Study of the application of the 3D food printing for people with dysphagia in a hospital environment.

Goals

- 1. To know the impact of the dysphagia in the actual society.
- 2. Carry out a study with real information about dysphagia prevalence.
- 3. To know the actual treatment based in the food texture modification.
- 4. Study of the 3D food printing benefits as alternative for people with dysphagia with the preparation of 3D dishes and carry out sensorial analisis with patients and medical staff.

Dysphagia

- Swallowing disorder or Swallowing dificulty
- Simptom of other diseases. Temporary or chronic.
- Affects the security and effectiveness of swallowing.
- Types of dyspagia: Orofaringeal and Esofphagical dysphagia

Consequences

Medical:

- Malnutrition
- Dehydratation
- Aspiration

Psicological:

- Social repercusion
- Disminució plaer de menjar

Economical:

Increment of cost for:

- Hospital stay
- Malnutrition

People afected

Between 1.7 to 11% of the European population.

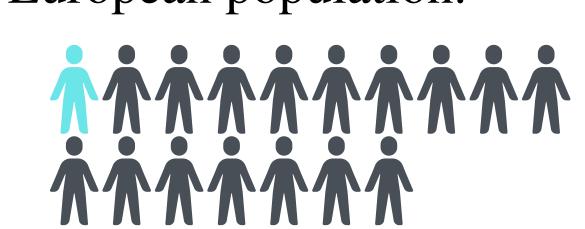


Figura 1: Population that can be affected by dysphagia

Target

Elderlies
People with neurological problems
People with oncological diseases

Table 1: Total cases of dysphagia in Sant Joan de Déu Hospital (Manresa), counting the hospital admissions and the external consultation.

	Dysphagia Cases
Hospital admissions	505
External consultation	135
Total cases	640

Main treatment

Swallowing therapy and texture modified foods and thickened liquids.



Figure 2: Puree

Sant Joan de Déu Hospital (Manresa) diets for people whit swallowing disorders:

- 1. Easy to cheaw dysphagia menu
- 2. Dysphagia grind menu
- 3. No double texture menu
- 4. Basic grind group

Diets for people whit dyspagia: 30 - 55 menus for meal

3D food printing and dysphagia

Can be a better solution?
Can be an alternative?
There is enough information?



Figura 3: 3D printed chicken, carrot and rice

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Goal Partners diets with Fundació Alt

modified texture and 3D printed for people with dysphagia.

Create

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Escola Jovia
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Advice

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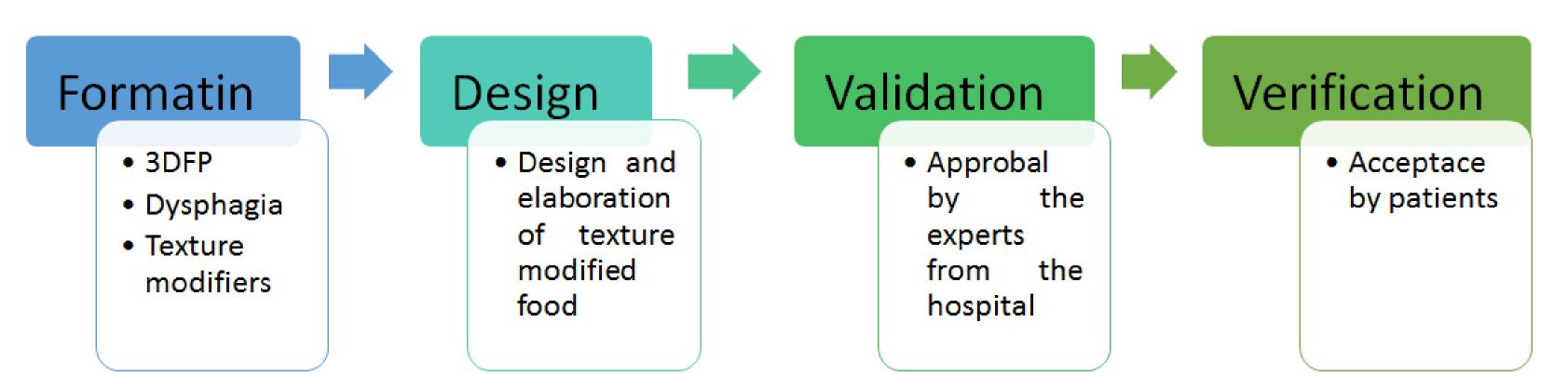


Figure 4: Nutrialth 3D Phases

Results

Design Lasagna "Suquet de peix" Potato omelette Rice pudding Caesar salad "Patates braves" Croquette



Figura 5: 3D printed lasagnya

Validation

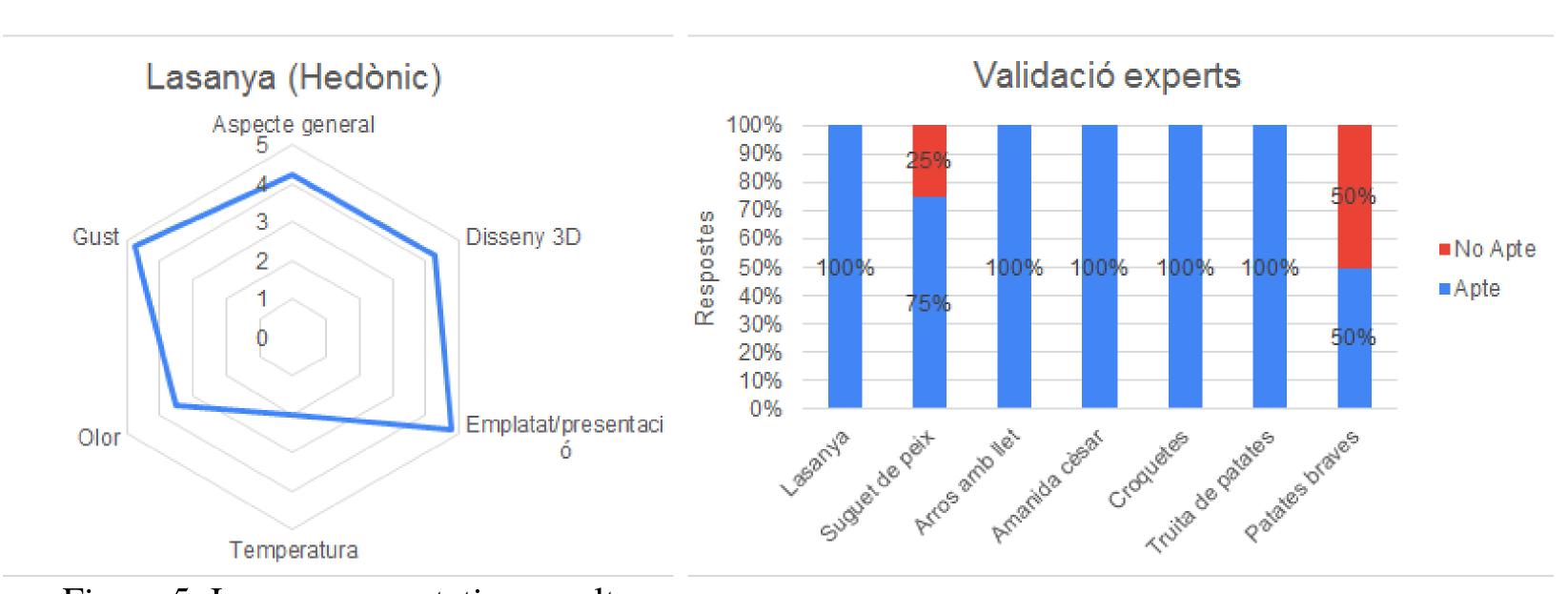


Figura 5: Lasagna acceptation results

Figura 6: Dishes validation results

Verification



Figure 8: A resident from the "Centre de Disminuïts físics del Bages" tasting Lasagna.

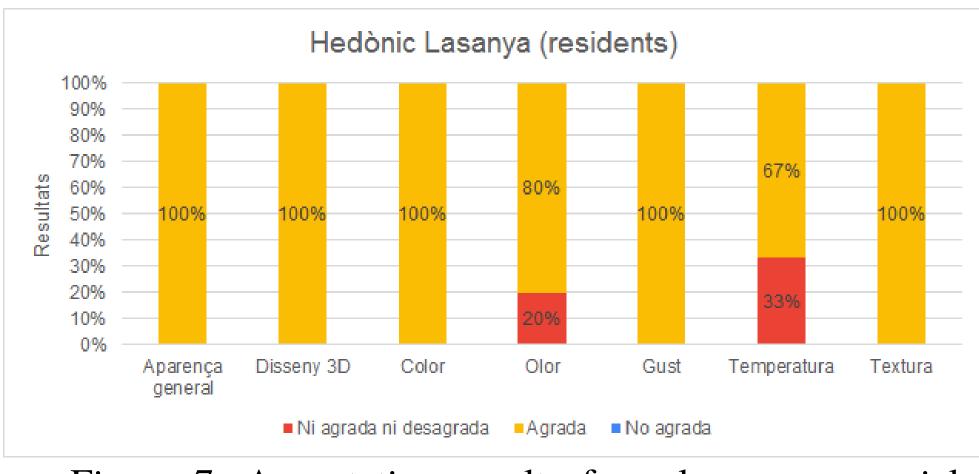


Figure 7: Acceptation results from lasagna sensorial analysis done by the residents.

Conclusions

3DFP can be an alternative to improve the psychological and nutritional status from people whit dysphagia.

Nowadays, there are a lot of gaps about his aplication in this cases.

For this reason, Nutrialth3D works to berify that the use of 3DFP can be usful for this persons and implement it as alternative.

Until now, Nutrialth3D has worked on the verification and acceptability of 3DFP. But they have to continue working on the verification of the benefits and on the design and elaboration of new foods.

