# Mrs. MEYER'S.

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## **Agenda**

1. The situation

2. The problem

3. Our strategy

4. Questions

## **The Company**

- Inspired by Mrs. Thelma Meyer, a midwestern mother of 9
- The founder, her daughter, was frustrated with "conventional ingredients and sterile smells" in the cleaning aisle
- Created a line of aromatherapeutic cleaners to make cleaning your home "feel, and smell, delightful"



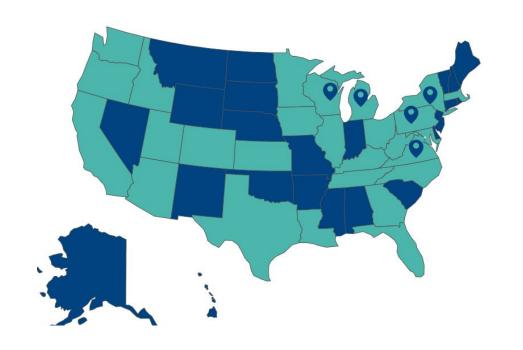
## The Household Cleaning Category

- Category growth: 1.3% per year since 2016
  - Movement within the category as consumer priorities shift to natural cleaning products
- Mrs. Meyer's surface cleaner sales have grown 26.75% per year on average since 2016
  - Biggest competitors: Seventh Generation and Honest Brand



## Research and Methodology

- Secondary Research
  - Mintel, MRI Simmons, Claritas
     360, QuantCast
- 16 Qualitative Interviews
  - Conducted via Zoom/Phone
- Online Survey
  - 134 Adult Female Respondents
  - o 89% Caucasian
  - 87% Living 2+ person HH
  - 40% Have children in HH



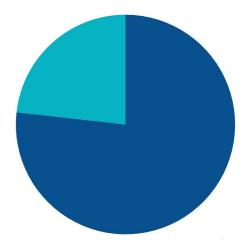
"If I were to describe a psychographic I'd say Mrs. Meyer's consumers are informed, healthy moms, or informed, healthy women, in general." -CEO Kevin Rutherford



# Women are the primary purchasers and users of cleaning products.

60% of married women still take sole responsibility for cleaning their homes

76% of married women take sole responsibility for buying cleaning products



Source: Mintel: Cleaning the House April 2020 Report

### The Consumer: Affluent, Suburban Woman

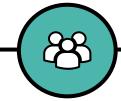


#### **Behavioral**

- Location: Suburban
- Retail Channel: Mass
- Basket Spend: : 10.8%
- Online Channel: Amazon
- Occasion: Fill-up/Stocking
- **Decision Process:** Researches first via social

media and advice from

friends/blogs



#### **Demographic**

- **Age:** 25-44
- Gender: Female
- **Ethnicity:** Caucasian
- **Occupation:** Homemaker
- **Income:** \$100,000+
- Family Size: 4+
- Marital Status: Married



#### **Psychographic**

- **Lifestyle:** Early accumulator, kids and cul-de-sac
- **Personality:** The Achiever
- Values: Family, health, success, authority
- **Interest:** The environment, cooking, DIY

## **Supermom Stephanie**



When she's not dropping her kids off at soccer practice or squeezing in a workout at Soulcycle, you can find Stephanie at your local Whole Foods. She's **willing to pay more** for high end cleaning supplies: products that are **safe** and **reliable** for herself, her home, and her family.

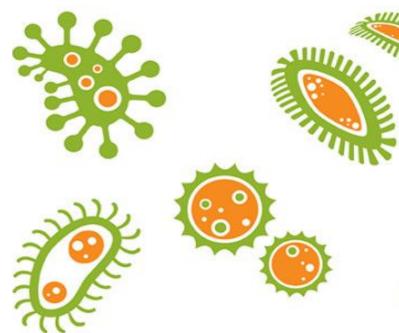
While she might seem a little high-strung, that's just because she is **fiercely protective** of those that she cares about. Stephanie **wants the best** for the people she loves—in their foods, in their cleaning products, and everywhere else in their daily lives.

#### **Behaviors & Motivations:**

- Raising a healthy family is her #1 priority
- Follows all the latest health food trends
- Cares about the environment and will only buy brands that share that belief

## What do consumers like Stephanie look for in a household cleaner?

- Top criteria when purchasing cleaning products:
  - Creating a germ free environment
  - Avoiding exposure to harsh chemicals
- Traditional disinfectants are inherently harsh, killing 99.9% of bacteria, so these priorities are contradictory.



#### **Problem:**

Covid-19 is disrupting the way that we clean—consumers are more anxious about germs than ever before, and are relying more on chemical cleaners to eliminate them

- 48% of consumers who previously bought natural cleaning products are shifting to traditional chemical disinfectants
- Mrs. Meyer's products do not have disinfecting capabilities, they just deal with "dirt and grime"

# Objective:

To compete more effectively with traditional disinfectants while retaining Mrs. Meyer's image as a natural product

# Strategy:

Show consumers that a healthy home is one that is balanced, not sterilized, and that Mrs. Meyer's is the only brand that fights germs without harming your family, the environment, or your five senses.

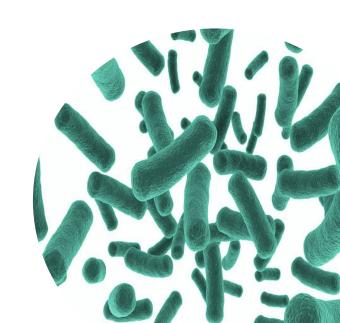
#### Recommendation: Introduce a Probiotic Surface Cleaner

- Mrs. Meyer's needs to introduce a germ-fighting product to meet evolving consumer demands
- Probiotic cleaners use live cultures to promote the growth of healthy bacteria and inhibit the growth of harmful bacteria
- Fight germs naturally, without wiping out 99.9% of microorganisms



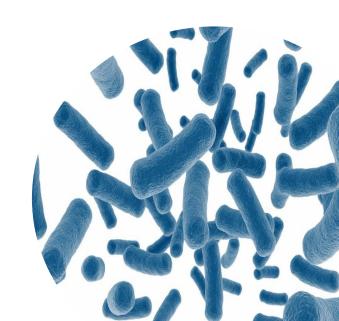
#### **Probiotic Cleaners are a Safer Alternative to Disinfectants**

- Children from homes that are regularly cleaned with sterilizing disinfectants had lower levels of healthy bacteria in their digestive tracts
- Alterations in the human microbiome have been linked to autoimmune disorders, digestive issues, obesity, and a number of other health concerns

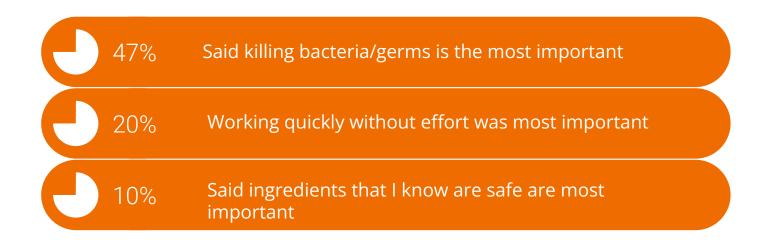


## **Probiotic Cleaners Don't Compromise on Effectiveness**

- A study in a dental facility showed that probiotic cleaners are not only as good but potentially more effective than traditional disinfectant cleaners at inhibiting harmful bacteria growth
- A second study, done in a hospital, showed probiotic cleaners result in lower levels of drug-resistant bacteria strains



## Killing Bacteria is of Utmost Importance



## 89% of Surveyed Consumers aren't Happy with their Current Cleaner



## **Current Positioning**

Natural Ingredients







**Non-Disinfectant** 

method





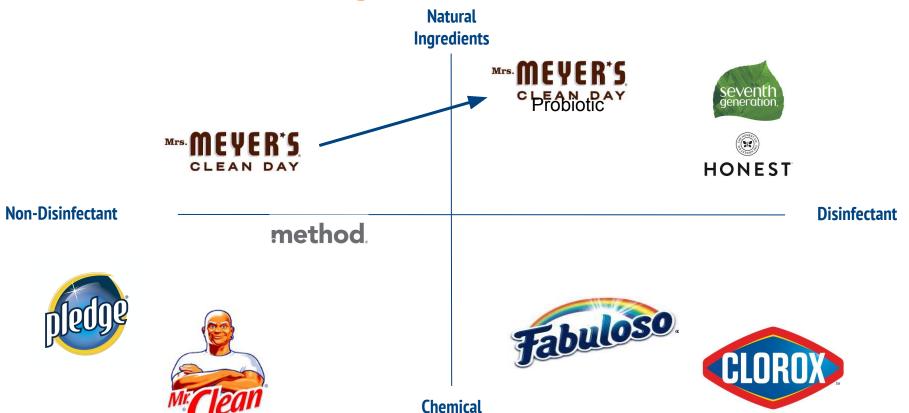




Disinfectant

**Chemical ingredients** 

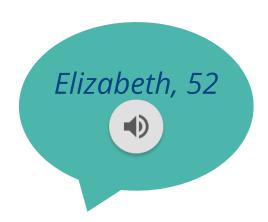
## **Probiotic Positioning**



ingredients

#### **How Consumers Perceive Bacteria vs. Probiotics**

- We need to encourage consumers to embrace probiotics as a form of germ-fighting
- Consumers view bacteria negatively in the context of cleaning, but associate
  probiotics with health—we want to build on that to show consumers that balance,
  not sterilization, makes a healthy home





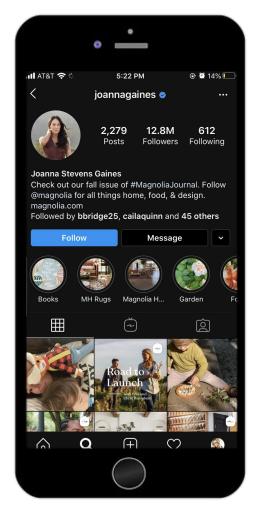
Source: Primary Research, Qualitative Interviews

## **Tactics**

- Introduce a Spokeswoman
- Educate via Branded Content
- Spread the Word on Social

### **Spokesperson: Joanna Gaines**

- Meyer's biggest competition, Seventh Generation and The Honest Company, have both seen success with spokespeople
- Joanna Gaines is a prominent figure on HGTV
- The average viewer of HGTV is an affluent caucasian suburban woman whose age ranges from 18-50.



#### **Branded Content**

- Sponsored articles to inform consumers about the benefits of probiotics
- "Listicle" format, clickbait title
- Placement on high-engagement digital platforms that are trusted by the target market (as identified by QuantCast)

## The MOMBEAT







#### **Social Media**

- Meyer's largest social media platform is Facebook, with over 750,000 followers
- Create a targeted social media campaign for Facebook that shows benefits of Probiotic cleaners vs
   Chemical disinfectant
- Deliverables: Print ads, short videos, and infographics that showcase the values of probiotics vs chemical cleaners



#### **Measurement Plan**

KPIs

Revenue and Market Share



Customer Usage Over Time (Retention)



Promo Channel Metrics (CTR, Bounce Rate)

**Feedback** 

Online Purchase Surveys (Amazon)



Internal Review (Retail Buyers)



Follow-up Survey of Market

## Questions?

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