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Various sugar related articles

The Executive Director would like to draw your attention to the articles below all of which are relevant to the sugar sector.

FoodNavigator.com – 26 April 2019

SweetLeaf Stevia CEO: The sugar substitutes category is flat, but stevia products were up 31% YOY in Q1

26-Apr-2019 By Elaine Watson

If fat is back with a vengeance and protein remains on trend, sugar is now public enemy number one for many consumers, who want to cut down, but remain suspicious of the 'natural' credentials of some alternatives. FoodNavigator-USA caught up with Carol May (CM), CEO at Wisdom Natural Brands, maker of Sweetleaf Stevia, to find out what's happening in the US sugar substitutes aisle.

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2019/04/26/60-second-interview-carol-may-chairman-and-ceo-wisdom-natural-brands-sweetleaf-stevia

FoodNavigator.com – 24 April 2019

European organic food ripe for consolidation: 'Acquisitions appear to be the way forward'

24-Apr-2019 By Katy Askew

The European organic food sector is witnessing double-digit growth. And while high value organic sales can be lucrative, the category is an increasingly crowded space in which to operate, making it ripe for consolidation.

https://www.foodnavigator.com/article/2019/04/24/european-organic-food-ripe-for-consolidation

ECRUU Sugar News Monitor - 26 April 2019
ARGENTINA - City bans display of sugar in restaurants

The Neuquen city council passed an ordinance which bans the display of sugar in restaurant tables, forcing customers to expressly ask for it. In addition, menus will have to display a health warning over the consumption of excess sugar and restaurants will have to offer sugar-free drinks. (Lmneuquen)

FoodNavigator.com – 26 April 2019 Are zero calorie sweeteners fueling, rather than fighting, the obesity epidemic? 26-Apr-2019 By Elaine Watson

Are zero calorie sweeteners fueling, rather than fighting, the obesity epidemic by meddling with our metabolism or negatively altering our gut bacteria, as some critics claim? Or do they remain invaluable – and exhaustively tested - tools in the formulator's toolbox?

https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/article/2019/04/26/are-zero-calorie-sweeteners-fueling-rather-than-fighting-the-obesity-epidemic

ECRUU Ethanol News Monitor - 29 April 2019

UNITED STATES - Plants forced to increase corn bids, industry needs to shrink

The disruptions caused by the severe weather has limited the availability of corn and users, such as ethanol plants, had to increase their bids which led to a strong improvement in corn basis around the Midwest. Moreover, transport on the Mississippi River was affected by another storm this weekend and weather disruptions are expected to extend into May. Otherwise, an economist from the University of Illinois forecast that the ethanol producing industry needed to reduce capacity over the next 5-10 years, even if exports recovered because of some inefficient producers. (Includes content from: Reuters) (Business World & Farm Progress)

Sugar Online – Ebriefing 29-04-2019

SOUTH AFRICA: Sugar industry certain imports threaten its survival

Sugar imports are threatening the domestic South African sugar industry and urgent solutions have to be found, according to the local cane growers' organization, according to the African Press Agency.

ECRUU Sugar News Monitor - 29 April 2019

MEXICO - Should export 1.5 million mt to world market: Zafranet

Mexico exported 836,000mt of sugar as of March 24, according to the Zafranet CEO who added that he expects the world market will be able to absorb 1.5 million mt from Mexico. He said the sugar industry was going through a crisis. Despite the blockade, the El Refugio mill managed to complete the season having crushed 477,000mt of cane, just below the 500,000mt targeted. (Contramuro & Diario el Mundo)