



# How to optimise your patients' GIT wellness

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Adam began his working life as a Chef, then developed a passion for Nutrition and Nutritional Biochemistry. After graduating from Endeavour College, he set up his own Clinical Nutrition practice, specialising in digestion and working extensively with individualised diets.

He spent time as a lecturer at Endeavour College lecturing in Advanced Nutrition and Dietary Planning and Tutoring Naturopathic and Nutritional Clinical students. He has worked extensively with sports supplements and run lectures in Sports Nutrition to practitioners and athletes.

Adam has a unique approach to presenting and simplifies the complexity of anatomy, physiology and biochemistry. His down-to-earth style and deep knowledge of the content he is presenting helps those who listen to him walk away with practical tools that can be used straight away in clinic. He believes that digestion is the key to wellness and by understanding the root cause of disease you can help people reach their wellness potential.



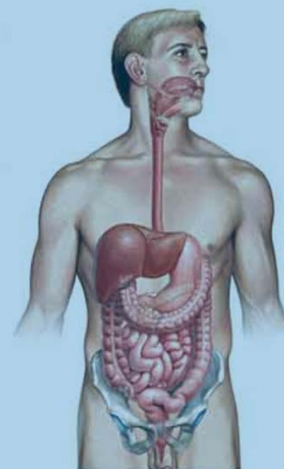
## WHAT WE WILL COVER

- OVERVIEW OF BIOLOGY & BIOCHEMISTRY
- CLINICAL APPROACHES TO DIET AND LIFESTYLE
- DEEP DIVE INTO MICRONUTRIENTS AND PHYTONUTRIENTS



## MOUTH

- Salivary Amylase
- Lingual Lipase



## STOMACH

- HCl pH 2
- Pepsin Lipase 3.5pH
- CHO digestion dormant



## GASTRIC EMPTYING

- Empties 2-5ml every 30 seconds
- Fat
- Fibre



## SMALL INTESTINE

- Secretin, Cholecystokinin, Gastric inhibitory Peptide
- Protease, Amylase, Lipase, Elastase
- Na/K transporters Amino Acids & glucose
- Lipids diffuse



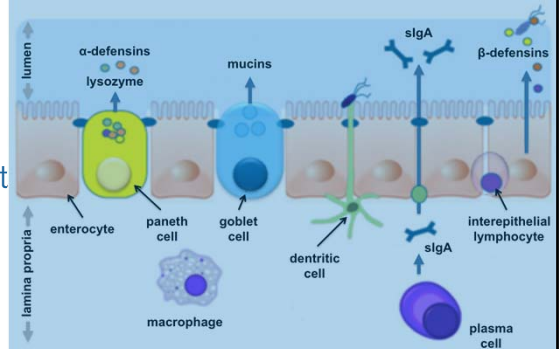
## LARGE INTESTINE

- Electrolytes
- Water
- Fermentation fibre, Short Chain Fatty Acids
- Butyrate, Propionate, Acetate



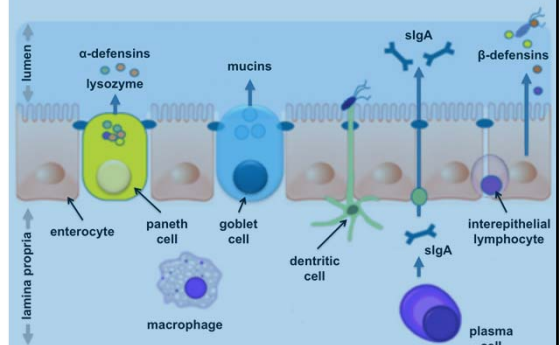
# MUCOSAL BARRIER PROTECTION

- Mucous-Prostaglandins, Mucins, Bicarbonat
- Secretory IGA



# MUCOSAL BARRIER PROTECTION

- Transforming Growth Factor-beta
- GALT: T Cells & Natural Killer Cells
- Peyers Patches: T & B Cells & Macrophages



## FACTORS INHIBITING EFFECTIVE DIGESTION

- Stress-Sympathetic Nervous System
- Dysbiosis
- Inflammation N-F Kappa B, TNF-a, IL, IFN



## DIETARY & LIFESTYLE INTERVENTIONS

- Maximise Parasympathetic Nervous System state vs Sympathetic Nervous System state
- Minimize caffeine 1-2 hours before meals



# DIETARY & LIFESTYLE INTERVENTIONS

- Eliminate Fluid 30 min before and 1 hour after meals
- Avoid combining Protein/Fat with complex CHO/fibre



# DIETARY & LIFESTYLE INTERVENTIONS

- Consider cooking methods
  - Slow cooked
  - Fermented
- Simplify combinations of foods



# AMLA-EMBLICA OFFICINALIS



- Polyphenol Gallic Acid increases mucin and mucous secretion
- Study 68 pts GERD 4 week randomised trial
- Control group received 2 X 500mg BD
- Significant reduction in heartburn and regurgitation frequency and severity

# AMLA-EMBLICA OFFICINALIS



- Tannin Emblicanin A 10 X more potent than vitamin C
- SOD GSH
- Anti H Pylori
- Gastroprotective in Peptic Ulceration Studies



# AMLA-EMBLICA OFFICINALIS



- Numerous studies exhibited antimicrobial activity against 345 bacteria's
- Inhibits adhesion of Candida Albicans
- May modulate transit time



# ARABINOGALACTAN LARCH



- Immune activation of GALT via TGF-B
- NK Cells and Macrophages
- Increase diversity





# GLUTAMINE

Increases levels of Secretory IgA and TGF-B



# GLUTAMINE

Epithelial cell proliferation and differentiation  
Decreases intestinal permeability  
Anti inflammatory



# ZINC CARNOSINE

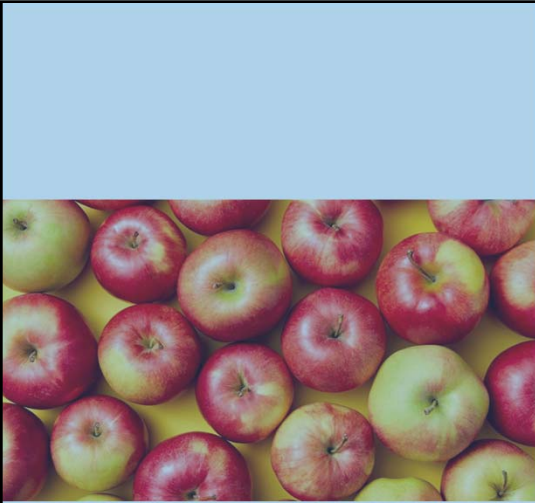
Clinical study using Zinc Carnosine on 258 peptic ulcer pts double blind random crossover trial

Patient self reported symptom reduction		
	4 weeks	8 weeks
Cetraxate HCL 800mg	61% sx reduction	72% sx reduction
Zinc Carnosine 150mg	61% sx reduction	75% sx reduction
Endoscopy cure rate		
	4 weeks	8 weeks
Cetraxate HCL 800mg	16% cure rate	46% cure rate
Zinc Carnosine 150mg	26% cure rate	60% cure rate



# ZINC CARNOSINE

- Antioxidant- SOD
- Dose- research is all based on a minimum dose 75mg at least once per day.
- Combination superior to isolated



# PECTIN

Research comparing whole apple vs apple pectin

Both groups reduced pH

Pectin significant increases in butyrate levels

Apple- Lactobacillus

Pectin- Bifidobacteria



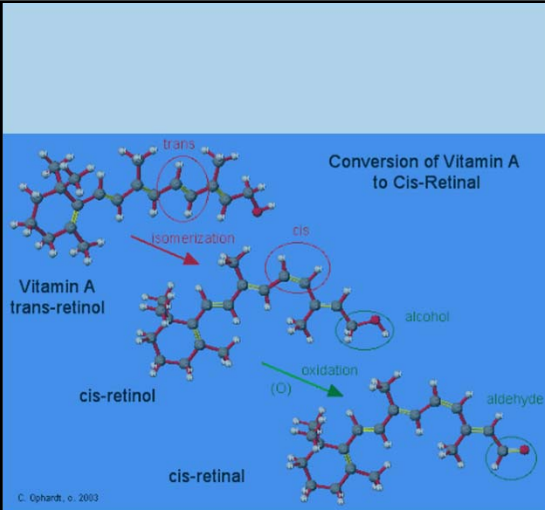
# REVIEW

Consider in combination the micronutrients we have covered so far have demonstrated:

- Increased mucous and mucosal protection
- Anti Oxidant
- Increased SIgA
- Increased GALT NKCs, Macrophages
- Increase SCFA production butyrate propionate
- Increased diversity lactobacillus and bifidobacteria
- Repair of epithelium

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## VITAMIN A

- Increases SIgA and TGF-B
- T cell response
- Anti inflammatory



## CURCUMIN

- Numerous studies significantly reduces Inflammation N-F Kappa B, TNF-a, Il1, Il6, IFN, COX2
- Modulate Th1 cell response
- Antioxidant ROS



## CURCUMIN

Unstable in the pH of the intestine  
 Many early studies high levels of excretion and poor absorption  
 Phytosome concept dietary curcumin prepared with fat  
 Emulsification binds curcumin to cellulose and lecithin  
 Increases stability in the intestine  
 Numerous studies demonstrate Meriva has superior absorption



## KEY TAKE AWAYS

Effective digestion inhibited by stress dysbiosis and inflammation  
 Consider macronutrient choices and fluid intake to maximise digestion  
 Consider synergistic micronutrients



# Thank you!



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