# COVID-19

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Nutritional & Lifestyle Applications for Immune System Support

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### Key Features of COVID-19

- RNA Virus has RNA as its genetic material (as is Influenza A, B, C).
  - 82% identical to SARS-CoV
- 2-14 day incubation period
- Clinical Symptoms: Cough, fever, tiredness, difficulty breathing (severe cases), 5-10% of individuals have GI distress preceding fever such as nausea and diarrhea.
- Some individuals, especially the elderly and sick, may have dysfunctional immune systems that fail to keep the immune response in check triggering an overproduction of immune cells and leading to a "cytokine storm" in which immune cells flood into the lungs. This is what leads to the really severe cases, and is why we must do our part to protect those that are immunocompromised from this virus.

www.the-scientist.comnews-opinion/why-some-covid-19-cases-are-worse-than-others-67160 https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK554776/

https://www.who.int/news-room/q-a-detail/q-a-coronaviruses#:~:text=symptoms



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# So What Can We Do...?

Sick care is infinitely more expensive than health care!



# First Things First...



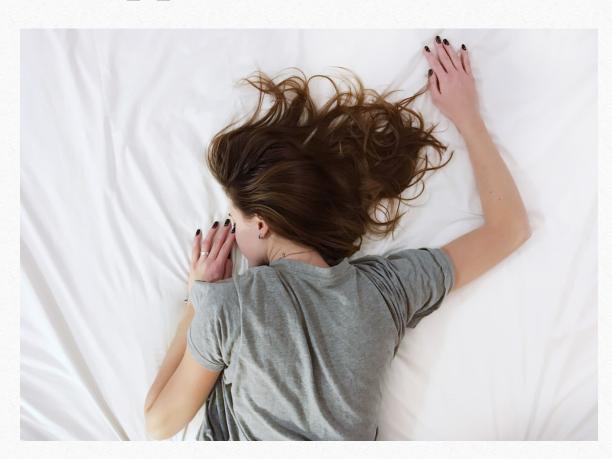
#### Overview

- The #1 Supplement For Immune System Support.
- Stress Management
- Dietary Choices
- Nutraceuticals & Botanicals
- Easily Accessible Tools
- Sourcing





### The #1 Supplement You Can Take...





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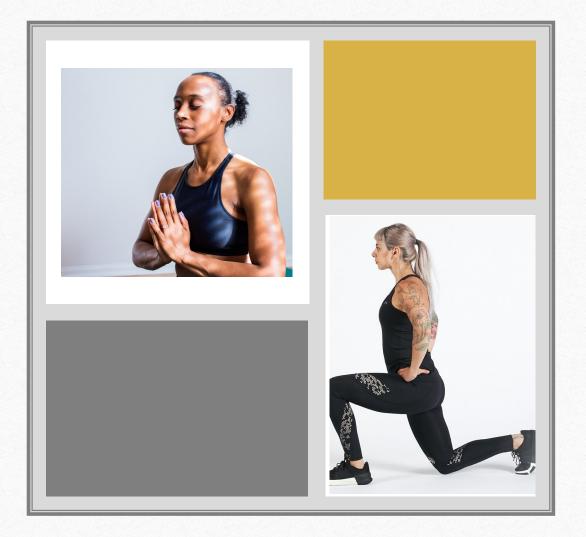
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# Sleep Tools

- Pre-bedtime meditation. Insight timer has some great free meditations available.
- Foods: Tart Cherry Juice for a boost of natural melatonin, Oats (calming), Matcha taken early in the day (natural L-Theanine), Turkey (natural tryptophan), walnuts (DHA & Melatonin)
- Warm Epsom salt bath before bed with lavender EO.
- Passionflower, Valerian, Chamomile, Lavender, 5-HTP, Holy basil.
- AND....!!!!!

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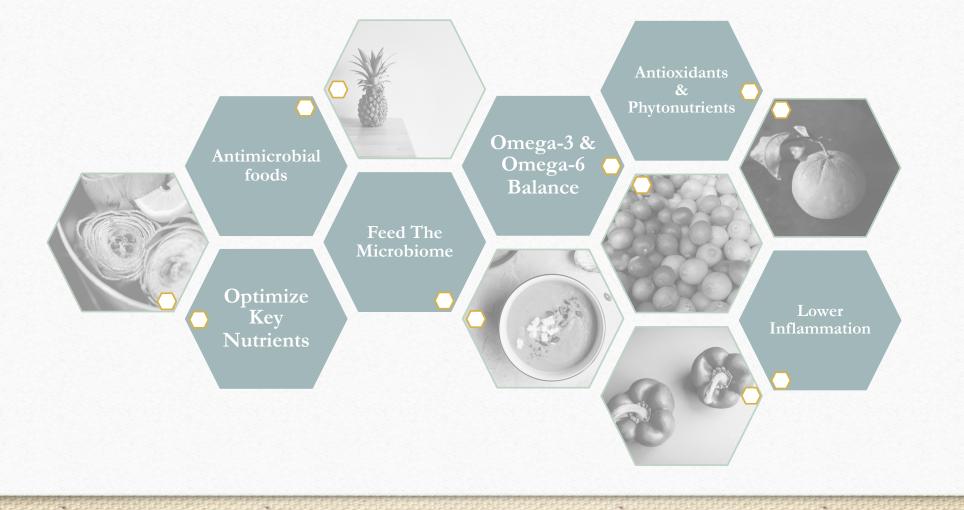
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## Stress Management

- Breathing exercises
- Daily meditation
- Regular exercise: Yoga or HIIT at home
- Journaling (free form, or gratitude lists)
- Regular socialization through zoom
- Ashwagandha & other adaptogenic herbs (tea recipe coming later)
- Limit WiFi & EMF exposure



### FOOD IS COMMUNICATION

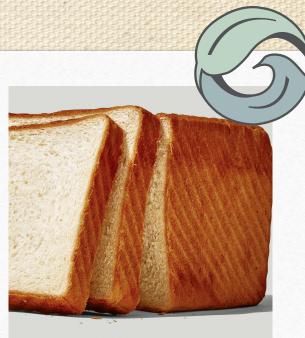


#### Dietary Insults to Immunity

• Sugar

- Alcohol (sorry!)
- Refined/Processed Foods
- Inflammatory Oils: Canola, Soy, Trans Fats, Cooking past smoke point
- Non-Organic Foods (pesticides and GMOs)
- Fried Foods
- Fast Food
- Low Nutrient Diversity
- Excessive Carbohydrates
- Dairy









#### Food for Health Maintenance

From a Fast Food society.....

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#### to a Slow Food Society





### Comprehensive Grocery List

#### Protein: Plant Based & Animal Based

- Frozen veggie burger patties: I like the Hilarie's ones or any that are gluten free grain/legume based or nut based. Look out for veggie patties that have canola in them
- Canned beans: black, legumes, garbanzo beans
- Canned sardines: these are EXTREMELY rich in omega-3's and can be used for a tuna-salad style sandwich/salad
- Canned wild caught salmon: great mixed with some Primal Kitchen Mayo and some dill for a sandwich or to snack on with crackers
- Dry legumes/beans: If you have the time (let's be real we all do) to make beans from scratch these are great to have, cook them with some kombu to make them more digestible
- Eggs
- Frozen grass fed meats of various types: these will last you a while
- Grass fed frozen burger patties: i like the applegate organic turkey mushroom blend
- Nuts & seeds (brazil nuts are rich in selenium for immunity)
- Frozen Sustainable Seafood: I like to get mine from vitalchoice.com
- Wild caught salmon fillets for the freezer: again see above.

#### Healthy Oils

- Extra virgin coconut oil for cooking, also because its very antimicrobial
- Extra virgin olive oil for salads
- Avocado oil for cooking
- Ghee for cooking and for soups, and whatever else you want because its delish

#### Fruits

- Prioritize fresh organic fruits
- Avocado's can be put in the fridge to prevent from going bad
- Green apples will last a couple weeks
- Bananas can go in the freezer
- Lemons will last a while in the fridge
- Frozen fruits: my fav here are frozen wild blueberries, super rich in antioxidants.
- Oranges are rich in Lutein which is a great phytonutrient for immunity

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#### Vegetables

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- Prioritize fresh and organic
- Leafy greens
- Root vegetables will last a couple weeks: beets, carrots, yams, sweet potatoes
- Squash will last a long time! Kabocha squash, acorn squash, butternut squash, spaghetti squash
- Onions & garlic
- Broccoli: eat within the week
- Cauliflower, Brussels Sprouts will last a tad bit longer than broccoli
- Ginger root
- Frozen veggies: butternut squash, kale, broccoli, cauliflower

#### Spices

- Glass containers are much safer than plastic
- Onion powder
- Garlic powder
- Chili
- Paprika
- Cumin
- Cayenne

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- Oregano
- Coriander
- Thyme
- Rosemary
- Ginger
- Celtic or Pink Sea Salt
- Turmeric
- Curry powder



#### No Rush (2+ Weeks)

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#### Cabbage, carrots, sweet potato, winter squash, beets, ginger, lemon, onions, dried herbs, limes, parsnips, melon

#### Use Soon (5-7 Days)

Arugula, Bell pepper, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower, eggplant, green beans, lettuce, mixed greens, mushrooms, scallion, zucchini, summer squash, green apples, oranges Use ASAP (3-5 Days)

Asparagus, basil, bok choy, cilantro, kale, parsley, snow peas, spinach, tomatoes, raspberries, blue berries, black berries

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#### Whole Grains

• Quinoa

- Black Rice
- Wild Rice
- Buckwheat groats
- Amaranth

- Delicacies & Snacks
- Manuka or Raw local honey
- Birch benders pancake mix or frozen waffles
- Simple Mills Almond Flour Crackers
- Hu Chocolate Bar
- Mary's Gone Crackers

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- Siete tortillas for taco's
- Almond butter
- Tahini
- Epic Bars
- Primal Kitchen Bars
- Bulletproof Bars





### Comprehensive Grocery List

#### Beverages

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- Almond, hemp, coconut milk
- Coconut Water
- Herbal teas
  - Chamomile
  - Holy Basil
  - Turmeric/ginger
- 100% Juices rich in phytonutrients (polyphenols)
  - Tart Cherry
  - Pomegranate
  - Blueberry
  - Concord Grape

#### • Bulk Items

- Canned soups: Amy's or Pacific Bone Broth Soups
- Bone Broth
- Vegetable Broth
- Supplementary
- Protein powder: Great Lakes Collagen Hydrolysate
- Electrolytes: Nuun, Hilyte, Trace Minerals



### Key Foods for Health Maintenance

- Garlic, Onions & Ginger
- Fermented Foods
- Honey

- Rosemary, thyme, & oregano
- Turmeric
- Legumes
- Rainbow Fruits & Veggies
- Mushrooms: shiitake, maitake
- Spirulina
- Brazil Nuts (5 nuts = days worth of selenium)



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### Key Nutrients for Health Maintenance

- Vitamin C: 3,000mg daily in divided doses
- Vitamin D3: 2,000IU or more depending on your vitamin D status
- Magnesium: 400mg daily (citrate, malate, or chelate)
- Zinc: 20mg daily

- Selenium: 100mcg daily (or eat 5 brazil nuts)
- Cod Liver Oil: 2 tsp daily
- NAC: 600mg daily
- Vitamin A Micellized Drops: Up to 5,000 IU daily



http://orthomolecular.org/resources/omns/v16n04.shtml

https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0033062020 300372?via%3Dihub



### Foods High in Key Nutrients

- Vitamin C: Red Bell Pepper, orange, grapefruit, kiwi, green pepper, broccoli, strawberries, brussels sprouts
- Vitamin D3: Sunlight, cod liver oil, sword fish, salmon, sardines, liver, egg.

- Magnesium: Pumpkin seeds, spinach, swiss chard, sunflower seeds, cashews, quinoa, millet, buckwheat, beet greens, brazil nuts
- Zinc: Grass fed beef, crab, lamb, Pumpkin seeds, lobster, turkey, garbanzo beans, lentils
- Selenium: Brazil nuts (5 per day), halibut, sardines, salmon, shrimp, turkey.
- Omega-3's: Salmon, sardines, walnuts, flax seed, hemp seed, pumpkin seed.
- Vitamin A: Liver, cod liver oil, sweet potato, pumpkin, spinach, squash, carrots, kale



#### Botanicals for Health Maintenance

Fungi are rich in beta glucans and other polysaccharides that help fight off infection and support innate immunity. They are anti viral, antimicrobial, a supportive of a healthy microbiome.

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#### Botanicals for Health Maintenance

- Elderberry 15 mL of the syrup daily
- Licorice Root 1 mL 3-4 times a day (caution with high blood pressure).
- Schisandra Berry Tincture, tea, powder
- Echinacea Tincture, tea, powder
- Chinese Skullcap Tincture, tea, powder
- Jade Screen, TCM herbal remedy to strengthen defenses
- Astragalus You can use the root and cook it into a soup broth





### Ginger Juice Tea

- Great to drink at first sign of any virus.
- Juice 1-2 lbs of fresh ginger, pour 3-4 ounces of the juice into a mug and add one quarter of a lime, a large TBSP honey, 1/8 TSP cayenne & 6 ounces hot water.

### A Note Of Caution

- Autoimmunity: Only introduce one new herb or nutraceutical at a time and closely monitor how your body responds. There are no clear correlations between herbs and specific autoimmune conditions, so practice caution.
- If you are taking any other medications or supplements, or have a preexisting health condition, please consult a health care practitioner before supplementing with ANY nutraceuticals or botanicals.
- These recommendations are NOT intended as treatment for COVID-19, they are recommendations for preventative health care and maintaining a healthy immune system. If you suspect you have COVID-19, please consult your local hospital or testing facility.



### A Few Recipes

Immune System Support





### Immune Support Fudge Ballz

Full recipe on mooreintegrativehealth.com/blog

#### Ingredients

- 2 cups Pitted Medjool Dates
- 1/3 cup Almond Butter
- 1/3 cup Coconut Oil
- 6 TBSP raw Cacao Powder
- 2 TBSP Raw Honey or Manuka Honey
- 1/2 TSP Vanilla Extract
- 1 Pinch Sea Salt
- 3 TBSP Collagen Hydrolysate Powder OR other protein
- For nervous system support add 1-2 TSP Kava Kava
- 1-2 TBSP Cordyceps Mushroom Powder OR you can use Reishi Powder.
- Hemp seeds & goji berries for topping or some almonds (really any nut/seed that you have)



# Viral Slayer Soup

Full recipe on mooreintegrativehealth.com/blog

#### • BROTH

- 6 New Mexico chilis
- 2 2-inch chunks peeled ginger
- 6 shallots rough chopped
- 4 cloves of garlic
- 2 bunches of cilantro stems
- 1 tablespoon turmeric
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 tablespoons avocado oil
- 1-2 pounds of ground chicken
- 3 cups sliced shiitake mushrooms
- 3 cups maitake mushrooms
- 4 cups good bone broth
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup apple cider vinegar

POWER STASH PACK, immune-boosting herbs in a tea ball or wrapped in cheesecloth to simmer in broth

4-5 Slices of dried Astragalus Root
3 TBSP dried Nettle Leaf
1 bunch of kale, sliced
1 package of rice noodles, cooked
Substitute for Shiratake or Yam
Noodles if you have Candidiasis,
previous head injuries, or ADHD.
FIRE PASTE
3 tablespoons fresh ginger, grated
2 tablespoons fresh garlic, grated
1-2 teaspoons cayenne (depending on how spicy to like)
2 Meyer lemons zested
½ cup extra virgin olive oil
1 teaspoon salt

TOPPINGS Fresh cilantro leaves Grated carrots Sliced red onions Lemon wedges Pumpkin seeds Sesame seeds Fire paste Salt to taste





# Immune Jello Squares



- 2 Cups Tart Cherry Juice
- 2 TBSP Elderberry Syrup
- 1 TSP Vitamin C Crystals (buffered)
- 1 TBSP gelatin
- Mix <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup juice with gelatin in a bowl, head the remaining juice. When juice is hot add Vitamin C and elderberry and stir well. Add juice m ixture to gelatin/juice and stir well. Pour into shallow 8 x 8 inch pan, let cool and put into fridge to harden.
- \* Adapted from Rebecca Snow



### Anxiety Soother Tea

- 3 TBSP Kapoor Holy Basil
- 2 TBSP Skullcap
- 2 TBSP Lemon Verbena
- 1 TBSP Milky Oat Tops
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> TBSP Hawthorne Berries
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> TBSP Rose Petals
- 1 Liter water
- Sip throughout the day



### Easily Accessible & Budget Friendly Tools

So as not to overcomplicate things...





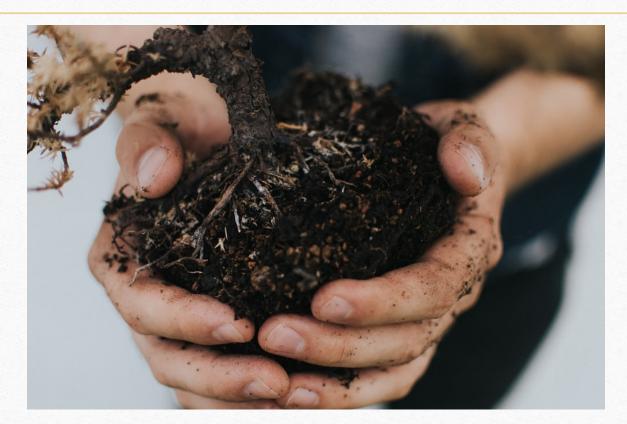


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# Sourcing Supplies

- In person Elevate Wellness South Lake Tahoe
- Through a practitioner Fullscript or Wellevate
- Herbal products: Mountain Rose Herbs, Oregon's Wild Harvest, Galens Way, Pacific, Starwest, Frontier, Geo's Joy
- Local Natural Health Food Store



### Questions?

Thank you for listening to me blabber!



