**Table S1.** The energy and nutrient intake of Korean adults according to the level of energy intake from carbohydrate.

|                    | <45% than 45% (n = 527)      | 45–50% 50%<br>( n = 459) | 50–55%55%<br>( n = 740) | 55–60% 60%<br>( n = 1037) | 60–65%65%<br>( n = 1342) | 65–70% 70%<br>( n = 1281) | 70–75% 75%<br>( n = 1116) | ≥75%<br>(n=1064)      | p <sup>1</sup> |
|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                    | Mean ± SE                    |                          |                         |                           |                          |                           |                           |                       |                |
| Energy (kcal)      | $2292 \pm 45$ a <sup>2</sup> | $2156 \pm 42^{b}$        | $2090 \pm 34^{b}$       | $2053 \pm 28  ^{\rm b}$   | 1932 ± 22 °              | 1898 ± 23 °               | $1778 \pm 25$ d           | 1684 ± 26 e           | < 0.001        |
| Protein (g)        | 117.6 ± 2.7 a                | 99.7 ±2.2 b              | 91.4±1.8°               | 82.7 ± 1.2 <sup>d</sup>   | 73.9±0.9 e               | $67.3 \pm 0.9$ f          | $57.6 \pm 0.8 \mathrm{g}$ | $47.3 \pm 0.8  ^{h}$  | <0.001         |
| Fat (g)            | 105.9 ± 2.6 a                | 80.7±1.8 <sup>b</sup>    | 69.6±1.2°               | $59.9 \pm 0.9$ d          | 47.4 ± 0.6 °             | $38.9 \pm 0.5  ^{\rm f}$  | $29.0\pm0.4\mathrm{g}$    | 17.7 ± 0.3 h          | <0.001         |
| Vitamin A (µg RAE) | 543 ±44 a                    | $452\pm24^{ab}$          | 449±16 a                | $408\pm12~^{abc}$         | $416\pm24~^{ab}$         | 359 ± 11 bc               | 328 ± 10 °                | 267 ± 16 <sup>d</sup> | <0.001         |
| Thiamin (mg)       | 2.38 ± 0.08 a                | 2.01 ±0.05 b             | 1.95±0.04 <sup>b</sup>  | 1.87 ± 0.03 b             | 1.66 ± 0.02 °            | 1.63 ± 0.03 °             | 1.52 ±0.02 °              | $1.40 \pm 0.02$ d     | <0.001         |
| Riboflavin (mg)    | 2.09 ± 0.05 a                | 1.83 ± 0.05 b            | 1.78 ± 0.03 b           | 1.70 ± 0.02 b             | 1.55 ±0.02 °             | $1.44 \pm 0.02$ d         | 1.23 ± 0.02 e             | 0.99 ± 0.02 f         | <0.001         |
| Niacin (mg)        | 23.3 ±0.7 a                  | 19.9±0.5 <sup>b</sup>    | 19.3±0.4 <sup>b</sup>   | 17.1 ±0.3 °               | $15.0 \pm 0.2$ d         | 14.1 ±0.2 e               | 12.5 ± 0.2 <sup>f</sup>   | 11.0 ± 0.2 g          | <0.001         |
| Vitamin C (mg)     | $66 \pm 4^{d}$               | $69 \pm 3^{d}$           | $82\pm4$ bc             | 80 ±3 °                   | $80\pm3$ bc              | $86\pm4^{bc}$             | $89\pm4^{ab}$             | 101 ± 4 ª             | <0.001         |
| Calcium (mg)       | 529±17 <sup>b</sup>          | 545 ± 17 ab              | 536 ± 11 ab             | 553±11ª                   | 532±9ª                   | 502 ±8 b                  | 463±9 <sup>b</sup>        | 392±7°                | <0.001         |
| Iron (mg)          | $16.4 \pm 0.5$               | $16.7 \pm 0.5$           | $16.7 \pm 0.5$          | $15.7 \pm 0.3$            | $15.2 \pm 0.3$           | $14.8 \pm 0.3$            | $14.7 \pm 0.4$            | $13.5 \pm 0.3$        | 0.062          |

Note: The data were analyzed using the complex sample module. <45%: less than 45%, 45–50%: 45% to less than 50%, 50–55%: 50% to less than 55%, 55–60%: 55% to less than 60%, 60–65%: 60% to less than 65%, 65–70%: 65% to less than 70%, 70–75%: 70% to less than 75%, and  $\geq$ 75%: 75% or more. ¹ For energy by ANCOVA with sex and age as covariates. For the rest of nutrients by ANCOVA with total energy intake in addition to sex and age. ² Post-hoc test: Holm–Bonferroni, a > b > c > d > e > f > g > h.

**Table S2.** The food group intake of Korean adults according to the level of energy intake from carbohydrate.

|                        | <45%<br>(n=527)     | 45–50%<br>(n=459)          | 50-55%<br>(n=740)      | 55–60%<br>(n=1037) | 60–65%<br>(n=1342)     | 65–70%<br>(n=1281)       | 70–75%<br>(n=1116)        | ≥75%<br>( n = 1064)   | p 1     |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
|                        | Mean ± SE           |                            |                        |                    |                        |                          |                           |                       |         |
| Grains                 | 205±6 <sup>h2</sup> | 275±9g                     | $301\pm7^{\mathrm{f}}$ | 329 ± 6 e          | $325\pm4^{\mathrm{d}}$ | 348 ± 5 °                | 361 ±7 b                  | 372 ± 8 a             | < 0.001 |
| Meat·fish·eggs·legumes | 511 ± 13 a          | 422±15 <sup>b</sup>        | 377 ± 10 °             | 325 ±7 d           | 290 ± 6 e              | 265±7 <sup>f</sup>       | 217±7g                    | 151 ± 6 h             | < 0.001 |
| Vegetables             | 321 ± 10 °          | $337\pm14^{\rm \ ab}$      | $344\pm10~\text{ab}$   | 335 ± 9 ab         | 329 ±6 b               | 364 ±8 a                 | $354\pm8\mathrm{ab}$      | $345\pm10^{\rm \ ab}$ | < 0.001 |
| Fruits                 | 101 ±8 g            | $109 \pm 9^{ \mathrm{fg}}$ | $129\pm8^{\rm ef}$     | 161 ± 9 de         | $172\pm8^{cd}$         | 191 ±9 bc                | $207 \pm 10^{\mathrm{b}}$ | 295 ± 13 a            | < 0.001 |
| Dairy products         | 90 ±9 bcde          | 114 ±9 abc                 | 102 ± 6 bcd            | 111 ± 6 ab         | 104±5 abc              | $83 \pm 4$ <sup>cd</sup> | $66\pm4\mathrm{d}$        | 43±3°                 | < 0.001 |

Note: The data were analyzed using the complex sample module. <45%: less than 45%, 45–50%: 45% to less than 50%, 50–55%: 50% to less than 55%, 55–60%: 55% to less than 60%, 60–65%: 60% to less than 65%, 65–70%: 65% to less than 70%, 70–75%: 70% to less than 75%, and  $\geq$ 75%: 75% or more. ¹ By ANCOVA with sex, age and the total energy intake as covariates. ² Post-hoc test: Holm–Bonferroni, a > b > c > d > e > f > g > h.

**Table S3.** The biochemical indices of Korean adults according to the level of energy intake from carbohydrate.

|                                 | <45%<br>(n=527)       | 45–50%<br>(n=459)       | 50-55%<br>(n=740)      | 55–60%<br>(n=1037) | 60–65%<br>(n=1342)      | 65–70%<br>(n=1281) | 70–75%<br>(n=1116) | ≥75%<br>(n=1064)   | p 1    |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|
|                                 | Mean ± SE             |                         |                        |                    |                         |                    |                    |                    |        |
| Systolic blood pressure (mmHg)  | $114.3 \pm 0.6$       | $114.4 \pm 0.7$         | $113.9 \pm 0.4$        | 113.7±0.5          | $115.1 \pm 0.4$         | $116.0 \pm 0.4$    | 116.6±0.5          | 117.8±0.6          | 0.454  |
| Diastolic blood pressure (mmHg) | $76.3 \pm 0.5$        | $76.4 \pm 0.5$          | $76.2 \pm 0.4$         | $76.0 \pm 0.3$     | $76.3 \pm 0.3$          | $76.8 \pm 0.3$     | $77.2 \pm 0.3$     | $76.4 \pm 0.3$     | 0.094  |
| BMI (kg/m²)                     | $24.3 \pm 0.1$        | $23.7 \pm 0.2$          | $23.9 \pm 0.1$         | $23.8 \pm 0.1$     | $23.7 \pm 0.1$          | $23.9 \pm 0.1$     | $23.7 \pm 0.1$     | $23.9 \pm 0.1$     | 0.166  |
| Waist circumference (cm)        | $82.2 \pm 0.5$        | $81.2 \pm 0.5$          | $81.7 \pm 0.4$         | $81.4 \pm 0.3$     | $81.1 \pm 0.3$          | $81.9 \pm 0.3$     | $81.2 \pm 0.3$     | $81.9 \pm 0.4$     | 0.273  |
| Triglyceride (mg/100mL)         | $139 \pm 7$           | 141±8                   | 137±6                  | 136±4              | 135±3                   | 145±4              | $135 \pm 4$        | 143±3              | 0.897  |
| Total cholesterol (mg/100mL)    | 191 ± 1 <sup>a2</sup> | 193 ± 1 a               | $191\pm1{}^{ab}$       | 194±1 a            | 194±1 a                 | 196±1a             | $194\pm1{}^{ab}$   | 193±1 <sup>b</sup> | 0.005  |
| HDL-cholesterol (mg/100mL)      | 53.0 ± 0.5 a          | $52.9\pm0.6^{\rm \ ab}$ | $52.0\pm0.5^{\rm abc}$ | $52.2\pm0.4^{ab}$  | $52.4\pm0.4\mathrm{ab}$ | 51.1 ± 0.3 bc      | $51.3 \pm 0.4$ bc  | 50.3 ± 0.4 °       | <0.001 |
| LDL-cholesterol (mg/100mL)      | 117±4                 | 121 ± 4                 | 119±3                  | 115±2              | 123±2                   | 120±2              | 122±3              | 115±2              | 0.403  |
| Fasting glucose (mg/100mL)      | 95.5±0.9              | 96.4±0.8                | 95.8±0.6               | $96.2 \pm 0.6$     | 98.8±0.8                | $98.0 \pm 0.6$     | 98.1±0.6           | $102.6 \pm 1.0$    | 0.222  |

Note: The data was analyzed using the complex sample module. <45%: less than 45%, 45–50%: 45% to less than 50%, 50–55%: 50% to less than 55%, 55–60%: 55% to less than 60%, 60–65%: 60% to less than 65%, 65–70%: 65% to less than 70%, 70–75%: 70% to less than 75%, and  $\geq$ 75%: 75% or more. ¹ By ANCOVA with sex and age as covariates. ² Post-hoc test: Holm–Bonferroni, a> b > c.