

THE ACCEPTABILITY AND CONSUMPTION OF FROGMET (*Rana temporaria*) BY CONSUMERS IN ABEOKUTA, SOUTHWEST NIGERIA

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Abstract

The efforts of Nigeria's research and extension subsystems at developing and disseminating improved and high yielding cultivars and breeds of livestock to farmers have not translated into food surpluses in the face of the nation's growing population. Noteworthy is the inadequate supply of protein of animal origin to satisfy the nutritional requirements of the populace (FAO, 1990, Aromolaran, 1987). When these protein sources (beef, pork, mutton, poultry etc.) are available, their prices are quite high, thereby limiting their consumption by certain segments of the population (Aromolaran and Igharo, 1998). There is the need therefore, to search for a supplementary source of animal protein that will support the meat industry in Nigeria.