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Outline

- Elderly population
- Physiological changes affecting nutritional status in the elderly
- Dietary recommendations for the elderly
- Food product development and innovation for the elderly



ELDERLY POPULATION





Definition of elderly

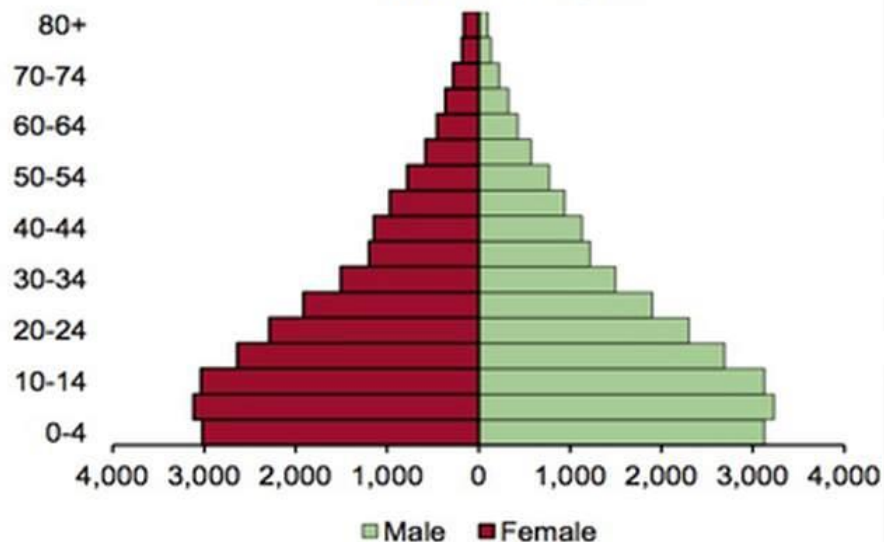
- WHO: age ≥ 60 years
- Developed countries (France, South Korea, Japan):
age ≥ 65 years
 - 65-74 years = young old
 - 75-84 years = aged
 - ≥ 85 years = oldest old
- Developing countries: age ≥ 60 years
- African countries: age ≥ 55 years
- Thailand: age ≥ 60 years (National Aging Population Plan B.E. 2545-2564)

Thailand demographic profile

Population pyramid of Thailand, 1980

In thousands

Thailand: 1980

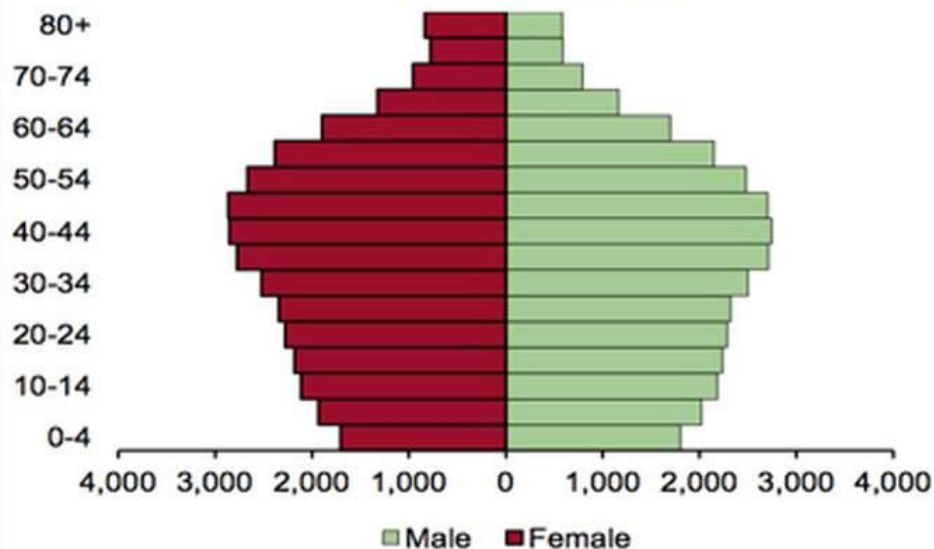


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Population pyramid of Thailand, 2015

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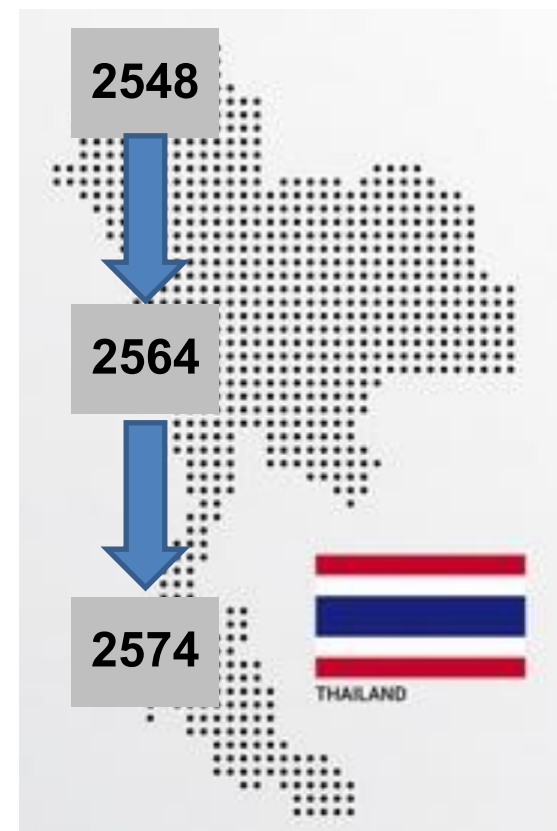
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สังคมสูงอายุ

- **สังคมผู้สูงอายุ (Ageing society)**
มีประชากรอายุ 60 ปีขึ้นไป >10% ของประชากรทั้งประเทศ หรือ
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- **สังคมผู้สูงอายุโดยสมบูรณ์ (Aged society)**
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มีประชากรอายุ 65 ปี >14% ของประชากรทั้งประเทศ
- **สังคมผู้สูงอายุระดับสุดยอด (Super-aged society)**
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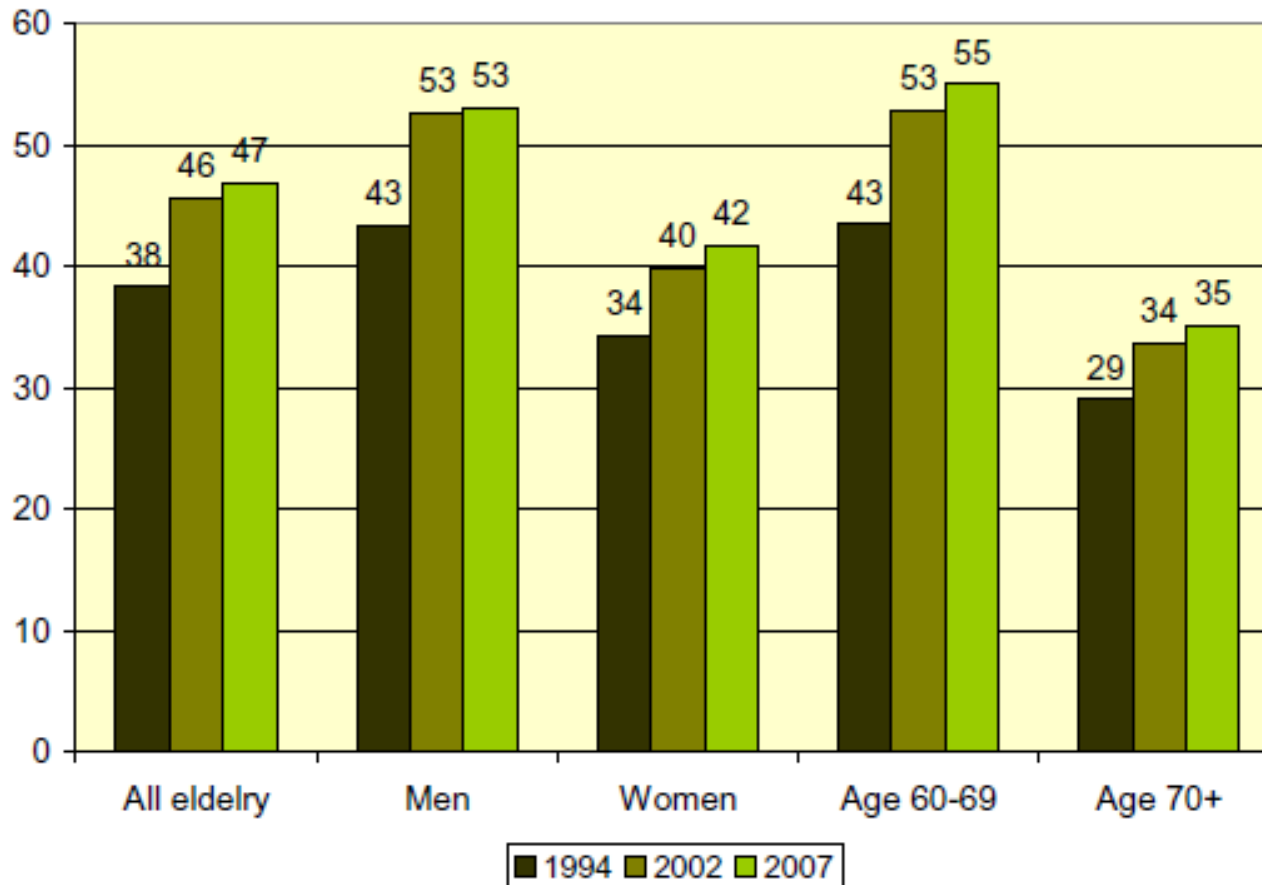


Grouping of elderly by health condition

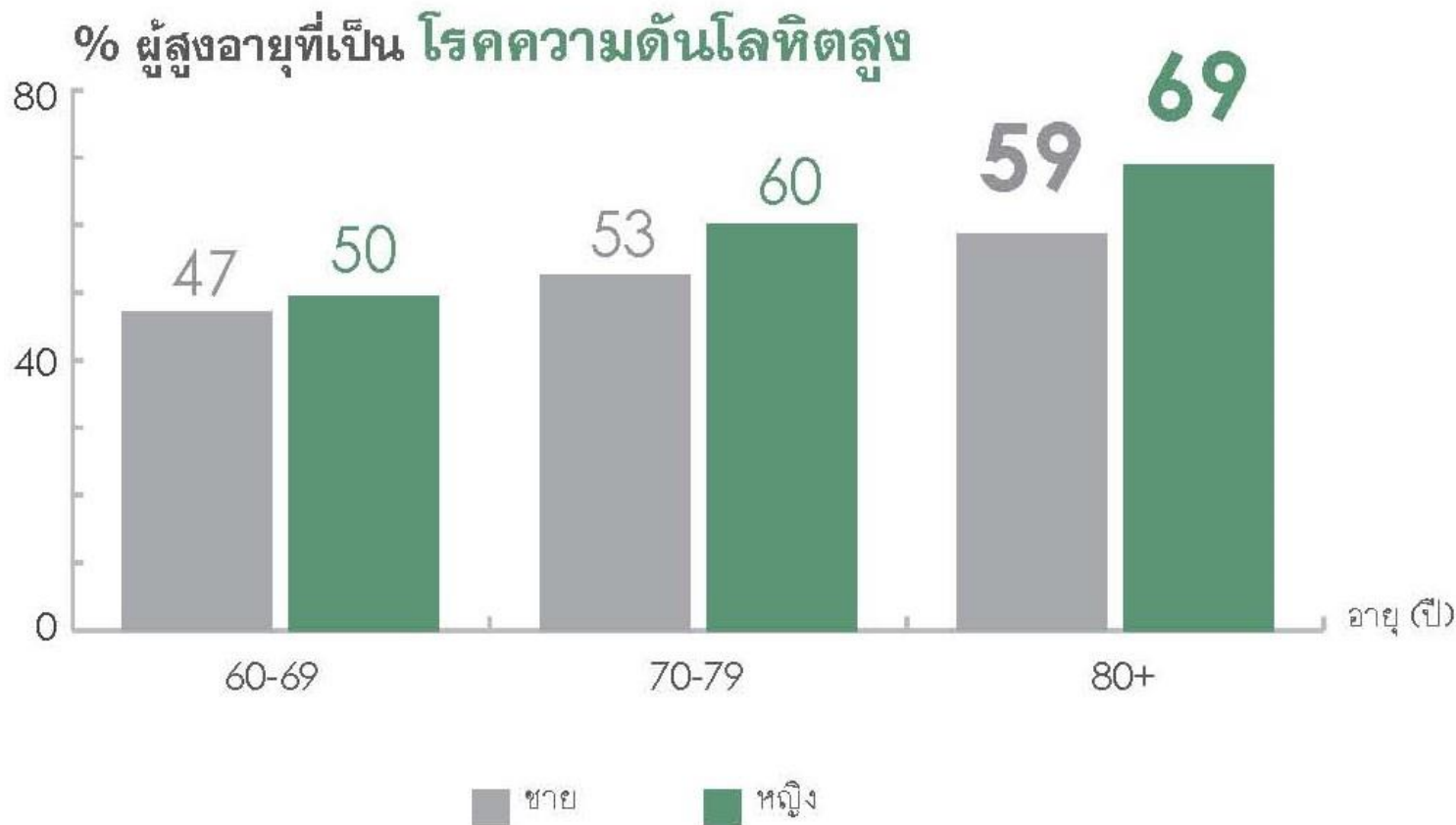
Group	Health condition	Eating ability
Society	Be able to help themselves	Be able to eat by themselves
Stay at home	Be able to help themselves in some activities	Need help in having meals
Stay on bed	Cannot help themselves	Need someone to feed



Percentage of Thai population age 60 and older with good or very good health condition

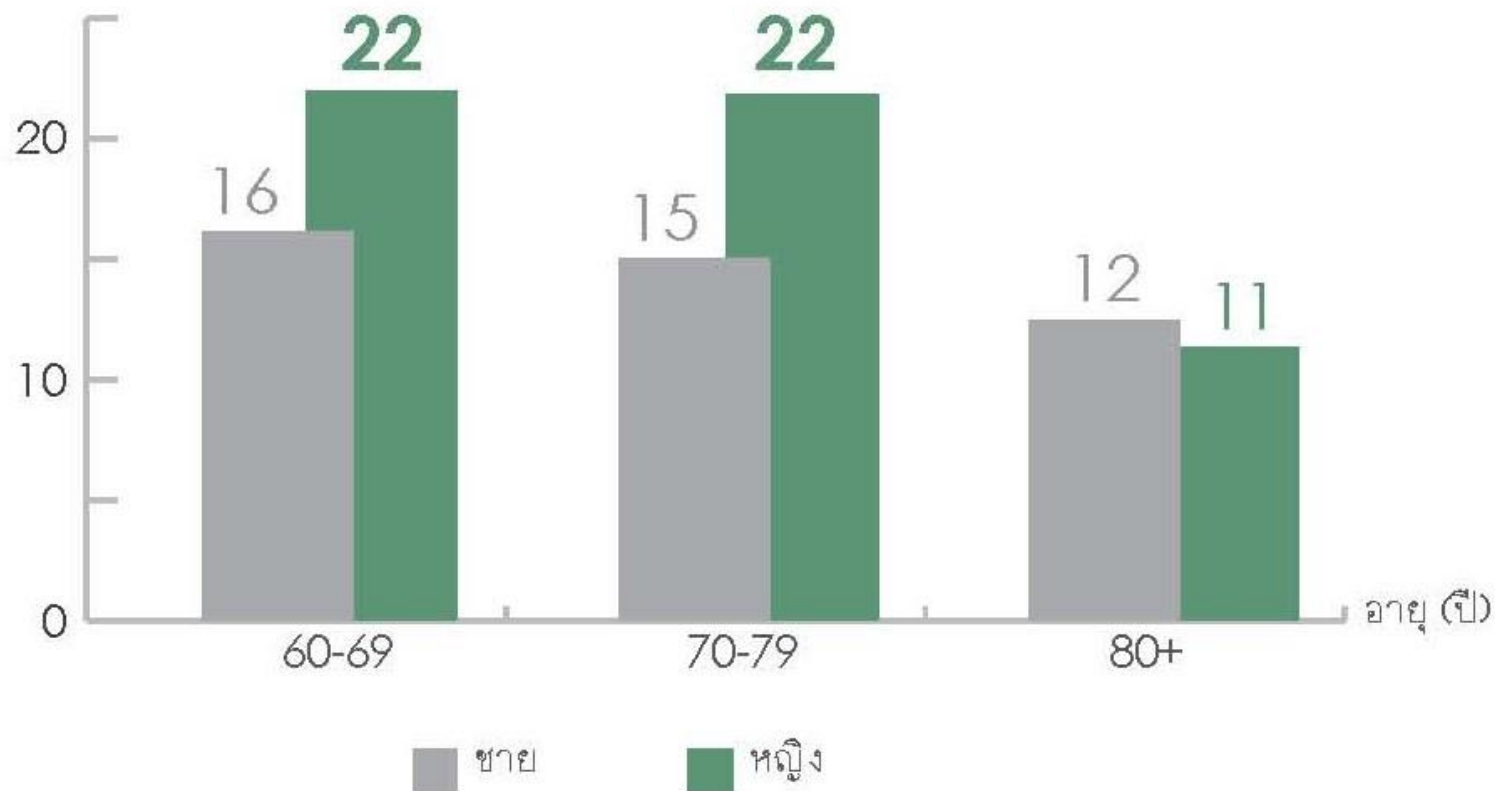


Source: 2007 Survey of Older Persons in Thailand



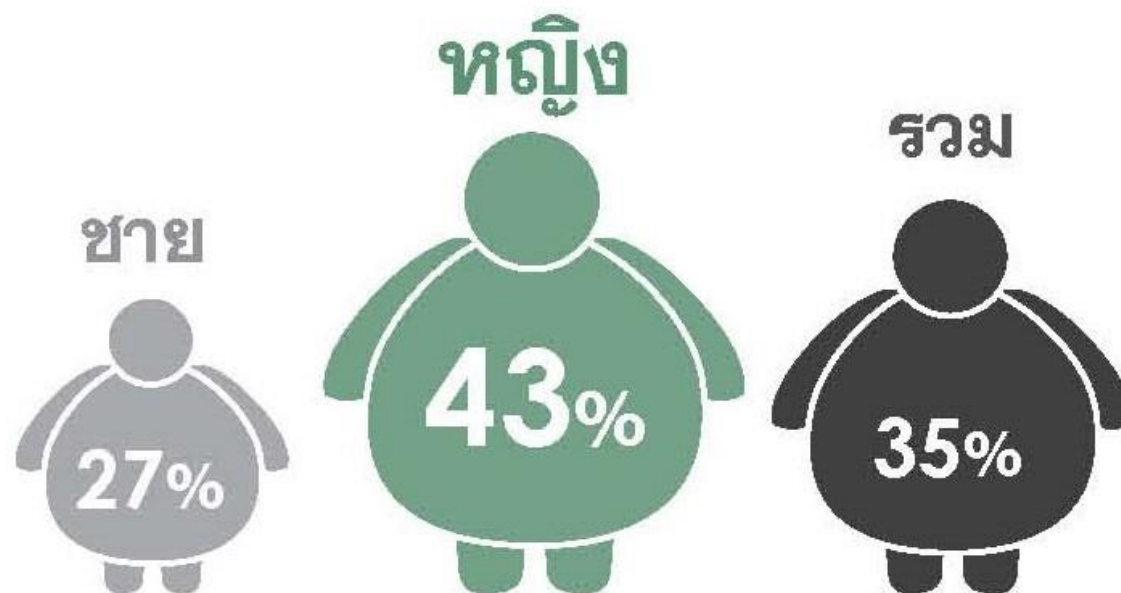
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% ผู้สูงอายุที่เป็น โรคเบาหวาน



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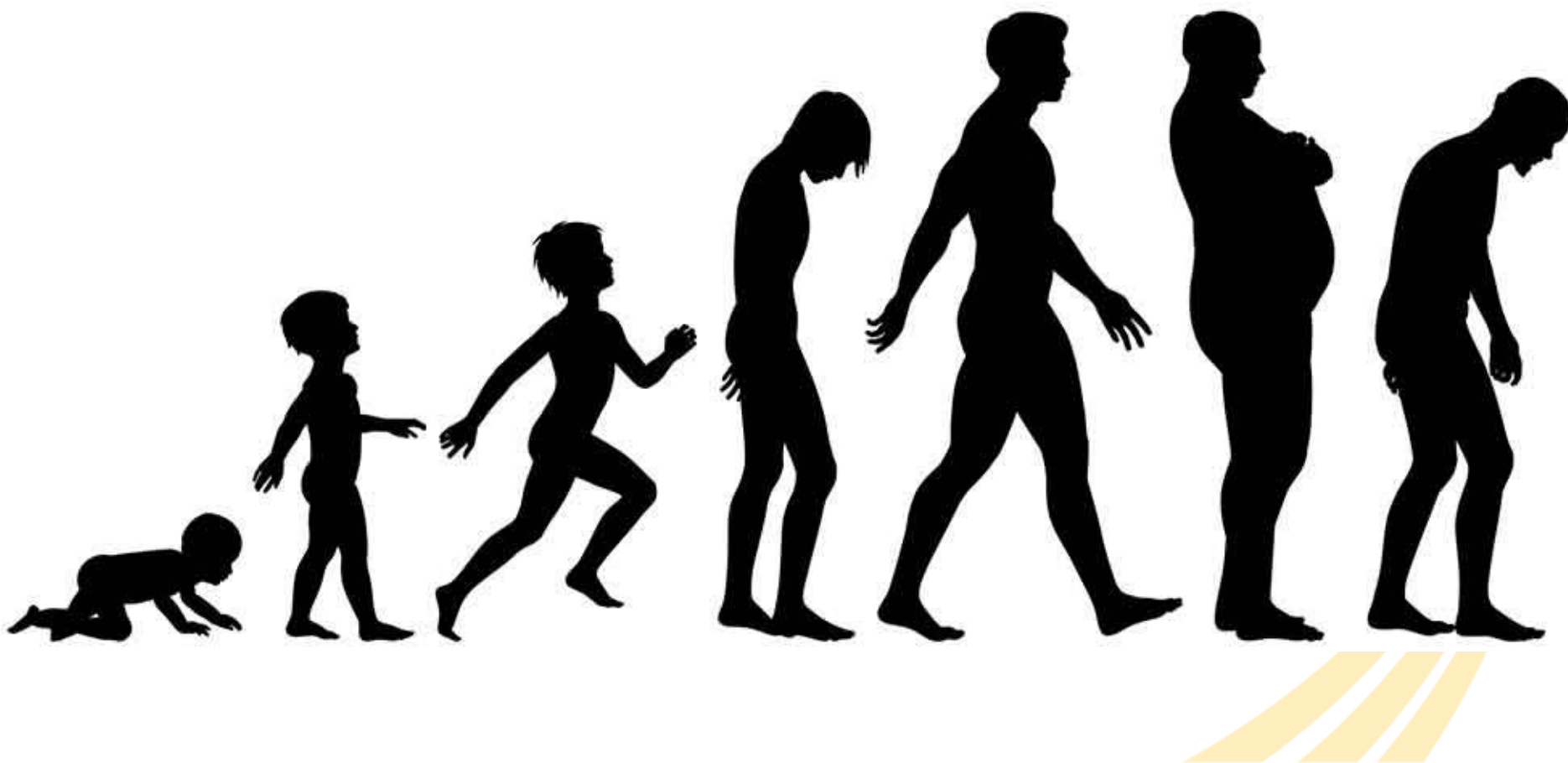
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PHYSIOLOGICAL CHANGES AFFECTING NUTRITIONAL STATUS IN THE ELDERLY





Factors affecting nutritional status of elderly

- Physiological
 - ↓ Basal metabolic rate
 - ↓ Sensory perception
 - ↓ Number of teeth
 - ↓ Saliva secretion
 - ↓ Tongue pressure
 - ↓ Efficiency and function of body systems (skin, renal, musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, gastrointestinal)
 - Anorexia
- ↓ Ability to chew and swallow



Factors affecting nutritional status of elderly (Cont.)

- Psychological
 - Depression
 - Loneliness
 - Dementia
 - Food preference
- Social and economical
 - Poverty
 - Transportation availability
 - Lack of knowledge in nutrition
 - Inadequate cooking skill
 - Lack of social support

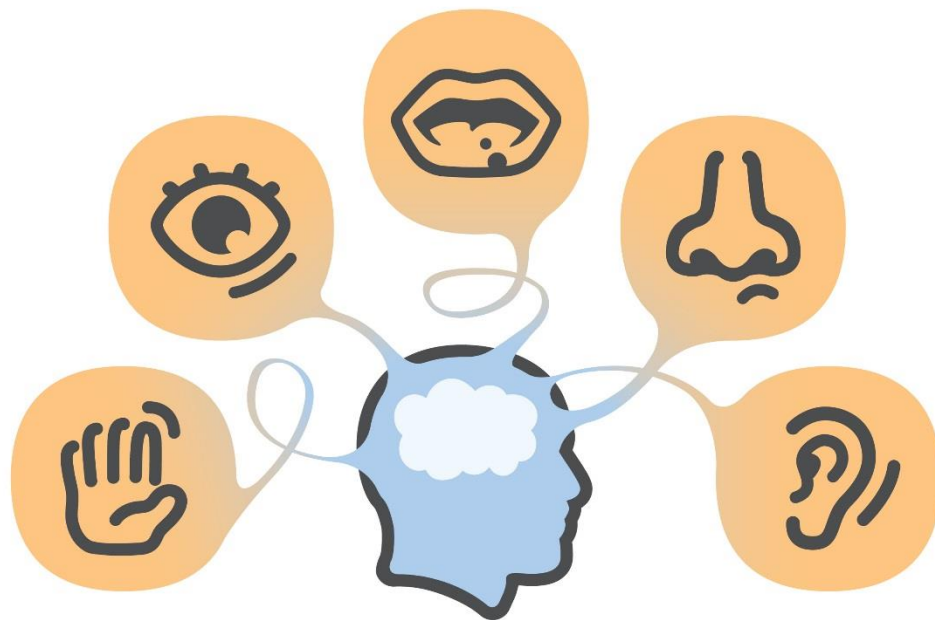


Factors affecting nutritional status of elderly (Cont.)

- Cultural beliefs
 - Culturally appropriate food and dining settings
- Others
 - Medical conditions
 - Prescribed diets
 - Side effects of medication

Age range that sensory changes accelerated

- Vision — mid-50s
- Hearing — mid-40s
- Touch — mid-50s
- Taste — mid-60s
- Smell — mid-70s



Olfactory loss

- Ability to detect
- Ability to identify: perception + memory
- Largely unaware
- More common than gustatory loss
- Lead to gustatory loss



Approximately 80% of taste disorders are totally smell disorders.



Medical conditions that affect the senses of taste or smell

Neurological

- Alzheimer's disease
- Bell's palsy
- Damage to the chorda tympani
- Epilepsy
- Head trauma
- Korsakoff's syndrome
- Multiple sclerosis
- Parkinson's disease
- Tumours and lesions

Nutritional

- Cancer
- Chronic renal failure
- Liver disease
- Niacin deficiency
- Vitamin B12 deficiency

Endocrine

- Adrenal cortical insufficiency
- Congenital adrenal hyperplasia
- Panhypopituitarism
- Cushing's syndrome
- Diabetes mellitus
- Hypothyroidism
- Kallman's syndrome
- Pseudohypoparathyroidism
- Turner's syndrome

Local

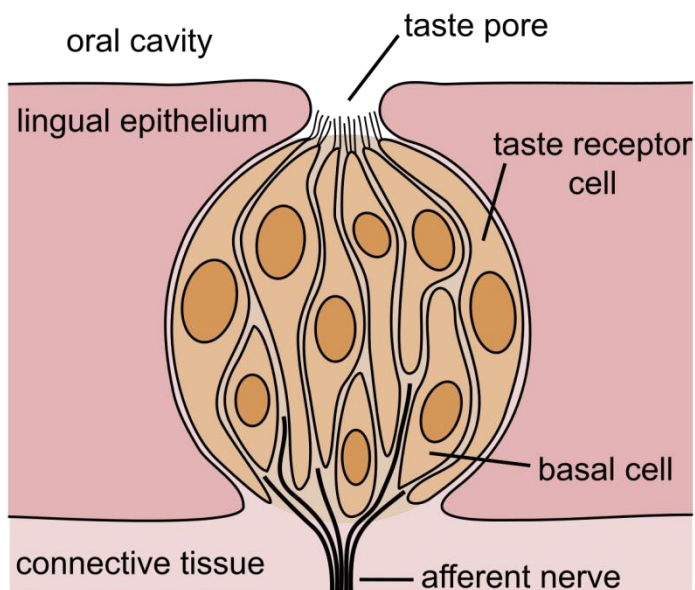
- Allergic rhinitis, atopy, and bronchial asthma
- Sinusitis and polyposis
- Xerostomic conditions including Sjogren's syndrome

Viral infections

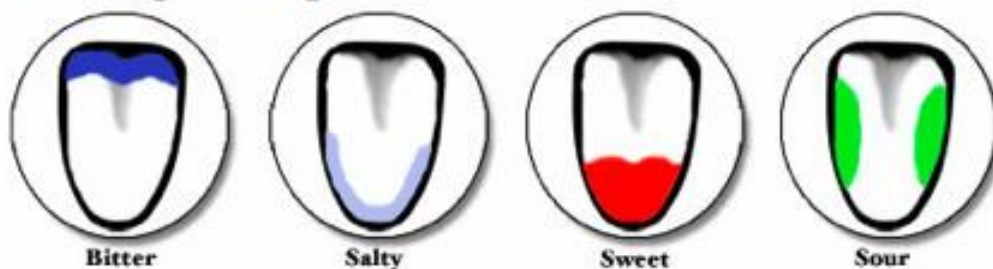
- Acute viral hepatitis
- Influenza-like infections

Gustatory loss

- Decreased number of taste buds
- Decreased taste sensitivity: bitter > sweet > salty



Old Tongue Map



Modern Taste Receptor Distribution



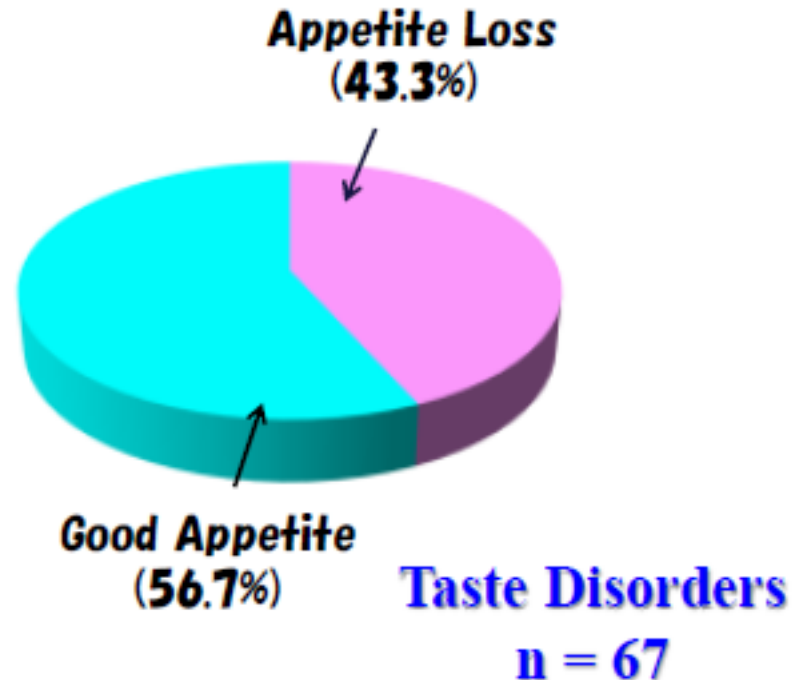
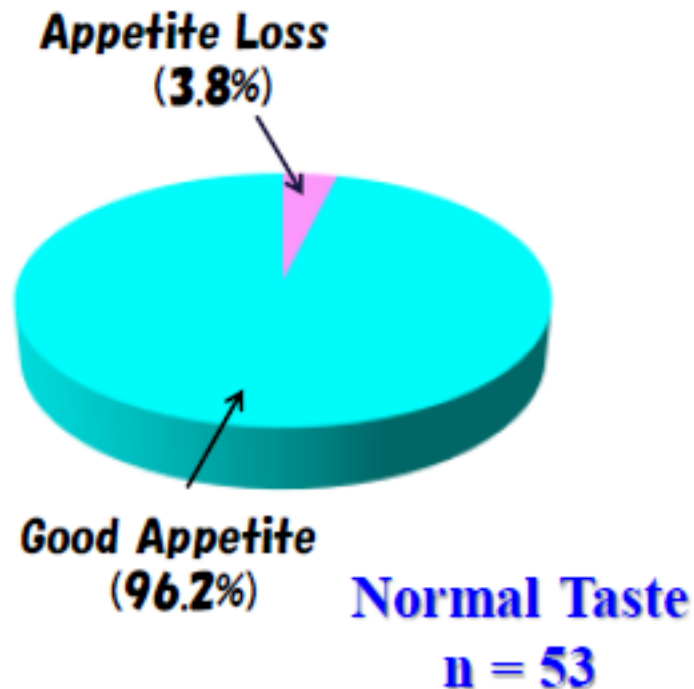


Disorder of taste

- Ageusia - Inability to taste
- Hypogeusia - Decreased ability to taste
- Dysgeusia - Distorted ability to taste

Relationship between taste sensitivity and appetite of the elderly

(mean 74.1-year-old, n=120)

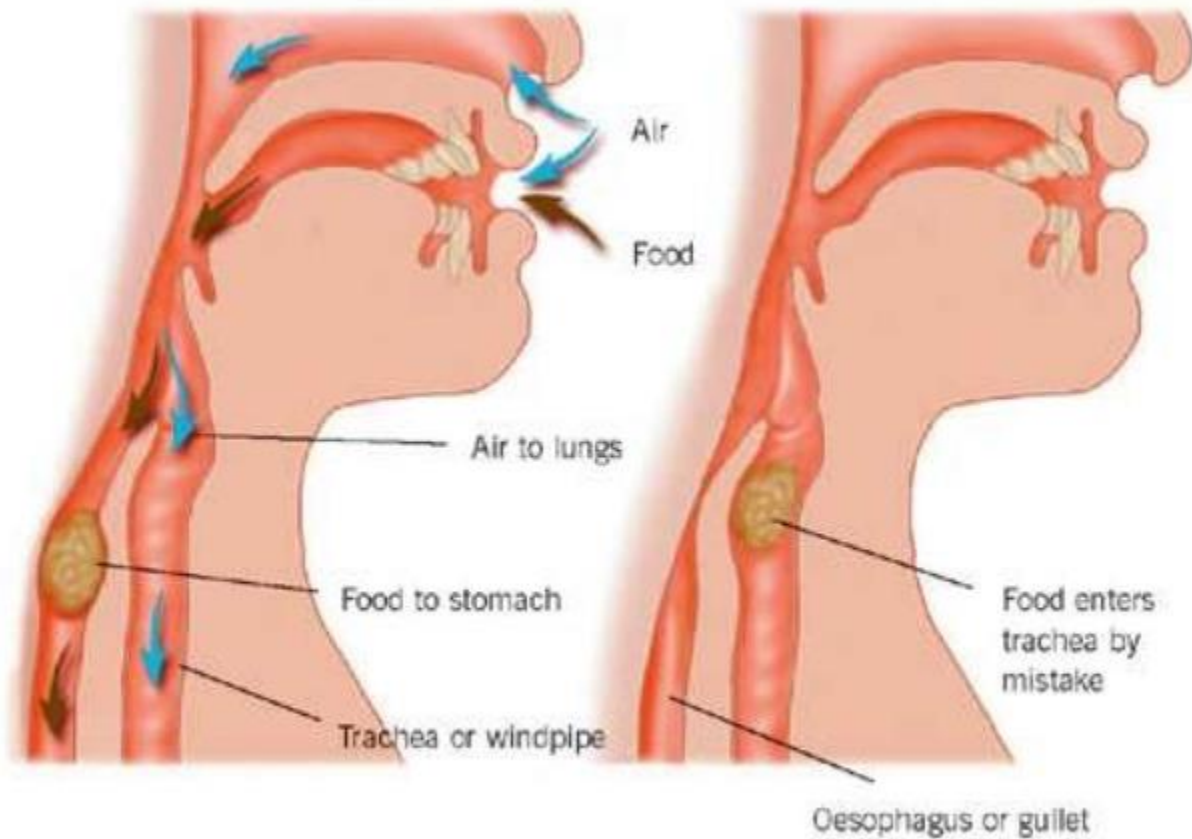


Reduced mastication ability

- Less number of teeth
 - 4 out of 10 Thai elderly have <20 teeth
 - Female > Male
- Less saliva secretion (30% decrease at age >65)
 - Decreased taste and smell sensitivity
 - Increased difficulties of eating and swallowing
- Less tongue pressure
- Less biting and chewing forces



Swallowing problems



Swallowing problem (Cont.)

- Slower swallowing
- Difficult/ hard to initiate swallowing “*Dysphagia*”
- Swallowing disturbances in pharyngeal stage
- Increased risk of airway penetration



Overt coughing or choking with oral intake



Aspiration pneumonia



Weight loss due to inadequate nutritional intake



Dysphagia in Thai elderly

กลุ่มประชากรผู้สูงอายุ	ความชุกภาวะกลืนลำบาก (ร้อยละ)
ทั่วไปในชุมชน	40
เข้ารับการรักษานในโรงพยาบาล	30
ในสถานพักฟื้น	68
โรคหลอดเลือดสมอง	64
โรคพาร์กินสัน	52-82
โรคอัลไซเมอร์	84

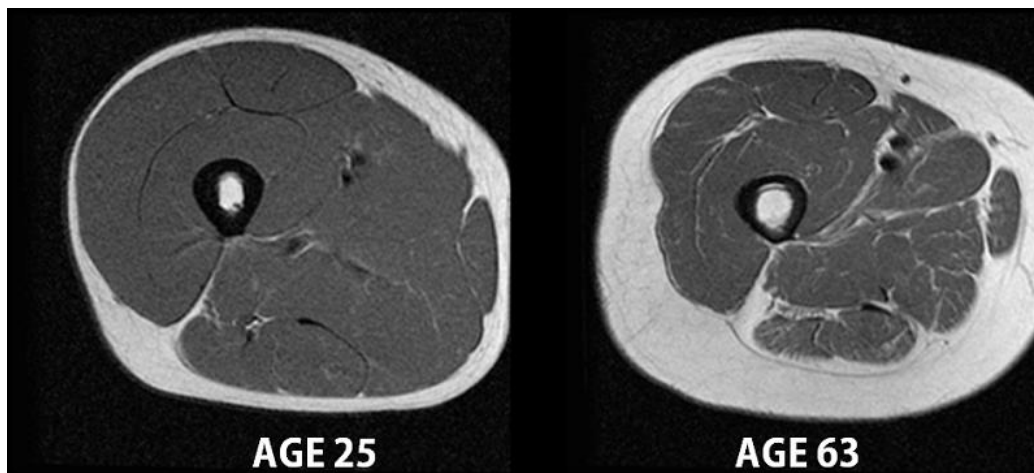


Reduced sensory-specific satiety

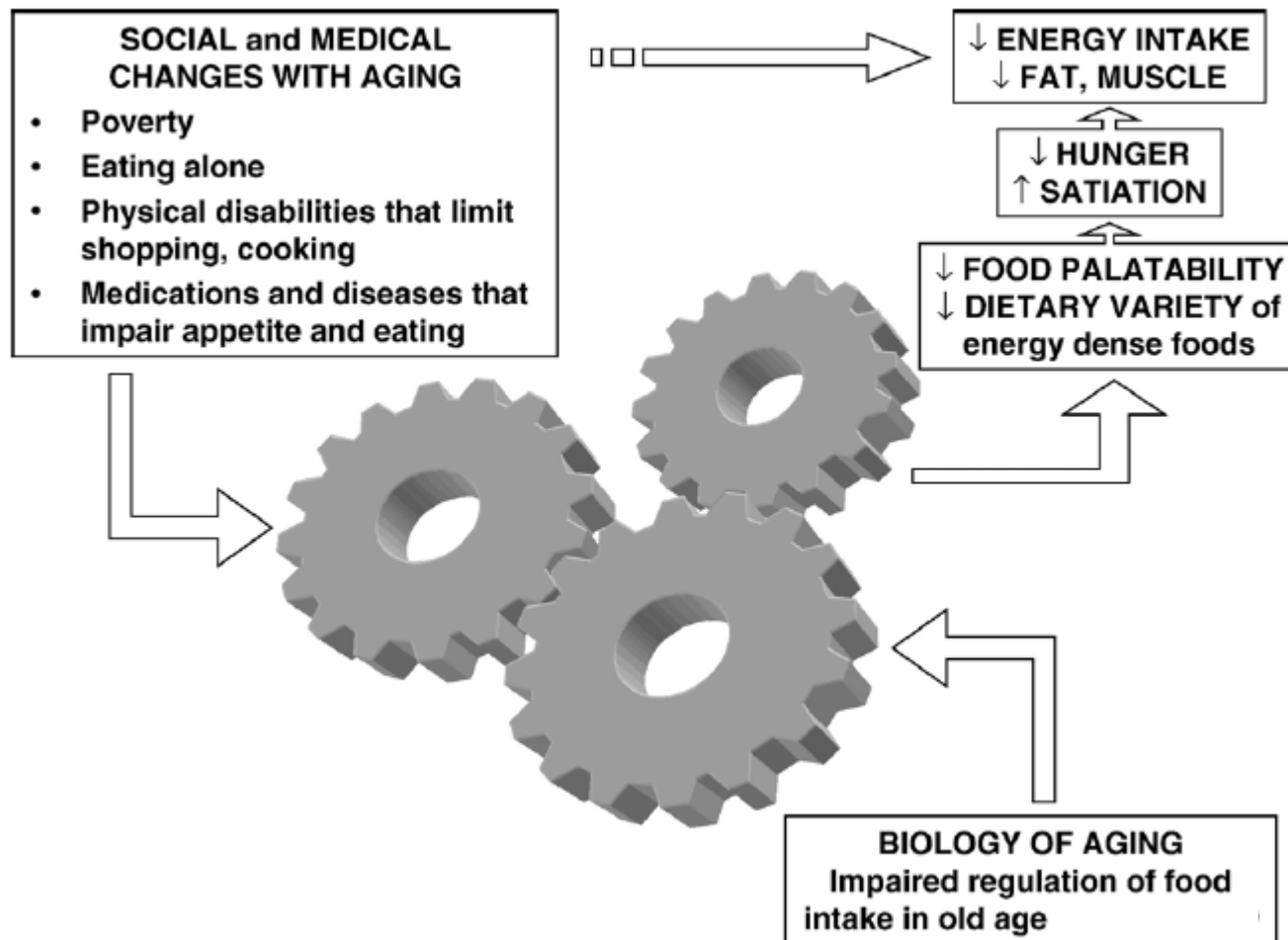
- Less of a reduction in the pleasantness of the food recently consumed → Monotonous diet
- Did not relate to loss of sensor function
- Respond less to menu variety
- More satisfied with single-item entrée bowls than multi-component meals

Change in body composition

- Loss of lean body mass due to loss of skeleton muscles mass and function “*Sarcopenia*”
- Loss of body water and bone content
- Increase in body and visceral fats
- Total body weight may not change



Anorexia of aging



A photograph of an elderly couple sitting at a table, smiling and eating a meal of fish and chips with peas and carrots. In the background, another elderly woman is seated on a blue armchair. The text "DIETARY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ELDERLY" is overlaid in blue capital letters.

DIETARY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE ELDERLY



Energy requirements in elderly

- Decreased energy requirement due to:
 - Decrease in physical activities
 - Decrease in basal metabolic rate (BMR): 2% reduction every 10 years of age
- Caloric needs reduces 2-8% every decade past age 20
 - Age 52-75: 90% of energy requirement for adults
 - Age >75: 75% of energy requirement for adults



Recommendation for caloric intake

- **FAO/WHO**
 - 5% reduction every 10 years of age until 59
 - 10% reduction for 60-69
 - 20% reduction for ≥ 70
- **Bureau of Nutrition, Department of Health, Ministry of Public Health**
 - 100 kcal reduction every 10 years of age
 - But not less than 1,200 kcal

ค่าพลังงานที่ผู้สูงอายุควรได้รับ

- 1,400 กิโลแคลอรี สำหรับผู้สูงอายุชาย-หญิงวัย 60-80 ปีที่มีกิจกรรมเบา
- 1,600 กิโลแคลอรี สำหรับผู้สูงอายุหญิง 60-80 ปี ที่มีกิจกรรมปานกลาง
- 1,800 กิโลแคลอรี สำหรับผู้สูงอายุชาย 60-80 ปี ที่มีกิจกรรมปานกลาง





Population nutrient intake goals

Dietary factor	Goal (% of total energy, unless otherwise stated)
Total fat	15-30%
Saturated fatty acids	<10%
Polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFAs)	6-10%
n-6 Polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFAs)	5-8%
n-3 Polyunsaturated fatty acids (PUFAs)	1-2%
Trans fatty acids	<1%
Monounsaturated fatty acids (MUFAs)	By difference ^a
Total carbohydrate	55-75% ^b
Free sugars ^c	<10%
Protein	10-15% ^d
Cholesterol	<300 mg per day
Sodium chloride (sodium) ^e	<5 g per day (<2 g per day)
Fruits and vegetables	≥ 400 g per day
Total dietary fibre	From foods ^f
Non-starch polysaccharides (NSP)	From foods ^f

อายุ 6 ปีขึ้นไป



ที่มา คู่มือแนวทางปฏิบัติการบริโภคอาหารเพื่อสุขภาพที่ดี
สำหรับผู้สูงอายุไทย: 2558.





โภชนบัญญัติ 9 ประการสำหรับผู้สูงอายุ

ข้อปฏิบัติการบริโภคอาหารเพื่อสุขภาพที่ดีของผู้สูงอายุไทย

- กินอาหารให้หลากหลายในสัดส่วนที่เหมาะสมและหมั่นดื่มน้ำหนักตัว
- กินข้าวเป็นหลัก เน้นข้าวกล้อง ข้าวขัดสีน้อย
- กินพืชผักและผลไม้ตามฤดูกาลให้มากเป็นประจำ
- กินปลา ไข่ เนื้อสัตว์ไม่ติดมัน ถั่วและผลิตภัณฑ์เป็นประจำ
- ดื่มนมและผลิตภัณฑ์เป็นประจำ
- หลีกเลี่ยงอาหาร ไขมันสูง หวานจัด เค็มจัด
- ดื่มน้ำสะอาดให้เพียงพอ ควรหลีกเลี่ยงเครื่องดื่มรสหวาน
- กินอาหารสะอาด ปลอดภัย
- งดหรือลดเครื่องดื่มที่มีแอลกอฮอล์

การดื่มนมวัวสำหรับผู้สูงอายุ

สำหรับผู้สูงอายุไทย ปริมาณสารอาหารอ้างอิงที่ควรได้รับประจำวัน (DRI) ที่ใช้ในการวิเคราะห์ครั้งนี้ ใช้ค่า Thai DRI 2003 ได้ปริมาณอาหารในแต่ละกลุ่ม 3 ระดับพลังงาน คือ 1400, 1600 และ 1800 กิโลแคลอรี โดยปริมาณอาหารที่แนะนำให้บริโภคในแต่ละกลุ่มที่คำนวณไว้มี 3 กรณีคือ

- กรณีที่ 1 ผู้สูงอายุดื่มนมวัวได้วันละ 2 แก้ว (ค่า DRI ของแคลเซียม เท่ากับ 1,000 มก.)
- กรณีที่ 2 ผู้สูงอายุดื่มนมวัวได้วันละ 1 แก้ว และกินอาหารอื่นที่เป็นแหล่งแคลเซียม (กรณีค่า DRI แคลเซียม = 650 มก.) หรือกินแคลเซียมเสริมอีก 500 มก. (กรณีค่า DRI แคลเซียม = 1,000 มก.)
- กรณีที่ 3 ผู้สูงอายุไม่ดื่มนมวัว ต้องกินแคลเซียมเสริม 750-1,000 มก. ต่อวัน (ค่า DRI แคลเซียม = 1,000 มก.)
- ในกรณีที่ผู้สูงอายุดื่มนม 1 แก้ว หรือไม่ดื่มนมเลย การแนะนำปริมาณอาหารมีการปรับเปลี่ยนหลายกลุ่ม เนื่องจากต้องทดแทนสารอาหารที่ขาดไป คือ พลังงาน แคลเซียม โปรตีน และวิตามินบี2 ดังนั้น จึงได้ขอแนะนำแล้วแต่กรณี



FOOD PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION FOR THE ELDERLY



Every old person is not the same!

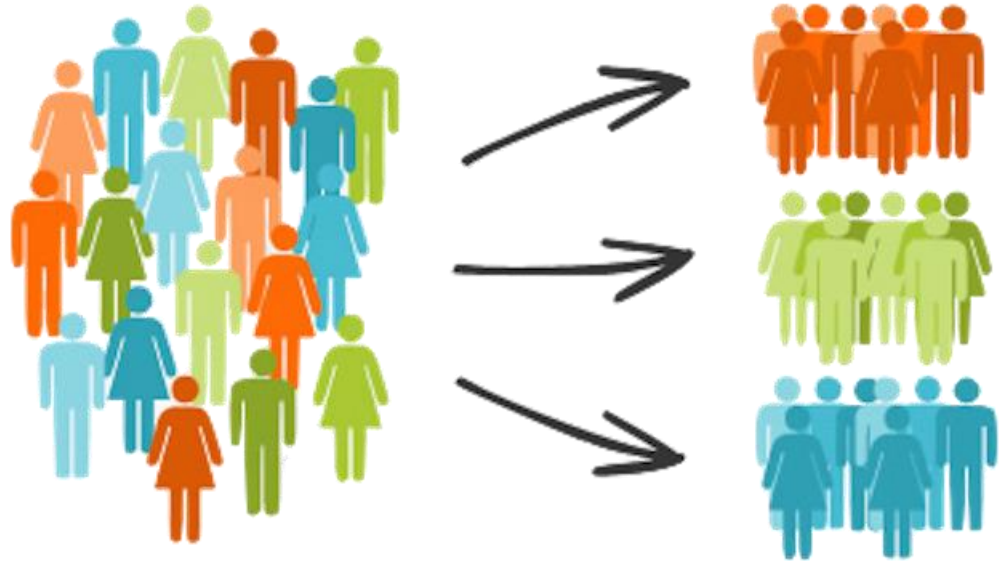


All these ladies are in their 60s...



SEGMENTATION

- Demographic
- Geographic
- Behavioral
- Psychographic



PERSONALIZATION





Factors leading to different needs for food

- Physiological condition
- Health problems
- Physical condition
- Lifestyle
- Income
- Education



Food product for elderly

- Sensory aspects
 - Provide similar appearance and taste to normal food
 - Flavor/odor/ taste
 - Easy to chew and swallow, do not cause suffocation
- Nutrient and composition
 - Healthy and nutritious, nutrient-dense
 - Prevention/care of chronic diseases (salt, sugar, fat, cholesterol, electrolytes)
 - Easy to digest



Food products for elderly (Cont.)

- Ease of preparation and consumption
 - No pot cooking
 - No need to clean up
- Packaging
 - Easy to open package
 - Realistic portion size
- Labeling
 - Presentation
 - Readability
- Compatibility with lifestyle and culture



NUTRITIONAL QUALITY



Nutritional quality

- Loss appetite
- Reduced energy requirement
- Unchanged or increased essential nutrients requirement



Nutrient-dense food
Nutrient-enriched food



Food/nutrient restriction
due to physiological condition
and diseases



Nutrients of concern during aging

- Energy (underweight)
- Protein
 - Protein quality
 - Branched-chain amino acids
- Carbohydrate
 - Glycemic index
- Fat
 - Fatty acid composition
 - Cholesterol
- Water (dehydration)
- Dietary fiber (bowel movement)



Nutrients of concern during aging (Cont.)

- Calcium (bone)
- Iron (anemia)
- Magnesium (body fluid)
- Potassium
- Sodium
- Vitamin Bs
 - Vitamin B12 (memory loss)
- Fat soluble vitamins
 - Vitamin D (bone)



SENSORY QUALITY



Management of taste and smell disorders

- Add extra flavor to food
 - Use herbs, flavor-enhancing ingredients to increase the flavor of foods without increasing sodium content
 - Avoid bland foods
- Compensate for the loss of taste by using contrasts in texture, temperature and flavor in preparing foods
 - Make foods look appealing
 - Separate foods on the plate
 - Vary the textures of foods





Flavor enhancement

- Effective in improving food preference and increase energy intake of elderly
- Flavoring (natural, synthesis)
- Flavor enhancers
 - Supplement, enhance, or modify the original taste or aroma of a food but do not have a characteristic taste or aroma of their own
 - Umami compounds



Swallow-safe textural properties

- Soft
- Moist
- Homogeneous
- Cohesive
- Slippery
- Non-sticky
- Non-adhesive
- Easily broken fibers

American Dietetic Association's National Dysphagia Diet

NDD Level	Characteristics
1 Dysphagia Pureed	Very cohesive, pudding-like, does not require chewing
2 Dysphagia Mechanically Altered	Semisolid, requires chewing ability
3 Dysphagia Advanced	Soft solid, requires more chewing

National Dysphagia Diet – Level 1



Pictured example taken from: (Dieticians Association of Australia, 2007)

National Dysphagia Diet – Level 2



Pictured example taken from: (Dieticians Association of Australia, 2007)

National Dysphagia Diet – Level 3



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New grouping of thickening level proposed by Japanese Society of Dysphagia Rehabilitation

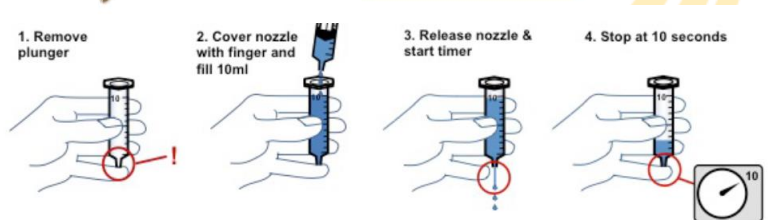
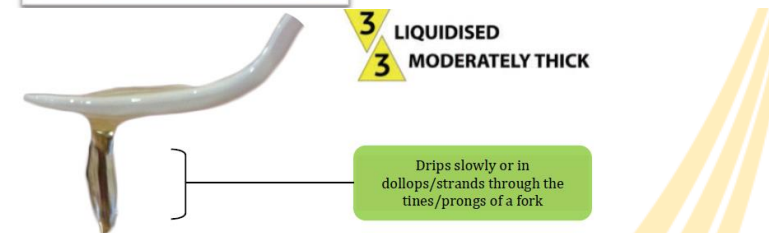
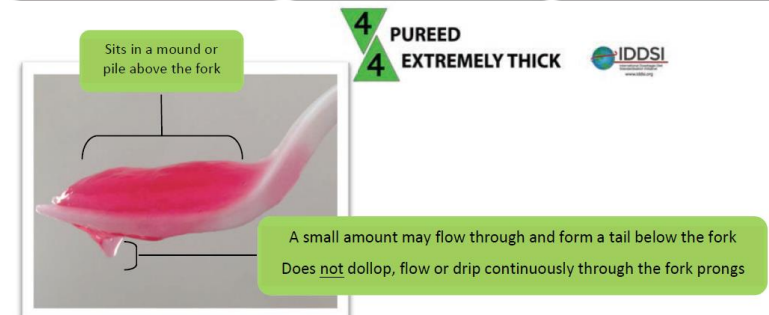
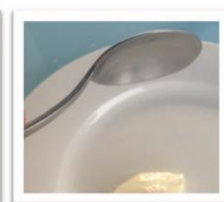
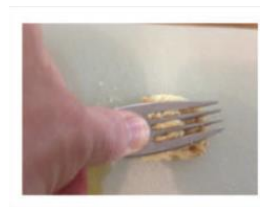
	Level 1 Mildly thick	Level 2 Moderately thick	Level 3 Extremely thick
Features (in swallowing)	• Appropriate to express by 'drink' • Spreadable in the mouth • <i>Torami</i> not being concerned about for some liquids depending on the kind, taste, and temperature • Large force unnecessary in swallowing • Easy to swallow through a straw	• Viscous to be detected • Appropriate to express by 'drink' • Smooth but not so spreadable in the mouth • Cohesive on the tongue • Perceiving a resistance to swallow through a straw	• Apparently viscous to be detected • Easy to form bolus • Appropriate to express by 'eat' using a spoon • Difficult to swallow through a straw
Features (in appearance)	• Easy to slide on spoon surface when tilted • Flowing quickly through in-between forks • Trace of flow on cup surface when tilted to pour off	• Slidable on spoon surface when tilted • Flowing slowly through in-between forks • Thin film formation on cup surface when tilted to put off	• Shape retention and resistant to slide on spoon surface when tilted • Cannot flow through in-between forks • Not flowing out of cup when tilted or flowing slowly as one cohesive bolus
Viscosity (mPas)*	50-150	150-300	300-500
LST value (mm)†	36-43	32-36	30-32

*Measuring at 50/s at 20C

†Pouring 20 ml sample into a cylinder of 30 mm in diameter, drawing it up, and measuring the length of the spread after 30 sec or determination of Line Spread Value.



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How to compensate for chewing and swallowing dysfunction?

- Physical properties of food
 - Taste and smell
 - Texture: hardness, viscosity, cohesiveness
 - Appearance
- Food preference
 - Culture, experience, memory
- Diet environment
 - Cleanliness
 - Posture
 - Socialization

Modulation of swallowing

- Sensory input (olfaction, taste, texture, etc.)
- Central coordination within brain
 - Pleasantness/Unpleasantness
 - Like/Dislike
- Food components
 - Basic taste: umami
 - Trigeminal sensation: red pepper (capsaicin, capsiate), mint (menthol), wasabi (arylisothianate)
- Odorants (black peppers aroma)





Texture modification

- Modification of rheological properties (viscosity, thickness, consistency)
 - Size reduction, mincing
 - Texturizing: hydrocolloids, enzymes
 - Processing
- Factors affecting rheological properties
 - Composition
 - Serving temperature
 - Storage time



Processing technologies for texture modification

- Enzymatic treatments
- High pressure processing
- Pulsed electric field
- Sonication
- 3-D printing
- Electrospinning

Texture modifier

- Thickening agents: xanthan, gellan, gelatin, glucomannan, alginate, carrageenan, carboxymethyl cellulose



Texture-modified food





PACKAGING AND LABELING

Universal design for packaging

- Clear detail of food and ingredient list
 - Layout
 - Font
 - Color contrasts
 - Claims
- Contain visual symbols
- Easy to open/use, table-ready
- Easy to carry/handle/squeeze
- Safe to use
- Resealable
- Disposable



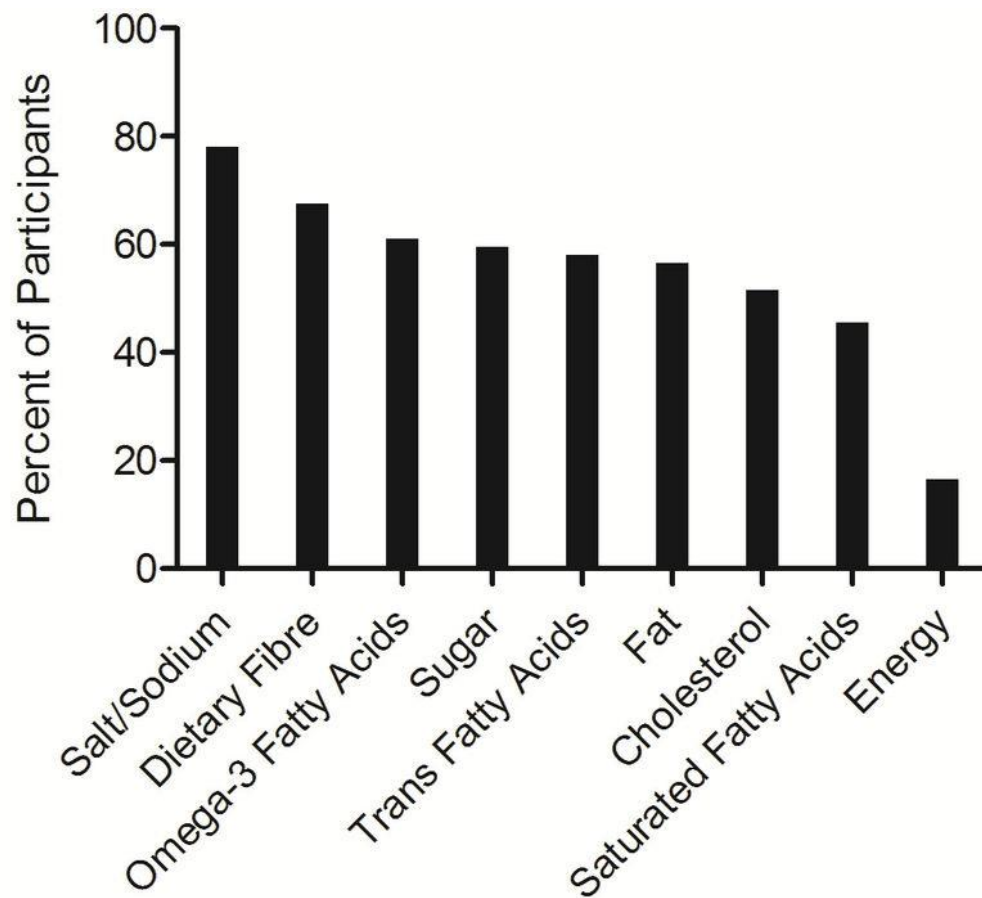
Labeling and claims

- ~~Food for the elderly~~
- ~~Rational claims~~
 - “Increase your muscle strength”
- Emotionally meaningful claims
 - “Increase your wellbeing”
- ~~Infamiliar, scientific name of functional ingredients~~
 - β -glucan
- Common, understandable name of functional ingredients
 - Dietary fiber





Nutrient content claim would increase elderly's functional food consumption



Vella MN, Stratton LM, Judy Sheeshka J, Duncan AM. Functional food awareness and perceptions in relation to information sources in older adults. *Nutrition Journal* 2014; 13:44. <https://doi.org/10.1186/1475-2891-13-44>.

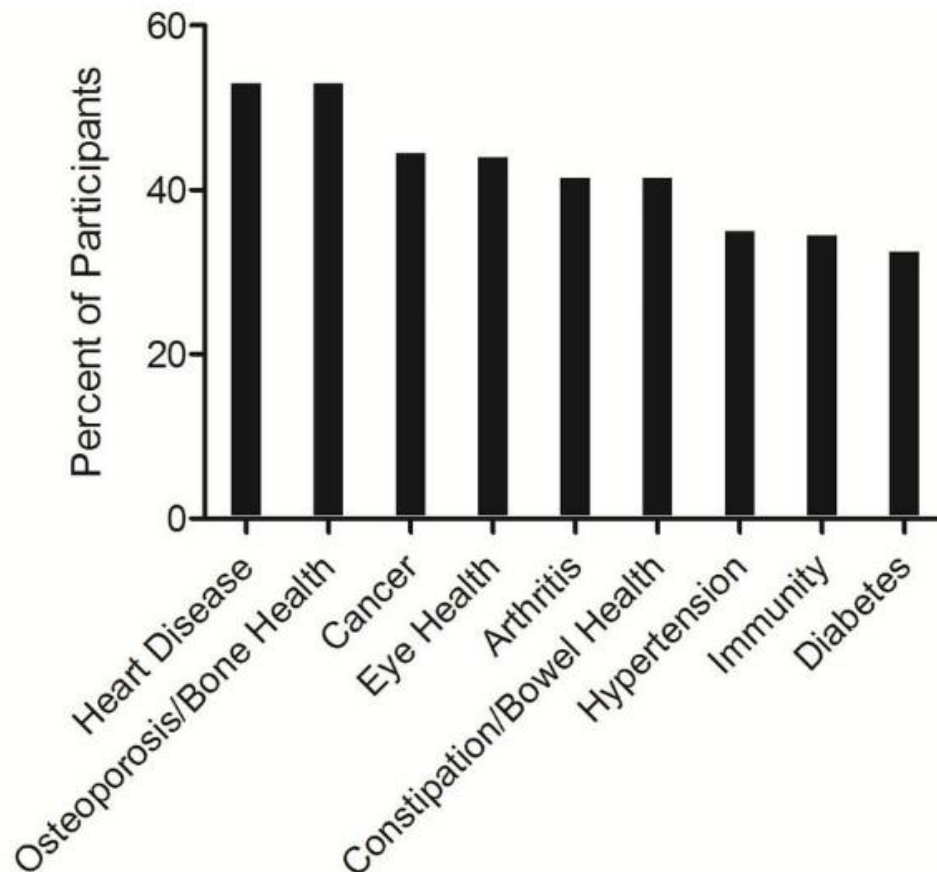


Nutrient function claim would increase elderly's functional food consumption

Function or biological role	Percent of participants (n = 200)
Helps lower cholesterol	60.5
Factor in the formation and maintenance of bones and teeth	56.5
Dietary antioxidant	55.5
Factor in the maintenance of good health	44.5
Helps build antibodies	44.5
Promotes regularity	42.5
Helps build and repair body tissues	40.0
Aids in maintaining the health of skin and membranes	34.0
Aids in red blood cell formation	34.0



Risk reduction claim that would increase elderly's functional food consumption





FOOD PRODUCTS FOR ELDERLY





Food product for elderly

- Ordinary food
 - Regular food that provide nutritional and physical quality meeting the need of elderly
- Universal design food
 - Food developed for elderly who need caretaker (stay-at-home or stay-on-bed)
- Food of special dietary uses: medical food, blenderized food for nasogastric tube feeding



Ordinary food

- Nutrient-enriched
- Low/reduced sodium
- High dietary fiber
- High calcium
- Containing bioactive compounds



Nutrient-enriched food

- Nutrient dense
- Look just like normal food products
- More acceptable as source of nutrients to elderly than traditional food supplements
- Not all combinations of base product and functional ingredients are well-accepted by consumers

High protein products for elderly

High Protein Pastry

- 18% protein (milk, pea, lupine)
- Less sugar and fat



Protein-enriched vegetable soups and fruit juices

- 7% protein



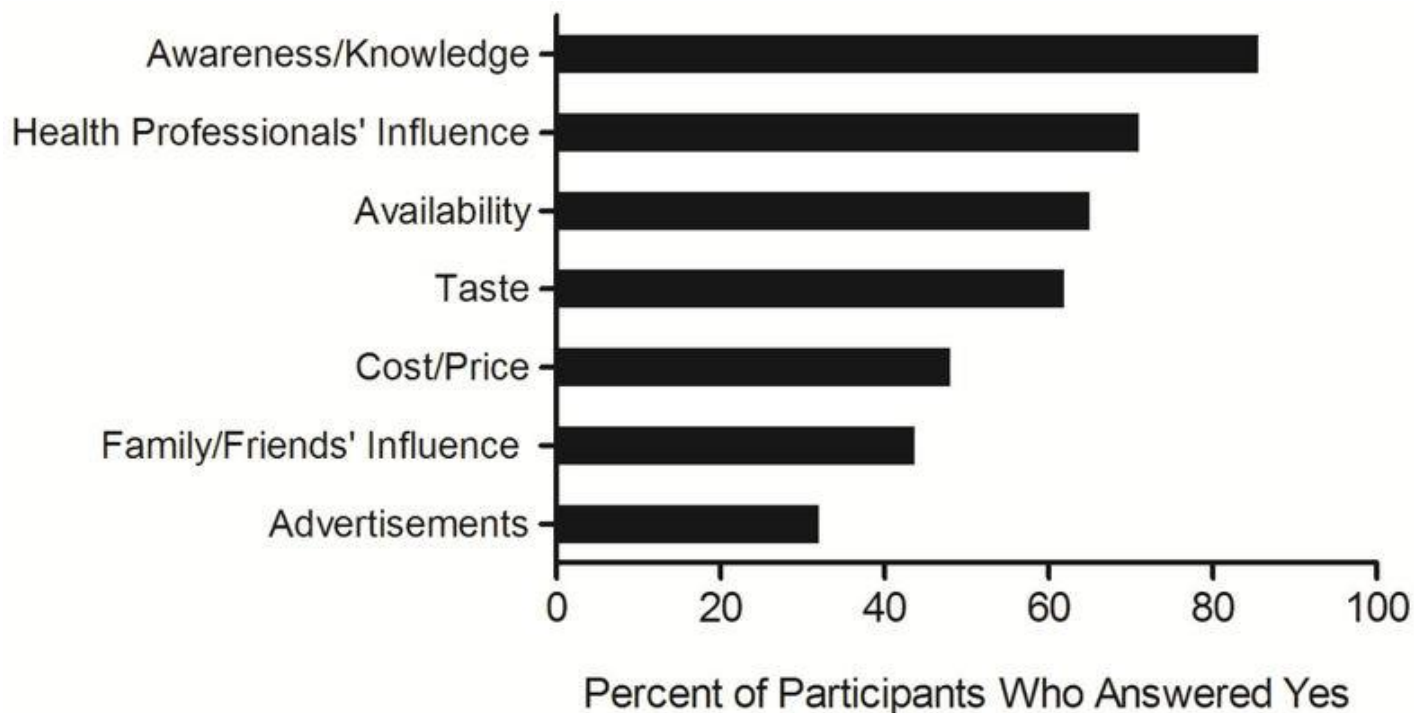


Trends of functional food for elderly

- Food for heart (energy, cholesterol, potassium)
- Food for digestive system (probiotic, dietary fiber)
- Food for bone (calcium, vitamin D)
- Food for brain and memory (omega-3 fatty acids)
- Food for joint (glucosamine)
- Food for skin (collagen, antioxidant)
- Food for eyesight (vitamin A, antioxidant)
- Food for prevention/care of chronic diseases



Factors reported to increase elderly's functional food consumption





Universal Design Food

- For daily meals or people who need nursing cares
- Good for a wide range of people due to its ease of consumption
- Concerning difficulties of chewing and swallowing
- Classified into 4 groups depending on the hardness and stickiness of the foods
- Special mark on the packages

Universal Design Food (Cont.)

CALSSIFICATIONS				
Classification	Standard Of Chew	Standard Of Swallow	Hardness (N/m ²)	Products
 ABLE TO CHEW EASILY	Contain hard and big ingredients, a little hard to swallow	Able to swallow commonly	5×10^6	Rice porridge, omelet, grilled fish
 ABLE TO SMASH WITH GUMS	Contain hard and big ingredients, not easy to swallow	Depends on ingredients, hard to swallowing	5×10^4	Rice porridge, boiled fish, soft omelet
 ABLE TO SMASH WITH TONGUE	Contain soft and small ingredients, easy to swallow	Have experience hard to swallow water or liquid ingredients	Sol: 1×10^4 Gel: 2×10^4	Rice congee, boiled fish, scrambled egg
 ABLE TO SWALLOW WITHOUT CHEW	Hard to swallow if contain solid food	Hard to swallow water or liquid ingredients	Sol: 3×10^3 Gel: 5×10^3	Rice gruel, steamed egg

Universal Design Food (Cont.)



Food for dysphagia

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ข้าวต้ม

ข้าวเกรียบญี่ปุ่น



ホリカフーズ



Protein-reinforced porridge

東洋クリエート



甘酒 jelly

Thickened fluids and puree desserts





Technological challenges

- Products with functional ingredients
- Products with reduced fat/salt/sugar
- Non-traditional processing technology
- Masking of off-flavor
- Texturization
- Consumer acceptability



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