

Croquettes from surplus sweet potatoes



Crop

Sweet potato
Ipomoea batatas L.

Croppart

Roots / Tubers

Application area

Food & feed

Status

Development stage

Public availability

Semi-public

Relevant plant compounds

Vitamins and minerals

carbohydrates

Description

The Belgian company "De Aardappelhoeve" grows, sorts and packages 300 ha of potatoes for Belgian retail, both conventional and organic. Recently the company has been growing sweet potato for the Belgian market. The potatoes are selected by size, the too small and too large potatoes cannot be sold. This means a loss of 200 tons of sweet potatoes on an annual basis. A new application is being sought for these quantities within the Food From Food project. A sweet potato croquette is initially thought of. In addition, it is interesting to develop a semi-finished product that can be used in many recipes.

Pros and cons

- + possibility to turn local waste streams into valuable products
 - + Circular economy
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Resources

<https://www.foodfromfood.eu/de-aardappelhoeve> Initiative website