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Patient: SAMPLE PATIENT

DOB: Sex: MRN:

#### Apo E

#### Apolipoprotein E: CHOLESTEROL REGULATION

#### Location:

Chromosome 19 **APOE** 

APO E2: cys / cys APO E3: cys / arg APO E4: arg / arg

Your Genotype:

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The two SNPs lead to 3 possible variants for each chromosome, known as ApoE2, E3, & E4.

Apolipoprotein E (Apo E) plays a key role in lipid metabolism by helping to remove dietary cholesterol (chylomicrons and VLDL) from the bloodstream.

#### **Health Implications**

- · This genotype is the most common (accounting for >50% of most populations) and is the genotype against which E2 and E4 are compared
- · APO E3 confers only a moderate tendency toward elevated total- and LDL cholesterol, and lower HDL-C
- · Risk is intermediate between E2 and E4 for atherosclerosis, myocardial infarction, stroke (in smokers), and osteoporosis

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Effects of cholesterol and dietary fat on serum cholesterol levels is least with the E2 allele and greatest with the E4 allele; thus, dietary fat restriction produces a moderate cholesterol response in E3/E3 individuals
- · Dietary fiber, fish oils, and exercise generally improve the lipid profile in this genotype
- · Alcohol appears to have a neutral effect on LDL-C
- · Avoid smoking, which increases risk of coronary heart disease in this genotype
- · E3/E3 individuals generally respond well to statins and would therefore likely respond to statin mimetics such as inositol hexaniacinate, red rice yeast, and policosanol
- · Hormone replacement therapy generally improves the lipid profile in all genotypes, including post-menopausal E3 carriers

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Neither chromosome carries the genetic variation.

One chromosome (of two) carries the genetic variation.
 Both chromosomes carry the genetic variation.

(You inherit one chromosome from each parent)

+ ♠ Gene activity increased+ ♦ Gene activity decreased



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## CYP1B1 Location: Chromosome 2 L432V Your Genotype:

### **Health Implications**

CYP1B1 is a Phase I detoxification enzyme responsible for the 4-hydroxylation of estrogen as well as the activation of environmental toxins such as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, PCBs, and aflatoxin B1.

Cytochrome p450 1B1: DETOXIFICATION

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· Hyper-induction of CYP1B1 upon exposure to its substrates or inducers

- · Increased production of 4-hydroxyestrogens and potentially carcinogenic compounds
- Tendency for lower 2:16±-hydroxyestrone ratio (higher risk of breast cancer)
- Increased risk of breast cancer, especially if xenobiotic exposure (e.g., PAHs), high body mass index, estrogen therapy >= 4 yrs, or coexisting CYP1A1 polymorphism (I462V)
- Possible increased risk of cancer of the ovary, uterus, prostate, and lung (esp. if exposed to second-hand smoke)

#### N453S Your Genotype:

#### **Treatment Options**

- Minimize exposure to xenobiotics (e.g., PAHs) and xenoestrogens (e.g., organochlorines), which increase CYP1B1 activity
- Maintain a diet rich in antioxidants (colorful fruits and vegetables), consider supplementation
- Consider redirecting estrogen metabolism away from 4-hydroxylation with cruciferous vegetables and/or agents such as indole 3-carbinol (I3C), diindolylmethane (DIM), fish oils, or rosemary
- Caution using long-term estrogen therapy, especially conjugated equine estrogens, which are preferentially 4-hydroxylated. Combined estrogen/progestin therapy produces the greatest breast density in carriers of the
- Carcinogen-induced DNA damage may be minimized by agents such as curcumin, black cohosh, genistein, and DHEA

#### *MTHFR*

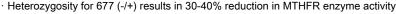
#### 5,10-methyltetrahydrofolate reductase: METHYLATION

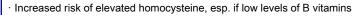
5,10-methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase (MTHFR) is a key enzyme in folate metabolism, facilitating the formation of methyltetrahydrofolate, a required cofactor in the remethylation of homocysteine (Hcy) to methionine.

Location: C677T

Chromosome 1 Your Genotype:

**Health Implications** 





Possible methylation impairment, including disrupted neurotransmitter metabolism and synthesis of DNA, carnitine and coenzyme Q10

· Increased risk of autism, depression, schizophrenia, neural tube defects, cardiovascular disease, essential hypertension, diabetic retinopathy, osteoporosis, and cancers of the stomach

· Low levels of vitamins B2, B6, B12, and/or folate often determines the risk of these associated disorders

#### **Treatment Options**

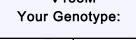
- Ensure adequate intake of folate-rich green vegetables
- · Consider supplementation with folic acid (or folinic acid or 5-methyltetrahydrofolate), vitamins B2, B3, B6 (pyridoxal 5-phosphate), B12 (or methylcobalamin), and betaine (trimethylglycine)

#### COMT

#### Catechol-O-MethylTransferase: METHYLATION

Location:

Chromosome 22.11q V158M



COMT is a key enzyme in the deactivation of catechol compounds such as catecholamines, estrogens, various chemicals, and toxins. COMT modulates the neurotransmitter functions of dopamine and norepinephrine.

#### **Health Implications:**

- · 3-4-fold reduction in COMT enzyme activity with increased bioavailability of catecholamines and impaired methylation of catechol estrogens
- · Increased risk of nervousness, anxiety, or panic disorder
- Increased risk of breast cancer, esp. when coupled with cumulative estrogen exposure
- · Reduced pain threshold and increased risk of fibromyalgia
- · Increased risk of acute coronary events if also high homocysteine or heavy coffee consumption; increased risk of hypertension, at least among men
- Increased fracture risk, esp. in men; deficient exercise has a greater adverse effect on bone density compared to other genotypes
- · In bipolar patients, more rapid switching between depressive to hypomanic episodes

#### **Treatment Options:**

- · Ensure adequate B6, B12, folate, magnesium, betaine, and methionine to support formation of S-adenosylmethionine and prevent elevated homocysteine; S-adenosylhomocysteine inhibits COMT activity
- · Ensure adequate anti-oxidants to prevent oxidation of dopamine and pro-carcinogenic 4-hydroxyestrogens
- · Caution using amphetamine-based medications, avoid chronic stress
- Exercise caution using MAO inhibitors, tricyclics, or stimulants including Ritalin®, in bipolar disorder patients
- · Inferior anti-depressant response to mirtazapine (Remeron®) or paroxetine (Paxil®)
- · Parkinson's patients may respond to lower doses of levodopa and benefit from vitamin B6

# Location: Chromosome 6 -308G-A Your Genotype:

TNF-α

#### Tumor Necrosis Factor-alpha: INFLAMMATION

TNF- $\alpha$  is a pro-inflammatory cytokine secreted from activated macrophages that plays an important role in host defense. Excessive TNF- $\alpha$  release can lead to inflammatory reactions and oxidative stress.

#### **Health Implications**

- · Decreased production of TNF-α, decreased inflammatory tendency and oxidative stress
- · Decreased risk of autoimmune disease, osteoporosis, insulin resistance
- · May be associated with increased risk of some cancers because of TNF-α's anti-neoplastic properties

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Risk of inflammatory disorders is minimal
- · Diet and lifestyle associated with minimizing cancer risks is prudent

## Location: Chromosome 7 -174G - C Your Genotype:

IL-6

#### InterLeukin-6: INFLAMMATION

IL-6 is a TH-2 cytokine that promotes maturation of antibody-producing B-cells. IL-6 mediates inflammatory and stress-induced responses.

#### **Health Implications**

- · Reduced IL-6 production and risk of inflammatory responses
- · Paradoxical increased risk of elevated C-reactive protein or fibrinogen
- $\cdot$  Increased risk of insulin resistance and/or higher body mass index
- · Increased risk of Type II diabetes in obese individuals and those with TNFa SNP

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Reduce any visceral obesity; improve insulin sensitivity
- · Minimize intake of refined carbohydrates
- · Avoid trans fats, ensure adequate intake of  $\Omega$ -3 fatty acids

#### Vitamin D Receptor: HORMONAL BONE FORMATION VDRVDR is an intracellular hormone receptor that specifically binds the active form of vitamin D and interacts with target-cell nuclei to produce effects. Location: Chromosome 12 **Health Implications Bsml RFLP** · Slight impairment of vitamin D receptor with resistance to vitamin D3 Your Genotype: · Slightly increased risk of impaired calcium absorption, increased bone loss, lower bone mineral density, and enhanced bone lead accumulation · Moderately reduced risk of prostate cancer **Treatment Options** · Carriers of the (+) allele benefit from vitamin D supplementation · Ensure adequate calcium (Ca) intake; studies suggest minimum of 900 mg/day · Vitamin K may help to compensate for the higher risk of bone loss · Caffeine intake >300 mg/day may accelerate bone loss, especially when low calcium intake · Favorable bone response to etidronate and raloxifene and HRT

#### CYP1A1

#### Cytochrome p450 1A1: DETOXIFICATION

aromatic hydrocarbons (often activating them to carcinogens) but is also responsible for the 2-hydroxylation of

Cytochrome P450 1A1 (CYP1A1) is a Phase I detoxification enzyme found in extrahepatic tissues such as intestine, lung, skin, lymphocytes and placenta. CYP1A1 primarily metabolizes carcinogens such as polycyclic

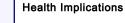
Location:

Chromosome 15
\*2A (MSPI)

Your Genotype:



\*2C (I462V) Your Genotype:



estrogen.

- · Baseline "normal" CYP1A1 enzyme activity
- · "Normal" degree of procarcinogen activation upon exposures to substrates

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Regardless of CYP1A1 genotype, it is recommended to minimize exposure to CYP1A1 inducers such as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (e.g. cigarette smoke and well-done meats), heterocyclic amines (e.g., fried meat), PCBs (e.g., contaminated fish or waste), and dioxins (e.g., contaminated meats, fish and dairy, chlorine bleaching, PVC plastics, incineration)
- $\cdot$  Maintain a diet rich in antioxidants (colorful fruits and vegetables)

#### GSTM1

#### Location:

Chromosome 1

Your Genotype:

#### **ABSENT**

The GSTM1 gene is either PRESENT or ABSENT (also called Null). If either copy is present, it is termed PRESENT. If both copies are absent, it is termed ABSENT.

#### Glutathione S-Transferase mu-1: DETOXIFICATION

GST is responsible for Phase II detoxification of xenobiotics, carcinogens, and products of oxidative stress. GSTM1 is located primarily in the liver.

#### Health Implications

- · GSTM1 enzyme activity is absent, with reduced detoxification capacity
- Increased risk of toxic burden, oxidative stress, atopic asthma, lung problems, cancer, chemical sensitivity, and coronary artery disease
- · Decreased risk of cancer, only with high intake of cruciferous vegetables

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Eat cruciferous vegetables and allium foods to reduce cancer risk
- $\cdot$  Eat a diet rich in antioxidants (colorful foods), consider supplementation
- · Ensure availability of glutathione precursors and cofactors
- $\cdot$  Limit glutathione depletion with  $\alpha\text{-lipoic}$  acid, milk thistle, or taurine
- · Minimize exposure to xenobiotics, including PAHs and toxic metals

#### GSTP1 Glutathione S-Transferase pi-1: DETOXIFICATION GST is responsible for Phase II detoxification of xenobiotics, carcinogens, steroids, heavy metals, and Location: products of oxidative stress. GSTP1 is located primarily in the brain and lungs. Chromosome 11 A114V **Health Implications** Your Genotype: Polymorphisms are associated with either higher or lower enzyme activity, depending on specific environmenta exposures; therefore, the (-/-) genotype may still increase risk for some disorders. The I105V snp is the more · The I105V genotype (-/-) is associated with slightly increased risk of some cancers (especially if exposed 1105V to cigarette smoke), also atopy, xenobiotic-induced asthma, and COPD Your Genotype: **Treatment Options** · Ensure availability of glutathione precursors and cofactors, e.g., methionine-rich foods, NAC, L-glutamine, glycine, Mg, B6 · Eat a diet rich in antioxidants (colorful foods), consider supplementation Minimize exposure to xenobiotics, including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (e.g., cigarette smoke) and toxic metals

#### GP3A PL(A)Platelet Glycoprotein IIIa: COAGULATION GP3A is a protein component of the platelet fibrinogen receptor IIbIIIa, playing a pivotal role in platelet Location: aggregation and thrombus formation. Chromosome 17 PL(A1)/ PL(A2) **Health Implications** Your Genotype: · Decreased platelet aggregability and decreased risk of clot formation · Greater risk of perioperative bleeding due to longer bleeding time **Treatment Options A1** · Aspirin and oral platelet antagonists are most effective in this genotype The GP3A polymorphism is a · This genotype may be less sensitive to platelet - inhibiting effects of estrogen L33P change that results from the substitution of cytosine for thymidine at position 1565. Clinical studies commonly refer to this change as PL(A1) -> PL(A2).

#### PAI-1

#### Location:

Chromosome 7
Del/Ins (4G/5G)
Your Genotype:





The PAI-1 polymorphism represents a single base-pair guanine (hence 5G->4G) in the promoter region. 5G is the norm and 4G is the variant or polymorphism.

#### Plasminogen Activation Inhibitor-1: COAGULATION

PAI-1, present in platelets and vascular endothelium, decreases activation of plasminogen, inhibiting fibrinolytic activity and increasing clots.

#### **Health Implications**

- · Higher PAI-1 levels and moderately increased risk of thrombosis
- · Possible increased risk of periodontitis, asthma and allergic disease, and PCOS
- · Slightly increased risk of obesity, especially in post-menopausal women

#### **Treatment Options**

- · Evaluate insulin resistance; thiazolidinediones and metformin tend to reduce PAI-1
- · PAI-1 is reduced by weight reduction and regular exercise
- · Avoid smoking, which increases PAI-1 and risk of restenosis
- · Minimize stressors, high intake of saturated fat, and alcohol
- ARBs reduce PAI-1 levels and ACE inhibitors are particularly effective in hypertensive patients with genotype
- · Hormone therapy and DHEA supplementation reduces PAI-1, decreasing clots post-menopausally
- · Nattokinase dissolves fibrin and inactivates PAI-1

# Location: Chromosome 11 G20210A Your Genotype: Health Implications No increased risk of venous thromboembolism Treatment Options None indicated Factor II (Prothrombin): COAGULATION Factor II is also known as prothrombin, which is converted to its active form, thrombin, and forms the essential part of a blood clot. Health Implications Normal levels of prothrombin No increased risk of venous thromboembolism Treatment Options

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#### Factor V (Leiden): COAGULATION FACTOR V Factor V combines with Factor X to convert prothrombin to thrombin, the essential part of a blood clot. Factor Va is held in check by Protein C. Location: Chromosome 1 **Health Implications** R506Q · Elevated levels of thrombin; 7-fold increased risk of clot formation Your Genotype: · Increased chance of heart attack and atherosclerosis · Increased risk of miscarriage, pre-eclampsia, and placental abruption **Treatment Options** · Avoid oral contraceptives; risk of DVT increases 35-fold · Avoid oral HRT, smoking, high homocysteine · Platelet activation inhibitors include: fish oils, garlic, onions, ginger, ginkgo biloba, thyme, rosemary, genistein, and aspirin · Glycyrrhizin (licorice) inhibits conversion of prothrombin to thrombin · Exercise caution with hypertension

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