

# Low- and No-Calorie Sweeteners 2024 Stakeholder Exchange



IAFNS organizes Stakeholder Exchange meetings to bring together diverse perspectives from across the food and beverage ecosystem.

- Delivering on the vibrant promise of food and nutrition sciences requires transcending conventional barriers between disciplines and sectors.

The third annual IAFNS Low- and No-Calorie Sweeteners (LNCS) Stakeholder Exchange brought together academic researchers, industry scientists, healthcare practitioners, professional organizations, government experts, trade and patient advocacy groups.

The October 2024 event involved representatives from the IAFNS LNCS Committee and invited guests and experts to discuss future research needs. Topics explored with featured speakers included:

- GLP-1 Receptor Agonists: Impact to Taste and Dietary Preferences
- Conflicts of Interest in Nutrition: Categorical Thinking and the Stigma of Commercial Collaboration
- Headline vs Study: LNCS in the News

The Stakeholder Exchange provides stakeholders with an opportunity to learn about new ideas and discuss emerging science – including on-going and future research to support public health.

## Invited Stakeholders



21%  
Professional Organizations



23%  
Industry Scientists



6%  
Government



14%  
Trade & Patient  
Advocacy Groups



37%  
Academic  
Researchers

This science-focused event brings together stakeholders with shared interests. Research is advanced and strengthened by a global understanding of approaches and perspectives across the scientific community.

# IAFNS Stakeholder Exchange



# Institute for the Advancement of Food and Nutrition Sciences

The IAFNS LNCS Committee develops and communicates the science on how the consumption of LNCSs can contribute to overall health and wellness.

- The role of LNCSs in taste perception and food choices.
- The physiologic and metabolic effects of LNCSs.
- The role of LNCSs in health and disease.
- Research approaches and study designs on the effects of LNCSs in the diet.

**The Low- and No-Calorie Sweeteners Stakeholder Exchange is a forum for information exchange, inspiring attendees with new ideas, new perspectives and new connections.**

**IAFNS LNCS Committee membership includes representatives from:**

- Ajinomoto North America, Inc.
- Cargill, Incorporated
- Keurig Dr Pepper
- Mondelēz International
- PureCircle by Ingredion
- San Diego State University
- Tufts Medical Center
- US Food & Drug Administration

**Invited groups sharing positions, perspectives, and priorities included:**

- American Diabetes Association
- American Heart Association
- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- American Society of Nutrition
- Calorie Control Council
- Columbia University Medical Center
- International Food Information Council
- Monell Chemical Senses Center
- NYC Dept. of Health
- USDA
- International Sweeteners Association
- Institute of Food Technologists
- University of Toronto
- ....And others

Join us in connecting, collaborating, and catalyzing science. Together, we can ensure science drives and informs decision making – from policy makers to consumers.

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## LNCS Stakeholder Exchange