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Nutrient Requirements as Complex Traits – What Consumers Will Need to Know

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CAN SCIENCE FEED THE WORLD?

PLANETARY SCIENCE
The first 400 years

THE NEW MADRID
EARTHQUAKES
Spreading the risk

DIABETES
The circadian
dimension

NATUREJOBS
Defence research



What should we expect from the food supply?

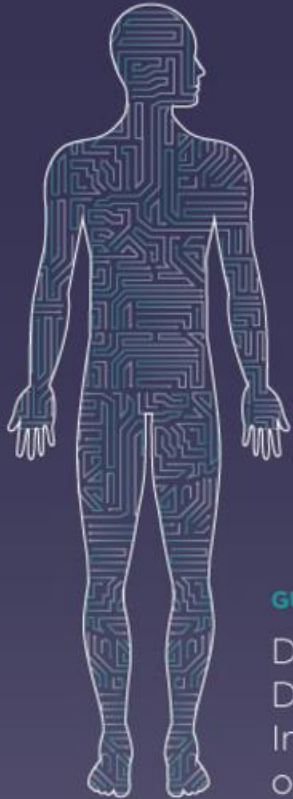
Engineering the Food Supply:

- Diet diversification
- Fortification (Chem/Bio)
- Supplements, etc

Dietary and Nutrient Recommendations:

- *Adequate for what?*

- Nutritional Status/Avoid Deficiency
- Metabolic Function
- Other Function
- Chronic Disease Prevention
- Disease Management



GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR

Developing
Dietary Reference
Intakes Based
on Chronic Disease

Chronic Disease Endpoints - *Challenges* -

- Few chronic diseases are affected by:
 - single nutrients
 - single pathways
- Consider systems/networks over pathways
- Establish system readouts as biomarkers (integrative biomarkers)
- Consider DRIs as ranges in lieu of point estimates
- Understand biomarkers of aging – system decay
- “GRADE” standards of evidence

Nutrient Needs in Chronic Disease

Activity

Examining Special Nutritional Requirements in Disease States: A Workshop

Type: Stand Alone Workshop

Topics: Diseases, Food and Nutrition

Board: Food and Nutrition Board

Activity Description

An ad hoc committee will plan a two-day public workshop exploring the evidence for special nutritional requirements in disease states and medical conditions that cannot be met with a normal diet and the workshop will explore how these requirements may apply to the management of chronic or acute conditions or diseases that include inborn errors of metabolism, burns or surgical trauma, cancer, inflammatory bowel disease, traumatic brain injury, and other non-communicable diseases or medical conditions. The workshop will explore the currently available evidence used to determine potential nutritional requirements that are not encompassed within normal population variation, and how nutritional interventions affect the overall clinical management of diseases in terms of patient safety, efficacy and access. The workshop discussions will encompass the strengths and limitations of different types of evidence (e.g. clinical, non-clinical) in establishing whether special nutritional requirements exist for a given disease or medical condition and in establishing the safety and efficacy of such therapies. The committee will plan and organize the workshop, select and invite speakers and discussants, and moderate the discussions. A summary of the presentations and discussions at the workshop will be prepared by a designated rapporteur in accordance with institutional guidelines.

As of March 2016, the Health and Medicine Division continues the consensus studies and convening activities previously undertaken by the Institute of Medicine (IOM).

Planning Committee Members

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- + [View Full Planning Committee Roster](#)

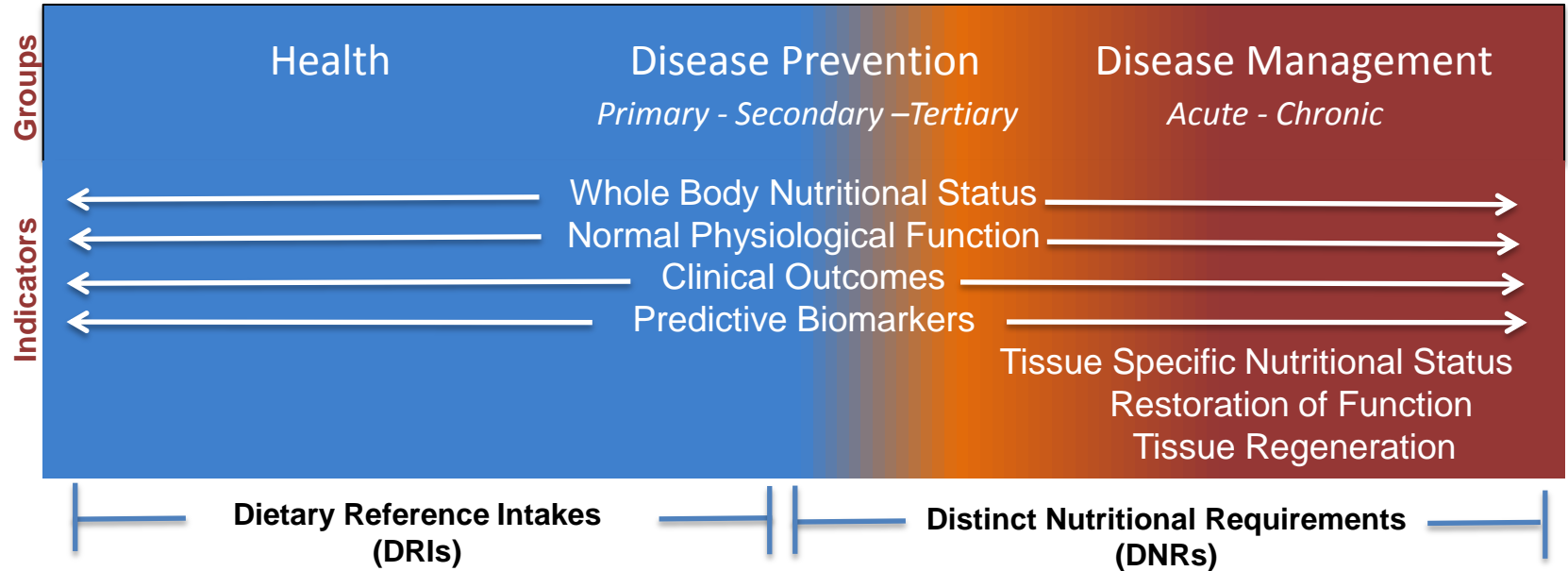
Staff

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Sponsors

- National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
- Health Canada
- Office of Dietary Supplements National Institutes of Health
- American Society for Nutrition
- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- U.S. Food and Drug Administration
- Crohn's and Colitis Foundation
- National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute

Classifying and Evaluating Human Nutrient Needs



Dietary Requirements as Complex Traits

Physiological Processes	Modifiers and Sensitizers
Absorption	Disease
Catabolism	Epigenetics
Excretion	Food Matrix
Metabolism	Genetics
Stability	Nutrient-Nutrient Interactions
Transport	Pharmaceuticals
Bioactivation	Toxins
Energetic State	Age/Physiological Decay
Nutrient Storage	Microbiome/Pregnancy/Sex



American Society for Nutrition Nutrition Research Priorities



Variability in Responses to Diet & Food

Achieving personalized nutrition with dietary recommendations tailored to each person's needs.



Healthy Growth, Development and Reproduction

Understanding how nutrition during critical, early periods of development (including pregnancy) impacts future health.



Health Maintenance

Improving health with noncommunicable disease prevention and weight maintenance.



Medical Management

Slowing disease progression through nutrition with improved responses to therapy and survival rates.



Nutrition-Related Behaviors

Understanding how the human brain influences food choice and nutrition-related behaviors.



Food Supply & Environment

Realizing the potential of the food environment to improve diet and lifestyle choices.

Responders vs. Non-responders

National Nutrition Research Roadmap 2016–2021

National Nutrition Research Roadmap 2016–2021: Advancing Nutrition Research to Improve and Sustain Health

Interagency Committee on Human Nutrition Research

2016

Question 1: How can we better understand and define eating patterns to improve and sustain health?

Question 1 Topic 1 (Q1T1): How do we enhance our understanding of the role of nutrition in health promotion and disease prevention and treatment?

Question 1 Topic 2 (Q1T2): How do we enhance our understanding of individual differences in nutritional status and variability in response to diet?

Question 1 Topic 3 (Q1T3): How do we enhance population-level food- and nutrition-related health monitoring systems and their integration with other data systems to increase our ability to evaluate change in nutritional and health status, as well as in the food supply, composition, and consumption?

Question 2: What can be done to help people choose healthy eating patterns?

Question 2 Topic 1 (Q2T2): How can we more effectively characterize the interactions among the demographic, behavioral, lifestyle, social, cultural, economic, occupational, and environmental factors that influence eating choices?

Question 2 Topic 2 (Q2T2): How do we develop, enhance and evaluate interventions at multiple levels to improve and sustain healthy eating patterns?

Question 2 Topic 3 (Q2T3): How can simulation modeling that applies systems science in nutrition research be used to advance exploration of the impact of multiple interventions?

Question 2 Topic 4 (Q2T4): How can interdisciplinary research identify effective approaches to enhance the environmental sustainability of healthy eating patterns?

Question 3: How can we develop and engage innovative methods and systems to accelerate discoveries in human nutrition?

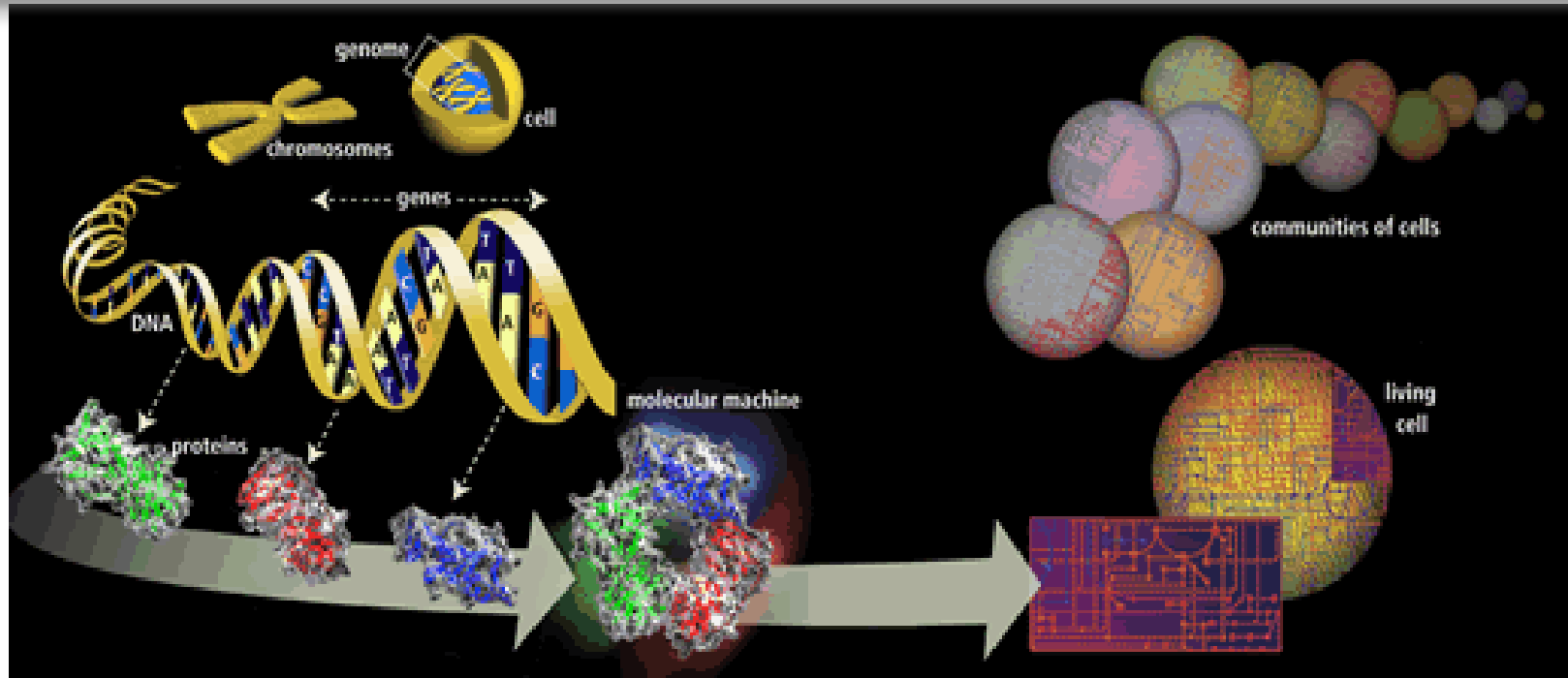
Question 3 Topic 1 (Q3T1): How can we enhance innovations in measuring dietary exposure, including use of biomarkers?

Question 3 Topic 2 (Q3T2): How can basic biobehavioral science be applied to better understand eating behaviors?

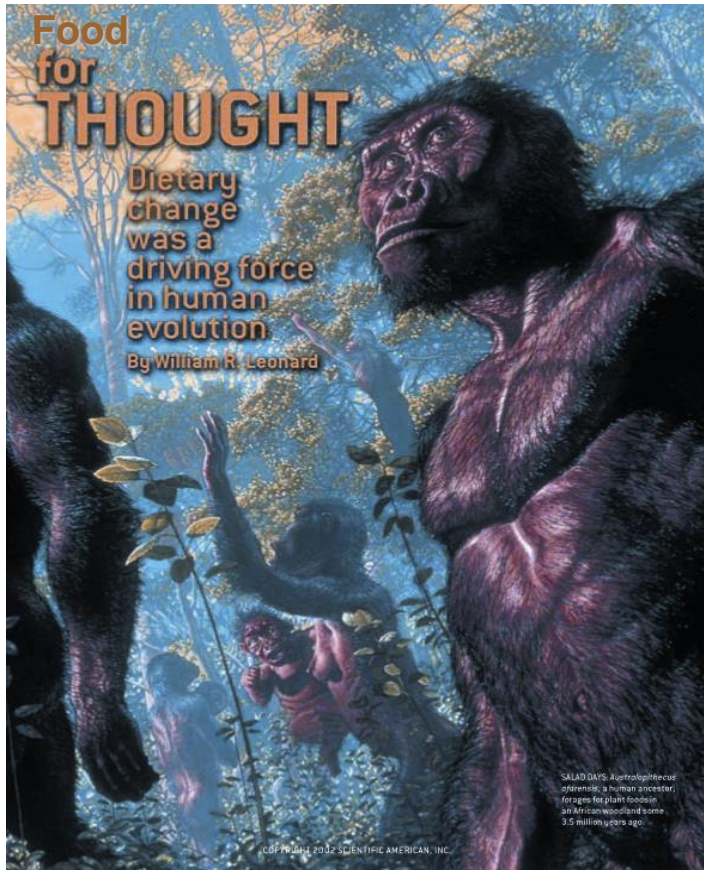
Question 3 Topic 3 (Q3T3): How can we use behavioral economics theories and other social science innovations to improve eating patterns?

Question 3 Topic 4 (Q3T4): How can we advance nutritional sciences through the use of research innovations involving Big Data?

Human Genome Project (1990-2003)

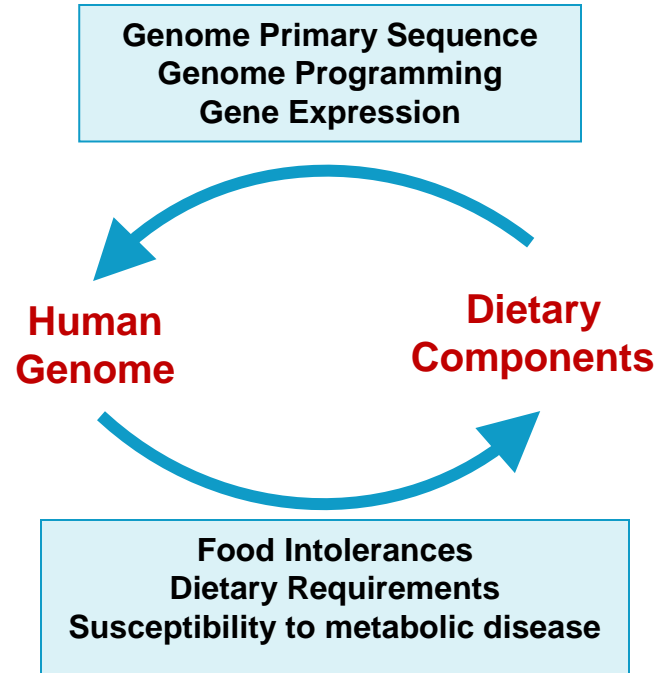


- Assemble & understand cellular **networks**, their **variation** → manipulation by **inputs** (drugs, **nutrients**)



Human Genetic Variation

Nutrition and Evolution

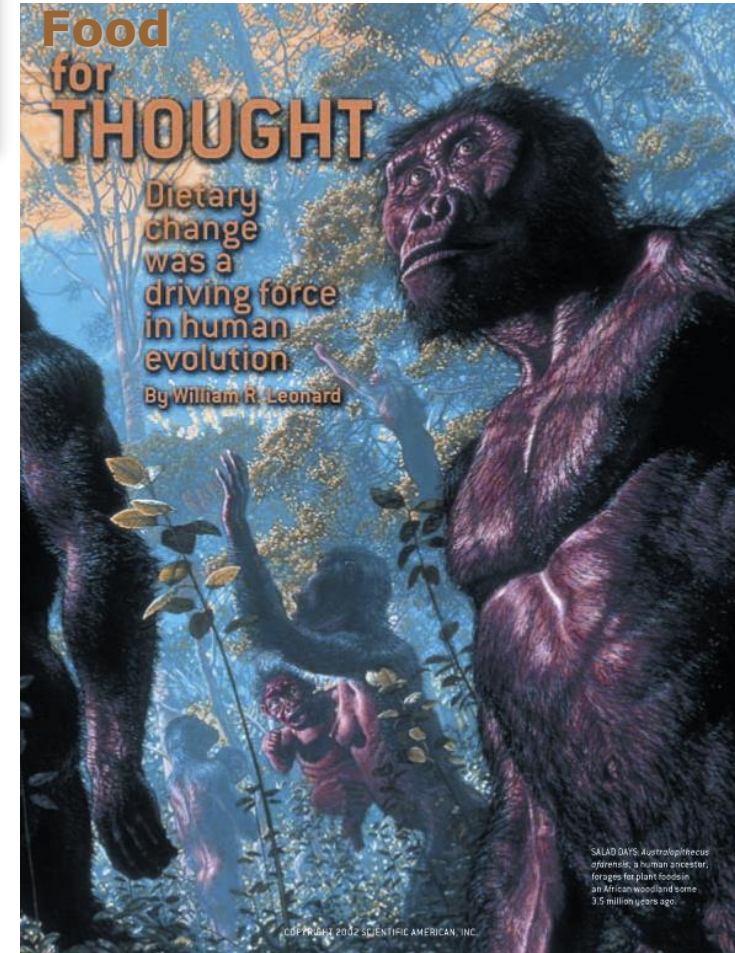


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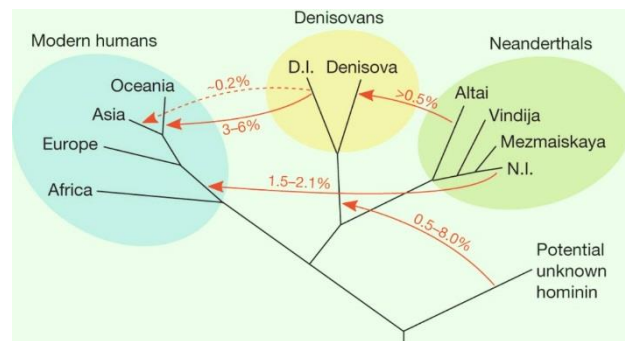
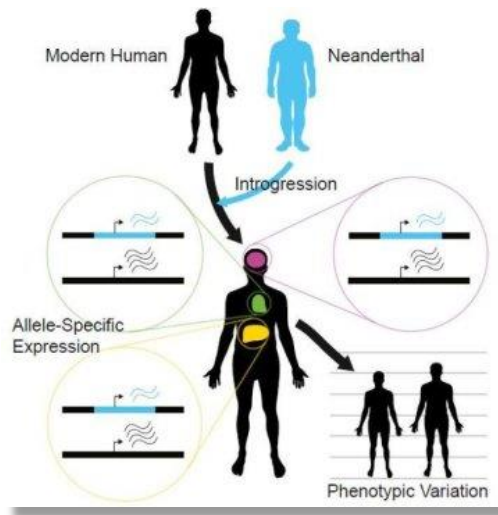
Nutrition and Evolution

Gene Evolution and the Creation of Genetic Variation

- Archaic Humans
- Mutation/Expansion
 - Selection
 - Drift



Diet-related genes Inherited from Archaic Humans? 500,000 ka



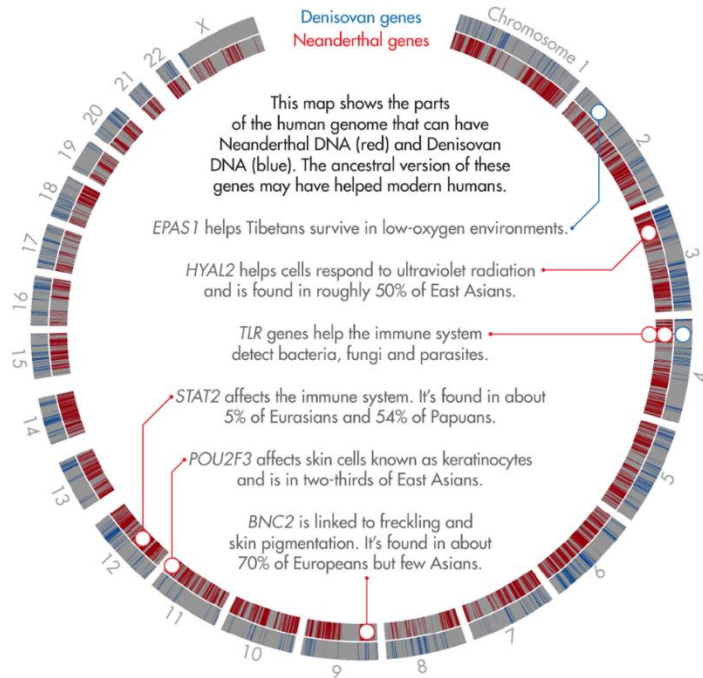
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<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/02/170223124316.htm>

<http://www.sci-news.com/othersciences/anthropology/science-neanderthal-genome-fourth-lineage-01624.html>

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A MAP OF ANCIENT GENES



years ago. This report tells you how much of your ancestry can be traced back to Neanderthals.

Genetic Result

About Report

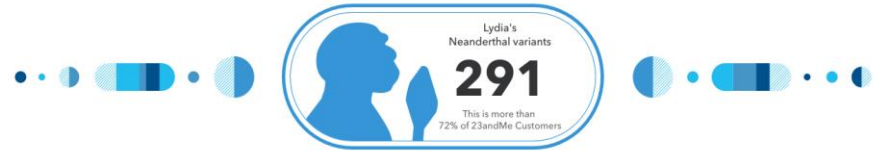
Neanderthal Background

Neanderthal Inheritance

Comparison

What You Can Do

You have 291 Neanderthal variants.



You have more Neanderthal variants than 72% of 23andMe customers.
However, your Neanderthal ancestry accounts for less than 4% of your overall DNA.

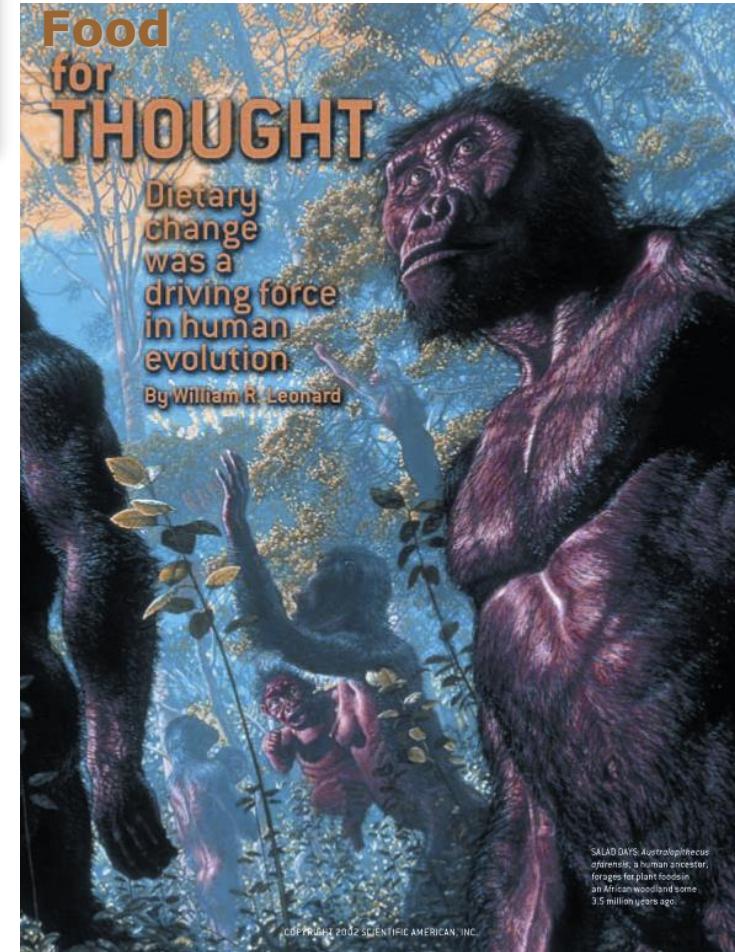
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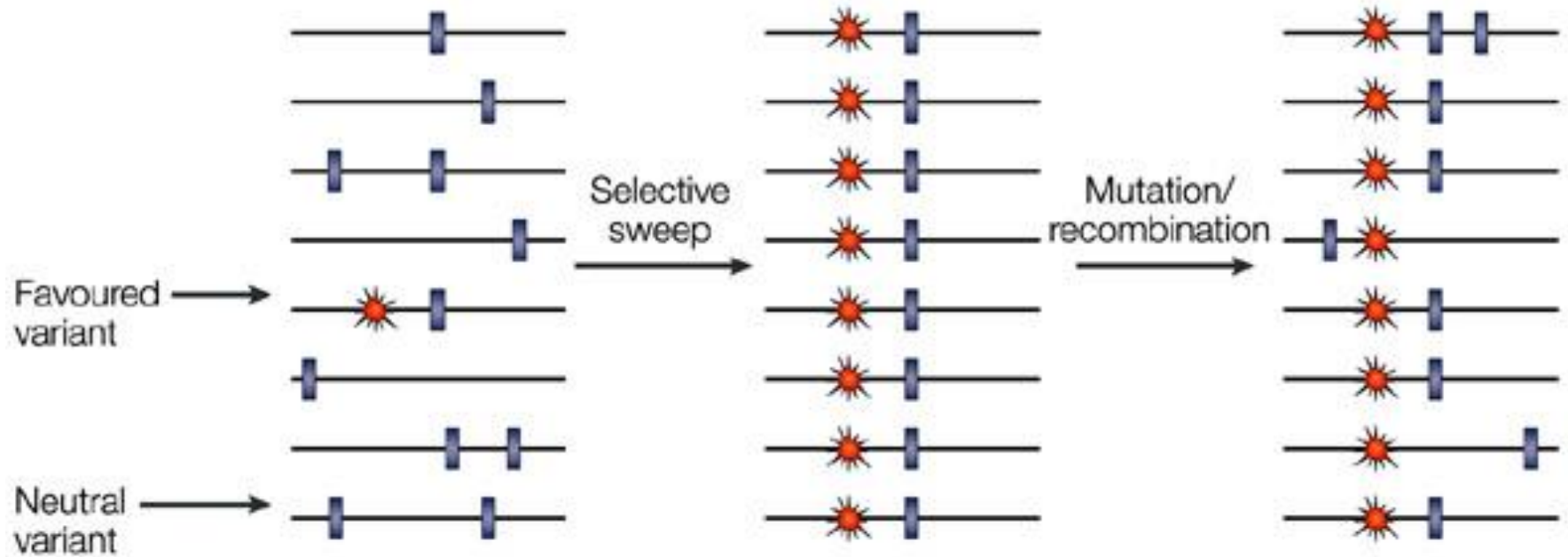
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Human Genetic Variation

Nutrition and Evolution
Selective Sweeps



Lactose Tolerance was enabled by Genetic Mutation and the Food Environment

BMC Evolutionary Biology 2010, **10**:36 <https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2148-10-36>

Phenotype

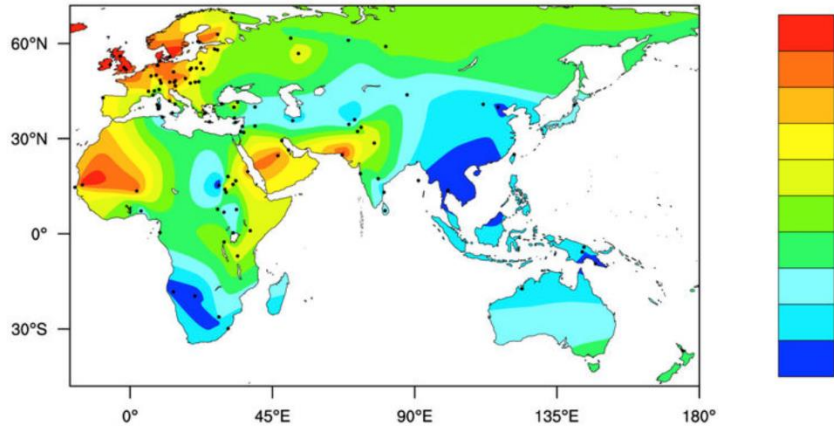


Figure 1
Interpolated map of Old World LP phenotype frequencies. Dots represent collection locations. Colours and colour key show the frequencies of the LP phenotype estimated by surface interpolation.

Genotype

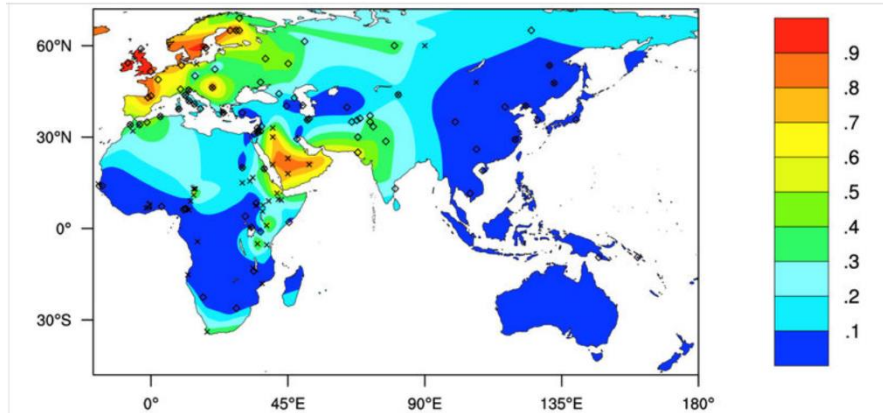
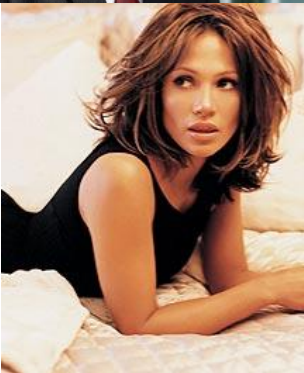
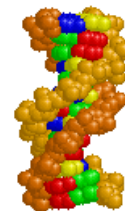
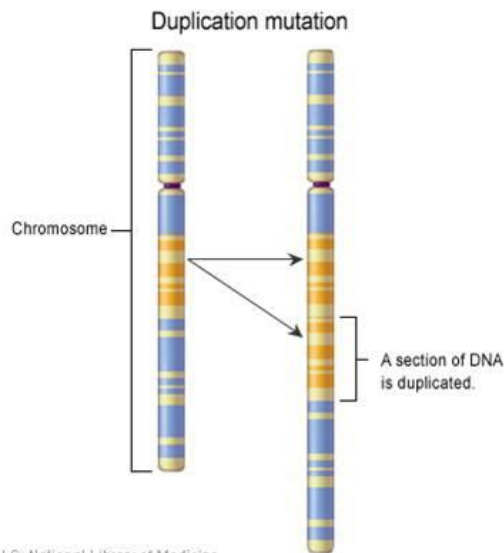


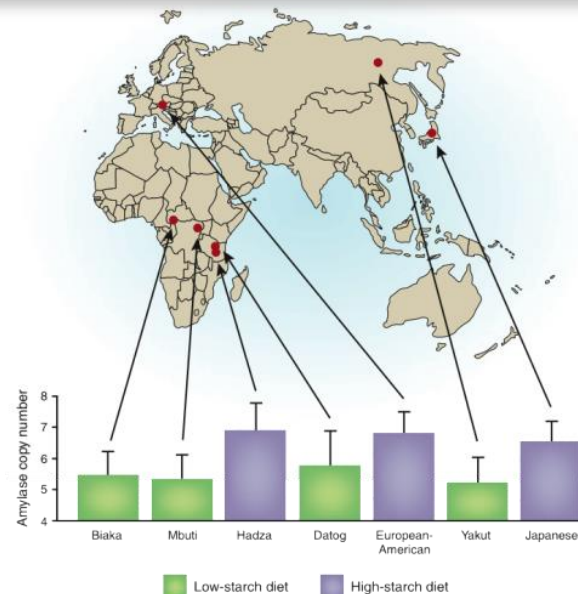
Figure 2
Predicted Old World LP genotype frequencies based on LP-associated allele frequencies. LP frequency prediction assumes *Hardy-Weinberg* equilibrium and dominance. Crosses represent collection locations where all 4 currently known LP-associated alleles were genotyped, and diamonds represent collection locations where the only data on the -13,910 C>T allele is available. Colour key shows the predicted LP genotype frequencies estimated by surface interpolation.




Amylase CNVs expanded in agrarian human populations to improve starch digestion

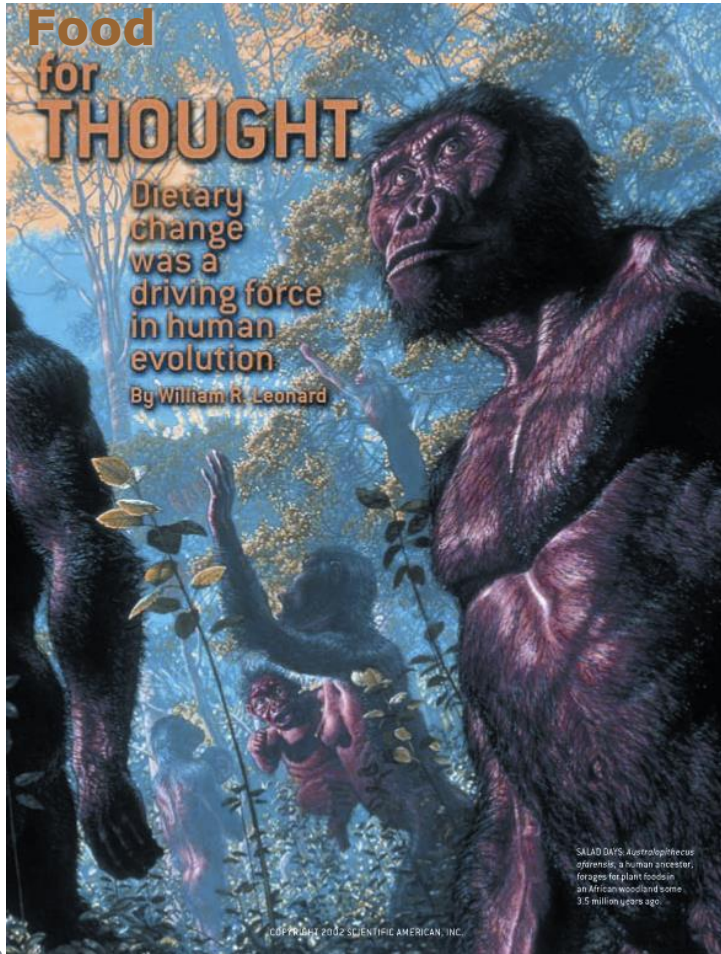


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Diet-related genes that display genomic signatures of adaptive evolution by selection

<u>Gene</u>	<u>Species/function</u>	<u>References</u>
LCT	human lactose metabolism	<i>Am J Hum Genet</i> 2004;74(6):1111-20
ADH1B	human ethanol metabolism	<i>Am J Hum Genet</i> 2002;71(1):84-99
ALDH2	human ethanol metabolism	<i>Ann Hum Genet</i> 2004;68(Pt 2):93-109
HFE	human iron homeostasis	<i>Genetics</i> 2003;165(1):287-97
PPARg	human nuclear receptor	<i>Genome Res</i> 2002;12(12):1805-14
PTC	human bitter-taste receptor	<i>Am J Hum Genet</i> 2004;74(4):637-46
KEL	human protein metabolism	<i>PLoS Biol</i> 2004;2(10):e286
TRPV5	human calcium transport	<i>PLoS Biol</i> 2004;2(10):e286
TRPV6	human calcium transport	<i>PLoS Biol</i> 2004;2(10):e286
ABO	human protein metabolism	<i>PLoS Biol</i> 2004;2(10):e286
ACE2	human protein metabolism	<i>PLoS Biol</i> 2004;2(10):e286
CYP1A2	human arylamine metabolism	<i>Am J Hum Genet</i> 2002;71(3):528-42
G6PD	human NADP metabolism	<i>Am J Hum Genet</i> 2002;71(5):1112-28
<div> <div>Food/nutrient intolerances</div>  </div>		
<u>Pathways</u>		
Amino acid metabolism	human, chimp	<i>Science</i> 2003;302(5652):1960-3
Amino acid transport	chimp	<i>Science</i> 2003;302(5652):1960-3
Purine metabolism	chimp	<i>Science</i> 2003;302(5652):1960-3



Nutrigenomics and the Future of Nutrition

- Strong biological premise in concept
- Strength of effect/penetrance?
- Does it matter in public health?
- Does it matter to the individual consumer?

Benefit and Risks of MTHFR Polymorphism

COMMON Allele

Gene sequence

Protein Sequence

677 C -> T Allele

Gene Sequence

Protein Sequence

..GCG GGA GCC GAT ...

.. Ala Gly Ala ASP...

..GCG GGA GTC GAT...

...Ala Gly Val Asp ...

In utero Risk

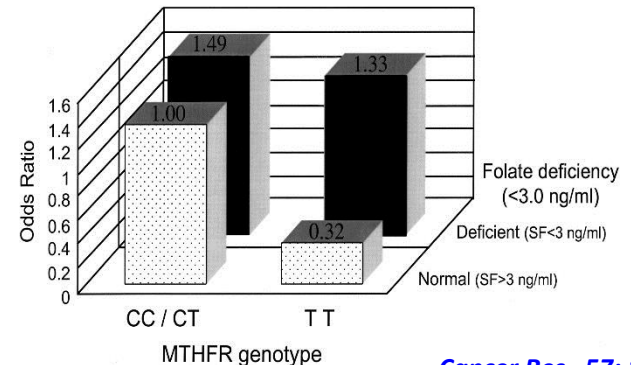
“T” allele

- Low folate status
- Higher folate requirement
- Birth defects
- Miscarriage

Adult Benefit

“T” allele

- Physician's Health Study –
Colon Cancer Risk



Allelic Frequency of the MTHFR 677 C->T Polymorphism

(TT) Frequency

Mexicans	30%
Tuscanian (Italy)	30%
Africans	0%
African Amer	2%
Yemenite Jews	2%
Muslim Arab Israelis	16%
Asians	19%
Caucasians	9%



J. Nutr. 138: 67–72, 2008.

The Journal of Nutrition
Nutrient Requirements and Optimal Nutrition



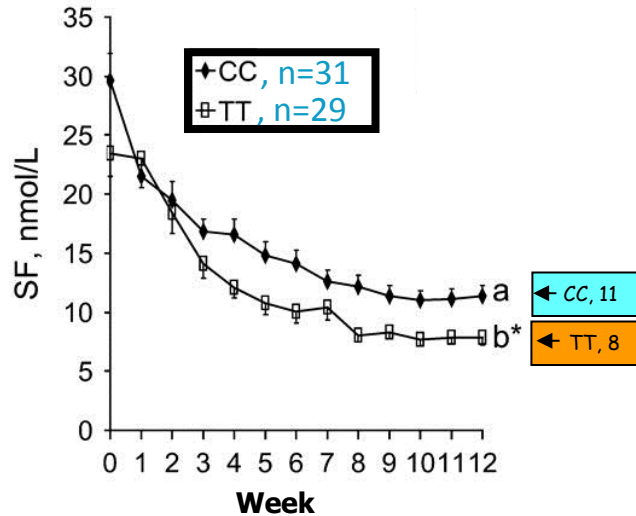
Folate Intake at RDA Levels Is Inadequate for Mexican American Men with the Methylenetetrahydrofolate Reductase 677TT Genotype^{1–3}

Claudia Solis,⁴ Kristin Veenema,⁴ Alexandre A. Ivanov,⁴ Sally Tran,⁴ Rui Li,⁴ Wei Wang,⁵
David J. Moriarty,⁶ Charles V. Maletz,⁷ and Marie A. Caudill^{8*}

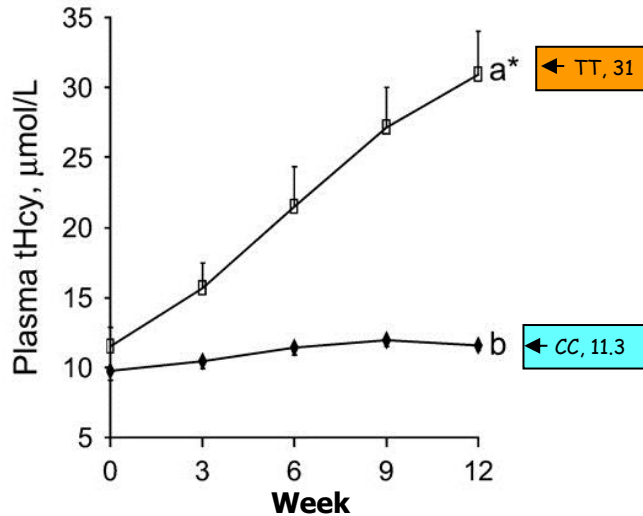
MTHFR 677TT Genotype Markedly Affects Biomarkers of Folate Status in Men Consuming the Folate RDA

Solis et al. JN 2008

Folate Treatment with 400 μg DFE/d

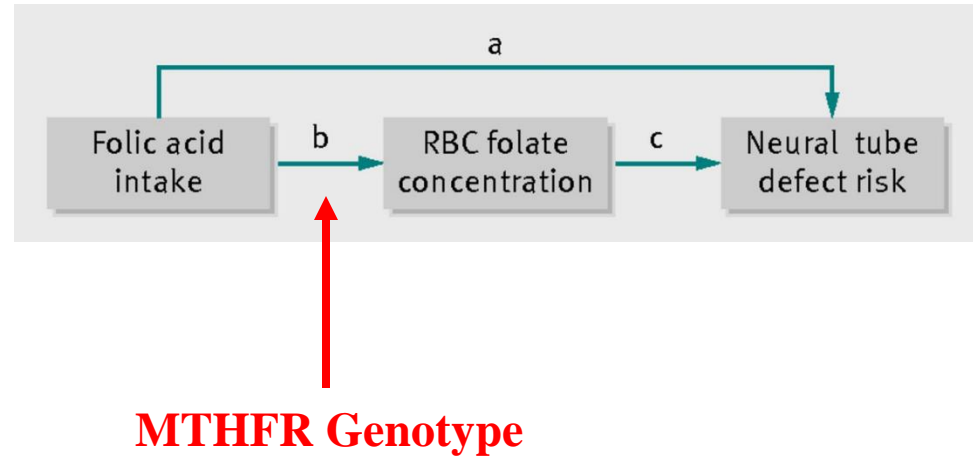
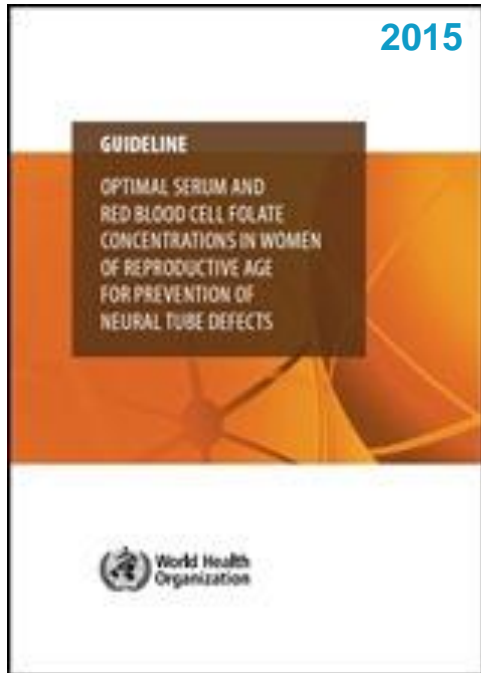


Deficient (<6.8 nmol/L)
34% TT (10 of 29)
16% CC (5 of 31)

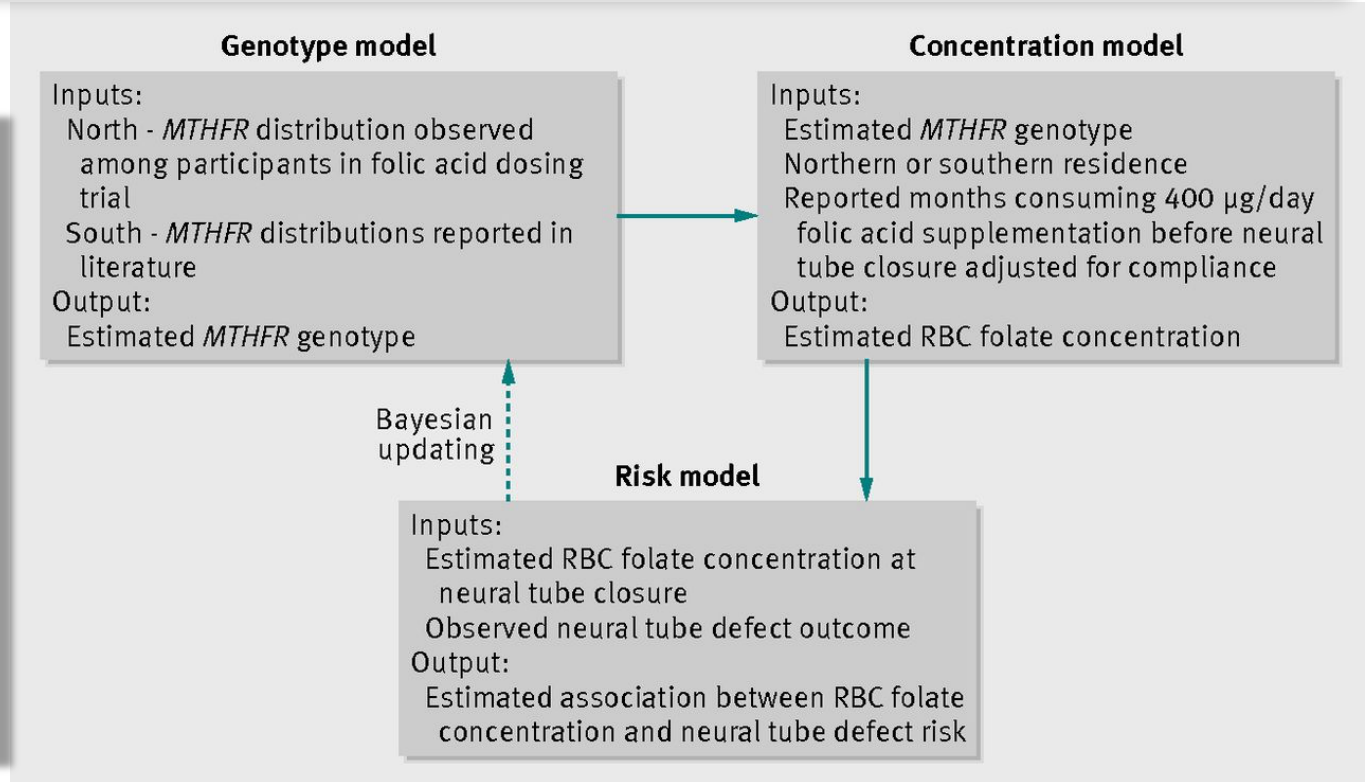
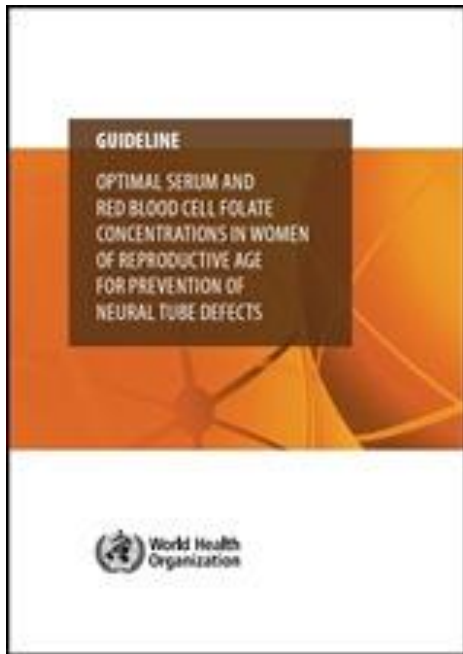


Deficient (>14 $\mu\text{mol/L}$)
79% TT (23 of 29 men)
7% CC (2 of 31 men)

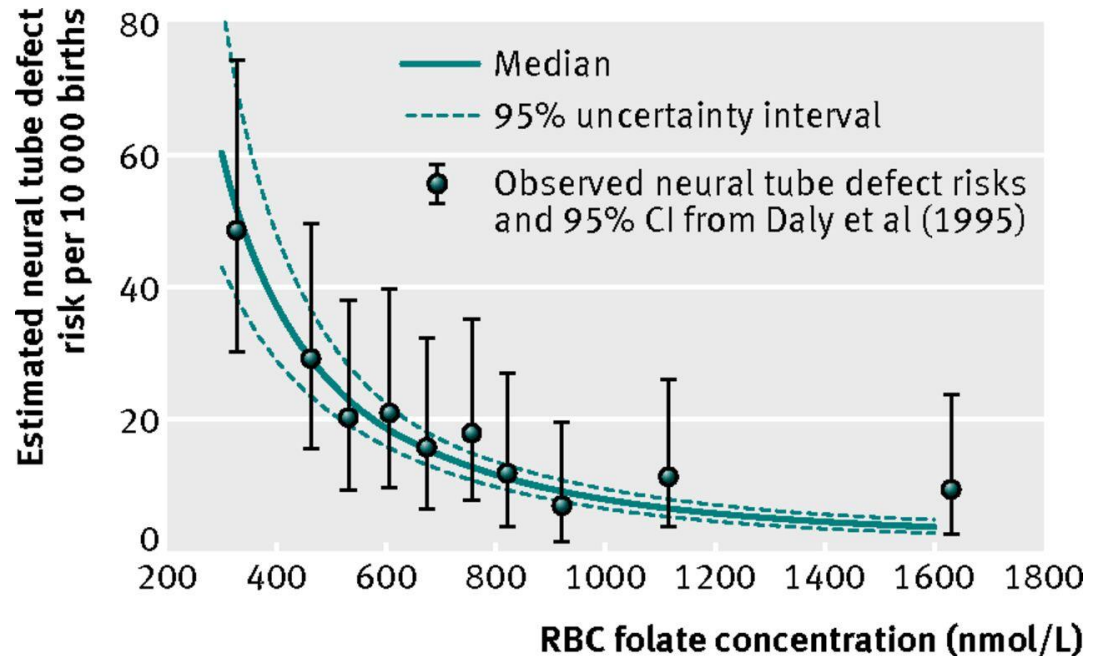
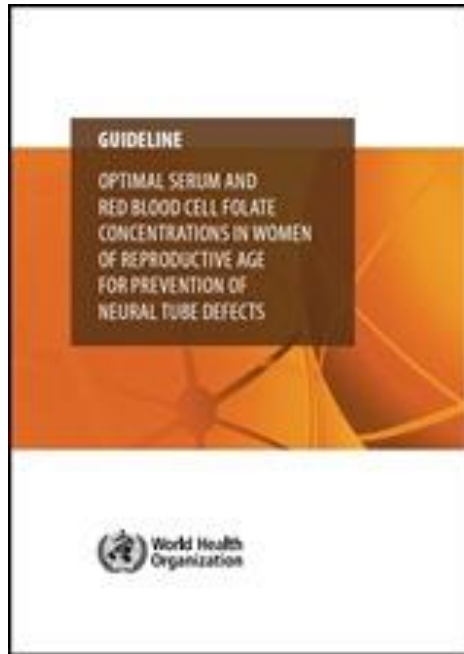
WHO Guidelines for Prevention of NTDs with Folate Bayesian Model



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Precision Nutrition



What consumers will need to know

1. **Classification of Subgroups for Diets**
2. **Classification of Subgroups for Nutrients**

Redesign Process - Dietary Guidelines

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Meeting

Redesigning the Process for Establishing the Dietary Guidelines for Americans – Report Release (Webinar)

When: September 14, 2017 (11:00 AM Eastern)

Topics: Education, Food and Nutrition, Public Health

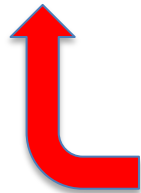
Other Meeting Resources

- + Presentations

Staff

- Samantha Chao, Study Director
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How the DGA can better prevent chronic disease, ensure nutritional sufficiency for all Americans, and accommodate a range of individual factors, including age, gender, and metabolic health.



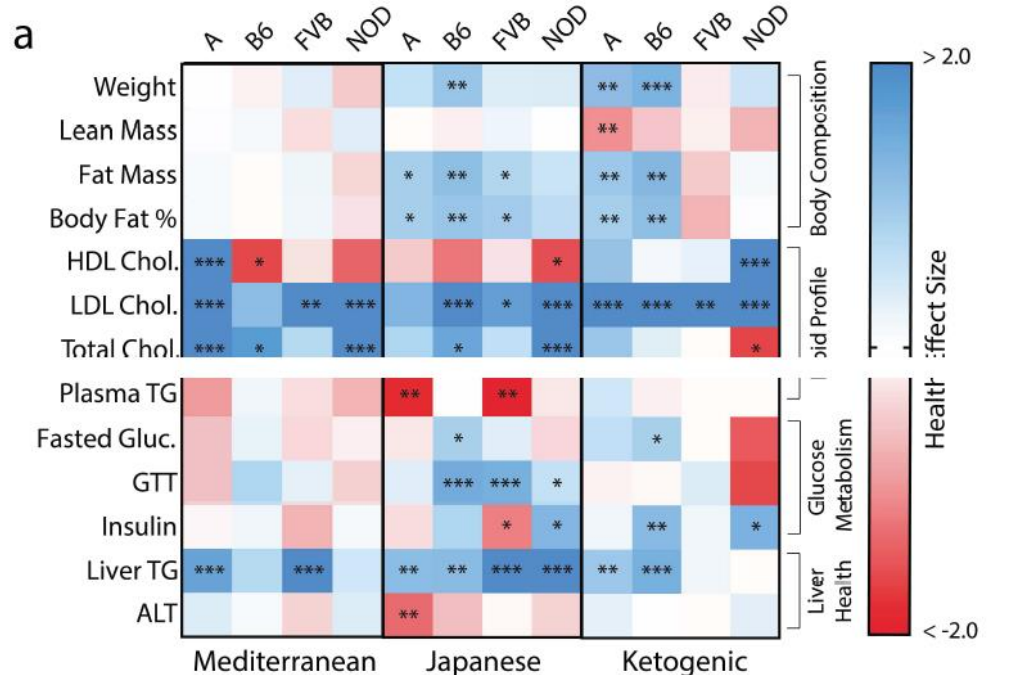
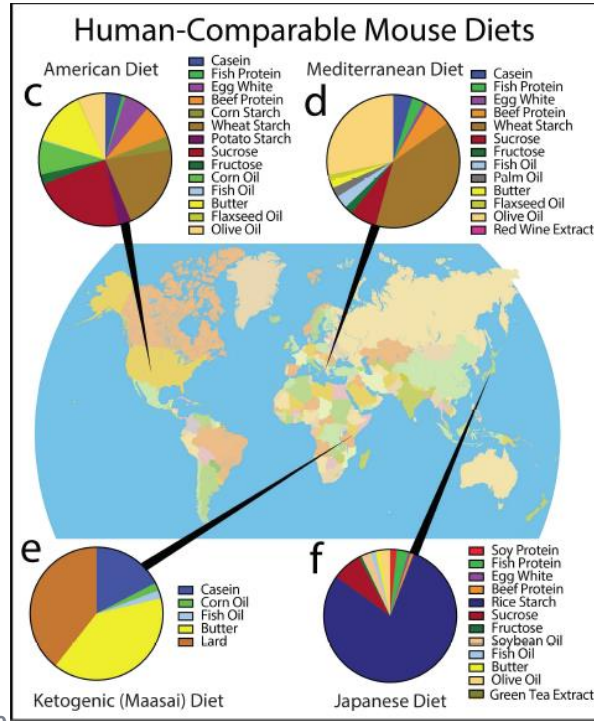
1. How the advisory committee selection process can be improved to provide more transparency, eliminate bias, and include committee members with a range of viewpoints;
2. How the Nutrition Evidence Library (NEL) is compiled and utilized, including whether NEL reviews and other systematic reviews and data analysis are conducted according to rigorous and objective scientific standards;
3. How systematic reviews are conducted on long-standing DGA recommendations, including whether scientific studies are included from scientists with a range of viewpoints; and
4. How the DGA can better prevent chronic disease, ensure nutritional sufficiency for all Americans, and accommodate a range of individual factors, including age, gender, and metabolic health.

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Improving Metabolic Health through Precision Dietetics in Mice

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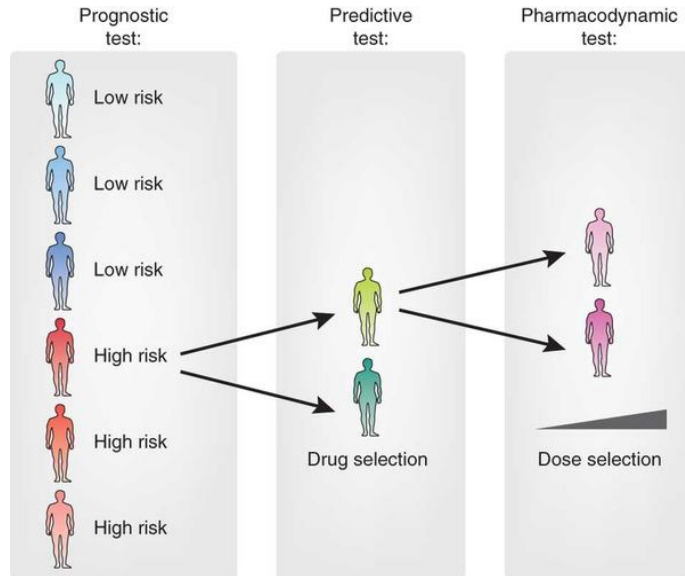


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Precision Medicine ↔ Precision Nutrition

Biomarkers to Classify Population Subgroups



Classification:

- a) Sex, Pregnancy, Lactation, Age
- b) Genetics, Exercise, Disease, etc ...



Does this make sense for a complex trait?

Precision Nutrition



What consumers will need to know

1. **Classification of Subgroups for Diets**
2. **Classification of Subgroups for Nutrients**
3. **~~Classification~~ → Real Time Personalized Readouts**
 - **Data will be readily accessible!**
 - **What guidance will we give?**
 - **Can Systems/Network Biology be applied?**

Point-of-Care Measurement of Nutrition-Related Biomarkers



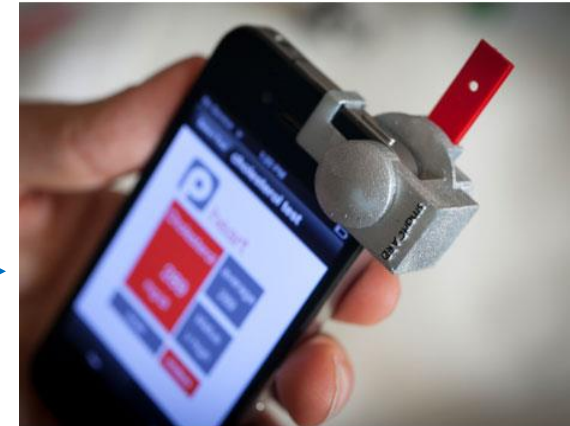
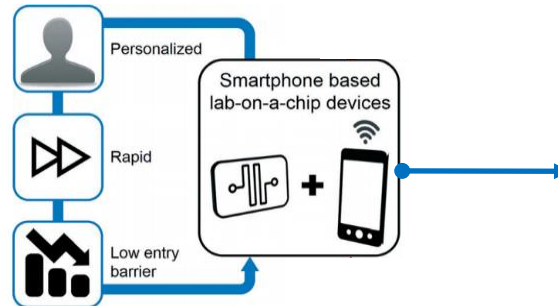
Lab on a Chip. <http://doi.org/10.1039/c6lc00393a>

Nutrient Status Biomarkers
Functional Biomarkers
Chronic Disease Markers
Infectious Disease Markers

Nutriphone hopes to commercialize smartphone-enabled vitamin D deficiency testing

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Stochastic Model/Simulation – Infrastructure

- Entire One-Carbon Metabolism Network
 - compartmentalization
- Known Expression Ranges of all Enzymes
- Ranges for all Nutrient “Inputs”
- System/Network Level Biomarkers as “readouts”

Current Analyses

- Sensitivity Analyses for all Changes in Enzyme Levels
- Dynamic Range of Nutrient Inputs Required under Different Network States to Maintain Network Outputs.

folate cycle

First International Conference on Precision Nutrition and Metabolism in Public Health and Medicine

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When: 21/09/2018 - 26/09/2018

Where: Chania, Crete, Greece

Conference Center: Avra Imperial Hotel

The cost of diet-related chronic disease may soon exceed \$1 trillion per year in the United States (JAMA, 2017, v317, p1755), driving the need to understand the dose-response relationships among food components and chronic disease, and establish scientifically-grounded guidance for optimal dietary intakes. To achieve this goal, scientific and methodological transformations are needed: 1) to quantify comprehensively the dynamics of physiological systems, their decay with age, and their response to individual nutrient concentrations, 2) to understand the role of nutrients and the dynamic ranges of their interactions in biological networks in health and disease, and 3) to identify robust biomarkers of nutrient intake, status, function, and their connection to biomarkers of disease.



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