

Maximizing Vitamin Retention in Extruded Dry Pet Food

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Overview

- Vitamins
- Vitamin product forms
- Vitamin stability during extrusion
- Maximizing vitamin retention



3.2.3. Recommended nutrient levels for complete cat food

TABLE III-4_a

Unit per 100 g dry matter (DM)

Vitamins

~30% of cat essential nutrients (13/44)

<0.012% by weight in a complete cat food on dry matter

Nutrient	UNIT	Minimum Recommended Level			Maximum (L) = EU legal limit (N) = nutritional
		Adult based on MER of		Growth & Reproduction	
		75 kcal/kg ^{1/2}	100 kcal/kg ^{1/2}		
Prostate ^a	g	22.20	25.00	28.00/30.00	-
Arginine ^a	g	1.30	1.00	1.01/1.11	Growth: 2.30/30
Histidine	g	0.26	0.26	0.33	-
Isoleucine	g	0.57	0.43	0.54	-
Leucine	g	1.36	1.02	1.23	-
Lysine ^a	g	0.45	0.34	0.41	-
Methionine ^a	g	0.23	0.17	0.44	Growth: 1.20/30
Methionine + cystine ^a	g	0.45	0.34	0.44	-
Phenylalanine	g	0.53	0.40	0.50	-
Phenylalanine + tyrosine ^a	g	2.04	1.53	1.91	-
Threonine	g	0.69	0.52	0.65	-
Tryptophan ^a	g	0.17	0.13	0.36	Growth: 1.10/30
Valine	g	0.68	0.51	0.64	-
taurine (canned pet food) ^a	g	0.27	0.20	0.25	-
taurine (dry pet food) ^a	g	0.13	0.10	0.30	-
Fat ^a	g	9.00	9.00	9.00	-
Linoleic acid (ω-6)	g	0.67	0.50	0.55	-
Arachidonic acid (ω-6)	mg	8.00	6.00	20.00	-
Alpha-linolenic acid (ω-3) ^a	g	-	-	0.02	-
EPA + DHA (ω-3) ^a	g	-	-	0.01	-
Minerals					
Calcium ^a	g	0.53 ^a	0.46 ^a	1.00 ^a	-
Phosphorus ^a	g	0.35 ^a	0.26 ^a	0.84 ^a	-
Ca/P ratio			1/1		Growth: 1.5/1 (N) Adult: 2/1 (N)
Potassium	g	0.30	0.60	0.60	-
Sodium ^a	g	0.10	0.08	0.36	-
Chloride	g	0.15	0.11	0.24	-
Magnesium ^a	g	0.05	0.04	0.05	-
Trace elements ^a					
Copper ^a	mg	0.67	0.50	1.00	2.80 (L)
Iodine ^a	mg	0.17	0.13	0.18	1.10 (L)
Iron ^a	mg	33.70	3.90	8.00	68.18 (L)
Manganese	mg	0.67	0.50	1.00	17.00 (L)
Selenium (wet diets)	µg	35.90	26.00	30.00	56.80 (L) ^a
Selenium (dry diets)	µg	28.90	21.00	30.00	56.80 (L) ^a
Zinc	mg	30.90	7.90	7.90	22.90 (L)
Vitamins					
Vitamin A ^a	IU	444.00	333.00	390.00	Adult & Growth: 40 000 IU Reproduction: 33 300 (N)
Vitamin D ^a	IU	33.30	25.00	28.00	227 (L) 3 000 (N)
Vitamin E ^a	IU	5.07	3.80	3.80	-
Vitamin B1 (Thiamine) ^a	mg	0.59	0.44	0.55	-
Vitamin B2 (Riboflavin) ^a	mg	0.40	0.32	0.32	-
Vitamin B5 (Pantoic acid) ^a	mg	0.77	0.58	0.57	-
Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine) ^a	mg	0.33	0.25	0.25	-
Vitamin B12 (Cyanocobalamin) ^a	µg	2.35	1.76	1.80	-
Vitamin B3 (Niacin) ^a	mg	4.21	3.20	3.20	-
Vitamin B9 (Folic acid) ^a	µg	100.00	75.00	75.00	-
Vitamin B7 (Biotin) ^a	µg	8.00	6.90	7.00	-
Choline	mg	320.00	240.00	240.00	-
Vitamin K ^a	µg	-	-	-	-



What is a Vitamin?

- Organic compounds
- Essential to metabolism
- Small amount required
- Body can't make or make enough
- Obtain vitamins through food



Vitamin D deficiency

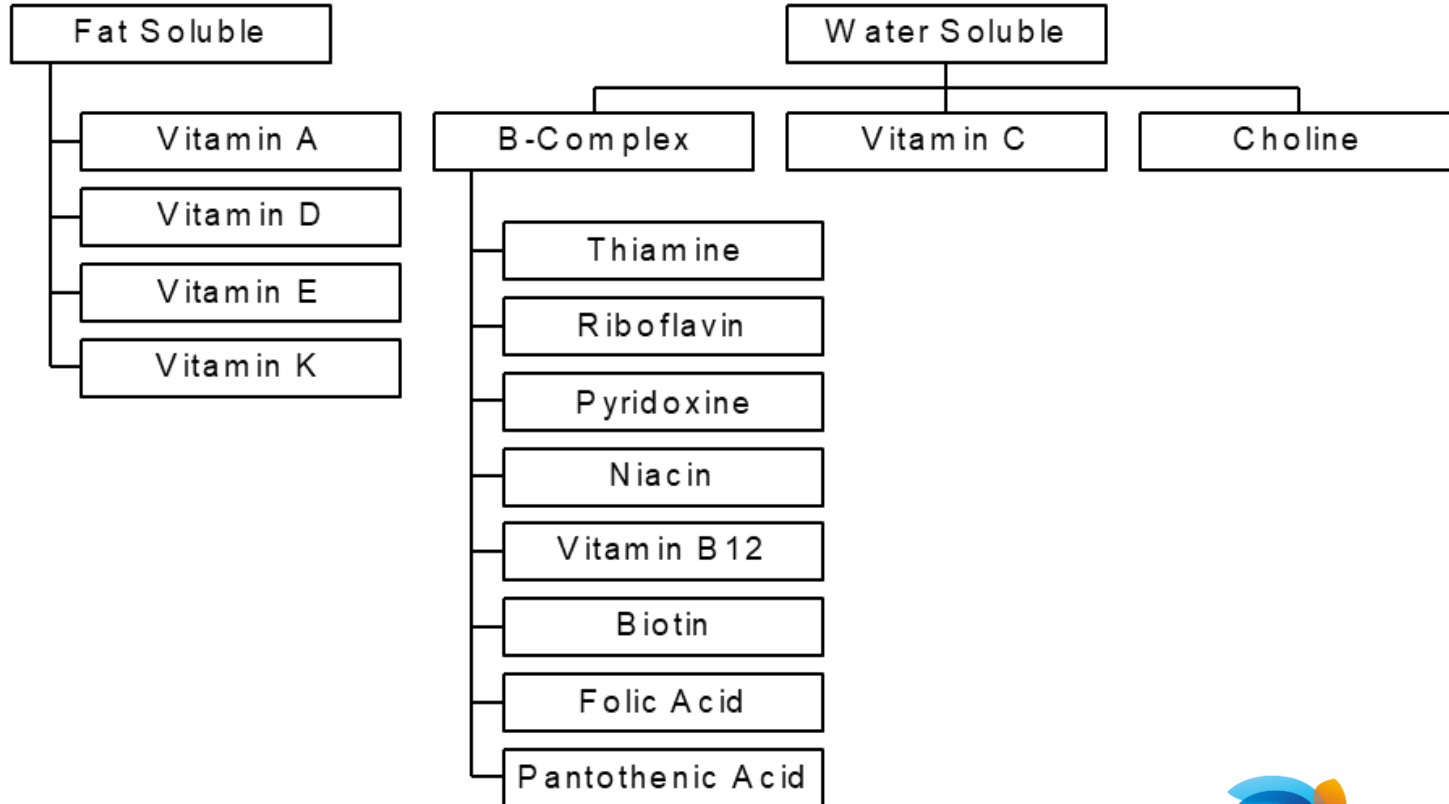
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Thiamin deficiency

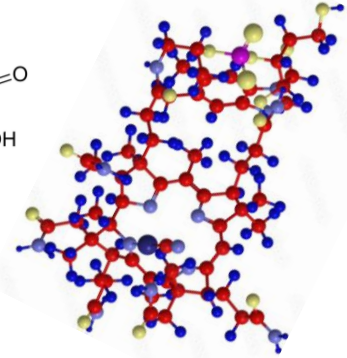
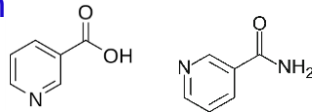
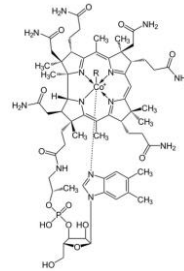
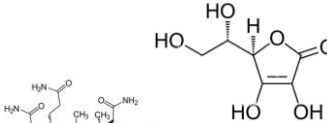
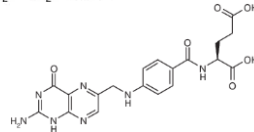
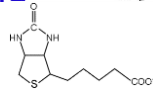
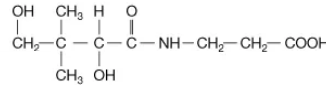
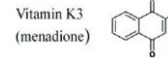
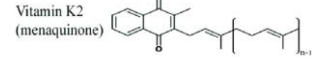
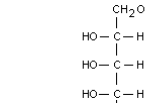
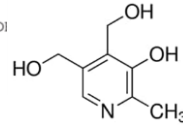
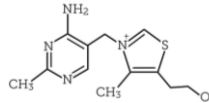
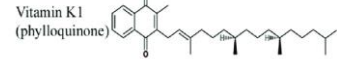
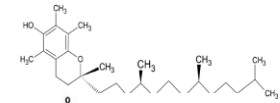
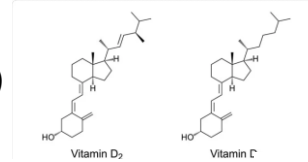
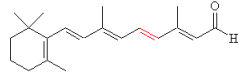
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Vitamins



Basic Vitamin Compounds

- Vitamin A - Retinol
- Vitamin D - Cholecalciferol (D₃), Ergocalciferol (D₂)
- Vitamin E - Alpha-tocopherol
- Vitamin K - Phylloquinone(K₁), Menaquinones (K₂), Menadione(K₃)
- Vitamin B₁ - Thiamine
- Vitamin B₂ - Riboflavin
- Vitamin B₆ - Pyridoxine
- Pantothenic Acid
- Biotin
- Folic Acid
- Vitamin C - Ascorbic Acid
- Vitamin B₁₂ - Cyanocobalamin
- Niacin/Niacinamide



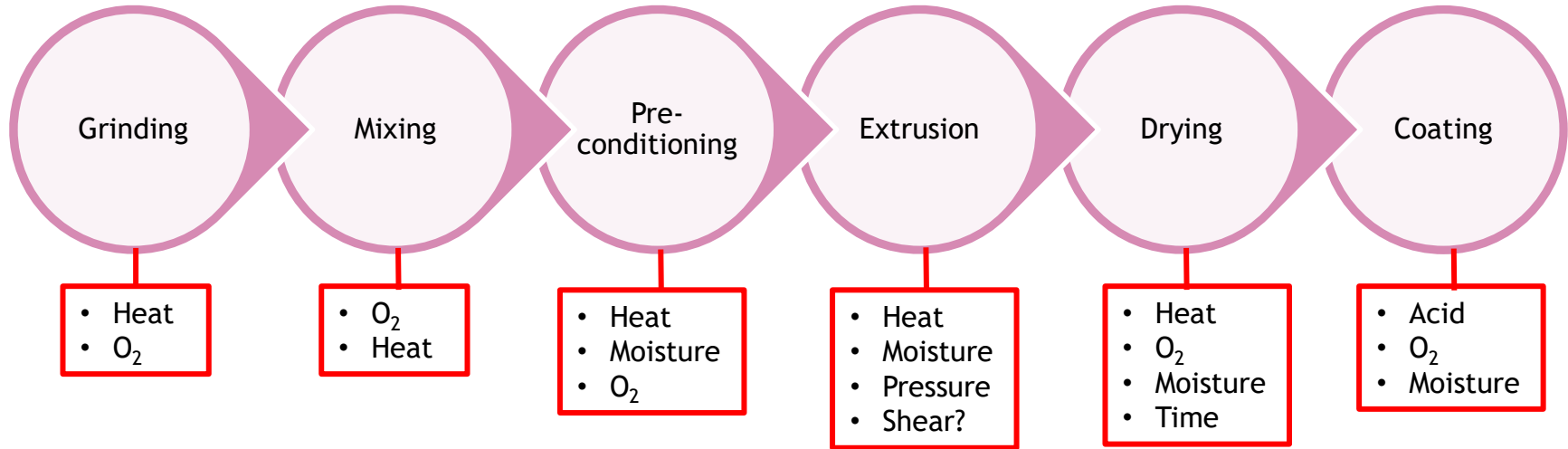
They may not be suitable forms for pet food applications

Factors Affecting the Stability of Vitamins in Basic Forms

Vitamin	Heat	Oxidation	Moisture	Light	Acid	Alkali	Radiation
Vitamin A	++	++	+	++	+	0	++
Vitamin D ₃	+	++	+	++	+	+	+
Vitamin E	0	+	0	+	0	+	+
Vitamin K ₃	++	+	++	++	0	++	0
Thiamine	++	+	+	+	0	++	0
Riboflavin	0	0	+	++	0	++	+
Pyridoxine	++	0	+	+	+	+	+
Vitamin B ₁₂	++	+	+	+	++	++	+
Pantothenic acid	+	0	+	0	++	++	0
Niacin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biotin	+	0	0	0	+	+	0
Folic acid	++	0	+	+	+	+	++
Vitamin C	++	++	++	0	0	++	0

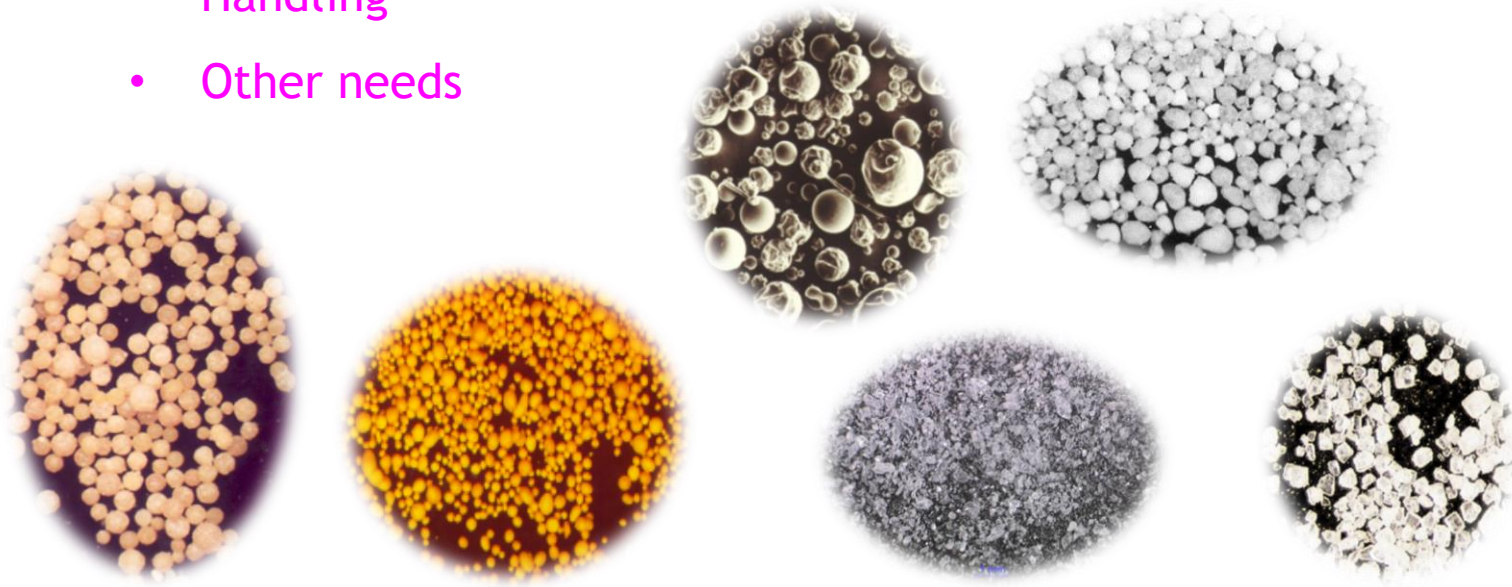
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Extrusion process of a dry pet food

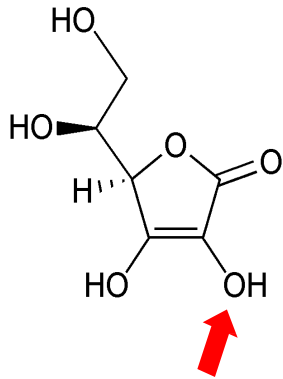


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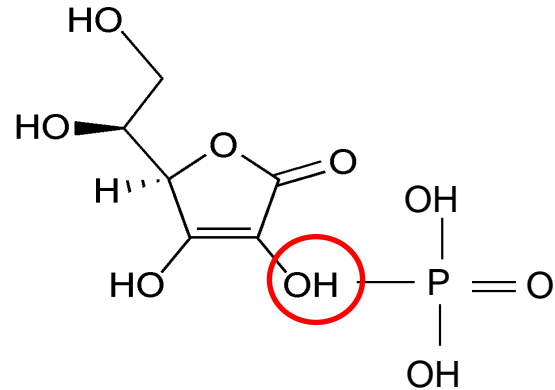
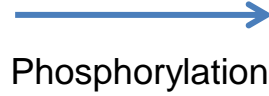
- Stability
- Handling
- Other needs



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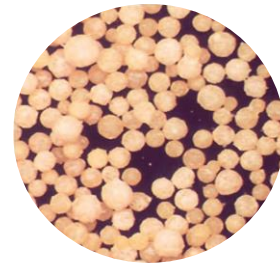
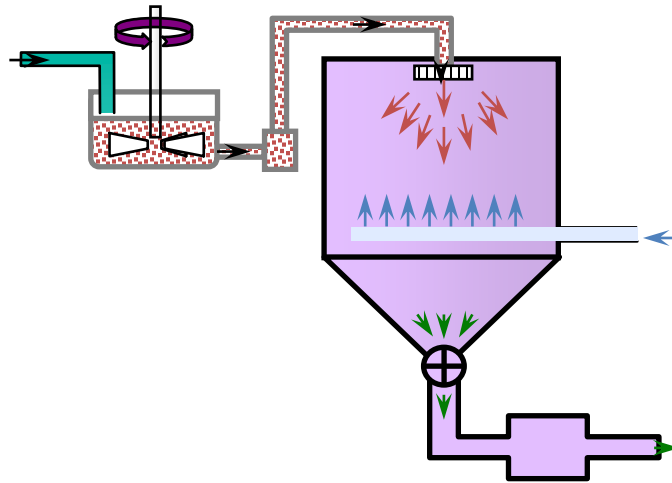


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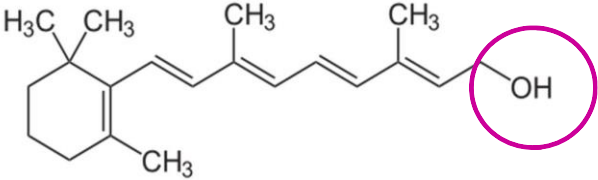


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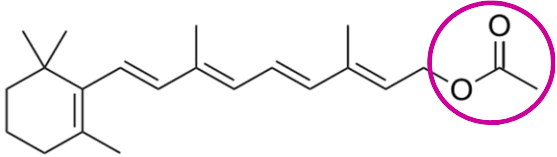
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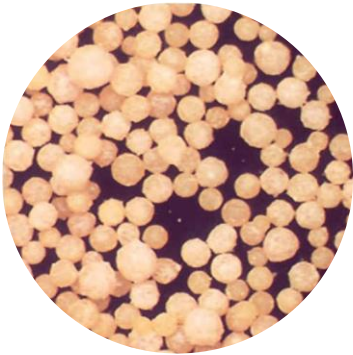
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Retinol



Retinyl Acetate

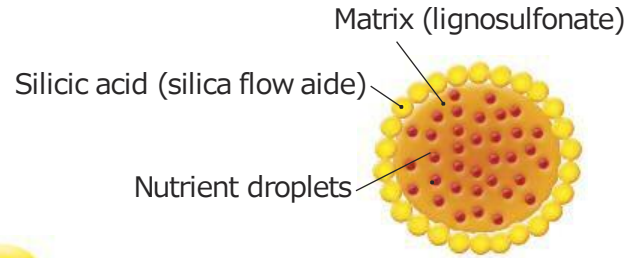


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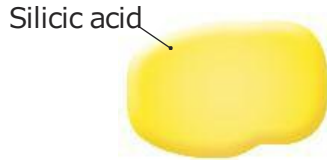
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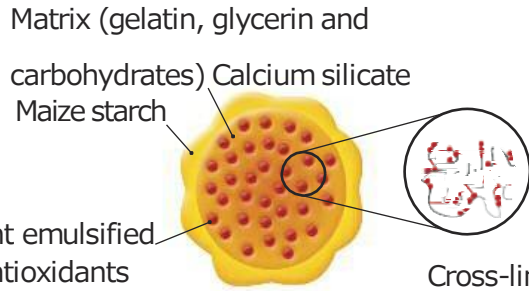
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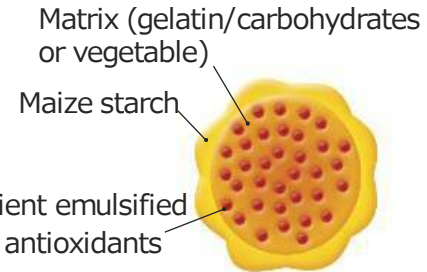
Spray-dried powder, B₂



Adsorbate, E

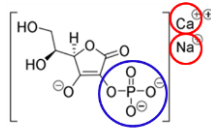


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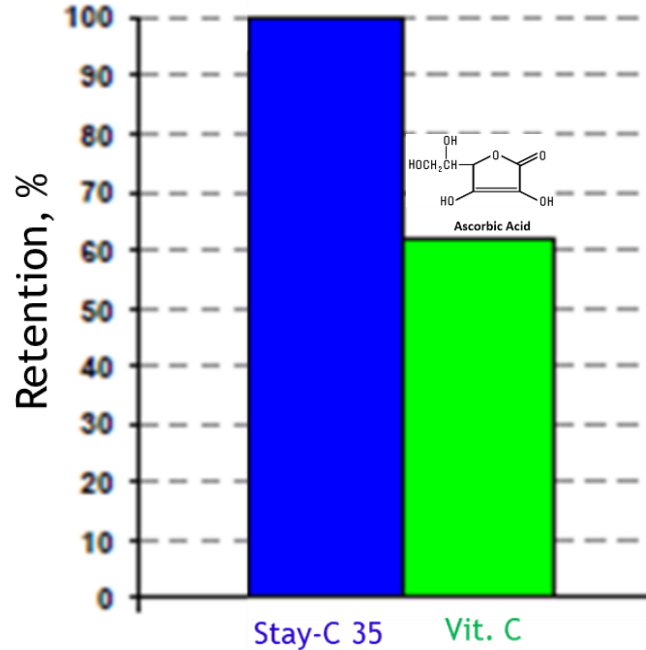


Beadlet, D₃

Stability of Different Vitamin C Forms During Extrusion



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Stability of Different Vitamin K₃ Forms During Extrusion

Table 1. Effects of sources and formulations of vitamin K₃ and extrusion temperature on its stability.

	Source (A)		Formulation (B)			Temperature (C)		p-Values							
	MSB	MNB	Cr	Mic-c	Mic-s	LT	HT	SEM	A	B	C	A × B	A × C	B × C	A × B × C
Sample size (n)	54	54	36	36	36	54	54								
VK ₃ recovery (%)	64.67 ^B	72.74 ^A	74.16 ^a	65.25 ^b	66.72 ^b	70.88 ^α	66.54 ^β	0.81	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.307

^{A,B} Means in a row, with different superscripts, are different ($p < 0.05$) under source. ^{a,b} Means in a row, with different superscripts, are different ($p < 0.05$) under formulation. ^{α,β} Means in a row, with different superscripts, are different ($p < 0.05$) under temperature. MSB, menadione sodium bisulfite; MNB, menadione nicotinamide bisulfite; Cr, crystal; Mic-c, micro-capsule; Mic-s, micro-sphere; LT, low temperature (100 °C); HT, high temperature 7(135 °C); VK₃, vitamin K₃; SEM, Standard Error of Mean; A, Source; B, Formulation; C, Temperature.

MSB: menadione sodium bisulfite

- Cr: Crystal
- Mic-c: Micro-capsule (stearic acid & glycerate)
- Mic-s: Micro-sphere (carboxymethyl cellulose & ethyl cellulose)

MNB: Menadione nicotinamide bisulfite

- Cr: Crystal
- Mic-c: Micro-capsule (stearic acid & glycerate)
- Mic-s: Micro-sphere (carboxymethyl cellulose & ethyl cellulose)

LT: Low temperature (100°C)

HT: High temperature (135°C)

Stability of Different Vitamin K₃ Forms

Unstable



Menadione Sodium Bisulfite	50% Menadione
Menadione Sodium Bisulfite Complex	33% Menadione
Menadione Pyrimidinol Bisulfate	45% Menadione
Menadione Nicotinamide Bisulfite	46% Menadione

Stable

Stability of Fat Microencapsulated Vitamins during Extrusion

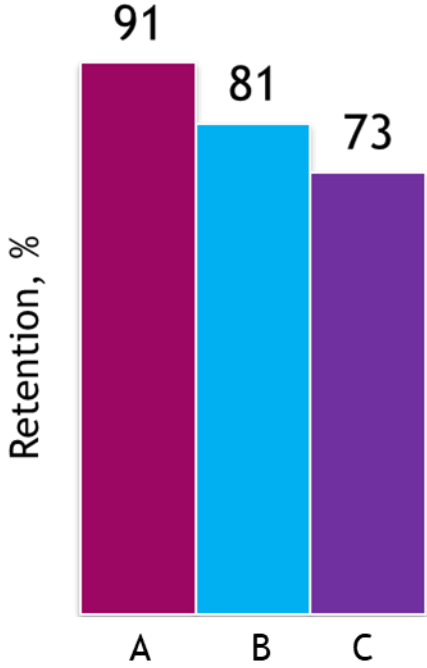
Table 5. Effects of extruded temperature (Temp.) and vitamin forms (non-microencapsulated or microencapsulated) on the percentage of vitamins in diets (Experiment 1) ¹.

Form	Temp.	VA	VD ₃	VE	VK ₃	VB ₁	VB ₂	VB ₃	VB ₅	VB ₆
NM	100 °C	46.34	73.94	47.34	7.17	94.91	98.71	102.59	99.19	74.35
	140 °C	34.75	53.14	42.23	6.12	79.24	87.77	89.75	84.32	78.12
	180 °C	30.76	40.26	45.17	11.64	78.31	90.16	87.18	85.51	71.82
M	100 °C	56.41	75.73	49.17	48.04	100.71	105.16	104.81	100.83	101.88
	140 °C	40.25	56.86	43.09	35.20	83.81	91.39	90.59	87.47	92.46
	180 °C	41.80	60.74	46.41	38.55	83.60	90.76	90.20	84.41	89.25
SEM		0.74	3.40	1.10	1.81	0.68	1.28	1.14	1.75	3.16
Main effects										
Form	NM	37.28	55.78	44.91	8.31	84.15 ^y	92.21 ^y	93.18 ^y	89.67	74.76 ^y
	M	46.15	64.44	46.22	40.60	89.37 ^x	95.77 ^x	95.20 ^x	90.90	94.53 ^x
Temp.	100 °C	51.37	74.83	48.26 ^a	27.60	97.81 ^a	101.93 ^a	103.70 ^a	100.00 ^a	88.11
	140 °C	37.50	55.00	42.66 ^b	20.66	81.52 ^b	90.46 ^b	90.17 ^b	85.90 ^b	85.29
	180 °C	36.28	50.50	45.79 ^a	25.10	80.96 ^b	89.58 ^b	88.69 ^b	84.96 ^b	80.54
p-value										
	Form	<0.001	0.015	0.154	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	0.038	0.397	<0.001
	Temp.	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.002	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	<0.001	0.069
	Form × temp.	<0.001	0.035	0.905	0.001	0.667	0.09	0.110	0.478	0.110
Significant p-values for contrasts										
	NM 100 °C vs. M 100 °C	<0.001	-	-	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-
	NM 140 °C vs. M 140 °C	<0.001	-	-	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-
	NM 180 °C vs. M 180 °C	<0.001	<0.001	-	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-
	NM 100 °C vs. NM 140 °C	<0.001	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	NM. 100 °C vs. NM 180 °C	<0.001	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	NM 140 °C vs. NM 180 °C	<0.001	0.013	-	0.039	-	-	-	-	-
	M 100 °C vs. M 140 °C	<0.001	0.011	-	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-
	M 100 °C vs. M. 180 °C	<0.001	0.037	-	<0.001	-	-	-	-	-
	M 140 °C vs. M 180 °C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

M: Vitamins
microencapsulated
with hydrogenated fat

¹ Main effects are shown for responses in which the interaction was not significant, whereas contrasts are shown where a significant interaction was detected. VA; vitamin A, VD₃; vitamin D₃, VE; vitamin E, VK₃; vitamin K₃, VB₁; vitamin B₁, VB₂; vitamin B₂, VB₃; vitamin B₃, VB₅; vitamin B₅, VB₆; vitamin B₆. ^{x,y} Means within a column that lack a common superscript differ ($p < 0.05$). ^{a,b,c} Means within a column that lack a common superscript differ ($p < 0.05$). NM, non-microencapsulated; M, microencapsulated. The changes in vitamin concentration during extrusion are presented in Table S1.

Stability of Vitamin A from Different **Manufacturers** during Extrusion

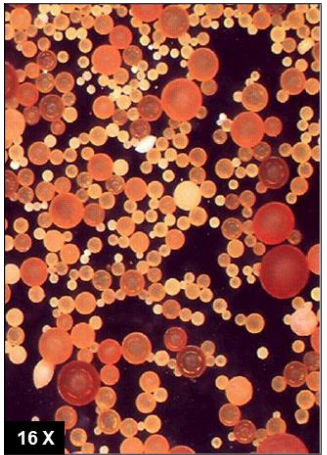


Vitamin A 1000 Products

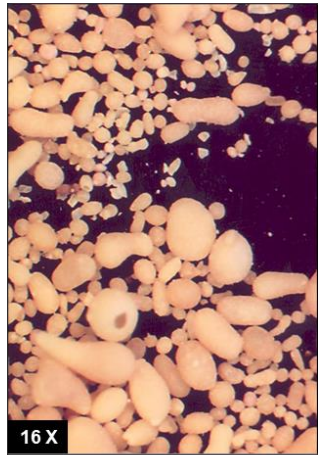
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Product A



Product B



Product C

Stability of Vitamins in Different Pet Food during Extrusion

Table 3.3: The effects of experimental protein level (low, medium and high) on vitamin retention exiting the extruder, as-is basis.

Item	Unit	Target*	Protein Level (%)			SEM	P=
			Low(24)	Medium (27)	High(34)		
Vitamin A	IU/kg	241,014.0	206,249.0 ^b	219,184.0 ^a	225,352.0 ^a	3,791.4	0.020
Vitamin D ₃	IU/kg	10,205.0	7,836.0	8,204.0	8,377.0	215.8	0.260
Vitamin E	IU/kg	1,269.0	755.0 ^c	801.0 ^b	893.0 ^a	32.0	0.050
Folic Acid	mg/kg	2.3	1.4 ^b	1.6 ^b	1.8 ^a	0.05	0.004
Thiamine	mg/kg	28.2	22.5	23.3	23.6	0.36	0.200

^{ab} Means in a row with unlike superscripts differ ($P < 0.05$).

*Target was not evaluated in statistical analysis and is provided as a form of reference for the target amount intended based on vitamins in premix.

Mooney, 2010

Stability of Vitamins in Different Pet Food during Drying

Table 3.4: The effects of experimental crude protein level on vitamin retention as kibble exits the drier.

Item	Unit	Target*	Protein Level (%)			SEM	P=
			Low(24)	Medium(27)	High(34)		
Vitamin A	IU/kg	241,014.0	173,022.0	173,234.0	171,069.0	3,521.9	0.80
Vitamin D ₃	IU/kg	10,205.3	6,945.7 ^b	7,472.6 ^b	9,047.1 ^a	458.1	0.006
Vitamin E	IU/kg	1,269.1	894.7 ^b	884.8 ^b	1,102.3 ^a	26.6	0.001
Folic Acid	mg/kg	2.3	1.8 ^b	1.9 ^b	2.2 ^a	0.03	0.0006
Thiamine	mg/kg	28.2	25.5	25.1	26.6	0.6	0.14

^{ab} Means in a row with unlike superscripts differ ($P < 0.05$).

*Target was not evaluated in statistical analysis and is provided as a form of reference for the target amount intended based on vitamins in premix.

Mooney, 2010

Stability of Vitamins at Different Temperature during Extrusion

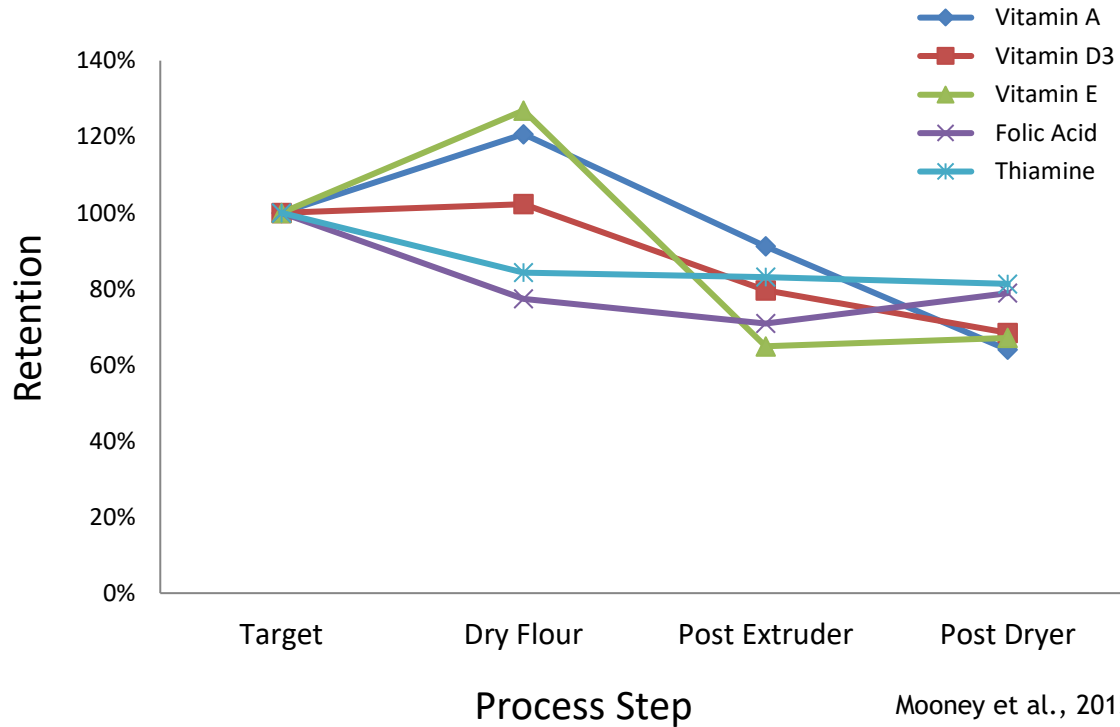
Table 7 Effect of extrusion temperature on different vitamins stability.

Fat-Soluble Vitamins	91–95°C	141–145°C	% Loss from 95 to 145°C
A, beadlet	90	62	25.2
D, beadlet	96	86	9.6
E, acetate	95	81	13.3
Water-Soluble Vitamins			
Thiamine HCL	90	50	36
Riboflavin	98	91	7.1
B6	93	73	18.6
B12	97	86	10.67
Pantothenic acid	94	75	17.86
Folic Acid	93	64	26.97
Biotin	93	63	27.9
Niacin	92	64	25.7
Vitamin C	57	5	91.22

Source: BASF Documentation DC 0002.

Riaz et al, 2009

Stability of Vitamin A, D₃, E, Folate, and B₁ during Extrusion



Mooney et al., 2015

Effect of Extrusion **Process Conditions** on Vitamin Stability

Table 2 Extrusion parameters that increase vitamin destruction.

↑	Barrel and mass temperature
↑	Screw speed
↑	Specific energy input
↓	Feed moisture
↓	Die diameter
↑	Throughput

Source: Killeit (1994).

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Vitamin Retention during Extrusion

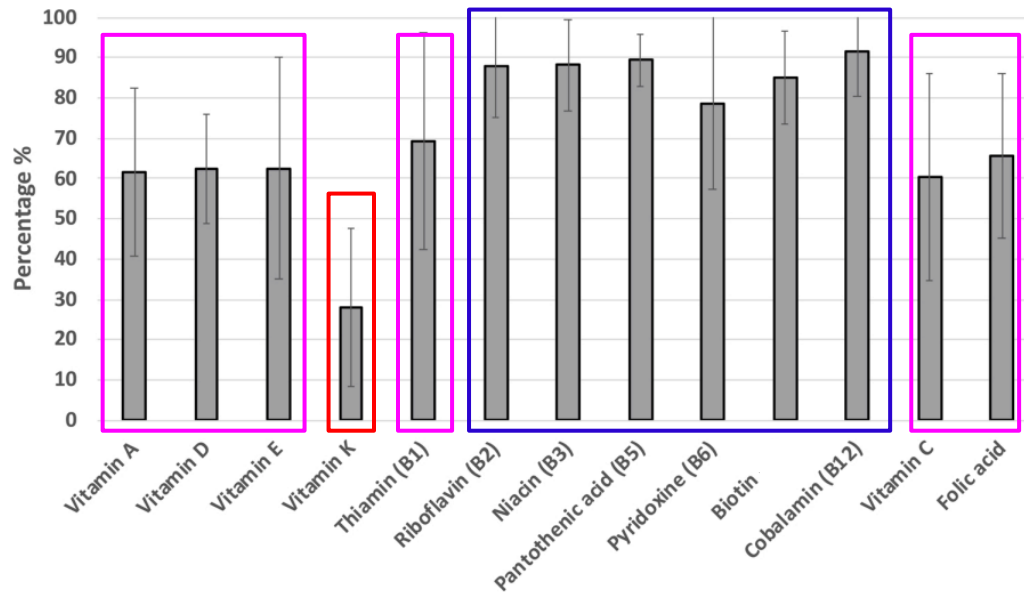


Fig. 1. Average retention of vitamins under various extrusion processes and food matrixes. Based on the work of Mustakas et al. (1964), 1970; Beetner et al. (1974), 1976; Lee et al. (1978); Maga and Sizer (1978); Lorenz et al. (1980); Bjorck and Asp (1983); Killeit and Wiedmann (1984); Andersson and Hedlund (1990); Guzman-Tello and Cheftel (1990); Killeit (1994); Andersson and Sunderland (2002); Cha et al. (2003); Athar et al. (2006); Plunkett and Ainsworth (2007); Ilo and Berghofer (2008); Tran et al. (2008); Riaz et al. (2009); Boyaci et al. (2012); Emin et al. (2012); Ying et al. (2015); Alam et al. (2016); Bajaj and Singhal (2019); Yang et al. (2020).

Morin et al., 2021

Summary

- Vitamins are essential for dogs and cats.
- Vitamins are a group of organic compounds, and they are prone to the process and storage losses.
- To maximize vitamin retention during extrusion, **proper forms and high quality of vitamin products** should be used.
- Reducing **(Thermal Energy + Mechanic Energy) x Time** helps to improve vitamin retention during process of extruded dry pet food.



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