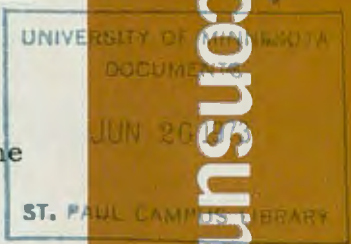


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Space Food (0:30)

Fruit and nut bars that Skylab crew members ate were the basis of research done by food scientists at the University of Minnesota.

Research done at Minnesota has scored a success with the astronauts. An apricot based intermediate moisture food resembling a fig newton was dispensed in space suits during the last Apollo mission. This food was formulated on the basis of University research. The bar is high in calories per unit of weight and will last about six months without refrigeration.

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Consumer Benefits From Space Food (0:32)

Astronauts are not the only ones that will benefit from University of Minnesota research on intermediate moisture foods.

A drug company is interested in these foods for use in the diets of people who have lost their kidneys and must have time consuming, costly dialysis treatments every two or three days.

By consuming low moisture, nutritious foods developed for space travel, it is hoped that these persons could extend the dialysis treatments to 10 to 15-day intervals.

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Candy Substitutes (0:12)

Intermediate moisture space foods could lead to the development of substitutes for candy. These substitutes would be highly balanced in protein, fat, sugar and vitamins and would taste good.

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