

# Nutraceuticals and Medicine Conference

Exploring the role nutraceuticals, exercise and other factors play in achieving and maintaining optimal health.



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## **SESSION DESCRIPTIONS**

SESSION 1:

## The Power of the Plant: How Fruits and Vegetables Work as Nutraceuticals and Supplements



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Plants are a rich source of nutraceuticals/

supplements/phytonutrients. There are many industries, health care systems and academic activities involved in their use and promotion. However, many of these key players are peripherally involved in the science and policy behind their production, processing and utilization. Here we will explore some key concepts related to the science and innovative strategies on the use of plants and their bioactive compounds for promoting human health and to fight chronic diseases.

SESSION 2:

## Effects of Flavonoid-Rich Foods on Cognitive Function and Mood in Healthy Children, Young Adults and Older Adults



Claire Williams, PhD, RD Professor of Neuroscience University of Reading Southampton, United Kingdom

Representing one of the most important

lifestyle factors, diet can strongly influence the incidence of cardiovascular disease and neurodegenerative diseases. Recent dietary intervention studies, in particular those using wine, tea, cocoa or blueberries, have begun to demonstrate beneficial effects on the function of blood vessels and on mental performance (cognition). While such foods and beverages differ greatly in chemical composition, nutrient content and calories per serving, they have in common that they are amongst the major dietary sources of flavonoids. Our laboratory investigates the effects of flavonoid-rich foods on cognitive function in different populations across the age range, as well as potential mechanisms of action. We have shown that children, young and older adults supplemented with flavonoid-rich blueberries show improvements in performance on a number of memory and attention-based tasks, as well as increased blood flow to areas of the brain associated with cognition. Improvements in mood following blueberry supplementation have also been seen. These results demonstrate how important a flavonoid-rich diet may be for cognitive and mental health.

SESSION 3:

# The End of Diabetes (type 2) and Heart Disease



**Joel Fuhrman, MD**Dr. Fuhrman Wellness Center
Flemington, NJ

In this session, Dr. Fuhrman confronts the conventional treatment of heart disease and diabetes

and makes the case that we can prevent and reverse almost all cases of these



conditions. Proper nutrition, not more medical care, can save lives. Dr. Fuhrman explains the futility of modern medical treatments and the effectiveness, simplicity, and necessity of a diet high in micronutrients for the reversal of disease. Application of these principles can enable patients to reduce and eventually eliminate blood pressure and oral diabetic medications. The foods highest in nutrients turn our bodies into the miraculous, self-healing machines they can be, which results in significant weight loss, improved health, and, ultimately, the end of type 2 diabetes and heart disease.

SESSION 4:

## Gut Microbiome Changes Induced by a Diet Rich in Fruits and Vegetables



Marie van der Merwe, PhD Assistant Professor School of Health Studies University of Memphis Memphis, TN

Habitual dietary intake is a major determinant

of the structure and activity of trillions of microorganisms residing in the human gut. It influences which microbes will colonize, flourish or disappear throughout life. An increase in polyphenols, oligosaccharides and fiber – which are all components found in a fruit and vegetable-rich diet – have long been associated with decreased risk of chronic diseases. Many of the benefits induced by this type of diet result from the interaction of these dietary components with the gut microbiome, where they selectively enrich specific microbial species and increase microbial diversity.

SESSION 5:

# Childhood Obesity and the Role of Carotenoids



Jose Atilio Canas, MD Division Chief Pediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital St. Petersburg, FL

Dysmetabolic obesity during childhood and adolescence currently represents the greatest therapeutic challenge for healthcare systems worldwide. The global rates of obesity have more than doubled in the last 30 years. Based on a recent metaanalysis from national surveys and food composition studies, there is an inverse association between inadequate levels of carotenoids and the prevalence of metabolic syndrome in the general population, independent of serum retinol (vitamin A) levels. This session will present recent data on two double-blind randomized placebo-controlled studies describing the effects of mixed carotenoid supplementation on adipokines, insulin resistance and the rate of accrual of subcutaneous abdominal fat in young children. We will discuss the role of carotenoids and their conversion products (retinoids) in adipogenesis, lipolysis insulin resistance and the pathophysiology of the metabolic syndrome and review animal studies, which support our findings.

#### **Schedule**

6:30 AM - 7:30 AM	Registration and Breakfast
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Session 1: The Power of the Plant: How Fruits and Vegetables Work as Nutraceuticals and Supplements
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Session 2: Effects of Flavonoid-Rich Foods on Cognitive Function and Mood in Healthy Children, Young Adults and Older Adults
9:30 AM - 9:45 AM	Break
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	Session 3: The End of Diabetes (type 2) and Heart Disease
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM	Session 4: Gut Microbiome Changes Induced by a Diet Rich in Fruits and Vegetables
11:45 AM - 12:00 PM	Break
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Session 5: Childhood Obesity and the Role of Carotenoids

## **Registration and Conference Information**

REGISTRATION	PRICING	LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  Complimentary*
Early Registration Register on or before September 17, 2019	\$149	
Regular Registration  Register on or after Sentember 18, 2019	\$199	Complimentary*

Registration to the 2019 Nutraceuticals and Medicine Conference provides an attendee complimentary registration to the Juice Plus+ Fall Leadership Conference (October 18-20, 2019)

## **Important Deadlines**

Early Registration Ends on: **September 17, 2019**Regular Registration Begins on: **September 18, 2019** 

Conference Date: October 17, 2019

### **Continuing Education**

Participants may earn up to the following continuing education (CE) hours:

- Physicians: 5 CME credits
- Nurses: 5 contact hours
- Registered Dieticians:5 continuing educational hours
- Pharmacists: 5 continuing educational hours
- Dentists: 5 continuing educational hours

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