A Word About Dairy David Christopher, M.H.

Milk is the perfect food for babies. The breast provides specific nutrients for a developing baby and employs passive immunity. All immunity that the mother possesses is passed on to her child while the child's immune system develops. Milk from another species only provides immunity to those diseases to which that species is subjected and provides no immunity to human diseases. Soy and other plant sources provide no immunity. Human babies need to be nursed by human mothers to achieve this immunity. Babies are naturally vaccinated through nursing.

Milk provides protein in the form of casein. This casein is broken down by renin which the baby produces as long as nursing continues. When a baby is weaned the renin is not produced and hence the casein cannot be broken down. Protein that has not broken down is subjected to bacterial action which causes intestinal distress. In later life many diseases are linked to this failure to break down casein. Casein is found in all dairy products, including traces in butter.

Milk provides needed carbohydrates in the form of the disaccharide lactose. The two sugars in lactose are glucose, which can be immediately used when separated, and galactose. Glucose is released by the enzyme lactase which is produced by the baby. Then galactose is converted to glucose by another enzyme, beta galactosidase, which is also produced by the baby. These enzymes are not produced after weaning. (Note exception below)

In all mammals the ability to break down the proteins and sugars in milk is lost. This natural order perhaps prevents the enslavement of the female species to a lifetime of lactating.

The exception to lactase production occurred anciently in snow and desert dwellers. With no



vegetation available, milk was extracted from domesticated animals and employed in the diet. Although this milk invariably caused intestinal distress, it kept them from starving. These ancient people consistently consumed milk and consequently mutated and started producing lactase after weaning. All other inhabitants of the world are lactose intolerant.

Beta galactosidase, the other enzyme in milk, which converts galactose to the useable glucose is lost after nursing in all species of animals including Northern Europeans. This unbroken-down sugar is difficult to eliminate. It is trapped in mucus for elimination and is linked to many health concerns, (read Robert Cohens MILK A-Z), including cancers, especially prostate and ovarian cancers.

Dr. Christopher observed in his practices, especially during his time in the army in World War II, that many diseases were caused by mucus congestion and easily remedied by removing dairy from the diet of these soldiers and patients.

Putting all of this aside, the main reason people drink milk is for the calcium- which isn't even bio-available. Perhaps because of the indigestibility inherent in milk the calcium is not assimilated into our bodies. The fact is that only 25% of the calcium is assimilated and that is measurably eliminated in the urine. Then we consider that one of the purposes of consuming milk is to harden the soft pliable bones in babies that allow them to pass through the birth canal. If we keep drinking milk, which hardens bones after weaning, then we must ask, "What is beyond hard?" The answer is brittle. If we keep drinking milk and keep hardening our bones, then our bones will become brittle. Perhaps that is why observant practitioners have noted that broken bones do not heal quickly when their clients are drinking large quantities of milk.

For complete treatise on this subject may we suggest searching both sides of the issue including any of <u>Robert Cohen's books on milk</u>.

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