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## **ELEVATE YOUR COGNITIVE HEALTH** WITH **OPTIMAL NUTRITION**

Healthy and well-balanced nutrition can unlock the full potential of your mind and safeguard your cognitive well-being.

The brain is a marvel of complexity and relies on nourishment to thrive, to produce energy, and synthesize neurotransmitters and maintain their balance in the body. It needs nutrients to synthesize and regulate various hormones, produce and repair nerve synapses (the connection between two neurons) and the myelin sheath (the protective covering around the neurons). The brain also requires a healthy blood-brain barrier which controls the passage of substances between the bloodstream and the brain.

Brain energy: Our brain is a high-performance organ constantly in need of energy. The amino acid L-carnitine and coenzyme Q-10 are specifically important for mitochondrial bioenergy production in the cells and are essential for optimum brain function.

Neurogenesis and neuroprotection: The brain is susceptible to oxidative damage due to its high oxygen consumption and lipid content. Antioxidants such as vitamins C and E, zinc, copper, selenium, and polyphenols protect the neurons from oxidative damage and neurodegenerative diseases. Micronutrients like the B vitamins, omega-3 fatty acids, and certain minerals support neurogenesis (the creation of new neurons) and strengthen the synaptic connections (synaptic plasticity). These processes are essential for learning, memory, and adaptive cognitive function.

Memory: Memory is a complex cognitive function that relies on optimum neurotransmitters, energy production, neural communication, and resistance to oxidative stress. A well-balanced diet ensures that memory remains sharp and reliable.

Stress adaptation: Plants such as American ginseng and Rhodiola rosea are known adaptogens that help the body to adapt to oxidative and other stressors and potentially improve cognitive function and memory. The amino acid L-carnitine and coenzyme Q-10 also offer anti-oxidant protection and keep the brain



resilient against other stressors. Also, traditional Ayurvedic medicines with Gotu kola and Bacopa monnieri, which are known for their neuroprotective properties, help to maintain a vibrant mind.

Neurotransmitter balance: The neurotransmitters including serotonin, dopamine, and GABA (Gamma-aminobutyric acid) transmit signals between the neurons and influence mood, motivation, focus, and cognitive function. Nutrients such as amino acids, the B group of vitamins, and minerals are essential for the synthesis of these neurotransmitters. Theanine which is found in tea leaves may also help stabilize mood by balancing the neurotransmitters dopamine and serotonin.

Protective myelin: Myelin forms a protective sheath around nerve fibers essential for fast and efficient signal transmission. Vitamin B12, folate, and essential fatty acids are critical for myelin formation and maintenance.

<u>Integrity of the blood-brain barrier:</u> A healthy blood-brain barrier keeps harmful toxins and inflammatory agents at bay. Chronic inflammation is linked to cognitive decline and various neurological disorders. Certain nutrients including vitamin C, rosehip a rich source of vitamin C, and Bacopa monnieri are potent anti-inflammatory and antioxidant agents.

Hormonal balance and bright mood: Certain B vitamins, folate and vitamin D are essential for hormonal balance, mood regulation, and maintaining cognitive health. Soothing properties of oat straw and theanine may help to combat stress-related impacts on the brain.

Individual effects of these natural compounds gain enhanced health power when working together like instruments in an orchestra. Your brain is your most valuable asset and it deserves the finest care with a steady supply of vital synergy nutrients and a healthy lifestyle.

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The ground-breaking nature of this research poses a threat to the multi-billion dollar pharmaceutical "business with disease". It is no surprise that over the years the drug lobby has attacked Dr. Rath and his research team in an attempt to silence this message. To no avail. During this battle, Dr. Rath has become an internationally renowned advocate for natural health. Says he: "Never in the history of medicine have researchers been so ferociously attacked for their discoveries. It reminds us that health is not given to us voluntarily, but we need to fight for it."

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