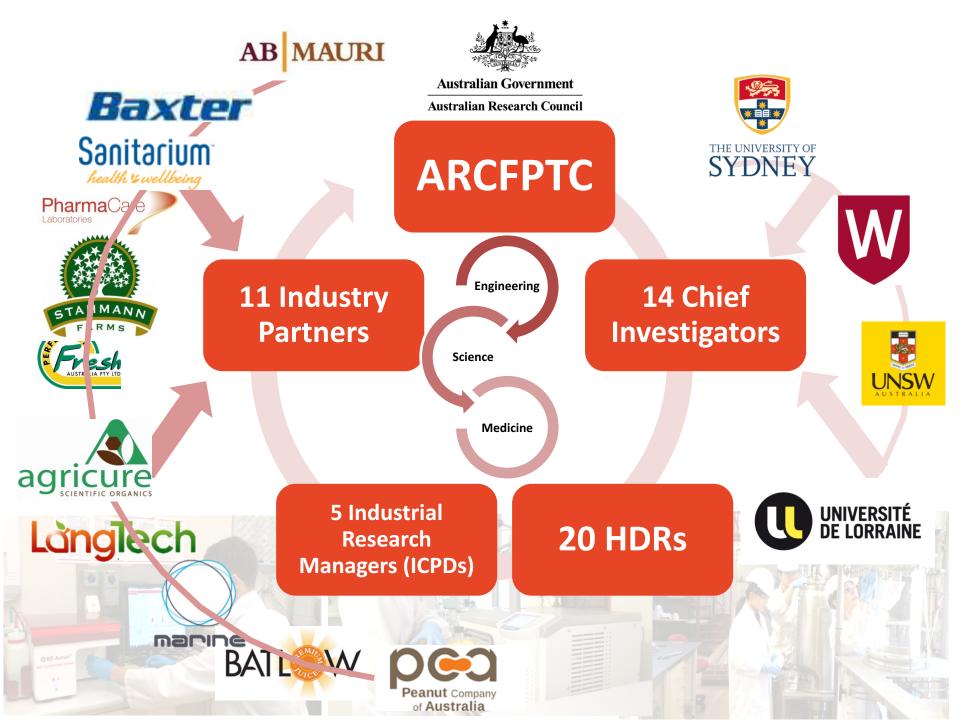
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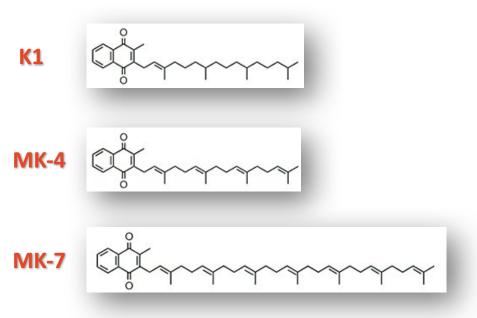


Sources and Types of Vitamin K

- Vitamin K is the name of a collection of vitamers that share similar structure with various chain lengths.
- Vitamin K1, also called phylloquinone, can be found in leafy green vegetable.
- Vitamin K2, namely menaquinone can be found in fermented foods such as cheese and natto.









Natto the Richest Source of Vitamin K7



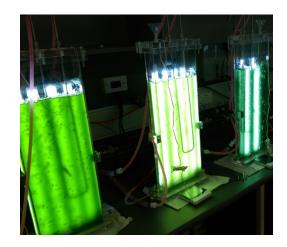
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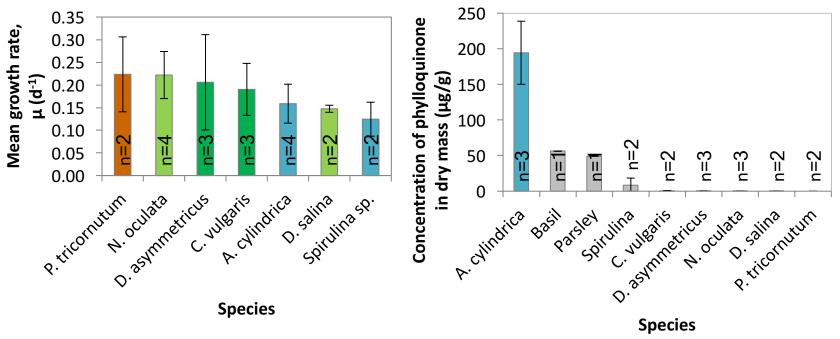
Natto not Palatable by Many Consumers



Rich sources of vitamin K1

- Surveyed diatoms, microalgae and cyanobacteria from fresh/salt water
- Growth rate (left) and vitamin K₁ content (right) were determined
- At 200 μg/g, around 0.5 g A. cylindrica would satisfy adult human intake!





Effect of Vitamin K on Animal Welfare and Egg Quality

- Study the effect of vitamin K supplementation on the bone density of laying hens.
- Determine the vitamin K content of the eggs.

Research Outcomes

- Increased bone density over a 9 week laying period.
- Produced eggs that contained more vitamin K.
- Increased egg production.





Extraction of Valuable Compounds from Waste

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