## 1 Appendix

Are '	you an	active	Instagram	user	(use	Instagram	at	least	once	a v	week	)'

Yes

No

Do you follow one or more social media influencers whose content revolves around fitness, including workout videos or informational posts?

Yes

No

From now on, influencers who post fitness-related content such as workout videos or informational posts about fitness and nutrition will be referred to as "fitness-related influencers."

After reading each of the statements below, please indicate your level of agreement by using the following scale: "Strongly disagree," "Somewhat disagree," "Neither agree nor disagree, "Somewhat agree," "Strongly agree."

	Strongly	Somewhat	Neither agree	Somewhat	Strongly	
	disagree	disagree	not disagree	agree	agree	
If my favorite influencer recommends a fitness-related brand on Instagram, I am more likely to try it.	0	O	О	O	О	
The more followers a fitness- related influencer on Instagram has, the more trustworthy I find them.	0	O	0	O	O	
Reviews by influencers who have already tried out a fitness-related product are more trustworthy than	О	O	O	O	О	

reviewers provided by the manufacturer or retailer.					
Fitness-related influencers on Instagram have my best interest at heart.	О	O	О	O	О
Fitness-related influencers on Instagram will not purposefully endorse a brand that will harm me.	О	0	О	О	О
If I found out that a fitness-related influencer had been paid for a post on Instagram, it would not negatively impact my perception of their credibility.	O	O	О	O	O
If an influencer on Instagram has a personal trainer or nutrition certification, I will follow their advice.	O	O	O	O	O
Fitness-related influencers on Instagram who achieved great shape and health are authentic.	О	0	О	O	О
Influencers on Instagram who keep educating themselves by attending fitness-related courses are the most credible.	O	O	О	O	О

## How much do you trust fitness-related influencers on Instagram (indicate your level of trust by choosing one of the following)?

O Not at all O Slightly O Moderately O Very O Extremely O

How important is fitness in your life (indicate your level of importance by choosing one of the following)?

On a scale from 1 to 5 (1 being not at all important and 5 being extremely important), how important is fitness in your life?

O Not at all important O Slightly important O Moderately important O Very important

O Extremely important O

What is your gender?
Female
Male
Other:

What is your age?

Under 18

18 - 25

26 - 35

36 - 50

Above 50

What is your occupation?

Working full time (more than 30 hours a week)

Working part-time (8-30 hours a week)

Student (full-time)

Temporarily unemployed

Retired

Permanently unemployed

Other: