

# The present Status and future of Sericulture industry in Korea



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# Historical Overview on Sericulture in Korea



#### DanGun(BC 1123) | Encouragement of Mulberry & Silkworm

- Chosun: "," "/ King SeongJong:
- '46 Seric. Div. in Agric. Min., '61 Law for Promotion of Seric.)

#### '70~'80 | Important Agricultural Product in Korea

-'75 Raw Silk Export 114 million\$ (52% whole Agric. Export)



- Rapidly Decline, Abolition of Division in Min.( '94) & Seric. Law ('99)

#### Mid '90's | Silkworm powder's effect Reported

- a Momentum of transition to Functional Sericulture

#### '09, Nov. | Law & Plans for Promotion of Functional Seric.

Enactment 2009.5.27, Law No.9726, Enforcement 2009.11.28]

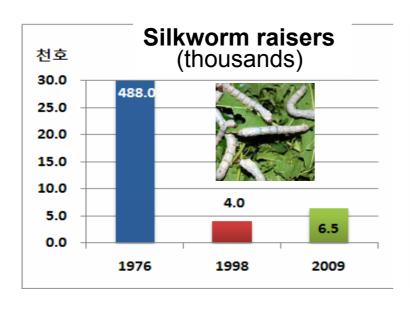


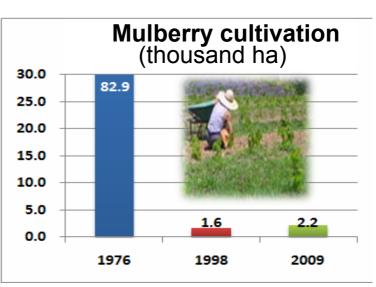
# **Current Status of Sericulture**



Overview | Total Production Value : 70 million \$ 6,900 Farmers ; 2,300ha Mulberry &17,000box silkworms

- Silkworm power, Cordiceps, etc: 12million\$,
- Mulberry: 28, Wine, Cosmetics, Silk protein, etc: 30







# Comparison of Incomes with other Crops(per10a)

Crop	Gross Income (US \$)	Earning rate(%)	Net income (US \$)
Rice	854	57.4	490
Pear	4,317	60.6	2,615
Onion	1,725	57.6	994
Cabbage GH	1,377	37.0	509
<b>Dried Silkworm</b>	3,840	37.0	1,421
<b>Mulberry Fruits</b>	5,000	54.4	2,720













# 11 Functional Commodities developed from Sericulture

Commodity	Year Developed	Effect	Producer/ Manufacturer
<b>Dried Silkworm Powder</b>	<b>'95</b>	Blood sugar level	Farmer, Union
Cordyceps mushroom	<b>'97</b>	Immunity, anti-fatigue, etc	"
Mulberry leaf tea	<b>'99</b>	Blood sugar level	"
Nuegra®	<b>'01</b>	Natural tonic	Geunhwa, GujiuCo.
Silk cosmetics	<b>'02</b>	Moisturizer, wrinkle	Dongsung, Co.
Hair-dye	<b>'03</b>	Hair damage & bleaching	"
Mulberry Fruits Wine, Juice, Jam	'03, '04	Anti-aging, etc	Farmer, Union
Silk toothpaste	<b>'05</b>	Injury in oral cavity	Dongsung, Co.
Silk-peptides BF-7	'07	Memory, learning ability	Bioland, Co.



# Transition of Sericulture in Korea

~1980's

1990's

2000's ~

Textile
Sericultur
e

Functional Sericultur e

Bio-Material Sericulture

Focused on Cocoon, Silk

Health food
Alternative medicine

Cosmetics
Medical Appliance
Theme Town, Tourism







# Genetic Resources of Silkworm & Mulberry



# **Conservation and Breeding**











- Silkworm variety JS169×CS186 and their characteristics
  - Production of golden colored silk
  - DNJ content: 4.3mg/g, 14% more than control

3.8mg/g



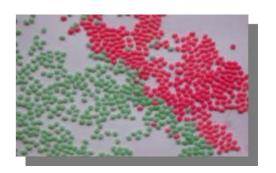
For the special clothes and arts

# Colored silkworms in each stage









**Colored larvae** 

**Colored cocoon** 

**Colored eggs** 



#### **Art flowers from colored cocoons**







# Mulberry breeding for fruit production







Daesung



**Gugsang 204 for raw fruit** 



Turkey – D white colored

# Breeding of mulberry for Jam, Juice, Wine







# Silkworm powder for diabetes



#### Functional effect of sericulture products in oriental medicine



Diabetes
Cough
Brain disease
Hypertension



Diabetes Palsy Allergy

Pupae + Excrement + Mulberry





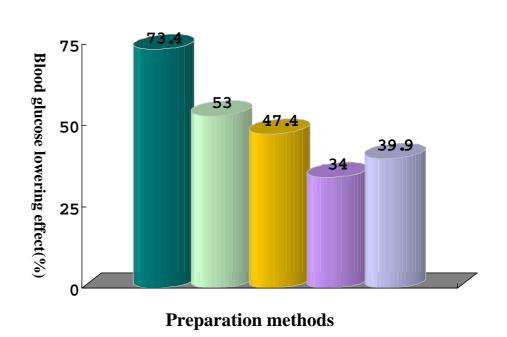




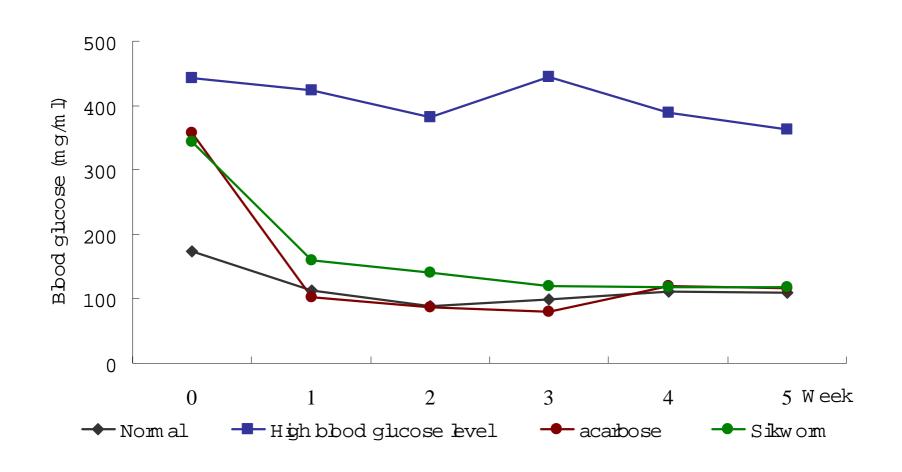
#### Activity by different preparation of Silkworm Powder



- 5<sup>th</sup> instar3days freezing dry: 73.4%
- 5<sup>th</sup> instar3days heating dry: 53.0%
- Fasting for 24hours : 47.4%
- Artificial diet : 34.0%
- During molting : 39.9%







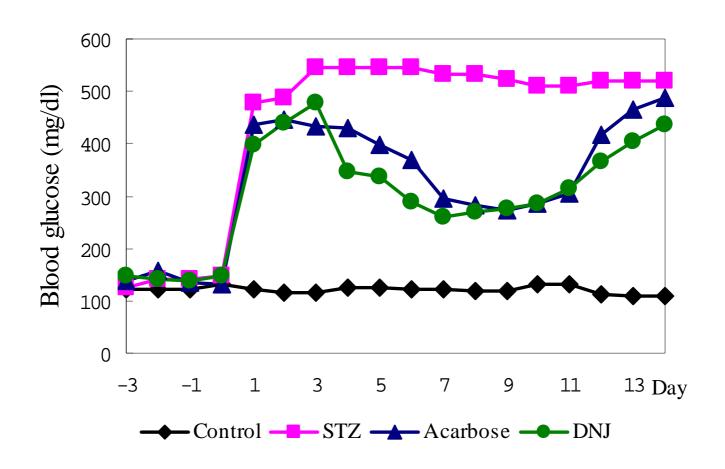


(mg/200g powder)

Alkaloid	Mulberry fruits	Mulberry leaves	Silkworms
DNJ(1)	168	138	376
Me-DNJ(2)	1.0	None	None HOH2C H
Gal-DNJ(3)	2.8	61	None
Gal-DNJ(4)	2.8	1.2	None HOTH
FAG(5)	3.6	37	25 ОН
Glc-FAG(6)	None	1.1	None
epi-FAG(7)	None	4.2	4.2
DAB(8)	2.4	11	13
Glc-DAB(9)	4.0	13	8.2
CAL (10)	3.6	5.2	None
Gal-CAL(11)	1.6	1.8	None
HNT(12)	2.0	None	None

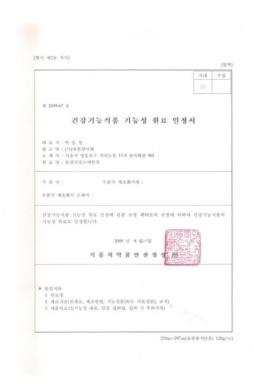
<sup>\* 1-</sup>deoxynojirimycin (DNJ)





# Silkworm powder for diabetes











Korean

Certificate of 'Functional Health Food' from KFDA(2009)

#### Tonic effect of the male silkworm



# **Comparison of Sperm counts**

Treatments	Sperm counts (X10 <sup>6</sup> /g epididymis)	Percent(%)
control	53.38 ± 2.18	100.0
Viagra	59.72 ± 0.80	111.9
Kissometer	51.51 ± 1.68	96.5
Silkworm moth extract 100mg	70.22 ± 2.37	135.6
Silkworm moth extract 250mg	75.47 ± 0.09	141.4
Silkworm moth extract 500mg	66.47 ± 4.71	124.5
Botany 1	70.95 ± 2.05	132.9
Botany complex	66.73 ± 1.11	125.0

#### **Breeding of Sex limited silkworm variety**



Sex determined

 $men(\circlearrowleft): XY$ 

women( $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{+}$ ): XX

Sex chromosome in human

Sex chromosome in silkworm

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male(♂): ZZ Sex determined

female( $\stackrel{\bigcirc}{+}$ ): ZW

W chromosome: yellow cocoon, larval







#### Optimal stage for male pupa poduction









8days



12days



14days



Nuegra® for stamina from male silk-moth

# Cordyceps on silkworms



## **Effects of Cordyceps**

- Anti-cancer
- Build-up of immunity
- Anti-fatigue
- Anti-stress









'Bulhee' wine



drink



# Healthy foods using mulberry leaves

- Mulberry leaves ice-cream
- Simple prepared powdery mulberry leaves : green smell
- Preservation of original color
- Effect of muberry leaves ice-cream on the blood glucose

level	Before	After 45 min	Lowering effect(%)
General	87.4±14.8	107.8±10.9	27.8
Mu1berry leaves	113.4± 7.8	111.4±14.0	-1.6**





# Silk protein



#### Silk cosmetics

- Moisturizing and activating skin tissue
- Sericin: moisturizing factor, fibroin: collagen formation

Preservation of original color



Sericin soap



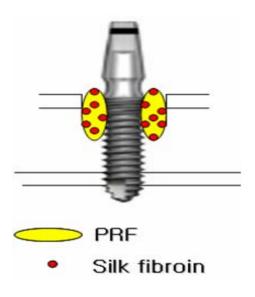
Fibroin cosmetics

Silk toothpaste(wound care in mouth)

# Development of silk eardrum and artificial bone



Silk eardrum



Silk bone with implant



# Construction of piggy Bac vector fused with Ac NPV

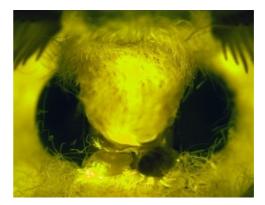
**Transgenic efficiency : 2%**→**70%** pG-A3-EGFP pT-A3-EGFP -Hsp70-EPO -Hsp70-EPO **Bright** pT-A3EGFPhsp70EPO pUC18 (Amp/Ori) **EGFP** Improved piggy Bac vector

Comparison of pG and pT of transgenic vector

#### Transgenic silkworms

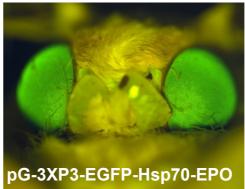
Normal silkworm





Transgenic silkworm





Illumination under white light EGFP-excitation-wavelenth light

- **♦ Development of highly efficient transgenic vector**
- **♦** Construction of transgenic technology
- Produce of materials with induction of valuable gene
- ◆ Expression control of specific gene : mass production of specific materials

#### Silkworm Theme Town and Tourism



#### **Sericulture-complex town**



**Buan Nue-Town & Museum** 

#### Silkworm farmer's clean town



Asan silkworm town for the retired

# Student's experience of the nature 'silkworm'









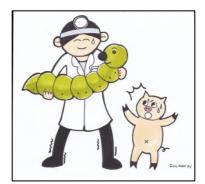
See the inside silkworm in Youngchon!



#### **R&D** and Legal Policy for Next Generation Sericulture

- Genetic resources of silkworm & mulberry : special var. breeding
- Silkworm Powder : Authorization with Functional Health Food from KFDA and Natural Medicine
- New food industry of mulberry fruit: Wine, Food additives, etc.
- Silk Protein : new bio-materials for medical application
- Bio-technology in Sericulture: (transgenic)'bio-factory silkworm'
- Activation of rural community : town for aged man & tourism











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