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# DESCRIPTION

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- Microencapsulation
- Migration from packaging materials
- Food package interactions
- Shelf life of packaged food products
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# INTRODUCTION

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