## **GRAINS: Sustenance of Health? Or High Sugar Inlammatory Irritant?**

"Recent clinical trials have failed to support a role for whole grains in promoting weight loss or maintenance" (Karl & Saltzman 2012)

"A diet free of grains and dairy caused more weight and fat loss than one that included recommended amounts of whole grains." (Genoni 2016)

"Studies do not demonstrate a clear effect of increased whole-grain consumption on C-reactive protein or other markers of inflammation" (Lefevre & Jonnalagadda 2012)

*"There is no association between whole grain consumption and improved cardiovascular disease, diabetes, weight gain, or overall mortality. There may be an increased rate of cancer"* (Williams 2012)

#### There is no protein, vitamin, mineral, or fiber that you can get from grains that you can't get in better quantities elsewhere. When grains are refined; nutrient density is even less.



**Grains** are the seeds of plants. **Cereal grains** are the seeds of plants from the grass family: wheat, corn, rice, oats, barley, rye... **Whole grains** contain all parts of the grain, including the bran, kernel (endosperm) and germ.

**Bran** forms the protective, outer seed layer. Bran is a rich source of niacin, thiamin, riboflavin, magnesium, phosphorus, iron and zinc. The bran also contains the majority of the seed's fiber.

**Germ** is the future new plant and a concentrated source of niacin, thiamin, riboflavin, vitamin E, magnesium, phosphorus, iron and zinc. The germ contains most of the seed's protein and fat.

**Kernel** (endosperm) makes up the bulk of the seed and is mostly long chains of the sugar glucose making it a starch (carbohydrate).

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	Glycemic Load	Calories	Carbs	Fiber	Protein	Allergens/Irritants
Wheat / Ancient	44	340	72g	8g	14g	Gluten*
Corn	35	88	21	2.1	3	Zein*
Rice	11	112	24	2	2	Orzenin*
Oats	28	302	51	2	2	Avenin*
<b>Barley Seed</b>	12	123	29	4	2.3	Horedin*
Rye	33	335	70	15	15	Secalin*
<b>Millet Seed</b>	12	119	24	1.3	3.5	Grass family*
Buckwheat	37	343	72	10	14	Safe
Amaranth / Celosia	9	102	19	2	4	Safe
Quinoa / Kañiwa	9	110	21	3	4.4	Safe if wash well
Breadnut	30	217	50	15	6	Safe

# Most people eat 1 cup of **PROCESSED** grains PER MEAL from these sources = **SUGAR**:

\***Gluten** is one of a **FAMILY** of proteins found in all seeds within the grass family. These proteins all share similarity to each other-and to proteins in your body (especially thyroid).

## We Only Hear About Gluten. Why?

only **1** percent of us have Celiac disease; yet...

**5.6%** (18 million) have non-celiac grain sensitivity (it was just 0.2 percent in 1940)

### What's Really Happening?

- ◊ Non-organic grains increase toxic load: pesticides, glyphosate, metals...
- ◊ Nitrogen-based fertilizer lowers nutrient content while increasing gluten content.
- ◊ ALL gluten-like proteins irritate the gut; it can become leaky and inflamed, even autoimmune..
- Gluten-like proteins (especially avenin in oats) break down into gliadin which looks like proteins found in your thyroid gland. These proteins can trigger autoimmuntiy.
- ◊ 5X risk of celiac and type 1 diabetes when introduce gluten-like protein before 4 months old in predisposed babies.
- Sprouting can reduce, but not eliminate, irritants. Sensitive individuals or those with a family history of autoimmune disease should avoid cereal grains entirely.



Data above from NHANES 2003-2004. Additional references:

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