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Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers;
Little we see in Nature that is ours;
We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon!
This Sea that bares her bosom to the moon;
The winds that will be howling at all hours,
And are up-gathered now like sleeping flowers;
For this, for everything, we are out of tune;
It moves us not. Great God! I'd rather be
A Pagan suckled in a creed outworn;
So might I, standing on this pleasant lea,
Have glimpses that would make me less forlorn;
Have sight of Proteus rising from the sea;
Or hear old Triton blow his wreathèd horn."*

The World is too much with us by WILLIAM WORDSWORTH

SUMMARY

A continuous and increasing effort has been promoted in the last few decades regarding environmental sustainability. Even though pet food has always been considered as a valuable asset in reducing food waste there is still a wide margin of improvement. As such, new ingredients are constantly tested in the pet food market for both their nutritional value as well as their particular properties. One of the most promising ingredients can be considered insects, due to their potential sustainability features and nutritional aspects. Their high levels of both protein and fat content alongside their supposed low environmental footprint has gained the attention of the pet food market. Another set of ingredients which are increasing steadily in the pet food manufacturing are legumes. In particular, legumes by-product can obtain new value while providing interesting nutritional characteristics in pet food diets. Their higher level of protein and fibre compared to the more commonly used cereals can affect the gastrointestinal tract of dogs and cats.

Aim of the PhD project was to assess the nutritional quality, digestibility, safety and dietary characteristics of diets based on new materials for pet food production. Considering the novelty of insects, a diet based on black soldier fly larvae was tested for its digestibility as well as for its safety, following the nutritional adequacy trial according to AAFCO guidelines. Regarding legumes it was chosen to test lentils pasta by-product as this ingredient is discarded from the human-graded food production just for aesthetic reasons (e.g. discoloured or broken), retaining all its nutritional value for a possible use in pet food industry.

The first trial was conducted at the University of Turin (Italy) following FEDIAF Guidelines for *in vivo* digestibility trials using both total faecal collection and marker methods. Six West Highland White Terrier (3 males and 3 females, median of 3 years old) were allocated into 2 groups, one receiving an experimental diet based on black soldier fly larvae meal (BSF) while the other receiving a control diet based on venison meat (CTRL), in a cross-over design, so that each dog was the control of itself. The two diets were formulated to be isonitrogenous and isoenergetic, and they were also tested for *in vitro* digestion afterwards. Digestibility of nutrients for both TFC and marker methods were tested using two-way ANOVA for the comparison of both diets (CTRL vs BFL) and methods (TFC vs marker). The two methods used showed similar results while the diets differed regarding crude fibre digestibility (lower in the BSF diet compared to the CTRL diet), crude protein and calcium digestibility (higher in the BSF diet compared to the CTRL diet). *In vitro* results slightly overestimated OM and CP digestibility compared to *in vivo* results, even though they were substantially similar from

a nutritional perspective. This overestimation was probably due to the fact that prediction equations were derived from feedstuff based on vertebrates; as a consequence, diets formulated with insects may need further studies to derive more reliable prediction equations. The nutritional adequacy trial involved 16 mixed-breed dogs (8 males and 8 females, median of 5 years old) for a total of 26 weeks, according to AAFCO guidelines. The dogs were fed the same diets used for the digestibility trial and their clinical parameters as well as their weight were checked at the beginning (T0) and at the end of trial (T1). No variation of weight, haemoglobin, PCV, serum albumin and ALP was recorded, and all parameters were within normal ranges (according to AAFCO) during all the duration of the trial. Consequently, the diet based on black soldier fly larvae meal was deemed suitable for adult dogs maintenance diets.

The second trial was conducted at the UNESP (Brazil) and involved diet formulation and processing as well as the digestibility trial itself. Since legume-based diets for pets are already on the market the main focus of this research involved both the extrusion technique, as it is one of the major concerns for the pet food manufacturers, and the nutritional outcomes of such diet (e.g. faecal biogenic amines and volatile fatty acid production or glycaemic and insulinemic curve). In fact, legumes have specific nutritional properties, such as higher protein and fibre content and lower starch content compared to cereals, which make them a challenging ingredient to extrude while, at the same time, giving the diet particular intestinal features. Five experimental diets were formulated: a basal diet (CO) was based on rice and poultry by-product meal; while other 3 experimental diets were made only with the replacement of rice with different inclusion levels (33%, 66% and 100%) of lentil pasta by-product (LP33, LP66 and LP100). A fifth experimental diet (LPS) was formulated with 70% of the basal diet (CO) and 30% of the lentil pasta by-product in order to evaluate the ingredient digestibility alone. The diets were produced in an experimental extruder and the processing parameters were regularly checked and recorded while samples were collected at periodic intervals. The results showed a linear increase in extruder pressure, hardness and bulk density of kibbles when increasing the level of LP inclusion ($P < 0.05$), without affecting starch gelatinization. The ATTDC of dry matter, organic matter, and gross energy presented a quadratic reduction, while the dietary fibre and crude protein ATTDC increased quadratically with LP inclusion ($P < 0.05$). According to the polynomial contrasts analysis, up to 66% of LP replacement did not reduce ATTDC, with similar or increased values compared to the BR diet. Nitrogen balance did not change ($P > 0.05$), but a linear increase in faeces production and moisture, and a linear decrease in faeces pH was observed with higher LP ($P < 0.05$), without changing faecal score. Faecal acetate, propionate, total

short-chain fatty acids (SCFA), branched-chain fatty acids, and lactate all increased linearly with LP inclusion ($P<0.05$), without altering ammonia concentration in faeces. The increase in LP inclusion promoted a linear increment in cadaverine, tyramine, histamine and spermidine ($P<0.05$); while spermine exhibited higher concentrations in faeces for the LP 33% diet ($P<0.05$). The effects on both extrusion parameters and kibble formation, as well as in ATTDC and fermentation of by-products in faeces can be explained by the higher dietary fibre and lower starch content of LP in comparison with BR. The increase in fibre with lower starch may increase the mass resistance to flow inside the extruder, increasing shear, temperature and pressure, but the reduced starch content ended reducing expansion due to the lower plasticised mass necessary for cell structure formation. The higher fibre intake by dogs due to LP inclusion can also explain the reduction in digestibility. The dietary fibre of LP showed to be fermentable by gut microbiota, increasing the concentration of desirable fermentation products including SCFA, and spermidine. The glycaemic and insulinemic curve was performed on 2 groups of 8 Beagle dogs fed the BR diet and the LP100 diet respectively. The results showed a reduction in post-prandial glucose and insulin response for the LP100 diet in comparison to BR diet, suggesting that this ingredient can be used in diet designed to have low glycaemic response. Finally, a palatability study was performed on 38 dogs of different breeds and body weight in a completed randomized design using the two-bowl method, comparing the BR diet with the LP100 diet. The results showed a preference for the LP100 ration in both the "first choice" test and the "consumption rate" evaluation ($P<0.05$). The trial revealed how a by-product discarded for just aesthetic reason from human-graded food chain can still retain its highly palatable organoleptic properties.

Overall, both trials performed showed that the ingredients tested can have a future application in the pet food market, both from a nutritional as well as a sustainable perspective, according to the pillars of the circular economy.

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1.INTRODUCTION

It is undeniable nowadays that the world is changing from a climatic and demographic point of view (Fróna et al., 2019). The rapid increase in food demand will rise ever so greatly during the next years and a challenge for the welfare quality of people (FAO, 2009) and their pets life is looming (Swanson et al., 2013). Protein sources are the most expensive and ecologically demanding ingredients, accounting also the fact that they have a substantial impact on environment, land and water usage (Okin, 2017). Nevertheless, protein (as a macronutrient) is a key point for pet owners while choosing pet food products (Laflamme et al., 2008; Nijdam et al., 2012; Berardy et al., 2019). On that extent, alternative raw materials (such as by-products from human food industry) in pet food can increase the provision and/or digestibility of different nutrients combining, at the same time, an enhanced sustainability for what concerns the world economy, society and environment (Meeker et al., 2015). Indeed, a nutritional approach is considered sustainable if it is in accordance with the three-P dimensions (Planet, People and Profit) (Makkar et al., 2014 a). These changes, alongside the increased food-quality awareness of pet owners (Swanson et al., 2013), are leading manufacturers to introduce products with new sources of non-structural carbohydrates (NSC) and proteins. As this new trend is rising, concerns about food safety and quality are going hand to hand and need to be addressed (van der Spiegel et al., 2013). As a consequence, numerous factors need to be studied and conveyed before the introduction of these novel materials in the pet food production chain.

9. CONCLUSIONS

This PhD project focused on the evaluation of innovative ingredients for their possible entrance in the pet food manufacturing. The choice of legumes and insects followed the criteria of nutritional adequacy and sustainability while addressing the current trends in the companion animal sector. Even though insects industry is still under development for a large scale production, their role in the future of animal (and human) nutrition has been promoted as a possible solution to reduce our dietary wastes and carbon footprint. The assessment of their safety and dietary values is therefore crucial before further investments can be allocated in this field. This project not only evaluated the optimal results in terms of digestibility for a diet based on black soldier fly larvae but also its nutritional safety in a long-term study. However, this can be considered a starting step for the development of further studies, as insects can vary widely from a nutritional perspective depending on their life stages and their feeding. Numerous factors need to be addressed before understanding the potential of this novel ingredient, first of all the role of chitin on gut health and animal metabolism. Nevertheless, this study showed that black soldier fly larvae meal has already the likelihood to become a noteworthy ingredient in the future of the pet food industry. On the other hand, legumes have been commercialized for a longer time compared to insects. However, little has been investigated on their potential benefit apart from their nutritional value. In this project the digestibility parameters of diets based on lentil pasta by-product showed that this ingredient, despite discarded from human-graded food production, retain high bioavailability of nutrients. In addition, lentils can have an effect on the post-prandial glycaemic and insulinemic response, lowering the curve peaks compared to rice, possibly affecting the metabolic pathways of the animal. Nonetheless, the palatability of the ration resulted to be enhanced by the addition of lentil pasta by-product, of which the organoleptic properties appeared to be appreciated by dogs more than rice. However, extrusion processing parameters need to be carefully evaluated due to the reduced level of starch and increased level of fibre and protein of legume-based diets compared to cereal-based ones. In fact, the resistance to mass flow can affect kibble formation and hardness, altering therefore the final product characteristics. As such, this project aimed also to give the tools to understand where to operate on the extrusion processing in order to produce kibbles with similar characteristics depending on the inclusion level of pulses. In general, both of the ingredients selected demonstrated a good outcome in terms of possible mass production in commercial products while, at the same time, taking care of the sustainability concerns.

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