

# OptiMag 125™

Proprietary Blend of Patented Magnesium



Available in 120 & 240 capsules

## Discussion

**Magnesium Lysyl Glycinate Chelate**, a mineral amino acid chelate in which magnesium is bound to two amino acids, creates a complex that is more readily absorbed across the intestinal wall. Since the body can efficiently absorb dipeptides (two amino acids linked together), Albion's TRAACS® magnesium lysyl glycinate is an excellent delivery system for magnesium. In general, Albion TRAACS patented mineral amino acid chelates are resistant to competitive minerals, do not weaken the action of vitamins, and pose a smaller risk of overdosing.\*<sup>[1]</sup>

**Di-Magnesium Malate**, the other chelate in OptiMag 125, contains 69% malate (malic acid). Each capsule of OptiMag 125 supplies approximately 400 mg of malic acid. Malic acid was chosen because it forms complexes with magnesium.<sup>[2]</sup> Magnesium and malate play critical roles in energy production under aerobic conditions or when oxygen is lacking.<sup>[3]</sup> Malic acid also appears to exert a protective effect by binding aluminum.\*<sup>[4]</sup>

Magnesium, the fourth most abundant mineral in the body, participates in about 300-350 enzymatic reactions in nearly all tissues. Deficiency is common and results from poor dietary intake, poor absorption, and excessive losses through urine, stool, perspiration, or lactation. Certain drugs, certain herbs, poor kidney function, excessive alcohol intake, and drinking mostly "soft" water can contribute to magnesium depletion as well.\*<sup>[5]</sup>

Magnesium's role in the clinical applications cited above is quite well established. Beyond these commonly recognized applications, researchers have demonstrated that magnesium can support cytokine balance and decrease sensitivity to oxidative stress.<sup>[6]</sup> An analysis of the results of a National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) suggested that children who consumed less than 75% of the recommended dietary allowance (RDA) for magnesium were 58% more likely to have elevated C-reactive protein (CRP) levels.<sup>[7]</sup> Magnesium's role in modulating CRP and supporting the body's normal response to inflammation may be significant. In addition,

## Clinical Applications

- » Supports Cardiovascular Health\*
- » Supports Healthy Muscle Function/Healthy Nerve Conduction\*
- » Supports Bone Health\*
- » Supports Energy Production\*
- » May Support Healthy Glucose Metabolism\*

*Magnesium, the fourth most abundant mineral in the human body, plays a role in over 300 metabolic processes. It participates in the development and maintenance of bones and teeth; the metabolism of carbohydrates, blood glucose, fats, and proteins; the formation of cells and tissues; and the maintenance of muscle function, including cardiac muscle. OptiMag 125™ contains Albion®'s TRAACS® magnesium lysinate glycinate (mineral amino acid chelate) and Albion's chelated dimagnesium malate—both formulated for enhanced absorption. Malic acid (from di-magnesium malate) supports energy production and lactic acid clearance via the Krebs cycle. Malic acid may also support antioxidant systems by enhancing glutathione and antioxidant enzymes.\**

although underlying mechanisms remain unclear, it appears that men who consume diets rich in magnesium are able to maintain healthy gallbladder function.<sup>[8]</sup> Adequate magnesium intake indeed has strong, far-reaching health benefits.\*<sup>[9]</sup>

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**OptiMag 125™ Supplement Facts**

Serving Size: 2 Capsules

	Amount Per Serving	%Daily Value
Magnesium (as DiMagnesium Malate and TRAACS® Magnesium Lysinate Glycinate Chelate)	250 mg	63%
Malic Acid (as DiMagnesium Malate)	828 mg	**

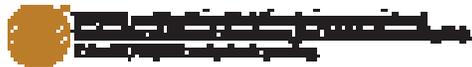
**Other Ingredients:** HPMC (capsule), stearic acid, microcrystalline cellulose, magnesium stearate, silica, and medium-chain triglycerides.

**DIRECTIONS:** Take one to two capsules twice daily at or between meals, or as directed by your healthcare practitioner.

Children and pregnant or lactating women should consult their healthcare practitioner prior to use. Do not use if tamper seal is damaged.

**DOES NOT CONTAIN:** Wheat, gluten, corn protein, yeast, soy, animal or dairy products, fish, shellfish, peanuts, tree nuts, egg, artificial colors, artificial sweeteners, or preservatives.

**STORAGE:** Keep closed in a cool, dry place out of reach of children.

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Additional references available upon request

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