The background of the slide features a faint, repeating pattern of spherical microalgae cells, likely Chlorella, arranged in a grid-like fashion. The cells are light green and have a textured, bumpy surface.

Microalgae as a bioresource for high-value components, focusing on aquafeeds - Forskning ved Nord universitet

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Why microalgae?

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Marine microalgae commercial production improves sustainability of global fisheries and aquaculture

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Microalgae important for Norwegian aquaculture

- PwC Seafood Barometer 2017
- Sustainable growth towards 2050
- 5 million tons marine products in 2050, 5x more than today
- Algae -important ingredient in future salmon feed

The government has a vision of Norway becoming the world's leading seafood nation



Verdiskapning basert på produktive hav i 2050
In 2012, notable scientists, researchers and opinion leaders published a report called "value creation based on productive oceans in 2050". They have estimated that it is possible to have a six-fold increase in sales value of Norwegian marine production, by 2050. This requires, among other things, a production of salmon and trout of 5 million tonnes – almost a five-fold from today's level.¹



Verdens fremste sjematnasjon
In 2013, the Norwegian Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs released parliament report no. 22 (Meld. St. 22), where the government's vision for Norway, as a seafood nation, is detailed. **The government wants Norway to be the world's leading seafood nation, and adopts the view and vision that seafood production can be increased six-fold by 2050.**²



Havbruksmeldingen
In 2014, the Norwegian Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs published parliament report no. 16 (Meld. St. 16), presenting their view on how vision 2050 can be reached. Global demand for salmon increases, but production growth has stagnated due to sustainability challenges. Historically, regulations and policies for growth, and changing governments, have shown nothing but predictability. The allocation of new licenses has been termed a "beauty contest" by the press. **The government, therefore, suggested a predictable system for sustainable growth based on environmental indicators.** This framework has been named "The Traffic Light System", where Norway is divided into 13 production areas and gives each area a green, yellow or red light. The new system came into effect in October 2017.³

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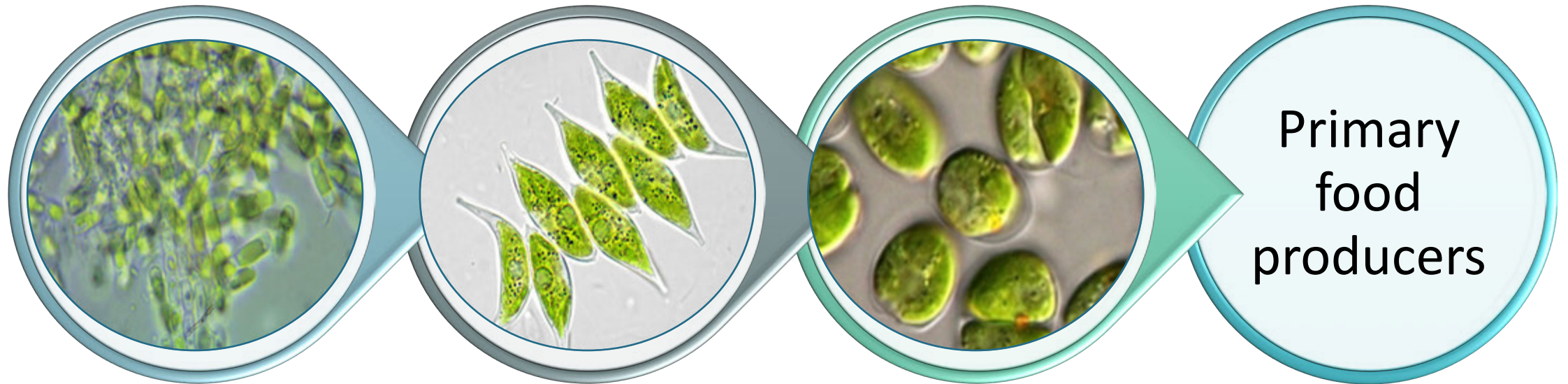
of leaders in the industry believe algae will be the most important ingredient in salmon feed in the future.

PwC's Point of View:

After solving the short term issues regarding lice and lice treatment, the next big challenge to overcome is where and how to find sustainable feed ingredients with the right nutritional content for salmon.

We believe that the salmon feed in 2050 will still have a high share of plant based ingredients, but with a significant share of algae and a small share of by-products. The share of traditional fish oil and meal will continue to fall.

Microalgae as a bioresource

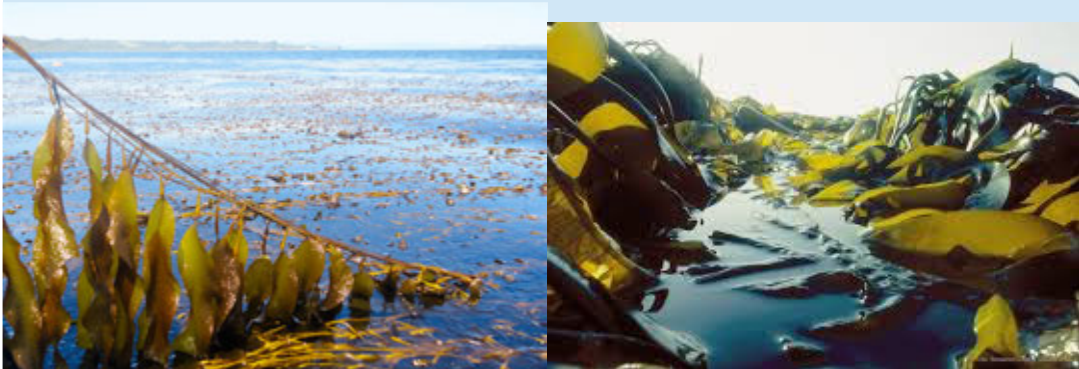


Part of the aquatic food web. Organisms at lower trophic levels as food and feed sources.

Algae: photosynthetic organisms

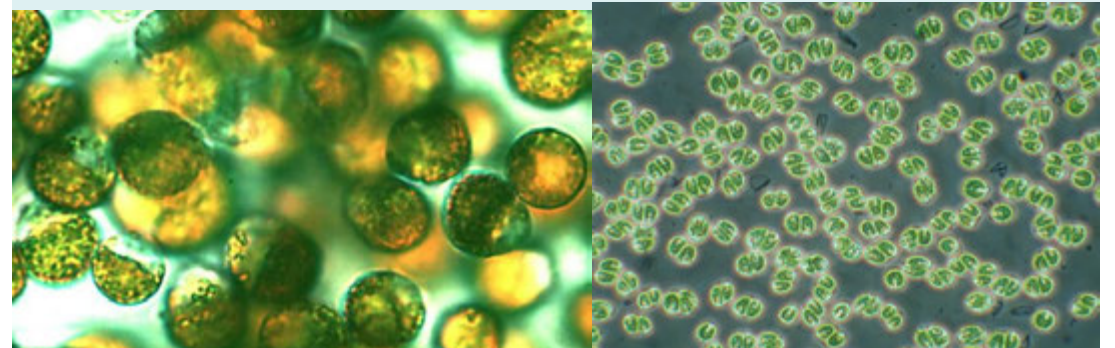
- Macroalgae

- Multicellular
- Composition
 - 10-25% protein
 - 30-50% carbohydrates
 - 0.5-5% lipids



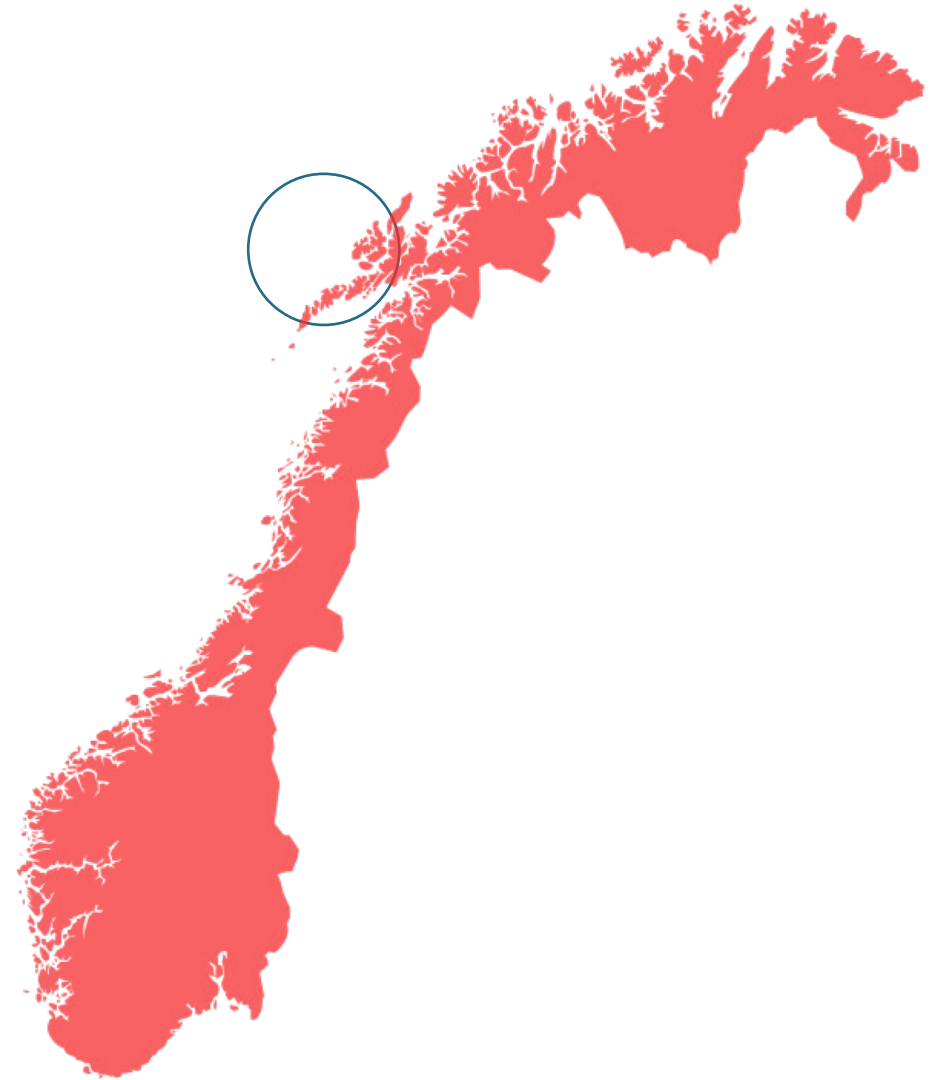
- Microalgae

- Unicellular
- Composition
 - 30-70% protein
 - 10-30% carbohydrates
 - 10-50% lipids
 - Rich in ω -3 fatty acids



Mikroalger som för ingredienser for laks

- 1.24 million tonn laks
- 1.42 million tonn med fôr
 - 12 % fiskemel: 170,000 tons
 - 9% fiske olje: 130,000 tons
- **Erstattet med mikroalger**
 - Til å erstatte fiskemel: 170,000 tons of algae
 - Til å erstatte fiske olje: 430,000 tons of algae
- Totalt behov for mikroalger: 600,000 tons
- Produksjon: 500 tonn mikroalger/daa/år
- Overflatebehov: 120 000 daa: 10% av Lofoten



Microalgae for the global the aquafeed industry



Omega-3 algae factory on track for mid-2019 delivery

Atlantic



The Nebraska factory has capacity to supply 15 percent of the global farmed salmon industry with EPA and DHA.

The construction of a \$200 million facility in Nebraska to make omega-3 oil from marine algae is



600 000 tons
microalgae

■ Fishmeal ■ Fish oil ■ Plant ingredients ■ Others ■ Fishmeal ■ Fish oil ■ Plant ingredients ■ Others

Microalgae research at Nord

From cold habitats into low-temperature bioreactors



Feeds with microalgae
Salmon fed microalgae

Wageningen University, The Netherlands

Cornell University; Duke University US

Colorado School of Mines, US

Thai Union Feed Mills, Thailand

CIIMAR, University of Porto, Portugal

Sparos Lda, Portugal

Tokyo Univ. of Marine Science & Technology, Japan

Norwegian Institute for Bioeconomy Research, Norway

GIFAS, NORCE, NOFIMA, Norway

2009-2011: Defatted microalgae from biorefinery as aquafeeds



2012-2015: Large-Scale Production of Fuels & Feed from Marine Microalgae - CORNELL UNIVERSITY, US



2017-2020: Marine Algae Industrialisation Consortium - DUKE UNIVERSITY, US

2014-2018: Biotechnology for the future marine industry



2016-2020: Marinalga4 aqua

CIIMAR, Portugal



2017-2021: Algae to Future -NIBIO



2017-2020: Metabolism of novel strains of Arctic algae (Dr Chris Hulatt)



Microalgae in aquafeeds – Laboratory scale and farm trials – Nord University and collaborators



Pacific white shrimp



Atlantic salmon



Common carp



Wolffish



Red sea bream



European seabass

Microalgae species employed in aquafeeds

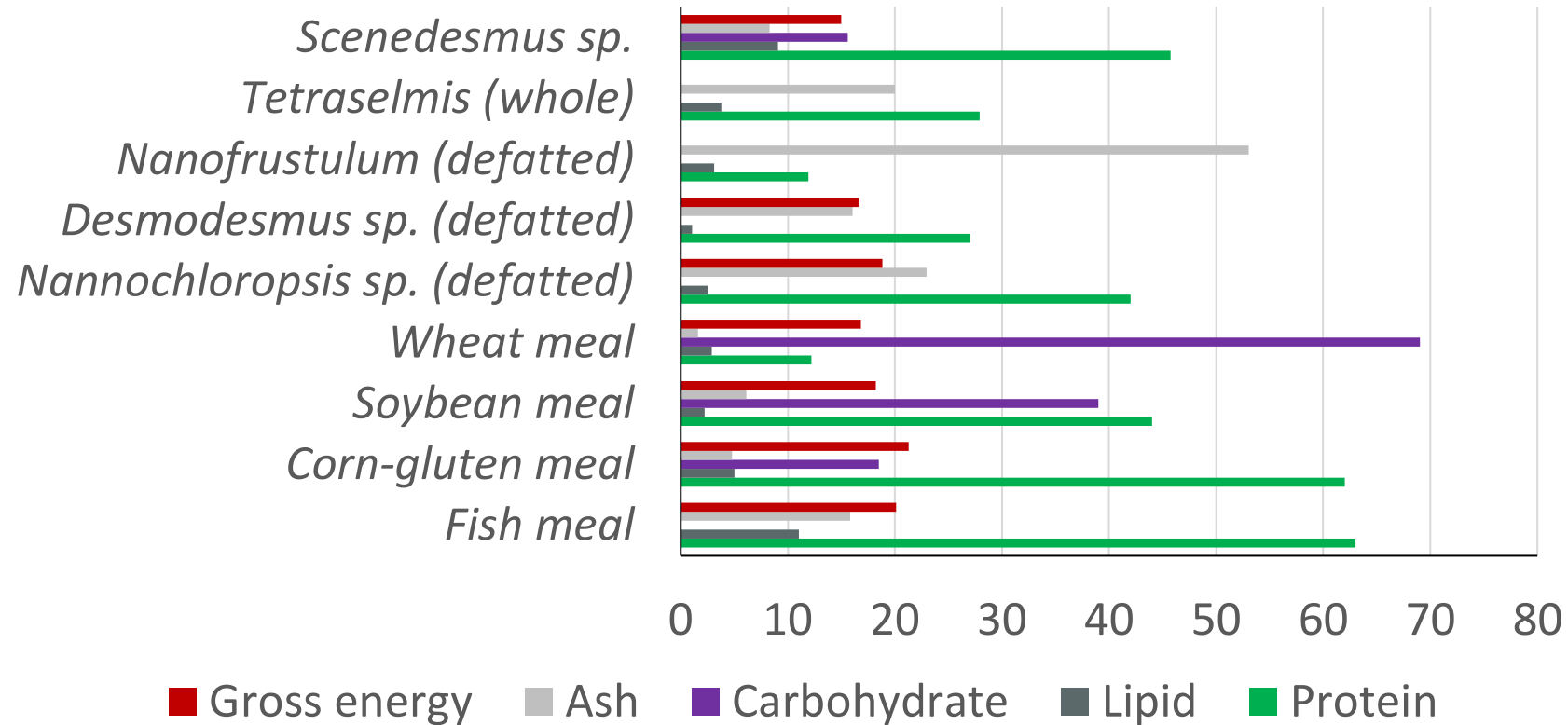
Full fat - No prior processing

- *Nannochloropsis oceanica*
- *Phaeodactylum tricornutum*
- *Scenedesmus* sp.

Defatted – Protein-rich fraction

- *Nannochloropsis* sp.
- *Nanofrustulum* sp.
- *Desmodesmus* sp.
- *Tetraselmis* sp.

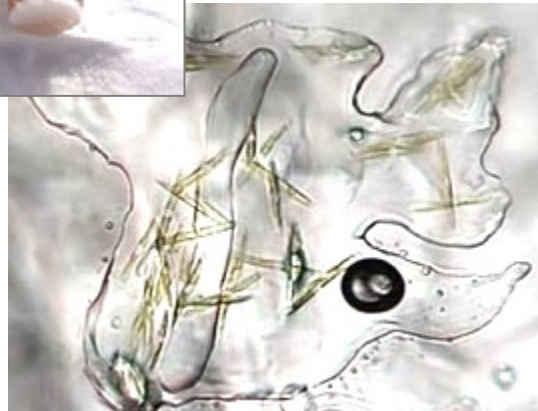
Nutrients in microalgae and other aquafeed ingredients



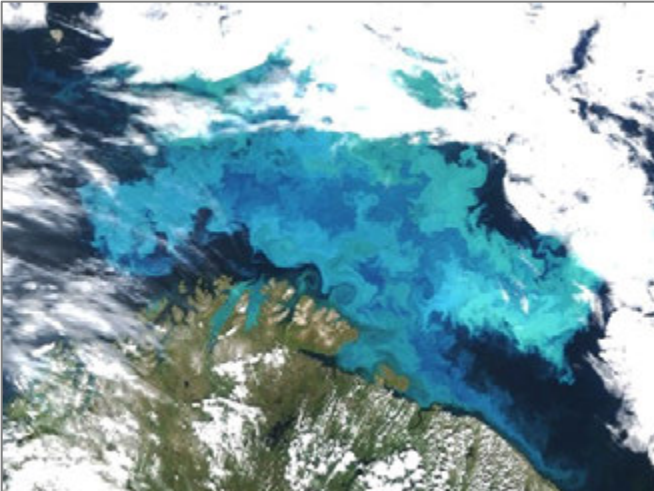
Ideal microalgae: high protein content, EPA, DHA, carotenoids and functional polysaccharides - all with good bioaccessibility and bioactivity

Cold adapted microalgae – Growth, product synthesis at low temperatures?

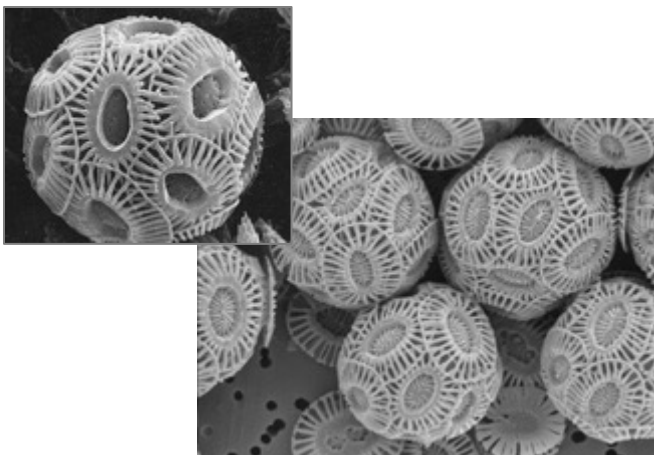
Inside sea ice



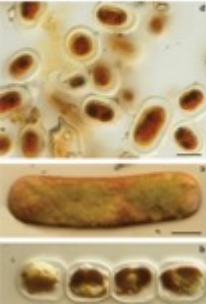
Polar seas



<https://eoimages.gsfc.nasa.gov/>



Snow and bare ice (glaciers)



<http://cdn.antarcticglaciers.org> <http://www-es.s.chiba-u.ac.jp/~takeuchi>

Microalgae metabolism through genomics



Credit: Decoding algal genomes: tracing back the history of photosynthetic life on Earth. Tirichine & Bowler, 2011. The Plant Journal, 66.

- Protist diversity – many varieties and flavors!
- Explore coldwater and nutrition-related strains
- A few strains in detail
- Develop as molecular factories for novel products and/or cold-climate cultivation
- Can we develop novel bioprocesses for colder climates or better products?

Cultivation

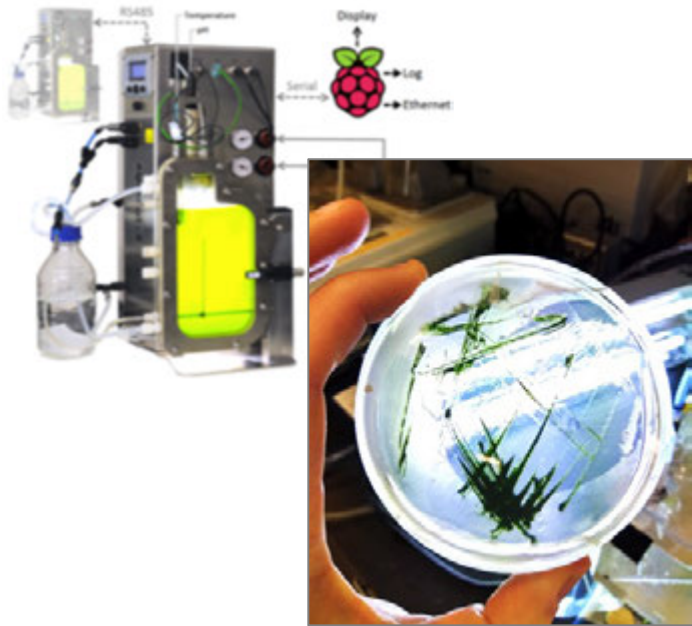


Genome sequencing

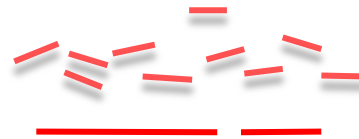
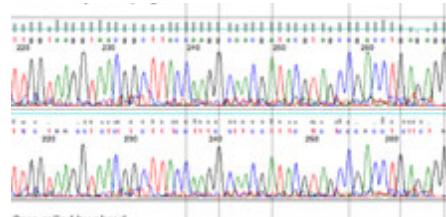


Metabolic modeling

Coldwater
microalgae

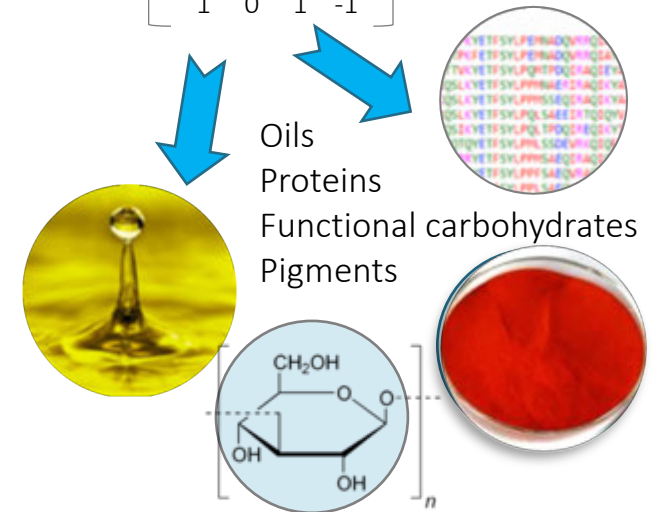


RNA-seq
proteomics



Cell factories
Computational modelling
Product optimization

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Mission AlgaeNORD

- Microalgae for fish feeds
- Bioprocess bioengineering
- Arctic microalgae
- Recirculation systems
- Valorization of agro-food waste





the kona demonstration facility



► PÅ NETT! Tang er fremtidens mat. Få tips til gode matretter.

❗ MATAVFALL blir til biogjødsel, biogass og mat. s.8

❗ NY INNOVASJON bidrar til økt mattrygghet og kan redusere matsvinn s.10

Fremtidens matproduksjon

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Mikroalger – den nye biobaserte næringen i Norge?

Mikroalger er viktig for alt liv på jorden. Trolig finnes det mer enn 50 000 arter, fordelt på økosystemer i vann og på land.



Algedyrking i ulike foto-bioreaktorer fra AlgaeFWC, Wageningen Universitet, Nederland

Enestrukturerte mikroalger, potensielt kan gi en billig produksjon på cirka 10 til fem liter alge og cirka 10-40 kg biomasse per kvadratmeter.

Fremtidens fôr ressurser

Produksjon av fôrtilsetning basert på alger skaper en strøm av næringsstoffer med forskjellige næringsstoffer og komponenter som kan lagres som ingredienser i fôrtilsetning. Når forskning har vist at mer enn 10 prosent mikroalger kan blandes inn i fôr til kreaturliv og andre arter som europetisk harebjørn, mikroalger vil være positivt.

Økende kunnskap om helsefordeler med å spise mikroalger har ført til større interesse for å utvikle matvarer med mikroalger.

For at mikroalger skal bli et reelt alternativ som fôrtilsetning vil lignende utvikling av kostnadseffektive produksjonsmetoder bli avgjørende.

Norge er verdens største produsent av økologisk laks, og fortsatt viktig landfor tilgang på gode fôrtilsetninger. Mikroalger representerer et godt alternativ til å erstatte fiskeolje i fôr. Det har vært et mål for Norge vedkommende akvakulturanalyse og til produksjon av de største størrelser i laksefôr erstatning med mikroalger. Produksjon av laks og mikroalger vil begge være positive



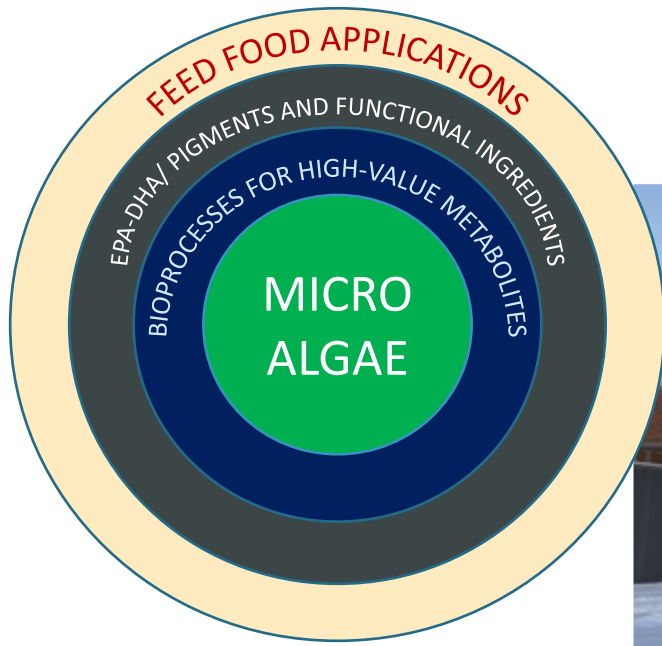
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