

NextGenProteins 5th Newsletter

Dear Readers of the NextGenProteins Newsletter,

in a few days the year 2022 will be ending. This year, **NextGenProteins** progressed a lot on the bioconversion of underutilized resources into next generation proteins for food and feed. Nevertheless, many activities are still on-going and foreseen for the last year of the **NextGenProteins** project implementation, the year 2023.

NextGenProteins invites you, researchers, farmers, producers and policymakers to join the conversation and contribute to the present and future of the sector at the Next Generation Protein Conference in Bremerhaven (Germany), 7–8 September 2023.





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<u>Register to the conference and/or submit</u> <u>an abstract</u>



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For more information on the NextGenProteins project and its research topics, visit our website: <u>https://nextgenproteins.eu/</u>

Project updates:

Safety and Legal requirements



NextGenProteins' safety and legal requirements group is currently preparing policy recommendations to improve the EU regulatory framework based on research and societal needs.

Production of alternative proteins



NextGenProteins' production group is currently working on the up-scaling of the production processes to meet the requirements of the food and feed sectors: feasibility and economic viability.

Application in food products



NextGenProteins' food application group is focussing on the final steps of product development and on the consumer testing in four European countries.

Application in feed products



NextGenProteins' feed application group is working on completing feeding trials with broiler chickens and turkeys. Additionally, the team is completing feeding trials with salmon and seabream.

Market opportunities and business potential



NextGenProteins' Currently the work is concentrating on boosting consumer trust and acceptability towards alternative proteins and developing business models.

Sustainability assessment



NextGenProteins' sustainability group is working on the Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) for the three alternative proteins.

NextGenProteins Publications:

September 2022:

Tzachor, A., Smidt-Jensen, A., Ramel, A., & Geirsdóttir, M. (2022). Environmental impacts of large-scale Spirulina (Arthrospira platensis) production in Hellisheidi geothermal park Iceland: life cycle assessment. *Marine Biotechnology*, 24(5), 991–1001. – <u>Article in</u> Journal

October 2022:

Verstringe, S., Vandercruyssen, R., Carmans, H., Rusu, A. V., Bruggeman, G., & Trif, M. (2023). Alternative Proteins for Food and Feed. In *Biodiversity, Functional Ecosystems and Sustainable Food Production* (pp. 325–351). Springer, Cham. – <u>Chapter in book</u> (online)

NextGenProteins Presentations:

September 2022:

Oral presentation at the <u>4th</u> <u>Horizon4Proteins Webinar on</u> <u>Sustainability of alternative proteins</u>: Circular Economy perspective of alternative proteins. Hafþór Ægir Sigurjónsson

October 2022:

Oral presentation at the <u>Poultry Science</u> <u>Association – 2022 Latin American</u> <u>Scientific Conference</u>: Dietary replacement of soybean with different levels of Hermetia illucens meal during grower and finisher phases in broilers: effects on live performances and meat quality. F. Soglia, M. Zampiga, M. Petracci, F. Sirri.

Oral presentation at <u>NutrEvent 2022 in the</u> <u>session on Alternative protein sources for</u> <u>animal nutrition</u>. Julie Pecqueur.

Oral presentation at the <u>WEFTA 2022</u>: Antioxidant properties of extracts from Arthrospira platensis enhanced by enzymatic hydrolysis. Geirsdóttir, M.

November 2022:

Oral presentation of NextGenProteins project during a seminar on Sustainable healthy diet: Science as a guide towards a sustainable future, organised by University of Iceland.

Oral presentation on the future of food systems, using the example of NextGenProteins at the <u>student climate</u> <u>summit</u> in Bremerhaven on 03.11.2022

Oral presentation at <u>EFFoST 2022</u>: NextGenProteins: Bioconversion of Underutilized Resources into Next Generation of Proteins for Food and Feed. Marie Shrestha

NextGenProteins Dissemination activities:

October 2022:

Attendance to the food exhibition <u>SIAL</u> 2022 in Paris, France

Attendance to <u>Proteina 2022</u> in Marburg, Germany November 2022:

Dedicated Horizon4Proteins sessions on the Innovation for Protein Diversification at the <u>food4climate pavilion</u> hosted by smart protein partner ProVeg on 10.11.2022 during <u>COP27</u> in Sharm-el-Sheikh, Egypt – <u>watch the recording of the</u> <u>session</u> –

Attendance to <u>IPIFF annual conference</u> in Brussels, Belgium on Shaping European food systems: How insect farming is contributing to the farm to fork strategy targets (16.11.2022)

Organisation of a joint consumer workshop in Espoo, Finland with FoodSafety4EU titled "Do consumers trust on novel food?" including presentation of NextGenProteins results from consumer survey and presentations from Finnish consumer associations and Finnish Food Authority. Language of the event: Finnish.

Attendance to <u>Food Ingredients Europe</u> <u>2022</u> in Paris, France

Upcoming

07-08.09.2023: <u>Next Generation Protein</u> <u>Conference</u>, in Bremerhaven, Germany

Thank you for reading, for following our channels, and for all your support.

Kind regards, The NextGenProteins Team







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