

Functional Nutrition Evaluation Biomarkers: PFC-MVP Laboratory Testing

	1st Tier Clinically Useful, More Cost Effective	2nd Tier Clinically Useful, Less Cost Effective	3rd Tier Unique Associated Patterns, May Be Less Cost Effective
P = Protein			
	Total ProteinAlbuminGlobulin	Prealbumin – TransthyretinPlasma Amino AcidsCarnitine	 Urinary Amino Acids Transferrin Fibronectin Somatomedin C 3-Methylhistadine Serum Proteins Electrophoresis
F = Fats			
	 Lipid Profile and Ratios Total Cholesterol (TC) Low Density Lipoprotein (LDL) High Density Lipoprotein (HDL) Triglycerides (TG) Lipid Particle Number, Size and Subfractions TG/HDL Ratio Apolipoprotein B (ApoB) Apolipoprotein A1 (ApoA1) ApoB/A1 Ratio 	 Red Blood Cell Essential Fatty Acid Panel (RBC EFA) Omega 3 Index Plasma Essential Fatty Acid (EFA) Panel Oxidized LDL 	
C = Carbohydrate	S		
	 Fasting Blood Glucose Fasting Insulin Homeostatic Model Assessment of Insulin Resistance (HOMA-IR) Score Hemoglobin A1c (HgA1c) Triglycerides Gamma-Glutamyl Transferase (GGT) Uric Acid 	AdiponectinFructosamine	 ½ hour Glucose Tolerance Test (gtf) for glucose and insulin 1 and 2 hour gtf for glucose and insulin levels
M = Minerals			
Foundational	 Complete Blood Count with differential (CBC w/diff) Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP) 		
Calcium	 Serum Calcium (Ca²⁺) Ionized Calcium 		 Parathyroid Hormone (PTH) 1,25-Dihydroxy Vitamin D₃ (1,25 OH₂ D₃) 25-Hydroxy Vitamin D₃ (25 OH₂ D₃) Urinary Calcium

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Calcium (cont.)			 Bone Resorption Markers (N-Telopeptide, 24 Hour Urine Calcium, 24 Hour Urine Protein, Pyridinium Crosslinks, Deoxypyridinoline,)
Copper	Serum CopperCeruloplasmin	■ Red Blood Cell (RBC) Copper	
lodine		Spot First Morning Urine lodine24 Hour Urine lodine	
Iron	 Serum Iron Transferrin Total Iron Binding Capacity (TIBC) Ferritin Complete Blood Count (CBC) Hemoglobin (Hgb) Hematocrit (Hct) Mean Corpuscular Volume (MCV) Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin (MCH) Hemachromatosis (HFE) Gene Panel 		
Magnesium	 Serum Magnesium (Mg²+) Red Blood Cell (RBC) Magnesium 	 Buccal Cell Magnesium Ionized Magnesium by Nuclear Magnetic Resonanace (NMR) Urinary Magnesium – 24 hour 	■ Magnesium Load
Phosphorus	Serum Phosphorus		
Selenium	Serum Selenium	Red Blood Cell (RBC) Selenium	Glutathione Peroxidase
Zinc	Plasma Zinc (Zn²+)	Red Blood Cell (RBC) ZincUrinary Zinc - 24 hour	Serum Metallothionein
V = Vitamins			
Foundational	 Complete Blood Count with differential (CBC w/diff) 		
Fat Soluble			
Vitamin A		Serum Beta CaroteneSerum Retinol	Retinol Binding Protein
Vitamin D	 Serum 25-Hydroxy Vitamin D₃ (25 OH₂ D₃) 	 Serum 1,25-Dihydroxy Vitamin D₃ (1,25 OH₂ D₃) 	 Parathyroid Hormone (PTH) Ionized Calcium Vitamin D Receptor (VDR) Gene Panel - Fok1, Taq1, Bsm1 SNPs*

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Vitamin E		Serum Vitamin EAlpha TocopherolGamma Tocopherol	
Vitamin K	Prothrombin Time (PT)Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT)	Serum Phylloquinone (Vitamin K1)Under-Carboxylated Osteocalcin	
Water Soluble			
Vitamin B1 (Thiamine)	■ Plasma Thiamine	 Red Blood Cell (RBC) Transketolase index 	 Urine Alpha Ketoacids Isovalerate Isocaproate Methylvalerate Plasma Isoleucine
Vitamin B2 (Riboflavin)	■ Plasma Riboflavin		Urine Alpha KetoacidsMethyl succinateEthylmalonate
Vitamin B3 (Niacin)			Urine LactateUrine PyruvateN-Methylnicotinamide
Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine)	HomocysteinePlasma Pyridoxal-5 Phosphate (P5P)	Urine XanthurenateUrine Kynurenate	 Tryptophan Load Test Methionine Load Test Cystathionine-Beta-Synthase (CBS) SNPs*
Vitamin B7 (Biotin)		 Urine Alpha and Beta Hydroxyisovalerate 	
Vitamin B9 (Folate)	Serum FolateHomocysteineMean Corpuscular Volume (MCV)	Red Blood Cell (RBC) FolateUrine Formiminoglutamic acid (FIGLU)	 Unmetabolized Folic Acid Methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase (MTHFR) (677, 1298,) SNPs* Catechol-O-Methyltransferase (COMT) SNPs*
Vitamin B12 (Cobalamin)	 Serum B12 Homocysteine Methylmalonic Acid (MMA) Mean Corpuscular Volume (MCV) Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin (MCH) 		 Methionine Synthase (MTR) SNPs* Methionine Synthase Reductase (MTRR) SNPs*
Vitamin C (Ascorbic Acid)			Serum Vitamin CWhite Blood Cell (WBC)Vitamin C
P = Phytonutrients			
		 Lipid Peroxides Oxidized LDL 8-Hydroxydeoxyguanosine (8-OHdG) Total Antioxidant Capacity 	 Red Blood Cell (RBC) Glutathione Serum Coenzyme Q10 (CoQ10)

