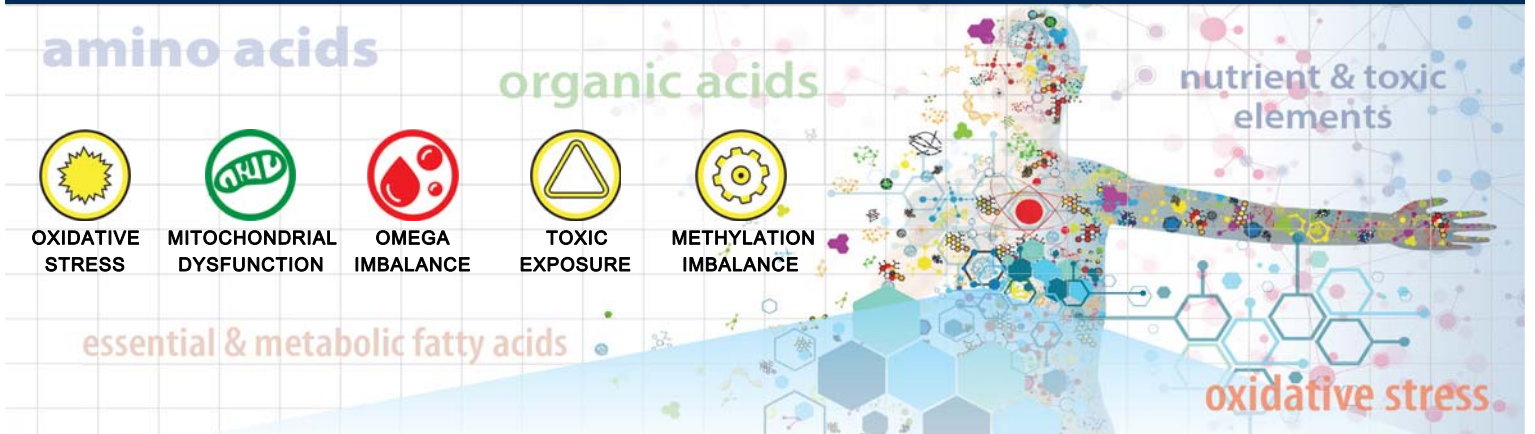




3200 Metabolomix+ - FMV Urine

Results Overview



Functional Imbalance Scores

Key **0-4** : Minimal Need for Support      **5-7** : Moderate Need for Support      **8-10** : High Need for Support

Need for Antioxidant Support	Need for Mitochondrial Support	Need for Inflammation Support	Need for Reduced Exposure	Need for Methylation Support
<p><b>Oxidative Stress</b></p> <p><b>5</b></p> <p>Cystine ▼ Cysteine ● Lipid Peroxides ● 8-OHdG ● Taurine ▼ Citric Acid ▲ cis-Aconitic Acid ●</p>	<p><b>Mitochondrial Dysfunction</b></p> <p><b>0</b></p> <p>Magnesium ▼ FIGLU ● Methylmalonic Acid ● Glutaric Acid ▲ Lactic Acid ● Pyruvic Acid ▲ Citric Acid ▲ cis-Aconitic Acid ● Isocitric Acid ● α-Ketoglutaric Acid ● Succinic Acid ▼ Malic Acid ▲ Adipic Acid ● Suberic Acid ● Manganese ▲</p>	<p><b>Omega Imbalance</b></p> <p><b>8</b></p> <p>Omega-3 Index ▼ Omega 6/3 Ratio ● α-Linolenic Acid ▼ Arachidonic Acid ▲ Linoleic Acid ▼ γ-Linolenic Acid ▼ Dihomo-γ-linolenic Acid ▼</p> <p><b>OMEGA IMBALANCE AVAILABLE WITH OPTIONAL ADD-ONS</b></p>	<p><b>Toxic Exposure</b></p> <p><b>7</b></p> <p>Lead ▲ Mercury ● α-Hydroxyisobutyric Acid ● α-Ketophenylacetic Acid ● Arsenic ● Cadmium ▲ Pyroglutamic Acid ● Orotic Acid ● Citric Acid ▲ cis-Aconitic Acid ● Isocitric Acid ● Glutaric Acid ▲</p>	<p><b>Methylation Imbalance</b></p> <p><b>7</b></p> <p>Methylmalonic Acid ● Methionine ▲ FIGLU ● Sarcosine ▲ Vanilmandelic Acid ● Arginine ▼ Glycine ● Serine ▲ Creatinine ▼</p>



## Nutrient Need Overview

	Nutrient Need											DRI	Suggested Recommendations	Provider Recommendations
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
<b>Antioxidants</b>														
Vitamin A												3,000 IU	3,000 IU	
Vitamin C												90 mg	250 mg	
Vitamin E / Tocopherols												22 IU	100 IU	
α-Lipoic Acid													100 mg	
CoQ10													30 mg	
Glutathione														
Plant-based Antioxidants														
<b>B-Vitamins</b>														
Thiamin - B1												1.2 mg	50 mg	
Riboflavin - B2												1.3 mg	25 mg	
Niacin - B3												16 mg	30 mg	
Pyridoxine - B6												1.7 mg	25 mg	
Biotin - B7												30 mcg	100 mcg	
Folate - B9												400 mcg	800 mcg	
Cobalamin - B12												2.4 mcg	100 mcg	
<b>Minerals</b>														
Magnesium												420 mg	800 mg	
Manganese												2.3 mg	3.0 mg	
Molybdenum												45 mcg	75 mcg	
Zinc												11 mg	20 mg	
<b>Essential Fatty Acids</b>														
Omega-3 Fatty Acids												500 mg	2,000 mg	
<b>GI Support</b>														
Digestive Support/Enzymes													10,000 IU	
Microbiome Support/Probiotics													50 billion CFU	

### Amino Acids (mg/day)

Arginine	1,460	Methionine	0
Asparagine	0	Phenylalanine	0
Cysteine	0	Serine	0
Glutamine	0	Taurine	1,212
Glycine	0	Threonine	0
Histidine	2,190	Tryptophan	0
Isoleucine	1,168	Tyrosine	0
Leucine	1,308	Valine	10
Lysine	1,730		

Recommendations for age and gender-specific supplementation are set by comparing levels of nutrient functional need to optimal levels as described in the peer-reviewed literature. They are provided as guidance for short-term support of nutritional deficiencies only.

The Nutrient Need Overview is provided at the request of the ordering practitioner. Any application of it as a therapeutic intervention is to be determined by the ordering practitioner.

## Interpretation At-A-Glance

### Antioxidant Needs

#### Vitamin A



- Beta-carotene & other carotenoids are converted to vitamin A (retinol), involved in vision, antioxidant & immune function, gene expression & cell growth.
- Vitamin A deficiency may occur with chronic alcoholism, zinc deficiency, hypothyroidism, or oral contraceptives containing estrogen & progestin.
- Deficiency may result in night blindness, impaired immunity, healing & tissue regeneration, increased risk of infection, leukoplakia or keratosis.
- Food sources include cod liver oil, fortified cereals & milk, eggs, sweet potato, pumpkin, carrot, cantaloupe, mango, spinach, broccoli, kale & butternut squash.

#### Vitamin C



- Vitamin C is an antioxidant (also used in the regeneration of other antioxidants). It is involved in cholesterol metabolism, the production & function of WBCs and antibodies, and the synthesis of collagen, norepinephrine and carnitine.
- Deficiency may occur with oral contraceptives, aspirin, diuretics or NSAIDs.
- Deficiency can result in scurvy, swollen gingiva, periodontal destruction, loose teeth, sore mouth, soft tissue ulcerations, or increased risk of infection.
- Food sources include oranges, grapefruit, strawberries, tomato, sweet red pepper, broccoli and potato.

#### Vitamin E / Tocopherols



- Alpha-tocopherol (body's main form of vitamin E) functions as an antioxidant, regulates cell signaling, influences immune function and inhibits coagulation.
- Deficiency may occur with malabsorption, cholestyramine, colestipol, isoniazid, orlistat, olestra and certain anti-convulsants (e.g., phenobarbital, phenytoin).
- Deficiency may result in peripheral neuropathy, ataxia, muscle weakness, retinopathy, and increased risk of CVD, prostate cancer and cataracts.
- Food sources include oils (olive, soy, corn, canola, safflower, sunflower), eggs, nuts, seeds, spinach, carrots, avocado, dark leafy greens and wheat germ.

#### α-Lipoic Acid



- α-Lipoic acid plays an important role in energy production, antioxidant activity (including the regeneration of vitamin C and glutathione), insulin signaling, cell signaling and the catabolism of α-keto acids and amino acids.
- High biotin intake can compete with lipoic acid for cell membrane entry.
- Optimal levels of α-lipoic acid may improve glucose utilization and protect against diabetic neuropathy, vascular disease and age-related cognitive decline.
- Main food sources include organ meats, spinach and broccoli. Lesser sources include tomato, peas, Brussels sprouts and brewer's yeast.

#### CoQ10



- CoQ10 is a powerful antioxidant that is synthesized in the body and contained in cell membranes. CoQ10 is also essential for energy production & pH regulation.
- CoQ10 deficiency may occur with HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors (statins), several anti-diabetic medication classes (biguanides, sulfonylureas) or beta-blockers.
- Low levels may aggravate oxidative stress, diabetes, cancer, congestive heart failure, cardiac arrhythmias, gingivitis and neurologic diseases.
- Main food sources include meat, poultry, fish, soybean, canola oil, nuts and whole grains. Moderate sources include fruits, vegetables, eggs and dairy.

#### Glutathione



- Glutathione (GSH) is composed of cysteine, glutamine & glycine. GSH is a source of sulfate and plays a key role in antioxidant activity and detoxification of toxins.
- GSH requirement is increased with high-fat diets, cigarette smoke, cystinuria, chronic alcoholism, chronic acetaminophen use, infection, inflammation and toxic exposure.
- Deficiency may result in oxidative stress & damage, impaired detoxification, altered immunity, macular degeneration and increased risk of chronic illness.
- Food sources of GSH precursors include meats, poultry, fish, soy, corn, nuts, seeds, wheat germ, milk and cheese.

#### Plant-based Antioxidants



- Oxidative stress is the imbalance between the production of free radicals and the body's ability to readily detoxify these reactive species and/or repair the resulting damage with anti-oxidants.
- Oxidative stress can be endogenous (energy production and inflammation) or exogenous (exercise, exposure to environmental toxins).
- Oxidative stress has been implicated clinically in the development of neurodegenerative diseases, cardiovascular diseases and chronic fatigue syndrome.
- Antioxidants may be found in whole food sources (e.g., brightly colored fruits & vegetables, green tea, turmeric) as well as nutraceuticals (e.g., resveratrol, EGCG, lutein, lycopene, ginkgo, milk thistle, etc.).

### KEY

- Function of Nutrient
- Cause of Deficiency
- Complications of Deficiency
- Food Sources of Nutrient

## Interpretation At-A-Glance

### B-Vitamin Needs

#### Thiamin - B1

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- B1 is a required cofactor for enzymes involved in energy production from food, and for the synthesis of ATP, GTP, DNA, RNA and NADPH.
- Low B1 can result from chronic alcoholism, diuretics, digoxin, oral contraceptives and HRT, or large amounts of tea & coffee (contain anti-B1 factors).
- B1 deficiency may lead to dry beriberi (e.g., neuropathy, muscle weakness), wet beriberi (e.g., cardiac problems, edema), encephalopathy or dementia.
- Food sources include lentils, whole grains, wheat germ, Brazil nuts, peas, organ meats, brewer's yeast, blackstrap molasses, spinach, milk & eggs.

#### Riboflavin - B2

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- B2 is a key component of enzymes involved in antioxidant function, energy production, detoxification, methionine metabolism and vitamin activation.
- Low B2 may result from chronic alcoholism, some anti-psychotic medications, oral contraceptives, tricyclic antidepressants, quinacrine or adriamycin.
- B2 deficiency may result in oxidative stress, mitochondrial dysfunction, low uric acid, low B3 or B6, high homocysteine, anemia or oral & throat inflammation.
- Food sources include milk, cheese, eggs, whole grains, beef, chicken, wheat germ, fish, broccoli, asparagus, spinach, mushrooms and almonds.

#### Niacin - B3

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- B3 is used to form NAD and NADP, involved in energy production from food, fatty acid & cholesterol synthesis, cell signaling, DNA repair & cell differentiation.
- Low B3 may result from deficiencies of tryptophan (B3 precursor), B6, B2 or Fe (cofactors in B3 production), or from long-term isoniazid or oral contraceptive use.
- B3 deficiency may result in pellagra (dermatitis, diarrhea, dementia), neurologic symptoms (e.g., depression, memory loss), bright red tongue or fatigue.
- Food sources include poultry, beef, organ meats, fish, whole grains, peanuts, seeds, lentils, brewer's yeast and lima beans.

#### Pyridoxine - B6

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- B6 (as P5P) is a cofactor for enzymes involved in glycogenolysis & gluconeogenesis, and synthesis of neurotransmitters, heme, B3, RBCs and nucleic acids.
- Low B6 may result from chronic alcoholism, long-term diuretics, estrogens (oral contraceptives and HRT), anti-TB meds, penicillamine, L-DOPA or digoxin.
- B6 deficiency may result in neurologic symptoms (e.g., irritability, depression, seizures), oral inflammation, impaired immunity or increased homocysteine.
- Food sources include poultry, beef, beef liver, fish, whole grains, wheat germ, soybean, lentils, nuts & seeds, potato, spinach and carrots.

#### Biotin - B7

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- Biotin is a cofactor for enzymes involved in functions such as fatty acid synthesis, mitochondrial FA oxidation, gluconeogenesis and DNA replication & transcription.
- Deficiency may result from certain inborn errors, chronic intake of raw egg whites, long-term TPN, anticonvulsants, high-dose B5, sulfa drugs & other antibiotics.
- Low levels may result in neurologic symptoms (e.g., paresthesias, depression), hair loss, scaly rash on face or genitals or impaired immunity.
- Food sources include yeast, whole grains, wheat germ, eggs, cheese, liver, meats, fish, wheat, nuts & seeds, avocado, raspberries, sweet potato and cauliflower.

#### Folate - B9

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- Folate plays a key role in coenzymes involved in DNA and SAMe synthesis, methylation, nucleic acids & amino acid metabolism and RBC production.
- Low folate may result from alcoholism, high-dose NSAIDs, diabetic meds, H2 blockers, some diuretics and anti-convulsants, SSRIs, methotrexate, trimethoprim, pyrimethamine, triamterene, sulfasalazine or cholestyramine.
- Folate deficiency can result in anemia, fatigue, low methionine, increased homocysteine, impaired immunity, heart disease, birth defects and CA risk.
- Food sources include fortified grains, green vegetables, beans & legumes.

#### Cobalamin - B12

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- B12 plays important roles in energy production from fats & proteins, methylation, synthesis of hemoglobin & RBCs, and maintenance of nerve cells, DNA & RNA.
- Low B12 may result from alcoholism, malabsorption, hypochlorhydria (e.g., from atrophic gastritis, H. pylori infection, pernicious anemia, H2 blockers, PPIs), vegan diets, diabetic meds, cholestyramine, chloramphenicol, neomycin or colchicine.
- B12 deficiency can lead to anemia, fatigue, neurologic symptoms (e.g., paresthesias, memory loss, depression, dementia), methylation defects or chromosome breaks.
- Food sources include shellfish, red meat, poultry, fish, eggs, milk and cheese.

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## Interpretation At-A-Glance

### Mineral Needs

#### Magnesium

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- Magnesium is involved in >300 metabolic reactions. Key areas include energy production, bone & ATP formation, muscle & nerve conduction and cell signaling.
- Deficiency may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, hyperparathyroidism, renal disorders (wasting), diabetes, diuretics, digoxin or high doses of zinc.
- Low Mg may result in muscle weakness/spasm, constipation, depression, hypertension, arrhythmias, hypocalcemia, hypokalemia or personality changes.
- Food sources include dark leafy greens, oatmeal, buckwheat, unpolished grains, chocolate, milk, nuts & seeds, lima beans and molasses.

#### Manganese

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- Manganese plays an important role in antioxidant function, gluconeogenesis, the urea cycle, cartilage & bone formation, energy production and digestion.
- Impaired absorption of Mn may occur with excess intake of Fe, Ca, Cu, folic acid, or phosphorous compounds, or use of long-term TPN, Mg-containing antacids or laxatives.
- Deficiency may result in impaired bone/connective tissue growth, glucose & lipid dysregulation, infertility, oxidative stress, inflammation or hyperammonemia.
- Food sources include whole grains, legumes, dried fruits, nuts, dark green leafy vegetables, liver, kidney and tea.

#### Molybdenum

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- Molybdenum is a cofactor for enzymes that convert sulfites to sulfate, and nucleotides to uric acid, and that help metabolize aldehydes & other toxins.
- Low Mo levels may result from long-term TPN that does not include Mo.
- Mo deficiency may result in increased sulfite, decreased plasma uric acid (and antioxidant function), deficient sulfate, impaired sulfation (detoxification), neurologic disorders or brain damage (if severe deficiency).
- Food sources include buckwheat, beans, grains, nuts, beans, lentils, meats and vegetables (although Mo content of plants depends on soil content).

#### Zinc

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- Zinc plays a vital role in immunity, protein metabolism, heme synthesis, growth & development, reproduction, digestion and antioxidant function.
- Low levels may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, chronic diarrhea, diabetes, excess Cu or Fe, diuretics, ACE inhibitors, H2 blockers or digoxin.
- Deficiency can result in hair loss and skin rashes, also impairments in growth & healing, immunity, sexual function, taste & smell and digestion.
- Food sources include oysters, organ meats, soybean, wheat germ, seeds, nuts, red meat, chicken, herring, milk, yeast, leafy and root vegetables.

### Essential Fatty Acid Needs

#### Need for Essential Fatty Acids

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- Omega-3 (O3) and Omega-6 (O6) fatty acids are polyunsaturated fatty acids that cannot be synthesized by the human body. They are classified as essential nutrients and must be obtained from dietary sources.
- The standard American diet is much higher in O6 than O3 fatty acids. Deficiency of EFAs may result from poor dietary intake and/or poor conversion from food sources.
- EFA deficiency is associated with decreased growth & development of infants and children, dry skin/rash, poor wound healing, and increased risk of infection, cardiovascular and inflammatory diseases.
- Dietary sources of the O6 Linoleic Acid (LA) include vegetable oils, nuts, seeds and some vegetables. Dietary sources of the O3 a-Linolenic Acid (ALA) include flaxseeds, walnuts, and their oils. Fish (mackerel, salmon, sardines) are the major dietary sources of the O3 fatty acids EPA and DHA.

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### Microbiome & Digestive Support

#### Need for Probiotics

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- Probiotics have many functions. These include: production of some B vitamins and vitamin K; enhance digestion & absorption; decrease severity of diarrheal illness; modulate of immune function & intestinal permeability.
- Alterations of gastrointestinal microflora may result from C-section delivery, antibiotic use, improved sanitation, decreased consumption of fermented foods and use of certain drugs.
- Some of the diseases associated with microflora imbalances include: IBS, IBD, fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue syndrome, obesity, atopic illness, colic and cancer.
- Food sources rich in probiotics are yogurt, kefir and fermented foods.

#### Need for Pancreatic Enzymes

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- Pancreatic enzymes are secreted by the exocrine glands of the pancreas and include protease/peptidase, lipase and amylase.
- Pancreatic exocrine insufficiency may be primary or secondary in nature. Any indication of insufficiency warrants further evaluation for underlying cause (i.e., celiac disease, small intestine villous atrophy, small bowel bacterial overgrowth).
- A high functional need for digestive enzymes suggests that there is an impairment related to digestive capacity.
- Determining the strength of the pancreatic enzyme support depends on the degree of functional impairment. Supplement potency is based on the lipase units present in both prescriptive and non-prescriptive agents.

### Functional Imbalances

#### Mitochondrial Dysfunction

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- Mitochondria are a primary site of generation of reactive oxygen species. Oxidative damage is considered an important factor in decline of physiologic function that occurs with aging and stress.
- Mitochondrial defects have been identified in cardiovascular disease, fatigue syndromes, neurologic disorders such as Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease, as well as a variety of genetic conditions. Common nutritional deficiencies can impair mitochondrial efficiency.

#### Need for Methylation

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- Methylation is an enzymatic process that is critical for both synthesis and inactivation. DNA, estrogen and neurotransmitter metabolism are all dependent on appropriate methylation activity.
- B vitamins and other nutrients (methionine, magnesium, selenium) functionally support catechol-O-methyltransferase (COMT), the enzyme responsible for methylation.

#### Toxic Exposure

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- Methyl tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE) is a common gasoline additive used to increase octane ratings, and has been found to contaminate ground water supplies where gasoline is stored. Inhalation of MTBE may cause nose and throat irritation, as well as headaches, nausea, dizziness and mental confusion. Animal studies suggest that drinking MTBE may cause gastrointestinal irritation, liver and kidney damage and nervous system effects.
- Styrene is classified by the US EPA as a "potential human carcinogen," and is found widely distributed in commercial products such as rubber, plastic, insulation, fiberglass, pipes, food containers and carpet backing.
- Levels of these toxic substances should be examined within the context of the body's functional capacity for methylation and need for glutathione.

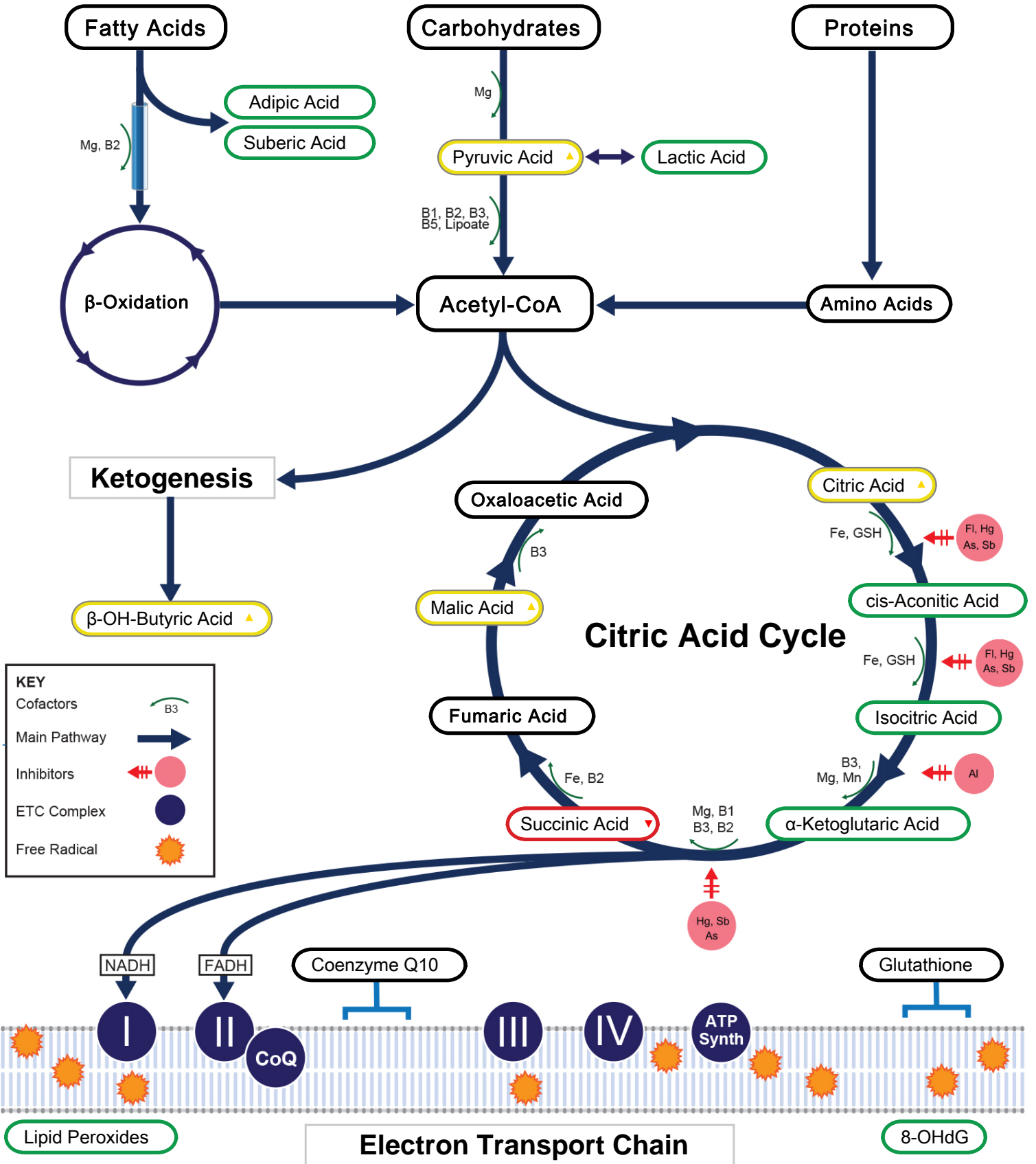
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## Oxidative Stress & Mitochondrial Dysfunction



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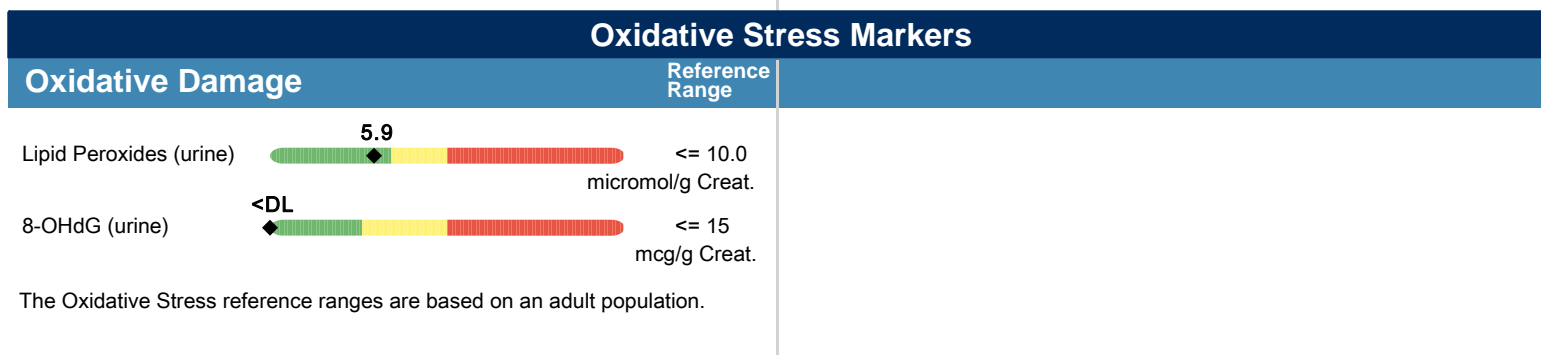
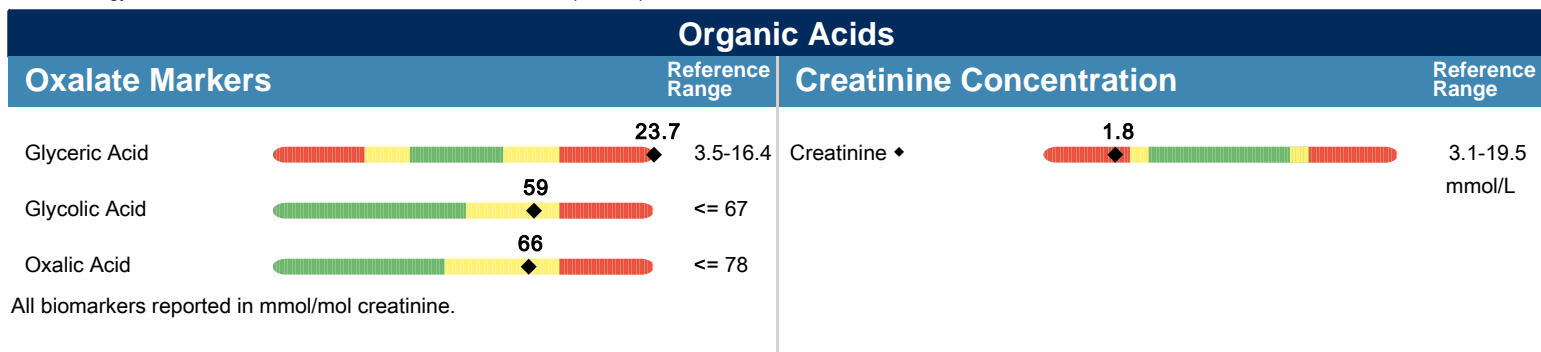
Organic Acids				
Malabsorption & Dysbiosis Markers		Vitamin Markers		
<b>Malabsorption Markers</b>		<b>Reference Range</b>	<b>Branched-Chain Catabolites (B1, B2, B3, ALA)</b>	
Indoleacetic Acid	3.1	<= 4.2	α-Ketoadipic Acid	
Phenylacetic Acid	0.16	<= 0.12	α-Ketoisovaleric Acid	
<b>Dysbiosis Markers</b>			α-Ketoisocaproic Acid	
Dihydroxyphenylpropionic Acid (DHPPA)	5.8	<= 5.3	α-Keto-β-Methylvaleric Acid	
3-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	<dl	<= 8.1	Glutaric Acid	
4-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	<dl	<= 29	Isovalerylglycine	
Benzoic Acid	0.07	<= 0.05	<b>Methylation Markers (Folate, B12)</b>	
Hippuric Acid	361	<= 603	Formiminoglutamic Acid (FIGlu)	<dl
<b>Yeast / Fungal Dysbiosis Markers</b>			Methylmalonic Acid	1.3
D-Arabinitol	12	<= 36	<b>Biotin Markers</b>	
Citramalic Acid	5.1	<= 5.8	3-Hydroxypropionic Acid	7
Tartaric Acid	<dl	<= 15	3-Hydroxyisovaleric Acid	<dl
<b>Cellular Energy &amp; Mitochondrial Markers</b>			<b>Neurotransmitter Metabolites</b>	
<b>Fatty Acid Metabolism</b>		<b>Reference Range</b>	<b>Kynurenine Markers (Vitamin B6)</b>	
Adipic Acid	<dl	<= 2.8	Kynurenic Acid	<dl
Suberic Acid	<dl	<= 2.1	Quinolinic Acid	3.3
<b>Carbohydrate Metabolism</b>			Kynurenic / Quinolinic Ratio	NR
Pyruvic Acid	27	7-32	Xanthurenic Acid	<dl
Lactic Acid	6.8	1.9-19.8	<b>Catecholamine Markers</b>	
α-Hydroxybutyric Acid	44.65	<= 0.83	Homovanillic Acid	2.0
β-OH-Butyric Acid	2.1	<= 2.8	Vanilmandelic Acid	1.6
β-OH-β-Methylglutaric Acid	<dl	<= 15	3-Methyl-4-OH-phenylglycol	0.10
<b>Energy Metabolism</b>			<b>Serotonin Markers</b>	
Citric Acid	404	40-520	5-OH-indoleacetic Acid	11.2
cis-Aconitic Acid	19	10-36	<b>Toxin &amp; Detoxification Markers</b>	
Isocitric Acid	50	22-65	Pyroglutamic Acid	21
α-Ketoglutaric Acid	15	4-52	α-Ketophenylacetic Acid (from Styrene)	0.17
Succinic Acid	<dl	0.4-4.6	α-Hydroxyisobutyric Acid (from MTBE)	3.9
Malic Acid	2.9	<= 3.0	Orotic Acid	0.54

Methodology: GCMS, LC/MS/MS, Alkaline Picrate, Colorimetric

Organic Acid Reference Ranges are Age Specific

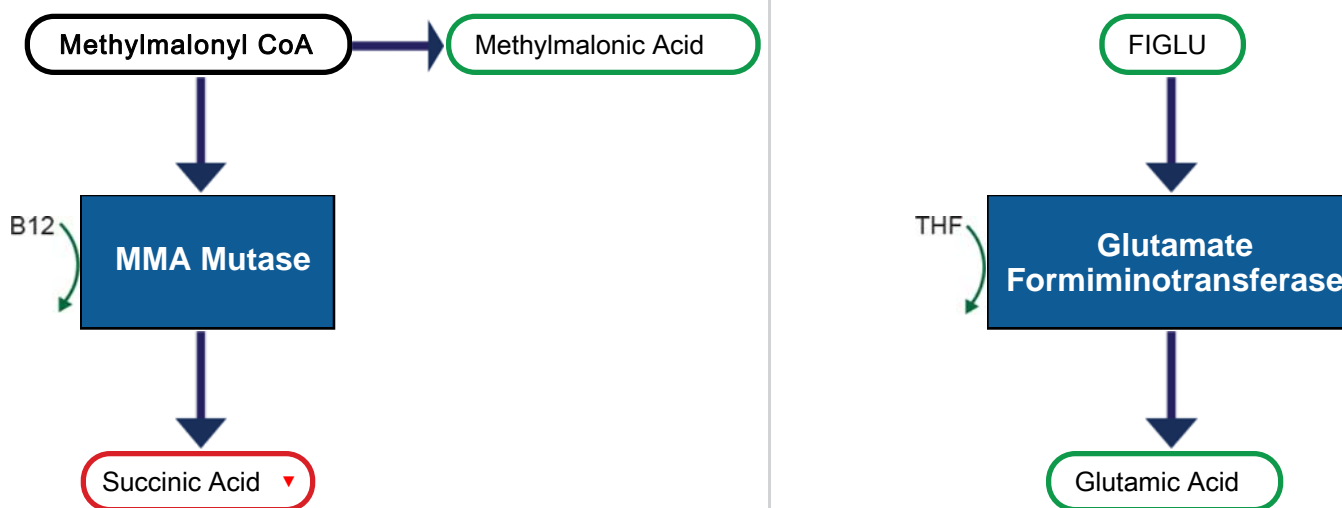


Methodology: Colorimetric, thiobarbituric acid reactive substances (TBARS), Alkaline Picrate, Hexokinase/G-6-PDH, HPLC, GC/MS

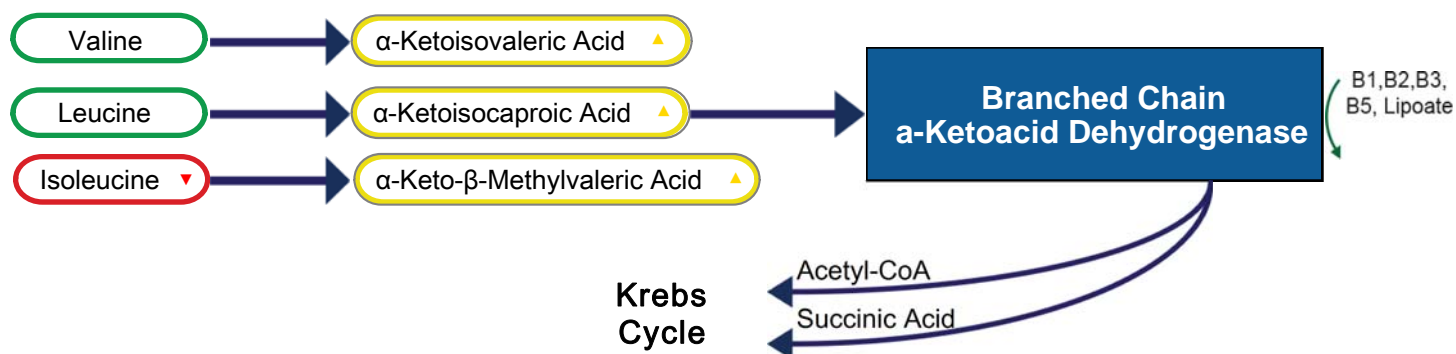


## Pathways

### Methylation Markers



## Branch-Chain Amino Acid Metabolism



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Amino Acids (FMV)			
Nutritionally Essential Amino Acids		Intermediary Metabolites	
Amino Acid	Reference Range	B-Vitamin Markers	Reference Range
Arginine	<dl	19	6-56
Histidine	<dl	12	2-21
Isoleucine	<dl	25	4-194
Leucine	7	<dl	4-48
Lysine	15	Urea Cycle Markers	
Methionine	11	Citrulline	6.0
Phenylalanine	25	Ornithine	10
Taurine	21	Urea ♦	149
Threonine	51		150-380 mmol/g creatinine
Tryptophan	24	Glycine/Serine Metabolites	
Valine	11	Glycine	161
		Serine	149
		Ethanolamine	349
		Phosphoethanolamine	5
		Phosphoserine	<dl
		Sarcosine	1.9
			<= 1.0
Nonessential Protein Amino Acids		Dietary Peptide Related Markers	
Amino Acid	Reference Range		Reference Range
Alanine	87	Anserine (dipeptide)	0.6
Asparagine	75	Carnosine (dipeptide)	5
Aspartic Acid	<dl	1-Methylhistidine	<dl
Cysteine	27	3-Methylhistidine	<dl
Cystine	<dl	β-Alanine	<dl
γ-Aminobutyric Acid	2		<= 18
Glutamic Acid	12		
Glutamine	200		
Proline	4		
Tyrosine	40		
Creatinine Concentration			
Creatinine ♦	1.9		
	3.1-19.5 mmol/L		

Amino Acid reference ranges are age specific.

Methodology: LC/MS/MS, Alkaline Picrate



## 3202 Add-on Bloodspot Essential & Metabolic Fatty Acids - Bloodspot

Methodology: GCMS

### Essential & Metabolic Fatty Acids Markers (RBCs)

Omega-3 Fatty Acids		Omega-6 Fatty Acids	
Analyte	Reference Range	Analyte	Reference Range
(cold water fish, flax, walnut)		(vegetable oil, grains, most meats, dairy)	
α-Linolenic (ALA) 18:3 n3	0.11 >= 0.28 wt %	Linoleic (LA) 18:2 n6	15.0 18.8-28.3 wt %
Eicosapentaenoic (EPA) 20:5 n3	0.14 >= 0.12 wt %	γ-Linolenic (GLA) 18:3 n6	0.14 0.15-0.54 wt %
Docosapentaenoic (DPA) 22:5 n3	1.09 >= 0.34 wt %	Dihomo-γ-linolenic (DGLA) 20:3 n6	1.17 >= 1.02 wt %
Docosahexaenoic (DHA) 22:6 n3	1.7 >= 0.8 wt %	Arachidonic (AA) 20:4 n6	17 7-12 wt %
% Omega-3s	3.0 >= 1.6	Docosatetraenoic (DTA) 22:4 n6	2.74 0.45-1.25 wt %
Omega-9 Fatty Acids		Monounsaturated Fatty Acids	
Analyte	Reference Range	Omega-7 Fatty Acids	
(olive oil)		Reference Range	
Oleic 18:1 n9	13 14-21 wt %	Palmitoleic 16:1 n7	0.29 ≤ 2.58 wt %
Nervonic 24:1 n9	3.0 1.1-1.8 wt %	Vaccenic 18:1 n7	1.23 ≤ 1.65 wt %
% Omega-9s	16.6 17.3-22.5	Trans Fats	
Saturated Fatty Acids		Delta-6-Desaturase Activity	
Analyte	Reference Range	Upregulated Functional Impaired	
(meat, dairy, coconuts, palm oils)		Linoleic / DGLA 18:2 n6 / 20:3 n6	
Palmitic C16:0	21 19-27 wt %	12.8 12.6-31.5	
Stearic C18:0	17 9-12 wt %	Cardiovascular Risk	
Arachidic C20:0	0.23 0.24-0.40 wt %	Analyte	
Behenic C22:0	0.95 0.88-1.61 wt %	Reference Range	
Tricosanoic C23:0	0.14 0.19-0.26 wt %	Omega-6s / Omega-3s	11.9 8.5-27.4
Lignoceric C24:0	2.8 1.1-1.9 wt %	AA / EPA 20:4 n6 / 20:5 n3	118 10-86
Pentadecanoic C15:0	0.04 0.14-0.30 wt %	Omega-3 Index	4.6 ≥ 4.0
Margaric C17:0	0.23 0.24-0.45 wt %		
% Saturated Fats	42.3 39.8-43.6		

The Essential Fatty Acid reference ranges are based on an adult population.

\* The patient results for the Omega 3 Index have been converted to red blood cell equivalence in order to maintain applicability to the literature-based reference ranges for this marker.



Fatty Acid Metabolism

Omega-3 Metabolism

Omega-6 Metabolism

Enzyme

**Delta-6-Desaturase**

Important Regulators:  
B2, B3, B6, Vitamin C,  
Insulin, Zn, Mg

**Elongase**

Important Regulators:  
B3, B5, B6, Biotin,  
Vitamin C

**Delta-5-Desaturase**

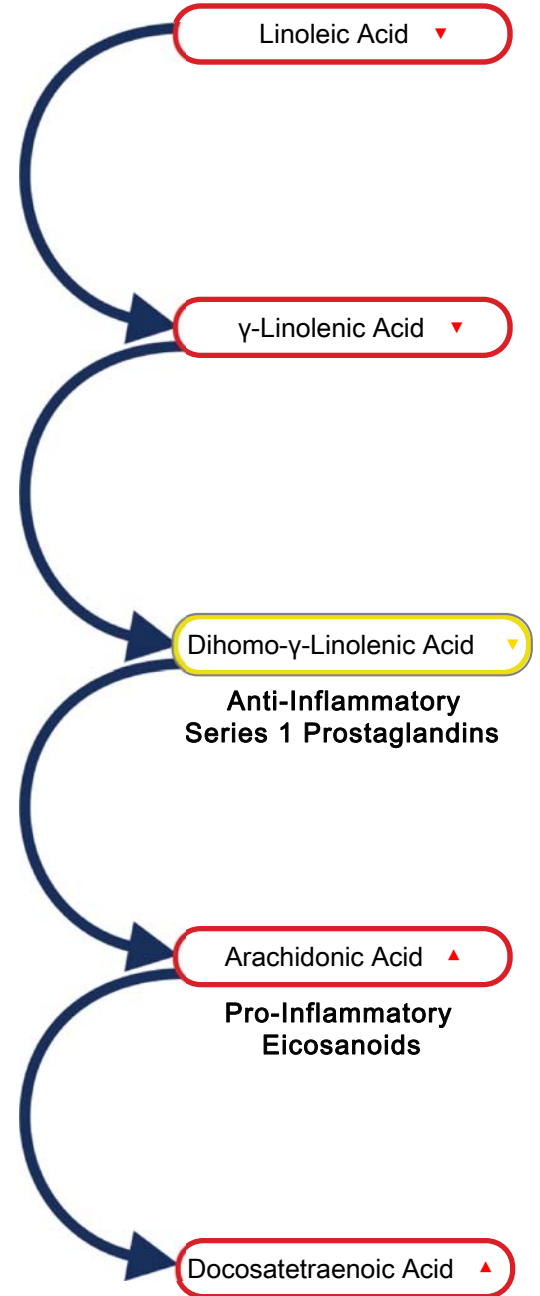
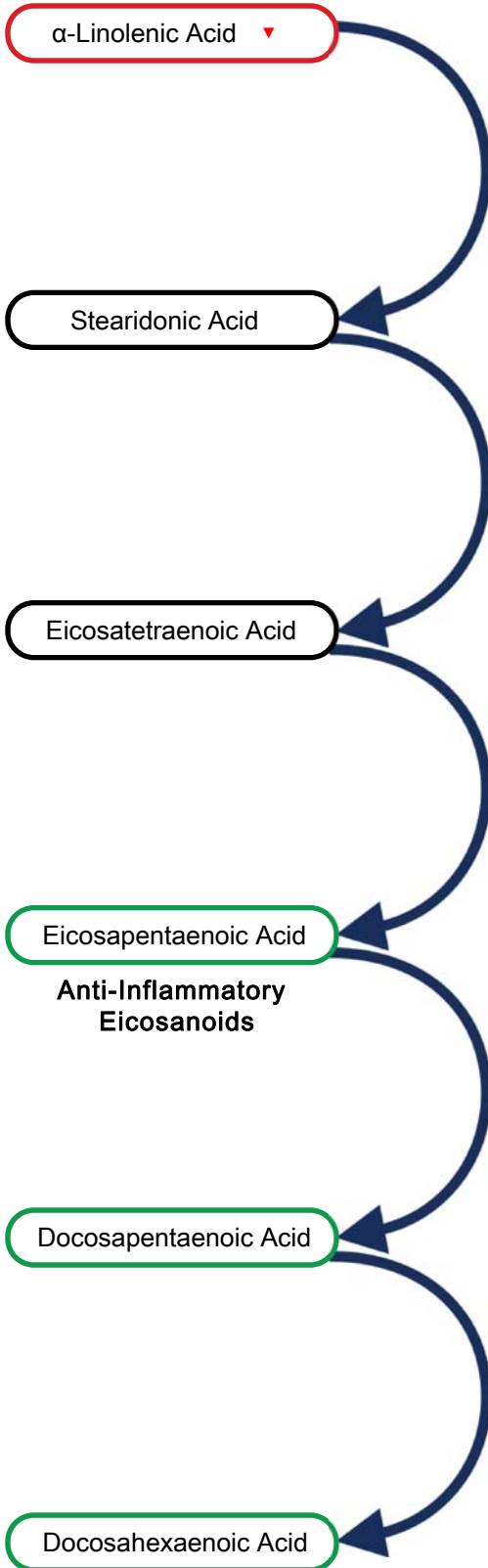
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α-Linolenic Acid ▼

Linoleic Acid ▼

Stearidonic Acid

γ-Linolenic Acid ▼

Eicosatetraenoic Acid

Dihomo-γ-Linolenic Acid ▼

Eicosapentaenoic Acid

**Anti-Inflammatory  
Series 1 Prostaglandins**

**Anti-Inflammatory  
Eicosanoids**

Arachidonic Acid ▲

**Pro-Inflammatory  
Eicosanoids**

Docosapentaenoic Acid

Docosatetraenoic Acid ▲

Docosahexaenoic Acid



## 3204 Add - on Comprehensive Urine Elements - FMV Urine

Methodology: ICP-MS and Alkaline Picrate

Elemental Markers			
Toxic Elements		Nutrient Elements	
Element	Reference Range	Element	Reference Range
<b>Results in ug/g creatinine</b>		<b>Results in ug/g creatinine</b>	
Lead	5.6 ◆	Chromium	0.6 ◆
Mercury	0.28 ◆	Cobalt	1.50 ◆
Aluminum	5.0 ◆	Copper	121.0 ◆
Antimony	0.130 ◆	Iron	5 ◆
Arsenic	1 ◆	Lithium	14 ◆
Barium	3.4 ◆	Manganese	11.20 ◆
Bismuth	2.00 ◆	Molybdenum	15 ◆
Cadmium	0.71 ◆	Selenium	274 ◆
Cesium	5.0 ◆	Strontium	275 ◆
Gadolinium	0.015 ◆	Vanadium	2.0 ◆
Gallium	0.020 ◆	Zinc	84 ◆
Nickel	1.20 ◆	<b>Results in mg/g creatinine</b>	
Niobium	0.050 ◆	Calcium	250 ◆
Platinum	0.025 ◆	Magnesium	37 ◆
Rubidium	14 ◆	Potassium	2,656 ◆
Thallium	0.220 ◆	Sulfur	1,000 ◆
Thorium	3.500 ◆	<b>Creatinine Concentration</b>	
Tin	5.22 ◆	Urine Creatinine ◆	
Tungsten	0.150 ◆	mmol/L	
Uranium	0.010 ◆		

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Apo E	Apolipoprotein E : CHOLESTEROL REGULATION
<p><b>Location:</b> Chromosome 19 <b>APOE</b> APO E2: cys / cys APO E3: cys / arg APO E4: arg / arg <b>Your Genotype:</b></p>	<p>Apolipoprotein E (Apo E) plays a key role in lipid metabolism by helping to remove dietary cholesterol (chylomicrons and VLDL) from the bloodstream.</p>
<p><b>3 3</b></p>	<p><b>Health Implications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· The E3/E3 genotype is the most common (accounting for &gt;50% of most populations) and is the genotype against which E2 and E4 are compared.</li> <li>· E3/E3 may be protective against stroke compared with other genotypes, particularly in females.</li> <li>· ApoE3 confers only a moderate tendency toward elevated total- and LDL cholesterol, and lower HDL-C.</li> <li>· Risk is intermediate between E2 and E4 for atherosclerosis, MI, stroke (in smokers), and osteoporosis.</li> <li>· The E3 genotype led to an approximate 90% increase in the levels of TG in the presence of abdominal obesity.</li> </ul>
<p>The two SNPs lead to 3 possible variants for each chromosome, known as ApoE2, E3, &amp; E4.</p>	<p><b>Clinical Management Considerations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Effects of cholesterol and dietary fat on serum cholesterol levels are least profound with the E2 allele and greatest with the E4 allele; thus, dietary fat restriction produces a moderate cholesterol response in E3/E3 individuals.</li> <li>· Carbohydrate intake may be inversely correlated with HDL-C.</li> <li>· Alcohol may have a neutral effect on LDL-C.</li> <li>· Avoid smoking, which increases risk of CAD in this genotype.</li> <li>· Lipid response to statins, and triglyceride response to fibrates, are usually the best in E2 &gt; E3 &gt; E4; studies are mixed.</li> <li>· HT generally improves the lipid profile in all genotypes, including post-menopausal E3 carriers.</li> </ul>



<b>Key</b>	- - Neither chromosome carries the genetic variation.	+ ⬆ Gene activity increased
	+ - One chromosome (of two) carries the genetic variation.	+ ⬇ Gene activity decreased
	+ + Both chromosomes carry the genetic variation.	



*(You inherit one chromosome from each parent)*





<i>MTHFR</i>		<i>5,10-methyltetrahydrofolate reductase : METHYLATION</i>	
<b>Location:</b> Chromosome 1 <b>C677T</b> <b>Your Genotype:</b>		5,10-methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase (MTHFR) is a key enzyme in folate metabolism, facilitating the formation of methyltetrahydrofolate, a required cofactor in the remethylation of homocysteine (Hcy) to methionine.	
 		<b>Health Implications</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Baseline "normal" MTHFR enzyme activity, suggesting adequate formation of methyl-THF</li> <li>· An elevated homocysteine level is still possible with normal MTHFR capacity in the presence of B-vitamin deficiency</li> </ul> <b>Clinical Management Considerations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Ensure adequate intake of dark-green leafy vegetables and other B vitamin-rich foods</li> </ul>	
<b>A1298C</b> <b>Your Genotype:</b>			
 			

<i>COMT</i>		<i>Catechol-O-MethylTransferase : METHYLATION</i>
<p><b>Location:</b> Chromosome 22.11q <b>V158M</b> <b>Your Genotype:</b></p>	<p>Catechol-O-Methyltransferase (COMT) is a key enzyme involved in the deactivation of catechol compounds, including catecholamines, catechol estrogens, catechol drugs such as L-DOPA, and catechol metabolites of various chemicals and toxins, such as aryl hydrocarbons.</p>	
		<p><b>Health Implications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Normal COMT enzyme activity, resulting in efficient methylation of catecholamines and estrogens</li> <li>· Less sensitivity to stress, compared to the other genotypes, due to lower baseline catecholamine levels</li> <li>· Lower baseline brain dopamine is associated with lower cognitive stability (e.g., focus) but greater cognitive flexibility (e.g., ability to adapt to external changes) compared to the other genotypes</li> <li>· Superior cognitive function possible in Parkinson's disease patients; however, dopaminergic agents may compromise cognition</li> <li>· Preliminary findings suggest possible decreased risk of cardiovascular events, which might be abolished by taking aspirin</li> <li>· Possible increased risk of schizophrenia (conflicting studies), symptomology, and inferior cognitive performance in schizophrenics</li> </ul> <p><b>Clinical Management Considerations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Ensure adequate B6, B12, folate, magnesium, and methionine for general methylation support</li> <li>· Cognitive efficiency may be improved by stimulation</li> <li>· Possibly best methylphenidate (Ritalin®) response in children with ADHD (mixed studies)</li> </ul>

<i>TNF-α</i>		<i>Tumor Necrosis Factor-alpha: INFLAMMATION</i>
<b>Location:</b> Chromosome 6 -308G-A <b>Your Genotype:</b>	<p>TNF-alpha (TNF-α) is a pro-inflammatory cytokine secreted that is secreted from activated macrophages. TNF-α plays an important role in host defense against infection; however, excessive release of the cytokine increases inflammation and oxidative stress.</p>	
		<p><b>Health Implications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Decreased production of TNF-α, decreased inflammatory tendency and oxidative stress compared to the other genotypes</li> <li>· Reduced risk of various autoimmune diseases or their severity; less risk of insulin resistance, obesity, and some cancers (including non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, cervical CA, liver CA, and oral squamous cell CA)</li> <li>· Reduced risk of asthma or irritant contact dermatitis; less chance of developing sepsis following severe trauma</li> <li>· Possible <i>increased</i> risks of ischemic stroke in adults (esp. Asians), depression or bipolar disorder, and multiple sclerosis (studies are mixed)</li> </ul> <p><b>Clinical Management Considerations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· No particular treatment indicated; maintain a healthy lifestyle to minimize inflammation.</li> <li>· Generally positive therapeutic response to anti-TNF-α medications (e.g., etanercept) in rheumatoid arthritis.</li> </ul>

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Any positive findings in your patient's test indicate genetic predisposition that could affect physiologic function and risk of disease. We do not measure every possible genetic variation. Your patient may have additional risk that is not measured by this test. Negative findings do not imply that your patient is risk-free.

DNA sequencing is used to detect polymorphisms in the patient's DNA sample. The sensitivity and specificity of this assay is <100%.