

### Overview of Fibersym® RW, a Resistant Wheat Starch



- Definition of Resistant Starch
  - Resistant Starch is the sum of starch and products of starch degradation not absorbed in the small intestine of healthy individuals
- Resistant Starch is recognized as dietary fiber
  - American Association of Cereal Chemists International (AACCI, 2000)
  - Institute of Medicine (IOM, 2001)
  - Codex (2009)
  - European Food Safety Authority (2007)



- Measures as dietary fiber by both AOAC 991.43 and AOAC 985.29
  - Fibersym RW = 85% (minimum, dry basis) insoluble fiber
  - FiberRite RW = 75% (minimum, dry basis) insoluble fiber
- Labeled as "Modified Wheat Starch" and no use level limitations
  - Code of Federal Regulations Title 21, Part 172.892



## Four Types of Resistant Starches in Diet



#### Types of RS

RS1 - Physically inaccessible starch

#### Occurrence

Partially milled grains, seeds and legumes



RS2 - Granular starch

Native, uncooked banana starch and potato starch

RS3 - Nongranular, retrograded amylose

Cooked and cooled potato



RS4 - Chemically modified starch

Cross-linked or hydroxypropylated

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- Low water-binding capacity
- Compatibility with wheat flour
- Bland/Neutral flavor profile
- Fine particle size with smooth texture
- White and "invisible" appearance



## Key Function of Fibersym® RW in Bakery Products

 Low water holding capacity compared to conventional fiber sources. (0.7g water/g)



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- Acts as a prebiotic
- Lower gas production than many other sources of fiber
- Beneficial short chain fatty acid production
- Glycemic response control
- Limited caloric contribution



## Aim: To study the fermentation characteristics of Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW

•Cooked Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW was digested with pepsin and pancreatin-bile

 Indigestible residue was fermented using fresh human fecal microbiota as inoculum



Indigestible Residue from Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW (after *in vitro* digestion)



Boiling water bath 30 min.

Pepsin-HCl 37 <sup>0</sup>C pH 2.0 3 hrs.

Pancreatin-Bile 37 °C pH 7.5 12 hrs.

Digestion method by Trinidad et al 1996



# *In Vitro* Fermentation with Human Fecal Microbiota for 24 Hours



\*Adapted from Van Hoeij et al 1997; \*\*Adapted from McBurney et al 1989.



### Cumulative Short-Chain Fatty Acid Production After Fermentation of Dietary Fiber Residue from Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW



• The high level of dietary fiber residue in resistant wheat starch was fermented by human feces (colonic bacteria) to short-chain fatty acids for 24 hours (Fermentation by the method of *McBurney et al 1987*).



## Resistant Starch on Glycemia Comparison of RS4 Wheat (Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW) *vs.* RS2 High-Am Corn



 20g of RS2 and RS4 were mixed in equal amounts of water and capillary glucose were measured over 2 hours with standard GI method

Al-Tamimi et al. Unpublished data 2007



- Three groups
  - Glucose beverage (control)
  - Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW (RS4 bar)
  - Puffed wheat bar (PWB bar)
    - Bars had identical ingredients except for RS or puffed wheat

Source: Haub 2009



	<u>GLU</u>	<u>WB</u>	<u>RS4</u>
Total Energy (kcal)	200	261	326
Carbohydrate (g)			
Total	50	56	71
Available	50	51	51
Total Dietary Fiber (g)		5	20
Fat (g)		1	2
Protein (g)		7	6

Source: Haub 2009



# Glycemic Response of Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW in Healthy Younger Adults



MEAN±SEM blood glucose response for 13 healthy younger adults after consumption of Glucose Drink (♦Glu), Puffed Wheat Bar (■ WB), and Resistant Wheat Starch (▲RSB). Means of blood glucose at the same time with different letters differ significantly (p<0.05).

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### Insulin Response of Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW in Healthy Younger Adults



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- Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW has great potential as a functional ingredient to improve digestive health; can be classified as a prebiotic fiber
- Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW creates no significant differences in appearance, texture, flavor and overall sensory properties of snack crackers
- In total, snack crackers formulated with Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW were more bifidogenic than crackers formulated with a high-amylose resistant corn starch
- 30 grams of dietary fiber from Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW are well tolerated by human subjects based on results related to bowel movement, stool consistency, discomfort, flatulence, abdominal pain and bloating
- ✓ Gut microbiota was modified by Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW in 5 out of 10 subjects
- On average, Fibersym<sup>®</sup> RW increased Bifidobacteria by 350% in 10 human subjects tested



## **Results: Symptoms**



## No statistically significant differences.