

## Vitamin D & Cancer – Treatment & Prevention

### *Advance Information – programme subject to change*

Vitamin D and its critical role in the treatment and prevention of cancer will be discussed at a high-level conference on May 18, 2011 at BMA House in London, UK.

( more at: [www.vitamindassociation.org/events.html](http://www.vitamindassociation.org/events.html) )

Speakers include some of the worlds leading Oncologists, doctors and researchers in using vitamin D to treat and prevent cancer.

**Professor Angus Dalgleish** will discuss his work as an Oncologist at St George's Hospital in London. Professor Angus Dalgleish was appointed to the Foundation Chair in Oncology at St. George's Hospital Medical School, London in 1991 and is editor/author of 4 books and over 260 clinical papers. Professor Dalgleish main interests include the optimisation of adjuvant and cell-based vaccines for solid tumours, immuno-stimulatory and anti-angiogenic small molecules.

**Professor Joan Lappe** is professor of medicine at Creighton University in USA. She will report on the results of a major Level 1 Randomised Controlled Trial that showed the preventive actions of Vitamin D and calcium against cancer.

**Dr. Enikő Kállay** will provide practical advice for Oncologists and other medical professionals about the latest genetic tests for diagnosis and treatment of cancer. She is Assistant Professor at the Medical University of Vienna, Department of Patho-physiology and Allergy Research, where she studies the role of Vitamin D and dietary calcium in the prevention and pathogenesis of colorectal cancer, with special emphasis on the CYP24 gene.

**Zoya Lagunova** is working in the Department of Radiation Biology in Oslo University in Norway on the connection between vitamin D and cancer. She will talk about the relationship between Ultra Violet light and cancer and the topical administration of Vitamin D on adeno-carcinoma.

**Dr William B Grant** of the Sunlight, Nutrition And Health Research Center in San Francisco will talk about reducing the burden of disease through adequate intake of Vitamin D and the epidemiologic evidence for supporting the role of Vitamin D deficiency as the major risk factor for a number of cancers and other illnesses.

**Carole Baggerly** set up Grass Roots Health after she met with researchers in the University of California, San Diego and discovered the significant role that Vitamin D plays in the prevention and cure of many cancers. She has recently set up a number of Community Health projects in the USA which takes advice from expert doctors about Vitamin D and delivers it to Public Health professionals, such as General Practitioners, Paediatric Endocrinologists, Community Paediatricians, Community Dieticians, Health Visitors, Midwives and Pharmacists.

**Dr Oliver Gillie** will talk about current Public health policy in the UK

**Dr David Grimes** will give an overview of the work that he is doing in Blackburn Hospital and his experiences in spreading his messages to General Practitioners in Manchester and North-West England area.

He is the author of a book: **Vitamin D & Cholesterol - the importance of the sun**

Vitamin D is a hormone that regulates more than a tenth of human genes and plays a key role in skeletal health as well as ensuring that cells throughout the body function. The sun is the primary source. Vitamin D deficiency is associated with many cancers, osteoporosis, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, insulin resistance, hypertension, heart disease, respiratory infections, muscle weakness, mood and cognitive function and infectious diseases such as influenza.

There is strong evidence that high levels of Vitamin D both help the body recover from cancer and also play a major part in preventing cancer.

The re-emergence of childhood rickets in the UK has recently highlighted concerns about vitamin D deficiency. It is only recently that there has been any acknowledgement that Vitamin D deficiency plays a part in the long-latency diseases like cancer. Unlike North America, the UK does not have any significant fortification of the food supply with Vitamin D.

As the population becomes more compliant with messages about "sun safety", and as lifestyles become more sedentary and less time is spent outdoors, it is not surprising to see vitamin D levels dropping across the population. In some circles there is talk of a world-wide epidemic of vitamin D deficiency.

Come and hear some of the world's most foremost experts in this subject report on their research and their recommendations.

There will be ample time for discussion, where you can share your clinical experiences, discuss current UK guidelines and protocols, and review public policy.

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Registration is now open

Cost, including refreshments and PDF copies of the presentations, is:

	Standard	Concessions	Students
Early booking, before May 12 <sup>th</sup>	£249	£ 80	£40
May 13 <sup>th</sup> onwards	£299	£100	£50

( All plus VAT )

Concessionary rates are offered for small charities, students, unfunded individuals and those in similar circumstances. If you find the charge for tickets a barrier to attending, please let us know and we will do our best to see if you can be included.

Purchase Orders will be accepted provided a copy is received before the event.

Please contact: [info@vitamindassociation.org](mailto:info@vitamindassociation.org) or telephone: +44 (0) 20 3286 1284

Video recordings of the sessions will be made available to those who cannot attend, approximately 30 days after the event. The cost of these will be £49 plus VAT