

"They say...."

- "Eat more plants...go vegan!"
- "Eat more fat...go keto!"
- "Eat whole grains!"
- "Grains cause inflammation- go Paleo/Whole30"
- "Yogurt has probiotics and is great for health"
- "Yogurt?!? Dairy is inflammatory!"
- "Eat more fruit!
- "Fruit is loaded with sugar and is basically like eating a candy bar/drinking soda/drinking poison"
- "Breakfast is the most important meal"
- "Skip breakfast and do intermittent fasting to live longer"



But who are "they," anyway...?

Influencer Rates* Worldwide, by Social Media Platform and Influencer Tier, March 2019

	Nano (500-5K followers)	Micro (5K-30K followers)	Power (30K-500K followers)	Celebrity (500K+ followers)
Instagram				
—Post	\$100	\$172	\$507	\$2,085
—Video	\$114	\$219	\$775	\$3,138
—Story	\$43	\$73	\$210	\$721
YouTube video	\$315	\$908	\$782	\$3,857
Facebook post	\$31	\$318	\$243	\$2,400

Note: n=2,500; *represents rate that influencers charge brands Source: Klear, "The Klear Influencer Marketing Rate Card," May 13, 2019

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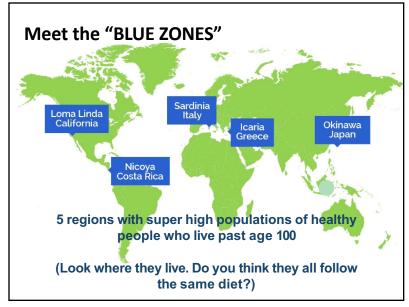
When it comes to longevity, these are the MOST credible influencers!

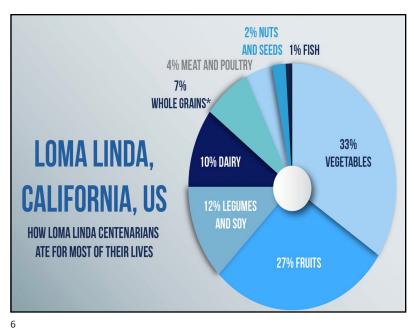


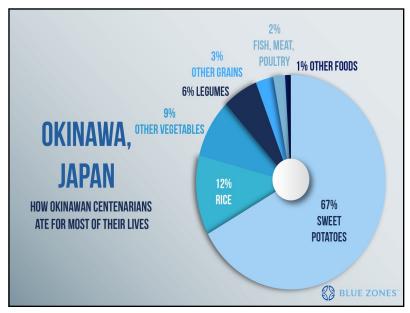


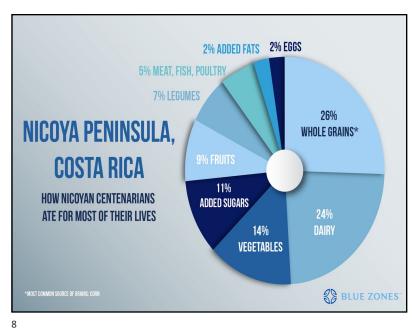


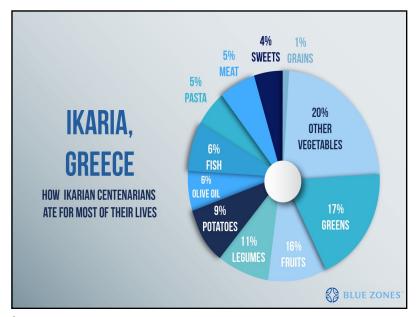


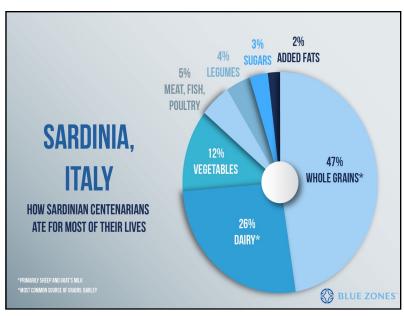












What do "Blue Zones" influencers teach us about:

- Plant-based vs. keto diets?
- Whole grains vs. grain-free?
- Whether carbs are healthpromoting or harmful?
- Are gluten and dairy truly "inflammatory"?
- Can sugar in moderation be part of a healthy diet?



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Other diet and lifestyle habits in Blue Zones:

- Diet is ~95% plant based, but not necessarily strict vegetarian
- They eat beans daily (1/2-1 cup)
- If they eat meat, it's limited to small portions (2oz) no more than 5x/month
- Lunch is often their main meal of the day, not dinner
- Exercise is built into their daily lives (not gym-based)
- Purpose-driven lives
- Healthy social networks
- Spiritual/religious (likely related to the 2 points above)
- Intergenerational homes/communities



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Original Article

Legumes: the most important dietary predictor of survival in older people of different ethnicities

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To identify protective dietary predictors amongst long-lived elderly people (N=785), the "Food Habits in Later Life" (FHILL) study was undertaken among five cohorts in Japan, Sweden, Greece and Australia. Between 1988 and 1991), baseline datas on food innakes were collected. There were 785 participants aged 70 and over that were followed up to seven years. Based on an alternative Cox Proportional Hazard model adjusted to age at enrolment fin. Syear intervals, spender and smoking, the legame food group showed 7.8% reduction in mortality bazard ratio for every 20g increase in daily intake with or without controlling for ethnicity (RR 0.92; 95% CI 0.85-0.99 and RR 0.93; 95% CI 0.85-0.99 and RR 0.93; 95% CI 0.85-0.99 and the PHILL cohorts.



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Fiber makes you a good host

- Your gut microbiome is the ecosystem of micro- organisms living in your digestive tract, from mouth to colon
- 100 TRILLION microbes from 1,000 different species, mostly bacteria
- As unique to you as your fingerprints
- These microbes play an ESSENTIAL role in your health! From digestive health to mood to metabolism to immunity... and SO. MUCH. MORE. When they are well fed, they flourish and include a diverse number of beneficial species in their ranks







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What are circadian rhythms?

Circadian rhythms are 24 hour biological cycles that govern when certain functions take place

- Muscles' energy (sugar) uptake from the blood
- Fat storage
- Body temperature
- Manufacturing cholesterol
- Stomach acid production
- Hormone secretion (melatonin, cortisol...)
- Reaction time
- Gut motility (Bowel movements)
- ...and many, many more!

The body has "inner clocks" in brain, liver and muscles

Inner 'body clocks' turn genes on and off at different times of the day

- ▶ This "up-regulates" certain functions at certain times of day and "down-regulates" others
- ► These "rhythmic genes" represent 5-20% of all genes expressed in these organs
- ▶ The proteins these genes code for include enzymes and hormones that play roles relating to energy use and storage



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Breakthrough 2013 study: Calories impact us differently depending when they're eaten

Original Article
CLINICAL TRIALS: BEHAVIOR, PHARMACOTHERAPY, DEVICES, SURGERY

Obesity

High Caloric Intake at Breakfast vs. Dinner Differentially Influences Weight Loss of Overweight and Obese Women

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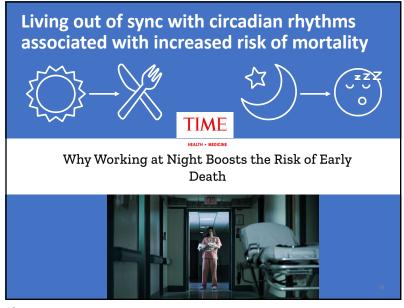
Objective: Few studies examined the association between time-of-day of nutrient intake and the metabolic syndrome. Our goal was to compare a weight loss diet with high caloric intake during breakfast to an isocaloric diet with high caloric intake at dinner.

Design and Methods: Overweight and obese women (BMI 32.4 ± 1.8 kg/m²) with metabolic syndrome were randomized into two isocalorio (~1400 kcal) weight loss groups, a breakfast (BF) (700 kcal breakfast, 500 kcal lunch, 200 kcal dinner) or a dinner (D) group (200 kcal breakfast, 500 kcal lunch, 200 kcal dinner) for 12 weeks.

Results: The BF group showed greater weight loss and waist circumference reduction. Although fasting glucose, insulin, and ghrelin were reduced in both groups, fasting glucose, insulin, and HOMA-IR decreased significantly to a greater extent in the BF group. Mean triglyceride levels decreased by 33.6% in the BF group, but increased by 14.6% in the D group. Oral glucose tolerance test led to a greater decrease of glucose and insulin in the BF group. In response to meal challenges, the overall daily glucose, insulin, ghrelin, and mean hunger scores were significantly lower, whereas mean satiety scores were significantly higher in the BF group.

Conclusions: High-calorie breakfast with reduced intake at dinner is beneficial and might be a useful alternative for the management of obesity and metabolic syndrome.

Obesity (2013) 21, 2504-2512. doi:10.1002/oby.20460



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Eating patterns in sync with your metabolism's natural 24 hour rhythms are FRONTLOADED, not BACKLOADED

Eating this way is associated with:

- Increased likelihood of maintaining a healthy weight
- Reduced likelihood of gaining excess weight, lower risk of metabolic (Type 2 diabetes) and heart disease as we age

Large, long term prospective cohort studies have found that breakfast skipping is associated with increased risk of death compared to breakfast eating when controlled for relevant factors

Original Paper | Published: 15 February 2021

The association of skipping breakfast with cancerrelated and all-cause mortality in a national cohort of United States adults

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Parting thoughts: A Longevity Manifesto

- Consume a high fiber, plant-centric diet, whether or not you choose to eat meat
- · Make beans part of your daily diet
- · Overall dietary patterns matter more for health than any one individual food
 - Demonizing individual foods/food groups as harmful out of context of overall diet (e.g., gluten, dairy, sugar, soy, carbs) misses the point and is not supported by science
- · Don't skip breakfast!
 - If you enjoy Intermittent Fasting/Time Restricted Eating, skip dinner, not breakfast! (Or do a 10-6 window)
- · Build physical activity into your daily life
- · Get adequate sleep
- · Cultivate healthy relationships and community connection



