



Metabolic Analysis Profile

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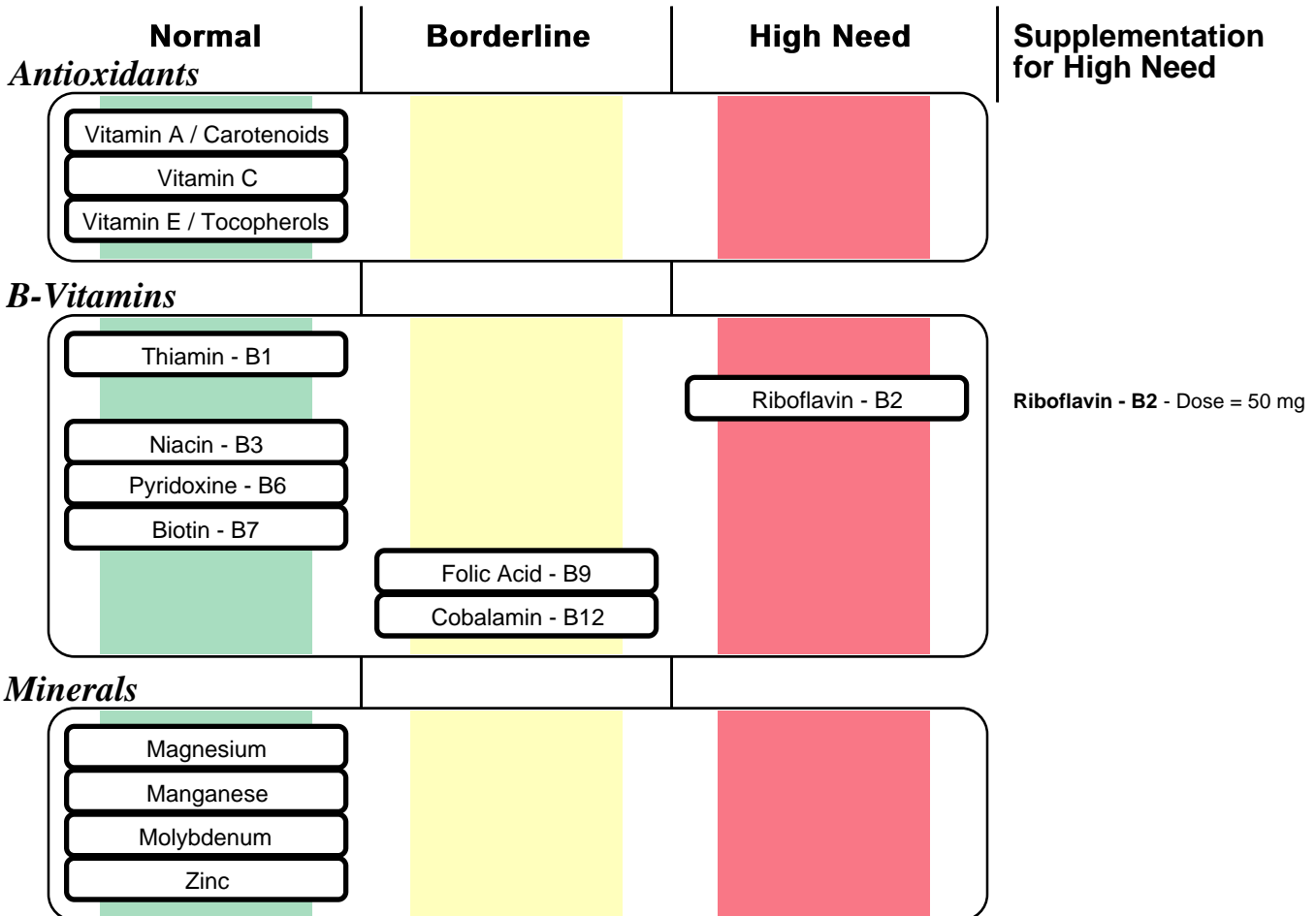


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Vitamin A / Carotenoids	3,000 IU	3,000 IU	
Vitamin C	90 mg	250 mg	
Vitamin E / Tocopherols	22 IU	100 IU	
B-Vitamins			
Thiamin - B1	1.2 mg	10 mg	
Riboflavin - B2	1.3 mg	50 mg	
Niacin - B3	16 mg	20 mg	
Pyridoxine - B6	1.7 mg	10 mg	
Biotin - B7	30 mcg	100 mcg	
Folic Acid - B9	400 mcg	800 mcg	
Cobalamin - B12	2.4 mcg	500 mcg	
Minerals			
Magnesium	420 mg	400 mg	
Manganese	2.3 mg	3.0 mg	
Molybdenum	45 mcg	75 mcg	
Zinc	11 mg	10 mg	
Digestive Support			
Probiotics		25 B CFU	
Pancreatic Enzymes		5,000 IU	

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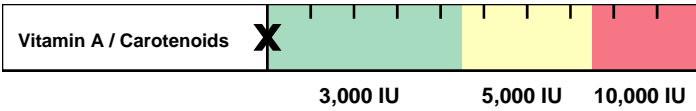
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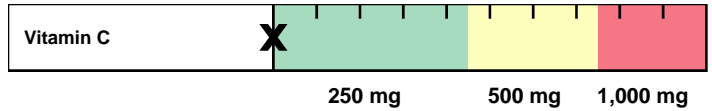
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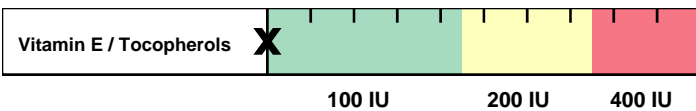
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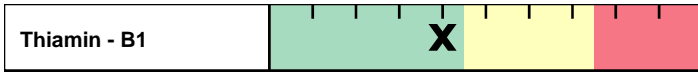
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- ▶ Causes of Deficiency
- ▶ Complications of Deficiency
- ▶ Food Sources

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Nutritional Needs

B-Vitamins



10 mg 25 mg 50 mg

- ▶ 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.
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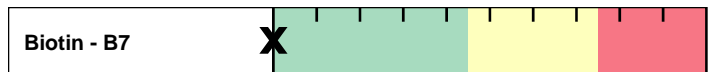
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- ▶ B6 (as P5P) is a cofactor for enzymes involved in glycogenolysis & gluconeogenesis, and synthesis of neurotransmitters, heme, B3, RBCs and nucleic acids.
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- ▶ B6 deficiency may result in neurologic 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.



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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.



100 mcg 200 mcg 400 mcg

- ▶ Biotin is a cofactor for enzymes involved in functions such as fatty acid (FA) 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 use, 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.



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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.



400 mcg 800 mcg 1,200 mcg

- ▶ Folic acid 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.



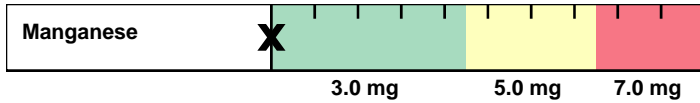
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- ▶ B12 plays important roles in energy production from fats & proteins, methylation, synthesis of hemoglobin & RBCs, and maintenance of nerve cells, DNA & RNA.
- ▶ Low B12 may result from alcoholism, malabsorption, hypochlorhydria (e.g., from atrophic 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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Nutritional Needs

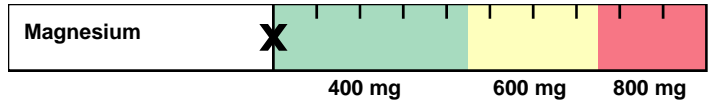
Minerals



- 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 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).

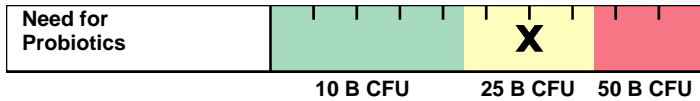


- Magnesium is involved in >300 metabolic reactions. Key areas include energy production, bone & ATP formation, muscle & nerve conduction and cell signaling.
- Deficiency may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, hyperparathyroidism, renal disorders (wasting), diabetes, diuretics, digoxin or high doses 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.

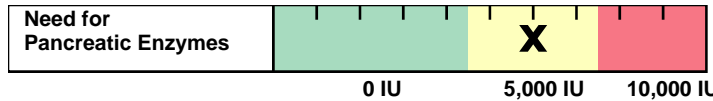


- Zinc plays a vital role in immunity, protein metabolism, heme synthesis, growth & development, reproduction, digestion and antioxidant function.
- Low levels may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, chronic diarrhea, diabetes, excess Cu or Fe, diuretics, ACE inhibitors, H2 blockers or digoxin.
- Deficiency 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.

Digestive Support



- Probiotics have many functions. These include: production of some B vitamins and vitamin K; enhancement of digestion & absorption; decreasing severity of diarrheal illness; modulation 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.



- 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.

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Functional Imbalances



- 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.

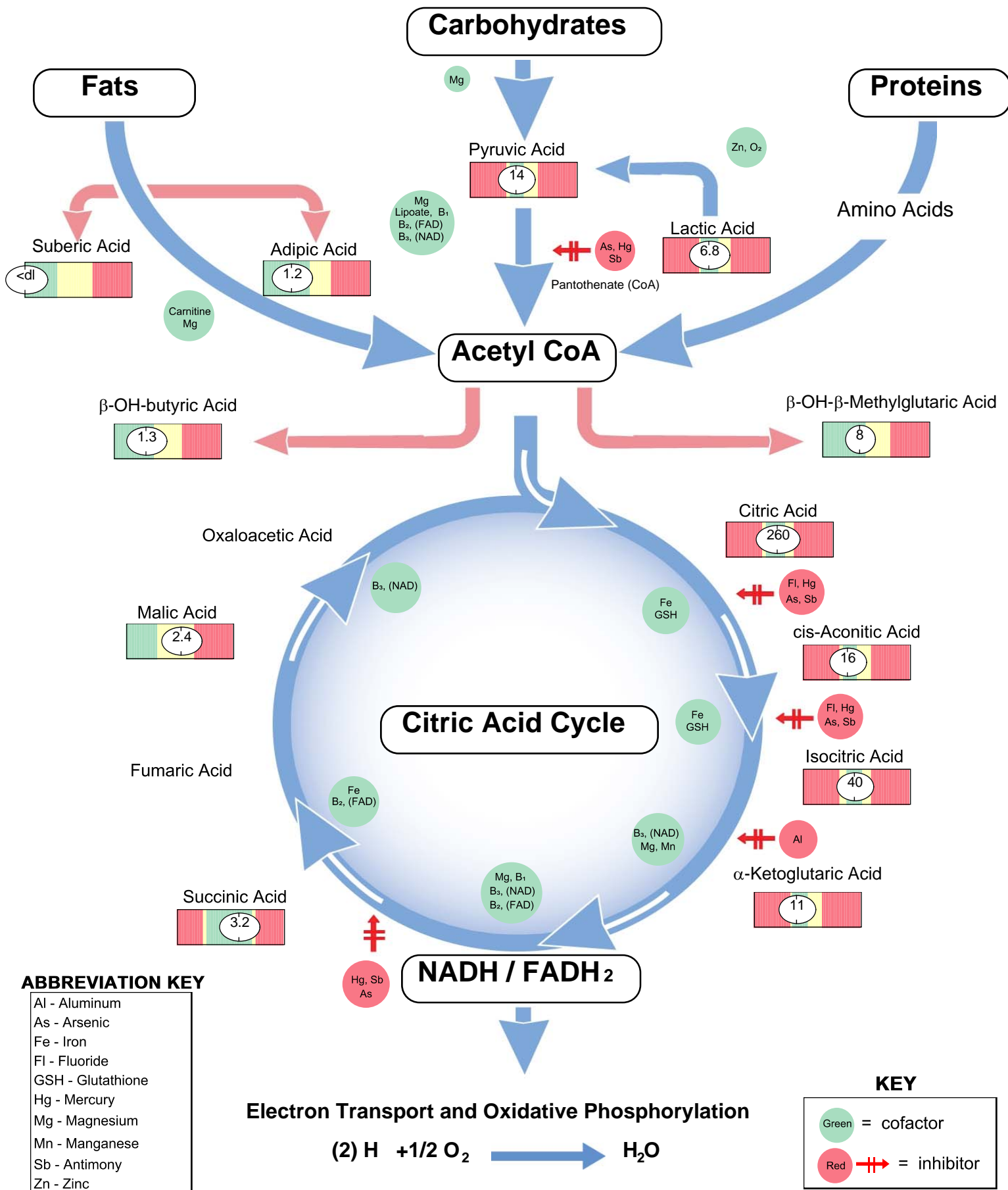


- Methyl tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE) is a common gasoline additive used to increase octane ratings, and has been found to contaminate ground water supplies where gasoline is stored. Inhalation of MTBE may cause nose and throat irritation, as well as headaches, nausea, dizziness and mental confusion. Animal 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.



- 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.

Krebs Cycle At-A-Glance



Metabolic Analysis Markers

All biomarkers reported in mmol/mol creatinine unless otherwise noted.

Malabsorption and Dysbiosis Markers

Malabsorption Markers Reference Range

Indoleacetic Acid (IAA)	1.9	<= 4.2
Phenylacetic Acid (PAA)	0.07	<= 0.12

Bacterial Dysbiosis Markers

Dihydroxyphenylpropionic Acid (DHPPA)	17.1	<= 12.8
3-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	2.0	<= 8.1
4-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	15	<= 29
Benzoic Acid	0.37	<= 0.05
Hippuric Acid	<dl	<= 603

Yeast / Fungal Dysbiosis Markers

Arabinose	74	<= 96
Citramalic Acid	3.3	<= 5.8
Tartaric Acid	13	<= 15

Cellular Energy & Mitochondrial Metabolites

Carbohydrate Metabolism Reference Range

Lactic Acid	6.8	1.9-19.8
Pyruvic Acid	14	7-32
β-OH-Butyric Acid (BHBA)	1.3	<= 2.8

Energy Metabolism

Citric Acid	260	40-520
Cis-Aconitic Acid	16	10-36
Isocitric Acid	40	22-65
α-Ketoglutaric Acid (AKG)	11	4-52
Succinic Acid	3.2	0.4-4.6
Malic Acid	2.4	<= 3.0
β-OH-β-Methylglutaric Acid (HMG)	8	<= 15

Fatty Acid Metabolism

Adipic Acid	1.2	<= 2.8
Suberic Acid	<dl	<= 2.1

Creatinine Concentration

Reference Range

Creatinine ♦	5.6	3.1-19.5 mmol/L
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Neurotransmitter Metabolites

Reference Range

Vanilmandelic Acid	0.9	0.4-3.6
Homovanillic Acid	3.2	1.2-5.3
5-OH-indoleacetic Acid	4.1	3.8-12.1
3-Methyl-4-OH-phenylglycol	0.05	0.02-0.22
Kynurenic Acid	3.4	<= 7.1
Quinolinic Acid	3.7	<= 9.1
Kynurenic / Quinolinic Ratio	0.92	>= 0.44

Vitamin Markers

Reference Range

α-Ketoadipic Acid	0.7	<= 1.7
α-Ketoisovaleric Acid	0.43	<= 0.97
α-Ketoisocaproic Acid	0.36	<= 0.89
α-Keto-β-Methylvaleric Acid	1.2	<= 2.1
Formiminoglutamic Acid (FIGlu)	0.9	<= 1.5
Glutaric Acid	0.95	<= 0.51
Isovalerylglycine	1.2	<= 3.7
Methylmalonic Acid	1.7	<= 1.9
Xanthurenic Acid	0.61	<= 0.96
3-Hydroxypropionic Acid	9	5-22
3-Hydroxyisovaleric Acid	14	<= 29

Toxin & Detoxification Markers

Reference Range

α-Ketophenylacetic Acid (from Styrene)	0.21	<= 0.46
α-Hydroxyisobutyric Acid (from MTBE)	6.3	<= 6.7
Orotic Acid	0.70	0.33-1.01
Pyroglutamic Acid	24	16-34

Tyrosine Metabolism

Reference Range

Homogentisic Acid	10	<= 19
2-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	0.41	<= 0.76

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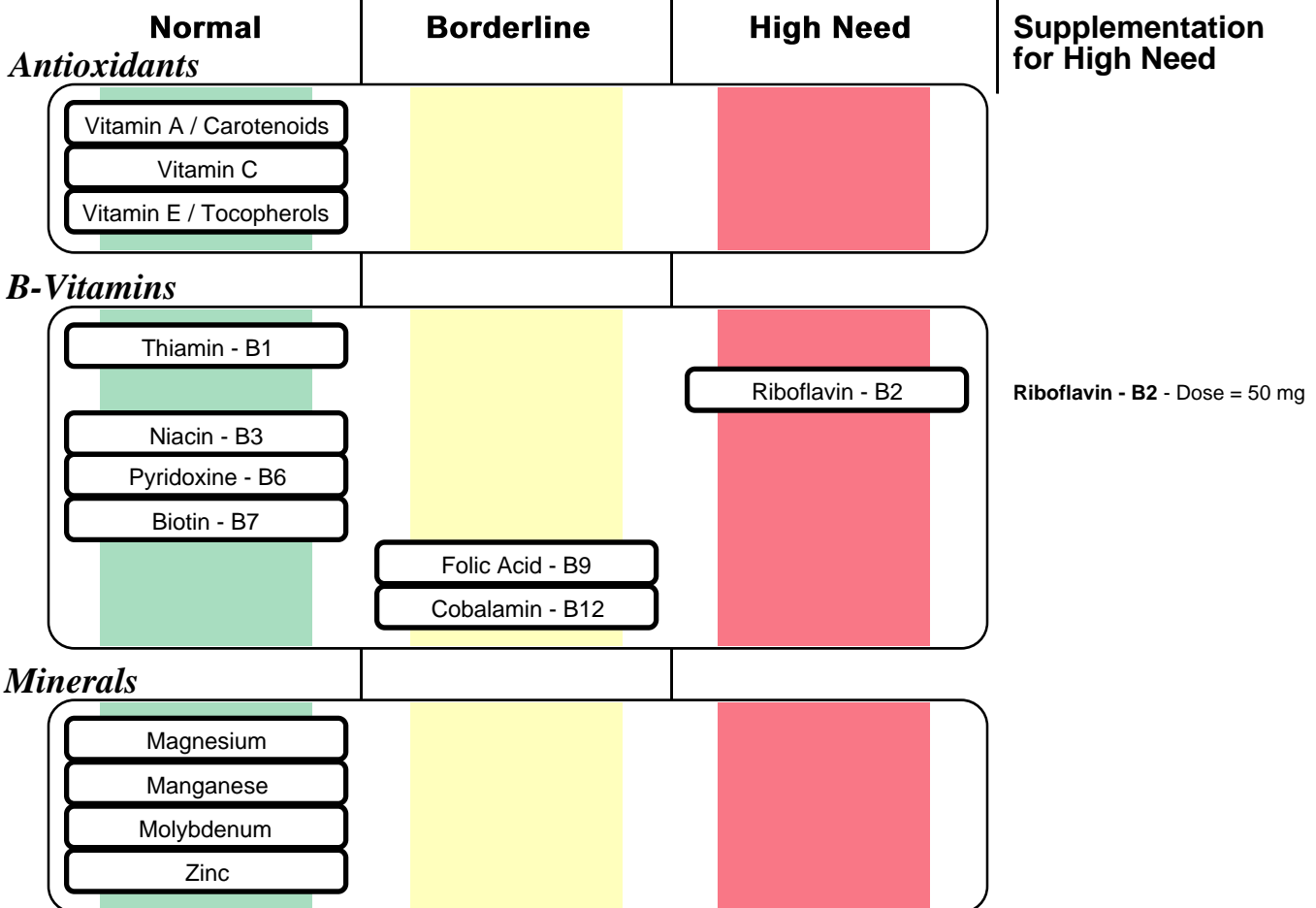


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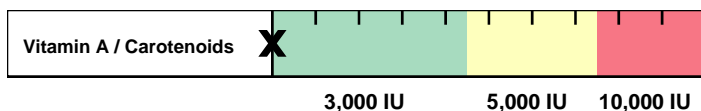
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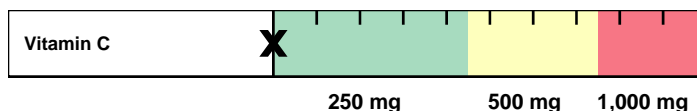
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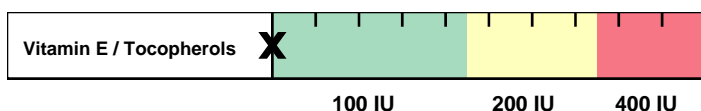
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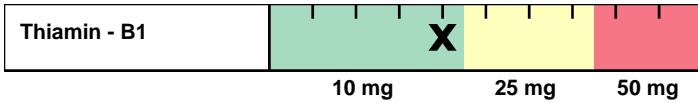
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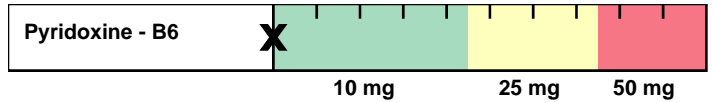
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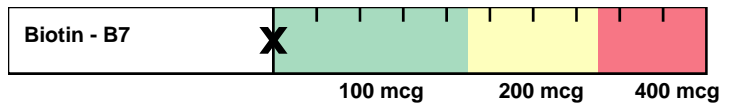
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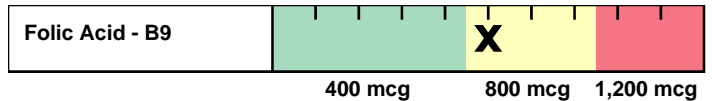
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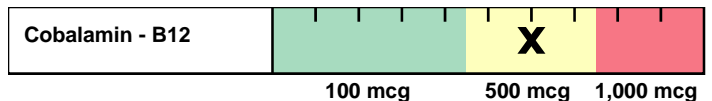
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- ▶ Biotin is a cofactor for enzymes involved in functions such as (FA) fatty acid synthesis, mitochondrial FA oxidation, gluconeogenesis, and DNA replication & transcription.
- ▶ Deficiency may result from certain inborn errors, chronic intake of raw egg whites, long-term TPN use, 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.



- ▶ Folic acid 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.

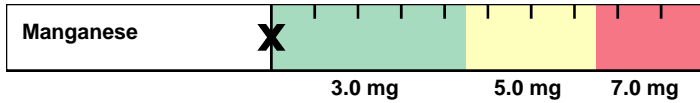


- ▶ B12 plays important roles in energy production from fats & proteins, methylation, synthesis of hemoglobin & RBCs, and maintenance of nerve cells, DNA & RNA.
- ▶ Low B12 may result from alcoholism, malabsorption, hypochlorhydria (e.g., from atrophic gastritis, H. pylori infection, pernicious anemia, 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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Nutritional Needs

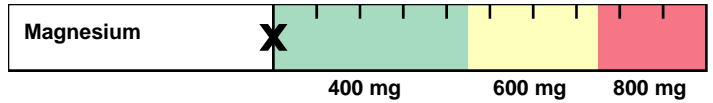
Minerals



- ▶ 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 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).

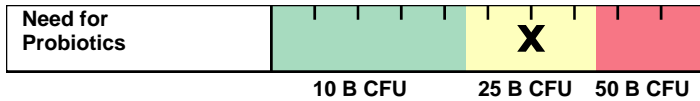


- ▶ Magnesium is involved in >300 metabolic reactions. Key areas include energy production, bone & ATP formation, muscle & nerve conduction and cell signaling.
- ▶ Deficiency may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, hyperparathyroidism, renal disorders (wasting), diabetes, diuretics, digoxin or high 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.

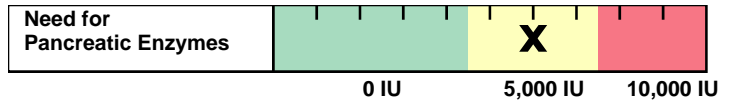


- ▶ Zinc plays a vital role in immunity, protein metabolism, heme synthesis, growth & development, reproduction, digestion and antioxidant function.
- ▶ Low levels may occur with malabsorption, alcoholism, chronic diarrhea, diabetes, excess Cu or Fe, diuretics, ACE inhibitors, H2 blockers or digoxin.
- ▶ 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.

Digestive Support



- ▶ Probiotics have many functions. These include: production of some B vitamins and vitamin K; enhancement of digestion & absorption; decreasing severity of diarrheal illness; modulation 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.



- ▶ 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.

Krebs Cycle At-A-Glance

