

Dysbiosis Questionnaire

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

This questionnaire is designed for adults and the scoring system isn't as appropriate for children. It lists factors in your medical history which are known to contribute to the disruption of normal healthy gastrointestinal bacteria, directly or indirectly promoting the overgrowth of yeasts, fungi and other pathogens, (Section A), and symptoms commonly found in individuals with dysbiosis related illness (Section B and C).

Directions:

For each "yes" answer in **Section A**, put the Point Score in the field next to the value given. Your score should be automatically totalled. If not, total your score and record it in the box at the end of the section. Then move on to **Sections B and C** and score as directed in those sections.

Filling out and scoring this questionnaire should help you and your physician evaluate the possible role of dysbiosis in contributing to your health problems. Yet it will not provide an automatic "Yes" or "No" answer.

Note: Dysbiosis refers to the condition where the normal healthy population of beneficial bacteria in the intestines has been disrupted, leaving it open to the overgrowth of yeasts, fungi, parasites, and potentially harmful strains of bacteria. This intestinal imbalance in turn adversely affects other important organ systems via toxic stress and interfering with nutrient absorption and utilization.

Section A: History

Points

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| 1. Have you taken tetracyclines (Sumycin, Panmycin, Vibramycin, Minocin, etc) or other antibiotics for skin, acne or anything else for 1 month (or longer)? | 25 | _____ |
| 2. Have you, <i>at any time in your life</i> , taken other "broad spectrum: antibiotics for respiratory, urinary or other infections in shorter courses 4 or more times in a 1 year period? | 20 | _____ |
| 3. Have you taken a broad spectrum antibiotic drug – even a single course? | 6 | _____ |
| 4. Have you at any time of your life, been bothered by recurrent or persistent prostatitis, vaginitis or other problems affecting your reproductive organs? | 25 | _____ |
| 5. Have you taken birth control pills | | |
| For more than 5 years | 25 | _____ |
| For more than 2 years | 15 | _____ |
| For 6 months to 2 years | 8 | _____ |
| 6. Have you been pregnant | | |
| 2 or more times | 5 | _____ |
| 1 time | 3 | _____ |
| 7. Have you taken prednisone, Decadron or other cortisone type drugs | | |
| For more than 6 months | 25 | _____ |
| For more than 2 weeks | 15 | _____ |
| For 2 weeks or less | 6 | _____ |

8. Does exposure to perfumes, insecticides, fabric shop odors and other chemicals provoke		
Moderate to severe symptoms	20	_____
Mild symptoms	5	_____

List symptoms: _____

9. Are your symptoms worse on damp, muggy days or in moldy places?	20	_____
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List symptoms: _____

10. Have you had athlete's foot, ringworm, "jock itch" or other chronic fungous infections of the skin or nails?		
	__Yes	__No
Have such infections been:		
Severe	20	_____
Mild to moderate	10	_____

11. Do you crave sugar?	10	_____
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12. Do you crave breads?	10	_____
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13. Do you crave alcoholic beverages?	10	_____
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14. Does tobacco smoke really bother you?	10	_____
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15. Have you ever had parasitic infection, dysentery or unexplained episode of prolonged diarrhea and or intestinal distress?	15	_____
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16. Have you ever consumed chlorinated (or chemically treated) drinking water for 3 or more months?	15	_____
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17. Do you consume commercially raised flesh foods (antibiotic fed) on a regular basis?	15	_____
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18. Do you eat processed foods regularly?	20	_____
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19. Do you drink alcohol or consume coffee daily?	20	_____
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20. Do you have or have you ever had an ulcer, colitis, Crohn's disease or diverticulitis?	35	_____
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21. Were you breast fed?	If no,	35	_____
	If yes, but for less than 3 months	20	_____

Total Score, Section A _____

Section B: Major Symptoms

For each of your symptoms, enter the appropriate figure in the Point Score column:

If a symptom is occasional or mild, score 3 pts

If a symptom is frequent &/or moderate, score 6 pts

If a symptom is severe or disabling, score 9 pts

Add total score and record it in the box at the end of this section.

Point Score

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| 1. Fatigue or lethargy | _____ |
| 2. Feeling of being "drained" | _____ |
| 3. Poor memory | _____ |
| 4. Feeling "spacey" or "unreal" | _____ |
| 5. Depression | _____ |
| 6. Numbness, burning or tingling | _____ |
| 7. Muscle Aches | _____ |
| 8. Pain and/or swelling in joints | _____ |
| 9. Abdominal pain | _____ |
| 10. Constipation | _____ |
| 11. Diarrhea | _____ |
| 12. Bloating | _____ |
| 13. Troublesome vaginal discharge | _____ |
| 14. Persistent vaginal burning or itching | _____ |
| 15. Prostatitis | _____ |
| 16. Impotence | _____ |
| 17. Loss of sexual desire | _____ |
| 18. Endometriosis | _____ |
| 19. Cramps and/or other menstrual irregularities | _____ |
| 20. Premenstrual tension | _____ |
| 21. Spots in front of eyes | _____ |
| 22. Erratic vision | _____ |
| 23. Eczema, dermatitis, psoriasis | _____ |

Total Score, Section B _____

Section C: Other Symptoms

For each of your symptoms, enter the appropriate figure in the Point Score column:

If a symptom is occasional or mild, score 3 pt

If a symptom is frequent &/or moderately severe, score 6 pts

If a symptom is severe &/or disabling, score 9 pts

Add total score and record it in the box at the end of this section.

Point Score

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| 1. Drowsiness | _____ |
| 2. Irritability or jitteriness | _____ |
| 3. Inability to concentrate | _____ |
| 4. Frequent mood swings | _____ |
| 5. Headache | _____ |
| 6. Dizziness/loss of balance | _____ |
| 7. Pressure above ears, feeling of head swelling & tingling | _____ |
| 8. Itching | _____ |
| 9. Other rashes | _____ |
| 10. Heartburn | _____ |
| 11. Indigestion | _____ |
| 12. Belching and intestinal gas | _____ |
| 13. Mucus in stools | _____ |
| 14. Hemorrhoids | _____ |
| 15. Dry mouth | _____ |

- 16. Rash or blisters in mouth _____
- 17. Bad breath _____
- 18. Nasal congestion or discharge _____
- 19. Joint swelling or arthritis _____
- 20. Postnasal drip _____
- 21. Nasal itching _____
- 22. Sore or dry throat _____
- 23. Cough _____
- 24. Pain or tightness in chest _____
- 25. Wheezing or shortness of breath _____
- 26. Urgency or urinary frequency _____
- 27. Burning on urination _____
- 28. Failing vision _____
- 29. Burning or tearing of eyes _____
- 30. Recurrent infection or fluid in ears _____
- 31. Ear pain or hearing loss _____

Total Score, Section C _____

Total Score, Section A _____

Total Score, Section B _____

GRAND TOTAL SCORE _____

The Grand Total Score will help you and your physician decide if your health problems are dysbiosis related. Scores in women will run higher as 7 items in the questionnaire apply exclusively to women, while only 2 apply exclusively to men.

Dysbiosis related health problems are almost certainly present in women with scores over 180, and in men with scores over 140.

Dysbiosis related health problems are probably present in women with scores over 120 and in men with scores over 80.

With scores of less than 60 in women and 40 in men, dysbiosis is unlikely to be contributing to your health challenges.