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(57) Abstract: A nutraceutical composition containing 0.01-99% by weight polysaccharides enriched from an extract of beans of *Glycine max*(L.)Merr. Also disclosed are a method of enriching polysaccharides from pulverized beans of *Glycine max* (L.)Merr.; a polysaccharide having a backbone of α-(1,6)-linked glucose residues, and one or more galactose or mannose residues are bonded to the C-3 or C-4 position of one or more of the glucose residues by a (1,3)- or a (1,4)-linkage; and a method of treating a subject with such polysaccharides to increase blood cell counts.