



Literature Review

Dairy and Nondairy Probiotic Microorganisms: A Literature Review

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Abstract

Consumers who scrutinize good probiotic alternatives have a stronger desire for health knowledge. This review presents a discussion of recent findings related to dairy and nondairy probiotics. Probiotic bacteria have gained popularity over the past two decades due to growing scientific evidence indicating their beneficial effects on human health. As a result, they have been incorporated into a variety of food items by various food industries that are actively researching and promoting them. Therefore, probiotics are used in a variety of items, mostly fermented dairy products.

Introduction

Since humanity began consuming fermented milk, probiotic civilizations have existed. For instance, Metchnikoff recommended that gut microbiota have a positive impact on fitness due to the presence of beneficial bacteria and suggested that consuming fermented milk could be helpful in this regard [1]. In 1953, Kollath used the term “probiotic,” derived from the Greek word “for life,” for the first time to describe bio-supplements necessary to restore the health of patients suffering a form of malnutrition due to overeating highly refined food [2-4].

Probiotics are defined as the effects generated by bacteria that induce the growth of other microorganisms. The host animals benefit from having a better balance of gut microbes. Havenaar, et al. [5] broadened the definition to include both food and non-food items, as well as the use of mono- and mixed cultures [5,6]. Probiotics are explained as “living microorganisms that, when supplied in reasonable dosages, confer a health benefit on the host” [7]. To reevaluate the idea of probiotics, the International Scientific Association for Probiotics and Prebiotics (ISAPP) arranged a meeting of clinical

and scientific experts on probiotics (with specializations in gastroenterology, pediatrics, family medicine, gut microbiota, microbiology of probiotic bacteria, microbial genetics, immunology, and food science) on October 23, 2013. The meeting kept the FAO/WHO definition in place for probiotics, with a slight grammatical rectification as “live microorganisms that, when supplied in suitable proportions, confer a health benefit on the host” [7]; inconsistencies between the expert consultation and clarifications were made to the FAO/WHO Guidelines include in the framework for the definition of probiotic bacterial species that demonstrate to have health benefits in research that were conducted under controlled conditions [7]. So far, a recent probiotic definition is given below, as per FAO/WHO guidelines:

- Any specific claim beyond “contains probiotics” must be further substantiated.
- Maintain live cultures traditionally associated with fermented foods, for which there is no evidence of health benefits outside the probiotic framework.
- Keep undefined fecal microbiota transplants outside the framework of probiotics.

- New commensals and consortia comprising specified strains from human samples, with enough evidence of safety and efficiency, are 'probiotics' [8-10].

The other two important conditions are synbiotics and prebiotics. Prebiotic components are non-digestible but help stimulate the activity of beneficial bacteria positively, thereby supporting the host. Prebiotics are considered stimulants for microbial colonies, supporting public health, and also provide textural details to meals. For example, synbiotic acidophilus milk, added with prebiotic inulin, induced physicochemical and sensory quality improvements in probiotic acidophilus milk. The prebiotic component, Galacto-Oligosaccharides (GOS) (non-digestible by human digestive enzymes), has been reportedly used in juice and other probiotic liquids to benefit colonic microorganisms such as *Bifidobacterium* spp. [11].

Probiotics are widely available economically all over the world, primarily in fermented foods and dairy byproducts, which are the major sources of probiotics [12]. Yogurt, Dahi, and other fermented dairy products are traditionally used as probiotics to make them functional foods for health [13-16]. Probiotic meals made without dairy are consequently becoming more widespread. In recent times, a shift towards non-dairy foods, like probiotic fermented cereals, vegetable juice, and fruit juices, has been observed as a result of the growing health issues caused by the presence of a high cholesterol content, a lot of saturated fatty acids, lactose intolerance, and milk protein allergy in dairy-based diets [17,18]. Some of the dairy and nondairy products are shown in Figure 1.

The matrix in which the microorganisms are enclosed has a significant impact on the power and interactions of the bacteria in commercial probiotic products. Commercial probiotic formulations must maintain their stability during storage. When preparing functional probiotic meals, it's crucial to use the proper food distribution method [19,20]. The main requirements for the success of these effects on the market are that they maintain viability and sensory components [21]. Due to high temperature, chemical loss, or cell injury caused by osmotic pressure, technological conditions during the

preparation of probiotic food can severely reduce the lifetime of probiotic cells [22,23]. Probiotics' capacity to survive long-term storage and processing depends in large part on the kind of food matrix, moisture content, and cell state [24]. The survival of probiotics under intense heat stress during processing and long-term storage is substantially impacted by moisture and cell conditions. The probiotic dairy products with their physiological effects on health are listed in Table 1.

Probiotic products

Since ancient times, food fermentation has been practiced and evolved via changes in substrates, procedures, and technology. It is achieved by microbial cultures using techniques such as enrichment and back-slopping to enhance the organoleptic quality, nutrient availability, and storage life of food. In many cases, this also adds healthy microorganisms to the consumer's diet. Lactic acid bacteria, many of which are

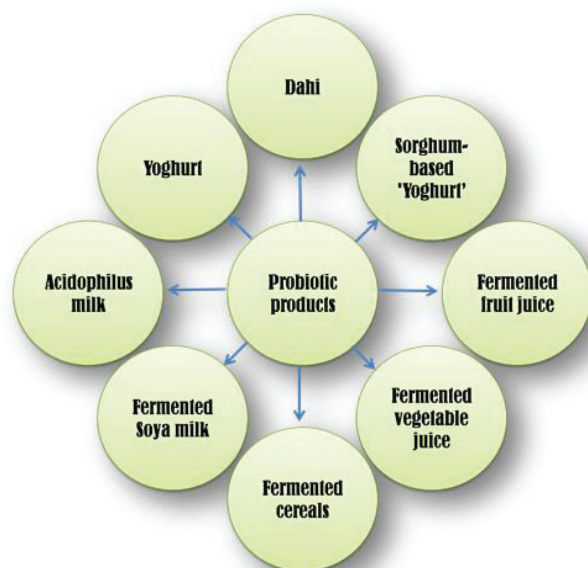


Figure 1: Some dairy and nondairy probiotic products.

Table 1: Dairy products with their probiotic physiological effects on health.

Dairy products	Microorganisms	Probiotic effects	Reference
Acidophilus milk of cow, goat, Buffalo	<i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> , <i>L. acidophilus</i> , <i>Bifidobacterium</i> , <i>Lactococcus lactis</i> subsp. <i>Lactis diacetylactis</i> MD 099 (1:1:1)	Treatment in Alzheimer's disease, significant enhancement of ocular and nasal allergy	[25] Farag, et al. 2019
<i>L. johnsonii</i> LA1-acidified milk (LC-1)	<i>L. johnsonii</i>	Negatively affected <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> gastritis	[25] Farag, et al. 2019
Yogurt		Improvement of glucose homeostasis via the modulation of hepatic gluconeogenesis	[26] Janiszewska, et al. 2020
Dairy propionibacteria	<i>Propionibacterium freudenreichii</i>	vitamin B12 synthesis	[27] Rabah, et al., 2017
Non-fat Probiotic Yoghurts	<i>L. delbrueckii</i> subsp. <i>bulgaricus</i> , <i>L. acidophilus</i> LA-5, <i>Bifidobacterium</i> BB-12	a decrease in lactic & acetic acid amounts and an increase in consistency, odor, and flavor scores	[27] Karaca, et al. 2019
Probiotic Dahi (La Dahi and LaBb Dahi)	<i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> LaVK2 and <i>Bifidobacterium bifidum</i> BbVK3	Enhanced the Th1 immune response & prevention of allergic diseases from food allergy	[29] Shandilya, et al. 2016
Dahi (La and LaBb Dahi)	<i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> LaVK2 and <i>Bifidobacterium bifidum</i> BbVK3	Prevents whey protein hypersensitivity and suppresses IgE and IgG levels	[29] Shandilya, et al. 2016
Dahi preparation	Selected probiotic strains of <i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> LaVK2 or combined <i>L. acidophilus</i> LaVK2 and <i>Bifidobacterium bifidum</i>	Potentially ameliorate age-induced deficits	[30] Kaushal, and Kansal, 2014

known to have probiotic properties, are one of the principal groups of microbes used in conventional and industrial cereal fermentation, followed by yeast and mold. While nondairy foods, particularly millets and cereal mixes, have not been well studied. Beneficial microorganisms in dairy fermented foods have attracted attention as a source of probiotic microbes. Probiotics have many potential health advantages, notably for immunity and gut health, but there are also risks to be aware of, especially for those with certain food sensitivities or medical disorders. The health issues related to the use of dairy food products are given below:

Health risks associated with probiotic dairy products

Probiotic meals derived from milk are associated with some health hazards. They mostly consist of anti-lactose prejudice, allergies to milk protein, oral disease (Figure 2), gastroesophageal reflux disease, and high cholesterol and fat levels. Risks from these are reported below.

In individuals having lactose intolerance caused by insufficient amounts of the enzyme lactase, it can cause stomachache and other related gastric issues. Moreover, allergic reactions ranging from minor discomfort to severe allergies can be brought on by sensitivities to milk protein. Products containing probiotics derived from milk have been linked to oral health issues such as periodontal disorders and dental cavities. Probiotics and oral bacteria may combine to cause these disorders, which might exacerbate pre-existing oral health problems. In addition, individuals suffering from Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD) could feel worse when they eat probiotic meals made from milk since these products might make acid reflux and heartburn worse. So, eating these kinds of meals has been linked to higher cholesterol levels, and over time, it may raise the risk of cardiovascular disease [32].

High cholesterol range and fat range

The amount of fat in milk varies depending on where the milk comes from. Cow milk has a fat content of 4% to 5%, whereas the fat content of up to 7% to 8% is in the milk of buffalo. It has a 0.05 ratio of polyunsaturated to saturated fatty acids. According to Levy and Feinleib, drinking a lot of milk increases the blood's total and LDL cholesterol levels [33]. The high plasma cholesterol levels caused by dietary fat are also responsible, which is a dangerous factor in heart disease. This type of dangerous factor can be decreased by reducing

saturated fats in the diet and lowering low-density lipoproteins (LDL) cholesterol [8]. The effect of probiotics on the dangerous factors for cardiovascular disorders, especially its implications for hyperlipidemia, has just recently been studied [34].

Lactose intolerance

As well as comprehend that lactose maldigestion is one of the most common kinds of carbohydrate maldigestion. Due to low lactase, enzyme groups are associated with the incapacity to break down lactose into its components, glucose and galactose [35]. In the beginning, the enzymatic activity of lactose is high, and weaning is reduced. As a result, colonic bacteria metabolize the unabsorbed lactose in the production of gases, for example, hydrogen and methane, and short-chain fatty acids (SCFAs) [36].

Related signs include flatulence and lax stool, bloating, cramping, and a few details also suggest that guide to an irritable syndrome known as bowel syndrome [37,38]. Lactase non-persistence is detected in 2% of people in Northern Central Europe. It accounts for roughly 40% of the population in Mediterranean countries (it is most frequent in Italy, where it is found on average in 56% of the population and is predicted to reach peaks of up to 70% in some places), 65% – 75% in a major portion of Africa, and up to more than 90% in Asia). Treatment for patients with lactose intolerance may involve altering the intestinal microbial ecosystem by encouraging the colonization of the gut by strains with β -galactosidase activity. The β -galactosidase activity of several probiotic strains is *Bifidobacterium lactis* W52, *Bifidobacterium lactis* W51, *Lactobacillus acidophilus* W22, *Lactobacillus acidophilus* W70, *Lactobacillus brevis* W78, *Lactobacillus casei* W20, *Lactobacillus casei* W79, *Lactiplantibacillus plantarum* W21, *Lactocaseibacillus rhamnosus* W71, *Ligilactobacillus salivarius* W24, *Lactococcus lactis* W19, *Streptococcus thermophilus* W69 [39].

Working sites for probiotic microorganisms

There are several possible mechanisms by which the probiotic microorganism is effective; these include competition for nutrients and probiotics, bioconversion, production of the growth substrate, direct antagonism, competitive exclusion, barrier function, reduction of inflammation, and immune stimulation. Dairy Products in probiotics may cause various effects on mental health, mouth and teeth, lungs, stomach, liver, and skin, reduced digestive discomfort, increased nutrient absorption, vaginal, immunity, and general health [40]. Although the precise process by which probiotics exert their effects is not yet fully understood, they employ a variety of mechanisms of action. These encompass everything from the creation of short-chain fatty acids and bacteriocin to the lowering of gut pH, the competition for nutrients, and the activation of mucosal barrier function and immunomodulation. Numerous studies have focused on the latter in particular, and there is strong evidence that probiotics influence several aspects of the innate and acquired immune response by triggering phagocytosis and IgA secretion, altering T-cell responses, boosting Th1 responses, and suppressing Th2 responses [41]. When compared to a placebo, *Lactobacillus* significantly

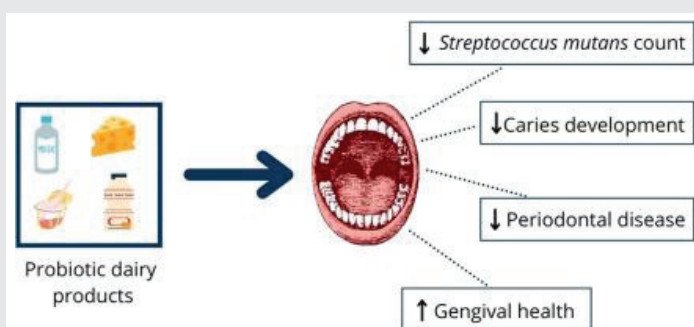


Figure 2: The impact of probiotic dairy products on oral health. Reproduce with permission of da Cruz, et al. [31].

reduced both the systolic and diastolic blood pressure levels. A subgroup study revealed that a single strain of *Lactobacillus* reduced blood pressure more than probiotics with several strains. Despite these significant results, the studies included had significant heterogeneity even after sensitivity analysis [42].

Nondairy probiotic products

Rivera-Espinoza and Gallardo-Navarro (2010) examined a variety of non-dairy-based probiotic foods produced all over the world. Fruit-based, cereal-based, soy-based, and vegetable-based fermented foods are becoming more popular among non-dairy-based diets [18,19,43,44] (Table 2).

Products made from fruit and vegetables

Alternatives to dairy-based probiotic products are still being researched, and consumers might choose nondairy probiotic products, particularly those that use fruit and vegetable juice as their main ingredients. Fruit juices provide a wealth of nutrients, which is only one of their many advantages. It avoids the need for starter cultures. Thus, probiotic cultures do not compete for nutrients with dairy products. Additionally, nondairy sources are supplemented with acidulants that might lengthen life by scavenging oxygen from the air to create an anaerobic environment that is better for probiotic microorganisms.

The species of probiotics spend significantly not so much time in an acidic condition of the abdomen since these liquids don't linger as long in the stomach. For this objective, a variety of fruits and vegetables are being used (*Anacardium occidentale* L.), such as raspberries, cantaloupe melon, juice of pomegranate, beetroot, carrot, and so on, [45,46]. Probiotic cells may now be protected from the acidic condition of juices by being encapsulated in easily accessible, harmless alginates that also increase the partitioning capability during shelf life

[48,49]. These alginate beads are covered in chitosan to provide probiotic cells with prolonged protection [46]. Heidebach, et al. [47] have examined probiotic microencapsulation and its effect on applications in nutrition. They become good substrates for the development of probiotics after matrix modification because they conveniently contain healthy components such as minerals, dietary fibers, vitamins, and different types of antioxidants [50]. Additionally, they do not include dairy allergies, which are avoided by some segments of the inhabitants [51].

Fruit juices' alluring flavors and nutritional qualities have sparked serious interest in the tale of probiotic fruit drinks [50,52,53].

However, it was shown that several probiotic bacteria can boost the matrices of fruit. According to some theories, factors influencing cell survival include the substrate, the amount of oxygen present, and how acidic the matrix is [54]. When it comes to the acid resistance of *Lactobacillus* spp and *Bifidobacterium* spp in the juices of pineapple, orange, and cranberry, [53] Sheehan, et al. [54] discovered significant variances. In comparison to cranberry juice, pineapple juice, and orange juice have seen greater and longer survival rates.

Higher resistance has been demonstrated by *Paracasei* strains, which can endure over 7.0 log colony-forming units/milliliter in the juice of an orange and over 06.0 log colony-forming units/milliliter in the juice of pineapple for a minimum of 3 months. Particularly earlier, the water of the coconut was fermented with *Lactiplantibacillus plantarum* to create a probiotic beverage [55].

Another non-dairy-based creation

Grains have a complex nutritional makeup and can outweigh the drawbacks of fermented dairy products. These are regarded as advantageous non-dairy carriers for producing probiotic meals [19]. Consuming fermented meals made from cereals has another benefit: nutritional supplements are easily accessible. Oligosaccharides, a kind of non-digestible carbohydrate, can function as a prebiotic and encourage the development of probiotic LAB [56]. One of the oldest methods of processing grains still in use in the continents of Asia and Africa for the production of gruels, porridge, and drinks is fermentation. For this endeavor, cereal grains, including millet, oats, barley, wheat, and rye, are employed. Furthermore, consuming whole grains reduces the risk of type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, obesity, and a specific type of cancer [57] the utilization of cereal grains in the creation of functional meals is growing in popularity in Western nations [58].

The probiotic potential of cereal-based diets that undergo spontaneous fermentation was recently evaluated [59]. Mixed cereals and single cereals (malt and barley) are based on probiotic drinks, including *Lactiplantibacillus plantarum* and *Lactobacillus acidophilus*, as an alternative to dairy-based probiotic meals. In describing the function of the laboratory in the fermentation of grains used to make drinks, Waters, et al. [60] crystallised the findings of several researchers. Alginate

Table 2: List of some nondairy probiotic products designed recently.

Category	Product
Fruit and vegetable-based	Drinks from vegetables
	Fermented banana pulp
	Drinks of beets
	Milk of peanut
	Drink of tomato
	Juices of cabbage
	Carrot juice
	Onion
	Plum juice
	Probiotic banana puree
Soy-based	Fruit juices (mango, sapota, grape)
	Frozen desserts made from non-fermented soy
	Products made from soy
	Yogurt
Other nondairy foods	Soy curd
	Sorghum-based 'Yoghurt'
	Dosa (rice and Bengal gram)
	Meat products
Cereal based	Probiotic cassava-flour product
	Oat-based drink
	Oat milk
	Malt-based drink

microencapsulated Lb. is also employed as a substitute for dairy-based probiotic foods, primarily in the form of wursts. Reuters and B. Long reported that they used the flesh to make sausages [61]. In a study conducted in 2010, Rivera-Espinoza and Gallardo-Navarro studied the microorganisms found in probiotic products made from beef [62].

Phenotypic and genotypic resemblances between dairy and nondairy probiotics

The similarities between species of dairy and nondairy outweigh the differences in their genotypic and phenotypic characteristics. The important probiotic utilized in the fermentation of dairy products is *Lactococcus lactis*. *Lactococcus lactis*, however, is not just present in dairy products; it may also be found in other sources, including the surfaces of a plant [63,64]. *L. lactis* subsp. *Lactis* and *L. lactis* subsp. *Lactis* biovar diacetylactis naturally occurs on green plant matter [63]. Additional sources of *L. lactis* have included dirt [65] and the hindgut of termites [66]. Morphological and genotypic features of dairy isolates and nondairy isolates were identified based on 16S rRNA examinations of almost 106 LAB isolates to evaluate each other in their effectiveness in providing sources of food. Cluster analysis using randomly amplified polymorphic DNA profiles was used to examine these isolates. According to reports, there were also no appreciable variations in the profiles of enzymes such as phosphatases, peptidases, and lipases. Another trustworthy finding was that the fermented milk made with plant-derived strains tasted similar to that made with milk-derived strains [66].

Support for partition functionality and feasibility in a matrix

The physicochemical makeup of milk, which is high in lipids (fats) and protein, serves as a defensive matrix used for probiotics in dairy-based diets. These components aid probiotics in surviving challenging conditions in the intestine and abdomen [67,68]. Additionally, milk proteins can function efficiently as a carrier matrix to protect probiotic cells until they reach the site of action in the small intestines [69]. Fresh cheeses and other fermented dairy products have been the food vehicles for probiotic infusion, with the greatest scientific and economic success of microorganisms [68,70]. However, according to Ouwehand and Salminen [71], cell viability is a crucial component of cell functioning, and the elements of the food matrix primarily affect cell functionality [20]. The maturation inhibitory ability of widely available nondairy drinks was investigated using a well diffusion agar experiment to assess the viability of Lb. Casey sells the drinks. Only citric orange juice, out of a total of 13 nondairy beverages, had an inhibitory effect on the growth of both strains, with an inhibition zone measuring 6 to 7 mm from the well's edge for both strains [72]. Probiotic bacteria may be present in fruits like bananas and melons, and researchers have shown that these bacteria cling strongly to fruit tissue [44].

First, it is necessary to determine the effectiveness of bacteria used in dairy and nondairy drinks in stimulating resistance to stomach absorption in *in vitro* investigations.

However, there are reports that contradictory results were accepted while researching the gastric antagonistic effects of probiotic strains, such as strains with a well-reported capacity to operate favorably in the gut of humans, did not appear as favorable in *Vitro* assays of stomach acid resistance. These findings support the need for much more precise testing to assess both *in vitro* and *in vivo* resistance to stomach absorption [73].

However, it cannot be completely ruled out that *in vitro* testing will be used to examine some intrinsic aspects, such as the effects of the food matrix on the stomach resistance of probiotic bacteria [74]. According to the phenomenon known as "Bross adaptation," what type of conditions are pre-exposure to the sublethal level of the focus factor will allow cells to adjust to subsequent exposure to higher levels of the same pressure element or kinds of stresses. It has been observed that cell viability and functionality operate at [75]. *Bifidobacteria* kept at 4 to 20 °C for six weeks in another investigation showed decreased stomach digesting resistance [76]. The resistance of *Bifidobacteria* and *Lactobacilli* to the acid in juices of pineapple, cranberry, and orange has varied greatly [53]. Compared to fermented milk, fruit juice is a more varied dietary source with unique physicochemical characteristics. These unexpected outcomes are occasionally predicted because cell survival and functioning vary and rely on the ultimate output.

Rehearsal and viability of probiotics: The capacity of probiotic strains to survive throughout the upper GI, colonize, and proliferate in the human intestine is what determines the majority of their health advantages [77]. Therefore, if an appropriate quantity of potential probiotic bacteria did not permeate the marked region, the product of the probiotic would not be beneficial.

Many probiotic evaluations emphasize how probiotic viability is lost through processing, storage, and digestion [78]. Therefore, the biggest obstacle to the efficiency of a probiotic food product is maintaining the pressure of probiotics, which is necessary to achieve health benefits. Since probiotic food has health benefits, the impacts depend on the number of potential cells present at the time of ingestion [79].

WHO/FAO (2002) has demonstrated that any food claimed to contain probiotic effects must include at least a minimum of 10^6 to 10^7 colony-forming units/mL of live probiotic bacteria, emphasizing the individual. Various environmental factors can also influence the survival and persistence of probiotic bacteria. Storage, handling, transportation, and shelf life of probiotic nutrition are the primary phases involved in maintaining probiotic viability and survival. The probiotics must withstand the harsh conditions of the stomach and the bile salts in the small intestine before they can have a positive effect on the lower gastrointestinal tract.

Environmental, food, and processing parameters like pH, sugar, and chemicals like H_2O_2 , bacteriocins, and molecular oxygen, as well as strain species, rate and amount of inoculation, packaging of materials and requirements, conditions, and storage methods, are the important factor that

affects the capability and activity of probiotic cultures [80]. Separate from the production and storage components, the bile salts, intestinal current, toxic metabolites, bacteriophage, antibiotics, including phenols released during digestion, and anaerobic environments can all affect the probiotics' ability to survive [81].

Probiotics' growth and survivability in new food products have been improved by several initiatives [82]. The appropriate choice of acid and bile immune strains, use of oxygen-impervious containers, two-step fermentation, microencapsulation, and integration of micronutrients such as peptides and amino acids are methods to increase the survival of probiotic organisms [83].

List of probiotic microorganisms and their chemicals and physiological effects

Chemicals like propionic acid, lactic acid, SCFAs, and other organic acids are synthesized by the microorganisms where they are growing, and they can nearby inhibit or support the growth of other organisms. A list of microorganisms exhibiting probiotic effects is presented in Table 3.

Potential mechanism distribution among probiotics

Some mechanisms might be widespread among commonly studied probiotic genera for example, colonization resistance, normalization of disturbed microbiota, acid and fatty acid production, increased turnover of enterocytes, regulation of intestinal transit, and competitive exclusion of pathogen; others might be frequently observed among the most strain of a probiotic species, for example, vitamin synthesis, Bile salt metabolism, direct antagonism, enzyme activity, gut barrier reinforcement, and neutralization of carcinogens; others maybe rear and present only a few strain of a given species, for example, neurological effect, immunological effect, endocrinological effects and production of specific bio-actives [8]. By fostering a hostile environment for pathogenic microbes

in the intestine, probiotic microorganisms perform a crucial function. The intestinal epithelium's shape and functionality undergo some changes. They fight with each other for the surface area of the gut epithelial layer. To prevent the adhesion and proliferation of pathogenic bacteria in the intestinal lumen, they produce specific chemicals, such as organic acids, bacteriocins, and dipicolinic acids. Probiotic mode of action includes modification of the microbial population, aggregation with the pathogenic bacteria, competitive adhesion to the epithelial receptors, modification of the structural and functional properties of the intestinal epithelium, competition for nutrients, production of specific substances, such as organic acids, bacteriocins, dipicolinic acids, etc. [85].

Challenges of probiotics in nondairy products

Storage temperature, dissolved oxygen levels, pH, and the presence of chemical inhibitors all influence stability [86]. Room temperature storage, which is common for many nondairy products, can be detrimental to probiotic stability [87]. A big obstacle is the incorporation of probiotic civilizations in nondairy products. Choosing a food matrix is crucial for the survival of the probiotic throughout the process and storage system. It has been confirmed that the food matrix, pH, and water activity of the results, and the probiotic pressures of choice all affect the probiotics' survival and potency throughout the presentation and preservation of probiotic vegetables, fruits, and cereals. Fruit and vegetable juices include certain necessary nutrients, but other elements, such as low pH, which is linked to higher amounts of organic acids and dissolved oxygen, may affect the viability of probiotics [78]. Furthermore, dairy products are frequently stored at temperatures around 5 °C, which suggests that probiotic cell viability is likely guaranteed during the development of shelf life. However, when kept at ambient temperature, typical for many nondairy food types such as cereal products, fruit juices, beverages, confectionery, and more, can make an excellent challenge for probiotic viability [88].

Table 3: Probiotic Microorganisms with their physical and chemical Properties.

Probiotic Microorganisms	Chemical Properties	Widely used as	Reference
<i>Propionibacterium freudenreichii</i> subsp. <i>shermanii</i>	Propionic acid & conjugated linoleic acid (CLA)	Food preservatives	[27] Rabah, et al. 2017; Wang, et al. 2007
<i>P. acidipropionici</i>	Propionic acid	Food preservatives	[27] Rabah, et al. 2017
<i>P. Jensen</i>	2-pyrrolidone-5-carboxylic acid, 3-phenyllactic acid, hydroxyphenyl lactic acid, and 3-phenyllactic	Food preservatives	[27] Rabah, et al. 2017
<i>P. freudenreichii</i>	Increases SCFAs in feces, suggesting the possibility of modulating gut SCFAs concentration	Anti-Colorectal Cancer (CRC)	[27] Rabah, et al. 2017
<i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> W22, <i>Lactobacillus acidophilus</i> W70, <i>Ligilactobacillus salivarius</i> W24, <i>Streptococcus thermophilus</i> W69	Modulation of the intestinal microbial environment by promoting intestinal colonization by strains capable of β -galactosidase activity	Lactose intolerance	[39] Fassio, et al. 2018
<i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> , <i>Hanseniaspora uvarum</i>	β -glucosidase activity	To increase the alcoholic content during the fermentation of apples	[84] Guiné, et al. 2021
<i>A. niger</i> , <i>A. tubingensis</i>	Eriodictyol	Broad biological and pharmacological effects; anti-inflammatory effect in osteoarthritis; cardioprotective effect, anti-allergic effect	[84] Guiné, et al. 2021
<i>A. japonica</i> , <i>A. aculeatus</i>	Taxifolin and catechin	Cardiovascular health antioxidant, antihyperlipidemic	[84] Guiné, et al. 2021

In comparison to dairy probiotics, the state of nondairy probiotic beverages and the viability and impact of adaptive technology for their presentation are not moving simultaneously, at least not yet. However, as a result of the new economic, technological, and economic matrix, there is an urgent need to match the demand for natural, nutritious probiotic dairy food options with nondairy probiotic meals. Few claims exist regarding the preparation and presentation of fruit juices, despite an excellent potential for employing them as a probiotic. Therefore, there is a need for more research in this field. While expanding, it's essential to maintain a reasonable level of accessibility, stability, and sensory acceptance, particularly concerning flavor, appeal, and affordability, as these factors are imperative to their successful commercialization.

According to [89] Lee, et al. (1995), the “therapeutic minimum” for probiotics is 1×10^5 colony-forming units per gram or millilitre of the finished product. For any positive effects to manifest in humans, viable cell numbers ranging from 1×10^6 to 1×10^9 c.f.u. must be consumed every day. Even in cold storage, *Lactobacillus acidophilus* and *Bifidobacterium bifidum* have a brief stationary phase that is followed by rapid cell viability losses. As a result, the short shelf-life of these probiotic microorganisms poses a logistical challenge for researchers and manufacturers alike. Compared to *Lactobacillus acidophilus* and *Bacillus* spp., *Lactocaseibacillus casei* and *Lactiplantibacillus plantarum* have a longer shelf-life. Typical cultured milk has lactic acid at 0.5 – 1.5 w/v and a pH between 3.5 and 4.5.

To have a competitive edge, functional impacts are crucial. Therefore, caution should be used while verifying the starter's accessible qualities before merging them into the product. The benefits of nondairy probiotic products for society can be understood and leveraged by expanding research into these items. Prebiotics can also be used to provide synbiotic effects when combined with nondairy probiotic products.

All age groups should include milk and its derivatives in their diets because they are essential for healthy eating habits. The presence of physical, biological (including pathogenic and spoilage bacteria), and chemical (such as metals, pesticides, and mycotoxins) pollutants in milk and dairy products, however, has become a growing source of concern. Milk and dairy products must be free of harmful substances, given the high consumption rates. A developing biotechnological method for chemical decontamination is microbial degradation, which is regarded as a low-risk and affordable procedure [90] (Figure 3).

There are significant challenges during manufacturing: maintaining probiotic viability during product shelf life and after ingestion into the gastrointestinal tract, and maintaining the physicochemical and sensory characteristics of conventional products [91].

For nutraceutical applications, stable preparations with intact functional properties can be achieved using microencapsulated probiotics. The study investigated the morphology, tolerance to heat and mechanical stress,

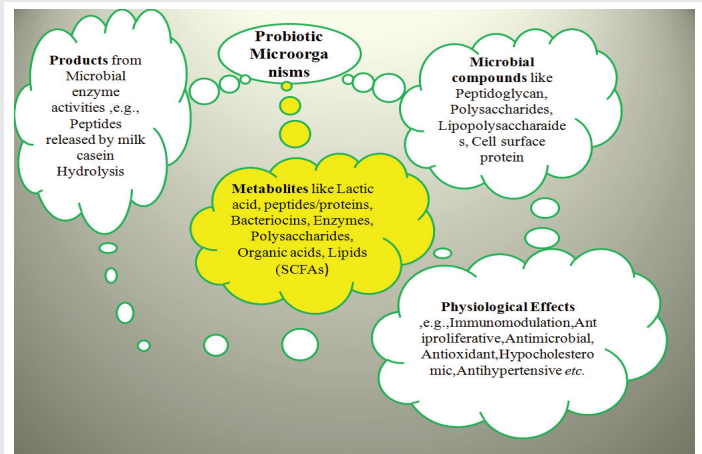


Figure 3: Interrelationship among Probiotic MOs, their products, and their physiological Effects.

storage stability, and release stability of bacteria in a simulated gastrointestinal fluid. When *Lactobacillus* spp. were microencapsulated, their survival rates following various treatments were much higher than those of freeze-dried cells. Most remarkably, encapsulated samples proved to be the most protective throughout gastrointestinal conditions; survival rates were 25% at 100 °C, 41% after 20 days at 70% relative humidity, and 32% following exposure to a 3-ton mechanical force. On the other hand, after being subjected to mechanical, thermal, and storage treatments, non-encapsulated samples did not survive in the gastrointestinal environment. On the other hand, after being subjected to mechanical, thermal, and storage treatments, non-encapsulated samples did not survive in the gastrointestinal environment. As a result, the study emphasizes the essential probiotic characteristics that were mostly preserved by microencapsulation, including temperature, humidity, mechanical stress, and pH tolerance [92].

Conclusion

Probiotic microorganisms exhibited health-promoting properties and were primarily utilized in fermented dairy matrices. Due to limitations such as lactose intolerance, hypercholesterolemia, and casein sensitivity, nondairy substrates—fruits, cereals, soy, and vegetables—were investigated as alternative delivery systems. These matrices provided prebiotic components and suitable pH environments but presented challenges in maintaining microbial viability. Factors including water activity, temperature, food matrix composition, and strain specificity influenced cell survival. Encapsulation techniques and controlled fermentation parameters were explored to enhance stability. Ensuring therapeutic colony-forming unit levels throughout shelf life remained critical for functional efficacy.

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