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Ordering Provider: Jane Getuwell, DO Samples Received 09/28/2018

**Report Date** 10/04/2018

**Samples Collected** 

Saliva - 09/22/18 09:34 Saliva - 09/22/18 15:06 Saliva - 09/22/18 18:50 Saliva - 09/25/18 00:45 Blood Spot - 09/09/18 12:49

Blood Spot - 09/22/18 09:46

### **Patient Name:**

### **Patient Phone Number:**

<b>Gender</b> Female	<b>Last Menses</b> 09/19/2018	Heig 5 ft 4		Waist 30 in	
<b>DOB</b> 5/17/1980 (38 yrs)	<b>Menses Status</b> Pre-Menopausal	<b>Weig</b> 131 l	,	BMI 22.5	
TEST NAME	RESULTS   09/09/18		RANGE		
Salivary Steroids					
Cortisol	13	3.2 H	3.7-9.5	ng/mL (morning)	
Cortisol	1.6		1.2-3.0	ng/mL (noon)	
Cortisol	2	2.6 H	0.6-1.9	ng/mL (evening)	
Cortisol		1.0	0.4-1.0	ng/mL (night)	
Blood Spot Steroids					
Estradiol	60		43-180	pg/mL Premeno-luteal or ERT	
Progesterone	2.4 L		3.3-22.	5 ng/mL Premeno-luteal or PgRT	
Ratio: Pg/E2	40 L		Pg/E2 (	(bloodspot-optimal 100-500)	
Testosterone	34		20-130	ng/dL Premeno-luteal or TRT	
SHBG	88		15-120	nmol/L	
DHEAS	58		40-290	µg/dL	
<b>Blood Spot</b>					
LH	11	1.8 H	1.6-9.3	U/L Premenopausal-follicular	
FSH	14	1.4 H	2.4-9.3	U/L Premenopausal-follicular	
<b>Blood Spot Thyroids</b>					
Free T4*	1.1		0.7-2.5	ng/dL	
Free T3	3.7		2.4-4.2	pg/mL	
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TPOab*	10		0-150 I	U/mL (70-150 borderline)	

**TEST NAME** 

**RESULTS | 09/09/18** 

**RANGE** 

<dL = Less than the detectable limit of the lab. N/A = Not applicable; 1 or more values used in this calculation is less than the detectable limit. H = High. L = Low. \* For research purposes only.</p>

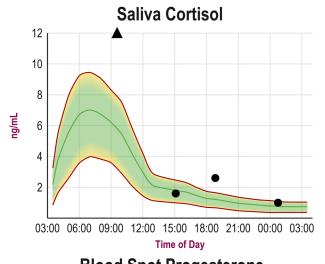
### **Therapies**

Desvenlafaxine Prozac Ziprasidone Lamotragine (Lamictal)

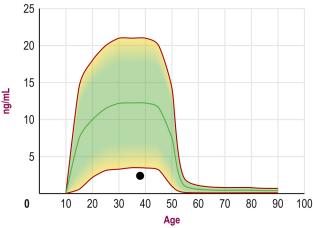
#### **Graphs**

Disclaimer: Graphs below represent averages for healthy individuals not using hormones. Supplementation ranges may be higher. Please see supplementation ranges and lab comments if results are higher or lower than expected.

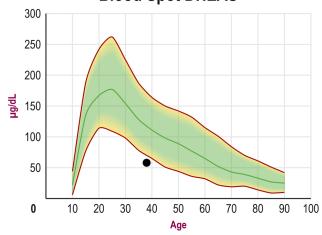
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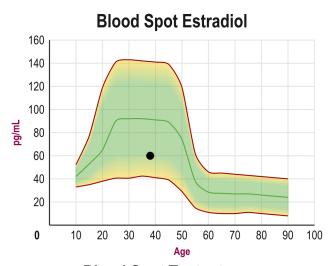




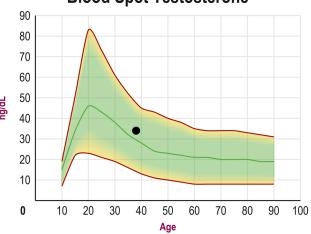


# **Blood Spot DHEAS**



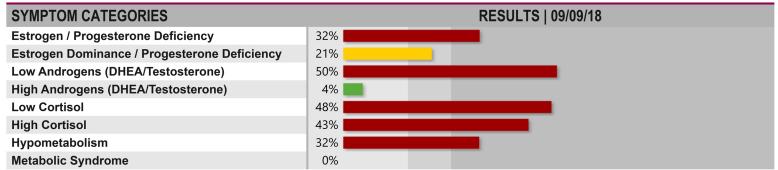


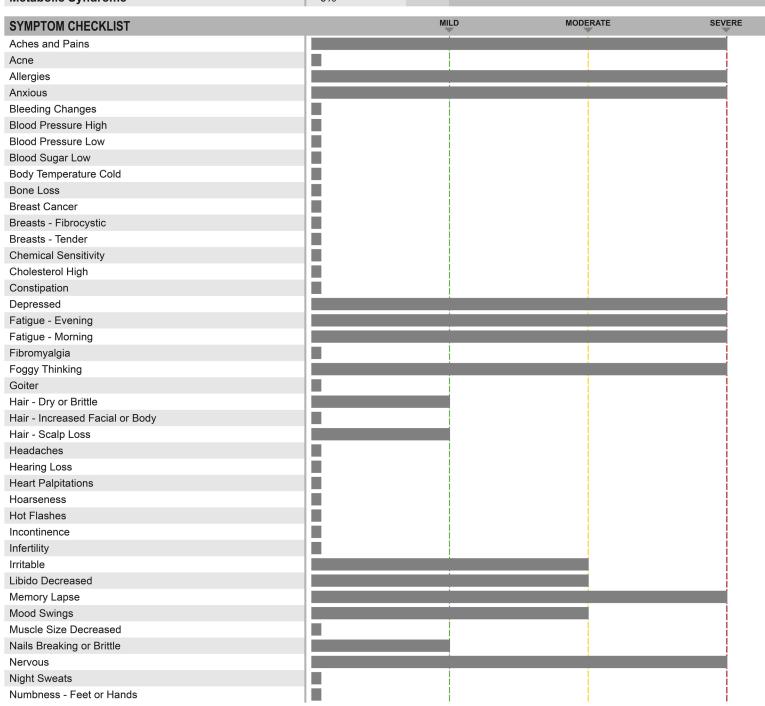
## **Blood Spot Testosterone**



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**Disclaimer:** Symptom Categories below show percent of symptoms self-reported by the patient compared to total available symptoms for each category. For detailed information on category breakdowns, go to www.zrtlab.com/patient-symptoms.





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SYMPTOM CHECKLIST	MILI	D MODE	ERATE SEV	ERE
Pulse Rate Slow				
Rapid Aging				
Rapid Heartbeat				
Skin Thinning				
Sleep Disturbed				
Stamina Decreased				
Stress				1
Sugar Cravings				
Sweating Decreased				
Swelling or Puffy Eyes/Face				
Tearful				
Triglycerides Elevated				
Urinary Urge Increased				
Uterine Fibroids				
Vaginal Dryness				
Water Retention				
Weight Gain - Hips				
Weight Gain - Waist				

## Lab Comments

Infertility is a complicated syndrome involving hormonal and physical dysfunction for both men and women that cannot be fully assessed by ZRT testing alone. The number of months a couple has been trying may determine the amount of warranted workup. On average 1 year of trying for a woman under the age of 35 is suggested and 6 months for women over the age of 35 is recommended. Additional evaluation may include physical disorders including: assessing whether the fallopian tubes are open, presence of uterine fibroids or uterine polyps, uterine septum or ovarian cysts. Men may be assessed for sperm quality and quantity. In addition, immunological, genetic or blood clotting issues may also be a factor in infertility for couples not achieving pregnancy for unknown reasons.

Salivary cortisol is fluctuating from high to normal throughout the day suggesting stressors causing HPA axis dysfunction and/or poor regulation of blood sugar levels (dysglycemia-common in individuals with insulin resistance/metabolic syndrome). Acute situational stressors (e.g., anxiety over unresolved situations, travel, work-related problems, wedding, holiday season, etc.) can raise cortisol levels, which is a normal response to the stressor. Symptoms commonly associated with high cortisol include sugar craving, fatigue, sleep disturbances, anxiety, and depression. If cortisol remains elevated throughout the day (usually associated with a high night cortisol) and over a prolonged period of time (months/years) excessive breakdown of normal tissues (muscle wasting, thinning of skin, bone loss) and immune suppression can eventually result. Adequate sleep, gentle exercise, naps, meditation, proper diet (adequate protein), natural progesterone, adrenal extracts, herbs such as licorice, and nutritional supplements (vitamins C and B5) are some of the natural ways to help support adrenal function (consult with a health care provider for proper dosing). For additional information about strategies for supporting adrenal health and reducing stress(ors), the following books are worth reading: "Adrenal Fatigue", by James L. Wilson, N.D., D.C., Ph.D.; "The Cortisol Connection", by Shawn Talbott, Ph.D.; "The End of Stress As We Know It" by Bruce McEwen; "Awakening Athena" by Kenna Stephenson, MD.

Estradiol (blood spot) is within mid-normal observed range for a premenopausal woman. Although estradiol is within observed range, it is not well balanced with progesterone (low progesterone/estradiol ratio). Estradiol at this level during the luteal phase of the menstrual cycle should be well balanced with progesterone (ideal progesterone/estradiol ratio 100-500) to help prevent estrogen dominance.

Progesterone (blood spot) is lower than observed range for a premenopausal woman during luteal phase of the menstrual cycle. Assuming the blood was collected during mid-luteal phase of the menstrual cycle (days 19-22 of a 28 day cycle), a low progesterone may indicate anovulation (no egg produced), luteal insufficiency (egg produced but poor production of progesterone by the corpus luteum), or use of synthetic hormones (e.g. hormonal contraceptives-none indicated) that suppress endogenous ovarian synthesis of progesterone. Because symptoms of estrogen deficiency are self-reported as problematic, consider creating a more balanced progesterone/estradiol ratio (ideal ratio 100-500) with progesterone and/or estrogen/progesterone supplementation (assuming no contraindications).

Testosterone (blood spot) is within normal range but symptoms of androgen deficiency persist. This may be due to other hormonal imbalances with symptom profiles similar to low androgens, which include low thyroid or low cortisol caused by excessive stressors. Note that symptoms of both low thyroid and low cortisol are self-reported as problematic.

SHBG (Sex Hormone Binding Globulin) is within the high-normal range. SHBG is a protein produced by the liver and released into the bloodstream in response to inceasing levels of estrogens. SHBG is a relative index of overall exposure to any form of estrogens (endogenous, pharmaceutical-ERT, xeno-estrogens-pollutants). As the estrogen levels increase there is a proportional increase in SHBG in normal individuals. Excess thyroid medication, or hyperthyrodism, is also associated with elevated SHBG. High insulin (insulin resistance), high androgens, and high glucocorticoids (cortisol) lower SHBG, all of which increase the bioavailability of estradiol and the likelihood of estrogen dominance