

# The Enemy Inside You

'Inflammations Crippling Effect on your Health!'

## 'TUESDAY TALKS' w/ Dr. Doug

#### **INFLAMMATION:**

- It's normal, healthy & necessary! It's the bodies way of getting more nourishment &/or immune activity to an area of the body that needs to heal.
- We can see it, feel it & measure it as; Heat, Pain; Redness & Swelling
- ACUTE inflammation is healthy, however, CHRONIC & AUTOIMMUNE is not!
- CHRONIC INFLAMMATION ('Whole body' inflammation)
  - Slow & steady damage that continues to occur inside your body over time.
- AUTOIMMUNE ('Confused' immune system)
  - o Your immune system recognizes its own body as an enemy and attacks it.
  - Autoimmune disease is not clinically diagnosed until you have tissue destruction.
- Inflammation contributes to:
  - o Allergies, Alzeimer's, Anemia, Asthma, Autism, Arthritis, Ankylosing Spondylitis
  - o Cancer, Carpal Tunnel Syndrome, Chron's Disease, Congestive Heart Failure
  - o Celiac, Depression, Diabetes, Eczema, Fibromyalgia, Gall Bladder Disease
  - o GERD, Guillain-Barre, Heart Attack, Kidney Failure, Lupus, MS, Neuropathy
  - o Pancreatitis, Parkinson's, Psoriasis, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Strokes & Others...

## **CAUSES OF INFLAMMATION:**

## 1) DIET

#### Avoid foods like:

- Trans Fats (hydrogenated oils)
- High Omega 6 Fatty Acids
  - Oils like: vegetable, cottonseed, safflower, sunflower, soybean & corn
- o Fried foods
- Sugar
  - The 'Oses' fructose, glucose, dextrose, sucrose
  - Syrups, white, brown & cane
  - Artificial Sweeteners (nutrasweet, sweet & low, splenda, etc)
- Refined Grains
  - Bagels, most breads, cookies, cakes
- Alcohol
- Food Additives & Preservatives
  - Food coloring, natural flavoring & MSG Monosodium Glutamate
- Dairy Products
- Milk, butter, cheeses, ice cream, cold cereals, cream sauces, etc.
- Red Meat





#### Eat foods like:

- Omega 3 Fatty acids:
  - Cooking oils: Olive, Coconut, Macadamia nut
  - Assorted nuts, avacado's, fish
- Fresh Fruits & Vegetables
- Dairy
  - Kefir or unsweetened yogurt
- Sweeteners
  - Honey, Stevia, Xylitol
- Organic, free range, grass fed meats

For a list of foods that are pro/anti inflammatory, go to www.inflammationfactor.com

#### 2) ENVIRONMENTAL TOXINS:

- Pesticides on foods
- o Personal care products hair/skin, perfumes, nail polish, sunscreens
- Cleaning products laundry detergents, household cleaners
- VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) moldy, musty places
- Scented candles, air fresheners, new car smell, carpets
- Lawn care products, second hand smoke & BPA plastics

For a list of commercial toxins, go to <a href="www.ewg.org">www.ewg.org</a> Environmental Working Group

#### 3) SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE:

- Get out and EXERCISE already!!!
- Incorporate 3 types of exercise in your weekly routine:
  - Flexibility Stretching (Hold 30 + seconds each), yoga & pilates
  - *Aerobic* Cycling, swimming, brisk walking, jogging, running, skipping rope, hiking, tennis, trampoline, dancing, aerobic classes, zumba, etc.
  - *Anaerobic* Weight training (free weights, machines, therabands), exercise ball, body weight, plyometrics, etc.
- Try and do a combination of all 3 types of exercises.
- o Dr. Doug's only rule = MAKE IT FUN! Or you won't follow through with it.

## 4) STRESS:

- Physical (poor posture, lack of activity, over exertion, etc.)
  - Visit your chiropractor, exercise, get out & move, get a massage
- o Chemical (medications both OTC & prescriptions, food, environmental, etc.)
  - Clean up your diet, eliminate environmental toxins, reduce medications when possible.
- Mental (emotional, spiritual, work environment, etc.)
  - Breathing techniques (breath in for a count of 4, hold 8, out 8), watch a funny movie, laugh with family & friends, prayer, meditation.

## 5) GENETICS:

 We are not merely a byproduct of our genes. Epigenetics are like switches sitting on top of genes that allow them to be turned on & off. They can be modulated by our environment (all the choices listed above!)



