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# **Chronic Disease – Sleep Connections**

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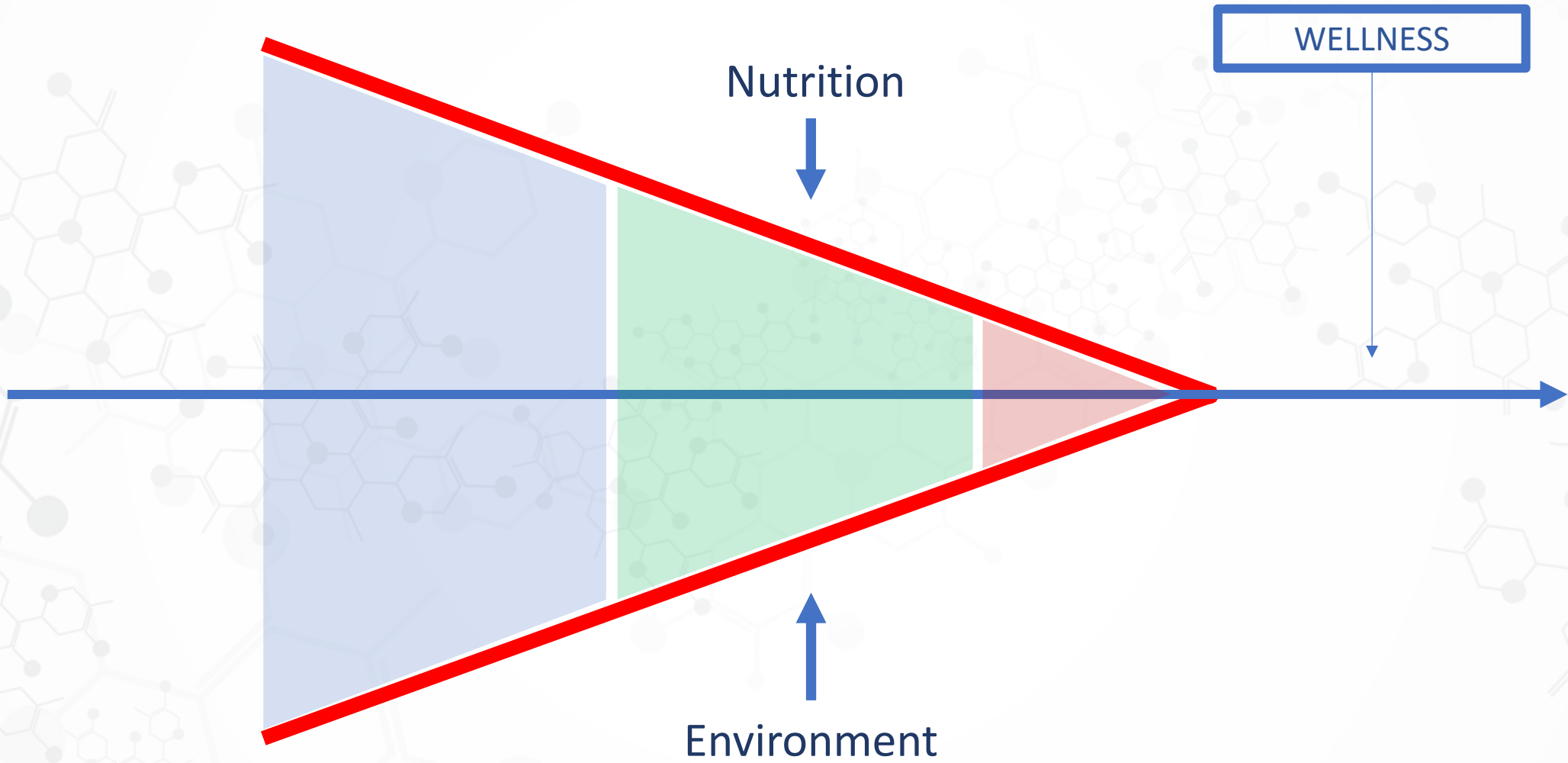


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# Protocols



## Association of Sleep Duration with Chronic Diseases in the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition (EPIC)-Potsdam Study

### Ann **Methods**

Data from 23 620 middle-aged participants of the European Prospective Investigation into Cancer and Nutrition (EPIC)-Potsdam study, that were recruited between 1994–1998, were analyzed by using Cox proportional hazard regression to examine the association between self-reported sleep duration at baseline and incidence of chronic diseases, such as diabetes, myocardial infarction, stroke, and cancer.

### **Results**

During a mean follow-up period of 7.8 years 841 incident cases of type 2 diabetes, 197 cases of myocardial infarction, 169 incident strokes, and 846 tumor cases were observed. Compared to persons sleeping 7–8 h/day, participants with sleep duration of <6 h had a significantly increased risk of stroke (Hazard Ratio (HR)=2.06, 95% confidence interval (CI): 1.18–3.59), cancer (HR=1.43, 95% CI: 1.09–1.87), and overall chronic diseases (HR=1.31, 95% CI: 1.10–1.55) in multivariable adjusted models. Self-reported daytime sleep at baseline was not associated with incident chronic diseases in the overall study sample. However, there had been an effect modification of daytime sleep by hypertension showing that daytime sleep was inversely related to chronic disease risk among non-hypertensive participants but directly related to chronic diseases among hypertensives.





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## Sleep Duration and Chronic Diseases among US Adults Age 45 Years and Older: Evidence From the 2010 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

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### ▶ **Participants:**

There were 54,269 adults age 45 y or older who completed the 2010 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System survey in 14 states.

### **Results:**

Nearly one third (31.1% or an estimated 11.1 million) of respondents age 45 y and older reported being short sleepers ( $\leq 6$  h), 64.8% being optimal sleepers (7–9 h), and 4.1% being long sleepers ( $\geq 10$  h) in a 24-h period. Compared with the optimal sleep duration, both short and long sleep durations were significantly associated with obesity, FMD (mental health was not good  $\geq 14$  days during the past 30 days), CHD, stroke, and diabetes after controlling for sex, age, race/ethnicity, and education. The U-shaped relationships of sleep duration with CHD, stroke, and diabetes were moderately attenuated by FMD. The relationship between sleep duration and diabetes was slightly attenuated by obesity.



# Sleep Duration and Quality in Relation to Autonomic Nervous System Measures: The Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis (MESA)

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## Methods:

Cross-sectional analysis of data from actigraphy-based measures of sleep duration and efficiency and responses to a challenge protocol obtained from 527 adult participants in the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis.

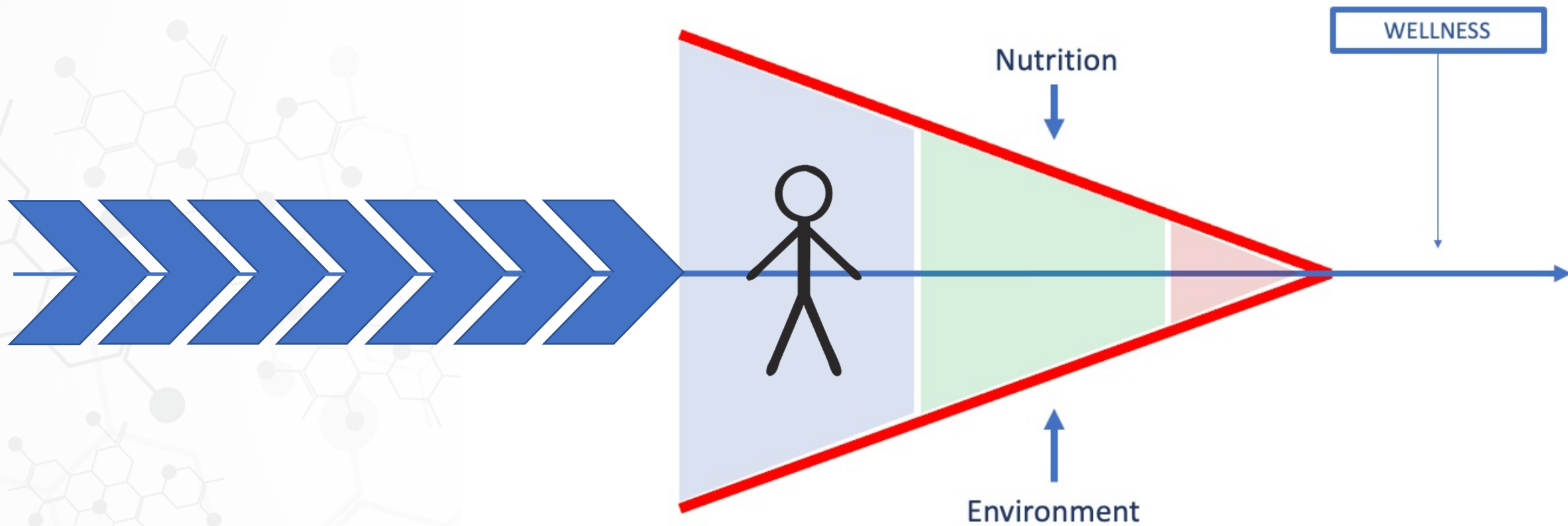
## Results:

Participants who slept fewer than 6 h per night (compared to those who slept 7 h or more per night) had higher baseline HR (fully adjusted model 0.05 log beats/min, 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.01, 0.09) and greater HR orthostatic reactivity (fully adjusted model 0.02 log beats/min, 95% CI 0.002, 0.023). Participants who slept 6 to less than 7 h/night (compared to those who slept 7 h or more per night) had lower baseline HF-HRV (fully adjusted model  $-0.31 \log \text{msec}^2$ , 95% CI  $-0.60, -0.14$ ). Participants with low sleep efficiency had lower baseline HF-HRV than those with higher sleep efficiency (fully adjusted model  $-0.59 \log \text{msec}^2$ , 95% CI  $-1.03, -0.15$ ). Participants with low sleep efficiency had higher baseline levels of amylase than those with higher sleep efficiency (fully adjusted model 0.45 log U/mL, 95% CI 0.04, 0.86).

## Conclusions:

Short sleep duration, low sleep efficiency, and insomnia combined with short sleep duration were associated with markers of autonomic tone that indicate lower levels of cardiac parasympathetic (vagal) tone and/or higher levels of sympathetic tone.







# PARASYMPATHETIC

## Nervous System Controls

Vagal Nerve Activity  
Constricts Pupils

Stimulates Salivation

Decreases  
Heart Rate

Bronchial Constriction

Stimulates Digestion

Stimulates  
Gallbladder

Stimulates  
Intestine Activity  
Contracts Bladder  
Vaginal Lubrication

Erection  
Peripheral  
Vasodilation

KNOW AS YOUR REST & DIGEST RESPONSE

Vagal Nerve Inhibited  
Dilates Pupils

Inhibits Salivation

Increases  
Heart Rate

Bronchial Dilation

Inhibits Digestion

Secretes Epinephrine &  
Norepinephrine

Stimulates Glucose  
Release

Inhibits  
Intestine Activity

Relaxes Bladder

Ejaculation  
Peripheral  
Vasoconstriction

KNOW AS YOUR FIGHT OR FLIGHT RESPONSE

# SYMPATHETIC

## Nervous System Controls



67 yo male diabetic.

Chemistries

Glucose	100	High	mg/dL	65-99
Hemoglobin A1c	9.1	High	%	4.8-5.6

Please Note:

Prediabetes: 5.7 - 6.4

Diabetes: >6.4

Glycemic control for adults with diabetes: <7.0

Uric Acid	10.5	High	mg/dL	3.8-8.4
Therapeutic target for gout patients: <6.0				
BUN	41	High	mg/dL	8-27
Creatinine	1.60	High	mg/dL	0.76-1.27
eGFR If NonAfricn Am	44	Low	mL/min/1.73	>59
eGFR If Africn Am	51	Low	mL/min/1.73	>59
BUN/Creatinine Ratio	26	High		10-24

C-Reactive Protein, Cardiac	9.10	High	mg/L	0.00-3.00
Relative Risk for Future Cardiovascular Event				
Low				<1.00
Average				1.00 - 3.00
High				>3.00

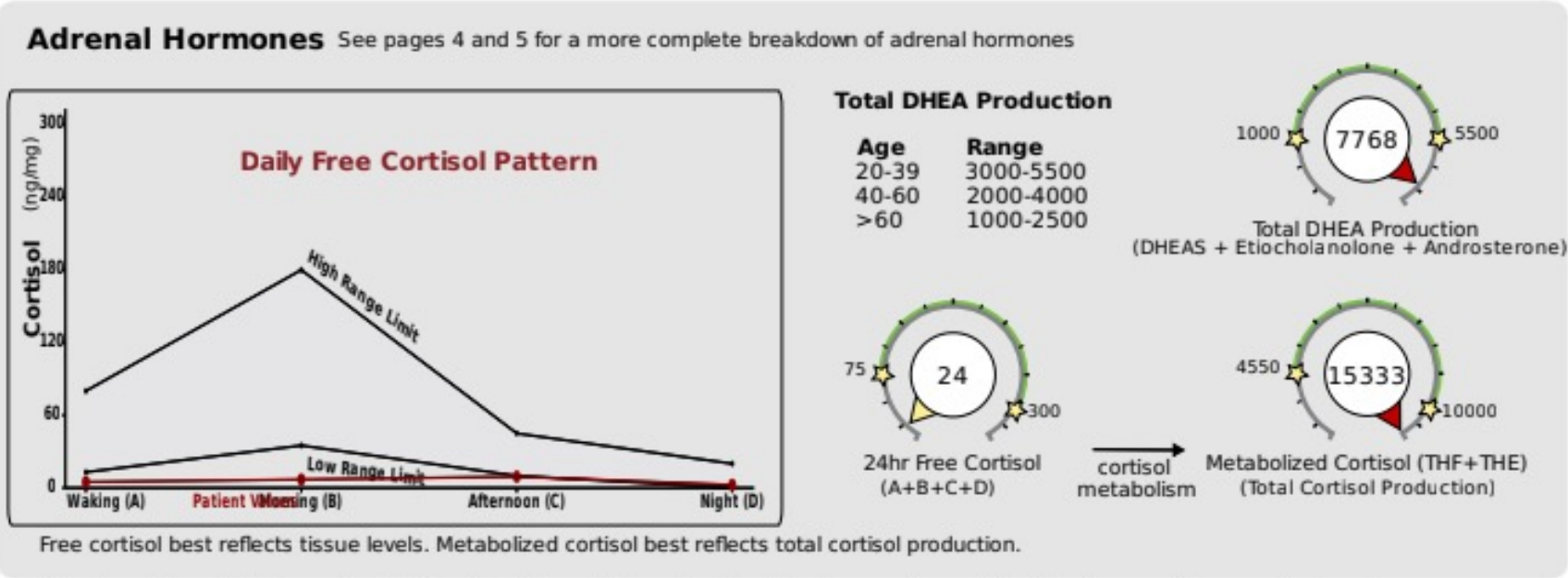
Homocyst(e)ine	21.5	High	umol/L	0.0-17.2
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Insulin	183.0	High	uIU/mL	2.6-24.9
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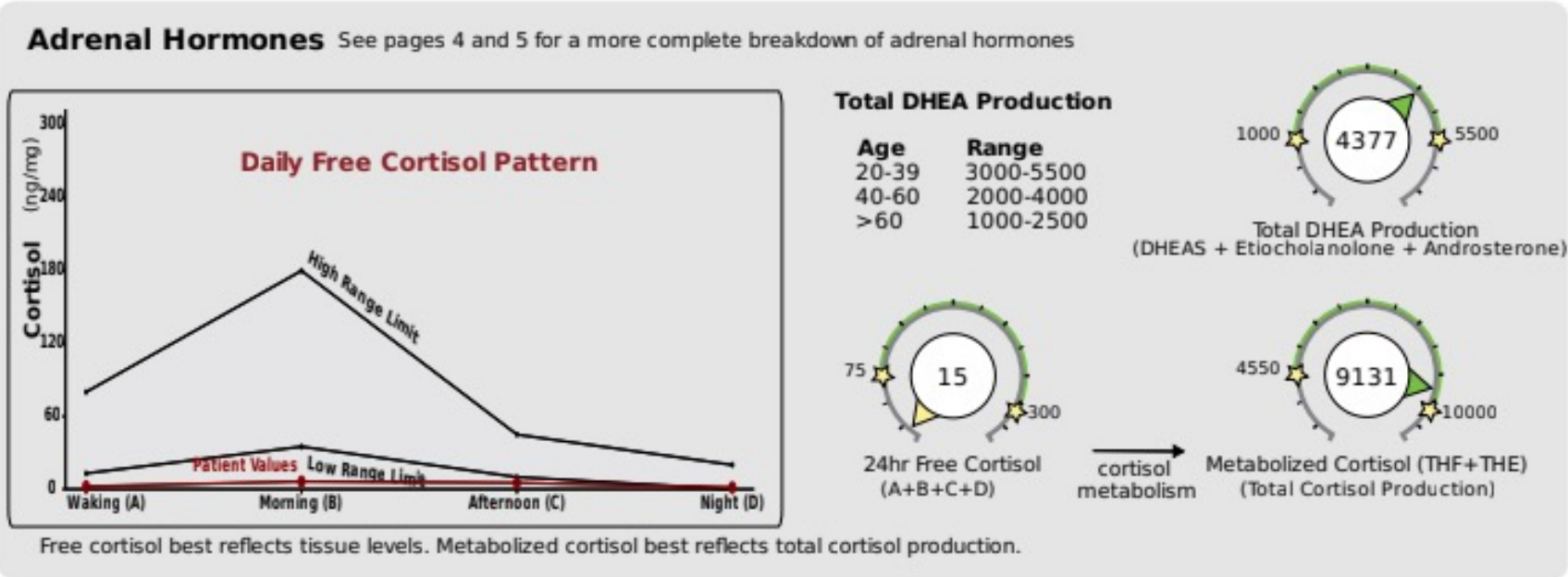


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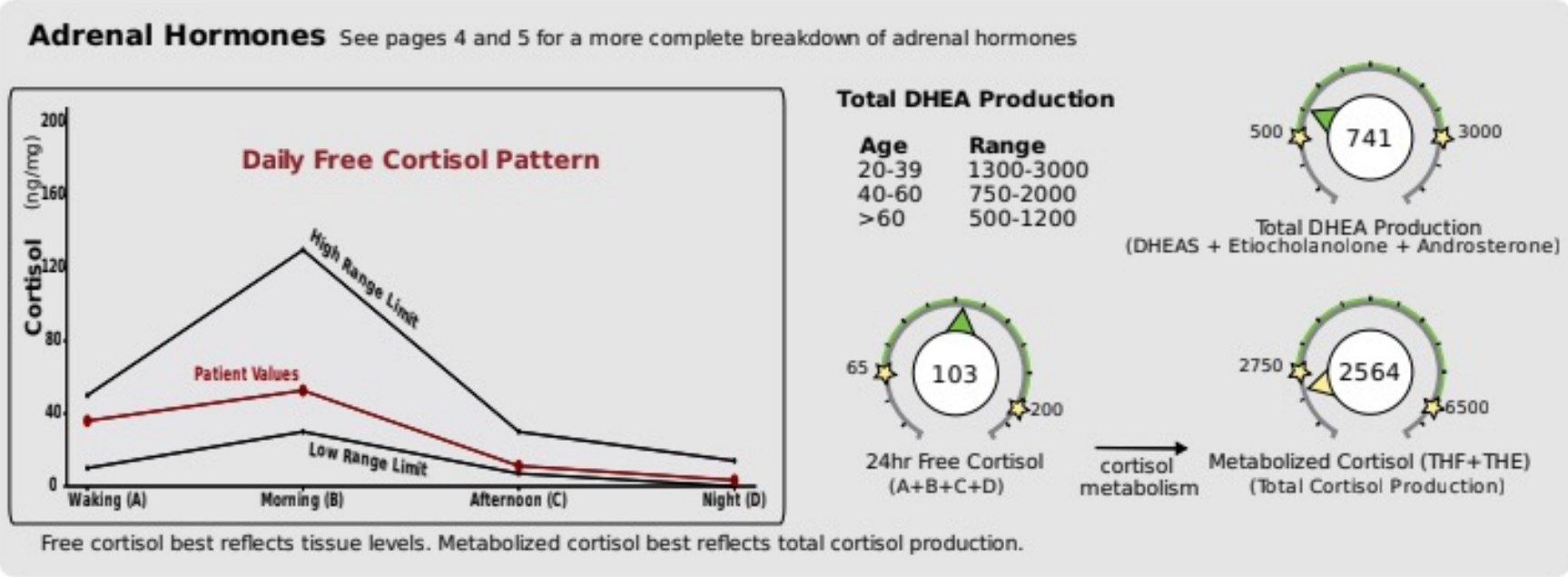


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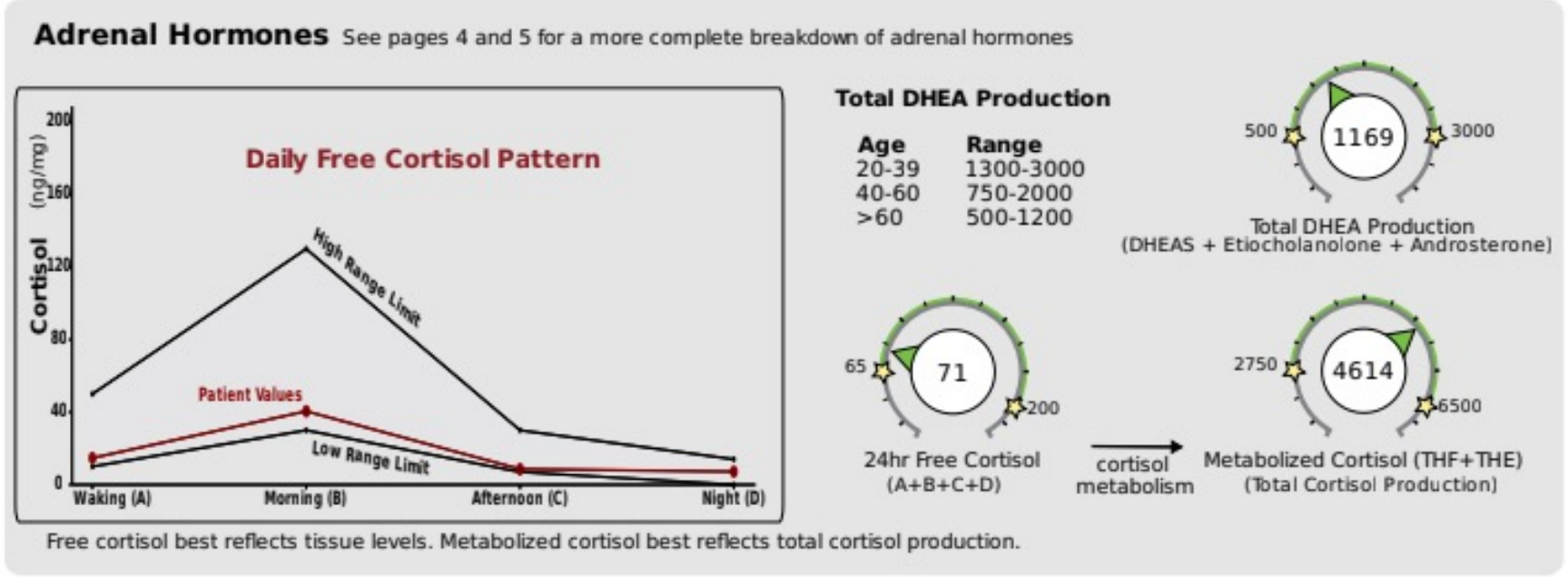


46 yo Female, "don't feel well."

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# The sympathetic nervous system and obstructive sleep apnea: implications for hypertension

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Patients with obstructive sleep apnea experience repetitive apneic events during sleep, with consequent hypoxia and hypercapnia. Hypoxia and hypercapnia, acting via the chemoreflexes, elicit increases in sympathetic nerve activity. The sympathetic responses to hypoxia and hypercapnia are potentiated during apnea, when the sympathetic inhibitory influence of the thoracic afferent nerves is eliminated. As a consequence of the sympathetic vasoconstrictor response to apneic events, patients with obstructive sleep apnea manifest marked increases in blood pressure during sleep, especially evident at the end of the apnea. The increases in sympathetic activity and blood pressure during sleep in these patients appear to carry over into the daytime such that patients with sleep apnea have an increased prevalence of hypertension and high levels of sympathetic nerve activity. Although the mechanism underlying the persistent elevation in sympathetic activity during the daytime is not known, it is likely that the increased sympathetic drive is implicated in the higher daytime blood pressures in these patients. Whereas patients with sleep apnea have an increased prevalence of hypertension, in those patients with sleep apnea who do have hypertension, the sympathetic response to apneic events may be potentiated. This may be secondary to impaired baroreflex sensitivity, since the baroreflexes exert an inhibitory influence on the chemoreflex responses to hypoxia. Treatment with continuous positive airway pressure results in an acute reduction in blood pressure and sympathetic activity during sleep. Prolonged effective treatment of sleep apnea may also reduce daytime blood pressure levels. This review examines the physiology of the chemoreflex responses to hypoxia, hypercapnia and apnea, as well as the physiologic responses to sleep in normal humans. These physiologic responses are compared with the pathophysiologic sympathetic and hemodynamic responses that characterize obstructive sleep apnea. Increases in sympathetic activity and blood pressure in patients with obstructive sleep apnea may play a role in linking sleep apnea to hypertension and cardiac and vascular events.





67 yo male

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<b>Therapeutic target for gout patients: &lt;6.0</b>				

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<b>BUN/Creatinine Ratio</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>High</b>		10-24
<b>Sodium</b>	<b>142</b>		mmol/L	134-144
<b>Potassium</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>High</b>	mmol/L	3.5-5.2
<b>Chloride</b>	<b>102</b>		mmol/L	96-106
<b>Carbon Dioxide, Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Low</b>	mmol/L	20-29
<b>Calcium</b>	<b>10.2</b>		mg/dL	8.6-10.2
<b>Phosphorus</b>	<b>3.9</b>		mg/dL	2.8-4.1
<b>Magnesium</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>Low</b>	mg/dL	1.6-2.3

<b>C-Reactive Protein, Cardiac</b>	<b>9.10</b>	<b>High</b>	mg/L	0.00-3.00
<b>Relative Risk for Future Cardiovascular Event</b>				
		<b>Low</b>		<b>&lt;1.00</b>
		<b>Average</b>		<b>1.00 - 3.00</b>
		<b>High</b>		<b>&gt;3.00</b>

<b>Homocyst(e)ine</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>High</b>	umol/L	0.0-17.2
<b>TSH</b>	<b>3.070</b>		uIU/mL	0.450-4.500
<b>Thyroxine (T4)</b>	<b>6.8</b>		ug/dL	4.5-12.0
<b>T3 Uptake</b>	<b>28</b>		%	24-39
<b>Free Thyroxine Index</b>	<b>1.9</b>			1.2-4.9
<b>Triiodothyronine (T3)</b>	<b>99</b>		ng/dL	71-180
<b>Triiodothyronine (T3), Free</b>	<b>2.9</b>		pg/mL	2.0-4.4
<b>Reverse T3, Serum<sup>A</sup></b>	<b>21.8</b>		ng/dL	9.2-24.1
<b>T4,Free(Direct)</b>	<b>1.18</b>		ng/dL	0.82-1.77
<b>Thyroid Peroxidase (TPO) Ab</b>	<b>&lt;9</b>		IU/mL	0-34
<b>Thyroglobulin Antibody</b>	<b>&lt;1.0</b>		IU/mL	0.0-0.9
Thyroglobulin Antibody measured by Beckman Coulter Methodology				
<b>Vitamin D, 25-Hydroxy</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>Low</b>	ng/mL	30.0-100.0



Test	Current Result and Flag	Previous Result and Date		Units
Glucose <sup>01</sup>	90	88	02/01/2021	mg/dL
Hemoglobin A1c <sup>01</sup>	5.3	5.4	02/01/2021	%
Uric Acid <sup>01</sup>	4.8	4.8	02/01/2021	mg/dL

Therapeutic target for gout patients: <6.0

BUN <sup>01</sup>	17	15	02/01/2021	mg/dL
Creatinine <sup>01</sup>	0.85	0.91	02/01/2021	mg/dL
eGFR If NonAfricn Am	79	73	02/01/2021	mL/min/1.73
eGFR If Africn Am	91	84	02/01/2021	mL/min/1.73

**\*\*Labcorp currently reports eGFR in compliance with the current\*\*  
recommendations of the National Kidney Foundation. Labcorp will  
update reporting as new guidelines are published from the NKF-ASN  
Task force.**

BUN/Creatinine Ratio	20	16	02/01/2021	
Sodium <sup>01</sup>	141	139	02/01/2021	mmol/L
Potassium <sup>01</sup>	4.5	4.0	02/01/2021	mmol/L
Chloride <sup>01</sup>	104	101	02/01/2021	mmol/L
Carbon Dioxide, Total <sup>01</sup>	20	23	02/01/2021	mmol/L



# The sympathetic nervous response in inflammation

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Inflammation causes increased activity of the SNS with release of NE and co-transmitters in lymphoid organs and inflamed local sites. Immune cells carry receptors (for example, ARs) to detect and process signals from the SNS. The reaction of the immune cell to neurotransmitters is variable depending on the context of receptor engagement (activation state of the cell, expression pattern of neurotransmitter receptors, microenvironment, cytokine milieu, and distance from the catecholamine source (concentration)).

On a systemic level, the signals from the SNS are proinflammatory in the initial phase of inflammation, whereas anti-inflammatory effects are dominant in the late or chronic phases of an inflammatory response, at least in collagen-induced arthritis. Upon initiating an inflammatory process, the body adopts an 'inflammatory configuration' with increased systemic SNS and HPA axis activity. This reaction can be interpreted as an 'energy appeal reaction' resulting in the provision of enough energy-rich fuels, like glucose and free fatty acids, to fulfill the needs of an activated immune system.

If inflammation becomes chronic, as in chronic inflammatory illness, the system changes into a 'chronic inflammatory condition' that is characterized by 1) still increased systemic activity of the SNS, 2) still increased activity of the HPA axis but without immunosuppression (glucocorticoid receptor desensitization and inadequacy), and 3) local repulsion of SNS fibers from inflamed tissue, including lymphoid organs, to create zones of permitted inflammation. The immune response is more or less uncoupled from central regulation to avoid the anti-inflammatory influence of the brain. All mechanisms ensure an optimal fight against an antigen.





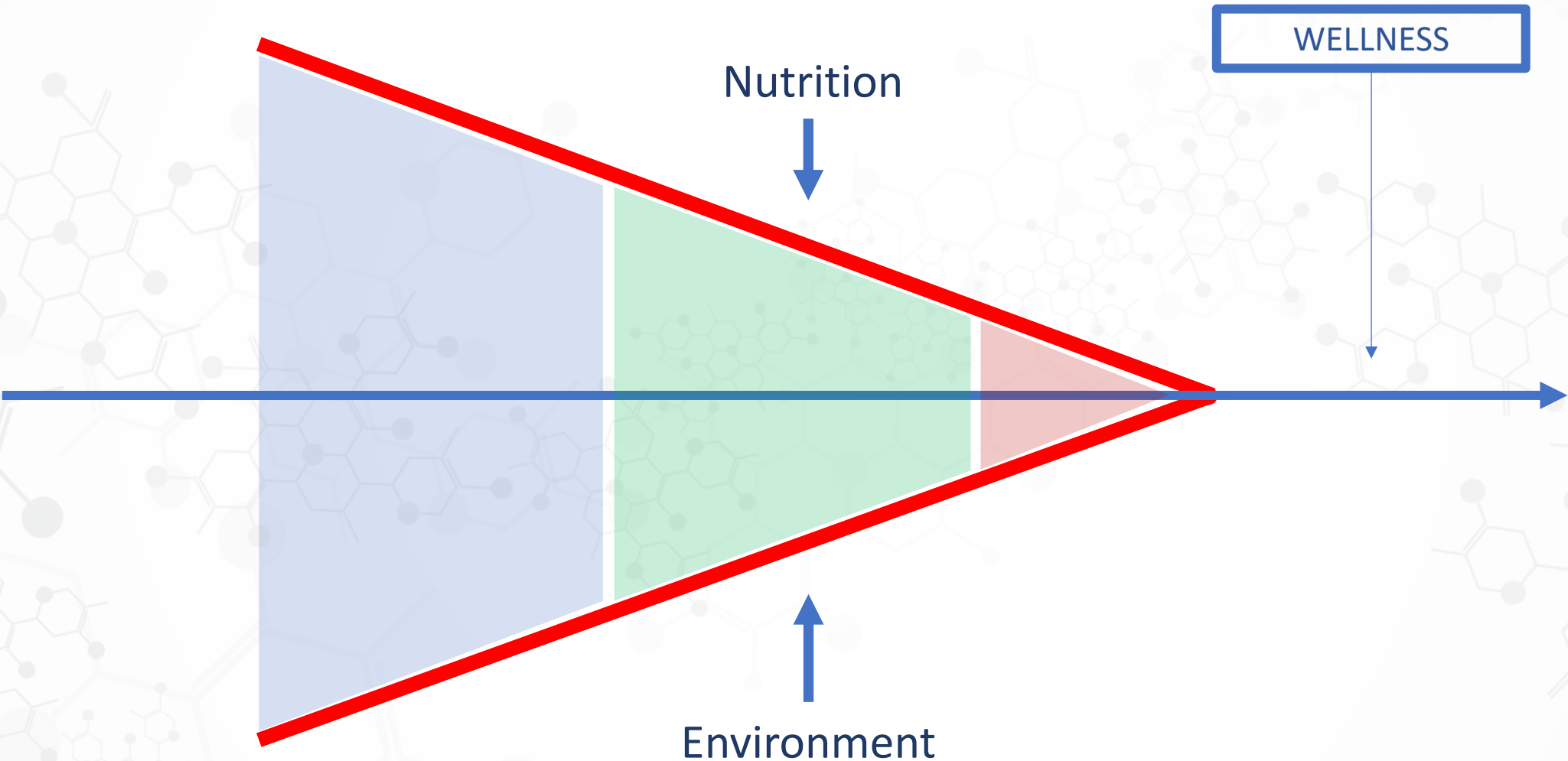
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