

# Practical Practice Tips for Widely-Used Dietary Supplements

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<h2>Association</h2>	
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Staff .....	16
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Suppliers .....	51
Associate members .....	49
Annual budget .....	\$5.2 million
Years in existence.....	41
<i>Also contains: scientific, regulatory, international, media relations and government relations expertise not found anywhere else.</i>	

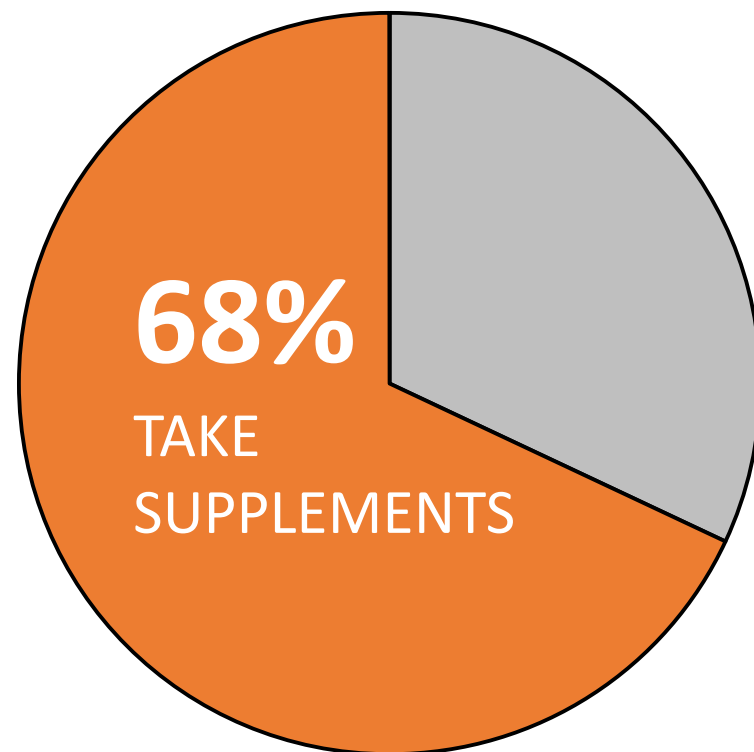


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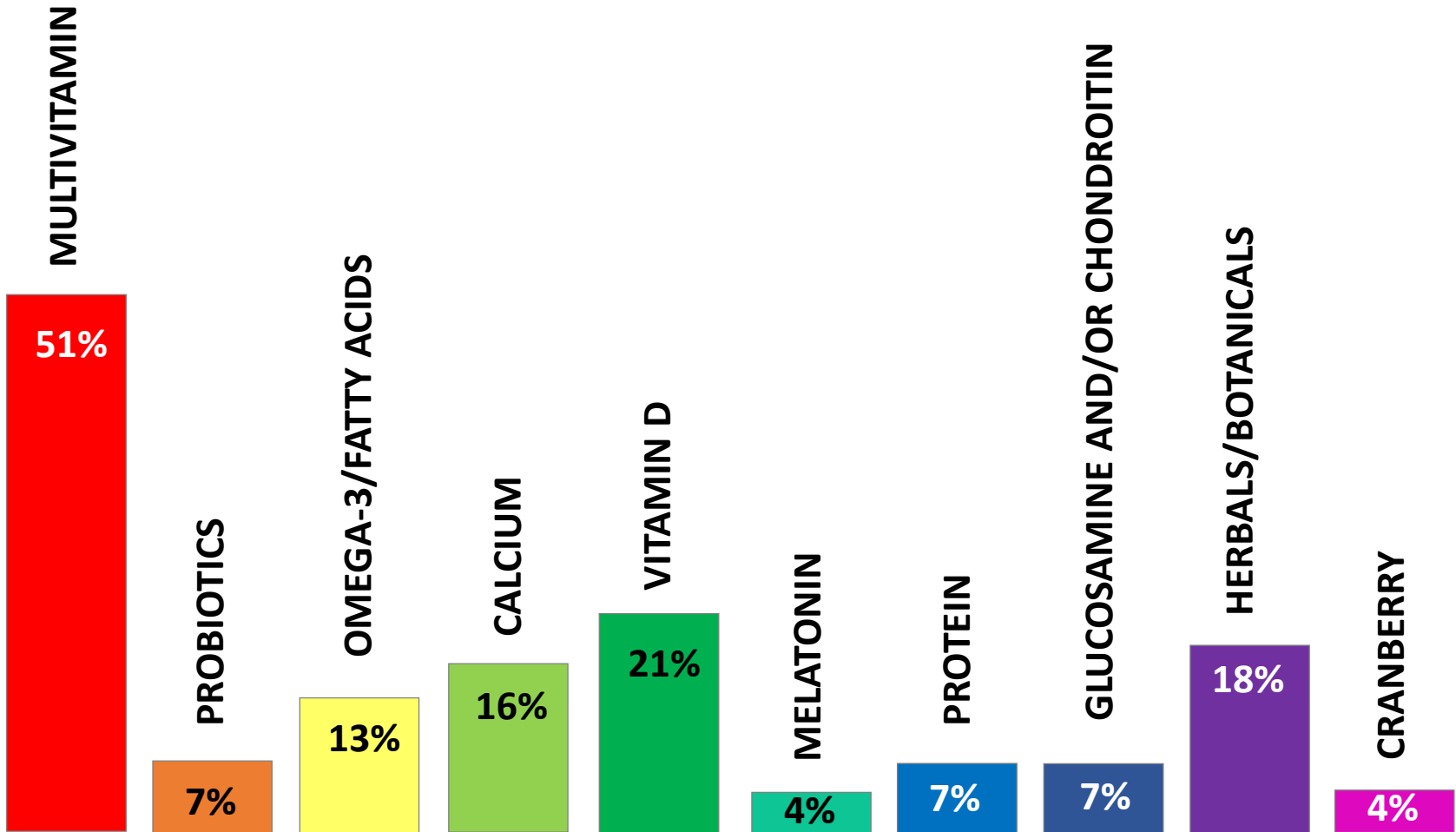


# Who takes dietary supplements?

According to the 2014 CRN Consumer Survey on Dietary Supplements, 68% of all U.S. adults take dietary supplements.

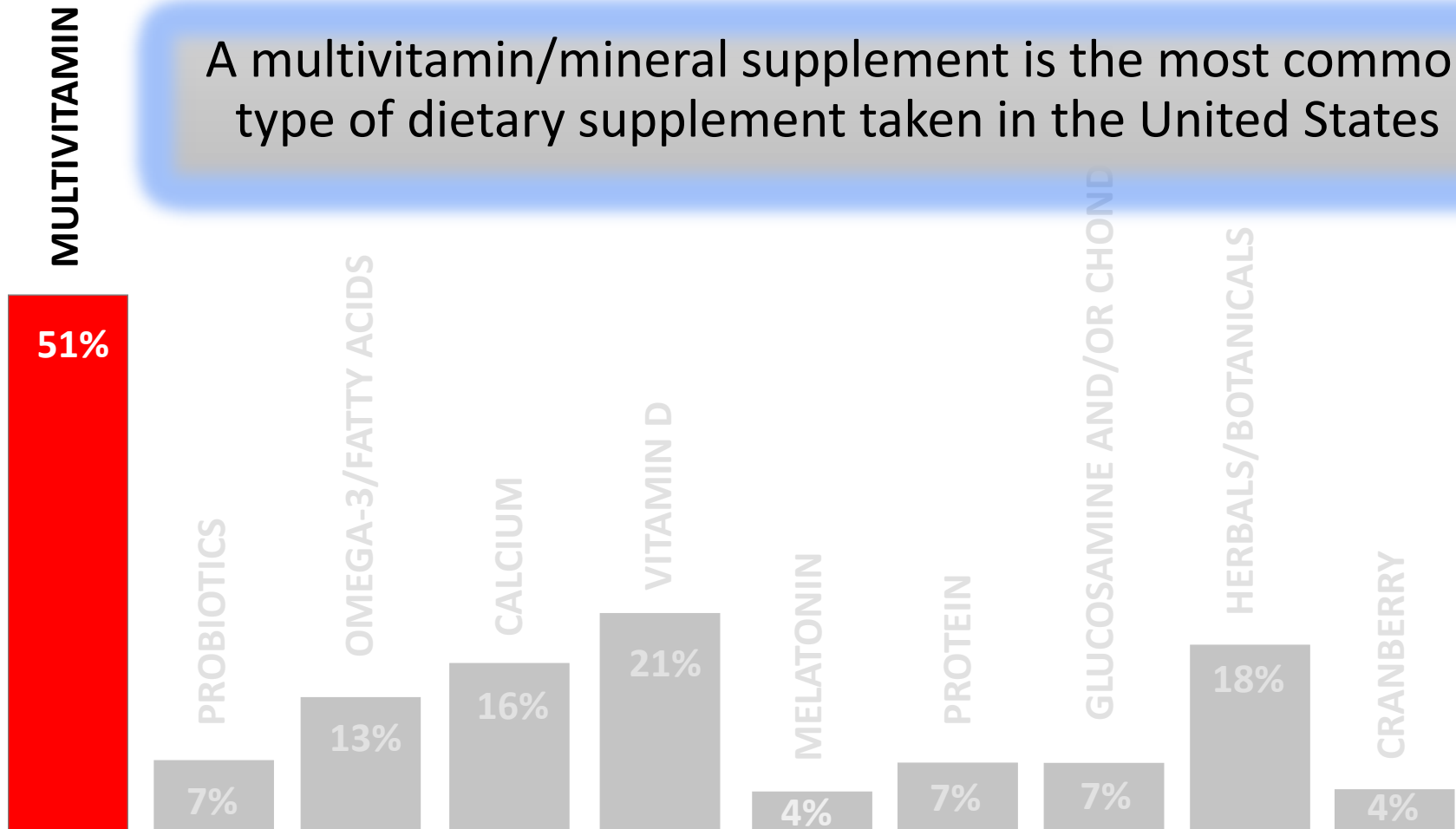


# What do they take?



# Multivitamin – Who?

A multivitamin/mineral supplement is the most common type of dietary supplement taken in the United States





# Why take a multivitamin/mineral?

Multivitamin/mineral supplementation helps individuals achieve targeted nutrient intakes

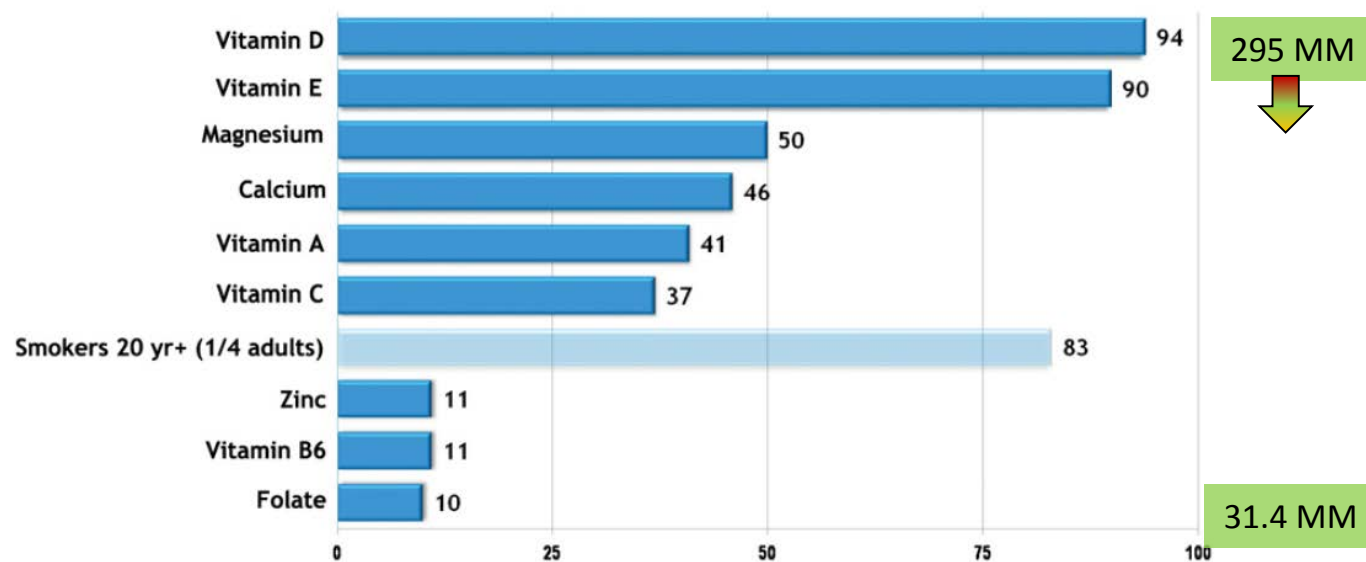


Are there nutrient gaps to fill?



# % Americans with Usual Intakes <EAR

## NHANES 2005–2008



Source: Dwyer TD, et al., *Nutr Rev* 2014. Vol. 72:127–141.

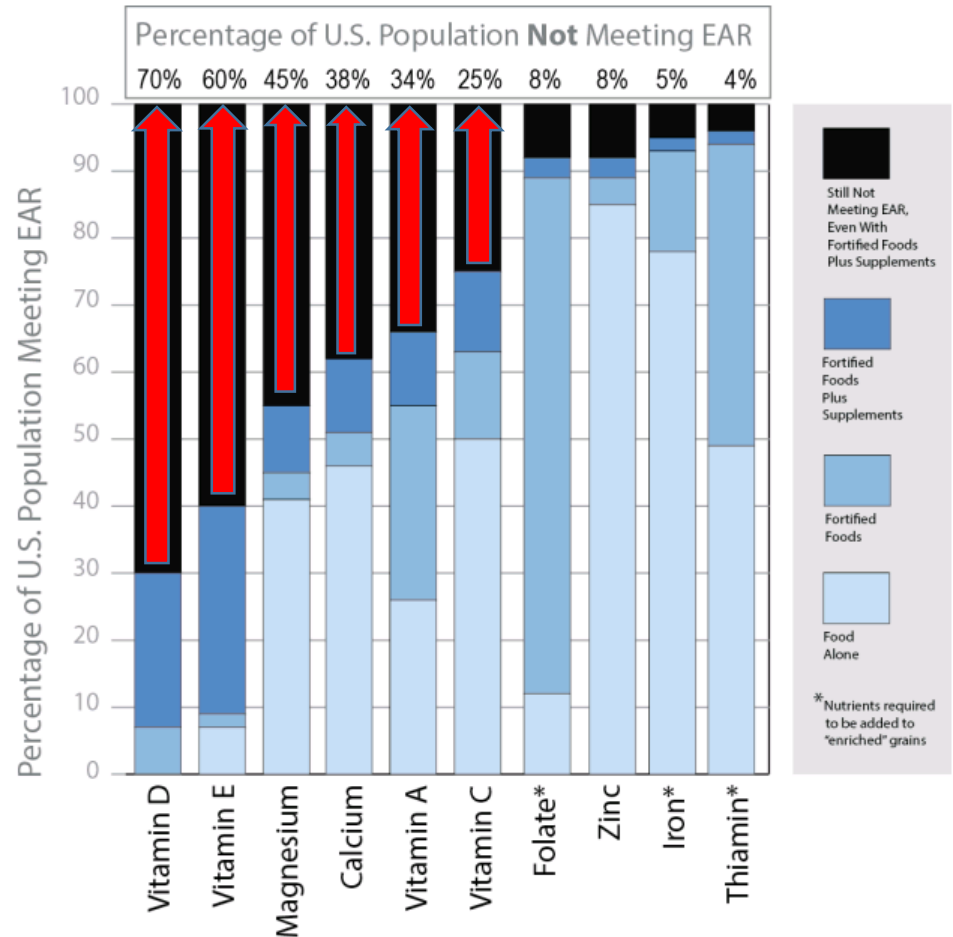
\*Data are from What We Eat in America, NHANES 2005–2008

Includes individuals aged  $\geq 1$  year, excluding breastfed children and pregnant or lactating females.



**Significant portions of the U.S. population do not meet the EAR for key nutrients even when the contribution of fortification and supplementation are considered**

EAR estimated to meet the need of 50% of the population



Derived from: Fulgoni, et al. *J Nutr* 2011;141:1847. NHANES: 2003 - 2006

# Multivitamin/Mineral for Disease Risk Reduction

Dietary Supplements, including the MVM are not intended treat disease

- However, when a study fails to show that a MVM is the magic bullet for chronic disease, some are ready to throw their vitamins away

Randomized Clinical Trials (RCTs) are considered the gold standard for showing effects of MVM on disease risk reduction

- RCTs have significant limitations when trying to measure the effects of nutrient interventions on chronic disease risk reduction



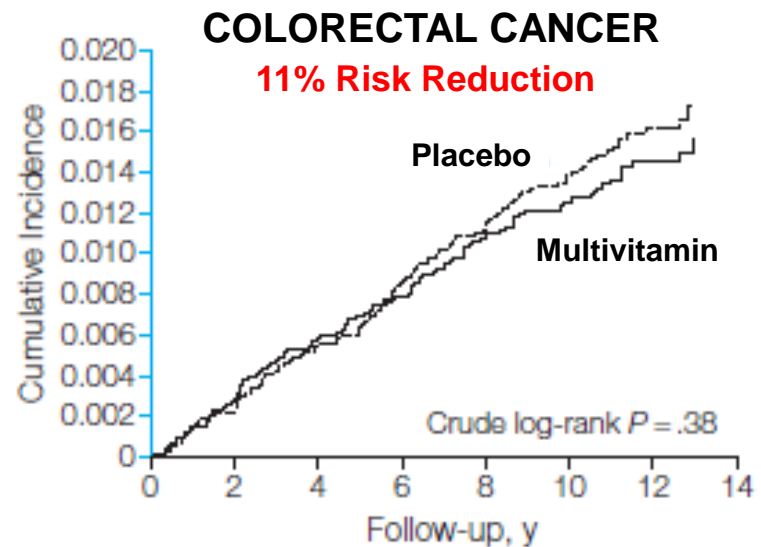
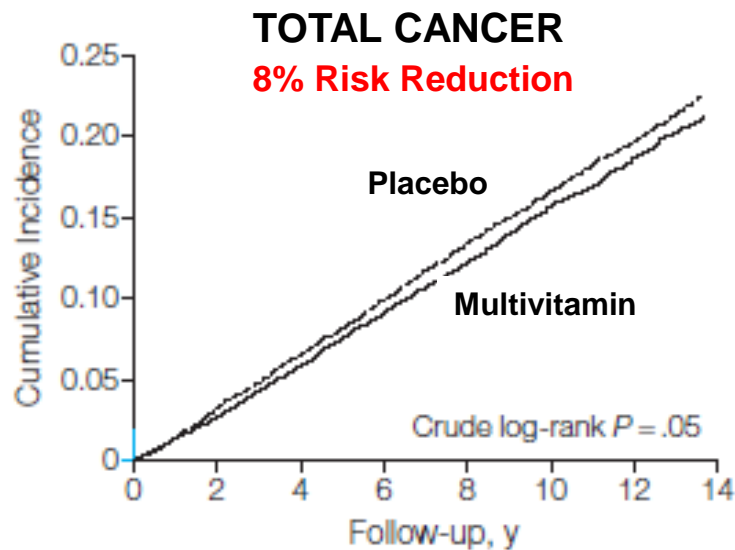
# Limits of RCTs for Nutrition Research

	Drugs	Nutrients
Control Group	Drug-free state	Nutrient free state unethical or impossible
Baseline Drug/Nutrient Status	No baseline status	Nutrient sufficiency at baseline may mask effect
Effect Size	Large (if no effect in 6 - 12 months, no continued funding for drug-approval process)	Modest Aggregate over time Combined with current standard of care, including Rx drugs
Scope of Effect	Single Target	Nutrients impact all tissues and organs



# Multivitamins Reduce the Risk of Total Cancer

RCT, n=14,641 men,  $\geq 50$  y, 10.7-13.3 y duration



Gaziano et al. *JAMA* 2012



# Hundreds of MVMs to choose from

## Age/Gender

- Iron – men vs. women
- Ca+/Mg+
- Fe+, folic acid, iodine – pregnancy
- Adolescents
- B12 – elderly

## Delivery form

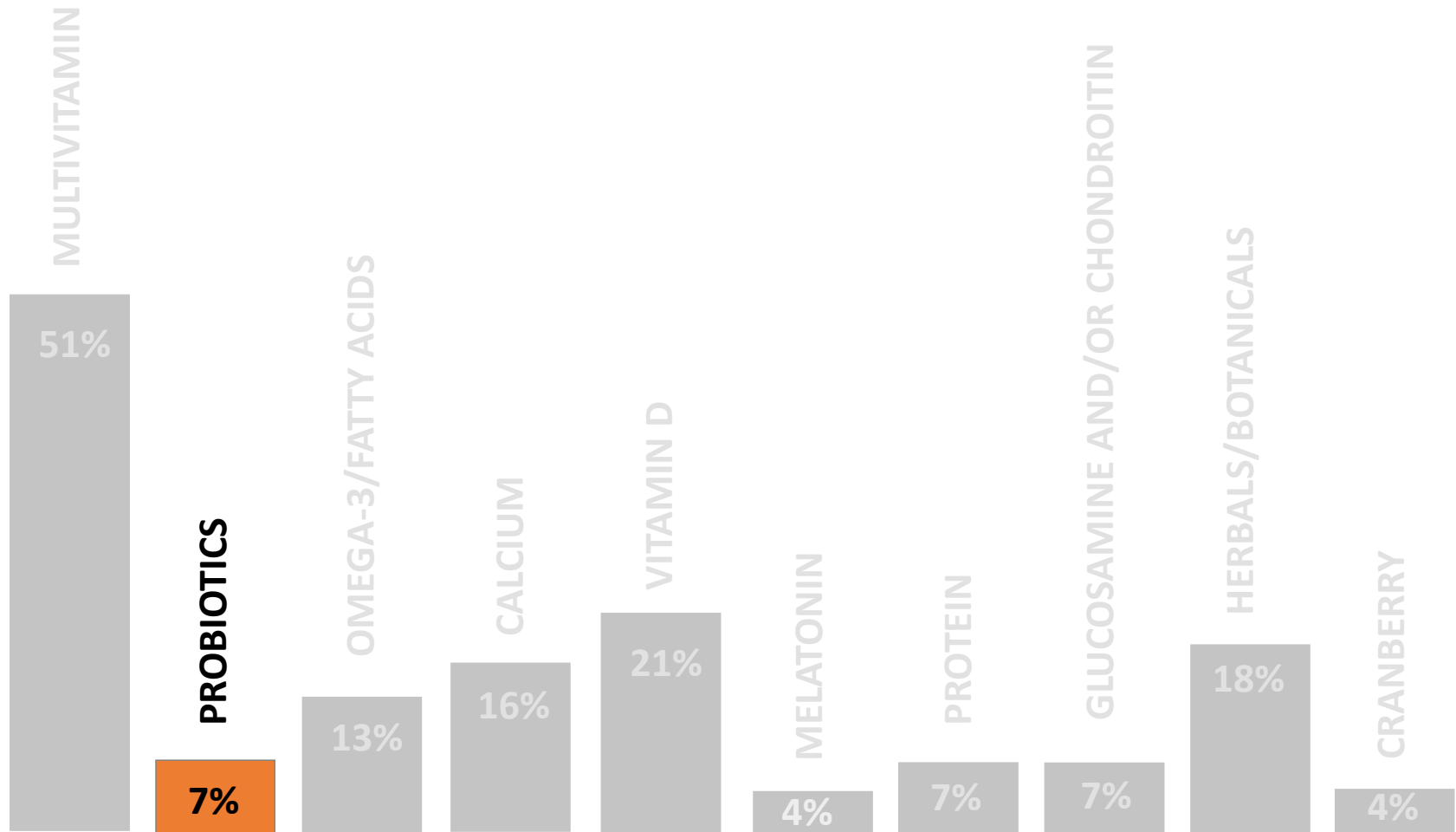
- tablet/capsule
- liquid
- gummy
- powder
- compliance

## Levels/forms of nutrients

- RDA or less; higher levels
- Taking other products - Ca+/Mg+; vitamin D.
- Nutrient forms
- Other ingredients – herbs, bioactives (Co Q10, lycopene, etc.)



# Probiotics – Who?





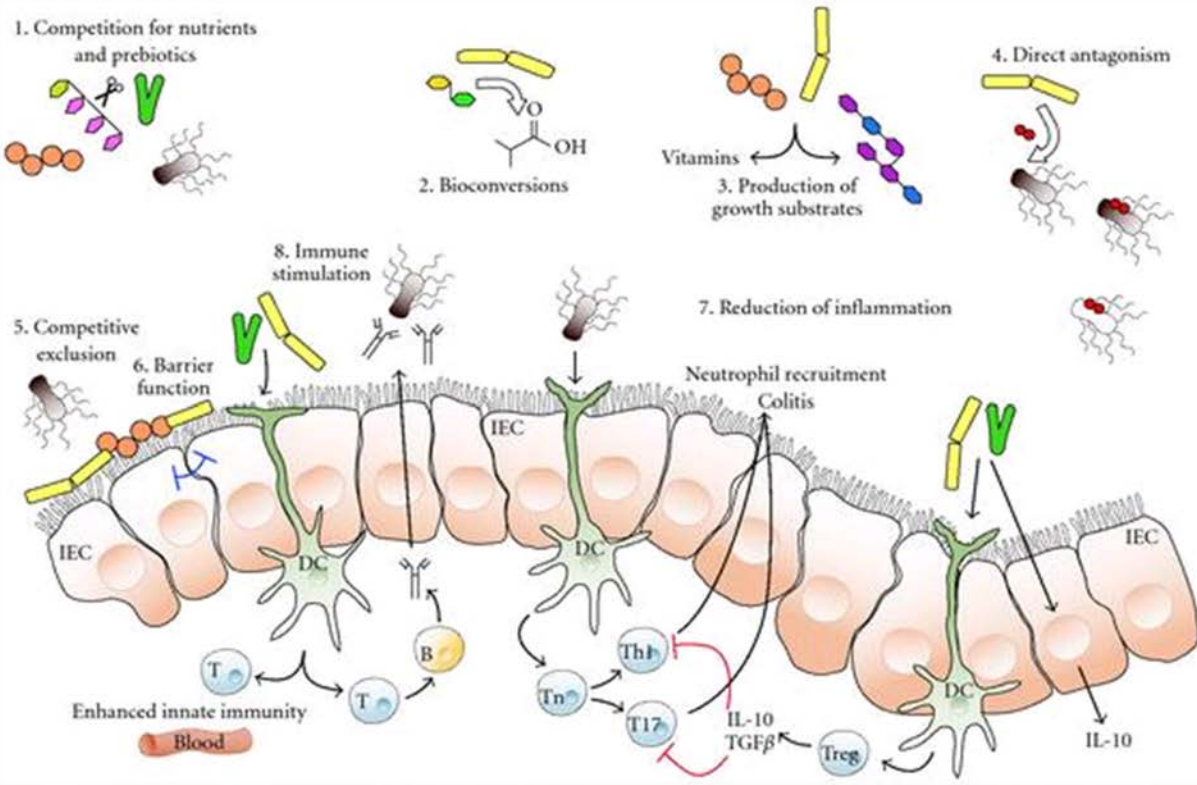
# What are probiotics?

“Live microorganisms that, when administered in adequate amounts, confer a health benefit on the host.”

FAO/WHO Definition  
(ISAPP consensus Oct. 13, 2013)



# How do probiotics work?



# Why take a probiotic?

- Gastrointestinal
  - Childhood diarrhea/acute
  - Antibiotic-associated/infectious diarrhea
    - Avoid side effects of *H. Pylori* tx
  - Necrotizing enterocolitis
    - Infection and inflammation of the intestines mostly seen in infants
  - *C. difficile* infection
  - Inflammatory Bowel Dz.
    - Ulcerative colitis/Crohn's
  - Preventing pouchitis
    - Inflammation of the intestines that can follow intestinal surgery
- Immune Health
  - Atopic eczema
  - Childhood respiratory illness
    - Some evidence for other infections such as ear infections, strep throat, and colds
  - Vaginitis
- Emerging Science
  - Cognitive
  - Cardiovascular
  - Irritable Bowel Syndrome
  - Weight Management



# Choosing a probiotic

- It cannot be assumed that research published on one strain of probiotic applies to another strain, even of the same species.
  - However, strain attributes do overlap
- For general digestive health
  - Lactic acid producers
    - Lactobacillus acidophilus
    - Bifidobacterium lactis
- Probiotics have a strong safety profile
  - Infrequent mild GI side effects, gas
  - Risk of serious adverse effect higher in immune compromised or critically ill individuals

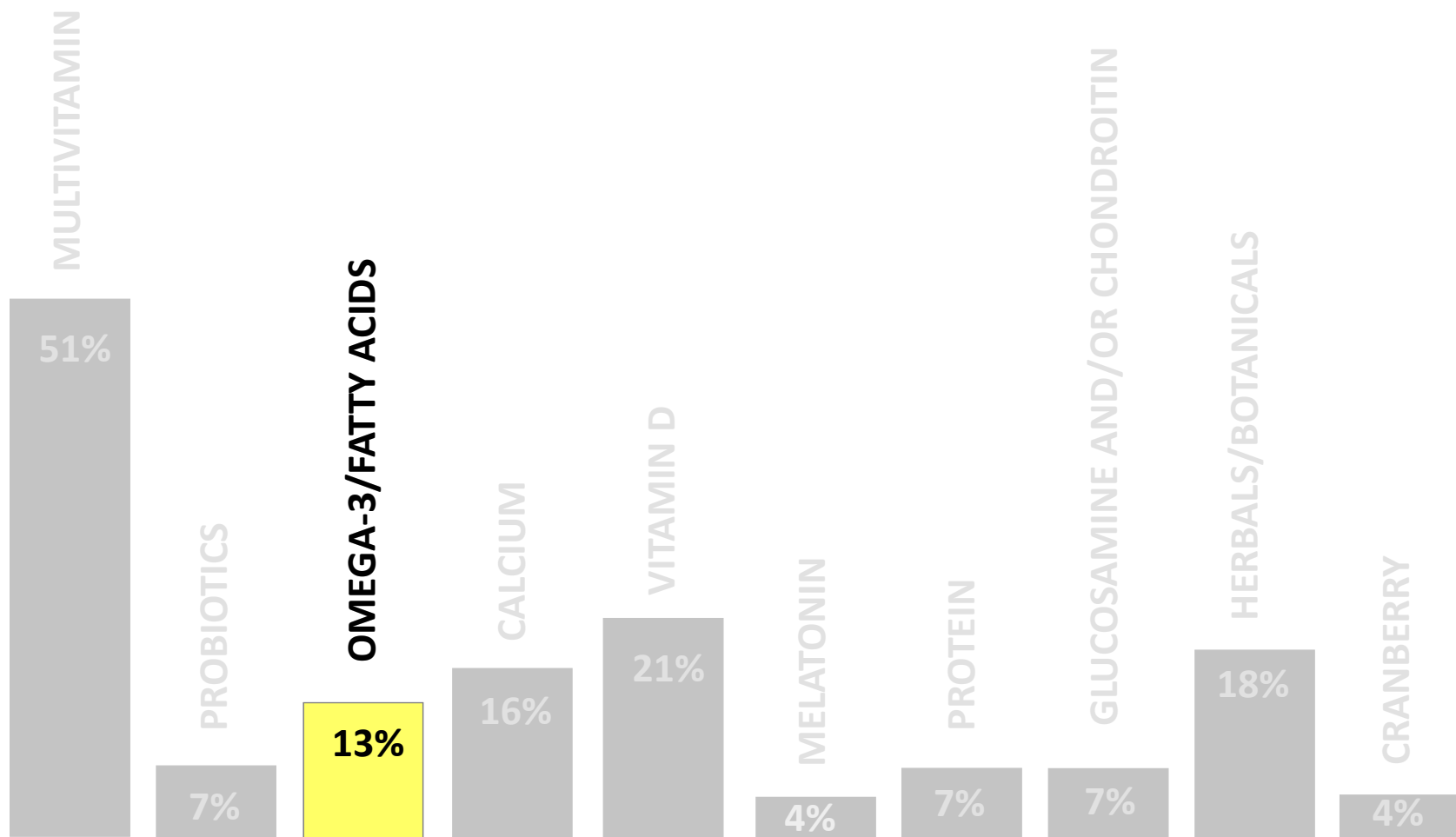
## Meet the Bacteria

These microorganisms have been shown to boost health in scientific studies:

Strain	Benefits	Products
<b>Bifidobacterium animalis DN-173 010</b> (marketing name: Bifidis Regularis)	Gut health and faster digestion	Dannon Activia yogurt
<b>Bifidobacterium infantis 35624</b>	Alleviates symptoms of irritable bowel syndrome	Procter & Gamble's Align supplement
<b>Bifidobacterium lactis Bb-12</b>	Helps immune system and digestive health	Yo-Plus yogurt, Nestle Good Start infant formula
<b>Lactobacillus casei Shirota</b>	Helps immune system and digestive health	Yakult fermented dairy drink
<b>Lactobacillus casei DN-114 001</b> (marketing name: L. casei Immunitas)	Helps immune system; lessens duration of colds and flus in older people	Dannon's DanActive dairy drink
<b>Lactobacillus rhamnosus GR-1</b> in combination with <b>Lactobacillus reuteri</b>	Improved vaginal health; helps eradicate vaginal infections	RepHresh Pro-B and Fem-Dophilus dietary supplements
<b>Lactobacillus reuteri 55730</b>	Helps treat colic, gingivitis, antibiotic-associated diarrhea	BioGaia tablets, drops and lozenges
<b>Saccharomyces boulardii yeast</b>	Helps prevent and treat antibiotic-associated diarrhea	Florastor dietary supplement



# Omega-3/Fatty Acids – Who?





# Dietary fatty acids

- **Omega-3s (essential fat)**

- Essential for human development
- Must be consumed through diet
- Component of cell membranes
- Fish-source proven most bioavailable

- **Omega-6s (essential fat)**

- Good in moderation only
- Excess increases inflammation
- Mostly from processed vegetable oils
- GLA is the beneficial Omega-6

- **Omega-9**

- Important, not an essential fat
- Olive oil is a good source



- **Saturated Fat (non-essential)**

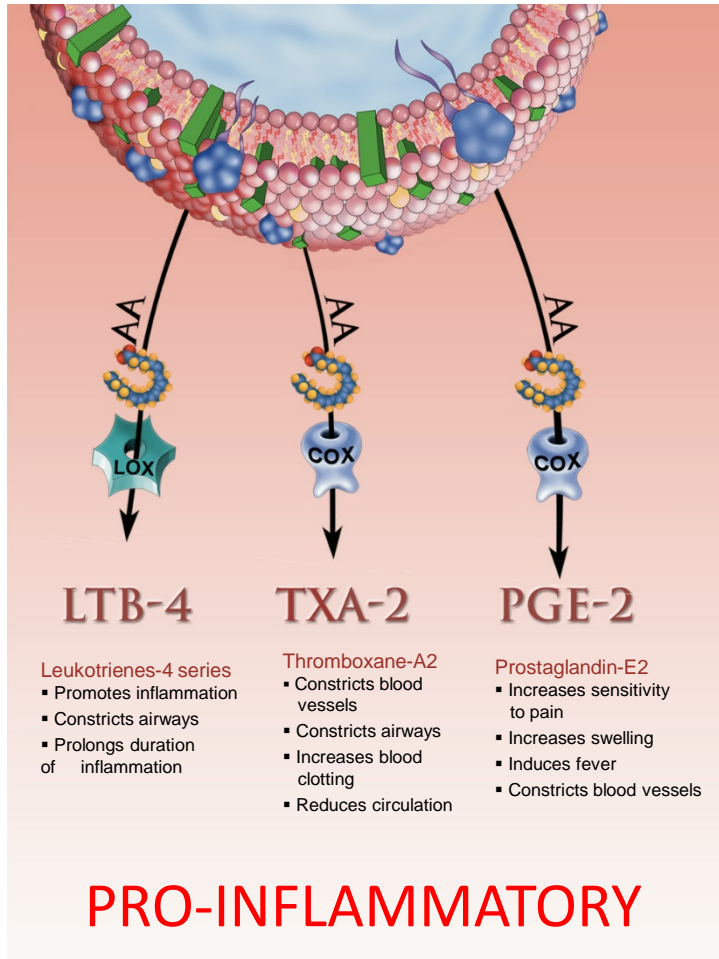
- Animal fat, solid at room temp
- Increases disease risk

- **Trans fats (non-essential)**

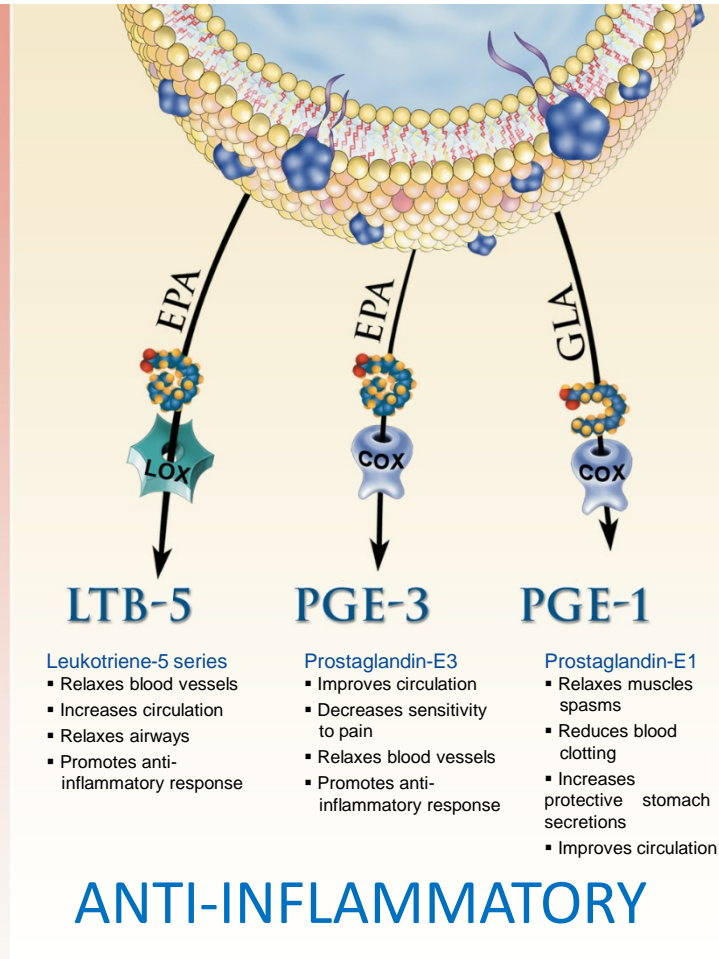
- “partially hydrogenated”
- New to nature
- Associated with disease risk



# Omega-6



# Omega-3



# Omega-3 supplements

## Fish Oil

- Fish Body Oil – 18% EPA: 12% DHA
- Concentrated Fish Body Oil – Variable concentrations and ratios EPA:DHA
- Fish Liver Oil – contains other fat soluble vitamins A & D

## Krill Oil

- Phospholipid structure
- Emerging science

## Vegetarian EPA/DHA

- Algae-based
- No fishy taste
- Vegetarian

## Vegetarian omega-3

- 18 carbon Alpha-linolenic Acid (ALA)
- Needs to be converted to EPA:DHA



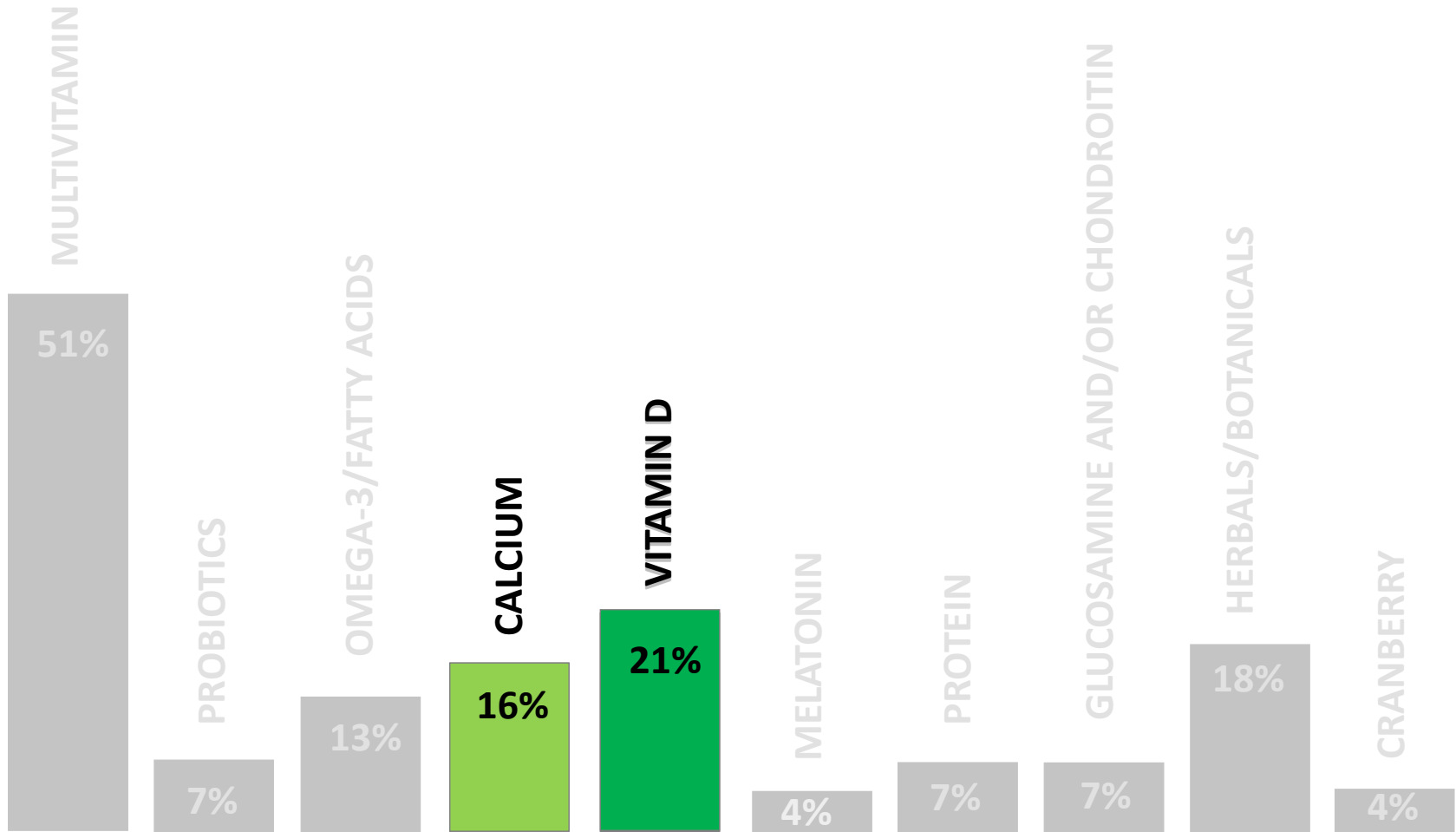


# Omega-3 Recommended Intake

REFERENCE	DAILY DOSAGE of EPA & DHA
The ADA and Dieticians of Canada	500 mg/day EPA + DHA 2 servings of fatty fish/week (1/4 can of sardines/week)
ISSFAL	500 mg/day EPA + DHA
UK's Scientific Advisory Committee on Nutrition	450 mg/day EPA + DHA
Australia and New Zealand National Health and Medical Research Council	610 mg/day EPA + DHA 430 mg/day DPA
World Health Organization	200 - 700 mg/day EPA + DHA 1-2 servings of fish per week (1/4 can of sardines/week)
American Heart Association	500 - 1000 mg/day
British Nutrition Foundation Task Force	1000 - 1500 mg/day
UK Department of Health	200 mg/day
Institutes of Medicine Dietary Reference Intakes	110 - 160 mg/day (based on 10% of AI for ALA in 2002)
<b>STUDIES</b>	
1. Brownawell AM, Harris WS, Hibbelin JR	500 mg/d of EPA + DHA
2. Gebauer, Pstoa, Harris, Kris-Etherton	500 mg/d of EPA + DHA
3. Harris WS, Kris-Etherton PM	400 - 500 mg/d of EPA + DHA
4. Pepping. Am J Health-System Pharmacy	2 - 4g fish oil caps/day
5. Simopoulous AP, Leaf A, Salem N Jr	Minimum of 500mg of EPA + DHA/day
6. Kris-Etherton PM, Grieger JA, Etherton TD	Highly recommend establishing EPA + DHA DRI's above present 100mg



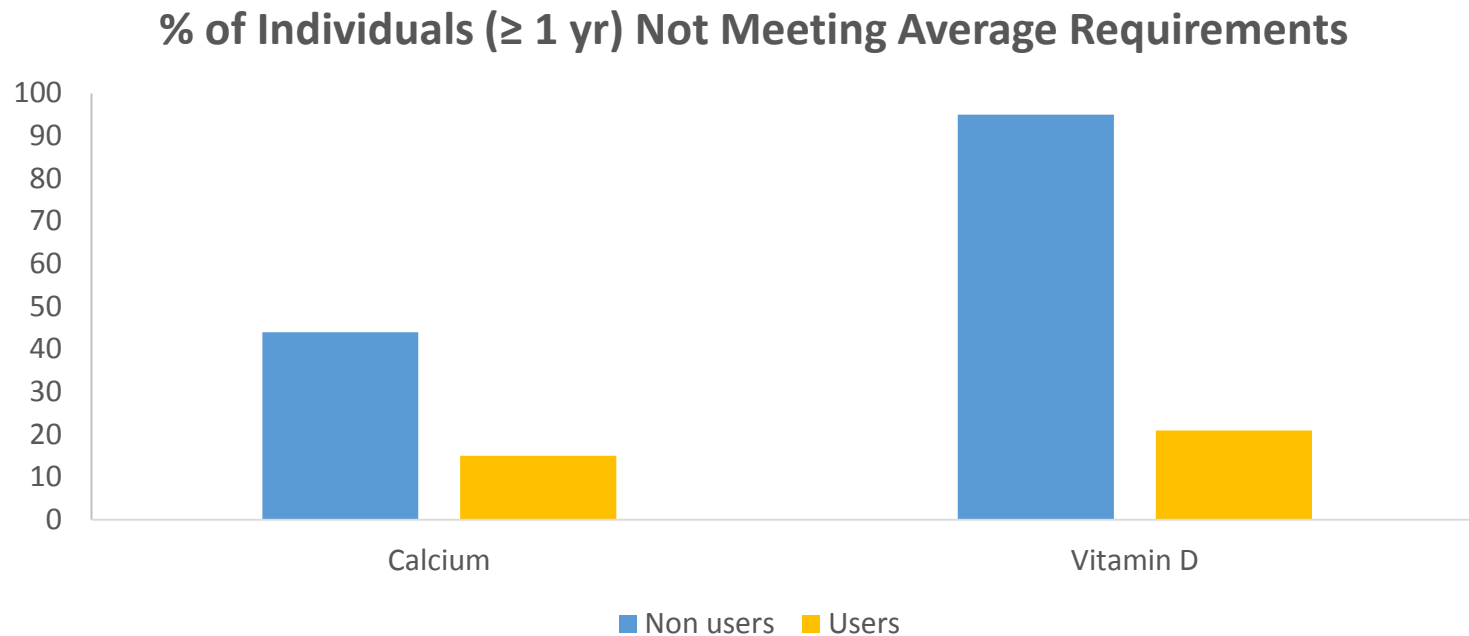
# Calcium & Vitamin D – Who?





# Calcium & Vitamin D – Why?

- Americans are falling short of these nutrients
- Supplements help to fill the gaps





# Calcium & Vitamin D – Why?

- Calcium is important for strong bones and may reduce the risk of osteoporosis
- Vitamin D helps the body absorb calcium
- Vitamin D has other roles in the body, including:
  - Cell growth modulation
  - Neuromuscular function
  - Immune function
  - Anti-inflammation





# Calcium – How Much & When?

- Amount depends on age, gender and dietary intake
- Absorption is best when consuming  $\leq 500$  mg at one time

IOM Recommended Dietary Allowances (mg)		
Age	Males	Females
19-30 yr	1,000	1,000
31-50 yr	1,000	1,000
51-70 yr	1,000	1,200
>70 yr	1,200	1,200



# Vitamin D – How Much & When?

- Amount depends on age, sun exposure, and dietary intake

IOM Recommended Dietary Allowances (mcg) [IU]		
Age	Males	Females
19-70 yr	15 [600]	15 [600]
>70 yr	20 [800]	20 [800]

- National Osteoporosis Foundation:
  - 400-800 IU (<50 yr); 800-1000 IU (older adults)
- North American Menopause Society: 700-800 IU in women at risk for deficiency due to low sun





# Vitamin D – How Much & When?

## Sun exposure

- Vitamin D synthesis can be affected by season, time of day, length of day, cloud cover, smog, skin melanin content, and sunscreen

## Food sources

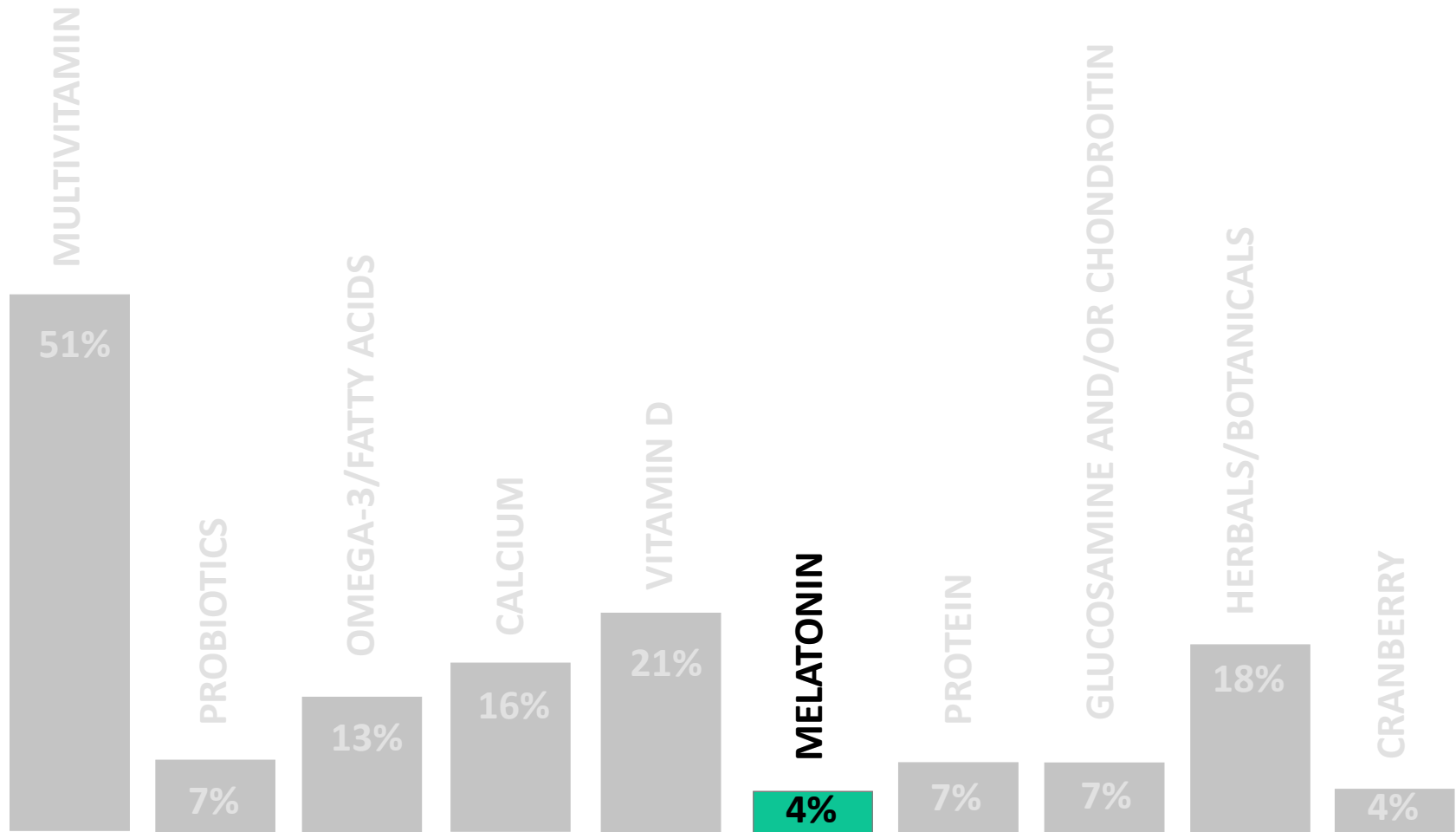
- Few foods naturally contain vitamin D
- Some foods are fortified with vitamin D (e.g., milk)

## Dietary supplements

- Vitamin D<sub>2</sub> (ergocalciferol) and D<sub>3</sub> (cholecalciferol) are available



# Melatonin – Who?







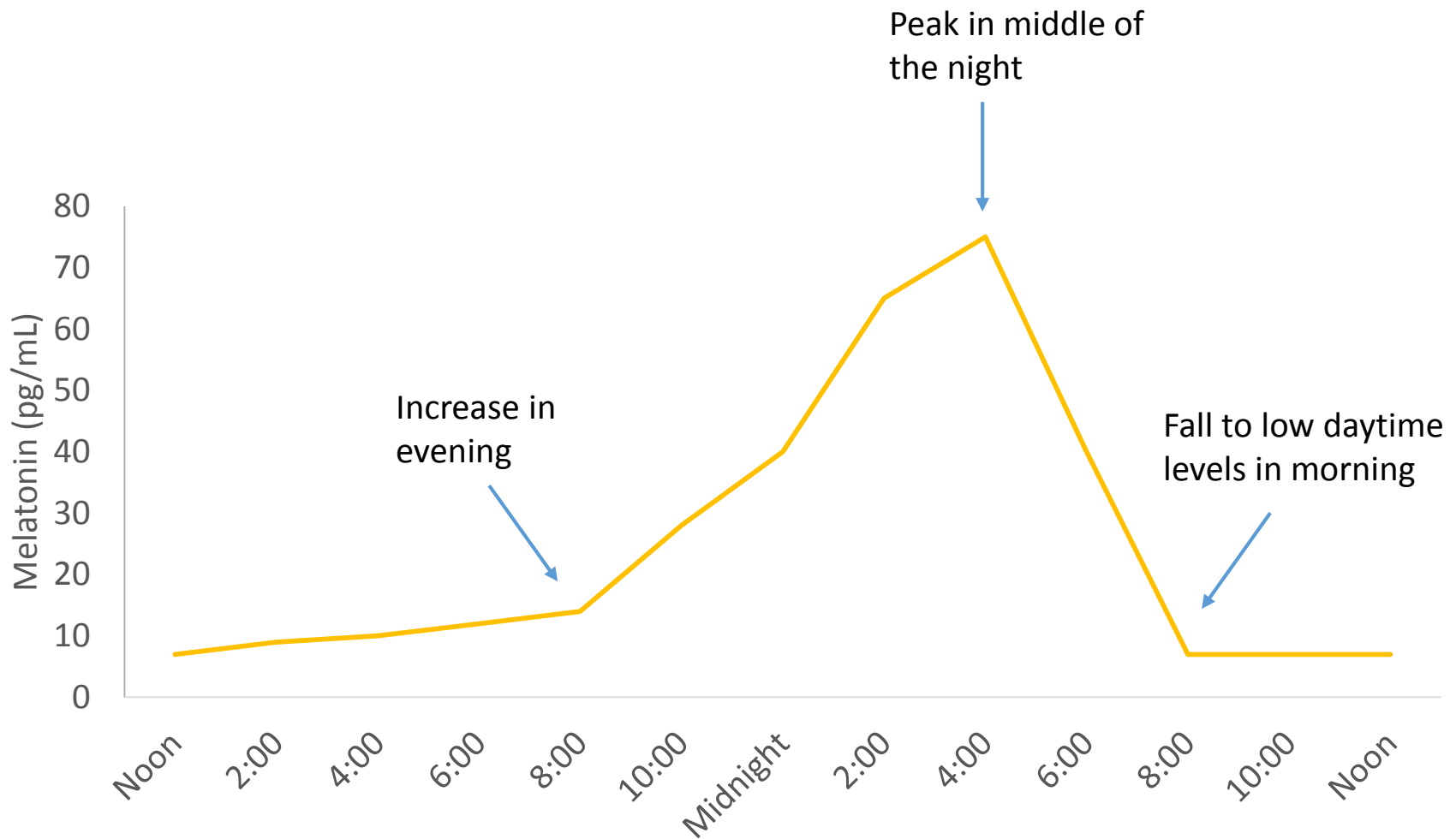
# Melatonin – Why?

- Hormone produced by the pineal gland
- Involved in circadian rhythm
  - Production suppressed by bright light and increased in darkness
- Levels decline with age
- Used for sleep support and jet lag
- Other therapeutic uses

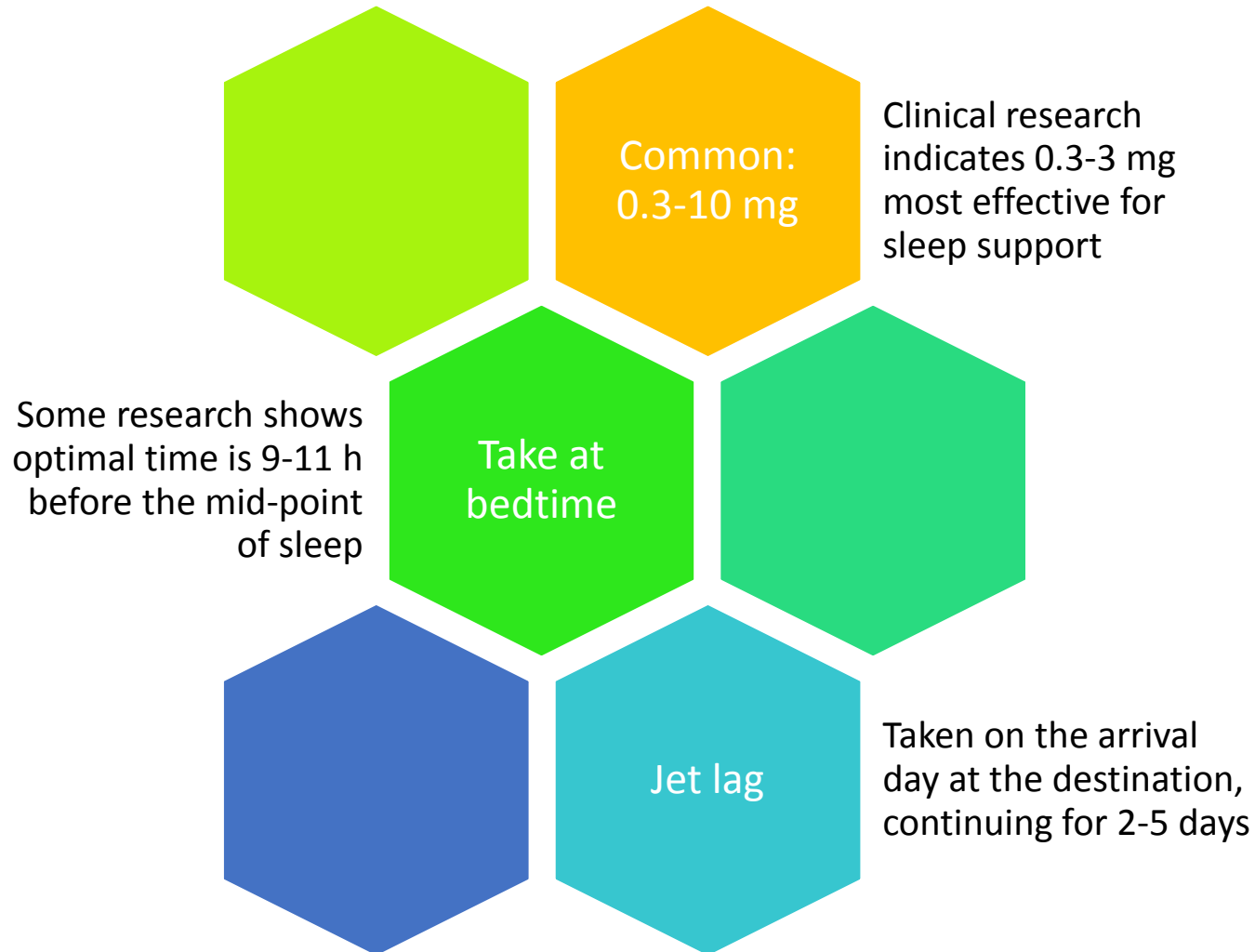




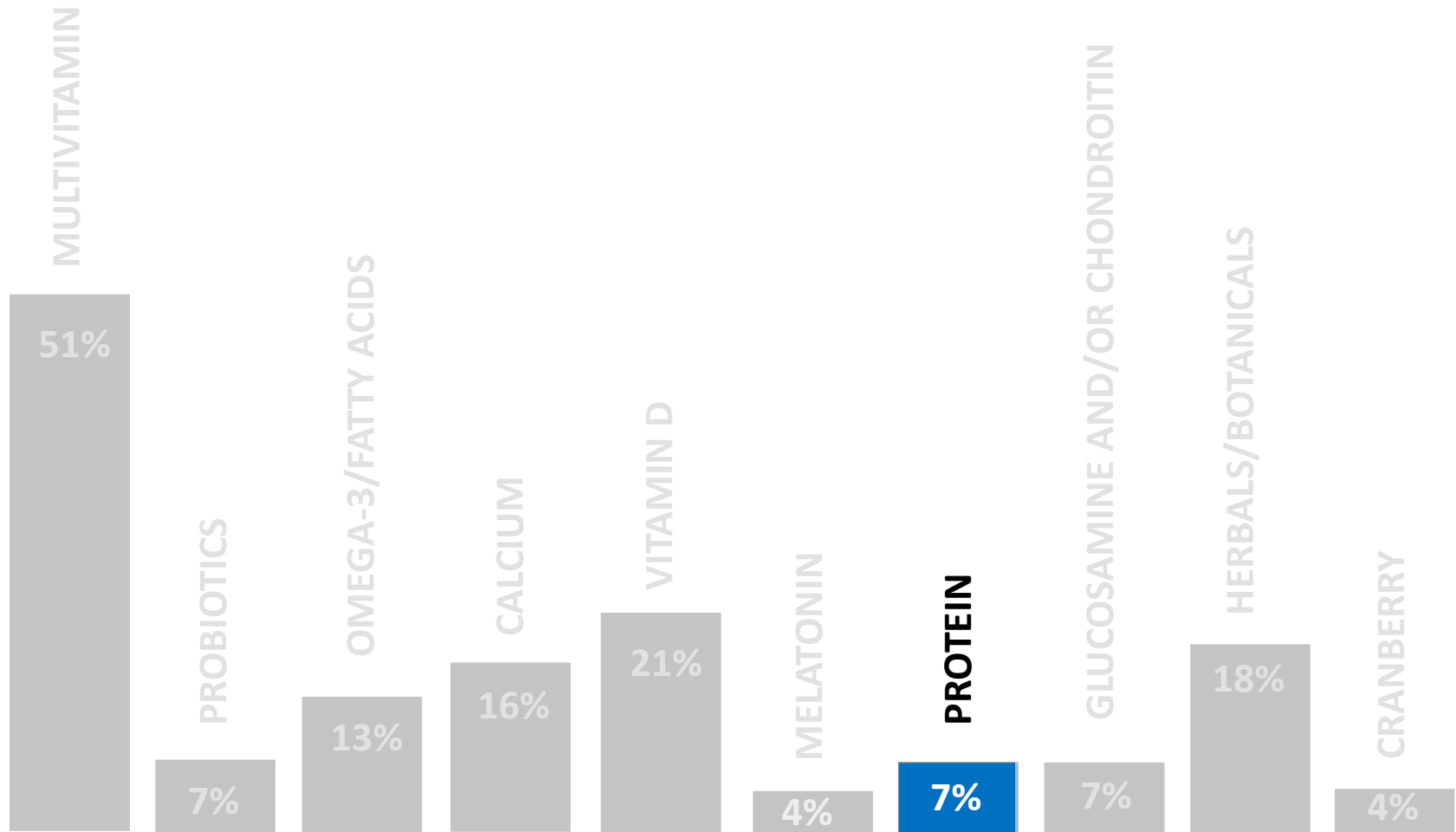
# Endogenous Melatonin Levels



# Melatonin – How Much & When?



# Protein – Who?





# Protein – Why?



Sports Nutrition



Weight Management



Healthy Aging





# Protein for Healthy Aging

- Protein supplements can help preserve skeletal muscle mass in the elderly
- Research suggests that equally distributing protein intake at each meal maximally stimulates muscle synthesis
- Supplemental leucine may also increase muscle protein synthesis





# Protein – Common Forms

## Whey

- Concentrate
- Isolate
- Hydrolysate

## Casein

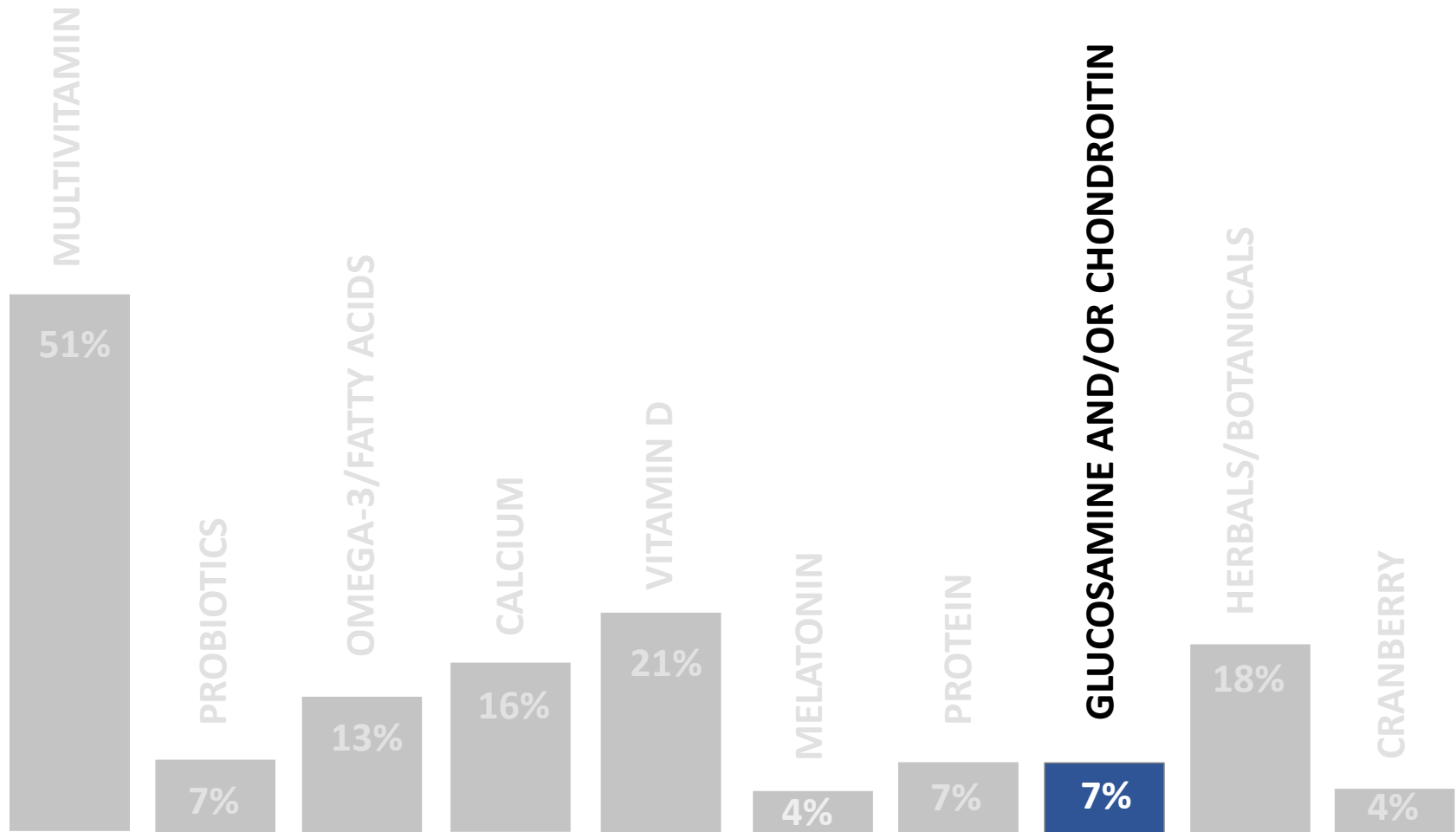
- Also from dairy

## Vegan

- Soy
- Rice
- Pea



# Glucosamine and/or Chondroitin – Who?





# Glucosamine

- Aka chitosamine
- Amino sugar (2-amino-2-deoxyglucose...)
- Natural source – shellfish, “vegetarian”
- Synthetic
- Available forms
  - Glucosamine hydrochloride (G HCl)
  - N-acetyl-glucosamine (NAG)
  - Glucosamine sulfate (G SO<sub>4</sub>)

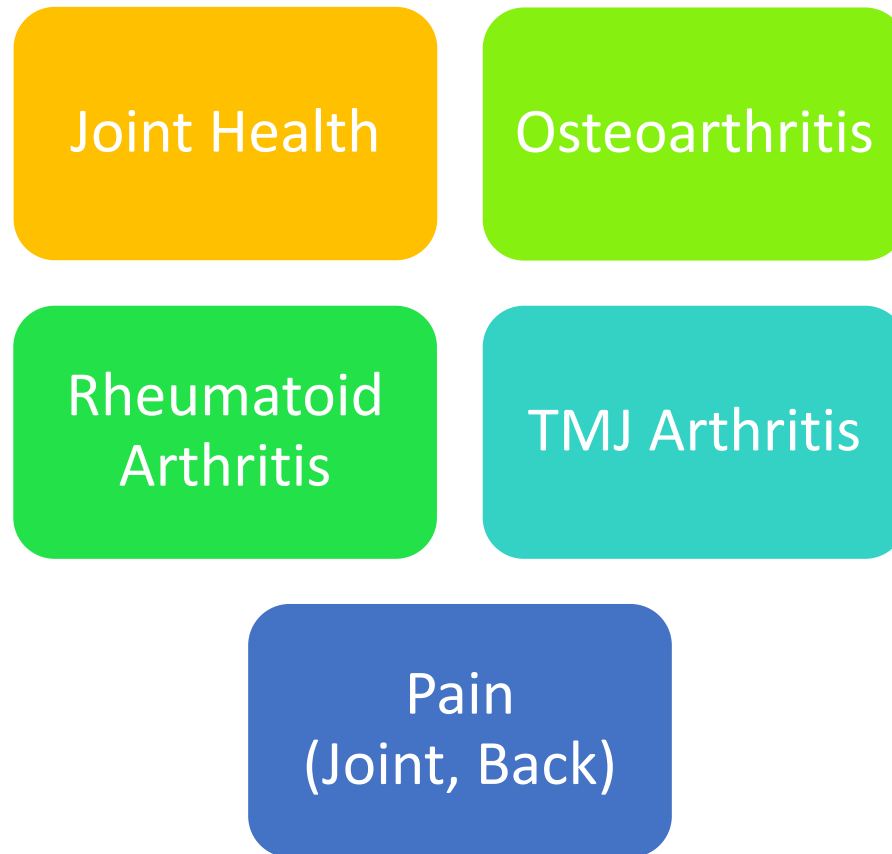


# Chondroitin

- Complex carbohydrate (chondroitin-4-...)
- Natural source – cartilage (shark/bovine)
- Synthetic
- Available forms
  - Chondroitin sulfate (Ch SO<sub>4</sub>)



# Glucosamine & Chondroitin – Why?



# Glucosamine & Chondroitin – Things to Consider

- Side effects – mild GI – G & C
- Allergy - pre-existing “shellfish” allergy – G
- BSE – C
- Drug interactions
  - Warfarin/Coumadin/Blood thinners - G & C
  - Antimitotic chemotherapy agents - G



# Glucosamine & Chondroitin – Evidence

- Evidence supports the role of glucosamine and chondroitin for:
  - Knee function/pain (G, G+C)
  - TMJ function/pain (G)
  - Hand osteoarthritis function/pain (C)
- Less evidence available for rheumatoid arthritis pain
- Inconsistencies in evidence
  - Study design; G HCl vs G SO<sub>4</sub>; dose and dosing

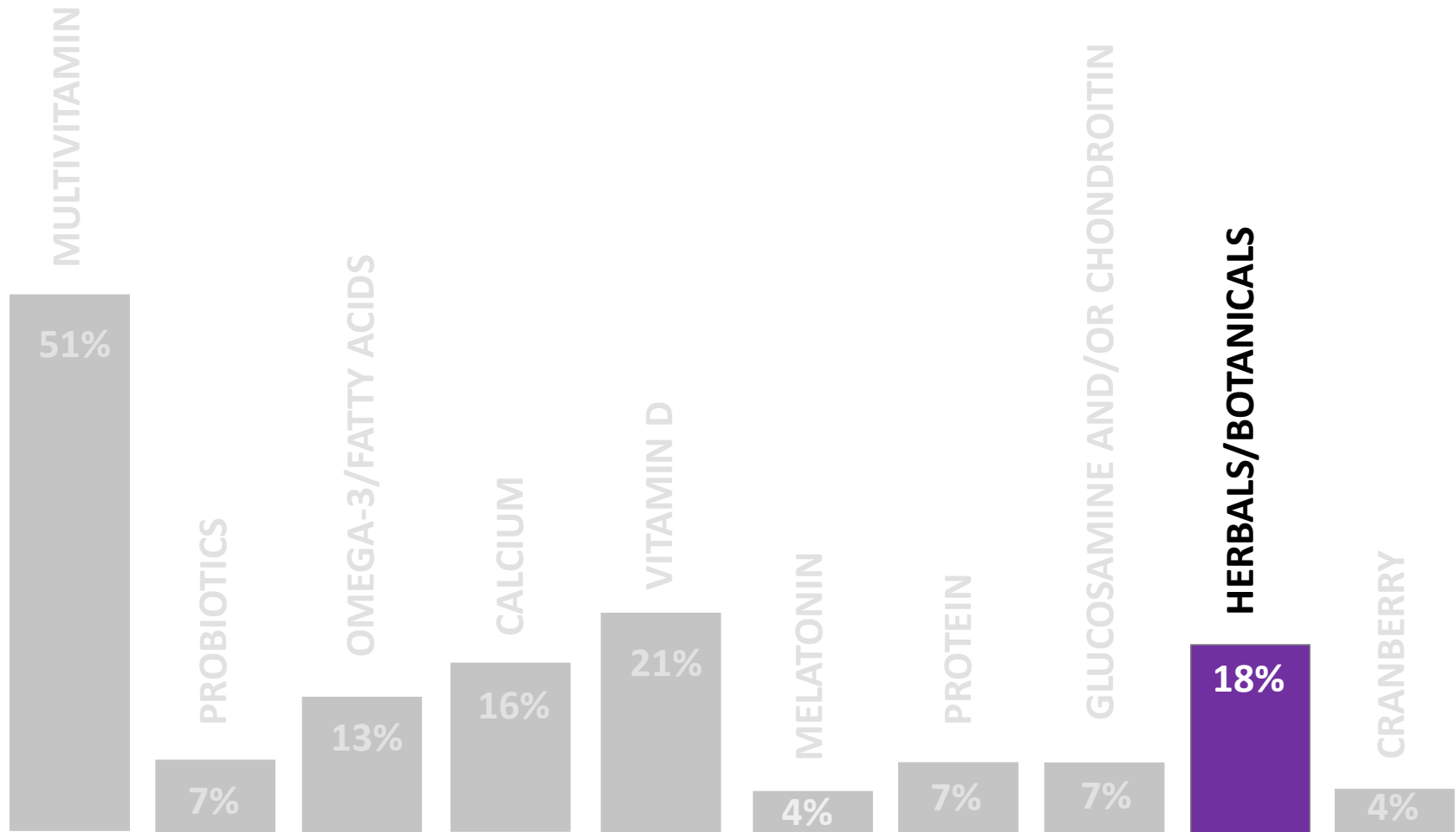


# Glucosamine & Chondroitin – How Much?

- Glucosamine Hydrochloride: 1500 mg (bolus or split t.i.d.)
- Glucosamine Sulfate: 1500 mg (bolus or split t.i.d.)
- Chondroitin Sulfate: Range of 200-400 mg b.i.d or t.i.d. (total: 400-1200 mg/day).
  - RCTs use 1200 mg (bolus or split t.i.d.)



# Herbals/Botanicals – Who?



# Botanicals / Herbals

## Top 10 in Mainstream & Natural Channels (2013)

- |                  |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Horehound     | 1. Turmeric             |
| 2. Yohimbe       | 2. Grass (Wheat/Barley) |
| 3. Cranberry     | 3. Flax Seed/Oil        |
| 4. Black Cohosh  | 4. Aloe                 |
| 5. Senna         | 5. Spirulina            |
| 6. Cinnamon      | 6. Milk Thistle         |
| 7. Flax Seed/Oil | 7. Elderberry           |
| 8. Echinacea     | 8. Echinacea            |
| 9. Valerian      | 9. Maca                 |
| 10. Saw Palmetto | 10. Saw Palmetto        |





# Botanicals / Herbals

Others in Mainstream & Natural Channels (2013)

Ashwagandah

Green Coffee

Bromelain

Green Tea

Cat's Claw

Horny Goat Weed

Chamomile

Horsetail

Chia

Kava kava

Evening Primrose

Peppermint

Garlic

Red Clover

Ginger

Red Yeast Rice

Ginkgo

St. John's Wort

Goldenseal

Stevia



# Botanicals / Herbals

- Botanical - having to do with plants / plant parts.
- Herb – plant used in cooking, tea and medicinal purposes.
- Herbal - having to do with medicinal/edible plants.
- Referred by Latin binomial, i.e., *Genus species*
  - Black Cohosh = *Actaea racemosa*
  - Ginger = *Zingiber officianale*
  - Kava kava = *Piper methysticum*



# Botanicals / Herbals – Which Parts?

- Whole plant
- Fruit/Berries
- Flowers
- Bark
- Leaves
- Stems/Twigs
- Roots/Rhizomes/Tubers



# Botanicals / Herbals – Dosage Forms

- Fresh
- Dried
- Extract (Specific solvent to remove targeted constituent)
  - Liquid or dried (evaporated liquid)
- Tincture (Alcohol/water solvent)
- Decoction (Boiled & simmered for specified time in water)
- Tea (Infusion steeped with addition of boiling water)
- Powders, Capsules, Tablets



# Botanicals / Herbals - Quality

- Standardization
  - Identify / Quantify
  - Plant part / Labeling
- Batch-to-batch consistency; QC - Quality
  - Marker Compound(s)
- Batch-to-batch consistency; QC – Biological activity
  - Biomarker Compound(s)
- Quality
  - Brand recognition
  - Brand longevity
  - Third party certification/verification



# Botanicals / Herbals - Quality

## Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs)

- Control for Quality
  - Processes
  - Personnel
  - Product
  - Documentation
- Aspects
  - Identification
  - Consistency
  - Solvent(s)
  - Contaminant(s); Heavy metals (inorganic); Pesticides; etc.
  - Adulterant(s)

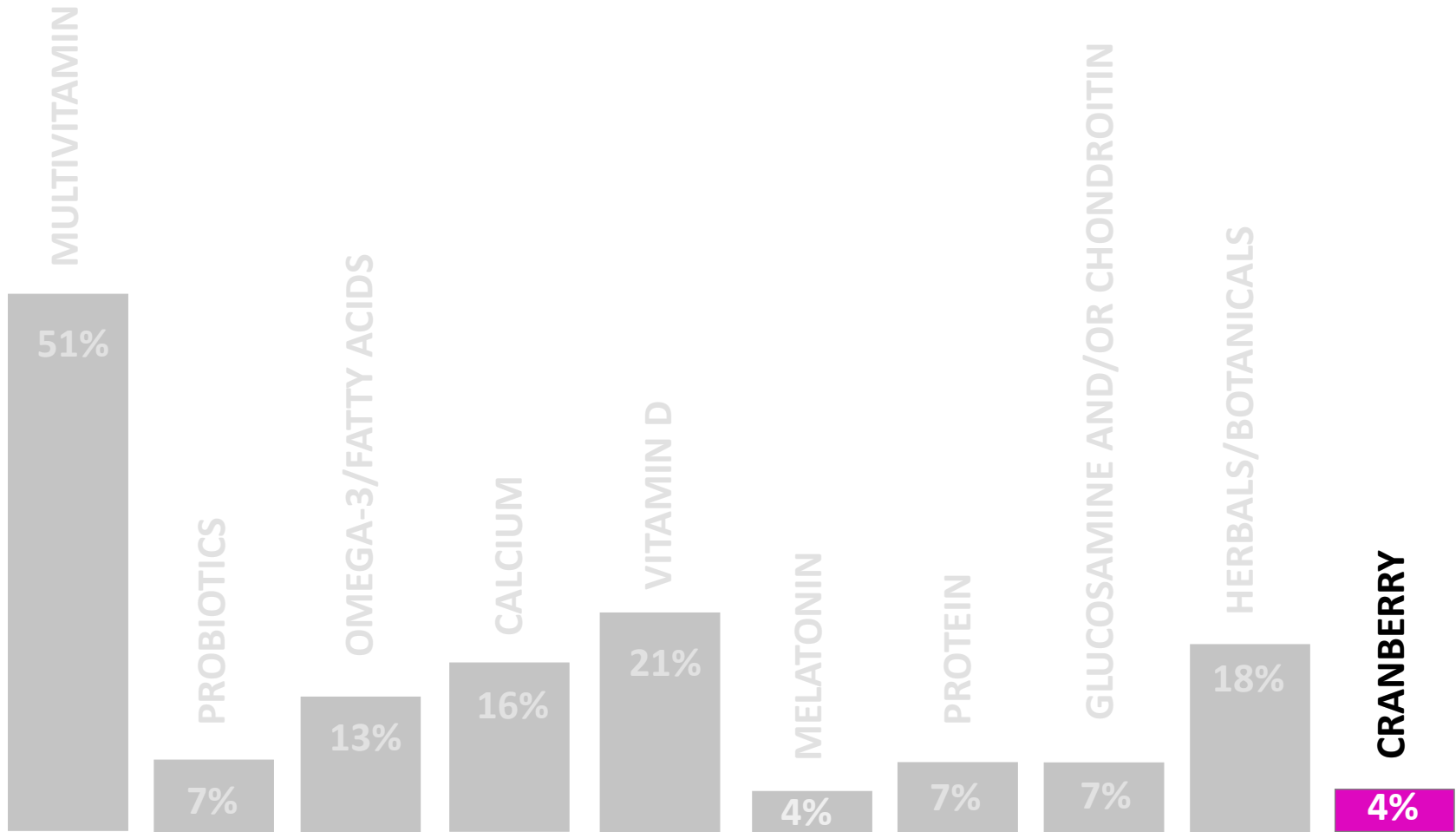


# Botanicals / Herbals – Things to Consider

- Diverse; Physiological action from mild to potent
  - Subtle long-term (chronic)
  - Dramatic, immediate (acute)
- Dependent on
  - Physiological activity/action
  - Dose / Dosing regimen
  - Chemical constituent(s), Extract?, Plant part(s)?, Geography?
  - Solvent(s)
  - Contaminant(s)
  - Adulterant(s)



# Cranberry – Who?





# Cranberry

## Overview

- *Vaccinium macrocarpos*; Family: Ericaceae
- Cranberry Juice; Cranberry Juice Extract
- Plant part: Berries
- Uses:
  - Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)
  - Neurogenic bladder
  - Urinary deodorizer with incontinence
  - Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH)



# Cranberry – Things to Consider

- Doesn't work for everyone...data on women with high risk for recurring UTI.
- Doesn't acidify urine or diminish bacteria.
- Acidity of Juice - increases GI problems
- Acidity of Juice – organoleptic problems
- Oxalates in Juice - can lead to stones.
- Drug interactions
  - Warfarin/Coumadin/Blood thinners



# Practical Extras



# How to Read a Supplement Label

Serving size is the manufacturer's suggested serving expressed in the appropriate unit (tablet, capsule, softgel, packet, teaspoonful).

Amount Per Serving heads the listing of nutrients contained in the supplement, followed by the quantity present in each serving.

International Unit (IU) is a standard unit of measure for fat soluble vitamins (A, D and E).

Milligram (mg) and microgram (mcg) are units of measurement for water soluble vitamins (C and B complex) and minerals. A milligram is equal to .001 grams. A microgram is equal to .001 milligrams.

The list of all ingredients includes nutrients and other ingredients used to formulate the supplement, in decreasing order by weight.

All supplements should be stored in a cool, dry place in their original containers, out of the reach of children and should be used before the expiration date to assure full potency.

## Supplement Facts

### Serving Size 1 tablet

Suggested Use: Adults, take one tablet per day with meal

Amount Per Serving	% Daily Value
Vitamin A 5000 I.U. 50% as Beta Carotene	100%
Vitamin C 250 mg	417%
Vitamin D 400 I.U.	100%
Vitamin E 200 I.U.	667%
Vitamin K 80 mcg	100%
Thiamin 5 mg	333%
Riboflavin 5 mg	294%
Niacin 20 mg	100%
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub> 5 mg	250%
Folic acid 400 mcg	100%
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> 6 mcg	100%
Biotin 150 mcg	50%
Pantothenic Acid 10 mg	100%
Calcium 200 mg	20%
Iron 18 mg	100%
Phosphorus 200 mg	20%
Iodine 150 mcg	100%
Selenium 35 mcg	50%
Magnesium 200 mg	50%
Zinc 15 mg	100%
Copper 2 mg	100%
Boron 150 mcg	*

\* Daily Value not established

**Ingredients:** vitamin A acetate, beta carotene, vitamin D, dl-alpha tocopherol acetate, ascorbic acid, thiamin mononitrate, riboflavin, niacinamide, pyridoxine hydrochloride, vitamin B12, biotin, d-calcium pantothenate, potassium chloride, dicalcium phosphate, potassium iodine, ferrous fumarate, magnesium oxide, copper sulfate, zinc oxide, manganese sulfate, sodium selenate, chromium chloride, sodium molybdate, microcrystalline cellulose, calcium carbonate, sodium carboxymethyl cellulose

**Storage:** Keep tightly closed in dry place; do not expose to excessive heat

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

Expiration date: JUN 2016

Company V, Cityville, New York 01010

Percent Daily Value (DV) tells what percentage of the recommended daily intake for each nutrient for adults and children ages 4 and up is provided by the supplement.

An asterisk under the "Percent Daily Value" heading indicates that a Daily Value is not established for that nutrient.

The manufacturer's or distributor's name and place of business or phone number are required to appear on the label.

[http://crnusa.org/about\\_label.html](http://crnusa.org/about_label.html)





# Proposed Labeling Changes

- FDA issued a proposed rule on changes to nutrition and supplement facts labeling
- Recommended daily intakes (RDIs) for many nutrients will change
- Units of measure will change (e.g., from IU to mg)

Nutrient	Current RDI	Proposed RDI
Calcium	1000 mg	1300 mg
Chloride	3400 mg	2300 mg
Vitamin E	30 IU	15 mg



# Tainted Products Marketed as Supplements

- May contain the active ingredients in FDA-approved drugs or their analogs, or other compounds, such as novel synthetic steroids.
- Labeled as “alternative to [drug]” or “alternative to [anabolic steroid]”
- Common categories:
  - Body Building
  - Sexual Enhancement
  - Weight Loss
- Tools: FDA RSS feed and e-mail alerts



# Helpful Resources



**Natural Standard**  
The Authority on Integrative Medicine

<https://naturalmedicines.therapeuticresearch.com/>

**NATURAL MEDICINES**  
COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE



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