Artery Clear Nutrients Include:

Choline 90 mg

Choline is an emulsifer that helps release plaque fats from sticking. It works with lecithin to help fats flow and be eliminated through the liver and gallbladder. It is also the prime ingredient of phosphatidylcholine, the active ingredient in lecithin that works wonders (below).

EDTA 450 mg

EDTA has a 50-year history of extensive government and clinical use in removing heavy elements including calcium in arterial plaque! It becomes even more effective after the plaque has been loosened up by the other nutrients we include. It called a "chelator" because it "binds to" heavy metals and calcium, taking them to the liver to be eliminated. (The calcium, in the form it comes with, is actually released separately for the body to use for good purposes.)

Garlic Extract 300 mg

The UCLA Medical Center confirmed the power of garlic extracts to help prevent heart disease. Patients showed only about one-third as much vascular calcification (plaque) - as well as reduced cholesterol (also why it is included in our Cholesterol Balance).

Scientists presented research at the American Heart Association meeting in Washington, DC that showed that garlic not only reduces calcification of the arteries but also reduces plaque formation by up to 40% - and can even dissolve existing plaque by 25%. It also helps make cholesterol and blood less "sticky" so helping the release of plaque from the arterial walls. These are incredible number in addition to all the other good things garlic does (and why we include it in our Ultimate Foundation multi-vitimins).

Grapefruit Pectin 1,200 mg

Fiber has been well known for years to be able to help reduce cholesterol absorption and production. It helps the liver to release bile into the gall bladder and then into the small intestines. The liver can then removes more cholesterol from the blood through its LDL receptors. When this is combined with a fiber like grapefruit, the bile (with cholesterol) is unable to be re-absorbed and is removed with the stool.

Then, Dr. James J. Cerda, of the University of Florida Medical College, made an incredible discovery about grapefruit pectin and guar gum! Not surprisingly, experimental control groups had reduced cholesterol levels of about 10%. This was to be expected as fiber helps to keep cholesterol levels from increasing. However, when arteries were examined, they were amazed to find that they showed an average narrowing of the coronary artery of 45%! The University tests showed it to be a very effective plaque reducer! It is not surprising that we would want to include it in our plaque reducing formula!

Guar Gum 850 mg

Guar gum is included in the clinical studies above and supports grapefruit pectin as an effective plaque remover - especially 'soft' plaque! Other studies have shown it also increases intercellular adhesion (repair) of damaged arteries. It increases the antioxidant proteins thereby decreasing oxidative stress induced arterial injury. (In other words, it also helps protect the arteries while plaque is being removed.)

Lecithin Complex 1,000 mg

This is a key nutrient because of its particular relationship to cholesterol. Lecithin is a lipid fat that can emulsify to water! This is very important because it helps arterial cholesterol fats dissolve in water so they can be removed from the body. Cholesterol has a much higher melting point than your body temperature. Basically, this means that there is a wad of waxy cholesterol stuck to your arteries that will be hard to remove unless it is liquefied. Canadian research, confirmed by Boston University, found that cholesterol becomes soluble in your body only when enough lecithin is present! Lecithin increases the liquidity of cholesterol for easier removal. That is also why the (lecithin) fat portion of the good HDLs has almost twice as much lecithin as LDLs.

L-Lysine 200 mg

Lysine helps release the #1 nasty component of arterial plaque, the Lp(a) form of cholesterol. This is the stickiest form of cholesterol. L-lysine is a lipotrophic, which means that it has a high affinity for fats - lipid fats. Lysine prevent and loosen Lp(a) from sticking to the arterial lining by attaching to the lysine binding sites exposed by the damaged arteries. Lysine, combined with L-Proline, goes even further by binding directly to the Lp(a) molecules, helping remove them and preventing them from depositing more plaque.

We'll also see Proline in Artery Restore because it is a precursor to hydroxyproline, which is essential in collagen production - especially tissue repair. However, it is included here because of its action with Lysine in binding to LP(a) cholesterol in plaque, helping remove them.

Pantethine 110 mg

Pantethine is the biologically active form of pantothenic acid (vitamin B5). It causes the liver to pull LDL out of the bloodstream. The result is that pantethine can considerably lower total cholesterol, LDL cholesterol and, especially, triglycerides.

However, we include it in Artery Clear because it is one of the few nutrients that can also raise good HDL cholesterol! The HDL level is very important to clearing arteries because HDLs help the attachment to plaque and carries plaque and cholesterol out of the bloodstream. Pantethine has been an approved pharmaceutical for 30 years in Japan for the purpose of increasing HDL - however it is expensive so most formulas don't include it.

Vitamin C 900 mg

Studies by Dr. Duguid showed increased levels of vitamin C causes atherosclerotic plaque deposits to dissolve. Dr. Willis, at Queen Mary Veterans' and St. Anne's Hospital confirmed these results. Plaque deposits in the patients who were getting large amounts of vitamin C actually decreased in 30% of the cases. (This was the first time in history that any treatment had demonstrated a reversal in the growth of artery plaque!)

Later studies indicated that vitamin C does this by being involved in the chelation of the calcium ions in the plaque deposits. Thus, it compliments lecithin - which is helping dissolve the cholesterol aspect of plaque.