

PASSION FOR PERFECTION

IT'S ALL ABOUT CASINGS, FOOD INGREDIENTS AND PACKAGING



DAT-Schaub Group

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Perfect is a big word. Too big, you may say, for anything made by man. And then again, something happens when you get a sausage where the casing fits to the millimetre. Something you don't have to be a professional to understand. It's only human to do your best. Some of us do it every day.

The short version of the story begins in 1893 with four men cleaning guts in a village on the western coast of Denmark. Today, our name is on more than a billion metres of casings per year, covering sausages all over the world. It is no coincidence. We're good at what we do.

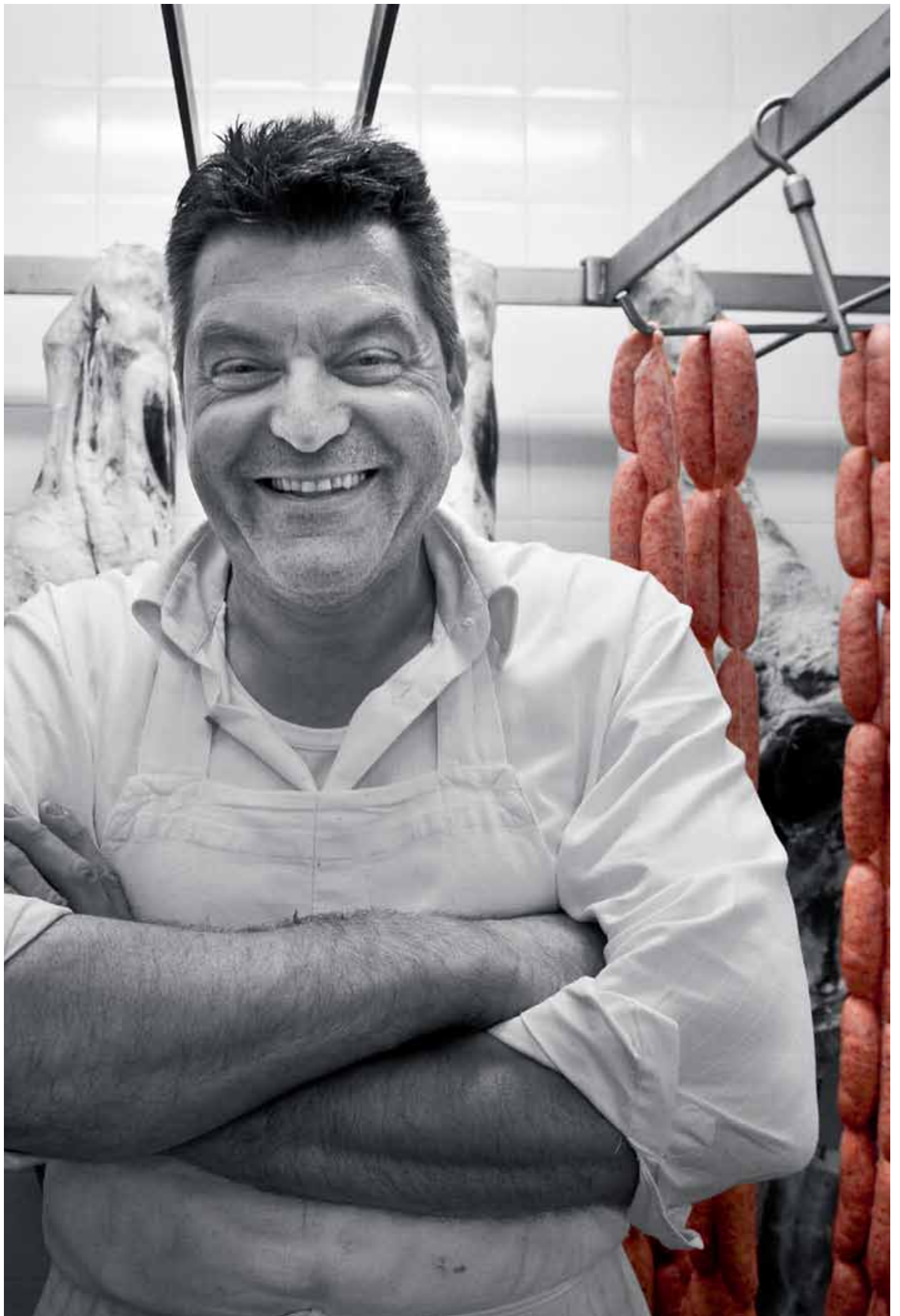
The long version is a bit nerdy. It builds on old-fashioned virtues such as stubbornness and hard work, with respect for the butchering trade and on the ability to put yourself in your customer's place. The DAT-Schaub

Group has gained weight and width by expanding our production and sales from Denmark into the world. And we do not stop at the doorstep.

Natural casings lead to sales of artificial casings, food ingredients, ingredient blends and packaging materials. We supply Chinese kitchens with pork stomachs in bulk. In the pharmaceutical industry, mucosa from our hog runners is transformed into anticoagulants. We are merchants, and we don't like to see things go to waste.



Food safety and product quality is guaranteed through the highest hygiene standards, continuous staff-training and constantly modernised equipment. ▲





NATURE'S OWN, NATURALLY

Natural casings are one of the world's oldest edible packaging materials. By nature, they are unsurpassed when it comes to density, flexibility and durability. The trick is to maintain these properties through the slaughtering, cutting, cleaning, selection and calibration process until the casings are stuffed again.

Real sausage skin is processed by hand. Hands separate each set of casings from the slaughtered animal. Hands and machines clean and salt the casings, fill them with water, select them by size and measure them by length. Our methods may seem old-fashioned, but deviations reveal themselves on the spot.

When it comes to calibration and control in casing processing, nothing beats a keen eye and a skilled hand.

At low temperatures hands will salt the bundles and tube the casings before final packaging and shipping. At the sausage

maker, more hands will soak and rinse the salt from the bundles or just attach the tubed casing directly on the horn before stuffing.

If salt and low temperatures are nature's means to hygiene and shelf life, the trick to a successful stuffing process is lubrication. How a casing performs on your production line is a matter of moisture and precision. Our most important objective, though, is quality and uniformity. To a sausage maker, quality is a matter of casing strength, calibre stability and no bursting on the stuffing line. Uniformity shows on the bottom line. It's as simple as that.

ARTIFICIAL IN A NATURAL WAY

To an Englishman, a breakfast sausage can only look one way. An American may be equally biased with his hotdog. In terms of culinary traditions, no two markets are exactly alike. How very fortunate that artificial casings can also be specified to meet the most discerning standards.

Before noses turn up, let it be an established fact that artificial casings can be made to look, taste and feel like Mother Nature's example. And since the world's supply of natural casings will never satisfy its appetite, industrious sausage makers know how to make the most of a very adequate alternative.

Collagen casings are produced from collagen in beef and pig hides. The manufacturing technique allows the casing wall to withstand the pressure during stuffing and gives it the ability to hold the diameter and weight of the sausage.

Cellulose casings are used primarily to shape the sausage and are often removed before sale to the end consumer. Fibrous casings are cellulose-based casings strengthened with natural long-fibred abaca paper. Their strength and uniformity is appreciated in large calibre sausages such as salami and Italian mortadella.

Tailor-made to the millimetre, plastic casings are made from polymers for various product applications.

Billions of metres of artificial casings are produced annually, and the DAT-Schaub Group proudly represents some of the best brands on the market.





INSIGHT INSIDE

Without casing, a sausage is merely stuffing. Although you eat it with your eyes first, good looks will never satisfy your appetite. We could leave the matter up to you. Or we could take responsibility and supply you with the kind of spices and ingredient blends that will have your customers come back for more.

New consumers want new products. If not entirely new, at least something they haven't tried before. Changing tastes and lifestyles provide us with the opportunity to diversify and increase added value. Chorizo, boerewors, kabanos and mergeuz just go to show how far a popular recipe will travel.

At our application laboratories in France and Norway, new forms of input for the meat processing industry are constantly on the menu. We have made it our policy to challenge and support professionals with tasty innovation.

Combine our experience in meat processing and our knowledge of functional ingredients and seasoning blends, and there is hardly a taste and texture that we cannot make for the meat industry.

All ingredients are delivered in bulk or in ready-to-use blends, the latter helping you to optimise logistics and purchase. Barcodes on all ingredients ensure full traceability throughout the production process.

PRESENTATION IS EVERYTHING

To the food manufacturer, packaging means physical protection, shelf life, safe distribution, marketing and logistics. To the consumer, it may be the most important clue to the perception of your product's quality.

Some of the Group companies offers a multi-technological range of packaging products. From elastic meat netting and chicken loops to shrinkable bags, vacuum pouches, rigid and flexible films. All products produced to the highest standards and quality.





FEEDING THE FOOD CHAIN

No one knows how many sausages are eaten in the world in a day. With all probability, the number is unknown even to leaders in the food industry. Having every intention of staying ahead, our plans for the future include new products, innovation and continuous growth.

From humble beginnings in 1893, the DAT-Schaub Group today counts more than two dozen companies in Europe, the USA, China, Australia and New Zealand, all acquired during the latest fifteen years.

It is a principle of ours to manage marketing locally and make the most of local culture and tastes. The name with the best reputation in a market is well earned and should stay that way.

We are a people business with nearly 2,000 dedicated employees primarily in Europe and the USA and, by joint ventures, a further 1,800 in China, who share the same high standards and passion for perfection.

Allow us to have confidence in the future: The world will have more mouths to feed, and there will always be need for more sausages.

THE GLOBAL GROUP WITH THE LOCAL TOUCH

The DAT-Schaub Group consists of more than 20 companies in 14 different countries on four continents. Our strategy is to cover main markets through locally managed subsidiaries with in-depth knowledge of casings, food ingredients, packaging products and food processing. In the process, we like to think that we've learned a thing or two about local market trends and consumer habits.



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