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Tradition and Innovation "since 1435 we invent cosmetics"



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# Sustainability

Non-Timber Forest Products: Health Ingredients from Renewable Sources

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#### Non-Timber Forest Products: Health Ingredients from Renewable Sources

- Conventional sustainable routes
- Non-Conventional sustainable routes
- Innovative sustainable routes
- Why products for well-being can be so impactant
- Why we have to use soap
- Some examples from our experience

ECONOMIC VALUE AND GROWTH OF NTFPs

- From the economic viewpoint, NTFPs are equally important as wood based products
- NTFPs are especially important to women in developing countries from Latin America to Asia and Africa

# NTFPs



NTFPs include Edibles such as Mushroom, ferns etc. medicinal, cosmetics and dietary supplements, floral products and specialty wood products.

Non-timber forest products (NTFPs) are plants or plant parts that have perceived economic or consumption value sufficient to encourage their collection and removal from the forest

### Classification

Unlike timber-based products, NTFPs came from a large variety of plant parts and are formed into a diverse set of products. Like timber, NTFPs may further be processed into consumer oriented products.

1. EDIBLE

2. MEDICINAL DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS AND COSMETICS

- FLORAL
- SPECIALITY WOOD

#### Biodiversity in forest management

>> Non-timber forest products (NTFPs)

 The Millennium Ecosystem Assessment estimates that up to 96% of the value of forests is derived from non-timber forest products (NTFPs) and services (MEA 2005).

Forests are often the 'pharmacy' and 'supermarket' for the rural populations.

 Yet, the important role of NTFPs in the national and particular rural economy is often not reflected in national statistics, or in relevant strategies and plans.

 Good forest governance, including clear tenure rights and proper law enforcement, plays a crucial role for the sustainable use of NTFPs. The most successful approaches for governance are based on a 'tri-partite approach', with government, civil society, and the private sector jointly agreeing upon necessary reforms and improvements.

Tradition is a Value Especially during crytical periods tradition is seen as a value because it remind us what we are, from where we came and how we succeeded from previous harsh hystorical times

## DOWNSIZING

A minimalist approach to the wellbeing

 SMALL IS NICE: to micronize human production activity

#### Who among you uses <u>liquid</u> soap to wash hands?





# Saving water

Water used in the raw<br/>materials sourceWater added to<br/>the productWater used by consumers<br/>in water scarce countriesapprox 50%<0.1%</td>50%Image: SourceImage: SourceImage: Source

This is an estimate we need partners This comes from to measure the water used to grow the specifications the crops we use as raw materials of average products

This is measured from detailed consumer studies in each category and country

# 3 Principles





#### Consumer behaviour change



products and tools to help
people use less water when
washing and showering
UNILEVER goal is to reach 400
million by 2020

http://www.sustainable-living.unilever.com/our-approach/environmental-impacts/

# AMOUNT OF WATER USED PER COSMETIC PRODUCT



#### **Competitive Advantages - Ecology**

- Ecological product: more efficient and environmental friendly.
- 99,9% water saving.
- 99,7% soil area saving.
- Highly Certifiable products
- No GMO.
- Pesticides and herbicides free.
- Heavy metals free.VOC free.
- BSE and CMR free
- No aflatoxins.
- 100% vegetable
- Significant reduction Carbon Footprint



### Halve the waste of our products GOOD PRACTICE





### 0% Waste



#### SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT, **BIODIVERSITY and LIVELIHOODS**

#### Health products







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# Why to change?

- Making truly new, breakthrough advancements in cosmetic/health food is tough.
- Innovative products are often hard for people to understand!
- Is costly
- Is risky
- Regulatory issues



### Why H-NTFPs? New: Dermofeel® viscolid palm oil free

Same story, but exclusively made from rapeseed



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# Small changes have big effects on the long run



#### A broken compass





 Natural/Organic cosmetics and food products are a form of environmental innovation found very important that all industries would develop their processes to a more environmental way







# Risk Managment Vs Symtom Managment

Traditional and Natural Ingredients Vs **New Chemical Entities** In **NON-LIFE Threating Problems** 

### Evolutionary Adaptment Toward Natural Ingredients

Irgendwo lief irgendetwas falsch...

The evolutionary process of organisms that led to the human species took place over millions of years, in the presence of molecules produced by other organisms and to which we adapted



The new chemical entities are newly introduced

Call For Submissions:  $\mathcal{Q} (\mathsf{A} | )$ Tradition is a value, something that should not be "keept under a glass" to save bu something to be used and modeled as a source of inspiration and innovation in order to be preserved and transmitted to the next generation

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

- Conservation of a form of local knowledge
- Promotion of local medical systems in primary care
- Conservation of biodiversity

• Development of products using selected raw materials, obtained from local crops, organic and non-intensive, the earning of which are reinvested to support local projects of environmental and social development

# The Process



## Examples

- Baobab superfruit from Senegal
- Essential oils from Amazonians
- Satureja Montana from Albania



- Marine Cosmeceuticals "Takaroa Project"
- The Food Grade Approach to Cosmetics







#### UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI FERRARA FACOLTA' DI FARMACIA

#### Corso di Laurea in Scienze e tecnologie dei prodotti erboristici, dietetici e cosmetici

#### DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS: EVALUATION OF THE PROFILE OF ACTIVITY OF ORGANIC ESSENTIAL OILS OF THE AMAZON FOREST

Relatore: Dott.ssa Silvia Vertuani Correlatore: Dott.ssa Alessandra Guerrini Laureanda: Irene Giacomelli

Anno Accademico 2010 - 2011





#### Identification, Quantification, Formulation and Evaluation of Biological Activities of Essential Oils from Albania





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COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE (CAM) FOR PAIN, HERBAL ANTI-INFLAMMATORY DRUGS

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#### PUC, Curitiba, Brasil

•Understanding the value of cosmetic ingredients in the Brazilian tradition

•Analyze the trends that drive the market for cosmetics Amazonian

•Apply the ingredients studied in cosmetic formulations

•Contextualize







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AVALIAÇÃO DA ATIVIDADE ANTIOXIDANTE DO EXTRATO ALCOÓLICO OBTIDO A PARTIR DAS CASCAS DE PINHÃO DA Araucaria angustifolia EM FORMULAÇÕES COSMÉTICAS

> GABRIELA SPRADA TAVARES DA MOTA Orientadores: Prof<sup>a</sup> Angela Bonjorno Arantes Prof<sup>o</sup> Stefano Manfredini

> > CURITIBA Junho, 2012

### Material vegetal

- Amostras de pinhão da Araucaria angustifolia;
  - adquiridas em junho de 2009, em Curitiba/Paraná.



http://www.maternartedecuidar.blogspot.com.br/

http://www.naturezabrasileira.com.br

http://www.algumacoisaemcomum.blogspot.com.br



#### Adansonia Digitata L.



Traditionally employed in several African regions as foodstuff and for medicinal purpose

> Its fruit is a natural source of essential nutrients (fiber, and antioxidant substances like provitamin A and vitamin C)

Investigation of the Integral Antioxidant Capacity (IAC<sup>®</sup>) of products derived from Baobab

### A tribute to Mauro Ottaviani



The Beginning of the Project



Valorize by scientific efforts

- Involve women in the villages and support to micro female credit
- Enhancement of quality of a local product

Innovation in the livestock field

Involvement of national and international bodies

## PROJECT BAOBAB

The project was carried out in the regions of Thies, Saint-Louis and Louga, in the western part of the country.



The villages involved were chosen based on:

increased presence of baobab forests in the immediate vicinity;

shorter distance from the city of Thies, where it was established the Baobab Fruit Company Senegal (BFCS), the local counterpart involved in the project.

#### BAOBAB:

#### Economic and cultural importance

The Baobab is for local people a renewable source economically very valuable, but its importance is mainly linked to the use of all parts of the plant from the point of view of therapeutic and nutritional.





Symbol of Africa, provides nourishment to men, remedy and cure for various diseases (present in Senegalese Pharmacopoeia) and shelter for families, but is also a strong element of sacredness.

# A healthy goat



#### IL BAOBAB:

#### Nutritional, Medicinal and Cosmetic Properties



The fruit is rich in ascorbic acid (Vitamin C, an excellent antioxidant)





Pulp: rich in soluble and insoluble fiber (vs constipation and overweight) and antioxidants



Leaves: have high content of vitamin A and C



Seeds: palmitic, oleic and linoleic acids (great for cooking)

# Antioxidant capacity of *Adansonia digitata* fruit pulp and leaves

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In the recent years, in the attempt to counteract the detrimental effects of oxidative damages is always more convincing the strategy of implementing the diet with antioxidants nutrients, especially deriving from natural sources. Etnobotanical studies have confirmed the high content of antioxidant vitamins in Adansonia digitata fruit constituents and leaves. Baobab fruit pulp can be considered a much valuable source containing levels of vitamin C ranging 2,8-3 g/kg. In view of these considerations, by means of photochemiluminescence method (PCL), the Integral Antioxidant Capacity (IAC) of aqueous/methanol extracts from Adansonia digitata fruit pulp and leaves, was assessed in comparison to those deriving from other natural sources of antioxidants, with particular consideration to the contribution from the ascorbic acid component (i.e. orange, kiwi, apple and strawberry). The results were calculated in terms of g fresh weight (FW), uncooked portion size, using Trolox as standard compound. When compared together IAC values for the examined product resulted as follows: Adansonia digitata fruit pulp  $\geq$  90% OPC rich extract > Adansonia digitata dry leaves >> Adansonia digitata leaves glycolic extract >>> strawberry fresh fruit pulp > kiwi fresh fruit pulp > orange fresh fruit pulp > apple fresh fruit pulp and peel. Results clearly indicate the interesting antioxidant properties of the fruit, in particular the IAC value of baobab fruit pulp was 10 time more high than that of orange pulp, with value of 11.1 mmol/g (FW) and 0.3 mmol/g (FW) respectively.

### Where BFCS is now





From the closed Baobab Fruit to an open quality To the purest, safest, best products



#### THE WEBSITE IN UPDATING. PLEASE ASK TECHNICAL INFORMATIONS to orders@baobabfruitco.com

Baobab Fruit Company Senegal is worldwide leader in the transformation and commercialization of Baobab Fruit into a range of semi-processed materials for the use in food, nutraceutical and cosmetic market since 1999.

BFCS Senegal is responsible for the harvesting and processing, BFCS Italy is responsible for the warehousing, marketing and distribution of Baobab Fruit and its products to Europe, the U.S. and other 20 countries all over the world.

Our focus is on: quality, safety, traceability and real social responsibility.

BFCS grants the top quality of Baobab Pulp Powder and Baobab by-products and the total traceability as BFCS has full production process and control in West Africa, from harvesting to finished bulk products. To the best of our knowledge no other company currently does the same. Moreover, as leading Baobab Fruit processor, BFCS grants to provide stock all year round and a fair price policy.

In our new processing plant in Senegal, Social Responsibility Certified by IMO, we employ more than 200 local people. We work to HACCP, GMP and GHP standards and process over 1000 tons of baobab fruits, sourcing from about 3000 small scale rural producers in Senegal.

#### We are the Baobab



Africa is where we work and Europen is how we work. Safety is in good hands



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Follow our traces, from the Baobab Tree to the final product. Find our real organic soul



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#### Our main products:

#### FOOD

Powders - Organic, COR/NOP and Kosher certified - Baobab Fruit Pulp Powder

- Baobab Fruit Pulp Powder Dry Extract
- Baobab Fruit Pulp Soluble Fiber Extract
- Baobab Leaves Tisane Cut

#### NUTRACEUTICAL

Powders - Organic, COR/NOP and Kosher certified

- Baobab Fruit Pulp Powder
- Baobab Funicles Powder
- Baobab Seed Endocarp

#### COSMETICS

Powders - Organic, COR/NOP

- Baobab Fruit Pulp Powder
- Baobab Leaves Powder
- Baobab Funicles Powder
- Baobab Seed Epicarp Powder 40 and 500

#### COSMETICS

Liquid Extracts, Parabens Free

- Glycolic Baobab Leaves Extract
- Glyceric Baobab Leaves Extract
- Glycolic Baobab Pulp Extract

#### OILS

Organic, COR/NOP

- Baobab Oil Cold Pressed
- Baobab Oxy Oil

#### ANIMAL FEED

Powders - Organic, COR/NOP

- Baobab Fruit Pulp Powder NR
- Baobab Seed Cake





We respect the land, people and their lives. Because local is social





# PLANT STEM CELLS



Plant tissue

Sampling of sterilized tissues







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Callogenesis

It may be a leaf, a flower or a seed. Only a small amount of plant tissue is required to produce specific active substances This small amount, however, requires in-depth scientific and technological knowledge



Callogenesis increases



New cell line

Selection



Scaling Up

#### CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

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The process generates 3 different categories of products Phytocomplex, HTN Actives up till Pure Substances



IRB, Vicenza, Italy, High titre standardized dry extract



# Saving water





One customer using 6 units per year of 50 ml cream with a biotechnology active ingredient can save 1 ton of water



#### P.I. D&D, Venice, Italy





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# The D&D facility in Takaroa



#### 1st Activity pearl production

Production in a sea of lanterns oysters Ready for the inoculation of the core Approximately 1 year after the entry into sea (15-16 months)

### 2nd activity: Carbon Capture and Storage

1.Calculating value of the absorption of CO2 in the shells of oysters

2. Shells as disposal from manufacturing operations pearls

3.Landfill of shells and preparation of the report for generation of carbon credits4.Sells of carbon credits







# 3rd activity: production of extracts for cosmetic and pharmaceutical use











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#### And much more

4th activities: fish pathology support local producers of pearls

5th activity: gas or biofuel from microalgae

6th activity: agriculture bamboo

## INNOVATION THROUGH NATURE

Winner of the Irst prize on innovation at Making Cosmetics 2015



## Food Grade Project





99,5-100% food grade

•The ingredients are also used as food, less number of esclusively produced raw materials, more safe and bio-compatiple: a lesson from tradition (the XV century Michele Savonarola's recipies)

#### less health and environmental risks

• Licenced to Judith Williams GmbH Company in 2012

### Compostable





The product marketed in Italy, England, Germany, Spain, Grece in 2015.



# SPREADING the minimalist approach



# Switch Now to Bio-Natural and Sustainable Ingredients







### ACT GLOBAL, THINK LOCAL





### Creative Thinking is not a Linear Process







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