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Aggressive Actions Needed to Avert Obesity Crisis

BY WILLIAM FALOON

The impending medical catastrophe caused by today’s obesity epidemic reminds me of the 1950s.

Back then, one scientific report after another confirmed the diseases inflicted by cigarette smoking. Yet it was not until 1964 that any kind of substantive step was taken to reduce tobacco consumption. Even today (46 years later), smoking remains a leading cause of premature death.

As deadly as cigarettes are, the explosive increase in the number of overweight/obese individuals is projected to create an even greater economic and health disaster.

Similar to the deferred effects of cigarette smoking, medical costs associated with obesity-related diseases are mostly postponed. This means that society has only begun to pay the enormous healthcare expenses that will accrue as overweight individuals succumb to cancer, vascular occlusion, kidney failure, diabetes, arthritis, early senility, and other illnesses.

The federal government’s meager steps to combat this calamity have failed. The evidence can be seen by the fact that nearly three times more Americans are obese today compared to 1960. A more startling statistic is that six times more Americans are morbidly obese (body mass index 40 and above) than in 1960.
Obese individuals (body mass index 30 and above) now comprise over one-third of the American population. Another one-third is overweight (body mass index of 25-29). The majority of Americans are thus destined to suffer higher incidences of degenerative diseases than this nation’s healthcare system can afford.

As it relates to longevity, excess body fat robs victims of quality and quantity of life. What you will be surprised to learn is that factors that underlie age-related weight gain also preclude the optimal expression of our longevity genes.

This issue of *Life Extension Magazine* describes validated methods aging people can use to simultaneously shed excess fat pounds, reduce disease risk, and turn on youth-promoting “longevity genes.”

**Doctors Fail to Recognize Obesity As a Multi-factorial Disorder**

The US Department of Agriculture released data showing that Americans consumed an extra 331 calories a day in 2006 compared to 1978.

If that number does not sound like a lot, just look how it quickly adds up. An extra 331 calories per day equals 2,317 calories each week or 120,000 extra calories in a year. This amount of excess food intake translates into roughly 34 pounds of stored body fat!

The government is using this data to explain why so many Americans suffer excess weight problems. The government only has the story partially right.

What is not recognized by conventional experts is that maturing humans lose the metabolic capacity to utilize even the limited number of calories they may be ingesting. When we use the term “metabolic capacity,” we are referring to a constellation of deleterious changes that arise during aging that predispose us to accumulate excess body fat.

A young person can eat a reasonable amount of food and efficiently convert these calories into energy with minimal residual fat storage. As that same person ages, they suffer a multitude of changes that impact body weight regulation such as hormone imbalance, insulin insensitivity, mitochondrial dysfunction, and decline in resting energy expenditure.

This means that even if we don’t consume a single calorie more at 45 years old compared to our food energy consumption at 25 years old, our aging physiology predisposes us to weight gain.

**Tackling the Problem Head On**

If there is one truth that has been learned over the past 30 years, it is that there is no “magic bullet” that singlehandedly can be counted on to reverse age-associated weight gain. An understanding of the mechanisms involved in excess fat storage reveals why the advice to “just eat less” is doomed to fail over the long term.

*Life Extension* has been on a multi-decade crusade to validate effective methods of inducing fat loss. We have identified nutrients, hormones, and drugs that have demonstrated efficacy in peer-reviewed scientific publications, yet are overlooked by mainstream physicians.

We have funded millions of dollars in laboratory and clinical research to develop formulations to combat the obesity-inducing factors that plague the aging population.

The public still does not understand, however, that weight gain is the result of a myriad of metabolic and physiologic factors. The encouraging news is that scientifically supported methods exist to correct many of the mechanisms that predispose us to accumulate excessive body fat.
Lacking until now has been a comprehensive program that enables doctors and patients to work together to design individualized programs that not only facilitate weight loss, but also reduce cardiovascular risk factors such as triglycerides, glucose, LDL, and C-reactive protein.

Even more fascinating is new evidence that a proper weight loss program can enhance the expression of our longevity genes. What this means is that aging humans now have a roadmap to lose unsightly body fat and slash disease risk, while adding healthy decades to their life spans.

Despite overwhelming documentation that age-associated weight gain can be reversed, no one has put all the pieces of the puzzle together until now.

**The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide**

*Life Extension* has accumulated hard data about why Americans are getting fatter every year and what scientific steps can be taken to help reverse this frightening trend.

We realized, however, the urgent need to amalgamate this information into a user-friendly book that can be utilized to target the multiple obesity factors aging humans face.

We are pleased to announce the publication of the *Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide*, a reference book that compiles the research and clinical trials our organization has painstakingly assembled over the past three decades.

This book will sell in stores for $29.95. As a *Life Extension®* member, we are discounting the price by 70%, so you pay only $8.99.

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**New Multi-Ingredient Powdered Drink Combats Several Weight Gain Inducers**

For many *Life Extension* members, the use of various nutrient formulas has been an important weight management tool. While thousands have used these products with success, some have not been able to achieve results.

As part of our ongoing clinical research, we set out to produce a powdered drink mix formula incorporating several proven fat-loss agents. The objective was to help our most treatment-resistant overweight members achieve their desired weight management goals—individuals who have previously tried innumerable weight management programs, nutrients, and pharmaceutical agents without success.

Furthermore, we wanted to test this new multi-ingredient powdered formula against a similar capsule formula to be certain that the powder formula with one new ingredient worked in treatment-resistant study subjects who previously failed to achieve their desired weight management results.

The findings were quite remarkable.

In treatment-resistant overweight study subjects, the new *Calorie Control Weight Management* powdered drink formula, mixed with water and consumed 15-30 minutes prior to the two largest meals of the day, generated, on average, 65% greater weight loss over 8 weeks in comparison
with treatment-resistant study subjects given the capsule form. [See Figure 1 below]

In addition to achieving greater mean (average) weight loss over the eight-week study period, treatment-resistant overweight and obese study subjects also achieved greater categorical weight loss. This meant that by week eight, 58% of treatment-resistant study subjects who consumed the new Calorie Control Weight Management powdered drink formula were able to lose greater than 10 pounds as compared with only 22% of those using the capsule formula. For the greater than 12 pounds threshold, the results were equally impressive for the new powdered formula, with 41% of study subjects losing greater than 12 pounds by week eight in comparison with only 11% given the capsule formula. [See Figure 2 and 3 on next page]

These results are all the more impressive because they occurred with treatment-resistant individuals who struggled with excess body weight and failed multiple past weight management programs, nutrients, and pharmaceutical interventions... yet were able to finally start achieving their weight management goals with this new Calorie Control Weight Management powdered drink formula.

Descriptions of the published scientific studies that support the ingredients in the new Calorie Control Weight Management Formula appear in the first article of this month's issue.

Rather than relying solely on clinical trials conducted by others, the Life Extension Foundation® went a step further and conducted our own open-label, randomized clinical study in treatment-resistant volunteers. Our findings support the benefits of the ingredients in the Calorie Control Weight Management Formula.

We now have a potent front-line weapon to be used in a comprehensive program to rid surplus fat pounds.
As a member of the Life Extension Foundation, you do not have to suffer from the blatant failings of our conventional institutions.

When you turn this page, you'll see a striking graphic highlighting 27 inducers of unwanted fat storage. The first article in this issue describes how the new Calorie Control Weight Management Formula attacks 12 of these 27 causes of weight gain, making it an important weapon in a comprehensive program to reduce body mass.

The article on page 50 describes the multiple beneficial effects that occur when aging men restore free testosterone to youthful ranges. Not only does testosterone facilitate reduction in abdominal fat, but it also reduces blood glucose levels by improving insulin sensitivity.

The article on page 68 outlines the importance of maintaining tight glucose control and reveals methods to not only lose weight, but to also turn on one’s youth-promoting longevity genes.

Every component of Life Extension’s weight loss protocols are supported by findings from the peer-reviewed scientific literature, yet conventional doctors and the federal government wallow in a state of ignorance as they desperately warn of an impending obesity crisis, but offer no practical approaches to avert it.

As you’ll learn in this issue of Life Extension Magazine, age-related weight gain is reversible when the multiple underlying inducers of obesity are thwarted.

For longer life,

William Falloon
The Multiple Factors Involved In Age-related Weight Gain

Many of you are familiar with a graphic we previously made titled the 17 Daggers of Arterial Disease. The purpose of this image was to show 17 correctable risk factors that predispose people to heart attack. To highlight 27 correctable inducers of age-associated obesity, we have created on the next page a new illustration that shows multiple daggers pointed at an obese torso. Any one of these obesity-inducers (daggers) can cause or contribute to surplus fat accumulation. In the real world, the cumulative effects of many of the following obesity inducers subjects aging individuals to uncontrolled weight gain:

1. Loss of leptin sensitivity (induces hunger and inhibits release of stored fat from adipocytes)¹¹⁻²⁴
2. Low adiponectin (increases fat storage in adipocytes and inhibits insulin sensitivity)²⁵,²⁶
3. Excess glycerol-3 phosphate dehydrogenase activity (facilitates conversion of glucose to stored fat—triglycerides—in adipocytes)²⁷
4. Excess amylase activity (digestive enzyme that enables dietary carbohydrates sugars to be rapidly absorbed)²⁸⁻³²
5. Excess lipase activity (enables too many dietary fats to be absorbed)²⁴,³³⁻³⁶
6. Excess calorie intake (overwhelms body's ability to use calories for energy production)³⁷⁻⁴¹
7. Postprandial hypertriglyceridemia (too much fat remaining in the blood long after meals)²⁶,⁴²
8. Postprandial hyperglycemia (too much glucose remaining in the blood long after meals)²⁶,³⁷,⁴³⁻⁴⁹
9. Deficient resting energy expenditure (enables fat accumulation in lieu of calorie burning)²⁴,⁵⁰
10. Elevated C-reactive protein (binds to leptin and neutralizes leptin's anti-obesity effects in the body)⁵¹
11. Loss of insulin sensitivity (inhibits utilization of glucose in energy producing cells and promotes excess fat storage in adipocytes)⁷⁶,⁵²⁻⁵⁴
12. Insufficient fiber intake (enables rapid rise in blood glucose after meals and postprandial hyperglycemia and hyperinsulinemia)⁵⁵⁻⁶⁰
13. Serotonin deficit (causes carbohydrate binging)⁵¹,⁶²
14. Testosterone deficit (men) (contributes to abdominal obesity)⁶³⁻⁶⁵
15. Estrogen-progesterone imbalance (women) (contributes to fat accumulation in waist-hips)⁷⁶
16. Thyroid deficit (precludes efficient cellular utilization of ingested calories)⁷⁷
17. Decreased physical activity (worsens insulin sensitivity and slows metabolic rate)⁶⁸⁻⁷⁰
18. Fasting hyperinsulinemia (precludes release of stored body fat and increases appetite)⁷¹⁻⁷³
19. Excess gluconeogenesis (causes chronically elevated glucose levels even when fasting)²⁶,⁷⁴⁻⁷⁶
20. Insomnia/insufficient sleep (contributes to hunger and insulin resistance)⁷⁷⁻⁷⁹
21. Polycystic ovary syndrome (women) (associated with weight gain, excess testosterone blood levels, and insulin resistance)⁸⁰⁻⁸²
22. Cortisol excess (contributes to increased appetite, insulin resistance, and visceral obesity)⁸⁵,⁸⁶
23. Medications (antidepressants, antipsychotics, anti-epileptics, corticosteroids, sulfonylureas, and beta blockers) (associated with insulin resistance and weight gain)⁸⁵,⁸⁶
24. Psychological dysfunction (e.g. binge eating, depression) (abnormal emotional and psychological patterns of eating that can lead to weight gain)⁷²,⁸⁷,⁸⁸
25. Insufficient vitamin D (associated with insulin insensitivity)⁸⁹⁻⁹¹
26. Poor dietary choices (chronically engorges blood stream with dangerous fats and sugars—often cooked at high temperatures—that bloat adipocytes)⁹²,⁹³
27. Excess glucosidase activity (digestive enzyme that facilitates conversion of ingested carbohydrates into blood glucose)⁹⁴,⁹⁵

The new Calorie Control Weight Management Formula helps neutralize the first 12 on this list of 27 obesity inducers, representing an important initial step to correcting pathologic mechanisms that predispose to age-induced weight gain.

The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide provides a comprehensive roadmap that overweight and obese humans can follow to circumvent other obesity inducers to not only shed body fat, but also add quality years to their life span.

For example, men with low free testosterone levels may find it impossible to lose significant inches off their abdomen. In women, excess testosterone has the opposite effect and can create abdominal obesity. Fortunately there are low-cost medications that can safely increase free testosterone in men and decrease it in women. These are all fully described in the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide book available at the member discount price of $8.99 by calling 1-800-544-4440.
This image depicts daggers aimed at an obese torso. Any one of these obesity-inducers (daggers) can cause or contribute to surplus fat accumulation. The cumulative effects of these obesity inducers subjects aging individuals to uncontrolled weight gain.


AS WE SEE IT


Diminished cellular energy production is an inevitable consequence of aging. As adults mature, the cellular power plants known as the mitochondria become dysfunctional. The resulting slowdown in energy production manifests in numerous health problems.

Nutritional researchers have discovered that the amino acid carnitine promotes the burning of fat for fuel in the mitochondria, thus promoting youthful levels of cellular energy production.* Researchers have now identified several optimized, next-generation forms of carnitine that not only help boost cellular energy production, but also may confer targeted benefits for the brain, heart, muscles, and central nervous system.

Optimized Carnitine with GlycoCarn® combines these advanced forms of carnitine—acetyl-L-carnitine, glycine propionyl-L-carnitine, and acetyl-L-carnitine arginate—in a single formula that provides balanced, broad-spectrum support for cellular energy production throughout the body.

Acetyl-L-carnitine readily crosses the blood-brain barrier to combat oxidative stress and promote energy production in critical brain and central nervous system tissues. Acetyl-L-carnitine also supports healthy brain function by stimulating the release of acetylcholine and dopamine, two neurotransmitters that play vital roles in brain health and communication.*

Acetyl-L-carnitine arginate has an added molecule of arginine that enables it to augment the effects of acetyl-L-carnitine, promoting the growth of neurites that facilitate communication among nerve cells in the brain. GlycoCarn® is a patented form of glycine propionyl-L-carnitine that quickly penetrates into heart, endothelial, and muscle cells, with effects that range from protecting heart muscle from lack of blood flow to combating muscle fatigue by increasing muscle energy stores of glycogen.

Two capsules of Optimized Carnitine with GlycoCarn® provide:

- Acetyl-L-Carnitine HCl 800 mg
- ArginoCarn® Acetyl-L-Carnitine Arginate Di-HCl 300 mg
- GlycoCarn® Glycine Propionyl-L-Carnitine HCl 300 mg

A bottle of 60 vegetarian capsules of Optimized Carnitine with GlycoCarn® retails for $29. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to only $19.58 per bottle.

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Inflammatory conditions debilitate millions of adults, resulting in restricted mobility and reduced strength. Inflamed joints can lead to extensive damage to surrounding connective tissues, which causes the hands, feet, and arms to become painful, swollen and stiff.

While conventional methods can produce side effects, Arthro-Immune Joint Support from Life Extension® combines two clinically proven plant extracts into one powerful formula to help those suffering from inflammation.

*Andrographis paniculata* has received acclaim for its beneficial effect on inflammation. A Chilean study involved 60 adults who took either 150 mg *andrographis extract* a day or a placebo. Those taking the extract showed dramatic improvement of several outcomes, including fewer numbers of tender and/or swollen joints. For joints that remained tender and/or swollen, the intensity was lessened.

*Curcumin* is a compound that is universally recognized for its impressive antioxidant and fluid-regulating properties. In an as-yet-unpublished double-blind clinical trial, an enhanced absorbing curcumin was shown to have a beneficial effect on inflammation.

Life Extension’s Arthro-Immune Joint Support contains PARACTIN® *Andrographis extract*, which has been used in clinical, animal and in vitro studies that have demonstrated its efficacy in combating inflammation. It also contains BCM-95® *Bio-Curcumin*, which is considered the gold standard curcumin, with bioavailability far superior to that of most curcumin extracts.

Life Extension’s Arthro-Immune Joint Support provides scientifically validated plant extracts that have been shown to have significant salutary effects on tender or swollen joints. Just one capsule a day provides a potent serving of PARACTIN® and BCM-95® *Bio-Curcumin*. A bottle of 60 capsules retails for $30. When a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to only $20.25 per bottle.

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IN THE NEWS

US Obesity Growing at an Alarming Rate

As this issue of *Life Extension Magazine*® was being prepared to go to press, a new report was published stating that US obesity is growing “faster than anyone imagined.”*

One of the more staggering statistics revealed in the report is that the number of states where 30% of the population is obese tripled between 2007 and 2009, going from three states to nine. Dr. Thomas Frieden, the head of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) told reporters that “less than a decade ago, in 2000, not a single state had an obesity prevalence of 30% or higher.”

Even more disappointing is that health officials had recently set a goal to slash the obesity rate by 15% or more. Rather than achieving that goal, the opposite has happened, and 2.4 million adults have been added to the swelling ranks of the obese population.

Obesity, which is defined as having a body mass index over 30 (calculated by dividing a person’s weight in kilograms by their height in squared meters), puts people at greater risk for severe health problems.

In addition, there is a tremendous economic cost, as medical expenditures associated with the condition are estimated to be around $147 billion annually.

Bill Dietz, director of the CDC’s division of nutrition, physical activity, and obesity, said in a news conference that “the availability and consumption of high calorie foods along with a more sedentary lifestyle has led to the epidemic.”

—Jon Finkel

Panel Advocates Action Plan to Avert Aging Tsunami

A panel of luminaries in the field of gerontology convened to urge the translation of findings in the field of aging into therapeutic agents that can benefit the world’s growing population of older people. Their report was published in Science Translational Medicine.*

In order to prevent a global aging crisis caused by a greater proportion of older individuals and the resulting increases in medical costs and social challenges, the panel advocates the collaboration of a number of countries in an initiative to translate laboratory findings on aging into agents that will improve older men and women’s lives.

“In the case of late-life intervention in human age-related degeneration, what we can be certain of today is that a policy of aging as usual will lead to enormous humanitarian, social and financial costs,” the authors conclude. “To realize any chance of success, the drive to tackle biological aging head-on must begin now.”

Editor’s note: The Life Extension Foundation has been urging such an effort since the early 1980s.

—D. Dye

Reduced Vitamin D Levels Linked to Cognitive Decline

A study published in the Archives of Internal Medicine found a greater risk of cognitive decline in older individuals with vitamin D insufficiency compared to those with sufficient levels.*

Researchers analyzed data from more than 850 men and women who participated in the InCHIANTI study from 1998 to 2006. The team found that subjects who were severely deficient in vitamin D upon enrollment were 60% more likely to experience significant cognitive decline as well as 31% likelier to develop reductions in mental flexibility compared to those with sufficient levels. “This is the first study to identify a clear link between low vitamin D levels and cognitive decline,” announced lead researcher Dr. David J. Llewellyn of the University of Exeter. “Previous research has been cross-sectional but we have now been able to demonstrate a connection between having low levels of vitamin D and going on to develop cognitive problems.”

Editor’s note: The authors observe that “supplements are inexpensive and safe and have already been shown to reduce the risk of falls, fractures and death.”

—D. Dye

Low Vitamin D Levels Can Predict Parkinson’s Disease

A recent issue of the Archives of Neurology reported the finding of a correlation between reduced blood levels of vitamin D and an increased risk of developing Parkinson’s disease.*

The study included 3,173 participants in the Mini-Finland Health Survey who were free of Parkinson’s disease between 1978 and 1980. Over the 29 year follow-up period, 50 subjects were diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease. Those whose serum vitamin D levels were among the top 25% of the subjects had one-third the adjusted risk of developing Parkinson’s disease than that of subjects whose vitamin D levels were among the lowest fourth.

The investigation is the first longitudinal study to demonstrate an association between having low levels of vitamin D and going on to develop Parkinson’s disease. “In intervention trials focusing on effects of vitamin D supplements, the incidence of Parkinson disease merits follow up,” the authors conclude.

Editor’s note: Although the exact mechanisms by which vitamin D helps protect against Parkinson’s disease are not understood, the vitamin has shown neuroprotective effects via antioxidative mechanisms, immunomodulation, enhanced nerve conduction, and other means.

—D. Dye


* Arch Neurol. 2010;67(7):808-11.
Many Risks Associated with Acid-Suppressing Medications

Proton pump inhibitors (PPIs), a common type of medication that suppresses acid in the stomach, have been linked to several risks in studies published in the *Archives of Internal Medicine.* The studies, and accompanied editorials, are part of the journal’s new series, “Less is More,” which highlights areas where measures of health are worse when patients receive more health services.

In the studies, researchers found that PPIs were associated with increased risk of fractures in postmenopausal women and an increase in *Clostridium difficile infection* (a cause of severe diarrhea). They also found that high-dose PPIs do not appear to be associated with reduced rates of additional bleeding, surgical intervention or death in patients with bleeding ulcers when compared with regular PPI therapy.

“What is important is that 60-70% of persons taking proton pump inhibitors don’t need these medications,” Mitchell Katz, MD, Director of Health for the San Francisco Department of Public Health told *Life Extension.* “Were it an issue of cost alone, it would not be so serious a problem. But the articles published in the *Archives of Internal Medicine* demonstrate that in addition to an increased risk of pneumonia, a well known side effect of PPIs, these medications are also associated with other side effects including bone fractures and *C. difficile* diarrhea. While it is true that all medications have side effects, there is no level of side effects that is acceptable when you don’t actually need the medication.”

—Marc Ellman, MD


Long-Term Antioxidant Supplementation Improves Arterial Health

An article in *Nutrition and Metabolism* reports the outcome of a trial which found that supplementing with four antioxidants improved arterial elasticity and HDL cholesterol while reducing hemoglobin A1c in men and women at risk of cardiovascular disease.*

Reuven Zimlichman and colleagues enrolled 70 patients who had at least two of the following risk factors: high blood pressure, diabetes, low HDL cholesterol, or cigarette smoking. Participants were randomized to daily supplementation with vitamin C, vitamin E, selenium and coenzyme Q10, or a placebo for 6 months.

HDL-cholesterol increased and blood pressure and HbA1c were reduced compared to baseline levels among those who received antioxidants while remaining unchanged in those who received a placebo. Arterial elasticity also improved in the antioxidant-supplemented group.

“The findings of the present study justify investigating the overall clinical impact of antioxidant treatment in patients with multiple cardiovascular risk factors,” Dr. Zimlichman concluded.

Editor’s note: Life Extension members have been taking these nutrients for years, if not decades. —D. Dye


High Antioxidant Diet Improves Insulin Sensitivity

The Endocrine Society’s 92nd Annual Meeting was the site of a presentation of the results of a study involving adults with metabolic syndrome which found an improvement in insulin resistance among participants who received a diet enriched with antioxidant nutrients.*

The study included 16 men and 13 women aged 18 to 66 years with insulin resistance and obesity. All participants received 1,500 calories per day for three months. Half of the participants’ diets contained fruits and vegetables that provide high amounts of antioxidant nutrients. The subjects were further divided into groups that received or did not receive 1,000 milligrams per day of the drug metformin, which improves insulin sensitivity in patients with type 2 diabetes.

While all participants experienced similar decreases in body mass index, only those that received the antioxidant-enriched diet had significant reductions in insulin resistance, with the greatest benefits observed in those who also received metformin.

Editor’s note: The ability of antioxidants to help reduce oxidative stress may help protect against a number of conditions, including metabolic syndrome.

—D. Dye

New Research Contributes to the Understanding of How I3C Blocks Cancer Cells

An article published online in the journal Cancer Prevention Research clarifies the role of indole-3-carbinol (I3C), a compound metabolized from broccoli and Brussels sprouts, in preventing several types of cancer.*

Xianghong Zou and colleagues at Ohio State University describe the results of experiments with three human breast cancer cell lines which determined that I3C destroys Cdc25A, a molecule essential for cell division and proliferation. In another experiment, Dr. Zou’s team tested the effect of oral I3C supplementation in mice implanted with breast cancer tumors and found a 65% average reduction in tumor size.

“I3C can have striking effects on cancer cells, and a better understanding of this mechanism may lead to the use of this dietary supplement as an effective and safe strategy for treating a variety of cancers and other human diseases associated with the overexpression of Cdc25A,” Dr. Zou concluded.


Healthy Diet Lowers Cataract Risk in Women

Women who eat healthier have a lower chance of developing nuclear cataracts, according to new results from the Women’s Health Initiative Observational Study.* Nuclear cataracts are the most common type of cataract for which surgery is performed in the United States.

Julie Mares, PhD, of the University of Wisconsin in Madison, and colleagues followed nearly 2,000 women aged 55 to 86 and compared their answers on a food questionnaire to their development of nuclear cataracts. Higher food scores went to those participants who ate more grains, vegetables, fruit, milk, meat, beans, fish, and eggs. Lower scores were given to those who consumed more total fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium.

The researchers found that being above the 20th percentile for diet scores that reflect adherence to the US dietary guidelines at the time of the study (1995), had a 37% lower risk for nuclear cataracts after adjusting for other nondietary risk factors.

“In conclusion, this study adds to the body of literature suggesting that healthy diets are associated with lower risk for cataract,” the authors concluded. “Diet was the strongest risk factor related to reduced risk of nuclear cataract in this sample of postmenopausal women. Smoking and obesity were also contributors. Lifestyle improvements that include healthy diets, smoking cessation, and avoiding obesity may substantively lower the need for an economic burden of cataract surgery in aging American women.”


Meta-Analysis Confirms that Eating Nuts Lowers Cholesterol

A meta-analysis of 25 previously published studies confirmed the positive effects of eating nuts on blood lipids.* The studies encompassed more than 500 participants in seven countries. All the studies compared a control group to a group assigned to consume nuts and none of the participants were taking cholesterol-lowering medications.

Combining the findings, the researchers found that eating an average of 2.3 ounces of nuts daily (67 g, about 1/3 cup) produced the following results: total blood cholesterol was lower by 5.1%, LDL (“bad”) cholesterol was lower by 7.4%, the LDL/HDL (“bad to good”) cholesterol ratio was lower by 8.3%, and the total cholesterol/HDL ratio was lower by 5.6%. In those participants with higher than normal blood triglycerides (greater than 150 mg/dL), nut consumption reduced triglyceride levels by 10.2%.

“The effects of nut consumption were dose related, and different types of nuts had similar effects on blood lipid levels,” the authors wrote. “Increasing the consumption of nuts as part of an otherwise prudent diet can be expected to favorably affect blood lipid levels (at least in the short term) and have the potential to lower coronary heart disease risk.”

Scientists have identified specific extracts from cruciferous vegetables—such as broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage and Brussels sprouts—that help maintain healthy hormone levels. Maintaining optimal hormone balance is essential to any anti-aging strategy. **Triple Action Cruciferous Vegetable Extract** combines these plant extracts into the most comprehensive food-based, plant compilation for cell protection yet.

**I3C** (*indole-3-carbinol*) and **DIM** (*di-indolyl-methane*) favorably modulate estrogen metabolism and induce liver detoxification enzymes to help neutralize potentially harmful estrogen metabolites and xenoestrogens (potentially toxic, estrogen-like environmental chemicals).\(^1\)\(^-\)\(^4\)

Extracts of **broccoli**, **watercress**, and **rosemary** provide glucosinolates, isothiocyanates, carnosic acid, and carnosol—bioactive compounds that have a multitude of favorable effects on estrogen metabolism and cell division.\(^5\)\(^-\)\(^8\) **Apigenin**, a powerful plant flavonoid found in plants such as parsley and celery, is also added to the formula to boost cell protection,\(^9\)\(^-\)\(^\) while 25 mg of a natural source of benzyl isothiocyanate (BITC), are included to maintain cell health.\(^10\)

For those weighing less than 160 pounds, just one capsule a day provides optimal potencies. Those weighing over 160 pounds should consider taking two capsules a day. A 60-capsule bottle of **Triple Action Cruciferous Vegetable Extract** retails for $24. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to only **$16.50 per bottle**.

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REVERSE
Age-Related
WEIGHT GAIN
Our aging body cannot handle the same number of calories it did in youth. This is evidenced not only by excess body fat storage, but also higher glucose, triglyceride, and cholesterol levels seen in maturing individuals.

A consistent finding in the scientific literature reveals that compounds that induce weight loss also facilitate beneficial reductions in blood glucose, triglycerides, and cholesterol.

These studies provide a strong rationale for controlling the consumption and absorption of excess calories by taking the proper supplements before the two heaviest meals of the day.

An agent of particular interest in this category is called propolmannan. By maintaining its viscous structure throughout the digestive tract, propolmannan can decrease appetite and help impede the absorption of ingested calories.1,2

What does this translate into as far as weight loss? In placebo-controlled human studies, those taking propolmannan before meals lost 5.5 to 7.92 pounds after eight weeks without changing their diets. The placebo groups in these studies showed no significant weight loss. The propolmannan groups also showed reductions in blood lipid/glucose levels.1,3

We understand that most aging people today need to shed more than seven pounds of body fat. That is why propolmannan has been included in a new powder mix that contains three additional ingredients that have demonstrated weight loss effects of 8 to 30 pounds in controlled human trials, along with substantial reductions in waist circumferences.4–6

In the propolmannan studies, human subjects were told not to change their usual diet (no restrictive diet or exhaustive exercise)—and they still lost weight. Life Extension®, on the other hand, advocates aging individuals follow dietary patterns aimed at reducing overall calorie intake.

In a pilot trial on overweight individuals who had failed all other weight loss programs, those who took a low dose of propolmannan combined with three other ingredients in a powder mix before meals lost on average almost 12 pounds after eight weeks.

If you are seeking to lose weight, identify a program you can adhere to over the long term. By taking compounds before meals that decrease appetite, impede absorption of carbohydrates-lipids and control regulators of body fat storage, the benefits of a calorie-control program can be substantially augmented.

This article describes the human clinical research conducted on four proprietary nutrients that resulted in significant reductions in weight and abdominal fat. > >
For years, nutrition scientists experimented with different types of dietary fibers that absorb many times their own weight.

The problem with these fibers is that they contain enzymes used by the original, living plant for its own well being. During digestion, these enzymes cause the fiber sponge to break apart and lose its ability to mop up excess calories. The result is that excess calories readily absorb into the bloodstream and too often convert to surplus body fat stores.\(^1,2\)

So while these fibers provide some benefit of early satiety, they do not always maintain their structure long enough to remain intact in the stomach and small intestines.

A proprietary process has been developed that removes these enzymes so that the absorbent fiber sponges do not break down in the digestive tract.\(^7-11\) This enables this specialized fiber to block some excess calories from being absorbed until they are eliminated from the body.

The Role of Bile Acids in Dietary Fat Absorption

**Bile acids** are excreted from the liver into the small intestine where they facilitate the absorption of dietary fats into the bloodstream. The absorption of dietary fats is dependent on bile acids and the lipase enzyme.

An intact soluble fiber binds to bile acids in the small intestine, thus helping to impede absorption of dietary fats (while simultaneously reducing serum LDL and cholesterol).

Specially processed, propolmannan is a polysaccharide fiber derived from a plant that grows only in the remote mountains of Northern Japan. Propolmannan is patented in 33 countries as a purified fiber that does not break down in the digestive tract.

Published studies reveal propolmannan’s ability to not only increase the amount of bile acids in the feces, but also reduce the rate of carbohydrate absorption and the subsequent glucose/insulin spike in the blood. When propolmannan is taken before meals, consistent and significant reductions in blood triglyceride, LDL, and cholesterol are observed.\(^2\)

Some people might think that by reducing the body’s dietary load, propolmannan by itself would induce substantial weight reduction. Unfortunately, our aging bodies do not convert calories into energy production the same way we did in youth. We instead have a biological propensity to store even the reduced numbers of calories we may be ingesting. That is why while propolmannan can help impede the consumption and absorption of ingested calories, in practical terms it represents only one important component of a comprehensive weight management program.
Scientific Studies Backing Propolmannan

There are so many questionable weight loss products claiming “miraculous” results that overweight people might view propolmannan by itself as being inferior because it does not make fat people thin.

The reality is that when used in conjunction with a healthful diet and lifestyle, propolmannan can accelerate weight loss and in the process, help normalize excess levels of lipids and glucose in the blood.

In a clinical study conducted on young obese individuals, subjects were not asked to make any changes in their diet except for the addition of 1 gram of propolmannan before each of the day’s three meals. After eight weeks, subjects lost an average of 9.44 pounds. The placebo group only lost an average of 1.69 pounds. The propolmannan group also whittled their waistlines by more than an inch.

In a second study, adults taking propolmannan experienced significant reductions in blood lipid levels. Propolmannan-supplemented individuals dropped cholesterol by 21.7 (mg/dL), triglycerides by 23.4 (mg/dL) and LDL by 15.0 (mg/dL). In the placebo group, cholesterol and LDL increased while triglycerides showed only a small decline.1 (See chart 1 above.)

In this adult study where participants were not asked to alter their eating habits, those taking propolmannan lost an average of 5.5 pounds after eight weeks, compared to no significant weight change in the placebo group.1

In a similar study where subjects were allowed to eat anything they wanted, those taking propolmannan lost 7.92 pounds compared to no significant weight changes in the placebo arm of the study.3 (See chart 2 below.)

These and other studies document that humans taking propolmannan experience weight loss and improvements in blood lipids compared to those taking placebo.3,13,14

One challenge is getting overweight and obese individuals into the habit of taking calorie-blocking agents like propolmannan before most meals. When one understands the urgent need to protect their body against the lethal effects of excess calorie intake, the argument for taking low-cost supplements like propolmannan become much more compelling.

Propolmannan is one component of a new metabolic management powder drink mix designed to be taken before the two heaviest meals of the day.
Neutralize Your Carbohydrate-absorbing Enzyme

In response to eating a large meal, people gain fat pounds because of the rapid rise in blood glucose and the subsequent insulin spike. This elevation in blood glucose contributes to the synthesis of fat on our bodies (and triglycerides in our blood).

Large meals overload the bloodstream with calories and later cause a rebound increase in appetite when blood sugar levels plummet in response to excess release of insulin. One way of impeding this after-meal glucose-insulin surge is to take nutrients before meals that neutralize a carbohydrate-degrading enzyme called alpha-amylase.

UCLA School of Medicine researchers have successfully used extracts from the white kidney bean (Phaseolus vulgaris) to target alpha-amylase. In a study of 30 obese adults, half took either a placebo or Phaseolus vulgaris extract. After eight weeks, those taking the Phaseolus vulgaris extract lost 3.8 pounds in weight, and more importantly 1.5 inches of abdominal fat.¹⁷

The group taking the Phaseolus vulgaris also had a three-fold reduction in triglyceride levels compared

Propolmannan

- A pharmaceutical grade dietary fiber made from a tuberous plant, *Amorphophallus japonica*, has an extraordinary ability to absorb ingested fats and carbohydrates and block their digestion.
- Propolmannan is many times more effective than typical glucomannan products made from Konjac, a tuber of the same species used in propolmannan.
- Propolmannan can also diminish appetite, improve blood lipids, and reduce inflammation.
- In numerous clinical studies, even without caloric restriction or other dietary changes, propolmannan has been shown to produce almost eight pounds of weight loss in adults after 8 weeks.
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What Differentiates Propolmannan from Glucomannan

Konjac glucomannan is a similar plant to propolmannan. They both are of the Amorphophallus genus that is used in Asian cuisine to thicken sauces, make fruit jellies, and to create konyaku, a stretchy noodle that is popular in Japan. Konjac glucomannan, however, does not yield the extraordinarily high quality material that makes propolmannan so effective.

Many health claims have been made for Konjac glucomannan. But only by starting with the superior propolmannan of A. japonica and completely removing its catabolic enzymes does the resulting highly soluble and highly viscous fiber in propolmannan gain the ability to remain intact in the digestive tract, where it can form a sponge that binds to bile acids and impedes dietary fat absorption.2,11,16

This sponge function not only decreases appetite, but delays the emptying of food from the stomach into the small intestines, slowing down the influx of carbohydrates and fats into the bloodstream. This slower rate of gastric emptying helps keep blood sugar levels more stable than the typical sharp peaks after carbohydrate foods are eaten.2

As you will read on page 68 of this issue, reducing postprandial (after-meal) glucose spikes promotes the beneficial expression of longevity genes observed in organisms that are calorie restricted.

Both groups were placed on a 2,000–2,200/day-calorie diet. After only 30 days, those taking Phaseolus vulgaris lost 6.5 pounds of weight and 1.2 inches in waist size compared with 0.8 pounds and 0.2 inches in the placebo group.18

As we age, it becomes increasingly difficult to keep the belly fat off. At the same time, we are challenged to keep blood glucose levels in optimal ranges (which are around 80 mg/dL). The exploding rates of type 2 diabetes and obesity are a testament to the dual problem of weight gain caused by the absorption of too many simple carbohydrate calories.

It makes sense for those seeking to lose weight to take Phaseolus vulgaris, which is why it is contained in a new powder mix designed to be taken before the two largest meals of the day.

Take Control of Your Fat-regulating Factors

Fat cells (called adipocytes) secrete leptin, a hormone that tells your brain you’ve eaten enough. Leptin also facilitates the breakdown of stored (triglyceride) fat in our adipocytes.19,20

Overweight people have higher blood levels of leptin, indicating their cells have become resistant to the leptin that enables thin people to not put on so many fat pounds.21-23

Irvingia gabonensis is a West African plant extract that has been shown to help support leptin sensitivity in overweight people. When study subjects take Irvingia, their leptin levels drop, indicating that their cells are picking up the leptin and utilizing its beneficial fat-regulating properties. Study subjects taking Irvingia report consuming fewer calories, which makes sense, based on the enhanced leptin sensitivity brought about by this plant extract.6

Researchers know that more than leptin sensitivity is involved in Irvingia’s weight loss abilities. It turns out that Irvingia also has alpha-amylase-inhibiting properties similar to Phaseolus vulgaris. Inhibiting amylase helps slow the rate of carbohydrate absorption, thus reducing the caloric impact of starchy-sugary foods.
Scientific data suggests that Irvingia also helps support healthy adiponectin levels. Adiponectin is a hormone that helps maintain insulin sensitivity of energy-producing cells. Large fat cells found on overweight people produce less adiponectin. These means these individuals need to be concerned about maintaining enough adiponectin to support insulin sensitivity, something normally lost as we age.

The majority of body fat consists of triglycerides that are stored in our fat cells. A reason that weight loss and triglyceride reduction go hand-in-hand is that triglycerides make up the bulk of our fat storage. We get triglycerides directly from the fat we eat and also from conversion of excess glucose in our blood to triglycerides that is stored in fat cells.

Glucose is converted to triglycerides storage in fat cells by an enzyme called glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase. Irvingia inhibits glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, thus reducing the amount of ingested sugars that are converted to body fat.

So Irvingia functions to reduce stored body fat by:
1. Up-regulating the expression of adiponectin, thereby improving insulin sensitivity.
2. Restoring the dual weight control effects of leptin.
3. Inhibiting the glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, thereby reducing fatty acid storage in fat cells.
4. Inhibiting alpha-amylase, thus reducing the amount of ingested starches that will be absorbed as glucose.

The most impressive published study on Irvingia demonstrated beneficial effects on leptin blood levels, followed by a weight loss of over 20 pounds on average in 10 weeks. This kind of impressive result, however, has not consistently been shown in those who take Irvingia by itself.

Irvingia is included in the new powdered drink mix formula to better enable people to control critical fat regulators (leptin, adiponectin, and glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase) while also further inhibiting the amylase enzyme.

**Triple the Weight Loss Effects of Calorie Reduction**

As we age, we lose the ability to efficiently burn ingested food as energy. The result of excess calorie intake is unwanted body fat stores.

The encouraging news is that a proprietary green tea delivery system has been documented to substantially enhance the weight loss effects of eating healthier—while also trimming belly fat.

Green tea’s weight loss benefits are attributed to polyphenol compounds that increase metabolic energy expenditure and calorie burning. The problem is getting a sufficient amount of green tea’s polyphenols absorbed into the blood.

A group of researchers created a proprietary green tea phytosome that increased the capacity of polyphenols to be absorbed into the blood.

In a human study using this green tea phytosome, the weight-loss effects were greater than for any other compound we have ever observed. This study involved 100 overweight subjects. Half received the green tea phytosome. Both groups were placed on reduced calorie diets of approximately 1,850 calories/day for men and 1,350 calories/day for women. This is not a starvation diet (especially for the men).
After three months on the reduced calorie diet the control group lost 9.9 pounds. The group taking the green tea phytosome, however, lost 30.1 pounds. This was triple the weight loss seen in the control group who did not receive the green tea phytosome.

There was a 10% reduction in the abdominal fat pad in the green tea phytosome group compared with only 5% reduction in the control group. Male participants showed a 14% reduction in abdominal circumference compared with 7% reduction in the control group.

This study confirmed that people can lose weight (9.9 pounds) by eating fewer calories. But when this green tea phytosome was added, the amount of weight shed tripled—while twice as much abdominal fat disappeared.

The remarkable effect of this proprietary green tea compound to remove 30.1 pounds of weight is attributed to its ability to increase resting metabolic rate while reducing the absorption of dietary fats. This green tea phytosome is thus an ideal nutrient to take with other compounds that reduce the rate of calorie absorption such as propolmannan and Phaseolus vulgaris.

If you are seriously seeking to shed excess body fat, it makes sense to avail yourself to the weight loss-amplifying effects of this proprietary green tea phytosome.

### Rationale of Combining Four Ingredients into One Powdered Drink Mix

A new powdered drink mix provides the following nutrients at similar doses used in human clinical weight loss studies:

1. Propolmannan
2. Phaseolus vulgaris
3. Irvingia
4. Green Tea phytosome

The rationale for selecting this particular combination is to enable overweight and obese individuals to modestly decrease their caloric intake without hunger (by enhancing leptin sensitivity) and reduce the amount of dietary fats and carbohydrates that are absorbed (using propolmannan and Phaseolus vulgaris). This then sets the stage for the remarkable benefits of the green tea phytosome to function in tandem with the reduced calorie burden to facilitate optimal weight loss, especially in the abdominal region.

To test this hypothesis, we took a group of overweight people who had failed all previous attempts to lose weight. These treatment-resistant individuals took a scoop of a powdered drink mixed with water 15-30 minutes before meals. After eight weeks, they lost an average of almost 12 pounds.

It would appear that continued use of this powdered drink mix before meals, along with taking individualized steps to address one’s obesity-inducers, will result in a sustained reduction of body fat mass.

For those who visit our Life Extension Nutrition Center in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, we have a scuba diver weight belt that weighs 12 pounds. When a customer trivializes 12 pounds of weight loss in eight weeks, we let them walk around for 60 seconds wearing this weight belt. They quickly realize how heavy twelve pounds is and how much better they will feel after they shed this much body fat.

### Summary

Aging humans seldom understand the magnitude of excess calories ingested each day. They too often think they are only eating a little more than they should. The reality is that most of us consume far more food than our body can utilize for energy production. The result is an accumulation of unsightly fat masses that unleash deadly pro-inflammatory cytokines along with an inability to maintain glucose control and healthy blood lipid levels.
With the advent of nutritional compounds that impede dietary fat and carbohydrate absorption, manage regulators of fat storage like leptin, and boost resting metabolic rate—aging humans can realistically expect to start shedding excess pounds and inches in a safe and sustainable manner.

The challenge for all of us is to remember that excess calories are poison. We can either avoid the poison by drastically reducing our calorie intake, or take the nutrients described in this article before large meals to mitigate the effects of ingested calories, i.e., how many are absorbed and how many of the excess calories that make it into your bloodstream convert to body fat.

We suspect dedicated health enthusiasts will consider a little of both, meaning eating a little less and blunting the effects of the excess by taking the appropriate nutrients before most meals.

If you have any questions on the scientific content of this article, please call a Life Extension® Health Advisor at 1-866-864-3027.

When Good Metabolisms Go Bad

Obesity and type 2 diabetes have reached epidemic proportions. The simple explanation is to blame our increasingly sedentary lifestyles, nutrient depleted, highly processed foods, and a culture that often proclaims that bigger is always better—including the size of food portions. But the harsh reality is that as we age, we are unable to efficiently convert ingested calories into energy production for a variety of reasons.

Obesity is a cause of many serious health problems. Adipose tissue broadcasts highly inflammatory immune substances such as interleukin-6 and interleukin-1-beta that in turn increase C-reactive protein blood levels.

Chronically elevated levels of inflammation are associated with increased risk of cardiovascular disease, arthritis and connective tissue disorders, and fatigue and pain.

Obesity and inflammation often go hand in hand. Conversely, reducing weight with sensible approaches sets in motion a positive spiral of reduced inflammation and a spectrum of associated health benefits.
Caution: The remarkable fat-binding properties of propolmannan have one downside. Critical fat soluble nutrients like omega-3s, gamma tocopherol, along with vitamins D and K may not be fully absorbed. We suggest taking these fat-soluble nutrients at a different time of the day than propolmannan-containing supplements. Members typically obtain their gamma E and vitamin K in the Super Booster formula, along with a 5,000 IU vitamin D3 capsule and four softgels daily of Super Omega-3. For those who don’t use the Super Booster, we have formulated a new Essential Fat-Soluble Nutrients formula that contains in one softgel:

| Vitamin D | 7,000 IU |
| Vitamin K2 | 100 mcg (as long-acting MK-7) |
| Gamma tocopherol | 210 mg |
| DHA (from fish oil) | 500 mg |

This one softgel enables members to eliminate use of separate products. Three to four of Super Omega-3 should still be taken to obtain optimal levels of critical EPA/DHA fatty acids. A more complete description of the new Essential Fat-Soluble Nutrients appears later in this issue.

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Most consumers are unaware that the SAMe molecule has two forms. One form is the SS isomer (known as the active isomer) and the other is the RS isomer (known as the inactive isomer).

Accepted potency levels of SAMe require a minimum of 70% SS (active) isomer content. Life Extension’s SAMe consistently tests at 73% or higher for SS (active) isomer content and 27% or less of the RS (inactive) isomer.

Cheap forms of SAMe circulating in the United States contain 47% or less of the SS (active) isomer and 51% or more of the RS (inactive) isomer. These low-grade products are 33% less potent than Life Extension’s SAMe according to scientific guidelines.

The table at the right shows the isomer ratios of Life Extension’s SAMe compared to other raw materials that are flooding the American marketplace.

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(Data contained in this table are based on HPLC analysis performed on commonly imported SAMe raw materials that are incorporated in SAMe supplements sold in the United States.)

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Life Extension remains vigilant about ensuring that members are provided with the highest-quality SAMe. A box of 20 400-mg SAMe tablets retails for $35. When a member buys six boxes, the price is reduced to only $21 a box!
A rational review of the scientific literature strongly suggests that healthy life span may be greatly extended if we reduce the calorie burden our body is exposed to each day. While eating even a little less is helpful, most of us can benefit enormously if we consume supplements before meals that impede calorie absorption and favorably influence internal regulators of fat storage.

For instance, carbohydrates consumed without calorie inhibitors quickly pass from the stomach into the small intestine where they rapidly absorb into the blood. This causes a surge in blood glucose-insulin that adversely impacts our health. When gastric emptying into the small intestine is delayed (by certain calorie inhibitors), the rise in glucose-insulin is more gradual and carries fewer risks.

Inhibiting the amylase digestive enzyme that breaks down carbohydrates also blunts the effects of excess calorie intake—while augmenting programs designed to shed fat pounds.

When a meal is ingested, bile acids and the lipase enzyme are released into the digestive tract where they facilitate the breakdown and absorption of ingested fats. Compounds that bind to bile acids and/or neutralize lipase can impede the absorption of triglyceride-rich dietary fats. Some of these compounds also inhibit absorption through the intestinal wall by forming a viscous barrier around ingested foods.

Few people are aware of how many deadly excess calories they consume each day. Their bloodstream is chronically bloated with glucose, insulin, and triglycerides long after a meal is eaten. This occurs not only because they absorbed too many calories, but because their internal regulators of fat storage are impaired as a consequence of aging. These individuals don’t understand why they keep gaining weight even as they try to cut down on calorie intake and exercise more.

**New Calorie Control Weight Management Formula**

In response to mounting evidence that age-associated fat accumulation results from the loss of metabolic capacity to utilize ingested calories, a powdered drink mix has been designed with the following ingredients:

- **LuraLean® (propolmannan)** – This proprietary fiber has been developed to swell in the stomach after ingestion with water to help reduce calorie consumption. Propolmannan binds to bile acids in the small intestine and helps transport them out of the body. These bile acids otherwise facilitate the digestion and assimilation of dietary fat into the bloodstream. LuraLean® propolmannan also slows the rapid emptying of ingested food into the small intestine, thereby reducing the surge of glucose entering the bloodstream.
The reason LuraLean® works better than other fibers is that its own enzymes have been removed, thus sparing it from degradation in the digestive tract. This enables LuraLean® to form a stable viscous barrier to help impede calorie absorption and maintain its sponge-like activity throughout the digestive tract. In placebo-controlled studies, LuraLean® (propolmannan) has induced moderate weight loss along with significant reductions in fasting lipid and post-meal glucose/insulin levels.\(^{3,16}\)

**White Kidney Bean (Phaseolus vulgaris)** – The amylase digestive enzyme breaks down carbohydrates that are then absorbed into the bloodstream as glucose. *Phaseolus vulgaris* inhibits amylase and has produced significant weight loss and abdominal fat reductions.\(^{3,18}\)

**Irvingia gabonensis** – Like white kidney bean, *Irvingia* has amylase-inhibiting properties.\(^{39}\) It also favorably regulates: Leptin to decrease appetite and facilitate triglyceride removal from adipocytes; Adiponectin to facilitate insulin sensitivity\(^{40}\) and Glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase to inhibit glucose from converting to triglyceride fat in adipocytes.\(^{21}\) *Irvingia* has demonstrated favorable weight loss results in placebo-controlled trials.\(^{20}\)

**Green Tea Phytosome** – Aging results in a slowdown of resting energy expenditure. This means more calories we eat convert to stored body fat instead of being utilized for energy production. This proprietary *green tea phytosome* has been shown to absorb much better into the bloodstream than conventional green tea and induce 30.1 pounds of weight loss when combined with a reduced calorie diet.\(^{22}\) Green tea polyphenols boost resting metabolic rate\(^{23}\) and help impede the lipase enzyme used to facilitate dietary fat breakdown.\(^{5}\)

One scoop of the new **Calorie Control Weight Management** powdered drink mix should be taken about 30 minutes before the two heaviest meals of the day with eight ounces of water.

**Critical Importance of Taking Calorie Control Weight Management Formula Before Heavy Meals**

Americans live in a state of denial as it relates to the lethal effects of excess calorie ingestion. As a result, most have not yet accepted that they need to inhibit the absorption and effects of excess calories before the two heaviest meals of the day. Excess calories kill us in four different ways:

1. Even when we try to eat healthy, it is impossible to avoid mutagens needed for healthy cell division.\(^{24,25}\) By reducing the total number of food particles that make it into our bloodstream, we reduce our overall systemic exposure to mutagens.

2. Excess calories cause our bloodstream to be consistently loaded with triglycerides, glucose, and insulin.\(^{3,7}\) This creates oxidative and inflammatory reactions that can preclude us from maintaining healthy vascular (endothelial) function and glycermic control.

3. Excess calories contribute to increased body fat storage, which can lead to systemic inflammation by means of pro-inflammatory factors produced by engorged fat cells.\(^{26}\)

4. Genes that control how long we will live are influenced by blood glucose levels.\(^{27}\) By reducing the amount of glucose that surges into our bloodstream, we can more favorably control many of our longevity genes.

Once we accept the danger that each surplus calorie poses to our aging body, it becomes easy to understand the need to impede the absorption and effects of ingested foods by taking the **Calorie Control Weight Management** formula before the two heaviest meals of the day.

The new **Calorie Control Weight Management Formula** contains a double-dose of propolmannan (LuraLean®) used in the pilot trial of treatment-resistant individuals who shed almost 12 pounds after eight weeks. Each scoop of **Calorie Control Weight Management Formula** provides:

- **Propolmannan (LuraLean®)** 2,000 mg
- **White Kidney Bean (Phaseolus)** 445 mg
- **Irvingia gabonensis** 150 mg
- **Green Tea Phytosome** 150 mg

The retail price for a one month (60-serving) supply of **Calorie Control Weight Management** is $56. If a member buys four bottles (a four month supply), the price is reduced to only $36 a bottle. This is the lowest price the four proprietary ingredients contained in this great-tasting powder formula has ever sold for!

Contains soybeans, tree nuts and corn.

**To order Calorie Control Weight Management Formula today, call 1-800-544-4440** or visit [www.LifeExtension.com/Calorie-Control](http://www.LifeExtension.com/Calorie-Control).

Note: This supplement should be taken in conjunction with a healthy diet and regular exercise program. Results may vary.

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**References**

An abundance of scientific research substantiates the wide-ranging health benefits, including promoting a healthy heart, of \textit{omega-3 fatty acids} in fish oil and \textit{monounsaturated fatty acids-polyphenols} in olive fruit.\textsuperscript{1-9}

\textbf{SUPER OMEGA-3} from Life Extension\textsuperscript{*} uses a patented EPA/DHA extraction process that results in a pure, stable and easy-to-tolerate \textit{fish oil extract}.

While most fish oil is distilled to decrease contaminants such as mercury and PCBs, the \textit{Pure +™} fish oil used in \textbf{Super Omega-3} is produced with a patented method that purifies the oil with a highly advanced \textit{distillation} process to reduce pollutants to virtually undetectable levels. The result is an improved \textit{fish oil} that exceeds the standards set by international rating agencies.

\textbf{Sesame Lignans Enhance Fish Oil’s \textit{In Vivo} Effects}

The \textit{unstable} nature of fatty acids like fish oil limits their biological efficacy in the body. Scientific studies show that when \textit{sesame lignans} are supplemented \textit{with} fish oil, the beneficial effects are augmented.\textsuperscript{10}

\textit{Sesame lignans} help guard against \textit{lipid peroxidation}, thereby extending the stability of \textit{DHA} in the body. These \textit{lignans} also direct fatty acids toward pathways which can help with inflammatory reactions. \textbf{Super Omega-3} provides standardized \textit{sesame lignans} to enhance the overall benefits of the \textit{improved} EPA/DHA fish oil blend.

\textbf{Higher Potency Standardized Olive Fruit}

To emulate a Mediterranean diet, \textbf{Super Omega-3} provides a standardized \textit{olive fruit extract} to deliver the polyphenol \textit{hydroxytyrosol}, a powerful antioxidant that protects normal LDL from oxidation and counters dangerous free radicals.\textsuperscript{11-14} Research shows that a combination of olive oil and fish oil supplements helps with inflammation better than a placebo or fish oil alone.\textsuperscript{15} Therefore, \textbf{Super Omega-3} provides the equivalent polyphenol content of 6 ounces of \textit{Extra Virgin Olive Oil}.

\textbf{Super Omega-3} provides a high concentration of \textit{olive fruit extract} standardized for \textit{hydroxytyrosol}, \textit{tyrosol} and \textit{oleuropein} polyphenols. Research shows the value of \textit{oleuropein} in favorably altering gene expression, delaying senescence in specialized skin cells, and helping maintain normal platelet activation.

Life Extension’s \textbf{Super Omega-3} is a fish oil concentrate that contains a \textit{full-spectrum blend} of synergistic nutrients, providing a product of the utmost quality to produce optimal effects.

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To order the most advanced fish oil supplement, Super Omega-3 EPA/DHA with Sesame Lignans and MORE Olive Fruit Extract with or without enteric coating call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

Two softgels should be taken twice daily with meals. A bottle of 120 softgels of SUPER OMEGA-3 EPA/DHA with Sesame Lignans and Olive Fruit Extract retails for $32. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $21 per bottle. If 10 bottles are purchased, the price per bottle is reduced to only $18.68. Item #01482

For those with a sensitive stomach, Super Omega-3 is now also available with enteric coating and retails for $34. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $23.25 per bottle. If 10 bottles are purchased, the price per bottle is reduced to only $21. Item #01484

CAUTION: If you are taking anti-coagulant or anti-platelet medications, or have a bleeding disorder, consult your healthcare provider before taking this product. Contains fish (anchovy, sardine, mackerel), soybeans, and sesame.

Supportive but not conclusive evidence shows that consumption of EPA and DHA omega-3 fatty acids may reduce the risk of coronary heart disease.

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BLOCK Absorption of Fat Calories SAFELY
Of all the available strategies to induce long-term weight loss and combat obesity, dieting may be the least effective. Even worse, regular dieting has been shown to be a strong predictor of future weight gain and increased risk of chronic disease.¹

In the most rigorous and comprehensive analysis of dieting outcomes to date, a groundbreaking UCLA study revealed that a majority of dieters not only regain lost weight after dieting—they put on even more weight.¹ The researchers also found evidence to suggest that repeatedly losing and gaining weight (so-called “yo-yo” dieting) is linked to increased risk of cardiovascular disease, stroke, diabetes, and altered immune function.²

Fortunately, there are safe, effective interventions to help reduce fat uptake while gradually lowering your overall calorie burden.

One of these is a drug that blocks the absorption of ingested fats by inhibiting lipase, the enzyme that breaks down dietary fat in the intestine. The lipase inhibitor orlistat (brand name Xenical® and alli®) has been clinically proven to block fat absorption in the digestive tract.³⁴ Life Extension® has advocated a 60- to 90-day course of orlistat to limit one’s exposure to fat calories while gradually making the necessary dietary changes and other modifications to facilitate optimal weight loss. Green tea extracts also help block lipase activity, though not as potently as orlistat.

Another strategy that may be used with orlistant/green tea or by itself is to consume a special fiber called propolmannan before heavy meals. Propolmannan binds bile acids in the small intestine that would otherwise help facilitate dietary fat absorption into the bloodstream. When taken before meals, propolmannan forms a viscous sponge that can help further reduce the impact of excess calories.

When taking drugs or nutrients that impede fat absorption, it is important to ensure that you continue to absorb vital fat-soluble nutrients such as vitamin D, vitamin K, vitamin E and the omega-3s. Since fat normally shuttles these nutrients into the bloodstream, you should make sure to take these nutrients at the time of day that ensures maximum absorption.

Here we detail how orlistat works to diminish your exposure to killer fat calories. You will also learn how it decreases your body’s absorption of the fat-soluble vitamins D, E, and K. We will then show how to maintain optimal intake of these key nutrients while obtaining the benefit of lipase inhibitors. > >
**How Orlistat Works**

To absorb fats, your body needs to break them down in the intestinal tract. It does so partially by the action of an enzyme produced in the pancreas that converts triglycerides in ingested dietary fats to monoglycerides and free fatty acids. The name of this enzyme that breaks down fat is lipase.

Once acted on by lipase, ingested fat molecules are transported via the bloodstream to the membranes of adipose or muscle cells, bringing calories and health risks with them. As a lipase inhibitor, orlistat reduces fat absorption by as much as 30%.

This has two important effects. Of course, the unabsorbed fat eventually passes out of the body. Just as importantly, if you don’t cut back on the amount of fat you eat, the lack of absorption will produce some very unpleasant side effects, such as bloating, diarrhea, and even fecal soiling. The result, to quote the manufacturer, is that orlistat “helps your head learn healthy habits that stick... to teach your body a new, healthier way of eating.” In other words, you become conditioned to eat less fat so you’ll stay comfortable. The ultimate objective is to provide an incentive to ingest fewer fat calories.

Orlistat is effective. A two-year European study found a mean decrease in body weight of 10.2% in the orlistat group compared to 6.1% in the placebo group at 1 year. And 9.3% of the orlistat group lost more than 20% of their initial weight, versus 2.1% of the placebo group. But there's a downside.

All that fat the body didn’t absorb? It carried with it essential vitamins that can only dissolve in fat—the fat-soluble vitamins A, D, E, and K. Clinical trials show that orlistat may induce malabsorption of fat-soluble vitamins to varying degrees, often resulting in the need to supplement patients to maintain normal blood levels. In fact, orlistat can reduce absorption of vitamin E by as much as 60%. This has led to expert recommendations that people taking orlistat should supplement with fat-soluble vitamins. That's true even if they are already taking a daily multivitamin.

**Vitamin D**

Vitamin D was long associated only with calcium absorption and bone health, and indeed it is vital in those areas. In fact, existing recommended daily amounts of vitamin D were developed originally to help sustain adequate levels of calcium in blood and bone. In recent years, however, we’ve learned that vitamin D has essential effects throughout the body. In fact, vitamin D receptors are found in most body tissues, indicating the fundamental importance of this vitamin.

For instance, vitamin D has profound neurocognitive effects. Insufficient vitamin D levels are associated with low mood and poorer cognitive performance in adults. Older adults in particular are at risk for cognitive impairment when they lack sufficient vitamin D. And low vitamin D levels are associated with frailty among older adults as well. On the other hand, there’s supportive evidence that adequate vitamin D levels may help prevent Alzheimer's disease and other devastating forms of cognitive decline.

A recent discovery is that vitamin D has profound impact on the immune system. Vitamin D insufficiency is associated with increased vulnerability to influenza, and many studies show that supplementing with vitamin D helps prevent the flu. Experts now strongly recommend testing and treating for vitamin D deficiency as part of a swine flu prevention strategy.
Astonishingly, because of antiquated reference values for how much vitamin D we should take, a tremendous number of American adults are already vitamin D deficient or insufficient when blood levels are checked. Obese people—the very people who take orlistat—are even more likely to be deficient in vitamin D.\textsuperscript{26} Daily multivitamins don't provide nearly enough vitamin D to sustain healthy levels. Experts recommend \textbf{2,000-7,000 IU vitamin D per day} to maintain year-round adequate levels between 40-70 ng per mL.\textsuperscript{27}

\textbf{Vitamin E}

Vitamin E is the primary fat-soluble antioxidant in mammals, making it essential in preventing oxidative damage to lipid-rich cell membranes.\textsuperscript{28} As a result, vitamin E can prevent or mitigate oxidant-related diseases such as atherosclerosis, strokes, and many cancers.\textsuperscript{29,30} But vitamin E is now known to have many other health-giving properties as well, including intra- and inter-cellular signaling and regulation of gene expression.\textsuperscript{31-33} In fact, people with lifelong generous dietary vitamin E intakes enjoy substantial reductions in their risk of chronic disease.\textsuperscript{34} Tragically, more than 90% of Americans do not consume the recommended dietary amounts of 15 mg/day (22.5 IU/day).\textsuperscript{34} Decreased absorption resulting from orlistat use will only exacerbate the risk.\textsuperscript{35} And the effects are immediate and profound.

Lung, kidney, and colon tissue are all vulnerable to vitamin E depletion, predisposing to diseases in those organs.\textsuperscript{36-39} Low plasma concentrations of the gamma-tocopherol form of vitamin E are associated with increased rates of cardiovascular disease.\textsuperscript{40,41}

Advancing age itself causes an increase in protein oxidation in memory-related brain regions—one of many reasons our memories begin to weaken with time.\textsuperscript{42} Vitamin E can prevent such changes in laboratory studies of older animals.\textsuperscript{42,43} In fact, people with high plasma levels of vitamin E were found in 2010 to have reduced incidence of Alzheimer’s disease.\textsuperscript{44}

Finally, vitamin E, particularly in the form of gamma-tocopherol, is a powerful inducer of apoptosis (programmed cell death) in cancer cells.\textsuperscript{45} Gamma-tocopherol-rich supplements inhibit colon, prostate, mammary, and lung tumorigenesis in animal models, making them attractive as chemoprevention agents.\textsuperscript{46}

\textbf{Which Vitamin E Are You Taking?}

“Vitamin E” is a catch-all term for a group of 8 related molecules called tocopherols and tocotrienols.\textsuperscript{47} Alpha-tocopherol is the form that has received most of the attention, but recent data suggest that
gamma-tocopherol may have greater health benefits.\textsuperscript{40,48} Gamma-tocopherol has potent anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties, and in fact is more effective at scavenging free radicals and nitrogen species than the more common alpha form.\textsuperscript{49,50} Supplementation with alpha-tocopherol decreases tissue concentrations of gamma-tocopherol. Fortunately, supplementation with gamma-tocopherol increases concentrations of both alpha- and gamma-tocopherols.\textsuperscript{40} Regardless of the form, impaired fat absorption resulting from orlistat use depletes the body of vitamin E, making supplementation vital.

**Vitamin K**

Vitamin K was first discovered for its role in the blood coagulation system. Overt deficiencies in vitamin K produce dangerous bleeding disorders. More recently we've learned that vitamin K (like D and E) has a host of other critical functions that are less obvious but no less dangerous. Vitamin K is a crucial factor for enzymes that modify important structural proteins throughout the body.\textsuperscript{51,52} That makes vitamin K essential for functions in addition to blood clotting, such as bone development, cellular signaling, and growth control, including cancers.\textsuperscript{52,53} But large segments of the adult population already don't get adequate vitamin K to support those critical processes.\textsuperscript{53,54} Further depletion of vitamin K by orlistat, therefore, puts you in danger of losing essential vitamin K-dependent functions.\textsuperscript{10}

Of greatest concern is that vitamin K deficiency (or depletion) is associated both with blood vessel calcification and with osteoporosis.\textsuperscript{55} That's because vitamins D and K interact in a delicate ballet to determine where calcium winds up in your body.\textsuperscript{56} At the right levels, it goes into bone, preventing osteoporosis. But with deficiency of vitamin K, the opposite happens. Calcium leaves bone, instead becoming deposited in arterial walls.\textsuperscript{56} Indeed, normal cells in the vessel wall transform into bone-forming cells—essentially turning your arteries into bone!\textsuperscript{57,58} Meanwhile, in bone tissue the effects of vitamin K depletion are the opposite—low K levels are associated with calcium loss, lower bone mass and increased fracture risk.\textsuperscript{59}

Fortunately, supplementation with the proper form of vitamin K can help prevent consequences of vitamin K depletion. A supplement containing both vitamins D and K had a beneficial effect on the elasticity of arterial walls.\textsuperscript{60} And in people who already have coronary arterial calcification, vitamin K supplementation can prevent progression of the disease.\textsuperscript{61} Indeed, high intake of vitamin K2 (menaquinone) is associated with lower overall risk of death from coronary heart disease.\textsuperscript{62}

Vitamin supplementation with menaquinone (K2) is also protective against osteoporosis and fractures.\textsuperscript{62,63} It helps reduce blood levels of bone-resorption markers and increases markers of bone formation.\textsuperscript{64} Vitamin K supplementation also enhances overall bone metabolism in active women\textsuperscript{65} and improves bone geometry and strength in postmenopausal women.\textsuperscript{66}

**Summary**

A groundbreaking study conclusively demonstrated that dieting is not only ineffective; it can also be dangerous. Repeated dieting is a risk factor for cardiovascular disease, stroke, diabetes, and altered immune function.
of the day furthest removed from your last dose of orlistat and/or propolmannan.

Since impeding dietary fats can also reduce absorption of some fat calories, you should adjust your supplement regimen to make sure you take these nutrients at a time of the day furthest removed from your last dose of orlistat and/or propolmannan.

If you have any questions on the scientific content of this article, please call a Life Extension* Health Advisor at 1-866-864-3027.

References


The following table compares the daily dosage of key nutrients included in both the Life Extension Two-Per-Day Tablet and Centrum’s Daily Tablet:

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The most comprehensive nutrient formula in the world is Life Extension Mix. Some Foundation members, however, prefer to take their nutrients separately and need only a basic multi-nutrient supplement to fill the missing gaps. For many years, these members had to rely on commercial “one-a-day” supplements that provide very low potencies.

In response to requests for a science-based multi-nutrient, a special formula was compounded to provide the greatest potencies that can fit into two tablets. When compared to conventional “one-a-day” products, Life Extension Two-Per-Day contains up to 50 times more potency!

The box on this page reveals how much more potent the Two-Per-Day formula is compared to the leading commercial multi-vitamin. Few consumers realize that commercial supplements often contain the cheapest form of nutrients that don’t provide optimal benefits. For example, the 30 IU of synthetic vitamin E contained in Centrum® may provide relatively little vitamin E to the bloodstream. Studies show that synthetic vitamin E is distributed throughout the body only about half as much as natural vitamin E. Life Extension Two-Per-Day thus provides about 13 times more vitamin E activity than does Centrum®.

Compared to Centrum®, Two-Per-Day Tablets provide about:
- 5 times more Vitamin D
- 8 times more Vitamin C
- 7 times more Vitamin E
- 10 times more Biotin
- 40 times more Boron
- 4 times more Selenium
- 37 times more Vitamin B6
- 50 times more Vitamin B1
- 50 times more Vitamin B12
- More than twice as much niacin, zinc, and many other nutrients

Life Extension Two-Per-Day Tablets provide much higher potencies of key nutrients and represent a better value than many commercial brands.

A bottle of 120 Life Extension Two-Per-Day Tablets retails for $18.95. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $12.75 per bottle. (The retail price for 180 tablets of Centrum® is around $14.)

Contains soybeans, rice, and corn.
* Centrum no longer contains significant amounts of lycopene nor lutein.

To order Life Extension Two-Per-Day Tablets, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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The FDA-Approved WEIGHT-LOSS DRUG

Back in 1999, a drug called orlistat was approved by the FDA to facilitate weight loss. Orlistat works by inhibiting the lipase enzyme in the digestive tract. When taken before a meal, orlistat will prevent about 30% of ingested fat from being absorbed into the bloodstream. Since fat grams contain twice as many calories as protein or carbohydrate, orlistat targets a significant offender involved in the accumulation of excess body weight.

Some studies show impressive weight-loss results when 120 mg of orlistat is taken before each meal (three times a day). One study showed that overweight women who followed a lifestyle modification program and took orlistat lost 20.5 pounds after one year compared with virtually no weight loss in the control group.¹ In a study of obese men taking orlistat, 17.4 pounds of weight was lost after three months.² Not all studies yield these favorable results.

Life Extension® believes the reason that orlistat fails many consumers is that it inhibits only one of many factors involved in today’s obesity epidemic. Life Extension also believes that while orlistat blocks the absorption of 30% of dietary fat, the 70% of ingested fat that is absorbed can preclude significant weight loss. Compared with a reduced calorie diet alone, those who take orlistat can expect to lose 50% more weight.³ That means if you are able to lose 20 pounds through diet alone, taking orlistat would improve the amount of weight lost to 30 pounds.

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WHY YOU SHOULD TRY ORLISTAT FOR 60-90 DAYS

Life Extension believes that there are physiological and psychological benefits to using orlistat at least on a temporary basis. By combining orlistat with a comprehensive weight management program, more fat pounds will be shed from the body, thus providing the physiological effect.

A psychological benefit is seeing undigested fat being passed naturally from the body. Understanding that this fecal fat was destined for your bloodstream, where it would contribute to unwanted body fat (and health problems), may motivate you to reduce your dietary fat intake in the long run. Those who continue to eat excess fat and take orlistat may experience bowel changes such as oily spotting and loose stools. This may provide another psychological barrier against ingesting excess fat calories.

Those embarking on a weight-loss program expect to see relatively rapid results. While orlistat has yielded only modest effects by itself, its unique mechanism of blocking 30% of dietary fat from being absorbed provides an important weapon in a comprehensive fat-loss armamentarium.

WHERE TO BUY ORLISTAT

Orlistat is available without a prescription under the brand name alli® at the retail price of $69.95 for 120 60-mg capsules. It is also sold as a prescription drug under the brand name Xenical® that comes in 120 mg caps (twice the potency of alli®).

If you have insurance that covers prescription drugs, you may be better off asking your doctor to prescribe Xenical® (and any other medications that might induce weight loss).

Members who don’t have insurance, or who want to get on orlistat right away can order alli® from the Life Extension Foundation Buyer’s Club for $58 (120 60-mg capsules)—about a 16% discount off the retail price.

In order to maintain optimal nutritional status while taking alli® or other compounds that impede fat absorption, it is of paramount importance that you supplement each day with fat-soluble nutrients such as vitamins D, K, and omega-3. Since fat normally shuttles these nutrients into the bloodstream, you should also take them at a time of day that ensures maximum absorption.

Life Extension® now offers a simple one-per-day to meet this critical need. The new Essential Fat-Soluble Nutrients formula supplies an array of key nutrients in amounts that help to offset the potential for nutritional insufficiency. Just one softgel provides:

| Vitamin D3 | 7,000 IU |
| Vitamin K2 (MK-7) | 100 mcg |
| DHA (from fish oil) | 500 mg |
| Gamma tocopherol | 215.4-244.12 mg |
| Delta tocopherol | 89.75-125.65 mg |
| Alpha tocopherol | 17.95-35.9 mg |
| Beta tocopherol | 0.718 mg |

Taking one softgel at least 4 hours before or after using lipase inhibitors (or other compounds that impede fat digestion) will help maintain a healthy nutritional profile as you safely induce weight loss.

The retail price for a thirty-day supply of Essential Fat-Soluble Nutrients is $28. If a member buys four bottles, the price is just $18.75 per bottle. Contains fish (tuna), soybeans, and corn.

Note: Supplements should be taken in conjunction with a healthy diet and regular exercise program. Results may vary.

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Low Testosterone Promotes Abdominal Obesity in Aging Men

As men age, many become trapped in a vicious cycle that leads to life-threatening abdominal obesity.

No matter how much they exercise or how little they eat, these men are unable to shed this excess weight that accumulates in their belly. Published studies have shown that low testosterone and obesity reinforce each other, trapping men in a spiral of weight gain and hormonal imbalance.1-5

In spite of this widespread threat to men’s health, most physicians do not test for testosterone levels in their obese male patients. If they did, millions of men could be protected against the scourge of metabolic syndrome, type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, atherosclerosis, and cancer.

If you happen to be one of these plagued men, please have your testosterone blood levels measured and share the results with your doctor.

This article describes the science linking testosterone insufficiency to weight gain and its deadly cousin, the metabolic syndrome. You’ll learn how testosterone determines body composition and fat accumulation. You’ll read why experts now recommend testosterone testing for most men of middle age and beyond. And you’ll see compelling evidence for the role of testosterone therapy as a means of promoting weight loss. > >
Reversing a Longstanding Relationship

It’s long been clear that obesity and the metabolic syndrome are linked to low testosterone levels; the question has been which is cause and which is effect. The traditional view was that obesity came first, and that low testosterone was simply the result. That makes sense, because fat tissue is an extremely active hormonal modulator, particularly for testosterone and estrogen. An enzyme in fat tissue known as aromatase converts testosterone into estradiol, the major estrogen in humans. Excess aromatase activity decreases testosterone and increases estrogen levels, resulting in a host of deleterious body changes for men. Low serum testosterone concentrations are closely correlated with high body mass index (BMI), along with elevated ratios of body fat to lean mass.

But we’re learning that this is only half of the story. Abundant evidence developed over the past few years now shows that, while obesity does cause low testosterone, low testosterone causes obesity. Indeed, low testosterone levels may be among the earliest detectable signs that a man is undergoing the bodily changes that will later become apparent as obesity and the metabolic syndrome.

An early clue was provided by studies of men undergoing testosterone-lowering androgen deprivation therapies for prostate cancer. Reducing men’s testosterone levels decreased insulin sensitivity and increased body fat mass. In one study, more than 50% of men undergoing long-term androgen deprivation therapy developed the metabolic syndrome, manifested in particular by increased abdominal obesity and elevated blood sugar. And men who have lost their testicles to cancer generally develop increased BMI and are at elevated risk for the metabolic syndrome.

Conversely, men who receive testosterone replacement therapy for hypogonadism (diminished testosterone production) experience slower progression from metabolic syndrome to diabetes or cardiovascular disease. In those men, testosterone has beneficial effects on insulin regulation, lipid profiles, and blood pressure. And in healthy aging men, higher natural testosterone levels are associated with higher insulin sensitivity and a reduced risk of developing the metabolic syndrome.
Declining Testosterone Levels—Why We Find It So Hard to Lose Weight

Beginning in middle age, men’s testosterone levels begin a steady decline, culminating in the so-called “andropause,” a state defined as partial androgen deficiency. On the same time-scale, men begin to gain weight as fat, and to lose lean muscle mass. It’s now abundantly clear that these two parallel processes are related—that is, the decline in testosterone levels is a direct cause of middle-aged men’s “battle of the bulge.” That’s a literal statement: age-associated testosterone decline is closely associated with deposition of deep abdominal fat, a component of the metabolic syndrome.

But how does testosterone affect obesity and metabolism? In fact, testosterone, like most hormones, has multiple target tissues, and a correspondingly large and diverse set of effects. We now understand, for example, that testosterone plays a vital role in how our bodies balance glucose, insulin, and fat metabolism. One mechanism is its powerful stimulation of insulin sensitivity in men, which can have a major impact when levels fall. In fact, experts now recognize low testosterone levels as an independent risk factor for insulin resistance (“pre-diabetes”), type 2 diabetes itself, and the full-blown metabolic syndrome with all of its consequences.

Declining testosterone levels are also closely linked to a steady rise in markers of inflammation such as C-reactive protein (CRP). Inflammation plays a critical role in development of obesity and many of its related conditions such as atherosclerosis and cancer. And inflammation is also intimately involved in insulin resistance and type 2 diabetes. At the same time, the fat deposited as a result of a testosterone deficiency pumps out increasing levels of inflammatory cytokines. That fuels the cycle of inflammation, insulin resistance, and cardiovascular disease that constitutes the metabolic syndrome.

Together, these findings demonstrate the intimate relationships between testosterone and a host of chronic conditions. Indeed, current thinking is that many of the typical ailments of older men, such as atherosclerosis, hypertension, diabetes, lower urinary tract symptoms, and erectile dysfunction are not in fact separate and distinct entities. Rather, they are seen as being integrally related through their dependence on testosterone levels. That’s a radical shift in the way we should be thinking about men’s health!

Testosterone and Obesity

- Obesity causes men’s testosterone levels to drop, as aromatase in adipose tissue converts testosterone to estrogen.
- New evidence demonstrates that the opposite is also true: falling testosterone levels predict (and cause) development of obesity and the metabolic syndrome.
- Testosterone has a powerful impact on many features of metabolism, most notably glucose, insulin, and fat regulation.
- The decline in testosterone levels with age may explain why so many men at or beyond middle age have trouble shedding weight even through diet and exercise.
- Experts are now calling for checking testosterone levels regularly as the best early indicator of risk for the metabolic syndrome.
- Careful testosterone replacement therapy has proven effective in reducing body weight, fat content, and insulin resistance.
- All men, not only those already overweight or obese, should have regular testosterone checks.
Testosterone Levels—Early Warning of Impending Disaster

The association of declining testosterone levels with obesity, the metabolic syndrome, and cardiovascular disease is so strong that many experts now recommend checking testosterone levels to provide early warning of the metabolic syndrome.1

Testosterone deficiency has been found to be a significant and independent risk factor for metabolic syndrome, even in non-obese older men.3 Its causes not only increased fat mass, but also triggers elevations in fasting insulin levels, a late marker of developing metabolic syndrome.7,32

The association of low testosterone levels with metabolic syndrome is independent of age—that is, even younger men with low testosterone are immediately at increased risk for the syndrome.33 Somewhat surprisingly, the association is also independent of BMI, pointing to testosterone's multiple effects on regulation of glucose, insulin, and lipid metabolism.34 It has recently been proposed, in fact, that low testosterone levels be included in the very definition of the metabolic syndrome, because of the consistency with which it occurs.35

There's an obvious implication here. Subtle deficiencies in testosterone may be present long before obesity and other more obvious manifestations of the metabolic syndrome become evident.34 That makes it vital for all men, not just the overweight or obese, to have testosterone levels checked regularly by a reliable laboratory. Be sure that both total testosterone and free testosterone are ordered—both have been associated with metabolic syndrome.35

When having your blood tested for total and free testosterone, make sure you also order tests for PSA to rule out existing prostate cancer; estradiol to determine whether you need to take an aromatase inhibiting drug in case estrogen levels are too high, and a CBC/chemistry test to measure liver function and blood cell counts. All of these tests are included in the new Male Weight Loss Blood Test Panel described at the end of this article.

Restoring Healthy Testosterone Levels

What should you do if your testosterone level comes back low? There’s a growing body of evidence suggesting that careful testosterone replacement therapy is protective against many features of the metabolic syndrome and can enhance blood sugar control.36 Given early enough, testosterone therapy may slow or even halt the progression from early metabolic syndrome to diabetes or cardiovascular disease.17 In one study of diabetic men with low testosterone, oral treatment improved their glucose control and decreased their abdominal obesity. A beneficial side effect was reduction in erectile dysfunction.6 Other placebo-controlled studies have shown decreases in whole body, total, and subcutaneous abdominal fat mass, accompanied by increases in lean body mass, as a result of testosterone therapy.8

Of course it’s important to check and to follow testosterone levels when considering treatment. Achieving testosterone levels within the existing reference ranges may not be sufficient to combat obesity and metabolic syndrome. Some testosterone-dependent biological functions require higher levels than others, and those thresholds differ among men.37

Finally, a word about testosterone therapy and the risk of prostate cancer. For decades we believed (and some still do) that higher serum testosterone concentrations contribute to the risk of prostate cancer. More recently, considerable data have emerged suggesting a more complex picture, and indicating that in fact
Testosterone therapy may not be nearly as risky as once assumed. In fact, according to Dr. Abraham Morgentaler of Harvard’s Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, “One of the more interesting changes over the last several years has been the growing acceptance of the use of testosterone therapy in men with a prior history of prostate cancer, with early data indicating minimal risk of cancer recurrence or progression.” Other experts in the field agree that the risks of testosterone therapy are often exaggerated and should not outweigh the benefits of treatment.

Indeed, Dr. Morgentaler goes on to note, new evidence suggests that it is not high, but low serum testosterone that is responsible for many features of prostate cancer risk. Since we now know that low testosterone causes obesity, and we further know that obesity is a risk factor for cancer, there is certainly a logical basis for the idea that low testosterone is indirectly a cancer risk factor.

**Summary**

Testosterone and body fat content have an intricate and bidirectional relationship. Excess body fat causes low testosterone, but low testosterone also causes excess body fat. Testosterone regulates many facets of energy balance, with an especially powerful impact on glucose, insulin, and fat metabolism. The deadly results of low testosterone therefore exceed simply causing obesity. Low testosterone also dramatically raises men’s risk for the metabolic syndrome, a major health threat for anyone at or beyond middle age. Experts now recommend regular testing for any man at risk for low testosterone, including aging men. If your testosterone levels prove to be low, you should consider testosterone treatment in consultation with a physician.

To order the new Male Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel at the special introductory price of only $249, call 1-800-208-3444 or log on to www.lef.org.blood. A description of the many important tests included in the Male Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel can be found on page 80 of this issue.

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More studies have been published over the past four years supporting the health benefits of vitamin D than possibly any other compound.

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The objective of taking a vitamin D supplement is to achieve 25-hydroxyvitamin D blood levels of 50 ng/mL (and higher).

Life Extension's exclusive analysis of over 13,000 vitamin D blood tests reveals that the minimum intake for most aging people should be around 7,000 IU a day. Some individuals need 10,000 IU of vitamin D daily.

You can choose the right dose of vitamin D3 for you from the large selection of vitamin D3 supplements below. Remember to factor in that you may be getting 1,000-3,000 IU of vitamin D in multi-nutrient formulas you already take.

**Vitamin D3 5,000 IU • 60 capsules**
Retail: $11
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For those obtaining 1,000-3,000 IU of vitamin D in their multi-nutrient formulas, this 5,000 IU potency is what most need to achieve optimal vitamin D blood levels. Item# 00713
Please refer to website for allergen information.

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Retail: $14
Four bottle Member Price: $9.45
Some individuals (such as those weighing more than 180 pounds) may require higher potencies of vitamin D. When combined with 1,000-3,000 IU obtained from multi-nutrient formulas, this 7,000 IU vitamin D3 capsule should enable these individuals to attain 25-hydroxyvitamin D blood levels above the desired range of 50 ng/mL. Item# 01418
Please refer to website for allergen information.

**Vitamin D3 Liquid Emulsion 2,000 IU • 1 ounce**
Retail: $28
Four bottle Member Price: $18.75
For those rare individuals who have difficulty absorbing enough vitamin D3 from powdered capsules, this liquid emulsion of vitamin D can be used. Item# 00864

**CAUTION:** Individuals consuming more than 2,000 IU/day of vitamin D (from diet and supplements) should periodically obtain a serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D measurement. Do not exceed 10,000 IU per day unless recommended by your doctor. Vitamin D supplementation is not recommended for individuals with hypercalcemia (high blood calcium levels). People with kidney disease, certain medical conditions (such as hyperparathyroidism or sarcoidosis), and those who use cardiac glycosides (digoxin) or thiazide diuretics should consult a physician before using supplemental vitamin D.

* If you have a thyroid condition or are taking antithyroid medications, do not use without consulting your healthcare practitioner.

For those obtaining 1,000-3,000 IU of vitamin D in their multi-nutrient formulas, this 5,000 IU potency is what most need to achieve optimal vitamin D blood levels.

More studies have been published over the past four years supporting the health benefits of vitamin D than possibly any other compound. The good news for consumers is that vitamin D is a very low cost supplement.

Life Extension's exclusive analysis of over 13,000 vitamin D blood tests reveals that the minimum intake for most aging people should be around 7,000 IU a day. Some individuals need 10,000 IU of vitamin D daily.

You can choose the right dose of vitamin D3 for you from the large selection of vitamin D3 supplements below. Remember to factor in that you may be getting 1,000-3,000 IU of vitamin D in multi-nutrient formulas you already take.

**Vitamin D3 1,000 IU • 250 capsules**
Retail: $12.50
Four bottle Member Price: $8.44
Commercial companies offered only 400 IU vitamin D products when Life Extension long ago introduced this 1,000 IU version. For most people, this 1,000 IU potency is insufficient to attain optimal vitamin D blood levels. For smaller individuals who obtain 2,000-3,000 IU in their multi-nutrient formulas (and children), this potency of vitamin D may be suitable. Item# 00251
Please refer to website for allergen information.

**Vitamin D3 1,000 IU with Sea-Iodine**
250 vegetarian capsules
Retail: $22
Four bottle Member Price: $15
Most people do not ingest enough vitamin D and iodine, especially those seeking to reduce their salt intake. Combining vitamin D3 and iodine into one capsule makes taking these two nutrients economical and convenient. Item# 01371
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250 capsules
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To order any of these high-potency vitamin D3 supplements, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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Today’s chain pharmacies have become drug-dispensing assembly lines. They fill whatever your doctor prescribes or insurance covers, regardless of what is best for your individual needs.

At Life Extension Pharmacy™ we do things differently. We take advantage of our partnership with the Life Extension Foundation® for intimate knowledge of the peer-reviewed scientific literature about the prescription drugs you take … including drug interactions, side effects, lower-cost alternatives, and, in some cases, safer and more effective ways to use your medications. It’s our mission to preserve your health and save you money.

Our Independent Thinking
As well as offering advice on the safety and effectiveness of your prescriptions, our team of pharmacists also explains how they can work synergistically with nutrient and hormone supplements to keep you healthy.

Consider the anti-coagulant drug Coumadin® (warfarin) as an example. While most doctors advise patients who are taking Coumadin® to avoid vitamin K supplements and vitamin K-containing foods, recent research demonstrates that Coumadin® plus low-dose vitamin K supplements (around 45 mcg a day) can achieve more stable measurement of blood clotting time (the INR test). Even more important is that Coumadin®’s horrendous side effects (accelerated atherosclerosis and bone loss) may be preventable in the presence of stable vitamin K levels in the body.

Another problem occurs with drugs prescribed to treat prostate cancer (such as Lupron®) that deplete the body of testosterone. Through our collaboration with the Life Extension Foundation, we can advise patients on the specific steps they should take to protect against the lethal “Androgen Deprivation Syndrome.”

Another example is the statin drug Crestor®. This high-priced medication is flying out of pharmacies across the country. But should it be? Recent studies reveal that it’s not right for everyone who is taking it. Visit www.LifeExtensionRx.com/crestor for our in-depth analysis on the latest Crestor® study.

Tailored Services
So keep this in mind… the Life Extension Pharmacy™ puts your welfare first. If a lower-cost drug may work better for you than an expensive brand name, we’re going to recommend it. Combining the Life Extension Foundation’s nutraceutical expertise with our pharmacists’ in-depth knowledge of pharmaceuticals and customized prescription compounding, Life Extension Pharmacy™ is committed to helping you get the very best results from your therapy.

Saving Your Money & Your Health
Life Extension Pharmacy™ offers a range of ways to save you money including low-cost compounded drugs, life-saving prescription drugs at greatly discounted prices, and practical suggestions on how to conserve your health care dollars. To see how much we can save you, look at our prices for the statin simvastatin and the antidiabetic drug glyburide compared with CVS in the table above!

To find out how you may benefit by transferring your prescriptions, call 1-877-877-9700.

Super Low Prices on Compounded Prescription Drugs

Call 1-877-877-9700 today to fill a new prescription or to transfer an existing one.

* Prices as of August 15, 2010. Prices subject to change.
Low levels of testosterone have been implicated in a host of health concerns. Maintaining normal testosterone levels is one of the most important steps you can take to regain your health and improve your performance.

If you’re over 40, odds are you’re already starting to feel the debilitating effects of low testosterone. Research shows that by the time they are 60 years old, men typically produce 60% less testosterone than they did at age 20. With this drastic reduction comes several well-documented problems—from the blues and cognitive impairment to reduced sex drive and abdominal weight gain. Normal testosterone has been associated with maintaining a healthy cardiovascular system.

**RESTORING HEALTH AND SEXUAL VIGOR**

Life Extension’s Super MiraForte contains high potencies of chrysin and nettle root—plant extracts that naturally reduce the aromatization (conversion) of testosterone to estrogen to enhance free testosterone levels. Bioperine® is included to facilitate the absorption of chrysin (a natural flavonoid) into the bloodstream.

**Muira puama** is a rainforest herb classified in the Brazilian Pharmacopoeia as an aphrodisiac. In a trial of men with decreased libido and other sexual issues, 62% of those taking muira puama reported positive results in regard to libido, while 51% of those with a common sexual problem felt that the herb was helpful. A second trial examined men with decreased libido and found that 85% of the test subjects taking muira puama enjoyed an enhanced libido, 90% had improved sexual function, and 100% of test subjects experienced an increase in intercourse frequency.

To augment these protective effects, a standardized lignan extract from Norwegian spruce is included in Super MiraForte. These lignans convert to enterolactone in the intestine that is then rapidly absorbed into the bloodstream where it provides significant biological effects. Enterolactone has demonstrated anti-estrogen and anti-DHT effects that are of particular importance for the aging prostate gland.

The suggested daily dose of four capsules of Super MiraForte contains potencies of the following nutrients:

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The retail price for a bottle of 120 capsules of Super MiraForte with Standardized Lignans is $62. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $42 a bottle. Contains corn.

**References**

**Caution:** If you are taking any medication, use only under physician supervision. Men with existing prostate cancer may not be able to use this product. Elevations in free testosterone can unmask an occult (hidden) prostate cancer. Anyone with this concern should have a baseline PSA prior to using this product and a follow-up PSA test 60 days later. If a significant elevation of PSA is found, discontinue this product and advise physician. Do not take more than 15 mg per day of Bioperine®.

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Super MiraForte with Standardized Lignans is $62. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $42 a bottle. Contains corn.

To order Super MiraForte with Standardized Lignans, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com
Life Extension® was the first to introduce coenzyme Q10 to the United States way back in 1983. Since then, we have consistently introduced more potent and better absorbable forms of this critical nutrient.

Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ contains an organic compound called PrimaVie® shilajit that research shows doubles levels of CoQ10 in the mitochondria.1

Shilajit has been shown to help restore and sustain cellular energy. The latest studies reveal that when shilajit is combined with CoQ10, cellular energy gains substantially increase.

In a breakthrough preliminary study, the combination of CoQ10 and shilajit produced a 56% increase in cellular energy production in the brain—40% better than CoQ10 alone. In muscle there was a 144% increase, or 27% better than CoQ10 alone.2

Researchers have found that shilajit works to boost CoQ10’s beneficial effects by:

1. Stabilizing CoQ10 in its superior ubiquinol form, thereby prolonging its action at the cellular level.1,4
2. Facilitating more efficient delivery of CoQ10 into the mitochondria, resulting in greater cellular energy output.5-9

Scientific analysis shows that shilajit itself is rich in essential compounds that promote mitochondrial metabolism. Part of shilajit’s beneficial effects derives from its ability to help the mitochondria convert fats and sugars into adenosine triphosphate, or ATP—the body’s main source of energy.2,9

To order Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ Combining ubiquinol CoQ10 with shilajit generates a powerful synergy that supports more youthful cellular energy production than CoQ10 alone.2,4,5

The retail price for 60 100-mg softgels of Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ is $62. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $42 per bottle. Item #01426

The retail price for 100 50-mg softgels of Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ is $58. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $39.75 per bottle. Item #01425

The retail price for 30 200-mg softgels of Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial Support™ is $62. If a member buys four bottles, the price is just reduced to $42 per bottle. Item #01431

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Overlooked in the effort to support sexual function in aging men is the health of the vascular system. Blood flow through the delicate lining of the arteries (the endothelium) is essential to sexual arousal, so it should come as no surprise that endothelial function is closely associated with male sexual capacity.

Life Extension® has discovered supportive clinical research for a scientifically validated, natural dietary supplement formula to promote endothelial function and blood flow to the place men need it most—for maximum performance.

The ingredients found in Prelox® Natural Sex for Men® have yielded compelling and highly satisfactory results in five independent clinical studies.1-6

Our analysis also confirms that unlike some performance enhancement supplements marketed as “natural,” Prelox® Natural Sex for Men® is not adulterated with trace amounts of prescription drugs.

A Powerful Synergy to Support Sexual Health

The patented blend of the following natural ingredients positively affects the male physiology in three ways, to provide optimal support:

1. PYCNOPENOL® (standardized French maritime pine bark extract) activates endothelial nitric oxide synthase (eNO-S), the enzyme required to make nitric oxide. Nitric oxide (NO) relaxes the vessels that enable efficient blood flow — the key to healthy male sexual activity and overall vascular health. Pycnogenol® further amplifies this relaxing effect by extending the amount of time nitric oxide remains in the bloodstream.

2. L-ARGININE is the biological precursor to nitric oxide synthesis in the endothelium. It interacts synergistically with Pycnogenol® to sustain nitric oxide levels sufficient for healthy sexual function.

3. ICARIN—a natural plant extract used in traditional Chinese medicine—has been shown to deactivate the enzyme normally responsible for winding down male sexual response, further promoting sustained activity. Prelox® Natural Sex for Men® contains a standardized extract providing a proprietary form of pure, high-quality icariin.

The suggested dose of two Prelox® Natural Sex for Men® tablets each day provides:

**Prelox® Proprietary Blend** 1440 mg
- L-Arginine HCl, Aspartic Acid, Pycnogenol® Dried French Maritime Pine (Pinus pinaster) Extract (bark)

**Natural Sex®** 120 mg
- Epimedium sagittatum Extract (aerial parts) [providing 60 mg icariin]

A 60-tablet bottle of Life Extension® Prelox® Natural Sex for Men® retails for $50. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $33.75 per bottle. Contains corn.

References

CAUTION: If you have significant liver disease, please consult with your healthcare practitioner before using this product.

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To order Prelox® Natural Sex For Men®, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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As we age, our bodies are programmed to accumulate excess body fat. There is no single cause. On the contrary, multiple obesity factors predispose us to this age-induced weight gain.

The encouraging news is that proven methods exist to correct these obesity-inducers. You will not find them, however, in a single pill.

For example, drugs that block dietary fat absorption are approved by the FDA to facilitate weight loss. Using this fat-blocking method alone will not meet the expectations of most overweight individuals. One reason is that excess carbohydrate absorption will lead to the same fat accumulation as does over-consumption of dietary fats.

On the flip side, drugs or nutrients that block the rate of carbohydrate absorption may not induce profound weight loss if too many dietary fats wind up in the bloodstream.

People fail to accept that as they grow older, they lack the metabolic capacity to efficiently convert ingested calories into energy. These metabolic deficits are increasingly being referred to as “post-prandial disorders.” The term postprandial means after-meal and the disorders they refer to are too many fats and sugars remaining in the bloodstream long after meals are eaten. Overweight individuals today suffer chronically high blood levels of fat remnants and glucose that may frustrate the best laid-out weight-loss program.

One might think that by merely eating less, blood fat (triglycerides) and sugar (glucose) levels will drop low enough to prompt weight reduction. The sad fact is that many overweight individuals are so severely compromised on a metabolic and hormonal basis that sustained fat loss cannot be achieved unless corrective actions are first taken. An imbalance of leptin, insulin, thyroid, and/or sex steroid hormones, for example, may inhibit the desired release of stored body fat, even in response to calorie restriction.

As we age, there is a progressive and extensive decline in resting energy expenditure. This reduction in basal metabolic rate is another reason that people accumulate more body fat even though they may be eating less than they used to. In fact, your body’s basal metabolic rate decreases by about 2% per decade after age 40. For a man age 40 years who weighs 156 pounds, this means that during the year following his 50th birthday, he is predisposed to gain an extra 3.5 pounds of body fat from the age-related reduction in metabolic rate alone! Metabolic enhancers by themselves, however, are not enough to compensate for the other obesity-inducers plaguing aging adults.

NINE PILLARS OF SUCCESSFUL WEIGHT LOSS

When it comes to weight loss, mainstream medicine has recommended “diet and exercise” for so long that this phrase has become more of a cliché than any kind of momentous discovery. The science you will read next reveals why aging people need to do a lot more than reduce calorie intake and increase physical activity if they are going to lose and keep off excess body fat.

The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide is the first book to uncover all age-related obesity factors and provide practical solutions to correct them. The following Nine Pillars to Successful Weight Loss comprises a portion of the comprehensive program revealed in the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide:

1. PILLAR NUMBER 1: RESTORE INSULIN SENSITIVITY

Aging causes our muscle cells to become resistant to insulin. The result is that insulin is less efficient at helping the cells in our muscles and liver to store glucose, with the result being chronically elevated blood glucose levels that convert to body fat. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide outlines an all-inclusive program to re-establish youthful insulin sensitivity.

2. PILLAR NUMBER 2: RESTORE ADIPOCYTE (FAT-CELL) SIGNALING

Adipocytes are fat cells, and the adipocyte is the primary site for fat storage. Adipocytes of obese individuals are bloated with triglycerides—the form that most fat exists in the body. Fat storage and release is tightly regulated by adipocyte command signals. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide will teach you how to harness adipose command signals (such as leptin, adiponectin and glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase) that are crucial for aging individuals to achieve youthful cell signaling so critical for fat metabolism.

3. PILLAR NUMBER 3: ACHIEVE YOUTHFUL HORMONE BALANCE

The high failure rate of dieting is partially attributable to the alteration in hormone levels that occurs as part of normal aging. For instance, a large percentage of men today suffer from abdominal obesity—the most dangerous kind of body fat. It is often difficult, if not impossible, for aging men to lose inches off their waistline if they are deficient in free testosterone. Women likewise suffer hormone imbalances that preclude fat reduction. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide provides a complete program to help restore all hormones involved in metabolism and body fat deposition to youthful ranges.

4. PILLAR NUMBER 4: CONTROL RATE OF CARBOHYDRATE ABSORPTION

When excessive amounts of dietary carbohydrate are absorbed into the bloodstream, a surge in blood glucose results. Too much glucose causes excessive increases in insulin. This surplus insulin is associated with rebound hunger as blood glucose levels fall too low in response to insulin overload. Excess insulin also interferes with the release of body fat stores. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide recommends specific nutrients and approved
medications that when taken before meals dramatically reduce the surge of glucose into the bloodstream from excess amounts of dietary carbohydrate.

5 PILLAR NUMBER 5: BALANCE BRAIN SEROTONIN LEVELS
When the brain has balanced levels of the hormone serotonin, satiety normally occurs. A serotonin deficiency has been associated with the carbohydrate binging that contributes to the accumulation of excess body fat. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide provides natural methods to balance brain serotonin as well as other satiety-enhancing factors in the brain.

6 PILLAR NUMBER 6: RESTORE RESTING ENERGY EXPENDITURE RATE
It is often challenging for aging humans to lose significant body fat stores even when following a low-calorie diet. Long-term weight loss requires increasing resting energy expenditure, and the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide outlines non-stimulating methods to safely accomplish this.

7 PILLAR NUMBER 7: INHIBITING LIPASE AND BINDING BILE ACIDS
Dietary fats are broken down for absorption into your bloodstream by the bile acids released by the liver into the small intestine and the enzyme lipase. Inhibiting lipase and binding bile acids results in fewer fat calories being absorbed and thus reduces the amount of fat stored in your adipocytes (fat cells). The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide reveals nutrients and drugs that inhibit lipase and bind bile in order to reduce the amount of fat absorbed from ingested calories.

8 PILLAR NUMBER 8: INCREASE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
In addition to using up stored fat calories, exercise induces beneficial changes at the cellular level that contribute to weight control. It improves insulin sensitivity and mimics the effects of certain anti-diabetic drugs which can have a favorable impact on fat distribution.

9 PILLAR NUMBER 9: EAT TO LIVE A LONG & HEALTHY LIFE
Aging individuals have the choice of ingesting foods that are known to promote weight gain (and cause horrendous diseases) or selecting healthier foods that facilitate weight loss. The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide reveals little known scientific facts that can easily enable you to alter your diet. For instance, the ingestion of foods cooked at high temperatures (over 250 degrees Fahrenheit) accelerates the aging process while foods cooked at lower temperatures have been shown to facilitate weight loss. So just changing how your foods are prepared could help you shed body fat and, at the same time, protect against age-related disease.

HOW TO COMBAT ALL YOUR OBESITY-INDUCERS
The Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide is published by an organization with an unparalleled 30-year track record of preventing and treating the diseases of aging. If you’re tired of seeing ads for products that claim miraculous weight loss effects that don’t deliver, the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide will open your eyes to scientific weight loss strategies that no one else has ever tied together.

The cover price of the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide is $29.95, but as a special limited offer, it is being discounted by 70% to only $8.99.

If you are serious about extending your life by shedding deadly surplus fat pounds, order the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide (24 hours a day) by calling 1-800-544-4440 or visit: www.LifeExtension.com

Reference:

To order the Life Extension® Weight Loss Guide today for only $8.99 call 1-800-544-4440 (24 hours)

To order by mail, send a check for $11.99 (includes $3.00 shipping and handling) to: Life Extension, 1100 West Commercial Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309
A huge percentage of men over age 50 suffer from prostate-induced discomforts.

**Ultra Natural Prostate Formula** contains the most scientifically substantiated nutrients to help protect the prostate gland and maintain its healthy function.

Included in the formula is a standardized **European pumpkin seed oil extract** rich in **delta-7 sterols** and **fatty acids** to support a healthy prostate. A supercritical CO$_2$ extraction technology supplies optimal amounts of these key phytonutrients to complement the fatty acid composition of saw palmetto. It is sourced from a unique variety of pumpkin cultivated specifically to yield **higher ratios** of these compounds than pumpkins grown for commercial use.

The **nine additional** active ingredients in **Ultra Natural Prostate Formula** are:

- **Saw palmetto extract.** A number of normal biological events in aging men affect the prostate gland. Saw palmetto has been shown to interfere with DHT activity in the prostate, inhibit alpha-adrenergic receptor activity (to support normal urinary flow), and help control inflammatory actions in the prostate gland.$^2$-$^4$ A novel DeepExtract™ extraction technology ensures the most desirable and complete profile of saw palmetto available.

- **HMRlignan™** Norway spruce and ActiFlax™ flax lignan extracts. Standardized lignans from Norway spruce and flax seeds convert to **enterolactone** that is then absorbed into the bloodstream where it provides significant biological effects. **Enterolactone** has demonstrated anti-estrogen and anti-DHT effects that are of particular importance for the aging prostate gland.$^5$-$^7$

- **5-LOXIN® boswellia extract.** Published studies show that normal aging and poor diet cause levels of a dangerous enzyme (5-lipoxygenase) to increase, which can affect prostate cells. 5-LOXIN® is a patented extract from the boswellia plant that has been shown to suppress 5-lipoxygenase in addition to other pro-inflammatory factors.$^8$-$^{10}$

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Nettle root extract (Urtica dioica). Testosterone converts to estrogen at higher rates as men age. Prostate cells are sensitive to estrogen's growth stimulatory effects. Nettle root helps support prostate cells against excess estrogen levels.11

Pygeum. Normal aging results in levels of certain prostaglandins increasing in the prostate gland. Pygeum africanaum extract helps suppress these prostaglandins, keeping the prostate gland placid and promoting prostate comfort.12

Beta-sitosterol. The most biologically active constituent of pygeum is beta-sitosterol. Beta-sitosterol from other plant sources is also included in this prostate support formula.13

Cernitin®. This European pollen extract has been shown to relax smooth muscle tone of the urethra, counteract DHT, and help regulate inflammatory reactions.14-17

Boron. In addition to helping protect bones, this mineral has been shown to slow elevation of prostate-specific antigen (PSA)—a benefit seeming to occur as a result of boron's positive effect on the presence of protein-degrading enzymes in the prostate gland.18,19

Lycopene. This carotenoid, associated with the tomato's red color, helps maintain healthy DNA gene function in prostate cells.20-24

The daily dose of two softgels of Ultra Natural Prostate Formula provides:

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Ultra Natural Prostate Formula provides scientifically validated standardized plant extracts that have been shown to promote healthy prostate function. No other prostate protection formula provides such a broad array of nutrients to support the multiple factors involved in maintaining a healthy prostate gland. Contains soybeans.

The retail price for one bottle Ultra Natural Prostate Formula is $38. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $26.25 per bottle.

References

To order
Ultra Natural Prostate Formula, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

Now with More Potent Saw Palmetto and Pumpkin Seed Oil Extracts

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Two Critical Fat-Soluble Nutrients Deficient in Food Sources

An avalanche of favorable studies has resulted in record numbers of Americans supplementing with vitamin D. Since it is virtually impossible to obtain adequate vitamin D from food sources, supplementation with 5,000-10,000 IU daily is required by most aging individuals.

Overlooked by almost everyone (except Life Extension® members) is the critical importance of vitamin K. If one is concerned enough about their health to take higher dose vitamin D, it seems absurd to miss out on the proven benefits of vitamin K.

For instance, vitamin D facilitates calcium absorption into the bloodstream and thus plays an important role in maintaining bone density. Less recognized is the need for vitamin K to transport calcium from the bloodstream into the bone. Vitamin K is also required by calcium-regulating proteins in the arteries. Together these two vitamins help maintain youthful calcium skeletal distribution while promoting vascular health.

Vitamin K can be found in small amounts in the diet, but to obtain the desired higher potencies requires supplementation.

Vitamins D and K with Sea-Iodine™

Most Life Extension members obtain optimal potencies of long-acting vitamin K in the Super Booster or Super K formulations. An increasing number of new members, however, are asking for high-potency vitamin D—but are not taking any supplemental vitamin K.

To directly address this critical problem, Life Extension has put together a new formula called Vitamins D and K with Sea-Iodine™. Just one capsule provides:

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Like vitamins D and K, few Americans obtain optimal amounts of iodine. As people seek to limit their salt intake, this deficit is exacerbated since “iodized salt” is the principal source of this mineral in many diets. We expect the issue of iodine insufficiency to receive more media attention as new studies uncover the problems this creates. Sea-Iodine™ is included in this formula to provide iodine without the harmful effects of sodium.

For members seeking high-potency vitamin D, but who are not yet aware of the body’s essential need for vitamin K and iodine, the new Vitamins D and K with Sea-Iodine™ is available at the retail price of $24 for 60 vegetarian capsules. If a member buys four bottles, the cost is reduced to only $16.50 per bottle.

Contains rice and corn. Due to the source of the kelp, this product may contain fish and crustacean shellfish. For product cautions visit www.LifeExtension.com

References
A plant extract discovered in Europe has been found to suppress appetite without stimulatory effects. Extracted from the nuts of the Korean pine (*Pinus koraiensis*), pinolenic acid stimulates the release of two of the body’s most powerful hunger-suppressing hormones: CCK (cholecystokinin) and GLP-1 (glucagon-like peptide-1). This sends a feeling of satiety or “fullness” to the brain, decreasing the desire to eat and helping to control excessive calorie intake.

Life Extension’s Natural Appetite Control formula was developed for adults seeking to lower their calorie intake and maintain a successful, long-term weight management program. Each softgel of Natural Appetite Control provides 1000 mg of a standardized extract of Korean pine nuts containing the highest concentration of pinolenic acid found in any pine nut species.

The recommended daily dose of this all-natural, vegetable-based formula is three softgels taken 30-60 minutes before the meal with the highest caloric content. To reduce snacking, three softgels may be taken between meals.

The best time to take this product may be in the evening, to reduce food intake before bedtime.

A bottle of 90 softgels of Natural Appetite Control retails for $28. If a member orders four bottles, the price is reduced to $18.90 per bottle.

Hunger Score: Desire to Eat Is Less 30 Minutes After Consuming Pinolenic Acid

References

Natural Appetite Control should be used in conjunction with a healthy diet and exercise program. Results may vary.

To order Natural Appetite Control, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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Critical Need to Control Fasting and After-Meal Glucose Levels

We at Life Extension® have a unique mission. We strive to keep our members alive and in good health for an indefinite time period.

Enough data has accumulated over the past decade for us to make a firm recommendation that all Life Extension® members take aggressive steps to suppress their fasting glucose levels to around 80 (mg/dL) of blood.

This suggestion is not new, as we long ago published findings from scientific studies revealing that mainstream medicine was accepting dangerously high levels of fasting glucose as being “normal.”

What is different now are compelling arguments from an organization called Living the CR Way stating that keeping tight control over glucose not only protects against common diseases, but also favorably influences genes that control our rate of aging.

So far in this issue of Life Extension Magazine®, you have learned about nutritional and pharmaceutical approaches that have been shown to suppress blood glucose levels. These include a new Calorie Control Weight Management nutrient powder that should be taken before the two largest meals of the day.

This article describes the scientific rationale for keeping fasting glucose levels at around 80 mg/dL (or lower) and postprandial (after meal) glucose levels that increase no more than 40 mg/dL before dropping back to fasting ranges in the 80s.

The section after describes how you can adopt a lower calorie diet that can be followed for a lifetime to achieve optimal glucose control. > >
**Lethal Consequences of Excess Glucose**

Blood glucose levels play a crucial role in determining how long you will live. High blood glucose, either fasting or postprandial (after the meal) is a risk factor for diabetes, heart disease, cancer, and Alzheimer's disease as well as increased mortality. In fact, high glucose levels are such a threat to public health that San Francisco has declared a “Soda-free Summer”—realizing that sugar-loaded sodas fuel glucose levels, helping to cause the diabetes epidemic that plagues the city. Other areas of the country are considering similar measures.

The dangers of high glucose are so strongly supported by research findings that the International Diabetes Federation has issued a warning to non-diabetics that postprandial (after meal) glucose above 140 mg/dL is a significant risk factor for many diseases including:

- Damage to the retina
- Increased intima-media thickness of the carotid artery
- Oxidative stress
- Increased inflammation
- Endothelial dysfunction
- Decreased myocardial blood flow
- Increased cancer risk

If high glucose is a risk factor, could keeping glucose low provide benefits? Yes! Keeping glucose low is important for everyone who cares about their health. It is also a cornerstone of calorie restriction—now proven to produce profound benefits in humans. Glucose is the preferred fuel for cellular metabolism, but when calories are limited by a healthful and nutrient-dense diet whose components have low GI (glycemic index) rankings, glucose levels fall as blood sugar is used up quickly for the body’s countless processes. Indeed, the fasting glucose levels of the cohort of serious, long-term calorie restrictors participating in the studies at Washington University Medical School were well-controlled between 74 and 88 mg/dL.

Calorie restrictors should aim for fasting glucose levels in the 80s or below. When glucose falls into the 80s or below, profound physiological changes take place. The body shifts gears—burning fat and protein...
for energy. A beneficial regulator controlling this metabolic switch is AMPK (AMP-activated protein kinase), an enzyme that regulates glucose and lipid metabolism. Its actions include facilitation of glucose transport into muscle cells, protection against ischemic heart disease, and decreasing the liver’s production of glucose, cholesterol, and triglycerides. AMPK also powers the beneficial actions of the popular diabetes drug, metformin.9

When a cell’s energy state diminishes, AMPK becomes active10 and works in concert with the fuel-sensing gene, SIRT,11 which plays a role in the longevity and related benefits of calorie restriction, including reduced inflammation and better mitochondrial function.

“Keeping glucose low enough to activate the beneficial effects of CR is important for everyone, whether they consider themselves calorie-restricted or not,” says Paul McGlothin,12 Vice President for Research of the CR Society Intl. and co-author of The CR Way book that many Life Extension members already have.

Activation of AMPK and its partner SIRT1 causes the fat-forming genetic complex PPAR-gamma (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-gamma) to be blocked,13 and the body to shift from fat storage to fat burning.

This is great news for anyone who wants to lose weight: the pounds burn away quickly when the fat-forming genes have been blocked. This also benefits cardiovascular health: fat that otherwise might end up as artery plaque is simply burned for fuel.

The next article describes aggressive ways to implement a personal calorie restriction program. •

References
Life Extension Magazine® often includes articles about calorie restriction (CR) and with good reason: LEF members want to know more when they learn that CR might help them live longer and protect against the chronic diseases that kill or reduce the quality of life for too many people—cancer, diabetes, and heart and Alzheimer’s disease.

But what is calorie restriction really? Media descriptions vary. One famous reporter declared that to be calorie-restricted people must limit calories by 20% to 40% and remain thin for life—thus concluding that CR would be too difficult for most people. In reality, human CR is very different from the low-calorie regimens imposed on laboratory animals, on which many media stories are based. Humans have choices. We are free to adopt a CR regimen that works for our lives and temperaments. While some may limit calories by 20% or 30%, others may choose to just dip their toes in with a 5% reduction to get some benefits.

Still, many people are unable to stick to a CR diet or, for that matter, any diet. Emotional challenges get in the way. Consider this scenario:

It’s the middle of the night and feelings of hunger awaken you. How will you handle it? Without thinking, many people simply eat something and try to go back to sleep. Yet, you want to lose a few pounds: Only a couple of days ago, you made a resolution to go on a diet. You promised yourself that this time you would stick with it. And you’ve been doing fairly well. So you try to go back to sleep, but your mind wanders until you begin to focus on that delicious piece of chocolate layer cake in the refrigerator. Chocolate is one of your favorite flavors. You picture thick, rich, moist devil’s food, layered with chocolate frosting, sprinkled with generous bits of chocolate for bites of intense flavor. It would taste so good. Then you begin to think: Life was hard this week and I deserve a reward for all I had to put up with. The cake will make me feel better.

So you try getting out of bed, going to the refrigerator, taking the cake and putting it on a plate. You eagerly anticipate the sensual pleasure of chocolate. You warm some milk and sit in your favorite chair, slowly savoring each bite, feeling a glow of satisfaction while saying to yourself, One time won’t matter: I’ll lose the extra calories with exercise later today. But you don’t. In a few days you have worked your way back to your old eating habits and have actually gained a pound or two.

Does this sound familiar? Millions of people start diets only to find that after a few days, they can’t continue with them, even if they have serious health issues from being overweight. Why are they so easily tempted by cake and other comfort foods that entice them away from their diet? Do they have less will power than others? Science says no. Research shows that anxiety and stress activate internal biochemistry that results in food cravings, ultimately making people turn to food for comfort—whether they are hungry or not.

But what if you could gain control of the areas of the brain that regulate your feelings—replacing negative, self-limiting thoughts with positive ones? This is the revolutionary approach of The CR Way to Happy Dieting, a way of eating and living that empowers users with happiness biochemistry. This makes dieting easy and fun. Rather than focusing on how many calories to cut, The CR Way to Happy Dieting starts with emotional health by encouraging use of a “Happiness Gauge” to evaluate how you feel most of the time. The meal plans are laden with delicious recipes and food combinations that help users customize their own CR Way plan. For those who don’t have time to fix food, the “CR Way to Fast Foods” meal plan presents only dishes that can be prepared in five minutes or less.
Serotonin for Dietary Control

The first step to increasing happiness biochemistry focuses on serotonin, a neurotransmitter that works within the arcuate nucleus of the brain's hypothalamus to regulate food intake.

Understanding how food choices can increase serotonin may make the difference between dietary success and failure because serotonin generates signals that control mood, appetite, and satiety. In cases like the dieter described on the previous page who gives in to a tempting piece of chocolate cake, serotonin levels may determine whether the cake will be eaten or easily forgotten.

Low levels of serotonin are linked to eating disorders and depression. Higher serotonin levels help us resist foods we don’t need, even when delicious temptations are readily available. Serious serotonin-signaling malfunction can drive people to anorexia or obesity.

Serotonin is inextricably linked to brain levels of its amino acid precursor, tryptophan. Knowing this motivates many health-conscious individuals who want increased serotonin levels to eat turkey, milk, or other foods that are high in tryptophan. Yet high protein-rich foods do not facilitate tryptophan’s absorption into the brain where it increases serotonin levels because competing amino acids in foods like turkey and dairy products block tryptophan absorption. John D. Fernstrom and Richard Wurtman explain in their milestone study at MIT.

When even larger elevations of plasma tryptophan are produced by the ingestion of protein-containing diets, brain tryptophan and serotonin do not change. The main determinant of brain tryptophan and serotonin concentrations does not appear to be plasma tryptophan alone, but the ratio of this amino acid to other plasma neutral amino acids (that is, tyrosine, phenylalanine, leucine, isoleucine, and valine) that compete with it for uptake into the brain.4

The consumption of carbohydrates, on the other hand, causes brain tryptophan to rise. The reason is that the high amount of insulin released in response to carbohydrate ingestion accelerates the serum removal of valine, leucine, and isoleucine that compete against tryptophan for transport into the brain.5,6 In fact, high carbohydrate meals that provoke serotonin increase are unmistakable: The relaxation and sense of calm that follow are quite noticeable.

Healthy serotonin levels are so important to dietary success that The CR Way to Happy Dieting includes a filmed demonstration of how to prepare an easy serotonin-provoking recipe. Appropriately named

Calorie Restriction Made Easy

- Restricting calorie intake while maintaining good nutritional status is the best-documented method to prevent disease and lengthen healthy life span.
- Unfortunately, calorie restriction (CR) is difficult for many individuals to successfully implement.
- Now, Paul McGlothin and Meredith Averill, co-authors of The CR Way, have introduced a new program to help individuals successfully and easily reap the life-enhancing benefits of CR.
- Keeping fasting blood glucose levels at or below 80 mg/dL is crucial to protect against common diseases and favorably influence the expression of aging-related genes.

What You Need to Know
Neuropeptide Y also initiates the formation of new fat cells in the abdomen. Research shows that increasing fat accumulation in this area elevates risk for heart disease, diabetes, and cancer. In a study at Georgetown University Medical Center, mice actually developed potbellies from increased NPY stimulation. Neuropeptide Y can be controlled in part by healthful food selections, and The CR Way to Happy Dieting can help. The recipe section includes nutritious recipes that contain healthful amounts of fat and sugar, found in foods naturally. But the meal plans go much further: By increasing serotonin they help protect the dieter from bouts of stress—reducing the desire to reach for sweets for comfort.

Dietary Control from the Command Center

To provide further help for dealing with stressful situations, the sixth “Step to Happiness” activates the brain’s frontal cortex. This part of the brain issues the executive orders that organize eating behaviors. Here the left prefrontal cortex is a key player. A recent study shows that when this area is activated, dietary restraint (a research term for controlling what you eat) is easier.

Out of this knowledge the important Happiness Step 6 evolved, “Centering Meditation.” This section features a live podcast, which we encourage dieters to listen to and practice for ten to fifteen minutes every day. The “Centering Meditation” was influenced by centuries-old Tibetan meditation traditions that research has shown to be highly effective in activating the left prefrontal cortex.

Activation of the left prefrontal cortex is associated with optimism while activation of the right prefrontal cortex coincides with depression. The need to help users master this important step to dietary control mandated that The CR Way to Happy Dieting be a multimedia presentation that includes videos and podcasts. For example, soft, reassuring music accompanies the guided “Centering Meditation” to facilitate entering a relaxed, contemplative state.

Certainly, life’s challenges tempt us to seek comfort from food. And if the food and the amount are healthful, that is okay. If you understand how to eat and live to increase your emotional well-being, you will lose weight if you need to and you will keep it off. Most important, your life will be happier, healthier, and more productive.
Take the Guesswork Out of Your Diet

We are known worldwide for our extraordinary health, achieved by following The CR Way. We attribute much of what we have accomplished to tracking our dietary intake with NutriBase software, the most accurate and full-featured nutrition and fitness software we’ve found. It is widely used by people who want precision and accuracy—including professionals in the business of health and fitness.

We originally became aware of NutriBase when we needed software to use for the CR Society’s “Effects of CR on Humans” pilot study that preceded the “Long-term Effects of CR on Humans” studies at Washington University in Saint Louis School of Medicine. Out of all its competitors NutriBase was chosen to be used in the pilot study. Since then we have worked with NutriBase to create the NutriBase CR Way Edition. This groundbreaking software downloads to a home computer, giving dieters tools to immediately take control of their health.

If you need to lose weight, you can enter your weight-loss goals into the NutriBase CR Way Edition and it will calculate a healthful number of pounds to lose each week, along with the appropriate calorie intake to achieve your goal. The software comes loaded with meal plans that improve mood, empowering you to leave unhealthful comfort foods behind.

The NutriBase CR Way Edition’s extensive tracking capabilities eliminate guesswork that leads to unhealthful outcomes. It makes tracking easy—weight as well as calorie and nutrient intake, including fatty acids and phytochemicals. You can also track exercise, glucose levels, heart health, and even mood.

Glucose Control for Longevity

The unparalleled glucose-tracking capabilities of the software were included especially for those who hope to activate energy-sensitive longevity genes. Glucose is such an important fuel for cellular energy production that when fasting levels fall to the 80 mg/dL range (normal reference range: 60-99 mg/dL) or below, cells switch from energy storage mode to energy production. The switch includes a shift from production of insulin, the hormone of plenty, with cellular uptake of glucose, to production of glucagon, the energy-stabilizing hormone. Along with glucagon, other energy-producing biochemistry is activated, including cell signals that are at the root of calorie restriction benefits. So just by using a glucometer and tracking how high glucose rises after meals, LEF members can get a sense of how well their age-slowing systems are working!

By using a glucometer to test the glucose effects of their foods and meals, users fine tune their choices to keep glucose levels low.

Time-stamping glucose measurements, as well as carbohydrate intake and exercise, is another helpful capability of the software. This feature allows accurate charting of dietary intake and exercise effects on
The International Diabetes Federation names high glucose a risk factor not only for diabetes, but also for heart disease, cancer, atherosclerosis, macular degeneration, and a number of other dangerous health problems.\(^{16}\)

Conversely, keeping glucose low can improve memory; protect against cancer, diabetes, and heart, kidney, and Alzheimer’s disease; as well as activate longevity biochemistry associated with extended life span.\(^{17}\)

Many people who are serious about healthy life extension do not have access to laboratories that perform expensive genetic testing. By tracking the glucose effects of meals and exercise, one can get a good sense of how genes are being activated.

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**Support Includes Friendly, Live Technical Assistance**

The NutriBase CR Way Edition software is now part of the benefits for Longevity-Level Members of *Living The CR Way*, the program for people who want to use proven science to slow or even reverse age-related decline. Unique content includes—

- Documented techniques for losing weight safely and easily in the *Happy Dieting* pages
- Verified activities to improve your brain power in the *Getting Smarter* section
Illustrations of the beneficial whole-body changes that start in the cells in the Long, Healthy Life pages
Nutritious recipes that taste like “made in heaven” in the Delicious Food segment
Strategies that improve mood and manage stress in the Happier You pages
Sound advice for prevention of diabetes, cancer and heart, kidney, and Alzheimer’s diseases in the Protection from Disease section
Description of the rigorous research behind the CR Way of life in The Science Behind the Benefits segment
Demonstrations of how to become a happy, healthy centenarian in The Longevity Guide
Lifestyle and diet coaching for people who want to perform at their best—in The CR Way to Optimal Performance

Teleconferences!

CR experts, Paul McGlothin and Meredith Averill, lead live discussions and answer your questions. To find out about joining Living The CR Way and obtaining all these benefits, turn to the next page.

If you have any questions on the scientific content of this article, please call a Life Extension® Health Advisor at 1-866-864-3027.

Meredith Averill and Paul McGlothin are co-authors of The CR Way (HarperCollins, 2008), they lead The CR Way Longevity Center.

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The CR Way to Happy Dieting
All the tools you need to start, stick with, and enjoy low-calorie living: videos, podcasts, meal plans, and delicious recipes.

The CR Way to Peak Performance
Your diet and lifestyle coach for performing at your best.

Getting Smarter
A blueprint for improving your brain power

Long, Healthy Life
An introduction to the beneficial cellular changes that are the basis of the CR Way™

A Happier You
Strategies that relieve stress and increase happiness.

Protection from Disease
Help for preventing or fighting cancer; diabetes; as well as heart, kidney, and Alzheimer’s diseases.

Science Behind the Benefits
Description of the solid science, backing the benefits.

The Longevity Guide
Pointers to becoming a centenarian.

Benefits of joining the CR Way

NutriBase CR Way Edition software
The world’s most advanced diet and lifestyle manager, the NutriBase CR Way Edition software is included in the CR Way – Optimal Health program. You can use the software to help activate your longevity biochemistry as well as improve your heart health, prevent or fight major diseases, lower blood sugar, manage exercise, make it easy to lose weight, and even improve your mood. The software comes preloaded with CR Way™ recipes and more than 90 suggestions of delicious foods to choose.
As part of the CR Way mission to truly help people, new members are invited to training sessions, showing how to make maximum use of this versatile tracking system.

Technical support is available to answer questions when they arise.

**Live Teleconferences with CR Way authors, Paul McGlothin & Meredith Averill**

CR Way teleconferences help you optimize your most precious asset: your health. You will join friends who, like you, are passionate about being as healthy and happy as possible for as long as possible and who want answers, based on science and clinical testing – not guesswork.

You get to ask the questions that matter to you. Paul & Meredith —leaders of calorie restriction research and world famous for creating the CR Way™, a new standard for healthy living, based on the science of calorie restriction—lead the discussion, and everyone comes out ahead. All teleconferences are conducted in a thoughtful, caring, and supportive way so that participants feel free to express themselves.

If you’ve priced top-level software packages, teleconferences with experts, electronic diet guides, and membership Web sites—you may guess that the CR Way—Optimal Health program costs thousands of dollars per year. Instead, we welcome you to get it all for $195.

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**CR Way Advanced Dietary Tracking Software Motivates Users**

**Weight vs. Goal graph**

![Weight vs. Goal graph](image)

**The CR Way™**

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What “Obesity Factors” Are Keeping You from Losing Weight?

The underlying causes of weight gain vary considerably amongst individuals. Unless the obesity factors responsible for your weight problem are identified, you’re literally “shooting in the dark” when attempting to shed excess fat pounds. Proper blood testing can uncover the specific factors responsible for your unwanted weight gain, so that corrective actions can be taken.

The New Life Extension® Weight Loss Blood Test Panel

Many people have tried to follow low-calorie diets without achieving meaningful reductions in body fat. One reason for these failures is hormone imbalances that can preclude significant weight loss if not corrected.

For example, if you have insufficient levels of T3 (the active thyroid hormone), your cellular metabolism may be too slow to burn off stored fat. In response to eating less, your body responds by further inhibiting T3 production, thus making it even more challenging to rid surplus fat pounds. By measuring TSH (thyroid-stimulating hormone), free T4, and free T3 blood levels, your doctor can optimize your thyroid hormone status to the youthful ranges when you were much thinner. Thyroid hormone deficits are especially prevalent in women.

Abdominal weight gain is epidemic in aging men. Low free testosterone is a common culprit. In women, abdominal fat accumulation may be caused by an estrogen imbalance and/or excess free testosterone (the opposite of men). In both sexes, low DHEA hormone can contribute to excess belly fat. By measuring blood levels of hormones involved in fat metabolism, one can restore their hormonal profile to youthful ranges that existed when you were at normal body weight.

The Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel analyzes these hormones (along with other obesity factors) so that you and your doctor have the data to properly restore them to optimal ranges.

Correcting Metabolic Imbalances

Aging results in a reduction in insulin sensitivity that contributes to our bloodstreams being chronically bloated with excess glucose, insulin, and triglycerides. One might assume that cutting calories would correct this problem, yet many overweight people lack the metabolic capacity to remove excess glucose, triglycerides, and other obesity factors from their blood. It is particularly challenging to lose significant weight while one’s bloodstream is chronically overloaded with fat inducing compounds.

Of particular interest is the measurement of fasting insulin. Elevated levels of fasting insulin suggest that you are insulin resistant, and your pancreas is secreting more insulin to drive glucose into your cells. Since burning stored body fat is difficult in the presence of high levels of insulin, most people will find it difficult to lose weight when insulin levels are elevated. The combination of elevated fasting and elevated blood glucose level places you at much higher risk for metabolic syndrome and type 2 diabetes mellitus.

The Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel analyzes a host of metabolic parameters that may be blocking your ability to shed body fat. Once identified, proven methods exist that you (and/or your doctor) can implement to purge your bloodstream of these dangerous obesity factors.

Suppressing Chronic Inflammation

Heavy people have startlingly high levels of C-reactive protein, which is a blood marker of chronic inflammation. C-reactive protein contributes to obesity by binding to the leptin hormone. Leptin signals satiety (thereby reducing hunger) and promotes the breakdown of body fat through the process of lipolysis. Suppressing elevated C-reactive protein is an essential element in a scientific weight loss and longevity program.

The Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel analyzes C-reactive protein levels. If elevated, proven methods exist to reduce C-reactive protein to safer ranges.
Life Extension Weight Loss

The Lowest-Cost Blood Tests

Restoring a youthful hormonal and metabolic profile is a critical component of a comprehensive weight loss program, especially when it comes to shedding abdominal fat.

One reason that blood tests are not used more frequently to assist with weight loss is the high price. It can cost over $1,000 to measure an individual’s obesity factors at commercial labs. Fortunately, the every-day low member price for the new Life Extension Weight Loss Blood Test Panel is $299. If you order by October 29, 2010, the cost of this comprehensive panel is discounted to just $249.

The Male Weight Loss Panel

To identify obesity factors in the blood responsible for weight gain in men (especially in the abdomen) and age-related disease risks, the Life Extension Male Weight Loss Panel includes measurements of:

- Free testosterone
- Total testosterone
- Estradiol (a potent estrogen)
- DHEA
- TSH (thyroid-stimulating hormone)
- Free T4
- Free T3 (the metabolically active thyroid hormone)
- Insulin
- Glucose
- Triglycerides
- Total Cholesterol
- LDL (low-density lipoprotein)
- HDL (high-density lipoprotein)
- C-reactive protein
- Liver function
- Kidney function
- Complete blood cell counts
- PSA (prostate-specific antigen)
- And numerous other markers of disease risk.

The Female Weight Loss Panel

To identify obesity factors in the blood responsible for weight gain in women (and age-related disease risks), the Life Extension Female Weight Loss Panel includes measurements of:

- Estradiol (a potent estrogen)
- Progesterone
- TSH (thyroid-stimulating hormone)
- Free T4
- Free T3 (the metabolically active thyroid hormone)
- Free testosterone
- Total testosterone
- DHEA
- Insulin
- Glucose
- Triglycerides
- Total Cholesterol
- LDL (low-density lipoprotein)
- HDL (high-density lipoprotein)
- C-reactive protein
- Liver function
- Kidney function
- Complete blood cell counts
- And numerous other markers of disease risk.

How to Order

To obtain the comprehensive Male or Female Weight Loss Blood Test Panels at these discounted prices, call 1-800-208-3444 to order your requisition forms (or log on to www.lef.org/bloodfat). Then, at your convenience, you can visit a blood-drawing facility in your area. The results will be mailed to you shortly thereafter. Life Extension Health Advisors are available to help you understand your test results at no charge.

Note: residents of NY, NJ, and RI will receive a blood draw kit due to state law, and an additional local draw fee may be incurred.
Despite abundant scientific validation, many people still do not take vital nutrients because they don’t want to swallow so many pills. This problem has been solved with a one-per-day softgel that includes multiple health-promoting nutrients in just one supplement.

The Life Extension® Super Booster contains critical oil-based nutrients that cannot be incorporated into dry-powder based formulas like the Life Extension Mix™. The Super Booster provides the most effective form of vitamin K known as menaquinone-7 along with other forms of this critical nutrient. Just one Super Booster softgel provides:

- **Gamma Tocopherol** If one consumes only alpha tocopherol, the critically important gamma tocopherol is displaced from cells within the body. While alpha tocopherol vitamin E inhibits lipid peroxidation, the gamma tocopherol form quenches the dangerous peroxynitrite free radical. It is especially important for those who take vitamin E supplements to make sure they consume at least 200 mg a day of gamma tocopherol.

- **Sesame Lignans** Sesame lignans augment the antioxidant effects of both alpha- and gamma-tocopherol. In a human study conducted at Life Extension, gamma tocopherol plus sesame lignans was 25% more effective in suppressing measurements of free-radical damage than gamma tocopherol and tocotrienols.

- **Vitamin K2** Vitamin K1 from dietary plant sources is poorly absorbed and only a small fraction gets into the bloodstream. Vitamin K2 is absorbed much more efficiently. Scientific studies show K2 provides superior benefits for the bones, arteries, and other tissues. The MK-4 form of vitamin K2 is the most rapidly absorbed and is now routinely used in Japan to maintain healthy bone density. MK-4, however, only remains active in the blood for a few hours. The MK-7 form of K2, on the other hand, remains bioavailable to the human body over a sustained 24-hour period. Super Booster provides a potent dose of MK-7 to keep calcium in the bone and out of the arteries.

- **Lycopene** Evidence suggests that people who ingest the carotenoid lycopene enjoy healthier prostate function. Lycopene also helps guard against LDL oxidation.

- **Lutein** The carotenoid lutein helps maintain healthy cell division, supports the macula of the eye, and protects the endothelial lining of the arteries.

- **Ginkgo** Hundreds of studies substantiate the multifaceted effects of Ginkgo biloba in promoting healthy circulatory and neurological function.

- **Chlorophyllin** Scientific studies indicate that chlorophyllin may protect against environmentally induced damage to DNA.

- **Selenium** Some scientific evidence suggests that consumption of selenium may reduce the risk of certain forms of cancer. However, the FDA has determined that this evidence is limited and not conclusive. Selenium’s effects in boosting glutathione are well-established.

A bottle of 60 Super Booster softgels retails for $42. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $28.50 per bottle. The Super Booster saves consumers huge dollars by combining a wide variety of costly nutrients into one daily softgel. If you add up the price of the individual ingredients contained in the Super Booster, you would spend two to three times more for this potency if taken separately.

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Integrated Medicine Optimizes Brain Function—Naturally

We have long known that certain foods affect the chemical balance of our brain, and thus our mood. Dr. Daniel Amen, an assistant clinical professor of psychiatry and human behavior at the University of California, Irvine School of Medicine, takes this a step further. Amen maintains that incorporating specific natural nutritional supplements into our diets can help support cognitive health.

Amen certainly has the credentials and experience to make such a claim: a physician, child and adult psychiatrist, brain imaging specialist, and bestselling author. Amen is also the medical director of Amen Clinics, Inc. (ACI), with facilities in four cities across the country. ACI, boasting the world’s largest database of functional brain scans related to psychiatric medicine, is a leader in applying brain imaging science to clinical practice.

At Irvine, Amen teaches medical students and psychiatric residents about using brain imaging in clinical practice. Images, he explains, are obtained through a technique called single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT), a nuclear medicine imaging technique using gamma rays. Similar to conventional nuclear medicine planar imaging, SPECT is able to provide true three-dimensional information, which Amen says has helped him reliably identify seven different types of anxiety and depression, six types of Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), and five types of obesity.
Imaging Clarity for Better Treatment

Amen maintains more than 60,000 brain scan images at his clinics. He says they have given him a clearer picture of what happens inside the brain when things aren’t quite as they should be. “SPECT examines blood flow and activity patterns,” says Amen. “Unlike other scans, it focuses on brain function, as opposed to anatomy or structure.” Two images are typically taken, one at rest and one during a concentration exercise. “Scans reveal in distinct colors areas of the brain that work well, areas of the brain that do not work hard enough, which can lead to cognitive disorders, and areas of the brain that work too hard.”

Through his research, Amen has learned that most psychiatric illnesses are not single or simple disorders. “I believe we hurt people by putting them automatically into certain categories and trying to treat accordingly,” he elaborates. “Take, for example, depression. Most doctors who prescribe natural supplements would recommend St. John’s Wort. But it’s not that simple. You need to know exactly what type of depression you’re dealing with.” Amen says that if everyone was simply given St. John’s Wort, it would certainly show improvements in depressive symptoms for some patients—but others would only get worse. You have to tailor any supplements to an individual person’s brain, and not just assume that one treatment fits all.

Amen says that this has been a major component of his work. In his imaging experience, the catch-all category of obesity has been revealed to be five different categories, each with respective treatments including natural supplements that need to be tailored to the specific type of problem. In addition to exercise, a compulsive overeater could be prescribed serotonin boosters like 5-HTP (5-hydroxytryptophan) to control appetite, and inositol extract to regulate mood. Inositol is required for the proper function of several brain neurotransmitters including serotonin and acetylcholine; reduction of inositol levels in the cerebrospinal fluid have been shown to be low in patients with depression. For an impulsive overeater, however, treatment would comprise totally different supplements: dopamine boosters like green tea and L-tyrosine, an amino acid utilized by the body to synthesize protein and increase plasma neurotransmitter levels (particularly dopamine and norepinephrine). In addition, increased protein intake and exercise would be indicated. Overeaters and anxious overeaters, similarly, would have a supplement regimen tailored to their specific type of disorder.

Supplemental Treatment

As with obesity, once a specific disorder diagnosis is determined, Amen will employ nutritional supplements as the first line of defense in order to help put things right again. “We are heavily focused on natural ways to heal the brain,” he says. Following brain scans, Amen adopts specific approaches for several major categories of disorders:

**ADD/ADHD:** “Once again,” he emphasizes, “you have to know the exact type of ADD the person has. Should they have a kind of ADD that is associated with low brain activity, then they would receive a stimulant like Ritalin®.” From a supplement standpoint, Amen might prescribe green tea, L-tyrosine, or rhodiola, which has been shown in studies to alleviate stress and symptoms of mild depression. “These supplements have been shown to boost blood flow,” he adds. On the other hand, if a patient has over-focused ADD, where certain parts of their brain are low in activity while other parts are high, Amen might use a combination of green tea and a serotonin booster such as 5-HTP.

All disorders, incidentally, are treated with omega-3 fatty acid supplements in addition to the recommended disorder-specific supplement. Clinical evidence shows that omega-3s (e.g., fish oil or flaxseed oil supplements) play a crucial role in brain function as well as normal growth and development. Studies also suggest possible benefit for people suffering from depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and ADHD (attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder).

**Anxiety and depression:** This also depends on the type. In addition to omega-3 supplements, Amen would recommend optimizing vitamin D levels. “Low levels
of vitamin D have been associated with physical maladies like rickets, bone disorders or heart disease, but it’s also an important factor in brain imbalances like depression and memory issues,” he explains. “If I hope to get my patients stable, vitamin D is something I need to make sure is tested and regulated through supplementation as and when necessary.” Amen firmly believes typical recommended levels of vitamin D are too low. “The normal range in lab tests is less than what I’ve found to be ideal in terms of benefits,” he says. “I like to keep vitamin D levels in my patients between 50 and 100 nanograms per milliliter.”

**OCD:** In any compulsive anxiety disorder, serotonin boosters (i.e., 5-HTP or St. John’s Wort) are the primary indicated supplements, in addition to omega-3 fatty acids, adds Amen. Research has suggested that OCD results from a brain imbalance of the neurotransmitter serotonin. These studies have shown that OCD patients tend to have lower levels of serotonin, supported by evidence that drugs which increase serotonin output reduce symptoms of OCD.

**Alzheimer’s Disease and memory loss:** Amen believes boosting acetylcholine (ACh) can help with brain repair. During the course of the normal aging process, concentrations of ACh tend to decrease, resulting in sporadic lapses of short-term memory. Normal, non-debilitating decline in memory, referred to as age-associated memory impairment, is distinct from Alzheimer’s disease, a serious brain disorder in which levels of ACh can drop by as much as 90%. Supplements such as choline or DMAE (or dimethylaminoethanol, a natural precursor for choline that crosses readily into the brain, thereby helping to make acetylcholine) have been shown to produce improvements in brain-wave patterns in parts of the brain that play a pivotal role in memory and attention span. DMAE has, incidentally, also been adopted as a possible alternative to Ritalin® in the treatment of ADD-afflicted children, demonstrated in studies to provide similar benefits without the typical side effects.

**Substance abuse:** As with overeaters, Amen first provides the by-now-familiar qualifier: “Supplementation largely depends on the type of substance abuse problem. In cases of compulsive addiction, serotonin and 5-HTP may help.” For impulsive addicts, Amen maintains that dopamine and L-tyrosine are more beneficial. Anxiety-related addictions benefit from GABA (gamma-aminobutyric acid, the chief inhibitory neurotransmitter in the mammalian central nervous system). GABA plays a role in regulating central excitability throughout the nervous system. Supplements that increase the available amount of GABA typically have relaxing, anti-anxiety and anti-convulsive effects. Depressive addicts, says Amen, will usually show improvement after taking SAMe (S-adenosylmethionine). SAMe supplements are the synthetic form of a molecule produced naturally in the body from the amino acid methionine and adenosine triphosphate, an energy-producing compound found in all cells in the body. SAMe may enhance the effect of mood-boosting brain chemicals like serotonin and dopamine by regulating their breakdown or by speeding production of the receptor molecules they attach to. SAMe may also make existing receptors more responsive.

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scientific information or providing a different spin on something they thought they knew. When you read the magazine it stretches your neurons, because now you’re storing more information and exercising the storage and memory parts of your brain.” He adds that activities like dancing help to work the back part of the brain, while juggling exercises a specific brain area known to be associated with Alzheimer’s disease. “Decorating a room or taking on an interior design project is also beneficial to the right side of a brain,” he says. Good brain fitness, in other words, is more akin to cross-training at the gym: exercising in a variety of ways helps improve overall performance.

In terms of daily supplements for the healthy brain, Amen says that while a lot depends on age, he nevertheless advises all his patients to take a good multivitamin. “More than 60% of us do not eat five servings of fruit or vegetables every day,” he points out. “Beyond that, get your vitamin D level checked and optimized, and jack up your omega-3 level, since low levels are associated with all sorts of bad things.”

Amen, meanwhile, continues to spread the word about making positive changes in brain chemistry. In February of this year, Harmony Books published Amen’s latest book, Change Your Brain, Change Your Body: Use Your Brain to Get and Keep the Body You Have Always Wanted. Exploring the idea that when our brains aren’t functioning properly, that dysfunction manifests itself in our physical bodies, Amen takes readers inside the brain to demonstrate ways in which we can harness its power to create a healthier body. From a tighter stomach and younger-looking skin to boosting energy levels and preventing colds, Amen explains eighteen approaches and solutions to better mind/body health. Amen, a New York Times bestselling author, has also written and produced four recent successful fundraising shows for public television, raising more than 30 million dollars, and appeared on a show in 1999 called The Truth About Drinking, on alcohol education for teenagers, which won an Emmy Award for Best Educational Television Show.

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Life Extension’s Vital Greens Mix is a great way to start off a meal. It induces some immediate satiety while providing beneficial plant foods that help neutralize mutagenic components of modern diets.

Each scoop of Life Extension’s Vital Greens Mix provides a daily dose of nutrient-dense foods and herbal extracts. The retail price of a 30-serving jar of this organic superfood is $48. When a member buys four jars, the price is reduced to only $33 per jar.

To order Vital Greens Mix, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

**Contains milk, wheat, gluten, rice, corn, and barley.**

These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. These products are not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease.
Blood testing provides the ultimate information regarding correctable risk factors which may predispose you to disorders such as cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and more. Information about general health and nutritional status can also be gained through standard blood analysis. Standing behind the belief that blood testing is an essential component of any program designed to attain optimal health and longevity, Life Extension offers this innovative and convenient service at a very affordable price. Not only is comprehensive blood testing an important step in safeguarding your health, it is a simple process from virtually anywhere in the United States.

Five Easy Steps:
1. Call 1-800-208-3444 to discuss and place your order with one of our knowledgeable health advisors. (This order form can also be faxed to 1-866-728-1050 or mailed. Online orders can also be placed at www.lifeextension.com)
2. After your order is placed, you will be mailed either a requisition form to take to your local LabCorp Patient Service Center or a Blood Draw Kit; whichever is applicable (Please note: If a blood draw kit is used an additional local draw fee may be incurred.)
3. Have your blood drawn.
4. Your blood test results will be mailed directly to you by Life Extension.
5. Take the opportunity to discuss the results with one of our knowledgeable health advisors by calling 1-800-226-2370; or review the results with your personal physician.

It’s that simple! Don’t delay—call today!

For Our Local Members:
For those residing in the Ft. Lauderdale, Florida area, blood-draws are also performed at the Life Extension Nutrition Center from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday through Saturday. Simply purchase the blood test and have it drawn with no wait! Our address is 1100 West Commercial Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309. We’re located at Commercial Blvd and Powerline Road, just west of I-95. For more information or directions call 954-766-8144.

Blood Testing
The Ultimate Information

MOST POPULAR PANELS
Life Extension Members Pricing

COMPREHENSIVE PANELS

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<td>CBC/Chemistry Profile, DHEA-S, PSA (prostate-specific antigen), Insulin, C-Reactive Protein (high sensitivity), Free Testosterone, Total Testosterone, Estradiol, TSH, Free T3, Free T4</td>
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<td>FEMALE LIFE EXTENSION PANEL (LC32535)</td>
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MALE HORMONE ADD-ON PANEL (LCADDM) | Pregnenolone and Dihydrotestosterone (DHT) | $155

MALE HORMONE RE-TEST PROFILE (LC5RTM) | CBC/Chemistry Profile, DHEA-S, Dihydrotestosterone (DHT), Estradiol, PSA, Pregnenolone, Total and Free Testosterone, and TSH. Continual monitoring of hormone levels is necessary for men seeking to maintain optimal blood level values. | $275

FEMALE HORMONE RE-TEST PROFILE (LC5RTF) | CBC/Chemistry Profile, DHEA-S, Total Estrogen, Pregnenolone, Total and Free Testosterone, Pregnenolone, and TSH. Continual monitoring of hormone levels is necessary for women seeking to maintain optimal blood level values. | $250

THE CBC/CHEMISTRY PROFILE (LC381822) OVER 40 PARAMETERS TESTED | Total Cholesterol, HDL Cholesterol, LDL Cholesterol, Triglycerides, Iron, ALT (SGPT), AST (SGOT), Total Bilirubin, Alkaline Phosphatase | $35

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| Male Life Extension Panels | Total Protein, Albunin, Globulin | $250
| BLOOD COUNT/RED AND WHITE BLOOD CELL PROFILE | Red Cell Count, Monocytes, White Blood Cell Count, Lymphocytes, Eosinophils, Platelet Count, Basophils, Hemoglobin, Polys (Absolute), Hmatocrit, Lymphs (Absolute), MCV, Monocytes (Absolute), MCH, Eos (Absolute), MCHC, Base (Absolute), Polynucleated Cells, RDW | $35

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| Calcium, Potassium, Chloride, Phosphorus, Iron | $250

NOTE: CBC/Chemistry profile is included in the Male and Female Life Extension panels and Weight Loss Panels.

24-HOUR URINARY PROFILES
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| URINARY COMPLUSES PANEL (LCM400) | 24-hour urinary steroid hormone profile contains a combination of 30 hormones and metabolites. This panel may be used to evaluate bio-identical hormone replacement therapy. | $750
| URINARY COMPREHENSIVE PANEL (LCM4001) | 24-hour urinary steroid hormone profile contains a combination of 17 hormones and metabolites. This panel may be used to evaluate bio-identical hormone replacement therapy. | $350
| URINARY ADRENAL PROFILE (LCM4000) | 24-hour urinary steroid hormone profile contains a combination of 12 steroids hormones and metabolites synthesized by the adrenal cortex and may prove useful in the evaluation of endocrine disorders, stress, adrenal insufficiency, and more. | $315
| URINARY ESTROGEN PROFILE (LCM4061) | 24-hour urinary steroid hormone profile contains a combination of 8 hormones and metabolites. This panel may be used to evaluate bio-identical hormone replacement therapy. | $281.25

* This test requires samples to be shipped to the lab on dry ice for customers using a Blood Draw Kit and will incur an additional $35 charge. If the customer is having blood drawn at a LabCorp facility, this extra charge does not apply.
** This test is packaged as a kit, requiring a finger stick performed at home.
### HORMONES

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### Products

#### AMINO ACIDS
- Acetyl-L-Carnitine
- Acetyl-L-Carnitine-Arginate
- Branched Chain Amino Acids
- D,L-Phenylalanine Capsules
- GABA Powder
- Glycine Capsules
- Glycine Powder
- Arginine Capsules
- L-Arginine Free Base Powder
- Arginine/L-Ornithine Capsules
- L-Carnitine Capsules
- L-Cysteine Capsules
- L-Glutathione L-Cysteine & C
- L-Glutamine Capsules
- L-Glutamine Powder
- L-Lysine Capsules
- L-Lysine Powder
- L-Tyrosine Tablets
- Mega L-Glutathione Capsules
- N-Acetyl Cysteine Capsules
- Optimized Carnitine with GlycoCarn®
- PharmaGABA Super Carnosine Capsules
- Taurine Capsules
- Tryptopure® Tryptophan (Optimized) Tryptopure® Plus

#### BONE & JOINT HEALTH
- ArthroMax™ with Theaflavins
- Bone-Up™
- Bone Restore™
- Bone Strength Formula w/KoAct™
- Chondroitin Sulfate
- Chondroitin
- Fast Acting Joint Formula
- Glucosamine Chondroitin Capsules

#### BRAIN HEALTH
- Acetyl-L-Carnitine
- Acetyl-L-Carnitine-Ariginate
- CDP Choline Capsules
- Cognitex with Pregnenolone & CDP Choline Capsules
- Huperzine A
- Lecithin with B6 and BHA
- Lecithin Granules
- Methylocobalamine Lozenges
- Optimized Ashwagandha Extract
- Phosphatidylserine Capsules
- Rhodiola Extract
- Super Ginkgo Extract
- Vinpocetine

#### DIGESTIVE
- Agave Digestive-Immune Support
- Barlean’s Kids DHA
- Boswellia
- Boswellia® Topical Cream
- Bromelain (Specially-coated)
- Coromega Kids Brain and Body (DHA)
- DHA 240
- Emulsified Norwegian Cod Liver Oil
- Emulsified Super Twin EPA/DHA
- Fast Acting Joint Formula
- Perilla Oil
- Pure Fish Oil
- Pure IGF
- Sambu® Guard
- Theracal Capsules
- Thymic Immune Factors
- Ultimate Flora Advanced Immunity
- Zinc Lozenges with Vitamin C

#### HERBAL/PHYTO PRODUCTS
- Artichoke Leaf Extract
- Astaxanthin
- Berry Complete
- Blackcurrant Juice Concentrate
- Blueberry Extract
- Butterbur Extract w/Standardized Rosmarinic Acid
- Calcium D-Glucarate
- Cilantro Herbal Extract
- Citrus Bioflavonoids
- CocoaGold™ Cocoa Polyphenols
- Enhanced Berry Complete with RZD™ Acai Grapeseed Extract with Resveratrol & Pterostilbene
- Huperzine A with Natural Vitamin E
- Kyolic® Garlic Formula 105
- Kyolic® Reserve Lycopene
- Mega Green Tea Extract
- Mega Green Tea Extract (Decaffeinated)
- Mega Lycopene
- Mega Silmarin with Isoleucin B
- Nutrin Optimized Ashwagandha Extract
- Pomegranate Extract (Full-Spectrum) Pomegranate™ Pomegranate Juice Concentrate ProGreens® Pure-Gar™ Pycnogenol Optimized Quercetin Resveratrol with Synergistic Grape-Berry Actives

#### EYE CARE
- Bilberry Extract
- Blackcurrant Freeze Dried Extract
- Brite Eyes III
- Overcast Polarized Sunglasses
- Solarshield Sunglasses
- Super Zeaxanthin with Lutein & Meso-Zeaxanthin
  (Plus Astaxanthin also available)
- Vision Optimizer

#### FIBER
- Apple Pectin Powder
- Fiber Food
- Hi-Lignan® Nutri-Flax®
- Sytrinol™
- WellBetX PGX® Soluble Fiber Blend

#### HAIR CARE
- Dr. Proctor’s Advanced Hair Formula
- Dr. Proctor’s Shampoo
- Life Extension Shampoo and Conditioner
- Super-Absorbable Tocotrienols

#### HEART HEALTH
- Advanced Lipid Control
- Cho-Less
- D-Ribose Capsules
- D-Ribose Powder
- Endothelial Defense™ with D-Ribose
- Fibrinogen Resist
- Hesperidin
- Homocysteine Resist
- Low Dose Aspirin (Enteric Coated)
- Natural BP Management
- Peak ATP® with GlycoCarn®
- Policosanol
- Red Yeast Rice
- Super Absorbable CoQ10® with d-Limonene
- Super Omega-3 EPA/DHA with Sesame Lignans & Olive Fruit Extract
- Super Ubiquinol CoQ10®
- Sytrinol™ Theflavin Standardized Extract
- TMG Powder
- TMG Tablets

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#### IMMUNE ENHANCEMENT
- Agave Digestive-Immune Support
- AHCC® (Active Hexose Correlated Compound)
- Buffered Vitamin C Powder
- Echinacea
- Enhanced Life Extension Whey Protein
- 26 Hyperimmune Egg
- Immune Protect with PARACTIN®
- Lactoferrin
- Maitake SX Fraction
- Norwegian Shark Liver Oil
- Primal Defense™
- ProBoost™ Thymic Protein A
- Pure Gar™
- Sambu® Guard
- Theracal Capsules
- Thymic Immune Factors
- Ultimate Flora Advanced Immunity
- Vitamin C with Dihydroquercetin

#### INFLAMMATORY REACTIONS
- Arthro-Immune Joint Support
- Barlean’s Kids DHA
- Boswellia
- Boswellia® Topical Cream
- Bromelain (Specially-coated)
- Coromega Kids Brain and Body (DHA)
- DHA 240
- Emulsified Norwegian Cod Liver Oil
- Emulsified Super Twin EPA/DHA
- Fast Acting Joint Formula
- 5-LOXIN®
- Mega EPA/DHA
- Mega GLA with Sesame Lignans
- MSM
- Natural Relief 1222™ Cream
- PhosphOmega™ Krill Oil
- Perilla Oil
- Serrafloxyme
- SODzyme® with GluSODin® and Wolfberry
- Super Omega-3 EPA/DHA with Sesame Lignans & Olive Fruit Extract
- Tart Cherry
- Udo’s Choice Oil
- Zy flamend Easy

#### LIVER HEALTH
- Branch Chain Amino Acids
- HepatoPro
- Mega Silmarin with Isoleucin B
- N-Acetyl Cysteine
- SAMe
- Silimarina

#### DURK AND SANDY PRODUCTS
- Blast™
- D-C
- Inner Power™
- Memory Upgrade

#### Rhodiola Extract
- Rosmarinic Acid Extract
- Silimarin
- SODzyme™ with GluSODin®
- Stevia Extract
- Super Bio-Curcumin®
- Super Curcumin with Bioperine®
- Super Ginkgo Extract
- Super Polyphenols
- Triple Action Cruciferous Vegetable Extract
- Venotone
- Whole Grape Extract

#### HORMONES
- 7-Keto™ DHEA
- DHEA
- DHEA Complete
- GH Pituitary Support Day Formula
- GH Pituitary Support Night Formula
- Melatonin
- Melatonin Timed Release
- Natural Estrogen with Pomegranate Extract
- Pregnenolone
- ProFem Cream
- Pure IGF
- Super Miraforte with Standardized Lignans
MINERALS
Bosil
Bone Restore
Bone Strength Formula w/KoAct™
Bone-Up®
Boron Capsules
Calcium Citrate with D3
Chromium Ultra
Copper
Iodoral
Iron Protein Plus
Magnesium
Magnesium Citrate
Mineral Formula for Men
Mineral Formula for Women
Only Trace Minerals
OptiZinc
Sea-Iodine™
Se-Methylselenocysteine
Vanadyl Sulfate
Zinc/Vitamin C Lozenges

MISCELLANEOUS
Blood Pressure Monitor Arm Cuff Medium
Cell Sensor Gauss Meter™
Empty Gelatin Capsules
The Capsule Filler Machine
The Pill Cutter and Grinder

MITOCHONDRIAL SUPPORT
Acetyl-L-Carnitine
Acetyl-L-Carnitine-Arginate
Mitochondrial Energy Optimizer
Optimized Carnitine with GlycoCarn®
Super Absorbable CoQ10™ with d-Limonene
Super Alpha Lipoic Acid with Biotin
Super R-Lipoic Acid
Super Ubiquinol CoQ10 with Enhanced Mitochondrial™ Support

MOOD RELIEF
L-Theanine
5-HTP
Natural Stress Relief
Optimized TryptoPure™ Plus
SAMe
St. John’s Wort Extract
Tryptopure™ L-Tryptophan

MOUTH CARE
Advanced Oral Hygiene
Dr. Tung’s Tongue Cleaner
Life Extension Mouthwash w/Pomegranate
Life Extension Toothpaste
MistOral III™ with CoQ10

MULTIVITAMIN
Children’s Formula Life Extension Mix
Comprehensive Nutrient Pack
Life Extension Booster
Life Extension Mix™ Capsules
Life Extension Mix™ Powder
Life Extension Mix™ Tablets
Life Extension Mix™ w/o Copper Capsules
Life Extension Mix™ w/o Copper Tablets
Life Extension Mix™ w/Extra Niacin w/o Copper
Life Extension Mix™ w/Stevia Powder
Life Extension Mix™ w/Stevia w/o Copper Powder
Life Extension One-Per-Day
Life Extension Two-Per-Day
Super Booster Softgels w/Advanced K2 Complex
Vital Greens Mix

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Life Extension Cat Mix
Life Extension Dog Mix

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BetterWOMAN®
Optimized Cran-Max® with UTI-Rose™
5-LOXIN® (Water-Soluble) Pumpkin Seed Extract
Super Saw Palmetto with Beta-Sitosterol
Super Saw Palmetto/Nettle Root Formula w/Beta-Sitosterol
Ultra Natural Prostate Formula

SKIN CARE
Anti-Aging Mask
Anti-Glycation Serum
Antioxidant Facial Mist
Antioxidant Rejuvenating Foot Cream
Antioxidant Rejuvenating Foot Scrub
Antioxidant Rejuvenating Hand Cream
Antioxidant Rejuvenating Hand Scrub
Anti-Redness & Blemish Lotion
Cellulite Suppress™ Formula
Corrective Clearing Mask
Derma Whey
Dual-Action MicroDerm Abrasion
Essential Plant Lipids Reparative Serum
Face Master® Platinum
Face Rejuvenating Antioxidant Cream
Enhanced FernBlock® with Sendara™
Fine Line-Less
Hair Suppress Formula
Healing Formula All-in-One Cream
Healing Mask
Hyaluronic Facial Moisturizer
Hydroderm®
Lavilin Underarm Deodorant
Life Extension Sun Protection Spray
Lifting & Tightening Complex
Melatonin Cream
Mild Facial Cleanser
NaPCA w/Aloe Vera
Neck Rejuvenating Antioxidant Cream
New Face Solution
Peel Off Cleansing Mask
Pigment Correcting Cream (Ultra) Rejuvenex®
Rejuvenex® Body Lotion
Rejuvenex® Factor
Rejuvenating Serum
Skin Lightening Serum
Skin Stem Cell Serum
Total Sun Protection Cream
Triple Action Under Eye Rejuvenator
Ultra Rejuvenex®
Ultra RejuvenexNight® w/ Progesterone
Ultra RejuvenexNight® w/Progesterone
Ultra Lip Plumper
Ultra Wrinkle Relaxer
Under Eye Refining Serum
Under Eye Rescue Cream
Vitamin C Serum
Vitamin D Lotion
Vitamin K Healing Cream

SOY
Natural Estrogen w/Pomegranate
Soy Power Powder
Soy Protein Concentrate
Super Absorbable Soy Isolavones
Ultra Soy Extract

SPECIAL PURPOSE FORMULA
Anti-Alcohol Antioxidants w/HepatoProtection Complex
Benfotiamine w/Thiamine
Breast Health Formula
Butterbur Extract w/Standardized Rosmarinic Acid
Chlorophyllin w/Zinc
Citrusol Versicolor Super Strength
CR Mimetic Longevity Formula
Derma-Vita™
Enhanced Cinsulin® w/Glucose Management Proprietary Blend
EDTA (European Leg Solution) Diosmin 95
Fem Dophilus
Femmenelessness MacaPause®
GlucoFit™
Ideal Bowel Support 299V
Lustre™

Maitake SX-Fraction™
Menopause Solutions
Migra-eze™
Natural Female Support
Organic Total Body Cleanse
Penta+Sol®
Potassium Iodide
Prelox® Natural Sex for Men®
Pyridoxamine
Rosmarinic Acid Extract

SPORTS PERFORMANCE
Enhanced Life Extension Protein
DMG (N, d-methylglycine)
Insolose
L-Glutamine Capsules
L-Glutamine Powder
Micronized Creatine Capsules
Micronized Creatine Powder
Octacosanol

VITAMINS
Ascorbic Acid Powder
Ascorbyl Palmitate Capsules
B1
B2
B12
Beta-Carotene
Biotin Capsules
Biotin Powder
Buffered Vitamin C Powder
Complete B Complex
Elien® B12
Essential Fat-Soluble Nutrient
Folic Acid + B12
Gamma E Tocopherol w/Sesame Lignans
Gamma E Tocopherol/Tocotrienols
Inositol Capsules
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Liquid Emulsified Vitamin A
Mega Lycopene Extract
Methylcobalamin
MK-7
No-Flush Niacin
Optimized Folate
PABA Capsules
Super Ascorbate C Capsules
Super Ascorbate C Powder
Super K w/Advanced K2 Complex
Tocotrienols w/Sesame Lignans
Vitamin B3 (Niacin) Capsules
Vitamin B6
Vitamin B12 Tablets
Vitamin C
Vitamin D
Vitamin D3
Vitamin D3 w/Sea-Iodine™
Vitamins D and K w/Sea-Iodine™
Vitamin E
Vitamin K1

WEIGHT MANAGEMENT
Alli® Refill Pack
Belly Slim & Tone
Calorie Control Weight Management Formula
7-Keto DHEA
DHEA Complete
Fucosanthish Slim™
HCA
Integra-Lean® Irvingia
LuraLean® Caps Special Propolmannan
Particle Size
Optimized Irvingia w/Phase 3™ Calorie Control Complex
Optimized Saffron with Satiereal®
Life Mix
Natural Appetite Control
Natural Glucose Absorption Control
SlimStyles™ PGX Natural Weight Loss
Stevia Liquid Extract
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