

1 **Identification of Psychological Correlates of Dietary Mis-Reporting under Laboratory**  
2 **and Free-Living Environments**

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31 **ABSTRACT**

32 Errors inherent in self-reported measures of energy intake (EI) are substantial and well-  
33 documented, but correlates of mis-reporting remain unclear. Therefore, potential predictors of  
34 mis-reporting were examined. In Study One, 59 individuals (BMI=26.1±3.8kg/m<sup>2</sup>,  
35 age=42.7±13.6yrs, females=29) completed a 14d stay in a residential feeding behaviour suite  
36 where eating behaviour was continuously monitored. In Study Two, 182 individuals  
37 (BMI=25.7±3.9kg/m<sup>2</sup>, age=42.4±12.2yrs, females=96) completed two consecutive days in a  
38 residential feeding suite and five consecutive days at home. Mis-reporting was directly  
39 quantified by comparing covertly measured laboratory weighed intakes (LWI) to self-reported  
40 EI (weighed dietary record; WDR, 24-hr recall, 7-day diet history, food frequency  
41 questionnaire; FFQ). Personal (age, sex, %body fat) and psychological traits (personality,  
42 social desirability, body image, IQ, eating behaviour) were used as predictors of mis-reporting.  
43 In Study One, those with lower psychoticism (p=0.009), openness to experience (p=0.006) and  
44 higher agreeableness (p=0.038) reduced EI on days participants knew EI was being measured  
45 to a greater extent than on covert days. Isolated associations existed between personality traits  
46 (psychoticism, openness to experience), eating behaviour (emotional eating) and differences  
47 between the LWI and self-reported EIs, but these were inconsistent between dietary assessment  
48 techniques and typically became non-significant after accounting for multiplicity of  
49 comparisons. In Study Two, sex was associated with differences between LWI and the WDR  
50 (p=0.009), 24-hr recall (p=0.002) and diet history (p=0.050) in the laboratory, but not home  
51 environment. Personal and psychological correlates of mis-reporting identified displayed no  
52 clear pattern across studies or dietary assessment techniques, and had little utility in predicting  
53 mis-reporting.

## 54 1.0 INTRODUCTION

55 The relationship between energy and nutrient intake and disease prevalence is crucial in  
56 understanding disease aetiology at the individual and population level. However, quantifying  
57 true patterns of food intake in the free-living environment is severely limited by the under or  
58 over-reporting of energy and nutrient intakes using self-report techniques. This has led to  
59 suggestions that self-report dietary techniques are not only “useless” in elucidating diet-health  
60 relationships, but may actually distort the true nature of the relationships upon which nutritional  
61 health policies are based<sup>(1; 2)</sup>. Although this view has been refuted<sup>(3)</sup>, errors inherent in self-  
62 reported intakes appear substantial<sup>(4)</sup>. Dietary mis-reporting with self-report techniques has  
63 long been recognised<sup>(5)</sup>, but this has yet to lead to the development of techniques that i) detect  
64 the extent of mis-reporting in self-reported dietary data, ii) identify or predict those likely to  
65 mis-report using self-report techniques, and iii) correct for erroneous values in self-reported  
66 data.

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68 Previous studies suggest that under-reporting is more prevalent in women<sup>(6; 7)</sup>, older rather than  
69 younger adults<sup>(7)</sup>, and those with higher BMIs<sup>(4; 8)</sup>. However, identification of consistent  
70 correlates of mis-reporting across different self-reported dietary measurement techniques (e.g.  
71 food frequency questionnaires, 24-hr dietary recalls, dietary records/diaries), study populations  
72 (e.g. sex, age, ethnicity, social class and educational level) or environments (e.g. laboratory vs  
73 free-living) has proved remarkably difficult. An array of psychological, personality and social  
74 characteristics have been suggested as potential correlates, including dietary restraint<sup>(9; 10)</sup>,  
75 social desirability and approval<sup>(10; 11)</sup>, social economic class and educational level<sup>(12; 13; 14)</sup>.  
76 However, purported correlates are often not consistent between studies and typically only  
77 explain a small proportion of the variance in under or over reporting<sup>(7; 15)</sup>. This failure to  
78 identify robust correlates of mis-reporting may reflect the fact that previous studies have not  
79 directly quantified mis-reporting (i.e. the discrepancy between what people actually eat and  
80 report eating), but rather, use indirect estimates of low or high energy reporting based on  
81 indices of energy balance (e.g. doubly labelled water<sup>(6; 10)</sup> or the Goldberg cut-offs<sup>(16)</sup>) or  
82 nitrogen balance (e.g. dietary to urinary nitrogen ratios<sup>(17)</sup>). Given the limitations associated  
83 with these approaches in identifying mis-reporting at the individual level<sup>(18; 19; 20)</sup>, these indirect  
84 estimates may lack sufficient sensitivity to detect correlates of under or over reporting.

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86 Identification and prediction of dietary mis-reporting is further complicated by the fact that  
87 mis-reporting is not a unitary phenomenon. Rather, it comprises of two separate but  
88 synchronous processes, termed the observation effect and the reporting effect<sup>(21)</sup>, that summate  
89 to determine overall mis-reporting. Based on covert measures of food intake during a 14 day  
90 stay in residential metabolic facility, Stubbs et al.<sup>(21)</sup> were able to directly compare actual food  
91 intake to that self-reported by participants during their stay. Participants were shown to  
92 decrease their energy intake (EI) by 5% when asked to record their food intake, which was  
93 termed the observation effect. Self-reported EI was 5 to 21% lower than the actual intake,  
94 depending on the reporting method used (termed the reporting effect). However, potential  
95 correlates of the observation and reporting effects have yet to be examined in these data.

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97 Therefore, the present paper examined the psychological correlates of mis-reporting in two  
98 separate studies in which objective and self-reported food intake was measured to directly  
99 quantify mis-reporting of EI under i) residential laboratory conditions in which energy balance  
100 and feeding behaviour were measured continuously for 14 days (Study One;  $n = 59$ )<sup>(21)</sup>, and ii)  
101 combined residential (two days) and free-living (four days) conditions in which laboratory  
102 dietary intakes were compared to self-reported assessments made in the laboratory and home  
103 environments (Study Two;  $n = 182$ )<sup>(19)</sup>. This approach allowed mis-reporting to be directly  
104 quantified in a metabolic facility and under simulated conditions representative of the  
105 environments in which EI is often estimated in dietary survey studies using self-report  
106 techniques. **These studies included commonly used self-report techniques (weighed dietary**  
107 **records, 24-hr recall, food frequency questionnaire and diet history), and the validity of these**  
108 **approaches has been discussed elsewhere<sup>(7)</sup>.**

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## 110 **2.0 METHODS**

111 Data from two separate studies are reported in which dietary mis-reporting was directly  
112 quantified by comparing covertly measured food intake to self-reported intakes using four  
113 commonly used methods (weighed dietary records, 24-hr recalls, 7-day diet history, food  
114 frequency questionnaire). In Study One, 59 participants (age =  $42.7 \pm 13.6$  years; BMI =  $26.1$   
115  $\pm 3.8$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>) completed a 14 day stay in a residential feeding behaviour suite during which  
116 food intake was recorded for 12 consecutive days following a two day maintenance period. In  
117 Study Two, 182 participants (age =  $42.4 \pm 12.2$  years; BMI =  $25.7 \pm 3.9$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>) completed  
118 three consecutive days (one day maintenance and two days recording) in a residential feeding  
119 behaviour suite and five consecutive days (one day maintenance and **four** days recording) in

120 their home environment in a randomised, and counter-balanced order. All data were collected  
121 at the Rowett Institute, University of Aberdeen, United Kingdom, and participants were weight  
122 stable (weight change of <2 kg in the previous three months), healthy, non-smokers, and not  
123 taking medication known to influence metabolism or appetite. The true purpose of each study  
124 was not explained to participants, who were informed that the studies examined the  
125 relationships between diet and lifestyle. Written informed consent was obtained prior to the  
126 start of each study. **The studies** were conducted according to the guidelines laid down in the  
127 Declaration of Helsinki, and all procedures involving human subjects/patients were approved  
128 by the Joint Ethical Committee of the Grampian Health Board and the University of Aberdeen.

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### 130 **2.1 STUDY ONE- Participants and Design**

131 Fifty-nine participants (30 men and 29 women) were recruited, with participants stratified into  
132 three age categories (20-35 years, 36-50 years and 51-65 years) and two BMI categories (BMI  
133 20-25 kg/m<sup>2</sup> and BMI >25 kg/m<sup>2</sup>). Participant characteristics can be seen in **Table 2**. The  
134 overall aim of this study was to develop a gold standard protocol for the measurement of food  
135 intake against which common self-reported dietary intake methods could be evaluated. Primary  
136 outcomes from this study relating to the nature and extent of dietary mis-reporting have  
137 previously been reported<sup>(21)</sup>. The current novel analyses examined the personal and  
138 psychological correlates of this mis-reporting.

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**Figure 1 here**

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142 Figure 1 describes the experimental protocol, and a detailed description of the procedures used  
143 can be found elsewhere<sup>(21)</sup>. Participants completed a 14 day stay in a residential feeding  
144 behaviour suite (Human Nutrition Unit at the Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health) during  
145 which energy balance and feeding behaviours were measured continuously. Resting metabolic  
146 rate (indirect calorimetry) was measured on a screening visit prior to the start of the study. On  
147 days 1-2, participants consumed a fixed diet designed to maintain energy balance, with EI  
148 estimated at 1.5 and 1.6 times resting metabolic rate for women and men, respectively. The  
149 proportion of energy contributed by fat, protein and carbohydrate to daily energy intake was  
150 35%, 15% and 55%, respectively. Percentage body fat (skinfold thickness) was measured on  
151 day 3. On days 3-14, food intake was covertly measured by trained research staff using a  
152 laboratory weighed intake method (LWI) to establish actual energy and nutrient intake.  
153 **Participants were unaware that their food intake was being measured in this fashion using**

154 **covert LWI measures.** Participants also self-reported their food intake using a weighed dietary  
155 record method (WDR) and 24-hr recall during two, 3-day overt feeding periods during days 3-  
156 14. **On these overt feeding days, participants were aware that their food intake was being**  
157 **measured using these self-report techniques, but they remained blinded to the fact that their**  
158 **food intake was also being covertly measured using the LWI. As such, we refer to the days in**  
159 **which self-reported measures of intake were conducted as overt days to reflect the participants**  
160 **awareness that their food intake was being monitoring.** The order of these overt feeding periods  
161 was randomized using a cross-over design. **In total, six 24-hr recalls and six weighed dietary**  
162 **records were completed by participants over the 14-day period, while food intake was covertly**  
163 **measured for 12 days.** A 7-day diet history was also conducted, **between two-days and two-**  
164 **weeks,** before the start of the study, **and two food frequency questionnaires (FFQ) were**  
165 **completed. The first FFQ was completed on day 1 and related to the frequency of consumption**  
166 **of specific foods over the preceding 2 to 3 months. On day 15, the same FFQ was completed**  
167 **for a second time but pertained to their intake over the proceeding 14 days in the residential**  
168 **feeding suite (this is referred to as FFQ<sup>2</sup>).**

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170 Participants were able to move freely around the unit and associated grounds (under  
171 supervision of a member of staff) and were free to leave the unit during the study (but were  
172 accompanied and observed by a member of staff at all times). During the 14-day periods,  
173 participants also completed a range of psychological questionnaires, and the specific timing of  
174 their completion can be found in **Table 1.**

## 176 **2.2 STUDY TWO- Participants and Design**

177 Participants (n = 182; 86 men and 96 women) were recruited to cover a range of age (25-60  
178 years) and BMIs (19-30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>) in a balanced design. Participant characteristics can be seen in  
179 **Table 3.** This study was designed in parallel with Study One, and aimed to extend this study  
180 by identifying the nature and extent of under-reporting in a larger sample of individuals under  
181 laboratory and home environments. The plausibility of the self-reported EI relative to the LWI  
182 in these data have previously been reported<sup>(19)</sup>. The current analyses are novel. The protocol  
183 for Study Two can be seen in Figure 1, and a detailed description of the procedures used can  
184 be found elsewhere<sup>(19)</sup>. In a randomised order, participants completed three consecutive days  
185 (one day maintenance and two days recording) in the Human Nutrition Unit, Rowett Institute  
186 of Nutrition and Health, five consecutive days (one day maintenance and **four** days recording)

187 in their home environment. Percentage body fat (skinfold thickness) was measured on day 1 of  
188 the laboratory phase.

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### 190 **2.2.1 Laboratory phase**

191 The laboratory phase consisted of two consecutive days (Friday and Saturday, or Sunday and  
192 Monday), in consecutive order, with one day's maintenance diet beforehand. On each day, EI  
193 was covertly measured by research staff using the LWI method. Participants also completed a  
194 WDR on each day, and a 24-hr dietary recall was performed on the morning of the subsequent  
195 day. Prior to the start of the study, participants also completed a FFQ and a 7-day diet history,  
196 as in Study One.

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### 198 **2.2.2 Home phase**

199 The home study consisted of a one-day maintenance followed by **four** consecutive days  
200 consisting of two weekdays and two weekend days (days 1-4, Thursday to Sunday, or Saturday  
201 to Tuesday). During this time participants conducted daily WDR in their home environment  
202 (referred to as WDR-H), using the same method as the laboratory phase. **No other measures of**  
203 **food intake were taken during this home phase.** During the laboratory and home phases of  
204 Study Two participants also completed a range of psychological questionnaires, and the  
205 specific timing of their completion can be found in **Table 1.**

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## 207 **2.3 COMMON METHODOLOGICAL PROCEDURES**

### 208 **2.3.1 Resting Metabolic Rate**

209 Resting metabolic rate was measured following an overnight fast (12-hr) using an indirect  
210 calorimetry device fitted with a ventilated hood (Deltatrac II, MBM-200, Datex  
211 Instrumentarium Corporation, Finland). Resting metabolic rate was calculated from minute-  
212 by-minute data using the mean of 15 minutes of stable measurements, with the first and last  
213 five minutes excluded. The equations of Elia and Livesey<sup>(22)</sup> were used to calculate resting  
214 metabolic rate. Details of calibration burns and repeatability testing have been described  
215 previously<sup>(23)</sup>.

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### 217 **2.3.2 Anthropometry and Skinfold Thickness**

218 **Height** was measured to the nearest 0.5 cm using a portable stadiometer (Holtain Ltd.,  
219 Crymych, Dyfed, Wales), while body weight was measured to the nearest 0.01 kg after voiding  
220 (DIGI DS-410 CMS Weighing Equipment, London, UK). Skinfold thickness was also



221 measured at standardized anatomic locations (biceps, triceps, subscapular and supra-iliac)  
222 using calibrated skinfold callipers (Holtain Ltd., Dyfed, Wales, UK), and the equations of  
223 Durnin & Womersley<sup>(24)</sup> were used to estimate percentage body fat from skinfold thickness.

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### 225 **2.3.3 MEASURES OF FOOD INTAKE**

#### 226 **Laboratory Weighed Intake Method**

227 During the laboratory phases of Study One and Study Two, each participant had access to their  
228 own individual kitchen, which consisted of a fridge, freezer and a cupboard containing pre-  
229 selected foods and beverages. **Between two-days and two-weeks** prior to the start of each study,  
230 a 7-day diet history was completed, and shopping receipts were collected. An inventory of  
231 foods and beverages they typically consumed was purchased. Participants then had *ad libitum*  
232 access to these foods and beverages during the laboratory phases of each study. If a participant  
233 reported that a food or beverage usually consumed in their habitual diet had been omitted, this  
234 item was subsequently purchased and made available. Participants were able to freely select  
235 what and when they wanted to eat (based on their own foods and beverage items), and meals  
236 were cooked by participants in their own kitchens. Access to these was restricted, with  
237 participants only having key access to his/her own kitchen. Participants were instructed to leave  
238 all food waste, peelings and packaging in special bins. Furthermore, any dishes/cooking  
239 utensils used were placed in a specific section of their kitchen following meal/snack  
240 consumption, and subjects were instructed not to wash any dishes/utensils.

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242 **On days in which the participants stayed in the residential feeding suite in Study One and Two,**  
243 **measures of daily food intake were made using the LWI method. Participants were unaware**  
244 **that their food intake was being measured in this fashion, and therefore we refer to these**  
245 **measures of food intake as covert.** Each morning, a researcher entered the kitchen before the  
246 participants woke and re-weighed all the food items to the nearest 0.1 g (Soehnle model 820;  
247 Soehnle-Waagen GmbH or Ravencourt model 333; Ravencourt), and the weights of any left-  
248 overs, peelings and packaging found in their bins were also recorded. The laboratory-weighed  
249 intakes were then used to calculate 24-hr food intakes, with EI calculated using dietary analysis  
250 software (Diet 5, Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen). Nutritional information from  
251 manufacturers was added to the Diet 5 database for processed foods. Each individual kitchen  
252 contained a discrete unobtrusive video camera, while all parts of the unit were monitored via  
253 video cameras (aside from the bathroom facilities and private rooms; participants were not  
254 allowed to take food into these areas). **Participants were informed that cameras were present**



255 for security purposes, although they were not made overtly aware of the camera in their larders,  
256 which resembled an infrared motion detector commonly used in burglar alarm systems. Video  
257 data were used to ensure participants were adhering to the study procedures.

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### 259 **Weighed Dietary Records**

260 Participants were instructed to carry out weighed dietary records<sup>(25)</sup> on the overt phases of  
261 Study One and the laboratory phase of Study Two. Participants were asked to weigh and record  
262 all food and drinks consumed and any leftovers, in a food diary. Participants used digital  
263 portable weighing scales (Soehnle model 820), which were calibrated prior to use. Full written  
264 and verbal information on how to conduct a WDR was given at the beginning of the study and  
265 participants were trained in the use of the equipment.

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### 267 **Twenty-Four Hour Recalls**

268 24-hr recalls were performed by trained member of staff based on the multiple pass method.  
269 Each recall was conducted on the day after participants completed a WDR during the overt  
270 phases of each study.

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### 272 **7-Day Diet History**

273 Prior to taking part in each study participants completed a 7-day diet history with a trained  
274 member of staff. The diet history was based on the multiple pass method. Participants were  
275 asked to describe their usual food intake at different meal/snack occasions during the previous  
276 week, and were asked to use household measures when recalling food  
277 items. This information was also used to formulate a list of foods and beverages usually  
278 consumed by each participant, which were made available to them during the laboratory phases  
279 of each study. Each diet history was entered into a spreadsheet, and suitable portion sizes were  
280 used to convert the household food portion sizes into grams using  
281 the UK Food Standard Agency book on average portion sizes<sup>(26)</sup>.

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### 283 **Food Frequency Questionnaire**

284 The Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire<sup>(27; 28)</sup>, which is a 150-item semi-quantitative  
285 questionnaire, was used to assess the frequency of consumption of foods in the habitual diet of  
286 participants in both studies and mean daily energy and nutrient intakes calculated. Full written  
287 and verbal information on how to complete this questionnaire was provided.

### 288 2.3.4 Psychological Predictors

289 A range of common questionnaires to measure aspects of personality and eating behaviours  
290 hypothesised to be of potential relevance to biased responding of food intake were completed  
291 by participants in both studies to examine potential predictors of dietary mis-reporting<sup>(7; 15)</sup>. IQ  
292 was measured using the National Adult Reading Test (NART)<sup>(29)</sup>, the Alice Heim 4 (AH4)<sup>(30)</sup>  
293 and the Raven Standard Progressive Matrices<sup>(31)</sup>. The NART is a single word, oral reading test  
294 in which participants read out 50 written words with irregular spellings graded in difficulty.  
295 The AH4 is a two-part test with multi-choice answers. Part 1 is a 65-item test with verbal or  
296 numerical bias that assesses mental arithmetic, vocabulary and reasoning by analogy, while  
297 Part 2 is a 65-item test with a diagrammatic bias. The Raven Standard Progressive Matrices  
298 tests problem solving ability using shapes and diagrams, and contains 60 problems requiring  
299 participants to determine the relationships between abstract shapes. To measure mood, the  
300 UWIST Mood Adjective Checklist<sup>(32)</sup> was used. This measures the average state of mood  
301 experienced by the participants during the present day, with 24 separate feelings rated on a  
302 scale of definitely to definitely not. Perceptions of body image were measured using the Body  
303 Image Questionnaire<sup>(33)</sup>, with participants presented with a series of schematic silhouettes of  
304 different body sizes from which they selected the one most representing their own body shape.  
305 Personality was measured using two questionnaires; the Eysenck-100 (EPQR)<sup>(34)</sup> and the  
306 Neuroticism, Extraversion, Openness Personality Inventory-Revised (NEOPIR)<sup>(35)</sup>. The EPQR  
307 measures four personality traits (sociability, psychoticism, neuroticism and lie scale), with  
308 participants responding true/false to 100 statements. The NEOPIR consists of 100 questions to  
309 determine the big five personality traits; neuroticism, extraversion, openness, agreeableness  
310 and conscientiousness. Social desirability was measured using the Marlowe Crowne Social  
311 Desirability Scale<sup>(36)</sup>, a 33-item questionnaire assesses whether or not respondents are  
312 concerned with social approval, and the Balanced Inventory of Desirable Responding  
313 (BIDR)<sup>(37)</sup>, which is a 40 item questions that measure the tendency to give socially desirable  
314 responses on self-reports (each item is scored 1 to 7 on a true or false scale). Psychometric  
315 eating behaviours were assessed using the Dutch Eating Behaviour Questionnaire [DEBQ]<sup>(38)</sup>.  
316 The DEBQ is a 33-item questionnaire that uses a 5-point Likert scale ranging from 1 (seldom)  
317 to 5 (very often) to assess three eating behaviour domains: restrained eating (10 items),  
318 emotional eating (13 items) and the external eating (10 items).

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**Table 1 here**

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## 322 2.5 Statistical Analyses

323 Data are reported as mean  $\pm$  SD. Statistical analyses were performed using IBM SPSS  
324 (Chicago, Illinois, Version 25). Two-sided paired t-tests were used to examine differences in  
325 EI between the LWI method and self-report methods. Discrepancies between measured and  
326 reported EIs were displayed using Bland-Altman plots (mean bias and upper and lower 95%  
327 limits of agreement). In Study One, the effect of being observed on feeding behaviour (the  
328 observation effect) was quantified by comparing LWIs during covert and overt phases using  
329 two-sided paired t-tests. The difference between what people actually ate and what they  
330 reported eating (the reporting effect), was quantified by comparing the difference between the  
331 measured LWI during the overt days and the self-reported intakes using two-sided paired t-  
332 tests.

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334 A two-stage approach was taken to the analyses of the potential correlates of mis-reporting.  
335 Firstly, we examined the associations between individual psychological traits and mis-  
336 reporting using separate multiple regression models (while controlling for age, sex and  
337 percentage body fat), and secondly, we included all of the individual predictors found to be  
338 significant in a subsequent stepwise regression model to examine the overall predictive ability  
339 of any significant predictors identified. Multiple linear regressions were used to examine if  
340 mis-reporting (i.e. the discrepancy between actual food intake and reported food intake) was  
341 associated with personal (age, sex and percentage body fat) and selected dimensions of  
342 personality and eating behaviour traits (personality, social desirability, body image, IQ, mood,  
343 and eating behaviours). To account for potential confounding, age, sex and percentage body  
344 fat (% BF) were included in all models. Including BMI rather than percentage body fat did not  
345 change any of the reported outcomes. Regression analyses are summarised in the Results  
346 Section, and individual model parameters are reported in the Supplementary Materials  
347 (Supplementary Tables S1-S24). Benjamini & Hochberg false discovery rate (FDR) adjusted  
348 q-values<sup>(39)</sup> were calculated using the regression coefficients in models where significant  
349 predictors were identified due to the multiplicity of comparisons presented (R Studio, Version  
350 1.2.5042, RStudio, Inc.).

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352 In Study One, to examine the predictors of the observation effect, differences between covert  
353 and overt LWIs were regressed against personal and psychological characteristics (Section  
354 3.2.1). To examine for predictors of the reporting effect, differences between the LWI on overt

355 days and each self-reported measure of intake were regressed against personal and  
356 psychological characteristics (Section 3.2.2). For the laboratory phase of Study Two, the  
357 discrepancy between the LWI and the self-reported intakes were regressed against personal and  
358 psychological characteristics. In the home phase of Study Two, the discrepancy between the  
359 WDR-H and the FFQ and diet history were regressed against personal and psychometric  
360 characteristics (Section 3.3.1). The WDR-H was not compared to the 24-hr recall performed  
361 during the laboratory phase as the timings of these measures differed. To examine the  
362 predictive ability of the correlates identified in Study One and Two, data common to both  
363 studies were combined, and stepwise regression was used in which all of the previously  
364 identified correlates were entered as predictors (probability of F; 0.05 entry and 0.10 removal).  
365 The differences between the LWI on overt days and each self-reported measure of intake were  
366 used as the outcome variables (Section 3.3.2).

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### 368 3.0 RESULTS

369 Descriptive characteristics of participants in Study One and Study Two can be found in  
370 Tables 2 & 3.

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#### 373 3.1 Extent of Dietary Mis-Reporting

374 A summary of mean daily EI using measured and self-reported techniques can be found in  
375 Table 4, and Bland-Altman plots displaying the deviations between intake measures at the  
376 individual level can be found in Figure 2. When compared to the measured LWI, self-reported  
377 EI was  $-0.6 \pm 1.9$  MJ/day lower ( $p < 0.001$ ) using the WDR (Study One =  $-0.6 \pm 1.3$  MJ/day,  
378  $p < 0.001$ ; Study Two =  $-0.6 \pm 2.1$  MJ/day,  $p < 0.001$ ),  $-1.4 \pm 2.3$  MJ/day lower ( $p < 0.01$ ) using  
379 the 24-hr recall (Study One =  $-1.2 \pm 1.5$  MJ/day,  $p < 0.001$ ; Study Two =  $-1.5 \pm 2.4$  MJ/day,  $p$   
380  $< 0.001$ ),  $-2.4 \pm 3.7$  MJ/day lower ( $p < 0.001$ ) using the 7-day diet history (Study One =  $-1.8 \pm$   
381  $2.4$  MJ/day,  $p < 0.001$ ; Study Two =  $-2.6 \pm 4.0$  MJ/day,  $p < 0.001$ ), and  $-1.2 \pm 4.2$  MJ/day lower  
382 ( $p < 0.001$ ) using the FFQ (Study One =  $-0.3 \pm 3.6$  MJ/day,  $p = 0.492$ ; Study Two =  $-1.4 \pm 4.4$   
383 MJ/day,  $p < 0.001$ ).

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### 388 3.2 STUDY ONE OUTCOMES

389 EI during the overt phase was significantly lower than the covert phase ( $10.9 \pm 2.7$  vs  $11.6 \pm$   
390  $2.9$  MJ/d;  $p < 0.001$ ). This discrepancy, termed the observation effect, reflects the effect of  
391 being observed on feeding behaviour. To quantify the difference between what people actually  
392 ate and what they reported eating, the measured LWI during the overt days were compared to  
393 self-reported intakes. This difference is referred to as the reporting effect. Compared to the  
394 measured LWI, self-reported intake was significantly lower using the WDR ( $-0.6 \pm 1.3$  MJ/d;  
395  $p < 0.001$ ), 24-hr recall ( $-1.2 \pm 1.5$  MJ/d;  $p < 0.001$ ), 7-day diet history ( $-1.8 \pm 2.4$  MJ/d;  $p <$   
396  $0.001$ ), FFQ ( $-0.3 \pm 3.6$  MJ/d;  $p = 0.492$ ) and FFQ<sup>2</sup> (i.e. intake over the 14 day residential  
397 period;  $-1.2 \pm 2.6$  MJ/d;  $p < 0.001$ ).

### 398 3.2.1 Correlates of the Observation Effect

399 After controlling for age, sex and %BF, those with lower EPQR psychoticism ( $\beta = 0.389$ ;  $p =$   
400  $0.009$ ) reduced energy intake on overt days to a greater extent as compared to covert days.  
401 However, the FDR correct p-value for EPQR psychoticism was non-significant ( $q = 0.063$ ).  
402 Those with higher NEO PIR agreeableness ( $\beta = -0.303$ ;  $p = 0.038$ ) and lower NEO PIR  
403 openness to experience ( $\beta = 0.440$ ;  $p = 0.006$ ) also reduced EI on overt days to a greater extent  
404 as compared to covert days. While the association between NEO PIR openness to experience  
405 and the observation effect remained significant after FDR adjustment ( $q = 0.048$ ), the NEO  
406 PIR agreeableness adjusted p-value was non-significant ( $q = 0.152$ ). Age, sex, %BF, eating  
407 behaviour traits, body image, social desirability, IQ and mood were not associated with  
408 observation effect (Supplementary Tables S1 to S8).

### 410 3.2.2 Correlates of the Reporting Effect

411 Lower NART performance IQ was associated with greater underreporting of EI using the WDR  
412 as compared to the LWI after accounting for age, sex and % BF ( $\beta = 4.072$ ;  $p = 0.036$ ), but this  
413 did not remain significant after FDR adjustment ( $q = 0.288$ ). Sex ( $\beta = -0.564$ ;  $p = 0.001$ ), %  
414 body fat ( $\beta = -0.664$ ;  $p = 0.001$ ) and DEBQ emotional eating ( $\beta = -0.350$ ;  $p = 0.044$ ) were  
415 associated with the discrepancy between the LWI and 24-hr recall. Males, those with greater  
416 %BF or emotional eating demonstrated greater underreporting of EI using the 24-hr recall as  
417 compared to the LWI. Sex ( $q = 0.001$ ) and % body fat ( $q = 0.001$ ) remained significant after  
418 FDR adjustment, but the FDR adjusted p-value for emotional eating was non-significant ( $q =$   
419  $0.088$ ). After accounting for age, sex and %BF, higher EPQR psychoticism ( $\beta = -0.338$ ;  $p =$   
420  $0.024$ ) and NEO PIR openness to experience ( $\beta = -0.335$ ;  $p = 0.044$ ) were associated with

421 greater underreporting using the diet history as compared to the LWI. However, the FDR  
422 adjusted p-value for EPQR psychoticism ( $q = 0.168$ ) and NEO PIR openness to experience ( $q$   
423  $= 0.352$ ) were non-significant. Males also demonstrated greater underreporting using the FFQ<sup>2</sup>  
424 as compared to the LWI ( $\beta = -0.447$ ;  $p = 0.012$ ), and this remained significant after FDR  
425 adjustment ( $q = 0.036$ ). No other significant associations were found for personal  
426 characteristics, eating behaviour traits or personality traits, social desirability, body image, IQ  
427 or mood (Supplementary Tables S9 to S16).

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### 429 3.3 STUDY TWO OUTCOMES

430 During the laboratory phase of Study Two, the self-reported WDR was  $0.6 \pm 2.1$  MJ/day lower  
431 than the LWI ( $t_{(181)} = 3.726$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ). In turn, the WDR in the home phase was  $1.0 \pm 2.9$   
432 MJ/day lower than the WDR during the laboratory phase ( $t_{(180)} = 4.620$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ; Figure 3).  
433 This difference in the WDR between laboratory and home environments was associated with  
434 %BF ( $\beta = 0.274$ ;  $p = 0.010$ ). However, no further associations were seen between this  
435 difference and sex, age, eating behaviour, body image, personality, social desirability, IQ or  
436 mood.

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#### 440 3.3.1 Correlates of Mis-Reporting under Laboratory and Home Environments

##### 441 Laboratory Phase

442 When the discrepancy between the measured LWI and the self-reported techniques was  
443 regressed against personal characteristics, sex was associated with the discrepancy between the  
444 LWI and WDR ( $\beta = -0.214$ ;  $p = 0.029$ ), 24-hr recall ( $\beta = -0.297$ ;  $p = 0.002$ ) and the 7-day diet  
445 history ( $\beta = -0.188$ ;  $p = 0.050$ ), with mis-reporting greater in men than women (Supplementary  
446 Tables S17 to S24). After FDR adjustment, the p-value for sex remained significant for the 24-  
447 hr recall ( $p = 0.006$ ), but not for the WDR ( $p = 0.087$ ) or the 7-day diet history ( $p = 0.150$ ).  
448 Lower NEO PIR neuroticism ( $\beta = 0.186$ ;  $p = 0.022$ ), higher NEO PIR openness to experience  
449 ( $\beta = -0.218$ ;  $p = 0.028$ ) and higher BIDR self-deceptive enhancement ( $\beta = -0.161$ ;  $p = 0.048$ )  
450 were associated with a greater underreporting using the 24-hr recall as compared to the LWI  
451 (after accounting for age, sex and %BF). However, NEO PIR neuroticism ( $q = 0.077$ ), openness  
452 to experience ( $q = 0.077$ ) and BIDR self-deceptive enhancement ( $q = 0.144$ ) were not  
453 significant after FDR adjustment. Higher EPQR extraversion ( $\beta = -0.164$ ;  $p = 0.032$ ) was  
454 associated with greater underreporting using 7-day diet history as compared to the LWI, but



455 this did not remain significant after FDR adjustment ( $q = 0.224$ ). After accounting for age, sex  
456 and %BF, lower DEBQ external eating was associated with greater underreporting using the  
457 FFQ as compared to the LWI ( $\beta = 0.212$ ;  $p = 0.028$ ), but this was not significant after FDR  
458 adjustment ( $q = 0.168$ ). IQ and mood were not associated with the discrepancy between the  
459 LWI and any of the self-reported techniques (Supplementary Tables S17 to S24).

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#### 461 **Home Phase**

462 In the home environment, lower body image ( $\beta = 0.223$ ;  $p = 0.028$ ), lower DEBQ external  
463 eating ( $\beta = 0.214$ ;  $p = 0.030$ ), higher emotional eating ( $\beta = -0.231$ ;  $p = 0.024$ ) and lower EPQR  
464 social desirability ( $\beta = 0.178$ ;  $p = 0.024$ ) were associated with greater underreporting using the  
465 FFQ as compared to the WDR-H. However, after FDR adjustment body image ( $q = 0.089$ ),  
466 DEBQ external eating ( $q = 0.090$ ), emotional eating ( $q = 0.090$ ) and EPQR social desirability  
467 ( $q = 0.168$ ) were not significant. No further associations were seen between personal  
468 characteristics, personality traits, eating behaviour, social desirability, IQ or the discrepancy  
469 between the WDR-H and the other self-report techniques (Supplementary Tables S17 to S24).

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#### 471 **3.3.2 Combined Analyses of Study One and Study Two.**

472 In order to examine the predictive ability of the correlates identified in Study One and Two,  
473 data common to both studies were combined (sex, %BF, body image, external eating,  
474 emotional eating, EPQR social desirability, psychoticism and extraversion, NEO PIR  
475 neuroticism, agreeableness and openness to experience, BIDR self-deceptive enhancement,  
476 NART performance IQ), and stepwise regression performed (probability of F; 0.05 entry and  
477 0.10 removal). Sex was the only variable entered into the model when the discrepancy between  
478 the LWI and the WDR ( $\beta = -0.170$ ;  $F_{(1, 225)} = 6.670$ ,  $\text{adj-R}^2 = 0.025$ ,  $p = 0.010$ ), 24-hr recall ( $\beta$   
479  $= -0.279$ ;  $F_{(1, 225)} = 18.841$ ,  $\text{adj-R}^2 = 0.073$ ,  $p < 0.001$ ), and 7 day history ( $\beta = -0.217$ ;  $F_{(1, 224)} =$   
480  $11.033$ ,  $\text{adj-R}^2 = 0.043$ ,  $p = 0.001$ ) were examined. When the discrepancy between the LWI  
481 and FFQ was examined, %BF was the only variable entered into the model ( $\beta = 0.223$ ;  $F_{(1, 224)}$   
482  $= 11.717$ ,  $\text{adj-R}^2 = 0.046$ ,  $p = 0.001$ ).

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#### 484 **4.0 DISCUSSION**

485 The present paper examined the psychological correlates of mis-reporting under laboratory and  
486 free-living conditions using two separate studies designed *a priori* to examine the nature and  
487 extent of dietary mis-reporting<sup>(19; 21)</sup>. The design of these studies allowed the extent of under or  
488 over-reporting to be directly quantified via comparisons between covertly measured food



489 intake and that self-reported using a range of common dietary assessment techniques. These  
490 data were collected alongside a large amount of psychometric data under conditions more  
491 rigorous than typically possible in free-living studies. Despite these methodological strengths,  
492 there was little evidence of robust psychological correlates of mis-reporting. Sex and selected  
493 personality and eating behaviour traits were correlated with mis-reporting, but these associated  
494 were not consistent across studies or dietary assessment types, and explained little of the  
495 variance in mis-reporting (typically <5%). The lack of robust and consistent correlates suggests  
496 that personal or psychological characteristics have little utility in predicting the extent of mis-  
497 reporting, even when mis-reporting is directly quantified.

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#### 499 **4.1 Effect of Measurement Technique and Study Environment on Energy Intake**

500 When food intake was measured under laboratory conditions in which energy balance and  
501 feeding behaviour were measured continuously for 12 days (Study One), self-reported EI was  
502 5-21% lower than measured intake depending on the self-report technique used. The extent of  
503 **under-reporting was greater for the dietary recall and the FFQ as compared to the WDR**  
504 **method.** While the mean bias using the FFQ was relatively small, examination at the individual  
505 level indicated significant under and over reporting (Figure 3). In Study Two where mis-  
506 reporting was measured under laboratory conditions and free-living environments, results  
507 revealed the same degree of mis-reporting in the laboratory phase as in Study One. However,  
508 relative to the laboratory, mis-reporting increased further in the home environment, with EI  
509 lower in the home environment than reported in the laboratory environment.

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#### 511 **4.2 Correlates of the Observation and Reporting Effect (Study One)**

512 While the mis-reporting of energy and nutrient intake using self-report techniques has long  
513 been documented<sup>(40)</sup>, this has not led to *a priori* techniques that allow the identification of those  
514 likely to mis-report or the extent to which an individual will mis-report. A number of purported  
515 correlates of mis-reporting have previously been suggested, but these are inconsistent between  
516 studies and typically have little explanatory value<sup>(7; 10; 15)</sup>. This may in part reflect the use of  
517 proxy measures of mis-reporting (i.e. indices of energy requirements or expenditure to estimate  
518 the degree of low or high energy reporting with the assumption that individuals are in energy  
519 balance) rather than direct comparisons between 'true' and self-reported intake. To address  
520 this, mis-reporting was directly quantified in the present study and potential correlates were  
521 examined separately for the observation and reporting effect.

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523 When the observation effect was examined, lower psychoticism and openness to experience  
524 and higher agreeableness were associated with a greater reduction in EI on days when  
525 participants knew food intake was being measured (i.e. overt vs. covert days). Age, sex and %  
526 BF, or any of the other psychological measures, were not correlated with the observation effect.  
527 Personality traits have previously been reported to correlate with dietary mis-reporting<sup>(7)</sup>, but  
528 in the present study, the amount of variance in the observation effect explained by personality  
529 traits was small and of little predictive value after adjusting for potential confounders (<5%).  
530 Furthermore, these associations typically became non-significant after FDR adjustment. When  
531 the reporting effect was examined, sex was found to be associated with the discrepancy  
532 between the LWI and both the 24-hr recall and FFQ<sup>2</sup> (i.e. intake over the 14-day residential  
533 period), with males under-reporting to a greater extent than females. No associations were seen  
534 between sex and the WDR, 7-day diet history or FFQ. Isolated associations were also seen  
535 between the LWI and selected self-report methods, but there appeared to be no consistency  
536 between the self-reported measurement techniques. Furthermore, while some of the same  
537 personality traits were correlated with both the reporting and observation effect (e.g.  
538 psychoticism and openness to experience), it should be noted that the direction of these  
539 associations differed between mis-reporting states, and again, these associations often became  
540 non-significant after accounting for multiplicity of comparisons. The reported  
541 associations should therefore be interpreted with caution as isolated values occurring amongst  
542 multiple comparisons are likely of limited significance. Taken together, these data indicate that  
543 both the reporting and the observation effect are difficult to predict from the personal and  
544 psychological characteristics used in this study even under the controlled residential condition  
545 of Study One.

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#### 547 **4.3 Correlates of Mis-Reporting under Different Study Environments (Study Two)**

548 It was also interesting to note in Study Two EI using the WDR was lower in the home phase,  
549 with the EI:RMR in the home environment 1.58 vs 1.75 the laboratory environment (using the  
550 WDR as the reference values of EI). While this could be taken to suggest that mis-reporting  
551 was greater in the home environment, it should be noted that i) the WDR measured in the  
552 laboratory and home phases were measured at different time points, and, ii) 'true' intake was  
553 not measured in this phase so a comparison between true intake and self-reported intake cannot  
554 be made in the same way as Study One. While this limits direct comparison, it is possible that  
555 the residential nature of the laboratory phase, with fewer of the usual day-to-day distractions,  
556 may have increased the completeness of food recording during this phase of the study and

557 **limited mis-reporting of EI in the laboratory. It is also note Therefore, future studies should**  
558 **further examine the effect of the eating environment, as well as the dietary assessment tool, on**  
559 **the extent of mis-reporting.** As was the case in Study One, sex was found to be associated with  
560 the degree of mis-reporting between the LWI and 24-hr recall, WDR and 7-day diet history in  
561 the laboratory environment, with males mis-reporting to a greater extent than females.  
562 Furthermore, several psychological traits, namely neuroticism, openness to experience,  
563 agreeableness, extroversion and external eating, were related to mis-reporting in the laboratory  
564 environment when EI was self-reported. Again however, caution must be taken when  
565 interpreting these isolated associations given the size and complexity of the dataset, and the  
566 multiplicity of comparisons. Indeed, these association often did not remain significant after  
567 FDR adjustment, the extent to which these psychometric traits predicted mis-reporting in the  
568 laboratory phase of Study Two was again extremely limited (typically <5% of the variance in  
569 mis-reporting), and the correlates of mis-reported differed between the laboratory and home  
570 environments as well as self-report measurement techniques.

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572 It is interesting to note that in these data males mis-reported to a greater extent than females,  
573 while there was also an apparent lack of association between personal characteristics such as  
574 age and % body fat and mis-reporting. It has previously been reported that females and those  
575 with a higher BMI, as a proxy measure of body fat, are more likely to under-report. However,  
576 despite the wealth of studies examining both the extent, prevalence and correlates of mis-  
577 reporting using self-reported techniques, results remain inconsistent<sup>(7; 15)</sup>. For example, while  
578 some studies find that women under-report EI more often than men<sup>(41; 42; 43; 44)</sup>, others have  
579 found under-reporting to be higher in males<sup>(45; 46)</sup> or there to be no association with sex<sup>(47)</sup>. It is  
580 also worth noting that due to their greater body size, energy requirements in men was ~20%  
581 higher than women. This was reflected in greater absolute EI in males, and therefore greater  
582 mis-reporting (in absolute terms) may in part reflect a body size effect. Numerous studies have  
583 reported an association between higher BMI and an increased likelihood of under-reporting  
584 when compared to estimated energy requirements, such as estimated RMR. However, RMR is  
585 often estimated using linear regression equations, which tend to over-estimate RMR at higher  
586 body weights. Over-estimating RMR will lower the ratio of reported energy intake to RMR,  
587 and result in subjects with higher BMIs being more likely to be incorrectly identified as under-  
588 reporters than are lean subjects.

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590 The apparent lack of associations between personal and psychological traits and mis-reporting  
591 in the present study may also reflect the fact that participants in Study One and Study Two  
592 were stratified for age, sex and BMI. This is of particular importance as potential psychological  
593 correlates of mis-reporting (e.g. personality and eating behaviours traits) are known to covary  
594 with age, sex and body weight/composition. Age and BMI are also often used as independent  
595 predictors of mis-reporting, but in the populations concerned age and BMI almost always co-  
596 vary. Given the large amount of psychometric data collected as part of Study One and Two,  
597 these data suggest that mis-reporting behaviours do not appear to aggregate into discrete  
598 clusters amongst people. When such factors are considered alongside the marked heterogeneity  
599 in study design and populations used, and the methods used to assess both of dietary intake and  
600 misreporting and the significant methodological limitations inherent to these, it is not perhaps  
601 surprising previous findings are inconsistent.

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#### 603 **4.4 Can Mis-Reporting be predicted based Personal or Psychological Characteristics?**

604 Findings from the two studies presented here indicate that it is difficult to predict mis-reporting  
605 based on either personal characteristics or psychological traits. While some correlates of mis-  
606 reporting were seen, the strength of these associations was too low to enable reliable prediction.  
607 Indeed, when data were combined across studies, the only consistent predictor across the  
608 dietary assessment methods was sex, but only ~5% of the variance in the discrepancy between  
609 the LWI and the WDR, 24-hr recall or 7-day history was accounted for by sex. It may be that  
610 these variables truly contain no predictive value, or that their small effects are overwhelmed in  
611 these studies by random variation in food intake. When this is considered alongside the fact  
612 that mis-reporting is normally distributed, with virtually all participants exhibiting some degree  
613 of mis-reporting<sup>(21)</sup>, mis-reporting as a phenomenon appears to be very difficult to predict at  
614 the individual level even when all of its components are precisely and accurately measured  
615 (which, in itself, is often very difficult under free-living conditions). **Given the small amount  
616 of variance the personal and psychological traits accounted for in the present study, and the  
617 fact that associations differed between dietary assessment techniques, our interpretation is that  
618 it is not possible to use these traits to develop models that will predict with any certainty who  
619 will mis-report, and to what extent they will mis-report. It seems almost everyone exhibits mis-  
620 reporting to some degree, and the underlying personal, behavioural and psychological traits do  
621 not aggregate into discrete clusters amongst people, making them difficult to predict. While  
622 subject traits are often related to either low energy reporting or mis-reporting (e.g. sex and  
623 BMI), these relationships are often far too tenuous to use these traits to account for more than**

624 a few percent of the variance in mis-reporting. It should be noted that socioeconomic level,  
625 which has previously been shown to be associated with dietary mis-reporting<sup>(7)</sup>, was not  
626 measured in-depth or included in the analysis of the present study.

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#### 628 **4.5 Limitations**

629 As compared to previous studies<sup>(7)</sup>, the extent and magnitude of under reporting in the present  
630 study was smaller. This may reflect the design of the two studies, with the residential nature of  
631 the laboratory phases reducing the usual day-to-day distractions and increasing the  
632 completeness of food recording for example. Furthermore, in both studies the 24-hr recall was  
633 performed the day after the WDR. As the 24-hr recall method is memory based, it is possible  
634 that the WDR acted to prime participants and improve the accuracy of the subsequent 24-hr  
635 recall. The analyses of the present paper were also limited to discrepancies in the reporting of  
636 EI, with mis-reporting of specific nutrient intakes not considered here. While there is some  
637 evidence of macronutrient specific mis-reporting<sup>(7; 15; 41)</sup>, and that some food groups tended to  
638 be under-reported to a greater extent than did others in Study One<sup>(48)</sup>, the personal or  
639 psychological factors reported in the present data failed to predict mis-reporting of  
640 carbohydrate, fat and protein intake (data not reported). It should also be acknowledged that  
641 while the WDR and 24-hr recall techniques used in Study One and Two, and the FFQ<sup>2</sup> in Study  
642 One, provided direct self-assessment of EI on the same days in which food intake was covertly  
643 measured (LWIs), the 7-day diet histories and FFQ reflected a participant's habitual intake.  
644 FFQs are more commonly used in dietary surveys to quantify patterns of dietary intake rather  
645 than absolute energy or nutrient intakes. Thus, it is not perhaps surprising mis-reporting of EI  
646 relative to the LWIs was evident with these tools. During the laboratory phases of each study  
647 every effort was made to provide an environment in which participants habitual physical  
648 activity and (eating patterns) could be replicated. Participants were able to move freely around  
649 the unit and associated grounds (under supervision of a member of staff) and were free to leave  
650 the unit during the study (but were accompanied and observed by a member of staff at all  
651 times). Despite this, it is unlikely that physical activity and food intake reflected true free-living  
652 habitual patterns. While participants were in a slight positive energy balance in both studies, it  
653 is noted that in Study One total daily energy expenditure was measured using doubly labelled  
654 water<sup>(21)</sup> and the mean daily PAL was 1.69 x RMR. This is similar to those seen in modern  
655 Western populations when energy expenditure is measured using doubly labelled water under  
656 free-living conditions. By design, the home phase of Study Two was more representative of

657 their habitual feeding environment, but as a result this phase was less controlled, and it is  
658 unknown whether illnesses or special events for example influenced the reported intakes.

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#### 660 **4.6 Conclusions**

661 While selected personal and psychological traits were associated with mis-reporting, these  
662 associations displayed no clear pattern across studies or dietary assessment technique and had  
663 little utility in predicting mis-reporting. Even when mis-reporting is directly quantified under  
664 robust experimental conditions (that exceed the level of control likely to be achieved in free-  
665 living studies), it appears difficult, if not impossible, to predict mis-reporting based on personal  
666 or psychological characteristics. It is therefore recommended that wherever possible, EI should  
667 be studied in the context of energy balance. Indeed, there is increasing focus on using intake-  
668 balance methods and mathematical models to estimate energy intake from energy expenditure  
669 and changes in stored energy. While not providing information on macro-nutrient intake, these  
670 approaches provide the only current objective quantitative framework in which to measure the  
671 impact of mis-reporting of EI, and avoids cross-validation of self-report techniques. It also  
672 offers a context in which new biomarkers of energy and nutrient balance can be developed,  
673 using metabolomic approaches, to further improve the measurement of energy and nutrient  
674 balance.

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801 **FIGURE LEGENDS**

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803 **Figure 1:** Schematic overview of Study One (Panel A) and Study Two (Panel B) design. MTD, maintenance diet. LWI, laboratory weighed intake. **In Study One, covert measurement of food**  
804 **intake was made using the laboratory weighed intake method across all days, while participants**  
805 **self-reported food intake during overt phases only. Order of covert and overt phases was**  
806 **randomised. In Study Two, covert measures of food intake were made using the laboratory**  
807 **weighed intake and self-report methods during the laboratory phase. Food intake was measured**  
808 **using daily weighed dietary records in the home phase, and the order of the home and**  
809 **laboratory phases was randomised. LWI, laboratory weighed intake. WDR, weighed dietary**  
810 **record. FFQ, food frequency questionnaire. UWIST, UWIST Mood Adjective Checklist; IQ,**  
811 **intelligence quotient; NART, National Adult Reading Test; AH4, Alison Heim 4; Raven,**  
812 **Raven Standard Progressive Matrices; EPQR, Eysenck-100; NEOPIR, Neuroticism,**  
813 **Extraversion, Openness Personality Inventory-Revised; BIDR, Balanced Inventory of**  
814 **Desirable Responding.**  
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817 **Figure 2:** Bland-Altman plots illustrating the difference between mean daily energy intake  
818 using the laboratory weighed intake method and the weighed dietary record method (a), 24-hr  
819 recall (b), 7-day diet history (c) and food frequency questionnaire (d) against the mean of the  
820 two measures. The dashed horizontal line represents the mean bias between the two methods,  
821 and the two dotted horizontal lines represent the upper and lower 95% limits of agreement.  
822 LWI, laboratory weighed intake. WDR, weighed dietary record. FFQ, food frequency  
823 questionnaire.

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825 **Figure 3:** Effect of the study environment on reported energy intake measured using the  
826 weighed dietary record under laboratory and home environments of Study Two (n = 181; men  
827 = 86, women = 96). Data are mean  $\pm$  SD. \*Significant difference (two-sided paired t-test)  
828 between energy intake measured using the weighed dietary record under laboratory and home  
829 environments (p < 0.05). WDR, weighed dietary record.

830 Table 1: Psychological questionnaires used in Study One and Two, and the specific day(s) of completion.

	Study One	Study Two
<b>HOME PERIOD</b>		
<b>Mood</b>		
- UWIST	-	2-5
<b>LABORATORY PERIOD</b>		
<b>Mood</b>		
- UWIST	3-14	2-3
<b>IQ</b>		
- NART	3	2
- AH4	4	2
- Ravens	3	3
<b>Personality</b>		
- Body image questionnaire	9	2
- EPQR	13	2
- NEO PIR	15	3
<b>Social desirability</b>		
- Marlowe Crowne Social Desirability Scale	7	2

- BIDR	7	3
<b>Eating behaviour</b>		
- Dutch eating Behaviour Questionnaire	1	1

831 UWIST, UWIST Mood Adjective Checklist; IQ, intelligence quotient; NART, National Adult Reading Test; AH4, Alison Heim 4; Raven,  
 832 Raven Standard Progressive Matrices; EPQR, Eysenck-100; NEOPIR, Neuroticism, Extraversion, Openness Personality Inventory-Revised;  
 833 BIDR, Balanced Inventory of Desirable Responding.

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835 **Table 2:** Descriptive characteristics of subjects (Study One).

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	<b>Total Sample (n = 59)</b>		<b>Men (n = 30)</b>		<b>Women (n = 29)</b>	
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>
Age, yrs	42.7	13.6	42.9	13.1	42.5	14.3
Height, m	1.71	0.1	1.76	0.1	1.65	0.1
<b>BMI, kg/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>26.1</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>Weight, kg</b>	75.9	14.3	82.7	14.5	68.9	10.3
Body fat, %	32.2 <sup>a</sup>	7.0	28.4	6.2	36.2	5.4
RMR, MJ/d	6.56	1.23	7.20	1.17	5.90	0.91
<b>Education</b>	<b>42% secondary</b>		<b>33% secondary</b>		<b>52% secondary</b>	
<b>Level (%)</b>	<b>58% tertiary</b>		<b>67% tertiary</b>		<b>48% tertiary</b>	

RMR, resting metabolic rate. Note, % body fat estimated from skinfold thickness using the equations of Durnin & Womersley<sup>(24)</sup>. <sup>a</sup>n = 57.

848 **Table 3:** Descriptive characteristics of subjects (Study Two).

	<b>Total Sample (n = 182)</b>		<b>Men (n = 86)</b>		<b>Women (n = 96)</b>	
	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>SD</b>
Age, yrs	42.4	12.2	41.2	12.1	43.3	12.3
Height, m	1.70 <sup>a</sup>	0.1	1.77 <sup>b</sup>	0.1	1.63 <sup>c</sup>	0.1
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	25.7	3.9	26.1	3.7	25.4	4.0
Weight, kg	74.6	14.1	82.1	13.6	67.8	10.8
Body fat, %	30.2 <sup>a</sup>	8.2	24.9 <sup>b</sup>	7.0	34.8 <sup>c</sup>	6.0
RMR, MJ/d	6498	121	7286	1184	5755	845
Education	31% secondary		31% secondary		31% secondary	
Level (%)	69% tertiary		69% tertiary		69% tertiary	

860 RMR, resting metabolic rate. Note, % body fat estimated from skinfold thickness. <sup>a</sup>n = 179. <sup>b</sup>n = 84. <sup>c</sup>n = 95.



861 Table 4: Measured and self-reported mean daily energy intake values for Study One, Study Two and the total sample combined.

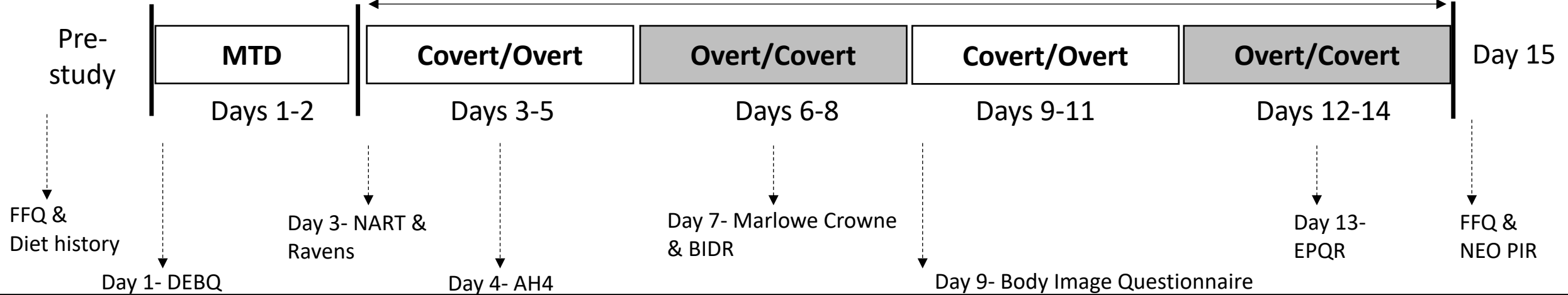
	Total Sample (n = 241)		Study One (n = 59)		Study Two (n = 182)	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
<b>LWI overt phase (MJ/day)</b>	11.6	3.8	10.9	2.7	11.8	4.1
<b>Laboratory WDR (MJ/day)</b>	11.0	3.5	10.3	2.6	11.2	3.7
<b>Home WDR (MJ/day)</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10.2	3.1
<b>24-hr Recall (MJ/day)</b>	10.2	3.3	9.7	2.3	10.3	3.6
<b>7-day Diet history (MJ/day)</b>	9.2 <sup>a</sup>	3.5	9.1	3.3	9.2 <sup>c</sup>	3.6
<b>FFQ (MJ/day)</b>	10.4 <sup>a</sup>	3.9	10.6	4.0 <sup>b</sup>	10.4	3.9

862 LWI, laboratory weighed intake. WDR, weighed dietary record. FFQ, food frequency questionnaire. N/A, measure not taken during this particular  
863 experimental phase. <sup>a</sup>n= 240; <sup>b</sup>n = 58; <sup>c</sup>n = 181.

### PANEL A- STUDY ONE

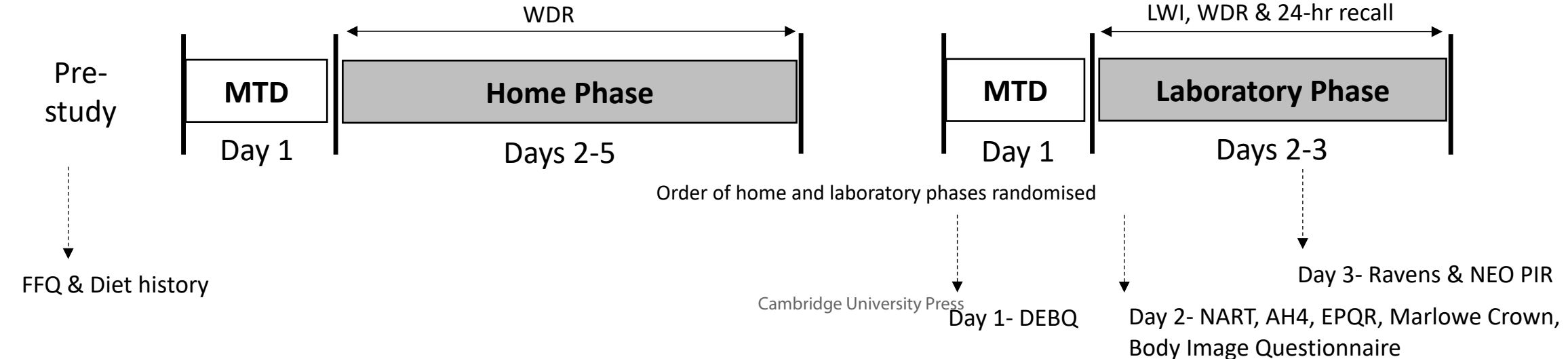
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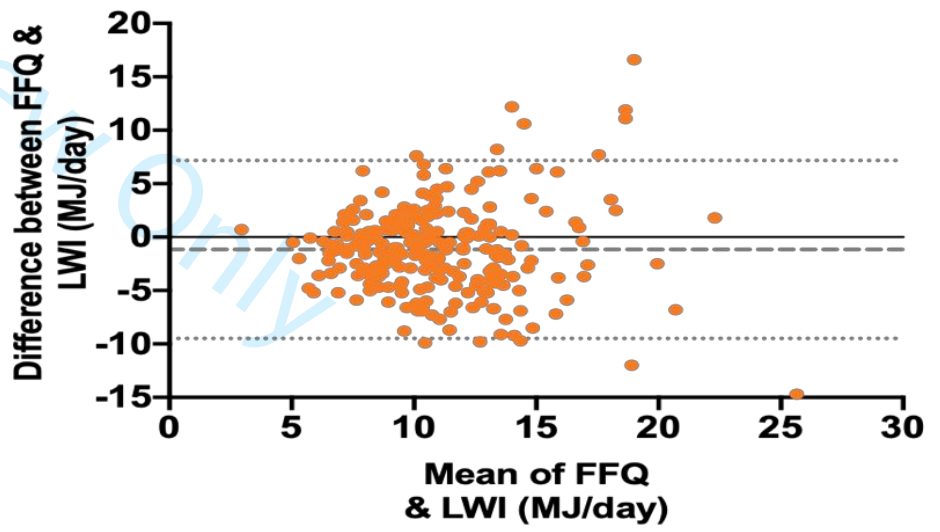
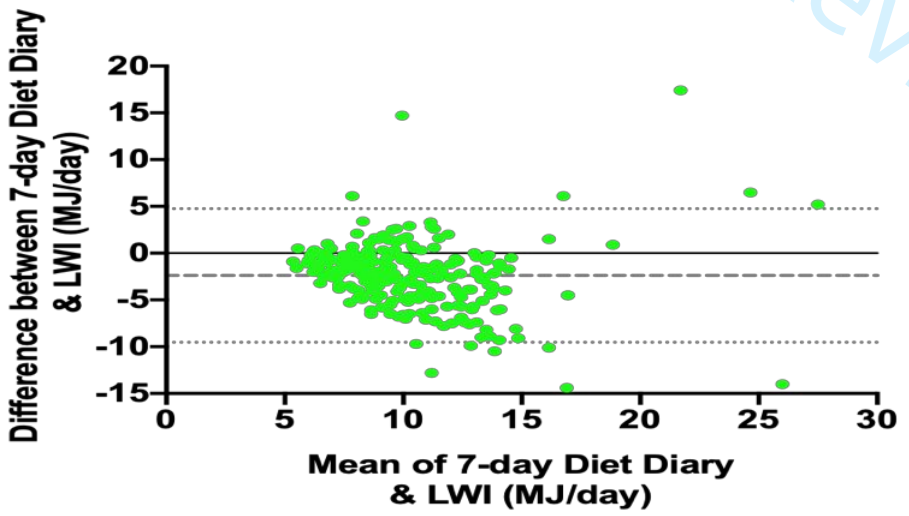
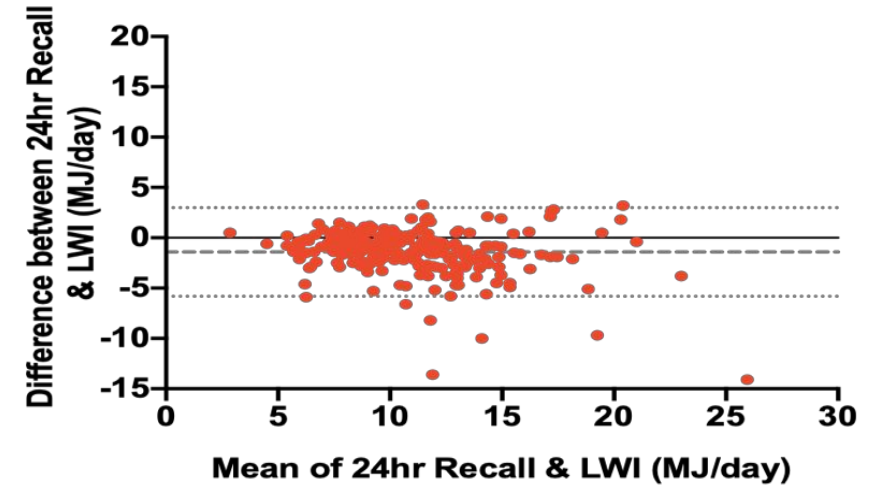
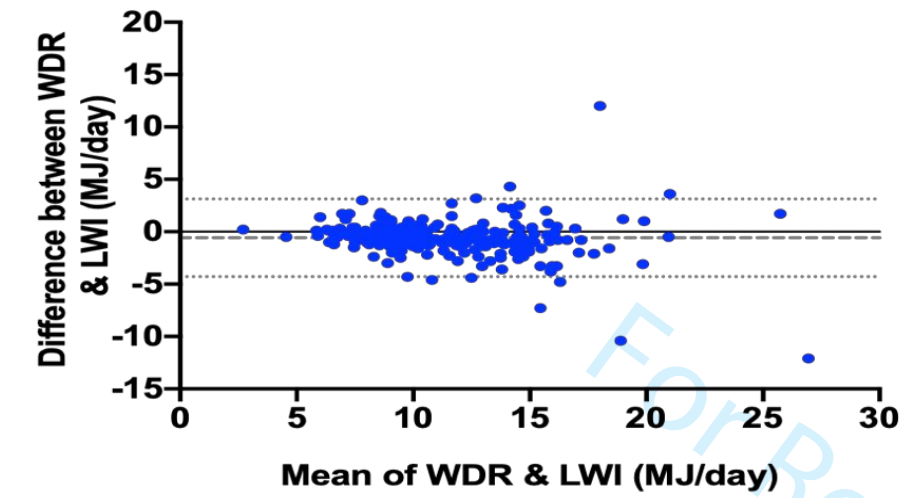
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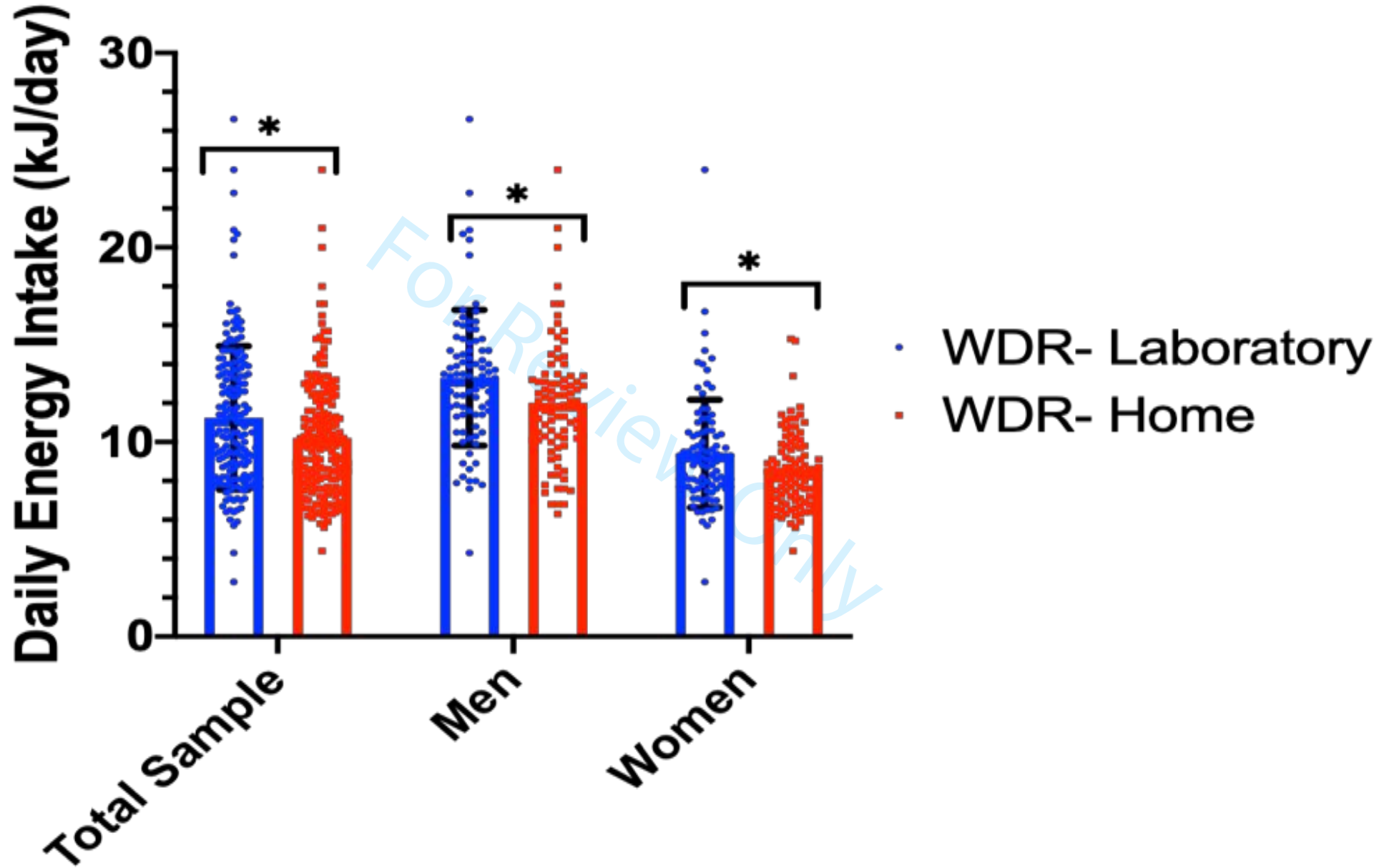


### PANEL B- STUDY TWO

### *Ad libitum* intake of normal diet & daily UWIST measures







**SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS****STUDY ONE- OBSERVATION EFFECT**

**Table S1:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex and % body fat in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.008	0.017	0.631
<b>Sex</b>	0.558	0.456	0.256
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.010	0.040	0.801

n = 57

$F_{(3, 53)} = 0.823$ ,  $p = 0.487$ ;  $\text{adj-R}^2 = -0.010$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

**Table S2:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and psychometric eating behaviour traits in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.004	0.017	0.817
<b>Sex</b>	0.591	0.516	0.257
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.014	0.040	0.736
<b>Cognitive Restraint</b>	0.283	0.265	0.290
<b>Emotional Eating</b>	0.077	0.255	0.764
<b>External Eating</b>	-0.798	0.472	0.097

n = 57

$F_{(6, 50)} = 1.080$ ,  $p = 0.387$ ;  $\text{adj-}R^2 = 0.009$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

**Table S3:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and body image in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.007	0.017	0.696
<b>Sex</b>	0.579	0.492	0.244
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.018	0.043	0.683
<b>Body Image Score</b>	-0.050	0.111	0.653

n = 57

$F_{(4, 52)} = 0.659, p = 0.623; \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.025$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

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**Table S4:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and EPQR personality dimensions in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.002	0.018	0.896
<b>Sex</b>	0.368	0.484	0.451
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.029	0.040	0.468
<b>Psychoticism</b>	<b>0.167</b>	<b>0.061</b>	<b>0.009</b>
<b>Extraversion</b>	-0.045	0.034	0.192
<b>Neuroticism</b>	0.017	0.030	0.566
<b>Social Desirability</b>	0.028	0.054	0.601

n = 57

$F_{(7, 49)} = 1.662$ ,  $p = 0.141$ ;  $\text{adj-}R^2 = 0.076$

FDR adjusted q-values = 0.896, 0.701, 0.701, 0.063, 0.672, 0.701, 0.701

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

**Table S5:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and NEO PIR personality dimensions in Study One participants.

	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
Age	0.006	0.016	0.736
Sex	0.391	0.500	0.438
% Body Fat	0.037	0.038	0.343
Neuroticism	0.005	0.008	0.551
Extraversion	-0.016	0.009	0.073
Openness to Experience	<b>0.026</b>	<b>0.009</b>	<b>0.006</b>
Agreeableness	<b>-0.021</b>	<b>0.010</b>	<b>0.038</b>
Conscientiousness	0.005	0.010	0.610

n = 55

$F_{(8, 46)} = 1.862$ ,  $p = 0.090$ ;  $\text{adj-}R^2 = 0.113$

FDR adjusted q-values = 0.736, 0.697, 0.686, 0.697, 0.195, **0.048**, 0.152, 0.697

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

**Table S6:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and social desirability in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.009	0.018	0.631
<b>Sex</b>	0.547	0.504	0.283
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.009	0.041	0.827
<b>Marl Crowne Score</b>	-0.041	0.044	0.356
<b>BIDR- Self-deceptive Enhancement</b>	0.025	0.058	0.669
<b>BIDR- Impression Management</b>	-0.008	0.066	0.903

n = 56

$F_{(6, 49)} = 0.589$ ,  $p = 0.738$ ;  $\text{adj-R}^2 = -0.047$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

**Table S7:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and IQ in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.019	0.022	0.402
<b>Sex</b>	0.674	0.516	0.197
<b>% Body Fat</b>	0.013	0.043	0.762
<b>Ravens Score</b>	-0.021	0.038	0.588
<b>AH4 Score</b>	0.017	0.016	0.293
<b>NART- Full Scale IQ</b>	-0.132	0.519	0.800
<b>NART- Verbal IQ</b>	-0.007	0.510	0.988
<b>NART- Performance IQ</b>	0.155	0.568	0.786

n = 56

$F_{(8, 47)} = 0.660$ ,  $p = 0.724$ ;  $\text{adj-}R^2 = -0.052$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

**Table S8:** Multiple regression between the observation effect (difference between overt and covert LWIs) and age, sex, % body fat and UWIST hedonic, tense and energetic scores in Study One participants.

	<b>Co-E (MJ)</b>	<b>SE</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
<b>Age</b>	0.023	0.021	0.298
<b>Sex</b>	0.329	0.526	0.535
<b>% Body Fat</b>	-0.013	0.045	0.772
<b>Hedonic</b>	-0.022	0.099	0.826
<b>Tense</b>	0.072	0.094	0.445
<b>Energetic</b>	0.049	0.066	0.458

n = 57

$F_{(6, 50)} = 1.939$ ,  $p = 0.650$ ;  $\text{adj-R}^2 = -0.033$

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes

## SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

### STUDY ONE- REPORTING EFFECT

**Table S9:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between overt LWI and self-reported intake method) and age, sex and % body fat in Study One participants.

Personal characteristics	Model Summary	Sex			Age			% Body Fat		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P -Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 53)} = 0.998, p = 0.401, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.000$	-0.468	0.445	0.298	0.010	0.015	0.519	0.061	0.036	0.099
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 53)} = 5.348, p = 0.003, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.189$	<b>-1.629</b>	<b>0.463</b>	<b>0.001</b>	0.027	0.016	0.097	<b>-0.139</b>	<b>0.038</b>	<b>0.001</b>
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 53)} = 0.229, p = 0.876, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.043$	-0.370	0.864	0.670	-0.002	0.030	0.955	0.017	0.070	0.806
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 52)} = 0.071, p = 0.975, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.053$	-0.432	1.285	0.738	0.019	0.046	0.681	-0.030	0.107	0.780
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 51)} = 2.700, p = 0.055, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.086$	<b>-2.251</b>	<b>0.865</b>	<b>0.012</b>	0.057	0.031	0.071	-0.109	0.071	0.131

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire (administered on day one), FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire (administered on day fifteen), FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 57. <sup>b</sup>n = 56. <sup>c</sup>n = 55.

24hr Recall FDR adjusted q-values = **0.001**, 0.097, **0.001**

FFQ<sub>2</sub> FDR adjusted q-values = **0.036**, 0.107, 0.131

**Table S10:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and psychometric eating behaviour traits in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Eating Behavior Traits- DEBQ	Model Summary	Cognitive Restraint			Emotional Eating			External Eating		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 0.970, p = 0.455, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.003$	-0.314	0.245	0.206	-0.042	0.236	0.861	0.556	0.437	0.210
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 3.496, p = 0.006, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.211$	-0.006	0.251	0.982	<b>-0.498</b>	<b>0.242</b>	<b>0.044</b>	0.751	0.448	0.100
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 0.443, p = 0.847, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.064$	-0.203	0.479	0.673	-0.409	0.462	0.295	1.175	0.856	0.176
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 49)} = 0.131, p = 0.992, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.105$	0.319	0.726	0.663	0.315	0.698	0.654	-0.270	1.291	0.835
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 48)} = 2.083, p = 0.073, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.107$	0.485	0.468	0.305	0.583	0.450	0.201	-0.440	0.833	0.600

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 57. <sup>b</sup>n = 56. <sup>c</sup>n = 55.

24hr Recall FDR adjusted q-values = 0.982, 0.088, 0.120

**Table S11:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and body image in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Body Image	Model Summary	Body Image Score		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 52)} = 0.772, p = 0.549, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.017$	-0.038	0.102	0.710
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(4, 52)} = 3.938, p = 0.007, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.173</math></b>	0.009	0.106	0.932
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 52)} = 0.689, p = 0.603, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.023$	0.278	0.194	0.158
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 51)} = 0.225, p = 0.923, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.060$	0.243	0.293	0.411
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 50)} = 0.051, p = 0.198, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.069$	0.051	0.198	0.798

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen.

<sup>a</sup>n = 57. <sup>b</sup>n = 56. <sup>c</sup>n = 55.



**Table S12:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and EPQR personality dimensions in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Personality Traits-EPQR	Model Summary	Psychoticism			Extraversion			Neuroticism			Social Desirability		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7,49)} = 0.416, p = 0.888, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.079$	0.008	0.061	0.895	0.004	0.034	0.898	-0.003	0.030	0.911	0.012	0.054	0.823
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7,49)} = 3.443, p = 0.004, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.234$	-0.113	0.059	0.062	-0.012	0.033	0.709	-0.044	0.029	0.138	0.009	0.052	0.857
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7,49)} = 1.299, p = 0.271, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.036$	<b>-0.254</b>	<b>0.109</b>	<b>0.024</b>	0.088	0.061	0.156	-0.009	0.053	0.871	0.141	0.096	0.150
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(7,48)} = 0.102, p = 0.998, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.129$	0.029	0.175	0.869	0.008	0.098	0.934	0.046	0.085	0.592	0.081	0.155	0.605
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(7,47)} = 1.673, p = 0.139, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.080$	-0.088	0.114	0.442	0.024	0.064	0.704	0.088	0.056	0.120	0.114	0.100	0.264

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 57. <sup>b</sup>n = 56. <sup>c</sup>n = 55.

7-day History FDR adjusted q-values = 0.168, 0.364, 0.884, 0.364

**Table S13:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and NEO PIR personality dimensions in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Personality Traits- NEO PIR	Model Summary	Neuroticism			Extraversion			Openness to Experience			Agreeableness			Conscientiousness		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 46)} = 1.018, p = 0.436, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.003$	0.007	0.0081	0.407	-0.001	0.009	0.888	0.010	0.009	0.292	0.019	0.010	0.051	0.007	0.010	0.457
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 46)} = 5.146, p = 0.003, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.170$	-0.002	0.008	0.786	0.000	0.009	0.966	-0.007	0.009	0.446	0.013	0.010	0.214	0.013	0.010	0.230
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 46)} = 1.007, p = 0.444, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.001$	0.004	0.015	0.759	0.027	0.017	0.113	<b>-0.035</b>	<b>0.017</b>	<b>0.044</b>	0.012	0.018	0.502	0.014	0.01 <sup>a</sup>	0.447
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 45)} = 0.243, p = 0.980, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.041$	0.010	0.023	0.672	0.016	0.027	0.544	-0.012	0.027	0.664	0.029	0.029	0.322	-0.011	0.030	0.723
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 44)} = 1.333, p = 0.253, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.049$	0.021	0.015	0.182	0.004	0.018	0.802	0.014	0.018	0.450	-0.006	0.019	0.771	0.020	0.020	0.315

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 55. <sup>b</sup>n = 54. <sup>c</sup>n = 53.

7-day History FDR adjusted q-values = 0.858, 0.452, 0.352, 0.858, 0.858

**Table S14:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and social desirability in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Social Desirability	Model Summary	Marl Crowne Score			BIDR- Self-deceptive Enhancement			BIDR- Impression Management		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 49)} = 0.580, p = 0.745, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.048$	0.029	0.040	0.469	-0.023	0.053	0.670	0.015	0.061	0.803
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 49)} = 3.127, p = 0.011, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.188$	0.030	0.041	0.470	0.090	0.054	0.102	-0.057	0.062	0.361
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 49)} = 1.486, p = 0.202, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.050$	0.113	0.073	0.119	0.191	0.096	0.051	-0.018	0.110	0.872
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 48)} = 0.112, p = 0.995, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.109$	0.064	0.117	0.590	0.014	0.153	0.929	0.063	0.175	0.721
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 47)} = 1.213, p = 0.316, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.024$	0.026	0.076	0.731	-0.002	0.099	0.987	0.007	0.115	0.952

BIDR: balanced Inventory of Desirable Responding, Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen.

<sup>a</sup>n = 56. <sup>b</sup>n = 55. <sup>c</sup>n = 54.

**Table S15:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and IQ in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

IQ	Model Summary	Ravens Score			AH4 Score			NART- Full Scale IQ			NART- Verbal IQ			NART- Performance IQ		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P- Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P- Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P- Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P - Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P - Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 47)} = 1.656, p = 0.135, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.087$	0.019	0.033	0.566	0.005	0.014	0.722	-0.579	0.451	0.205	-0.288	0.443	0.519	<b>1.067</b>	<b>0.494</b>	<b>0.036</b>
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 47)} = 2.796, p = 0.013, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.207$	0.026	0.036	0.470	0.017	0.015	0.276	-0.104	0.494	0.833	0.451	0.485	0.357	-0.591	0.541	0.280
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 47)} = 0.512, p = 0.841, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.076$	-0.091	0.069	0.192	0.022	0.029	0.455	0.631	0.942	0.506	0.433	0.925	0.643	-1.421	1.032	0.175
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 46)} = 0.845, p = 0.569, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.024$	-0.057	0.098	0.561	-0.037	0.041	0.374	1.570	1.358	0.707	-0.499	1.318	0.707	-1.384	1.477	0.353
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(8, 45)} = 2.164, p = 0.049, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.149$	-0.126	0.066	0.062	-0.004	0.028	0.898	0.838	0.909	0.362	-0.272	0.877	0.757	-0.731	1.007	0.472

NART: National Adult Reading Test, AH4: Alison Heim 4, Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen.

<sup>a</sup>n = 56. <sup>b</sup>n = 55. <sup>c</sup>n = 54.

WDR FDR adjusted q-values = 0.722, 0.722, 0.722, 0.722, 0.288

**Table S16:** Multiple regressions between the reporting effect (difference between LWI and self-reported intake method) and UWIST hedonic, tense and energetic scores in Study One participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were also included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

UWIST Mood	Model Summary	Hedonic			Tense			Energetic		
		Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 1.132, p = 0.358, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.014$	-0.110	0.089	0.222	0.040	0.084	0.639	-0.057	0.059	0.344
<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(6, 50)} = 2.990, p = 0.014, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.176</math></b>	0.001	0.094	0.993	-0.080	0.089	0.373	-0.072	0.063	0.257
<b>7-day History<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 0.239, p = 0.961, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.089$	-0.019	0.177	0.915	-0.098	0.168	0.564	0.027	0.118	0.818
<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 50)} = 0.196, p = 0.976, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.096$	-0.228	0.272	0.407	-0.248	0.257	0.340	-0.023	0.176	0.898
<b>FFQ<sup>2c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 48)} = 1.536, p = 0.187, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.056$	-0.157	0.181	0.391	-0.149	0.172	0.390	0.073	0.118	0.540

Co-E: Co-efficient, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record, FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FFQ<sup>2</sup>: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day fifteen.

<sup>a</sup>n = 57. <sup>b</sup>n = 56. <sup>c</sup>n = 55.

**SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS- STUDY TWO**

**Table S17:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the laboratory weighed intakes and other methods (outcome variable) and age, sex and % body fat for participants in Study Two.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Sex			Age			% body fat		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 175)} = 2.205, p = 0.089, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.020$	<b>-0.885</b>	<b>0.401</b>	<b>0.029</b>	0.005	0.014	0.749	-0.011	0.027	0.670
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 175)} = 5.366, p = 0.001, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.002$	<b>-1.456</b>	<b>0.463</b>	<b>0.002</b>	-0.006	0.017	0.724	-0.003	0.031	0.916
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 174)} = 4.048, p = 0.008, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.049$	<b>-1.500</b>	<b>0.761</b>	<b>0.050</b>	-0.012	0.027	0.656	0.048	0.051	0.346
	<b>FFQ<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 175)} = 3.956, p = 0.009, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.047$	-1.240	0.846	0.145	0.003	0.030	0.930	0.075	0.057	0.187
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 174)} = 1.396, p = 0.246, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.007$	-1.084	0.633	0.089	0.019	0.023	0.396	0.084	0.043	0.052
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 173)} = 1.059, p = 0.368, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.001$	-1.182	0.670	0.080	0.015	0.024	0.521	-0.049	0.045	0.284
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(3, 174)} = 1.195, p = 0.313, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.003$	-0.874	0.733	0.235	0.028	0.026	0.286	-0.007	0.050	0.889

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995). <sup>a</sup>n = 179. <sup>b</sup>n = 178. <sup>c</sup>n = 177.

**Laboratory Phase:**

WDR FDR adjusted q-values = 0.749, 0.087, 0.749  
 24HR Recall FDR adjusted q-values = **0.006** 0.916 0.916  
 7-day History FDR adjusted q-values = 0.150 0.656 0.519

**Table S18:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and psychometric eating behaviour traits (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	External Eating			Emotional Eating			Cognitive Restraint		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 172)} = 1.271, p = 0.273, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.009$	-0.042	0.245	0.863	0.162	0.269	0.548	-0.232	0.247	0.347
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 172)} = 2.879, p = 0.011, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.060$	-0.111	0.283	0.694	0.199	0.311	0.523	-0.271	0.285	0.343
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 2.088, p = 0.057, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.036$	-0.042	0.465	0.928	-0.311	0.513	0.545	0.024	0.470	0.959
	<b>FFQ<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 172)} = 2.839, p = 0.012, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.058$	-0.541	0.510	0.291	<b>1.243</b>	<b>0.561</b>	<b>0.028</b>	-0.260	0.515	0.614
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 1.173, p = 0.323, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.006$	-0.584	0.385	0.131	0.009	0.422	0.982	0.039	0.389	0.921
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 170)} = 1.107, p = 0.360, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.004$	-0.433	0.407	0.289	-0.482	0.448	0.283	0.435	0.413	0.294
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 1.875, p = 0.088, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.029$	<b>-1.001</b>	<b>0.440</b>	<b>0.030</b>	<b>1.055</b>	<b>0.482</b>	<b>0.024</b>	0.066	0.445	0.882

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup><sub>n</sub> = 179. <sup>b</sup><sub>n</sub> = 178. <sup>c</sup><sub>n</sub> = 177.

#### Laboratory Phase:

FFQ FDR adjusted q-values = 0.465, 0.168, 0.737

#### Home Phase:

FFQ FDR adjusted q-values = 0.090, 0.090, 0.999

**Table S19:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and body image (predictor) in Study Two participants.

Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Body Image Score		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 173)} = 2.370, p = 0.054, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.030$	-0.171	0.107	0.112
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(4, 173)} = 4.280, p = 0.003, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.069</math></b>	0.035	0.124	0.779
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 172)} = 3.459, p = 0.010, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.053$	-0.177	0.203	0.384
	<b>FFQ<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(4, 173)} = 4.757, p = 0.001, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.078</math></b>	0.221	0.213	0.301
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(4, 172)} = 1.451, p = 0.219, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.010$	0.218	0.169	0.199
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 0.804, p = 0.5254, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.005$	0.018	0.180	0.919
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(6, 172)} = 2.875, p = 0.024, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.041</math></b>	<b>0.405</b>	<b>0.183</b>	<b>0.028</b>

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 178. <sup>b</sup>n = 177. <sup>c</sup>n = 176.

#### Home phase:

FFQ FDR adjusted q-values = 0.089



**Table S20:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and EPQR personality dimensions (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Psychoticism			Extraversion			Neuroticism			Social Desirability		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 170)} = 1.546, p = 0.155, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.021$	-0.066	0.049	0.179	-0.003	0.031	0.932	0.044	0.031	0.157	0.024	0.042	0.561
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 170)} = 2.584, p = 0.015, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.099$	-0.028	0.057	0.624	-0.044	0.036	0.223	-0.004	0.036	0.902	-0.044	0.048	0.369
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 169)} = 2.679, p = 0.012, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.063$	-0.047	0.092	0.614	<b>-0.125</b>	<b>0.058</b>	<b>0.032</b>	0.052	0.058	0.364	-0.061	0.078	0.440
	<b>FFQ<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 170)} = 2.629, p = 0.013, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.061$	-0.101	0.102	0.323	-0.057	0.064	0.377	0.041	0.664	0.521	0.145	0.087	0.097
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 169)} = 1.011, p = 0.425, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.000$	0.114	0.077	0.141	0.003	0.048	0.945	-0.043	0.048	0.380	-0.019	0.066	0.775
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 168)} = 1.069, p = 0.386, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.003$	0.113	0.082	0.171	-0.084	0.051	0.105	0.028	0.051	0.582	-0.025	0.070	0.724
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(7, 169)} = 1.311, p = 0.248, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.012$	0.044	0.089	0.621	-0.011	0.059	0.843	0.005	0.056	0.922	<b>0.172</b>	<b>0.076</b>	<b>0.024</b>

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home

Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup><sub>n</sub> = 178. <sup>b</sup><sub>n</sub> = 177. <sup>c</sup><sub>n</sub> = 176.

#### Laboratory phase:

7-day History FDR adjusted q-values = 0.628, 0.224, 0.628, 0.628

#### Home phase:

FFQ FDR adjusted q-values = 0.991, 0.991, 0.991, 0.168

**Table S21:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and NEO PIR personality dimensions (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Neuroticism			Extraversion			Openness to Experience			Agreeableness			Conscientiousness		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>F<sub>(8, 169)</sub> = 2.484, p = 0.014, adj-R<sup>2</sup> = 0.063</b>	0.007	0.007	0.343	-0.010	0.009	0.275	-0.005	0.009	0.569	-0.018	0.009	0.051	-0.003	0.008	0.657
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>F<sub>(8, 169)</sub> = 3.379, p = 0.001, adj-R<sup>2</sup> = 0.097</b>	<b>0.018</b>	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.022</b>	0.007	0.010	0.485	<b>-0.022</b>	<b>0.010</b>	<b>0.029</b>	0.006	0.010	0.588	-0.002	0.009	0.858
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>F<sub>(8, 168)</sub> = 2.657, p = 0.009, adj-R<sup>2</sup> = 0.070</b>	0.015	0.013	0.266	-0.028	0.017	0.101	0.005	0.017	0.753	0.017	0.017	0.326	-0.012	0.015	0.397
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>F<sub>(8, 169)</sub> = 2.849, p = 0.005, adj-R<sup>2</sup> = 0.077</b>	0.011	0.014	0.410	-0.020	0.018	0.272	0.004	0.017	0.825	0.026	0.018	0.156	-0.006	0.015	0.684
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	F <sub>(8, 168)</sub> = 0.742, p = 0.654, adj-R <sup>2</sup> = -0.012	0.004	0.011	0.752	0.016	0.015	0.288	-0.013	0.014	0.359	0.010	0.015	0.496	-0.004	0.013	0.739
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	F <sub>(8, 167)</sub> = 1.232, p = 0.283, adj-R <sup>2</sup> = 0.010	0.002	0.012	0.846	-0.025	0.015	0.099	0.020	0.015	0.172	0.017	0.015	0.263	-0.012	0.013	0.373
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	F <sub>(8, 168)</sub> = 1.575, p = 0.136, adj-R <sup>2</sup> = 0.025	-0.003	0.012	0.801	0.012	0.016	0.440	0.014	0.015	0.377	0.030	0.016	0.062	-0.008	0.013	0.531

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one. FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 178. <sup>b</sup>n = 177. <sup>c</sup>n = 176.

**Laboratory phase:**

24hr Recall FDR adjusted q-values = 0.077, 0.885, 0.077, 0.885, 0.885

**Table 22:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and social desirability (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Marl Crowne Score			BIDR- Self-deceptive Enhancement			BIDR- Impression Management		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 170)} = 1.141, p = 0.341, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.005$	0.025	0.036	0.490	-0.038	0.054	0.485	0.002	0.049	0.968
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(6, 170)} = 3.353, p = 0.004, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.074</math></b>	0.041	0.041	0.313	<b>-0.123</b>	<b>0.062</b>	<b>0.048</b>	-0.008	0.056	0.890
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(6, 169)} = 2.179, p = 0.047, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.039</math></b>	-0.044	0.068	0.515	-0.047	0.102	0.645	-0.041	0.093	0.661
	<b>FFQ<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 169)} = 1.849, p = 0.092, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.028$	-0.025	0.075	0.743	0.005	0.113	0.965	0.057	0.103	0.581
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 169)} = 1.739, p = 0.115, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.025$	0.072	0.054	0.188	-0.159	0.082	0.054	0.078	0.074	0.298
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 168)} = 0.731, p = 0.625, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.009$	-0.005	0.060	0.928	-0.084	0.090	0.352	0.043	0.082	0.599
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(6, 169)} = 1.162, p = 0.329, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.040$	0.006	0.065	0.922	-0.031	0.098	0.749	0.142	0.089	0.111

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one. FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup><sub>n</sub> = 177. <sup>b</sup><sub>n</sub> = 176. <sup>c</sup><sub>n</sub> = 175.

### Laboratory phase:

24hr Recall FDR adjusted q-values = 0.626, 0.144, 0.890

**Table S23:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and IQ (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Ravens Score			AH4 Score			NART- Full Scale IQ			NART- Verbal IQ			NART- Performance IQ		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
<b>Laboratory Phase: LWI vs</b>	<b>WDR<sup>a</sup></b>	$F_{(8,167)} = 1.501, p = 0.160, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.022$	-0.025	0.040	0.539	-0.002	0.015	0.898	-0.462	0.395	0.245	0.265	0.367	0.471	0.176	0.403	0.664
	<b>24hr Recall<sup>a</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(8,167)} = 2.393, p = 0.018, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.060</math></b>	-0.049	0.047	0.303	0.019	0.017	0.273	-0.573	0.467	0.277	0.472	0.434	0.277	0.021	0.476	0.964
	<b>7-day History<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(8,166)} = 1.691, p = 0.104, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.031$	0.021	0.077	0.784	-0.026	0.028	0.358	-0.488	0.760	0.521	-0.149	0.706	0.834	0.833	0.775	0.284
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	<b><math>F_{(8,167)} = 2.124, p = 0.036, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.049</math></b>	-0.129	0.085	0.130	-0.002	0.031	0.940	0.376	0.835	0.653	-0.971	0.775	0.212	0.893	0.851	0.296
<b>Home Phase: WDR-H vs</b>	<b>24hr Recall<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(8,166)} = 0.979, p = 0.454, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.001$	-0.062	0.063	0.330	0.034	0.023	0.140	-0.328	0.621	0.597	0.563	0.577	0.330	-0.396	0.633	0.533
	<b>7-day History<sup>c</sup></b>	$F_{(8,166)} = 0.979, p = 0.454, \text{adj-R}^2 = -0.001$	-0.062	0.063	0.330	0.034	0.023	0.140	-0.328	0.621	0.597	0.563	0.577	0.330	-0.396	0.633	0.533
	<b>FFQ<sup>b</sup></b>	$F_{(8,166)} = 1.317, p = 0.238, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.014$	-0.141	0.074	0.057	0.012	0.027	0.643	0.629	0.726	0.387	-0.896	0.674	0.185	0.488	0.740	0.510

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one.

<sup>a</sup>n = 176. <sup>b</sup>n = 175. <sup>c</sup>n = 174.

**Table S24:** Multiple regressions of the discrepancy between the criterion measure of food intake in the laboratory (LWI) and home environments (WDR) and the self-reported intake methods (outcome measures) and UWIST hedonic, tense and energetic scores (predictors) in Study Two participants. Note, age, sex and percentage body fat were included in all models reported but their coefficients are not reported below.

Phase	Method	Model Summary	Hedonic			Tense			Energetic		
			Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value	Co-E (MJ)	SE	P-Value
Laboratory Phase: LWI vs	WDR <sup>a</sup>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 1.664, p = 0.133, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.022$	-0.081	0.077	0.291	0.024	0.067	0.719	0.073	0.046	0.116
	24hr Recall <sup>a</sup>	<b><math>F_{(6, 171)} = 3.009, p = 0.008, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.064</math></b>	0.065	0.089	0.469	0.082	0.077	0.288	0.010	0.053	0.846
	7-day History <sup>b</sup>	<b><math>F_{(6, 170)} = 2.410, p = 0.029, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.046</math></b>	-0.006	0.147	0.965	0.147	0.127	0.247	0.079	0.088	0.366
	FFQ <sup>a</sup>	$F_{(6, 171)} = 1.930, p = 0.079, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.031$	0.004	0.164	0.981	0.015	0.142	0.913	-0.011	0.098	0.912
Home Phase: WDR-H vs	24hr Recall <sup>b</sup>	$F_{(6, 170)} = 1.476, p = 0.189, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.016$	<b>0.241</b>	<b>0.211</b>	<b>0.049</b>	0.134	0.105	0.204	-0.106	0.073	0.140
	7-day History <sup>c</sup>	$F_{(6, 169)} = 1.023, p = 0.412, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.001$	0.141	0.130	0.278	0.170	0.122	0.132	-0.059	0.077	0.451
	FFQ <sup>b</sup>	$F_{(6, 170)} = 1.045, p = 0.398, \text{adj-R}^2 = 0.002$	0.174	0.142	0.221	0.062	0.123	0.617	-0.131	0.085	0.124

Co-E: Co-efficients, SE: Standard Error, LWI: Laboratory Weighed Intakes, WDR: Weighed Dietary Record; WDR-H: WDR Home Phase; FFQ: Aberdeen Food Frequency Questionnaire – administered on day one, FDR: false discovery rate (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

<sup>a</sup>n = 178. <sup>b</sup>n = 177. <sup>c</sup>n = 176.

#### Home phase:

24hr Recall FDR adjusted q-values = 0.147, 0.245, 0.222