## The Analysis of Hypothesis Testing on Rare Sugars in Kagawa Prefecture

Hiromasa Takeyasu<sup>1</sup>, Yuki Higuchi<sup>2</sup>, Masazumi Tanaka<sup>1</sup>, Yumiko Matsushita<sup>1</sup>, Kazuhiro Takeyasu<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Kagawa Junior College, Japan

<sup>2</sup>Setsunan University, Japan

<sup>3</sup>Tokoha University, Japan

Correspondence: Kazuhiro Takeyasu, College of Business Administration, Tokoha University, Shizuoka 417-0801, Japan.

Received: October 8, 2017	Accepted: October 30, 2017	Online Published: November 8, 2017
doi:10.5539/ibr.v10n12p123	URL: https://doi.org/10.5539/	/ibr.v10n12p123

### Abstract

The Rare Sugars exist naturally and have many kinds (more than 50). They have good effect for health such as prevention of increasing the blood - sugar level after eating, suppression of fat accumulation, suppression of increasing the blood pressure, and anti-oxidative effect etc. It is in the spotlight for many people especially for those who are in the metabolic syndrome. The Rare Sugars are prevailing in Japan by such activities as cooking class where the Rare Sugars are utilized for the new cuisine. There are few related papers concerning the marketing research and its utilization of this matter. In this paper, a questionnaire investigation is executed to the student of Kagawa Junior College in order to clarify consumers' current condition and their consciousness, and to seek the possibility of utilizing the Rare Sugars. Fundamental statistical analysis and Hypothesis Testing analysis are executed based on that. Some interesting and instructive results were obtained.

**Keywords**: rare sugars, health, consumer, hypothesis testing

### 1. Introduction

The Rare Sugars' study has launched on 1980<sup>th</sup> by Professor Takeshi Izumori (Kagawa University). The way to the mass production was developed by the method of enzymatic reaction. The International Society of Rare Sugars was established in 2001. Local government of Kagawa Prefecture comes to assist this research activity on this big innovation newly born in Kagawa Prefecture. The Rare Sugars have advantage that a blood-sugar level does not increase so much after eating, in spite of it being a sugar. And it also holds the upturn of the blood pressure. Therefore it is expected as a new functional material for the prevention of metabolic syndrome.

By the way, one kind of the Rare Sugar D-psicose has the following characteristics.

- 1) a sweetening made by the natural starch
- 2 non calorie and its sweetness is 70% to those of sugar
- ③ organoleptic property of coolness and sharpness in taste

Many medical research papers are published on the Rare Sugars as follows.

Analysis of the function of D-psicose ; Hossain et al., 2011, Hayashi et al., 2010, Iida et al., 2010

Analysis of the function of D-allose ; Yamada et al., 2012, Kajikawa et al., 2010, Hirata et al., 2009

On the other hand, these are few papers analyzed by the viewpoint from consumers. Kondou(2017) has made a versatile survey on the development and prevailing activities mainly executed by the local government of Kagawa Prefecture in Japan, International Association of Rare Sugar, and The Rare Sugar Spreading Organization. The Rare Sugars is good for the health and is sold in the market as a sweetening, seasoning or functional ingredient for food. The Rare Sugars are prevailing in Japan by such activities as cooking class where the Rare Sugars are utilized for the new cuisine.

In this paper, a questionnaire investigation is executed to the student of Kagawa Junior College in order to clarify the recognition level among consumers and to pursue the future possibility of the Rare Sugars. Basic statistical analysis and Hypothesis Testing analysis are conducted. The nine issues are set and Hypothesis Testing analysis

### is executed.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In section 2, outline of the questionnaire investigation and its basic statistical results are exhibited. After that, Hypothesis Testing analysis is performed in section 3, which is followed by the remarks of section 4.

### 2. Outline and the Basic Statistical Results of the Questionnaire Research

### 2.1 Outline of the Questionnaire Research

A questionnaire investigation is executed to the student of Kagawa Junior College in order to clarify the recognition level among consumers and to pursue the future possibility of the Rare Sugars. The outline of the questionnaire research is as follows. The questionnaire sheet is attached in Appendix.

(1)	Scope of investigation	:	Student of Kagawa Junior College
(2)	Period	:	(1) April – June 2015, (2) April – June 2017
(3)	Method	:	Leave until called for
(4)	Collection	:	Number of distribution (1) 186, (2) 335
			Number of collection (1)186 (collection rate 100.0%), (2) 335

(collection rate 100.0%)

Valid answer (1)186, (2) 333

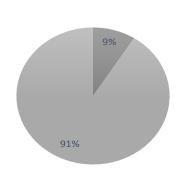
### 2.2 Basic Statistical Results

Now, we show the main summary results by single variable.

(1) Basic characteristics of answerers

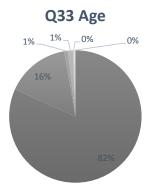
Q32	Sex
-----	-----

	Frequency	%
Male	30	9.0
Female	303	91.0
Total	333	100.0



Q32 Sex

Male Female



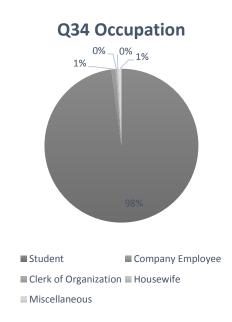
■-19 ■20-29 ■30-39 ■40-49 ■50-59 ■60-

033	Age
$Q_{JJ}$	1150

200-50		
	Frequency	%
-19	272	81.7
20-29	52	15.6
30-39	3	0.9
40-49	4	1.2
50-59	1	0.3
60-	1	0.3
Total	333	100.0

### Q34 Occupation

	Frequency	%
Student	324	97.9
Company Employee	3	0.9
Clerk of Organization	1	0.3
Housewife	1	0.3
Miscellaneous	2	0.6
Total	331	100.0

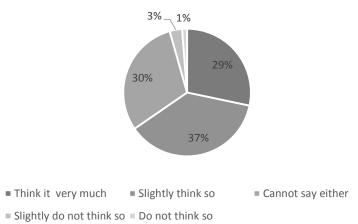


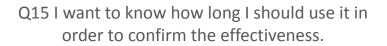
### (2) Summary results for the items used in Hypothesis Testing

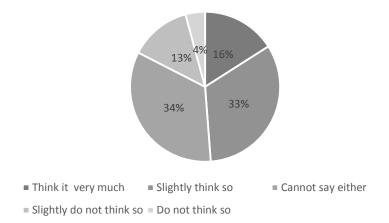
	Think it very much	Slightly think so	Cannot say either	Slightly do not think so	Do not think so	Total	
Frequency	45	59	48	5	2	159	
%	28.3	37.1	30.2	3.1	1.3	100.0	
Q15 I want	to know how	long I shou	ld use it in o	rder to confirm	n the effectiv	eness.	
Frequency	53	109	112	44	14	332	
%	16.0	32.8	33.7	13.3	4.2	100.0	
Q18 I canno	ot grasp the co	oncrete effe	ct.				
Frequency	82	118	82	33	17	332	
%	24.7	35.5	24.7	9.9	5.1	100.0	
Q25 Do you	ı take interest	in a diet?					
Frequency	128	105	52	23	24	332	
%	38.6	31.6	15.7	6.9	7.2	100.0	
Q26 Are yo	u careful for t	he health?					
Frequency	44	127	127	23	10	331	
%	13.3	38.4	38.4	6.9	3.0	100.0	
Q27 Do you	Q27 Do you take interest in the designated health food?						
Frequency	49	107	124	37	14	331	
%	14.8	32.3	37.5	11.2	4.2	100.0	

Q8 Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included?

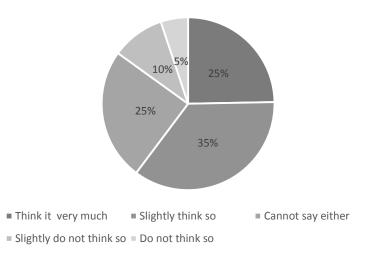
# Q8 Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included?



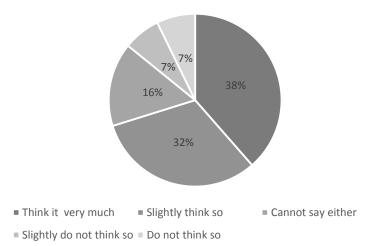




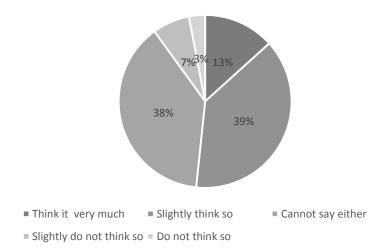
## Q18 I cannot grasp the concrete effect.



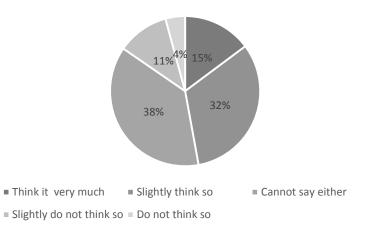
### Q25 Do you take interest in a diet?



## Q26 Are you careful for the health?



## Q27 Do you take interest in the designated health food?



As the Rare Sugar is used in the cooking experiment in the Nutrition and Cooking Course at Kagawa Junior College, many students know its presence and its utility. But they also feel that the Rare Sugar is not so famous

in society. Junior College students consists of the female students in majority, therefore they are conscious for the diet.

### 3. Hypothesis Testing

Hereinafter we make Hypothesis Testing analysis based upon the questionnaire investigation data.

(1) Setting Hypothesis

In the Hypothesis Testing analysis, nine issues are set as follows.

- A-1) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in a diet.
- A-2) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included are careful of his/her health.
- A-3) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in the designated health food.
- A-4) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in a diet.
- A-5) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness are careful of his/her health.
- A-6) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in the designated health food.
- A-7) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in a diet.
- A-8) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect are careful of his/her health.
- A-9) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in the designated health food.

Now, we set the following nine Null hypotheses.

- A-1) There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in a diet or not.
- A-2) There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included are careful of his/her health or not.
- A-3) There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in the designated health food or not.
- A-4) There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in a diet or not.
- A-5) There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness are careful of his/her health or not.
- A-6) There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in the designated health food or not.
- A-7) There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in a diet or not.
- A-8) There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect are careful of his/her health or not.
- A-9) There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in the designated health food or not.
- (2) Hypothesis Testing

The results of Hypothesis Testing analysis are as follows.

Null Hypothesis A-1): There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in a diet or not.

Summary table for Null Hypothesis A-1) is exhibited in Table 1. Figure is also attached (Figure 1).

Do you take interest		Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included?			
in a diet?		Cannot say either/			
		Think so	Do not think so	Total	
Think so	Frequency	80	29	109	
T HILK SO	%	73.4	26.6	100.0	
Cannot say either/	Frequency	23	25	48	
Do not think so	%	47.9	52.1	100.0	
Total	Frequency	103	54	157	
	%	65.6	34.4	100.0	
			significance probabili	ty 0.002	

### Table 1. Summary table for Null Hypothesis A-1)

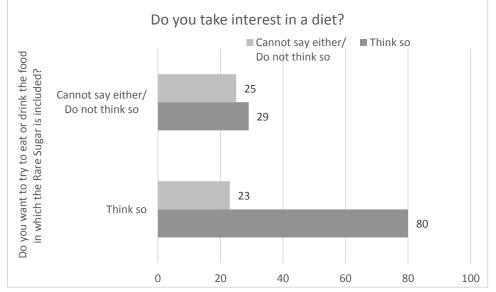


Figure 1. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-1)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in a diet.

Null Hypothesis A-2): There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included are careful of his/her health or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis **A-2**) is exhibited in Table 2. Figure is also attached (Figure 2). Table 2. Summary table for Null Hypothesis **A-2**)

Are you careful for		Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included?			
the health?			Cannot say either/		
		Think so	Do not think so	Total	
Think an	Frequency	65	21	86	
Think so	%	75.6	24.4	100.0	
Cannot say either/	Frequency	37	33	70	
Do not think so	%	52.9	47.1	100.0	
Total	Frequency	102	54	156	
	%	65.4	34.6	100.0	
			- ''f'	:1:4 0.002	

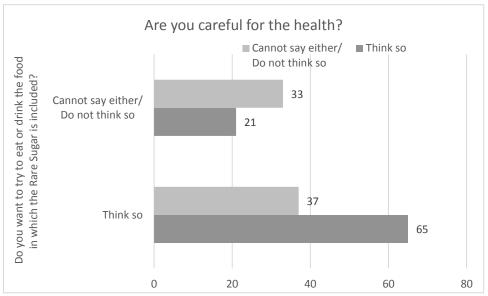


Figure 2. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-2)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included are careful of his/her health.

Null Hypothesis A-3): There is not so much difference whether those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in the designated health food or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis A-3) is exhibited in Table 3. Figure is also attached (Figure 3).

Table 3. Summary table for Null Hypothesis A-3)

Do you take interest in the		Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included?		
designated health food?		Cannot say either/		
		Think so	Do not think so	Fotal
Think on	Frequency	55	16	71
Think so	%	77.5	22.5	100.0
Cannot say either/	Frequency	48	38	86
Do not think so	%	55.8	44.2	100.0
Tatal	Frequency	103	54	157
Total	%	65.6	34.4	100.0
			significance probability	y 0.004

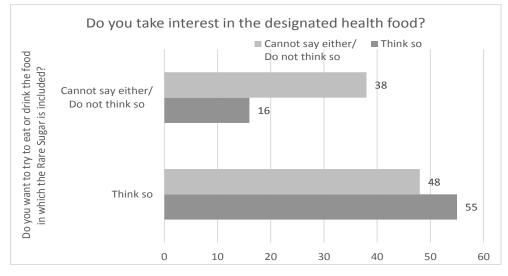


Figure 3. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-3)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in the designated health food.

Null Hypothesis A-4): There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in a diet or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis **A-4**) is exhibited in Table 4. Figure is also attached (Figure 4). Table 4. Summary table for Null Hypothesis **A-4**)

Do you take interest		I want to know how in order to confirm	e		
in a diet?		Cannot say either/			
		Think so	Do not think so	Fotal	
Think on	Frequency	126	107	233	
Think so	%	54.1	45.9	100.0	
Cannot say either/	Frequency	36	61	97	
Do not think so	%	37.1	62.9	100.0	
Total	Frequency	160	168	330	
	%	49.1	50.9	100.0	
			significance probability	0.005	

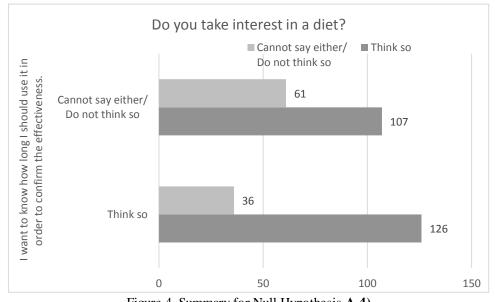


Figure 4. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-4)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in a diet.

Null Hypothesis A-5): There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness are careful of his/her health or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis A-5) is exhibited in Table 5. Figure is also attached (Figure 5).

	I want to know how long I should use it					
Are you careful for	in order to confirm the effectiveness.					
the health?		Cannot say either/				
		Think so	Do not think so	Total		
Think so	Frequency	99	71	170		
I IIIIK SO	%	58.2	41.8	100.0		
Cannot say either/	Frequency	62	97	159		
Do not think so	%	39.0	61.0	100.0		
Total	Frequency	161	168	329		
TOLA	%	48.9	51.1	100.0		
			significance probabilit	y 0.000		

#### Table 5. Summary table for Null Hypothesis A-5)

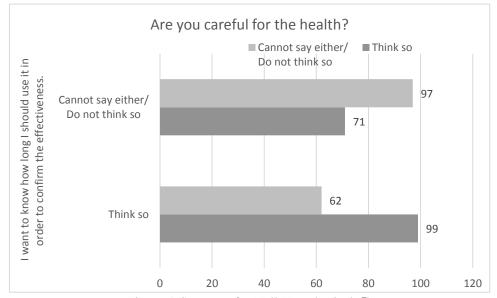


Figure 5. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-5)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness are careful of his/her health.

Null Hypothesis A-6): There is not so much difference whether those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in the designated health food or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis **A-6**) is exhibited in Table 6. Figure is also attached (Figure 6). Table 6. Summary table for Null Hypothesis **A-6**)

Do you take interest in the		I want to know how in order to confirm	e			
designated health food?		Cannot say either/				
		Think so	Do not think so	Total		
Think so	Frequency	89	66	155		
THIIK SO	%	57.4	42.6	100.0		
Cannot say either/	Frequency	72	102	174		
Do not think so	%	41.4	58.6	100.0		
Total	Frequency	161	168	329		
Total	%	48.9	51.1	100.0		
			significance probab	:1:4xx 0.004		

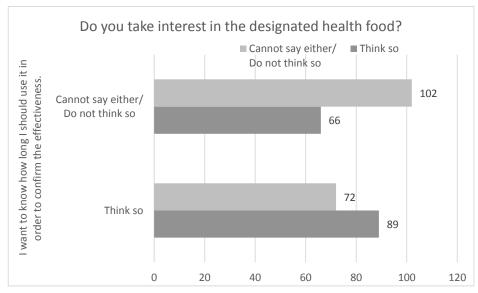


Figure 6. Summary for Null Hypothesis **A-6**)

The null hypothesis is rejected with 1% significance level. It can be said that those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in the designated health food.

Null Hypothesis A-7): There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in a diet or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis A-7) is exhibited in Table 7. Figure is also attached (Figure 7).

Table 7. Summary table for Null Hypothesis A-7)

Do you take interest		I cannot grasp the concrete effect. Cannot say either/				
in a diet?		Think so	Do not think so	Total		
Think so	Frequency	147	85	232		
	%	63.4	36.6	100.0		
Cannot say either/	Frequency	53	45	98		
Do not think so	%	54.1	45.9	100.0		
Total	Frequency	200	130	330		
Total	%	60.6	39.4	100.0		
			significance probab	ility 0 115		

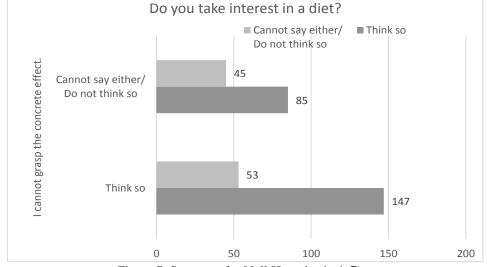


Figure 7. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-7)

The null hypothesis is not rejected. It can be said that there is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in a diet or not.

Null Hypothesis **A-8**): There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect are careful of his/her health or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis **A-8**) is exhibited in Table 8. Figure is also attached (Figure 8). Table 8. Summary table for Null Hypothesis **A-8**)

Are you careful for	I cannot grasp the concrete effect.						
the health?		Cannot say either/					
the nearth?		Think so	Do not think so	Total			
Think so	Frequency	110	59	169			
I HINK SO	%	65.1	34.9	100.0			
Cannot say either/	Frequency	89	71	160			
Do not think so	%	55.6	44.4	100.0			
Total	Frequency	199	130	329			
1 Otal	%	60.5	39.5	100.0			



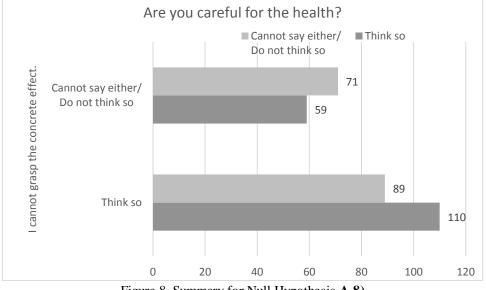


Figure 8. Summary for Null Hypothesis **A-8**)

The null hypothesis is not rejected. It can be said that there is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect are careful of his/her health or not.

Null Hypothesis A-9): There is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in the designated health food or not.

Summary table concerning Null Hypothesis **A-9**) is exhibited in Table 9. Figure is also attached (Figure 9). Table 9. Summary table for Null Hypothesis **A-9**)

Do you take interest in the		I cannot grasp the concrete effect. Cannot say either/				
designated health food?		Think so	Do not think so	Total		
<b>T1</b> : 1	Frequency	98	57	155		
Think so	%	63.2	36.8	100.0		
Cannot say either/	Frequency	102	72	174		
Do not think so	%	58.6	41.4	100.0		
Total	Frequency	200	129	329		
Total	%	60.8	39.2	100.0		
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

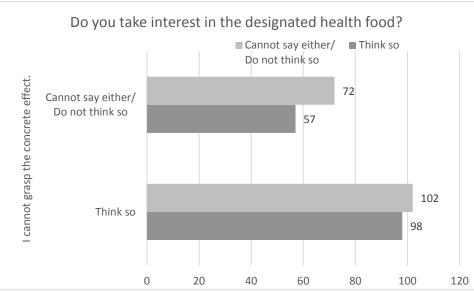


Figure 9. Summary for Null Hypothesis A-9)

The null hypothesis is not rejected. It can be said that there is not so much difference whether those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in the designated health food or not.

### 4. Remarks

As the Rare Sugar is used in the cooking experiment in the Nutrition and Cooking Course at Kagawa Junior College, many students know its presence and its utility. But they also feel that the Rare Sugar is not so famous in society. Junior College students consists of the female students in majority, therefore they are conscious for the diet.

The results for Hypothesis Testing analysis are as follows. 6 cases out of 9 are rejected (A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6). It can be said that the majority of issues are insisted clearly.

### 5. Conclusion

The Rare Sugars exist naturally and have many kinds (more than 50). They have good effect for health such as prevention of increasing the blood - sugar level after eating, suppression of fat accumulation, suppression of increasing the blood pressure, and anti-oxidative effect etc. It is in the spotlight for many people especially for those who are in the metabolic syndrome. The Rare Sugars are prevailing in Japan by such activities as cooking class where the Rare Sugars are utilized for the new cuisine. There are few related papers concerning the marketing research and its utilization of this matter. In this paper, a questionnaire investigation was executed to the student of Kagawa Junior College in order to clarify consumers' current condition and their consciousness, and to seek the possibility of utilizing the Rare Sugars. Hypothesis Testing analysis was conducted based on that. We have set nine issues as follows.

- A-1) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in a diet.
- A-2) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included are careful of his/her health.
- A-3) Those who want to try to eat or drink the food in which the Rare Sugar is included have interest in the designated health food.
- A-4) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in a diet.
- A-5) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness are careful of his/her health.
- A-6) Those who want to know how long he/she should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness have interest in the designated health food.
- A-7) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in a diet.
- A-8) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect are careful of his/her health.

A-9) Those who cannot grasp the concrete effect have interest in the designated health food.

The results for Hypothesis Testing analysis are as follows. 6 cases out of 9 are rejected (A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6). It can be said that the majority of issues are insisted clearly.

Although it has a limitation that it is restricted in the number of research, we could obtain the fruitful results.

Further study on this should be executed such as multivariate analysis. Various cases should be investigated here after.

### Acknowledgements

The authors are grateful to all those who supported us for answering the questionnaire investigation.

#### References

- Hayashi, N., Iida, T., Yamada, T., Okuma, K., Takehara, I., Yamamoto, T., ... Tokuda, M. (2010). Study on the postprandial blood glucose suppression effect of D-psicose in borderline diabetes and the safety of long-term ingestion by normal human subjects. *Biosci Biotechnol Biochem.*, 74(3), 510-519. https://doi.org/10.1271/bbb.90707
- Hirata, Y., Saito, M., Tsukamoto, I., Yamaguchi, F., Sui, L., Kamitori, K., ... Tokuda, M. (2009 May). Analysis of the inhibitory mechanism of D-allose on MOLT-4F leukemia cell proliferation. *J Biosci Bioeng.*, 107(5), 562-568. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbiosc.2008.12.021
- Hossain, M. A., Kitagaki, S., Nakano, D., Nishiyama, A., Funamoto, Y., Matsunaga, T., ... Tokuda, M. (2011 Feb
  4). Rare sugar D-psicose improves insulin sensitivity and glucose tolerance in type 2 diabetes Otsuka
  Long-Evans Tokushima Fatty (OLETF) rats. *Biochem Biophys Res Commun*, 405(1), 7-12.
  https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbrc.2010.12.091
- Iida, T., Hayashi, N., Yamada, T., Yoshikawa, Y., Miyazato, S., Kishimoto, Y., ... Izumori, K. (2010). Failure of d-psicose absorbed in the small intestine to metabolize into energy and its low large intestinal fermentability in humans. *Metabolism*, 59(2), 206-214. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.metabol.2009.07.018
- Kajikawa, T., Tada, S., Kitanaka, A., Tokuda, M., Taminat, T., & Analy, J. (2010). Reactivity of rare sugar D-allose during glycation of human serum albumin. *Bio-Sci.*, *33*(3), 227-236.
- Kondou, K. (2017). The Present Situation of Industrialization and the Future Development on Rare Sugars, *Bulletin of Kagawa Junior College*, 45, 363-371.
- Yamada, K., Noguchi, C., Kamitori, K., Dong, Y., Hirata, Y., Hossain, M. A., ... Yamaguchi, F. (2012 Feb). Rare sugar d-allose strongly induces thioredoxin-interacting protein and inhibits osteoclast differentiation in Raw264 cells. *Nutr Res*, 32(2), 116-123. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nutres.2011.12.010

### Appendix. Questionnaire about the Rare Sugars

### **♦**Questionnaire about the Rare Sugars **♦**

2015/6/15

The Rare Sugars exist naturally and have many kinds (morethan 50). They have good effect for health such as prevention of increasing the a blood - sugar level after eating, suppression of fat accumulation, suppression of increasing the blood pressure, and antioxidative effect etc. It is in the spotlight for many people especially for those who are in the metabolic syndrome.

Pleas	e select the appropriate item in each column.(Plural answers are allowed for Q2, 9, 24, 28. Select $\textcircled{0}$ $\sim$ (	5) in the rig	ght colum f	or Q7, 8,	10-23, 25-27	<i>'</i> .)	
	1.We ask you about the Rare Sugars.						
	1-1. Do you know the Rare Sugars?						
Q1	①Know ②Do not know (⇒ Proceed to Q8 who has selected ② and answer until to the last.)						
-	1-2. We ask you who have selected ①. Where did you know the Rare Sugar? [Plural answers are allowed]						
Q2	①TV ②Magazine ③Newspaper ④Shop ⑤Vending Machine ⑥Seminar ⑦Internet ⑧Hear from ano	ther perso	n @Misc	ellaneous (	)		
	1-3. Do you know that the Rare Sugar has effect on obese prevention and/or diabetes prevention etc.?						
Q3	①Know ②Do not know						
<b>C</b> <sup>-</sup>	1-4. Have you heard or used the syrup which includes Rare Sugar "Rare Sugar Sweet"?						
Q4	①Heard ②Not heard						
Q5	①Used ②Not used						
<b>X</b> <sup>2</sup>	1-5. Have you drunk or eaten the food which includes the Rare Sugar?						
Q6	①Yes ②No						
-	1-6. We ask you who have selected ① in Q6.Was the Rare Sugar effective after using it for more than one	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	6Do no	
Q7	month? (⇒Proceed to Q9)	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
Q8	1-7. We ask you who have selected ② in Q1,② in Q6. Do you want to try to eat or drink the food in which	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	©Do no	
	the Rare Sugar is included?	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
	1-8. What kind of food do you want to eat if the Rare Sugar is included? [Plural answers are allowed]						
Q9	①Cake ②Juice ③Japanese food ④Western food ⑤Chinese food ⑥Miscellaneous(			)			
010	1-9.How do you want to use the Rare Sugar?	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	6Do no	
Q10	a. I want to use it in the cooking.	very much ①Think it	think so ②Slightly	say either ③Cannot	not think so Slightly do	think so (5)Do no	
Q11	b. I can easily use it if there is a recipe.	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
Q12	c. I want to know where I can buy it because I want to use it as a seasoning.	①Think it very much	②Slightly think so	③Cannot say either	④Slightly do not think so	(5)Do no think so	
Q13	d. I want to know where I can get information because I want to use it as a supplement.	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do not think so	©Do no	
Q14	e. I want to know the hospital where the Rare Sugar is used as a tool for treatment.	very much ①Think it	think so ØSlightly	say either ③Cannot	Slightly do	think so (5)Do no	
-		very much Think it	think so ②Slightly	say either ③Cannot	not think so Slightly do	think so Do no	
Q15	f. I want to know how long I should use it in order to confirm the effectiveness.	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
	1-10.Do you have a question(doubt) or anxiety for the Rare Sugar?	(Compared to be	<b>O</b> (1) 1 (1)	0	Contra 1	<b>8</b> 7	
Q16	a. It is not so popular.	①Think it very much	②Slightly think so	③Cannot say either	Slightly do not think so	⑤Do not think so	
Q17	b. It seems to be expensive.	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	5Do no	
-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	very much ①Think it	think so ØSlightly	sav either 3Cannot	not think so Slightly do	think so (5)Do not	
Q18	c. I cannot grasp the concrete effect.	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
Q19	d. I cannot have confidence that it is safe for anybody.	①Think it	②Slightly	Cannot	Slightly do	Do no	
		very much ①Think it	think so ØSlightly	say either 3)Cannot	not think so Slightly do	think so (5)Do no	
Q20	e. Surrounding people do not use it so often.	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
Q21	f. I cannot find the food in the shop in which the Rare Sugar is included.	①Think it very much	②Slightly think so	③Cannot say either	Slightly do not think so	⑤Do no think so	
Q22	g. I cannot guess how I should use the Rare Sugar to what kind of cooking?	①Think it	@Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	©Do no	
Q22	g. realinot guess now r should use the Kate Sugar to what kind of cooking:	very much	think so	say either	not think so	think so	
Q23	h. Miscellaneous ( )	①Think it very much	②Slightly think so	③Cannot say either	Slightly do not think so	⑤Do no think so	
	1-11.Choose the drink that you are interested in. [Plural answers are allowed]						
Q24	①aojiru ②OS-1(oral rehydration solutionDrink for sports) ④designated health drink ⑤drink with the Rare Su	ĭ				)	
Q25	1-12. Do you take interest in a diet?	①Think it very much	②Slightly think so	③Cannot say either	Slightly do not think so	⑤Do no think so	
Q26	1-13. Are you careful for the health?	①Think it	②Slightly	③Cannot	Slightly do	5 Do no	
Q20	1-13. Art you cartill for the heards.	very much	think so ØSlightly	say either @Cannot	not think so	think so	
Q27	1-14. Do you take interest in the designated health food?	①Think it very much	(2)Slightly think so	say either	Slightly do not think so	⑤Do no think so	
	1-15. Which method would be suitable for the Rare Sugar to become popular?	•					
	①TV CM ②Use Twitter, Facebook ③Advertisement by the company ④Spread the way of cooking ⑤Sell can	dy with the	Rare Suga	ır			
Q28	©Sell juice with the Rare Sugar ⑦Restaurant at which the Rare Sugar is used in the cooking ⑧Use it in the foo	d at the ho	ospital (9)	Sell it as a s	upplement 🕕	Make	
	promotion by utilizing famous sportsmen or entertainers ①Miscellaneous(	)					
	2. What is your hobby? (Select only one in the right hand column)	①Like it	②Slightly	③Ordinary			
Q29	2-1.Playing Sports: ①Baseball ②Football ③/Tennis ④Golf ⑤Miscellaneous ( )	very much	like it	level			
Q30	2-2. Watching Sports: ①Baseball ②Football ③Tennis ④Golf ⑤Miscellaneous ( )	①Like it very much	@Slightly like it	③Ordinary level			
Q31	2-3. Drinking: ①Beer ②Wine ③Japanese wine-sake ④Japanese liquor-shochu ⑤Whisky	①Like it	②Slightly	③Ordinary	·		
	(6)Miscellaneous ( )	very much	like it	level			

	3. We ask you questions about your current condition.
Q32	3-1. Sex: ①Male ②Female
Q33	3-2. Age: ①~19 ②20~29 ③30~39 ④40~49 ⑤50~59 ⑥More than 60
Q34	3-3. Occupation: ①Student ②Officer ③Company Employee ④Clerk of Organization ⑤Independents ⑥Part-timer ⑦Housewife ⑧Miscellaneous( )
Q35	3-4. Address: ①Prefecture( )②City( )
Q36	3-5. What kind of lifestyle do you like?: ①Outdoor ②Indoor ③Not either

### Copyrights

Copyright for this article is retained by the author(s), with first publication rights granted to the journal.

This is an open-access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution license (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/).