## Welcome to the Natural Products Expo East Pitch Slam!

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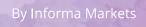
















### **Next up to Pitch:**



**Jasberry** Neil Dejkraisak

# Jasher



**Jasberry**®

# Big Change

starts with a tiny grain of

RICE







## **Superior Nutrition Levels**

From 12 years of natural cross-breeding, resulting in the World's first Superfood rice



40x brown rice

4x quinoa

7x kale

Rich in Fiber, Medium glycemic index (GI)

which decreases risk of diabetes (very low compared to other rice varieties)

Source of vitamins, minerals & amino acids

Iron, Zinc, Magnesium, Phosphorus, Molybdenum, Potassium

## **Superior in Taste and Versatility**

Soft, aromatic, nutty, and unique flavor

Versatile and easy to cook



## Jasherry is all about

## is all about TRANSFORMATION

#### **Transforming Consumers' Health**

through delicious & healthy organic products for everyday life

#### Transforming farmers' lives

out of poverty

#### Transforming the planet

by regenerative agriculture

One grain at a time...







## Jasberry®

Now available at



Nationwide!!!









### **Approved in Over 850 Retail Stores Since Launching in May 2023!!!**

Retailers listed or approved:



513 stores



167 stores

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10 stores

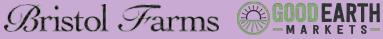


19 stores





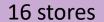








9 stores





14 stores

6 stores

11 stores



8 stores



20 stores



17 stores

Central Market

10 stores

**Online Channels:** 







Remark: Updated as of August 31, 2023

# Jasberry Organic Superfood Rice won SOFI 2023 Award for Best New Product

**Beans, Grains, Rice & Mixes Category** 





# Jasberry won Pitch Slam Grand Prize Winner at Summer Fancy Food Show 2023, New York





## Make Everyday Meals Do More

Making superfood accessible and affordable for everyday life

#### Retail: Packaged Rice and Ready-to-eat Rice













- We already developed 2 additional SKUs (new flavors) for RTE ready for launch in Q1 2024
- New product in the pipeline is Jasberry Superfood snack

#### **Food Services Market**







Food Service Pack is available for catering, restaurants, schools, hotels etc.,

#### **Industrial Ingredients**









Ingredients for other food products



## **Team with Experience in Managing High Growth Brands from Launch-to-Exit**

## **Jasberry**®

#### **Co-founders**



Experience in environmental engineering, investment banking

#### **Business Development**



**Palmmy** Experience in financial, business & marketing consultant

#### **Thailand Operations Team**

Field Officer



Watcharin J. (Nhon) 8 yrs experience in social development

Operations Manager Product Development



Tanchanok S. (Mai) 9 yrs experience in food technology and production



Supada O. (Pim) 8 yrs experience in food science and new product development

#### **USA Master Distributor**



#### **Distributors**









#### **USA Team**



Steven Kessler, VP of Sales, USA

30+ yrs of consumer packaged goods experience as an entrepreneur. Co-founded Steaz, the industry leading Organic and Fair Trade certified iced green tea brand. Manage internal and broker sales teams and navigating the multi channel growth challenges.



Eric Schnell, Advisor

20+ years of experience in sales, marketing and operations in the Natural Products industry, with diverse experience managing upstart companies and launching new brands and products. Eric is the cofounder of Steaz, which was strategically acquired in 2016.





## **Transformative Social Impact**

2,500 Farmers Families 12,500 Lives Impacted 14x Income

"Thailand's only certified B-corp food company and has been selected for Best for the world list from 2019-2022"

## **Transformative Environmental Impact**



25% Less Water





50% Less 17,600MT CO2 Reduction

**Jasběrry**\*

## **Meet Jasberry Rice Farmer...**

#### Before...

Had 6 Acres of land

Used Chemical in farm

\$ 10,000 debt



#### Now...

Had 13 Acres of land
All certified organic land

No debt

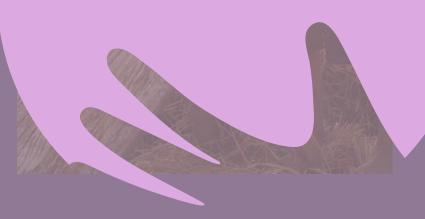
"I am proud to be a farmer. Organic farming changed my life.

I am very happy that now my children will be back to be farmers."

- Ms. Ma Lapang, Baan Na-Soh, Yasothorn province







### **Next up to Pitch:**



Flourish

Lila Sullivan Kate Ferguson





70% of Millennials own a houseplant

IOO%
of Plants need Nutrients

How many Houseplants have you killed...









#### \*THREE MONTH TRIAL, GROWN SIDE-BY-SIDE











## BRINGING INNOVATION TO GROCERY FLORAL



## WE'RE GROWING!













### **Next up to Pitch:**



**Date Better Snacks**Michelle Valdez Wilton

## Expo East



DATE BETTER

## HOW WE DATE BETTER?





No Palm Oil



No Preservatives

















## WHY DATE BETTER?

# Date Better is a line of indulgent and rich treats made from whole foods that are less than 1g of added sugar

Founded to serve health and taste together, one delicious bite at a time.

Join our guilt-free rebellion against conventional sweets!



## DATEBETTERTIMELINE

January 2023 Selected first Date Better Mentee



March 2023 \$250k in Sales

May 2023 600th Store

> June 2023 PepsiCo Greenhouse Accelerator

Semifinalist

October 2022 Winner, Naturally L.A Pitch Slam



November 2022 First Grocery

February 2022 Date Better founded

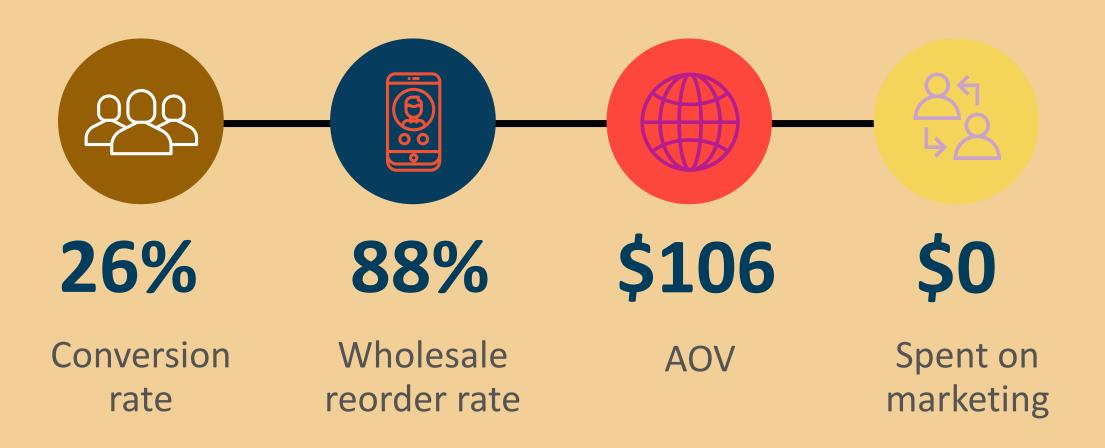








## MORENUMBERS





## PRESS

The New York Times Style Magazine



Clockwise from left: Joolies's medjool dates, grown in California's Coachella Valley; Date Better Snacks's dark chocolate-covered dates, in flavors from cashew-lime crunch to hazelnut praline; and Rancho Meladuco's dates, also grown in the Coachella Valley. Clockwise, from left: IX-ONE; Date Better Snacks; and photo by Ellen Silverman, styled by Mindy Fox

Despite its caramel-like flavor, the date has historically been a tough sell to American eaters. Now, though, a few entrepreneurial farmers and chefs are giving the fruit — which contains more potassium than bananas and



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COACHELLA

COACHELLA VALLEY MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL

Ok but major PSA because these are INCREDIBLE!!!!!! ordering 3 million more immediately edatebettersnacks

Date better

@gjustagrocer

This color-blocked duffel has tons of little compartments for sunscreen and lip balm. Plus backpack straps! Filling up the car on Sunday morning just oot so much easier.

> MOUNTAIN DUFFEL Topo Designs (\$149)

also admiring packaging

@TOPODESIGNS

@CROWCANYONHOME

domino

Confetti-cake enamelware brings the party, even when instant course is on the confe

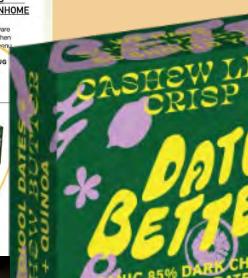
RAINBOW FALLS MUG Crow Canyon (\$18)

A pack of chocolate-covered Medjool dates is

A pack of chocolate-covered Medjool dates is basically GORP's cool older sister.

CASHEW LIME CRISP DATES
Date Better (\$36/pack of 6)

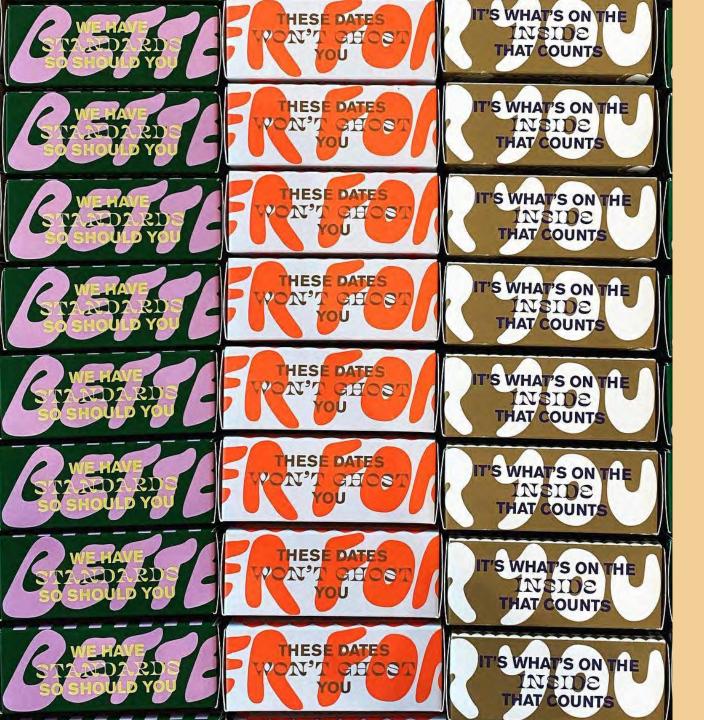
quite possibly the best date of my life



## WHERE WE'RE GOING

- Market expansion into new markets
- Product line extension to establish Date
   Better as a leading brand in the healthy & sustainable snack market
- Taking real food in its simplest form and making it snackable for the masses
- Date Better ...then Snack Better... for a better world!







#### **Next up to Pitch:**



**AcreMade**Jake Achterhoff

Each year, globally, people eat more than





# ACRE WADE TO ACRE COS \*plant—based based b



## AcreMade brings eggs to the dry breakfast aisle for the first time.











AcreMade is everything a person wants in a modern food company.







Free from Top 9 Allergens

Grown Domestically

Resource Light



Manufactured in USA



**Builds Soil Health** 



Non-GMO



**Limits Food Waste** 



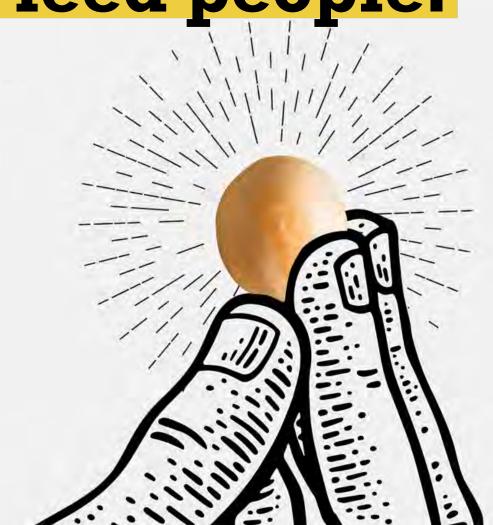
**Biodiverse Crop** 



Traceable to Source



# The bigger idea is changing how we feed people.



#### Build outside retail to succeed inside retail.

This year showed if we seek lasting change, we need a new approach. So that's what we did, focusing efforts outside of retail in year one.

























## The boom hasn't even begun.

AcreMade wins big with vegan and foodservice market, but our goals are global.

Plant-Based Egg Retail Market

\$45MM\*

US Retail Egg Market Total US Egg Market 2023 Global Egg Market





\$270BN\*\*

### Why AcreMade will win.

1.

Superior Product





2.

Center of Converging Trends

3.

Assured Supply



## The AcreMade journey to date.















Event Debut! (1 year ago yesterday)



First Local Hospitality Partnership



First Regional Retail Partnership



September
1 DTC Soft
Launch



First Local Retail



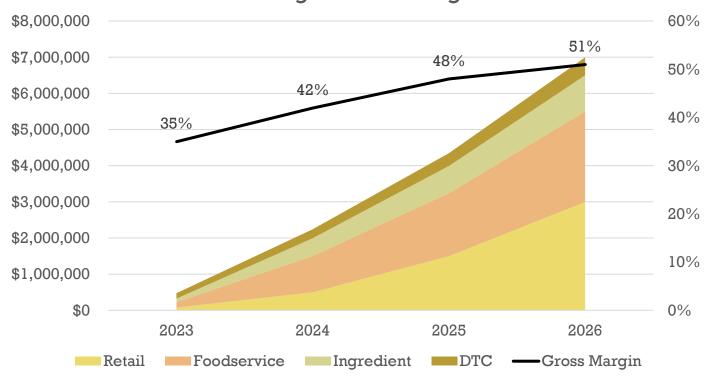
First College & University Partnership



Exclusive National Vegan Egg Partner

### AcreMade's next 3 years.







Build natural channel breakfast traction, with focus on education



Achieve 50%+ Margins by end of 2025 through foodservice scale.



Set course as plant-based breakfast category leaders

## AcreMade is a win/win/win solution that scales.









Want to talk eggs\*?
Jake Achterhoff
Booth 4095
Jake@AcreMade.com



## Judges Break for Deliberation







#### A Word From Our Semifinals Sponsor:



Taylor Sankovich 301 INC

#### Where Are They Now?

#### **Hear From the Winners of Expo East Pitch Slam 2022!**



**Gear Hugger**Checo Diaz



Frescos Naturales
Juan Ignacio Stewart







## UP NEXT: Finalists Lightning Round Q&A







#### And the Finalists Are...



Flourish Lila Sullivan Kate Ferguson



¡Ya Oaxaca! Azul Couzens



**Root & Splendor** Kristin Fracassi



**Jasberry** Peetachai Dejkraisak









## Judge Deliberation







#### A Word From Our Finals Sponsor:



**Doug Helbig**Green Spoon Sales



### **Audience Choice Winner**







#### **Audience Choice Award Winner**



Root & Splendor Kristin Fracassi



## Runner Up







#### **Runner Up**



¡Ya Oaxaca! Azul Couzens



# And the Winner of Natural Products Expo East Is....







#### **Natural Products Expo East Pitch Slam Winner 2023**



**Jasberry** Neil Dejkraisak



## Thank you!





