

## Review of: "The Consumption of Iceberg Lettuce May Reduce The Adhesion of Dietary Fat to The Mucus Surface of The Stomach Barrier Lining Decreasing The Risk of Triggering Acute Gastroesophageal Reflux"

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- · Novel hypothesis connecting lettuce's physical properties to potential protective capacity against reflux
- Sound scientific reasoning behind proposed mechanism of fat adsorption by lettuce leaves preventing gastric mucosa exposure
- Visual mapping demonstrates differential hydrophilic/lipophilic sites across lettuce surface
- · Quantitative measurement of fat adhesion strength provides numerical evidence to support hypotheses
- Methods appropriate to demonstrate preliminary physical interactions and properties.

In summary, while the paper has weaknesses in terms of clinical relevance and gaps requiring confirmation, the creative connection proposed between lettuce's physical attributes and anti-reflux effects is novel and logically presented based on the preliminary evidence provided. Findings show promise to inform dietary guidelines or interventions if further validated under physiologic conditions.

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