Supplementary Table 1. Focus group themes for the consumption of takeaways, knowledge of the addition of additives to processed meat products, and relationship between colon cancer and the consumption of processed meat products.

| Question and themes | Focus group A | Focus group B |
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| Consumption of takeaways |  |  |
| How often do you eat takeaways? | P1G1: I eat takenways quite a bit. I. . .this year probably not as much as I usually did, last year I used to pretty much eat them every week. In second year I was twice as bad. Lived in Great King St near McDonalds and everything is handy every single day. Um this year more um more subway more sandwiches but yeah still eat burgers at the flat quite a bit. I live closer to subway now, that's why. The sub of the day as well. . . you know its $\$ 3.90$, a sandwich that fills you up. <br> P2G1: takeaways probably on average about once or twice a week, not sure yeah living in town there are quite a few options. <br> P3G1: A couple of times a week depending on what a takeaway is. So yeah. About once a week from McDonalds <br> P4G1: We probably at least once a week, once or twice a week. <br> P5G1: Yeah I would say once a week on average. <br> P6G1: Once a week <br> P7G1: Same | P8G2: Three times a week <br> P9G2: I am going to go with three times a week, it varies <br> P15G2: Probably once a week to twice a month <br> P10G2: Sometimes more than three times a week |
| How often do you eat burgers, beef burgers? <br> Do you prefer them as takeaway or home-made? | P1G1: Um well second year it was a lot, I was pretty much eating a Big Mac a day almost (laughter). Yeah now probably we have burgers pretty much once a week and I will probably get McDonalds once a week. <br> P2G1: Umm, Oh yeah when we cook them in the flat the home made ones-but I don't eat at McDonalds. Oh they just taste nicer normally, home-made patties and stuff. Quite filling as well. <br> P2G1: Yeah, we all like burgers in the flat. So it's a pretty easy meal to prepare and make. | P10G2: Bit of a cheese burger fan <br> 8G2: From a fast food outlet <br> P10G2: Yeah fast food outlet <br> P9G2: But, I love homemade hamburgers the best. It just because you get to make it yourself and it tastes way better, and good quality stuff <br> P8G2: Yeah, good quality yeah <br> P15G2: Oh I usually make my own. I don't really like buying burgers outside because I know what's inside |

P4G1: Um I don't really eat them, once a week? once every P9G2: Yeah, I used to work at McDonalds so I'm just like
other week?
P5G1: Yeah, I don't get takeaway burgers very often and how long the meat sits there and all that
probably in the summer we probably have more burgers maybe
once a week in the summer. But every few weeks other times.
P4G1: Now I prefer to eat them at home. We definitely make
them, make the patties... so even I mean we use mince in other
ways also other than as a burger.
P6G1: Rarely make at home..., two , three times per year and
I'm with kids forced to go to McDonalds...it would be really
difficult for me to eat at home hamburger. But I prefer
takeaway from Makimono Food like Japanese food.
P7G1: I tend to cook them, make burgers more at home than
takeaway ones.
P1G1: Yeah I got pretty addicted to McDonalds aye, I don't
know why its just I don't know why, the sauces they use I

When you include it is, it just for flavour or is it an effort to make your burger healthy?

P1G1: Just for flavour I think
P3G1: Flavour mostly
P2G1: Yeah it's a nice bit of moisture in your burger, tomato is pretty important. Its crucial
P1G1: Otherwise its just mince on toast pretty much.
P1G1: I don't think that healthy comes into it when I eat hamburgers personally
P2G1: Yeah I put like tomato, lettuce. Like I am making a tasty good burger, bit of crunchiness for texture, yeah I suppose like yeah definitely there is another benefit of health, its important for health and for taste and quality of burger
P3G1: Texture and nutrition wise
P4G1: I guess flavour
P5G1: Yeah I would say flavour, normally the more ingredients the better
P6G1: Flavour
P7G1: The nutrition

Knowledge of other ingredients being added processed meat products?

P10G2: Yeah, aioli.... And when, when you like make your own ones at home and you like can put spices and stuff in the mincemeat rather than just bland
P8G2: Yeah, carrots, like when you make rissoles and stuff
P9G2: Carrots are yum
P10G2: I remember at McDonalds, I think for a limited time they had a burger and it had carrot in the patty....maybe I don't know. And it was square shaped.
P9G2:Flavour yeah
P11G2:Bit of texture and flavour P10G2:Ah, I reckon its health reasons. Because you can't taste lettuce, tomatoes disgusting
P13G2: I think the flavours complement each other well. I like the tomato

P9G2: Yeah, I guess we are quite naïve about it, like you still would eat it and stuff but then someone is like "oh that's really processed".
P8G2: In a perfect world it would be great not to eat processed stuff but its also a lot cheaper
P9G2: Yeah. That's just the way it is.
you sort of realise that they are just putting stuff in to it but you don't really know what it is or what its effects on you are. P3G1: Yep I just noticed that um I always thought that soy was added to other things and breads. I don't know.
P4G1: Yeah I guess you know we accept it, we just buy what we like we don't really care what's in it. yeah
P5G1: Yeah like I notice on packets of sausages meat content is normally ort of $60-70 \%$ so yeah I guess there stuff it is soy or something else
P7G1: Usually a lot of salt and fat as well
P3G1: A lot of sodium, salt

Do you know why these ingredients have been added?

P4G1: I mean make it go further and I think that makes it less expensive for consumers, more available and you know flavour, it tastes good.
P5G1:Yeah that's I would have thought, bring costs down for the product P6G1:Youk now of course they are not adding ingredients because they want to make a consumer happy because they see that they can add value to the product
P7G1:The basic product has not been able to use for anything else so they just found a way to devise these products with some salt and fat and whatever else
Sensory testing of the beef patties

P1G1: Smells like meatloaf
P2G1: Yeah its like vegetablely something
P4G1: It just smells like warm pecans to me or beaniness
P3G1: Sort of a woody, smokey smell to me
P2G1: Yeah, my favourite two were the ones with the most tempeh. I like tempeh, I just found out
P1G1:Love that tempeh

P8G2: I don't know about you Anna because we both grew up on farms like having home kill and stuff you always made your mincemeat out of whatever was like killed on the farm so like I guess it gave you an aversion to buying stuff that was like so processed
P11G2: But then it tastes so good sometimes you just can't resist
P8G2:Yeah, because you get used to it
P15G2:Yeah, but I don't really consciously eat thinking oh I should eat vegetables because of my worries about cancer

P9G2: Because its cheaper for them? is it?
P15G2: It doesn't bother me. I don't really buy sausages or any processed meat I usually buy like proper meat and make whatever I am going to make at home
P9G2: Yeah, well we just don't take much notices owe wouldn't feel deceived, only if someone pointed it out, you are like oh

P11G2: prefer the middle two
P13G2: All taste good except the last one
P10G2: the last one have strong vege taste
P8G2: I liked the ones with low temeph

## The link between red meat and colon cancer



P11G2: You hear like oh I don't know
P13G2: Some new study/ report
P11G2: Meat, colorectal cancer, but you hear things about food and cancer all the time
P10G2: But they link everything to cancer
P15G2: Mm just a little bit, I've heard about how the meats cooked and the relationship with cancer, especially with barbequing like carcinogenic...and Processed meat and cancer P12G2:Yeah,I would be leaning to I'd rather keep the taste and not worry too much about cancer P8G2:Yeah, its more dangerous to dye your hair, but maybe its not cancer, maybe its because we are all fat countries and we don't exercise as well
P14G2:True
P8G2: If you are healthy and you have got a balanced lifestyle then you can eat red meat and not worry about it
P9G2: Oh I still eat fast food, I don't really care, it all tastes good, you just don't want to think about...

P11G2:Mmm, nah, I wouldn't personally. Because you can get antioxidants from other things can't you? like broccoli P13G2:Nah, probably not
P8G2: I think it would depend on the taste, if it tastes good, yeah. It depends
P14G2: Normally I would rather I think something more natural
P13G2:Yeah I think something natural

P11G2: I don't want people chopping and changing my food
P11G2: I don't like that
P14G2: That doesn't sound good
P9G2: That doesn't sound appealing. I think it would put me off
P11G2: Is that like similar to tofu. What is that like a meat substitute. Put me off
P10G2: Its really nice fried
P15G2: Oh yeah, I eat tempeh quite a lot back home. Yeah, its one of my favourite foods
P14G2:Depends if I liked it or not, I've never had it before. Yeah, I don't know
P13G2: Probably. Try it once I suppose
P9G2:Try it but I would always pick real meat over it
P8G2:If outlined in the ingredients, you need to have that in it maybe, otherwise it would be like why change
P9G2: it depends how it complements the rest of the ingredients like you could maybe not notice so much when you are having an actual burger

