# Bar none: Making a fan-favorite fuel even better



When it comes to portable, purposeful nutrition, it's hard to beat a good nutrition bar. But in a category where users are making mindful choices, every ingredient matters. And serving up craveable taste is the key to earning their loyalty. From proprietary insights to a full ingredient portfolio and targeted formulation expertise, Cargill can help you deliver.

#### INSIGHT:

83% of active nutrition users selected bars to satisfy hunger1

#### **SOLUTION:**

PURIS® pea protein



80%

minimum protein for a nutritional boost



100%

traceable, non-GMO\*



Versatile **functionality** 

in bars, beverages & more

#### **INSIGHT:**

Reduced sugar & improved flavor were identified as areas for improvement in nutrition bars<sup>2</sup>

#### **SOLUTION:**

EverSweet® stevia sweetener + ClearFlo® natural flavor



**Up to 100%** 

sugar reduction made possible



Enhanced sweetness

dynamics & satisfying mouthfeel



**Masks off-flavors** 

from functional ingredients; enhances characterizing flavors

#### **INSIGHT:**

Ingredients with nutritional benefits are highly sought by bar consumers3

#### **SOLUTION:**

**Vitamin E** (d-alpha tocopherol)



#1 purchase impact,

as ranked by bars consumers



#### **Antioxidant**

functionality; taken daily, may support immune system



### Plant-sourced

form is more readily utilized by body

#### **INSIGHT:**

44% positive purchase impact for cocoa powder in protein / nutrition bars4

## **SOLUTION:**

Gerkens® cocoa powders



#### Vast portfolio

of chocolate ingredients, cocoa powders & confectionery compounds



### **Sugar reduction**

Up to 15-30% sugar reduction possible when formulating with Gerkens Sweety powders

### **INSIGHT:**

that are high in fiber5

#### **SOLUTION:**

Cargill soluble corn fiber



**70**%

minimum dietary fiber



<2 kcal/g;

half the calories of sugar



**Minimal impact** on color/texture

### **INSIGHT:**

Taploca syrup is perceived by consumers as a better-for-you sweetener & texturizer6

### **SOLUTION:**

Cargill non-GMO\* tapioca syrup



### Crisp, sweet taste

adds sweetness with little to no flavor/color



### **Enhances mouthfeel**

with physical & sensory properties similar to other syrups



### Versatile formulation,

with range of DE levels

# Pack more function & flavor into your active nutrition bar.

Learn more at <u>cargill.com</u>.



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PURIS pea protein is a trademark of PURIS Foods, a Cargill strategic partner. \*There is no single definition of "non-GMO" in the USA. Contact Cargill for source and processing information.

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