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Today's chain pharmacies have become drug-dispensing assembly lines. They fill whatever your doctor prescribes or insurance covers, regardless of what is best for your individual needs. They also prominently display cigarettes at the front counter, a practice we find hypocritical and reprehensible.

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.

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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 on the above chart for popular prescription drugs compared to a large pharmacy chain.

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Frivolous lawsuits, back room payoffs, and specious insurance claims are just a few of the ways that pharmaceutical companies delay approval of generic drugs to boost profits at the expense of consumers and taxpayer-funded insurance programs. Find out steps that must be taken today to avoid outright catastrophe.

In the News
Increased soy intake results in lower lung cancer risk; seaweed improves weight loss; omega-3 reduces risk of arrhythmia, and more.

30 Wrong Form of Vitamin E Increases Prostate Cancer Risk
Life Extension® long ago warned about the DNA-damaging effects of synthetic alpha tocopherol and our worst fears have been realized. A recent study showed that men taking this incomplete form of vitamin E had a 17% increased risk of prostate cancer. Find out how this study that used only alpha without gamma tocopherol was designed to fail from the outset.

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OLIVE LEAF LOWERS BLOOD PRESSURE
As we age, it is imperative to aggressively control rising blood pressure levels. The medical establishment, however, is accepting dangerously high blood pressure readings as being “normal.” A bioactive olive leaf extract has been shown to lower systolic and diastolic blood pressure, providing a new weapon to help protect our aging vascular systems.

7 New Life Extension Nutrition Center Opens
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Book Reviews
As humans age, pancreatic enzyme levels decline, thus diminishing the ability to break down food.

Enhanced Super Digestive Enzymes is Life Extension’s response to the need for a comprehensive digestive enzyme supplement. Designed to adapt to a variety of stomach acid pH conditions, Enhanced Super Digestive Enzymes facilitates more powerful digestion of protein, fat, carbohydrates, and milk lactose than our previous formula.

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A bottle containing 100 Enhanced Super Digestive Enzymes capsules retails for $18.95. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $12 per bottle.

Contains rice and corn.

Two Vegetarian Capsules Contain:
- Pancreatin 8x Blend 400 mg
- Amylase 4,160 FCC
- Protease III 22,880 FCC
- Lipase 6,400 FCC
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  - Lactase 2,000 FCC
  - Cellulase 1,600 FCC
  - Lipase 1,000 FCC
- Whole fruit papaya powder 200 mg

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Health care corruption is driving this nation into economic insolvency.

A particularly disgusting method used to inflate drug prices is the filing of frivolous lawsuits against generic drug makers. Each day a court delays approval of a lower-cost generic can enable a pharmaceutical company to earn millions of dollars in illicit revenue.

It thus becomes cost-efficient for pharmaceutical companies to initiate limitless made-up claims against generic makers knowing that legal fees are far less than the profits earned each extra day that its expired-patent drug retains market exclusivity.

The filing of lawsuits against generic manufacturers for the purpose of delaying FDA approval has gone on for years. Once the generic maker defeats the imaginary claims, it then has to charge more to the consumer because of the millions of dollars it was forced to squander on legal fees. This is just one reason why generic drugs cost far more than they should.¹⁻¹¹

As Americans are painfully aware, runaway medical costs are adversely impacting every segment of the US economy. Government health care programs are mathematically insolvent, medical insurance premiums are at unprecedented levels, and consumers are shouldering a far greater portion of their health care with out-of-pocket dollars.¹²,¹³
HOW THE CORRUPT SYSTEM OPERATES

When considering whether to approve a generic drug, the FDA is caught in the middle as pharmaceutical companies who own name-brand drugs create myriad obstacles to deny others the right to sell generic versions.

A pharmaceutical company with an expiring patent may pay enormous legal and lobbying fees to file petitions with the FDA arguing why it is not in the public interest to allow a low-cost generic to compete. Generic companies then have to respond by paying their own legal and lobbying costs to make their counterargument. The FDA plays referee in what often turns out to be a multi-year battle between a large pharmaceutical company and generic makers.14

None of this bureaucratic waste would occur in a free-market setting, but our cowardly Congress has failed to enact reforms—measures that Life Extension® long ago proposed to eliminate the corrupt behavior that routinely transpires between drug companies and the FDA.15,16

DEPRAVED BEHAVIOR SINKS TO NEW LEVEL

As unproductive as these generic drug wars are, a Senate investigative panel has uncovered misdeeds that brings this depraved behavior down to a level of immorality that may shock even ardent supporters of today’s broken health care system.

Lovenox® is the brand name of a low-molecular weight heparin drug used to treat venous blood clots, pulmonary embolism, and various forms of arterial thrombosis. Back in 2002, Life Extension® suggested that its anticoagulant properties could benefit cancer patients by preventing acute thrombotic attacks, while reducing metastatic potential by blocking pro-angiogenic factors.17,18

As a result of its efficacy against a wide range of ailments, global sales of Lovenox® topped $4 billion in 2009.19 Its maker, Sanofi SA, desperately wanted to stifle generic competition as it was about to lose patent protection.

Sanofi first tried to hold off generic competition by filing a suit in federal court intended to block FDA approval of generic versions made by other companies. After this delay tactic failed in two court cases, Sanofi then filed a safety petition with the FDA alleging that it was against the public interest to allow a low-cost generic to be sold.20

To further bolster its case, Sanofi encouraged doctors and medical associations to contact the FDA and express concern about the safety of generic versions of Lovenox®.21,22 While these underhanded maneuvers have become commonplace amongst pharmaceutical giants, Sanofi was caught red-handed acting at a level of unprecedented decadence.

SANOFI PAYS FEES TO THIRD PARTIES TO MISLEAD FDA

Realizing FDA was not capitulating to its intensive lobbying efforts, Sanofi used payments of almost $5 million to induce influential groups to contact the FDA and support its petition to deny other companies the right to sell generic Lovenox®.23

The Cogs Involved in Health Care Costs

Reactive and Not Proactive Medicine

Imaging Costs

Drug Prices

Fraudulent Billing

Duplication of Services

Exorbitant Lab Fees

AS WE SEE IT
Sanofi made the following “donations” to third parties:

- $2.6+ million to the Society of Hospital Medicine
- $2.0+ million to the North American Thrombosis Forum
- $200,000+ to a Duke University Professor

In exchange for these and other payments, the FDA was lobbied with seemingly impartial concerns about the safety of generic Lovenox®. The purpose of these FDA contacts, of course, was to argue against approval of generic alternatives to Lovenox®. If successful, Sanofi would continue to earn billions of dollars from a drug that long ago lost patent status.

What upset the Senate investigative panel, however, was that none of these ostensibly unbiased third parties had disclosed to the FDA that they had been paid by Sanofi to support the lucrative Lovenox® monopoly. The FDA was misled into believing that these parties had legitimate safety concerns, when in reality they functioned as paid shills whose mission was to assist Sanofi in maintaining its multi-billion gusher at the expense of Medicare, Medicaid, health insurance premium payers and ultimately, the American consumer.

The Duke University professor denied the monies he received from Sanofi had anything to do with him contacting the FDA, but admitted he should have reminded the FDA of his financial ties to Sanofi in his letter arguing against approval of generic Lovenox®.

According to the Senate investigative panel conclusions, Sanofi “planned a coordinated strategy to delay generic alternatives to its blockbuster blood-thinner drug Lovenox.”

CALLS FOR MANDATORY TRANSPARENCY

Pharmaceutical influence within the FDA is common knowledge, but Sanofi’s financial contributions to third parties and other actions raised red flags as to the scientific integrity of the generic drug approval process. These payments made by Sanofi to third parties provided these supposedly independent groups incentive to contact the FDA to express what appeared to be unbiased concerns about generic alternatives to Lovenox®.

The strategy took advantage of the FDA’s citizen petition process, which allows individuals and experts to raise these kinds of safety concerns. While the process is intended as a channel for gathering public input into important agency decisions, the Senate investigative committee was infuriated by this egregious abuse of process.

“If the FDA isn’t asking for disclosure of financial relationships, it’s operating from an uninformed standpoint,” said one of the Senate committee members that exposed this deceit. This Senator went on to state that “The FDA has a responsibility to conduct due diligence in this area in order to make sure its reviews have credibility.”

The chairman of the Senate committee took it a step further and stated, “This report uncovers evidence that paying off doctors to lobby the FDA against generics was a drug company strategy—and that’s wholly unacceptable.”

While the Senate investigative committee expressed outrage over Sanofi’s shady behavior, Life Extension members have long been informed about how these kinds of insidious scandals are bankrupting this nation’s health care system. The harsh reality is that conflicts of interest within the FDA preclude the agency from making scientific decisions about products that affect whether Americans live or die.
Three Current Flawed FDA Methods of Operation

The reason so many drugs approved by the FDA later turn out to be dangerous or ineffective is the inherently corrupt collaboration that exists between pharmaceutical companies and the FDA. Here are three reasons why serious reform is needed:

1) **PROBLEM:** FDA panel members are part-time employees and cannot perform with optimal due diligence to review new drugs and/or devices presented to the FDA.
   
   **RESULT:** Drugs or devices are rejected inappropriately or approved inappropriately.
   
   **SOLUTION:** Given the billions of health care dollars already spent and the problems with premature approval or rejection, the employment of an FDA panel member should be a full-time position. Moreover, what constitutes “conflict of interest” should be explicitly defined and no conflict of interest, whatsoever, should be permitted. In other words, it is not enough to state you are on the payroll of a pharmaceutical company and therefore all is well. If you are being paid to do research or paid to speak on behalf of a pharmaceutical company, or in any way have ties that would alter full objectivity of a decision for or against, that should be grounds for recusing yourself from the FDA matter on review. This rule should be unwaveringly enforced!

2) **PROBLEM:** FDA panel members receive a significant portion of income from drug research in their institution funded by a pharmaceutical company whose product may be up for review. That presents a situation which represents a flagrant conflict of interest.
   
   **RESULT:** Drug approvals or rejections are often based on financial bias, not the underlying science.
   
   **SOLUTION:** Zero tolerance for any conflict of interest for those who serve on an FDA drug advisory panel. Panel members should not be funded by any pharmaceutical company nor have any remote potential conflict of interest in voting yea or nay. An objective evaluation of the scientific merit of a device or drug cannot be rendered in the face of ulterior motives, be they at a conscious or subconscious level.

3) **PROBLEM:** FDA panel members are paid by pharmaceutical companies to make presentations at conferences and at national society meetings.
   
   **RESULT:** This is not only a conflict of interest but it also influences the decision-making relating to the approval and prescribing of a particular drug.
   
   **SOLUTION:** If a physician-scientist is on a lecture circuit and being paid by a pharmaceutical company, they should not be allowed to sit on an FDA panel that decides on the approval of a drug made by the pharmaceutical company. The solution for most of these problems is simple: an FDA panel member should not have any involvement—blatant or remote—in any company seeking approval for a product.

PFIZER CONCEALS SUICIDAL SIDE EFFECTS

A side effect of many FDA-approved drugs on the market today is their propensity to sharply increase suicide risk.

For those who don’t know, suicide is the 8th leading cause of death (for persons aged 55-64) in the United States. Depression is a leading underlying medical cause of suicide. The fact that many anti-depressant drugs now require black box warnings of increased risks of suicide is a testament to horrific side effects these drugs inflict.

Many users of anti-depressant drugs report they feel more depressed after taking them (or encounter other side effects), which begs the question as to how these drugs ever gained FDA approval in the first place. In many instances, the increased risk of suicide was later found to be covered up by pharmaceutical companies during the initial approval process. Chantix® is the brand name of a drug made by Pfizer and
approved by the FDA to help people stop smoking cigarettes. Chantix® works by altering brain chemistry to reduce nicotine craving. A side effect of this brain chemical alteration is an increased propensity to commit suicide, along with other psychological impairments.40,42

Not wanting to interfere with the lucrative sales of this drug, Pfizer devised a method to conceal the reports of suicide—reporting that is a mandatory requirement of the FDA. Rather than identifying the reports of suicides, suicide attempts, depression, aggression, and hostility in users of Chantix®, Pfizer instead mixed them among some 26,000 records of non-serious side effects such as nausea and rashes.42-46 This prevented the FDA from identifying a trend of serious adverse effects that were occurring in Chantix® users.

Pfizer was accused by the FDA of submitting these adverse reports through “improper channels” that made it impossible for the agency to determine that so many serious adverse reactions to Chantix® were occurring.45,47 Thomas J. Moore, an official at the non-profit Institute for Safe Medication Practices stated “We’ve had a major breakdown in safety surveillance.”45 In sworn testimony, Chantix® was described as causing twice as many reported fatalities as any other drug. Pfizer responded by stating there is no proof that Chantix® causes suicides or other side effects.45,46

FDA’S RESPONSE TO PFIZER’S MISDEED

The FDA’s response to this latest scandal was to force Pfizer to resubmit all reports of adverse reactions through the “proper channel” that would enable the agency to identify serious problems such as suicide, depression, and other psychiatric disorders induced by Chantix®. FDA officials said these new reports did not change the agency’s position on the risks and benefit of the controversial drug, which received a black box warning that included suicide—the strongest caution possible—in 2009. In other words, other than warning of the lethal side effects a user of Chantix® faces, the FDA has no plans to withdraw it from the market.

FDA officials did say they are considering changing regulations to allow expedited reports of suicides and other serious problems. This change was first proposed by the FDA in 2003, but is still pending. This is just another example of the glacial pace at which the FDA moves even as body counts pile up from side effects inflicted by prescription drugs the agency erroneously approves and then allows to remain on the market far too long.

A one-month supply of Chantix® costs about $179, which is typical of what patented drugs now sell for.

Suicide Risk of Chantix® Higher than Expected

As we were finishing this article, a new study found that Chantix® was 8 times more likely to result in reports of suicidal behavior or depression compared to nicotine-replacement products.48

The findings contradict those of the FDA that found Chantix® did not increase the risk of being hospitalized for psychiatric problems such as depression. The authors of this new study stated that the FDA hospitalization studies were flawed because they could not capture most of the serious psychiatric side effects, including suicide, depression, aggression, and assaults. Another reason FDA failed to ascertain the magnitude of the problem with Chantix® is they omitted suicidal and depression events that did not lead to hospitalization. These can be catastrophic events but do not normally result in hospitalization.49
**PFIZER SEeks to Delay Sales of Generic Lipitor®**

According to the *New York Times*, the largest introduction of a generic drug in history is being impeded in another devious scheme perpetrated by Big Pharma.

Lipitor® is the best-selling drug of all time, generating sales of $106 billion over the last decade. Pfizer has told financial analysts it is preparing for the loss of Lipitor®’s patent with a variety of business moves to preserve market share.

In a letter to pharmacists, Pfizer is asking many drugstores to block prescriptions for a generic version of Lipitor®. This cholesterol-lowering drug lost patent protection on November 30, 2011.50

One of the nation’s largest pharmacy benefit managers issued instructions seeking to have pharmacists keep filling prescriptions with the more expensive Lipitor® for six months. Pfizer will provide large discounts to benefit managers that block the use of generic versions of Lipitor®.

**HOW GENERIC PRICE GOUGING IMPACTS MEMBERS**

Through the *International Strategic Cancer Alliance* that was founded five years ago, we at Life Extension are constantly interacting with patients who utilize off-label drugs to better control their disease. Since insurance does not fully cover these medications, patients are finding it difficult to afford the cost of their medications. Here is an email excerpt from a prostate cancer patient regarding a generic medication he is using:

“*Cabergoline is very costly, around $600 for 60 days’ supply. This has eaten up my insurance allowance for drugs. Your latest email indicates necessity, but is it possible to lessen amounts taken without hindrance to outcomes?*”

Cabergoline is a generic drug that suppresses prolactin release from the pituitary gland. *Life Extension* has long recommended this drug to certain cancer patients, though it is not recognized by the FDA for this purpose.55 Prolactin makes prostate cells more sensitive to the growth-promoting effects of testosterone. By reducing prolactin levels, cabergoline has a potential role in prostate cancer treatment. In addition, lowering prolactin results in a reflex increase in dopamine, which has the beneficial effect of inhibiting angiogenesis—the formation of new blood vessels that facilitate the growth and spread of most cancers. Furthermore, increased dopamine
Board wrote us about eye drops he needs for glaucoma that will cost $99.20 a month for the rest of his life, despite having Medicare and AARP. That's $1,200 a year just for eye drops. This physician wonders how our health care system can tolerate such blatant price gouging.

A calculation of the price for the generic version of this eye drug is $2.50 per drop, which prompted the dispensing pharmacist to say to the doctor, "This is a license to steal."

Life Extension® has published over the past four decades about how generic drug prices are artificially inflated because of FDA over-regulation and pharmaceutical industry corruption.

The October 2011 edition of Life Extension Magazine launched a new book titled Pharmocracy. This book exposes how pharmaceutical companies collude with their allies in the FDA and Congress to cause inflated drug prices.

Copies of Pharmocracy have been sent to the president, all presidential candidates, and every member of Congress. The purpose is to enlighten political leaders about free-market approaches that can resolve today's health care cost crisis that will otherwise put Medicare, Medicaid, and the private sector on the chopping block of bankruptcy.

We initiated a massive promotion to get this book into the hands of policy-making think tanks and to the public. We need to alert them to the harsh reality that it is mathematically impossible to resolve the health care cost crisis by increasing taxes, slashing payments to doctors, or asking Medicare recipients to pay more toward their own medical expenses.

The only solution to overpriced medicine is to abolish all restrictive bureaucratic regulations and let the free market do for medical practice what it did for computers and cell phones, i.e. enable scientific breakthroughs of unparalleled magnitude to occur at rapid speed while slashing consumer costs to comparatively nothing.

I want to thank Life Extension members who purchased four copies of Pharmocracy (at only $8 each) to personally send one each to their two senators and representative.

For those who have not done this yet, please do not let apathy stop you from letting your voice be heard in Congress. In Syria,
Dangerous Anti-Psychotic Drugs Dumped into Demented Patients

An audit by the Department of Health and Human Services found that powerful drugs with horrific side effects were inappropriately prescribed to nursing home patients with dementia.56

More than half of these anti-psychotic drugs (such as Zyprexa®, Risperdal®, and Seroquel®) were paid for with Medicare dollars, costing the program $116 million over just a six-month period. These drugs are not approved for use in demented individuals because the FDA says they increase the risk of death!57

In announcing the audit results, the inspector general of the Department of Health and Human Services stated, "Government, taxpayers, nursing home residents as well as their families and caregivers should be outraged and seek solutions."57

A pharmacy chain for nursing homes called Omnicare Inc. paid $98 million in November 2009 to settle accusations that it received kickbacks from Johnson & Johnson and other drug makers for antipsychotic prescriptions.57

In 2008, Eli Lilly, maker of Zyprexa®, settled a lawsuit with the state of Alaska for $15 million based on claims that this drug caused patients to develop diabetes.58 Despite this serious side effect, Zyprexa® was nonetheless among the drugs dumped into the bodies of elderly demented patients—often at Medicare’s expense.

The real shocker is why these anti-psychotic drugs were ever prescribed in the first place. It turns out that these drugs are used to sedate demented patients into a drugged state where they can easily be "watched." In other words, instead of meeting the needs of the patient, they are instead drugged into a state where there is less need for one-on-one nursing care.

The care of these demented patients was thus facilitated by prescribing drugs that cause them to die sooner. In case you are wondering about the cost per patient, 30 tablets of Zyprexa® (10 mg/pill) cost over $440, and Medicare and other insurance are paying most of this!

Zyprexa® has a half-life of 21-54 hours that is 1.5 times greater in those over age 65. This means that many demented patient prescribed Zyprexa® were kept in a chronically drugged state for the duration of their lives, while pharmaceutical giant Eli Lilly took in around $14 per pill! This is just one of many reasons why Medicare is descending into insolvency.

For longer life,

William Faloon

protestors are being murdered in the streets and dragged from their homes, yet they still defy government edicts knowing that snipers are waiting to kill them. For just $32, you can obtain four copies of Pharmocracy and send them to those in our government who have the power to change the corrupt health care system that is bankrupting this country.

While it may seem impossible to dislodge the stranglehold that pharmaceutical interests hold over the federal government, I am convinced that unrelenting exposition of the truth will tear down corrupt barriers that cause consumers to be serfs of the pharmaceutical industry.
Do you realize that the battle in Congress over the budget deficit is largely irrelevant?
That's because government programs like Medicare and Medicaid are so grossly underfunded that their costs will soon overwhelm all federal revenues.
The reason you don't hear more about this catastrophic problem is that no one in government has the faintest idea how to resolve it.
That's why I wrote the book Pharmocracy. It provides a real-world solution to this nation's impending healthcare cost crisis. It also outlines the logic of eradicating bureaucratic barriers that prevent cures for today's killer diseases from being discovered.
The average annual cost of medical insurance for a family exceeded the $15,000 mark for the first time.* This represents a 9% increase over year 2010—an unsustainable escalation that exceeds inflation.
A typical family cannot afford basic health care, neither can many employers, and certainly not debt-laden state and federal governments.

Health Care Cost Crisis is a Hoax
There is no real health care cost crisis. It is instead the consequence of incompetent and corrupt government policies that cause medical costs to be artificially overpriced.
Congress can amend the law to allow free-market forces to drive down sick-care costs, better enable prevention of disease, and facilitate rapid discovery of improved therapies.
Pharmocracy provides factual documentation to reform the broken health care system that plagues the United States.
Implementing free-market approaches described in Pharmocracy can spare Medicare and Medicaid from insolvency while significantly improving the health and productivity of the American public.

How Citizens Can Combat Inflated Health Care Costs
The cover price for Pharmocracy is $24. To get this hardcover book into the hands of as many policy-makers as possible, Life Extension® is making it available at the incredible low price of just $8 a copy when four or more copies are ordered.
Health freedom advocates are encouraged to send this eye-opening book to their representative, two senators, and give it away as gifts to enlighten those they know about the health care farce that is rendering this nation insolvent.

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* Annual poll of employers performed by the Kaiser Family Foundation and the Health Research and Education Trust.

To order four or more copies of Pharmocracy for only $8 each, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.lef.org/pharm today.
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The World’s Healthiest Vegetables

Only Healthy Ingredients • No Starches or Harmful Fats

Vegetable Soup

Cruciferous

New Improved Taste

Serving Suggestion
Processed food companies sell vegetable soups so cheaply because they load them with *high-glycemic* carbohydrates (rice, potatoes, pasta) that cost virtually nothing. They then add inexpensive ingredients like corn, sugar, and sometimes omega-6 fats (like cottonseed oil). So for less than $2, you get a relatively high-carb-calorie soup that provides virtually no health benefits.

*Life Extension* has formulated two vegetable soups that contain only healthy ingredients, including loads of *cruciferous vegetables* (cauliflower, broccoli, cabbage, etc.), *extra-virgin olive oil*, and a host of other beneficial *plant foods*.

Each serving of *Cruciferous Vegetable* and *Asian Cruciferous Vegetable* soup contains only 80 to 90 calories of the best-documented foods to maintain your precious health. You can consume the entire contents as a healthy lunch or dinner, or use a smaller portion of the soup as part of a meal for you (or several people).

Each 80-90 calorie serving of these new soups provides a full serving of the world’s healthiest vegetables. The entire pouch supplies about 3.5 servings of these vegetables—with none of the cheap starch fillers found in commercial soups.

The retail price of either the *Cruciferous Vegetable* or *Asian Cruciferous Vegetable* soups is $11.95. Member price is $8.96. If a *Life Extension* member purchases any assortment of six pouches, the price is reduced to $8.44 per pouch.

To order your fresh supply of *Life Extension’s Cruciferous Vegetable* or the *Asian Cruciferous Vegetable* soups, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.lef.org/soup.
NEW IMPROVED BLUEBERRY FLAVOR!

Calorie Control Weight Management Formula
Now with Green Coffee Bean Extract

Nearly 80% of highly motivated people fail to achieve long-lasting weight loss with diet and lifestyle modifications alone.¹

That’s why the Calorie Control Weight Management Formula was designed. Clinical studies validate that when overweight humans take just some of the natural ingredients in this formula combined with reduced calorie intake, there is a greater loss of body fat compared to diet alone.²⁻⁴ Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract can help give you the winning edge when following a calorie-modulated weight loss program.

The new Calorie Control Weight Management Formula comes with a natural blueberry flavor that tastes far smoother than the original version. This powder mix is available in a 60-serving bottle and in individual stick packs that you can conveniently use when away from home.

Most important, each dose has been fortified with 200 mg of CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract to suppress after-meal glucose surges⁵ that can sabotage the best weight management programs.

To order any of the new Calorie Control Weight Management Formulas with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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Comprehensive Calorie Management

The Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract, is designed to be taken before the two heaviest daily meals to help neutralize the unwanted effects of caloric excess. The ingredients were chosen based on scientific findings that age-associated fat accumulation is at least partially caused by the loss of one’s metabolic capacity to utilize ingested calories. Each scoop of this good-tasting powdered drink mix contains:

1. **CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract** standardized to 50% chlorogenic acid. Research shows this extract inhibits glucose-6-phosphatase, which results in a significant reduction in after-meal glucose elevations. CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract also helps impede rapid absorption of starches and sugary foods by neutralizing enzymes that enhance their absorption into the bloodstream.

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

3. **White kidney bean extract**. This natural plant extract inhibits the amylase enzyme in the digestive tract. Amylase breaks down carbohydrates that are then absorbed into the bloodstream as glucose. White kidney bean extract has produced weight loss and abdominal fat reductions, along with significant reductions of triglycerides in placebo-controlled trials.

4. **Irvingia gabonensis**. Extracted from the African mango, Irvingia regulates leptin to decrease appetite and facilitate triglyceride removal from adipocytes; inhibits glycerol-3-phosphate dehydrogenase to reduce the conversion of glucose into glycerol in adipocytes; and up-regulates adiponectin to facilitate insulin sensitivity. Irvingia has demonstrated favorable weight loss results in placebo-controlled trials.

5. **Green Tea Phytosome**. This proprietary green tea extract absorbs much better into the bloodstream to boost resting metabolic rate. In a controlled clinical study, this green tea phytosome induced 30.1 pounds of weight loss when combined with a reduced-calorie diet.

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

Once we accept the fact that weight loss requires more than diet and exercise alone, it becomes easy to understand the importance of taking the **Calorie Control Weight Management Formula** before the two heaviest meals of the day.

Each appetizing blueberry flavored stick pack or scoop of the new Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract, powder provides:

- **CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee (Coffea arabica) Extract (bean)** (std to 50% Chlorogenic acid (100 mg))
- **LuraLean®** propionolamannan (Amorphophallus konjac K. Koch, spp. Amorphophallus japonica) fiber Extract (root)
- **Phase 2® Pseudoic vulgaris white kidney** (bean) Extract
- **Integra-Lean® African Mango (Irvingia gabonensis)** proprietary extract (seed)
- **Tea Slender™ Green Tea Phytosome**

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Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract - Item #0169* (Each serving contains approximately 6 mg caffeine)

A bottle containing 60 servings of Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract natural blueberry flavor powder retails for $60. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $40.50 per bottle.

For added convenience of use, this new formula also comes in 60 individual stick packs. Each box containing 60 servings of Calorie Control Weight Management Formula with CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract natural blueberry flavor powder retails for $64. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to just $45 per bottle.

*Item #0169*

Contains soybeans. Contains corn.

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**CAUTION:** Take at least two hours apart from medications. Because this product may lower blood glucose, consult your healthcare provider before taking this product if you are taking blood glucose-lowering medication. Taking fiber products without adequate liquid may increase the risk of bloating. Consult your healthcare provider before taking this product if you have difficulty swallowing or esophageal narrowing.

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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. 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

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.

Contains corn.

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

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

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Meta-Analysis Associates Increased Soy Intake with Lower Lung Cancer Risk

The results of a meta-analysis published in a recent issue of the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition add evidence to preliminary findings concerning a protective effect for soy against the development of lung cancer.* Yong-Bing Xiang of Shanghai Jiaotong University School of Medicine and colleagues selected eight case-control and three prospective cohort studies for their review, which included 8,436 cases of lung cancer. The analysis uncovered a 23% reduction in lung cancer risk in association with high versus low soy consumption. When the analysis was limited to five studies of high quality, a 30% reduction was revealed. In analyses of specific groups, significant protective effects were observed for women, people who have never smoked, and Asian populations. For studies that documented intake of soy isoflavones, an approximate 27% reduction in lung cancer risk was associated with high intake.

Editor’s Note: While unfermented soy foods were associated with a protective effect, fermented foods such as miso were not. —D. Dye

Coffee Drinking Linked with Lower Risk of Endometrial Cancer

A report published in Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention* revealed a connection between coffee drinking and protection against the development of endometrial cancer. The Harvard team analyzed data from 67,470 participants in the Nurses’ Health Study who were aged 34 to 59 in 1980. Dietary questionnaires completed at seven time points between 1980 and 2002 provided information on the type and frequency of coffee consumption. Biennial questionnaires ascertained endometrial cancer diagnoses during the preceding two years. Six hundred seventy-two endometrial cancer cases were documented over the 26-year follow-up period.

A declining risk of the disease was observed in association with increasing consumption of coffee. Following adjusted analysis of the data, a 25% lower risk of endometrial cancer remained in association with the intake of four or more cups of coffee per day in comparison with women who consumed less than one cup.

Editor’s Note: Youjin Je and colleagues note that the chlorogenic acid contained in coffee has strong antioxidant properties that help prevent oxidative DNA damage and improve insulin resistance.

—D. Dye


High Antioxidant Diet Associated with Fewer Strokes

Researchers from Sweden report that consuming a diet that is rich in antioxidants is associated with a lower risk of stroke in women.*

The team evaluated data from 5,680 women with a history of heart disease and 31,035 women with no history of the disease. Questionnaire responses were analyzed for total antioxidant capacity (TAC), a measure of the free radical-reducing capacity of all dietary antioxidants. Disease-free subjects were followed for 11 years and those with a disease history for 9.6 years.

For women with no history of disease whose diets were rated among the top fifth of participants in TAC, there was a 17% lower risk of stroke in comparison with those whose TAC was among the lowest fifth. Although having a TAC level that was among the highest fourth of those with a history of the disease was not associated with a significant reduction in the risk of total stroke, women in this group experienced 46% lower risk of hemorrhagic stroke.

Editor’s Note: Fruit, vegetables, whole grains, and tea were strong contributors to TAC levels.

* Stroke. 2011 Dec.

Higher Vitamin D Levels Associated with Lower Risk of Deadly Cancer

In an article in Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention, Brian M. Wolpin and his colleagues report an association between higher circulating levels of vitamin D and a lower risk of pancreatic cancer among participants in five large prospective studies.*

The study included 451 subjects diagnosed with pancreatic cancer matched with two to three cancer-free controls, selected from participants in the Health Professionals Follow-Up Study, the Nurses’ Health Study, the Physicians’ Health Study, the Women’s Health Initiative-Observational Study, and the Women’s Health Study. Follow-up periods ranged from 14.1 to 25.3 years. Plasma samples collected upon enrollment were analyzed for 25-hydroxyvitamin D.

A decreasing risk of pancreatic cancer was associated with rising levels of vitamin D. When participants whose vitamin D level was among the top one-fifth of subjects were compared with those in the lowest fifth, a 33% reduction in pancreatic cancer risk was observed.

Editor’s Note: In contrast with findings suggested by an earlier study, no increased risk was observed among men and women whose vitamin D levels were 40 ng/mL or greater.

—D. Dye

* Cancer Epidemiol Biomark Prev. 2011 Nov 15

Small Increase in Daily Omega-3 Results in Large Reduction in Arrhythmia-Related Events and Fatal Heart Attack Risk in Diabetic Patients

An analysis of a clinical trial published in Diabetes Care reveals a reduction in the risk of ventricular arrhythmia-related events and fatal myocardial infarction among diabetics who received low doses of the omega-3 fatty acids EPA, DHA, and ALA.*

Participants were randomized to receive margarine that provided 223 mg EPA and 149 mg DHA per day, 1.9 grams ALA per day, both EPA/DHA and ALA, or no additional omega-3 fatty acids for 40 months. The subjects were followed for clinical events, including fatal coronary heart disease (defined as mortality from heart attack), and fatal and nonfatal ventricular arrhythmia-related events.

An 84% lower risk of ventricular arrhythmia-related events and a 72% lower risk of combined ventricular arrhythmia-related events and fatal coronary events were observed in participants who received both EPA/DHA and ALA compared to those who consumed unenhanced margarine.

Editor’s Note: The subjects included men and women with a history of heart attack within the decade prior to enrollment in the Alpha Omega Trial, which sought to determine the effects of EPA, DHA, and ALA on fatal coronary heart disease and ventricular-arrhythmia related events. While a benefit for omega-3 was not confirmed in this population, the current analysis sought to determine the effects in a subgroup of 1,014 diabetic patients, aged 60 to 80 years.

—D. Dye

Reduced Childhood Vitamin D Levels Predict Diabetes

In the *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism*, Micah Olson, MD, and colleagues report that children suffering from obesity and insulin resistance (both associated with diabetes) are more likely to have reduced serum levels of vitamin D, in comparison with non-overweight children.*

The current study evaluated serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels, fasting glucose and insulin levels, insulin resistance, and other factors in 411 obese and 87 non-overweight children between the ages of six and 16 residing in North Texas. While 68% of non-overweight participants had insufficient vitamin D levels and 22% had deficient levels, among obese children, the incidence of insufficiency and deficiency rose to 92% and 50%. A significant relationship was observed between increased insulin resistance and lower vitamin D levels in the obese group.

“Although our study cannot prove causation, it does suggest that low vitamin D levels may play a role in the development of type 2 diabetes,” Dr. Olson stated.

Editor’s Note: In their discussion of the findings, the authors note that, “The difference in mean 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels between obese and non-overweight subjects was 18.5 nmol/L. Obese children would need to consume an extra 600 to 1,200 IU (the equivalent of six to twelve 8-ounce cups of milk) of vitamin D daily to make up the difference in mean 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels seen in our study. Thus, poor dietary habits alone cannot explain the low 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels seen in obese children.”

—D. Dye


Seaweed Fiber Improves Weight Loss in Overweight Men and Women

A doctoral thesis by Morten Georg Jensen of the University of Copenhagen in Denmark concludes that alginate, a viscous fiber derived from brown seaweed, can improve weight loss when regularly consumed by overweight adults.*

“Over a three-year period, we have studied the effect of taking different alginate doses,” Jensen reports. “We are able to demonstrate that the healthy subjects who took alginates felt less hungry and ate less than the subjects not drinking fiber drinks with alginates.”

The thesis describes a twelve week study in which 96 overweight men and women received a drink that contained alginate or a placebo daily in combination with a reduced-calorie diet. Participants who received the seaweed fiber lost nearly 4 pounds more on average than those who received the placebo, which was primarily due to a decrease in body fat percentage.

Editor’s Note: Dr. Jensen commented that, “A probable explanation of the weight loss is that the alginates form a gel in the stomach which strengthens the gastrointestinal satiety signals to the brain because the gel takes up space in the stomach. The overweight subjects thus ate less than usual.”

—D. Dye

* Jensen MG. University of Copenhagen.

Soy Offers Hope for Treatment-Resistant Prostate Cancer

The results of a pilot study published in the *Southern Medical Journal* suggest a benefit for soy in men whose prostate cancer failed to respond to radiation or surgery.*

Monika Joshi, MD, and her colleagues at Pennsylvania State University enrolled 10 men with treatment-resistant prostate cancer that had not metastasized, and assigned them to three servings of soy per day for two years, during which PSA levels were monitored. After 24 months, half of the men showed a response to soy with temporary or permanently declining PSA levels or stable PSA levels. The researchers remark that soy may reduce PSA via a reduction in the expression of the androgen receptor and other mechanisms.

Editor’s Note: The success of prostate cancer therapy is evaluated by measuring a protein known as serum prostate-specific antigen (PSA). A rise in PSA following radiation or surgery for prostate cancer indicates treatment failure. An option for these patients is androgen deprivation therapy, which reduces testosterone (a hormone that may increase the growth of prostate cancer); however, the treatment has significant side effects and is not effective for all who use it.

—D. Dye

New Role for Vitamin E Uncovered

Reporting in Nature Communications, researchers from Georgia Health Sciences University unveil new findings concerning the ability of alpha-tocopherol (vitamin E) to maintain and repair the cell membrane: a permeable barrier surrounding the cell that separates its contents from its environment while allowing the transport of necessary substances.**

“Considerable evidence, dating from early studies, shows that muscle health is dependent on an adequate supply of dietary vitamin E,” the authors write. “Why vitamin E, at the cellular and molecular level, is crucial to muscle health has remained an unanswered question.”

In the current research, Dr. McNeil and colleagues demonstrated that treatment of cultured muscle cells with alpha-tocopherol results in increased membrane repair to injured cells. Further experimentation confirmed the involvement of vitamin E’s antioxidant function in its repair-promoting benefit, as well as its ability to insert itself into the cell membrane due to its lipid solubility.

—D. Dye


Meta-Analysis Associates Reduced Vitamin D Levels with Greater Risk of Dying Over Follow-Up Periods of up to 27 Years

The results of a meta-analysis published in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition reaffirm an increased risk of all-cause mortality over follow-up periods ranging from 1.3 to 24 years in association with reduced serum levels of vitamin D.**

Sara Gandini and her associates selected 14 prospective cohort studies in which serum vitamin D levels were determined for a total of 62,548 men and women. Over the studies’ varying follow-up periods, 5,562 deaths occurred.

When the studies were analyzed according to highest versus lowest vitamin D levels, a 29% lower average risk of dying was observed for those whose levels were highest. A separate, nonlinear analysis of 11 studies, which utilized approximately 11 ng/mL 25-hydroxyvitamin D as the reference range, found reductions of 14%, 23%, and 31% in association with increases of 5, 10, and 20 ng/mL above this level.

—D. Dye


Vitamin B12 and Folic Acid Improve Memory in Two-Year Trial

The American Journal of Clinical Nutrition published an analysis of a randomized, controlled trial which found that supplementation with folic acid and vitamin B12 improved immediate and delayed memory in older men and women.**

The current study analyzed data from a trial of 900 participants with psychological distress who received 400 micrograms folic acid plus 100 micrograms vitamin B12, or a placebo for two years. The original trial was designed to analyze the effect of the supplements and other factors on depressive symptoms. Cognitive function was assessed at the beginning of the study and at 12 and 24 months.

While orientation, attention, verbal memory, and processing speed remained unchanged, greater improvements from baseline in immediate and delayed recall scores were observed among those who received vitamin B12 and folic acid, compared with the placebo group.

Editor’s Note: Plasma homocysteine, an amino acid that, when elevated, is associated with a greater risk of cardiovascular events, increased by an average of 22.45% among those who received the placebo and by 8.33% among those who received the two B vitamins. Having a high homocysteine level at the beginning of the study was associated with reduced cognitive performance at 24 months, as was higher depression scores. —D. Dye

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GETTING HEALTHY SKIN TODAY

While commercial remedies for healthy skin are often falsely touted as “miracle creams” or “Fountains of Youth in a bottle,” Dr. Gary Goldfaden’s new book takes a practical, natural, whole-health approach to skin care that is both refreshing and easily understandable. Rather than offering harsh solutions like Botox® injections, laser resurfacing, and chemical skin peels as the answer to skin problems, Dr. Goldfaden advises readers to focus on a variety of natural remedies that promote long-term skin health and total body wellness.

A NATURAL SOLUTION

“I firmly believe the right food, nutrients, and supplements, along with avoiding things like smoking and prolonged sun exposure, can make you healthier on the inside and more attractive on the outside,” Dr. Goldfaden says, citing his over 40 years of personal experience and research on the topic.

Many Life Extension® readers may be familiar with common antioxidants used to promote healthy skin, like vitamins C and E, but few may know about some of the other natural actives that Dr. Goldfaden recommends be included in a healthy skin care regimen. Ingredients like red, green, white, and black tea, as well as pomegranate extract, bearberry, mushrooms, and even grapes can have astounding effects on the skin. This book includes thorough research on why these fruits, herbs, and other compounds should be used in your skin care arsenal today.

ANSWERS FOR ALL SKIN TYPES

Whether you suffer from oily skin, dry skin or sensitive skin, Your Guide to Healthy Skin the Natural Way walks you through practical tips that you can use to counter your skin ailment. With layman’s definitions of common moisturizing ingredients like hyaluronic acid, cyclomethicone, and squalene, this book will not only explain what many of the ingredients on the label of your moisturizer are, but also how they work and whether or not they’re right for your skin type. What may be most valuable, however, is Dr. Goldfaden’s introduction to skin-enhancing treatments that you may not have heard about yet, like ceramides. Ceramides are an exciting skin care ingredient that are “eminently suitable for the protection and repair of dry, sensitive skin.”

FROM VITAMIN A TO ZINC

Your Guide to Healthy Skin the Natural Way begins with the basics of Understanding Your Skin, the title of chapter one. It gradually moves readers through the steps of an effective skin care regimen, from exfoliation to cleansers, to actives, moisturizers, and sunscreens. The sunscreen chapter is particularly effective, given that it starts out by debunking a few myths, many of which have been perpetuated for far too long by the uninformed mainstream media. A small section titled Confusing Facts About SPF should be a must-read for anyone who enjoys outdoor activities and wants to protect their largest organ, their skin.

To order Your Guide to Healthy Skin the Natural Way, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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The Golden Ratio Lifestyle Diet takes a unique approach to wellness by incorporating information from a variety of scientific disciplines to explore longevity. Right from the get-go, the introduction lets readers know that this is not your run-of-the-mill lifestyle health plan. The Fibonacci Sequence and Nature’s Heartbeat are some of the topics that are so thoroughly researched and explained with real-world examples that the book will quickly win you over.

As a total body improvement book, it begins with the simplest of concepts: breathing. Citing a study from longevity researcher Roy Walford, MD, the book claims that “People with low VC (vital lung capacity) for their age did not live as long on the average as those with high VC, and as we have learned, predictability is the most important indicator that a biomarker is measuring true ‘functional’ age.”

Vital Capacity (VC) is a measurement of how much air you can breathe out, after maximal inhalation.

This chapter on “Healthy Breath and Circulation” reminds us all how critical a healthy oxygen intake is to further longevity and daily health. The authors state that your vital lung capacity is the number one predictor of longevity. This segues into a fascinating explanation about the Golden Ratio anatomy of our lungs that would seem to be a little far-fetched if not for the abundance of hard data to support it. The following chapter deals with another simple, yet vitally important factor in human health: water and hydration. Each section of this chapter deals with a different aspect of why hydration is important, but the bottom line is that one of the quickest ways to compromise your health is to be chronically dehydrated.

Chapters titled “Sleep, Rest, and Recovery,” and “Posture and Happiness” are certainly valuable, but to Life Extension® readers, the insights in the chapters dedicated to nutrition and detoxification will be truly important and exciting. There is a section on the “Golden Ratio of Evolution: Omega-6/Omega-3 Balance” that links mass dietary ignorance with a lack of knowledge about these crucial fatty acids. In addition, a section on the “Profound New View of Fullness” will be particularly interesting to those practicing caloric restriction. One of the tenets of this piece is that eating until you are only about 2/3 full (the natural Golden Ratio capacity of your stomach), supports optimal meal portions and healthy digestion. For those looking to limit their calories, this is a practical way to start down that path.

The book finds the Golden Ratio, defined in the text as “...nature’s blueprint for virtually all biologic processes...”, in nearly every facet of our health and wellness.
Alcohol-induced free radical assault can wreak havoc throughout the body.

A study in the journal Alcohol demonstrated how antioxidants help to maintain a healthy brain.1 Another study in the journal Artery stated:

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Longtime members of the Life Extension Foundation® have heard our warnings against synthetic alpha tocopherol many times.

In 1997, we reported that taking only the alpha tocopherol form of vitamin E displaces critically important gamma tocopherol in the body. By displacing gamma tocopherol, we feared that high doses of alpha tocopherol could increase cancer risks.

In fact, three years after Life Extension’s first warning, the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health released the results of a huge study (10,456 men). The findings showed that men with the highest gamma tocopherol blood levels had a fivefold reduction in prostate cancer risk. This same study showed that selenium and alpha tocopherol also reduced prostate cancer risk, but only when gamma tocopherol levels were high.1 Confirmatory studies document higher levels of gamma tocopherol to be strongly associated with reduced cancer risks.2-5

While both alpha and gamma tocopherol are potent antioxidants, gamma tocopherol has a unique function. Because of its different chemical structure, gamma tocopherol scavenges reactive nitrogen species, which can damage proteins, lipids, and DNA.6-8

Cancer is the end result of damage inflicted upon critical DNA genes that
help regulate cellular growth and maturation. The fact that **supplementation with isolated, synthetic alpha tocopherol depletes plasma gamma tocopherol levels** means that the researchers who designed a study using only high-dose **alpha tocopherol** (the SELECT trial) created a **biological catastrophe**. The result of their ignorance is that men randomized to receive only **synthetic alpha tocopherol** suffered significant **gamma tocopherol** depletion and consequently, DNA damage from reactive nitrogen species. The fact that higher prostate cancer rates were observed in the group overloaded with synthetic alpha-tocopherol in the SELECT trial was **predictable and expected** based upon fundamental facts Life Extension understood as far back as **1997**.

This costly **government-funded study was initiated in the year 2001**.

Life Extension was highly critical of this study design because it exposed healthy men to relatively **high doses of synthetic alpha tocopherol** without any supplemental **gamma tocopherol** to compensate. The results confirmed Life Extension’s worst fears. Compared to placebo, men taking **synthetic alpha tocopherol** had a **17% greater** incidence of **prostate cancer**.9 This is a tragedy from the standpoint of the study participants who should not have been given **alpha tocopherol** by itself. It was also a waste of tax dollars used to fund a study that was **designed to fail** from the outset.

In another arm of the study where **selenium** was given in addition to **alpha tocopherol**, there was not a statistically significant increase in prostate cancer.8 The study’s authors commented on the protective effect of selenium, but never mentioned the damage they inflicted by failing to include **gamma tocopherol** in their study. **Selenium** boosts antioxidant defenses in the body (such as glutathione peroxidase) that would help compensate for the displacement of **gamma tocopherol by alpha tocopherol**.10

The doctors involved in the design of the study comprise a “who’s who” of the conventional cancer establishment. Virtually every major cancer center was involved in the study conception, and it seemed that virtually every pharmaceutical company had made generous payments to the study’s overseers. If there was ever a greater **financial conflict of interest**, we have yet to see it. It was in the economic interests of the drug companies, the cancer centers, and the mainstream doctors to see this study **fail**, and the harsh comments against dietary supplements by the mainstream doctors reveal a strong **bias** against over-the-counter dietary supplements.

While the study’s authors claim that there is not a “biological explanation” from their data to explain the increase in prostate cancer in the alpha tocopherol-only group, **Life Extension** long ago **predicted in writing** this study would **fail**. As we expected, the men in this study that received **alpha tocopherol** experienced a **45% depletion** of vital **gamma tocopherol** during the initial 5.5-year median study period.11

Myriad reports now point to the urgent need for Americans to obtain sufficient **gamma tocopherol**.8,12-22 Yet the vast majority of human clinical research focuses only on **alpha tocopherol**—as if it were the only form of vitamin E people require. This article explains the mechanisms involved in development of **prostate cancer** and why no single supplement can be counted on alone to prevent it.>>
Based on reports showing antioxidants reduce incidence of prostate cancer, the federal government spent over $114 million to see if synthetic alpha tocopherol and/or a single-sourced selenium supplement would prevent prostate cancer in a large placebo-controlled trial conducted at major cancer centers throughout the United States.11

The long-term follow-up of the SELECT study was published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* on October 12, 2011.11 Long before this study’s findings were released, Life Extension® predicted that it would fail and warned that men taking high doses of alpha tocopherol without also taking gamma tocopherol faced increased disease risk.

In the initial results of the SELECT study over a median 5.5-year period, men supplemented with synthetic alpha tocopherol experienced significant gamma tocopherol depletion of 45%. Men supplemented with alpha tocopherol plus selenium experienced a 48% depletion of gamma tocopherol. These gamma tocopherol depletions occurred by 6 months and were sustained during the course of a median trial period of 5.5 years.11

It should be noted that serious supplement users choose natural alpha tocopherol because it has been shown to exert superior biological effects in the body.23,24 The synthetic form of alpha tocopherol is most often used in brand-name multivitamins made by pharmaceutical companies that are widely advertised on national television. Organizations like Life Extension have resisted the cheap price of synthetic vitamin E and use the more expensive natural form of alpha tocopherol in nutrient formulations.

It should also be noted that the only form of selenium used in this study was L-selenomethionine (200 mcg). Yet scientific studies dating back to the 1970s show that other forms of selenium might provide greater protection against cancer. That’s why most Life Extension members obtain their selenium from more than one source that includes Se-methyl L-selenocysteine and/or, other anti-cancer forms of selenium.25-30

Life Extension has conducted a thorough review of the SELECT study that is now being used as a basis to attack dietary supplements. The more of this article you read, the more you will understand why the SELECT study was designed to fail from the outset.

**Initial SELECT Report Showed No Risk or Benefit**

When data was first reported from the SELECT trial on December 9, 2008, it found no reduction in prostate cancer incidence in men taking alpha tocopherol or selenium over a median period of 5.5 years.11

This was not surprising since we have known for the past 14 years that when alpha tocopherol is taken by itself, it displaces critically important gamma tocopherol in our cells.31-34 An abundance of evidence points to the gamma tocopherol form of vitamin E as the most protective against prostate cancer.2,35-37

By supplementing aging men with only alpha tocopherol, doctors increased these men’s prostate cancer risk by depriving prostate cells of critical gamma tocopherol. This is only a tiny part of the real story behind this flawed study.
The American Medical Association used the initial finding of no benefit to discredit vitamin E and selenium supplements. An editorial by the American Medical Association concluded by advising:

“... physicians should not recommend selenium or vitamin E—or any other antioxidant supplements—to their patients for preventing prostate cancer.”

In January 2008, as part of our article titled “Merv Griffin’s Tragic Death from Prostate Cancer,” we predicted that the SELECT trial would fail. We also stated that this faulty SELECT study would be misused by the medical establishment to discredit by extrapolation, other low-cost efficacious nutrients like vitamin D and fish oil.

How Gamma Tocopherol Protects Against Cancer

**Gamma tocopherol** exerts *anticancer* effects through a variety of important mechanisms, giving it an especially broad spectrum of action against a host of tumor types. At the very beginning of the cancer development process, gamma tocopherol traps reactive nitrogen species and other free radicals that cause mutations in DNA strands and render cells vulnerable to malignant transformation. This is a crucial step in the prevention of cancer.

Gamma tocopherol inhibits cancer cell growth in culture through a number of different mechanisms. It downregulates control molecules known as cyclins, which traps cancer cells in the midst of their reproduction cycle and prevent them from reproducing and spreading. This anticancer effect appears to be based on a mechanism separate from the vitamin’s well-known antioxidant powers.

A cell membrane receptor called PPAR-gamma (peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-gamma) is a promising target for anticancer therapies because it affects genes that control cancer cell growth and death. This is why PPAR-activating drugs are being researched and developed by pharmaceutical companies as anticancer drugs. Gamma tocopherol is more powerful than alpha tocopherol at stimulating PPAR-gamma activity, especially in colon cancer cells. In prostate cancer cells, PPAR-gamma stimulation by gamma tocopherol resulted in a complete cessation of cancer cell growth.

Once cancerous transformation has taken place, there are still biological opportunities to prevent full-blown tumor development. One of these ways is the induction of deliberate cell death through built-in genetic programs, a process called apoptosis. In a variety of cancer tissues, gamma tocopherol has been found to be superior to alpha tocopherol at induc-

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New Study Validates Life Extension’s Early Warning

- In 1997, Life Extension reported that taking only the alpha tocopherol form of vitamin E displaces gamma tocopherol in the body.
- A 2000 study showed that men with the highest blood levels of gamma tocopherol had a 5-fold reduction in prostate cancer risk. Alpha tocopherol and selenium also reduced prostate risk, but only when gamma tocopherol was high.
- Abundant evidence points to gamma tocopherol as the form of vitamin E that is most protective against prostate and other cancers.
- Many factors contribute to the initiation and development of prostate cancer, including dietary factors, estrogen levels, and low vitamin D levels.
- The SELECT study attempted to reduce prostate cancer risk using one or two nutrients; however, dozens of factors are involved in the development of prostate cancer. It is no surprise that this flawed study failed to find a protective effect for vitamin E supplements.
- Life Extension encourages members to pursue a comprehensive program of healthy diet and supplementation in order to protect their prostate health.
ing apoptosis, triggering a number of desirable cell disposal-pathways. In prostate cancer cells, gamma tocopherol induced cell death by blocking synthesis of important cell membrane components. Gamma tocopherol also reduces the development of new blood vessel formation in tumors, depriving them of the nutrients they need to thrive.

To date, all of these mechanisms have been shown to inhibit cancers of the colon, prostate, breast, and lung in animal models, with many more under active investigation.

A study found that women who consumed most vitamin E from food sources had a 60% reduction in the risk of breast cancer, compared to women with the lowest consumption. The form of vitamin E that strongly predominates in food sources is gamma tocopherol.

In the December 2000 issue of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute, researchers at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health published results of a huge study of 10,456 men showing that those with the highest gamma tocopherol blood levels had a fivefold reduction in prostate cancer risk. This same study showed that selenium and alpha tocopherol also reduced prostate cancer risk, but only when gamma tocopherol levels were high.

These findings should have been glaringly apparent to those involved in the SELECT human clinical trial that began one year later (in 2001), yet the SELECT study design called for men to be given a high dose of synthetic alpha tocopherol that resulted in depletion of vital gamma tocopherol by 45% during the initial 5.5-year median trial period! This is one reason why we believe the SELECT study was “designed to fail.”

We know that free radical-induced damage to DNA genes can cause cancer, but there are other risk factors beyond oxidative stress to blame for most prostate tumors.

### Prostate Cancer Is Initiated Early in Life

While prostate cancer is not usually diagnosed until men reach older ages, it can be initiated 15-25 years prior to clinical manifestation. In fact, there is convincing evidence that the initiating DNA damage inflicted by estrogen to prostate cells can occur before a man is even born.

Studies show that as early as the second and third trimester of life, exposure to elevated estrogens in the womb can initiate prostate cancer that may not manifest for 80 years. A man’s lifetime exposure to higher-than-normal estrogen may be a contributing factor to prostate cancer development. There is no evidence that antioxidants like alpha tocopherol and selenium would protect against this kind of prostate cancer induced by prolonged excess estrogen exposure.

Please don’t feel helpless about this, as it requires more than mere initiation for cancer to fully develop. Dietary and other lifestyle factors have an enormous impact on whether men will develop prostate cancer, even if they are genetically predisposed.
The Cause of All Cancers

Cancer can be defined in one sentence as follows:

“Cancer is the accumulation of mutations in genes that regulate cellular proliferation.”

All cancers are caused by gene mutations. Every time a cell divides, there are slight mutations to one’s genes. Oxidative stress accelerates gene mutation, but is by no means the primary factor. While selenium and vitamin E reduce some types of oxidative stress, the aged men in the SELECT study had already sustained considerable genetic mutations that are not reversible by taking antioxidants.

Fortunately, there are nutrients that have been shown to favorably reverse the gene alterations involved in cancer initiation and progression. One promising nutrient is vitamin D, which has been shown to slash prostate cancer risk in some studies. Serum levels of vitamin D were not assessed in the SELECT study, so it was not possible to know which men had protective levels of vitamin D and those who had insufficient or even deficient levels. If men in the placebo group had even slightly higher vitamin D status, they should have been less likely to contract prostate cancer.

What researchers fail to comprehend is that giving aged men a single antioxidant like alpha tocopherol is not going to reverse seven decades of genetic damage to prostate DNA. Fortunately, we know of other mechanisms that fuel prostate cancer progression that can be mitigated.

Eating Your Way to Prostate Cancer

Cancer cells lurk in the prostate glands of most aging men, yet only one in six men are ever diagnosed with prostate cancer. If one looks at what is required for a single cancer cell to develop into a detectable tumor, it becomes obvious that natural barriers exist to protect people against full-blown cancer.

Unfortunately, the dietary choices of most men living in the modern Western world circumvent the body’s natural protective barriers. The end result is that most men unwittingly provide biological fuel for existing prostate cancer cells to propagate and metastasize.

Fortunately, an understanding of the biological roles of diet and specific nutrients can enable aging men to achieve a considerable amount of control over whether isolated cancer cells in their prostate gland will ever show up as a clinically diagnosed disease.

The First Line of Defense: Omega-3 Fatty Acids

Diets high in omega-6 fats and saturated fats are associated with greater prostate cancer risk, whereas increased intake of omega-3 fats from fish has been shown to reduce risk. Based on consistent epidemiological findings across a wide range of human populations, scientists have sought to understand why eating the wrong kinds of fat (saturated and omega-6 fats) provokes a stimulatory effect on prostate cancer.

To ascertain what happens after we eat bad fats, all one has to do is look at the metabolic breakdown pathways that these fats follow in the body, as shown in the chart on the next page (Figure 1). For example, let us assume that for dinner, you eat a steak (a source of saturated fat) and a salad, along with a typical salad dressing of soybean and/or safflower oils (sources of omega-6 fats).

As can be seen in the flow chart (Figure 1), saturated and omega-6 fats convert to arachidonic acid in the body. The meat itself contains arachidonic acid. One way that the body rids itself of excess arachidonic acid is provoking a dangerous metabolizing pathway through 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX). Studies show that 5-LOX products directly stimulate prostate cancer cell proliferation via several well-defined...
How Common Foods Convert to Deadly Compounds in the Body

Consumption of arachidonic acid-rich foods such as egg yolk, red meat, poultry, and organ meat.

Consumption of arachidonic acid precursors/stimulating foods such as omega-6 fats and high-glycemic carbohydrates.

EXCESS ARACHIDONIC ACID IN THE BODY

Increased production of 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX) (facilitates the propagation, infiltration, and metastasis of cancer cells)

Increased production of 5-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid (5-HETE) (interferes with programmed cancer cell death [apoptosis])

Excess accumulation of leukotriene B4 (proinflammatory compound that attacks the joints, arterial wall, and other tissues)

Figure 1. Flow chart showing how the body metabolizes common foods via the 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX) pathway.
mechanisms.\textsuperscript{59-64} Arachidonic acid is metabolized by 5-LOX to 5-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic acid (5-HETE), a potent survival factor that prostate cancer cells use to escape destruction.\textsuperscript{65,66} Figure 1 clearly demonstrates how consuming a diet of foods rich in arachidonic acid directly provokes the production of dangerous 5-LOX products, which can promote the progression of prostate cancer. In addition to 5-HETE, 5-LOX also metabolizes arachidonic acid into leukotriene B4, a potent pro-inflammatory agent that causes destructive reactions throughout the body and inflicts severe damage to the arterial wall.\textsuperscript{67-73}

One reason that fish oil supplements have become so popular is that their beneficial EPA/DHA fatty acids can help reduce the production of arachidonic acid-derived eicosanoids in the body.\textsuperscript{74-79} As shown in Figure 1, if arachidonic acid levels are reduced, there would be a corresponding suppression of the 5-LOX products 5-HETE and leukotriene B4.

Once one understands the lethal metabolic cascades that occurs in response to poor dietary choices, it is easy to see why people who excessively consume foods rich in arachidonic acid, and/or those who do not reduce the production of excessive arachidonic acid metabolites, are setting themselves up for prostate cancer and a host of inflammatory diseases (including atherosclerosis). A chart appearing later in this article clearly shows the destructive cascade initiated by excess arachidonic acid.

Men in the SELECT study who took alpha tocopherol-selenium supplements, but consumed foods

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**Daily Use of Aspirin May Decrease Prostate Risks**

Researchers studied 2,447 men over 12 years, examining them every other year. After adjusting for age, diabetes, hypertension, and other factors, they found that men who took a daily aspirin or another NSAID (like ibuprofen) reduced their risk of moderate or severe urinary symptoms by 27% and lowered their risk of an enlarged prostate by 49%. Even more intriguing was the finding that men who consumed aspirin or another non-steroidal anti-inflammatory (NSAID) were 48% less likely to have an elevated level of prostate-specific antigen (PSA), the protein measured in the blood that helps detect prostate cancer.\textsuperscript{80}

Aspirin inhibits the cyclooxygenase (COX-1 and COX-2) enzymes, which are also involved in the arachidonic acid inflammatory pathway.\textsuperscript{81,82} Like 5-lipoxygenase, COX-2 is known to promote the proliferation of prostate cancer cells.\textsuperscript{83}

In the SELECT study used to discredit alpha tocopherol-selenium, the use of aspirin or ibuprofen by the placebo group may have reduced the prostate cancer risk more than what could be expected in those receiving alpha tocopherol and selenium who may not have been taking as much aspirin or other NSAIDs.
Multiple Dangers of Excess Arachidonic Acid

In response to arachidonic acid overload, the body increases its production of enzymes like 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX) to degrade arachidonic acid. Not only do 5-LOX products directly stimulate cancer cell propagation, but the breakdown products that 5-LOX produces from arachidonic acid (such as leukotriene B4, 5-HETE, and hydroxylated fatty acids) cause tissue destruction, chronic inflammation, and increased resistance of tumor cells to apoptosis (programmed cell destruction).

It is important to understand that 5-LOX is not the only dangerous enzyme the body produces to break down arachidonic acid. As can be seen in Figure 2, both cyclooxygenase-1 and cyclooxygenase-2 (COX-1 and COX-2) also participate in the degradation of arachidonic acid.

COX-1 causes the production of thromboxane A2, which can promote abnormal arterial blood clotting (thrombosis), resulting in heart attack and stroke. COX-2 is directly involved in cancer cell propagation, while its breakdown product (prostaglandin E2) promotes chronic inflammation. Most health-conscious people already inhibit the COX-1 and COX-2 enzymes by taking low-dose aspirin, curcumin, green tea, and various flavonoids such as resveratrol.

A more integrative approach to this problem, however, would be to also reduce levels of arachidonic acid, which is the precursor of 5-HETE and leukotriene.

5-LOX Is Overexpressed in Prostate Cancer

Based on studies showing that consumption of foods rich in arachidonic acid is greatest in regions with high incidences of prostate cancer, scientists sought to determine how much of the 5-LOX enzyme is present in malignant versus benign prostate tissues.

Using biopsy samples taken from living human patients, the researchers found that 5-LOX mRNA levels were an astounding sixfold greater in malignant prostate tissues compared with benign tissues. The scientists concluded this study by stating that selective inhibitors of 5-LOX may be useful in the prevention or treatment of patients with prostate cancer.

5-LOX Promotes Tumor Growth Factors

As the evidence mounts that ingesting “bad fats” increases prostate cancer risk, scientists are evaluating the effects of 5-LOX on various growth factors involved in the progression, angiogenesis, and metastasis of cancer cells.
One study found that 5-LOX activity is required to stimulate prostate cancer cell growth by epidermal growth factor (EGF) and other cancer cell-proliferating factors produced in the body. When 5-LOX levels were reduced, the cancer cell-stimulatory effect of EGF and other growth factors was diminished.69

In a mouse study, an increase in 5-LOX resulted in a corresponding increase in vascular endothelial growth factor, a key growth factor that tumor cells use to stimulate new blood vessel formation (angiogenesis) into the tumor. 5-lipoxygenase inhibitors were shown to reduce tumor angiogenesis along with a host of other growth factors.86 In both androgen-dependent and androgen-independent human prostate cancer cell lines, the inhibition of 5-LOX has consistently been shown to induce rapid and massive apoptosis (cancer cell destruction).60,84,87,88

**Suppressing Arachidonic Acid Byproducts**

Health-conscious people take nutrients like fish oil, curcumin, and lycopene that help to lower 5-LOX activity in the body.84,89-96

A rat study showed that gamma tocopherol, but not alpha tocopherol, exhibited potent reduction of PGE2 and leukotriene B4, powerful pro-inflammatory end products of the COX-2 and 5-LOX pathways, respectively.97 A review of several studies indicates that combinations of alpha and gamma tocopherol optimally reduce end products (such as PGE2 and leukotriene B4) of arachidonic acid breakdown in the body.18,98,99

Extracts from the boswellia plant selectively inhibit 5-lipoxygenase (5-LOX).100,101 A novel boswellia extract has been developed that is 52% more bioavailable compared to standard boswellia extracts102 thus providing a greater opportunity to suppress deadly 5-LOX and other cancer-promoting byproducts of arachidonic acid.

As humans age, overexpression of the enzymes 5-LOX and COX-2 typically occurs. For maturing males, excess levels of these pro-inflammatory enzymes may contribute to the epidemic of prostate cancer observed after the age of 60.103

Based on the cumulative knowledge that 5-LOX, COX-2, and their breakdown products can promote the invasion and metastasis of prostate cancer cells, it would appear advantageous to take aggressive steps to suppress these lethal enzymes.

For the unfortunate men who received only alpha tocopherol in the SELECT study, the suppression of gamma tocopherol that occurred in their bodies presumably exposed them to higher levels of cancer-promoting byproducts of arachidonic acid. Interestingly, selenium has shown 5-LOX-inhibiting effects, which may partially explain why men receiving selenium and alpha tocopherol-alone did not show a statistically significant increase in prostate cancer.

**Soy, Lignans, and Cruciferous Vegetables**

Men who regularly consume certain plant foods have sharply lower rates of prostate cancer. Studies show that cauliflower, broccoli, flax lignans, and soy isoflavones141-150 protect against a host of diseases, including prostate cancer. If the men in the SELECT placebo group ate an even slightly healthier diet, then they would be expected to enjoy a lower rate of prostate cancer compared with men who took the alpha tocopherol-selenium supplements but ate fewer cancer-preventing plant foods.

**Low Testosterone Increases Prostate Cancer Risk**

In a book authored by Harvard University experts titled *Testosterone for Life*, detailed findings are presented that dispel a misleading notion about testosterone causing prostate cancer.151 These researchers meticulously document their observations that men with low levels of testosterone have higher prostate cancer risks.
This finding provides another confounding factor that skews the results of the SELECT trial that only used alpha tocopherol and/or selenium. If men receiving the supplements had lower testosterone levels, they would conceivably have a higher rate of prostate cancer.

**Too Many Factors Involved in Prostate Cancer Causation**

The SELECT study was designed based on prior studies showing sharply lower risks of prostate cancer in men who consumed vitamin E and selenium.\textsuperscript{152-158} It was also based on the premise that protecting genes against oxidative stress would reduce prostate cancer incidence in aged men.

We now know of dozens of factors involved in the development of full-blown prostate cancer. One could not expect that taking just one or two nutrients would result in less prostate cancer developing in these older study subjects. There are too many other causes that should have been factored in when the SELECT study was originally designed.

It is encouraging that a plethora of new research findings have identified definitive ways for aging men to drastically slash their risk of developing prostate and other cancers.

**Conclusion**

Life Extension long ago warned of increased disease risk in those who only took alpha tocopherol supplements without also taking gamma tocopherol.

Leaving out gamma tocopherol is not the only flaw in the SELECT study. It is rather conspicuous, however, since men supplemented with alpha tocopherol experienced a 45-48\% depletion in gamma tocopherol levels by six months that was sustained during the course of the initial 5.5-year median trial period.\textsuperscript{11}

The facts revealed in this rebuttal to the SELECT study identify a fundamental problem confronting researchers who seek to “prove” whether a certain supplement prevents a disease. There are too many “other” factors involved in the development and progression of prostate cancer, including low levels of testosterone, increased levels of estrogen, coexisting diabetes or metabolic syndrome, low vitamin D intake, and increased dietary saturated fats.\textsuperscript{159} These confounding factors therefore make it difficult to study just one or two compounds and expect to come up with a valid finding.

To emphasize today’s sense of urgency, the aging population will contract prostate cancer at epidemic levels unless aggressive changes are implemented immediately. That’s because mutated cells in the

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**Figure 2. Arachidonic Acid’s Destructive Cascade**

To better understand the pathways by which arachidonic acid can cause arthritic, carcinogenic, and cardiovascular conditions, the flow chart below shows how arachidonic acid cascades down into damaging compounds in the body.

**ARACHIDONIC ACID**

(inhibited by eating less insulin-stimulating carbohydrates, meat, and egg yolk, and by consuming more cold-water fish, fish oil, and sesame lignans)

**COX-1**

(inhibited by low-dose aspirin)

**COX-2**

(inhibited by curcumin, resveratrol, and green tea)

**5-LIPOOXYGENASE**

(inhibited by fish oil, curcumin, and boswellia)

**THROMBOXANE A2**

Abnormal Platelet Aggregation

**PROSTAGLANDIN E2**

Inflammation, Atherosclerosis, and Joint Destruction

**LEUKOTRIENE B4**

Interferes with Cancer Cell Death (Apoptosis)

**5-HETE**
prostate glands of aging males are already on the verge of maturing into full-blown cancer.

This is why we encourage Life Extension members to consume healthy diets and supplements that have been shown to sharply reduce prostate cancer incidence. There is not enough time left in our generation’s projected life spans to withstand the kind of scientific design flaws seen in the SELECT study, the medical establishment’s bias against supplements, and arbitrary standards set by the pharmaceutical monopoly.

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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Study after study confirms the vital importance of maintaining optimal levels of vitamin D for broad-spectrum health benefits. Research often indicates that a blood level of 50 ng/mL of 25-hydroxyvitamin D is ideal. Because people have individual requirements, Life Extension® has created the largest selection of vitamin D supplements available to ensure that you achieve your vitamin D3 goals. Keep in mind that you may already be getting 1,000-3,000 IU of vitamin D in your multi-nutrient formula.

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ARE YOU TAKING THE OPTIMAL FORMS OF VITAMIN E?

According to the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, alpha tocopherol (regular vitamin E) displaces critically important gamma tocopherol in the cells.\(^1\) While alpha tocopherol inhibits free-radical production, gamma tocopherol is required to trap and neutralize existing free radicals.\(^2\)

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.\(^2,3\)

**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.\(^4,5\) 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 fortified the popular Gamma E Tocopherol supplement with standardized sesame lignans long ago. Consumers thus obtain superior benefits at a much lower cost.

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Note: Those taking Super Booster do not usually require additional gamma tocopherol.

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OLIVE LEAF
Safely Modulates
Blood Pressure
High blood pressure is one of the most accurate predictors of cardiovascular disease,¹ the number one killer of Americans.

Tragically, mainstream medicine’s definition of what constitutes high blood pressure remains dangerously high.

According to current medical standards, so-called “stage I hypertension” begins at readings of 140/90 mmHg or higher.²

Yet as Life Extension® has long warned, a review of the scientific literature suggests that for every 20/10 mmHg increase above 115/75 mmHg, your risk of cardiovascular disease doubles.²

Findings from a study published in late 2011³ underscore the cost of this medical malfeasance in human lives. This retrospective, population-based analysis of 26 million people revealed a 200-400% higher mortality rate in hypertensive individuals between the ages of 20-49, compared to the general population without hypertension.

If the definition of “high blood pressure” were revised downward to reflect the significant threat of even moderate hypertension, millions of these lives could have been saved.

What this means is that maturing individuals need to take all necessary steps to bring blood pressure under control, regardless of their doctors’ evaluations.

The exciting news is that these alarming findings coincide with a newly identified technology that yields a highly refined form of antihypertensive nutrient.∗

In this article, you will learn about oleuropein, a bioactive compound found in standardized olive leaf extract.

When tested on hypertensive patients in a double-blind, controlled clinical trial, this highly stable form of oleuropein reduced systolic blood pressure by an average 11.5 points (mmHg), diastolic blood pressure by 4.8 points⁴ and provided other vascular health benefits. > >

* Before changing the dosage, or discontinuing any blood pressure-lowering medication, consult with your health practitioner.
Targeting Hypertension’s Primary Cause

The olive fruit (Olea europaea) is a core constituent of the Mediterranean diet. Its broad-spectrum health benefits have been well documented in the clinical literature.

Olive fruit’s array of beneficial compounds includes hydroxytyrosol, oleacein, ursolic, and oleanic acids. However, it is oleuropein, found in high concentrations in the leaf of the olive tree, that is largely responsible for the beneficial effect on high blood pressure.5-9

Why?
A multitude of causative factors underlies uncontrolled blood pressure. Many cases of hypertension involve increased arterial stiffness.10 This stiffness, or lack of elasticity, usually begins in the arterioles—tiny peripheral arteries most distant from the heart—and eventually spreads to larger arteries.

Oleuropein has been shown to specifically target arterial resistance and stiffness, improving endothelial function and bringing blood pressure under control. It accomplishes this in part by modulating calcium channel flow—with an excellent tolerability profile.4,11-14

While tolerability has been excellent with oleuropein, the list of side effects associated with certain blood pressure medications is long. This list includes swollen ankles and feet (edema),15 gastrointestinal bleeding,16 kidney impairment,17,18 excess potassium in the blood,19,20 negative interactions with other drugs,18 and, paradoxically, increased risk of heart attack.21

Modern medical protocols prescribe multiple drugs simultaneously to control blood pressure.22 While drug combinations may reduce blood pressure, often with limited or uneven control,23 a growing body of scientific evidence suggests that the greater the number of drugs, the greater the risk of drug-to-drug interaction and adverse events.

Despite a good safety profile, there is an issue with many commercial extracts of oleuropein: they degrade unless processed using precise handling techniques.24

In a significant advance, a gentle-processing technique has been developed that inhibits oleuropein breakdown, resulting in an olive leaf extract that delivers a standardized, high concentration of bioavailable oleuropein.

Antihypertensive Effects in Animal Models

In a lab study, macrophage cells drawn from animals were treated with oleuropein from olive leaf extract. The cells generated a greater supply of nitric oxide, a natural blood vessel dilator, suggesting that olive leaf extract may lower blood pressure in living beings.25

Having identified this property, scientists applied the extract to rabbit hearts. The higher the concentration, the more the extract decreased the systolic left ventricular pressure and heart rate, and increased coronary flow. The L-type calcium channel flow was also suppressed,17 an effect that can help to lessen artery wall muscle contraction.
The next step was to determine if this plant extract would exhibit the same antihypertensive effects in animals.

First, an experimental agent that induces hypertension by inhibiting nitric oxide was given to rats for **eight weeks**. At the same time, scientists administered the olive leaf formulation. In a dose-dependent fashion, the extract provided a *prophylactic* effect, offsetting the effects of the hypertensive agent—and preventing high blood pressure.

Next, the same team gave only the hypertensive agent to rats over a **six-week** period, causing high blood pressure. Then, for a second **six-week** period, they administered both the hypertensive agent and olive leaf extract to the rats. The extract completely eliminated the induced hypertension. The scientists suggested the extract reversed the remodeling of vascular and cardiac tissue that is known to occur with high blood pressure.26

The real challenge, however, was whether this same formulation would be effective in humans who have high blood pressure.

**Efficacy in Humans**

To evaluate its efficacy in humans in a controlled open-label trial, scientists gave the olive leaf formulation to 20 pairs of identical twins, aged 18-60, all of whom had borderline hypertension. One set of twins took 500 mg a day over **eight weeks**, while the matched twins took 1,000 mg, with a control group making lifestyle changes only.

Mean blood pressure levels increased for the control group, and decreased modestly for the 500 mg group. However, mean blood pressure for the 1,000 mg olive leaf group decreased from 137 mmHg to 126 mmHg (systolic) and from 80 mmHg to 76 mmHg (diastolic)—and in just **eight weeks**.27

These findings were supported by another, larger study of 232 patients aged 25-60, with stage 1 hypertension. In a randomized, double-blind, active-controlled trial, scientists compared the efficacy of olive leaf against captopril (Capoten®), an antihypertensive drug. Some participants received **twice-daily** dosages of 500 mg of the olive leaf formulation, while others were given the standard **twice-daily** dosages of 12.5 to 25 mg (adjusted as required) of captopril.

After a treatment period of **eight weeks**, blood pressure was reduced for both groups. The systolic readings decreased by a mean of 11.5 and 13.7 mmHg for the olive leaf and captopril groups, respectively. Also, the diastolic readings decreased by a mean of 4.8 and 6.4 mmHg for the olive leaf and captopril groups.

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**Olive Leaf Compound Helps Maintain Healthy Blood Pressure Levels**

- Mainstream medicine’s definition of what constitutes “safe” blood pressure is dangerously high.
- The available drugs to treat high blood pressure come with a host of adverse side effects, from edema to electrolyte imbalance.
- Oleuropein, a compound found in high concentration in the olive leaf, favorably modulates arterial resistance or stiffness, high blood pressure’s core mechanism.
- A special extraction technique has been developed to prevent the degradation of oleuropein typical in standard processing.
- This specially processed, highly stable form of oleuropein reduced systolic blood pressure by an average 11.5 mmHg, and diastolic blood pressure by 4.8 mmHg—in just eight weeks.
Why Modern Medicine Fails Aging Individuals with High Blood Pressure

High blood pressure gradually destroys delicate vasculature and organs throughout the body and is associated with a horrific array of pathologies, from dementia and retinopathy to kidney failure, stroke, and heart attack.²⁹

So why is blood pressure so poorly controlled among vast numbers of aging individuals? There are three major problems with the way mainstream medicine approaches elevated blood pressure. All stem from the fact that doctors remain in the Dark Ages when it comes to hypertension diagnosis and treatment.

The first problem is the woefully outdated medical definition of high blood pressure outlined in the beginning of this article.³⁰ Despite data showing optimal blood pressure should be around 115/75 mmHg, researchers have found that doctors seldom treat patients unless their readings go far beyond the dangerously high level but medically “acceptable” reading of 140/90 mmHg.²,²² As one team of researchers noted, “Hypertension control is unlikely to improve unless physicians become more aggressive in treating mildly elevated systolic blood pressure.”³¹

The second problem is that even when a patient’s blood pressure consistently reads above mainstream medicine’s official starting point of 140/90 mmHg for stage I hypertension,² conventional physicians have still been stubbornly reluctant to treat it. Typically, treatment is initiated when readings exceed the extremely high point of 160/90 mmHg,³¹ needlessly increasing the risk of disease and death.

The third problem is that most patients placed on drugs only manage to control their blood pressure for part of each day.²³

Summary

Mainstream medicine’s definition of what constitutes high blood pressure remains grossly inaccurate, prompting physicians to withhold necessary treatment and costing millions of lives. Certain drugs used to treat hypertension are accompanied by a host of adverse side effects, from edema to electrolyte imbalance.

Oleuropein, a compound found in high concentration in the olive leaf, has been shown to favorably modulate high blood pressure’s core mechanism: arterial resistance or stiffness. In a double-blind,
controlled study in humans, this formulation reduced systolic blood pressure by an average 11.5 points mmHg, and diastolic blood pressure by 4.8 points—in just eight weeks.

The target blood pressure, at rest, over a full 24-hour day to reduce cardiovascular disease risk is 115/75 mmHg for most healthy individuals. Lifestyle changes including nutrition, exercise, and weight loss can help. In aging individuals, however, optimal blood pressure control may require a prescription anti-hypertensive drug like 10 to 20 mg a day of Benicar®. A report last year linked the use of drugs in the class of Benicar® (angiotension II receptor blockers) with a slight increase in cancer incidence, so the lowest effective dose of this class of drug would appear preferable.28

Olive leaf extract can help support healthy blood pressure. If you require anti-hypertension medications to control your blood pressure, you should carefully monitor your blood pressure at home with an accurate home blood pressure monitor. Lifestyle changes to include nutrition may allow you to reduce your reliance on prescription medication and achieve your target blood pressure. However, never make abrupt changes to your anti-hypertensive medication regimen without first discussing your medical history with a qualified health care practitioner.

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

Uncontrolled Blood Pressure, Deadly Damage

Both prolonged and periodically high blood pressure inflicts progressively lethal damage to multiple organs and physiological systems, including:29

- Endothelial dysfunction
- Generalized atherosclerosis
- Aortic aneurysm
- Arteriosclerotic stenosis
- Stroke
- Intracerebral hemorrhage
- Hypertensive encephalopathy
- Retinopathy
- Vascular dementia
- Atrial fibrillation
- Myocardial infarction
- Coronary heart disease
- Heart failure
- Left ventricular hypertrophy
- Chronic kidney disease
- Renal failure

Blood pressure above 115/75 mmHg should be treated early and aggressively to avert these forms of incremental and potentially lethal damage.
OLIVE LEAF SAFELY MODULATES BLOOD PRESSURE

References


Caution

If you have hypertension (high blood pressure) and/or are currently taking medication to lower your blood pressure, seek medical advice before taking olive leaf extract. Consult with a health care professional prior to taking or using any product that may affect blood pressure. If advised by a health care professional to take olive leaf extract concurrently with anti-hypertensive medication, adjust the dose only under the continued care of a health care practitioner.
Frightening new studies reveal that most people taking an antihypertensive drug under medical supervision still suffer from high blood pressure. What this means is that prescription drugs and physician care are not enough to adequately control blood pressure in the majority of people.

One reason that conventional medicine so often fails to optimally control blood pressure is that hypertension can be caused by several underlying factors. While an antihypertensive drug will usually reduce blood pressure somewhat, it often requires a comprehensive program (including lifestyle modifications and specific nutrients) to achieve optimal blood pressure readings of below 120/80.

The problem is that hurried doctors sometimes prescribe the same drug, in the same dose, to all of their hypertensive patients. As can be seen by published medical data, this is not enough to keep most patients’ blood pressure below 120/80.

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE

Over the last 15 years, home blood pressure monitors have been developed that are proving highly reliable. In fact, some of these home blood pressure monitors are now being used in doctors’ offices.

The availability of these monitors enables consumers to test their own blood pressure several times a day to make sure whatever anti-hypertensive program they are following is really working. The importance of being able to check one’s own blood pressure cannot be overstated.

In some cases, a doctor will prescribe once-a-day dosing of an anti-hypertensive drug that fails to provide 24-hour blood pressure control. By testing your blood pressure several times a day, you can inform your doctor that you may need to take your medication more frequently. In too many cases, the drugs prescribed to control blood pressure provide only a partial reduction. By testing your own blood pressure, you can make decisions about lifestyle changes and nutrient interventions that could enable you to achieve optimal blood pressure control (with or without drugs).

THE BEST BLOOD PRESSURE MONITORS

There are a wide variety of blood pressure monitors sold in pharmacies. Life Extension® conducted an analysis of the blood pressure monitors on the market to identify those with the best features at the best price.

Many cuff monitors work only on batteries, which can be inconvenient and expensive when the batteries have to be frequently changed. Other monitors have cuffs that do not fit around all arms, or lack features that enable people to electronically track their blood pressure readings over an extended time period. Life Extension has identified an at-home monitor with the best features and is offering them to members at a substantial discount.

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A common complaint among older adults is loss of physical and mental energy. As people age, their cells’ ability to produce energy is diminished. Many scientists believe that cellular energy deficit is a critical factor in the onset of many problems.

The Russian herb *rhodiola* (*Rhodiola rosea*) has demonstrated a remarkable ability to support cellular energy metabolism.* Rhodiola promotes higher levels of ATP (adenosine triphosphate) and CP (creatine phosphate) in the cellular power plants known as the mitochondria, thus providing more of the energy molecules need to power many daily activities.¹

In a human trial, *rhodiola* aided exercise endurance after just a single dose.² In another double-blind, crossover human trial, *rhodiola* increased several measures of mental performance, including associative thinking, short-term memory, calculation, concentration, and speed of audiovisual perception. Statistically significant improvements were reported after just two weeks of supplementation.³

Life Extension® has formulated a **Rhodiola Extract** that provides 250 mg of *Rhodiola rosea* extract in each capsule.

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To order **Rhodiola Extract**, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit **www.LifeExtension.com**

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Many of the validated benefits of the Mediterranean diet derive from heart-healthy compounds contained in the olive fruit, including the polyphenols tyrosol and hydroxytyrosol.¹⁻⁴

When it comes to olive’s power to support blood pressure already within a healthy range, research shows the bioactive compound oleuropein⁵⁻⁸ is primarily responsible.

The problem is that optimal amounts of oleuropein are not found in the fruit. The highest concentrations of oleuropein are contained in the olive leaf⁹⁻¹³—a part of the plant that is neither readily available nor commonly consumed.

Oleuropein normally degrades during standard food processing. For this reason, Life Extension® introduces Olive Leaf Vascular Support.

Olive Leaf Vascular Support consists of a patented, standardized oleuropein extract using a unique, gentle-processing technique.

Researchers using 1,000 mg per day of this formulation in a double-blind, controlled clinical trial documented an average 11.5-point (mmHg) decline in systolic readings and 4.8-point drop in diastolic readings in just eight weeks.¹⁴

The suggested daily serving of two 500 mg vegetarian capsules of Olive Leaf Vascular Support supplies optimal concentrations of this proprietary, highly-stable oleuropein, for maximum benefit.

CAUTION: Consult your healthcare provider before taking this product if you are being prescribed anti-hypertensive medication.

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EXCESS IRON and BRAIN DEGENERATION: The Little-Known Link

Iron gradually builds up in certain cells and tissues over the course of the human life span. Too much iron accelerates mitochondrial decay and inflicts system-wide free radical damage to healthy tissues.\(^1,2\) Age-related iron overload is a known contributor to multiple degenerative diseases, including liver fibrosis, heart attack, and cancer.\(^3-8\)

Iron accumulation is often a consequence of aging. In the laboratory, total iron content has been shown to increase exponentially as cells age, resulting in 10-fold higher levels of iron compared to young cells.\(^3\)

Sadly, owing to physician and patient ignorance, the significant dangers posed by excess iron in the body remain little known and often overlooked. As a result, most maturing individuals are not taking aggressive measures to ensure ideal total-body iron status—and most doctors do not properly test for it.

In this article, you will discover the results of a groundbreaking UCLA study published late last year conclusively linking excess iron accumulation in brain tissue to neurodegenerative brain disorders like Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s.\(^9,10\)

You will also find a multi-pronged approach to prevent and even reverse iron-induced tissue damage in the brain, liver, and kidneys using nutrients Life Extension® members already take, such as quercetin, curcumin, lipoic acid, and green tea. > >
Bartzokis’ team was struck by several other gender differences apparent in these diseases: men are more likely to develop these conditions at earlier ages than women, and women have significantly lower iron levels in five vital brain regions than men of similar ages.17

A Breakthrough Study

These findings led to a compelling study published in late 2011 demonstrating for the first time that limiting your body’s lifetime exposure to iron can in turn limit your risk of neurodegenerative brain disorders.

It began with the observation that women not only have lower brain iron levels in their later years, they also have lower iron levels throughout their bodies for most of their lives. It has long been known among physicians that this difference arises because women lose iron during their reproductive years through menstruation. Could that steady, low-level loss of iron...
be an effective means by which women inadvertently but effectively limit their lifetime exposure to iron, thereby protecting themselves from early-onset brain disorders?

Dr. Todd A. Tishler, a protégé of Dr. Bartzokis at UCLA, discovered a way to test that hypothesis. Tishler, Bartzokis, and colleagues studied brain scan images of 39 postmenopausal women, of whom 15 had undergone a hysterectomy prior to menopause.18 Those women obviously had stopped menstruating prior to menopause, prematurely ending their bodies’ ability to lose iron on a regular basis. The other women had experienced regular periods until menopause. For comparison, the researchers included brain scans of 54 men of similar ages.

Not surprisingly, the men’s brains had higher iron levels than those of women who had reached menopause naturally, without hysterectomy. But in a compelling validation of Tishler’s hypothesis, the brains of the women with hysterectomies exhibited iron levels not only higher than normal menopausal women but identical to levels in male subjects.18 The UCLA study demonstrated that lifelong menstruation grants most mature women beneficially lower brain iron levels and affords significant protection against early onset of neurodegenerative brain disorders.

It also underscores the critical need for humans to aggressively limit lifetime exposure to iron and thereby substantially lower their risk of neurodegenerative brain disorders and cognitive decline.

**Natural Ways to Limit Iron-Induced Tissue Damage**

There are several ways you can limit the damaging effects of excessive iron in your body. The most obvious is to monitor how much iron you ingest. Experts now typically recommend that older adults limit their intake of red meat, which is our major natural dietary source of iron. You should also choose your vitamin and mineral supplements carefully. Unless you have iron-deficiency anemia, you are unlikely to benefit from extra supplemental iron, and it is absent from properly formulated dietary supplements.

But what can you do about the iron your body has already absorbed and has now accumulated in potentially dangerous ways in your tissues? There are two main approaches you should take. The first is to supplement with nutrients that can bind up, or chelate, the iron in molecular complexes. Chelation isolates iron from tissues and limits its ability to catalyze the oxidant reactions that damage them. Chelation also hastens excretion of excess iron from your body.19

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**The Link Between Excess Iron and Brain Degeneration**

- Accumulation of iron in bodily tissues is an inevitable consequence of aging.
- Pathologic age-related iron overload damages cells and tissues and is a causative factor in numerous degenerative diseases, including liver fibrosis, cardiovascular disease, and cancer.
- Few doctors inform their patients of the dangers of high total-body iron distributions, nor do they test for total-body iron status.
- Excessive iron accumulations are found in affected brain areas of people with Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, and other neurodegenerative diseases.
- Even in normal older adults, people with higher brain iron accumulations perform more poorly on cognitive tests than do those with lower brain iron concentrations.
- A breakthrough UCLA study demonstrates that limiting lifetime exposure to iron can reduce brain iron accumulations.
- A number of nutrients can help reduce your body’s total exposure to iron through chelation (binding to free iron atoms) and antioxidant activity, including quercetin, curcumin, R-lipoic acid, and silymarin.
Ultimately, that means that chelation limits your body’s exposure to the destructive effects of iron accumulations.

The second approach to minimizing long-term iron damage is to optimize your antioxidant regimen. That can help you prevent any further damage by iron’s catalytic reactions with oxygen.

We’ll now examine the compelling data for nutrients that can protect your body from excess iron accumulations by chelating iron, enhancing your antioxidant defenses—or both.

**Quercetin**

*Flavonoids* are naturally occurring plant molecules that offer both powerful antioxidant protection and the ability to bind to free iron atoms. Quercetin, a flavonoid found in berries and other plants, chelates iron atoms as powerfully as the prescription drugs used in managing severe cases of iron overdose. Quercetin’s antioxidant effects are likely to be closely related to its strong iron-chelating capacity, and account for its ability to prevent the DNA strand damage that precedes cancer development.

Studies of quercetin reveal that it can prevent the *kidney damage* associated with acute iron overload from muscle breakdown, one of the leading causes of acute renal failure. Similarly, liver injury from long-term exposure to iron is prevented in laboratory animals supplemented with quercetin. Quercetin is included in properly formulated resveratrol supplements since it boosts resveratrol’s beneficial effects in the body.

**Cranberry and Pomegranate**

Dark-colored and red fruits are known to have many health benefits, in large part because of their high content of polyphenols. Cranberry and pomegranate extracts rich in polyphenols have now been shown to have potent iron-chelating capabilities, in some cases completely suppressing iron-catalyzed oxidant reactions.

We’ve long known that cranberry juice and extracts are active in preventing urinary tract infections with some of the most common pathological organisms. The traditional view has been that the extracts’ antioxidant and anti-adhesive powers are the primary mechanisms. New evidence shows that another way cranberry extracts work is by *depriving infecting bacteria of the iron they need for survival through chelation*.

**Green Tea Extract**

After water, tea is the most commonly-consumed beverage in the world. Green, unfermented tea leaves have numerous health benefits, chiefly attributable to their content of a polyphenol molecule called epigallocatechin-3-gallate, or *EGCG*. *EGCG* is a well-known antioxidant. In recent years, it was shown to powerfully chelate unbound iron and protect vulnerable tissues.

Green tea extracts rich in *EGCG* bind to iron, and scientists have proposed their use as an alternative or adjunct to commercial iron chelators, which, while effective, may come with negative side effects. Such drugs are used to treat *thalassemia*, a condition which when severe enough, can cause massive iron accumulations as the result of frequent blood transfusions. *EGCG* from green tea has now been used safely and effectively to bind and remove iron from the blood of individuals with *thalassemia*. And in studies of animals deliberately overloaded with iron to mimic aging, green tea extracts are able to bind free iron and reduce iron-related tissue oxidation in *brain* and *liver* tissue.

Unlike many drugs and nutrients, *EGCG* readily crosses the *blood-brain barrier*. This allows it to capture and isolate iron from the brain regions affected in Alzheimer’s, Parkinson’s, and Huntington’s diseases. In contrast to many current drug therapies, which can only *modify* symptoms in these tragic conditions, iron chelation by *EGCG* rich green tea extract offers the potential to prevent and reverse the progression of the disease process itself.
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Curcumin

Curcumin is the major chemical component of the spice turmeric, which has multiple health benefits as an antioxidant and anti-inflammatory molecule.47-49 The unexpected discovery that curcumin is also a powerful iron chelator has given us new insight into its multimodal mechanisms of action in gaining control of age-related iron accumulations in the brain, heart, and liver.50-53

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Should You Really Be Taking Iron?

Despite the dangers posed by excessive iron accumulation, aging individuals still require sufficient iron intake for optimal health.

In order to know whether you are getting adequate (or excessive) amounts of iron in your diet, you need to know your total-body iron status. This requires a series of blood tests beyond those normally administered to determine whether you suffer from anemia.

For a comprehensive snapshot of your current total-body iron status, ask your doctor to include serum ferritin and total iron-binding capacity in addition to the hemoglobin and hematocrit measured in a typical blood count. Your doctor may order additional tests based on these results.

If you don’t have iron deficiency or anemia, taking supplemental iron is not advisable and may contribute to onset of the degenerative disorders associated with iron overload, from Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s to cancer and cardiovascular disease. Multivitamin and mineral formulations for maturing individuals should not contain extra iron for that very reason. Pregnant women have increased iron requirements and should consult their physician to determine if iron supplementation is appropriate. Be certain that your supplements are appropriate to your own body’s iron status.

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An important animal study has now demonstrated that supplementation with R-lipoic acid reverses age-related accumulation of iron in rat brain tissue and restores normal antioxidant activity. This study has direct bearing on the prevention and treatment of neurodegenerative diseases in humans, the very conditions that Dr. Bartzokis and colleagues have been studying at UCLA.

**Summary**

Accumulation of iron in cells is a widely overlooked and inevitable consequence of aging. Pathologic age-related iron overload damages cells and tissues and is a causative factor in numerous degenerative diseases, including liver fibrosis, cardiovascular disease, and cancer. Few doctors inform their patients of the dangers of excess iron, nor do they test for total-body iron status. Excessive iron accumulations are found in affected brain areas of people with Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, and other neurodegenerative diseases. Even in normal older adults, people with higher brain iron accumulations perform more poorly on cognitive tests than do those with lower brain iron concentrations. A breakthrough UCLA study demonstrates that limiting lifetime exposure to iron can reduce brain iron accumulation. A number of nutrients can help reduce your body's total exposure to iron through

**Milk Thistle (Silymarin and Silibinin)**

Milk thistle extracts have been used for centuries in managing diseases of the liver and gallbladder. Iron accumulations and the resulting oxidant stress in liver tissue are responsible for progressive fibrosis (scarring) and ultimately liver failure. Early work on milk thistle extracts focused on their antioxidant functions, but more recently evidence for potent iron chelation has been revealed as an additional liver-protective mechanism. Iron-overloaded animals can be protected from the liver fibrosis-inducing effects of iron by regular doses of silibinin, a milk thistle component.

Impressive human data for the impact of silibinin on iron-overloaded patients is now available. In patients with chronic hepatitis C, in whom iron accumulations contribute to liver failure, treatment with a mixture of silibinin and soy complex resulted in a significant decrease in serum levels of ferritin, the iron-bound protein that reflects total body iron levels. In patients with thalassemia major, who have massive iron accumulations as a result of multiple transfusions, 140 mg three times per day of the milk thistle component silymarin enhanced the iron-chelating effects of the drug desferrioxamine. Similar results have been shown using 140 mg per day of silibinin in patients with another form of iron overload, hereditary hemochromatosis.

**Lipoic Acid and Carnitine**

Lipoic acid and carnitine are small-molecule nutrients vital to your body's management of its energy flow. Potent antioxidants, they are both credited with protecting mitochondria and thereby slowing the aging process. Exciting work is now emerging that shows that each of these nutrients, in each of several forms, exerts its favorable anti-aging effects by chelating iron as well.

A form of carnitine called L-propionyl carnitine is known to improve heart muscle recovery after a heart attack. It acts as an energy source for heart muscles, and also as an anti-free radical agent in damaged heart tissue; the latter effect has now been shown to be the result of iron chelation. Another form, acetyl-L-carnitine, exhibits powerful antioxidant effects that reverse the impact of iron-induced oxidative stress in human cells.

Lipoic acid chelates iron in lysosomes, cellular components that are a site of iron storage, effectively preventing iron-induced oxidative damage. This nutrient also reduces iron uptake by cells in the lens of the eye, suggesting a potential role in preventing cataract formation.
chelation (binding to free iron atoms) and antioxidant activity. These include *quercetin*, *curcumin*, *R-lipoic acid*, and *milk thistle*.

The majority of people should avoid multi-vitamin supplements fortified with iron, as most aging individuals already have too much iron in their bodies.

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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Support for 24-Hour-A-Day Healthy Glucose Metabolism

People who take extraordinary steps to limit their carbohydrate exposure may still be experiencing higher-than-desired blood sugar throughout the day. The reason? Blood sugar can surge to dangerously high levels that can last for hours following meals and even the entire day!

Studies show even in people with normal fasting glucose, gaining control of after-meal surges may provide additional support for cardiovascular and metabolic health. 1,3

To address this widespread problem, a natural compound is now available called CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract. This next-generation glucose control compound was shown to induce a remarkable 32% drop in after-meal blood sugar! 4

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At the core of CoffeeGenic™ Green Coffee Extract’s power to favorably modulate after-meal glucose levels is chlorogenic acid, a polyphenol found in the green coffee bean.

Chlorogenic acid has been shown to inhibit excess activity of the glucose-6-phosphatase enzyme. 5,6 This enzyme triggers glucose formation from non-carbohydrate substrates and glycogen release from the liver, both of which can create excess glucose in the blood. 6 Neutralizing excess glucose-6-phosphatase is essential for most people to achieve optimal glucose control.

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Chlorogenic acid also increases the signal protein for insulin receptors in liver cells. 8

Patented Extraction Process, Standardized for Maximum Potency

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References


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There are three forms of vitamin K that the human body can utilize to promote arterial health and bone support.1-8

Life Extension’s Super K with Advanced K2 Complex provides the dynamic trio of vitamin K forms in one softgel, including vitamin K1, vitamin K2 (MK-4), and vitamin K2 (MK-7).

**Vitamin K1** is the form of vitamin K that is found in green vegetables. K1 is tightly bound to plant fiber, so only a fraction is absorbed into the bloodstream. Supplementation ensures ample K1 blood levels.

**Vitamin K2** is usually found in meats, dairy, and egg yolks. Since you may be avoiding these foods for health reasons, ingesting a K2 supplement is essential. MK-4 is the most rapidly absorbed form of K2, and MK-7 boasts a very long half-life in the body, making both forms the perfect complement to any vitamin K regimen.9

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.

Super K formula provides in just one daily softgel:

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The same Super K formula consisting of Vitamin K1, K2 (MK-4) and K2 (MK-7) can be found in the Life Extension® Super Booster. If you take the Super Booster, you do not need additional Super K with Advanced K2 Complex softgels.

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Findings from Flawed Study Used to Discredit Multivitamin/Mineral Supplements
Starting in 1983, the Life Extension Foundation® warned of dangers associated with commercial multivitamin/mineral formulas.

Our earliest concern was that free radicals generated by supplemental iron would increase cancer and heart disease risk. Our fears were born out shortly thereafter in published studies showing that elevation in markers of iron intake increased risk (by more than fivefold) of common degenerative diseases including heart attack and cancer.1-17

Back in 1983, commercial companies bragged in their advertising about how much iron their multivitamins contained. Despite our repeated warnings, very few commercial supplement companies removed iron from their multivitamin formulas as the public perception was that supplemental iron was beneficial.

The result of this misconception was that individuals using commercial supplements were obtaining miniscule quantities of antioxidants to protect against free radicals, while simultaneously ingesting large amounts of iron (and sometimes copper) that are known free radical-generators.18

Based on findings from a newly-released study,19 the media is attacking the safety of multivitamin/mineral supplements.20 The nutrient these researchers identify as causing the greatest numbers of deaths is iron!

It would be convenient for Life Extension to use the findings from this negative study to bolster our argument against supplemental iron intake (unless individual blood markers indicate iron deficiency). The problem is that the study the media is using to attack multi-nutrient supplements has so many fundamental flaws that it is impossible to extract reliable data from it.

The name of this report is the Iowa Women’s Health Study. Based on its numerous flaws, we can’t accept the authors’ contention that supplemental iron was the culprit behind increased mortality.

The media, of course, lumps ALL nutrients together and claims they are “no fountain of youth for women.” As you’ll read, the findings from this latest study are so distorted that they don’t apply to most multivitamin users today, let alone the aggressive disease prevention program followed by Life Extension members.>>
replacement therapy, which is associated with early mortality. In numerical terms, 13.5% of the supplement users took hormone therapy at baseline, compared to only 7.2% of non-supplement users. This ratio showing more supplement users taking hormone drugs persisted to the end of the observational period.

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**People Often Don’t Take Dietary Supplements Until They Get Sick**

It’s a sad fact that most common diseases of aging are preventable, yet most people don’t engage in healthier lifestyle choices until after serious illness manifests.

The classic example is an individual who never swallowed a single dietary supplement until they’re diagnosed with cancer. They then go from zero to low intakes of supplemental nutrients to swallowing 40 or more pills a day in what is too often a futile attempt to cure advanced-stage disease.

In the Iowa Women’s Health Study, the authors admit they did not factor in the increased intake of dietary supplements that occur in response to the development of symptoms or diagnosis of serious disease. Stated differently: If a woman was diagnosed with stage IV breast cancer and began ingesting 40 supplements daily, but died six months later, she would have been counted as being a heavy supplement user who died prematurely.

In other words, women who did not begin supplementing until after symptoms and/or disease manifested would have been classified from a statistical standpoint as being part of the group that ingested large quantities of supplements, but died early nonetheless.

This flaw by itself could render the overall findings of the Iowa Women’s Health Study meaningless because much of the lay public today mistakenly associates dietary supplements as something very important to initiate after serious disease appears.

We at Life Extension hear this often, as people call us with recently-diagnosed illness and state they are now ready to take every supplement they should have been using all along.

**Women Taking Supplements Also Took More Dangerous Hormone Drug**

If a woman is going to the trouble of swallowing a multivitamin/mineral supplement each day, she is also more likely to take hormone drugs her doctor recommends.

Unfortunately, a popular hormone drug being recommended at the time of this study period was PremPro® (a combination of Premarin® and Provera®). These unnatural-to-the-human-body forms of estrogen and progestin have been linked to a host of lethal diseases that cause premature illness and death.21–25

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This flaw alone may have rendered the study’s findings meaningless from both a statistical and real-world standpoint.

**Findings of Reduced Mortality Overlooked by Media**

The *Iowa Women’s Health Study* initially showed that women who supplemented with *vitamins C, D, E,* and *calcium* had significantly lower risks of mortality.19

The study authors then blended this positive data with the negative results of iron and copper use and other multivariable adjustments to conclude increased mortality associated with multivitamin/mineral supplementation.

These “multivariable adjustments” were at the discretion of the study authors and could have been skewed either way to show positive or negative outcomes. Based on the negative remarks expressed at the beginning of the report, there appeared to be *author bias* against the use of multivitamin/mineral supplements.

This *bias* was especially troubling when recent positive findings were *omitted* from the initial discussion. For example, a study published in July 2011 in the *European Journal of Nutrition* with the purpose to prospectively evaluate the association of vitamin/mineral supplementation with cancer, cardiovascular, and all-cause mortality arrived at a completely *opposite result.*

In lay terms, this European study indicated that users of antioxidant vitamin supplements had a 48% *reduced* risk of cancer mortality and 42% *lower* all-cause mortality.26 Yet the media did not even bother to mention these impressive findings. Apparently they thought a better headline grabber would be to frighten users of dietary supplements with the blatantly flawed *Iowa Women’s Health Study.*

**Too Much Vitamin A!**

Popular multi-nutrient formulas used during the majority period of when the *Iowa Women’s Health Study* was conducted contained far too much preformed vitamin A and inadequate amounts of vitamin D. One popular formula provided 25,000 IU of preformed vitamin A and only 400 IU of vitamin D.

Even today the average amount of preformed vitamin A in most multi-nutrient formulas is far too high in relation to vitamin D content.

The problem with this potency ratio is that in the presence of *excess* preformed vitamin A, the beneficial effects of vitamin D can be neutralized.27

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**Flawed Study Used to Discredit Multivitamin/Mineral Supplements**

- Following the recent publication of the *Iowa Women’s Health Study,* the media is attacking the safety of multivitamin/mineral supplements.
- The study authors concluded that several vitamin and mineral supplements, including iron, were associated with increased mortality risk.
- Since 1983, the Life Extension Foundation has warned of the dangers associated with commercial multivitamin/mineral supplements.
- Excess iron and inadequate antioxidants in common multivitamin/mineral supplements may increase oxidative stress, setting the stage for increased disease risk.
- Numerous flaws in the *Iowa Women’s Health Study* render the findings meaningless. The authors did not account for increased supplement intake in response to disease diagnosis. Supplement users were more likely to be using PremPro®. Questionnaires were used to gather data; there was no objective measure of compliance with vitamin use.
- Multi-nutrient supplements that were popular at the time the *Iowa Women’s Health Study* was initiated contained high levels of preformed vitamin A and low levels of vitamin D. Excess vitamin A can suppress vitamin D’s beneficial effects. This alone could explain why multi-nutrient supplements failed to reduce mortality.
- The *Iowa Women’s Health Study* has nothing to do with Life Extension members, who do *not* take low-potency multivitamin formulas containing excess iron and copper and who usually take high-potency antioxidant formulas that provide gamma tocopherol and vitamin K, along with other nutrients like omega-3 fatty acids and curcumin.
Vitamins A and D compete for each other’s function in the body. Preformed vitamin A, found in excess amount in many commercial supplements, can thwart vitamin D’s protective effects.\(^2^7\) This is not an issue with beta-carotene, as it converts to vitamin A in the body only on demand.

Consumption of excess preformed vitamin A, as found in commercial multivitamins and modern cod liver oil, may cause bone toxicity in those with inadequate vitamin D status. One study showed that women with the highest intake of preformed vitamin A had 2.1 times more hip fractures.\(^2^8\) A meta-analysis found that people who took preformed vitamin A supplements had a 16% increase in overall mortality,\(^2^9\) perhaps through antagonism of vitamin D.

When vitamin A supplements are given to children with low vitamin A status, the children have far fewer infections.\(^3^0\) When children hospitalized with pneumonia were given higher doses of preformed vitamin A, however, it worsened the clinical course, suggesting that the vitamin should not be given unless there is clinical evidence of deficiency (or concurrent measles infection).\(^3^1\)

While vitamin A is critical in regulating cellular proliferation—and thus helping to protect against malignant diseases—when taken in excess amounts, preformed vitamin A may suppress the even more important anticancer effects of vitamin D.\(^3^2\)

Published studies confirm that 400 IU of vitamin D a day, even if taken by itself, is not enough to protect against age-related disease.\(^3^3-3^7\) In the presence of excess preformed vitamin A, as is still found in most commercial multivitamins, the effects of the small amount of vitamin D they contain may be nullified.

If it were not for the fundamental flaws in the Iowa Women’s Health Study, the excess vitamin A and insufficient vitamin D could be the reason that multivitamin/mineral supplements failed to reduce mortality.

The questionnaire used in the Iowa Women’s Health Study is even more unreliable since the supplement portion of the questionnaire was not validated separately. Study questionnaires are typically validated to help ensure that the questions actually assess what they are intending to.

The purpose of “validating” a questionnaire is to confirm or establish its accuracy or soundness. The supplement portion of this questionnaire was not validated, meaning they did not validate that the supplement questions accurately assessed supplement use.

The authors tried to justify this by explaining “an evaluation with similar instruments” was validated; however, “similar” is not the same as this supplement questionnaire being validated.

No objective measurements of compliance or non-compliance (such as evaluating blood vitamin levels) with vitamin use were undertaken to confirm if the questionnaires accurately reflected whether people were or were not taking supplements. Iron blood levels would have been especially important to assess since women who took iron-containing supplements showed increased mortality.

This failure to validate the supplement portion of the questionnaire is another flaw that could render the Iowa Women’s Health Study’s findings meaningless. How many people do you know who claim to take their nutrients but often skip days?
The **Iowa Women's Health Study** attempted to assess vitamin/mineral intake over a 22-year period, a significant challenge for even validated questionnaires, let alone one that was not validated to assure who was really taking vitamins/minerals on a regular basis.

**This Study Has Nothing to Do With Life Extension Members**

Life Extension members do **not** take low-potency multivitamin formulas spiked with high amounts of iron and copper. This recipe for a shorter life span was identified decades ago.

Life Extension members do regularly ingest omega-3 fatty acids, curcumin, and other nutrients that were not included in the Iowa Women's Health Study questionnaire. Inclusion of omega-3s alone could have resulted in the “supplemented” group achieving a significant reduction in overall mortality.

Life Extension members usually take high-potency antioxidant formulas that provide gamma tocopherol (which is critical to balance the effects of alpha tocopherol in the body) and vitamin K (which works with vitamin D to keep calcium in bones where it belongs).

The multivitamin formulas used by Life Extension members contain very little preformed vitamin A but lots of vitamin D. Based on consistently strong data showing reduced mortality, most members supplement with even higher amounts of vitamin D.

There are vitamin trade industry groups that view the **Iowa Women's Health Study** as an attempt to discredit dietary supplements. The reality is that this study has no relationship to what health-conscious people should be doing today to reduce their mortality risk.

If it were not for the many obvious flaws contained in the **Iowa Women's Health Study**, Life Extension could use it as ammunition to validate our recommendations made decades ago that are still overlooked by most of conventional and alternative medicine.

Life Extension still contends that certain commercial multivitamin preparations may be doing more harm than good. To rely on the seriously flawed **Iowa Women's Health Study** to support this position, however, would be hypocritical since it is not even possible to validate which study participants were consistently taking multivitamin/mineral supplements.

**Science by Ambush**

There’s little that can be done to stop tabloid journalism, where the media from time to time proclaims that dietary supplements have no value or are even dangerous.

The **Iowa Women's Health Study** was initiated 25 years ago and strategically released at a time of year (October 10, 2011) when the public is not overly distracted by other events.
The impact of the blatantly flawed study will be to foster apathy and fear in the public, who are misled to think that taking a simple multivitamin supplement may cause them to die sooner.

This is great news for pharmaceutical interests, of course, since the more that people neglect their health, the greater the demand will be for costly medical interventions.

As Life Extension has done since 1980, we carefully analyze the underlying facts. We then expose the media’s “ambush against science” as a charade to capture attention in a world increasingly comprised of sound-bite hype and devoid of the type of in-depth investigation that we at Life Extension thrive on.

Those who rely on media headlines for their health information face enormous risks to their personal mortality, as flawed reports like the Iowa Women's Health Study are routinely put on seemingly divine pedestals and then grossly misinterpreted by those who report on them.

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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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There’s no debating the power of omega-3 fatty acids. From support for heart health and brain function to help with inflammation, their broad-spectrum benefits have been firmly established in a wealth of studies.1-9

To ensure the purest, most stable, and easy-to-tolerate fish oil supplement, Life Extension® SUPER OMEGA-3 EPA/DHA is molecularly distilled. This proprietary process ensures any pollutants are reduced to virtually undetectable levels. The result? Our fish oil enjoys a 5-star rating for purity, quality, and concentration from the International Fish Oil Standards program (IFOS)—the highest possible ranking from the world’s premier testing laboratory.

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Introducing a SMALLER SOFTGEL for easier swallowing!

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References:

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

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When tryptophan is ingested as a food or supplement, it is naturally degraded by specialized enzymes in the body. The problem is that activity of one of these enzymes increases with age, thereby denying the brain the tryptophan it needs to produce adequate serotonin. The result of the excess degradation of tryptophan can be seen in serotonin-associated troubles, such as:

1) Poor sleep quality
2) Emotional mood and stress
3) Weight gain and appetite
4) Loss of feeling of well-being

The degradation of tryptophan in the body can be inhibited with the intelligent use of other nutrients. For instance, the amino acid lysine competes with tryptophan in the same oxidative degradation pathway. This means that in the presence of sufficient lysine, less tryptophan is broken down through oxidation.

The primary tryptophan-degrading enzyme is overactivated by inflammatory cytokines. The most comprehensive way to suppress the inflammatory factors that cause the enzymatic degradation of tryptophan is to take the proper dose of niacinamide along with extracts from ginger, hops, and rosemary.

A patent-pending formula called Optimized TryptoPure™ Plus has been developed that provides lysine, niacinamide, hops, ginger, and rosemary extracts to protect tryptophan against excessive degradation in our aging bodies, thus sparing it for conversion into serotonin in the brain.

Life Extension®’s Optimized TryptoPure™ Plus formula contains tryptophan that is certified pure enough to be used as an active ingredient in pharmaceutical products. This premium-quality tryptophan costs more than other tryptophan raw material as it undergoes significantly more rigorous manufacturing processes to safeguard purity.

Each three-capsule serving provides 1,000 mg of certified pure tryptophan, along with the doses of lysine, niacinamide, and ginger-hops-rosemary extracts needed to protect this precious tryptophan from unwanted degradation in the body. While some people may take two to three capsules all at once before bedtime, others may choose to take one capsule on an empty stomach before each meal.

A bottle containing 90 vegetarian capsules retails for $40. If a member purchases four bottles, the price is reduced to $27 per bottle.

Each three capsule serving supplies:

- **TryptoPure® L-Tryptophan** (100% pure USP pharmaceutical-grade L-tryptophan) 1000 mg
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- **Proprietary TryptoPure® Plus Blend**
  - Perluxan® Hops Standardized Extract (Humulus lupulus L.) (cones), Ginger Root Standardized Extract (Zingiber officinale) (rhizome), and Ursole™ Rosemary Standardized Extract (Rosmarinus officinalis) (leaves) 285 mg
- **Niacin** (as Niacinamide) 66 mg

Contains corn and rice. Take separately from food or supplements containing protein or amino acids, especially arginine.

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A bottle of 120 Life Extension Two-Per-Day capsules retails for $22. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to $15. (Item # 01614)

For many years, Life Extension® members had to rely on commercial “one-a-day” supplements that provide very low potencies.

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

The box on this page reveals how much more potent the Two-Per-Day formula is compared to the leading commercial multi-vitamin. Few consumers realize that commercial supplements often contain the cheapest form of nutrients that don't provide optimal benefits. For example, the 30 IU of synthetic vitamin E contained in Centrum® may provide relatively little vitamin E to the bloodstream. The 100 IU of natural vitamin E contained in Two-Per-Day provides over 3 times more vitamin E activity than does Centrum®.

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

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*Centrum® no longer contains significant amounts of lycopene nor lutein.

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- 8 times more Vitamin C
- 3 times more Vitamin E
- 10 times more Biotin
- 40 times more Zinc
- More than twice as much niacin, zinc, and many other nutrients

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How Resveratrol Combats Leading Causes of Death

BY BRIAN VOGELMAN

In 1997, the first scientific paper on resveratrol was published showing that this polyphenol could prevent cancer in experimental models.\(^1\)

Since then, researchers have documented resveratrol’s ability to favorably modulate multiple processes associated with degenerative disease, from atherosclerosis to obesity.

What had been lacking was a systematic, comprehensive overview of the available data to determine the underlying mechanisms by which resveratrol exerts its anti-aging effect.

Until now!

In 2011, the findings of the 2010 Resveratrol Conference\(^2\) held in Denmark were published. Its primary objective was to examine the totality of the evidence for resveratrol’s disease-preventing role in aging humans. Nearly 3,700 published studies were analyzed.

In this article, you will discover the 12 mechanisms of action these experts identified by which resveratrol acts to combat the killer diseases of aging and delay the aging process itself.

You will also learn of the latest data on resveratrol’s multimodal power to protect cells, tissues, and organ systems against five leading causes of death among Americans, including heart disease, cancer, and diabetes.>>
Resveratrol helps to combat high blood pressure (hypertension) by a variety of mechanisms. It decreases inflammatory cell infiltration into blood vessel walls and improves those vessels’ ability to respond to changes in blood pressure. In addition, resveratrol has recently been shown to reduce the unfavorable remodeling and stiffening of blood vessels and heart muscle that results from sustained hypertension. Resveratrol also acts in the brainstem to reverse increases in blood pressure that are triggered by a variety of dietary and hormonal factors.

Studies published in 2011 show that resveratrol helps mitigate the cholesterol elevations that result from obesity and a high-fat diet by directly regulating expression of genes that control lipid metabolism. Exposure to resveratrol triggers correction of abnormal fatty acid utilization, by inducing mitochondrial enzymes that help break down fat molecules. And in pigs with the equivalent of human metabolic syndrome, resveratrol supplementation lowered body mass indices, serum cholesterol, the inflammatory marker C-reactive protein, improved glucose tolerance and endothelial function.

In the presence of sustained hypertension and/or elevated cholesterol and other fats, damage occurs to the delicate, reactive cells lining capillaries, known as endothelial cells. Endothelial dysfunction is a major contributor to heart attacks, strokes, and heart failure, and is an important target of cardiovascular disease prevention. New data show that resveratrol reduces the effects of both hypertension on endothelial cells and inhibits signs of endothelial dysfunction.

Build-up of calcium in arteries is a major contributor to arterial stiffening and blockage that occurs fairly late in atherosclerosis. It also contributes to the inflammatory changes that exacerbate cardiovascular disease. Arterial calcification was formerly thought to be caused by passive accumulation of calcium, similar to mineral deposits in pipes. It is now known to be an active process whereby arterial cells “turn into” bone-forming cells as a result of age- and inflammation-induced genetic changes. Certain drugs, such as the now-withdrawn antidiabetic drug Avandia® (rosiglitazone), can hasten this destructive process. New data demonstrate that resveratrol slows or reverses the process by which arterial cells become “bone-like,” reducing the amount and extent of calcium build-up in arterial walls. Resveratrol limits the inflammation-inducing effects of calcium in cells lining blood vessels.
In addition to elevated fat and calcium content in vessel walls, aggregation of clot-forming platelets contributes to arterial blockages resulting in heart attacks, strokes, and other cardiovascular events. New data now show that resveratrol inhibits the platelet aggregation that can trigger formation of a deadly blood clot.14

When an artery in the heart becomes blocked, blood flow to the heart is restricted, causing ischemic damage. Restoration of blood flow (reperfusion) makes matters worse, at first, by flooding the damaged tissue with oxygen free radicals. Sophisticated molecular probes have now revealed that resveratrol leaves a unique “footprint” in heart muscle that has been subjected to ischemia/reperfusion injury.15 The result is a considerable reduction in death (apoptosis) of cardiac cells following such an injury, and improved cardiovascular function.16

Resveratrol’s calorie restriction-mimicking effects directly improve mitochondrial function in energy-intensive heart muscle cells, making them beat more effectively and reducing their vulnerability to oxidative stress.4 Furthermore, we now understand that resveratrol produces cardioprotective effects in heart muscle cells that do undergo the massive oxidant stress of a heart attack or a serious infection.17

Cancer

More than half a million Americans die of cancer each year, despite considerable strides in our understanding of the disease.18 The very first scientific study of resveratrol showed a preventive effect on skin cancer,1 and since that time more than 1,100 papers have been published on the subject of cancers in general.2 Today’s experts refer to resveratrol as “a promising natural weapon in the war against cancer.”19

Breaking news since the 2010 Resveratrol Conference shows that resveratrol fights cancer on multiple levels.20 The following is a summary of the latest on resveratrol and cancer prevention.

Resveratrol can prevent dangerous DNA “adducts,” modified stretches of DNA that, un-repaired, can trigger a cell to become cancerous in the step known as cancer initiation.21

Once initiated, cancers grow by proliferation of abnormal cells. Resveratrol is a modest anti-proliferative agent, as new data show. Consumption of resveratrol by human colon cancer patients reduced tumor cell proliferation by 5% at a dose of 500 to 1,000 mg daily for 8 days prior to surgery.22 And resveratrol inhibits an important cancer cell signaling pathway called STAT3, further reducing cancerous proliferation, as was recently shown in certain brain cancer cells.23

Resveratrol

- A recent international conference devoted to the subject of resveratrol found that this natural polyphenol has 12 key mechanisms of action, each of which contributes to reduction in the impact of factors contributing to premature death.
- Five of the leading causes of death may be prevented or mitigated by resveratrol supplementation, including heart disease, cancer, stroke, Alzheimer’s disease, and diabetes.
- Resveratrol’s ability to modulate 5 leading causes of death, along with its longevity-promoting effects, makes it an important part of every wellness program.
The body naturally controls cancer growth through the process of apoptosis, by which cancer cells are triggered to die off. Proper apoptosis requires activation of important "suicide" genes found in all cancer cells. Resveratrol has recently been found to increase expression and activation of one important “suicide” pathway known as p53.24

**Insulin-like growth factor 1** (IGF-1) is important in growth and healing, but it also promotes cancer propagation once a malignancy has been initiated. A new human study showed that dosing with resveratrol at 2.5 grams/day (which is much higher than currently recommended) caused a significant decrease in circulating levels of IGF-1 and its binding protein, suggesting that suppression of IGF-1 may be involved in one of resveratrol’s anti-cancer mechanisms.25

Many carcinogens enter the body as “safe” compounds, but become modified by enzyme systems in the liver to trigger cancer. Interestingly, liver enzymes are responsible for detoxifying active carcinogens before they can cause harm. Resveratrol has recently been shown to favorably modulate both classes of enzymes, reducing activation of potential carcinogens while actively detoxifying known carcinogenic molecules.26

**Inflammation** is now widely recognized as a cancer-promoting event. New evidence shows how resveratrol reduces production of inflammatory molecules such as leukotrienes by inhibiting the enzymes that produce them.27,28 Inflammation is also important in promoting cancer spread, or metastasis. In a 2011 study, resveratrol remarkably inhibited invasion and spread of melanoma cells by up to 75%.20

A class of tiny strands of material called RNA, known as microRNAs, is known to regulate cancer cell growth and development. In new research, resveratrol shows the ability to modify the microRNA content of cells, up-regulating cancer-suppressing microRNAs, while down-regulating cancer-promoting ones.29-31

As tumors grow, they stimulate new blood vessel growth to support their ravenous needs for nutrients. Inhibiting this process, known as angiogenesis, has become a major target of cancer prevention and treatment. Resveratrol, in recent studies, has been shown to stimulate new blood vessels in healthy tissue, but to inhibit their growth in malignant melanoma cell cultures as well as in whole tumors.32,33

All of this means resveratrol is reaching the level of large-scale clinical trials by mainstream physicians. Phase I, “dose-finding” studies have now been completed that validate resveratrol’s safety even at very high levels of up to 5 grams (this does not mean people should take this high dose yet).25,34

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**Table 1: Resveratrol’s 12 Key Anti-Aging Mechanisms**

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**Stroke**

**Strokes** are caused by many of the same vascular changes that trigger heart attacks: atherosclerosis, plaque formation, and ultimately blood vessel occlusion that deprive brain tissue of vital blood flow. In addition, aging and certain conditions like diabetes cause brain blood vessels to lose their ability to dilate and increase blood flow as needed, exacerbating damage caused during a stroke. When blood flow is restored after the acute blood vessel blockage is resolved, oxygen free radicals occur abundantly and cause the final destruction of brain tissue. That process is known as ischemia/reperfusion injury.

Resveratrol protects brain tissue from ischemia/reperfusion injury, according to a host of recently-released studies. Researchers at Johns Hopkins showed that resveratrol induces production of the enzyme *heme oxygenase*, which is protective against oxidative stress. Furthermore, resveratrol protects vulnerable mitochondria during ischemia/reperfusion injury, allowing them to continue their important job of providing cells with energy.

During the acute phase of a stroke, excitatory neurotransmitters such as glutamate are released in large amounts. This release then triggers acute and chronic damage to brain cells. Researchers have now shown that resveratrol significantly prevents dangerous glutamate release following a stroke.

Finally, new data show that treating diabetic animals with resveratrol restores the responsiveness of their brain arteries to blood flow variations. That allows them to re-direct blood flow to vital areas blocked by the stroke.

The combined effect of these mechanisms is to reduce the size of a stroke significantly. Remarkably, this protection even occurs when resveratrol is given up to 6 hours after the stroke begins. Some experts are now hailing that discovery as evidence that resveratrol may be a potent new drug for use in treatment of acute ischemic stroke. Nonetheless, the strongest and most recent evidence suggests that resveratrol used regularly in advance of a stroke provides the best tolerance to an ischemic event if and when one should arise.

### Table 2: Sufficient Evidence Exists for Resveratrol’s Protective Effects in 5 Leading Causes of Death

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<td>Diabetes (and obesity)</td>
<td>Improves insulin sensitivity, reduces blood glucose levels, reduces high-fat diet-induced obesity and visceral (abdominal) fat</td>
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The Resveratrol 2010 Conference found that there is sufficient evidence that resveratrol contributes to prevention or amelioration of 5 of the leading causes of death in America.
**Alzheimer’s Disease**

Nearly 75,000 Americans die annually from *Alzheimer’s disease*, and more than 230,000 others suffer dementia severe enough to require nursing home care. Recent studies suggest that resveratrol holds promise in reducing the risk of Alzheimer’s disease and stroke. New science reveals in detail how resveratrol acts through activation of the “longevity gene” SIRT-1, which triggers many favorable events that may help prevent Alzheimer’s and other neurodegenerative diseases.

Much of resveratrol’s neuroprotection arises from its ability to interfere in the cascade of events caused by accumulation of abnormal proteins known as *amyloid-beta*. *Amyloid-beta* triggers oxidative stress and inflammation that directly damages brain cells, especially in memory centers of the brain. That’s why Alzheimer’s patients have such profound and progressive memory loss.

Resveratrol inhibits amyloid-beta toxicity at multiple points in the cascade. Resveratrol acts as a powerful antioxidant, scavenging oxygen free radicals and inducing protective enzymes such as heme oxygenase. Two recent studies demonstrated that the addition of melatonin synergistically enhances resveratrol’s neuroprotective effects.

New data also show that resveratrol can prevent amyloid-beta molecules from clumping together into damaging *oligomers*, or small collections of individual molecules. That action significantly prevents amyloid-beta damage. Exciting new studies also show that resveratrol can remodel existing oligomers into non-toxic forms.

Studies released in 2010 revealed that, by activating specific intracellular signaling pathways, resveratrol can reduce toxicity caused by the excitatory neurotransmitter glutamate. Glutamate toxicity is thought to be a major trigger for Alzheimer’s disease symptoms.

An intriguing study published in late 2010 demonstrated that, by protecting brain mitochondria, the combination of resveratrol and mitochondria-targeted antioxidants could restore normal function in an experimental model of Alzheimer’s. That effect in turn produced new outgrowth of the tiny intercellular connections known as neurites, which are damaged or lost in Alzheimer’s and other neurodegenerative diseases.

Finally, an important recent study showed that orally administered resveratrol achieves effective concentrations in brain tissue, meaning it crosses the blood-brain barrier that keeps so many other potentially beneficial compounds out. This finding has important implications for future research into resveratrol’s role in protection against neurodegenerative disease.

**Diabetes**

*Diabetes* is one of the most preventable chronic conditions known. It kills more than 70,000 Americans annually, and its complications impair function in hundreds of thousands more. Overweight and obesity, conditions that cause many cases of diabetes, now occur in nearly 70% of Americans, and contribute to untold numbers of additional untimely deaths. Resveratrol’s actions have been shown to protect against the development and consequences of this deadly condition.

High blood sugar, both chronically and acutely following a meal, exerts massive oxidative stress on body proteins, ultimately changing their structure and inducing inflammation. It’s these changes that produce diabetic complications. New studies show that resveratrol, by activating the important SIRT-1 system, inhibits cellular oxidative stress and resulting inflammation in diabetes.

Resveratrol improves insulin sensitivity through its effects on SIRT-1. New, highly detailed data reveal that these benefits arise from resveratrol’s ability to stimulate metabolic sensing pathways in cells that allow them to use insulin and glucose more effectively, helping to reduce blood sugar levels.
Glucose-damaged blood vessels lose their ability to regulate blood flow in brain and heart tissue, contributing to heart attack and stroke damage. Chronic resveratrol treatment has recently been found to restore blood vessel responsiveness in diabetic animals. As a result of these basic mechanisms, resveratrol is showing promise in protecting against virtually all forms of diabetic complications. Resveratrol may be beneficial in treating or preventing diabetic foot syndrome, a devastating loss of nerve function and blood flow that results in thousands of amputations annually. Resveratrol treatment retarded progression of diabetic kidney disease through modulation of oxidative stress and inflammation in a 2011 animal study. Muscle wasting and deranged lipid metabolism are common in diabetes; resveratrol ameliorated both issues in one recent study. Abnormal blood vessel leakiness is a major cause of diabetic eye disease, a condition that can now be blocked by resveratrol treatment in an animal model of early diabetes.

Summary

A 2010 international conference found that resveratrol operates via twelve key mechanisms to combat five of the ten leading age-related causes of death in the US.

Studies released since that time further clarify and amplify the power of resveratrol to prevent, and in some cases reverse, the biological changes associated with chronic disease and aging. Compelling evidence is now available for resveratrol’s ability to favorably modulate factors implicated in the onset of heart disease, cancer, stroke, Alzheimer’s disease, and diabetes.

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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A 2 oz jar of Neck Rejuvenating Antioxidant Cream retails for $64. If a member buys two jars, the cost is just $42.24 each.
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FACE REJUVENATING ANTIOXIDANT CREAM
This remarkable cream has been specifically formulated with potent antioxidants, vitamins, tea extracts, and powerful anti-aging ingredients to help minimize the appearance of dry, dehydrated, environmentally damaged skin on the face. Continual use may lessen the appearance of unwanted creases, pigmentation, and freckling.

A 2 oz jar of Face Rejuvenating Antioxidant Cream retails for $69.50. If a member buys two jars, the cost is just $45.87 each.
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ANTIOXIDANT REJUVENATING HAND CREAM
This cream helps improve the appearance of unwanted pigmentation, discoloration and age spots – and minimizes the appearance of dehydrated skin and prominent veins on the back of hands. Your hands will look younger, smoother, and more pampered.

A 2 oz jar of Antioxidant Rejuvenating Hand Cream retails for $64. If a member buys two jars, the cost is just $43.12 each.
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The above ADAM questionnaire was developed by John E. Morley, M.B., B.Ch. It is to be used solely as a screening tool to assist a physician in diagnosing androgen (testosterone) deficiency. Androgen Deficiency in the Aging Male (ADAM) is a state in which the individual’s testosterone level is below the normal lower range of the normal distribution of testosterone levels in younger men. This condition is characterized by decreased sexual desire, decreased energy and strength, decreased self-esteem and depression.

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Expert Staff

While commercial vitamin stores and pharmacies are notorious for their take-a-number, one-size-fits-all customer philosophy and lack of helpful expertise, the Life Extension Nutrition Center prides itself in being the opposite. With a staff of highly trained health advisors, any customer can set up an appointment to discuss specific questions and concerns about their health. This unique, one-on-one relationship is crucial to the success of any anti-aging regimen. Unlike a traditional pharmacy, a customer won’t be handed a bottle or pill container and told to simply “read the label.” Life Extension pharmacists are trained to advise customers about complementary nutritional strategies that allow them to achieve maximum benefit from their health care.
Blood Lab Access

After customers discuss their health goals with an advisor, they may want to have their blood tested to find out if they have any crucial hormone, vitamin, or mineral deficiencies they should be aware of. Life Extension advocates regular blood testing as one of the most important preventive actions you can take to anticipate and ward off the diseases of aging. Additionally, Life Extension offers a range of blood labs that are often not available at your general doctor’s office. Customers can have their blood drawn right there on the premises. The results will then be mailed directly to a customer’s house, where they have the option of speaking to their own health care provider; calling an advisor to discuss the results over the phone, or they can bring their results into the store to talk about them in person.

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Handpicked deep in the rainforests of Central America, **Rich Rewards** consists exclusively of **100% certified USDA organic arabica** coffee beans, gently roasted in small batches and ground for easy brewing.

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This chart shows Life Extension’s Rich Rewards Breakfast Blend contains up to 87% more chlorogenic acid than conventional caffeinated coffees and the Rich Rewards Decaffeinated Roast contains up to 154% more chlorogenic acid than conventional decaffeinated coffees. This enables one to obtain the benefits of heavy coffee drinking in about half the number of cups.
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To order either of the Rich Rewards Antioxidant Coffees call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

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**FEMALE LIFE EXTENSION PANEL (LC322535)**

| CBC/Chemistry Profile                          |         |
| Homocysteine                                   |         |
| Progesterone                                   |         |
| Free Testosterone                              |         |
| C-Reactive Protein (high sensitivity)          |         |

**MALE WEIGHT LOSS PANEL (LCWLM)**

| CBC/Chemistry Profile                          |         |
| Insulin                                        |         |
| Free Testosterone                              |         |
| Estradiol                                      |         |
| Free T3                                        |         |
| C-Reactive Protein (high-sensitivity)          |         |

**FEMALE WEIGHT LOSS PANEL (LCWLF)**

| CBC/Chemistry Profile                          |         |
| Insulin                                        |         |
| Free Testosterone                              |         |
| Estradiol                                      |         |
| Free T3                                        |         |
| C-Reactive Protein (high-sensitivity)          |         |

**MALE HORMONE ADD-ON PANEL (LCADMP)**

| Pregnenolone and Dihydrotestosterone (DHT)     |         |
| To provide an even more in-depth analysis of a man’s hormone status, Life Extension has created this panel as an addition to the Male Life Extension Panel. This panel provides valuable information about a testosterone metabolite that can affect the prostate, and the mother hormone that acts as a precursor to all other hormones. |

**FEMALE HORMONE ADD-ON PANEL (LCADFP)**

| Pregnenolone and Total Estrogens               |         |
| To provide an even more in-depth analysis of a woman’s hormone status, Life Extension has created this panel as an addition to the Female Life Extension Panel. This panel provides valuable information about total estrogen status, and the mother hormone that acts as a precursor to all other hormones. |

**LIFE EXTENSION THYROID PANEL (LC304131)**

| TSH, T4, Free T3, Free T4                      |         |

**MALE HORMONE RE-TEST PROFILE (LCRTMP)**

| CBC/Chemistry Profile                          |         |
| DHEA-S                                         |         |
| Total Estradiol                                |         |
| Total Free and Testosterone                    |         |
| TSH, Free T3                                   |         |

**MALE HORMONE RE-TEST PROFILE (LCRTTF)**

| CBC/Chemistry Profile                          |         |
| DHEA-S                                         |         |
| Total Estradiol                                |         |
| Total Free and Testosterone                    |         |
| TSH, Free T3                                   |         |

**THE CBC/CHEMISTRY PROFILE (LC381822)**

| OVER 40 PARAMETERS TESTED                     |         |
| CARDIOVASCULAR RISK PROFILE                    |         |
| Total Cholesterol                             |         |
| Cholesterol/HDL Ratio                         |         |
| LDL Cholesterol                               |         |
| Triglycerides                                  |         |
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**BLOOD MINERAL PANEL**

| Calcium                                         |         |
| Potassium                                       |         |
| Phosphorus                                      |         |

**BLOOD COUNT/RED AND WHITE BLOOD CELL PROFILE**

| Red Blood Cell Count                           |         |
| White Blood Cell Count                         |         |
| Creatinine                                     |         |
| Uric Acid                                      |         |

**HEMOGLOBIN A1C (HBA1C) (LC001453)**

| Hemoglobin A1C                                  |         |

**FOOD SAFE ALLERGY TEST (LCMT3001)**

| This test measures delayed (IgG) food allergies for 95 common foods. |

**GLUCOSE, TWO-HOUR POSTPRANDIAL (LC002022)**

| This test measures the amount of a type of sugar, called glucose, in your blood. This test measures blood glucose exactly 2 hours after eating. |

**OMEGA SCORE** (LCOMEGA)

| Provides valuable information on your risk of developing heart disease, sudden heart attack, and cardiac death. The Omega Score™ also includes your AA-EPA ratio, allowing you to determine and track a major factor in total body inflammation. |

**COQ10** (COENZYME Q10) (LC120251)

| This test is used to check the blood level of COQ10 and will enable more precise dosing for anyone seeking to achieve and maintain high levels of this critical antioxidant. |

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**NOTE:** CBC/Chemistry profile is included in the Male and Female Life Extension panels and Weight Loss Panels.
### Most Popular Single Tests

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<td>Adrenocorticotropic Hormone (ACTH)*</td>
<td>$91.50</td>
<td>A pituitary function test useful in evaluating adrenocortical dysfunction.</td>
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<td>DHEA-Sulfate (LC004020)</td>
<td>$61</td>
<td>This test shows if you are taking the proper amount of DHEA. This test normally costs $100 or more at commercial laboratories.</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>Estradiol (LC004515)</td>
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<td>For men and women. Determines the proper amount in the body.</td>
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<td>Insulin-Like Growth Factor Binding Protein 3 (IGFBP3) (LC140152)</td>
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<td>Elevated levels in hypertensive individuals have been associated with a nine-fold increase of carotid atherosclerosis.</td>
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<td>Insulin Fastig* (LC004333)</td>
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<td>Can predict those at risk of diabetes, obesity, and heart and other diseases.</td>
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<td>Pregnenolone* (LC140707)</td>
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<td>Used to determine ovarian failure, hirsutism, adrenal carcinoma, and Cushing’s syndrome.</td>
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<td>Progesterone (LC004317)</td>
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<td>Primarily for women. Determines the proper amount in the body.</td>
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<td>Sex Hormone Binding Globulin (SHBG)</td>
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<td>This test is used to monitor SHBG levels which are under the positive control of estrogens and thyroid hormones, and suppressed by androgens.</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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<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>C-Reactive Protein (High-Sensitivity)</td>
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<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>Galectin-3 (LC004110)</td>
<td>$399</td>
<td>Heart failure is a condition caused by a combination of diseases or factors that damage or overwork the heart muscle, resulting in its inability to pump blood efficiently to meet the requirements of the organs of the body. Galectin-3 is used as an aid in assessing chronic heart failure.</td>
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<td>High levels of this blood-clotting factor increase the risk of heart attack and stroke.</td>
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<td>Homocysteine (LC706994)</td>
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<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>VAP™ Test (LC045000)</td>
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<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>Can provide an early warning sign for prostate disorders and possible cancer.</td>
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<td>Free-PSA (Includes Total PSA)* (LC480780)</td>
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<td>Recommended to determine if an elevated PSA is indicative of prostate cancer.</td>
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<td>Osteocalcin* (LC010249)</td>
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<td>Osteocalcin is often used as a biochemical marker, or biomarker, for the bone formation process. It has been routinely observed that higher serum osteocalcin levels are relatively well correlated with bone diseases characterized by increased bone turnover, especially osteoporosis.</td>
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<td>DPD Cross Link Urine Test (LC511105)</td>
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<td>The deoxypyridinoline (DPD) urine test can be used to measure bone re-absorption rates in healthy individuals and in those with enhanced risk of developing metabolic bone diseases. Deoxypyridinoline can be used to monitor therapies (which may include bisphosphonate drugs) in people diagnosed with osteoporosis.</td>
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MARCH 2012

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LIFE EXTENSION MEMBERS RECEIVE 25% OFF THE RETAIL PRICE OF ALL PRODUCTS

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The turmeric root requires more time in the ground for highly beneficial phytoneutrals called curcuminoids and sesquiterpenoids to attain peak concentrations.

Life Extension’s Super Bio-Curcumin® derives from turmeric that is organic, cultivated to maturity, then specially transported and processed to preserve and deliver the root’s most complete nutritional profile.

In recent studies comparing the effects of standard curcumin against turmeric extracts comparable to Super Bio-Curcumin®, researchers observed:1,2

- Nearly twice the support for immune health.
- Approximately twice the support for inflammatory issues.
- Almost double the antioxidant support.

A separate study indicated that an antioxidant-rich curcumin extract3 provided powerful support for heart health.

Unrivaled Potency and Absorbability with BCM-95®

Curcumin is neither absorbed nor retained well in the blood, which is another challenge facing those who wish to maximize its benefits.

The highly popular Super Bio-Curcumin® uses BCM-95®, a patented, bioenhanced preparation of curcumin. It has been shown to reach 7 times higher concentration in the blood than standard curcumin.4

The graphs on this page illustrate that one 400 mg vegetarian capsule per day of Super Bio-Curcumin® supplies the equivalent of 2,500-2,800 mg of commercial curcumin supplements.

A bottle containing 60 vegetarian capsules of Super Bio-Curcumin® retails for $38. If a member buys four bottles, the price is reduced to only $26.25 per bottle.

Contains rice.

References
5. Bioavailability study of BCM-95® in rats. Orcas International Inc. 2006

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 healthcare provider before taking this product.

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To order Super Bio-Curcumin®, call 1-800-544-4440 or visit www.LifeExtension.com

How Much Curcumin Are You Absorbing?

Chart 1. Absorption of Super Bio-Curcumin® in Humans Compared with Conventional Curcumin®

Chart 2. Absorption of Super Bio-Curcumin® in Humans Compared with Plant-Bound Curcumin with Piperine®

Chart 3. Bioavailability in rats fed with BCM-95® showed 6.9 times greater bioavailability (absorption and sustainability over 8 hours) in humans compared with conventional curcumin (as measured by the area under the curve [AUC] in a plot of blood levels against time, that is, the total amount of curcumin absorbed by the body over 8 hours).

To price is reduced to $26.25 per bottle.

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