In article <noringC5snsx.KMo@netcom.com>, noring@netcom.com (Jon Noring) writes:

>In article rind@enterprise.bih.harvard.edu (David Rind) writes:

>>In article davpa@ida.liu.se (David Partain) writes:

>>>Someone I know has recently been diagnosed as having Candida Albicans,

>>>a disease about which I can find no information. Apparently it has something

>>>to do with the body's production of yeast while at the same time being highly

>>>allergic to yeast. Can anyone out there tell me any more about it?

I have a lot of info about this disease. I am posting a small amount of

it that I extracted. If more is required, e-mail me @

Is8139@gemini.albany.edu. Please, it takes me some time to upload it, so

be advised, only request it if you \*really\* want it.

here is some info from InfoTrac - Health Reference Center

Also, check you local of univeristy library. They most likely have the

InfoTrac cd-rom this info was taken from.....

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Heading: CANDIDA ALBICANS

!Dictionary Definition

1. Mosby's Medical and Nursing Dictionary, 2nd edition

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A common, budding, yeastlike, microscopic fungal

Candida albicans

organism normally present in the mucous membranes of the mouth, intestinal tract, and vagina and on the skin of healthy people. Under certain circumstances, it may

cause superficial infections of the mouth or vagina

and, less commonly, serious invasive systemic infection

and toxic reaction. See also candidiasis.

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1. Yogurt cure for Candida. (acidophilus) il v22 East

West Natural Health July-August '92 p17(1)

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Another folk remedy receives the blessing of medical study.

Researchers have found that eating a cup of yogurt a day drastically reduces a woman's chances of getting vaginal candida, a yeast infection.

For the year-long study, researchers at Long Island Jewish Medical

Center in New Hyde Park, New York, recruited 13 women who suffered from

chronic yeast infections. For the first 6 months, the women each day ate

8 ounces of yogurt containing Lactobacillus acidophilus. For the second

6 months, the women did not eat yogurt. The researchers examined the

women each month and found that incidents of colonization and infection

were significantly lower during the period when the women ate yogurt.

The fungus Candida albicans can live in the body without doing harm.

It is an overproliferation of the fungus that leads to infection. The

researchers concluded that the L. acidophilus bacteria found in some

brands of yogurt retard overgrowth of the fungus. Streptococcus

thermophilus and L. bulgaricus are the two bacteria most commonly used

in commercial yogurt production. Neither one appears to exert a

protective effect against Candida albicans, however. Women who want to

try yogurt as a preventive measure should choose a brand that lists

acidophilus in its contents.

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1. Candida (Monilia). (Infections Caused by Fungi)

(Infectious Diseases) by Harold C. Neu The Columbia

Univ. Coll. of Physicians & Surgeons Complete Home

Medical Guide Edition 2 '89 p472(1)

COPYRIGHT Crown Publishers Inc. 1989

Candida (Monilia)

This disease is usually caused by Candida albicans, a fungus that we all carry at one time or another. In some circumstances, though, the organisms proliferate, producing symptomatic infection of the mouth, intestines, vagina, or skin. When the mouth or vagina are infected, the disease is commonly called thrush.

Vaginitis caused by Candida often afflicts women on birth control pills or antibiotics. There is itching and a white, cheesy discharge.

Among narcotic addicts, Candida infections can lead to heart valve inflammation.

Diagnosis of Candida infections is confirmed by cultures and blood tests. Treatment can be with amphotericin B or orally with ketoconazole. There is no evidence that Candida in the intestine of normal individuals leads to disease. All people at one time or another have Candida in their intestines. Claims for any benefit from special diets or chronic antifungal agents is not based on any solid evidence.

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I hope this is informative.

Larry

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