



Good Food, Good Life

Nestlé is Building the Scientific Foundation for Health and Nutrition

Lausanne, SWITZERLAND 24 April 2006 - The Nestlé Research Center Lausanne is organizing the eleventh edition of the Food Colloids conference taking place in Montreux on April 23 to 26, 2006. This series of biennial conferences, which is under the auspices of the Royal Society of Chemistry (UK), is dedicated to the subject of food colloids and will be concerned this year with fundamental and applied aspects of food material science and self-assembly.

Today, there is a growing awareness among our consumers of the benefits foods bring for health and wellness. Nestlé is convinced that nutrition has a much more multifaceted role to play in the future. "We believe research can bring healthier and delicious food to each of our consumers" said Peter van Bladeren, the director of Nestlé Research Center. "We are committed to pioneering innovations and will continue to work and share knowledge with the world's leading scientific minds to respond to our consumer's expectations".

Research in food colloid science will open up doors to new perspectives using food as a means of maintaining health and preventing diseases such as metabolic disorders or cardiovascular diseases. During this year's Food Colloids conference the focus is on the discussion of how a better understanding of structuring principles, such as the phenomena of self-assembly which is used by nature to built up complex hierarchical structures, can help and be applied to improve food products. Nestlé believes that structure formation has an important influence not only in the area of sensorial quality (taste, texture, creaminess, color) but also on health benefits helping our consumers to maintain or improve their quality of life. The Nestlé Research Center is playing a pivotal role in cementing Nestlé's commitment to grow as a nutrition, health and wellness company.

The conference brings together more than 200 researchers from Academia and Industry from more than 30 countries to take stock of the progress in food colloids knowledge. The format is designed to be highly interactive with 42 oral lectures and more than 120 posters to be presented in 2 sessions. This esteemed event gives the opportunity to Nestlé to share the latest findings in this area with the most renowned experts worldwide.

Details about the conference at: <http://www.research.nestle.com/foodcolloids2006/>

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