The Magic of Vitamin D

Steenbock Process of Irradiation with Ultra-Violet Light

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EVERYONE needs Vitamin D, especially children, for strong, well-formed body framework. Nature provided Vitamin D, through irradiation with the sun's ultra-violet rays. But civilization built barriers that keep these beneficial rays from reaching us.

**Question:** Why so much emphasis on Vitamin D as compared with the other five vitamins?

**Answer:** All of the other vitamins are well distributed in foods, so that we get a plentiful supply in most well-balanced meals. But Vitamin D is extremely scarce. It is not present in fruits, vegetables, ordinary cereals, nor meats. Regular milk, butter and eggs contain some, but in amounts too small to satisfy the body's needs. So science sought, and found a way to provide it plentifully — in many Vitamin D products.

EXPECTANT and nursing mothers need a generous supply of the three tooth-protecting essentials, calcium, phosphorus and enough Vitamin D in a well-balanced diet. Otherwise the baby will rob the mother of her calcium supply and the mother's teeth will suffer.
**VITAMIN D is scarce.** It is the rarest of the vitamins which are so important to normal development and maintenance of the human body.

A sufficient quantity of this important vitamin prevents rickets in infants and growing children; protects the teeth of mothers during the prenatal and nursing periods; aids in forming the teeth and in keeping them sound.

Without adequate Vitamin D the body cannot make proper use of the lime and phosphorus minerals needed for forming strong bones and sound teeth. Without Vitamin D bones and teeth cannot be properly nourished.

**Rickets Caused by Lack of Vitamin D**

Rickets in infants and growing children is one consequence of too little Vitamin D. In extreme cases this disorder causes knock knees, bow legs and other deformities. More than 50% of the children in some of our large cities have rickets in some degree. Mild cases are difficult to detect. Your child may have rickets without your knowing it. It strikes both rich and poor.

**Tooth Trouble in Motherhood Explained**

The tooth trouble of mothers during the prenatal and nursing periods can usually be traced to a lack of Vitamin D. If the mother does not get enough Vitamin D in a well balanced diet, she cannot absorb enough calcium and phosphorus from her foods to supply both her own and the baby's needs. Then nature drains calcium from the mother's teeth to supply the infant, and trouble with the teeth begins.

During normal periods too, the mother, as well as the father and growing children, should have the benefits of abundant Vitamin D in their diet. This nutritional factor constantly assists in nourishing and maintaining the bones and teeth.

**Why More Vitamin D Is Needed**

Nature intended that enough Vitamin D should be created in the skin by the ultra-violet rays of the sun. But, in our civilized ways of living we spend too much time indoors where sunlight cannot penetrate.

Clothing, window glass, clouds and haze all obstruct the ultra-violet rays. And in our larger cities a black umbrella of smoke, soot and dirt floats overhead. The sun's ultra-violet rays cannot get through to us — even when we are outdoors, instead of in our homes, at work or in school.

**Foods Lack Vitamin D**

There is no Vitamin D in fruit, vegetables, ordinary cereals nor meat. The only common foods which provide Vitamin D are egg-yolk, milk and butter, but in amounts too small to supply the body's needs.

**Science Discovers a Way**

Science sought and found a way to supply us with enough Vitamin D. At the University of Wisconsin, Dr. Harry Steenbock discovered that the ultra-violet rays of an arc lamp shining upon a substance called ergosterol, produced Vitamin D — that milk and other products which already contain this substance become enriched with Vitamin D when thus irradiated with ultra-violet light.

**Irradiated Foods for Prevention**

In Vitamin D Milk, whether fluid, evaporated or dry, whether enriched by direct exposure to ultra-violet light or produced by cows fed with irradiated yeast, you get as much Vitamin D in one quart or its equivalent as in 10 to 50 quarts of ordinary milk. Other irradiated foods also help to provide the necessary Vitamin D. The Vitamin D content of such foods is for protective and nutritional purposes.

**Medicinals for Prevention and Care**

For preventive and curative uses, there are irradiated medicinal products, such as Vioosterol, to be taken on the advice of your doctor. All of these products are enriched with Vitamin D by ultra-light. No substance is added. A list of products enriched with Vitamin D by the Steenbock Process is shown on the reverse side of this folder.

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**While frequent and proper brushing of the teeth, and regular visits to your dentist are highly important in the proper care of the teeth, authoritative evidence shows that sound, hard teeth also depend largely upon a well-balanced diet containing abundant phosphorus, calcium and Vitamin D.**
VITAMIN D is now provided in these Irradiated Products

VITAMIN D MILKS
1. Directly Irradiated Fluid Milk.

VITAMIN D FOODS
Quaker Farina, Muffets and Rolled Oats, Coconuts — R. B. Davis Co.; Bond Bread — General Baking Co.

VITAMIN D YEAST
Fleischmann’s Dried Yeast and Foil Yeast.

VITAMIN D MEDICINALS
Five Licensees — Abbott, Mead Johnson, Parke Davis, Squibb and Winthrop.
Five Licensees (above) — Cod Liver Oil with Viosterol; Viosterol in oil.
Abbott — A & B D Malt; Haliver Malt; Haliver Oil with Viosterol.
Mead Johnson — Halibut Liver Oil with Viosterol.
Parke Davis — Haliver Oil with Viosterol; Irradol A, Irradol Malt.
Squibb — Adex Tablets; Calcium Phosphate Compound with Viosterol; Halibut Liver Oil with Viosterol.

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