Various sugar related articles

The Executive Director would like to draw your attention to the articles below all of which are relevant to the sugar sector.

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**Nutri-Score blocks ‘health-halo’ effects caused by claims on sugar, but should such claims be allowed at all?**

Fresh research out of Germany suggests the nutrition labelling scheme can prevent products from appearing healthier than they really are.

[https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/08/18/nutri-score-blocks-health-halo-effects-caused-by-claims-on-sugar-but-should-such-claims-be-allowed-at-all](https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2022/08/18/nutri-score-blocks-health-halo-effects-caused-by-claims-on-sugar-but-should-such-claims-be-allowed-at-all)

**How will the war in Ukraine impact food security in 2023?**

In a worst-case scenario, McKinsey is predicting a food deficit representing a year’s worth of nutritional intake for up to 250m people – or 3% of the global population.

Non-nutritive sweeteners back in the spotlight as new study challenges notion they are inert and says they can impact glycemic tolerance

A new study – published a month after the World Health Organization (WHO) sounded a cautionary note about the long-term effects of zero-calorie sweeteners such as sucralose and saccharin – suggests some diet sweeteners are not inert and can alter the microbiome in a way that may impact glycemic tolerance, claims that were immediately challenged by industry stakeholders.


Food as medicine continues to gain traction and inspire innovation post-pandemic

The acute health threat of COVID-19 may be ebbing for most Americans, but the desire it instilled in many to bolster their physical and mental wellbeing continues to push consumers to seek food as medicine, according to industry insiders.


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Brief News

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EU/UK – In the UK, East Anglia, where two-third of the British beet crop is grown, was declared as a drought zone following the driest July on record, The National Farmers’ Union (NFU) suggested that farmers were already facing a 10-50% drop in yields because of the low water supply. In Denmark, A beet test showed a very high sugar content, and a yield slightly lower than the five-year average, according to Nordic Sugar. Yields could still increase with some rain, the firm noted. In Sweden, meanwhile, the start of the harvest at the Ortofta plant was set to September 15th.

Ukraine – After the Russian invasion and the strong increase of gas prices, 10 sugar mills may not be able to operate in the coming crop. The government projects a sugar crop of 1.1mmt, about 200kt lower than the past season but enough to avoid imports.
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why cop27 is a ‘critical turning point’ to connect nutrition and climate change

The united nations will host its 27th climate change conference in a matter of months. as leaders gear up for cop27 in egypt, food industry experts want to see an increased focus on food system resilience and transformation. here’s why.