≥ 3 vegetables (2009)
 - Down 0.4 points from 2000
- 32.5% American adults ≥ 2 fruit (2009)
 - Down 1.9 points from 2000
- In Europe, 2008 vegetable consumption decreased 14.2% vs. last 5 year average (based on supply)

“Most people, regardless of the country that they live in, simply do not meet the recommended guidelines for fruit and vegetable consumption.” J.N. Hall, Am J Prev Med 2009

CDC, State-Specific Trends in Fruit and Vegetable Consumption Among Adults --- United States, 2000 – 2009 and European Fresh Produce Association, April 2010.

School Meals

<i>Haas et al</i>	% Selected	% Waste
Entrée	100	12
Canned Fruit	53	27
Fresh Fruit	42	22
Vegetable	20	29
Monsanto	% Unsold	% Waste
Melöränge Melon	6	7
BellaFina mini-bell peppers	37	5

Haas et al., J. of Child Nutrition and Management, V.38, Issue 1, 2014

“I had a meeting with _ Public Schools today and they cannot find any affordable fresh produce. They are depending on the commodity canned fruit from the government but there is a shortage. “ Sept. 2014



A success

- good agronomics
- right model and partners
- easy consumer benefit

BellaFina[™]
Deliciously
Sweet



**EVERYDAY, THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT
PLANTS ARE KILLED**



**BY VEGETARIANS
HELP END THE VIOLENCE.**





Imported Sweet



EverMild™ Sweet

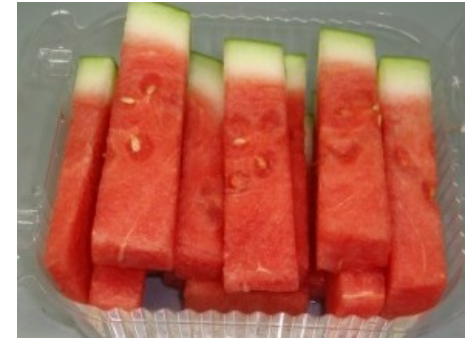




Watermelon - 7 Days
After Slicing



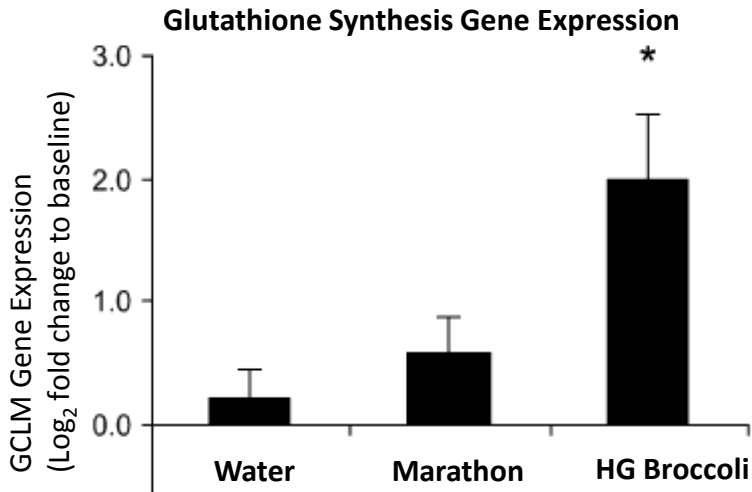
Summerslice™ - 7
Days After Slicing

An advertisement for Summer Slice watermelon sticks. It features a green container filled with red watermelon sticks. Below the container is a single watermelon stick. A small inset image shows a whole watermelon and a slice. The background is a green gradient with radiating lines.

**A SWEET, HEALTHY SNACK
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY TO ENJOY**

GOOD SOURCE OF VITAMIN C & VITAMIN A





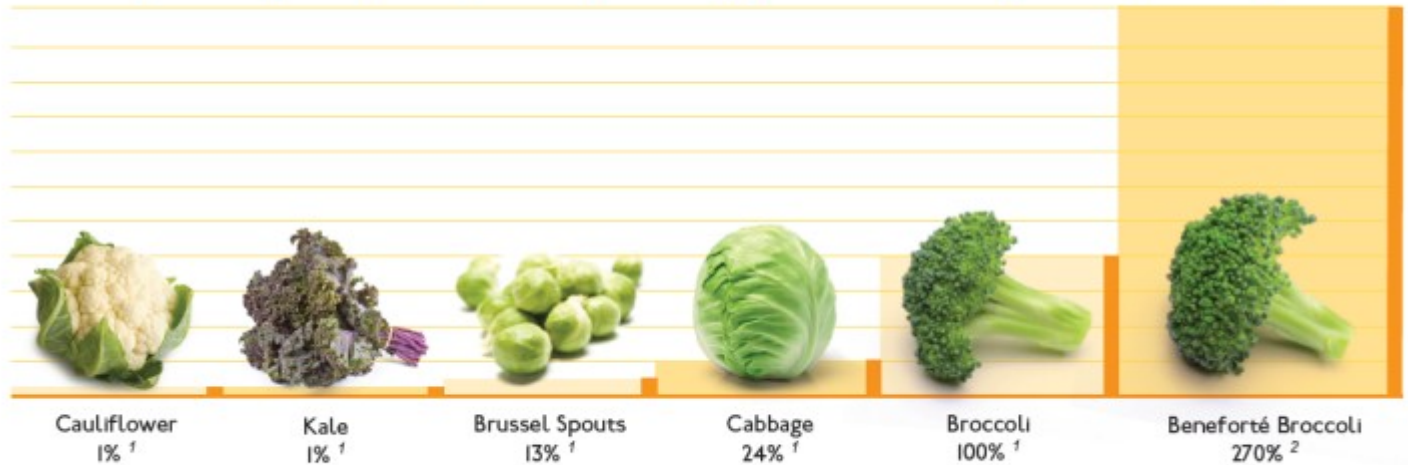
A. Gasper et al., J.Nutr., 137 (7), 1718-1724 (2007)

A tough one

- Not a recognized nutrient (RDA)
- Not an easy sound bite; health claim
- Business model
- Still promising



Relative percentages of glucoraphanin per serving of cruciferous vegetables, including broccoli:



¹ Journal of the Science of Food and Agriculture 85:681 (2005) – relationship of climate and genotype to seasonal variation in the glucosinolate-myrosinase system.
² Average glucoraphanin content in Beneforté® broccoli relative to market standard broccoli varieties assessed over 3 years in 23 locations.

Vegetable Challenges

- Flavor 'talk'; not always 'walk'
- Grower adoption
- Buyer inertia
- Quality control
- Merchandising
- ROI



- Quality traits are difficult
- Can't be 'quality' or agronomics
- Pursue shifts, not fads
- Set realistic expectations
- Success is possible!!!

