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**HOW COLLAGEN
PEPTIDES HOLD THE KEY
TO QUALITY AGING**

**SLOW AND STEADY WINS
THE RACE FOR SUGAR
REDUCTION**



Human milk oligosaccharides

A challenge for the future

Hauts-de-France, a champion in food processing



**Nord France
Invest**

Nutraceuticals Now attended a press trip in Hauts-de-France region in the North of France for two days in June, organized by Nord France Invest, the investment promotion agency for Hauts-de-France.

The Hauts-de-France region lies at the heart of a 78-million-consumer market in a 300-km radius, served by a first-rate infrastructure network (highway, railway, ports, airports).

Northern France is the first-ranked food cluster in France, and leading businesses in the industry have chosen the region as their springboard for European growth. Easy access to leading consumer markets, abundant resources, and a highly-trained labor pool are the keys to the success.

KEY FIGURES

- 1,300 businesses
- 53,000 jobs
- Over €10 billion turnover
- No. 1 export region in France

Hauts-de-France region is the birthplace of worldwide giants in food processing: Bonduelle, Lesaffre, Roquette, Leroux, Paul (Holder group), Ingredia ... all these groups were born in the region and have become national leaders or international leaders in their fields.

The region is also very attractive for international food companies : Coca-Cola, Barilla, Häagen Dazs, Tate&Lyle, Mc Cain, Vandemoortele, Marine Harvest, Moy Park, Ajinomoto,



Cargill, Kerry have major operations in Northern France, mainly in manufacturing and distribution, but also in R&D and innovation.

With more than 30 private and 20 public research units (Lille Pasteur Institute, National Institute for Agronomics Research...) and engineering schools, Hauts-de-France is at the forefront of the french R&D for the food industry.

THE PRESS TRIP

The highlight of the press trip was Nutr'Event. Every two years, the Region holds the leading European business convention Nutr'Event. Organized by Eurasanté (health cluster), this convention is dedicated to innovation in food, nutrition and health. This year, the topic was about how to make customers' needs evolve with the latest innovations in functional and active ingredients, market regulatory changes, traceability enhancement and food safety improvement.

More information about food industry in Hauts-de-France:
<http://www.nordfranceinvest.com/business-sectors/food-and-health/food-industry.html>