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# The Future For The Whey Products Market From A Customer's Perspective

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- ~ **iRIS Consulting**
- ~ **Role of Whey in Global NPD**
- ~ **Future Developments**
  - è **Promising Applications/Resulting Ingredient Needs**
- ~ **Some Sectors To Watch**
- ~ **Demand – Supply Implications**



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~ Based EU & USA, 15 years specializing in international dairy industry projects

è Strategic consulting  
è Marketing  
è Market research



è Manufacturers, traders, marketers  
è Ingredient buyers  
è Industry organisations  
è Investors

- ~ Dairy ingredients, commodities, end products
- ~ Current projects – EU, Latin America, USA, West Africa, China, Vietnam, Indonesia
- ~ Currently re-branding to Orrani Consulting



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# Market Situation

- ~ Challenges for whey customers
  - è Ever-greater competitive pressure
  - è Price risk – limited management tools
  - è Substitution – dairy/dairy, dairy/non-dairy
  - è Health/Nutrition – has emerged as the key driver of the food/drink industry, not just a factor/trend
  - è Uncertainty – nutrition claims vs health claims
- ~ Danone –
  - “Bringing health through food to as many people as possible”*
- ~ PepsiCo –
  - “Our commitment is that 50% of our new products will be comprised of essentially healthy ingredients or offer improved health benefits”*
- ~ Nestlé –
  - “We are committed to increasing the nutritional value of our products while improving the taste”*



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- ~ Whey highly regarded as protein – but customers emphasize proliferation of ingredients offering H/N benefits

Lipids    Pro/Pre-biotics    Polyols    Vitamins    Minerals  
Fibres    Plant extracts    Phytochemicals

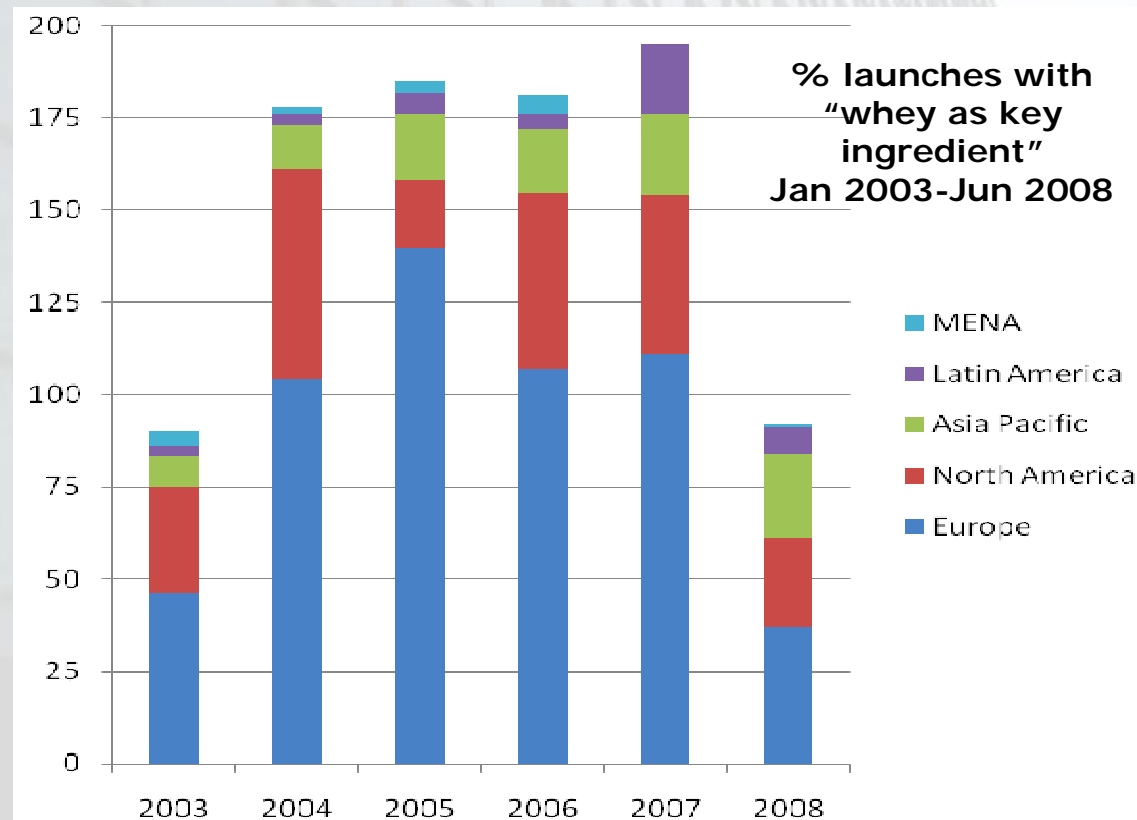
- ~ Many of the most promising H/N ingredients will be existing ingredients becoming better understood, with resulting extended/new applications – *whey is THE example of this*



# Whey in Global NPD

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- ~ Europe/US – 83% of “whey as key ingredient” product launches (Jan 2003-Jun 2008); Asia Pacific, Latin America growing
- ~ Step change in launch numbers from 2004





# Whey in Global NPD

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- ~ Dairy sector – no 1 user of whey as key ingredient, 45% of total new introductions
- ~ Non-alcoholic beverages (NABs) no 2, Snacks no 3



# Promising Applications

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- ~ Major categories with high volume requirements and good growth prospects
  - è Infant and enteral formulae
  - è Bakery
  - è Confectionery
  - è Dairy
  - è Convenience foods
- ~ Niche categories set to grow
  - è Protein powders, shakes, bars, snacks
  - è Foods for the elderly?
- ~ Major categories discovering whey products
  - è Beverages – the biggest of all (est. \$153 bn US/EU-15, 2008)





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# Infant Formulae

- ~ Key formulation issues–
  - è How to mimic maternal milk?
  - è How to get as much nutrition as possible in?
- ~ Caseinates ê milk proteins é
- ~ Shift from 82:12 casein:whey (cow's milk) to 40:60 (human milk ratio)
- ~ Growth driven by Asia – specifically China:
  - è China's one-child policy aiding sales - “Little emperor syndrome“?
  - è GDP growth, lifestyle change
  - è Rising DWP90 requirement



# Bakery Sector

- ~ Bakery applications well-established for whey:
  - è Increases dough volume, moistness; enhances crust browning, crumb structure, flavour, toasting qualities; retards staling, so extending shelf-life; nutrition: adds lysine (deficient amino-acid in wheat protein)
- ~ Bakery industry low levels of NPD with protein
- ~ Key drivers: higher fibre (even white bread), low salt, natural/traditional/artisanal
- ~ Whey's strong health proposition likely to remain niche in this category



# Bakery - Egg Replacers

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- ~ Egg ingredients: chilled liquid, frozen, dried – suffer some issues:
  - è Difficulty of handling
  - è Short-shelf-life (liquid egg)
  - è Storage requirements
  - è Cholesterol: right or wrong, cholesterol concerns persist
  - è Rising costs: for example: US egg prices +18.2% May '08 vs '07
  - è Reflects factors such as:
    - 4 Reduced supply in some key markets such as US
    - 4 Strong demand
    - 4 Increased input costs, assisted by ethanol boom



# Bakery - Egg Replacers

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- ~ Egg replacement hardly a new issue – but price rises provide an enhanced opportunity for WPCs to play a role in whole/partial replacers
- ~ Whey will compete against other proteins (soy, wheat, gluten) and starch/gum-based replacers
- ~ Opportunities for whey
  - è Indirectly, in milk proteins marketed in this context
  - è Directly eg WPC34, WPC80
  - è Specific replacer formulations (Alleggra Foods - Unilever/Tate & Lyle)
  - è Substitution of lactose eg whey permeate



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# Functional Beverages

- ~ Global health/nutrition trend a key driver
- ~ WPI playing increasingly strong role, stand-alone and in blends
- ~ High protein content, functional attractions:
  - è Very bland taste – easy to build into formulations, provides competitive advantage vs competing proteins eg soy
  - è Highly dispersible variants available
  - è BCAAs (leucine, isoleucine, valine - metabolized in the muscle - to build new proteins or be burned as fuel to produce energy)
  - è Stable at low ( $\leq$ pH 3.8) or neutral pH
  - è Low GI; reduced fat, lactose vs WPCs



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# Functional Beverages

- ~ Move from powder to RTD has been difficult for smaller specialist companies centred on WPI
- ~ Imperative for beverage co's to diversify from mature, develop H/N propositions
  - è 2006: Cadbury Schweppes (Motts) purchased Pacific Health Labs protein beverage brands Accelerade and Endurox (RTD versions)
  - è 2007: Coca-Cola buys functional water pioneer and US phenomenon Glaceau for \$4.1 billion
  - è 2008: AG Barr (Irn Bru) acquires Vitsmart, Vitaminsmart labels
- ~ Opportunity for whey protein in NPD here! Extended distribution will drive volumes



# Whey in Beverage NPD

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~ 56 launches in '07 (whey key ingredient)

è Beverage mixes 25% of total since 2003

è Meal Replacements/Other Drinks: '06 – 1; '07 – 26; '08 - 7

% launches with  
"whey as key  
ingredient"  
Jan 2003-Jun  
2008



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# Whey Beverages

- ~ A number of markets have seen development of strong whey drink market –
  - è Germany
  - è Austria
  - è Brazil







# Sports/Protein Beverages

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**Reflex Nutrition 's  
Whey Refresh**  
– launch Jan '08  
500 ml bottles  
Pure filtered  
water  
40 g protein  
each (WPI)



**EAS Myoplex –  
launch '07**  
330ml carton  
(MPI, calcium  
caseinate, WPI)



**Labrada's Lean  
Body Chocolate  
Ice Cream Hi-  
Protein Milk  
Shake**  
– launch '07  
17oz bottles  
40 g protein  
(MPI, WPC)



**IDS  
New Whey Liquid Protein**  
– launch June '08  
2.9 oz bottles  
25 g protein (hydrolysed whey & casein)  
0 carbs, 0 fat



**Be Unlimited's Be  
Performance**  
launch '07  
11oz can caseinate,  
WPC, whey powder



**Next Protein's  
Designer Whey  
Protein Blitz**  
– launch June '08  
20 oz bottles  
30 g protein  
7800mg BCAAs



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**Bolthouse Farms  
Perfectly Protein  
Mocha Cappuccino &  
Hazelnut Latte**  
– launch '07  
8-ounce bottles  
10 g protein



**Kellogg K<sup>2</sup>O**  
– launch '07  
16-ounce bottles  
5 g protein each

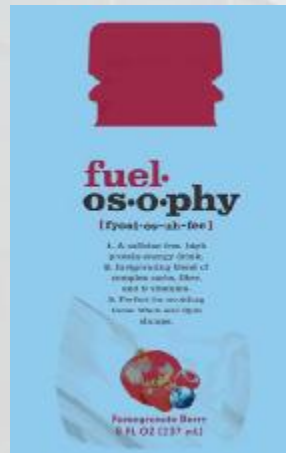


Not all whey of course...!

**Pepsico's  
Fuelosophy**  
– launch late '06  
80z bottles  
10 g protein (MPI)



**Pepsico's Raw**  
– launch UK February '08  
300 ml bottles  
Natural & declared  
ingredients



**Starbucks - Vivanno  
Nourishing Blends  
protein/fibre smoothies**  
– launch July '08  
10oz  
banana/chocolate  
21g protein  
orange/mango/banana  
16g protein



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# Satiety Beverages?

- ~ Obesity – major, growing global health issue; 3 bn overweight/obese by 2015 (WHO)
- ~ EU/US sales of diet foods – est. \$100 bn
- ~ But consumers focusing less on traditional methods (calorie restriction), more on lifestyle issues/appetite management
  - è “Consumers don’t want products that scream ‘diet’
  - è Late ‘07, Kraft re-named South Beach Diet as “South Beach Living”
  - è Growing NPD focus on satiety likely



## Satiety Beverages?

- ~ Combination of fibre (bulk) and whey proteins (staying power in stomach) aids:
  - è Slow digestion
  - è Prolong the release of CCK, the hormone that triggers the “I’m full” feeling in your brain
- ~ Whey protein outperforms other proteins (casein, egg, vegetable)
- ~ Whey components for managing satiety
  - è GMP, a casein-derived whey peptide
  - è GOS
  - è Lactitol
  - è Lactulose



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Campina's  
Optimel Control  
- launch late '06  
100 ml bottles  
Fabuless (combination  
of oat and palm oils)



# Satiety Beverages?



Fuze's Slenderize &  
PepsiCo's  
SoBe Lean  
fruit infusions –  
based on  
hydroxycitric acid  
(gambooge fruit  
extract)



Pacific Health  
Laboratories  
Smoothies  
– launch February '06  
8.25 oz bottles  
5g fibre  
5g protein (WPI)



Dannon's  
Light & Fit Crave Control  
-Launch '06  
Per 4oz serving:  
7g protein  
3g fibre



Quaker's Instant  
Oatmeal Weight Control  
– launch September '05  
45g pckets  
6g dietary fibre  
7g protein (WPI)

LightFull Foods  
Satiety Smoothies  
– launch February '06  
8.25 oz bottles  
5g fibre  
5g protein (WPI)

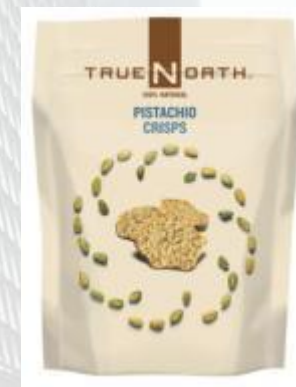




# Functional Bars & Snacks

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- ~ Whilst Europe bars tend more to “natural” market positioning, protein bars continue to proliferate in US
- ~ Kellogg’s Special K Protein bars: major impact in meal bar category – May’08 sales +107% (most others and overall category down!)
- ~ June ‘08: Fritolay launch of True North snack range with 5g (whey) protein per 1oz serving





# Functional Bars & Snacks

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**Nutrabolics' Isobar**  
– launch May '07  
25g protein per 2oz bar  
blend WPI/WPC/SPC

**Norrmejerier's Gainomax Energy Bar**  
– launch July '07  
1/3 fibre RDI; 7g protein per 50g  
fibre blend (chicory root, acacia)  
blend WPI/soy protein



**ISS**  
**OhYeah! Chocolate cream filled wafer**  
– launch December '07  
14g protein per twin-stick pack (blend WPI, SPI, egg white, calcium caseinate)



**SupaShape Health's Pro-Tein Ice Bar**  
– launch June '08  
Low fat, low carb meal replacement  
26g protein per 65g countline  
(protein blend cultured with probiotics)





# Supply-Demand-Availability

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- ~ As a raw material, whey supply is sufficient and seems set to remain so
- ~ Issue lies in limited processing capacity
- ~ Reflects growing demand in certain applications and regions
- ~ As a result, imbalances exist between supply and demand which suggest opportunities





# Broad Supply Situation

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~ Whey ingredients with positive demand but supply broadly adequate

è Acid whey powder

è WPI

è DWP90

è SWP

è WPC34/35

è WPC80

è Permeate (feed use hit but further substitution potential; economic downturn may aid some applications)

} Some areas generally perceived as tighter than others

~ + possibly

è WPH

è Alpha-lactalbumin

è Lactoferrin



# Ingredient Opportunities?

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- ~ Areas requiring development/refinement
  - è Whey fractions promise much
    - 4 Developing more precise nutritional profiles for products
    - 4 Laying basis for competitive differentiation
  - è But fail to convince many leading mass market food companies
    - 4 Marketing task - lack of consumer awareness (?lactoferrin)
    - 4 Price proof conundrum
  - è Hydrolysed whey proteins
    - 4 Enhanced digestibility attractive, well aligned to sectors with good growth prospects
    - 4 Taste issues continue to limit usage



## Region: China

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- ~ Strong demand growth but wholly import-dependent (negligible cheese, casein output)
- ~ Importation remains problematic (closer official scrutiny, definitional/registration issues)
- ~ Problems have centred on bulk products (market largely permeate to date)
- ~ Supply will get tighter due to growth in sectors demand for specialised whey products
  - è Infant formulae
  - è Sports nutritionals (Olympics boost)



## Region: Russia

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- ~ Whey relatively new in local food formulations
- ~ Whey processing limited to date
- ~ Demand for wider range of whey products increased by growing presence of multinationals
- ~ Import procedures remain complicated even with pan-EU certification system
- ~ Limited presence of whey suppliers with market development capability



## Region: South America

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- ~ Whey surplus exists, demand for whey products growing, but local processing limited to commodity products – SWP, DWP40/45, lactose, permeate, protein blends
- ~ WPC's – mainly opportunistic; some WPC80
- ~ WPC-70, WPI, DWP70, DWP90 need to be imported, little permeate processed, mainly exported
- ~ Local countries not conducive to investment!



## Concluding Remarks

- ~ Customers show strong and growing demand for whey products, with some supply/demand imbalances apparent (applications, regions)
- ~ Balancing key supplier relationships with risk mitigation a constant challenge
- ~ Customer view – depends where you sit!
- ~ Key opportunity – improved marketing
  - è Becoming more market-led, less production driven; planning with market requirements in mind, not plant configurations
  - è Building closer customer relationships

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