

ABSTRACT

HYDRATABLE GRANULAR FOOD PRODUCTS
AND METHODS FOR THEIR PRODUCTION

A hydratable granular food product which can be used to make soups and sauces and which does not require stirring before or during cooking. The product is comprised of granules which are hydrophobic and hydrophilic and they do not tend to form clumps when cold or ambient water or milk is added. At least about 90% of the granules have a size from about 1000 microns to about 175 microns and they have an outer coating which contains an emulsifier. In a particularly preferred application, the granular food product can be admixed with a carbohydrate such as pasta and then hydrated together with the pasta to make a ready-to-eat pasta and sauce.

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