

### Lipid oxidation in egg products: impact of process, storage and lipid composition

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### Context

- egg products: functional ingredients (liquid or powder) for food industry
  - bakery, sauces, pastas, ready to eat food, ...
  - technofunctionality, sensory and nutritional properties
- strong interest in increasing nutritional properties of eggs by enriching hen diet by ω3 fatty acids
   → ω3 enriched shell eggs
- with the aim to make ω3 enriched egg products, thermomechanical treatments of conservation (pasteurization & spray-drying) can alter these properties → risks of oxidation



Hen's diet (standard vs ω3 supplemented)



Egg's production

# Goal of the study

Effect of  $\omega$ 3 supplementation on lipid oxidation combined with egg processing conditions (pasteurisation, spray-drying and storage)





### Yolk: a multi-scale structure





- a new point of view: yolk is a nanoemulsion of LDL structured by granules (network)
- natural nano- and micro- assemblies

### Plasma/granules separation



# Lipids in egg yolk







- 66% yolk DM
- Ø 17-60 nm
- 90% lipids -
- 10% proteins
- d = 0.98 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

- 70% TG  $\rightarrow$  neutral
- 26% phospholipides
- 3.5% cholestérol
- 0.5% others ...

### Lipid oxidation chain ... and products



Liquid egg products

# Liquid egg products



• Measures 1- Lipid composition

2- Lipid oxidation and antioxidant levels

**3- Physical properties** 



• ∞3 enriched eggs: **7** PUFA (18:3 n-3 in NL, LC> 20C in PL (22:6))

# Lipid oxidation

Secondary products: malondialdehydes (MDA)



diet or pasteurization: slight effect on MDA

 $\rightarrow$  no oxidation

### Tocopherols



- diet: no global difference, same levels of tocopherol
- pasteurization: no effect



# Conclusion (1)

#### $\omega$ 3 diet effect

- $\omega$ 3 enriched eggs contain higher proportion and amount of 18:3 n-3 (LNA) in NL and 22-6 n-3 (DHA) in PL
- $\omega$ 3 enriched diet brings important quantities of carotenoids

#### Pasteurization effect

- carotenoids are consumed during pasteurization
- $\rightarrow$  protective effect against oxidation
- no enhancement of MDA: no oxidation due to this effect

#### Whatever the sample

- very low level of HPX and MDA
- → no detectable oxidation, no effect on sensorial properties on liquid products

Spray-dried egg products

# Egg products: powders



- Storage time  $\rightarrow$  1, 2, 4, 8 months
  - Measures 1- Oxidation and antioxidants 2- Functional properties

# Standard diet products



• **7** MDA / liquid

MDA with T° spray-drying important ¬ MDA with storage T° and storage time
 of oxidation due to spray-drying

- differences between pilot and industrial processes
- more detrimental
- levels "reasonable" !
  - no sensorial degradation

# Standard diet products



### Comparison standards and $\omega$ 3



important 7 oxidation due to enrichment in  $\omega$ 3

• others effects (drying T°, storage T° and time already observed)

### Comparison standards and $\omega$ 3





- more important
  reserves of lutein for ω3
  samples
- $\rightarrow$  being consumed also
- tocopherol and lutein remains in sufficient levels to act against oxidation

# Comparison of whole and standard egg powders



• effect of albumen proteins ? (metals, degradation, ...)

# Conclusion (2)

#### Spray-drying effect

↗ MDA as compared to liquid products

 $\rightarrow$  enhancement of oxidation

highly accentuated by spray-drying T°, and storage time and T° antioxidants are consumed to protect against oxidation

#### $\omega$ 3 diet effect

**↗** MDA with w3

 $\rightarrow$  presence of  $\omega$ 3 PUFA enhances oxidation but  $\omega$ 3 enriched diets are supplemented in carotenoids

#### Practical point of view

low levels of oxidation in this study sensorial and nutritional characteristics conserved after 8 months of storage

# **Functional properties**

### **Thermal properties** Fusion profils of lipids

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#### Liquid products





- Melting T° of lipids is diminished for  $\omega$ 3 enriched eggs
- No difference between processing parameters

# **Physical properties**



• Spray-drying disrupts yolk structures (easier lipid extractability) ...

# **Physical properties**



... and affects protein aggregation (lower solubility under higher spray-drying T°)

# **Emulsifying properties**



• Spray-drying allows smaller oil droplets (but slight difference)

• No effect of diet or process parameters

# **General conclusions**

- pasteurization/spray-drying processes combined with enriched  $\omega$ 3 diets affect physical properties of egg yolk products but the impact on emulsifying properties is poor
- pasteurization and spray-drying, as they are generally conducted, affect oxidation of lipids and this alteration is enhanced by the enrichment in  $\omega$ 3 PUFA
- the levels of oxidation and the modifications of functional properties remain reasonable and allows to propose egg products enriched in ω3 fatty acids without changing standard processes