

Gut biology and probiotics in food - Sample

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Objective

To create a patent landscape report on **Gut Biology and Probiotic microorganisms in food**

Search methodology

Search strategy	1. Various keywords are retrieved for conducting the search related to gut biology and probiotics in food from pubmed mesh, relevant patents, scientific articles and thesaurus. 2. The database used for patent search is Thomson innovation.
Keywords	Gut biology, Probiotics, food, etc.

Background

Definition

Etymologically, the term probiotic appears to be a composite of the Latin preposition **pro** ("for") and the Greek adjective ??????? (biotic), the latter deriving from the noun ??? (**bios**, "life"). **Miller et al British Journal of Nutrition, 2003** Lilly and Stillwell coined the term probiotic in 1965 and defined it as "a substance produced by one microorganism stimulating the growth of another microorganism" and understood a probiotic as opposite to an antibiotic. **Rusch 2002** Over the course of time various definitions of probiotics have surfaced and the internationally adopted FAO/WHO definition was coined in 2001 which describes probiotics as

"Live microorganisms which when administered in adequate amounts confer a health benefit on the host" **FAO report 2002**

The International Study Group on New Antimicrobial Strategies (ISGNAS), developed a concept for the detailed definition of probiotics in three categories.

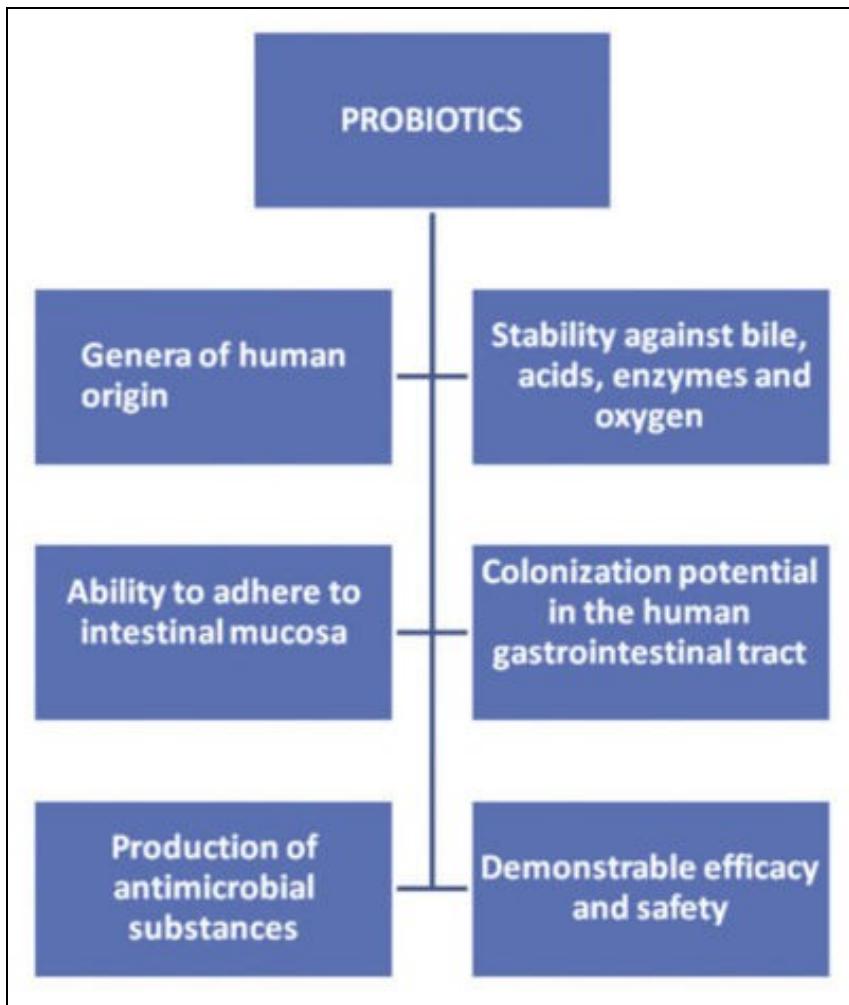
1. **Medical probiotics (drugs)** - a microbial preparation which contains live and/or dead microorganisms including their components and products determined to be employed as a drug for therapeutic purposes.
2. **Pharmaceutical probiotics (food supplements)** - a microbial preparation designed for manufacture of food supplements.
3. **Alimentary probiotics (food)** - a microbial preparation designed for use in food fermentation or food production. The mode of action includes immunomodulation, host microflora modulation, and the modulation of metabolic processes. **Rusch 2002**



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Science behind probiotics

An organism may be classified as a probiotic(in human beings) based on the following criteria.



Therapeutical use of probiotic formulations in clinical practice T.Lannitti et al Clinical Nutrition Journal, 2010

Of the probiotic microbes, the genera *Bifidobacter* and *Lactobacillus* are very prevalent. They restore the normal intestinal microflora after antibiotic treatment, produce digestive enzymes, improves food digestibility, suppresses food-borne pathogens.

Probiotics as food

Probiotics essentially work by helping to maintain and replenish these colonies of beneficial bacteria. They can be ingested through a variety of means, including daily capsules, yogurt shots, or enhanced dairy products. Capsules of probiotics are similar to capsules of any nutrient, and contain live bacteria within an easily digestible shell. Small yogurt shots, which contain less than one ounce of yogurt infused with high numbers of probiotics, can be taken once a day instead of the capsule. Significant numbers of probiotics have also become included in many types of milk, cheeses, and yogurts to help keep numbers of gut flora high. [Probiotic effects ehow.com](#)

Health benefits of probiotics

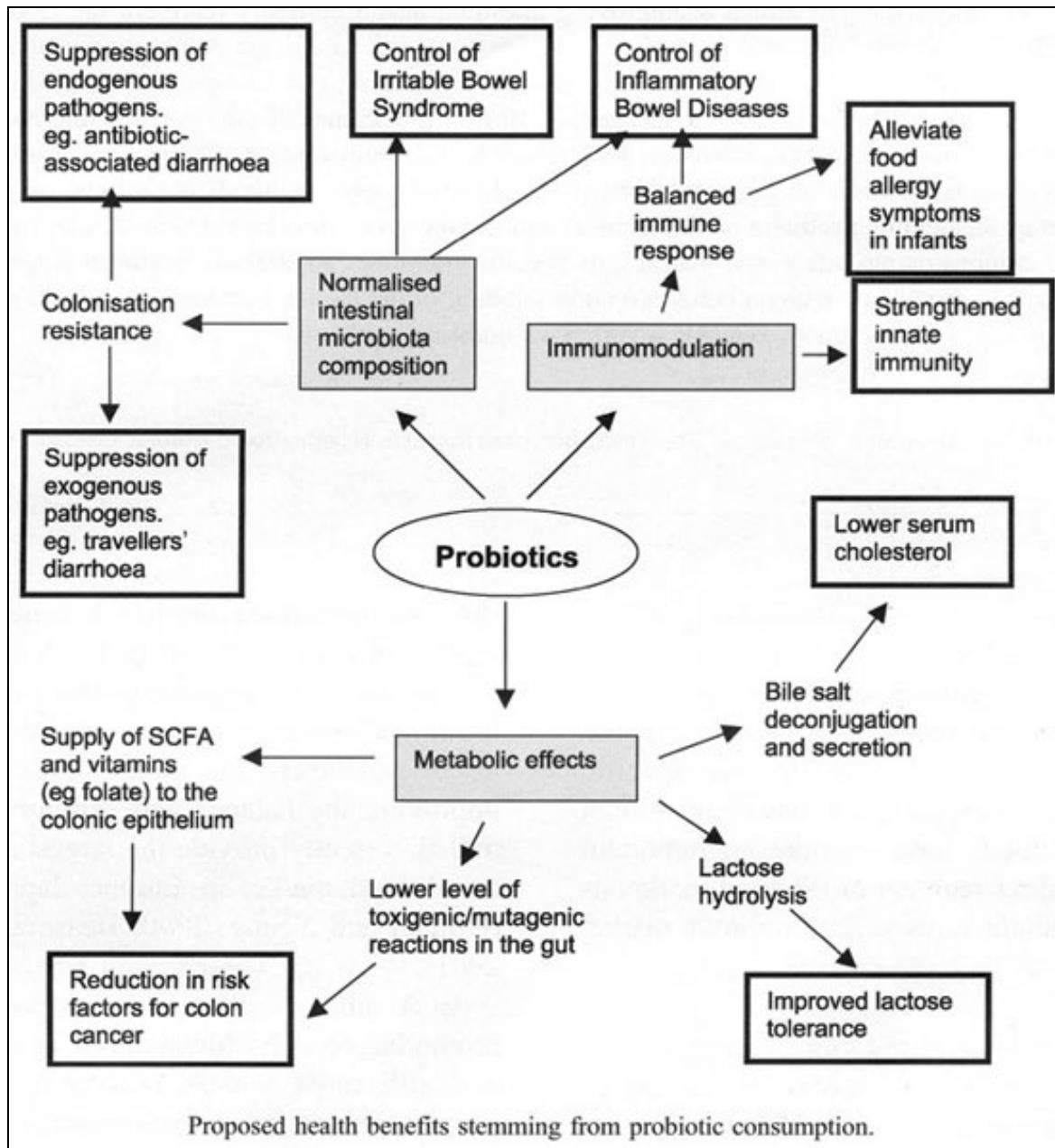
The world is full of microorganisms (including bacteria), and so are people's bodies -- in and on the skin, in the gut, and in other orifices. Friendly bacteria are vital to proper development of the immune system, to protection against microorganisms that could cause disease, and to the digestion and absorption of food and nutrients. Each person's mix of bacteria varies. Interactions between a person and the microorganisms in his body, and among the microorganisms themselves, can be crucial to the person's health and well-being.

This bacterial "balancing act" can be thrown off in two major ways:

1. By antibiotics, when they kill friendly bacteria in the gut along with unfriendly bacteria. Some people use probiotics to try to offset side effects from antibiotics like gas, cramping, or diarrhea. Similarly, some use them to ease symptoms of lactose intolerance -- a condition in which the gut lacks the enzyme needed to digest significant amounts of the major sugar in milk, and which also causes gastrointestinal symptoms.
2. "Unfriendly" microorganisms such as disease-causing bacteria, yeasts, fungi, and parasites can also upset the balance. Researchers are exploring whether probiotics could halt these unfriendly agents in the first place and/or suppress their growth and activity in conditions like:

- Infectious diarrhea
 - Irritable bowel syndrome
 - Inflammatory bowel disease (e.g., ulcerative colitis and Crohn's disease)
 - Infection with *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*), a bacterium that causes most ulcers and many types of chronic stomach inflammation
 - Tooth decay and periodontal disease
 - Vaginal infections
 - Stomach and respiratory infections that children acquire in daycare
 - Skin infections
 - Tumours
- [Probiotics medicinenet.com](#)

Probiotics contribute to well-being in various ways as shown in the figure



Health benefits of probiotic consumption customprobiotics.com

Concept table

S.No	English Keywords				German Keywords			
	Gut	Biology	Probiotic	Food	Gut	Biology	Probiotic	Food
1	Gut	Biology	Probiotic	Food	Darm	Biologie	Probiotischen	Lebensmittel, Essen, Nahrung, Nahrungsmittel, Futter
2	Stomach	Mechanism	Probiotics	Feed	Magen	Mechanismus	Probiotika	füttern, Zuführung, Beschickung, Viehfutter
3	Abdomen	Action	Probiotic organisms	Diet	Abdomen, Bauch, Unterleib, Hinterleib	Aktion, Vorgang	probiotischer Organismus, probiotischer	Diät, Schlankheitskur

							organismen	
4	Intestine	Function	Beneficial microbes	Infant Formula	Darm	Funktion	nützlichen Mikroben	Säuglingsanfangsnahrung, Säuglingsfertignahrung,
5	Bowel	Effect	Useful microbes	Nutritional Supplement	Darm	Wirkung	nützlichen Mikroben	Nahrungsergänzung,
6	Viscera	Influence	Micobiota	Oral Supplement	eingeweide	Einfluss, Beeinflussung, Einwirkung	Mikrobiota	Mundergänzung
7	Duodenum	Health	Synbioitc	Dietary Supplement	Zwölffingerdarm	Gesundheit, Gesundheitszustand	Synbiotikum, Synbiotika	Nahrungsergänzungsmittel, Nahrungsmittelergänzung
8	Colon		Microflora		Kolon, Doppelpunkt, Dickdarm		Mikroflora	
9	Gastro		Miocobiome		gastro		Microbiome, Mikrobiom	
10	Gastric				gastricsch			
11	Digestive tract				Verdauungstrakt, Verdauungskanal			

Class codes & Definitions



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Search Strategy

- **Search Engine:** Thomson Innovation
- **Databases covered:** US, Europe, German, Japanese and Korean applications and granted patents
- **Coverage:** Title, Abstract and Claims
- **Timeline:** 1991- 20th Sep 2011

S.No	Concept	Search Query	Number of hits
English keyword search			
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16		Final query with F-terms- 14 OR 15	1176
17		FINAL SEARCH QUERY- 7 OR 10 OR 13 OR 16	41,426(10216 unique hits)

Relevant patents

S.No	Publication No	Title	Abstract	Date of patent	Inventors	Assignee
1	US20070286888	Additive For Feeds And Feed Containing The Same	An additive for feeds is provided which is efficacious in preventing and ameliorating digestive disorders such as diarrhea occurring as the side effects of the administration of antibiotics and a feed containing same. More specifically, an additive for feeds which comprises (A) Lactobacillus equi cells and (B) cells of at least one bacterium selected from the group consisting of Lactobacillus salivarius, Lactobacillus crispatus and Lactbacillus johnsonii.	13-Dec-07	Kado; Yukiko ; Morotomi; Masami.	Kabushiki Kaisha Yakult Honsha
2	US7906112	Canine probiotic Lactobacilli	According to the invention there is provided a strain of lactic acid bacteria of the genus Lactobacilli obtainable by isolation from resected and washed canine gastrointestinal tract having a probiotic activity in animals. Methods of use and compositions comprising the Lactobacilli of the present invention are also provided.	3-Sep-03	Reid; Gregor, Bruce; Andrew W. , Han; Victor	Urex Biotech, Inc.
3	US7288245	Composition having immunoregulating activities	The invention provides a composition comprising novel lactic acid bacteria having immunoregulating activities. Specifically, the invention provides food, drinks or medicaments containing novel lactic acid bacteria separated from "Shibazuke," one kind of traditional Kyoto pickles, and having immunoregulating activities. The lactic acid bacteria belong to Lactobacillus pentosus and have a weak assimilating activity or no assimilating activity for glycerol.	30-Oct-07	Nonaka; Yuji, Izumo; Takayuki, Iida; Keiko	Suntory Limited
4	US20060121015	Probiotic bifidobacterium strains	A Bifidobacterium strain, AH208, AH209, AH210, AH211, AH212 or AH214 or mutants or variants thereof are useful in the prophylaxis and/or treatment of inflammatory activity especially undesirable gastrointestinal inflammatory activity, such as inflammatory bowel disease or irritable bowel syndrome.	8-Jun-06	Collins; John Kevin; O?Sullivan; Gerald Christopher; O?Mahony; Liam; Shanahan; Fergus; Kiely; Barry	Alimentary Health Limited
5	US7993903B2	Cholesterol absorption inhibitor	To provide a bacterium belonging to the genus Bifidobacterium which is excellent in a survival ability in the gastrointestinal tract, has an effect of inhibiting the cholesterol absorption in the intestinal tract, and is excellent in lipid metabolism ameliorating effects including decreasing the blood cholesterol level and the like, and shows a high survival rate after storage, and a cholesterol absorption inhibitor using the same. The invention provides a cholesterol absorption inhibitor containing, as an active ingredient, at least one microorganism selected from Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. animalis YIT 10394, Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis JCM 1253, Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis JCM 7117, and Bifidobacterium pseudolongum subsp. globosum.	9-Aug-11	Hayakawa; Hiroko , Iino; Tohru, Ishikawa; Fumiyasu	Kabushiki Kaisha Yakult Honsha
6	US7427398B2	Mammalian Animal Composition	The present invention relates to the use of probiotic microorganism in the manufacture of a composition for the prevention or reduction of gastrointestinal Campylobacter infection in a mammalian animal. It also relates to a method for the prevention or reduction of gastrointestinal Campylobacter infection in a mammalian animal, the method comprising administering to said animal, a probiotic microorganism. The invention also relates to a probiotic microorganism, for use in preventing or reducing gastrointestinal	23-Sep-08	Marie-Louise Amanda Baillon, Leicestershire; Richard Fulton, Butterwick, Leicestershire	Mars, Inc., McLean, VA (US)

			Campylobacter infection in a mammalian animal.		
7	US7427397	Probiotic Propionibacterium	The present invention relates to probiotic Propionibacterium strains and their use in the preparation of probiotic supplements and foods. The invention relates to the provision of Vitamin Bl2? propionic acid, folacin and bacteriocins by probiotic strains, stimulation of bifidobacteria growth, production of favourable effects on the lipid metabolism and on the immune system of hosts through immunostimulation, immunomodulation or use of a probiotic strain as an adjuvant, reduction of homocysteine and ~ glucuronidase and the prevention, treatment or amelioration of conditions associated with a need for these activities. The probiotic bacteria of the invention can be used in humans or other animals. In at least some applications, the bacteria can be used dead and parts rather than whole cells may be used. The present invention also relates to the preparation of vaccines for use in protecting patients from infectious diseases, in particular tuberculosis.	23-Sep-08	Michelle Catherine Adams, Hamilton (AU); Yang Huang, Marsfield (AU) University of Newcastle Research Associates (TUNRA) Ltd., Callaghan, New South Wales (AU)
8	US6203797B1	Dietary Supplement and method for use as a Probiotic, for alleviating the symptoms associated with Irritable Bowel Syndrome	A dietary supplement for use as a probiotic and for alleviating symptoms of irritable bowel syndrome, comprising freeze-dried aloe, fructo-oligosaccharides, and dahlia inulin juice mixture and optionally vitamin B6 (pyridoxine) manganese and L-glutamine. An additional alternate embodiment specifically for alleviation of symptoms of irritable bowel syndrome, including in the base formula bromelain and papain. Also for specific probiotic functions the following friendly bacteria: Lactobacillus bulgaricus, lactobacillus acidophilus, lactobacillus plantarum, and Bifidobacterium bifidum could be added to the base formula.	20-Mar-01	Stephen C. Perry, 205 Churchill Dr., Longwood, FL (US) 32779 -
9	US7407652B2	Probiotic System for Aquaculture	Probiotic bacterial strains are provided which inhibit or prevent growth or pathogenic bacteria in marine organisms. Also provided are methods of culturing marine organisms using the probiotic bacteria.	5-Aug-08	Ralph A. Elston, Carlsborg, Arthur Gee, Tacoma, WA (US); Karen L. Humphrey, Sequim, WA (US) AquaTechnics Inc., Sequim, WA (US)
10	US7910144	Pet food composition for treating helicobacter species in pets	The present disclosure provides compositions intended for the prophylaxis or the treatment of disorders related to GHLO infections in pets, the compositions are prepared using at least one strain of lactic bacteria and/or one of its metabolites or a medium fermented by at least one lactic bacteria that has been isolated and selected for its ability to display a strong anti- Helicobacter bactericidal activity in vitro.	22-Mar-11	Ballevre; Oliver , Cortesy-Theulaz; Irene, Enslen; Adolphe MarcYves Nestec S.A. (Vevey, CH)
11	WO08076696	The Gut microbiome as a biomarker and therapeutic target for treating obesity or an obesity related disorder	The present invention relates to the gut microbiome as a biomarker and therapeutic target for energy harvesting, weight loss or gain, and/or obesity in a subject. In particular, the invention provides methods of altering and monitoring the relative abundance of Bacteroides and Firmicutes in the gut microbiome of a subject.	26-Jun-08	Turnbaugh Peter J; Ley Ruth E; Mahowald Michael A; Gordon Jeffrey I Saint Louis University [US]; Turnbaugh Peter J [US]; Ley Ruth E [US]; Mahowald Michael A [US]; Gordon Jeffrey I [US]
12	WO08116916	Synbiotic to improve Gut Microbiota	The use of a probiotic strain of Lactobacillus rhamnosus and an oligosaccharide mixture which comprises 5-70 wt% of at least one N-acetylated oligosaccharide selected from the group comprising GalNAcal,3Galssl,4Glc and Galssl,6GalNAcal,3Galssl,4Glc, 20-90 wt% of at least one neutral	2-Oct-08	Huber-Haag Karl-Josef; Fichot Marie-Claire; Rochat Florence; Sprenger Norbert NESTEC SA [CH]; Huber-Haag Karl-Josef [CH]; Fichot Marie-Claire [CH]; Rochat Florence [CH]; Sprenger

			oligosaccharide selected from the group comprising Galssl,6Gal, Galssl,6Galssl,4Glc Galssl,6Galssl,6Glc, Galssl,3Galssl,3Glc, Galss 1,3Galss 1,4Glc, Galss 1,6Galss 1,6Galss 1,4Glc, Galss 1,6Galss 1,3Galss 1,4Glc and Galssl,3Galssl,6Galssl,4Glc and Galss l,3Galssl,3Galssl, 4Glc and 5-50 wt% of at least one sialylated oligosaccharide selected from the group comprising NeuAca2,3Galssl,4Glc and NeuAca2,6Galssl,4Glc in the manufacture of a medicament or therapeutic nutritional composition for promoting the development of an early bifidogenic intestinal microbiota in infants delivered by caesarean section is disclosed.		Norbert [CH]
13	WO10096564	Dietary Supplements containing Polyunsaturated Omega-3 Fatty acids and Probiotic Bacteria with potential Gastrointestinal and Dermatological benefits	This invention provides a new family of dietary supplements containing polyunsaturated fatty acids, a probiotic culture, and optionally hydrolyzed collagen. The prototype supplement contains cranberry seed oil as a source of omega-3 and omega-6 fatty acids, along with Vitamin E. The prototype supplement also contains a special strain of Lactobacillus casei as well as fish collagen. Nutritional supplements of this invention can be provided in capsule or tablet form, or as a food item such as a chocolate confectionery. Each of the three ingredients confers benefits on their own, allowing the consumer to get three nutritional supplements in the convenience of a single product. The ingredients are also believed to work synergistically to achieve a wider and more durable overall effect.; In human clinical trials, consumption of the dietary supplement was associated subjective observations of improvement in softness and moisture of facial skin, reduction in wrinkles, and improvement in function of the gastrointestinal tract.	26-Aug-10	Koide Yoshiteru Probiohealth LLC [US]; Koide Yoshiteru [US]
14	US6783780B1	Preparation that contains oligosaccharides and probiotics	A preparation having a health-promoting action for the prevention and/or treatment of disorders of the digestive tract, contains one or more probiotics and one or more non-digestible oligosaccharides. The probiotics are preferably chosen from bacterial strains such as a strain of a Lactobacillus or a Bifido bacterium species and from yeast strains such as a strain of a Saccharomyces species.	31-Aug-04	De Jong; Patricia, Van Laere; Katrien N.V. Nutricia (Zoetermeer, NL)

Taxonomy

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Sample Patent Analysis Sheet

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Assignee analysis and IP activity

Top Assignees

- NESTLE SA, AJINOMOTO and VALIO LTD are amongst the major players in the field of Probiotic foods

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Top Assignees

Geographical distribution

- Based on patent number

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Based on relevant patents

Note: Countries with less than 14 patents are included in others

- Including all family members

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Based on patent family members

Note: Countries with less than 187 patents are included in others

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Top Cited patents

- Patents with the maximum number of forward citations were determined and the graph shows the top 13 patents with corresponding assignees.

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Top cited patents

Dashboard

Assignees were categorized based on the type of their products viz. food, feed or beverage, biotech, pharma, other industries and research and educational institutions

Assignee categorization Dashboard link	File:Dashboardt thumb.png
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Patent to product mapping

S.No	Patent no	Title	Assignee	Products	Snapshot
1	US20110014248A1	Cosmetic use of microorganism(s) for the treatment of scalp disorders	NESTLE SA	INNEOV HAIR HEALTH DS DANDRUFF	

2	WO2011012655A1	Nutritional composition for breast-fed infants or pets with probiotics and selected nutrients	NESTLE SA	FortiFlora® Canine Nutritional Supplements	
3	US5603930A	Lactobacillus johnsonii CNCM I-1225	NESTLE SA	LC1 yoghurt	
4	US20050084483A1	Farm animal product with probiotic enterococcus bacteria	CHR HANSEN AS	Probios® Precise	150px
5	JP7250670A	Lactic acid bacteria of genus Lactobacillus	AJINOMOTO CO INC	Ready to Drink® CALPICO, CALPICO Concentrate, CALPIS LACTO, Calsporin, Finelact	120px
6	US20060269534A1	Feline probiotic bifidobacteria	PROCTER & GAMBLE CO	Prostora? Max	150px
7	US20060002907A1	Method of improving immune function in mammals using lactobacillus reuteri strains	BIOGAIA AB	BioGaia ProTectis	100px
8	US7507572B2	Compositions comprising lactobacillus plantarum strains in combination with tannin and new lactobacillus plantarum strains	PROBI AB	ProViva	150px
9	KR993562B1	Lactobacillus strains	BIFODAN AS	EcoVag Balance®	150px
10	EP2349295A1	Pharmaceutical preparation comprising a combination of Streptococcus strains and Lactobacillus strains	ESSUM AB	VERUM HÄLSOFIL and VERUM® HALSOYOGHURT	100px
11	US20100074878A1	Probiotic bacterium: lactobacillus fermentum	PROBIOMICS LTD	PCC®, proTract®, proTract® IBS, proTract®	150px
12	US20050271640A1	Method for inhibiting yeast growth	VALIO LTD	Culturelle	110px
13	US6399055B1	Method and composition for treatment of infant diarrhea	GROUPE DANONE	Actimel	50px
14	US20040047849A1	Use of some lactobacillus strains in treating allergy	GENMONT BIOTECH INC	Probiotic AAP-1	150px

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