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INTEGRATIVE MEDICINE						
URINE, SPOT		Result	Range	Units		
Intermediate Neurotra	nsmitter Profile					
Glycine, Urine		<i>77.0</i> *L	91.0 - 246	mmol/molC		
Inhibitory Neurotransn	nitters					
SEROTONIN Urine		<i>124.8</i> *L	137.7 - 215.8	ug/gCR		
GABA, Urine		300.0	197.0 - 311.0	ug/gCR	•	
Excitatory Neurotansm	nitters					
GLUTAMATE Urine		<i>3543.0</i> *H	1669.0 - 2651.	ug/gCR		•
Histamine, Urine		<i>82.0</i> *H	12.4 - 20.5	ug/gCR		•
PhenylEthylamine Pl	EA	<i>30.4</i> *H	3.7 - 10.8	ug/gCR		•
DOPAMINE, Urine		<14.0 *L	257.0 - 395.0	ug/gCR		
NORADRENALIN (No	or-Epinephrine)	<i>2.4</i> *L	16.7 - 30.6	ug/gCR		
ADRENALIN (Epinep	hrine)	<i>0.2</i> *L	2.3 - 5.4	ug/gCR		
Adrenal Adaptation Inc	dex					
Noradrenalin/Adrenalin Ratio		12.0	2.9 - 25.2	RATIO	•	
Optimal Ranges Table						
Biomarker	Adult O	ptimal Ra	ange (>11 )	ľrs)		
Serotonin	100 - 215	ug/gCr				
GABA	400 - 600					
Glycine	61 - 159	ug/gCr				
Glutamate	2520 - 370	0 ug/gCr				
Histamine	5.2 - 15.					
PEA	5.3 - 16.					
DOPAMINE	200 - 330					
Noradrenaline	18.5 - 25.					
Adrenaline	1.4 - 4.2	ug/gCr				

There are multiple factors that play roles in neurotransmitter levels (Lifestyle, receptors, meds, supplements, diet, stress, etc). The optimal reference ranges stated above have been determined/derived statistically from historical patient data. Historically, these levels were achieved in the majority of patients as they experienced symptom relief or improvement.

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**CORRELATIONS TO QUESTIONNAIRE** 

The following section is designed to give you an analysis of neurotransmitter and adrenal hormone values and an observation of how they affect one another. This approach targets the underlying cause of chronic symptoms by addressing the root imbalance. In this section, we will observe trends in the lab values, correlating those with the symptoms that were marked by the patient in the questionnaire.

## ADRENAL INFLUENCES

Although the patient chose to only test neurotransmitter levels, an adrenal panel is suggested should any of the following symptoms arise: allergies, symptoms of hypoglycemia (shakiness when a meal is skipped), decreased stamina, fatigue, insulin resistance (sugar cravings, fatigue, abdominal weight gain, poor sleep), decreased libido, stress, salt cravings, which are all related to low adrenal function.

INHIBITORY NEUROTRANSMITTERS

EXCITATORY NEUROTRANSMITTERS

Retesting is an important part of this process. NT levels need to be monitored. Retesting for this patient is recommended in 9 weeks.

Additional Recommendations

\* It is recommended that all patients on a program to balance HPA axis function should also supplement with B complex, a multi-mineral and multi-vitamin as well as EPA/DHA.

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Lab Comments INHIBITORY NEUROTRANSMITTERS SEROTONIN Serotonin is lower than the reference range. Serotonin has calming effects and contributes to the feelings of well-being. Serotonin elevates mood, decreases anxiety, appetite, and libido, improves sleep and memory, eases depression, and helps regulate body temperature. Most of serotonin in the human body is produced in the gastrointestinal tract, where it stimulates gut motility. Research shows that urinary serotonin levels are reduced in patients with depression (Nichkova et al., 2012). Clinically, low serotonin is associated with anxiety, depression, changes in appetite, cravings, excessive worry, heightened sensitivity to pain, hot flashes, hunger, low mood, migraine, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, sleep disturbances, and worsened PMS symptoms. THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS: When serotonin is low, supplementation with cofactors to promote biosynthesis (e.g.

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vitamin B6), precursors (tryptophan/5-HTP), L-theanine, and probiotics may be helpful (Patterson et al., 2014;Pamela Wartian Smith, 2008;Strasser et al., 2016). Additionally, lifestyle modifications, such as regular exposure to bright light, healthy diet, sufficient exercise, and positive self-talk are all effective strategies that result in increased serotonin levels (Young, 2007).

## GABA

GABA is within the reference range for children.

The brain's major inhibitory neurotransmitter GABA functions as the off switch in the brain. GABA is essential to limiting excitation so that input signals are balanced and not overdone. GABA prevents anxiety, improves mood, promotes sleep, lowers blood pressure, acts as a muscle relaxant, aids in formation and storage of fear memories, increases insulin secretion and decreases blood glucose levels. o be

# EXCITATORY NEUROTRANSMITTERS

GLUTAMATE

Glutamate is elevated.

The brain's major excitatory neurotransmitter glutamate (also known as glutamic acid) functions as the "on" switch in the brain. Glutamate regulates appetite, thinking (cognition), increases gut motility, optimizes learning, modulates memory, improves libido,

decreases sleep and contributes to oxidative stress. Chronic stress maintains high levels of glutamate in the brain which may lead to

excitotoxicity and even neuronal damage (Gold, 2015; Popoli et al., 2012). Research shows that urinary glutamate levels are high in patients with celiac disease (MARKO et al., 1960) and with hyperthyroidism (Belanger et al., 1972). Clinically, high glutamate is suspected in anxiety, autism, bipolar disorder, depression, and impulsivity, inability to focus (racing thoughts), obsessive compulsive disorder, panic attacks, sleep difficulties, and stroke.

# THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

GABA, L-theanine, and taurine may be beneficial to counter glutamate actions. Vitamin E and N-Acetyl Cysteine (NAC) may be used to combat oxidative damage. Cofactor supplementation with vitamins B3 and B6, and magnesium and NAC may aid with glutamate metabolism.

# HISTAMINE

Histamine is elevated.

Histamine plays a dual role in the body as a neurotransmitter and a modulator of the immune system that has anti-pain properties, plays a neuroprotective role in the brain, and contributes to optimal maintenance of cognition and memory. Histamine stimulates wakefulness and decreases sleep, stimulates gastric acid production, increases metabolism, suppresses appetite, and prevents weight gain.

Histamine is a potent vasodilator and a pro-inflammatory agent. Research shows that urinary histamine is high in patients with burns (Johansson et al., 2012), flushing disorder (Myers et al., 1981), food allergies (Raithel et al., 2015), cystitis (el-Mansoury et al., 1994), polycythemia (Horakova et al., 1977), and pregnancy (Harrison et al., 1974). Clinically, high histamine levels are implicated in allergies, depression, headaches, migraines, OCD, schizophrenia, sensitivity to chemicals, and sleep difficulties. THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

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Therapeutic strategies to reduce histamine levels may involve antihistamines and a low histamine diet.

High histamine foods include but are not limited to beer, champagne, aged cheeses, eggplant, canned fish, fermented meat, red and white wine, sauerkraut, and spinach (Maintz and Novak, 2007). Additionally, flavonoids (green tea extract, quercetin, grape seed extract, gingko biloba, be citrus bioflavonoids, bilberry extract, hawthorn extract) may be beneficial to ease the symptoms of high histamine (Murray et al., 2005).

PEA

PEA is elevated.

PEA, also known as phenethylamine, promotes energy, elevates mood, and regulates attention. PEA also contributes to aggression, serves as a biomarker for ADHD, and prolongs the signaling of dopamine, norepinephrine, and serotonin. Urinary PEA levels increase after amphetamine use (Kusaga et al., 2002;Zametkin et al., 1984), exercise (Szabo et al., 2001), and in the following disorders: bipolar disorder (Karoum et al., 1982), phenylketonuria (Reynolds et al., 1978), schizophrenia (O'Reilly and Davis, 1994), postpartum period (Taylor et al., 1996), and in severe anxiety and insomnia (DeLisi et al., 1984). High PEA is suspected in the etiology of anxiety, inflammation, inability to focus (racing thoughts), sleep difficulties, and toxicity.

THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Methylation cofactor support to aid metabolism may be beneficial.

#### DOPAMINE

Dopamine is lower than the reference range.

Dopamine improves attention, focus, and motivation, helps with decision making, modulates movement control, promotes lactation, increases blood pressure, urine output and sodium excretion, and allows for feelings of reward and pleasure. Additionally, the quest for dopamine stimulation plays a central role in the etiology of addiction. Dopamine also serves as the parent precursor to norepinephrine and epinephrine. Research shows that urinary dopamine levels are reduced in patients with Alzheimer's disease

(Liu et al., 2011), anorexia nervosa (Van Binsbergen et al., 1991), anxiety with depression (Field et al., 2010), fibromyalgia (Riva et al., 2012), and periodic limb movement disorder (Cohrs et al., 2004). Clinically, low dopamine is implicated in addiction, apathy, cravings, depression, fatigue, impulse control issues, increased sensitivity to pain, low libido, low mood, memory issues, sleep disturbances, and weight control issues.

THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Supplementation with precursors (tyrosine or L-DOPA) and/or cofactors (iron, vitamin B6, tetrahydrofolate) to promote biosynthesis may be beneficial.

# NOREPINEPHRINE

Norepinephrine is lower than the reference range.

Norepinephrine functions both as a neurotransmitter and a hormone, participating in the body's fight or flight response. Norepinephrine increases alertness, focuses attention, fine-tunes vigilance, increases blood pressure, heart rate, and blood glucose, reduces digestive activity, pain and sleep, prevents bladder emptying, and regulates body temperature. The adrenal gland produces approximately 20% of norepinephrine with 80% produced by the sympathetic nerve fibers. Research shows that urinary

norepinephrine is reduced in patients with Alzheimer's disease. Clinically, low

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norepinephrine is implicated in anorexia, attention impairment, depression, fatigue, hypotension, lack of motivation, lethargy, low mood, memory issues, slow pulse rate, and weight issues.

THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Precursor supplementation with tyrosine or phenylalanine, or cofactor support with ascorbic acid, iron, tetrahydrofolate, and vitamin B6 may be beneficial.

## EPINEPHRINE

Epinephrine is lower than the reference range.

Epinephrine functions both as a neurotransmitter and a hormone, participating in the body's fight or flight response. Epinephrine increases alertness, focuses attention, fine-tunes vigilance, increases blood pressure, heart rate, and blood glucose, reduces digestive activity, pain and sleep, prevents bladder emptying, and regulates body temperature. Approximately 80% of peripheral catecholamine output by the adrenal glands accounts for epinephrine. Research shows that urine epinephrine is decreased in Alzheimer's disease (Liu et al., 2011), metabolic syndrome (Landsberg et al., 1991), and obesity (Landsberg et al., 1991). Clinically, low epinephrine is implicated in attention impairment, chronic stress, depression, dizziness, chronic fatigue, hypotension, low mood and libido, and memory issues. THERAPEUTIC CONSIDERATIONS:

Adrenal support may be beneficial to increase epinephrine levels.

Creatinine, Urine Spot. 11.3 8.0 - 19.0 mmol/L

Tests ordered: INEUM (\*) Result outside normal reference range

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