## GOOD/BAD/UGLY GRAINS & WHOLE YOU!

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Ever hear, 'Eat more whole grains'? This 'edict' is more a fractured fairy tale than a scientific maxim. James Braly, M.D., author of <u>Dangerous Grains</u>, estimates 30% of Americans are sensitive to gluten, the protein fraction in wheat, rye, barley, and some minor grains. Others observe >50% incidence.

Cultivated grains are evolutionary newcomers, so billions worldwide have not adapted to them yet. Wheat gluten contains *gliadin*, a hard-to-digest 33-chain amino acid. Damage from incomplete breakdown of gluten proteins occurs irregularly in our 'gut', inhibiting nutrient absorption, thus causing a myriad of physical problems and their associated mental symptoms.

Celiac disease, a serious autoimmune disorder caused by gluten, averages 7-9 years before accurate diagnosis. Racial groups and regions less accustomed to wheat normally experience higher rates of Celiac. A 'short list' of diseases/conditions linked to Celiac and Gluten Sensitivity reads like a modern

## Who's Who of Serious Illness:

- Diabetes
- Depression
- > Thyroid Disorders (3)
- ➤ Autoimmune diseases (18\*
- > Emotional and behavioral disorders (9)
- ➤ Infertility & sperm abnormalities
- Neurological conditions (14)
- Gas and bloating
- Schizophrenia
- Osteoporosis
- Cancer

People with these conditions may benefit from avoiding gluten. Many supermarkets, natural foods stores, and restaurants now carry gluten-free (GF) items. Use of nutritious, safe, and delicious 'alternative grains' is growing. (google gluten-free or Rodney Ford, MD) Savvy firms like Bob's Red Mill of Milwaukee are rapidly expanding their GF flour, cereal, and baked goods lines.

The 'Gluten Challenge' is to avoid gluten for 1 month...

Millions report 'amazing' healings on a gluten-free diet.

How about it—are you gluten sensitive?

You can find out if you.....

**GIVE IT A TRY!** 

Gluten-free Bread