"Common nutritional problems in kids"



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A condition that results from eating a diet in which one or more nutrients are either not enough or are too much such that the diet causes health problems

MALNUTRITION is a global problem

1.9 BILLION adults are overweight or obese

BILLION people suffer from some form of micronutrient deficients/建食品协会

161 Million children under the age 5 are too short for their age

Million people do not get the food they need to live a healthy life

UNHEALTHY DIETS

are one of the leading causes of global malnutrition

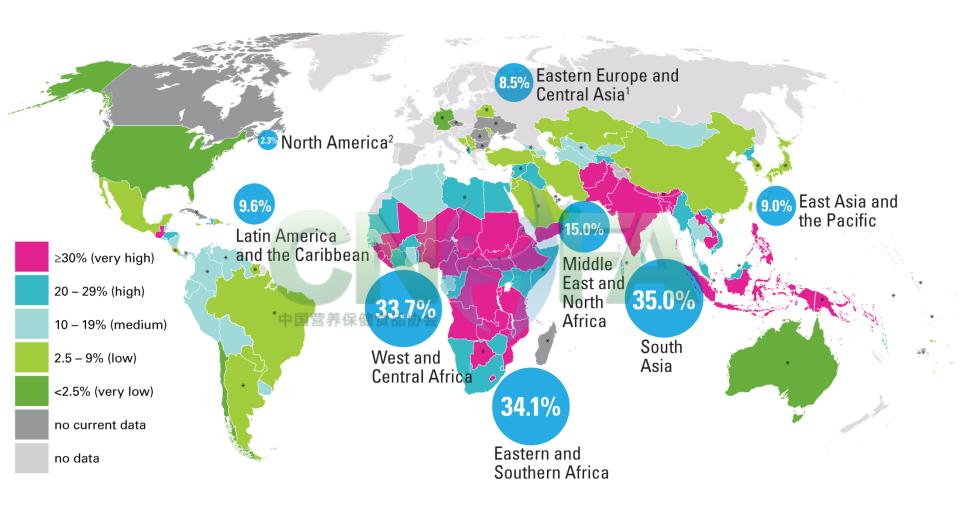




Malnutrition

Despite some reductions in world income-related poverty in recent years, malnutrition remains widespread







Are you nutrient deficient?



Nutrient deficiencies of iron, vitamin A, vitamin D, folic acid and zinc are prevalent worldwide, especially in children from low income areas

IRON DEFICIENCY

Iron is an essential mineral for haemoglobin in the blood

The major cause of iron deficiency is an insufficient intake of iron from the diet.



Fatigue and Tiredness



Shortness of Breath



Frequent Headaches





Depression



Hair Loss

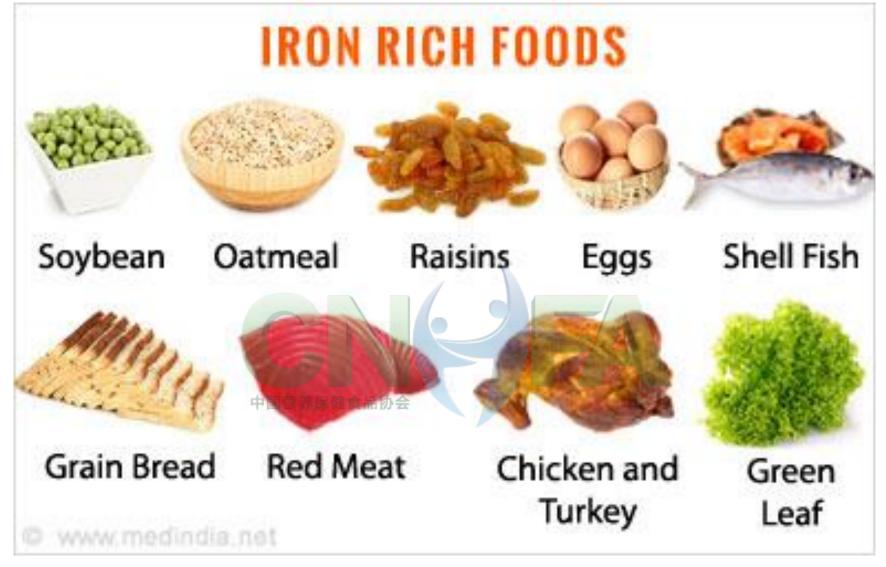


Increased Sensitivity to Cold

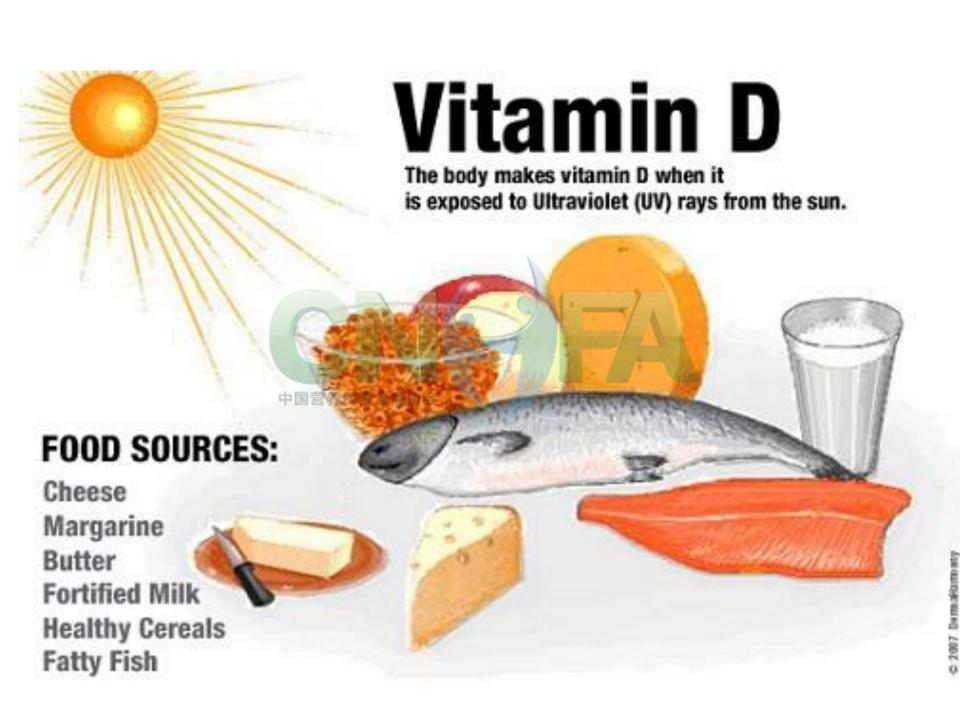




Warning Signs of Anemia in Kids



- A healthy balanced diet should prevent iron deficiency
- Iron is found in red meat, follow-on formulas, fortified breakfast cereals

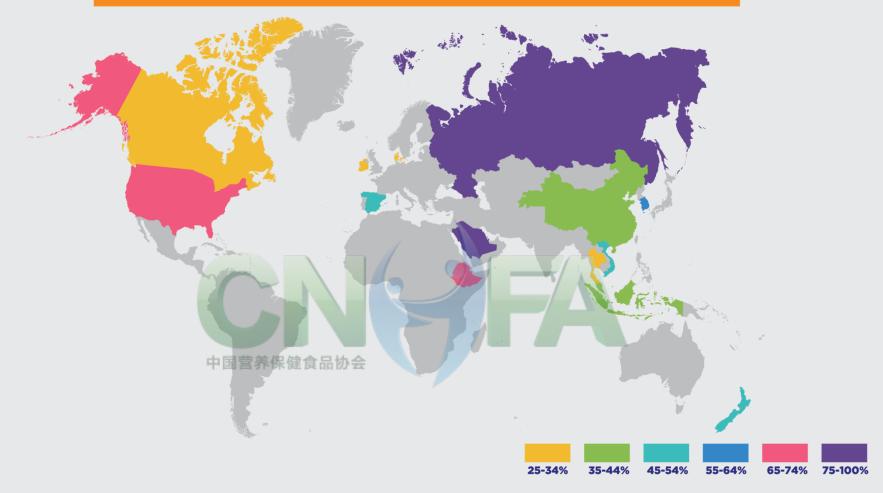


VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY



- Vitamin D is a fat-soluble vitamin that is essential for bone growth and health.
- Vitamin D deficiency can cause rickets, in which the bones become soft and misshapen.
- Vitamin D is also important in protecting toddlers against infections.

WORLDWIDE PREVALENCE OF VITAMIN D DEFICIENCY AMONG CHILDREN



* Vitamin D deficiency in United States and Russia was defined by levels less than 30 ng/ml

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OTHER NUTRIENT DEFICIENCIES



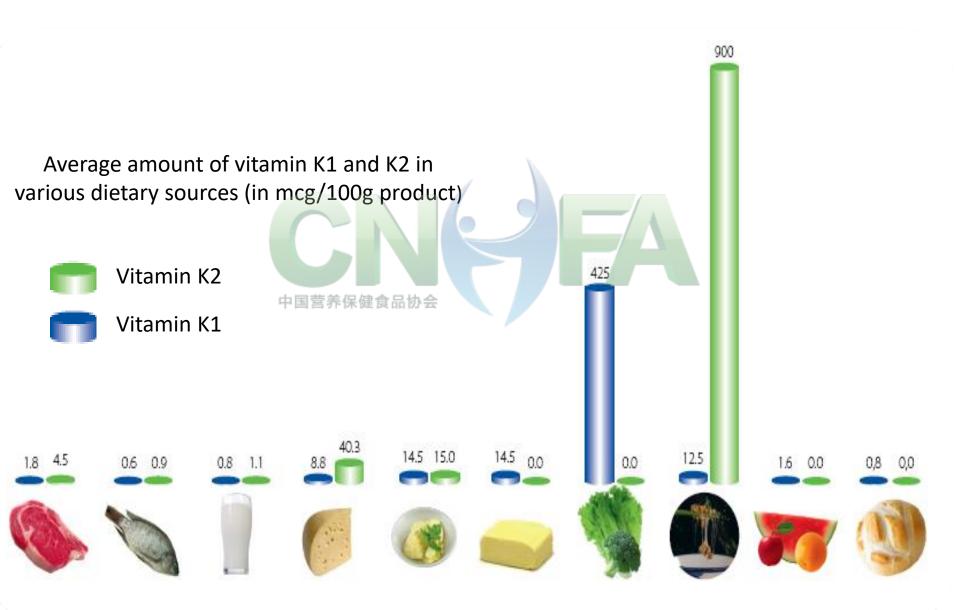
- In recent years diets have changed to contain more omega 6 fats and fewer omega
 3 fats with a tendency for children to eat more vegetable oils and margarines based on omega 6 fats.
- Toddlers need to be encouraged to eat foods containing omega 3 fats, such as oily fish, regularly to maintain a healthy balance of fatty acids

Deficiency of K



K1 is the major form of nutritional vitamin K in Europe

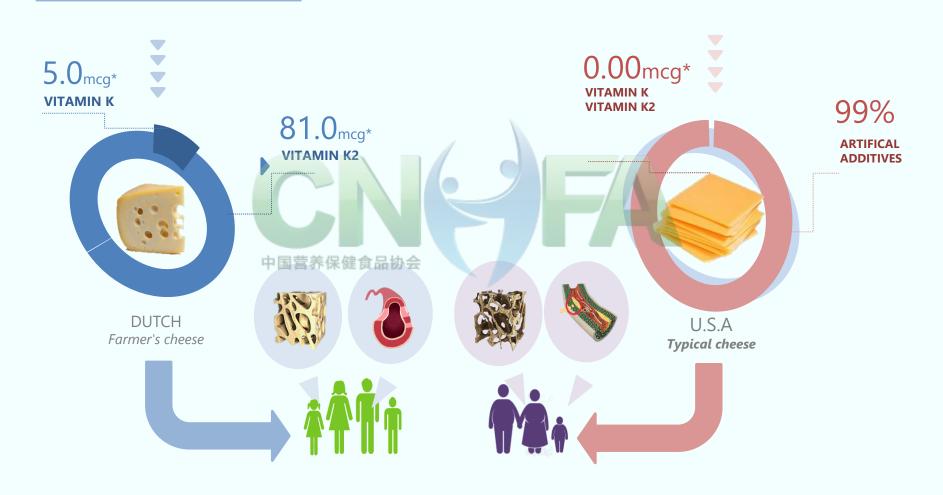
K vitamins in food



K2 Content in Fermented Food

TRADITIONAL CHEESE

PROCESSED CHEESE

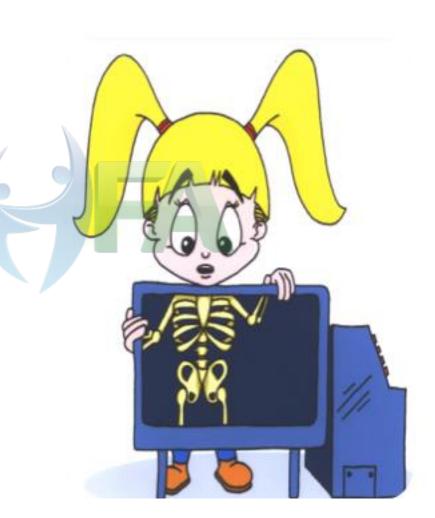


K Vitamin Status & Bone Health in Children

The higher the "peak" bone mass (achieved at age < 30 years) the more you are protected from osteoporosis developement in later life

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Young bone is highly active and osteocalcin levels are 8 − 10 fold higher as compared to adults → requirement of vitamin K thus also higher



The Vita Kids study



- Randomized, placebo- controlled, double-blind
- 60 children, 6-10 years of age
- Equal boys / girls
- 45 μg of MK-7 daily for 8 weeks
- Measurement of ucOC and cOC to assess the vitamin K status

Vitamin K2 as MK-7 improved activation of osteocalcin

The Efficacy of K2 and Calcitriol Combination on Thalassemic Osteopathy

 The results detected a significant improvement in the bone mineral density and Z-score at the lumbar spine area of the patients at the sixth and 12th month of the treatment.

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 A decrease in the ratio of undercarboxylated osteocalcin to carboxylated osteocalcin was found, too.



Mehmet A. Ozdemir et al. J Pediatr Hematol Oncol 2013;

Low vitamin K status increases the risk of fractures in children



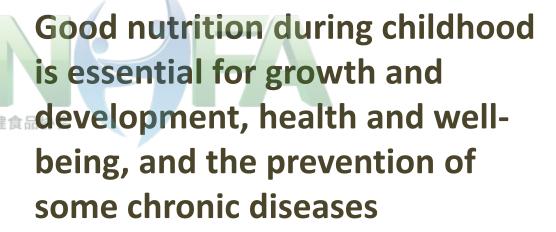
 20 children (14 boys, 6 girls) aged 5 to 15 years old were included in the study

 There was, a statistically significant difference in the UCR ratio

 Better vitamin K status was significantly correlated with lower rate of low-energy fracture incidence.

Conclusions





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