

# The Immune System & The Gut Immune Patient Cases

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# Objectives

- Discuss the 5 R Approach for addressing gastrointestinal imbalances
- Apply knowledge of immune interventions to patient cases.

# Understanding the Root Cause

- GI system is complex
- Significant Interrelationships between
  - Digestion/Absorption
  - Intestinal Permeability
  - Gastrointestinal Flora
  - Immune Regulation & Inflammation
  - Nervous System

# Basic Functions of the GI System

- Digestion
  - Enzymes (pancreas & Small intestine microvilli), HCL, bile salts, transport proteins
- Phase I and Phase II start in intestinal mucosa
- Communication to endocrine and immune systems

# Basic Functions of the GI System

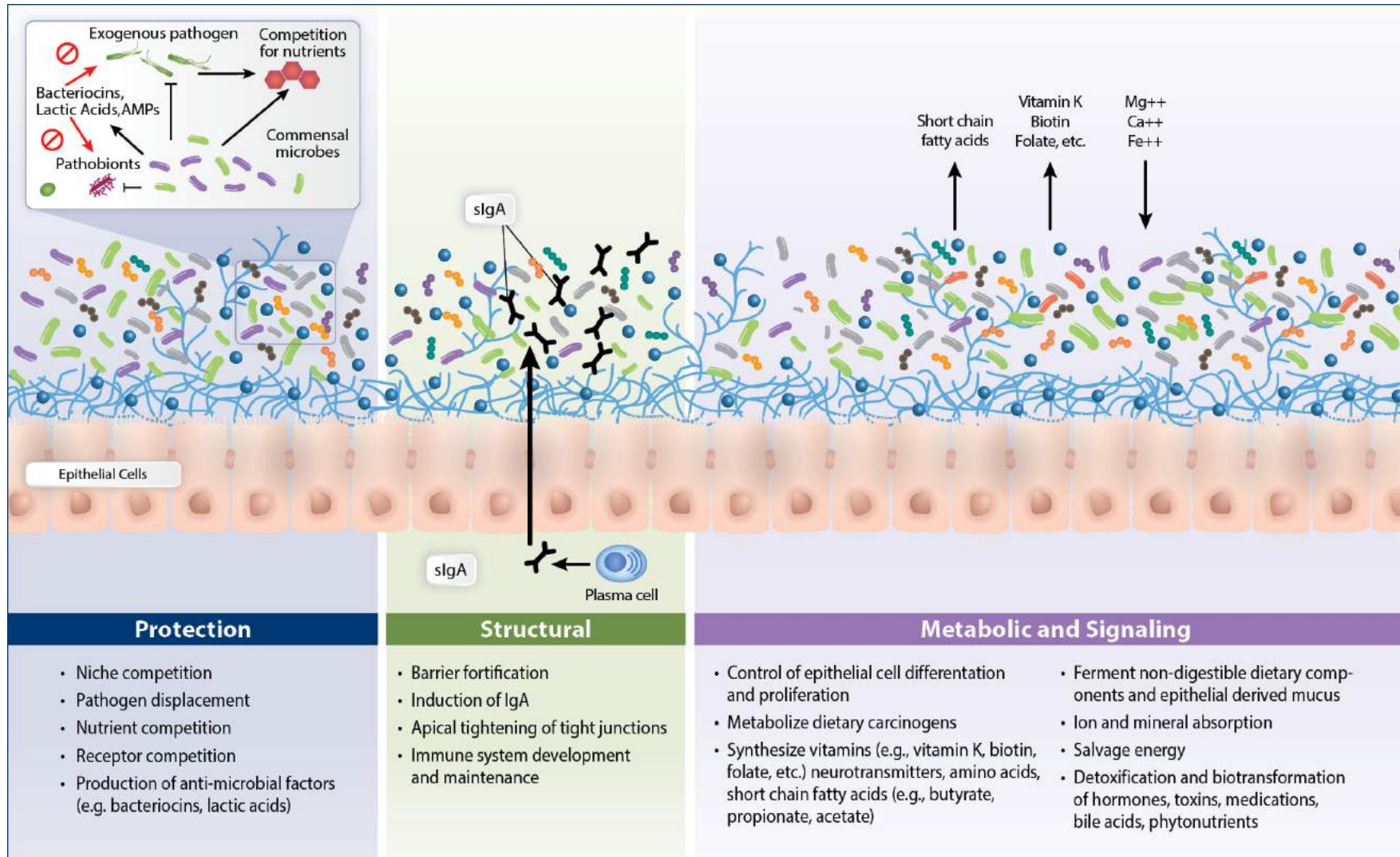
- Immune Function
  - Gut Associated Lymphoid Tissue (GALT)
    - B cells, T Cells, and phagocytes
    - **As much as 70% of the total body reserves of lymphoid tissue**
  - Developing oral tolerance is an important mechanism of immune regulation

# Basic Functions of the GI System

- Antigenes that survive the digestive process are examined by the GALT tissue
  - Generally non-beneficial will be processed and inhibit the development of allergy by increasing IgA and cytokines at the mucosal and luminal level
  - Secretory IgA binds to and neutralizes microbes and other antigens before they cross the mucosal barrier
  - Chronic intestinal infection or inflammation can lead to more immunogenic responses to common antigens



# Commensal Gut Microbiome



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# “Leaky Gut”

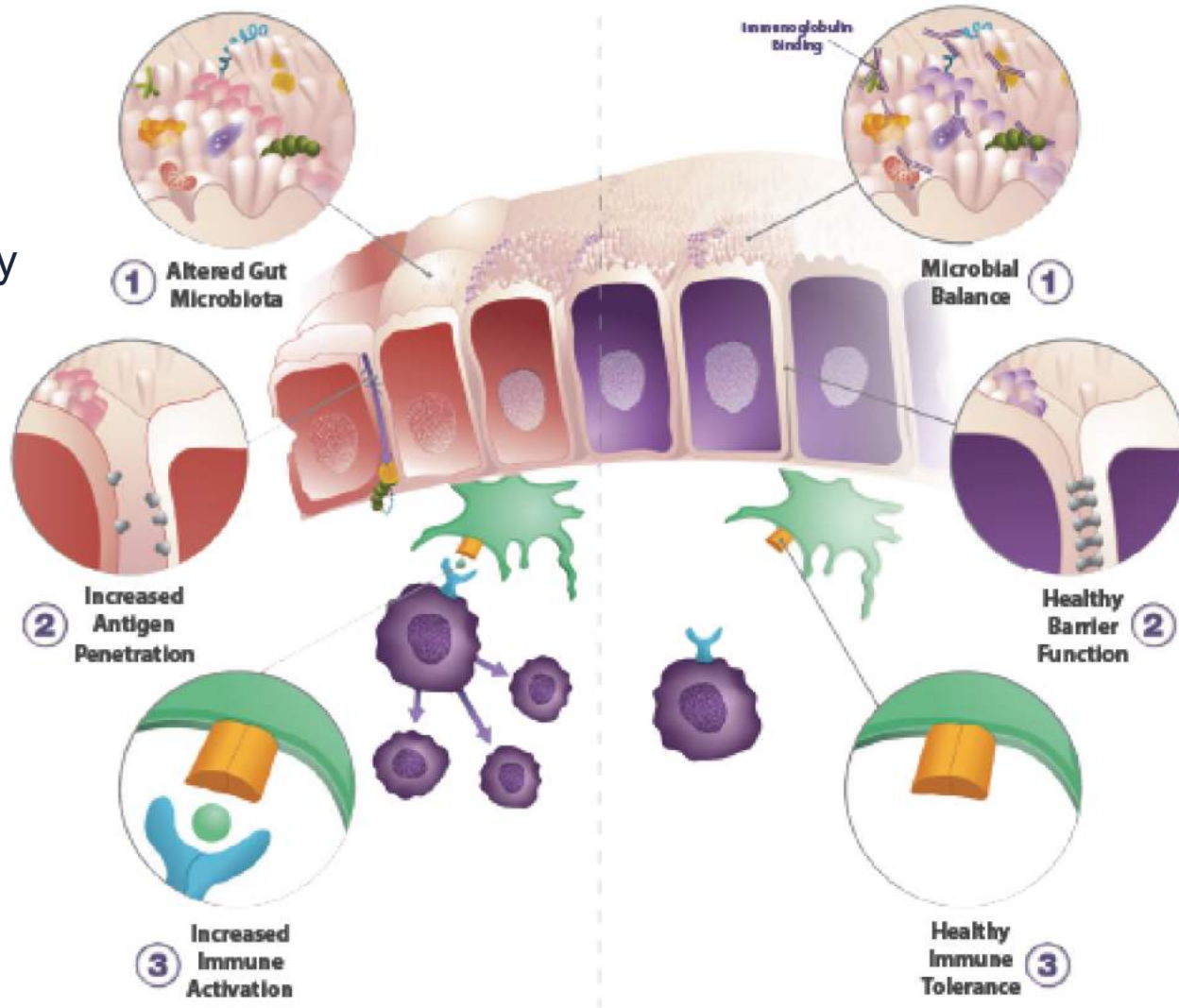
- Translocation
  - The process of a large molecule moving through a biologic barrier
  - May result in allergy, autoimmunity, or high levels of inflammation.
  - Can overwhelm the liver “detox” mechanisms

Suboptimal

Optimal

Increased Permeability

Healthy Tight Junctions



# Dysbiosis & Immune Activation

- Lipopolysaccharide (LPS)
  - Highly studied component of gram-negative bacteria
  - Stimulates immunological responses
  - Stimulates production of numerous inflammatory mediators
  - Leads to intestinal permeability & chronic inflammation
  - Linked to depression
- Dysbiosis
  - Increases intestinal permeability (IP)

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# Management of Dysbiosis

## Step 1: Identify & correct underlying causes

- Test

## Step 2: Manage & treat

- 4 R/5R Approach

## Step 3: Reduce likelihood of relapse

- Address Motility

## REMOVE (Important First Step in 4R Model)

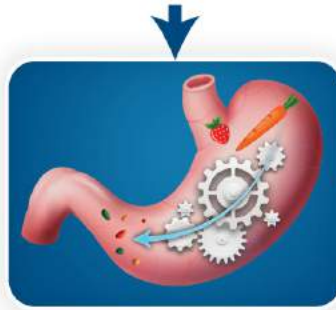
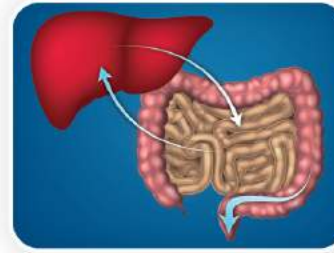
Promote Elimination and Detoxification

### Remove Allergens and Toxins

- Elimination diet
- Detoxification protocol

### Remove Harmful Organisms

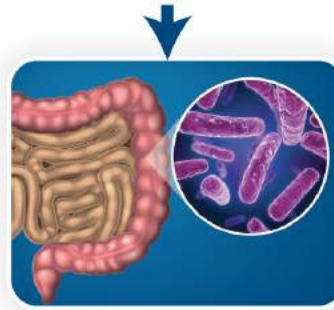
- Stool testing for pathogens
- Eliminate pathogens



## REPLACE

Promote Digestion and Absorption

- Supplement or stimulate
  - Stomach acid
  - Digestive enzymes
  - Bile for fat absorption
  - Easy to absorb nutrients

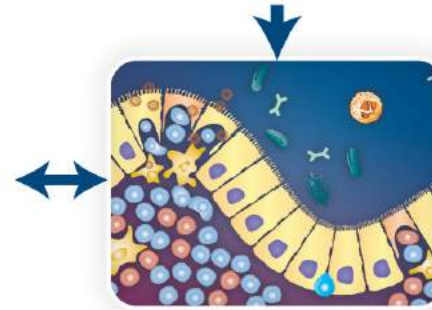


## RE-ESTABLISH

(Re-inoculate)

Ecosystem for Microbiome

- Microbiome-friendly diet
- Avoiding certain drugs/antibiotics
- Probiotics
- Prebiotics



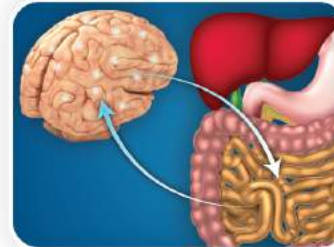
## REPAIR

Barrier Function/  
Immune Interface

- Reduce gut inflammation
- Provide nutrients for GI cells
- Improve tight junctions
- Increase signals for immune modulation

## SUPPORTING NEUROENDOCRINE (GUT/BRAIN) FUNCTION

- Modulate the effects of HPA axis/stress
- Control neurotransmitter synthesis and function
- Manage satiety signals from gut
- Coordinate signals from microbiome, immune system, bowel transit to and from the CNS



# 4R/5R Framework

Remove

Food  
Allergies

Pathogens

Stress

# SIBO treatment

- Good Eradication Rates (50%)/Non-absorbable Antibiotic
  - Rifaximin 1200–1600 mg daily.
  - Neomycin 500 mg BID X 10 days (added for methanogens)
- Systemic Antibiotics (Eradication 44-100%)
  - Ciprofloxacin
  - Metronidazole 750 mg daily (in divided doses, usually 250 mg TID)
    - Sometimes given in combination with Rifaximin to address methanogens



# Herbal Treatment

- Limited Evidence
  - Multi-center study (n=140) did find herbal therapy to be equivalent to Rifaximin
    - Preparations used in next slide.
  - 2 herbal combination formulas together, at a dose of 2 caps 2 x day x 4 weeks, for each formula.
    - Biotics FC Cidal with Biotics Dysbiocide, or
    - Metagenics Candibactin-AR with Metagenics Candibactin-BR

## Herbal Preparations for the Treatment of Small Intestine Bacterial Overgrowth

<b>FC Cidal</b>	<b>Dysbiocide</b>	<b>Candibactin-AR</b>	<b>Candibactin-BR</b>
Proprietary blend - 500 mg: 1 capsule	Proprietary Blend 950 mg per 2 capsules	One Capsule contains:	Two Capsules contain:
Tinospora cordifolia (stem)	Dill seed	Red Thyme oil (thymus vulgaris, providing 30%-50% thymol) 0.2 mL	Coptis root and rhizome extract (coptis chinensis, containing berberine) 30 mg
Equisetum arvense (stem)	Stemona Sessilifolia powder and extract	Oregano Oil (origanum vulgare, providing 55% to 75% carvacrol) 0.1 mL	Indian Barberry root extract (berberis aristata, containing berberine) 70 mg
Pau D'Arco (inner bark)	Artemisia Absinthium shoots and leaves extract,	Sage leaf 5.5:1 extract (salvia officinalis) 75 mg	Berberine Sulfate 400 mg • Proprietary 4:1 Extract 300 mg: Coptis root and rhizome (coptis chinensis)
Thymus vulgaris (aerial part)	Pulsatilla Chinensis rhizome powder and extract	Lemon Balm leaf 5:1 extract (melissa officinalis) 50 mg	Chinese Skullcap root (scutellaria baicalensis)
Artemisia dracunculus (leaf)	Brucea Javanica powder and extract		Philodendron bark (phellodendron chinense)
Sida cordifolia (aerial part)	Picrasma Excelsa bark extract		Ginger rhizome (zingiber officinale)
Olea europaea (leaf)	Acacia Catechu stem extract		Chinese Licorice root (glycyrrhiza uralensis)
	Hedyotis Diffusa powder and extract		Chinese Rhubarb root and rhizome (rheum officinale)
	Yarrow leaf and flower extract (achillea millefolium).		Chinese Rhubarb root and rhizome (rheum officinale).

# Other Herbal Treatment

- Allicin from Garlic (the highest potency formula I know of is Allimed)
- Oregano
- Berberine- found in Goldenseal, Oregon Grape, Barberry, Coptis, Phellodendron
- Neem
- Cinnamon
- Blends like Biocidin®

# Low- FODMAP

- FODMAP stands for fermentable oligosaccharides, disaccharides, monosaccharides, and polyols, all of which are particular types of carbohydrate.
- **Excess fructose:** honey, apple, mango, pear, watermelon, high-fructose corn syrup, agave syrup, dried fruit, fruit juice
- **Fructans:** artichokes (globe), artichokes (Jerusalem), asparagus, beetroot, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, eggplant, fennel, okra, chicory, dandelion leaves, garlic (in large amounts), leek, onion (brown, white, Spanish, onion powder), radicchio, lettuce, spring onion (white part), wheat, rye, pistachio, inulin, fructo-oligosaccharides.
- **Lactose:** milk, ice cream, custard, dairy desserts, condensed and evaporated milk, milk powder, yogurt, soft unripened cheeses (such as ricotta, cottage, cream, and mascarpone cheese).
- **Galactans:** legumes (such as baked beans, kidney beans, soybeans, lentils, chickpeas).
- **Polyols:** apple, apricot, avocado, blackberry, cherry, longan, lychee, nectarine, pear, plum, prune, mushroom, sorbitol, mannitol, xylitol, maltitol, and isomalt.

# Elemental Diet

- This approach seeks to starve the bacteria, but feeds the person, by replacing meals for 2 weeks with an Elemental Formula.
- Elemental formula: powdered nutrients in a pre-digested, easily absorbed form.
- The formula studied for SIBO is Vivonex Plus.
- Contains protein as amino acids, carbohydrate as maltodextrin, fat as various oils, and vitamins & minerals.
- **80-84% success in eradicating of SIBO.**

# 4R/5R Framework

Replace

Digestive  
Enzymes

Betaine HCl  
Pepsin

Bile

# 4R/5R Framework

Re-  
establish

Diet

Probiotic

Prebiotics

# Probiotics

- Consume probiotic rich foods
  - Kefir
  - Raw Sauerkraut
  - Kimchi
- Probiotic Supplement Success
  - It must contain strains that are normally found in the human gut.
  - It must be able to survive the acidic environment of the stomach and capable of colonizing (i.e., establishing permanent residence in) the G.I. tract.
  - It must be supplemented in concentrations higher than what is found in the gut.
- In clinical trials, probiotics appear to be useful for the treatment of various clinical conditions such as food allergy, atopic dermatitis, and allergic rhinitis.
- Some studies even show improvement in depression symptoms with probiotics



# Probiotic Supplements

- Soil-Based Organisms
  - Firmicutes, Bacteroidetes, Actinobacteria and Proteobacteria. (Product example Prescript Assist)
  - May be helpful/better tolerated for patients with SIBO since overgrowth can sometimes be from common bacteria such as lactobacillus species
- *Saccharomyces boulardii*
  - Good for preventing and treating diarrhea
  - Recurrent C-Diff (with other antibiotics)
  - IBD
- VSL #3 (3.6 trillion bacteria per day)
  - Good evidence in treatment of Ulcerative Colitis (Am J Gastroenterol. 2005 Jul;100(7):1539-46)
    - Remission achieved in 53% of patients.
    - Response in 24%

# Prebiotics

- Prebiotics are food ingredients that cannot be digested by humans but can be digested by the bacteria in our gut
- Most prebiotics are FODMAPs
  - Start low and go slow!
- Examples
  - Arabinogalactan, beta-glucan, inulin, and oligofructose
  - Partially-hydrolyzed guar gum
    - Suppresses methane production
    - Not a FODMAP
  - SupraFiber
    - Blends of fruits, whole food fiber

# 4R/5R Framework

Repair

Reduce GI  
Inflammation

Nutrients for  
GI Tract cells

Improve tight  
junctions

Improve Immune  
Signaling

# Supplements

- **To restore the gut barrier**
  - **L-glutamine:** glutamine is an important nutritional substance for healthy intestinal cells, particularly in the gut, and it's essential in maintaining proper intestinal barrier function.
    - 2-4 grams per day intestinal healing
    - 10-40 grams per day critically ill
  - **MSM and quercetin:** these anti-inflammatory substances can reduce chronic inflammation, which is a major cause of leaky gut.
  - **N-acetyl glucosamine:** N-acetyl glucosamine helps support proper health of the gut mucosa and reduces intestinal permeability.
  - **Mucin:** mucin is a particular kind of protein (glycoprotein) that is normally produced by the intestinal cells. It protects the intestinal lining and reduces inflammation.

# Supplements

- **DGL, aloe vera leaf gel, slippery elm, marshmallow, chamomile, and cat's claw:** these botanicals produce a soothing, gel-like substance that coats the digestive tract, which can help heal ulcers and inflamed tissue.
- **Zinc Carnosine:** essential mineral widely recognized for its role in gut and immune health. Shown to strength GI barrier supporting tight junctions.
- **Serum-Derived Bovine Immunoglobulin (Medical Food)**
  - Improves inflammatory balance, gut barrier function and immune cell counts in duodenal GALT Immune response.
  - Can significantly improve diarrhea

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# Extra R..in 5 R Framework

Rebalance

Acupuncture

Biofeedback

Hypnotherapy

Mindfulness

Yoga

# Examples of Diagnostic Testing Options

- Genova
  - NutraEval
  - GI Effects
- Diagnostics Solutions Laboratory
  - GI Map
- Doctor's Data
  - GI 360
- ZRT labs
- SpectraCell

# Patient Case 1



# Case 1

- KT is a 27 y/o female
  - Treated for SIBO over the last 9 months with 2 rounds of rifaximin and 1 round of ciprofloxacin
  - Symptoms are GERD, bloating, abdominal pain, diarrhea, anxiety, painful periods (3 days with debilitating cramps), frequent colds, rosacea
- Medications:
    - Omeprazole 20 mg twice daily
    - Multivitamin

# What potential Medication related nutrient depletions are present for KT?

- Type your answer in the chat box.



# Case 1

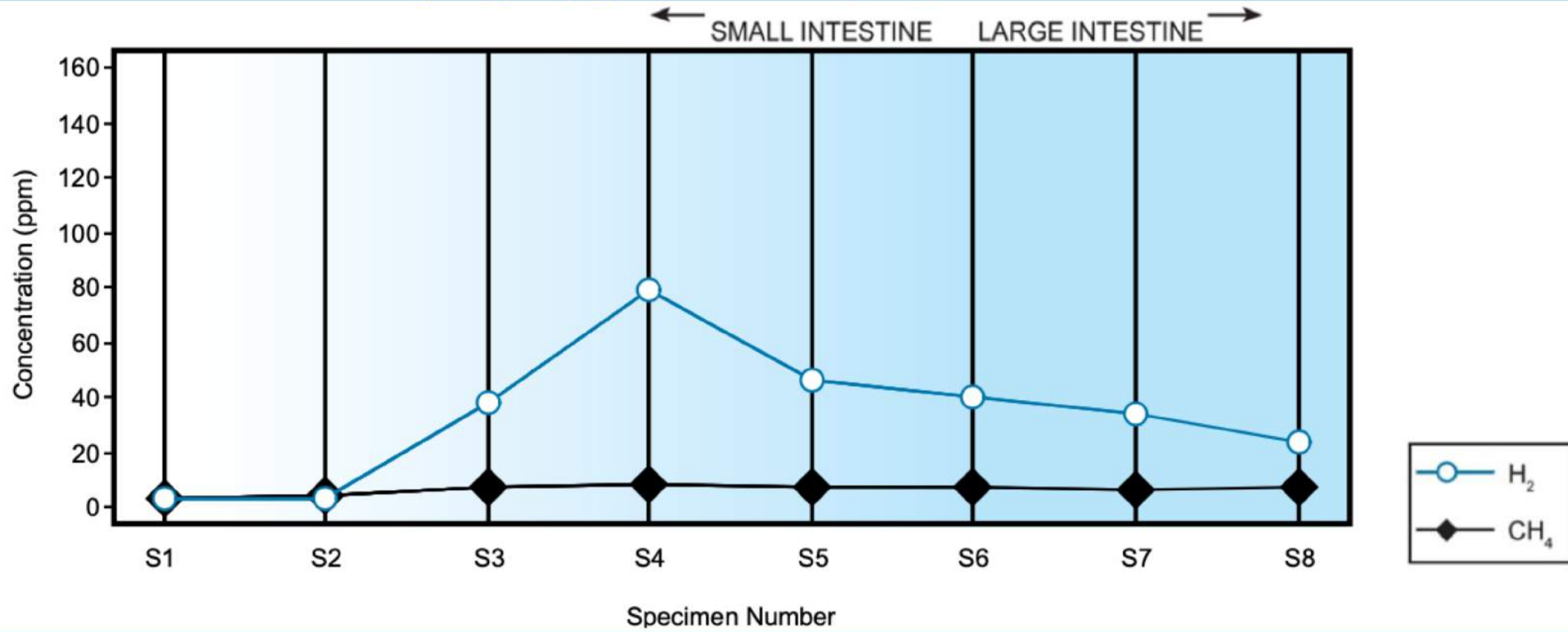
- Labs:
  - Ferritin 6 ng/ml (15-150)
  - TSAT 10% (15-55)
  - Vitamin B12 459 (232-1245)
  - B6 7.4 ug/L (2-32.8)
  - Hgb/Hct 10.4/32.6
  - MCV 74 (79-97)
  - CMP, Folate WNL
  - Zinc 80 ug/dl (56-134)
  - Copper 125 ug/dl (72-166)
  - TSH 2.2
  - Negative TPO and Thyroglobulin antibodies
  - Vitamin D 23.8 ng/ml
  - EGD shows esophagitis.



## 2337 Small Intestinal Bacterial Overgrowth (SIBO) 3 Hour - Breath

Methodology: GC-TDC/SSS

### Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) and Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) Breath Gases



Hydrogen (H <sub>2</sub> ), Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> ) and Carbon Dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) (ppm)								
	Baseline 0 min (S1)	20 min (S2)	40 min (S3)	60 min (S4)	90 min (S5)	120 min (S6)	150 min (S7)	180 min (S8)
H <sub>2</sub>	3	3	37	78	46	40	33	23
CH <sub>4</sub>	3	4	7	8	7	7	6	7
H <sub>2</sub> + CH <sub>4</sub>	6	7	44	86	53	47	39	30
CO <sub>2</sub> **	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Actual Collection Times								
Actual Time	7:41	8:02	8:21	8:41	9:11	9:42	10:11	10:42
Actual Interval	0 min	21 min	40 min	60 min	90 min	121 min	150 min	181 min
**CO <sub>2</sub> is measured for quality assurance. ✓ indicates the CO <sub>2</sub> level is acceptable. ✗ indicates room air contamination exceeding acceptable limits.								

### Evaluation for Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>)

*Hydrogen increase over baseline by 90 minutes*

	Result	Expected Value
Change in H <sub>2</sub>	75 H	<20 ppm

A rise of ≥ 20 ppm from baseline in hydrogen by 90 min should be considered a positive test to suggest the presence of SIBO.

### Evaluation for Methane (CH<sub>4</sub>)

*Peak methane level at any point*

	Result	Expected Value
CH <sub>4</sub> Peak	8	<10 ppm

A peak methane level ≥ 10 ppm at any point is indicative of a methane-positive result.

## Pathogens

### Bacterial Pathogens

	Result	Normal
<i>Campylobacter</i>	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>C. difficile</i> , Toxin A	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>C. difficile</i> , Toxin B	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>Enterohemorrhagic E. coli</i>	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>E. coli</i> O157	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>Enteroinvasive E. coli/Shigella</i>	<dl	<1.00e2
<i>Enterotoxigenic E. coli</i> LT/ST	<dl	<1.00e3
Shiga-like Toxin <i>E. coli</i> stx1	<dl	<1.00e3
Shiga-like Toxin <i>E. coli</i> stx2	<dl	<1.00e3
<i>Salmonella</i>	<dl	<1.00e4
<i>Vibrio cholerae</i>	<dl	<1.00e5
<i>Yersinia enterocolitica</i>	<dl	<1.00e5

### Parasitic Pathogens

	Result	Normal
<i>Cryptosporidium</i>	<dl	<1.00e6
<i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>	<dl	<1.00e4
<i>Giardia</i>	<dl	<5.00e3

### Viral Pathogens

	Result	Normal
Adenovirus 40/41	<dl	<1.00e10
Norovirus GI/II	<dl	<1.00e7

**H. pylori**

	Result	Normal
<i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	<dl	<1.0e3
Virulence Factor, babA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, cagA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, dupA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, iceA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, oipA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, vacA	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, virB	N/A	Negative
Virulence Factor, virD	N/A	Negative

**Normal Bacterial Flora**

	Result	Normal
<i>Bacteroides fragilis</i>	<b>8.26e10</b>	1.60e9 - 2.50e11
<i>Bifidobacterium spp.</i>	<b>1.56e10</b>	>6.70e7
<i>Enterococcus spp.</i>	<b>4.81e5</b>	1.9e5 - 2.00e8
<i>Escherichia spp.</i>	<b>1.51e8</b>	3.70e6 - 3.80e9
<i>Lactobacillus spp.</i>	<b>4.42e6</b>	8.6e5 - 6.20e8
<i>Clostridia (class)</i>	<b>8.02e6</b>	5.00e6 - 5.00e7
<i>Enterobacter spp.</i>	<b>2.83e7</b>	1.00e6 - 5.00e7
<i>Akkermansia muciniphila</i>	<dl	1.00e1 - 5.00e4
<i>Faecalibacterium prausnitzii</i>	<b>1.12e3</b>	1.00e3 - 5.00e8

**Phyla Microbiota**

	Result	Normal
<i>Bacteroidetes</i>	<b>1.46e12</b>	8.61e11 - 3.31e12
<i>Firmicutes</i>	<b>2.09e11</b>	5.70e10 - 3.04e11
<i>Firmicutes:Bacteroidetes Ratio</i>	<b>0.14</b>	<1.00



## Opportunistic Bacteria

### Additional Dysbiotic/Overgrowth Bacteria

	Result		Normal
<i>Bacillus spp.</i>	<b>1.52e6</b>	<b>High</b>	<1.50e5
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	<b>3.60e2</b>		<1.00e4
<i>Enterococcus faecium</i>	<b>5.68e2</b>		<1.00e4
<i>Morganella spp.</i>	<b>9.88e3</b>	<b>High</b>	<1.00e3
<i>Pseudomonas spp.</i>	<dl		<1.00e4
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	<dl		<5.00e2
<i>Staphylococcus spp.</i>	<dl		<1.00e4
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	<b>1.10e3</b>	<b>High</b>	<5.00e2
<i>Streptococcus spp.</i>	<b>4.79e3</b>	<b>High</b>	<1.00e3
<i>Methanobacteriaceae</i> (family)	<b>3.41e8</b>		<5.00e9

### Potential Autoimmune Triggers

	Result		Normal
<i>Citrobacter spp.</i>	<dl		<5.00e6
<i>Citrobacter freundii</i>	<dl		<5.00e5
<i>Klebsiella spp.</i>	<dl		<5.00e3
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	<dl		<5.00e4
<i>M. avium subsp. paratuberculosis</i>	<dl		<5.00e3
<i>Prevotella spp.</i>	<b>8.57e6</b>		<1.00e8
<i>Proteus spp.</i>	<dl		<5.00e4
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	<dl		<1.00e3
<i>Fusobacterium spp.</i>	<b>9.78e5</b>		<1.00e8





## Fungi/Yeast

	Result	Normal
<i>Candida spp.</i>	<dl	<5.00e3
<i>Candida albicans</i>	<dl	<5.00e2
<i>Geotrichum spp.</i>	<dl	<3.00e2
<i>Microsporidium spp.</i>	<dl	<5.00e3
<i>Rodotorula spp.</i>	<dl	<1.00e3

## Viruses

	Result	Normal
<i>Cytomegalovirus</i>	<dl	<1.00e5
<i>Epstein Barr Virus</i>	<dl	<1.00e7

## Parasites

Protozoa	Result	Normal
<i>Blastocystis hominis</i>	<dl	<2.00e3
<i>Chilomastix mesnili</i>	<dl	<1.00e5
<i>Cyclospora spp.</i>	<dl	<5.00e4
<i>Dientamoeba fragilis</i>	<dl	<1.00e5
<i>Endolimax nana</i>	<dl	<1.00e4
<i>Entamoeba coli</i>	<dl	<5.00e6
<i>Pentatrichomonas hominis</i>	<dl	<1.00e2

Worms	Result	Normal
<i>Ancylostoma duodenale</i>	Not Detected	Not Detected
<i>Ascaris lumbricoides</i>	Not Detected	Not Detected
<i>Necator americanus</i>	Not Detected	Not Detected
<i>Trichuris trichiura</i>	Not Detected	Not Detected
<i>Taenia spp.</i>	Not Detected	Not Detected

## Intestinal Health

### Digestion

	Result	Normal
Steatocrit	<dl	<15 %
Elastase-1	444	>200 ug/g

### GI Markers

	Result	Normal
b-Glucuronidase	658	<2486 U/mL
Occult Blood - FIT	1	<10 ug/g

### Immune Response

	Result	Normal
Secretory IgA	2180	510 - 2010 ug/g
Anti-gliadin IgA	130	0 - 157 U/L

### Inflammation

	Result	Normal
Calprotectin	11	<173 ug/g


# What do we suggest for KT?

Type your plan in  
the chat box!

Gut healing  
plan?


# What do we suggest for KT?

Nutrient  
Repletion  
& Immune  
Support?



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# What do we suggest for KT?



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Other  
Testing?

# Case #2

- JD is a 35 y/o female presenting to the functional medicine consult with joint pain, fatigue, muscle aches, brain fog, bloating, abdominal pain, and anxiety.
- Hx of Hashimotos, EBV (past infection)
- Strenuous exercise, menstrual cycles, and stress make her symptoms worse.
- Sensitive to artificial fragrances,
- Hx of breast implants- had them removed 6 months ago
- Current medications: Armour Thyroid 120mg once daily

# Case #2 Labs

- TSH 1.86 uIU/ml (0.45-4.500)
- Thyroxine (T4) 7.2 ug/dl (4.5-12)
- T3 update 26% (24-39)
- Triiodothyronine (T3) 87 ng/dl (71-180)
- Vitamin D 25-OH 60.2 ng/ml )30-100
- ANA negative
- TPO Positive, 145 IU/ml (0-34)
- CRP 6 mg/L (0-10)
- Sed Rate 14 mm/hr (0-32)

# What should be in our work-up?

Hormones?

Nutrients?

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plan in  
the chat box!

Detoxification?



## Salivary Hormone Results

Estradiol ♦ pmol/L 6.8

	Reference Range
Follicular	2.8-8.8 pmol/L
Peak *	4.5-19.1 pmol/L
Luteal	2.8-8.2 pmol/L
Menopausal	3.7-9.4 pmol/L
Male	3.1-7.4 pmol/L
* Peak = Days 11 and 12	

Testosterone ♦ pmol/L <30

	Reference Range
Premenopausal	34-148 pmol/L
Menopausal	34-148 pmol/L
Male	110-513 pmol/L

Estrone pmol/L 64.4

	Reference Range
Menopausal	31.9-183.4 pmol/L

Progesterone ♦ pmol/L 606

	Reference Range
Follicular	17-321 pmol/L
Peak *	151-829 pmol/L
Luteal	33-452 pmol/L
Menopausal	45-370 pmol/L
Male	31-280 pmol/L
* Peak = Days 18 and 20	

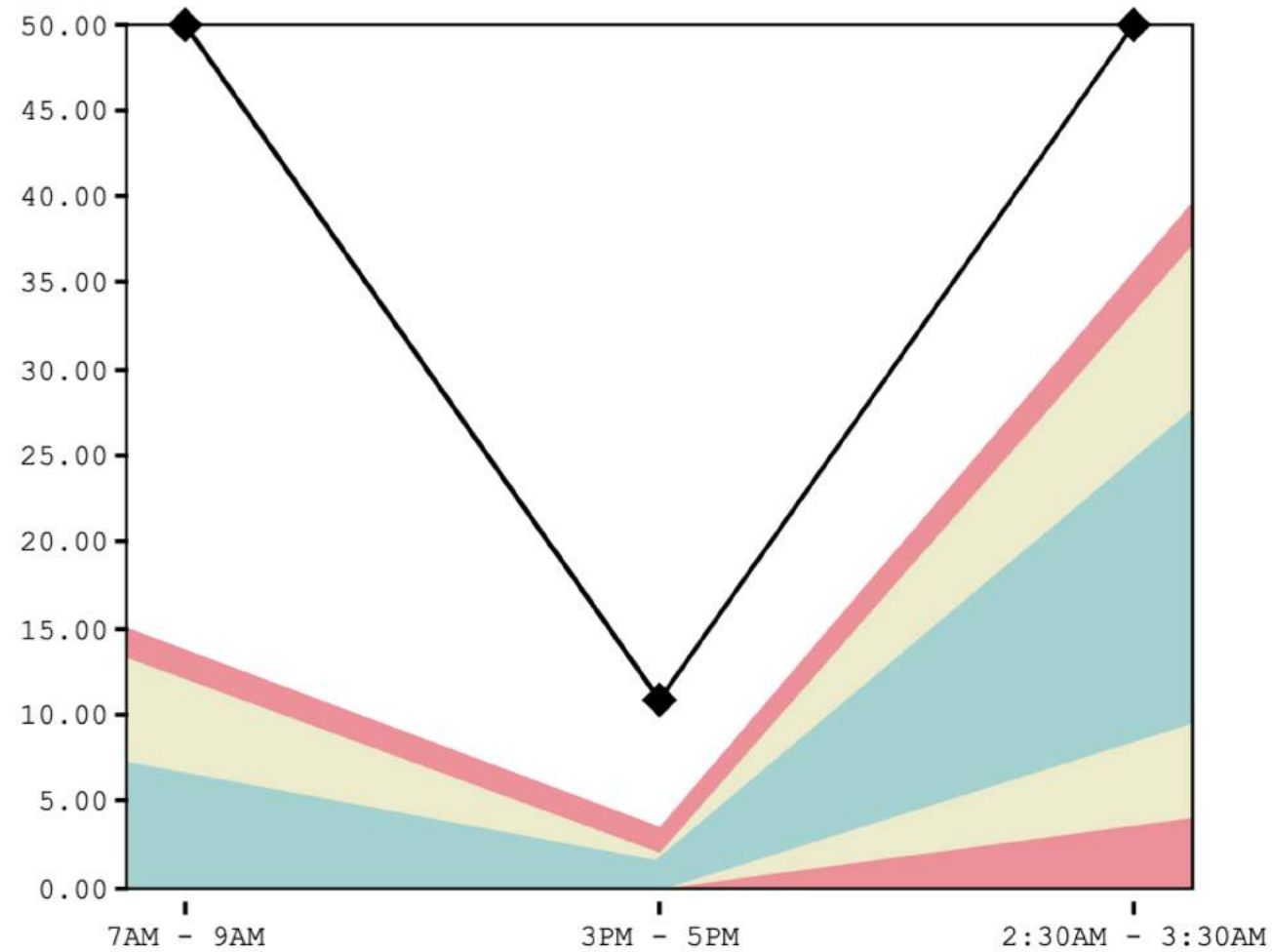
Estriol pmol/L <70

	Reference Range
Menopausal	<= 133 pmol/L

P/E2 Ratio 89

	Reference Range
Follicular	10-85
Luteal	8-80
Menopausal	12-62

## Salivary Melatonin

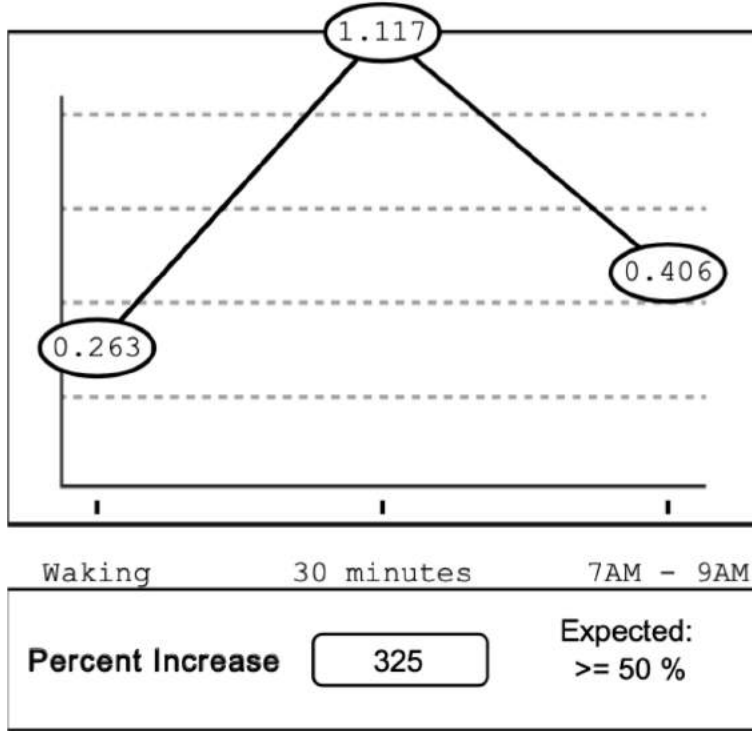


### Results

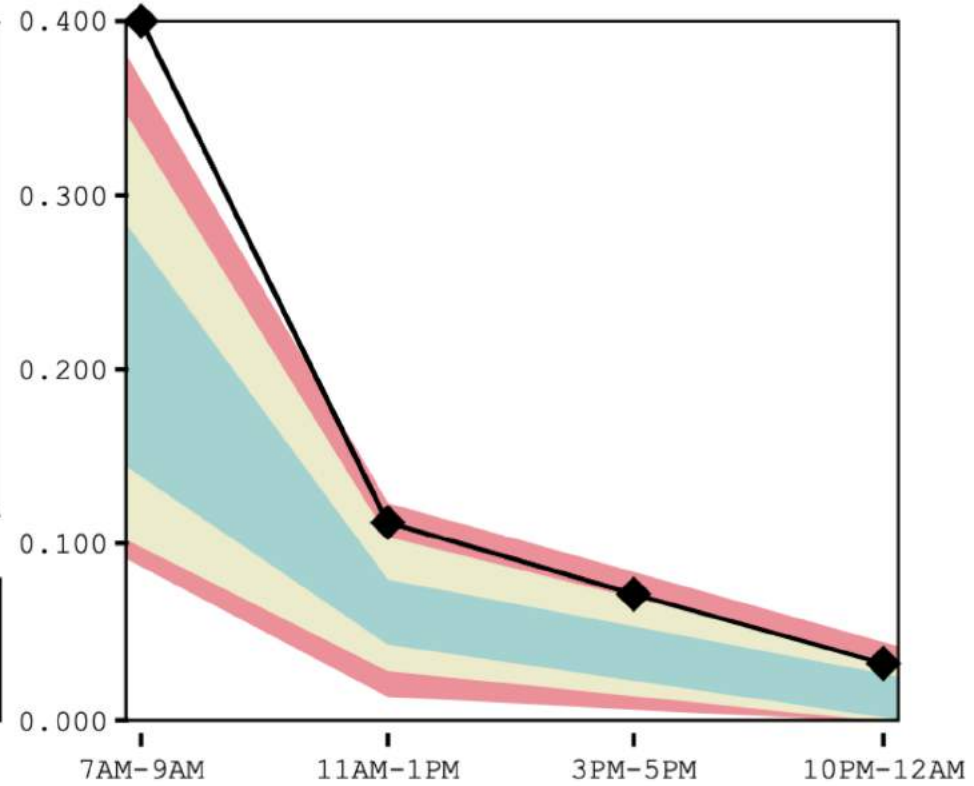
	7AM-9AM*	3PM-5PM*	2:30AM - 3:30AM*
<b>Patient Results (pg/mL) &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>&gt;50.00</b>	<b>10.76</b>	<b>&gt;50.00</b>
Reference Range (pg/mL)	<=12.12	<=1.97	3.71-33.38
*Based on Collection Times			

# Salivary Cortisol, Cortisol Awakening Response, and DHEA

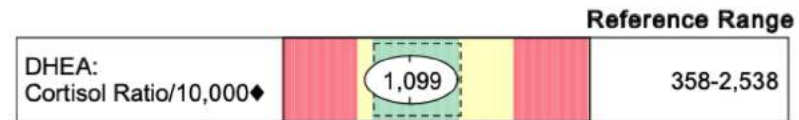
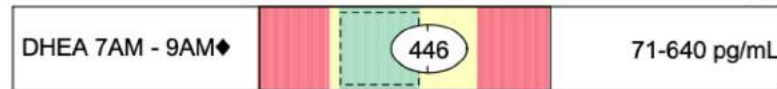
## Cortisol Awakening Response



## Salivary Cortisol



## DHEA



## Results

	Waking	30 Minutes	7AM-9AM*	11AM-1PM*	3PM-5PM*	10PM-12AM*
<b>Patient Result (mcg/dL) &gt;&gt;</b>	<b>0.263</b>	<b>1.117</b>	<b>0.406</b>	<b>0.113</b>	<b>0.071</b>	<b>0.031</b>
Reference Range (mcg/dL) *Based on Collection Times	N/A	N/A	0.097-0.337	0.027-0.106	0.013-0.068	<=0.034
Actual Collection Time	6:32AM	7:02AM	8:05AM	12:05PM	4:10PM	10:16PM

## NutrEval Results Overview

Normal	Borderline	High Need	Supplementation for High Need
<b><i>Antioxidants</i></b>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Vitamin A / Carotenoids</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Vitamin C</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Vitamin E / Tocopherols</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;">CoQ10</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;">α-Lipoic Acid</div>	<p>α-Lipoic Acid - Dose = 200 mg</p>
<b><i>B-Vitamins</i></b>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Thiamin - B1</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 10px;">Pyridoxine - B6</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 2px;">Folic Acid - B9</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-top: 2px;">Cobalamin - B12</div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Riboflavin - B2</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Niacin - B3</div>	<p>Riboflavin - B2 - Dose = 50 mg</p> <p>Niacin - B3 - Dose = 50 mg</p>
<b><i>Minerals</i></b>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Magnesium</div>		
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Manganese</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Molybdenum</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Zinc</div>			

## Malabsorption and Dysbiosis Markers

### Malabsorption Markers Reference Range

Indoleacetic Acid (IAA)	5.9	<= 4.2
Phenylacetic Acid (PAA)	0.22	<= 0.12

### Bacterial Dysbiosis Markers

Dihydroxyphenylpropionic Acid (DHPPA)	2.9	<= 5.3
3-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	<dl	<= 8.1
4-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	28	<= 29
Benzoic Acid	0.14	<= 0.05
Hippuric Acid	165	<= 603

### Yeast / Fungal Dysbiosis Markers

Arabinose	115	<= 96
Citramalic Acid	7.2	<= 5.8
Tartaric Acid	<dl	<= 15

## Creatinine Concentration

### Reference Range

Creatinine ♦	4.5	3.1-19.5 mmol/L
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## Cellular Energy & Mitochondrial Metabolites

### Carbohydrate Metabolism Reference Range

Lactic Acid	3.7	1.9-19.8
Pyruvic Acid	6	7-32
β-OH-Butyric Acid (BHBA)	2.3	<= 2.8

### Energy Metabolism

Citric Acid	398	40-520
Cis-Aconitic Acid	12	10-36
Isocitric Acid	55	22-65
α-Ketoglutaric Acid (AKG)	<dl	4-52
Succinic Acid	9.1	0.4-4.6
Malic Acid	5.1	<= 3.0
β-OH-β-Methylglutaric Acid (HMG)	4	<= 15

### Fatty Acid Metabolism

Adipic Acid	4.4	<= 2.8
Suberic Acid	2.3	<= 2.1

## Neurotransmitter Metabolites

	Reference Range	
Vanilmandelic Acid	0.4-3.6	1.3
Homovanillic Acid	1.2-5.3	6.3
5-OH-indoleacetic Acid	3.8-12.1	10.8
3-Methyl-4-OH-phenylglycol	0.02-0.22	0.04
Kynurenic Acid	<= 7.1	7.6
Quinolinic Acid	<= 9.1	3.0
Kynurenic / Quinolinic Ratio	>= 0.44	2.53

## Toxin & Detoxification Markers

	Reference Range	
$\alpha$ -Ketophenylacetic Acid (from Styrene)	<= 0.46	0.11
$\alpha$ -Hydroxyisobutyric Acid (from MTBE)	<= 6.7	6.8
Orotic Acid	0.33-1.01	0.61
Pyroglutamic Acid	16-34	43

## Tyrosine Metabolism

	Reference Range	
Homogentisic Acid	<= 19	45
2-Hydroxyphenylacetic Acid	<= 0.76	0.72

## Vitamin Markers

	Reference Range	
$\alpha$ -Keto adipic Acid	<= 1.7	0.4
$\alpha$ -Ketoisovaleric Acid	<= 0.97	0.33
$\alpha$ -Ketoisocaproic Acid	<= 0.89	0.30
$\alpha$ -Keto- $\beta$ -Methylvaleric Acid	<= 2.1	1.2
Formiminoglutamic Acid (FIGlu)	<= 1.5	0.4
Glutaric Acid	<= 0.51	4.75
Isovalerylglycine	<= 3.7	4.8
Methylmalonic Acid	<= 1.9	1.5
Xanthurenic Acid	<= 0.96	0.24
3-Hydroxypropionic Acid	5-22	7
3-Hydroxyisovaleric Acid	<= 29	6

## Omega 3 Fatty Acids

Analyte	(cold water fish, flax, walnut)	Reference Range
$\alpha$ -Linolenic (ALA) 18:3 n3	<dl	$\geq 0.09$ wt %
Eicosapentaenoic (EPA) 20:5 n3	0.35	$\geq 0.16$ wt %
Docosapentaenoic (DPA) 22:5 n3	1.35	$\geq 1.14$ wt %
Docosahexaenoic (DHA) 22:6 n3	2.9	$\geq 2.1$ wt %
% Omega 3s	4.6	$\geq 3.8$

## Omega 9 Fatty Acids

Analyte	(olive oil)	Reference Range
Oleic 18:1 n9	13	10-13 wt %
Nervonic 24:1 n9	4.3	2.1-3.5 wt %
% Omega 9s	17.4	13.3-16.6

## Saturated Fatty Acids

Analyte	(meat, dairy, coconuts, palm oils)	Reference Range
Palmitic C16:0	20	18-23 wt %
Stearic C18:0	18	14-17 wt %
Arachidic C20:0	0.23	0.22-0.35 wt %
Behenic C22:0	0.84	0.92-1.68 wt %
Tricosanoic C23:0	0.15	0.12-0.18 wt %
Lignoceric C24:0	2.5	2.1-3.8 wt %
Pentadecanoic C15:0	0.05	0.07-0.15 wt %
Margaric C17:0	0.27	0.22-0.37 wt %
% Saturated Fats	41.5	39.8-43.6

## Delta - 6 Desaturase Activity

Upregulated Functional Impaired

Linoleic / DGLA 18:2 n6 / 20:3 n6	8.9	6.0-12.3
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## Cardiovascular Risk

Analyte	Reference Range
Omega 6s / Omega 3s	7.6 3.4-10.7
AA / EPA 20:4 n6 / 20:5 n3	47 12-125
Omega 3 Index	3.3 $\geq 4.0$

## Omega 6 Fatty Acids

Analyte	(vegetable oil, grains, most meats, dairy)	Reference Range
Linoleic (LA) 18:2 n6	14.4	10.5-16.9 wt %
$\gamma$ -Linolenic (GLA) 18:3 n6	0.07	0.03-0.13 wt %
Dihomo- $\gamma$ -linolenic (DGLA) 20:3 n6	1.61	$\geq 1.19$ wt %
Arachidonic (AA) 20:4 n6	16	15-21 wt %
Docosatetraenoic (DTA) 22:4 n6	2.24	1.50-4.20 wt %
Eicosadienoic 20:2 n6	0.39	$\leq 0.26$ wt %
% Omega 6s	35.1	30.5-39.7

## Monounsaturated Fats

Omega 7 Fats	Reference Range
Palmitoleic 16:1 n7	0.17 $\leq 0.64$ wt %
Vaccenic 18:1 n7	1.02 $\leq 1.13$ wt %

**Trans Fat**

Elaidic 18:1 n9t	0.23 $\leq 0.59$ wt %
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## Oxidative Stress Markers

### Reference Range

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

Glutathione (whole blood)	796	$\geq 669$ micromol/L
Lipid Peroxides (urine)	9.0	$\leq 10.0$ micromol/g Creat.
8-OHdG (urine)	<DL	$\leq 15$ mcg/g Creat.
Coenzyme Q10, Ubiquinone (serum)	0.72	0.43-1.49 mcg/mL

## Toxic Elements\*

Element	Reference Range	Reference Range
Lead	1.02	$\leq 2.81$ mcg/dL
Mercury	3.65	$\leq 4.35$ mcg/L
Arsenic	<DL	$\leq 13.7$ mcg/L
Cadmium	0.23	$\leq 1.22$ mcg/L
Tin	0.38	$\leq 0.39$ mcg/L

\* All toxic Elements are measured in whole blood.  
Methodology: ICP-MS


## Nutrient Elements

Element	Reference Range	Reference Range
Copper (plasma)	134.1	75.3-192.0 mcg/dL
Magnesium (RBC)	42.4	30.1-56.5 mcg/g
Manganese (whole blood)	10.2	3.0-16.5 mcg/L
Potassium (RBC)	2,366	2,220-3,626 mcg/g
Selenium (whole blood)	225	109-330 mcg/L
Zinc (plasma)	95.4	64.3-159.4 mcg/dL



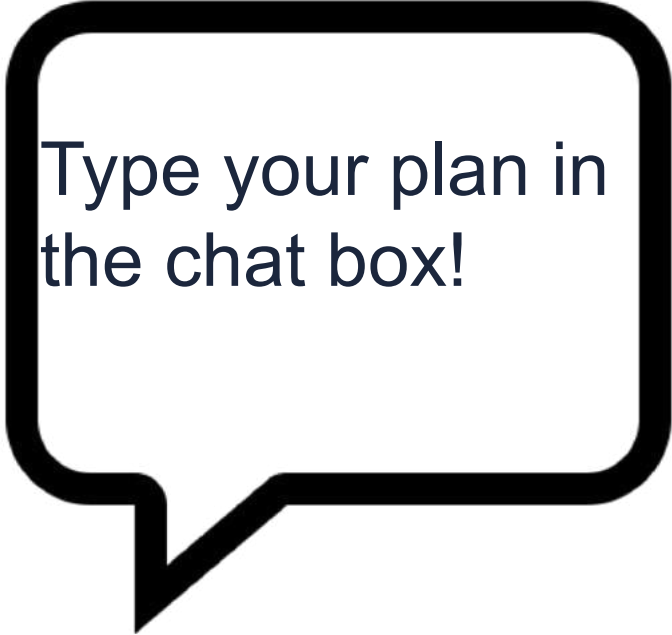
# What do we suggest for ?

Nutrient  
Repletion  
& Immune  
Support?



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Gut healing  
plan?

Other  
Testing?

# Take-Aways

1. Dysbiosis and Chronic infections in the gut can lead to impairment of the immune system.
2. A systems-based approach to care, can work to restore immune function.