

Environment & Cancer

A classic study published in *Alternative Medicine: The Definitive Guide* (Tiburon, CA: Future Medicine Publishing, 1995), in which a team of researchers tested 3 chemicals on a group of rats, applying one at a time; no ill effects were observed. When they combined and administered 2 at a time, a decline in health was noted and when 3 chemical were given at once, the rats died within 2 weeks. Cancer cells develop because of damage to DNA. DNA is in every cell and directs all the cell's activities. When DNA becomes damaged it is often able to repair itself. In cancer cells, the damage is not repaired. Every person is different...the risk of developing cancer depends on many factors, such as the length and intensity of exposure to a carcinogen, the person's overall health, and the person's family history. Whether studying, diagnosing or treating cancer, one must not neglect the "environmental" component to this multi-factoral disease. The following is a check list one should be aware of and their potential to adversely affect ones health.

Electromagnetic field exposure
Ionizing radiation
Nuclear radiation
Pesticide/herbicide
Polluted water
Chlorinated water
Bisphenol A
Radon
Tetrachlorethylene
Cadmium
Fluoridated water
Hormone therapies

Immune-suppressive drugs
Irradiated foods
Food additives
Vaccinations
Bacteria, Virus', Parasites
Arsenic
Lead
MTBE (methyl tertiary-butyl ether)
• gasoline additive
Tobacco, Smoking
• including second hand
smoke

Microwaved foods
Antibiotics and drugs
Mercury
Chronic Stress
Diesel Exhaust
Aluminum
Formaldehyde
Parabens

With the world of the modern internet, you can search and study these toxic elements for yourself. Cleaning up your diet many times is not enough. One must test to determine:

- #1 Are you being unwittingly exposed to toxic elements?
- #2 Is your body excreting those toxic elements properly?

There's no question that reducing your exposure to these toxic elements will go far in the realm of prevention but you can go a step further. Certain blood tests may aid in making a cancer diagnosis, monitor treatment, or monitor effects of the cancer on the body. Keeping those tests within normal range may not mean you won't get cancer but you can optimize your chances of prevention and survival by keeping them in normal range. There are numerous tests that could be discussed but the tests displayed on the next page can be used to determine the health of your immune system, find infection and inflammation that could be ravaging your system and other ominous signs to be aware of.

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ONE BLOOD TEST ALONE DOES NOT DETERMINE A DIAGNOSIS.

ESR: Erythrocyte Sed Rate

Clinical Range: 0.00-20.00 mm/HR

Healthy Range: 0.00-6.00 mm/HR

Measures inflammatory process.

Never diagnostic of a specific disease.

Changes are more significant than a single abnormal occurrence.

CK: Creatine Kinase

Clinical Range: 24-173 u/l

Healthy Range: 64-133 u/l

High levels indicate tissue breakdown.

Cancer: Prostate, breast, ovary, colon, small cell carcinoma of lung

CRP: C-Reactive Protein

Clinical Range: 0.00-4.90 mg/L

Healthy Range: 0.00 – 1.50 mg/L

High levels indicate nonspecific tissue injury & inflammation, begins in 4-6 hours, more intense increase rise than ESR.

Very useful in monitoring response to treatment.

May be a useful tumor marker since a high CRP is often present when CEA and other tumor markers are not increased.

Alkaline Phosphatase

Clinical Range: 25-150 IU/L (adults 20-59)

Healthy Range: 40-120 IU/L (adults 20-59)

As a tumor marker, only three laboratory markers were consistently abnormal, in screening for metastatic carcinoma of breast, prior to clinical detectability of metastases - alkaline phosphatase, GGT and CEA (carcinoembryonic antigen).

Ferritin

Clinical Range: 22-322 ng/ml

Healthy Range: 30-218 ng/ml

Malignancies: poor prognosis with increased ferritin.

Malignant lymphoma

In the absence of cancer, can indicate iron overload.

WBC

Clinical Range: 4.00-10.50 k/cumm

Healthy Range: 5.00-8.00 k/cumm

High levels can indicate cancer, leukemias, infection and chronic inflammation.

Low levels indicate a compromised immune system.

Neutrophils

Clinical Range: 40-74%

Healthy Range: 55-65%

Bacterial and viral infections, cancer and many other conditions will most commonly elevate neutrophils initially, with more severe problems or infections the neutrophils stores and productive capacity of bone marrow may be incapable of keeping up with demand. This may result in lowering levels of neutropenia. This may be an ominous sign.

LDH: Lactate Dehydrogenase

Clinical Range: 100-250 mu/mL

Healthy Range: 120-160 mu/mL

High levels indicate cell destruction.

Albumin

Clinical Range 3.6-4.8 gm/dL

Healthy Range: 4.10-4.50 gm/dL

Panic range: < 2.0 gm/dL

Albumin is a simple protein with many uses widely distributed throughout the body. It's important in nutrient transport and waste removal. There is an INCREASED MORTALITY RISK with a low albumin.

Albumin <3.5 with a 1500 or less absolute lymphocyte count is an ominous sign.

Globulin

Clinical Range: 1.50-4.50 gm/dL

Healthy Range: 2.81-3.51 gm/dL

Low values indicate a low immune system.

Uric Acid

Clinical Range: 2.40-8.20 mg/dL

Healthy Range: 4.10-6.00 mg/dL

High levels typically associated with gout. High levels can be associated with multiple myelomas, lymphomas, leukemias and chronic inflammation.

GGT: Gamma Glutamyltransferase

Clinical Range: 6-65 mu/mL

Healthy Range: 22-39 mu/mL

Increased levels associated with increased risk for cancer

High levels may also be associated with liver disease, alcoholism, and gall bladder disease.

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2. The Constitution guarantees you the right to be your own physician and to prescribe for your own health.