

HOWARU® SHAPE

Feel Like Yourself, While Naturally Trimming Inches from Your Waist

Help Consumers Feel Great While Improving Their **Body Shape**

Consumers have a strong desire to manage their weight proactively. In fact, in 2016 the global weight loss supplement market was an almost \$5 billion category and growing1. For consumers, this is not about dieting, but about overall wellness while keeping fit and looking good.

A Majority of Global Consumers are Struggling with Weight



Consumer research conducted by DuPont reveals 54% of the global market identifies with being a "Weight Struggler"². These are consumers motivated to lose weight for their health, but need help. They have tried in the past to lose weight without success and they are looking for a way to lose weight and keep it off without sacrificing taste or feeling guilty.

Product Attributes

10B CFU

Bifidobacterium lactis (HOWARU B420™)

- Ontrols body and trunk fat mass
- Promotes an increase in Akkermansia (linked to lean and healthy body weight)
- Ontrols waist circumference



Health



A Clinically-Documented Probiotic + Prebiotic for Weight Management

In a study published in EBioMedicine, compared to placebo, HOWARU® Shape (10B CFU B. lactis B420™ alone or in combination with 12g of prebiotic fiber Litesse® Ultra™ polydextrose) reduced body fat mass, trunk fat mass, waist circumference, and energy intake in overweight adults³. The six-month gold-standard study conducted at four leading research centers demonstrated that both the probiotic alone and probiotic in combination with prebiotic fiber reduced total body fat compared to placebo. This was coupled with a reduction in an important target area of the body—the waistline. These impressive results were obtained with no change to participants' diet or exercise habits.

Key Findings

(combination product vs. placebo)

- 1 inch (2.6 cm) reduction in waist circumference

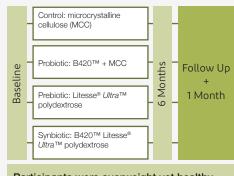
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*Based on 134 participants who completed the intervention with at least 80% study product compliance and no antibiotic use, as predefined in the study protocol.

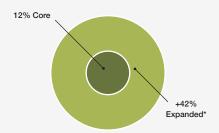
HOWARU® Shape study design



Participants were overweight yet healthy, and did not change their diet or exercise

Figure adapted from Stenman et al. 2016

Weight Strugglers 54% Total Market



*Possess one or more, but not all defining characteristics of the core.

Clinical results indicate HOWARU® Shape*

	B420™	B420 [™] + Litesse [®] Ultra [™]
Has a weight management benefit	/	/
Reduced body fat mass		✓
Increased lean mass		✓
Reduced energy intake	~	✓
Reduced trunk fat mass	~	✓
Reduced waist circumference	/	✓

* As compared to placebo

Figure adapted from Stenman et al. 2016



OUR HOWARU® PROMISE

As a trusted global leader in probiotic solutions, we offer the broadest range of robust, clinically-studied strains. You can be confident that our extensive portfolio, strong consumer insights, and unmatched global support and services make us your ideal partner in probiotic innovation.

Our Strains Area:

- Backed by Science
- Identified with complete genome. Every strain has been sequenced and fully assembled
- Tested for virulence and toxigenic properties and the absence of antibiotic resistance transfer potential
- Tested for toxicity to confirm safety for human consumption
- Formulated and evaluated to ensure viability through end of shelf life
- Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS) or FDA notified without objection as a New Dietary Ingredient
- Manufactured in the USA under FDA Good Manufacturing Practices

Exceptional Quality

High Performance

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High Stability



High Functionality

Our Areas of Expertise

Women

Weight Management

Immune

Oral

Digestive

Brain





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