Experimental Study on Consumer Responses to Whole Grain Labeling Statements on Food Packages Draft Questionnaire

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Section A: Nutrition and Food Label Awareness & Perceptions

A1. Think about shopping for food at the store. On a scale of 1 to 6, where 1 is not important at all and 6 is very important, how important to you is each of the factors listed below? [RANDOMIZE FACTORS]

	Not important at all 1	2	3	4	5	Very important 6
Price						
Brand						
Healthiness or nutritional qualities						
Convenience						
Taste						

A2. Thinking about the foods you have eaten in the past week for breakfast, lunch, dinner, or snacks, how many times did you have each of the following types of foods? [RANDOMIZE FOODS]

	None	1 to 2 times	3 to 4 times	5 to 6 times	7 times or more	Don't know
Vegetables, including beans and peas						
Salty snacks (chips, pretzels, fries, etc.)						
Fruits, including canned fruits						
Whole grain Bread						
Breakfast or cereal bars						
Soft drinks and sugared fruit drinks (e.g. apple juice)						

Section B: Food Labels

[SHOW LABEL 1 ON THE SCREEN]
[PROVIDE A BUTTON FOR INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS TO SEE THE BACK PANEL]

B1. Imagine that you are in a grocery store and thinking about getting some whole grain [INSERT FOOD] for yourself or your family. How likely would you be to purchase this product? Please use a scale from 1 to 6, where 1 means "very unlikely" and 6 means "very likely".

1	2	3	4	5	6
Very unlikely to					Very likely to
purchase					purchase

B2. How high or low is this product regarding the amounts of the following ingredients or nutrients? Please use a scale from 1 to 6, where 1 means "none or very low" and 6 means "very high". [RANDOMIZE FACTORS]

	None or Very low 1	2	3	4	5	Very high	Don't Know
Whole grains							
Fiber							
Iron							
Magnesium							
Selenium						_	
B vitamins							

B3. How would you rate the following attributes of this product using the scale from 1 to 6, where 1 means "not good at all" and 6 means "very good".

						Very	Don't
	Not good at					good	Know
	all 1	2	3	4	5	6	
Texture							
Taste							
Healthiness or							
nutritional quality							

B4. If you include this product in your daily diet, how likely would it be to help you lower the risk of each of the following health problems? Please use a scale from 1 to 6, where 1 means "very unlikely" and 6 means "very likely". [RANDOMIZE LIST]

Very					Very	
unlikely					likely to	
to help					help	
lower					lower	
the risk					the risk	Don't
1	2	3	4	5	6	know

Digestive				
Problems				
High				
Cholesterol				
Heart				
disease				
High blood				
pressure or				
hypertension				
Diabetes or				
high blood				
sugar				
Cancer				
Obesity or				
overweight				
Osteoporosis				
or bone				
problem				

[ASK B5 IF THE LABEL ASSIGNED IS NOT A LABLE WITH NO CLAIM] B5. Would you say that the statement on the front of this package, [INSERT CLAIM] is,

1	2	3	4	5	6
Not trustworthy at					Very trustworthy
all					-
Not reasonable at					Very reasonable
all					
Not helpful at all					Very helpful
Not clear at all					Very clear
Not informative at					Very informative
all					-

Section C: General Knowledge and Attitudes about Whole Grain, Food Labels, and Nutrition

C1. If a product has the following ingredient or claim on its package, do you consider it to be a whole grain product? [RANDOMIZE TERMS]

	Yes	No	Don't know
Whole Wheat			
12 Grain			
Grains that are naturally rich in fiber			
Made with Whole Wheat			
Good source of fiber			
Multi-Grain			
Brown Rice			
Oatmeal			
Popcorn			
Stone-ground Flour			
Cracked wheat			
Enriched Grain/Flour			
Unbleached Flour			

C2. Here are some claims or terms that may appear on the front of a product package. How likely would you say each one of them means that the product is rich in fiber (Please use the scale from 1 to 6, where 1 means "Very unlikely rich in fiber" and 6 means "Very likely rich in fiber". [RANDOMIZE TERMS]

	Very unlikely rich in fiber 1	2	3	4	5	Very likely rich in fiber 6	Don't know
Whole Wheat							
12 Grain							
Grains that are naturally rich in fiber							
Made with Whole Grain							

	Very unlikely rich in fiber 1	2	3	4	5	Very likely rich in fiber 6	Don't know
Made with Whole Wheat							
Good source of fiber							
Multi-Grain							
Brown Rice							
Oatmeal							
Popcorn							
Stone-ground Flour							
Cracked wheat							
Products with at least 8 grams of whole grain							
Enriched Grain/Flour							
Unbleached Flour							

C3. Have you ever shopped whole grain foods?

- 1) Yes \rightarrow [continue]
- 2) No \rightarrow [skip to C6]

C4. How do you know which products are whole grain products? Check all that apply.

- 1) Information on the front of the package, such as claims, logos, pictures
- 2) Nutrition facts label
- 3) ingredient list
- 4) Color of the product depicted on the package
- 5) Price of the product
- 6) Other (please specify)

C5. Have you ever used the Nutrition Facts label to tell which products are whole grain products?

- 1) Yes \rightarrow [continue]
- 2) No \rightarrow [SKIP TO C7]

C6. Which one of the following suggests that the product is most likely a whole grain product that provides a good source of fiber? [Choose one answer]

- 1) Whole grain (whole wheat, oat, etc.) is listed as the 1st or 2nd item on the ingredient list, and the % Daily Value (DV) for dietary fiber is high
- 2) Whole grain (whole wheat, oat, etc.) is listed as the 1st or 2nd item on the ingredient list, and the % DV for dietary fiber is low

- 3) Whole grain (whole wheat, oat, etc.) is listed on the ingredient list, but not as the 1st or 2nd item, and the % DV for dietary fiber is high
- 4) Whole grain (whole wheat, oat, etc.) is listed on the ingredient list, but not as the 1^{st} or 2^{nd} item; and the % DV for dietary fiber is low
- 5) Don't Know

C6a. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements on dietary fiber?

	Agree	Disagree	Don't	Please provide any
			Know	comments you
				may have
A whole grain food is always rich in dietary fiber				
Manufacturers sometimes add dietary fiber to				
boost the fiber amount				
Added dietary fiber from a plant source (e.g.,				
chicory roots) usually does not concern me				
I feel cheated if most of the dietary fiber in a food				
comes from added sources instead of from whole				
grains				

- C7. Have you eaten any <u>whole grain</u> products (such as cereal or bread, pasta that are made with whole grains) in the past week for breakfast, lunch, dinner, or snacks?
 - 1) Yes [Continue]
 - 2) No [Skip to C9]

Don't know

- C8. Thinking about the whole grain products (such as cereal or bread, pasta that are made with whole grains) you have eaten in the past week, how much did you eat on average?
 - 1) less than 1 serving a day (Examples of a one-serving equivalent includes 1 regular slice of 100% whole-grain bread or ½ cup cooked oatmeal)
 - 2) 1-3 servings a day
 - 3) More than 3 servings a day
 - 4) Don't Know
- C9. If a food package label stated that it contained "5 grams of whole grains per serving," how many grams of fiber would you expect in each serving?
 - 1) More than 5 grams of fiber
 - 2) 5 grams of fiber
 - 3 to 4 grams of fiber
 - 3) 1 to 2 grams of fiber
 - 4) Less than 1 gram of fiber
 - 5) Unsure if whole grain products contain fiber
 - 6) Don't Know

C10. Please evaluate whether each of the following statements is true or false.

	True	False	Don't Know
Nutrition experts recommend that half of the grain			

foods in your diet should be whole grains		
The primary benefits of whole grain foods come		
from the dietary fiber in the foods		
Nutrition experts recommend eating three or more		
servings (at least 48 grams) of whole grains		
everyday		
Most dietary fiber come from whole grains only		
Whole grains are one of the best sources of fiber		
All whole grain foods are organic		

- C11. When you buy a packaged food product for the first time, how often do you read the Nutrition Facts label?
 - 1) Always
 - 2) Most of the time
 - 3) Sometimes
 - 4) Rarely
 - 5) Never Don't know

C12. Read the following statements and check all that apply to you.

	Yes	No	Don't
			Know
I have wheat allergy			
I have medically diagnosed celiac disease			
I have medically diagnosed gluten intolerance			
I follow a gluten-free diet			

Section D: Health Status & Demographics

The next few questions may seem a bit personal, but we need this information for statistical purposes. As mentioned before, your responses are confidential and the results will be used in the aggregate form only.

D1. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] Would you say your health in general is

excellent very good good fair poor

Don't know

Prefer not to answer

D2. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] Are these health problems of concern to you or anyone currently living in your household? Please select an answer for each of the health problems. [ROTATE HEALTH PROBLEMS]

Yes No Don't know Prefer not to answer

Cancer

Diabetes

Heart disease

Hypertension or

high blood

pressure

High

cholesterol

Obesity or

overweight

Osteoporosis or

bone problem

Stroke

D3. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] How tall are you without shoes? Please enter a number in both "feet" and "inches" or select "prefer not to answer."

Feet _ [ONE SPACE] Inches _ _ [TWO SPACES]
Prefer not to answer

D4. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] How much do you weigh without shoes? Please enter a number in pounds.

Pounds _ _ _ [THREE SPACES]
Prefer not to answer

D5. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] Do you consider yourself to be overweight, underweight, or about the right weight?

Overweight
Underweight
About the right weight
Don't know
Prefer not to answer

D6. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] What is the highest grade or level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? Please select one.

0 - 11 years or grades

12 years, high school graduate, or GED

1 to 3 years of college or associate degree

4 years of college or college graduate

Postgraduate, masters, doctorate, law degree, MD

D7. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] What year were you born?

19 _ _ [TWO SPACES]

D8. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] Are you (please select one)

Female

Male

D9. [ALL PARTICIPANTS] Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin? Please select one.

Yes

No

D10 [ALL PARTICIPANTS] What is your race? You may choose one or more categories as they apply.

White

Black or African American

Asiar

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

American Indian or Alaska Native

Some other race

Thank you. These are all the questions in this survey. We hope you have enjoyed your participation in the survey.

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