

Health Star Rating Advisory Committee (HSRAC)

Register of potential anomalies submitted to the HSRAC for consideration

To be deemed an anomaly, the Health Star Rating (HSR) system produces star ratings of individual products or groups of products that are either:

- inconsistent with the Australian Dietary Guidelines (ADG); or
- do not enable valid comparisons between foods based on the agreed food components (energy, saturated fat, total sugars, sodium, protein, dietary fibre and fruit, vegetables, nut and legumes (FVNL)); and
- the matter wasn't previously determined as a result of the Five-Year Review of the HSR system.

Application number	Date Submitted	Brief description of application (as submitted by applicant)	Date Considered by HSRAC	HSRAC determination	Rationale	Outcome / Next steps
AS2021-1	1/10/2020	The reclassification of water-based ice confections out of Category 2 – Foods, and into Category 1 - non-dairy beverages means HSR no longer guides towards healthier choices in the ice cream category.	5/8/21	Rejected	Noting the decision to re-categorise ice confections as non-dairy beverages during the Five-Year Review of the HSR System, the HSRAC considers it is not appropriate to class this submission as an anomaly.	No further action.
AS2021-2	04/08/21	Dairy protein products utilising Whey Protein can benefit from the Dairy Calculator as it's a dairy based product. This results in higher ratings compared to the non-dairy beverages calculator. Non-dairy protein should be reflected similarly.	30/11/21	Rejected	The pea protein products referenced in the submission do not appear to contain sufficient calcium required to be considered a Category 1D dairy beverage. Dairy beverage alternatives derived from legumes are eligible for this category if they contain at least 100mg calcium per 100ml and contain no less than 3% m/m protein derived from that legume.	No further action.