# Breast Health: Herbs & Supplements



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INTRO

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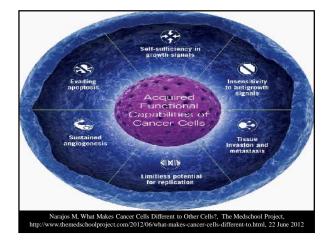
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#### Intro

- Patient-specific integrative approach—
  Botanical Medicines
  Nutritional Medicines
  Dietary Medicines
  Conventional Medicines
  Traditional Medical Techniques & Practices
  Lifestyle Counsel
  Spiritual & Psychological Guidance
  Match people to their medicines.





# SAFETY

#### Intro

- ✤Hallmarks for a cell to develop cancer—
- Continuous self growth.
- Insensitivity to anti-growth signals from

- Insensitivity to anti-growth signals from surrounding cells.
  Unlimited division potential.
  Resists normal cell death.
  Recruits blood supply.
  Ability to spread & colonize new sites.
  Many places & opportunities to intervene.
  Change the inner terrain.
  Enhance prevention, improve treatment response, reduce treatment side-effects, improve quality & quantity of life. & quantity of life.



#### Safety

- ★40 average deaths a year from herbs, historically.
- ♦98,000 140,000+ deaths a year from prescription drugs. Duke J, 2001
- ♦ Prescription medications kill 100,000+ people yearly when properly prescribed, while vitamins have not caused a single death in 27 years. ws Service, 2011
- Food supplements, herbal remedies 'supersafe,' death risk from use is less than 1 in 10 million. Anon. Engredea. 2012.

#### Safety

- Much fear & debate over use of antioxidants during chemo & radiation treatment. Scientific data don't show interference or harm.
- Of more than 2,300 studies & nearly 5,000 patients reviewed, not a single study showed any clinical evidence of antioxidant use
- Antioxidant supplements prevent carcinogenic affects of of barrys.
- effects of chemos, protect patient, enhance cytotoxic effect of therapy. Brodhead 2009.



# TARGETS

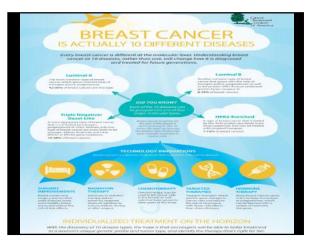
### Safety

- ✤FDA regulates herbs, finished dietary supplements & dietary ingredients under a different set of regulations than 'conventional' foods & drugs.
- ✤FDA is responsible for action against any unsafe dietary supplement, can remove from market.
- \*FDA shares Federal oversight of dietary
- supplements in each oversight of alculy supplements with FTC.
  FDA regulates the safety, manufacturing & labeling of dietary supplements.
  FTC has primary responsibility for regulating the advertising of these products.
- advertising of these products. Brackett R, 2006



#### Targets

- ◆In addition to chemo, radiation & surgery,
- The addition to chemo, radiation & surgery, specific drugs "targeted therapy."
  Target markers on/in cell, interrupt cancer growth pathways at molecular level.
  Tamoxifen, Herceptin, Arimidex, etc. hit these pathways, provide person-specific treatment.
  Herbs & supplements also hit these & many other targets as molecular public targets.
- other targets, as molecular multi-taskers.



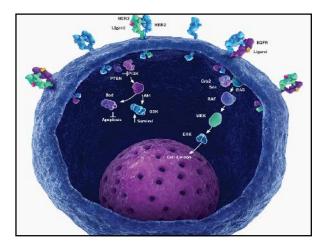
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- ✤Plants are an important source of macronutrients Plants are an important source of macrohutrie (fiber, carbohydrates— potatoes, rice, wheat, cassava), plus micronutrients (carotenoids, biotin, folate, lipoic acid, trace minerals & vitamins, phytochemicals).
   Micronutrient deficiencies shown to damage DNA via the curp purchasing or maliating
- DNA via the same mechanism as radiation.
- Degenerative diseases, such as cancer, heart disease & cognitive dysfunction, have been linked to diets low in fruits and vegetables.
- \*Animals & humans can not make most of these plant bioactive compounds. Wink, 1999

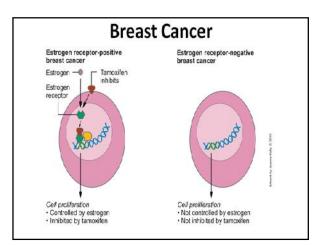
A growing list of drugs	TARGET	DRUG						
designed to inhibit specific tumor protoins are approved to treat breast cancer patients (do/d) or are undergo-	Estrogen/ progesternne receptor proteins	Anastrozolo     Anastrozolo     Esemestane     Esemestane     Tomosifen     Fulvestrant						
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of cellular receptors) Kinase Inhibitor (Inhibits signaling by cellular receptors)	PIEK/AKT/mTOR cell survival pathway							
<ul> <li>Vaccine is:Imulates production of antibodize specific to tumor proteins, can be composed of cells, or peptide molecules)</li> <li>Other Individes direct</li> </ul>	VESF receptor protein (involved in forming tumor blood vessels)							
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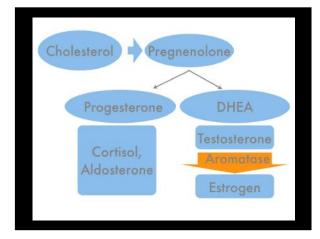
#### **Targets**

Over 25,000 different cancer-preventive "phytochemicals" identified in plants. Aund P. 2008.
Many chemo drugs directly plant-derived: vinblastine, vincristine, topotecan & irinotecan, etoposide, ellipticine & teniposide, Taxol.
All life intricately tied to plants.



Targets         Breast Cancer Pathways         * Aromatase       * MIB1				
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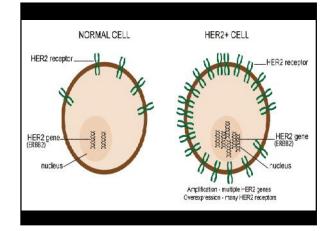


#### Targets

- ER/Estrogen receptor: Determines if estrogen
- ER/Estrogen receptor: Determines if estrogen & progesterone receptors are present, + or -.
   Blocked by: Tamoxifen, Faslodex, Raloxifene Alliums, Apples, B Complex, Black Cumin/Nigella, Beans & Legumes, Bromelain, Calcium D-Glucarate, CoQ-10, Crucifers, Exercise, Fermented Foods, Flax, Fiber, Fish Oils/DHA & EPA, Goji Berries, I3c/DIM, IP6, Low BMI, Melatonin, Milk Thistle/ Silymarin/Silibinin, Nuts & Seeds, Pomegranate, Ouercetin, Red Clover, Reishi. Pomegranate, Quercetin, Red Clover, Reishi, Resveratrol, Sea Vegetables, Soy, Trametes, Vitamin D3, Vitamin E Complex.

#### Targets

- Aromatase: Enzyme which helps body make estrogens, especially after menopause.
   Some found in whole grains, legumes, fruits
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   Blocked by: Arimidex, Femara, Aromasin Black Cohosh, Carrots, Chamomile/ Parsley/Celery/apigenin, Citrus/hesperetin, Grapes, Grape Seed/resveratrol Green Tea/EGCG, Licorice/isoliquiritegenin., Mangosteen/g-Mangostin, Nettle Root, Olives, Leaf/oleuropein, Passionflower/Chrysanthemum/ chrysin, Pomegranates, Propolis, Red Clover/ biochanin-a, Saw Palmetto, Soy/genistein, Walnuts, Berries, Grapes/Myricetin, White Button Mushrooms. Balans M. 2010.



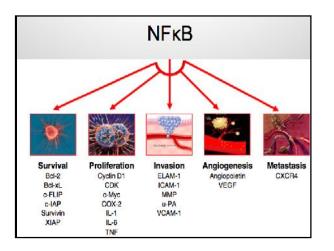
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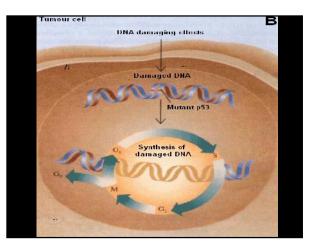
HER2/neu: A growth-promoting protein on breast cancer cells surface. Blocked by: Herceptin Aloe/emodin, BlackCurrant, Borage, Buckthorn Bark, Chocolate, Flax Seed, Grapes/resveratrol, Green Tea/EGCG, Olive oil, Omega-6/ Pine Seed/GLA, Onions, Apples/quercetin, Propolis/apigenin, Turmeric/curcumin, Vitamin D, Vitamin E.

#### Targets

#### ♦NFkB: Cont'd.

✤...Feverfew/lactones & parthenolides, Ginger/gingerol, Ginkgo, Red Ginseng/ ginsenosides, Grapes/resveratrol, Green Tea/EGCG, Guggul/guggulsterone, I3C/DIM, Magnolia Bark/honokiol, Milk Thistle/silymarin, Plums/ursolic acid, Propolis/CAPE & apigenin, Red Chili/capsaicin, Reishi, Soy/genistein, Rosemary, Sage, Turmeric/curcumin, White Willow.





#### Targets

- NFkB: A protein complex that controls gene expression, cancer cell immortality. High levels found in almost all cancers.
- ✤Blocked by: Drugs in research. Onions, Apples/quercetin, Andrographis/ andrographolide, Ashwagandha/withanolides, Astragalus, Basil/ursolic acid, Black Cumin Seed, Boswellia/boswelic acid, Bromelain, Chinese Skullcap, Citrus Fruit/quercetin, Cloves/eugenol, Coriander/linalool, Cruciferous vegetables, Fennel/ anethole...

#### Targets

- ✤p53:Tumor suppressor gene, promotes cell death/apoptosis, mutated in most cancers,
- death/apoptosis, mutated in most cancers, 22% of breast cancers.
  Mutation blocked by: Drugs in research Andrographis/andrographolide, Ashwagandha/ withanone, Astragalus, Berries/ellagic acid, Feverfew/lactones, parthenolides, Folate, Ginger/6-gingerol, Ginseng/ginsenosides, Grapes/resveratrol, Grape Seed/OPC's, Green Tea/EGCG, Melatonin, NAC, OPC's, Paw Paw, Overgetin, Pabdopig/oridopin Quercetin, Rabdosia/oridonin, Turmeric/curcumin, Vitamin Á, Vitamin D, Vitamin E/succinate, Tocotrienols.

#### **Comparative Genome Analysis Identifies the** Vitamin D Receptor Gene as a Direct Target of p53-Mediated Transcriptional Activation

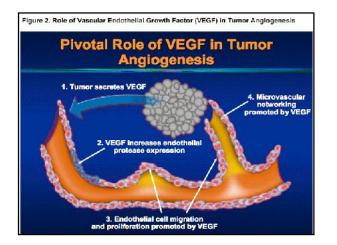
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tract p53 is the most frequently mutated tumor suppressor gene in human neoplasia and encodes a transcriptional coactivator. Identification of p53 target genes is therefore key to understanding the role of p53 in tumorigenesis. To identify novel p53 target genes, we first used a comparative genomics approach to identify p53 binding sequences that are conserved are more likely to functional using stringent filtering procedures, segmes were newly identified as putative p53 target genes. We hypothesized that potential p53 binding sequences that are conserved are more likely to functional. Using stringent filtering procedures, 32 genes were newly identified as putative p53 targets, and their responsiveness to p53 in human cancer cells was confirmed by reverse transcription-PCR and real-time PCR. Anong them, we focused on the vitamin D receptor (VDR) gene because vitamin D3 has recently been used for chemoprevention of human analysis of chromatin immunoprecipitation showed that p53 protein binds to conserved intronic sequences of the VDR gene in vivo. Introduction of VDR into cells resulted in induction of several genes known to be p53 targets and suppression of colorectal cancer cell growth. In addition, p53 induced VDR target genes in vitamin D3-dependent manner, Our *in silico* approach is a powerful method for identification of functional p53 binding istes and p54 target genes that are conserved among humans and other organisms and for further understanding the function of p53 in tumorigenesis. *Cancer kes* 2006, 660): 4574-83.

#### **Targets**

#### ♦VEGF: Cont'd.

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 Blocked by: ...Green Tea/EGCG, Guggul/ guggulsterone, Japanese Knotweed/resveratrol, Licorice, Magnolia Seed /honokiol, Milk Thistle/silymarin, Pacific Yew/taxol, taxanes, Parsley, etc/apigenin, Propolis/CAPE, Rabdosia, Selenium, Soy/genistein, Trametes versicolor/ PS-K, Turmeric/curcumin, Viscum album/Mistletoe.



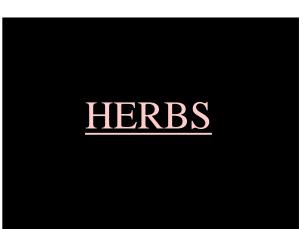
#### VEGF expression is inhibited by apigenin in human breast cancer cells Jin X-Y. Ren C-S

- Objective: To study the effects of apigenin on vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF) in human breast cancer cells (MDA-MB-231.
- (VEGF) in human breast cancer cells (MDA-MB-231 Methods: MTT assay was used to detect the cell proliferation inhibitory effect of apigenin on MDA-MB-231 cells. ISR protex was used to determine the protein level of VEGF in MDA-MB-231 cells. The protein levels of HIF-Iα, p-AKT, p-ERK1/2, and p53 were detected by Western Blotting. Results: Apigenin did not inhibit the cell viability of MDA-MB-231 cells. Apigenin reduced the secretion and mRNA levels of VEGF in MDA-MB-231 cells. Additionally, apigenin decreased the expressions of HIF-Iα, p-AKT and p-ERK1/2, but induced the expression of p53. Conclusion: Apigenin can inhibit VEGF expression in human breast cancer cells, and this may be achieved through decreasing HIF-Iα.

- (Apigenin found in Beer, Chamomile, Grapefruit, Onions, Oranges, Parsley, Red Wine, Tea, Saint Johnswort...)

#### Targets

- ♦ VEGF/Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor: Cell protein that stimulates blood vessel growth. When overexpressed, cancers grow & spread.
- Blocked by: Avastin Andrographis/andrographolides, Artemisia Annua/artemisinin, Basil/ursolic acid, Berries/delphinidin, Chamomile, etc/luteolin, Chinese Scullcap/baicalein, Dong Quai, Elder Berry, Fish Oil/EPA, Flax Seed, Ginger/gingerol, Ginkgo Biloba, Grapes/resveratrol, Grape Seed/OPC's...







Herbals: Medical Books of the Day



#### <u>Herbs</u>

- 80% of world uses traditional medicine as
- primary treatment, mostly herbs. \*20% 50% American adults use herbal dietary
- 20% 50% American adults use heroal dietary supplements. <u>Herbalann</u> 65:6941.2005.
   45,000,000 112,000,000+ people (current population 308,000,000), most self-medicating.
   72% physicians, 89% RNs use, most recommend supplements (vitamins, herbs, nutrients) to patients. Dekener A, Boyen N, Sheo A, Nutrico Jourd 829,209.
   Physicians were herbalists until @ 150 years ago.

- Many/most/all? animals self-medicate with Many most and animals sent incertate with herbs, zoopharmacognosy.
  Human use since the beginning of history.
  Oldest form of healthcare, primary medicine.

- Earliest <u>written</u> record (Sumerian) 5,000+ years.
- Christ <u>Witten</u> record (Sumerian) 3,000+ years
   Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) 4,000+ years, consistent use.
   Ayurvedic Medicine of India 2,500+ years,
- consistent use.
- ✤@ 20% of modern drugs from traditional medicinal plant compounds.



#### Herbs

- Herbal Medicine: "The art and science of using herbs to promote health, and prevent and treat illness." illness.' American Herbalists Guild
- ✤Involves molecular biology, botany, biochemistry, physiology, nutrition...
- Co-evolved with plants, basic dialogue: O<sub>2</sub>-CO<sub>2</sub>
- 100,000+ isolated "secondary" compounds from plants, to protect from harm, support metabolism. From the A functional promote approach to be a functional of a contract of the second second
- Plant compounds bioactive in humans.
- \*Few physicians have time to train in herbal medicine, diet, supplements. Need teamwork.

#### Herbs

- ◆Black Cohosh: Native to woods of Ontario to GA. \*Inhibits breast cancer cell growth & inhibits conversion of estrone sulphate to active estrogen.
- \*Helps control menopausal symptoms, antiinflammatory, pain-relieving, calming.
- German study found women with breast cancer who received therapy with Remifemin/Black Cohosh extract, associated with prolonged disease-free survival after 6.5 years. Here
- ✤Not estrogenic, does not promote breast cancer cell growth. Lupu R et al, 2003.

### Herbs

#### Breast Cancer Preventive/Suppressive Herbs

- Andrographis/andrographolides Artemisia Annua/artemisin
- Bee Pollen, Propolis Black Cohosh Bladderwrack \*
- \*
- Bromelain
- Burdock Seed
- Cat's Claw Chinese Scullcap
   Coriolus/PSK
- Dong Quai Feverfew/parthenolides Flax /oil & lignans
- Ginkgo Goldenseal \* \*
- Green Tea/EGCG Hibiscus
- Limonene

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Lycopene

 Milk Thistle/silymarin, silib
 Minor Bupleurum Formula
 Mistletoe Pacific Yew
 Paw Paw

Maitake Mushroom
 Magnolia/Honokiol

- Poke
- Pomegranate
  Rabdosia
  Red Clover/isoflavones
- \* Reishi Mushroom
- Resveratrol Rosemary
- Sage \* Thuja
- Trametes, Turkey Tail Mushroom
   Turmeric/curcumin
- - Wild Indigo Broadhead P, 2009. Yance D, 2012

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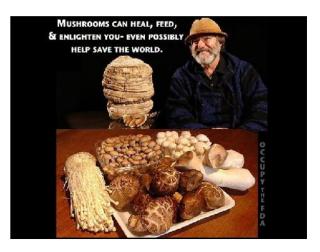




#### Herbs

- \*Bromelain: Protein & fibrin-digesting enzymes from pineapple juice & stems.Active in both acid & alkaline environments.
- Strong & direct effects on ER+, tamoxifen-
- resistant, high-VEGF cell line, preventing further cell growth, inducing cell death. Paroulek A, 2009
- Interferes with cancer cell growth by dissolving cancer cell's protein & fibrin covering, preventing metastasis.
- Enhances effect of many chemos, including
   5-FU & Vincristine.
- ✤Inhibits COX-2 & NFkB, protects p53 gene.





#### <u>Herbs</u>

- Milk Thistle/silymarin: Silymarin, a compound from seeds & fruit of milk thistle.
- Silymarin is liver-protective, anti-inflammatory & anti-metastatic.
- Interferes with proteins involved in apoptosis.
   Silymarin treatment *significantly to completely inhibited* breast cancer cell growth in a dose-& time-dependent manner.

Zi X et al, 1998.

#### <u>Herbs</u>

- Medicinal Mushrooms– Reishi, Trametes
- Mushrooms that have been tested in *in vivo* or *in vitro*, with breast cancer inhibitory activity are Agaricus bisporus (white button/portabello), A. brasiliensis, Ganoderma lucidum (reishi), Grifola frondosa (hen of the woods/maitake), Inonotus obliquus (chaga), Lentinus edodes (shiitake), Leucoagaricus americanus, Pleurotus ostreatus, Sparassis crispa, Trametes versicolor (turkey tail/trametes), etc. Petrova et al. 2005.

- Milk Thistle/silibinin/silybin: Silibinin is most active constituent in silymarin.
- Silybinin enhanced absorption of tamoxifen 1.40- to 1.72-fold greater than control group. Cheel-Score K et al. 2010.
- Silibinin synergistic with Adriamycin in reducing growth of ER+ & ER- cancer cells.
- Protective effects of silymarin & silibinin, suggest use for cancer patients to prevent or reduce chemo & radiation-induced toxicity.



#### <u>Herbs</u>

- Medicinal Mushrooms– Reishi: Mushroom of Immortality, used 2,000+ years.
- Most significant inhibitory effect of any mushrooms studied on reducing NF- B activity in highly invasive breast cancer cells. Perova RD. 2005
- ✤Inhibits growth of ER- & ER+ breast cancer cells. Jiang J et al. 2006.
- Reduces impact of chronic stress, balances immune response, enhances chemo activity & reduces side-effects. Kuller Mid: Wirkson D, 2008

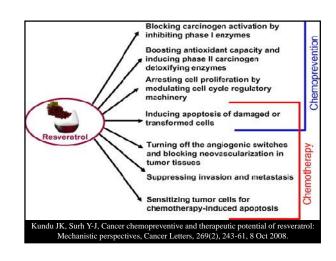




#### <u>Herbs</u>

- Resveratrol: Compound found in Grapes, Red Wine & Japanese Knotweed.
- ✤Made by plant under stress, as protectant.
- Inhibits aromatase, acts via multiple pathways to cause cell death in many breast cancer cell types.
- Significantly reduces tumor growth, decreases angiogenesis, increases cell death in ER– ER+ breast cancer tumors in animals compared with controls. Gurvin Set al, 2006.

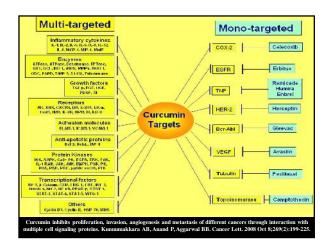
- Medicinal Mushrooms–Trametes versicolor/ Turkey Tail/PS-K/Krestin
   PS-K/Krestin compound extract used as cancer
- PS-K/Krestin compound extract used as cancer adjuvant treatment since 1970's in Japan.
- Used for breast cancer treatment & prevention.
  Randomized trials given with chemo significantly extended survival in women with ER- cancer.
- Randomzed trial using Krestin with the chemo improved the prognosis for breast cancer patients with metastatic tumors, superior to chemo alone.
   Standish L et al. 2008

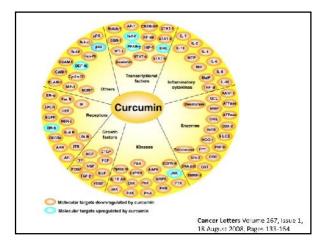






- Turmeric/curcumin: Curcumin, principal active component of turmeric.
- ✤ Targets many cancer pathways, including those helpful in triple negative & HER2+ breast cancer.
- In animal breast cancer model, curcumin significantly decreased lung metastasis. Aggarwal B et al. 2005
- Combined EGCG (from green tea) & curcumin decreased tumor volume by 49% in animal breast cancer models compared to untreated animals. Source Edgur T et al. 2008.









# Integrative Treatment Supplements

- Need more intense dosages to rebalance from serious illness.
- ✤Take with organic applesauce if trouble swallowing.
- Split into AM & PM doses, so all day is free. Select powder, liquid, oil, paste forms added
- to smoothie & reduce pill burden.
- Plan regimen around patient.





### **Supplements**

Breast Cancer Preventive/Suppressive Supplements

- Alpha Lipoic AcidCalcium D-Glucarate

- ChrysinCoQ-10
- Fish Oils/Omega-3
- Genistein
- Honokiol
- Inositol Hexaphosphate/IP6
  Indole 3Carbinol/DIM
- Iodine
- L-Arginine
- Magnesium Glycinate

- MelatoninModified Citrus Pectin
- Potassium
- Quercetin
- Selenium
- Sulforaphane
  Vitamin A/Carotenoids
- Vitamin C
- Vitamin B (Folic, B6, B12)
- ✤ Vitamin D
- Vitamin E Tocotrienols Vitamin K
- \* Zinc

# **Supplements**

- ✤Alpha Lipoic Acid: Made in the body, helps with energy production, protects against stress, suppresses inflammation.
- \*Radiation-protective, protective against chemoinduced neuropathy.
- Increases glutathione to aid the liver detox.
- ✤Inhibits NFkB, improves glycemic control, inhibits metastasis in breast cancer cell lines.
- \*Reduces lactic acid, a factor in cancer metastasis. Synergistic with Omega-3 Oils





#### **Supplements**

- Fish Oil/Omega-3 Oils/DHA & EPA:
  Oils essential for life, we must obtain from diet.
  Diet rich in omega-3 fatty acids suppress human
- breast tumor growth & metastases in animals.
- **♦**Reduce weight loss in cachexia.
- \*Lower the risk of chronic diseases, including heart disease, arthritis & cancer. Erlich S, 2011.
- Crucial for cell membrane, retina, brain function.

#### **Supplements**

- **♦**I3C/DIM (Indole-3-carbinol): Compound in cruciferous vegetables.
- Converts to bio-active DIM (diindolylmethane).
- ✤Triggers cell death in breast cancer, reduces chemo multi-drug resistance. ♦Impacts ER+ & ER- breast cancers.
- Supports liver's breakdown & clearance of estrogen.
- Inhibits breast cancer bone metastasis.
- Complexed with vit. E for improved absorption.

# **Supplements**

#### ♦Fish Oil/Omega-3 Oils/DHA & EPA:

- \*Improve estrogen metabolism, reduce production of inflammatory compounds, suppresses NFkB. Linus Pauling Institute, 2012.
- Stop/slow the growth of all breast cancer cell lines, but were dramatically more effective in inhibiting the triple-negative cells.
- $\bullet$ In early stage breast cancer, women with highest intake of EPA & DHA had 27% reduced risk for recurrence, compared to those with lowest intake. Tabor A, 2011.



#### **Supplements**

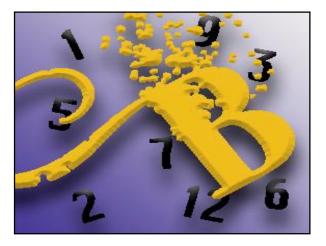
- Melatonin: Hormone made in brain's pineal gland, produced in darkness, inducing sleep.
- ✤Electric light exposure at night reduces it. ✤Inhibits aromatase, decreases circulating levels of estrogen.
- \*Tumor response rate significantly better in patients treated with chemo & melatonin than in those treated with chemo alone.
- Reduced frequency of chemo-induced sideeffects, including fatigue, low platelets, mouth sores, cardio- & neurotoxicity.

#### **Supplements**

- **♦** Vitamin B (B-1,2,3,5,6,7,9,12) & Methyl Donors (SAMe, Choline):
- Work together as a family.
  Protect DNA, regulate gene expression, protein function & RNA metabolism.
- Studies show increased intake of vitamin B-12 together with folate & B-6 may reduce breast cancer risk. MSKCC, 2012
- ✤Help liver clear estrogen via Phase II detox. \*Promote brain health, reduce anxiety & depression, balance mood, make red blood cells, provide energy.







### **Supplements**

- ♦ Vitamin D3: Produced by sun's UVB rays, which activate skin & body.
- Most cells in body have Vitamin D receptors.
  Studies indicate high levels of vitamin D are
- associated with a lower risk of breast cancer.
- ♦Blocks spread & blood supply, promotes death of cancer cells, blocks estrogen-driven cell growth in breasts.
- ✤Aids in prevention, treatment & outcome of breast cancer. Grant WB, 2011.
- ✤Rates of breast cancer decrease @ 30% when serum vitamin D levels are >40 vs 20 ng/mL.

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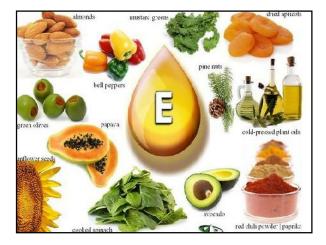
#### **Supplements**

- ♦ Vitamin E/Mixed tocopherols (4) & tocotrienols (4):
- Group of eight fat-soluble compounds.
- Synergistic with selenium for chemo & radiation protection.
- \*Gamma-tocopherols & delta-tocopherols are beneficial in preventing breast & other cancers in animals. Science Daily, 2012.
- ♦ All 4 tocotrienols are able to inhibit the growth & spread of both ER+ and ER- cell types, with delta & gamma tocotrienols the most inhibitory to breast cancer cells. Nesaretnam K et al, 1998.

#### **Supplements**

- ♦ Vitamin D3:
- ♦ No vitamin D made in NJ from November through February, since insufficient sunlight UVB for skin activation.
- Few foods provide sufficient amounts.
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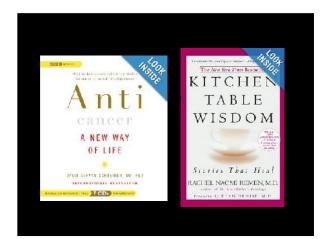


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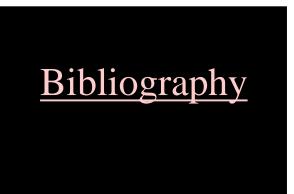
- \* American Cancer Society Toll-free number: 1- 800-227-2345 Web site: www.cancer.org/
- \* Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Toll-free number: 1-800-232-4636 (1-800-CDC INFO) Web site: www.cdc.gov
- \* National Breast Cancer Coalition Toll-free number: 1-800-622-2838 Web site: www.stopbreastcancer.org
- \* National Cancer Institute Toll-free number: 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237) Web site: www.cancer.gov
- \* Susan G. Komen for the Cure Toll-free number: 1-877-465-6636 Web site: www.komen.org

#### Resources Organizations

- \* Block Medical Center 847-492-3040 Web site: www.blockmd.com
- Clarient Labs Toll-free number 888-443-3310 Web site: www.clarientinc.com/
- Natura Health Products
   Toll-free number 888-628-8720 Web site: www.naturahealthproducts.com
   FDA Fake Cancer Cures Toll-free number: 888-463-6332
- Web site: www.fda.gov/drugs/guidancecomplianceregulatoryinformation /enforcementactivitiesbyfda/ucm171057.htm







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- \* Herbal Constituents Lisa Ganora
- \* Herbal Therapy & Supplements Merrily Kuhn, David Winston
- \* Herb, Nutrient & Drug Interactions Mitchell Stargrove, Jonathan Treasure, Dwight McKee
- \* Kitchen Table Wisdom Rachel Naomi Remen
- \* Anti-Cancer: A New Way of Life David Servan-Schreiber



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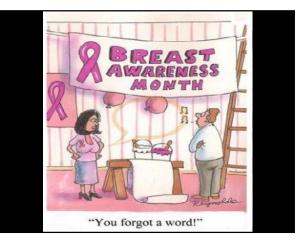
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