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Agency: Sourcewell

Division: Procurement Department

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Contract Term: 4 years

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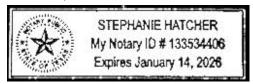
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New study links sugary drinks to early death in some people

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Americans may want to think twice about reaching for that cool glass of lemonade this summer after a study published last week found sugary drinks may be linked to an increased risk of heart disease and death in certain people.

Researchers from Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health studied more than 12,000 participants diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes and reported how often they consumed such sugar-sweetened drinks as soda, fruit punch and lemonade.

They found people with Type 2 diabetes who regularly drank sugar-sweetened beverages had a higher risk of developing cardiovascular disease or dying prematurely compared with those who consumed other drinks, according to the report published Thursday in the peer-reviewed journal The BMJ.

More than 37 million Americans have diabetes, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and it's estimated that up to 95% of them have Type 2 diabetes.

"This adds to a growing body of research," said Marion Nestle, an emeritus professor of nutrition and food studies at New York University. Although "it's a message to people with diabetes to try to switch drinks that don't have any calories or sugars in them. It's good advice for everybody."

What sugary drinks are bad for you?

The report included data from 1980 to 2018 and is among the first large-scale studies to examine links between death or disease and beverages among people with Type 2 diabetes, study authors say.

Sugar-sweetened beverages that were reported included caffeinated and caffeine-free colas, and non-carbonated drinks like fruit punches, lemonade and fruit drinks like orange, apple and grapefruit, according to the study.

Researchers found each serving of one of these drinks was associated with 8% higher risk of all-cause mortality among people with Type 2 diabetes.

The recommended daily intake of sugar should be no more than 10% of the calories consumed, Nestle said, which is about 50 grams a day.

Sugar vs. artificial sweetener

The study also found that switching out sugar-sweetened beverages with one that was artificially sweetened was associated with an 8% lower risk of all-cause death and a 15% lower risk of death related to heart disease.

But more studies have been raising the concern about sugar substitutes,



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'Be picky': Replacing sugary drinks lowers risk

Researchers found replacing one serving of a sugar-sweetened beverage with coffee, tea, low-fat cow's milk or plain water led to better health outcomes.

The risk associated with all-cause mortality was lower with the following drinks:

- 18% for coffee
- 16% for tea
- 12% for low-fat cow's milk
- 16% for plain water

And the risk associated with death from heart disease was lower with these drinks:

- 20% with coffee
- **24%** with tea
- 19% with low-fat cow's milk
- 20% with plain water

"People living with diabetes should be picky about how they keep themselves hydrated," said lead author Qi Sun, associated professor in the department of nutrition and epidemiology at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. "Switching from sugar-sweetened beverages to healthier beverages will bring health benefits."

both artificial and natural. Though they're considered safe by federal regulators, they're not necessarily considered healthy, and the long-term effects of sugar substitutes are largely unknown.

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Gene therapy

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destroying nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord. The child rapidly deteriorates and usually dies by age 3.

The trial, which USA TODAY wrote about in 2021 as part of a series on rare diseases, offered them a different vision of the future, even though the result wasn't what they dreamed of.

"We are heartbroken, but also we realize within ourselves that the battle was lost long ago, not now," Alissa's father said in a video conversation a week after her funeral. "It's hard to say, but it was for the best for her in the end."

The promise of clinical trials

Feldborg and Rokina, who live in Copenhagen, Denmark, had read about the UMass trial online and were thrilled when Alissa passed all the requirements to be included.

The researchers were clear Alissa might not benefit from treatment – her disease might already be too advanced – the dosage, based on studies in sheep, might be too low. As the weeks and then months ticked by, waiting for the Food and Drug Administration to approve the treatment, their expectations dimmed.

Still, where there's action, there's hope and the couple was grateful to be able to grab onto any sliver.

So, at the end of January 2021, when Alissa wasn't yet 14 months old, doctors gave her two doses of gene therapy, one infused into her spinal cord and one directly into her brain.

The early days were promising. For about six months, her deterioration slowed. Her smile returned. She seemed almost present.

"There were a lot of positive things after this treatment," Rokina said.

Her ability to swallow and cough also improved, which worried her parents. The couple's biggest fear was that the therapy, intended to correct the genetic mistake that was poisoning Alissa's brain, would extend her life but not substantially improve her vegetative state.

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Alissa Feldborg had a rare disease that triggered seizures and other problems. PROVIDED BY THOMAS FELDBORG

cure her, we were afraid that it would be a long devastating life for her," Feldborg said.

How much and how soon?

About 18 months after Alissa's treatment, the company that sponsored the trial said it could no longer afford to keep it going. UMass raised funds to continue to follow the nine children who had already been dosed.

Dr. Terence Flotte, dean of the T.H. Chan School of Medicine at UMass, said via email that his team intends to try the therapy on one or two more children, bringing the total to 10 or 11.

Some in the trial were infants and others were older children with later onset disease. The infants show mild improvements and retained neurologic function longer after treatment, Flotte said, while some of the older children experienced a mixed picture with both positive and negative signs.

The gene therapy, which enables the children to make the enzyme they're missing, also seems to be more consistently effective in a closely related disease called Tay-Sachs.

Alissa had been the first patient fully enrolled. Some later children received higher doses and were treated when they were younger. "They can stop the degeneration, but they cannot heal what is broken," Feldborg said of the scientists.

The couple's one regret is that they couldn't convince the FDA to be less cautious about the therapy. Earlier treatment and a higher dose might have led to a different outcome, Feldborg and Rokina said. They would happily have faced the risk of a brain hemorrhage for the possibility of a better outcome.

"If we could have changed anything, we would have shouted loud enough for FDA to hear us."

Risk is a necessary part of progress

Medicine advances in fits and starts and relies on volunteers like Alissa's family, said Dr. Francis Collins, former longtime director of the National Institutes of Health and a lifelong champion of genetic research and therapy.

"I think it's appropriate to be enormously inspired and excited about the potential" for gene therapy, Collins said.

Roughly 6,500 rare diseases are caused by known DNA misspellings, but treatments exist for fewer than 500 of them so far, he said.

As to why therapies like this don't always work, Collins pointed to biology.

"People don't appreciate how complicated human biology is," said Collins, who has spent his career trying to reverse a genetic disease called progeria that causes rapid aging.

Only one or two spelling mistakes in a person's 3-billion-letter genome can affect trillions of cells across the body, including in the brain, which is extremely hard to access with treatments, be said

With gene therapy treatments like the one Alissa tried, "you can see the payoff," Collins said. "You just can't see how long it is, how many twists and turns, how many unexpected hailstorms are going to hit you along the way."

Being among the first patients to receive a gene therapy is challenging for patients and families, UMass' Flotte said in an emailed statement. "Those pioneering patients and families who

choose to go first in such trials demonstrate great courage, as they make sacrifices for the benefit of those who come after them."

Still, gene therapy holds tremendous promise, Collins said.

"I would want people to be optimistic that over the coming years, we're going to get much better at this – and not to feel hopeless or despondent or pessimistic," he said.

Deriving meaning from misery

Over the past six months, Alissa regressed rapidly.

Her seizures returned with a vengeance. Breathing became a struggle. Though doctors had told them she wasn't aware of her surroundings, her parents worried she was suffering.

They certainly were. Their lives and those of their four older children – three sons from his previous marriage and one from hers – were dictated by Alissa's round-the-clock care needs. "I would not wish this on my worst enemy," Feldborg said.

Alissa was resuscitated five times in the last three weeks of her life. The sixth time, it didn't work.

Now, the boys are each suffering in their own ways and Feldborg and Rokina mostly feel emptiness.

"No emotions, no happiness. The sun is shining, the spring is coming, but you're just indifferent," Rokina said.

They have no regrets about participating in the trial even though the outcome didn't meet their wildest dreams.

Alissa still had a brief blooming after the treatment when she should have seen nothing but decline, Feldborg said. "What we really hope for now is that

there's some kind of meaning with her life. They're going on with the trial," he said. "At some point, there will be somewhere it succeeds and this is what we're hoping for. ... If this is the meaning of Alissa's life, then at least there is some meaning."

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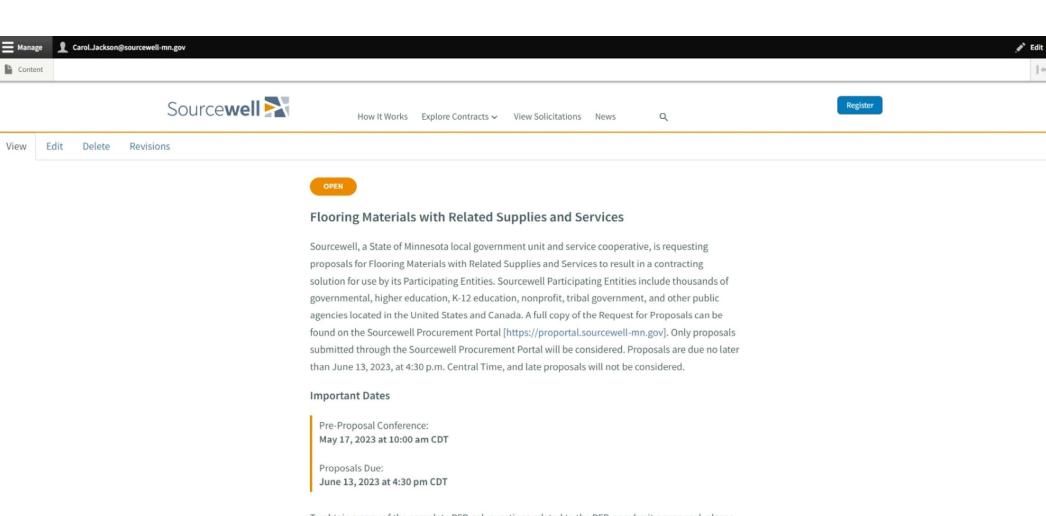
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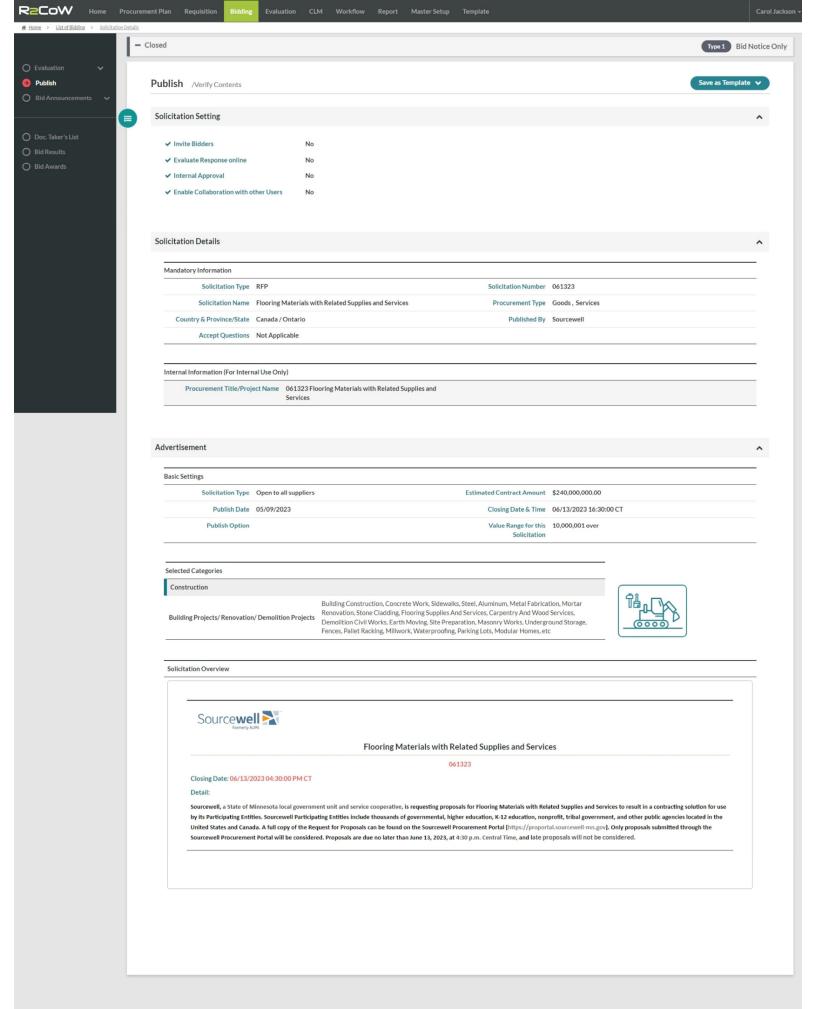
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G	Goods Goods			
N72	Household And Commercial Furnishings And Appliances Household And Commercial Furnishings And Appliances			
N7220	FLOOR COVERINGS Floor Coverings Includes Linoleum; Rubber and Asphalt Tile; Carpets; Rugs; Rug pads.			
MERX Category (1)				
G	Goods Goods			
G13	Fabricated Materials Fabricated Materials			
UNSPSC Categories (2)				
3000000	Structures and Building and Construction and Manufacturing Components and Supplies			
30160000	Interior finishing materials			
30161700	Flooring			
52000000	Domestic Appliances and Supplies and Consumer Electronic Products			
52100000	Floor coverings			
52101500	Rugs and mats			

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