## Measurement of pH

- International standards for pH measurement :
- ISO 2917: 1999 Meat and meat products Measurement of pH Reference method
- ISO 1842: 1991 Fruit and vegetable products Determination of pH
- ISO 7238 : 2004 Butter Determination of pH of the serum Potentiometric method
- ISO 10523 : 2008 Water quality Determination of pH
- French standard for pH measurement :
  - FD V04-035 : 2009 Milk and milk products Determination of pH



#### ISO 2917: 1999 Meat and meat products

### Measurement of pH – Reference method

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# Measurement of a<sub>w</sub>

☐ International standards for a<sub>w</sub> measurement :

• ISO 21807 : 2005 Foodstuff - Determination of water activity

#### MEASUREMENT OF pH AND AW IN MULTI COMPONENT FOOD: A CASE STUDY

Product : Sandwich filled with chicken – bacon and mayonnaise

Parameters to be measured: pH and aw

What should be the most appropriate method to be used to measure the pH of this multi component product?

and for the a<sub>w</sub>?

# **Proposals**

- Measure the pH and aw after an homogenisation of the product
- Measure the pH and aw of each ingredient and consider the one with the highest value
- ❖ Measure the pH at the interface of the components with a microelectrode

### MEASUREMENT OF pH AND AW IN FAT PRODUCTS

What method do you use to measure the pH and the  $a_{\rm w}$  of in fat products ?

such as butter, cheese?

# Software Designer: A software for water activity calculation in food

### Calculation of the aw

