

Food for Cancer patient

Nutritional Therapy









Cancer therapy

Six Established Rx Modalities:

- Surgery
- Radiotherapy
- Chemotherapy
- Endocrine therapy
- Immunotherapy
- Targeted therapy

Current multi-modality therapy including intervention with

- Complementary therapy
- Nutrition therapy
- Lifestyle and diet changes





Cancer Treatment side effects that affect eating:

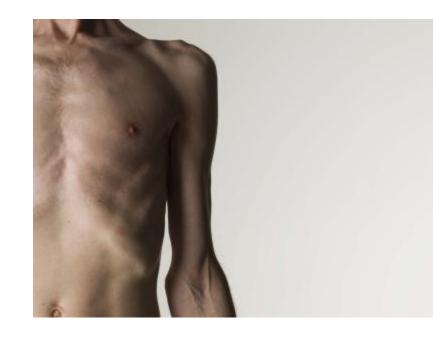
- Anorexia (loss of appetite)
- Mouth sores / Dry mouth / Trouble swallowing
- Nausea / Vomiting
- Diarrhea / Constipation
- Depression & Anxiety
- Pain





Malnutrition in Cancer

Cancer Type	Incidence of malnutrition
Testicles	25%
Breast	36%
Sarcoma	39-66%
Colon	54-60%
Prostate	56%
Lungs	60-66%
Esophagus	79%
Gastric	83%
Pancreas	83%
Head & Neck	72%
Diffuse Lymphoma	55%



Source: Laviano & Meguid, 1996

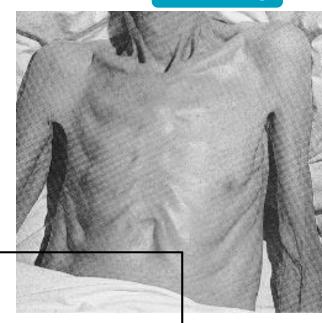
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Cancer cachexia

- Cancer cachexia is a wasting syndrome
- Affects more than 80% of advanced cancer patients
- The cause of death in more than 20% of all cancer patients

Clinical Manifestations of cancer cachexia are:

- Muscle & weight loss
- Anorexia (the loss of appetite or desire to eat)
- Asthenia (lack or loss of strength and energy; weakness)
- Anemia (low red blood cells count)
- Considerable alterations in metabolism: Patients remain in a hypermetabolic state as the tumor burden increases.





WEIGHT LOSS



DeWys et al., Am J Med. 1980;69:491



Nutritional Therapy in cancer treatment

Goals of Nutritional Therapy:

- Prevent or treat nutrition problems, including preventing muscle and bone loss.
- Decrease side effects of cancer treatment and problems that affect nutrition.
- Keep up the patient's strength and energy.
- Help the immune system fight infection.
- Help the body recover and heal, keep up or improve the patient's quality of life.



Nausea

Cancer treatments cause Nausea

How to control nausea:

- Eat before cancer treatments.
- Rinse out the mouth before and after eating.
- Eat foods that are bland, soft & easy-to-digest.
- Eat small meals several times a day rather than heavy meals.
- Stay away from spicy foods, greasy foods & foods that have strong odours
- Sit up or lie with the upper body raised for one hour after eating.



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Nutritional Therapy for Anorexia & Nausea

Nutriceutical Foods	Herbal Remedies
Ginger	Herba Pogostemonis 藿香
Cinnamon	Pericarpium Citri Reticulatae 橘皮
Pepper	Evodia rutaecarpa 吴茱萸



Herbal Drink for Nausea

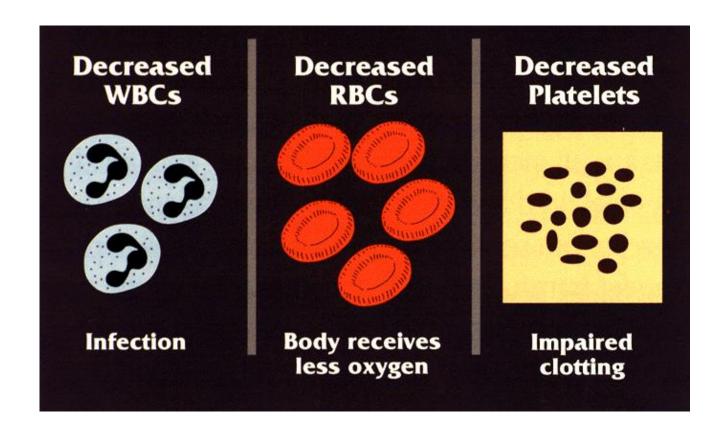
Licorice Ginger Tea 甘草姜茶:

- Fresh ginger 生姜 25克
- Honey-fried licorice root 炙甘草 3克





Low Blood Count: Side effect of cancer treatment



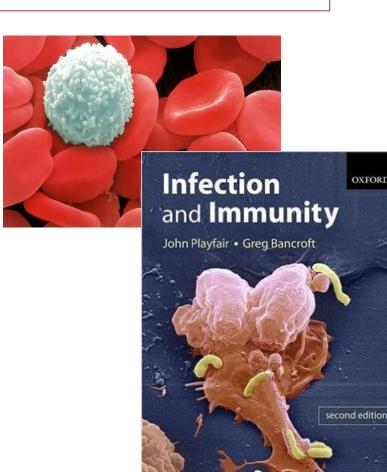


Low White Blood Cell Counts: low immunity, infection risk

- Caused by radiation therapy, chemotherapy, or the cancer itself.
- Patients who have a low white blood cell count have an increased risk of infection.

Keep Good Food Hygiene Habits help prevent infections:

- Stay away from:
 - ☐ Raw eggs or raw fish.
 - ☐ Food sold in open bins or containers.
 - ☐ Salad bars and buffets when eating out.
- Thaw foods in the refrigerator or microwave.
 Never thaw foods at room temperature. Cook foods immediately after thawing.
- Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold.
- Cook all meat, poultry, and fish until well done.





Nutritional therapy for Low White Blood Cells

Functional Foods	Herbal Remedies
Acai Berry Elderberry Grapefruit Watermelon	Antrodia camphorata 樟芝 Coriolus versicolor 云芝 Phellinus linteus 桑黄
Broccoli Garlic Mushrooms Spinach Sweet Potato	Cordyceps 冬虫夏草 Polyporus umbellatus 猪苓 Poria cocos 茯苓
Tea Low-Fat Yogurt Wheat Germ	Curcumin from Turmeric 姜黄 Astragalus membranaceus 黄芪

Health Supplements



TCM Herbal Adjuvant:



Composition:

- Antrodia camphorata 樟芝
- Coriolus versicolor PSP 云芝多糖肽
- Phellinus linteus 桑黄
- Curcumin from Turmeric 姜黄素

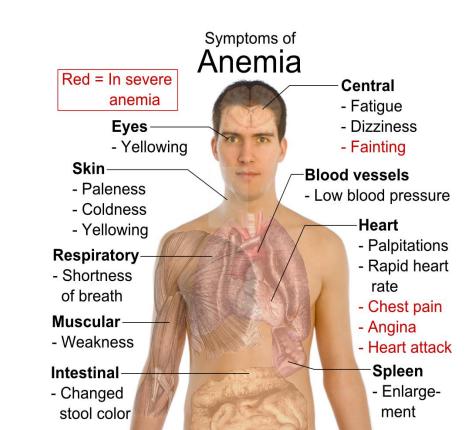
Low Red Blood Cell Count: Anemia & Fatigue

- Nearly 1/3 of patients with cancer develop anemia
- A common cause of Cancer Related Fatigue.



Symptoms:

- Fatigued , Weak
- Short of breath
- Increase in your heart rate
- Dizzy or lightheaded when you change positions quickly
- Chest pain
- Heart attack





Anemia & Fatigue

- Fatigue and anemia often go hand-in-hand in patients with cancer.
- Anemia is frequently a cause of fatigue.
- Both conditions may result from the cancer itself, from treatment, or from underlying causes.

Current Pharmacologic Management of Fatigue is to treat cancer-related anemia





Nutritional Therapy for Anemia

Functional Foods	Herbal Remedies
High Protein Diet: Beans ; Prunes	Rehmannia 熟地 Paeonia lactiflora 白芍 Angelica sinensis 当归
Supplementation:Iron supplementMultivitamin	Astragalus membranaceus 黄芪 Codonopsis pilosula 党参







TCM Herbal Adjuvant: 補血经典药方

四物湯

熟地12克; 当归10克 白芍12克; 川芎 6克





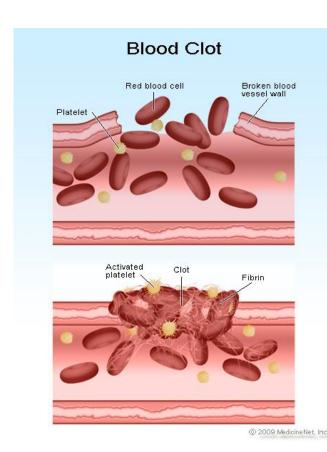
Low Platelets: Poor clotting, Bleeding

Symptom:

- Increased bruising or bleeding
- Spontaneous bleeding

Risk & complication:

- Dangerous internal bleeding can occur
- Can delay your treatment with chemotherapy or to have surgery





Nutritional Therapy for Low Platelets

Functional Foods	Herbal Remedies	Supplementation
Papaya	Panax notoginseng 三七/田七	Vitamin K
Pomegranate	Bletilla striata 白芨	Naturext

TCM Herbal Adjuvant:

散瘀止血经典药方

Powder of Panax notoginseng 三七粉







Vitamin K2 (MK7) from Natto





Cancer Treatment Side Effects: Fluid Retention

Chemotherapy drugs can cause fluid retention in the body

Other causes:

- Heart disease, Liver disease, or Kidney failure.
- Blockage of veins or lymph system.
- Malnutrition: diet deficient in protein.

Symptom: swelling or puffiness in your face, hands, feet, or abdomen.





Nutritional therapy for Fluid Retention

Foods	Herbal Remedies
Limit salt intake; Eat Potassium rich foods	Chinese Barley 薏仁 Poria cocos 茯苓 Polyporus umbellatus 猪苓 Astragalus membranaceus 黄芪 Atractylodes macrocephala白术



TCM Herbal Adjuvant:

利水滲濕经典药方:

五苓散 + 四君子湯

五苓散:

豬苓9克,澤瀉15克,白朮9克,茯苓9克,桂枝6克

四君子湯:

党参12克,白术12克,茯苓12克,炙甘草6克



Cancer Treatment Side **Effects:** Diarrhea

A Symptoms of Malabsorption

Causes:

- cancer treatments
- surgery on GI tract
- radiation treatment for abdominal cancers
- diseases of the pancreas
- emotional stress

Diarrhoea may lead to dehydration or low levels of salt and minerals needed by the body.



BRISTOL STOOL CHART			
0000	Туре 1	Separate hard lumps	Very constipated
	Туре 2	Lumpy and sausage like	Slightly constipated
	Type 3	A sausage shape with cracks in the surface	Normal
	Type 4	Like a smooth, soft sausage or snake	Normal
000	Type 5	Soft blobs with clear-cut edges	Lacking fibre
THE REAL PROPERTY.	Туре б	Mushy consistency with ragged edges	Inflammation
	Туре 7	Liquid consistency with no solid pieces	Inflammation



Nutritional therapy for Diarrhea

To control diarrhea:

- Porridge / congee are excellent source of anti diarrhea meal.
- ☐ Eat soups, bananas, and canned fruits to help replace salt and potassium lost by diarrhea. Sports drinks can also help.
- Drink plenty of fluids during the day.
- Liquids at room temperature may cause fewer problems than hot or cold liquids.
- Stay away from the following:
 - Greasy foods, caffeine drinks, Milk and milk products, Foods & beverages that cause gas such as peas, lentils, cruciferous
 - Sugar-free candies or gum made with sorbitol

Nutriceutical Foods Porridge. Drink plenty of clear liquids Avoid caffeine and alcohol Herbal Remedies Coptis chinensis 黄连 Poria cocos 茯苓 Sophora flavescens 苦参 Supplementation Probiotic (minimum 15 -20 Billion/day)









General supplementation for cancer patient

French oncology guidelines*: require systematic screening for malnutrition and recommendations include **oral supplementation** as well as **"immune-enhancing diets"**.

* Source: Senesse P. Nutrition and Oncogeriatry. Cancer Radiother. 2009 Oct; 13(6-7):628–31. Epub 2009 Aug 18. [PubMed: 19692281]

Affected Organ system	Naturext Recommend
Cardiotoxicity (Heart)	Cardio CPS
Hepatotoxicity (Liver)	AC Essence, Natto Essence
Nephrotoxicity (Kidney)	Immuno CPX, Chia Essence
Neurotoxicity (Nerves)	Palm Essence

TCM Herbal Adjuvant 癌症中药辅助







八珍汤: 四物湯+四君子湯

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四君子湯:

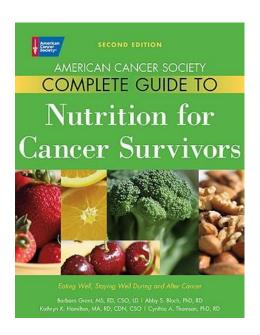
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Diet for Cancer patient

is NOT = Healthy Diet for Normal person

- A "healthy diet" as currently defined in our culture (i.e. low fat, high fiber) has no proven benefit for someone with advanced cancer / under treatment.
- Patients will typically eat more of the things they enjoy or find easiest to eat.
- Cancer causes metabolic change that suppresses appetite, these changes are out of the patient's control and should not serve as an indication of not trying to eat, emotional weakness or giving up.



- Successful nutritional intervention is essential as part of a multi-modality approach to address cancer cachexia and improve treatment outcome.
- Good nutrition continues to be important for patients who are in remission or whose cancer has been cured.

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