HYPOTHALAMIC-PITUITARY AXES | SUPPORT PROTOCOL⁺

[Developed by Joseph J. Collins, R.N., N.D.]*

Protocol Objectives:

The three Hypothalamic-Pituitary Axes are the Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal Axis (HPA), the Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Gonadal Axis (HPG), and the Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Thyroid Axis (HPT).

This protocol differentiates the specific support needs for each of these axes based on symptoms, assessment, clinical observations and lab tests.

Clinical Objective	Assessment	Recommendations	Dosing
Generalized support of HPA, HPT, and HPG† (Adrenal, Gonadal, and/or Thyroid function†)	Lab: Assess adrenal, testosterone, and thyroid hormones Patient presents with symptoms as listed below for each HP axes indication	Endocrine Complete™ Foundational Hormone Health	4 capsules daily with food
Additional support for Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Adrenal Axis† (HPA) Also see Adrenal Health protocol	Lab: Assess Cortisol or DHEA levels Patient presents with adrenal fatigue, generalized fatigue, or multiple system fatigue; takes longer to recover from routine stress such as a full day of work or recreational activity; difficulty recovering from physical or emotional stress	Add: AdrenoMend™	2 to 4 capsules daily with food
Additional support for Hypothalamic-Pituitary- Gonadal Axis† (HPG) Also see Andropause Health Protocol	Lab: Assess testosterone and/or free testosterone levels Patient presents with several of the following: low libido, diminished orgasm, decreased muscle mass, low stamina, decreased endurance, fatigue, weakness, increased body fat, weight gain, mood changes, decreased motivation and/or attention span, difficulty focusing	Add: TestoGain [™]	2 to 4 capsules daily with food
Additional support for Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Thyroid Axis† (HPT) Also see Thyroid Health protocol	Lab: Assess T3, T4 and/or Reverse T3 [rT3], and/or T3/rT3 ratio, and/or anti-TP0 or anti-TG levels Patient presents with weight gain, cloudy thinking, fatigue, hair loss, cold hands and feet, constipation	Add: ThyroMend™	2 to 4 capsules daily with food

^{*}Joseph J. Collins, R.N., N.D. is a retained Clinical Advisor of Douglas Laboratories

This information is intended for use by healthcare practitioners, is for informational purposes only, and does not establish a doctor-patient relationship. Please be sure to consult your physician before taking this or any other product. Consult your physician for any health problems.

Visit www.douglaslabs.com for more details.

