

Foods of Norway – from wood to feed

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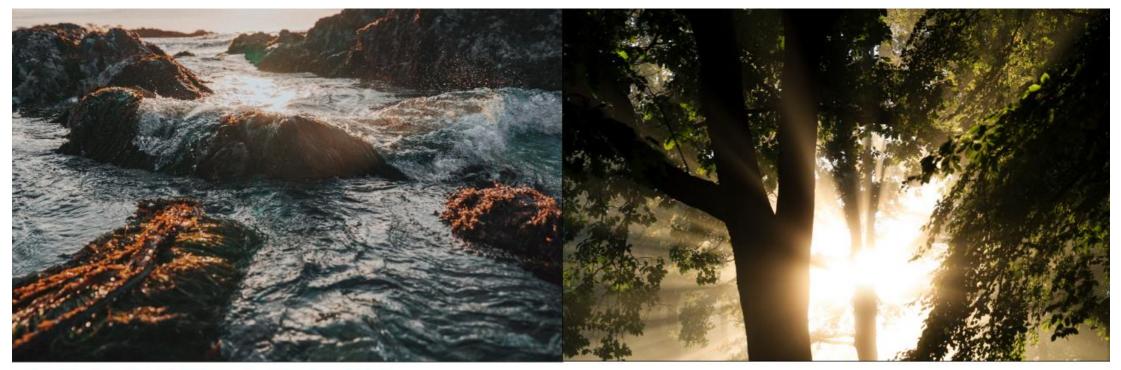
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FOODS PNORWAY aims to feed fish and farm animals using sustainable new ingredients

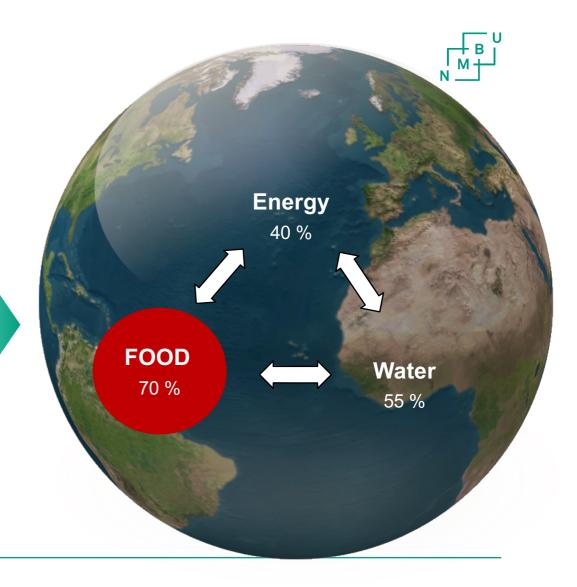
Duration: 2015-2024 Finance: € 21.5 Million



Food security and climate

Challenges:

- 2050 ~ 9.7 billion people
- Climatic changes
- Political instability
- Disruption of feed supply chains
- Overreliance on imported feed resources



Constraints in the growth of the Aquacultural industry



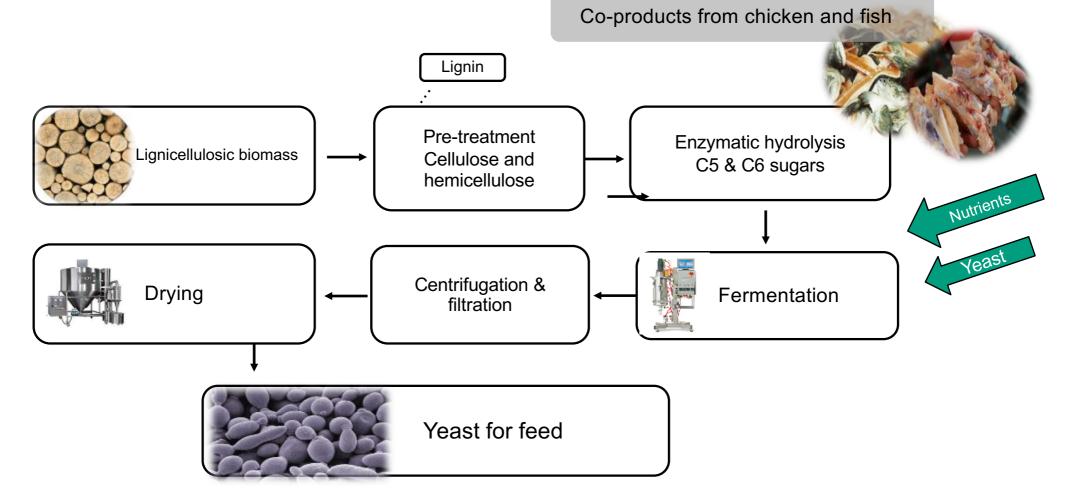


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Solutions

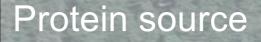
Trees as a feed resource

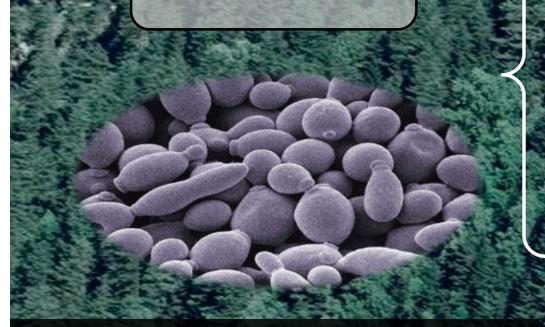
Flow chart of yeast production from lignocellulosic biomass



Source: Øverland & Skrede 2017, Review, J. Sci. of Foods and Agriculture

Yeast from trees as a feed resource





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Contains ~ 50-60% protein Favorable amino acid profile Good taste Positive health effects



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Experiments with yeast in diets for salmon

Results from trials with salmon:

During different life-stages & environmental conditions In general, yeast support high growth performance & improve fish health



Photo: Fish laboratory, NMBU, Ås-campus

Source: Øverland et al., 2013, Aquaculture, Sählmann & Djordjevic et al., 2019; Aquaculture, Hansen et al., 2019, Aquaculture, Reveco & Hofosæter et al., PlosOne In press.

Yeast in diets for piglets after weaning

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Feeding yeast has given: High feed intake, growth rate and feed efficiency Improved health, digestive function, & reduced diarrhea

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Yeast as a protein source for dairy cows







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Status of our research

- Wood by-products can be used as the main biomass to produce high quality yeast protein
- The yeast is proven to be:
 - -High quality protein source in feed for fish and terrestrials animals
 - -A functional feed ingredient with positive health effects



Future perspectives

- The process must be optimized **economically**
 - input and output factors
- The **sustainability** of using yeast produced in Foods of Norway will be estimated



New industry