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Food Sustainability and Its Role in Building Resilient Food Systems

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Abstract

Food sustainability focuses on developing food systems that are environmentally responsible, economically viable, and socially equitable. Sustainable food systems aim to meet present food needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet theirs. With increasing pressure on natural resources, food sustainability has become a central concern in food science and policy. Food nanotechnology involves the application of nanoscale science and engineering in food production, processing, and packaging. It offers innovative solutions for improving food safety, quality, shelf life, and nutrient delivery. Nanotechnology has the potential to transform traditional food systems into more efficient and functional industries. This article discusses the role of food nanotechnology in modern food science and food technology.

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Introduction

Food sustainability involves the integration of environmental protection, economic stability, and social equity within food production and distribution systems. Unsustainable agricultural and food practices contribute to resource depletion, environmental degradation, and climate change [1]. Emulsions form the structural basis of many foods including milk, mayonnaise, salad dressings, and sauces. The stability of food emulsions depends on factors such as droplet size, interfacial composition, and processing conditions [2]. These methods support the production of minimally processed products with extended shelf life [3]. Non-thermal processing also contributes to energy efficiency and sustainable food production. Advancements in equipment design and process optimization have improved the industrial feasibility of non-thermal technologies [4]. Regulatory frameworks guide the safe implementation of these processes in food production systems [5]. Thus, non-thermal food processing represents a promising direction for future food preservation technologies. [5]. Therefore, bioactive compounds represent a vital intersection between nutrition, food science, and preventive healthcare [2]. Bioactive compounds are non-nutrient components in foods that influence physiological processes and promote health. These substances include

polyphenols, flavonoids, carotenoids, peptides, and phytosterols, which exert protective effects against various diseases. Their biological activity makes them valuable components of functional foods. Therefore, bioactive compounds represent a vital intersection between nutrition, food science, and preventive healthcare.

Conclusion

Food sustainability is critical for building resilient and secure food systems that protect natural resources and support human well-being. Through sustainable practices, innovation, and policy support, food systems can meet present and future needs. Continued research and collaboration will strengthen the development of sustainable and equitable global food systems. Continued scientific research and regulatory oversight will strengthen the credibility and impact of nutraceuticals in global health systems. When used responsibly and regulated effectively, they contribute to product stability and consumer satisfaction. Ongoing research and regulatory oversight are essential to ensure the safe and beneficial use of food additives in the global food industry.

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