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USE OF PEPTIDE BASED FORMULATIONS FOR OPTIMIZING ENTERAL NUTRITION DELIVERY, GI TOLERANCE, AND METABOLIC MANAGEMENT



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Objectives

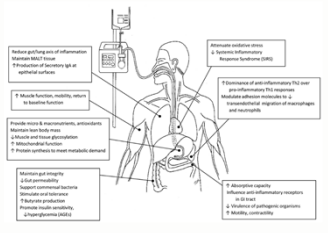
- › Explain the mechanism of action with peptides as part of a specialized enteral nutrition regimen.
- › Identify the role of peptides in the compromised GI patient receiving tube feeding.
- › Describe recent evidence with peptide-based diets including outcomes regarding the metabolic management of adult tube-fed patients.

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Delivery of enteral nutrition is critical and paramount to the successful medical management of compromised and vulnerable populations

McClave et al. Crit Care Med 2014; 42:2600-2610

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Enteral nutrition is by far the preferred route for nutrient delivery, but challenges must be overcome...

Factors affecting GI function

- Poor GI perfusion / oxygenation
- Poor gastric and enteral digestive and enzymatic function
- Changes in gut pH
- Altered microbiota (antibiotics, stasis)
- Altered Motility
- **No enteral nutrient provision (mucosal malnutrition)**

Physiologic consequences

Dysmotility

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Maldigestion & Malabsorption

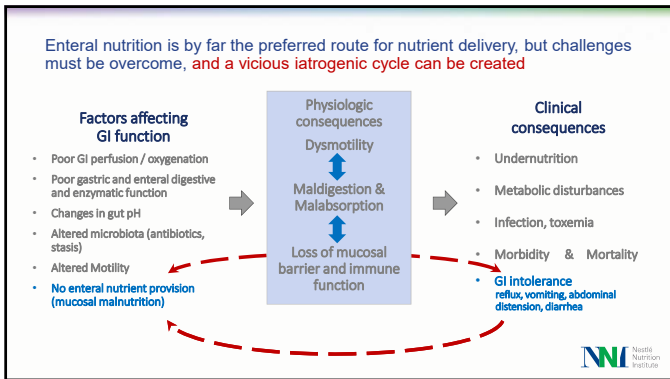
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Loss of mucosal barrier and immune function

Clinical consequences

- Undernutrition
- Metabolic disturbances
- Infection, toxemia
- Morbidity & Mortality
- **GI intolerance**
reflux, vomiting, abdominal distension, diarrhea

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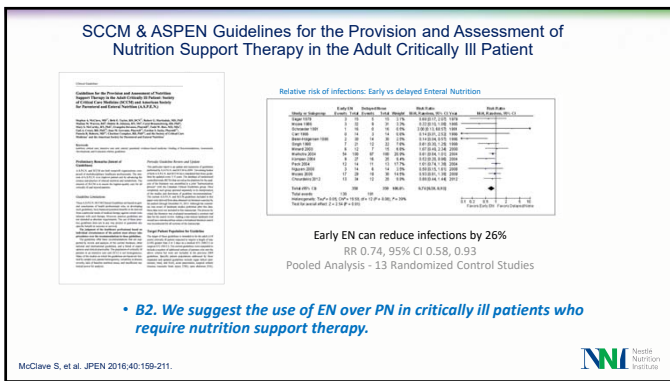
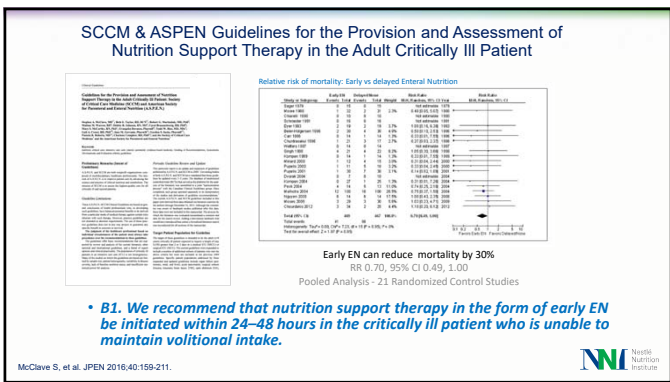
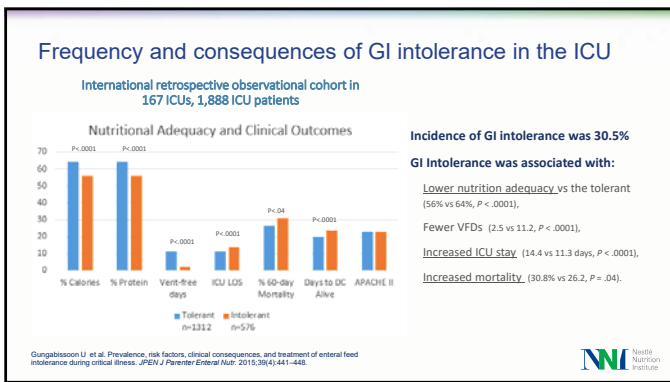


GI intolerance, a consequence of GI dysfunction, particularly malabsorption, is **-very-** common in the critical care - and chronic care settings.

- 36% of enterally fed patients can develop diarrhea during the ICU stay (1)
- 60% reported to develop delayed gastric emptying &
- 27% reported to develop intra- abdominal hypertension in the ICU(2)
- >40% of patients develop symptoms of GI intolerance in the first week of stay and are associated with negative outcomes (3).

1 Ferlie S, East V. *Aust Crit Care*. 2007;20(1):7-13.
 2 Reinhart A et al. *Crit Care*. 2008;12(4):R50.
 3 Reinhart A et al. *Intensive Care Med*. 2013;38(5):899-909.

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SCCM & ASPEN Guidelines for the Provision and Assessment of Nutrition Support Therapy in the Adult Critically Ill Patient



- D3a. We recommend that enteral feeding protocols be designed and implemented to increase the overall percentage of goal calories provided.
- D3b. Based on expert consensus, we suggest that use of a volume-based feeding protocol or a top-down multistrategy protocol be considered.

Develop and implement a feeding plan...



Example: The PEPuP Protocol - Efficacy of Enhanced Protein-Energy Provision via the Enteral Route in Critically Ill Patients:

A Multicenter QI Collaborative

- Protocols feeding plan with options based on hemodynamic stability and suitability for high volume intragastric feeds.
- Initiate feeding Day 1 at 25mL/hr on and convert to volume based feeding on Day 2 (or use 10mL/hr for trophic feeding).
- Target a 24-hour volume of EN rather than an hourly rate and provide the nurse with the latitude to increase the hourly rate to make up the 24 hour volume.
- Start with a semi-elemental solution, progress to polymeric as tolerated.
- Tolerate higher GRV threshold (300 mL or more).
- Motility agents and protein supplements started immediately, rather than started when there is a problem.

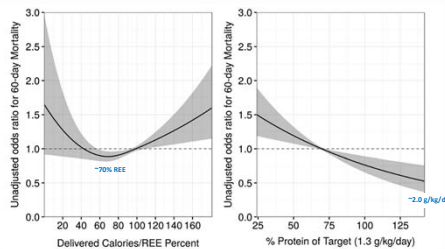
Heyland D, et al. *JPEN* 2015;39:698-706.



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What: Delivery of adequate energy and protein are critical in improving clinical outcomes, including improved morbidity and mortality

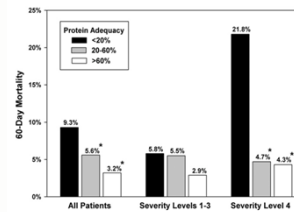


Aiming for energy and protein delivery that increases the chances for successful outcomes

Zusman et al. *Critical Care* 2016, 20:367



Focus on Protein: Delivery of adequate protein is critical in improving clinical outcomes, including improved morbidity and mortality in critically ill pediatric patients



Higher protein – without ‘overshooting’ on calories’ significantly decreases mortality.

Relation between enteral protein adequacy and 60-d mortality in relation to the severity of illness on admission to mechanically ventilated children (N = 126). Adequately equals the delivered amount as a percentage of prescribed goal. *Significantly lower mortality than reference category of 20%. * P < 0.05 (Fisher’s exact test). The interaction between the severity of illness and protein intake adequacy was significant, P = 0.04 (Wald’s test = 6.02 on 2 df).

Mehta N et al. *Am J Clin Nutr* 2015;102:199-206.



Choosing a protein source for EN

- Proteins: Casein, Whey, Soy
- Hydrolyzed proteins: Range of large, midsize and small peptides
- Crystalline amino acids



Choosing a protein source for EN

Intact Proteins: Measures of protein nutritional quality

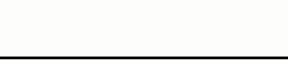
Essential Amino Acid Content

mg of essential aa/ gram protein



Net Protein Utilization (NPU)

% Nitrogen retained of nitrogen ingested



Biologic Value (BV)

% Nitrogen retained of nitrogen absorbed



Protein Efficiency Ratio (PER)

Weight gain per gm nitrogen consumed



Protein Digestibility Corrected Amino Acid Score (PDCAAS)

Digestibility corrected for essential amino acid content



Physiologic Effects of Whey Protein

Nutritional and Gastrointestinal

- 26% BCAA and abundant in leucine for enhanced muscle protein synthesis^{1,5}
- Abundant in cysteine: Increases glutathione synthesis to protect against free radicals^{2,5}
- Antioxidant capacity: Suppresses oxidative stress²
- Enhanced Gastric Emptying^{4,5}

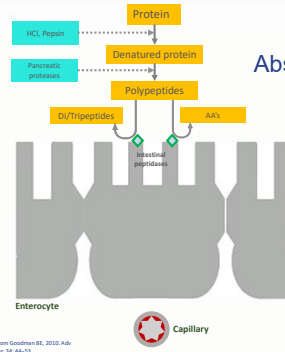
Immune and Metabolic

- Prebiotic: Selectively supports growth of Bifidobacteria^{2,5}
- Antimicrobial: Binds C. Diff and inhibits cholera toxin²
- Immunoglobulins: Modulate immune function^{4,5}
- Insulinotropic: Increases maximal plasma insulin concentration >28%^{3,6}

1. Ha E, Zemel B. J Nutr Biochem 2003;14:251-258. 2. Yalcin A. Curr Pharm Design 2006;12:1637-1643. 3. Power O, et al. Amino Acids 2009;37:333-339. 4. Fried MD et al. J Pediatr 1992;120:569-572. 5. Gupta C, Prakash D. Beverages 2017;3:31.doi:10.3390/beverages3030031.



Absorption of dietary protein



Dietary protein digestion requires a functional gastric, pancreatic and intestinal pH and enzymatic set of processes, coupled with adequate motility- all of which can be compromised in acutely ill patients.

Peptides are primarily hydrolyzed to di-tripeptides and amino acids by intestinal peptidases

Adapted from Goodman 81, 2010. Adv Pract Nutr 34: 44-53.



Absorption of dietary protein

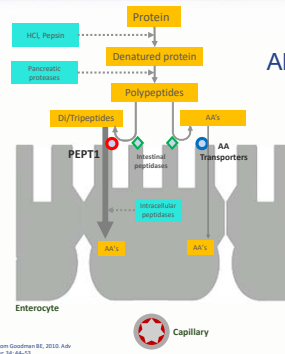
Amino acids enter the enterocytes via numerous transporters which vary in solute specificity, Na, Cl, H-, or K dependency, and may represent electroneutral or electrogenic transport processes.

- Normal Amino and Transport Systems:**
- PT***
 - Na⁺-dependent transport of neutral L-amino acids (with serine group as a proline)
 - Gene: SLC6A19 Protein: PAT1
 - Na⁺ and Cl⁻ dependent transport of neutral and cationic L-amino acids and serine (not in enterocyte)
 - PH***
 - Gene: SLC36A1 Protein: AH1
 - Na⁺ independent transport of neutral and cationic L-amino acids, and proline
 - Y⁺**
 - cationic (L-lysine & L-arginine) transport of neutral and cationic L-amino acids, and proline
 - Na⁺ and Cl⁻ dependent transport of anionic amino acids such as aspartic, glutamic, and glutamic acid
 - Gene: SLC36A5 Protein: Y1
 - X⁺**
 - Na⁺ and Cl⁻ dependent transport of anionic amino acids such as aspartic and glutamic, driven by Cl⁻ efflux
 - Gene: SLC36A6 Protein: X1
 - ASC**
 - Na⁺ dependent obligatory neutral L-amino acid exchanger with specificity similar to system Y⁺, and sometimes for serine, proline and creatine
 - Gene: SLC12A1 Protein: NDC1
 - N**
 - Na⁺ coupled transport of glutamine, asparagine and histidine in exchange for intracellular Cl⁻ present predominantly in intestinal crypts
 - Gene: SLC38A1 and SLC38A2 Protein: N1 and N2
 - SLC38A2 is predominantly responsible for the uptake of glutamine across the brush border membrane in the intestinal crypt cells
 - PA2**
 - Na⁺ coupled sym-transport of short chain amino acids such as glycine, alanine and proline
 - Gene: SLC38A3 Protein: PA2

Kotla PR et al. Best Practice & Research Clinical Gastroenterology 30 (2016) 145e159



Absorption of dietary protein



... however, the bulk of amino acids (~80%) enter the enterocytes as di- and tripeptides, via the PEPT1 (or SLC15) transport system.

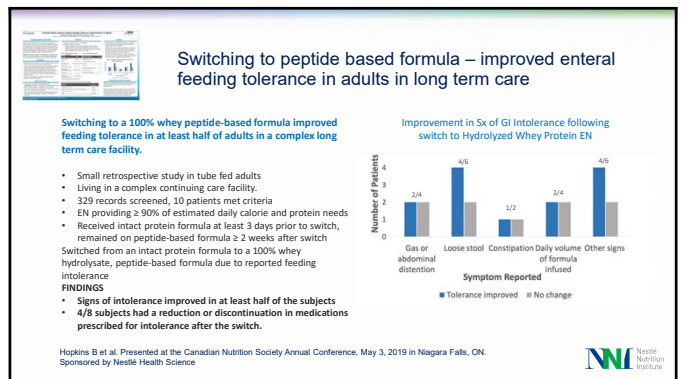
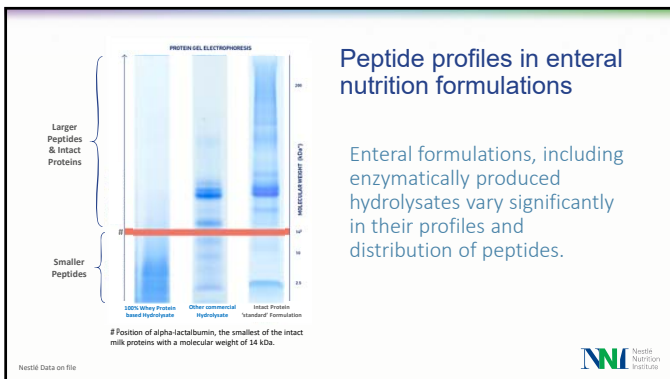
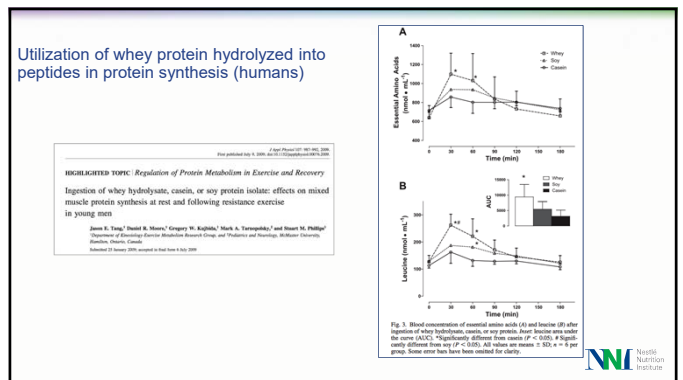
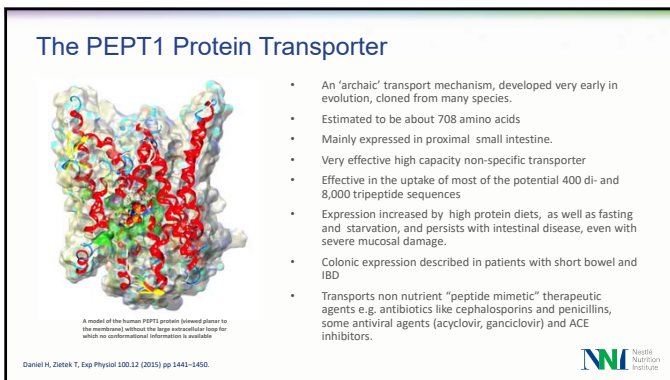
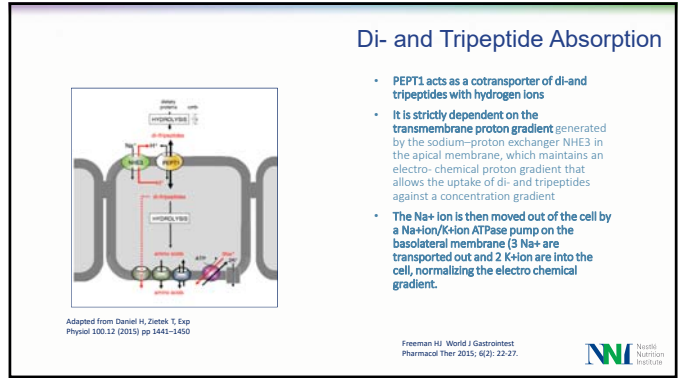
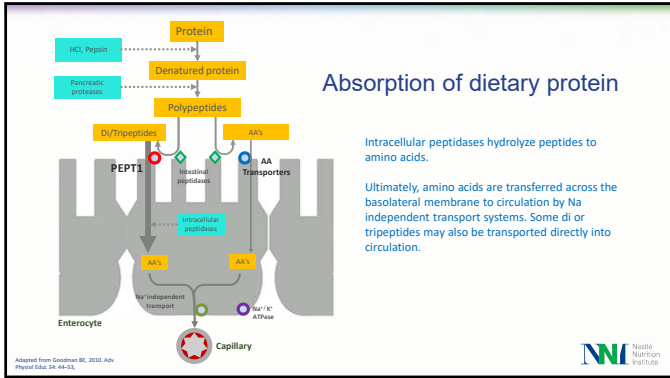
Amino acids infused into human intestine in peptide form are more readily absorbed than if infused into the intestinal lumen as free amino acids

This provides a highly effective and safety redundancy mechanism for the absorption of many amino acids.

Adapted from Goodman 81, 2010. Adv Pract Nutr 34: 44-53.

Adhi SA et al. J Clin Invest 1975; 56: 1355-1363.





Switching to peptide based - improved Enteral Feeding Tolerance in children with developmental delay

Switching to a 100% whey, peptide-based formula improved symptoms of feeding intolerance in a majority of these developmentally delayed children.

- Small retrospective chart review in 13 children (8.4 ± 4.6 years) with developmental delay.
- All had primary dx of developmental delay
- 77% of subjects were fed by G-tube. 85% had a Nissen fundoplication
- Subjects switched from an intact protein formula to a 100% whey hydrolysate, peptide-based formula due to reported feeding intolerance.

FINDINGS

- 92% experienced improved feeding tolerance, 75% improved within 1 week after formula switch.

Tolerance Parameters Changes

Parameter	Before Switch	After Switch
Vomiting	7	1
Gagging & Retching	4	1
High residuals	8	3
Constipation	7	4
Diarrhea	1	0
Poor weight gain	3	0

Minor G et al Global Pediatric Health, 2016, Vol. 3: 1-6.

Switch to peptide based formulation leads to enteral feeding tolerance improvement in home EN patients.

Switching to a peptide-based formulation diets (PBD) improved symptoms of feeding intolerance in a majority of home enteral nutrition patients, and decreased use of health resources

- Retrospective chart review of patients on home enteral nutrition (May 2017 to Jan 2018)
- Most common indication for hydrolyzed EN was fat malabsorption (29%) followed by pancreatic insufficiency (24%) and post-operative chyle leak (20%).

FINDINGS

- The overall number of GI sx of intolerance were significantly reduced.
 - Patient-initiated calls to HCP (p=.0051)
 - ER (p=.0273)
 - Scheduled care provider visits <0.0001
- 91% of peptide based diets were 100% hydrolyzed whey based products

Tolerance Parameters Changes after transition to PBD

Use of Healthcare Resources after transition to PBD

Adapted Kuchnir AR, et al. Abstract at ASPEN 2015, Phoenix, AZ. Study funded by Nestlé Health Science.

Peptide-based formulation associated with improved albumin, prealbumin and TLC in postoperative ICU patients.

- Retrospective study comparing post-operative patients placed on intact protein and a protein hydrolysate (peptide based) milk protein formulation (both 16% protein)
- Serum albumin < 3.0 g/dl were enrolled
- Fed for at least 7 d, with ≥ 1000 mL of enteral formula infused on at least 3 of the days.
- 72 adult ICU patients enrolled (hydrolysate/ intact protein: 40/32)

FINDINGS

- Serum albumin (postop D 10), prealbumin (postop day 5 & 10), and TLC were significantly higher in the hydrolyzed peptide based formulation
- The average maximum gastric residual during their ICU stays was also significantly lower in the hydrolyzed formula group.
- No difference found in incidence of diarrhea or infections
- Dipeptide- and tripeptide-based enteral formulas were nutritionally efficacious and better tolerated than whole protein formulas.

Lu WY et al. World J Gastrointest Surg. 2016 Oct 27; 8(10): 700-705.

Peptide-based high protein formula allowed for 30% greater delivery of protein in ICU patients. No differences found in occurrence of diarrhea.

- Prospective, double-blind, randomized, controlled single-center pilot study
- Assessed incidence and frequency of diarrhea with whey protein based peptide formula vs. intact protein formula
- The caloric goal was adjusted to needs by indirect calorimetry. Gastrointestinal function, nutritional intake, and nursing workload were recorded. Follow-up was until 28 days after randomization.
- N=90 (Intervention/Control: 46 / 44), ICU stay ≥5 d, tube fed ≥3 days, initiated within 72 h of ICU admission

FINDINGS

- Higher protein delivered in intervention group 1.13 (0.78-1.31) vs 0.80 (0.70-0.94) g/kg/day; p < 0.001.
- No difference in incidence of diarrhea*.
- No difference in energy delivery and time to delivery.
- Occurrence of diarrhea was associated with
 - Length of mechanical ventilation
 - Length of ICU stay (11.0 [8.9-13.1] vs. 5.0 [3.8-6.2] days; p = 0.001).

*N of 'stool events' was low in both groups. Study used frequency based criteria for diarrhea although the majority of patients who developed loose stools were fitted with 'stool collectors' that did not allow for adequate stool frequency assessment.

Jakob SM et al. Crit Care. 2017 Jun 10;21(1):140.

Peptide-based formulation led to improved overall tolerance (any gastrointestinal adverse event) in adult ICU patients.

Prospective randomized trial

Critically ill medical & surgical patients were randomized to protein hydrolysate, peptide based (25% protein) or intact (18%) protein formulation 49 patients, 25/24: intervention/control

FINDINGS

- In protein hydrolysate, peptide based formula group there were significantly fewer days with adverse events (any)- undesired gastrointestinal events
- No difference in other clinical outcomes, including differences in individual GI sx of intolerance
- Enteral nutrient delivery not reported

Seres DS et al. Clin Nutr. 2017;36(3):706-709.

Early EN with Semi-elemental Provides Cost Savings Compared to Polymeric Diets

- GI intolerance is associated with frequent feeding interruptions/reduction in EN delivery
- GI intolerance is an independent risk factor for prolonged ICU stay & death

Cost estimation of GI Intolerance:

Assuming an occurrence GI intolerance of 31 of 100patients, and a median ICU stay of 14.4 days versus 11.3 days due to GI intolerance *

For 100 patients	100% Tolerant	31% intolerant	Difference
ICU LOS Days	1130.0	1226.1	+ 96.1 days
Total ICU Costs	\$5,326,820	\$5,779,835	+\$453,015

Estimation using Cost Consequence Modeling:

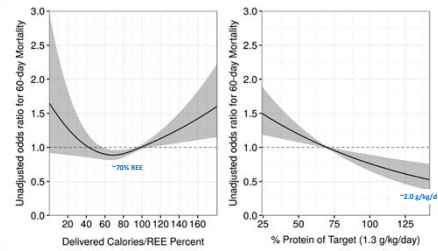
The use of peptide based instead of intact protein formulas can result in cost savings -through the reduction in length of ICU stay- if only >7% of GI intolerance cases are avoided**.

*Gungablisson et al. JPEN 2015;39:441-448. **Curry A, et al. ClinicoEconomics and Outcomes Res 2018;10:293-300.

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Delivering energy and protein to fit the needs of the critically ill



Moderated energy delivery & High protein level
- high quality protein,
- readily digestible & absorbable

↓
Improves GI, immune and metabolic functions, decreasing morbidity and mortality

Zusman et al. Critical Care 2016, 20:367.



Conclusions

Adequately planned and implemented early enteral nutrition can improve outcomes.

- Early enteral delivery of adequate energy, maximizing effective protein delivery increases chances for better outcomes
- Higher protein formulations allow the right ‘balance’ of energy and protein to fit the needs of critically ill.
- Whey hydrolysates with predominance of small peptides can deliver high quality protein, facilitate absorption, and decrease chances for intolerance, particularly in the critically ill.

Adequately planned and implemented early enteral nutrition can save money.



Use of Peptide-based Formulations For Optimizing Enteral Nutrition Delivery, GI Tolerance, and Metabolic Management



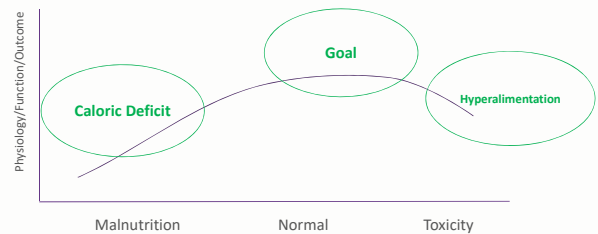
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Nutrition Paradigm in Critical Care – Optimal Caloric Intake



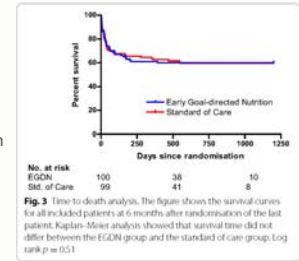
Conventional vs. Hypocaloric Nutrition- Outcomes

Title of Trial	First Author	Year Of Pub	Source	Outcomes
Effect of a Calorically dense...	Bryk	2005	JPEN	Retrospective - Hypocaloric benefit
EPANIC	Casaer	2011	NEJM	Harm with Meeting caloric goals
Trophic vs full energy	Rice	2011	Crit Care Med	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals
Optimisation of Energy Provision...	Heidegger	2013	Lancet	Benefit of rescue in patients failing EN
TICACOS	Singer	2011	Int. Care Med	Trend towards lower mortality
Early Parenteral Nutrition	Doig	2013	JAMA	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals
Permissive Underfeeding	Arabi	2015	NEJM	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals
High Protein, Hypocaloric	Rugeles	2016	J of Crit Care	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals
Early Goal Directed Nutrition	Allingstrup	2017	Int. Care Med	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals



Early-goal directed nutrition versus standard of care... Allingstrup, M. et Al. Intensive care Medicine, 2017 22 September

- Personal Component Score PCS score at 6 months - No difference (mean difference 0.0, 95% CI -5.9 to 5.8, $p = 0.99$)
- No difference in mortality, rates of organ failures, serious adverse reactions or infections in the ICU, length of ICU or hospital stay, or days alive without life support at 90 days.



Conventional vs. Hypocaloric Nutrition - Glycemia

Title of Trial	First Author	Outcomes	Effect Glycemia Meeting Caloric Goals
Effect of a Calorically dense...	Bryk	Retrospective - Hypocaloric benefit	Increase
EPANIC	Casaer	Harm with Meeting caloric goals	Increase
Trophic vs full energy	Rice	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals	Increase
Optimisation of Energy Provision...	Heidegger	Benefit of rescue in patients failing EN	?
TICACOS	Singer	Trend towards lower mortality	?
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Permissive Underfeeding	Arabi	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals	Increase
High Protein, Hypocaloric	Rugeles	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals	Increase
Early Goal Directed Nutrition	Allingstrup	No Benefit of meeting caloric goals	Increase



Systematic Scoping Review on Clinical Burden of Hyperglycemia in ICU Patients³

Studies show hyperglycemia in the ICU can lead to poor patient outcomes:

- Higher levels of blood glucose are associated with higher risk of mortality
- Hyperglycemia is an independent risk factor for infections
- Blood glucose is an independent predictor of length of stay in the ICU and hospital
- Hyperglycemia in hospitalized patients is significantly associated with increased disease severity and use of healthcare resources

So What?

Hyperglycemia is present in up to 86% of adults and 64% of children in the ICU^{1,2}

- Farooqui et al. *Best Pract Res Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2011 October ; 25(5): 813-824.
- Van den Burgh et al. *N Engl J Med* 2001;345:1359-67.
- Olariu E, et al. *PLoS ONE* 2018;13(4):e0194952.



Conventional Nutrition (1st week) –side effects (hyperglycemia)

PLoS ONE 13(4): e0194952

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- > 40 Studies
- Stress hyperglycemia
- Different Clinical endpoints
- Hyperglycemia is an independent predictor of poor clinical outcome

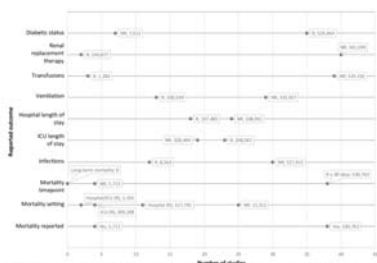


Fig 1. Distribution of study characteristics and outcomes in observational studies conducted in trauma and critical care units. Hazard ratios for each outcome are shown. CI, confidence interval; ICU, intensive care unit; HR, hazard ratio; SE, standard error.



Glucose in Critically Ill Patients

- Hyperglycemia is common in critically ill patients
- Critical illness worsens insulin sensitivity / resistance
- Hyperglycemia is associated with the severity of critical illness
- Hyperglycemia may be the cause of worse outcome



Time of New Nutrition Paradigms in Critical Care?

Allow a Caloric Deficit?

Permissive Underfeeding

- Does not achieve any nutritional goals
 - ↓ Calories – OK
 - Low Protein
 - Does not meet micronutrient needs
- Permits gastrointestinal trophism
- Facilitates a starvation response
 - Physiologic (autophagy)
 - Compensatory response
- For how long?

What about Protein?

Hypocaloric Nutrition

- Achieves some nutritional goals
 - ↓ Calories – OK
 - Normal to high Protein
 - Meets micronutrient needs
- Permits gastrointestinal trophism
- Facilitates a caloric starvation response
 - Physiologic
 - Mobilize lipid stores
 - Maintains anabolism
 - May interfere with autophagy
- For how long?
 - Buying time while mobilizing lipid stores

Dickerson RN et al. JPEN 2013;37:342-351. Patel JJ et al. JPEN 2017; <https://doi.org/10.1177/0148607117721508>



Resting Energy Expenditure, Calorie and Protein Consumption in Critically Ill Patients: A Retrospective Cohort Study

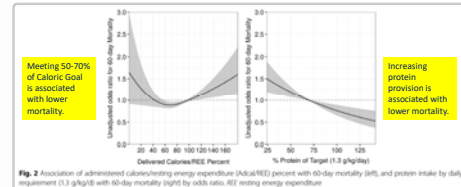


Fig. 2 Association of administered calories/resting energy expenditure (Actual REE) percent with 60-day mortality (left), and protein intake by daily requirement (1.3 g/kg/d) with 60-day mortality (right) by odds ratio. REE resting energy expenditure.

Zusman et al. Critical Care (2016) 20:367



High Protein Intake is Associated with Low Mortality and Energy Overfeeding with High Mortality

Weijs et al. Critical Care 2014 – 843 ICU patients -

10-20% Energy deficit decreases mortality

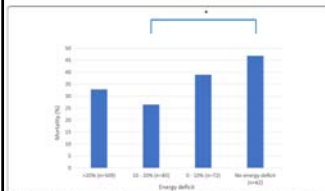


Figure 3 Hospital mortality for cumulative energy deficit over the first 4 days of ICU stay for non-capit patients (n = 100). P < 0.001. Reference is the measured energy intake (percentage of the patient's REE).

Protein > 1.2 g/kg/d lower mortality

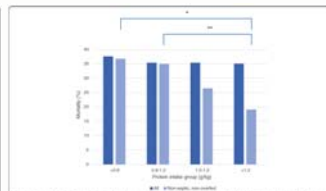


Figure 4 Hospital mortality for all patients per protein intake group and for all non-capit and non-overfed patients per protein intake group. *P < 0.001. P < 0.001.



What are the Right Tools to facilitate the delivery of **optimal calories** and **higher protein** to the critically ill patient?

What are the possible **Metabolic Benefits**?

What is the **Evidence**?



Dietary Management of Blood Glucose in Medical Critically Ill Overweight and Obese Patients: An Open-Label Randomized Trial

The DIVINE study:
Dietary management of glucose **Var**lability **iN** the ICU

*Nestlé-initiated & funded study

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The DIVINE Study

Objective: To determine whether blood glucose control could be facilitated by using an enteral nutrition formula containing low carbohydrates, medium chain triglycerides, and very high levels of hydrolyzed whey protein ensuring optimal protein delivery

Design:

- Prospective, Open-label, Multicenter, RCT
- 7 Academic Medical Centers (North America)
- August 1, 2014 through July 27, 2016
- Mechanically ventilated critically ill adults, obese and overweight (BMI 26-45) subjects requiring enteral nutrition for at least 5 days.

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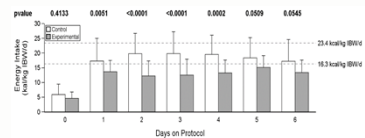
Divine Study Results: Nutrition Intake

Mean Nutrition Intake:

- Both groups received similar amounts of protein (p = 0.83).
- Experimental group received less calories (p < 0.0001).
- Experimental group received less carbohydrate (p < 0.0001).

Mean Nutritional Intake*	Control	Experimental
Energy (kcal/kg IBW/day)	18.2 ± 6.0	12.5 ± 3.7
Protein (g/kg IBW/day)	1.2 ± 0.4	1.1 ± 0.3
Carbohydrate (g/kg IBW/day)	2.0 ± 0.7	0.9 ± 0.3
Fat (g/kg IBW/day)	0.6 ± 0.2	0.5 ± 0.1
Caloric Density (kcal/mL)	1.0	1.0
Protein (% energy)	64 g/L (25%)	92 g/L (37%)
Carbohydrate (% energy)	112 g/L (45%)	76 g/L (30%)
Fat (% energy)	34 g/L (30%)	38 g/L (33%)

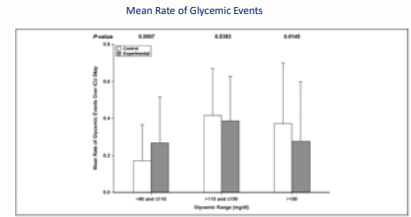
* Based on average over days 1-5.



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Divine Study Results:

- 102 patients ITT Analysis
- Decrease of 10.8% in average blood glucose (126 mg/dL [114, 143] vs. 138 mg/dL [125, 158]; (p = 0.004)
- Decrease in mean rate of glucose > 150 mg/dL (p=0.015)
- Increase in events with normal blood glucose 80-110 mg/dL (p=0.0007)
- No significant difference in glycemic events < 80 mg/dL.
- 10.9% decrease (p=0.048) in number of times insulin administered
- Increase in serum Alkaline Phosphatase in the control group (p<0.05)
- Increase in serum Carbon Dioxide in the control group (<0.05)

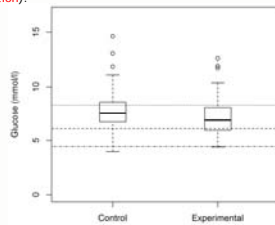


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Divine Study Results

- Geometric mean glucose concentration was significantly lower in the experimental group (7.7 ± 0.07 vs 7.0 ± 0.07 mmol/L, p = 0.004).
- Significantly smaller **glycemic dispersion** in the experimental group (-11%, p = 0.0015) (standard deviation).



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Dispersion – Finfer et al. Crit Care 2013, 17:229.



Divine Study Conclusions - A very high protein with Enzymatically Hydrolyzed 100% Whey and Low Carbohydrate Formula

➤ Is associated with:

- Lower dispersion of blood glucose as measured by standard deviations
- Lower incidence of hyperglycemia (> 8.3 mmol/L) (-13%), increased incidence of normoglycemia (4.4-6.1 mmol/L) (+14 %)
- Decreased insulin use
- Hypoglycemic events were not increased

➤ Is not associated with:

- A reduction of blood glucose events outside the interval of 6.1 to 8.3 mmol/L

These are important metabolic differences that may have clinical significance

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Reason for Better Glucose Control?

- High protein load improves insulin sensitivity
- Whey protein improves insulin sensitivity
- Lower carbohydrate delivery results in better glucose control
- Lower overall calorie delivery (hypocaloric feeds) results in better glucose control
- MCT may be insulinotropic

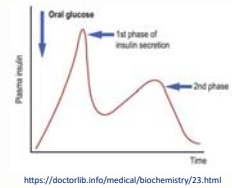


BACKGROUND DATA-Stages of Insulin Release

There is an initial rapid phase of insulin secretion, followed by a less intense but more sustained release.

Two Phase Approach

- Phase I: Glucose Mediated Insulin Release (Nutrient stimulated)
Glucose triggers insulin release from beta cells in pancreas
- Phase II: GLP-1 and GIP Mediated Insulin Release (Non-Nutrient stimulated)
 - GLP-1 inhibits α-cell secretion (glucagon-glycogen-glucose release)
 - GLP-1 inhibits β-cell secretion (insulin from pancreas)



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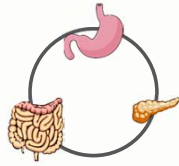


Mechanisms of Action: Incretin Hormone Secretion

- Incretin hormones are any of several GI hormones that bring about the release of insulin
- GLP-1 Glucagon Like Peptide 1 – incretin hormone released by lower intestine and colon that moderates gut motility
- GIP Gastric Inhibitory Peptide – incretin hormone secreted by upper small intestines
- DPP-IV Dipeptidyl Peptidase IV – Multi-acting enzyme which inactivates GLP-1 and GIP
- Glucagon – Hormone secreted by the pancreas to increase blood glucose through glycogen or muscle breakdown

4. Whey protein hydrolyzates inhibit DPP-IV; DPP-IV breaks down incretin hormones.

3. GLP-1 secreted throughout intestinal tract with most coming from distal ileum/colon; augments insulin secretion as well as increases insulin sensitivity in muscle and fat tissue; GLP-1 suppresses glucagon secretion.



1. Whey protein is high in BCAA, empties the stomach quickly and stimulates incretin hormone release of GLP-1 and GIP.

2. GIP stimulates insulin release from pancreas. Whey hydrolyzates stimulate greater GIP release than intact whey protein.

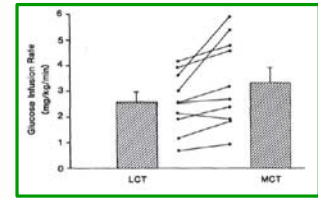
Toholst, et al. J Physiol 2009;587.1:27-32.



Insulinotropic Effects of MCT

Amount of glucose needed to maintain euglycemia during insulin infusion increased after MCT given:

- Accelerated beta oxidation
- Increased fatty acid from MCT inhibits need for glucose oxidation, uptake and storage



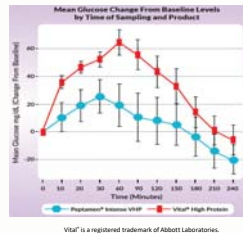
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Very High Protein, Low Carbohydrate, 100% Whey Based Enteral Formula is Associated with Lower Blood Glucose Response

Study Results

- Peptamen® Intense VHP provides better postprandial blood glucose (BG) compared to Vital® High Protein.
- Significant increase in BG levels within 10 minutes with Vital High Protein ($p < 0.005$)
- Significant difference in BG between groups up to 150 minutes after EN infusion
- Maximum increase in blood sugar was lowest for the Peptamen® Intense VHP group
- Faster return to baseline BG levels with Peptamen Intense VHP
- Clinical trend toward lower endogenous insulin production over time, as measured by serum insulin ($p > 0.1$)



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*Huhmann MB, Yamamoto S, Nestlé JM, Cohen SL, & Ochoa JB. Nutrition and Diabetes 2018;8:45.
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So, What about Protein?



Narrowing the Protein Deficit Gap in Critically Ill Patients Using a Very High Protein Enteral Formula

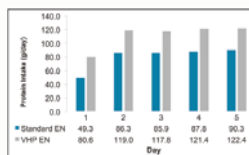
Methods:

- Retrospective, med/surg pts
- ≥ 5 days EN week-1 ICU
- Record daily pro/energy/tolerance

Results:

- 20 subjects standard EN
- 20 subjects Peptamen® Intense VHP
- Protein prescribed was significantly higher in VHP group ($p = 0.003$)
- Protein delivered was significantly higher in the VHP group ($p = 0.0002$)
- Average protein of 1.45 g/kg/day delivered to VHP group vs 1.1 g/kg/day in standard EN group. No difference in EN tolerance, feeding interruptions or propofol use

Daily Protein Intake from EN (g/day)



Conclusion: EN feeding with a VHP formula in ICU patients resulted in higher protein intakes without increasing energy intake in the first five days of exclusive EN.

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Should Hypocaloric Hyperproteinic Nutrition become the Standard of Care in Critically Ill Patients?

Objective

Determine demographics of today's ICU and describe most appropriate EN delivery

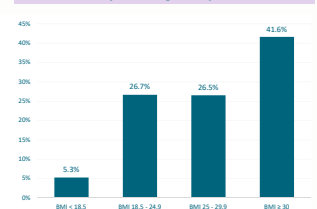
Design

- Retrospective analysis of 2,000 ICU patient encounters
- 1,899 patients/12,321 days

Results

- 62.2 years old / 55.2% male
- Hosp LOS 13.6 days / ICU LOS 6.9 days
- Days on mechanical ventilation 4
- 30-day readmission 19.3%
- 70% overweight or obese

BMI by Percentage of Population

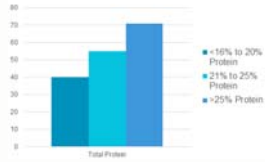


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Results

Protein Intake by Formula Type



Effect of Protein Intake on Mortality



Conclusion

- Significant improvement in mortality is seen with increased protein delivery
- Higher protein and less CHO seem to generate best outcomes for critically ill patients
- Patients on VHPLC formula received significantly more protein than when other ENF were used. $p < 0.0001$

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