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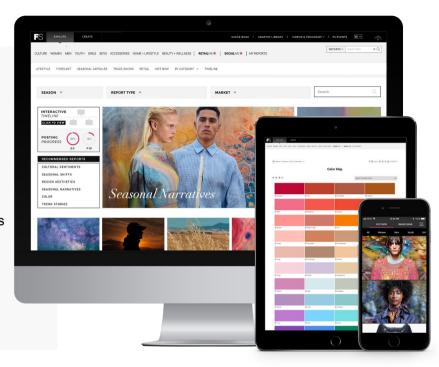
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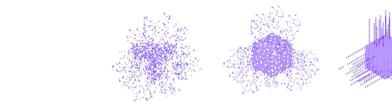
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# **About Spate**

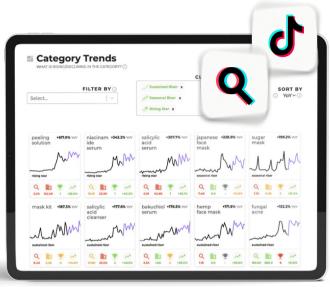
Spate is your machine intelligence solution for finding the next big consumer trend. Spate is a Y Combinator-backed company, founded by two ex-Googlers Yarden Horwitz and Olivier Zimmer who started Google's Trendspotting division and spotted SORT BY trends such as face masks, turmeric and cold brew (ie Google Skin Care Trends Report, Google Food Trends Report). How do we do this? We tap into publicly available consumer data (anonymous and aggregated) to identify exciting shifts in consumer behavior.

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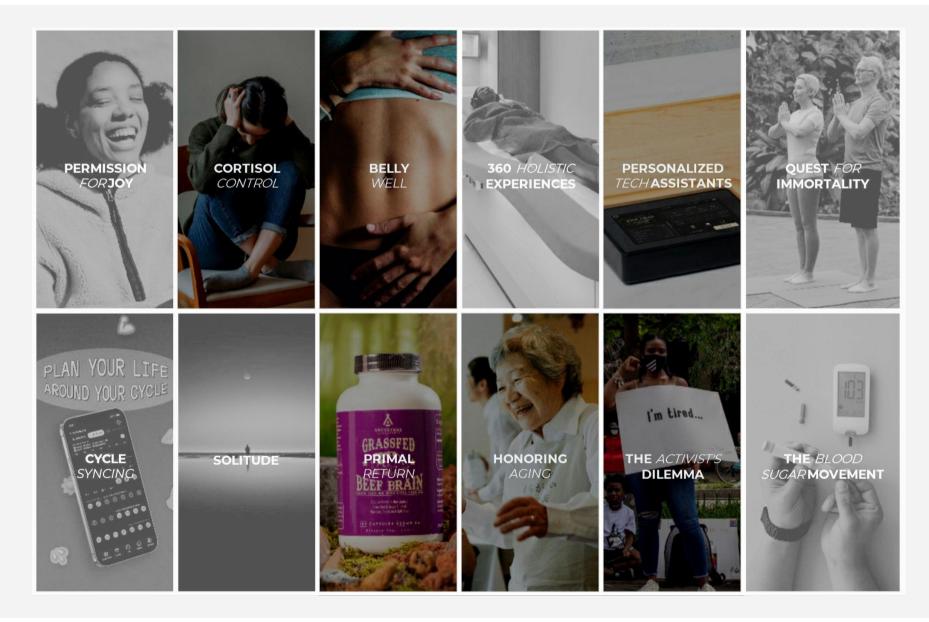


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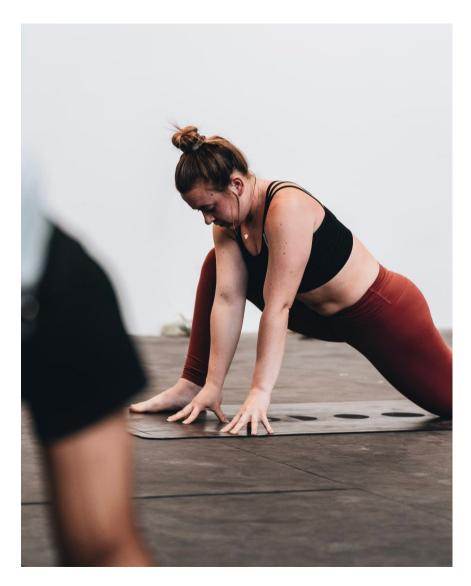
# Daily wellness rituals will incorporate stress-support supplements

Consumers turn to trusted brands that offer scientifically-backed supplements in order to conveniently help balance their daily stress levels. Brand Ready To offers supplements formulated with traceable ingredients proven effective in clinical studies, like their Ready to Chill supplement with bioavailable forms of ashwagandha to help the body flush excess cortisol. Vitamin Bs and vitamin D support cognitive health and encourage serotonin and dopamine production, and chelated magnesium increases overall relaxation. All of their products are third-party tested to guarantee the active ingredients in each capsule, further alleviating stress by purchasing a trustworthy and tested supplement.

# Cortisol-blocking skincare will be the next frontier in psychotherapeutic beauty

Stress affects the skin through UV rays, pollution, smoke, and chemicals, causing skin to look tired and age quicker. Therefore, brands explore incorporating active ingredients that can reduce stress, like **Neurophroline**—the first cosmetic active ingredient to block the production of cortisol in skin and reverse the effects of stress. It works by releasing endorphin neuropeptides that break down stress-causing chemicals sitting on the skin, reducing cortisol levels by nearly 70% in just a few hours after application. After two weeks of use, results show more evenly-toned and radiant skin, and better protection from stress-related aging.





## Consumers will adopt more somatic exercise

Consumer interest in somatic healing continues to rise, with the hashtag #somatichealing accumulating over 505 million views on TikTok. TikTok users like @theworkoutwitch and @healthwithholland are educating their followers on identifying the signs of high cortisol levels and how to lower them naturally through movement. Somatic exercises are slow and controlled movements that help with mind-body connection that can alleviate pain, relieve stress, and release stored trauma. Emotions and trauma are believed to be stored in the hips, so the movements are usually centered around hip mobility stretches and breath awareness.



### SPATE DATA INSIGHT



### SOMATIC PRACTICES

"Somatic therapy" experienced a +36.1%
YoY increase in Google searches,
representing an average monthly search
increase of +15.3 K, showing the growing
popularity of stress-relieving
somatic practices.



### STRESS-BUSTING SUPPLEMENTS

There was a +48.1% YoY growth in searches for "cortisol mocktail" on Google, while "cortisol + supplement" experiences +46.7% YoY growth, pointing to an increased interest for stress-reducing ingestible solutions.



### CORTISOL CONTROL

"Cortisol control" and "reduce cortisol" amassed a combined 860.4K monthly views on TikTok, representing a +13.3% and +15.2% MoM increase respectively, speaking to the consumer need for effective stress reducing routines.

**Source:** Google Search data, year-over-year growth comparing the past 12 months ending November 2023 vs the 12 months prior (US Rising Clusters).

Source: TikTok Data, ending week of December 17th.



# **BELLY**WELL

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#### Fiber will become a central focus

Increasing fiber levels becomes a central health and nutrition issue, as rising rates of GI cancers in younger generations drive a need for more convenient options. Supergut's Gut Health Booster is a prebiotic fiber blend that contains resistant starch that digests slowly, feeding beneficial bacteria in the gut. Results from a clinical study confirmed that the supplement balanced blood sugar levels, supported weight loss, and improved sleep. The powder "add-to-anything" mix makes it easier than ever for consumers to get their daily fiber intake on the go.



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# Mental health will be influenced by the gut-brain connection

The @guttalkgirls are educating their audience through TikTok and their podcast, Gut Talk, about gut health and how it links to anxiety and mental health. The sister duo talk about how to identify gut problems through common symptoms, and share tips to improve digestion and bloating. They also speak to their experience with anxiety and how fixing their gut issues allowed them to stop taking anxiety medication.



#### **BELLY** WELL



# Snacks reinvent themselves to become gut-healthy

Probiotic snacks are rising in popularity, as opposed to taking an everyday probiotic supplement. Mighty Pop claims to sell the first gut healthy soda with pre, pro, and postbiotics, with each can containing one billion live probiotic cultures and three grams of prebiotic fiber to promote healthy digestion. Belliwelli's snack bars promise zero bloating for those with IBS and GI issues, and are packed with probiotics, fiber, and protein for a digestion-friendly snack on the go.



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### THE GUT-BRAIN CONNECTION

Consumers are making the connection between their emotional and mental health and gut health, with "anxiety + gut health" up +21.8% YoY and "Gut health + depression" up +25.9% YoY.



#### MICROBIOME-SUPPORTING DIET

Searches for gut health, probiotic, and prebiotic supplements grew YoY +7.7%, +20.2%, and +24.2% respectively, while gut-boosting foods also grew, with kefir at +20.2% and colostrum at +14.1% YoY.



#### GUT HEALTH

"Gut health" experienced +19.4% MoM growth on TikTok, speaking to growing consumer interest in nurturing their digestive wellness and educating themselves on how to boost their GI tract.

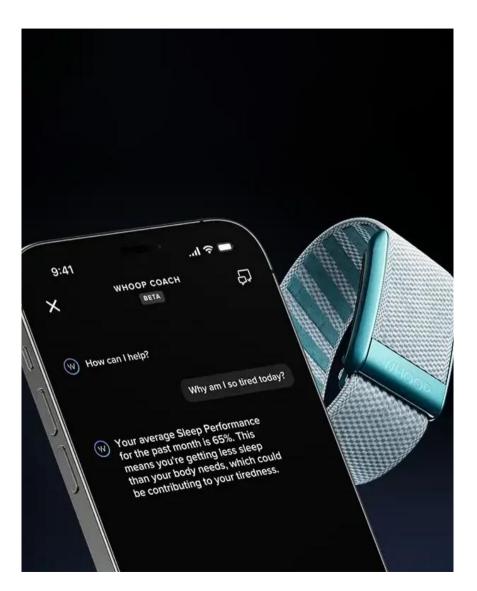
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## Immersive therapy experiences will become more accessible

Immersive healing practices like ice bathing have regained popularity, as research highlights the effectiveness of these treatments in reducing stress and rejuvenating the body. Now, we're seeing these experiences become more accessible to consumers, blending with other trending wellness practices to offer a unique experience, seen in Othership's breathwork **app.** The company offers guided breathwork sessions through their app to help regulate emotions and the nervous system, and features a section of specially designed breathwork guides that are meant to be used during cold plunges and ice baths to maximize healing power.



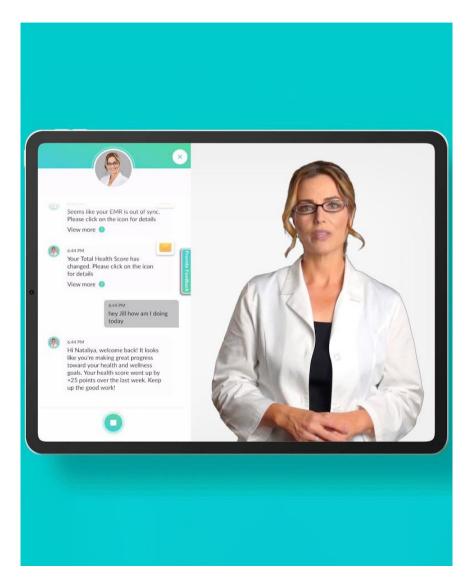
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# Consumers will seek out Al-supported nutrition

VersaWare's smart kitchen appliances use Al to help people reach their nutrition goals through an app that syncs to the brand's intuitive mixing bowls and cutting boards. By scanning barcodes or choosing fresh ingredients in the app, integrated screens on the appliances show accurate nutritional breakdowns of food as they are added to the appliances, along with showing recipes directly on the screen. Having real-time nutritional value of entire meals helps users make any meal align to their nutrition goals.



### **PERSONALIZED TECH ASSISTANTS**



## Healthcare will adopt personal Al assistants

Apps are incorporating AI assistants to make healthcare more seamless, building on the health tech movement that empowers users to take control of their wellbeing. MediKarma's JILL.ai is the app's personalized health assistant that can answer specific questions and create plans to improve users' health scores, and help them better understand their overall health. The app has options to set goals for sleep, weight loss, chronic illness management, and more.



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#### BIOTECH ADVANCEMENTS

Biotechnology, which represents the synergy of technology and nature to create sustainable solutions, saw +14.0% YoY growth on Google, affirming its increased presence.



### ALL ABOUT

Al continues to be at the top of mind for consumers and brands alike: "artificial intelligence" was up +89.0% YoY on Google with an average monthly search volume of 320.2K.



#### HEALTH TECH

Health tech is also a growing industry, as we increasingly look to technology to support our humanity: On TikTok, the hashtag "health tech" has racked up 91.3M views.

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## Animal-based ingredients will be formulated into skincare

As consumers explore new animal-based ingredients to support their skincare needs, we see a rise in these raw ingredients making it into formulation. Made with pure emu oil, marshmallow root, and calendula flower, the **Everything Balm** from Primally Pure strengthens the skin barrier, calms redness, and has an anti-inflammatory effect on skin. Emu oil from Australian emus can soothe eczema and dryness while delivering fatty acids deeper into the skin.



# Consumers will explore new diets like bone broth nutrition

Dr. Kellyann Petrucci, M.S., N.D., author of Bone Broth Breakthrough, is advocating for the bone broth diet for its weight loss and anti-aging benefits. Dr. Kellyann's diet programs, from a 1-Day Cleanse & Reset program to a 21-Day Bone Broth Diet, include a variety of her bone broth and flavored collagen powders, easy enough to incorporate into any existing routine. Along with encouraging anti-aging and weight loss, regular bone broth consumption is known to boost digestion and libido while lowering stress and fatigue.





# Colostrum will be a popular ingredient for supplements

Known also as "liquid gold" for its deep yellow color, colostrum is the first milk produced by a cow after giving birth. Rich in essential nutrients like proteins, polypeptides, antibodies, and prebiotics, the benefits of colostrum include improved immune systems and gut health, increased lean muscle mass and reduced recovery times, increased skin elasticity, and even enhanced mood and sleep. WonderCow Colostrum Powder is dried and pasteurized at a low temperature to preserve as many nutrients as possible for consumers to reap the benefits with ease.



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#### QUESTIONING VEGANISM

While veganism is still a prominent diet and lifestyle worldwide, we're seeing interest wane for this once ubiquitous trend: YoY Google searches for "vegan diet" were down -12.9%, while on TikTok it experienced a MoM view decrease of -9.1%.



#### RETURN TO MEAT

YoY Google searches for "carnivore diet" experienced +84.7% growth, while MoM growth on TikTok for the same term was +51.7%, showing that consumers are curious about meat-based diets, representing a drastic reversal of years of plant-based trends.



#### TALLOW TREND

Beef tallow has become a growing beauty and wellness trend, racking up 146.8K monthly views on TikTok for "beef tallow skincare," while Google searches for "beef tallow" shows +44.4% YoY growth.

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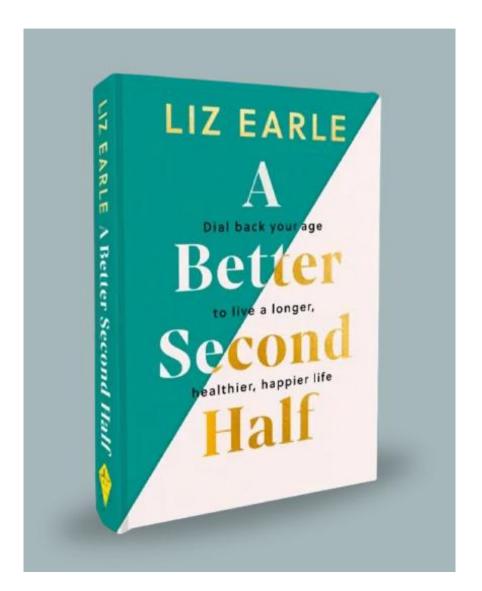
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# **HONORING** *AGING*

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# Consumers will embrace their aging journey

As consumer attitude around aging shifts and we see a stronger desire to celebrate the later years in life, consumers look to resources like <a href="Liz Earle">Liz Earle</a>—an advocate for aging better and embracing the second half of life through her blog, Liz Earle Wellbeing. The blog covers topics from beauty and aesthetics to menopause to travel and relationships, all in the context of aging. Her book, A Better Second Half, details ways people can focus on health and happiness to thrive and prosper in their later years.



### **HONORING** AGING

# Senior centers will create more opportunity for community socialization

With experts and life coaches emphasizing the importance of relationships and socialization as we age, senior community centers create more opportunities for their members to connect.

Seniors Out and Proud is a community support group of senior LGBTQ members in Southeast Utah. Founder Deb Hall states that LGBT seniors are "about four times more likely to be aging alone and are two times more likely to have never had a family," making this group an important and meaningful part of seniors' lives. The group gets together to fight discrimination and loneliness, and organizes social activities like kayaking, movie nights, biking, and more.



### **HONORING** AGING



## Retail will adapt to embrace the needs of seniors

In an effort to fight loneliness in the elderly community, Dutch supermarket **Jumbo** introduced a slow lane checkout for chatting called the Kletskassa, where customers can slow down and chat with the cashier while paying for groceries. The family-owned business with over 700 locations also opposes self-checkout stations in favor of face-to-face human interaction, and plans on opening chat corners for customers to socialize over coffee.



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#### EMBRACE THE GRAY

Consumers are embracing gray hair:
Google YoY searches for "gray blending"
were up +30.9%, as the popular gray
blending method helps consumers
seamlessly transition to growing out their
gray hair.



#### MATURE SKIN NEEDS

A growing aging population necessitates targeted solutions for mature skin needs: on Google, "mature skin makeup" experienced +21.5% YoY growth, while "mature skin" experienced +23.8% growth.



### MEDIA REPRESENTATION

There's a strong need for positive media representation for older demographics: the Golden Bachelor TV show, which focused on matchmaking for older adults, generated massive buzz on TikTik, amassing 7.3M monthly views.

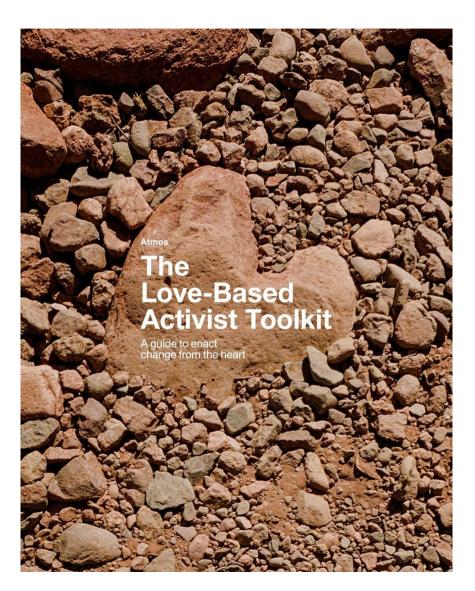
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## Activists will seek wellness toolkits

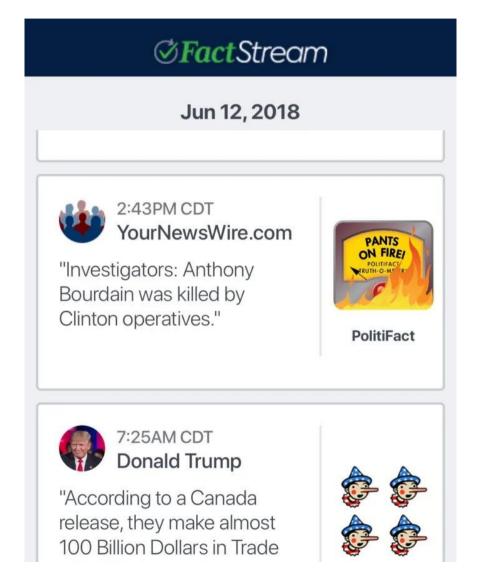
In a country of political dichotomy and injustice, the call for Love-Based Activism is crucial. The concept relies on three key pillars. The first pillar, Collective Care, establishes that everyone is cared for, as in order to care for others, one must begin by caring for themself. The second pillar, Transformative Justice, encourages peaceful protest, de-escalation, and a removal from violence. Finally, Radical Hope embraces a future of possibility and new opportunity, and to envision a future that everyone can strive for.



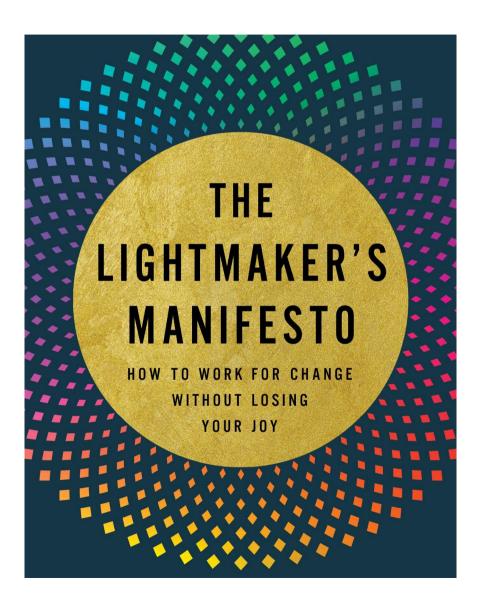
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# There will be a rise in resources to combat misinformation

FactStream and other fact-checking apps become more relevant as misinformation continues to be shared through social media and news outlets. The real-time fact checker uses data to prove or disprove statistics used by politicians on social media, and may even be used on live TV in the future as an automated feature during news reports. Fact checkers like this would not only relieve the public from fear-mongering, but also discourage reporters and politicians from spreading disinformation in the first place.



### THE ACTIVIST'S DILEMMA



# Activism will evolve to embrace intentional wellness practices

The Lightmaker's Manifesto by Karen Walrond helps activists find the issues they are most passionate about. The book has journal exercises, daily intention-setting, and reminders for self-compassion to shift into the practice of activism without losing joy throughout the process. It is a reminder that activism can bring purpose, passion, and joy to one's life, and doesn't have to become an exhausting and negative experience.



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#### ADDRESSING BURNOUT

Burnout is growing among activists, as we saw YoY Google searches for burnout continue to grow +2.5%, while on TikTok the term "activism burnout" saw 276.5 views, pointing to a need for coping strategies for those engaged in social justice.



#### **MISINFORMATION**

Google Analytics shows that searches for misinformation are trending upward, showing that the concept of misinformation is one of continued consumer interest in an era of deep fakes, Al-generated copies, and political mistruths.



### COMPASSION FATIGUE

"Compassion fatigue" is an emerging trend, as empathetic consumers struggle to keep up with near-contant socio-political turmoil: the search term experience +18.7% MoM growth on TikTok and +1.7% You growth on Google search.

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