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Approach to Healthy Skin

A free-info booklet



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Factors that adversely affect the skin

INADEQUATE HYDRATION

SUNLIGHT

OXIDATION

NUTRIENT DEPLETION

INFLAMMATION

LACK OF EXERCISE

INADEQUATE OILS

STRESS

LACK OF SLEEP

POLLUTION



Healthy skin

Hydrated & organised epidermis

Evenly distributed pigmentation
Supportive, strong collagen & elastin

De-hydrated & disorganised epidermis

Excess Melanin

Weak, damaged collagen & elastin



Oxidation

By free radicals, damages cell membrane fatty acids, impacting on the skin barrier

Lack of sleep

Sleep is the bodies chance to repair damage from the day. Lack of sleep leads to a build up in cellular waste and

gradual dysregulated pigmentation & weaker structural elements

Inadequate hydration

Flatter, less cohesive epidermal cells are less effective at maintaining water.
The skin appears dull & dry

Subsequent increased bacterial skin penetration worsens inflammation and cell cohesion.

Inflammation

Inflammatory dietary components
(animal fats/proteins, processed
carbohydrates) activates
metaloprotease enzymes gradually
weakening the elastin and
collagen matrix



Nutrient depletion

A lack of minerals like zinc, copper and magnesium impact on the skins renewal processes and enzyme activity.

Inadequate vitamin C impacts on collagen production

Lack of exercise

Exercise positivity impacts:

- 1. Epigenetics
- 2. The microbiome
- 3. Inflammaging

All three have a healthy impact on our skin. Exercise also improves blood supply.



Stress

Chronically high cortisol levels downregulate repair mechanisms, impact cellular immunity and, raises glucose concentration in the dermis promoting damaging glycation.

Inadequate

oils

Optimal Omega3:6
balance
ideally through good
seed/nut and legume
intake helps
in skin surface repair
and optimal sebum
constitution.

Sunlight

UVA contrubutes to cellular aging. UVB can ionise DNA atoms leading to skin cancer.



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EXERCISE 150 MINS/WEEK 8-9 PORTIONS OF FRUIT & VEG / DAY

SPF 50 IN SUMMER & 20 IN WINTER

2-3 PORTIONS
NUT/SEEDS DAILY

WHOLEGRAINS
2-3/DAY

RELIEVE STRESS
MEDITATION,
CBT, SOCIALISE

AVOID ANIMAL FATS

& PROTEINS

7-8 HOURS
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