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9-D: Bring Back My Childhood!  
Nostalgia as Mediator of Retro-Food and Consumer Based Brand Equity  
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This research will expand the field/area of retro-branding by recognizing the effect of nostalgia as well as authenticity in the relationship between a retro-food product and Consumer Based Brand Equity (CBBE). A mixed methodology that includes a netnography and two quantitative studies will be used.

11-W: The Impact of Perceived Temperature on Responses to PSA ads  
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This working paper finds that the affiliative sensations triggered through priming of warm/cold touch can increase the effectiveness of public service announcement (PSA) by increasing empathy threat perceptions and donations to the cause. However this is likely to be true only for high need for touch participants.

19-I: How Brand Preference Similarity Influences Married Couples’ Brand Variety Seeking Over Time  
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This research examines how married consumers’ brand preference similarity influences brand variety seeking behavior. Findings contribute to extant work on shared brand consumption and variety seeking by illustrating how romantic relationship partners engage in purposeful brand variety seeking as a part of their relationships.

12-D: The Impact of Brand Exposure on Perceived Goal Progress and Goal Satiation  
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Though prior research finds that exposure to a brand can activate brand-related goals we show that brand exposure can satiate brand-related goals. Further we show that goal satiation occurs because consumers who are susceptible to goal satiation also experience perceived progress towards achieving the brand-related goal.

9-I: Eating with Friends: Preference for Handmade Foods  
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What people choose to eat varies as a function of relationships with co-eater(s). When eating with friends consumers prefer handmade foods relative to manufactured foods. They prefer manufactured foods when with new acquaintance. When they try to strengthen social relations they choose handmade foods.

17-C: Fluid Compensation: The Role of the Interdependent Self  
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