# **NUTRI-SCORE** AND ULTRA-TRANSFORMATION: TWO DIFFERENT NOTIONS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT

#### **IMPROVE THE RECIPES**

One of the objectives of **NUTRI-SCORE** is to encourage manufacturers to improve their recipes for better nutritional quality (less saturated fats, salt, sugars, etc.).

The majority of professionals who improve the NUTRI-SCORE of their recipes do not do so by using more processing or additives (or even take the opportunity to reduce them).



#### THE OPINION OF THE SCIENTISTS:

All studies demonstrate a link between the consumption of foods that are well classified by **NUTRI-SCORE** and a lower risk of chronic diseases, independently of other factors.



## TWO COMPLEMENTARY PIECES OF INFORMATION

Ultra-processed foods (UPFs) are products that have undergone intense industrial processing and/or contain additives or other ingredients not traditionally found in our kitchens.



ULTRA-TRANSFORMATION AND NUTRITIONAL COMPOSITION ARE TWO DIFFERENT DIMENSIONS OF THE PRODUCT, EACH LIKELY TO IMPACT HEALTH.

High intakes of foods poorly ranked by **NUTRI-SCORE** and AUT are both independently and complementary associated with an increased risk of chronic disease.



### THE DEGREE OF PROCESSING DOES NOT INDICATE NUTRITIONAL QUALITY

Some minimally processed products are not of good nutritional quality:





Some considered non-UT yet have a nutritional composition unfavorable to health:

Butter, oil, salt, sugar

Some ultra-processed products may be of good nutritional quality :

Fruit yoghurt, certain cooked dishes...





THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONSUMERS ARE SIMPLE: FAVOUR BOTH UNPROCESSED OR MINIMALLY PROCESSED PRODUCTS AND THOSE THAT ARE WELL CLASSIFIED BY **NUTRI-SCORE**. OTHER FOODS ARE OF COURSE NOT FORBIDDEN BUT SHOULD BE CONSUMED IN MORE LIMITED QUANTITIES AND FREQUENCY.

