# PATENT OF AN AIR CONDITIONING AND FREEZING SYSTEM FOR COUNTERS

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## 1. Current vitrines systems

If oppened counter: the proper temperature and humidity conditions are not maintained for the desired shelf life of each product

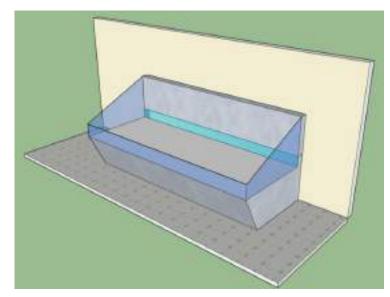


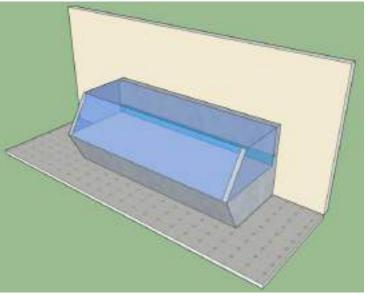
The products are kept for LESS DAYS

➤ <u>If closed counter</u>: UNCOMFORT for users opening and closing the lid every time



LESS ATTRACTIVE for the consumer





#### 2. Novelty of the patent

Products that must be maintained under certain conditions of temperature and humidity



Counter with <u>air conditioning and</u> <u>freezing system</u>



<u>Main advantage</u>: ensures certain temperature and humidity conditions of the products even when the showcase is open



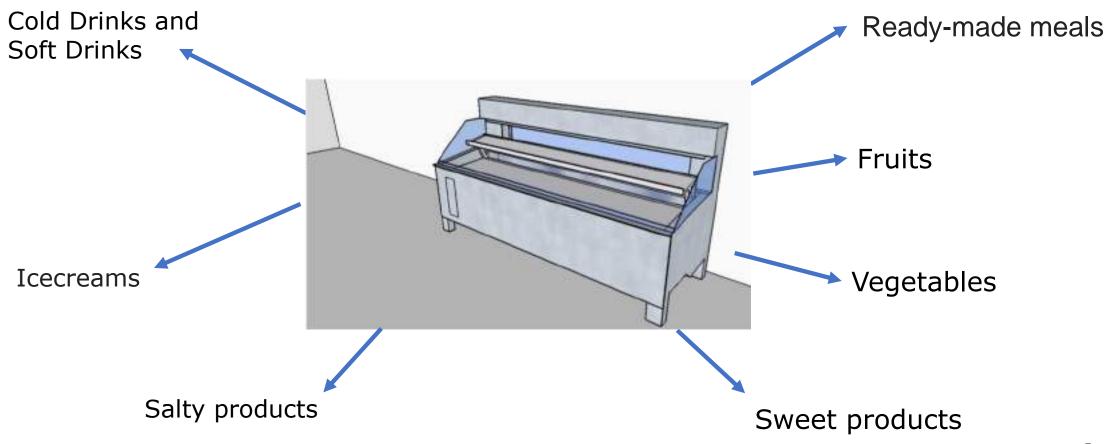
Creating an <u>air-conditioned curtain</u> over the opening of the vitrine



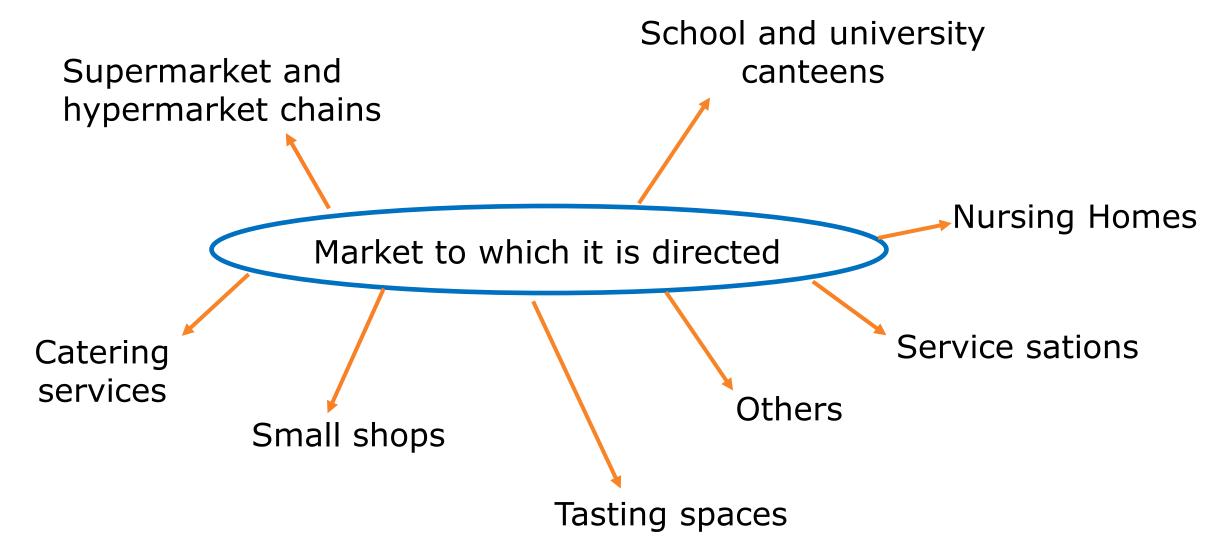
Prolongation of the exhibition time of the products PRESERVING their quality and expiration

#### 3.1. Features of the patent system

System for vitrines of all types of food

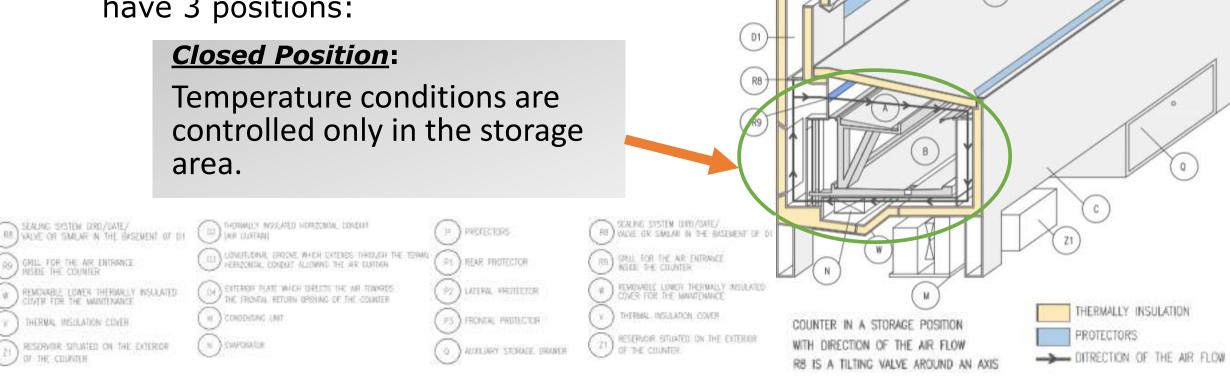


#### 3.1. Features of the patent system



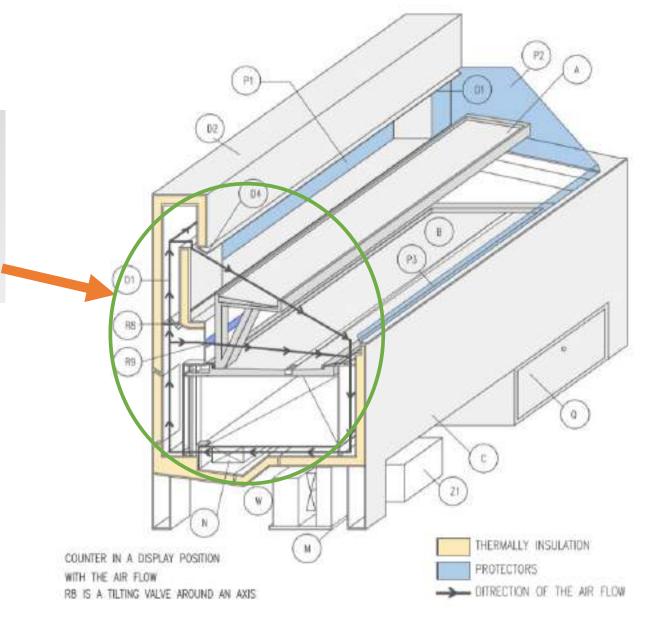
✓ Support trays with the possibility of **AUTOMATIC DISPLACEMENT** to move from CLOSED TO OPEN POSITION, and VICEVERSA

✓ SYSTEM in which the counter can have 3 positions:



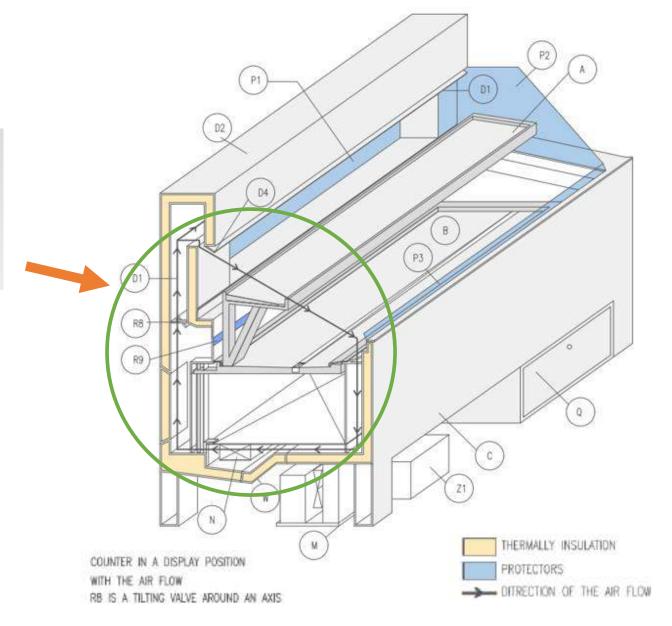
#### **Open Position Mode 1:**

The temperature conditions of the display zone and the storage area are controlled

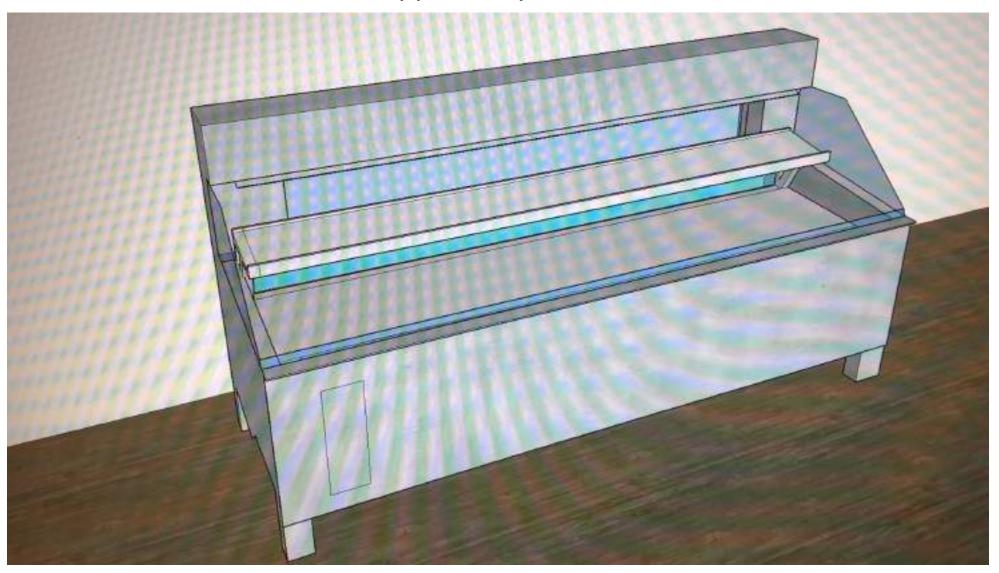


#### **Open Position Mode 2:**

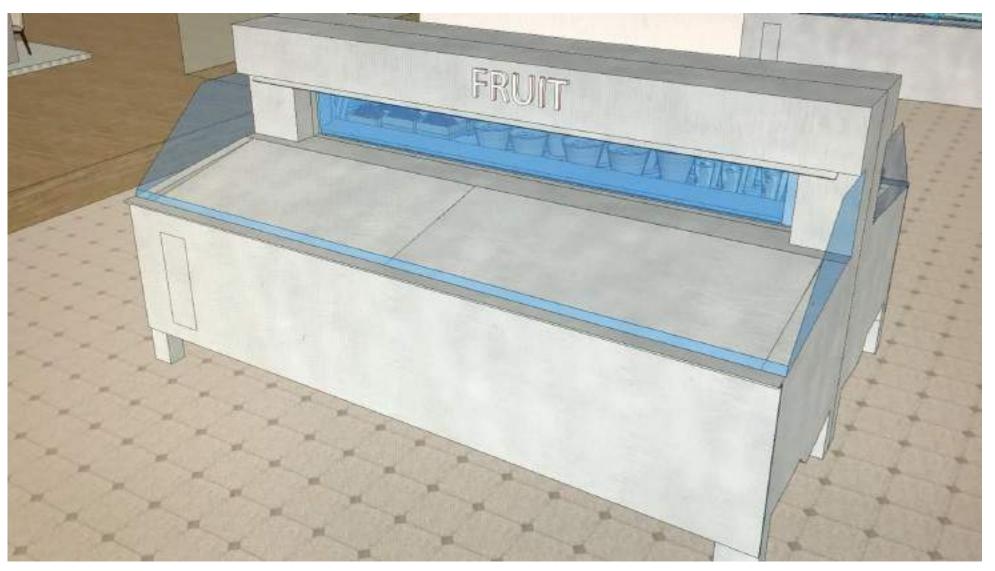
Temperature conditions are controlled only in the display zone.



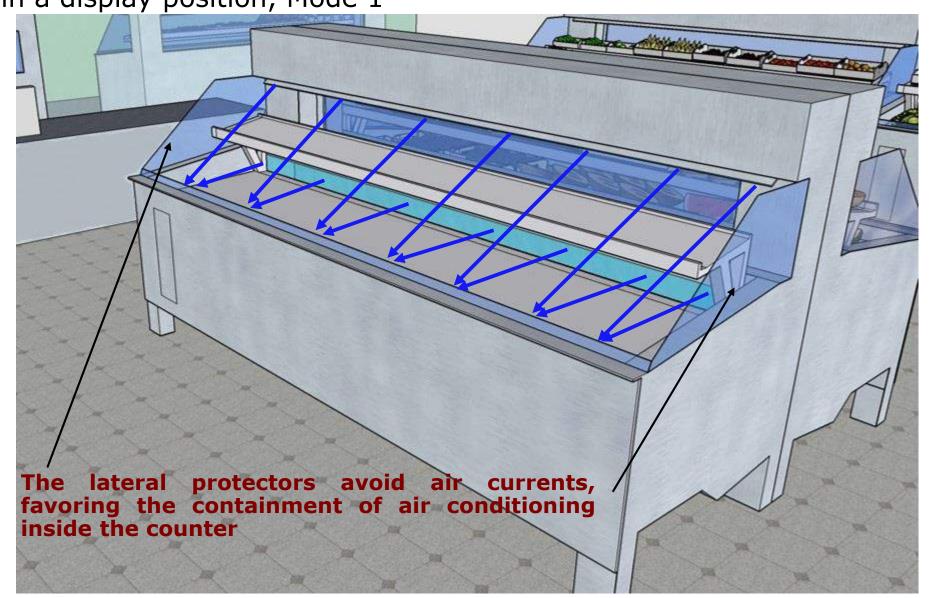
✓ Vertical movement of the support trays:



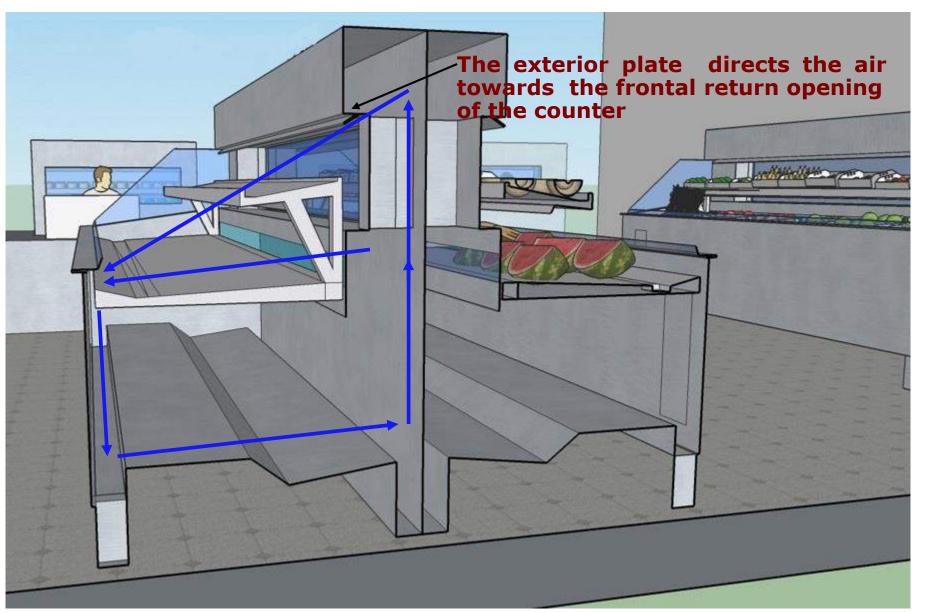
✓ Opening and closing of the counter:



✓ Air curtain and conventional refrigeration activated when the counter is in a display position, Mode 1



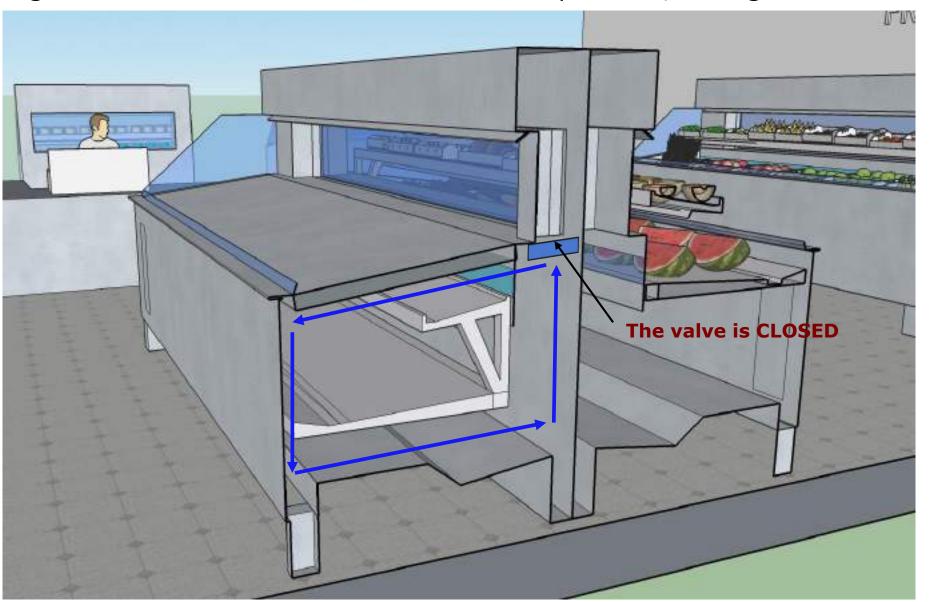
✓ Activated refrigeration when the counter is in a display position, mode 1, cross section



✓ Air curtain activated when the counter is in a display position, mode 1



✓ Refrigeration when the counter is in a store position, acting like a freezing chamber



#### 3.3. Advantages of the patent system

✓ Improvement of temperature and humudity conditions

✓ Labor savings by not having to withdraw the products on a daily basis

✓ Energy consumption savings

Heating mode for readymade meals ✓ Comfort to be the products more available to the consumer

✓ Savings in producto losses



- √ Savings in space
- ✓ Easy activation of the external air curtain
- ✓ Improvement of the conservation of each family of products coording to their conservation temperature

#### 3.3. Advantages of the patent system

✓ Less cost tan the cost of large storage/ freezing chambers

✓ It prevents the fall of food to the ground to not have to move them

✓ There is no risk of crossed contamination with another category of food

✓ No external freezing chamber is necessary in which there is a risk of ice formation on the ground and possible falls of the operators

✓ There is no risk of chemical contamination with cleaning products

✓ Exterior area



✓ Supermarket area



√ Tasting and restaurant area



✓ Tasting area: Activation of the <u>air curtain in a tempered mode</u>

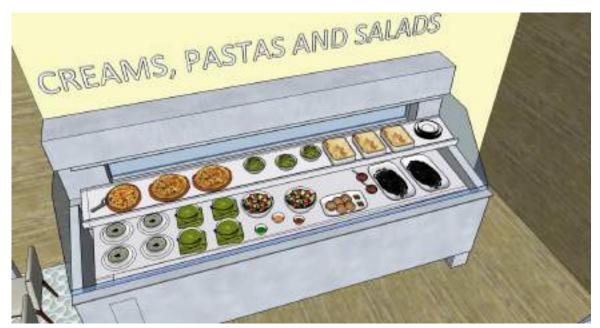


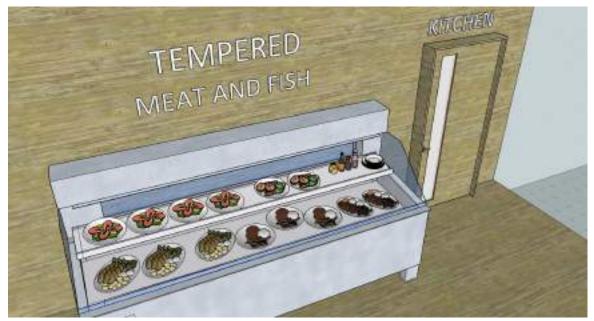
The hot prepared dishes can be cooked in advance, to expose them in the counters, in a comfortable and simple way, avoiding crowds in the kitchen

Being exposed tot he view of the diners, their sale is favored

the ready made meals hot and warm, come directly from the kitchen, and the heated air curtain keeps them tempered without needing to reheat them when serving

#### **Starters**





**Main dishes** 

✓ General Overwiew

