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Trans Fatty Acids

How are they created,
what are they needed for and
why are they unhealthy

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Summary

Part 1:

- What is Fat/ Types of Fat
- History of Trans Fats
- World wide fat-market
- Use and Benefits of Trans Fats

Part 2

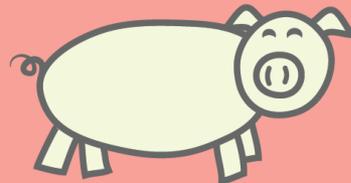
- Trans Fats and Health Risks
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- What is Currently Being Done?



What is Fat?

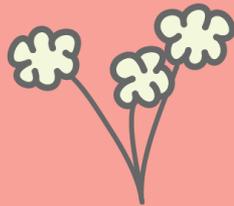


Natural sources of fat



Animals

Lard
Shortening
Butter



Plants

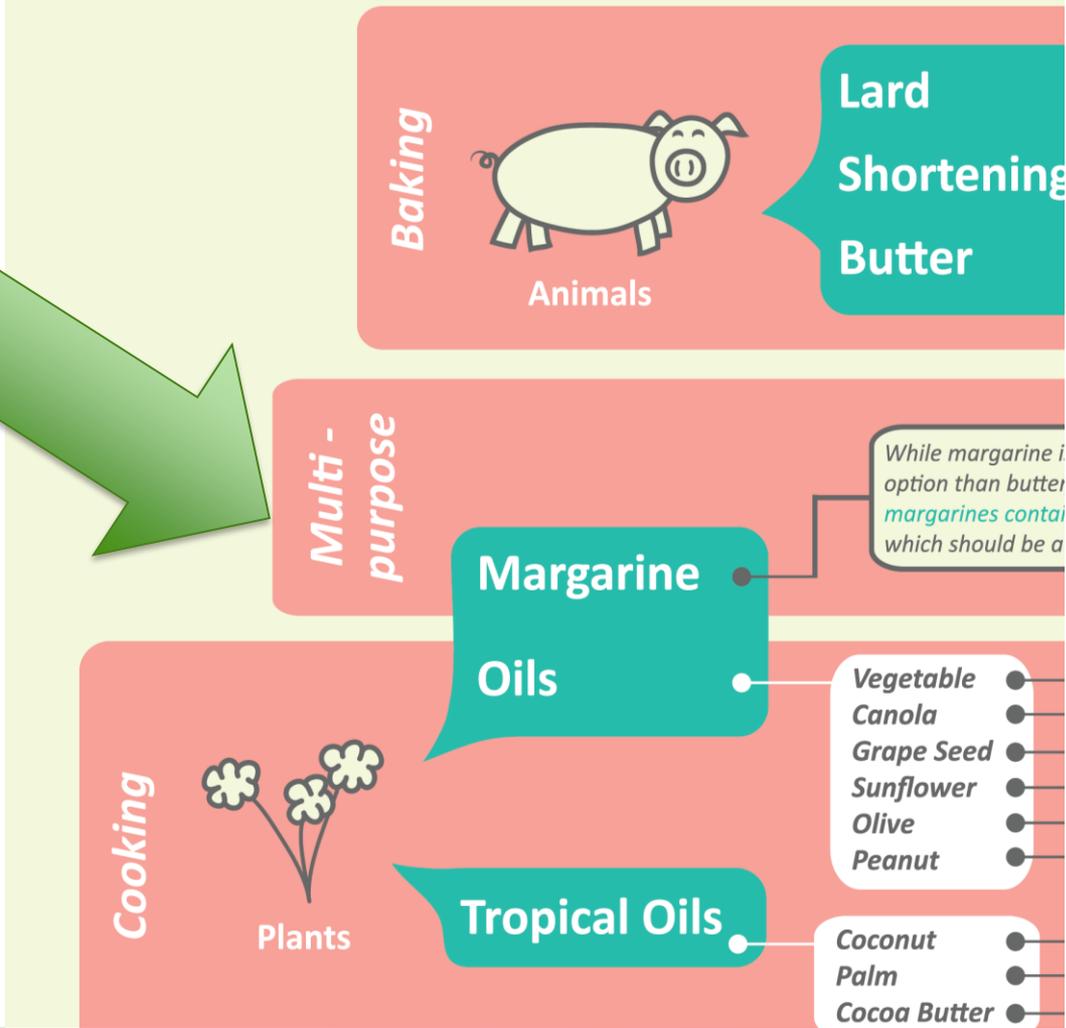
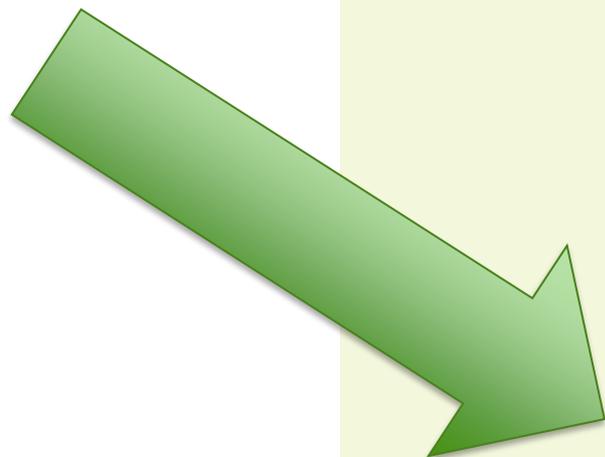
Oils

Vegetable
Canola
Grape Seed
Sunflower
Olive
Peanut

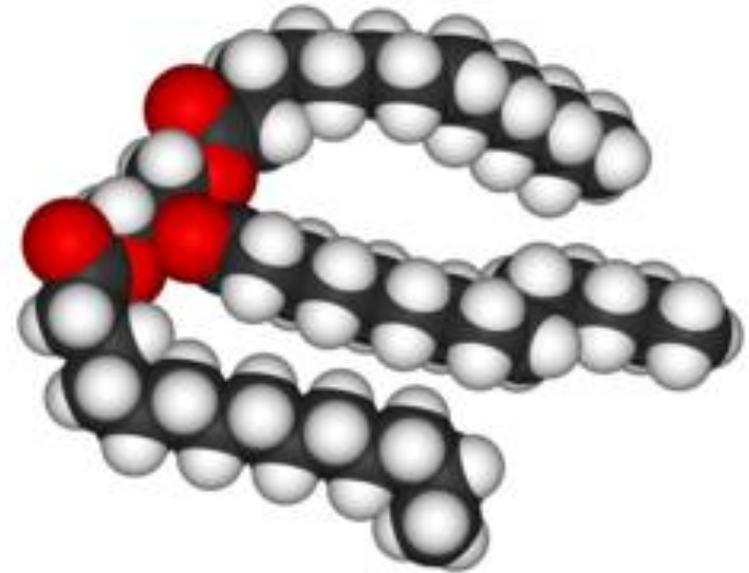
Tropical Oils

Coconut
Palm
Cocoa Butter





Chemistry of fats: Typical fat molecule is “E-shaped”



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trans_fats

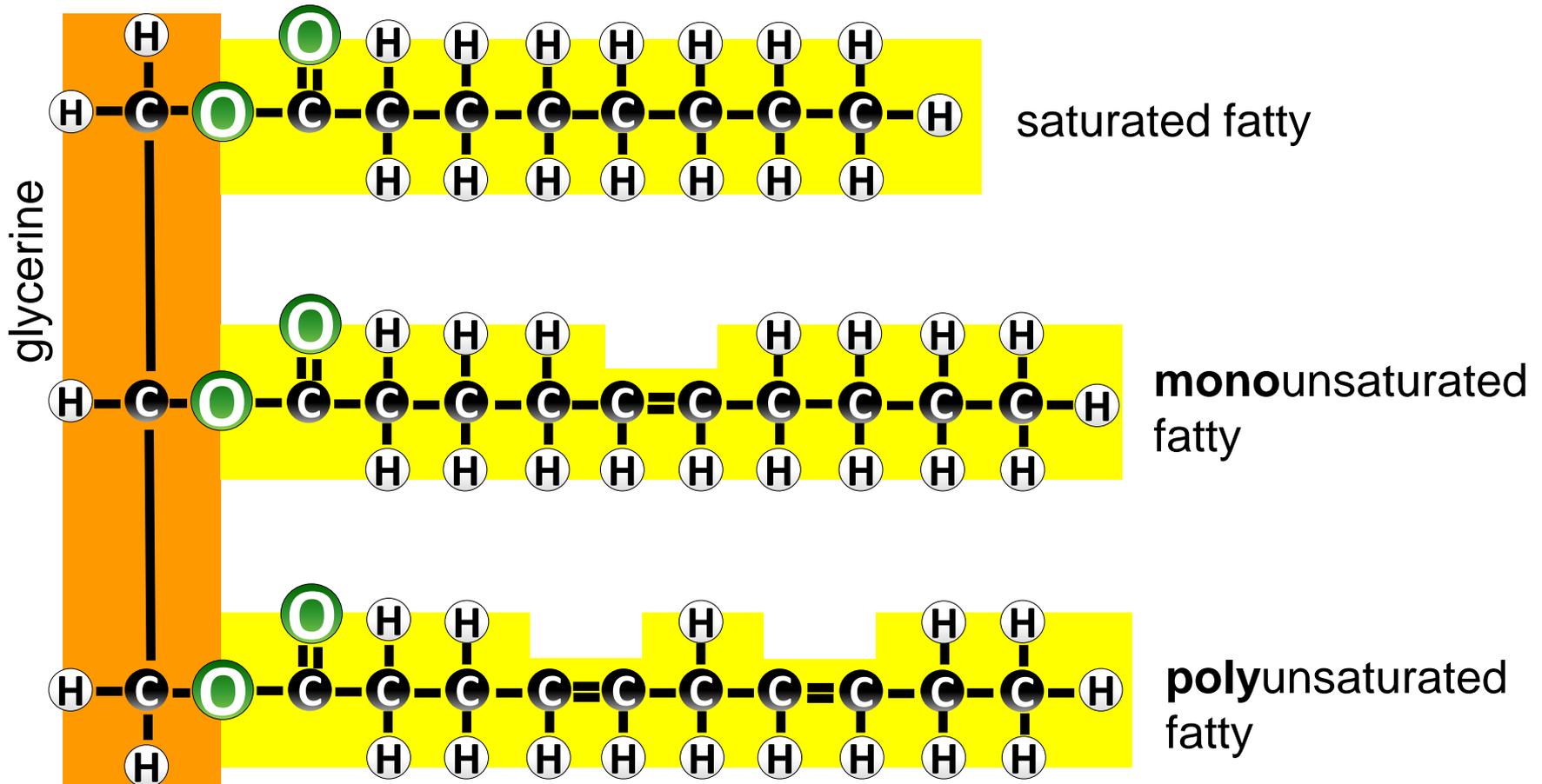
Glycerol derived backbone + three fatty acid groups

(Stays constant!)

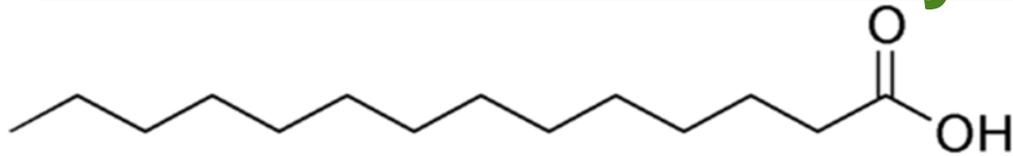
(can change depending on type of fat)



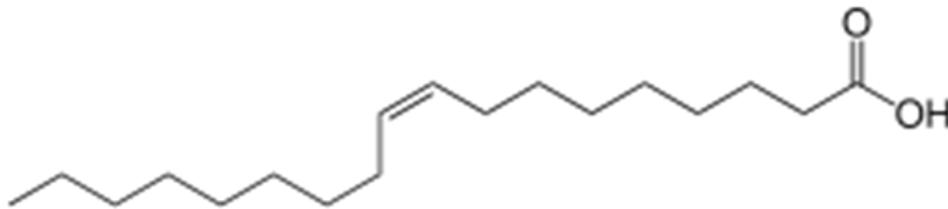
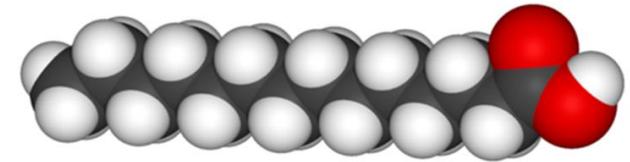
Types of fat - look at the fatty acids !



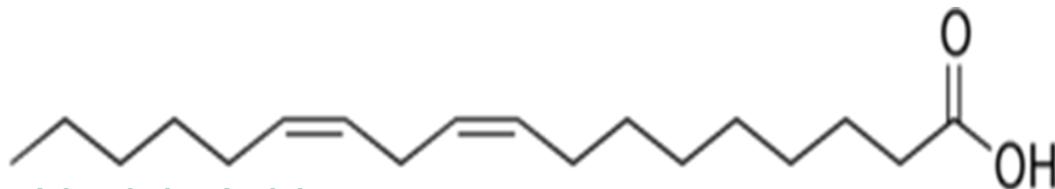
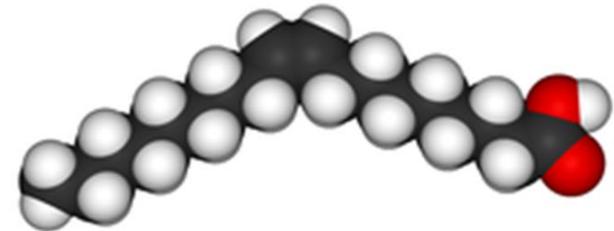
Closer look to the fatty acid chains



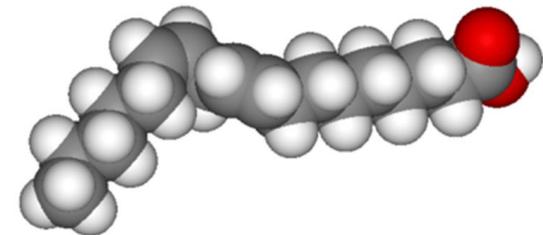
Myristic Acid (cow milk)



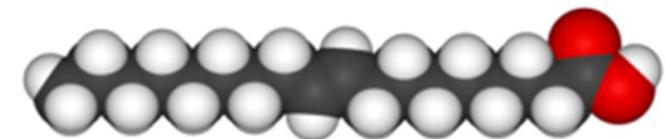
Oleic Acid (olive oil)



Linoleic Acid



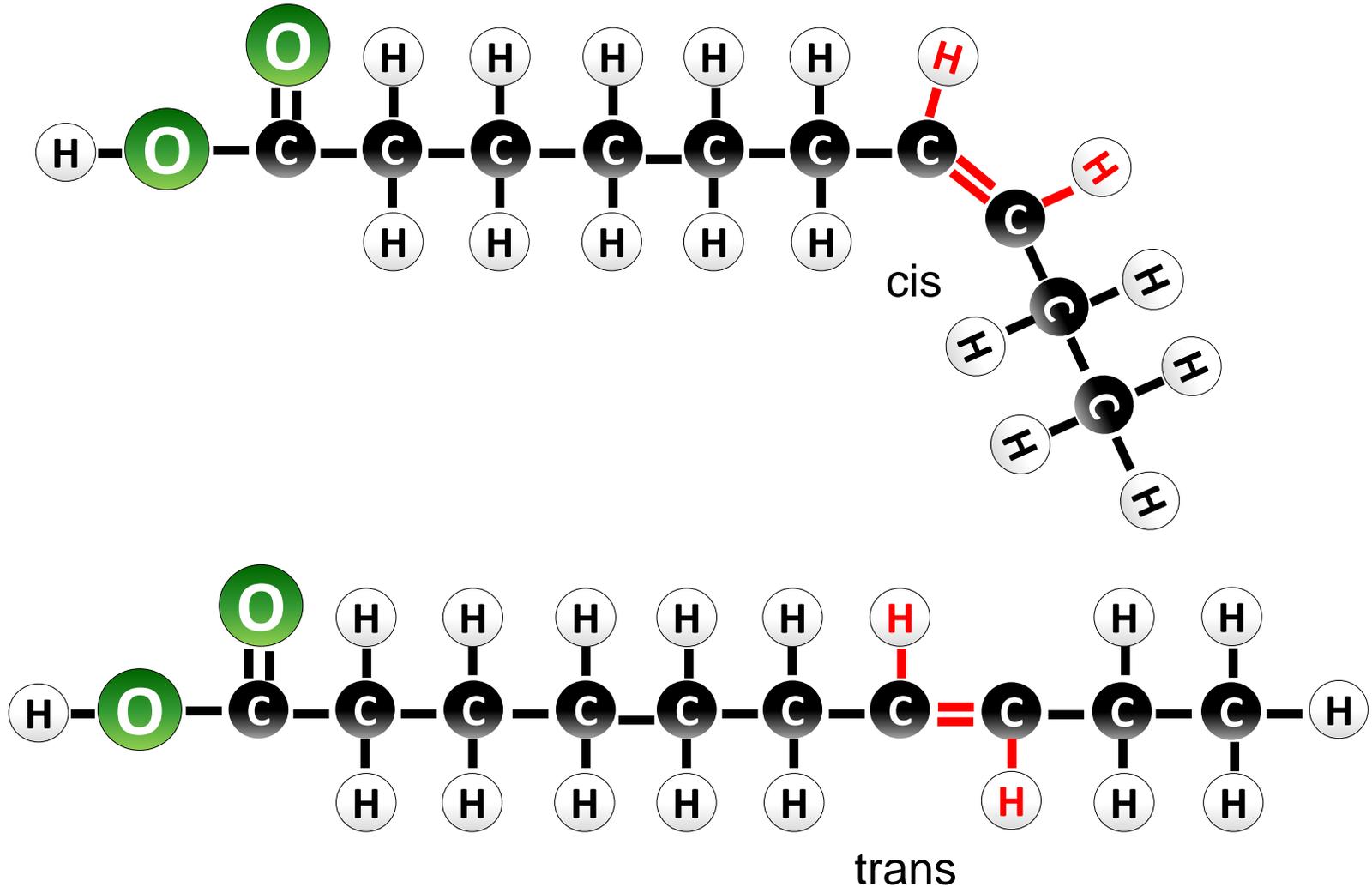
Elaidic acid, hydrogenated vegetable oils



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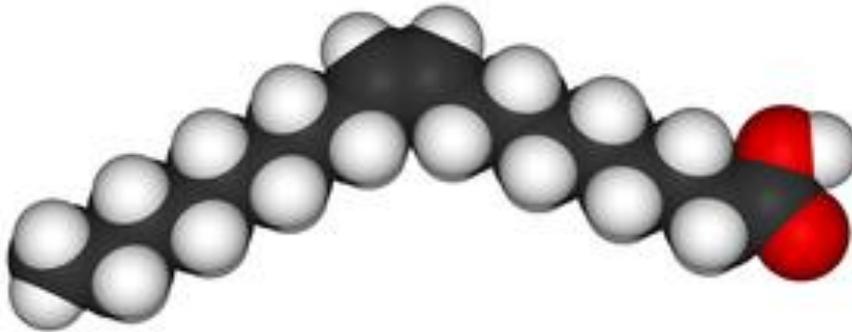


cis- and trans isomer



Trans Fat

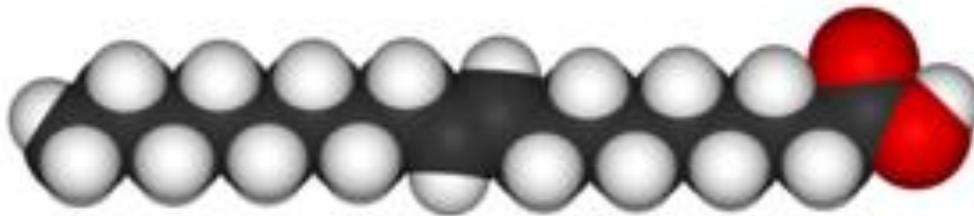
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Cis

Melting Point: 13.5°C

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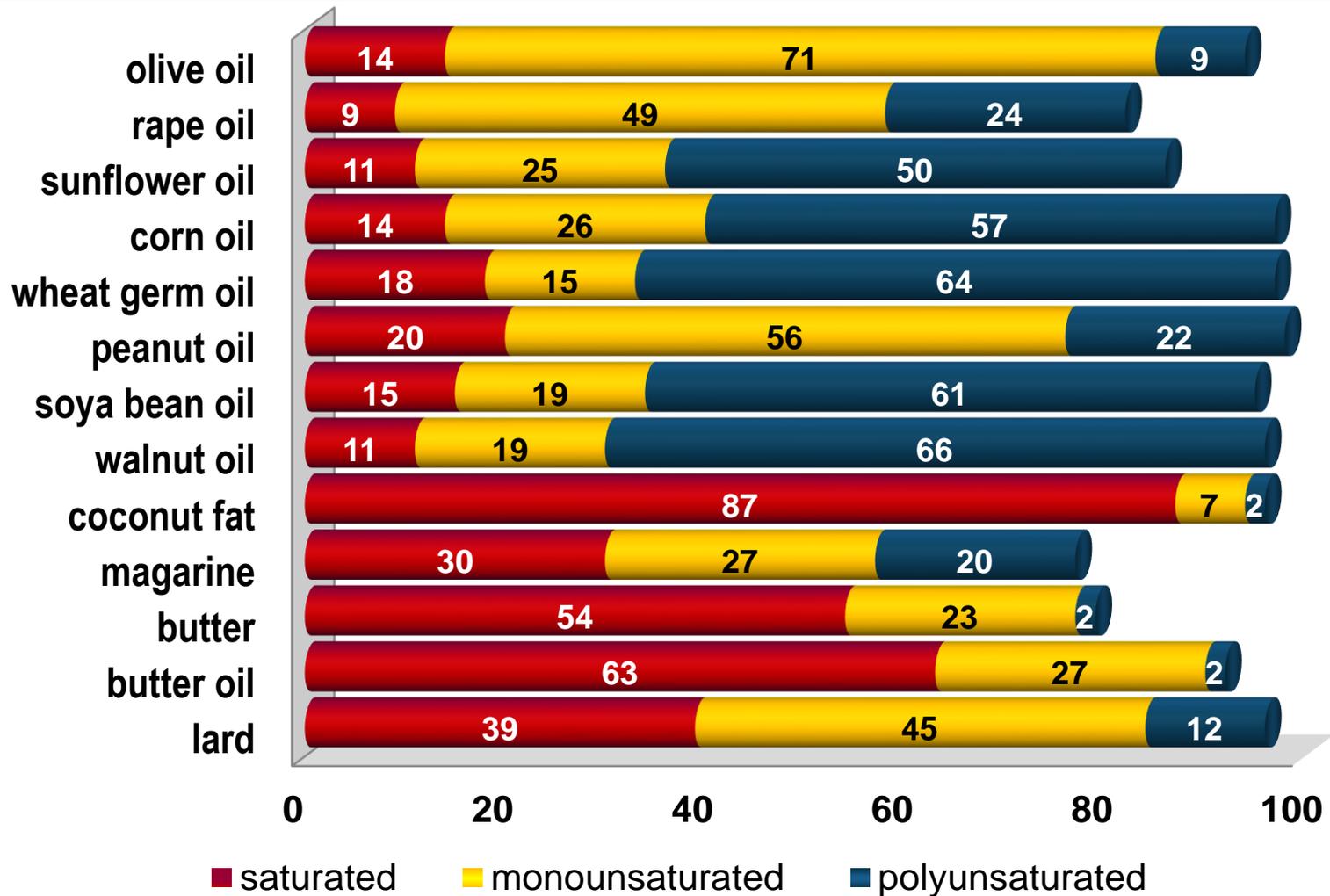
Trans

Melting Point: 46.5°C

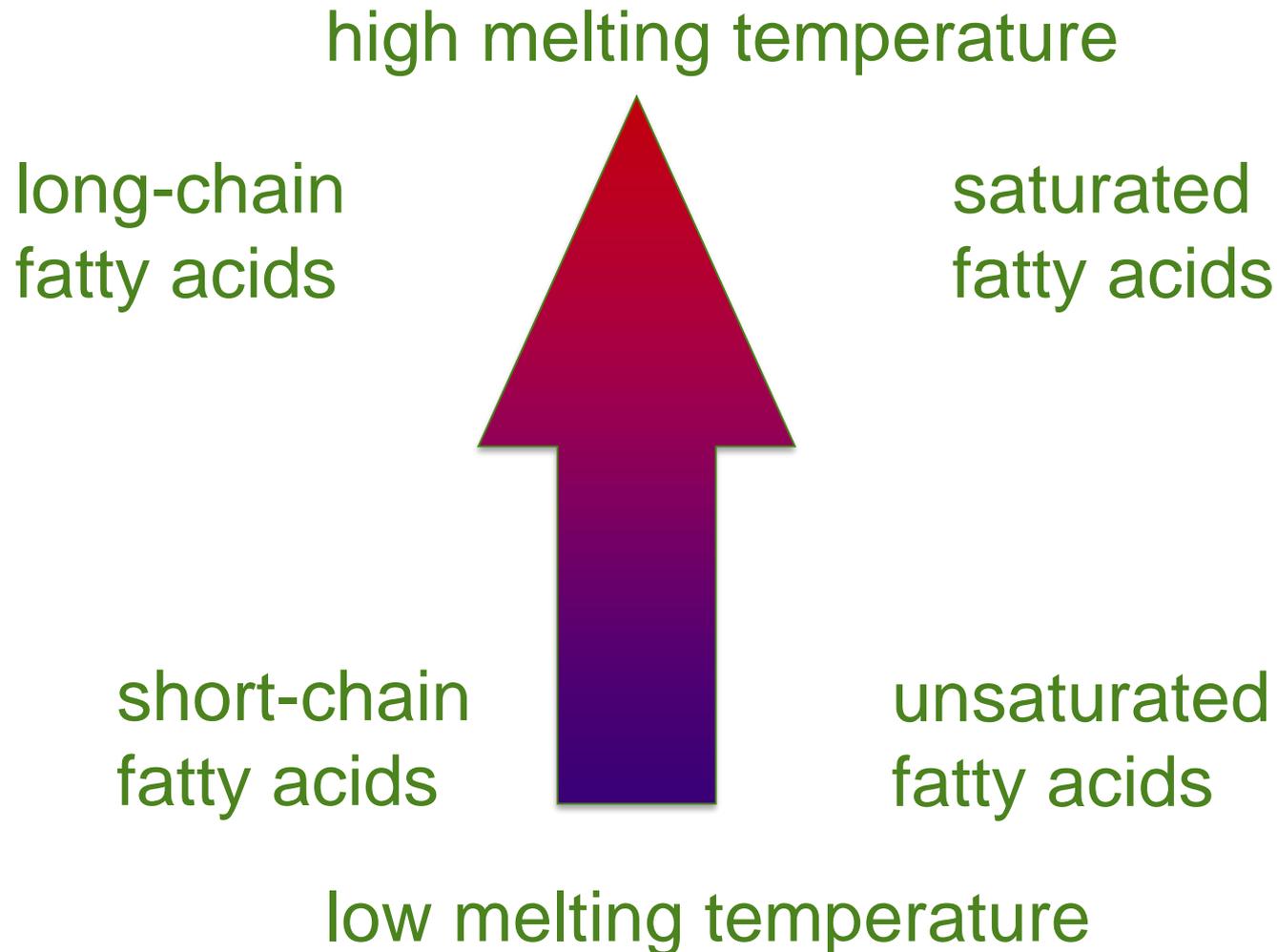
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Fatty acid composition of some cooking fat in %

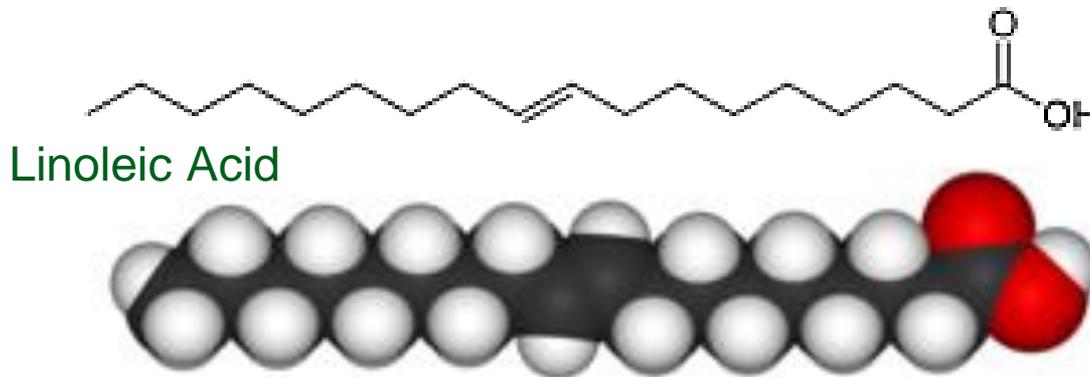


Melting point of fats



Trans Fat

- Type of unsaturated fat
 - Mono or poly
- Same chemical formula as many other unsaturated fats, but are in the *trans* position
 - Less fluid
 - Higher melting point



Elaidic Acid
(hydrogenated
vegetable oils)

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Trans Fat

- Occurs naturally in meat and dairy products from ruminants (cow, sheep, goats etc.)
- But very little amounts: up **only 2-5%** of total fat
 - Conjugated linoleic acid
 - Vaccenic acid
- Trans fat in hydrogenated vegetable can be up to **45% of total fat**
 - Shortenings up to 30%
 - Margarine up to 15%
 - Some margarine is reformulated to reduce this number



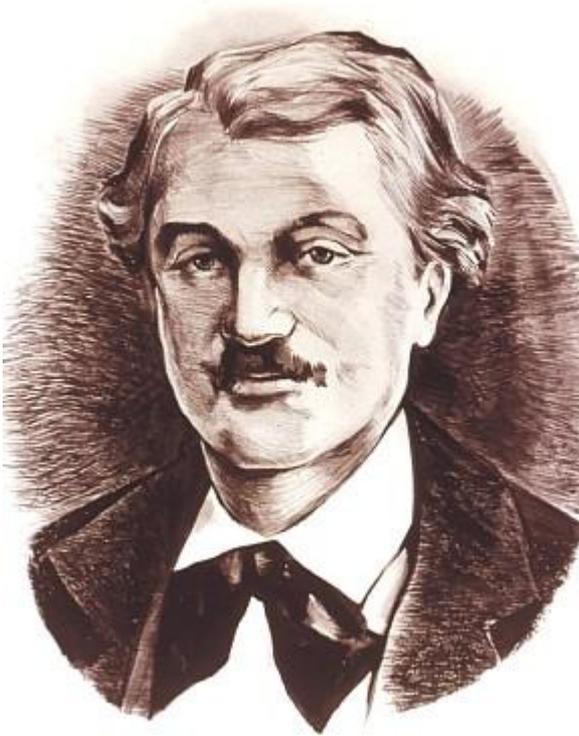
Short summery / video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=brs2nMubr84>



Hipplyte Mège-Mouriès (1817-1880)

- French chemist, focusing on fat processing



1869 he won a prize offered by Napoleon III for a butter substitute (France was experiencing a butter shortage)

1871 he sold his invention to a company in Holland „Jurgens,“ –UNILEVER

- His manufacturing method was very simple



Short video about the invention of Mège-Mouriès

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P3BrqMEJ9JE>



Wilhelm Normann (1870 -1939)



On 27 February 1901 Normann invented what he called **fat hardening**, which was the process of producing saturated fats.

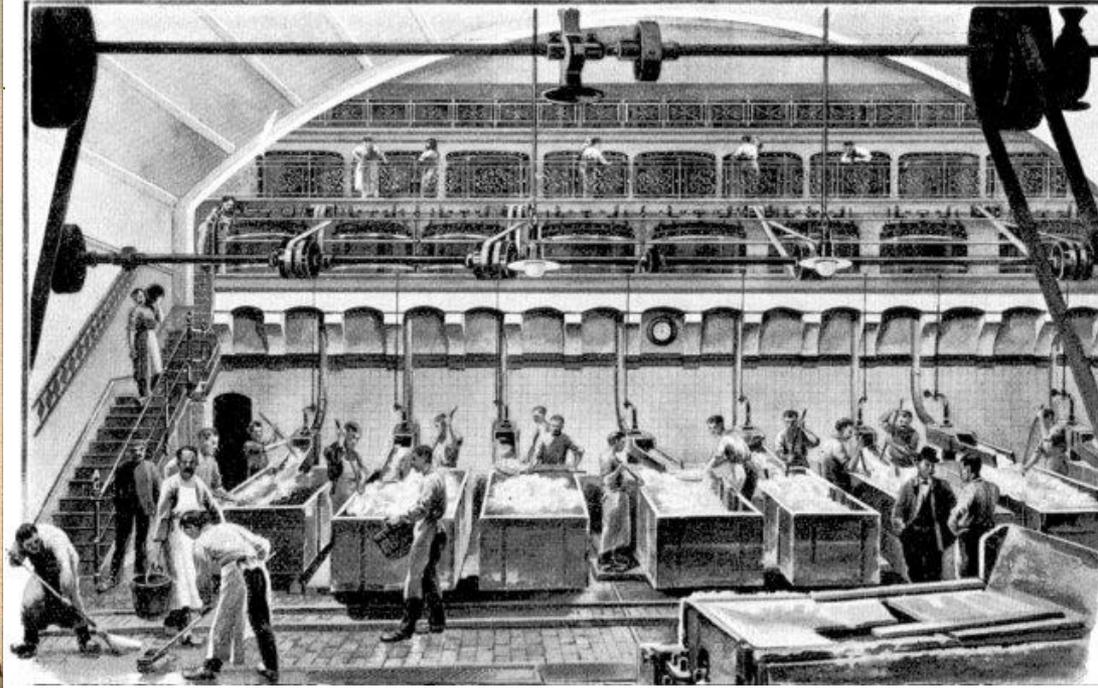
On 14 August 1902 the German Imperial patent office granted patent 141,029 to the Leprince & Siveke Company,

and on 21 January **1903** Normann was granted the **British patent**, [GB 190301515](#)

"Process for Converting Unsaturated Fatty Acids or their Glycerides into Saturated Compounds".



Historical facts, end of the 20th century



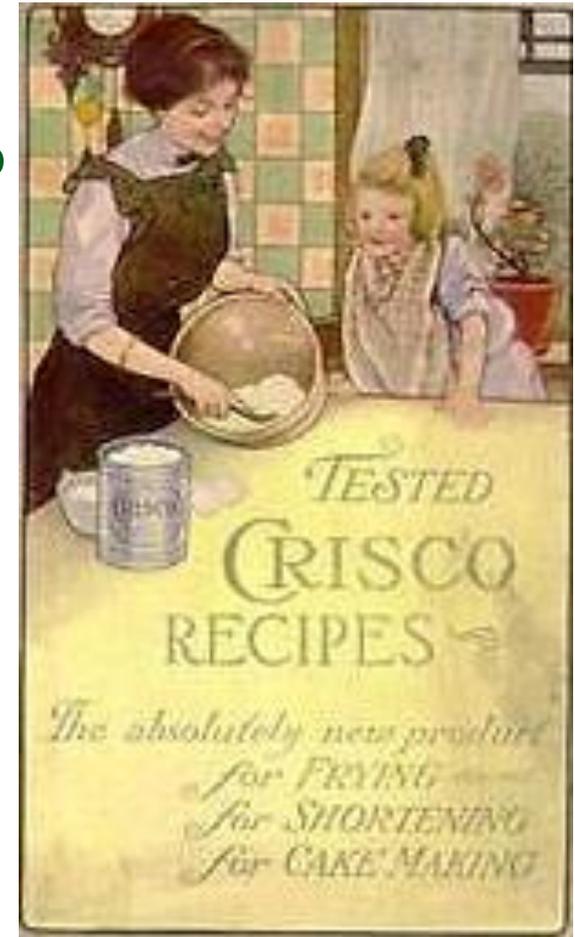
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History of Trans Fats - USA

- 1903
 - Wilhelm Normann developed methods to hydrogenate liquid oils
 - Patented the process
- 1909
 - Proctor and Gamble bought the rights to Normann's patent
- 1911
 - P & G developed Crisco
 - First hydrogenated shortening
 - Hydrogenated cottonseed oil



Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trans_fats



Benefits of hydrogenating plant oils

- Decrease rancidity
- Increase shelf life
- Decrease need for refrigeration
- Form a semi-solid because of increased melting temperature
- Malleable fat melts when cooked or consumed
- Semi-solid fats are preferred **for baking** because they cause a more desirable texture in the baked products



Benefits of Trans Fats

- Can replace butter and lard
- Foods containing trans fats are considered kosher
- Can be consumed by vegans, vegetarians, and people who follow religions banning certain animal products
- **Price**



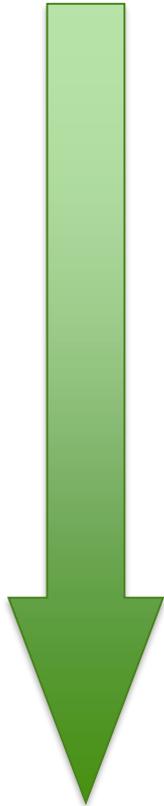
„End“ of hydrogenated fats?

- Popularity of hydrogenated fats increased until 1960s
 - Lower costs
 - Belief that unsaturated trans fats in margarine were healthier than saturated fats in butter
- In 1984 CSPI* campaigned against saturated fats in the fast food industry (replacement saturated fats -- trans fats)
- In 1987, CSPI defended trans fats in their newsletter
- In 1992, CSPI started speaking out *against* trans fats
- In 1994, it was estimated that trans fats caused over 30,000 deaths a year

* CSPI Center for Science in the Public Interest



The margerine production started



animal fats

**vegetable fats, principally
cottonseed, soybean, sunflower,
coconut, peanut, and corn oils**

more recently: palm oil.



The world-wide fat market

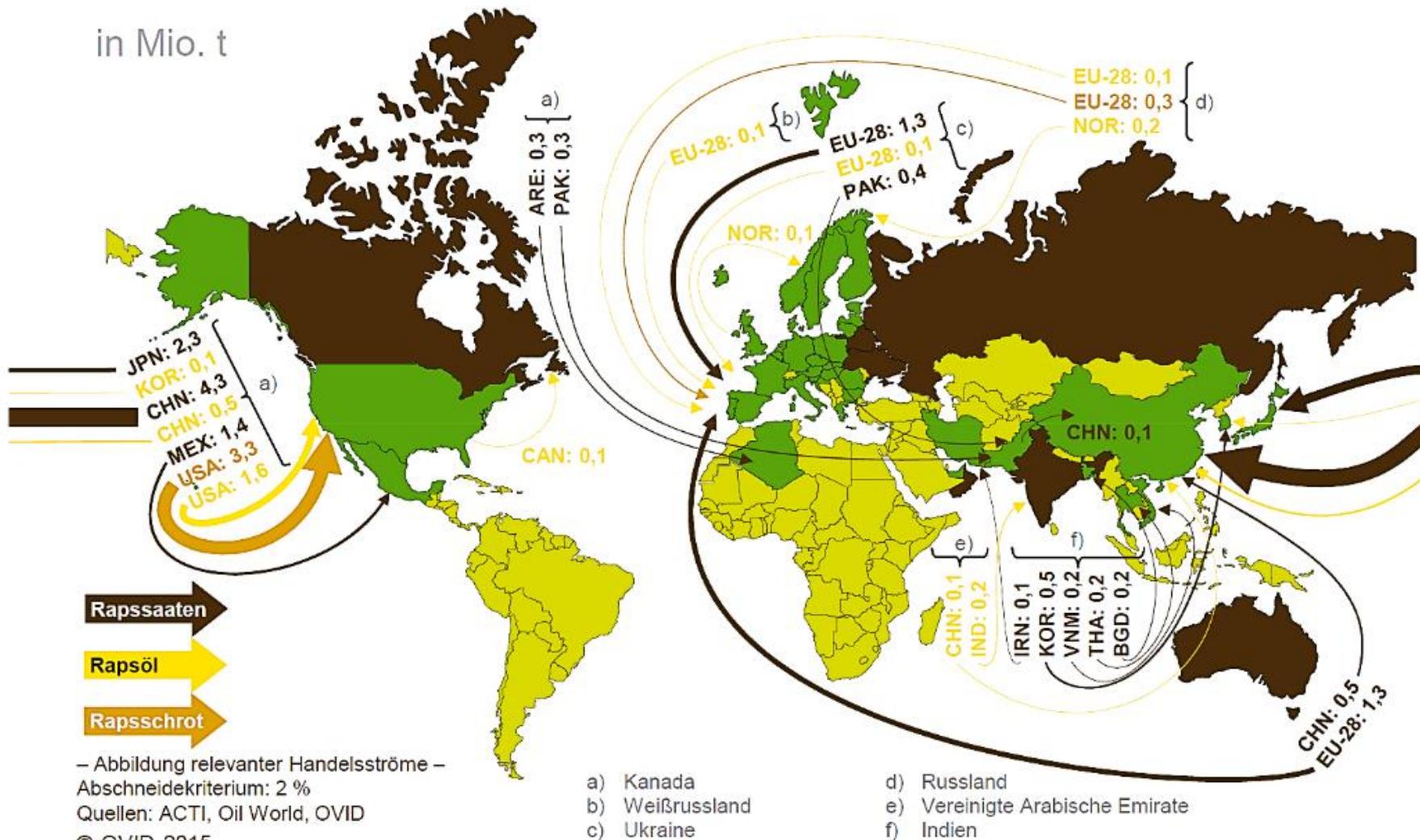
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Trade rapeseed and rapeseed oil in 2014

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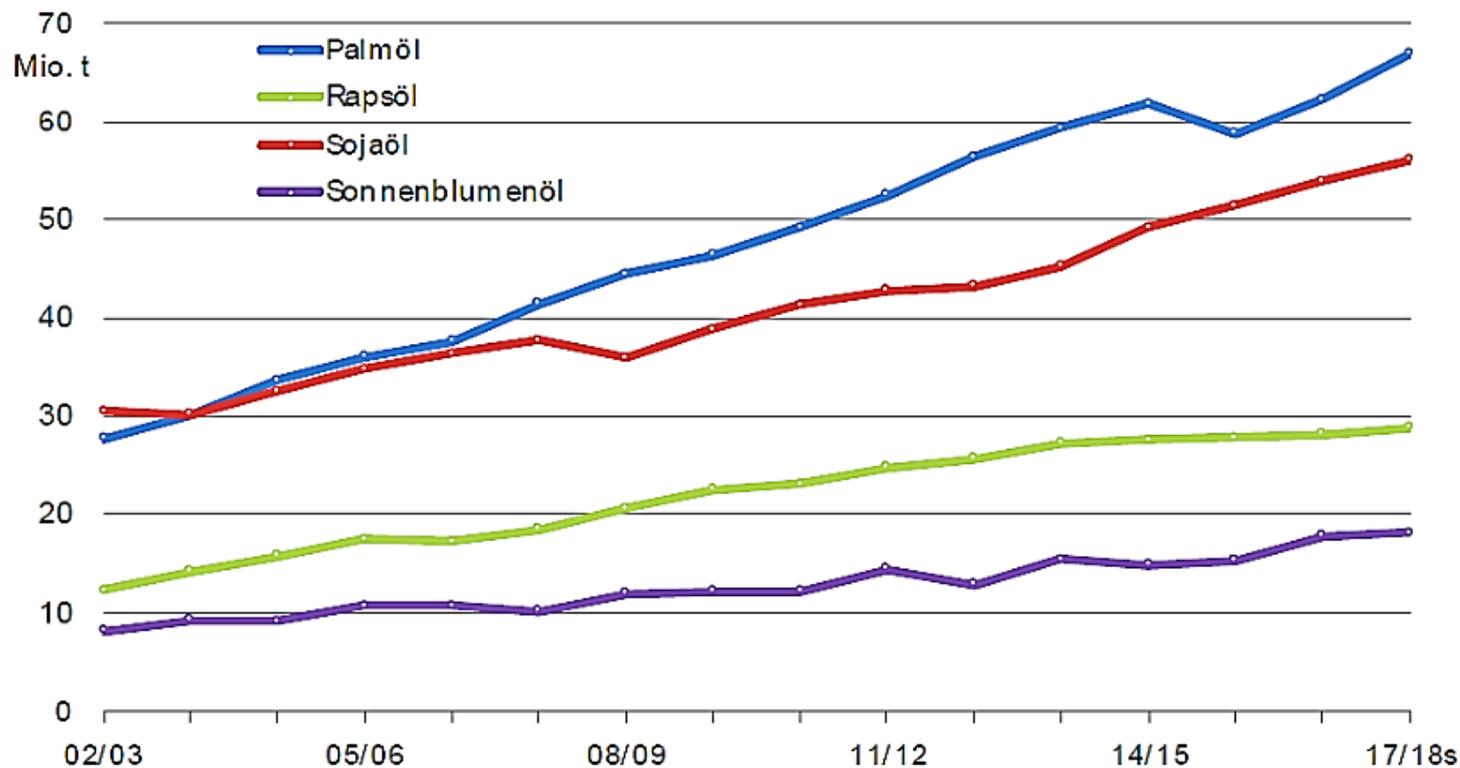


– Abbildung relevanter Handelsströme –
Abschneidekriterium: 2 %
Quellen: ACTI, Oil World, OVID
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Development of global production of vegetable oils (in million tons)



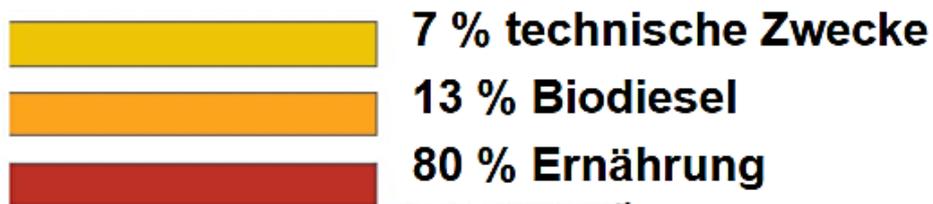
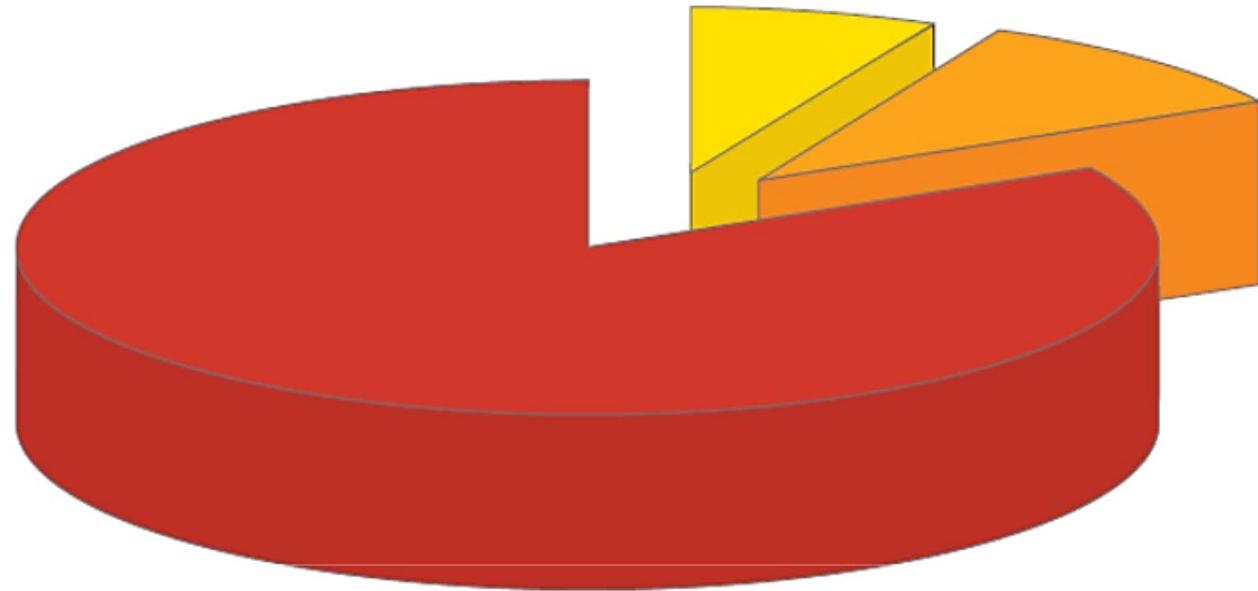
Stark steigende Nachfrage nach Pflanzenölen

In 20 Jahren von 70 Mio. t auf 195 Mio. t

UFOP 2018, nach USDA



Worldwide use of vegetable oils in 2015

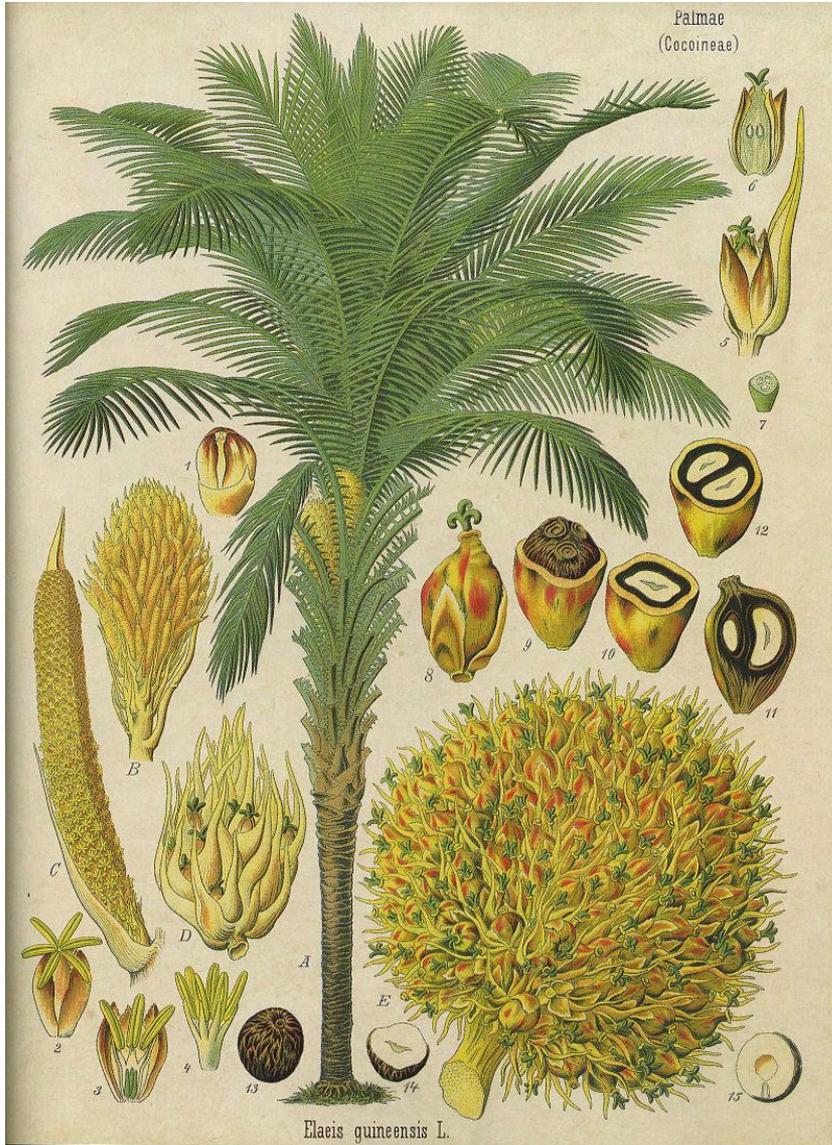


OECD-FAO AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK 2015

Source: <https://www.dbu.de/media/180118063306slms.pdf>



Oil palm



Fruits of the oil palm



Palm oil: reddish color



Orangutans directly threatened

Source: <https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palm%C3%B6l>



Palm Oil production



World: 17 millionen hektar (half of Germany)

Production: about 60 Millionen tons palmoil and palm kernel oil

Source: <https://www.worldwildlife.org/industries/palm-oil>



Impacts



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Impacts of Palm Oil

- displaced **tropical forests** across Asia, Latin America, West Africa.
- Around 90% of the world's oil palm trees are grown on a **few islands in Malaysia and Indonesia**
- These islands have most biodiverse tropical forests found on Earth.
- In these places, there is a direct relationship between **the growth of oil palm estates and deforestation.**
- Palm oil is a small ingredient **in the U.S. diet**, but more than half of all packaged products Americans consume contain palm oil
- it's found in lipstick, soaps, detergents and even ice cream.

<https://www.worldwildlife.org/industries/palm-oil>



Is Palm Oil good or bad?

Palm oil is the world's **most popular vegetable oil**, used in about half of the products on supermarket shelves.

In tropical environments, it **grows easily and is more efficient than soy, canola, and other plants.**

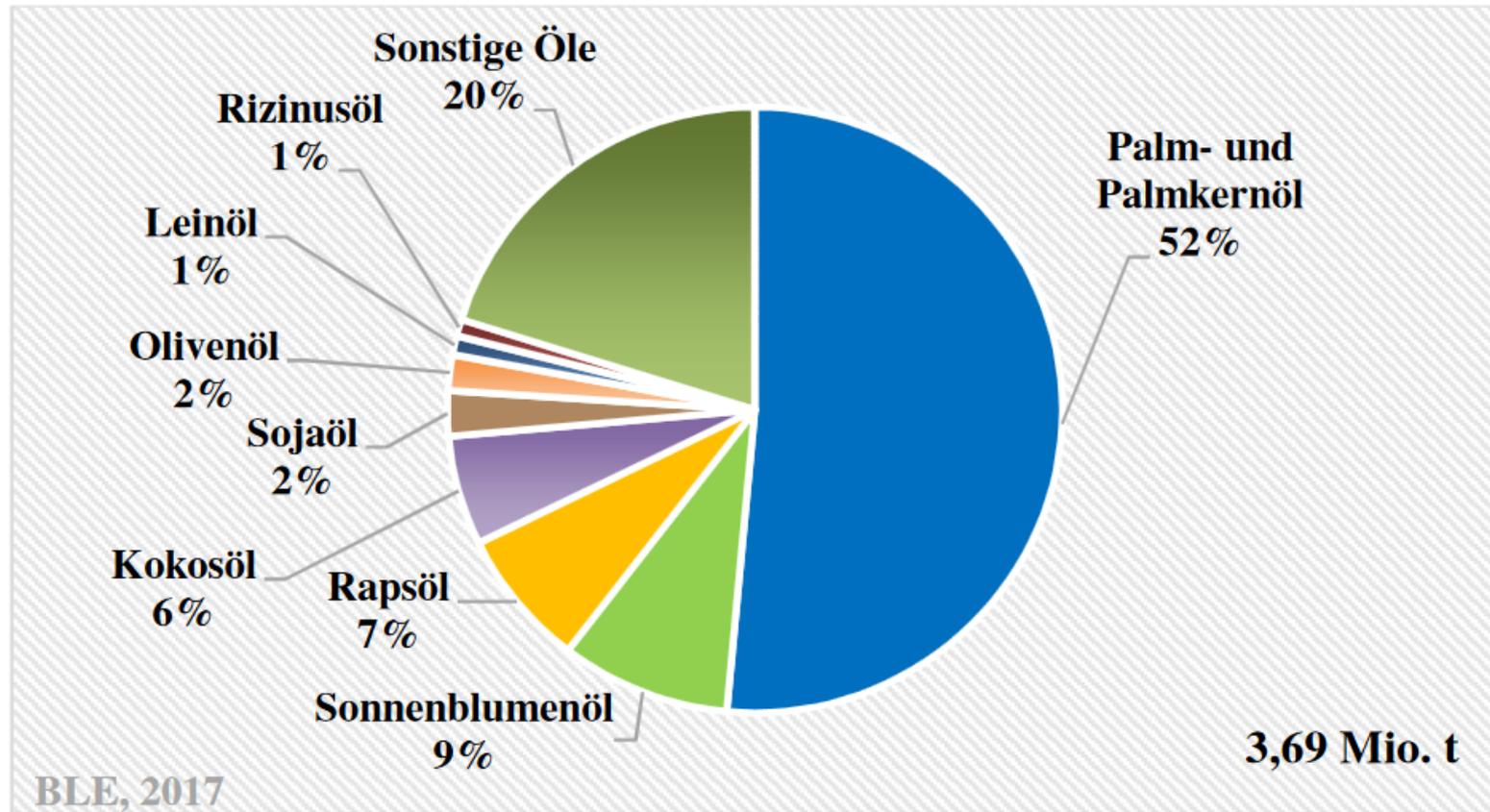
The bad news: Its popularity has spurred the rapid and uncontrolled expansion of palm oil plantations across the forests of Indonesia and Malaysia and, increasingly, the jungles of Africa and Latin America.

The good news: The Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil certifies more than 20 percent of the global palm oil supply. Certification means the oil is produced in ways that conserve natural resources and protect the forests and rivers that wildlife call home.

<https://www.worldwildlife.org/industries/palm-oil>



Imports of plant oils, Germany 2015/2016



Quelle: Statistisches Bundesamt, 2017

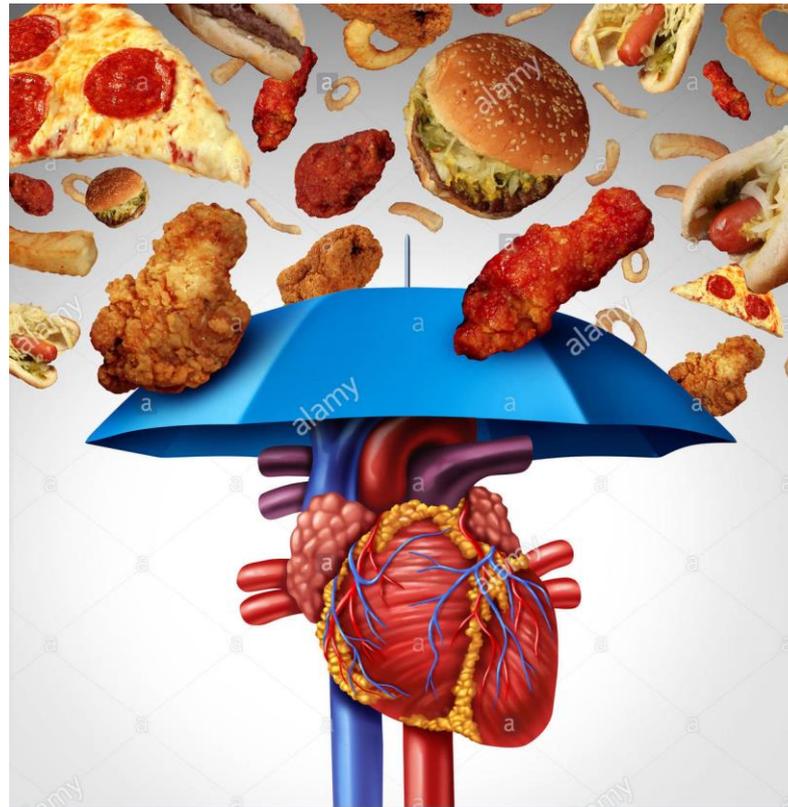
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Ende of part 1 = brake time



Trans Fats and Health Risks



Summary

Part 2

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- Trans Fat in the News
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Saturated fats : unsaturated fats

- **Diets high in saturated fats can cause Coronary Heart Disease (CHD)**
 - Big push in the 80s and 90s to replace saturated fats with trans-unsaturated fats (replace butter with margarine etc.)
 - Some say “Big Business” played a role in demonizing saturated fats
- **Controversy on whether trans-unsaturated fats are better or worse than saturated fats**



Trans Fats and Health Risks (1)

- Not necessary or beneficial to health
- Hydrogenation causes essential fatty acids to be destroyed
- Causes more inflammation
 - Inflammation may play a role in fatty blockages in the heart blood vessels
- Increase triglycerides



Trans Fats and Health Risks (2)

- Cancer

- No significant evidence that trans fat increases risk
- Current studies are finding it *may* have a connection to prostate cancer

- Diabetes

- Some evidence suggests that risk of type-2 diabetes increases with trans fat consumption
- No conclusions have been made



Trans Fats and Health Risks (3)

- Obesity
 - No scientific evidence that specifically links trans fat intake to obesity
 - People who eat a lot tend to eat a lot of trans fat
 - Does not mean that trans fat is the specific cause of obesity
- Fertility
 - Research showed that increases in trans fat may cause increases in infertility in women
- **CHD is the only health risk with strong evidence linking it to trans fat intake**

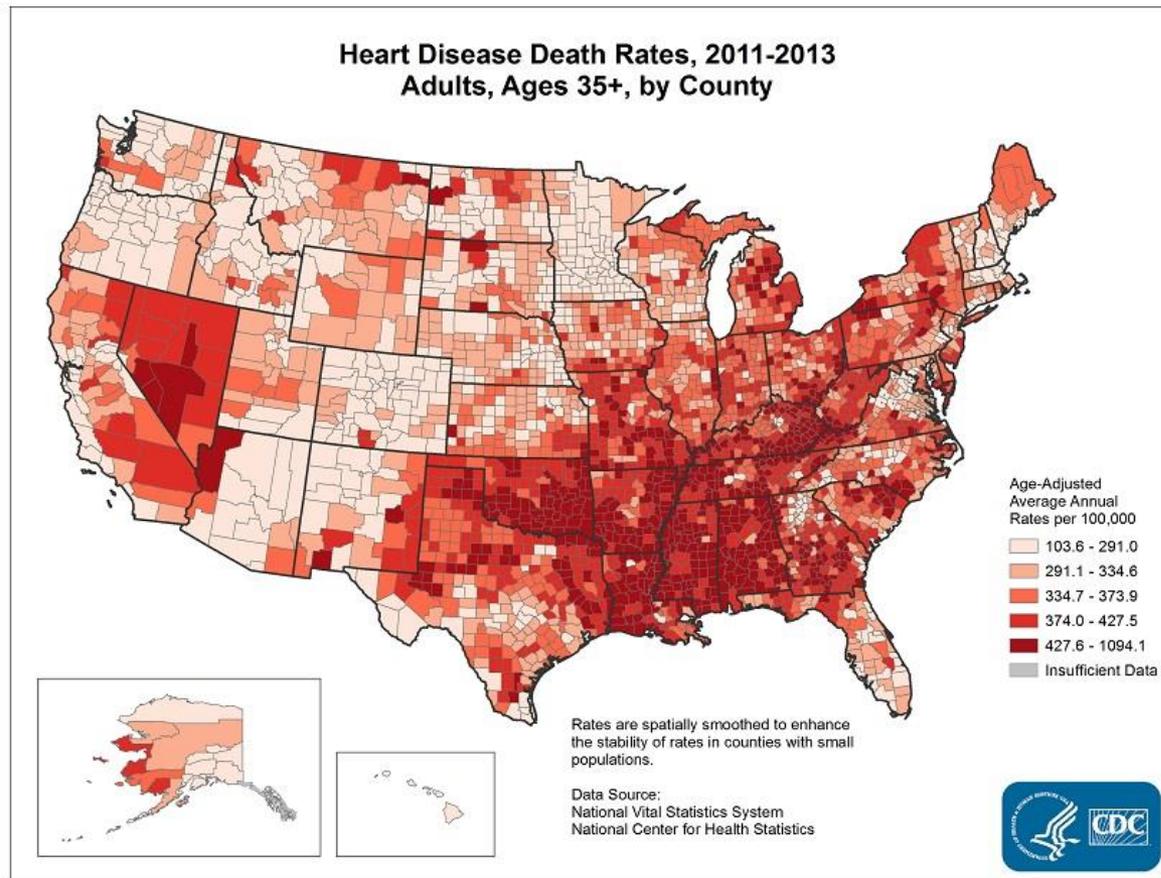


Coronary Heart Disease (CHD)

- Coronary Heart Disease
 - CHD risk doubles with each 2% increase in *trans fat* consumed
 - CHD risk doubles with each 15% increase in *sat fat* consumed
- Trans fat and sat fat increases levels of **LDL (bad cholesterol)** in the body
- Trans fat, but *not* sat fat, decreases levels of **HDL (good cholesterol)** in the body
- (As a result, the increase in the LDL/HDL ratio due to trans fat is about double that due to sat fat)



USA: Heart Disease Death Rates, 2011-13

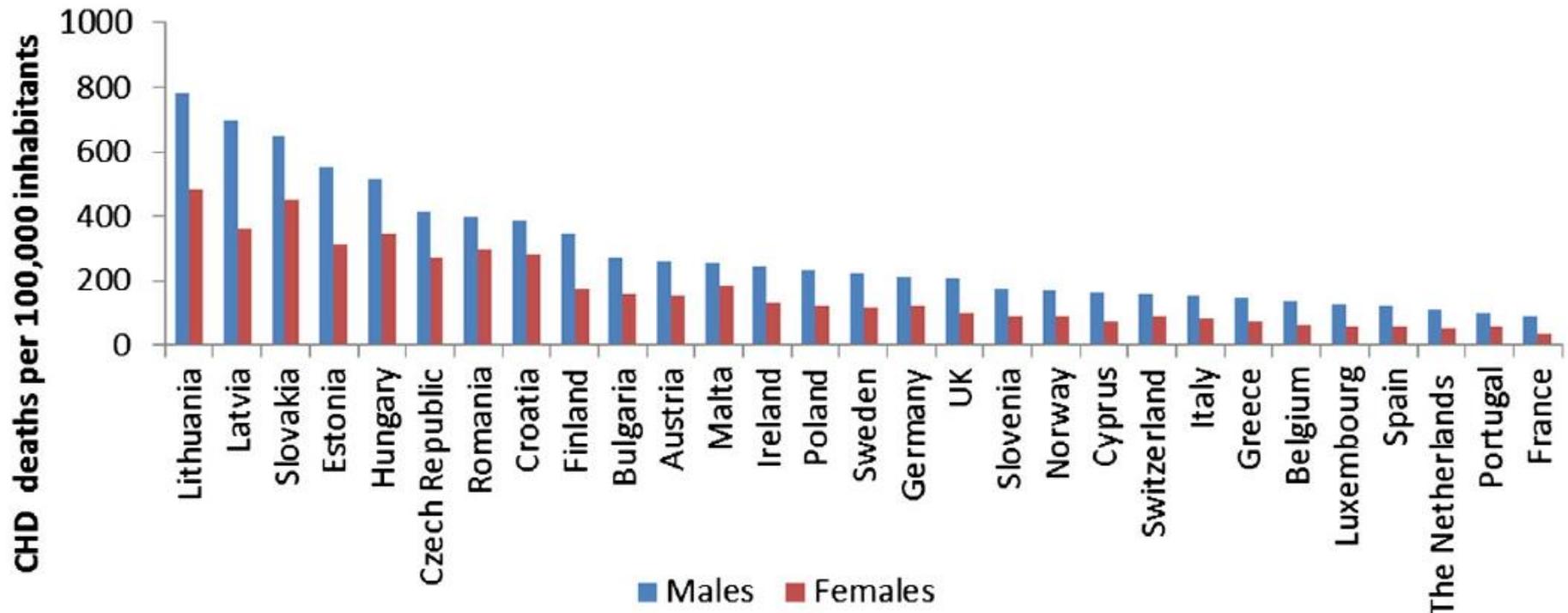


https://www.google.com/search?q=cases+of+heart+attack+usa&client=firefox-b&source=lnms&tbn=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwj-7rqZ9ereAhWHhSwKHa5QDbYQ_AUIDygC&biw=1680&bih=894#imgrc=5SA7gqivA3l0dM



European Union: Heart Disease Death

Standardized death rate per 100,000 inhabitants

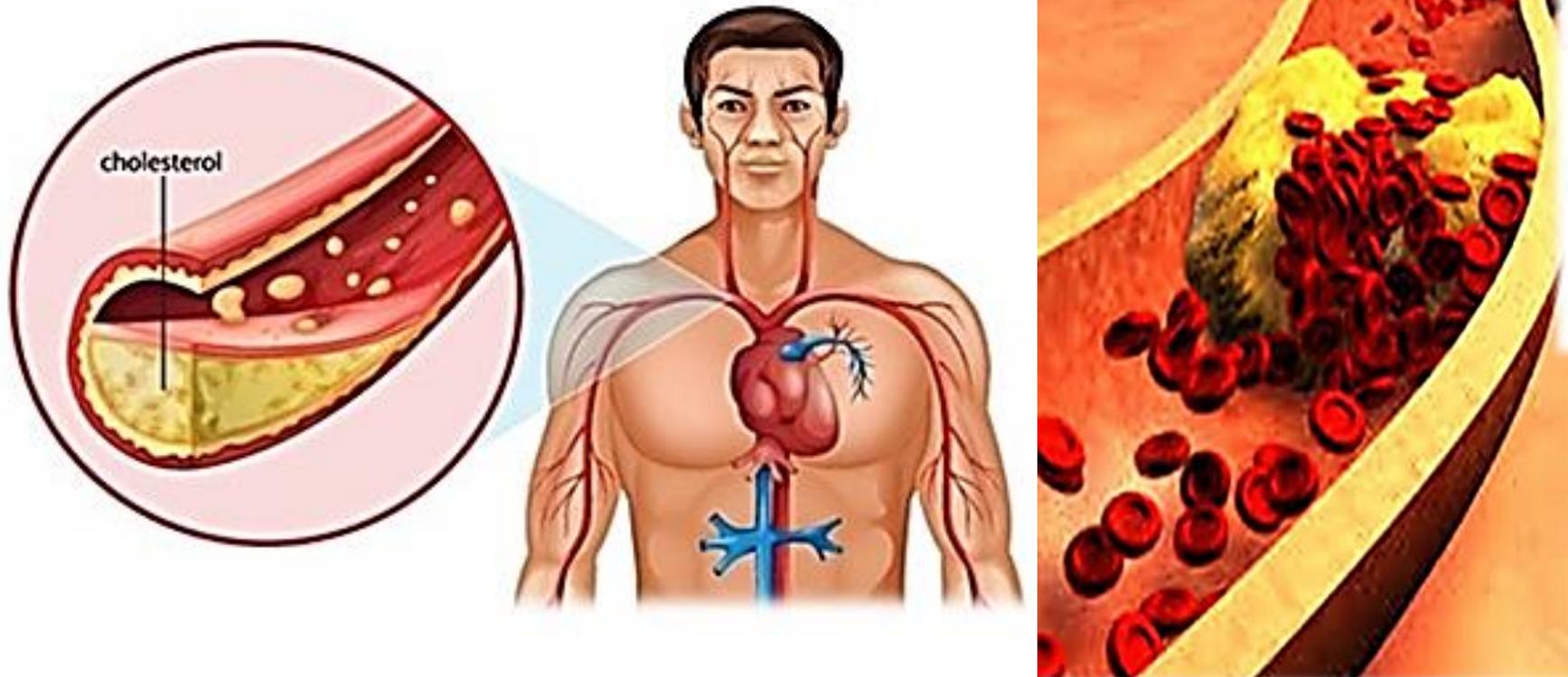


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Hyperlipidemia

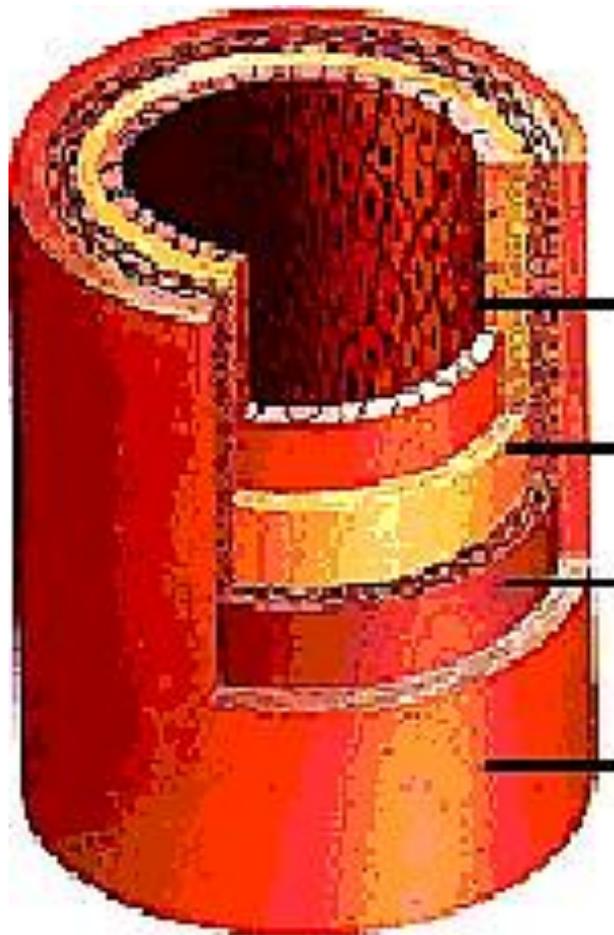
Cholesterol Blocking Artery



© Net photo



Blod vessel



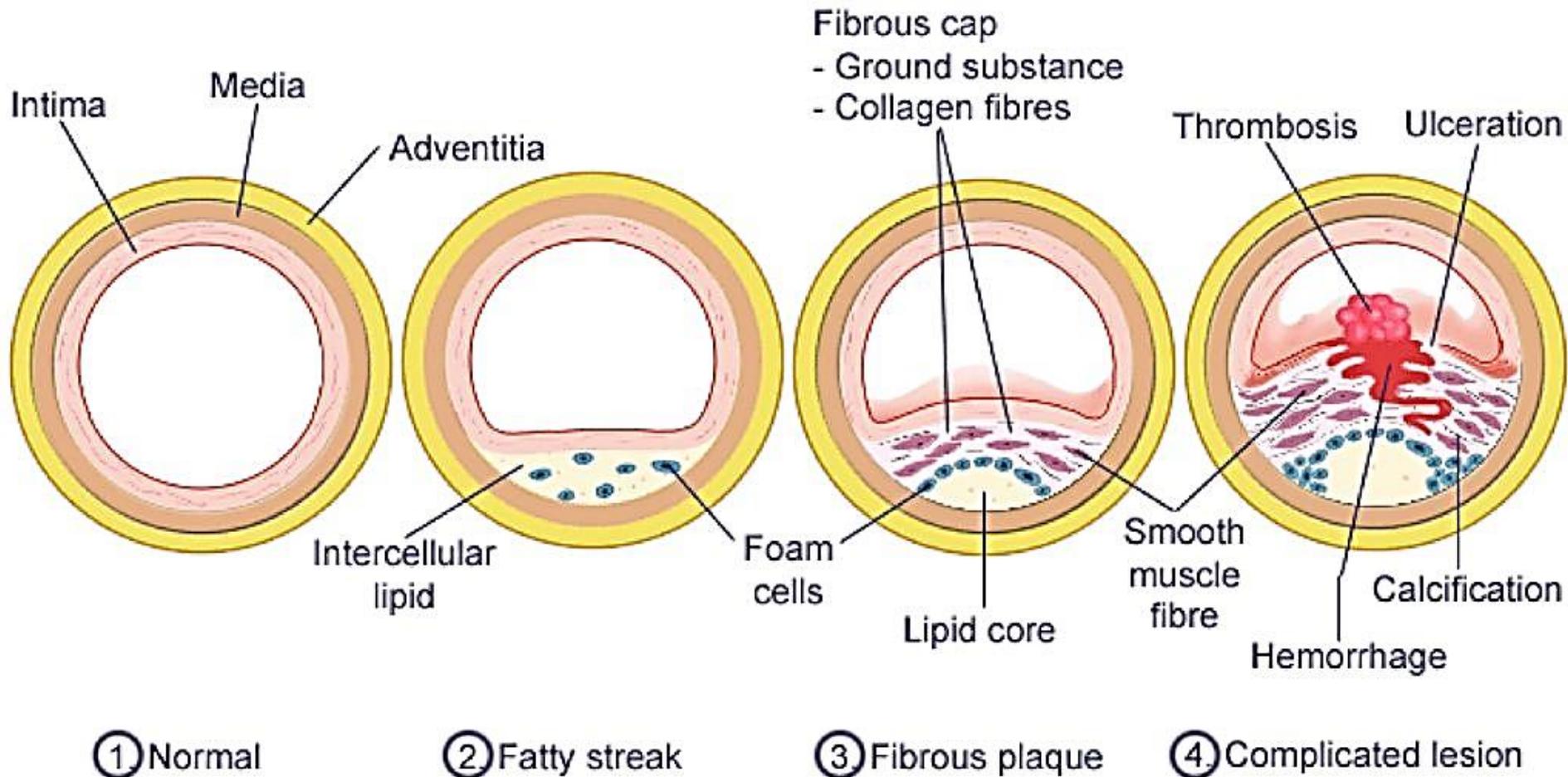
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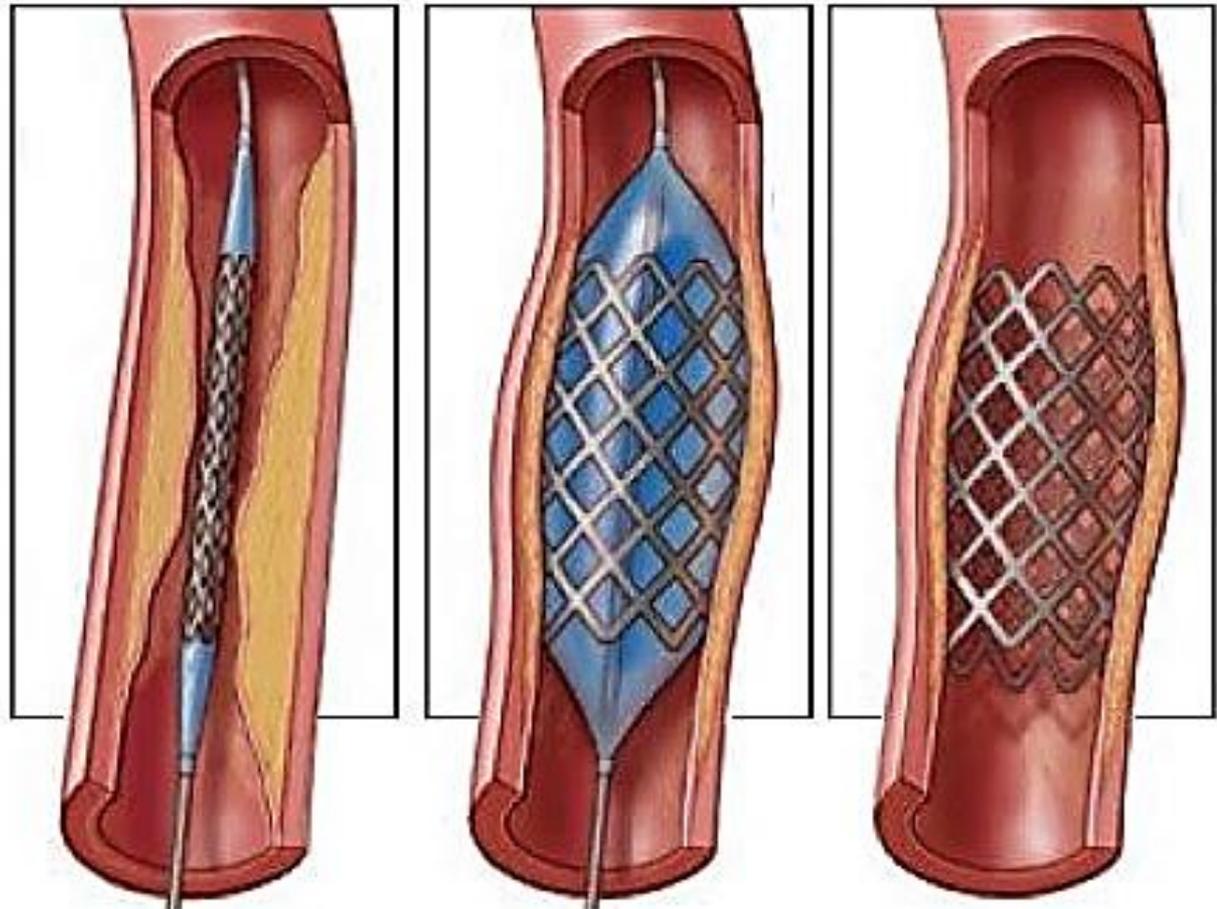
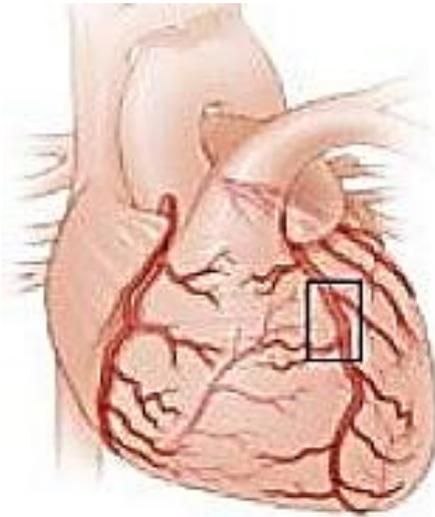
Progression of Atherosclerosis



Source: www.slideplayer.com



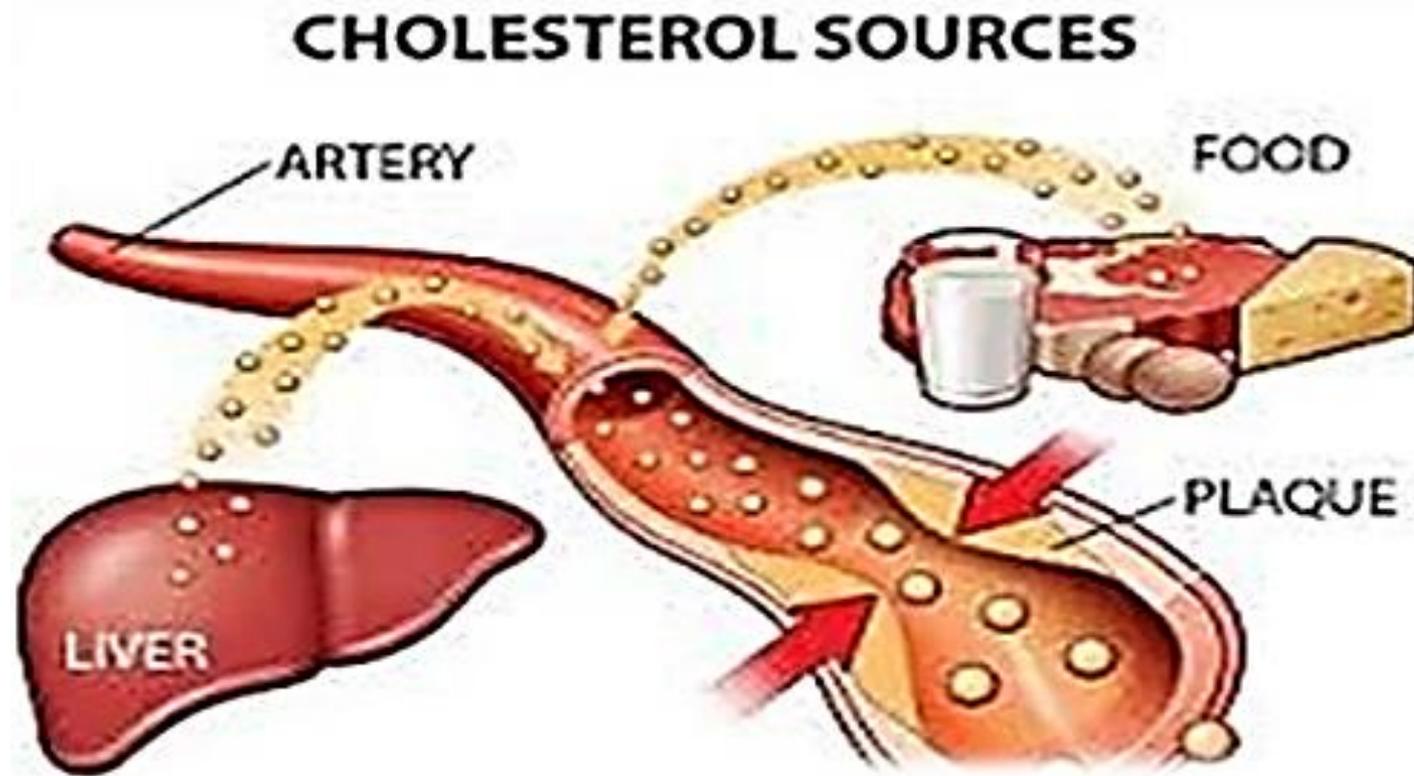
Progress of Atherosclerosis



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Hyperlipidemia



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Cholesterol: good and bad!

- LDL
 - Transports cholesterol throughout the body
 - When too much is present, builds up in the walls of arteries
 - Makes arteries hard and narrow
- HDL
 - Picks up extra cholesterol and brings it back to the liver



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Bad vs. Good Cholesterol



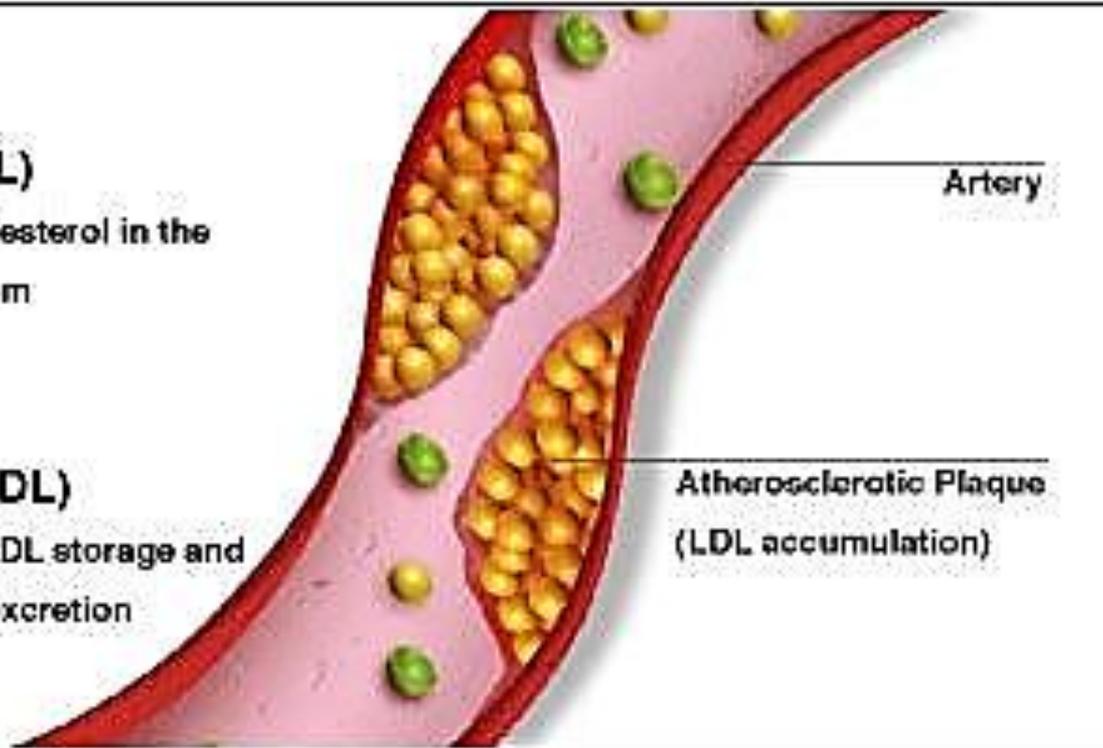
Bad (LDL)

stores cholesterol in the blood stream

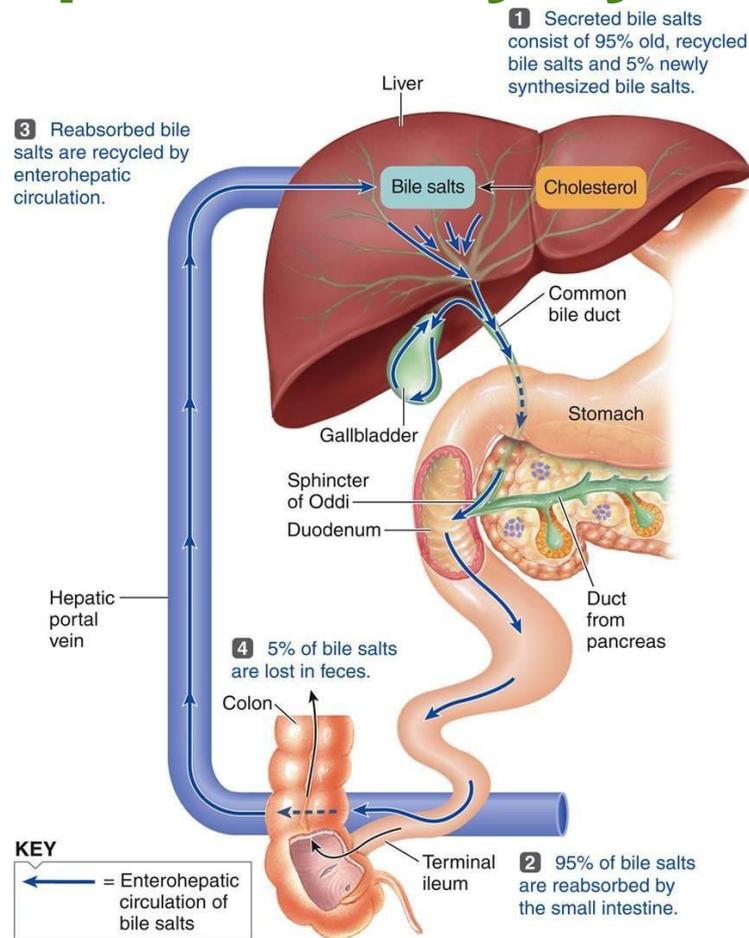


Good (HDL)

regulates LDL storage and promotes excretion



Enterohepatic biliary cycle



<https://www.google.com/search?q=enterohepatic+cycle&client=firefox-b&source=lnms&tbm=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwj22b7T8->



Video „American Heart Association“

<https://www.heart.org/en/health-topics/cholesterol/hdl-good-ldl-bad-cholesterol-and-triglycerides>



Recommendations of intake (1)

Germany DGE 2016! (D-A-CH)

Fat: 30-35 % of the total energy intake for adults
from that 7-10 % saturated
 7-10 % polyunsaturated
 < 1% trans fatty acids

(2.300 Kcal (male, 25-51 years): **2,6 g trans fats**)

So far: NO DUTY OF DECLARATION in Europe



Recommendations of intake (2)

EFSA 2010! (European Food Safety Authority)

20-35 % of the total energy intake for adults

Restriction of intake of trans fatty and saturated acids in favor of mono- and polyunsaturated fatty acids

(Source: <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/de/press/news/100326>)



Recommendations of intake (3)

WHO (May 2018)

- plans to eliminate industrially-produced trans-fatty acids from global food supply
- recommends that the total trans fat intake be limited to less than 1% of total energy intake (less than 2.2 g/day with a 2,000-calorie diet).

(Source: <http://www.who.int/news-room>)



Trans Fats and Health Risks

- It has been found that trans fat found in breast milk varies with maternal trans fat intake
 - 1% in Spain
 - 2% in France
 - 7% in Canada



Trans Fats and Health Risks



Source: <https://twitter.com/drfrieden/status/995993397579182080>:



Pizza with salami



Nährwert	pro 100 g	Tagesbedarf: 2000 kcal
Eiweiß:	10,3 g	20,6%
Kohl.hyd.:	26,3 g	9,7%
davon Zucker:	2,2 g	2,4%
Fett:	14,0 g	20,0%
davon gesättigt:	4,8 g	24,0%
Ballaststoffe:	1,9 g	7,6%
Natrium:	0,61 g	25,4%
Energie:	277,0 kcal / 1159,7 kJ	



Chips (Germany) – Zutaten/Nährwerte



Fettgehalt 35 g

Gesättigte Fettsäuren 11 g

Mehrfach ungesättigte Fettsäuren 12 g

Einfach ungesättigte Fettsäuren 10 g

Cholesterin 0 mg

Natrium 8 mg

Kalium 1.275 mg

Kohlenhydrate 53 g

Ballaststoff 4,8 g

Zucker 0,2 g

Protein 7 g



Potato chips



Nutrition Facts

1 serving per container
Serving size 1 package

Amount per serving
Calories **240**

	% Daily Value*
Total Fat 15g	19%
Saturated Fat 2g	11%
Trans Fat 0g	
Cholesterol 0mg	0%
Sodium 250mg	11%
Total Carbohydrate 23g	8%
Dietary Fiber 2g	7%
Total Sugars 1g	
Protein 3g	
Vitamin D 0mcg	0%
Calcium 10mg	0%
Iron 0.8mg	4%
Potassium 530mg	10%
Vitamin C	10%

Not a significant source of added sugars.

* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.



No trans fatty acids in reform margarine

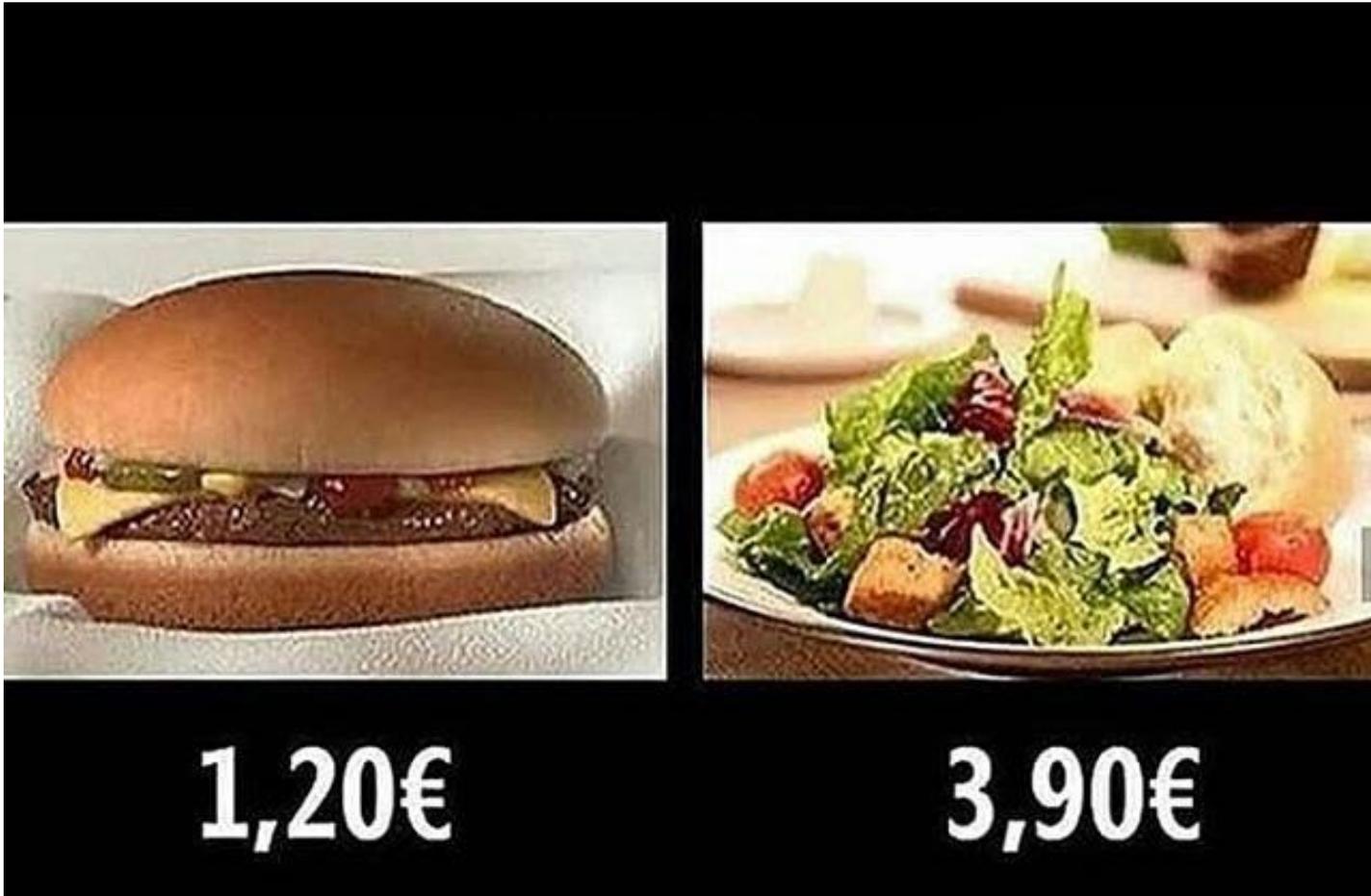


- natürliche OMEGA-3-Quelle
- reich an ungesättigten Fettsäuren
- rein pflanzlich, vegan
- aus ungehärteten Ölen und Fetten
- mit natürlichem Vitamin E
- mit Vitamin D
- frei von Laktose und Gluten
- ohne Salzzusatz
- ohne Konservierungsstoffe

52 % Rapsöl, pflanzliches Fett (Palm), Trinkwasser, Emulgatoren (Sonnenblumenlecithine, Mono- und Diglyceride von Speisefettsäuren), Aroma, Säuerungsmittel (Citronensäure, Calciumcitrat), Vitamin D, Farbstoff Carotin.



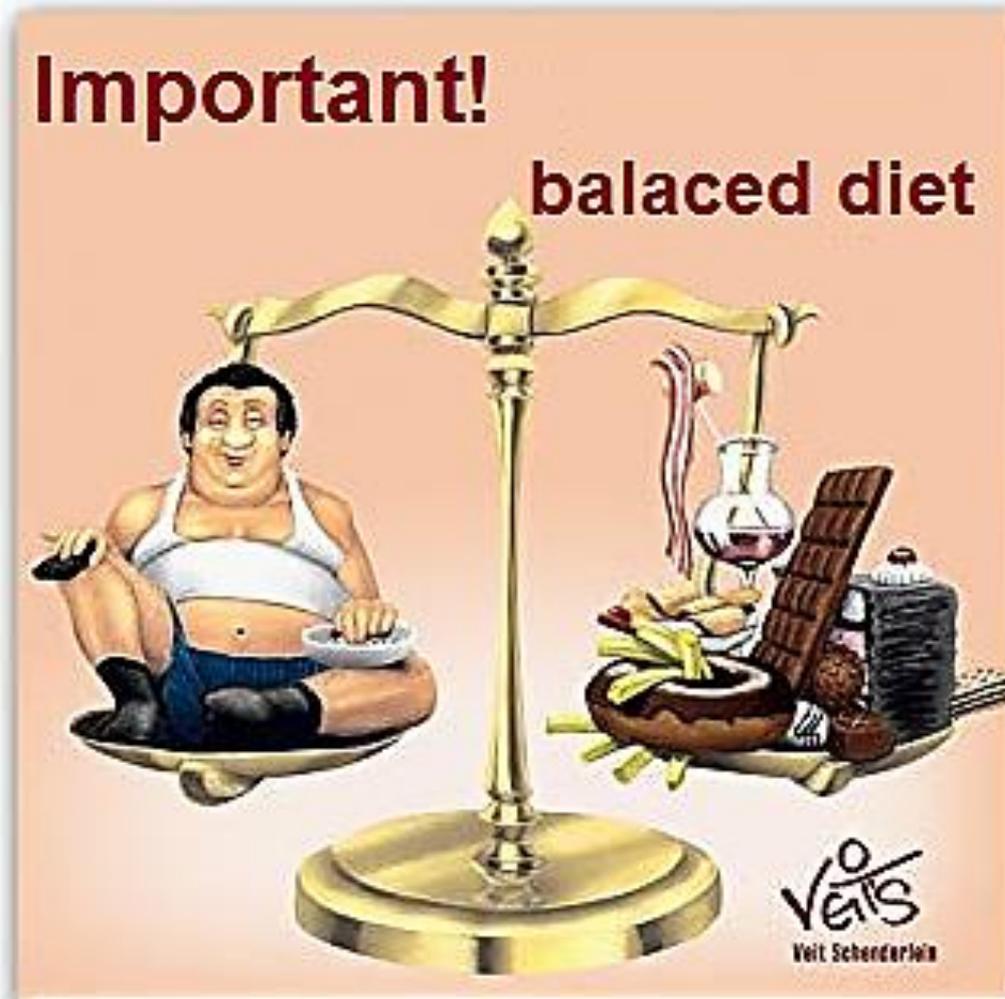
Reasons why people get fat



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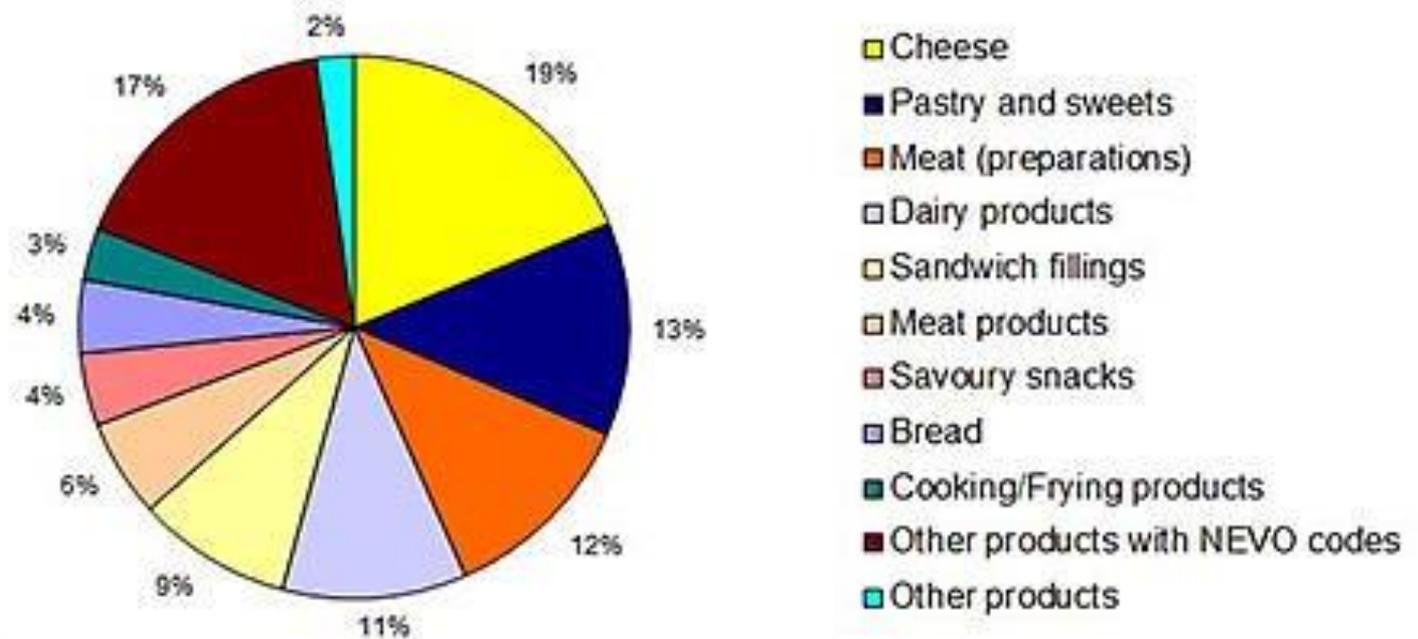
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Contribution to the consumption of saturated fatty acids per product group (%) *



*including naturally present

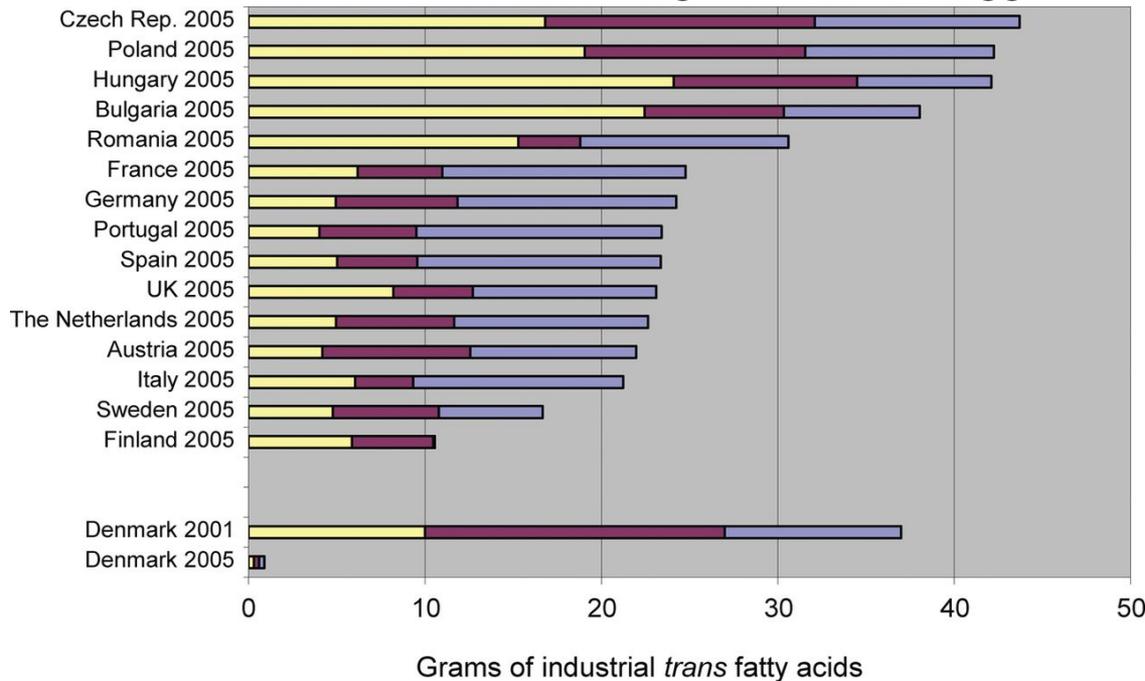
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VM.

Das ist doch der Hammer oder ? In Ungarn sind die nuggets noch fetter!!



- A large serving of nuggets and French fries
- 100 g biscuits/cakes/wafers
- 100 g microwave popcorn

