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Humans get most of their vitamin K from green vegetables in the form of vitamin K1. The problem is that K1 is tightly bound to plant fiber and only a small fraction absorbs into the bloodstream.

Vitamin K2 is absorbed much more efficiently than K1. Scientific studies show K2 provides overwhelmingly superior benefits for the bones, arteries and other tissues.1-8

The predominant sources of K2 in Western diets are organ meats, dairy and egg yolks — foods that health conscious people seek to minimize in their diets. The result is that most people in Western societies are not obtaining optimal potencies of vitamin K.

The solution is to use a vitamin K supplement that provides ideal potencies of K1 and the two active forms of K2.

Ideal Forms of Vitamin K2

Over the past four years, two forms of vitamin K2 have been extensively researched and the findings reveal vastly improved effects compared to K1.

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 bio-available to the human body over a sustained 24-hour period and to higher levels (7- to 8-fold) during prolonged intake.9

Both MK-4 and MK-7 have demonstrated remarkable health benefits when studied in human populations.

The Most Complete Vitamin K Formula

Vitamin K1 is the form found in plants and vegetables and should be part of most people’s daily supplement regimen. Even more important is inclusion of the MK-4 and MK-7 forms of vitamin K2.

Based on new data substantiating the long-acting effects of MK-7, it is now possible to ingest fewer total micrograms of vitamin K but achieve far higher sustained blood levels of this critical nutrient.

Super K formula provides in just one daily softgel:

- Vitamin K1 1000 mcg
- Vitamin K2 (MK-4) 1000 mcg
- Vitamin K2 (MK-7) 100 mcg

The virtue of this formula is that it provides the precise amount of the long-acting MK-7 form of vitamin K2 that recent human studies have shown provides optimal K2 levels over a 24-hour period. The MK-4 is included to provide the rapid increase in vitamin K blood levels that may account for its beneficial effects in certain studies.

More Expensive Forms of K2 … Same Low Price

Super K with Advanced K2 Complex provides all three forms of vitamin K. The retail price for a bottle containing 90 softgels (three-month supply) is $26. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $17.25 per bottle.

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By absorbing blue-light, the macula protects delicate photo-receptor cells in the retina from light damage. The density of your macular pigment (composed of lutein, zeaxanthin, and meso-zeaxanthin) is essential to proper vision. Unfortunately, this density declines naturally over time. Some aging people also lose their ability to convert lutein into meso-zeaxanthin inside their macula.

Eating lots of lutein- and zeaxanthin-containing vegetables can help maintain the structural integrity of their macula. However, since meso-zeaxanthin is not part of the typical diet, it cannot be replaced except in supplement form.

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Super Zeaxanthin with Lutein & Meso-zeaxanthin Plus Astaxanthin contains a potent dose of astaxanthin, a carotenoid found in a red algae called Haematococcus pluvialis. Studies show that taking astaxanthin with other carotenoids protects against free-radical induced DNA damage, repairs UVA-irradiated cells, and inhibits inflammatory cell infiltration. Astaxanthin also helps support vascular health within the eye and improves visual acuity. Its fat-soluble nature offers protection to sensitive cells inside the eye.

With its special combination of ingredients that targets eyestrain and protects visual acuity, Super Zeaxanthin with Lutein & Meso-zeaxanthin Plus Astaxanthin is truly an exciting breakthrough in eye care.

The retail price for a bottle containing 60 softgels of Super Zeaxanthin with Lutein & Meso-zeaxanthin Plus Astaxanthin is $42. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $28.50 per bottle.

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So Many Needless Cancer Deaths

BY WILLIAM FALOON

One of today’s great misconceptions is how people die. Most believe disease to be the leading cause. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Statisticians tabulate diseases that humans die from. Missing from the data is what enabled these illnesses to progress to the point of claiming the victim’s life.

Medical ignorance is the number one reason people die. This “knowledge deficit” is not limited to Western countries. By looking at the absurd ways people die in third world countries, you will understand the lethal consequences of medical ignorance.

In parts of Africa, for example, AIDS is not considered to be a viral disease. Instead, the belief is that one contracts AIDS by “thinking” they may contract AIDS. Therefore, according to this backward logic, to even “think” that practicing safe sex will prevent AIDS will result in one contracting the disease. The result of this fallacy is that HIV infection has reached epidemic proportions in Africa, as people freely engage in dangerous sexual practices while pretending there is no such thing as the HIV virus.

In rural Afghanistan, people defecate outside whenever they feel the urge. The result of this unsanitary habit is that infectious diseases that were long ago eliminated in the Western world run rampant. Even when international aid organizations set up latrines and education programs to prevent the spread of disease this way, many rural Afghans continue to move their bowels in places that result in human feces being introduced into the water and food supply.

It’s Just as Bad in the Western World

While examples of third world ineptitudes could fill a book, arrogant doctors in the Western world pretend that they have lifted themselves out of the sea of ignorance that has caused so many to perish in the past.

What these doctors fail to understand is that their own apathy and scientific unawareness is causing us to die in different ways today.
Fortunately, therapies described in our cancer treatment articles (available at www.lef.org), when administered prior to surgery, can circumvent most if not all of these surgically induced side effects. Sadly, few oncologists prescribe these scientifically proven approaches prior to surgery.

One Overlooked Drug... Millions of Lost Lives

Cimetidine is the generic name of a once-popular heartburn drug called Tagamet®. It is so safe that it is now sold over-the-counter. Just as the use of low-dose aspirin to prevent heart attack was overlooked by cardiologists for decades, so have the remarkable anti-cancer effects of cimetidine been ignored by the cancer establishment.

Not only does cimetidine have proven immune-boosting properties, but it specifically inhibits angiogenesis and can block the adhesion of certain tumor cells to blood vessel walls where they establish metastatic colonies.

We first recommended cimetidine in 1985 as an adjuvant cancer therapy. Since then, a plethora of published scientific studies document remarkable survival improvements when patients with many kinds of cancer take this non-toxic drug.

In a 1994 study, only 7% of colorectal patients given cimetidine (400 mg by mouth twice a day 5 days pre-operatively and IV 2 days post-operatively) died over a 3-year time period compared to a startling 41% in the control group (not taking cimetidine). In a 2002 study, 84.6% of cimetidine-treated patients afflicted with a common type of colon cancer were alive after 10 years compared to only 49.8% in the non-cimetidine group. The cimetidine dose given was 800 mg each night. Cimetidine should be administered at least five days prior to surgery and taken for at least one year thereafter.

An enormous amount of published data documents the life-saving benefits of cimetidine against a wide variety of cancers. Yet here we are in the year 2010, and virtually no oncologist prescribes this safe and low-cost medication.

Colon cancer alone kills about 55,000 Americans annually. Just bringing this one piece of information about cimetidine to the public’s attention could save tens of thousands of lives every year in the United States! That is why the Life Extension Foundation® reminds members of the wealth of life-saving knowledge that is available to them. In many cases, the efficacy of these therapies was validated decades ago. The problem is
pharmaceutical company control over academia, the media, and the FDA results in information about these low-cost life-saving therapies being suppressed.

**The Anti-Cancer Effects of Metformin**

Few doctors understood why we suggested that healthy people consider taking the anti-diabetic drug metformin in the early 1990s. Based on our review of published studies, metformin induced many anti-aging benefits including enhancing insulin sensitivity and assisting in weight loss.

An article published in the January 13, 2010 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association describes the anti-cancer benefits of metformin as follows:

“Metformin has been shown to have antitumor effects in vivo in animal models, and in epidemiologic studies, including an increased pathologic complete response rate in combination with preoperative chemotherapy in breast cancer patients... Bonanni and his colleagues are investigating the anti-proliferative effect and mechanism of action of metformin in a phase 2 trial in women with early breast cancer who are waiting for surgery.”

We have long postulated that metformin’s anti-cancer effects are at least partially based on its ability to enhance insulin sensitivity, thereby reducing the amount of tumor-promoting insulin secreted by the pancreas to metabolize glucose.

Metformin is a safe and inexpensive generic prescription drug, yet its utility is ignored in the conventional oncology setting. I personally take 850 mg 2 to 3 times a day of metformin to reduce my risk of a host of age-related diseases, including cancer.

**Travel to Live**

You can pick up cimetidine at your local pharmacy. Nutrients and other therapies suggested in our cancer treatment protocols are readily available. For many cancer patients, however, traveling to clinics that offer advanced therapies may be their only chance to live.

An example of this need for travel is an experimental immunotherapy for advanced melanoma being run at Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois. Immune-enhancing approaches against melanoma in the past have been disappointing. Doctors at Northwestern University, however, are using a novel approach that has produced impressive results.

In this FDA-approved clinical trial, a topical cream (called imiquimod) is applied to the exposed tumor twice a day for a total of six weeks. At weeks two and four, the doctors expose the area to an infrared laser. The topical imiquimod cream binds with receptors on cancer cells and stimulates them to activate proteins that “broadcast” the presence of the tumor cells to the immune system. In essence, the patient’s own tumor cells become a unique...
anti-tumor vaccine. The laser portion of the treatment is designed to hyper-activate the *imiquimod* with the objective of inducing a systemic immune response against metastatic melanoma cells. Imiquimod is an FDA-approved drug and this is an FDA-approved clinical trial. To inquire about participating, call Stephanie St. Pierre, MD at 312-695-6786 or email s-stpierre@northwestern.edu. This study is referenced by the ClinicalTrials.gov identifier: NCT00758797.

**Study details can be found on the FDA-approved clinical trials Web site:** [www.clinicaltrials.gov](http://www.clinicaltrials.gov).

You may not qualify to participate in this clinical study or may not want to be bothered with the bureaucratic red tape. Fortunately, this same protocol is being done in the Bahamas for melanoma, and a modified version is being studied to treat breast cancer. In order for this treatment to be administered, a tumor lesion must be present near the surface of your skin, such as a breast lump, a chest wall breast lesion, or a superficial melanoma tumor. To inquire about clinical programs being offered in the Bahamas, call the International Strategic Cancer Alliance (ISCA) at 610-628-3419 or log on to www.is-canceralliance.com. ISCA is an organization that can refer you to specialized medical centers around the world that offer potential life-saving therapies. It is regrettable that so many cancer patients choose the “convenience” of their local chemotherapy ward and deprive themselves of non-toxic and possibly curative treatments available a plane ride away.

**The Supercharged Granulocyte**

Granulocytes are a type of immune cell that up until recently have not been considered particularly effective in killing cancer cells. In a discovery that made headline news around the world, Dr. Zheng Cui of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine developed a colony of mice with *supercharged granulocytes* that successfully fight off any form of virulent transplanted cancer. The supercharged granulocytes in these mice infiltrate tumor cells and destroy them. The mice exposed to these tumor cells are healthy, cancer-free, and have a normal life span.

This exciting cancer research project started serendipitously in 1999 when Dr. Cui was testing the effects of administering cancer cells to mice. He found that one mouse did not develop cancer no matter how many cancer cells he administered. Further research led him to discover that the mouse that appeared to be immune from cancer had an extra amount of potent *granulocytes* for specifically killing cancer cells without harming normal cells. When Dr. Cui administered healthy, potent *granulocytes* to mice with cancer, he cured them.

Laboratory research showed that the granulocytes appeared to explode cancer cells like guided missiles!

Dr. Cui showed in laboratory experiments that immune cells from some people can be almost 50 times more effective in fighting cancer than in others. What that means is that these *supercharged granulocytes* can be harvested from healthy young donors and infused into cancer patients with curative intent. In response to these findings, the Life Extension Foundation is helping to fund a human clinical trial of this potential curative cancer treatment.

This new clinical trial will test this approach in humans with advanced cancer, including metastases, who have not been helped by conventional cancer therapies. The trial has received an IND (investigational new drug) status from the FDA and Institutional Review Board approval. The principal investigator/lead physician for this trial is Dipnarine Maharaj, MD, who has in-depth experience in stem cell transplantation,
including transfusion of blood products, hematology, and oncology.

To obtain further information about participating in this new study, contact the non-profit arm of the South Florida Bone Marrow/Stem Cell Transplant Institute, 10301 Hagen Ranch Road, Suite 600, Boynton Beach, Florida, 33437, at 561-752-5522.

**Designing an Individually Tailored Cancer Treatment**

For decades, traditional medicine has made cancer treatment decisions based on the “one-size-fits-all” approach—whereby everyone with a particular cancer receives the same treatment. Tragically, this approach has failed to benefit the majority of women with metastatic breast cancer who received standard chemotherapy protocols. This approach refuses to acknowledge the individual differences inherent in the cancer that could have affected treatment. Now, exciting new advances in Circulating Tumor Cell (CTC) technology can allow medical science to finally move away from this out-dated approach and towards an individually tailored cancer treatment program.50

An advanced diagnostic blood test is available in Germany that not only detects the presence of circulating tumor cells, but performs a gene expression analysis to identify which treatments (including nutritional-based approaches) are most likely to be effective. The importance of testing circulating tumor cells is that these cells can be genetically dissimilar from the primary tumor. This means that even if your oncology surgeon was progressive enough to have analytical tests performed on your primary tumor, the cells that broke away may bear little resemblance and therefore require a very different treatment regimen.

In this issue of *Life Extension* magazine, we feature two articles describing the critical importance of circulating tumor cell testing in cancer patients. One of these tests is available in the United States while another is widely used in Europe. To find out how to obtain either of these circulating tumor cell (CTC) tests, refer to the two articles in this month’s issue.

**Have We Aroused Your Appetite for Novel Cancer Treatments?**

The **Life Extension Foundation** was established in 1980 to enlighten the world about innovative approaches to disease treatment that are overlooked by the medical establishment.

Our 30-year track record reveals our non-profit organization to be decades ahead of mainstream doctors in introducing lifesaving medical therapies.

I’ve provided just a few tidbits of information to arouse your appetite about the in-depth cancer treatments that are available to the enlightened cancer patient. To the detriment of most cancer victims, these technologies are too often ignored by practicing oncologists.

As a member of the **Life Extension Foundation**, you have the assurance that we will make every effort to guide you to the most avant-garde treatments in the event you develop cancer. I hope you understand how today’s cancer industry, which financially thrives on the sale of toxic/minimally effective patented drugs, wants this knowledge to be suppressed.

For longer life,

William Faloon

**References**


Turn page for additional references and a successful case history that utilized a comprehensive multi-modal protocol.


Cancer is a complex disease that requires a multi-pronged effort to provide the best chances of attaining a cure, remission, or significant extension of life. Discoveries are occurring in the research setting, but the process by which they are incorporated into clinical oncology practice is excruciatingly slow. Through various clinical research programs Life Extension funds, access to novel treatments, along with state-of-the-art labs that analyze a patient’s cancer profile, are expedited. Our costs involved in funding these cancer research programs are significant, but we view the results as well worth the expenditure of our time and financial resources.

A stage IV lung cancer patient with metastatic lesions to the brain came to us for help in October 2008. Therapy was initiated using conventional drugs (cisplatin and Alimta® (pemetrexed) combined with the immune enhancing agent Anvirzel™. Additional support against microbial infection was then introduced using Immune26®. **Gc macrophage activating factor** was later incorporated into this patient’s regimen to provide additional immune support.

This patient presented to us with a CEA tumor marker blood level of 498.2, indicating very advanced disease. After 11 months of treatment, the CEA reading is down to 17.9. The patient is not cured, but has responded remarkably well to this novel treatment, showing reduced size of cancer lesions. The chart below shows improvement in this patient in response to individualized aggressive treatment.

We have extensive detailed records that have been maintained during the entire treatment phase—this includes MRI scans, PET scans, pathology reports, blood tests, and reports of gamma knife procedures that have been performed at regular intervals. This patient would likely be dead now if not for the aggressive clinical study program we designed for him. One compound we evaluated in this patient is **Gc macrophage activating factor** (Gc-MAF). Published findings demonstrate complete remissions for the patients who participated in two separate trials on breast and prostate cancer. The mechanism of action of Gc-MAF is activation of the immune system (the macrophages) by the use of the Gc protein, which is often referred to as vitamin D binding protein. A large clinical study using Gc-MAF is being planned and will be announced in a future issue of Life Extension Magazine®.

For more information on customized cancer care and exciting research programs please contact Örn Adalsteinsson, PhD at International Strategic Cancer Alliance (ISCA) at 610-628-3419.

![Figure 1: Carcinogenic embryonic antigen (CEA) levels in a patient with stage IV non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLS). The patient’s CEA dropped dramatically after initiating an integrative cancer care program.](image-url)
A Multi-Faceted Approach to

HEALTHY BODY Weight

It’s not your fault! Public health agencies blame gluttonous behavior and lack of physical activity as the sole reasons for today’s obesity epidemic. Ignored are a plethora of age-related metabolic changes that predispose us to weight gain, even when we try to cut back on caloric intake.

The good news is that you don’t have to do it alone. Scientists have identified natural compounds that function via multiple mechanisms to combat the underlying factors involved in excess accumulation of body fat.

New Phase 3™ Sucrase Modulator
A recent study in the journal Science concluded that in primates a calorie-restricted diet can delay disease onset and age-related mortality. While Life Extension® readers understand the benefits of calorie restriction, that doesn’t make it any easier to cut back on one of the major calorie culprits in the American diet: refined sugar.

Sucrase is an enzyme that breaks down sucrose in the digestive tract for absorption into the bloodstream. Phase 3™ is a new, patented compound that functions as a beneficial modulator of sucrase. By delaying the rapid absorption of sucrose, Phase 3™ can help support the healthy release of insulin and sugar into the bloodstream in response to sucrose ingestion that so readily converts to body fat. Phase 3™ contains a natural substance found in plants called L-Arabinose that provides an important new weapon in the battle to reduce the number of absorbed calories from sugar.

Green Tea Phytosome Cellular Energy Enhancer
The ability of green tea extracts to inhibit the breakdown and absorption of dietary fat has been the subject of research studies across the globe. Mounting scientific research has documented the metabolic effects of green tea polyphenols. A proprietary phytosome complex has shown an ability to increase the absorption of green tea polyphenols into the bloodstream better than conventional tea extracts — resulting in peak plasma levels of the critical green tea polyphenol epigallocatechin-3-gallate.

Participants in a human clinical trial showed an average weight loss of 30 pounds and a 10% reduction in waist circumference in 90 days when 300 mg/day of this new green tea phytosome was taken in conjunction with a reduced-calorie diet. The placebo group that followed the same reduced-calorie diet lost only 9.9 pounds and only 5% of their waist size.

To order Optimized Irvingia with Phase 3™ Calorie Control Complex, call toll-free 1-800-544-4440.
Leptin Sensitivity

Fat cells (adipocytes) secrete a hormone called leptin that tells our brain we have eaten enough. Leptin can also facilitate the breakdown of stored triglycerides in our adipocytes via the process of lipolysis. Heavy individuals have startlingly high blood levels of leptin, indicating that their cells have become resistant to the leptin that is supposed to prevent them from putting on so many fat pounds.

An extract from a West African food called Irvingia gabonensis has been shown to help support leptin sensitivity in overweight people. In a recently published study, Irvingia has been shown in studies involving fat cells to reduce the activity of glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase, which may help reduce the impact of starch and sugar calories on body fat.

Scientific research on fat cells suggests that Irvingia has alpha-amylose-inhibiting properties (like InSea™ and Phaseolus vulgaris), which can help support a slowing of the rate of carbohydrate absorption from the intestines and a reduction of the caloric impact of starchy and sugary foods.

Adiponectin is a hormone involved in helping to maintain insulin sensitivity on the membranes of energy-producing cells. Big fat cells produce less adiponectin, and overweight people need to be especially concerned about maintaining healthy levels of adiponectin to support insulin sensitivity and metabolic fitness. Scientific data suggests that Irvingia helps support healthy adiponectin levels.

The New Optimized Irvingia with Phase 3™ Calorie Control Complex

In reviewing the remarkable effects demonstrated by these natural compounds, one might think that any one of them might be a solution to their weight problem. The reality is that aging individuals often fall victim to many molecular factors that can sabotage the key aspects of metabolism:

1. Delaying digestion and absorption of sucrose.
2. Enhancing resting energy expenditure at the cellular level.
3. Slowing the absorption of dietary fat from the intestines.
4. Modulating alpha-amylose enzyme activity to reduce carbohydrate absorption in the bloodstream.
5. Reducing alpha-glucosidase enzyme activity to further slow the absorption of starches and sugars into the bloodstream.
6. Supporting leptin sensitivity to reduce hunger and stimulate lipolysis.
7. Supporting youthful levels of adiponectin to help maintain healthy insulin sensitivity.
8. Modulating glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase enzyme activity to reduce the amount of ingested starches that are converted to triglycerides and stored as fat.

Summary of Human Studies with New Optimized Irvingia Ingredients

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| Green Tea Phytosome Extract               | 100 overweight subjects placed on a hypocaloric diet (men: 1,850 calories; women: 1,350 calories) randomized to receive 300 mg/day of green tea phytosome extract or placebo for 90 days                          | Weight loss 30.1 pounds vs. 9.9 pounds
|                                           |                                                                       | Waist size reduction 10% vs. 5% (14% vs. 7% in men)    |
| Phase 2™ White Kidney Bean Extract        | 60 overweight subjects placed on a 2,000-2,200 calorie, carbohydrate-rich diet and randomized to either 445 mg/day of white kidney bean extract or placebo for 30 days                          | Weight loss 6.5 pounds vs. 0.8 pounds
|                                           |                                                                       | Waist size reduction 1.2 inches vs. 0.2 inches         |
| Integra-Lean® Irvingia Gabonosis Extract  | 102 overweight subjects randomized to either 150 mg of Irvingia twice daily or placebo for 10 weeks                           | Weight loss 28 pounds vs. 1.5 pounds
|                                           |                                                                       | Waist size reduction 6.4 inches vs. 2.1 inches         |
| Phase 3™                                  | 50 non-diabetic subjects were studied to use the suppression effects of L-Arabinose and chromium on capillary glucose           | Consuming LA-Cr simultaneously with a 70 gram sucrose challenge suppressed the glucose response an average of -20% compared to control over four different time periods |

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

Directions are to take two capsules before the two heaviest meals of the day. A bottle of 120 capsules of Optimized Irvingia with Phase 3™ Calorie Control Complex retails for $78. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $54 per bottle.

InSea™ is a trademark of Innovactiv, Inc. Integra-Lean® Irvingia is protected by U.S. Patent No. 7,537,790. Other patents pending. Phase 2™ and Phase 3™ are used under license.

Caution: This product is designed to target several critical factors involved in age-related weight gain. Those who ingest more calories than what their body has the metabolic capacity to utilize will not see results. This is because some people are ingesting so many excess calories that no matter how much their metabolic rate is increased, or how much improvement occurs in their post-meal blood sugar and serum triglyceride levels, or how much youthful insulin sensitivity and other body fat-regulating systems are restored, they are overwhelming the metabolic capacity to utilize these calories. This will result in excess calories being stored in adipocytes. One cannot consume limitless calories and expect to shed fat pounds by taking drugs, nutrients, and/or hormones that demonstrate weight-loss effects in clinical studies.

References:

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According to the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, alpha tocopherol (regular vitamin E) displaces critically important gamma tocopherol in the cells. While alpha tocopherol inhibits free-radical production, gamma tocopherol is required to trap and neutralize existing free radicals.

Four prestigious scientific journals have highlighted **gamma tocopherol** as one of the most critically important forms of vitamin E for those seeking optimal health benefits.

Most commercial vitamin E supplements contain little, if any, **gamma tocopherol**. They instead rely on **alpha tocopherol** as the primary ingredient. However, it is gamma tocopherol (not the alpha form) that quenches peroxynitrite, the free radical that plays a major role in the development of age-related decline.

**SESAME LIGNANS: The Natural Vitamin E Booster**

Life Extension® has uncovered research suggesting that adding **sesame lignans** to gamma tocopherol may significantly enhance its beneficial effects. Sesame and its lignans have been shown to boost antioxidant levels and help maintain already-normal blood pressure.*

In a human study that combined **gamma tocopherol** with **sesame lignans**, gamma tocopherol/sesame was **25% more effective** than gamma tocopherol/tocotrienols in suppressing tissue measurements for free-radical and inflammatory damage. Since tocotrienols are considered nature’s most potent antioxidants, the fact that low-cost gamma tocopherol with sesame is more effective is a remarkable finding.

Life Extension has fortified the popular **Gamma E Tocopherol** supplement with standardized **sesame lignans**. Consumers obtain superior benefits at a much lower cost.

This formula provides potent doses of **gamma tocopherol** along with **sesame lignan extract** to augment the antioxidant effects of **gamma tocopherol**.

The retail price for 60 softgels of **Gamma E Tocopherol with Sesame Lignans** is **$32**. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to only **$21.75 per bottle**.

**WORLD’S MOST COMPREHENSIVE VITAMIN E FORMULA!**

Each softgel of Gamma E Tocopherol with Sesame Lignans provides:

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Antioxidant Vitamins & Cancer. Some scientific evidence suggests that consumption of antioxidant vitamins may reduce the risk of certain forms of cancer. However, the FDA does not endorse this claim because this evidence is limited and not conclusive.

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.
IN THE NEWS

Pomegranate Inhibits Hormone-dependent Breast Cancer Cell Growth

A report published in the journal Cancer Prevention Research reveals the discovery of researchers at City of Hope Hospital in Duarte, California of a suppressive effect for compounds found in pomegranate on the proliferation of breast cancer cells.*

City of Hope Division of Tumor Cell Biology director Shiuan Chen, PhD and his associates found that ten ellagitannins occurring in pomegranates had the potential to prevent estrogen-responsive breast cancer, with a metabolite of ellagic acid called urolithin B significantly inhibiting the growth of cultured breast cancer cells.

University of Texas M. D. Anderson Center Clinical Cancer Prevention Department chairman Powel Brown, MD, PhD is intrigued by the results. “This study does suggest that studies of the ellagitannins from pomegranates should be continued.” He suggested that people “might consider consuming more pomegranates to protect against cancer development in the breast and perhaps in other tissues and organs.”

Editor’s note: Pomegranate extract is available in a number of dietary supplements.

—Dayna Dye

* Cancer Prev Res. 2010 Jan;3(1).

Low-carb Diet Effective for Lowering Blood Pressure

A recent study published in the Archives of Internal Medicine concluded that a low-carb diet may help lower blood pressure.* The study gave 146 patients either instructions on how to eat a low-carbohydrate diet, and to start the trial by eating 20 or fewer grams of carbohydrates daily, or to take 120 mg of a weight loss aid (orlistat) three times a day while eating a lower calorie, lower fat diet.

The patients were followed for 48 weeks, at the end of which the low-carb group had lost 9.5% of their body weight, compared to only 8.5% for the weight loss-aid group. While there were similar improvements in cholesterol levels between the two groups, the low-carb diet patients showed improvement in blood pressure.

The improvements amounted to a 5.9 point drop in their systolic blood pressure and a 4.5 point drop in their diastolic pressure, compared to only a 1.5 point systolic drop in the weight loss aid group, and a 0.4 point drop in diastolic.

—Jon Finkel

* Arch Int Med. 2010 Jan. 25.
IN THE NEWS

Vitamin D Levels Inadequate During Winter Months

A study in the *Journal of Nutrition* by researchers from the University of California, Davis is one of the most recent to recommend a vast increase in the recommended dosage for proper vitamin D levels.* Vitamin D deficiency has been associated with or can make worse a host of diseases, including osteopenia, osteoporosis, muscle weakness, fractures, common cancers, autoimmune diseases, infectious diseases, and cardiovascular diseases.

In order to prevent the onset of these diseases, vitamin D sufficiency is defined in this study as having blood vitamin D levels of at least 75 nmol/L (30 ng/mL).* In order for people of European ancestry with high sun exposure to achieve that level, they would need to supplement with 1,300 IU per day of the vitamin during the winter. People of African ancestry with low sun exposure would need to supplement with between 2,100 and 3,100 IU per day throughout the year, according to the study.

The study, led by Laura Hill, endorses increasing the supplementation of vitamin D for some groups of people by nearly five times the current 200 IU recommendation.

*Editor’s note: While mainstream doctors are finally realizing the lethal dangers of insufficient vitamin D, they still don’t understand that optimal levels of 25-hydroxyvitamin D in the blood are over 50 ng/mL. Achieving this optimal blood level usually requires the daily ingestion of 5,000 IU to 10,000 IU of vitamin D3.

—Jon Finkel

More Drug Company Kickbacks

Federal prosecutors claim that Big Pharma company Johnson & Johnson paid tens of millions of dollars in kickbacks so nursing homes would prescribe their schizophrenia medicine to more patients.* An Associated Press article written by Linda A. Johnson described the recent alleged lawsuit, where prosecutors Johnson & Johnson paid rebates and other forms of kickbacks to Omnicare Inc., the country’s biggest dispenser of prescription drugs in nursing homes.

The allegations are in a complaint filed by the US Attorney in Boston that includes accusations that after receiving money from Johnson & Johnson, pharmacists at Omnicare then recommended that nursing home patients with signs of Alzheimer’s disease be put on the strong schizophrenia drug Risperdal®. This drug was later found to increase the risk of death in the elderly.

“Kickbacks in the nursing home pharmacy context are particularly nefarious because they can result in excessive prescribing of strong drugs to patients who have little or no control over the medical care they are receiving,” US Attorney Carmen Ortiz said in his statement. “Nursing home doctors should be able to rely on the integrity of the recommendations they receive from pharmacists, and those recommendations should not be a product of money that a drug company is paying to the pharmacy.”

—Jon Finkel

Pterostilbene Aids in Colon Cancer Prevention

In a recent study in the journal *Carcinogenesis* by the Department of Chemical Biology at the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University, stilbenes, which are phytochemicals present in grapes and berries, were shown to potentially help prevent colon cancer.*

While widely studied stilbenoids like resveratrol have shown antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, chemopreventive, and anti-aging effects in a number of biological systems, the purpose of this study was to identify the chemopreventive potential of pterostilbene with colonic tumor formation as an end point, and to further evaluate how pterostilbene affect colon carcinogenesis.

The researchers evaluated rats over a 45-week period that were given either a control or 40 ppm pterostilbene. Overall analysis indicated that pterostilbene reduced colon tumor multiplicity of non-invasive adenocarcinomas, lowered proliferating cell nuclear antigen, and downregulated the expression of beta-catenin and cyclin D1.

* *Carcinogenesis*. 2010 Jan 8.

—Jon Finkel
Antioxidant-rich Fruits and Vegetables May Cut Lymphoma Risk

In a recent study done at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota, researchers evaluated the results of increased dietary intakes of specific antioxidant nutrients, like vitamin C, alpha-carotene, and proanthocyanidins in order to determine their effectiveness in reducing the risk of cancer.*

The study, led by James Cerhan, analyzed the dietary intakes for 35,159 Iowa women aged between 55 and 69. A total of 415 cases of non-Hodgkin’s lymphoma were documented during the study.

Dietary vitamin C intakes were associated with a 22% reduction in lymphoma risk, while alpha-carotene, proanthocyanidins, and manganese were associated with 29, 30, and 38% reductions in risk. In addition, increased intakes of fruits and vegetables were associated with a 31% reduction in risk, while yellow/orange and cruciferous vegetables were linked to a 28 and 18% reduction.

—Jon Finkel


Blueberry Juice May Boost Memory

A new study done by researchers at the University of Cincinnati Academic Health Center showed that drinking wild blueberry juice every day improved the memory of aging adults with memory problems.*

Blueberries contain polyphenol compounds, the most prominent of which are anthocyanins. Anthocyanins have antioxidant and anti-inflammatory effects and have also been associated with increased neuronal signaling in brain centers, which mediates memory function as well as improved glucose disposal. These benefits would be expected to mitigate neuroregeneration.

The researchers measured the effects of daily consumption of wild blueberry juice in a sample of nine older adults over a 12-week period. The findings of this preliminary study suggest that moderate-term blueberry supplementation may confer neurocognitive benefits and establish a basis for more comprehensive human trials to study preventive potential and neuronal mechanisms.

Editor’s note: Blueberry extracts are available in a number of dietary supplements.

—Jon Finkel


Higher Omega-3 Fatty Acid Levels Correlated with Reduced Telomere Shortening Rate

Researchers at the University of California reveal in a recent issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association that heart disease patients who have higher levels of omega-3 fatty acids experience a lower rate of reduction in telomere length over time.* Telomeres, which are protective DNA sequences at the ends of chromosomes, shorten with the age of the cell, and their length is a marker of biological aging.

The investigation enrolled 608 men and women recruited from the Heart and Soul Study. Patients whose levels of EPA and DHA were among the top 25% of participants had the slowest rate of telomere shortening over the 5-year follow-up period, while those whose levels were lowest had rates that were the fastest.

“These findings raise the possibility that omega-3 fatty acids may protect against cellular aging in patients with coronary heart disease,” the authors conclude.

Editor’s note: Daily fish oil capsules are a convenient and safe way to ensure optimal omega-3 fatty acid intake.

—Dayna Dye

* J Am Med Assoc. 2010 Jan 20;303(3).
IN THE NEWS

**Jogging Builds Brain Cells**

Scientists reporting in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* have recently concluded that running has a positive impact on the hippocampus, which is the section of the brain responsible for learning and memory. Their findings are based on studies that show that adult mice that voluntarily used running wheels increased the number of their brain cells and performed better at spatial learning tests than non-exercising mice.*

Until recently, neuroscientists were under the impression that we do not grow new brain cells after birth. However, recent mice experiments have repeatedly shown that running boosts the number of new brain cells in the hippocampus. In this particular study, two groups of mice, one of which had unlimited access to a running wheel throughout, were put through post-exercise memory tests. After training sessions, the mice in the exercising group scored almost twice as high as the other mice in a repeated memory test for a sugar reward. The sedentary mice got steadily worse at the test.

This evidence confirms what other studies have begun to show, which is that exercise triggers significant physiological and structural changes in the brain that can improve cognitive function and help prevent mental decline.

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**Calcium and Vitamin D Supplementation Reduces Fracture Risk Regardless of Age, Gender**

The January 16, 2010 issue of the *British Medical Journal* reported the results of a review of seven clinical trials which found that supplementing daily with both calcium and vitamin D helps prevent bone fractures among men and women of all ages.*

An international team of scientists pooled data from 68,517 subjects for their analysis of randomized trials involving vitamin D supplementation. The combination vitamin D with calcium reduced overall fracture risk by 8%, and hip fracture risk by 16% compared to the risk experienced by those who did not receive the nutrients. Vitamin D supplementation alone in daily doses of 10 or 20 micrograms was not associated with significant benefits.

"Interestingly, this combination of supplements benefits both women and men of all ages, which is not something we fully expected to find," noted Dr. John Robbins, who co-authored the article.

* *Br Med J. 2010 Jan 16;340(7738).*

**Green Tea May Block Lung Cancer**

A recent front-page news article on the British Broadcasting Corporation’s news web site claims that green tea may block lung cancer.* The article cited several cancer experts who spoke about a few specific studies that point to green tea’s cancer stopping effects. In particular, several lab studies have shown that extracts from green tea, called polyphenols, can stop cancer cells from growing.

The link between green tea being a beneficial weapon against cancer originated with the discovery that rates of many cancers are much lower in Asia, where green tea is a widely consumed drink, than other parts of the world.

Dr. I-Hsin Lin, of Shan Medical University found that among smokers and non-smokers, people who did not drink green tea were more than five times as likely to get lung cancer as those who drank at least one cup a day.


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*Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 2010 Jan 19.*

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Does Your Pharmacy Care if You Live or Die?

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.

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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.

Life Extension Pharmacy, Inc. is a licensed pharmacy based in Fort Lauderdale, FL. A portion of prescription proceeds goes to the Life Extension Foundation, a nonprofit organization.
Fight Back Against Aging!

Aging is Characterized by Inflammation, Glycation, and Mitochondrial Decay

The loss of cellular vitality is caused by a number of factors, including mitochondrial problems, glycation, and free-radical reactions. Life Extension® members have access to a state-of-the-art nutritional formula called MITOCHONDRIAL ENERGY OPTIMIZER that helps protect delicate cellular structures and enables cells to perform life-sustaining metabolic processes.

MITOCHONDRIAL ENERGY OPTIMIZER is designed to counteract age-related structural and functional changes by providing the following unique ingredients:

- **CARNOSINE** As humans age, proteins in their bodies become irreversibly damaged by glycation reactions. Glycation is the cross-linking of proteins and sugar to form non-functioning structures (Advanced Glycation End-Products or “AGEs”) in the body, which can lead to alterations of normal cell function. Carnosine is not only a powerful anti-glycating agent, but it also protects neurons against reactive and cytotoxic protein carboxyl species associated with normal aging.1-5

- **LUTEOLIN** Systemic inflammation is involved in most undesirable consequences of aging. Culprits behind chronic inflammatory reactions are pro-inflammatory cytokines, such as interleukin-1 and tumor necrosis factor alpha. Luteolin is a super-potent plant extract that has been shown to modulate these dangerous inflammatory cytokines.6-11

- **BENFOTIAMINE** Effectively modulates multiple destructive biochemical pathways, including AGES’ formation pathway, which are induced by higher than desirable blood glucose levels. Human mortality studies indicate that ideal fasting glucose levels are between 74–85 mg/dL. Yet many aging people have fasting glucose above 90 mg/dL, which is less than optimal.12,13 Benfotiamine protects endothelial cell integrity from the effects of high glucose levels. In addition, benfotiamine exhibits direct antioxidative capacity and prevents induction of DNA damage.14

- **PYRIDOXAL 5’-PHOSPHATE** Aging results in the formation of advanced glycation end-products throughout the body. Pyridoxal 5’-phosphate is the active form of vitamin B6 that has been shown to protect against both lipid and protein glycation reactions.16-19

- **R-LIPOIC ACID** Destructive free-radical activity in the mitochondria plays a major role in the loss of cellular vitality. A microencapsulated Bio-Enhanced® R-lipoic acid facilitates youthful mitochondrial energy output while guarding against free radicals. Two forms of lipoic acid are sold on the supplement market, but R-lipoic acid is far more potent.20,21

- **ACETYL-L-CARNITINE ARGINATE** The amino acid L-carnitine is required to transport fats into the mitochondria to be burned for cellular energy. Acetyl-L-carnitine arginate is a patented form of carnitine that also supports neurites in the brain.22

Taking all of the individual ingredients in the Mitochondrial Energy Optimizer separately would be prohibitively expensive, but Life Extension® members obtain this comprehensive formula at substantial savings.

A bottle of Mitochondrial Energy Optimizer containing 120 capsules retails for $86. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $58.50 per bottle.

Just four capsules of the Mitochondrial Energy Optimizer provide:

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Bio-Enhanced® is a registered trademark of GeroNova Research, Inc.

To order Mitochondrial Energy Optimizer, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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Large volumes of published scientific findings validate the multiple health benefits of green tea.

The active constituents in green tea are polyphenols, with epigallocatechin-3-gallate (EGCG) being the most powerful. The antioxidant activity of EGCG is about 25-100 times more potent than vitamins C and E.

When Life Extension® introduced the first standardized green tea extract in 1993, the supplement was very expensive. As more research was published about green tea’s multifaceted benefits, more companies competed to make higher-potency extracts at lower prices.

The good news for consumers is that they can obtain high-potency standardized green tea extract capsules at a fraction of the prices charged just five years ago.

The Life Extension Foundation Buyers Club offers 98% green tea extracts in either a lightly caffeinated or decaffeinated form. These 98% extracts are standardized to provide high potencies of critical EGCG, the most important polyphenol found in green tea. Each capsule of Mega Green Tea Extract provides more polyphenols than are found in five cups of green tea.

These highly-concentrated Mega Green Tea Extract Caps contain 725 mg of either lightly caffeinated or decaffeinated 98% standardized green tea extracts. The retail price for a 100-capsule bottle of Mega Green Tea Extract is $28.

If a member buys four bottles of 725-mg Mega Green Tea Extract capsules, the price is reduced to $19.88 per bottle.

To order Mega Green Tea Extract, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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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. The good news for consumers is that vitamin D is a very low cost supplement. 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 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 1000 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

**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

**Vitamin D3 5,000 IU • 60 capsules**
Retail: $11
Four bottle Member Price: $7.43
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

**Vitamin D3 5,000 IU with Sea-Iodine* 60 vegetarian capsules**
Retail: $14
Four bottle Member Price: $9.38
Most people do not ingest enough vitamin D and iodine, especially those seeking to reduce their salt intake. Combining 5,000 IU of vitamin D3 and 1,000 IU of iodine into one capsule makes taking these two nutrients economical and convenient. Item# 01372

**Vitamin D3 7,000 IU • 60 capsules**
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

**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. 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.*

To order any of these high-potency vitamin D3 supplements, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com
Beyond Conventional Antioxidants

For decades, health-conscious consumers relied on conventional antioxidants (such as vitamins E and C) to help suppress damaging free radicals.

While thousands of published studies support the benefits of conventional antioxidants, scientists have discovered that extracts from brightly colored fruits and vegetables possess far greater antioxidant capacity. 1-3

In fact, human epidemiological studies show that those who regularly consume these potent plant-based polyphenols and anthocyanins remain far healthier in their advanced years.

So, if you’re not eating the recommended five servings of fruits and vegetables a day, in particular the dark-skinned varieties, you could be lacking optimal antioxidant protection against toxic free radicals.

High-ORAC Score Fruits and Vegetables

To measure the antioxidant strengths of food and other substances, scientists use what is called the ORAC score. A higher score means the food is better at protecting the body’s cells from free radical-induced damage. So, the higher a food’s ORAC score, as in dark-skinned fruits and vegetables, the better it is for you. However, problems with availability, the perishable nature, and the cost of obtaining a wide variety of high-ORAC fruits and vegetables on a daily basis mean they are often difficult to get in the typical American diet.

Superior Antioxidant Protection

To overcome these issues, Life Extension has developed new Berry Complete formula to provide a concentrated blend of fruit and vegetable extracts that have some of the highest ORAC scores around. Each capsule is packed with scientifically proven polyphenols and anthocyanins from seasonal and perishable fruits and legumes that are typically the highest in ORAC values.

Just one capsule provides the antioxidant capacity of more than 50% of the daily recommended five a day intake of fruits and vegetables.

Berry Complete therefore provides an affordable way of getting powerful antioxidant protection from a variety of colorful fruits and vegetables into your diet to help fight free radical damage and promote healthy aging. A bottle containing 30 vegetarian capsules of Berry Complete retails for $21. If a member buys four bottles, the cost is only $14 per bottle.

The New Berry Complete

Each capsule provides 400 mg of a high ORAC antioxidant blend of fruit, vegetable, and legume standardized extracts and concentrated powders from:

- Blackcurrant
- Blackberry
- Elderberry
- Wild blueberry
- Wild bilberry
- Sweet cherry
- Tart cherry
- Acai
- Aronia
- Raspberry and raspberry seed
- Grape and grape seed
- Cranberry
- Prune
- Strawberry
- Pomegranate
- Black soybean hull
- Blue corn

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The failure to get a good night's sleep affects nearly every system in our bodies, including the body's largest organ—the skin. The signs of sleep deprivation are often written all over our faces—from bags under the eyes to wrinkles and furrows to lack of skin tone—all of which can contribute to premature skin aging.

Scientific studies show that the restorative power of sleep is vital for rejuvenating and repairing the skin and is controlled by the hormone melatonin. However, as melatonin levels decline with age, only miniscule amounts of the small quantities produced by those suffering from sleep problems actually reach the skin. Fortunately, going straight to the source and applying melatonin directly to the skin will allow those suffering from insomnia to benefit from its rejuvenating powers for restoring the appearance and texture of skin. > >
We spend one-third of our lives sleeping. A common problem as people get older, however, is not experiencing the same level of restorative sleep as they did in their youth. Research shows that a good night’s sleep is not just essential for a healthy mind, but a healthy body too. Sleep debt has been shown to hasten the onset of diseases such as type 2 diabetes and obesity, and to reduce immunity. Whatever the cause of insomnia, research suggests that it also impairs our beauty sleep by not allowing skin cells to repair themselves from the wear and tear of the day.

The sleep/wake cycle that controls the body’s clock is influenced by the master hormone melatonin, which is secreted cyclically from the pineal gland in the brain in response to the amount of light hitting our eyes. Melatonin keeps us in sync with the rhythms of the day and the season. In humans, melatonin secretion increases soon after the onset of darkness, peaks in the middle of the night (between 2 and 4 am), and gradually falls during the second half of the night.

Feeling unrested in the morning or drowsy during the day can be a signal of sleep deprivation. According to a National Institutes of Health Consensus Statement, about 30% of American adults have some symptoms of insomnia within a given year, while approximately 10% have associated symptoms of daytime functional impairment. The prevalence of insomnia is also reported to be higher among women and older people. This may not be surprising since melatonin levels decrease dramatically and predictably with aging, with about 30% of people over the age of 50 experiencing some degree of insomnia.

**A Good Night’s Sleep**

Fortunately, melatonin supplementation can help to reset our biological clock. The timing and intensity of melatonin levels plays a role in many neuroendocrine functions. In fact, melatonin is closely linked with aging, stress/cortisol levels, jet lag, mood swings, and sleep patterns. Because of its ability to regulate day-night cycles, melatonin has been shown to be effective as a sleep aid in many people.

A meta-analysis of 17 studies concluded that melatonin supplementation decreases sleep latency (the time it takes to fall asleep) while increasing sleep efficiency and total sleep duration. Supplementation with melatonin has been found to be particularly helpful for elderly people suffering from insomnia, with 0.3 mg of melatonin before bedtime improving their sleep compared with a control group.

Melatonin has also shown promise in treating a variety of sleep disorders, of which the best studied is jet lag, by effectively helping people adjust to new time zones. In addition, melatonin appears to produce sedation in some people that compares favorably to conventional pharmaceuticals used for inducing sleep—without impairing mental function.

**Declining Melatonin Levels and the Skin**

Scientists have recently discovered that the skin contains melatonin receptors, which suggests that melatonin also plays an important role in regulating skin function and structure. People with reduced melatonin secretion not only suffer from insomnia, but are unable to benefit from its effects in the rest of the body. To make matters worse, since the skin does not have as intense a network of blood circulation as other organs such as the brain, what little melatonin is produced has a hard time reaching the skin, which may compromise skin integrity.

While the skin protects itself against multiple environmental and endogenous stressors during the day, scientists have recently discovered that during the nighttime hours, the skin springs into action to repair itself and get back into balance through a restorative and renewal process. Indeed, so much hormonal activity occurs in the skin that it is often referred to as another endocrine gland. It is believed that an altered rhythm and low levels of melatonin secretion in this localized system may play a role in the etiology and treatment of several common skin disorders, for example, atopic eczema and psoriasis. Melatonin is also believed to protect against certain cancers by a variety of mechanisms.
Melatonin plays a key role in rejuvenating skin through its interactions with major skin cells such as keratinocytes and fibroblasts. Melatonin protects keratinocytes against cell death, while stimulating the growth of fibroblasts. Fibroblasts produce the essential proteins collagen and elastin, which provide structural support for the skin. As we age, these fibroblast cells start to develop dramatic mitochondrial dysfunction, rendering them less able to produce enough energy to fulfill their role in supporting the skin. This is borne out in animal research showing that a deficiency in melatonin reduces skin thickness, increases lipid peroxidation, and induces skin degenerative changes—all of which have been shown to be improved with melatonin treatment.

Melatonin has also been found to be effective against skin aging. It has powerful antioxidant properties by quenching mainly hydroxyl radicals, the most damaging of all radicals. In addition, research shows that pretreating human skin with topical melatonin can confer strong protection against ultraviolet (UV) light-induced erythema (sunburn) by suppressing oxidative damage. Studies also show that while sleep deprivation can delay wound healing, topical treatment with melatonin can improve the quality of wound healing and scar formation.

Benefits of Topical Melatonin

While oral melatonin supplements can improve sleep in most people, melatonin appears in rather low levels in the blood due to prominent first-pass degradation in the liver, which can limit skin access. The efficacy of melatonin as a topical agent offers a promising avenue to enhance the skin's nightly repair cycle. Researchers have found that melatonin penetrates into the stratum corneum (the outer layer of skin) and accumulates there due to its distinct lipophilic chemical structure, reinforcing the skin's capacity for repair, renewal, and revitalization during the night.

Fortunately, very low concentrations of melatonin are needed to penetrate into the skin. Melatonin's chemical structure is such that it passes through cell membranes with relative ease, especially when its permeation can be enhanced with agents that reduce its lag time into the skin.

The quest for such agents has shown methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) to be an effective permeation enhancer. It is used in a variety of conditions to minimize pain and inflammation since it can easily penetrate through cellular membranes, including the skin, carrying along with it any substance that can be absorbed into the skin, such as melatonin.

What You Need to Know

- Poor sleep adversely affects nearly every system of the body, including its largest organ—the skin.
- Inadequate sleep can lead to bags under the eyes, wrinkles and furrows, and poor skin tone, contributing to premature aging.
- The hormone melatonin is responsible for regulating sleep-wake cycles and plays a key role in skin repair and renewal. Aging and sleep disturbances can decrease the body's production of melatonin.
- Topical application of melatonin rejuvenates the skin through numerous mechanisms, including fighting free radicals, providing photoprotection, and supporting skin healing.
- Other topical agents including methylsulfonylmethane (MSM), gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA), vitamins C and E, and specialized tea extracts complement melatonin's effects in promoting nightly skin repair.
MSM is also a unique and natural source of sulfur, which is a crucial component of the body’s connective tissues. It is believed that exogenous MSM gives up its sulfur to essential amino acids and serum proteins, thus providing key functional and structural roles in these molecules. In addition, MSM is rated as one of the least toxic substances in biology, having been shown to be safe in animal and human studies.26

**Relaxing and Calming Ingredient**

The effectiveness of melatonin in the skin can also be enhanced with agents that relax the body before sleep. Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) is a key inhibitory amino acid that the body relies on to combat stress and remain in a serene state when faced with overstimulation. GABA exerts its actions through the same anti-anxiety receptors that are targets for drugs such as Valium® and is the most widespread and important inhibitory neurotransmitter in the brain. Considered as the brain’s natural sedative, a recent study shows that supplementing with GABA can balance the excitability that can lead to restlessness, anxiety, and other disruptive conditions.28

**Protecting and Firming the Skin**

Combining melatonin, MSM, and GABA with peptides and classic anti-aging nutrients such as vitamins C and E can help optimize the skin’s renewal and repair cycle while firming skin and providing powerful antioxidant protection.

Vitamins C and E work together in providing antioxidant protection and supporting collagen synthesis to preserve and restore skin health. Studies show that these antioxidants are depleted in aged and photoaged skin. In photoaged skin, for example, vitamin C levels are only 69% of young skin levels in the epidermis and 63% in the dermis. Naturally aged skin contains 61% of youthful vitamin C skin levels in the epidermis, while the dermis retains about 70% of youthful levels. A similar trend is seen for vitamin E levels, which are significantly lower in the epidermis of photoaged and naturally aged skin, compared with young skin.29 Applying vitamin E topically can protect against free radicals generated by solar radiation as well as preserve vitamin E levels in the skin.30 Studies with topical vitamin C on photoaged skin show significant improvement in wrinkling correlated with evidence of new collagen formation31 and other clinical parameters such as tactile roughness, skin tone, and sallowness/yellowing as well as subjective improvement.32

**Antioxidant Tea Benefits**

As well as vitamins C and E, the potent natural antioxidants found in white, green, black, and red tea extracts33,34 can help protect skin from the aging effects of inflammation and oxidative stress. Red tea, in particular, is a powerful source of antioxidants,34 while green tea provides the protective strength of epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG) to guard skin from the dangers of UV exposure and DNA damage.35 Furthermore, tea extracts are excellent sources of vitamin C activity.36 Vitamin C may contribute to the formation of new collagen,37 improving both the tone and structure of the skin.

**Combination Skin Rejuvenation**

When combined and applied topically as a cream, melatonin, GABA, MSM, vitamins C and E, and specialized tea extracts offer a unique solution to maximize the skin’s nightly repair cycle. These innovative ingredients provide powerful antioxidant protection while complementing each other in renewing the skin.

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

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In 2003, the Life Extension Foundation® introduced a purified resveratrol supplement that was later documented to favorably alter some of the changes in gene expression that cause us to age.

In 2009, CBS News 60 Minutes featured an in-depth report on the multiple benefits that resveratrol may confer in slowing and even reversing certain aspects of aging.

What differentiates Life Extension®’s resveratrol: It provides 100% standardized trans-resveratrol plus a full spectrum of natural compounds from the grape that have demonstrated remarkable biological properties. Most products currently on the market contain varying quantities of trans- and cis-resveratrol, and fail to provide enough trans-resveratrol for optimal results. In addition, Life Extension has added pterostilbene, which researchers have found works in a synergistic fashion with resveratrol to activate one’s “longevity genes.”

Research funded by Life Extension has shown that a combination of low-dose (20 mg) resveratrol plus grapeseed extract induced many of the favorable gene expression changes seen in calorie-restricted animals. Other studies, however, have indicated that higher doses may be needed to obtain all of resveratrol’s positive benefits including:

- Improved Insulin Sensitivity
- Enhanced Mitochondrial Function
- Reduced Expression of Inflammatory Factors
- Protection Against the Toxic Effects of a High-Fat Diet

Life Extension has meticulously evaluated published studies on resveratrol and pterostilbene to establish doses people might need to take to duplicate these remarkable laboratory findings. The results of Life Extension’s analysis yield a wide range of potentially effective doses of resveratrol and pterostilbene.

Highest Potency Resveratrol

The resveratrol potency you choose may be based on your current state of health and/or your desire to personally reach the upper limits of a healthy human life span. Life Extension offers a wide range of standardized trans-resveratrol potencies in combination with pterostilbene (which also favorably alters gene expression), quercetin, and other grape phytonutrients.

Optimized Resveratrol with Pterostilbene and the new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula provide the highest dosage of trans-resveratrol as well as a broad array of grape polyphenols, quercetin and pterostilbene.

All these Resveratrol Products are fortified with Pterostilbene!

Resveratrol with Pterostilbene
Provides 20 mg of trans-resveratrol plus 120 mg of quercetin to facilitate resveratrol absorption. Pterostilbene content (125 mcg) equivalent to over 5 cups of blueberries. Recommended dosage is 1 capsule daily with or without food. Each bottle contains 60 vegetarian capsules.

Retail Price: $24

FOUR-BOTTLE MEMBER PRICE:
>> $16.50 PER BOTTLE

(See each product description for amount of pterostilbene.)
GrapeSeed Extract with Resveratrol & Pterostilbene

Provides 20 mg of trans-resveratrol plus 100 mg of grapeseed extract. Pterostilbene content (125 mcg) equivalent to over 5 cups of blueberries. Recommended dosage is 1 capsule daily with or without food. Each bottle contains 60 vegetarian capsules.
Retail Price: $36
FOUR-BOTTLE MEMBER PRICE: $25.50 PER BOTTLE

Resveratrol with Pterostilbene

Provides 100 mg of trans-resveratrol plus 120 mg of quercetin to facilitate resveratrol absorption. Pterostilbene content (250 mcg) equivalent to over 10 cups of blueberries. Recommended dosage is 1 capsule daily with or without food. Each bottle contains 60 vegetarian capsules.
Retail Price: $36
FOUR-BOTTLE MEMBER PRICE: $24 PER BOTTLE

Optimized Resveratrol with Pterostilbene

Provides in one capsule 250 mg of trans-resveratrol, 85 mg of grape plant polyphenols plus quercetin. Pterostilbene content (500 mcg) equivalent to over 20 cups of blueberries. Recommended dosage is 1 capsule daily with or without food. Each bottle contains 60 vegetarian capsules.
Retail Price: $46
FOUR-BOTTLE MEMBER PRICE: $31 PER BOTTLE

The Most Potent RESVERATROL-PTEROSTILBENE Formula

Among the most promising of caloric restriction mimics and enhancers are resveratrol, pterostilbene, quercetin, and grape seed polyphenols, along with black tea extract. These nutrients have been shown to generate many of the same effects in the body as caloric restriction, without significant dietary modification.1-8 In particular, they help “mimic” caloric restriction’s favorable impact on genes that influence the aging process.1-8

Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula includes resveratrol, higher levels of pterostilbene and quercetin plus, grape seed polyphenols, and black tea extract to provide broad-spectrum gene expression support in one nutritional compound.

Two capsules of Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula provide:

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Each bottle contains 60 vegetarian capsules of the new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula.
Retail Price: $36
FOUR-BOTTLE MEMBER PRICE: $24.75 PER BOTTLE

The Life Extension Foundation® was the first organization to introduce melatonin to Americans in 1992. Since then, this low-cost supplement has been touted in several best-selling books and hundreds of published scientific papers.

The wide spectrum of dosage units (300 mcg to 10 mg) enables you to choose your ideal dose. Melatonin should be taken within 30-60 minutes of going to sleep.

To order any of these premium-grade melatonin supplements, call 1-800-544-4440, or visit www.lifeextension.com

Cautions: Women seeking to become pregnant or who are pregnant should not use melatonin because high doses are being used in Europe as a birth-control pill. If melatonin causes you to wake up too drowsy, take less melatonin. If melatonin makes you feel more blue, reduce the dose or eliminate it altogether.

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Numerous culprits are responsible for the leathery, wrinkled, graying complexion associated with aging. Now you can replenish your skin to regain the glow of youth with new Melatonin Cream. Formulated by renowned dermatologist Gary Goldfaden, MD, this quenching blend includes a select variety of natural skin rejuvenators and essential beauty factors for supple, firm, radiant skin.

As the body’s largest organ, your skin suffers most visibly from the stresses of modern living and the ravages of time. The unsightly creases, furrows, and dark circles that result can add years to your appearance. Melatonin Cream offers a simple way to counter these issues and naturally restore your intrinsic beauty. Just apply to a clean, dry area on any part of the body and rub in well at night. In addition to melatonin, its proprietary combination of ingredients includes:

- **MSM** (Methylsulfonylmethane). A unique, natural, efficient source of the sulfur that is used by many of the body’s molecules. MSM easily penetrates the skin’s cell membranes.1,2
- **Vitamin C and E.** Two of nature’s most powerful antioxidants to help rejuvenate aging skin.3-5
- **Tea Extracts.** High-grade compounds derived from white, green, black, and red tea to help offset visible aging effects associated with oxidative stress.6-11

Combining these beautifying factors helps you maintain that youthful, energized, and radiant look at any age.

A 1 oz jar of Melatonin Cream retails for $28. If a member buys two jars, the price is reduced to just $17.25.

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You may be surprised to learn that urinary tract infections (UTIs) are the most common form of bacterial infection, accounting for 7 million office visits, 1 million emergency room visits, and 100,000 hospitalizations each year, at an estimated annual cost of $1.6 billion to the American public. One third of all women will contract a UTI by the age of 24. Once a woman has contracted a UTI, her risk of recurrence is 20%. Conventional medicine typically calls for aggressive treatment with broad-spectrum antibiotics, including trimethoprim, cephalexin, or ciprofloxacin (Cipro®). The deleterious effects of these drugs on women’s health are notorious: fatigue, nausea, digestive distress, secondary infection, and the eventual evolution of resistant bacterial strains impervious to even the most powerful antibiotics.

In a little-known development, new data have emerged on a low-cost, natural intervention that until recently was available only in Europe. This extract from the Hibiscus sabdariffa flower not only exerts direct antibacterial action against microorganisms that cause UTIs, but it has also been shown to suppress the fungus responsible for common yeast infestations.

The natural compounds in hibiscus complement the already well-documented efficacy of cranberry. In women suffering from chronic UTIs (more than 8 infections per year), 200 mg of hibiscus per day reduced UTI recurrence by a remarkable 77%.

In this article, you will discover exciting new research on the power of these natural, complementary agents and their unique ability to halt the painful cycle of UTIs.
HALT THE VICIOUS CYCLE OF URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS

The infectious inflammatory disease may go undetected as it slowly progresses over many years, until there is enough deterioration to produce kidney failure. In severe cases, pyelonephritis may progress to sepsis (a potentially fatal, whole-body infection of the tissue and bloodstream).

A vicious cycle of repeated infection may also take hold. Many women develop multiple UTIs annually. They are typically administered antibiotics with each infection.

This may induce unwanted and potentially dangerous side effects, ranging from rash, nausea, dizziness, and the destruction of beneficial microflora in the body that leads to yeast infections (candidiasis). Disorders of the digestive tract, including diarrhea, colitis (inflammation of the colon), and abdominal pain are also commonplace. Women often require further medication to treat the secondary yeast infection that results from antibiotics; these anti-fungal medications may produce even more unwanted, detrimental side effects.

The result is a taxing pharmaceutical onslaught that can take an enormous toll on women’s health and well-being over time. So-called “superinfections” may even develop—powerfully resistant strains of bacteria that antibiotics are powerless to stop.

For this reason, preventing the initial bacterial invasion of the urethra represents a crucial point of intervention in the progress of UTIs. By inhibiting bacterial adhesion to the urethral lining at this early stage, an infection cannot take root.

Cranberry is the best-known natural preventive option for frequent UTIs. It first emerged as an effective intervention for bladder and urinary tract health in the early twentieth century. Scientists speculated that the benzoic acid in cranberries was metabolized to hippuric acid and excreted in the urine, which prevented bacterial growth by creating an acidic environment in the bladder.

Since then a wealth of clinical data have detailed the precise mechanism by which certain constituent components of the whole cranberry act to powerfully counter UTI onset. The most recent studies do not indicate a change in urine pH brought about by cranberries (meaning they do not acidify urine). Instead, cranberry's antimicrobial action arises from a class of flavonoids called proanthocyanidins (PACs). In addition to exerting potent antioxidant effects, cranberry PACs block bacteria from taking hold of the cells lining the urinary tract.
The surfaces of *E. coli* and many other bacteria are covered with motile, tendril-like structures called *fimbriae*. The fimbria acts as a kind of tentacle, enabling bacteria to “grab onto” other microorganisms, inanimate objects and—most importantly—host cells. A single bacterium may possess as many as 1,000 fimbriae. It is this feature that renders *E. coli* and other species endowed with fimbriae—including *Staphylococcus saprophyticus*, *Salmonella*, and *Helicobacter pylori*—especially virulent and infectious. They employ these structures to latch onto cells in the mucous membranes at multiple sites of the body and initiate a debilitating and potentially *lethal* proliferation.

A 2009 study demonstrated conclusively that cranberry PACs provoke disabling *alterations* in the fimbriae and other surface properties of the *E. coli* bacterium, vastly diminishing its capacity to attach *specifically* to the surface of the cells lining the urinary tract.7

This process, known as *bacteriostasis*, prevents harmful bacteria from colonizing the urinary tract. Instead, they are flushed from the urethra during the natural voiding process.

The bacteriostatic effect of cranberry and its extracts has been well documented.11,12 Just 400-500 mg of *cranberry extract* has been shown to deprive deleterious microbes of their ability to attach to the mucous membrane and colonize the urinary tract.4,5

### Halt the Cycle of Urinary Tract Infections

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- One third of all women will contract a UTI by the age of 24. Once a woman has contracted a UTI, her risk of recurrence is 20%.
- The proanthocyanidins in cranberry help prevent UTIs, and have been shown to powerfully inhibit *E. coli* from adhering to the urinary tract.
- Cranberry is particularly beneficial in preventing recurrent UTIs in women who tend to get multiple UTIs each year.
- Studies show that cranberry extract in pill form is more economical than drinking large quantities of 100% cranberry juice.
- *Hibiscus sabdariffa*, a novel extract recently available only in Europe, prevents UTI-causing bacteria from adhering to the linings of the urinary tract and bladder wall.
- Equally rich in bacteriostatic polyphenols—including the flavonoid gossypetin—hibiscus possesses profound anti-microbial effects.
- Hibiscus may exhibit *bacteriocidal* (bacteria-killing) properties comparable to the antibiotic *chloramphenicol* without the antibiotic’s side effect profile.
- In the laboratory, hibiscus has a stronger antimicrobial effect than cranberry, particularly against *Candida albicans*.
- The combination of cranberry and hibiscus may provide a synergistic UTI intervention, providing bacteriostatic/bacteriocidal compounds in high concentrations.
In examination of women plagued with recurrent bladder infections (6 or more in the prior year), cranberry extract (200 mg twice daily) completely eliminated UTI incidence. Women who continued cranberry supplementation remained infection-free during the next two years. Similar benefits were also revealed in a study of children with chronic UTIs. Cranberry beverages can also be effective. In one study, occurrence of UTIs was slashed by half in women consuming cranberry juice (250 mL, or about 8 ounces) three times daily and in women consuming cranberry extract twice daily. Recent clinical data further indicate that cranberries may also prevent UTIs in adult women at high risk for urinary infections. Researchers have recorded that older women who consumed 300 mL (about 10 ounces) of a cranberry beverage daily experienced only 42% of the risk of UTI of women who consumed a placebo.

Native to Africa and Asia, Hibiscus sabdariffa has been used in some cultures to support bladder and kidney health. Traditional African practitioners use tea brewed from hibiscus calyxes (the green floral envelope of the blossom) as an acidic and anti-bacterial, both to acidify and deodorize urine and protect against UTIs and kidney stone formation. Hibiscus boasts a range of powerful compounds that prevent E. coli from adhering to the urinary tract and bladder wall linings. Both the flower and calyx are abundant in bacteriostatic polyphenols, including flavonoids, sambubiosides, and proanthocyanidins. In particular, the flavonoid gossypetin (3,5,7,8,3’,4’-hexahydroxy flavone) found in hibiscus has been identified as a distinct antimicrobial compound with powerful effects. Together these natural agents have been shown to inhibit the activity of a host of microbes responsible for UTIs, including E. coli, Staphylococcus aureus, and Pseudomonas aeruginosa.

In a double-blind, placebo-controlled, clinical trial, women taking hibiscus experienced a 77% reduction in UTIs compared to those taking a placebo.
in UTIs. Sixty-one women participated in the 6-month study, and 59 women completed the entire study. All of them had a history of frequent UTIs (more than four per year, including one or more in the three months prior to the start of the study). The women were randomly assigned to one of three groups receiving a daily dose of **200 mg** of **hibiscus extract** standardized to **90% polyphenols**; **200 mg** of hibiscus extract standardized to **60% polyphenols**; or placebo. Compared to the control group, women taking the hibiscus concentrations experienced a **77% decrease** in infections, as well as overall improvement in urinary comfort.

According to **in vitro** research, hibiscus also reduces contamination of both **E. coli** and **Candida albicans**, the fungus responsible for yeast infections. The antimicrobial effect was found to be immediate and **complete** after only one day. In addition, when hibiscus was compared to cranberry **in vitro**, the hibiscus had a stronger antimicrobial effect, particularly against **Candida albicans**.

Hibiscus's bacteriostatic/bacteriocidal compounds are excreted through urine in high concentrations, enabling them to reach the bladder and urinary tract **intact**, where they disable infectious bacteria.

**Summary**

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The proanthocyanidins in cranberry effectively prevent UTIs by blocking **E. coli** from adhering to the urinary tract and bladder. Cranberry is especially effective for women who endure numerous UTIs annually. Studies show that cranberry extract in pill form is more economical than drinking large quantities of 100% cranberry juice.

Like cranberry, extract of **Hibiscus sabdariffa** prevents bacteria that cause UTIs from adhering to the linings of the urinary tract and bladder wall and may also possess bacteriocidal effects. Abundant in polyphenolic compounds, hibiscus may exhibit **bacteriocidal** (bacteria-killing) properties comparable to the antibiotic **chloramphenicol**—without the antibiotic’s side effect profile. When compared to cranberry **in vitro**, hibiscus had a stronger antimicrobial effect, particularly against **Candida albicans**.

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

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Discover the European “Secret” to Youthful, Healthy Legs

Combat Unsightly Veins with This High-Potency Extract

30 YEARS OF CLINICAL EVIDENCE BRINGS LONG-AWAITED RELIEF

It is estimated that half of all women in the United States will develop unsightly veins by age 50.1 While dermatologists often suggest surgery to correct this “age-related” issue, European women have enjoyed access to a natural solution for 30 years!

Life Extension® offers American women the same extract without a prescription. No more compression bandages or stockings. Instead, experience the same beautifying effects European women have been raving about for three decades—naturally!

Derived from the sweet orange, European Leg Solution featuring Certified Diosmin 95 contains a plant-based nutrient called diosmin and is available in a vegetarian tablet.

MICRONIZED FOR GREATER EFFECTIVENESS

In order to derive any significant benefit, bioactive diosmin extract must be able to reach veins directly.

Life Extension®’s proprietary extract undergoes a complex, highly refined process called micronization. It yields the only form of diosmin clinically proven to support healthy vascular function in the legs.1,2

This scientifically controlled, multi-phase technique radically reduces the size of the standard diosmin particles contained in each tablet, from 37 microns to less than 2 microns. The result is an optimally bioavailable standardized extract. This ensures rapid, efficient delivery of diosmin to the bloodstream, enabling enhanced penetration of the delicate inner lining of the veins.

As with so many “age-related” conditions, inflammation3 is the chief culprit behind the presence of unsightly veins. Inflammatory responses are precipitated by the interaction between white blood cells and the endothelial lining.

Life Extension’s European Leg Solution featuring Certified Diosmin 95 offers effective protection by disrupting this inflammatory response.

THE PREFERRED TREATMENT AMONG EUROPEAN WOMEN FOR BEAUTIFUL LEGS IS HERE

Life Extension’s European Leg Solution featuring Certified Diosmin 95 provides the same pharmaceutical grade extract used by millions throughout Europe. The retail price for a bottle containing 30 600-mg vegetarian tablets is $20. If a member buys four bottles, the cost is only $13.50 per bottle.

To order European Leg Solution featuring Certified Diosmin 95, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

Six Ways Life Extension’s European Leg Solution featuring Certified Diosmin 95 Works for You

1. Maintains healthy blood flow through your capillaries—the most fragile of your blood vessels.
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3. Eases the effects of circulating cytokines that promote inflammation.
4. Safeguards collagen and elastin against oxidative damage.
5. Enjoys an outstanding safety record.
6. Produces results in just 1–2 weeks, with a single 600 mg tablet taken each morning.2

*Product not for sale outside the United States.

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

SUPER OMEGA-3 from Life Extension® uses a patented EPA/DHA extraction process that results in a pure, stable and easy-to-tolerate fish oil extract. While most fish oil is distilled to decrease contaminants such as mercury and PCBs, the Pure +™ fish oil used in Super Omega-3 is produced with a patented method that purifies the oil with a highly advanced distillation process to reduce pollutants to virtually undetectable levels. The result is an improved fish oil that exceeds the standards set by international rating agencies.

Sesame Lignans Enhance Fish Oil’s In Vivo Effects
The unstable nature of fatty acids like fish oil limits their biological efficacy in the body. Scientific studies show that when sesame lignans are supplemented with fish oil, the beneficial effects are augmented.10

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

New Higher Potency Standardized Olive Fruit
To emulate a Mediterranean diet, Super Omega-3 provides a standardized olive fruit extract to deliver the polyphenol hydroxytyrosol, a powerful antioxidant that protects normal LDL from oxidation and counters dangerous free radicals.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.15 Therefore, Super Omega-3 provides the equivalent polyphenol content of 6 ounces of Extra Virgin Olive Oil.

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

Fish Oil Blend with Sesame Lignans and a MORE Concentrated Olive Fruit Extract

A Comprehensive Essential Fatty Acid Formula

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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

Just four softgels of SUPER OMEGA-3 EPA/DHA with Sesame Lignans & Olive Fruit Extract provide:

- **EPA Pure+™ Extract** ........................................ 1400 mg (eicosapentaenoic acid)
- **DHA Pure+™ Extract** .......................................... 1000 mg (docosahexaenoic acid)
- **Olive Fruit Extract** ............................................. 600 mg [standardized to 1.5% hydroxytyrosol (9 mg), 0.7% oleuropein (4.2 mg), 0.5% verbascoside (3 mg) and 0.23% tyrosol (1.4 mg)]
- **Sesame seed lignan extract** ................................. 20 mg

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

**CAUTION:** If you are taking anti-coagulant or anti-platelet medications, or have a bleeding disorder, consult your healthcare provider before taking this product.
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.

**CAUTION:** Do not take if you have gallbladder problems or gallstones. If you are taking anti-coagulant or anti-platelet medications, or have a bleeding disorder, consult your health care provider before taking this product.

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The anatomy of the female urinary tract differs greatly from men, resulting in the need for additional nutritional support for women.

A wealth of published studies indicates that cranberry polyphenols may help to support a healthy urinary tract.1,5

Of particular importance is the flavonoid content of the cranberry, including anthocyanins and proanthocyanidins. These natural compounds exert powerful antioxidant effects that can reduce oxidative stress.

Recent clinical data suggest that the proanthocyanidins found only in cranberries also possess unique molecular features that specifically promote urinary system health.6-8

A Synergistic Compound Available Only in Europe—Until Now

In a significant advance, Life Extension® has identified a unique compound available overseas but little-known in the United States that provides a synergistic complement to the whole cranberry's phytonutrient profile.

UTIRose™ is derived from Hibiscus sabdariffa, a species native to Europe, Asia, and Africa. Scientific analysis has shown that this species' flower and calyx (the green floral envelope surrounding the blossom) are rich in active polyphenols, including flavonoids, sambubiosides, and proanthocyanidins.

Of special importance is a flavonoid found in Hibiscus sabdariffa called gossypetin (3,5,7,8,3’, 4’-hexahydroxy flavone), which has been shown to provide support for urinary system health.9

Life Extension® uses a unique, patented process in the manufacture of Optimized Cran-Max® with UTIRose™. Each daily serving supplies the complete phenolic profile of the whole cranberry plus hibiscus polyphenols in a standardized, highly absorbable, concentrated form. Two capsules of Optimized Cran-Max® with UTIRose™ contains:

UTIRose™ (Hibiscus sabdariffa) extract (flower, calyx) 200 mg
Cran-Max® Cranberry infused whole fruit extract 500 mg

The suggested daily amount of Cran-Max® in this formula alone (500 mg) was demonstrated to provide the anthocyanin equivalent of seven 8 oz glasses of Ocean Spray® Cranberry Juice Cocktail.10

The price for one bottle of Optimized Cran-Max® with UTIRose™ containing 60 vegetarian capsules is $18. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $12 per bottle.

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Scientists have discovered a test that can revolutionize the way doctors evaluate and treat a cancer patient. This technology involves the detection and genetic assay of circulating tumor cells in the bloodstream.

These circulating tumor cells are the metastatic seeds that can break away from the primary site of cancer, and spread to other parts of the body. Understanding circulating tumor cells is critically important, since it is the spread of cancer to other parts of the body—and not the primary cancer—that is often responsible for the death of a person with cancer.

Up until now, medical science has been focused on the primary tumor, basing treatment decisions on the specific characteristics of the primary cancer cells. However, circulating tumor cells can be genetically different from the primary cancer. Treatments designed to attack the primary tumor could fail to destroy the circulating tumor cells.

Here, we’ll examine circulating tumor cell assays and the great potential this technology offers to advance the medical approach to cancer. The basic circulating tumor cell (CTC) assays you’ll learn about in this article are available in the United States and provide important data as it relates to how an individual’s cancer is treated. The Cleveland Clinic has recognized this CTC test as the top medical innovation for the year 2009.

A more advanced version of the CTC test is available by sending one’s blood to Germany, where a genetic analysis is performed to identify the expression of therapeutic targets and chemo-resistance markers unique to an individual’s circulating tumor cells. That test will be described in the second article, but read this article first so you understand the powerful prognostic value of circulating tumor cell (CTC) blood testing. > >
Currently, the ability to provide an accurate prognosis is far from perfect. To investigate if circulating tumor cell (CTC) testing can improve prognostic accuracy, German scientists studied 35 women with non-metastatic breast cancer who had their levels of CTC measured before they had received any treatment for their cancer. Of these patients, 17 tested positive for CTC, while 18 tested negative for CTC. When the researchers looked at the prognoses of the two groups, they found striking differences. The group that tested negative for CTC had a median overall survival of 125 months. The group with 5 or more CTC present in their blood had a median overall survival of only 61 months! The difference in survival of over 5 years between the two groups reveals the great importance that the presence and number of CTC had on the prognoses of this group of women with breast cancer. The findings of this study can have huge implications in how treatment is tailored for the individual with breast cancer. A key issue in breast cancer treatment is distinguishing at the outset which women have cancers that are low risk that do not require intensive treatment, and which women have a high risk of metastasis that requires aggressive treatment. This study provides a glimpse into the potential of CTC testing to provide a more accurate prognosis to allow doctors to distinguish high-risk from low-risk breast cancer patients.

In a related study, researchers at the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center measured CTC in 151 women with metastatic breast cancer. These patients were also evaluated for other prognostic cancer markers, such as hormone receptor status, CA 27.29 (a blood marker that helps to measure the degree...
of breast cancer metastatic activity), and HER2 status. Those who had 5 or more circulating tumor cells (CTC) had a median overall survival of 13½ months. The median overall survival for those with less than 5 CTC was over 29 months. The researchers also discovered that the presence of 5 or more CTC had the highest predictive value compared to all other tumor markers! The researchers went on to boldly state that “circulating tumor cells have superior and independent prognostic value…”

Furthermore, recent research indicates that CTC evaluation can be used to predict prognosis for men with prostate cancer. Researchers at Thomas Jefferson University compared the levels of CTC in 37 men with metastatic prostate cancer. Their findings were remarkable—for the men with 5 or more CTC, the median overall survival was only 8.4 months. For those men with less than 5 CTC the median overall survival was 48 months! Yet another study measured CTC in 55 men with a rising PSA after surgery for prostate cancer. A rising PSA after surgery is strongly predictive of prostate cancer recurrence. Radiation therapy was administered to 15 patients. Of these prostate cancer patients, 60% who were CTC positive had progression of their disease during radiation therapy, while there were no disease progressions in the CTC negative group! Additional studies have confirmed these results.

Predicting Who Will Benefit from Prostate Cancer Surgery

A central issue that men with prostate cancer, and their doctors, face is deciding if surgery (or other therapy) to eradicate the prostate is the best course of action. Surgery is most indicated when there is a strong likelihood that it will be curative. This is generally the case when the cancer is confined to the prostate gland.

Potential surgical failure can occur when the cancer has spread beyond the prostate gland. In this situation, surgery is not likely to cure the disease and many doctors will not recommend surgery.

Unfortunately, the surgeon often does not know the extent of the cancer before surgery is performed. However, in a landmark study, scientists at Columbia University in New York have discovered that CTC testing can predict which men with prostate cancer are likely to benefit from surgery. In this study, 138 men with prostate cancer scheduled for surgery to remove the prostate were tested for the presence of CTC in their blood. An eye-opening finding revealed that the men who were CTC positive were 12 times more likely to experience a potential surgical failure compared to...
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those who were CTC negative. Moreover, the scientists determined that CTC status was superior to PSA levels and Gleason score at predicting potential surgical failure. In fact, every single person who was CTC positive with a PSA greater than 10 ng/mL had potential surgical failure. This compares to 76% of patients who were surgically cured with a PSA greater than 10 and who were CTC negative! All in all, CTC negative patients had an 87% chance for a surgical cure. The authors remarked that “this assay might be a useful criterion in the counseling...of patients on the value of surgical treatment for prostate cancer.”

Circulating Tumor Cells Superior to Imaging Tests

Researchers have also discovered that CTC evaluation may be more accurate than standard imaging tests at predicting the prognoses of metastatic breast cancer patients. Traditionally, imaging tests have been used to evaluate the effectiveness of treatment in those with metastatic breast cancer. The response to treatment is often determined by measuring changes in tumor size with CT and MRI scans. In a groundbreaking study performed in 2006, metastatic breast cancer patients had imaging tests done before and 10 weeks after they began therapy.10 The results of the imaging tests were reviewed by two independent radiologists. CTC were measured 4 weeks after the start of therapy. The researcher’s findings were astonishing—the group that responded to treatment based on imaging tests (i.e., the tumors got smaller) and had 5 or more CTC had a worse prognosis than the group with CTC counts less than 5 that showed worsening of their disease on imaging studies! These findings suggest that the levels of CTC were far more important at predicting survival compared to the actual visual changes noted on imaging tests. Further analysis established that CTC testing had superior reproducibility compared to imaging studies. There was a 15% disagreement in the interpretation of the imaging tests between the two radiologists, compared to less than 1% variation in the results of CTC testing. The authors of this study declared that “this advantage in reproducibility implies that inaccurate disease status evaluations and inappropriate treatment decisions are less likely with the use of the CTC assay than with radiographic studies.” They went on to enthusiastically conclude that “the assessment of CTCs has several advantages over serial radiographic evaluation. The CTC assay is more reproducible than radiographic evaluation, shows useful results at an earlier time point than do radiologic studies, and seems to be a more robust predictor of survival than is radiographic response.”

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Circulating Tumor Cells Predict Treatment Effectiveness

One of the most exciting potential uses of CTC technology is to allow doctors to evaluate treatment effectiveness during the early phase of therapy. Historically, cancer treatment decisions have been based on the results of large studies comparing the effectiveness of different treatment regimens. These studies have shown which treatments are statistically likely to produce the best results for a large number of people. However, these treatment guidelines do not predict how an individual person with cancer will respond to a given treatment.

For many cancer patients, the course of the disease, and the response to treatment, can be highly unpredictable. One person might have an excellent response to a given chemotherapy regimen, while for another person the same regimen might not have any effect at all. For this reason, it is extremely important to have the ability to quickly evaluate a person’s response to treatment. Ideally, doctors would obtain this information during the early course of therapy. If the cancer is not responding to treatment then appropriate treatment changes can be made. Another very important consideration is the significant toxicity that is associated with cancer treatment. If it can be determined that a treatment is ineffective during the early stage of therapy, then the treatment can be discontinued before it can cause severe toxicity.

Up until now, doctors have often had to wait at least a few months before they can assess the effectiveness of treatment. This inability to evaluate a treatment’s efficacy during the early phase of therapy can have disastrous consequences for the person with cancer. Those three months of waiting to know if the treatment is working can make the difference between altering therapy to reflect the lack of response, or continuing with an ineffective treatment and allowing the cancer to progress. This waiting may become a thing of the past, as recent studies have demonstrated that CTC testing can reliably predict the response to treatment during the early phase of therapy.

In an important study, 11,163 women with metastatic breast cancer were tested for CTC at baseline and at four different times during the course of treatment. The researchers discovered that those patients with less than 5 CTC at the first measurement had a median overall survival of greater than 18.5 months. Those with 5 or more CTC had a median overall survival of only 7 months. As early as 4 weeks into therapy, CTC testing determined which patients were not responding and whose cancer would continue to progress with ineffective treatment.

The authors of this study concluded that “detection of elevated CTC at any time during therapy is an accurate indication of subsequent rapid disease progression and mortality for metastatic breast cancer patients.”

In a related study, 10,138 women with metastatic breast cancer had CTC measured 4 weeks after the start of therapy. The median overall survival for those with 5 or more CTC was 8.5 months. Those with a CTC count less than 5 had a substantially greater median overall survival time of 22.6 months! Also, 84% of those with a CTC count less than 5 were alive after one year, compared to only 38% for those with a CTC count of 5 or more. The findings of these studies illustrate the tremendous potential of CTC testing to accurately predict the effectiveness of treatment during the early stage of therapy.

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In 2006, scientists in Spain measured the presence of CTC in 84 high-risk breast cancer patients after they received initial chemotherapy. The researchers found dramatic differences in the relapse rates between those who tested positive for CTC, as compared to those that did not have any CTC detected in their blood. The group testing positive for CTC had a 269% increased risk of relapse, and a 300% increased risk of death, compared to the group testing negative for CTC! Further analysis showed a striking 53 month difference in the time to relapse between the groups.

In a related study, German scientists in 2008 studied 25 women with breast cancer that had not metastasized. They measured CTC levels before and after the patients received chemotherapy. The results showed that relapse occurred in less than 10% of patients whose CTC levels indicated a decline, no change, or minor increase when compared to baseline CTC levels. There was a substantially higher relapse rate of 40% in the group with a CTC increase at the end of therapy.

The same German scientists then completed a study of 91 non-metastatic breast cancer patients receiving chemotherapy. Measurements of CTC were taken before, during, and after the completion of chemotherapy. After a follow-up period of 40 months, 20 of the women had experienced a relapse. The investigators determined that the group with a greater than 10-fold decrease in CTC after treatment had a relapse rate of only 3.6%. The group that experienced a greater than 10-fold increase in CTC after treatment experienced an alarming relapse rate of 42.4%.

The results of this study can have far-reaching implications for breast cancer patients in the future, as those with a greater than 10-fold increase in CTC after therapy are at much higher risk of relapse and might be candidates for more aggressive treatment. These researchers concluded that “… circulating tumor cells are influenced by systemic chemotherapy and that an increase… of 10-fold or more at the end of therapy is a strong predictor of relapse and a surrogate marker for the aggressiveness of the tumor cells.”

Summary

A number of studies have demonstrated the impressive ability of CTC testing to provide essential information for cancer patients at various stages during their evaluation and treatment. CTC testing can improve prognostic accuracy, predict risk of relapse after treatment, and allow doctors to monitor treatment effectiveness in real time.

As we look into the future of cancer assessment and treatment, it’s easy to see how CTC testing will allow us to move beyond the traditional focus on the primary tumor. Major advances can occur as medical science focuses on CTC and targets treatments against the specific characteristics of these cells. Fortunately, the person dealing with cancer does not have to wait for the future, as CTC testing is available now for those who want to take advantage of this new technology and benefit from the vital information this testing provides.
CIRCULATING TUMOR CELL (CTC) ASSAYS: A MAJOR ADVANCE IN CANCER TREATMENT

To inquire about laboratories that offer circulating tumor cell (CTC) assay blood tests in the United States, call 1-800-208-3444. (Information about the more advanced CTC/molecular analysis tests available in Germany appears in the next article.)

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Designing an Individually Tailored Cancer Treatment Utilizing Advanced CTC Molecular Analysis

For decades, traditional medicine has made cancer treatment decisions based on the “one size fits all” approach—in which everyone with a particular cancer received the same treatment. Tragically, this approach has failed to benefit the vast majority of women with breast cancer who received standard chemotherapy protocols.

This approach has refused to acknowledge the individual differences inherent in the cancer that could have affected treatment. Now, exciting new advances in circulating tumor cell (CTC) technology can allow medical science to finally move away from this outdated approach and towards an individually tailored cancer treatment program.

The basic circulatory tumor cells (CTC) test you learned about in the previous article measures the number of CTC in the bloodstream.

In this article, we’ll examine an even more advanced circulating tumor cell test available in Europe that measures the genetic characteristics of circulating tumor cells and makes specific conventional and natural treatment suggestions based on the individual patient’s CTC profile. This technology offers great potential to optimally design an individualized treatment, targeting the specific weaknesses of these potential metastatic cancer cells. > >
Exposing the Flaws of the “One Size Fits All” Approach

When a person is prescribed a treatment for their cancer, they might assume that the treatment was chosen based on the uniqueness of their cancer. For instance, when a woman with early-stage breast cancer is told that her chemotherapy treatment regimen will consist of the drugs Adriamycin®, Cytoxan®, and Taxol®, (ACT), she might think this treatment was individually tailored for her cancer. In actuality, ACT is a standard chemotherapy protocol given to breast cancer patients. This “one size fits all” approach to breast cancer treatment would work well if superior results were obtained from this routine practice. Sadly, this has not been the case. The “one size fits all” approach to prescribing chemotherapy has failed to improve survival for the vast majority of women with breast cancer. In a shocking study of women with breast cancer over the age of 50 who had cancer present in their lymph nodes, standard chemotherapy regimens were shown to increase 10-year survival by only 3%.1

In a related study of breast cancer patients receiving tamoxifen, researchers at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston determined that those over age 50 with cancer in their lymph nodes did not receive any statistically significant survival benefits from receiving generic chemotherapy regimens compared to tamoxifen alone.2

A critical flaw of the “one size fits all” approach rests in treating all breast cancers as if they are one and the same. Although traditional oncology does make distinctions in a few obvious qualities, such as size of the cancer, lymph node status, and estrogen receptor status, we now know there can be substantial individual differences in cancer cell genetics among those with “similar” breast cancers. These differences can dramatically affect the response to treatment.

A powerful illustration of the lack of appreciation for individual differences in cancer treatment was clearly revealed in a landmark study published in the New England Journal of Medicine in 2007. Researchers compared women with lymph node-positive breast cancer who received ACT chemotherapy to those who did not receive chemotherapy. Their HER2 status was also determined—which refers to a genetic characteristic of the cancer. The researchers discovered that the group of women who were HER2 negative and estrogen receptor positive did not benefit at all from taking Taxol®!3 The ramifications of this study are immense, as approximately two thirds of women with breast cancer fall into this category. In recognition of the failure of Taxol® to benefit this large group of women with breast cancer, oncologist Anne Moore, MD, Professor of Clinical Medicine at the Weill Medical College of Cornell University in New York stated, “The days of ‘one size fits all’ therapy for patients with breast cancer are coming to an end.”4

A further indictment of the “one size fits all” approach was prominently displayed in a study published in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute in 2008. In this investigation, scientists measured the effectiveness of an anthracycline-based chemotherapy regimen in 5,354 women with early-stage breast cancer. Anthracyclines are a class of chemotherapy drugs of which Adriamycin® is a key member. The scientists determined that women with early-stage breast cancer who were HER2 negative derived absolutely no benefit from taking Adriamycin® or other anthracycline drugs!5 Given that approximately 80% of breast cancers are HER2 negative,6 then only 1 of 5 women with breast cancer can benefit from these drugs that have considerable toxicity associated with their use. In one study, 7% of patients treated with Adriamycin® developed congestive heart failure.6

Another fundamental flaw of the current cancer treatment model is the exclusive focus on the primary tumor. However, it is the spread of cancer to other parts of the body that is very often lethal. Once the primary tumor has been surgically removed, then chemotherapy will often be prescribed in an attempt to kill any cancer cells remaining in the body that could potentially form metastases.
The choice of the appropriate chemotherapy agent to target the metastatic cancer cells is usually based on the characteristics of the primary tumor—which assumes that the metastatic cancer cells are genetically identical to the primary tumor. This assumption might be ill-advised as research has demonstrated that metastatic cancer cells can be genetically dissimilar from the primary tumor.

In an illuminating study conducted with metastatic breast cancer patients, researchers compared the genetic composition of the cancer cells that had formed distant metastasis to the genetic composition of the corresponding cancer cells in the primary breast tumor. The findings were alarming—in 31% of the comparisons, the genetic composition of the metastatic cancer cells differed almost completely from that of the primary breast tumors! Amazingly, further analysis revealed that none of the pairs of primary breast tumors with its corresponding metastatic cancer were identical. Based on these findings, the authors remarked that “because metastatic cells often have a completely different genetic composition, their phenotype [biological behavior], including aggressiveness and therapy responsiveness, may also vary substantially from that seen in the primary tumors,” leading to their conclusion that “the resulting heterogeneity [genetic variability] of metastatic breast cancer may underlie its poor responsiveness to therapy...”

To further support the evidence that metastatic cancer cells can vary genetically from the primary tumor, two additional studies with breast cancer patients have demonstrated that CTC can be HER2 positive while the primary breast tumor can be HER2 negative!

**Tailoring Cancer Treatment for the Individual**

Clearly, this old-fashioned approach of prescribing the same treatment for everyone with a particular cancer needs to be succeeded by a more enlightened paradigm which tailors treatment towards the individual uniqueness of the cancer. Furthermore, this “person-centered” model places emphasis on directing treatment decisions towards the distinguishing characteristics of the potential metastatic CTC. One of the most exciting applications of CTC technology is its use to facilitate the design of a treatment program that is truly customized to the genetic attributes of the person’s cancer. Given that CTC can be the seeds that eventually form metastatic disease, then CTC analysis provides medical science with an excellent opportunity to examine the genetic features of these cancer.
cells before metastasis occurs, when treatment is far more likely to be successful.

In addition to detecting the presence and quantity of CTC in the bloodstream, recent advances in technology now allows the examination of CTC for a large number of tumor cell markers and genetic expressions. In essence, CTC testing constructs a genetic fingerprint of these potential metastatic cancer cells. The information obtained from this analysis can provide vital insight as to which chemotherapy drugs are best suited to exploit the genetic weaknesses of the CTC, as well as which chemotherapy agents are likely to be powerless against the genetic strengths of the CTC.

**The Battle is Fought at the Cellular Level**

Chemotherapy drugs can interact with cancer cells in various ways. These crucial interactions can decide the winner in the battle between the cancer and the chemotherapy drug. For example, some chemotherapy drugs only become fully activated after entering the cancer cell. This process is dependent upon the presence of certain enzymes within the cancer cell. A reduced production of these enzymes can lead to poor activation of the chemotherapy agent, resulting in a diminished anti-cancer effect. One chemotherapy drug which requires enzymatic activation is fluorouracil (5-FU), which is converted into its active form within the cancer cell by the enzyme uridine phosphorylase. Studies have shown that cancer cells resistant to 5-FU have a reduced expression of uridine phosphorylase.\(^{10,11}\)

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Chemotherapy drugs can also exert their therapeutic effects by inhibiting essential enzymes within the cancer cell. The overexpression of these enzymes—called drug targets—can enhance the tumor destructive effects of these drugs. Adriamycin\(^{\text{®}}\) (doxorubicin) is a prime example of this mechanism of action. The main drug target for Adriamycin\(^{\text{®}}\) is topoisomerase 2. Studies have demonstrated that those patients with cancers expressing higher levels of topoisomerase 2 can benefit from treatment with Adriamycin\(^{\text{®}}.\)\(^ {13}\)

Cancer cells also have the ability to produce enzymes that convert chemotherapy drugs into less potent forms, which weakens the anti-tumor activity of these drugs. 5-FU is commonly used in the treatment of breast and colon cancer. Dihydropyrimidine dehydrogenase (DPD) is an enzyme that degrades 5-FU to an inactive metabolite. Cancer cells expressing higher levels of DPD can be resistant to 5-FU. One study of colorectal cancer patients treated with 5-FU...
revealed that those with high DPD levels had significantly shorter overall survival compared to patients with low DPD expression.\textsuperscript{14}

Cyclophosphamide (Cytoxan\textsuperscript{8}) is utilized in the treatment of lymphoma, leukemia, and cancers of the breast, ovary, and bladder. Cancer cells produce an enzyme called gamma-glutamylcysteine synthetase (GCS), which metabolizes and inactivates cyclophosphamide. Cancer cells that manufacture greater amounts of GCS can possess a tactical advantage in the battle against cyclophosphamide.\textsuperscript{15}

Other genetic expressions within the cancer cell can have a significant impact upon the effectiveness of chemotherapy drugs. The platinum drugs—cisplatin, carboplatin, oxaliplatin—are used in the treatment of ovarian, bladder, testicular, and lung cancer. These drugs inflict damage upon the cancer cell by attacking DNA. Cancer cells produce the excision repair cross-complementation 1 (ERCC1) protein, which is able to repair the damage caused by these drugs. Greater production of ERCC1 offers cancer cells a degree of immunity from platinum drugs.

A team of researchers in Italy measured ERCC1 mRNA levels in lung cancer patients receiving cisplatin.\textsuperscript{16} The researchers found a dramatic difference in survival based on the levels of ERCC1. Patients with cancers expressing lower levels of ERCC1 had a median overall survival of 23 months, compared to a median overall survival of 12.4 months in those with higher ERCC1 levels.

Methotrexate is a member of the “one size fits all” chemotherapy regimen for breast cancer. Methotrexate wields its tumoricidal activity by blocking an enzyme within the cancer cell called dihydrofolate reductase (DHFR). Cancer cells can compensate by producing more DHFR. Overproduction of DHFR provides cancer cells with a defense against methotrexate.\textsuperscript{17}

In the battle against chemotherapy drugs, some cancers have developed a very clever mechanism to shift the balance of power in their favor. Multidrug resistance 1 (MDR1) is able to conveniently transport chemotherapy drugs out of the cancer cell, which drastically reduces their cancer-killing ability. Cancers that generate greater amounts of MDR1 are resistant to multiple chemotherapy drugs, such as vincristine, Taxol\textsuperscript{16}, mitomycin C, and Adriamycin\textsuperscript{16,18,19}

As an added benefit, genetic analysis of CTC can inform us as to which natural supplements might be best indicated. For instance, nuclear factor-kappaB (NF-kB) promotes the growth of cancer. Curcumin is an inhibitor of NF-kB.\textsuperscript{20} So, a person whose cancer is expressing high levels of NF-kB might consider including curcumin as part of their supplement program.

Some cancers are able to produce glutathione S-transferase pi (GST-pi), which confers resistance to multiple chemotherapy drugs. Ellagic acid—from pomegranate—inhibits GST.\textsuperscript{21} Supplementation with ellagic acid may be wise if CTC analysis demonstrates overproduction of GST-pi.

**Advanced CTC Analysis is Now Available**

When taking into consideration the numerous characteristics of the cancer that create its unique genetic fingerprint, we can now fully appreciate the radical differences that can occur between individuals with the “same” cancer, which may require distinctly
different treatments. CTC analysis can now allow medical science to take the next step in cancer treatment by uncovering the key distinctions within the cancer— which ultimately distinguishes those with the “same” cancer from one another. The results of CTC analysis can help to ensure the design of a therapy best suited for an individual’s cancer. Fortunately, advanced CTC assays are now available.

For assistance in facilitating the advanced circulating tumor cell (CTC) molecular analysis available at European laboratories, you can contact the International Strategic Cancer Alliance (ISCA) at 610-628-3419.

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Imagine a world famous fashion designer partnering with a major hospital to pioneer integrative cancer care. This medically avant-garde scenario is happening right now in New York City. Donna Karan’s non-profit Urban Zen Foundation and Beth Israel Medical Center are redesigning cancer care to make it patient-centered, combining holistic medical therapies with allopathic treatments. Transcending the standard disease-centered, drug-focused cancer regimens that offer little in the way of mind/body nurturing, Urban Zen and Beth Israel are defining a new standard in health care, bringing life-enhancing results to patients, their loved ones, and the health care professionals who are working with them. 

BY KYLE RODERICK
DONNA KARAN: DESIGNING INTEGRATIVE CANCER CARE

Karan founded the Urban Zen Foundation in 2006. Urban Zen’s Integrative Therapist (UZIT) program, co-directed by yoga teachers Rodney Yee and Colleen Saidman Yee, brings optimal nutrition, yoga lessons, Therapeutic Touch treatments, and aromatherapy to Beth Israel’s cancer patients.

To date, among many of Urban Zen’s and Beth Israel’s collaborations is the hospital’s Urban Zen Sanctuary on the cancer ward. If there’s one semi-public space that needs to impart comfort and peace, it’s a cancer ward lounge. Most are typically noisy, harshly-lit spots filled with scarred, uncomfortable furniture. Beth Israel’s Urban Zen Sanctuary is a quiet, cozy and softly illuminated haven designed by architect David Fratianne and Alex Stark, a feng shui master. Fine art photographs adorn the walls, while wooden tables enhance the room’s organic and comforting vibe. Here, patients, families and hospital staff can find respite and cultivate calm, soothing mind and body.

On the day of the Urban Zen Sanctuary opening, Donna Karan, 61 years old, sat down with Life Extension Magazine to discuss her goals and projects. “I’ve always dressed people,” Karan says in her husky, New York accent. “Now I want to address people and their well-being. My ultimate dream is to help not only the patients in the cancer ward beds but those in Beth Israel’s outpatient clinics, too,” she says. “Along the way, I’d like for the Urban Zen Integrative Therapy program to include a nutritional component so that patients can eat fresh produce, fresh vegetable juices, nutritious broths, fortifying soups and herbal teas. Hopefully,” she ventures, “the program here at Beth Israel will serve as a template for other hospitals.”

Karan’s mission to improve health care with integrative medical approaches is rooted in her experience as “… A wife, friend and helper during two long and painful cancer journeys. Both my husband, Stephan Weiss,” she explains, “and my close friend Lynn Kohlman died of cancer.” Weiss, who battled lung cancer for seven years and died in June 2000 at the age of 62, was a painter, sculptor, and Ms. Karan’s business partner. Her most trusted adviser, ally, and muse.
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In addition to the several specialists attending Weiss, Karan wanted to look at him holistically as a patient, Karan says. “What is the health history and life context of this patient and how do you treat him or her at the mind-body level?” While Karan tried to improve quality of life throughout much of Weiss’s treatment, she also felt herself increasingly stressed as his caregiver. To help both of them stay as balanced as possible, Karan enlisted the aid of several alternative health practitioners.

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More vital support from Karan came in the form of the fortifying soups, broths, and vegetable juices that she brought into the hospital or fed Weiss while he was at home. “The food Stephan was given in the hospital was often processed, heavily salted institutional food,” Karan says. “The canned fruits and vegetables and sugary desserts are not suitable for a healthy person, and certainly not for a cancer patient,” Karan says. “My dream is to have trolleys of organic foods, broths and fresh-squeezed vegetable juices rolling through the halls of Beth Israel,” Karan says. “When are hospitals going to realize that food is medicine?” Dr. Merrell acknowledges that it’s on Beth Israel’s agenda to deliver optimally nutritious foods to the cancer ward (and other patients). “Changing our food service might take some time,” he concedes, “but we are committed to the goal.”

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Both Karan and Weiss found his cancer ward nurses “... totally heroic, angelic and overworked,” Karan remembers. “Most people don’t realize how physically and emotionally draining it can be to care for cancer patients. Stephan loved the nurses for their stamina, kindness, and humor... and for comforting him and all the other patients.” When Weiss and Karan discussed how she might one day reform cancer care in hospitals, “Stephan made me promise never to forget the nurses,” Karan says, “which is why the Urban Zen program trains them to do breath work with patients and for themselves, along with moving meditation and other therapeutic modalities.”

Like Weiss, Lynn Kohlman fought a valiant and long (five-year) cancer battle. As she battled breast and brain cancer, Kohlman continued to work out, practice yoga, and stay fit. Asserting that one can flourish with dignity, beauty, and innovation despite cancer’s toll, Kohlman took post-op, artistic black and white photos of her body. Wearing double mastectomy scars with a winning smile, Kohlman’s images are hauntingly vibrant. After her brain cancer surgery, titanium staples encircled her shaved skull.

“Lynn and I were great friends for years,” Karan recalls, her eyes lighting up, “she was the fashion director for my DKNY line and she also set the tone for Urban Zen. She was my inspiration.” A natural beauty, Kohlman had been a fashion model in the 60s and 70s and then a fashion photographer.

What would Stephan Weiss say if he could see what Urban Zen and Beth Israel have accomplished so quickly? How would Lynn Kohlman respond to the sensual comforts of the cancer ward’s Sanctuary?

Karan’s eyes well up with tears and she looks away to collect her thoughts. After a five second pause, she says, “I think they’d feel glad that Urban Zen and Beth Israel are working together to benefit the cancer community and their loved ones. And I think they’d love Beth Israel’s atmosphere because it’s warm, life-affirming, and nurturing.” Indeed, the place is as warm, life-affirming and nurturing as the Urban Zen philosophy. “We want to raise awareness of the human condition and help initiate positive change,” Karan says. “We’re off to a great start with this pilot program and we look forward to achieving our goal of spreading the UZIT program to other hospitals. I just want to say ‘thanks’ to our many supporters and collaborators.”

For additional information, please contact www.urbanzenfoundation.org

Donna Karan’s Health Tips

Ever since she broke both her knees in a skiing accident, Donna Karan has been extra careful to eat for maximum energy, antioxidant intake, and bone-building benefits. Her supplement regimen includes consuming vitamin D twice a day with fresh vegetable juice and berry cocktails that contain greens such as kale, spinach, Swiss chard, etc. “I love fresh green juices,” she says. Green powders are good to use when traveling, she acknowledges, “but fresh juices are optimal.”

Although she practices yoga and meditation every day, Karan says that, “Handstands, shoulder stands, back bends, and twists” are her favorites because they help balance and energize her at the same time.
Scientists have intensely focused on finding out how calorie restriction so radically extends life span.

In response to reduced calorie intake, beneficial “youth” genes are activated while detrimental “senescence” genes are disabled. These favorable gene expression changes play a critical role in the ability of calorie restriction to slow aging.

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Among the most promising caloric restriction mimics and enhancers are resveratrol, pterostilbene, quercetin, and grape seed polyphenols, along with black tea extract. These nutrients have been shown to generate many of the same effects in the body as caloric restriction, without significant dietary modification. In particular, they help “mimic” caloric restriction’s favorable impact on genes that influence the aging process.

A new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula includes resveratrol, pterostilbene, quercetin, grape seed polyphenols, and black tea extract to provide even broad-spectrum gene expression support in one nutritional compound. The suggested dose of two capsules each day of the new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula provides:

- Trans-Resveratrol 250 mg
- Trans-Pterostilbene 3 mg
- Quercetin 150 mg
- Black tea extract 300 mg
- Grape seed polyphenols 50 mg

A bottle containing 60 vegetarian capsules of the new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula retails for $36. If a member buys four bottles, the cost is reduced to $24.75 per bottle.

Note: Those taking other resveratrol products may consider switching to this new Calorie Restriction Mimetic Formula.

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Maintaining strong, healthy bones is a cornerstone to successful aging. Unfortunately, even supplement users often fail to consume enough calcium, vitamin D, and other nutrients shown to help maintain healthy bones.

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The daily dose of Bone Restore provides 1200 elemental milligrams of highly absorbable calcium, plus 1000 IU of vitamin D3.

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The retail price for 150 capsules of Bone Restore is $22.50. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $14.63 per bottle.
“Being a holistic physician involves more than simply treating illness,” says New York City internist and acupuncturist Frank Lipman, MD. “My practice also encompasses looking at the patient within the greater patterns of nature’s rhythms and how their lifestyle meshes or clashes with those rhythms.”

The author of *Total Renewal: 7 Steps to Resilience, Vitality and Long-Term Health* (2003), *Spent: End Exhaustion and Feel Great Aging* (2009), and the newly published paperback *Revive*, Dr. Lipman is also the founder of Eleven Eleven Wellness Center in New York City. A trim, brown-haired man whose steady gaze regularly morphs into infectious smiles, Dr. Lipman specializes in treating those who despite being apparently healthy and in the prime of life, are chronically feeling overwhelmed and exhausted.

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Lipman refers to this condition as “spent” syndrome. “Other symptoms include apathy, depression, insomnia, brain fog, lowered immunity, inexplicable physical aches and pains, and digestive problems.” These conditions are the body’s way of telling us that we are mentally, emotionally, and physically depleted, he ventures. As he notes in his new book, Revive, “Our bodies were not built to be sedentary nor run marathons into middle age. Moreover, government research shows that most Americans are chronically sleep-deprived, which is causing untold number of illnesses,” Dr. Lipman asserts. Additionally, “Humans were never meant to live without sunshine or eat a diet of processed foods, as so many Americans do.” Noting that we evolved as omnivores, Dr. Lipman says, “Our bodies and minds can never be adequately nourished from fat-free or carb-free diets.” On top of that, “Given our wired, and increasingly wireless world which creates a 24/7 information overload, our brains and bodies rarely have a chance to recover from daily mental and emotional stress.”

The standard American lifestyle runs counter to what our bodies need to function in a balanced way, Dr. Lipman asserts. “Human bodies are designed to eat natural and seasonal foods from our nearby environs, and to exercise in spurts that follow the pattern of exert, rest, recover, exert, etc. We are meant to have fresh air, sun, and water. We are built to sleep when the sun goes down, and wake when it rises. Fortunately, when prompted correctly with natural light and good food at the correct time, the right supplements, appropriate exercise, and exposure to nature, our genetic clocks can reset themselves.” Toward that end, Dr. Lipman’s treatment regimens comprise acupuncture, herbs and nutritional supplements. “I work with several associates, and our focus is on preventive health care and patient education,” Lipman says. “We work to get people healthy and help them thrive by using various non-invasive modalities and drug free techniques such as customized diet and supplement regimens; detox, acupuncture, physical therapy, chiropractic and lifestyle management.”

Although Dr. Lipman tries to avoid pharmaceuticals, he notes, “I do prescribe them when necessary, after holistic approaches have been ruled out.” A big believer in exercise as an alternative to antidepressants, Dr. Lipman says, “Restorative yoga can be very beneficial and it’s very easy to get into and out of the poses.”

Lipman’s approach to healing mind/body conditions has garnered many culturally influential patients, including fashion designer Donna Karan, actress Gwyneth Paltrow and Island Records founder Chris Blackwell, who brought the music of Cat Stevens, Bob Marley and the Wailers, U2, and other superstars to international audiences. The husband and wife acting team of Kevin Bacon and Kyra Sedgwick are also patients. They credit him with helping them maintain optimum health despite demanding work schedules, jet lag and other health challenges. “Frank Lipman has been our trusted friend and doctor for more than 15 years,” they say. “Time and
time again, Frank has helped us to restore our bodies to their natural rhythms and health.”

One of the many ways Dr. Lipman helps patients perk up is by having them cut out caffeine in favor of energy-enhancing supplements such as acetyl-L-carnitine. “Many people need caffeine every day to wake up so that’s a problem for their bodies,” he says. “If you have caffeine every now and then, that’s OK, but caffeine can tax the endocrine system which results in tiring the adrenal glands, body and mind,” he says. “I recommend 1-2 grams twice a day of acetyl-L-carnitine for menopausal women and men aged 50 and over.”

“When people reach age 70,” he continues, “I generally become more conservative with doses, so for people 70 and over, I would recommend just 1 gram twice a day.” He’s also a stickler for testing to discover any potential vitamin and mineral deficiencies. “Seventy percent of my practice is comprised of female patients,” he notes. “It is not uncommon for their blood tests to show deficiencies in vitamin D. I tell all my patients that’s OK, but caffeine can tax the endocrine system which results in tiring the adrenal glands, body and mind,” he says. “I recommend 1-2 grams twice a day of acetyl-L-carnitine for menopausal women and men aged 50 and over.”

“Stress is epidemic,” says Dr. Lipman, “because most of us maintain bad habits such as chronically sleeping and exercising too little, eating processed or unhealthy foods, and so forth. Lack of sleep combined with chronic stress causes a person’s body clock to get out of its natural, healthy rhythm,” he explains, “which in turn erodes energy and often leads to irritability and illness.” Here are some tips from Dr. Lipman on how to help reprogram your body clock in seven days. If you follow these, “Your body will start to feel more energized after one week,” he promises:

- Keep a consistent daily schedule. Get up at the same time every day, regardless of what time you go to bed.
- Get some natural light during the day, every day, by going for a walk, preferably in nature. If you live in an overcast, rainy region, get some full-spectrum lights and install them where you spend most of your time.
- Darken your room completely. That means covering or turning off any of the blinking or glowing lights from the alarm clock, the cell phone charger, the DVD clock and timer, etc. Each little bit of light can stop your melatonin levels from rising, which you need to induce sleep and to experience the deep restorative sleep your body requires. If you can’t darken your room, wear an eye mask.
- Since your metabolism peaks at about noon, it is better for your body and mind to have a bigger breakfast and lunch and smaller dinner. Eat good fats and protein for breakfast because that is what your body and mind needs for fuel during the day.
- Exercise regularly to reduce stress.

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With the mid-1990s, however, Dr. Lipman noticed that more and more male and female patients reported feeling exhausted, depressed, overwhelmed, achy, and older than their years. “These people were eating ostensibly good diets and exercising, yet they were sleeping poorly,” he recalls. “They complained of low or no sex drive and other potential panaceas, and we treated them medically. I was running on empty. I labeled this “syndrome” “SPENT,” and I believe that whatever you call it, many of us are feeling mentally and physically spent. Although Western medicine offers Prozac® and other potential panaceas,
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Pondering the files of spent patients, it soon occurred to Lipman that the only time he never saw folks with these symptoms was when he was working as a doctor 28 years ago in KwaNdebele, a rural area in South Africa. “I saw many diseases stemming from physical hardship, poverty, poor hygiene, and malnutrition,” he recalls. “In KwaNdebele, there was no electricity, indoor heating or refrigeration. But people went to bed when it got dark, rose with the sun and ate only those foods that were in season. They lived in harmony with the rhythms of nature. Although desperately poor,” he reflects, “my South African patients lived nature-based lives, which seemed to confer certain health advantages that many of my New York patients never enjoyed.”

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Some nutrients are easy to compare, but not pomegranate. The key factor is how much active ingredient is absorbed into your bloodstream.

Many pomegranate supplements are standardized for ellagic acid, but not the punicalagin polyphenols that make this fruit so unique. The reason that punicalagins are so important is that they are 95% absorbed into the blood.1

We assessed three popular pomegranate supplements and found them to be woefully deficient in bioavailable punicalagins. The chart below compares these leading pomegranate supplements to Life Extension’s proprietary blend of punicalagin polyphenols:

Pomegranate supplements with higher levels of punicalagins provide systemic benefits to cells throughout the body. Based on the weighted cost per gram, the cheapest pomegranate brand tested (Brand A) was half the price of Life Extension’s capsules, but it had only a third of the punicalagin content (40 mg compared with 120 mg). More expensive pomegranate brands (Brands B and C) contained only ellagic acid extract and not the full-spectrum polyphenols with punicalagins, limiting their effectiveness in the body.

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Lignans contain powerful agents that assist in cancer \(^1\)\(^-\)\(^2\)\(^3\)\(^\text{23}\) and heart disease prevention,\(^2\)\(^4\)\(^\text{-}3\)\(^\text{38}\) and help maintain bone strength.

New research illuminates the many ways these largely unheralded dietary components help maintain optimal health. Some of these include: reduction of chronic inflammation,\(^3\)\(^7\)\(^\text{-}3\)\(^9\) thwarting viral infection,\(^\text{40}\)\(^4\)\(^1\) improving glycemic control among diabetics, and decreasing insulin resistance.\(^\text{26}\)\(^\text{-}4\)\(^2\) The data regarding cancer protection are particularly compelling. As one researcher noted, “Experimental evidence in animals has shown clear anticarcinogenic effects of flaxseed or pure lignans in many types of cancer.”\(^4\)\(^3\)

Join us as we explore the often overlooked benefits of these important nutrients.

**The Lowdown on Lignans**

Lignans represent one of the four major classes of chemical compounds referred to collectively as *phytoestrogens*. Phytoestrogens are plant-based compounds structurally similar to estradiol, which is the primary estrogen hormone in humans. Phytoestrogens weakly engage estrogen receptors, figuratively flipping certain cellular “switches” on or off. These switches, or receptors, stud tissues located throughout
the body, in both men and women. They affect everything from arterial health, to brain function, sexual maturation and reproduction. Under certain conditions, they play a direct role in promoting, or defusing, aggressive cancer growth. It is hypothesized that the interplay between natural estradiol and other estrogens, and plant-derived phytoestrogens, is a prerequisite for optimal health. Although much remains to be investigated, a preponderance of evidence indicates that dietary phytoestrogens exert positive, protective effects in humans.

Isoflavones, for instance, are another major class of phytoestrogens. Together, isoflavones and lignans are the most common phytoestrogens in the diet. Numerous studies have documented the link between a high intake of soy isoflavones and a reduced incidence of heart disease, osteoporosis and certain cancers. Soy phytoestrogens have been shown to significantly reduce total cholesterol, low-density lipoprotein (LDL), and triglyceride levels. And a high intake of phytoestrogens—particularly lignans—has recently been associated with a reduced risk of breast cancer among premenopausal women. Another recent study found that Scottish men with the highest intake of lignans have the lowest incidence of prostate cancer. Animal studies have generally echoed these findings. While there is still some controversy regarding the overall role of phytoestrogens in health, scientists generally acknowledge that a higher intake of phytoestrogens appears to be associated with a reduced risk of various diseases.

**Lignan Lineage**

Significant quantities of lignans are present in foods ranging from whole grains (rye, wheat, oat, and barley) to berries, vegetables, legumes, and other fruits. Sesame is a rich source of the lignan, sesamin. And new research indicates that a “novel synergistic effect” of newly discovered lignans interacting with vitamin E accounts for “the anti-aging effect of sesame.” The lignans evidently help prevent the decomposition of sesame tocopherols (vitamin E compounds), preserving the antioxidant potency of the vitamin E. According to a Japanese review of sesame research, “Sesame lignans also showed other useful functions, such as acceleration of alcohol decomposition in the liver, antihypertensive activity, immuno-regulatory activities, anticarcinogenic activity, and others.”

The primary lignan in flaxseed is secoisolariciresinol. Other lignans bear equally tongue-twisting names, but only two lignans are of ultimate significance to human health: enterodiol and enterolactone. These biologically active lignans are known as enterolignans, or “mammalian lignans.” They are formed in the human digestive tract through the interaction of gut-dwelling bacteria with dietary lignans. Plant-based lignans are considered precursors, then, to the bioactive mammalian lignans.

**Anti-Cancer Activity**

While extra virgin olive oil is widely recognized as a heart-healthy oil, it also contains lignans, which further contribute to the beneficial nutritional profile of this functional food. Recently published research indicates that olive oil lignans, among other olive
oil chemicals, may play an active role in protecting against breast cancer. This was demonstrated recently by Spanish researchers working with breast cancer cells that overexpress a protein known as Human Epidermal growth factor Receptor 2 (commonly abbreviated as HER2/neu).\(^{62,63}\) HER2 is a protein associated with highly aggressive growth by certain breast cancers, so thwarting this protein is especially desirable. In fact, Spanish researchers wrote recently, “…Humans have safely been ingesting…lignans as long as they have been consuming olives and olive oil, [supporting] the notion that…these phytochemicals might provide an excellent and safe platform for the design of new HER2-targeting agents.”\(^{63}\)

In animal models of human breast cancer, dietary lignans, which are converted to enterolactone, have been shown to inhibit or delay the growth of breast cancer.\(^{2}\) This effect is believed to be due to enterolactone’s ability to modulate estrogen signaling. This protective effect evidently extends well beyond breast cancer, however. Experimental evidence suggests that dietary lignans also offer significant protection against tumors of the liver, prostate, skin, colon and other organs.\(^{1,5,6,8,11,19-22,64}\)

A Dutch case-control study found a clear association between a high intake of lignans and a reduced risk of colorectal adenomas, which are considered to be precursors to colon cancer. “We observed a substantial reduction in colorectal adenoma risk among subjects with high plasma concentrations of enterolignans,” investigators concluded.\(^{14}\)

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concluded. A Swedish study reached a similar conclusion. After studying nearly 52,000 women, researchers concluded: “A significant 17% risk reduction for breast cancer overall in the high lignan quartile was observed.”

### Cardiovascular Protection

Diets including plenty of whole grains, nuts, seeds, legumes, fruits, and vegetables are loaded with lignans, and such diets have been consistently associated with a reduced risk of cardiovascular disease. Of course, such diets also contain a host of other phytonutrients, so this cardioprotective effect would not necessarily be owed solely to the high lignan content. But studies that have investigated this question appear to confirm an important role for lignans in cardiovascular protection.

In 1998, for example, Canadian researchers addressed the issue by examining the effects of two different types of flaxseed on markers of atherosclerosis in rabbits. One group received flaxseed high in both lignans and the omega-3 fatty acid, alpha-linolenic acid (ALA). A second group received a type of flaxseed, called Type II, which is high in lignans but virtually devoid of fatty acids. Both types of flaxseed reduced atherosclerosis. Type II flaxseed reduced the development of atherosclerosis by 69%. Researchers concluded that the reduction in atherosclerosis by the low-omega-3 flaxseed was due to a decrease in serum total cholesterol and LDL. “In conclusion,” they wrote, “[the atherosclerosis-reducing] activity of Type II flaxseed is not due to alpha-linolenic acid.”

Several clinical trials have reported a link between flaxseed consumption and modest, but significant, reductions in LDL levels. Subjects experienced from 8 to 14% reductions in levels of this “bad” lipid. Of course, the importance of lowering LDL for optimal heart health is widely documented. More recently, US scientists conducted a randomized, placebo-controlled, double-blind study of the relationship between flaxseed consumption and cardiovascular disease risk factors in adults with high cholesterol.

Subjects consumed 40 grams ground flaxseed per day, or placebo, for 10 weeks. Compared to placebo (wheat), flax significantly reduced LDL levels at five weeks. Average reductions were 13%. By 10 weeks, reductions were approximately 7%. “Ground flaxseed has a modest but short lived LDL-cholesterol lowering effect,” researchers concluded. Additionally, levels of lipoprotein (a) were significantly reduced, by about 14%, and insulin sensitivity was significantly increased. High levels of lipoprotein (a) are associated with an increased risk of atherosclerosis, which is a root cause of most heart disease.
Bolstering Bone Health

Osteoporosis threatens the health of both aging men and women, but it is especially troublesome for elderly women. In the United States, approximately 10 million Americans are affected by osteoporosis, and the financial impact of the disease is estimated to be at least $17.9 billion per year. Characterized by a progressive loss of bone mass through a process known as demineralization, osteoporosis increases bone fragility, thus increasing the risk of fracture. Among women, estrogen deficiency following menopause plays an enormous role in the development of bone fragility. Observational studies have shown that populations with a high intake of soy isoflavones experience a lower incidence of osteoporosis-related fractures compared to Western populations.

Researchers examined data from more than 70 studies for a 2003 review of the evidence regarding phytoestrogens (including lignans) and bone health. These studies included investigations using animal models of human postmenopausal osteoporosis, and human observational/epidemiologic and human dietary intervention studies. “On balance,” wrote the authors of the review, “the collective data suggest that diets rich in phytoestrogens have bone-sparing effects in the long term.” More recently, Chinese researchers conducted a meta-analysis, in which data from numerous clinical trials is combined and statistically analyzed. After examining data from ten trials, involving more than 600 subjects, they wrote: “The spine bone mineral density in subjects who consumed isoflavones increased significantly...in comparison to that in subjects who did not consume isoflavones.”

These investigators concluded: “Isoflavone intervention significantly attenuates bone loss of the spine in menopausal women. These favorable effects become more significant when more than 90 mg/day of isoflavones are consumed.” Furthermore, wrote the Beijing-based scientists, “...Soy isoflavone consumption for six months can be enough to exert beneficial effects on bone in menopausal women.” Thus it is possible to protect bone health even later in life, by increasing phytoestrogen intake.

While many of these studies have considered the bone-sparing effects of isoflavone phytoestrogens, rather than lignans in particular, there is strong evidence that lignans are equally effective at protecting against osteoporosis. For example, Japanese researchers conducted an experiment on female rats, removing their ovaries to simulate the effects of menopause on women. The bones of test animals that received the lignan, isoxiresinol, for six weeks were compared to the bones of rats that did not receive the lignan. Both bone mineral content and bone mineral density were increased in test animals as compared to control rats, and decreases of three bone strength indexes, induced by the removal of the animals’ ovaries, were prevented. “Biochemical markers for bone remodeling revealed that isoxiresinol slightly increased bone formation and significantly inhibited bone resorption [bone loss] without side effect on uterine tissue,” wrote the scientists.
Lignans may not often make headlines, but chances are they’ve been protecting you from a variety of degenerative conditions for as long as you have been consuming whole grains, legumes, vegetables, soy and/or flaxseed. Life Extension® members consume potent lignan concentrates in the supplements they use every day. A plethora of evidence shows that these important phytochemicals work in a variety of ways to prevent cancer, protect the cardiovascular system, ward off viral infection, and maintain bone health.

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

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Tired of Taking "Half-Measures" To Protect Your Health and Long-Term Vitality? Then You Need To Read This...

By Greta Blackburn

I'm sure this is not news to you. As a reader of Life Extension Magazine you are way ahead of the pack already. But the truth remains that we are facing a literal pandemic of obesity, bad health and debilitating old age here in the United States of America.

And here's the really scary part... We are not alone. All across the world, rates of obesity are climbing dramatically. China, India. It's now planet-wide. You could say this is a very bad result from a very good thing - there's obviously more food to go around. And we aren't toiling in the fields anymore, burning off fat. But the truth of the matter is this - obesity and poor nutrition lead to enormous health problems such as diabetes, cancer, heart disease, and many others. And "easy chair" lives have turned us soft.

There is good news, though. The same technology that has enabled us to live cushy lives has also produced hard data that can help us overcome this challenge. We have research on how to improve nutrition and we have studies that clearly detail the benefits of regular cardiovascular workouts, as well as from resistance training. Even more recently, breakthrough work on the role that telomeres play in aging on a cellular level and other emerging technologies have offered hope that we can actually turn back the clock on our bodies.

As someone who pays particular attention to your health and your physical condition, you have already moved way past the all-too-common "help me lose a few pounds" phase. You're ready to go beyond the superficial to find proven tools and strategies to transform your body into a lean, mean, energized machine for decades - not years - to come.

My name is Greta Blackburn and for more than three decades I've been deeply involved in nutritional science, physical fitness, and anti-aging research. As the Founding Editor of Ms. Fitness Magazine we pioneered the notion that strength plus vitality equals beauty.

My FITCAMPS created a revolution in the fitness industry by turning endless gym workouts of dreary leg-lifts and jumping jacks into a whirlwind experience packed with leading-edge science, innovative exercise, and just flat-out fun! And for the past four years, and until recently, I helped get TA Sciences, a company that is a pioneer in the field of telomeres and anti-aging, off the ground. I branched out from TA to more effectively spread the word about living long and living well. You see, the core passion of my life has been to help others live stronger, healthier, longer, and fuller lives through nutrition, exercise, and science.

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While sweet potatoes usually only take center stage in our diets when they’re on the table at Thanksgiving dinner, the sheer magnitude of their health benefits may force you to reconsider eating this dessert-flavored vegetable on a nightly basis. With their impressive array of nutrients, from heavy doses of vitamin A, vitamin C, manganese and potassium, to its high fiber content, sweet potatoes have astounding health-boosting properties. In addition, the purple-fleshed variety of sweet potatoes are high in anthocyanins. Anthocyanins have important antioxidant capacities that make it a valuable component to any health maintenance regimen.

Improved insulin resistance was also discovered in a human study when sweet potatoes were added to the diet.  

The Sweet Potency of the Sweet Potato

BY JON FINKEL  

SUPER FOODS
Sweet Potato’s Tale

First things first: sweet potatoes aren’t even potatoes. Potatoes come from the Solanaceae family and sweet potatoes belong to the Convolvulaceae family, which is a group of plants that have trumpet-shaped flowers. Sweet potato relics have been found as long ago as 8,000 BC and the vegetables themselves were brought to Europe by Christopher Columbus after his first trip to North America in 1492. There are over 400 varieties, each differentiated by their subtle variations in skin color, ranging from purple to red to orange to yellow to white. The most common form of sweet potato has orange flesh and is often called a yam. It was given that name in the 1900s in the United States to help set it apart from the white-fleshed sweet potato that was popular during that time period.

Valuable Vegetable

In a study conducted by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, the sweet potato scored more than 100 points higher than a regular baked potato.

Echoing this study, the journal Advances in Food and Nutrition Research evaluated the sweet potato’s role in the human diet and concluded that its biochemical and nutritional composition make it an excellent source of natural health-promoting compounds. Among those compounds are beta-carotene, as stated earlier, and anthocyanins, which have shown potential health benefits against bacterial infections, diabetes, inflammation, aging and neurological disease, and cancer.

Beta Carotene for the Brain

With its high beta-carotene content, eating sweet potatoes can offer improvement in a variety of areas where beta carotene supplementation is recommended. One particular area where beta-carotene has shown promising results is with cognitive function in men. A study published in the Archives of Internal Medicine showed that men supplementing with beta-carotene for one year scored significantly higher than those taking a placebo in general cognitive tests. When it came to boosting verbal memory, men receiving long-term beta-carotene supplementation also performed significantly better, leading the researchers to conclude

Select the Right Sweet Potato

1. Do not store uncooked sweet potatoes in the refrigerator.
2. Store sweet potatoes in a dark, cool, and ventilated place.
3. Sweet potatoes will stay fresh for 10 days.
4. The darker varieties of sweet potato have the most carotene content.
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that long-term supplementation with beta-carotene may provide cognitive benefits.

**Diabetes Fighter**

Diabetes is an *insidious disease* whose early symptoms include weakness, fatigue, weight loss and tingling in the hands and feet. Left untreated, the disease can have *lethal effects* on your health. In a study involving rats to determine sweet potato’s effects on several markers of diabetes, the vegetable showed *significant* abilities to potentially reel in some of the more harmful markers. Using white-fleshed sweet potatoes for the study, the rats showed impressive improvement in pancreatic cell function, lipid levels, and glucose management. They also showed reduced insulin resistance inside of just eight weeks. Improved insulin resistance was also discovered in a human study when sweet potatoes were added to the diet.

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Incidence of kidney cancer is relatively high in Northern Europe and North America compared to Asia and scientists have been trying to find out what may cause the discrepancy.

A study in the *Journal of Epidemiology* states that one of the reasons may be the rate of ingestion of sweet potatoes in the diet of Asian cultures. The study, which was an analytic cohort that evaluated the risk factors for kidney cancer death using the Japan Collaborative Cohort Study (JACC), included 47,997 males and 66,520 females aged 40 years and older. Taking into account medical history, anthropometry, dietary and lifestyle considerations over the 10-year study, the researchers concluded that eating sweet potatoes and potatoes regularly was associated with a decreased risk of disease.

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- MCV
- Eos (Absolute)
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**$324**

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**BLOOD MINERAL PANEL**
- Calcium
- Sodium
- Potassium
- Chloride
- Phosphorus
- Iron

**$324**

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

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**24-OUR URINARY PROFILES**

**NEW**

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**URINARY COMPLIUS PANEL (LCM4080)**
- This 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.

**$472.50**

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**URINARY COMPREHENSIVE PANEL (LCM4001)**
- This 24-hour urinary hormone profile contains a combination of 17 hormones and metabolites. This panel may be used to evaluate bio-identical hormone replacement therapy.

**$360**

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**URINARY ADRENAL PROFILE (LCM4000)**
- This 24-hour urine test measures a combination of 12 steroid hormones and metabolites synthesized by the adrenal cortex and may prove useful in the evaluation of endocrine disorders, stress, adrenal insufficiency, and more.

**$315**

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**URINARY ESTROGEN PROFILE (LCM4061)**
- This 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**

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*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 shows if you are taking the proper amount of DHEA. This test normally costs $100 or more at commercial laboratories. Proper amounts of DHEA have been associated with a nine-fold increase of carotid arteriosclerosis. This test is useful in evaluating adrenocortical dysfunction.

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<td>This test is to measure adrenal function.</td>
<td>This test is used to aid in predicting risk for coronary heart disease, and ischemic stroke associated with atherosclerosis. Lp-PLA2 is a cardiovascular risk factor that provides unique information about the stability of the plaque inside your arteries.</td>
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<td>A pituitary function test useful in evaluating adrenocortical dysfunction.</td>
<td>Measures inflammation factors in arteries. Recent studies indicate that C-reactive protein may be the most accurate risk factor for predicting heart attack and stroke.</td>
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<td>This test shows if you are taking the proper amount of DHEA. This test normally costs $100 or more at commercial laboratories.</td>
<td>This ratio correlates with risk of coronary artery disease and is useful in the presence of borderline elevations of cholesterol.</td>
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<td>DIHYDROTESTOSTERONE (DHT)* (LC500142)</td>
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<td>Measures serum concentrations of DHT.</td>
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<td>For men and women. Determines the proper amount in the body.</td>
<td>Can indicate if you are likely to have a heart attack or stroke. Even if you take folic acid, you still may have dangerously high levels of this artery-clotting metabolic debris that can be lowered with high doses of TMG and vitamin B6.</td>
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<td>INSULIN-LIKE GROWTH FACTOR BINDING PROTEIN 3 (IGFBP3) (LC140152)</td>
<td>VAP™ TEST (LC804500) (UPDATED)</td>
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<td>Elevated levels in hypertensive individuals have been associated with a nine-fold increase of carotid arteriosclerosis.</td>
<td>The VAP cholesterol test provides a more comprehensive coronary heart disease (CHD) risk assessment than the conventional lipid profile. Direct measurements, not estimations, are provided for total cholesterol, LDL, HDL, VLDL, and cholesterol subclasses.</td>
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<td>INSULIN FASTING (LC004333)</td>
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<td>Can predict those at risk of diabetes, obesity, and heart other diseases.</td>
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<td>PREGNENOLONE* (LC140707)</td>
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<td>SOMATOMEDIN C (IGF-1) (LC010363)</td>
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<td>Indicates growth hormone secretion levels. Low levels have been associated with atherosclerosis as well as all-cause mortality.</td>
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<td>TOTAL AND FREE TESTOSTERONE (LC140103)</td>
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<td>Determines whether testosterone replacement should be considered as a therapy for depression, abdominal obesity, low energy, poor mental performance, or loss of libido.</td>
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**SUB-TOTAL OF COLUMN 1**

APRIL 2010

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00141 | (L)-GLUTAMINE POWDER - 100 grams of powder | 19.00 | | 14.25 |
00522 | GLUCOSAMINE/CHONDROITIN CAPSULES - 100 caps | 38.00 | | 28.50 |
00512 | GLUCOFF** - (COSOROLIC ACID) - 100 softgels | 28.00 | | 21.00 |
00113 | GLUTATHIONE, C & CYSTEINE - 750 mg, 100 caps | 18.00 | | 13.50 |
00314 | (MEGA) L-GLUTATHIONE - 250 mg, 60 caps | 35.95 | | 26.96 |
00795 | GLYCINE CAPSULES - 1000 mg, 100 caps | 12.00 | | 9.00 |
00128 | GLYCINE POWDER - 300 grams of powder | 18.00 | | 13.50 |
01091 | (WHOLE) GRAPE EXTRACT w/RESVERATROL - 60 veg. caps | 36.00 | | 27.00 |
01411 | GRAPE SEED EXTRACT w/RESVERATROL & PTEROSTILBENE - 100 mg, 60 veg. caps | 36.00 | | 27.00 |
00203 | GREEN TEA LEAVES - 300 grams of powder | 15.00 | | 11.25 |
00953 | (MEGA) GREEN TEA EXTRACT - lightly caffeinated - 100 veg. caps | 28.00 | | 21.00 |
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**H** | | | | |
00230 | HCA - 90 caps | $18.00 | | $13.50 |
01405 | HEALTHY HAIR SPRAY - 5 fl oz (150 ml) 1 bottle | 35.00 | | 26.25 |
00656 | HEPATOPRO - 900 mg, 60 softgel | 49.50 | | 37.13 |
00138 | Hesperidin Complex Powder - 300 grams of powder | 19.00 | | 14.25 |
00873 | HI-LIGNAN NUTRI-FLAX - 16 oz powder | 9.95 | | 7.46 |
00800 | HOMOCYTEINE RESIST - 100 caps | 24.00 | | 18.00 |
00667 | HOODIA GORDONII - 60 caps | 14.00 | | 10.50 |
00267 | HUPERZINE A/W/NATURAL VITAMIN E - 50 mg, 60 caps | 27.95 | | 20.96 |
00661 | HYDRODERM** - 1 oz bottle | 79.95 | | 59.96 |
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01060 | IZI HYPERIMMUNE EGG - 140 grams of powder | $49.99 | | $42.00 |
00955 | IMMUNE PROTECT W/PARACETAMOL® - 30 veg. caps | 29.50 | | 22.13 |
01049 | INNERPOWER** w/SWEET STEVIA- Tropical Flavor Powder | 42.00 | | 31.50 |
00155 | INOSINE CAPSULES - 500 mg, 60 caps | 23.95 | | 17.21 |
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00598 | INOSITOL - 4 bottles of 100 caps | 55.16 | | 41.37 |

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00056 | JARRO-DOPHILUS EPS™ - 60 veg. caps | $19.95 | | $14.96 |
01224 | (SUPER) K WITH ADVANCED K2 COMPLEX - 90 softgels | 26.00 | | 19.50 |
01058 | NKO KRILL OIL - 60 softgels | 33.95 | | 25.46 |
00316 | KYOLIC® GARLIC FORMULA 102 - 350 mg, 200 caps | 23.95 | | 17.96 |
00214 | KYOLIC® GARLIC FORMULA 105 - 200 caps | 22.95 | | 17.21 |
00789 | KYOLIC® RESERVE - 600 mg, 120 caps | 24.75 | | 18.56 |
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00513 | LACTOFERRIN (APOLACTOFERRIN) CAPS - 300 mg, 60 caps | $40.00 | | $30.00 |
00017 | LAVILIN UNDEARMED DEXTROANT - 12.5 grams of cream | 15.00 | | 11.25 |
01003 | LIFE EXTENSION CAT Mix - 100 grams of powder | 15.00 | | 11.25 |
00544 | LIFE EXTENSION DOG MIX - 100 grams of powder | 19.50 | | 14.63 |
00100 | LIFE EXTENSION HAIR CONDITIONER - 16 oz bottle | 6.00 | | 4.50 |
00200 | LIFE EXTENSION HAIR CONDITIONER - 4 bottles of powder | 18.00 | | 13.50 |
00019 | LIFE EXTENSION LECITHIN GRANULES - 16 oz jar | 15.00 | | 11.25 |
00020 | LIFE EXTENSION LECITHIN GRANULES - 4 jars | 50.00 | | 37.50 |
00869 | LIFE EXTENSION LECITHIN w/BS AND BHA - 16 oz jar | 15.00 | | 11.25 |
00870 | LIFE EXTENSION LECITHIN w/BS AND BHA - 14 oz 4 bottles of 315 tablets | 50.00 | | 37.50 |
01455 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ - 315 tablets | 98.00 | | 73.50 |
01457 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ w/EXTRA NIACIN - 315 tablets | 98.00 | | 73.50 |
01454 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ - 490 caps | 110.00 | | 82.50 |
01456 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ POWDER - 14.81 oz of powder | 98.00 | | 73.50 |
01458 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ POWDER - 4 bottles of powder | 344.00 | | 258.00 |
01465 | LIFE EXTENSION MIX™ - 10 bottles of 490 caps | 650.00 | | 521.25 |

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(ENTERIC COATED) - 4 bottles of 120 softgels
OLIVE FRUIT EXTRACT - 4 bottles of 60 softgels

NATURAL SLEEP MELATONIN - 4 bottles of 60 caps
01073 PANCREATIN - 50 mg, 50 caps $11.99 $8.99
PAIN RELIEVER - 4 bottles of 50 caps
01137 PAPAIN POWDER - 100 grams of powder 24.00 18.00
PAPAIN POWDER - 4 bottles of powder 80.00 60.00

00923 PEAK ATP* WITH GLYCOCARD® - 60 tablets $9.99 $7.46
PEAK ATP® WITH GLYCOCARD® - 4 bottles of 60 tablets 382.80 287.10

00342 PECTA-SOL - One-month supply modified citrus pectin 99.95 74.96
PECTA-SOL - Four-month supply modified citrus pectin 382.80 287.10

00872 PGX FIBER POWDER (SLIMSTYLE) - 6.4 oz powder 22.95 17.21

00673 (WELLETTX) PGX SOLUBLE FIBER BLEND - 180 caps 34.95 26.21
00965 PHARMAGABA® - 60 chewable tablets 29.95 22.46
PHARMAGABA® - 4 bottles of 60 chewable tablets 108.00 81.00

00131 L-PHENYLALANINE POWDER - 100 grams of powder 28.00 21.00
L-PHENYLALANINE POWDER - 4 bottles of powder 100.00 75.00

00368 PHOSPHATIDYLESERINE CAPS - 100 mg, 100 caps 54.00 40.50
PHOSPHATIDYLESERINE CAPS - 4 bottles of 100 caps 192.00 144.00
01050 PHOSPHOMEGA® KRILL OIL - 60 softgels 33.95 25.46

00106 PHYTO-FOOD - 80 grams of powder 46.00 34.50
PHYTO-FOOD - 4 bottles of powder 172.00 129.00

00614 PILL CUTTER/GRINDER 11.95 8.96
00581 POLICYANOL - 10 mg, 60 tablets 24.00 18.00
POLICYANOL - 6 bottles of 60 tablets 108.00 81.00

00994 (SUPER) POLYPHENOL EXTRACT w/ COCOAGOLD® - 30 veg caps 24.00 18.00
(SUPER) POLYPHENOL EXTRACT w/ COCOAGOLD® - 4 bottles of 30 veg caps 64.00 48.00

00956 POMEGRANATE EXTRACT - 30 veg caps. 19.50 14.63
POMEGRANATE EXTRACT - 4 bottles of 30 veg caps. 70.25 52.64
01256 POMEGRANATE EXTRACT w/ COCOAGOLD® - 30 veg caps. 24.00 18.00
POMEGRANATE EXTRACT w/ COCOAGOLD® - 4 bottles of 30 veg caps. 84.00 63.00

00957 POMEGRANATE JUICE CONCENTRATE - 16 oz. liquid 25.95 19.46
POMEGRANATE JUICE CONCENTRATE - 4 bottles of 16 oz liquid 96.00 72.00

00577 POTASSIUM IODIDE - 1 box, 14 tablets 6.95 5.21
POTASSIUM IODIDE - 4 boxes, 14 tablets 21.00 15.75

00302 PREGNENOLONE CAPSULES - 50 mg, 100 caps 24.00 18.00
PREGNENOLONE CAPSULES - 4 bottles of 100 caps 76.00 57.00

00700 PREGNENOLONE CAPSULES - 100 mg, 100 caps 26.00 19.50
PREGNENOLONE CAPSULES - 4 bottles of 100 caps 90.00 67.50

01373 PRELOX® NATURAL SEX FOR MEN® - 60 tablets 50.00 37.50
PRELOX® NATURAL SEX FOR MEN® - 4 bottles of 60 tablets 180.00 135.00

00571 PRIMAL DEFENSE® - 900 mg, 90 caps 49.95 37.46
PRIMAL DEFENSE® - 4 bottles of 90 caps 194.00 145.50
01019 PRIMAL DEFENSE® - 180 caps 78.95 59.21

00525 PROBOSTHYM PROTEIN A® - 4 mg, 30 packets 72.00 54.00
PROBOSTHYM PROTEIN A® - 4 boxes 280.00 210.00

00869 PRO FEM CREAM - 2 oz jar, Progesterone Cream 26.00 19.50
PRO FEM CREAM - 4, 2 oz jars, Progesterone Cream 96.00 72.00
01020 PROGRESS® - 15 stick pack 22.50 16.88
00396 PRO M - 500 mg, 100 caps 28.00 21.00
PRO M - 4 bottles of 100 caps 104.00 78.00

01484 (SUPER) OMEGA 3 EPA/DHA w/ SESAME LIGNANS & OLIVE FRUIT EXTRACT (ENTERIC COATED) - 10 bottles of 120 softgels 280.00 210.00

00177 ONLY TRACE MINERALS - 90 caps 15.00 11.25
ONLY TRACE MINERALS - 4 bottles of 90 caps 50.00 37.50

00915 OPTIZINC® - 30 mg, 90 veg. caps 5.95 4.46
OPTIZINC® - 4 bottles of 90 veg. caps 20.00 15.00

00043 L-ORNITHINE CAPSULES - 500 mg, 100 caps 24.95 18.71
L-ORNITHINE CAPSULES - 4 bottles of 100 caps 80.00 60.00

00107 PABA CAPS - 500 mg, 100 caps $13.99 $10.49
PABA CAPS - 4 bottles of 100 caps 49.32 36.99

00106 PABA POWDER - 100 grams of powder 15.00 11.25
PABA POWDER - 4 bottles of powder 55.00 41.25

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I want to contribute to your research efforts to extend the healthy human life span. Enclosed is my first year's membership donation of $75 to join the most elite group of longevity enthusiasts in the world. (Canadians add $7, all others outside the U.S. add $35)

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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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