Prostate Cancer: Foods & Supplements with Evidence

<u>Food Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Study Type</u>	Randomized Trial?	<u>Population</u>	Main Study Objective	<u>Duration</u>
Green tea	5-6 cups/day	human; prospective	yes; placebo control	USA, Japan	antioxidant effect, PSA decrease, development of advanced prostate cancer	ongoing
Vitamin D		human; prospective	no	USA	Development of prostate cancer	ongoing
Lycopenes		human; prospective	no	USA	Development of prostate cancer	ongoing
pomegranate juice	8 oz daily	human; prospective	no	USA	Rate of PSA doubling	ongoing
genistein soy		cancer cells	no		increase in cancer cells dying; used with chemotherapy	
vegetable fat	[replacing animal fat with vegetable fat]	human; retrospective	no	USA	risk of dying from prostate cancer	ongoing
coffee	≥ 2 cups/day	human; meta-analysis	no	USA, Japan, Europe	Development of prostate cancer	ongoing

Study Type: human, animal, or laboratory (cells)

Prospective study: study that watches for outcomes over time (such as development of cancer)

Retrospective study: study that looks backwards and examines exposures for risk or protection factors related to an outcome

Case-control: type of retrospective study comparing "cases" (cancer) to "controls" (ex, healthy)

Placebo-control: where the control arm (not treatment arm) is given a placebo (inactive) substance

Main Study Objective: the primary measure of a study (ex, rate of developing cancer)

Randomized Trial: randomly assign subjects to different therapies (or arms of a study), to reduce bias

Meta-analysis: statistical analysis by combining data from multiple studies



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