Title: PREPARED SANDWICH TYPE FOODS COMPRISING DIETARY FIBER GEL

Abstract: A prepared sandwich type food including a filling between or on edible layers and having reduced fat and caloric content is described. The filling and the edible layers can comprise dietary fiber gel which replaces fat that is normally found in the ingredients and recipes for the filling and the edible layers. The use of dietary fiber gel permits manipulation of the fat and caloric content of prepared sandwich type foods with minimal effect on taste and texture. Furthermore, the prepared sandwich type food can further comprise functional foods that increase health and nutritional benefits of the prepared sandwich type food. The functional foods can be added individually, and in any combination thereof. Hence, in addition to reducing fat and caloric content of prepared sandwich type food by replacing a portion of fat with dietary fiber gel, additional health benefits can be achieved with compositions that include functional foods.
INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.
PCT/US05/22613

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC: A21D 13/00(2006.01); A23G 3/00(2006.01)
USPC: 426/94
According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED
Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
U.S.: 426/94
Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)
US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages</th>
<th>Relevant to claim No.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Y</td>
<td>US 5,695,806 A (BATEMAN) 09 December 1997, see entire document.</td>
<td>1-27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Y</td>
<td>Bateman, K. 1995, Mrs. bateman's Low Fat Baking Butter Cookbook, Mrs. Batemans Bakery, LC, pgs 10, 57, 60, 133, 135-144.</td>
<td>1-27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Y</td>
<td>US 6,399,125 B1 (KEISHMAN et al.) 04 June 2002, see entire document.</td>
<td>1-27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Y</td>
<td>US 5,468,510 A (CHRISTENSEN et al.) 21 November 1995, see entire document.</td>
<td>7-10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Y</td>
<td>US 4,125,630 A (ORTHOFER) 14 November 1978, see entire document.</td>
<td>12</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex.

* Special categories of cited documents:
  "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
  "E" earlier application or patent published on or after the international filing date
  "L" document which may throw doubt on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
  "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
  "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed
  "T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
  "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
  "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art
  "&" document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search
26 June 2006 (26.06.2006)

Name and mailing address of the ISA/US
Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
Facsimile No. (571) 273-3201

Authorized officer
TOM DUNN
Telephone No. 571-272-1700

Form PCT/ISA/210 (second sheet) (April 2005)

Date of mailing of the international search report 15 AUG 2006