

## **RESULTS: DRIED BLOOD SPOT TEST**

Accession #: 100041057 • Patient: John Smith

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Patient: John Smith

Sex: Male Age: 44 yr Date of Birth: 1976-07-08

Report issued:

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Sample received:

100041057 2020-07-08

Health Care Professional: John Smith

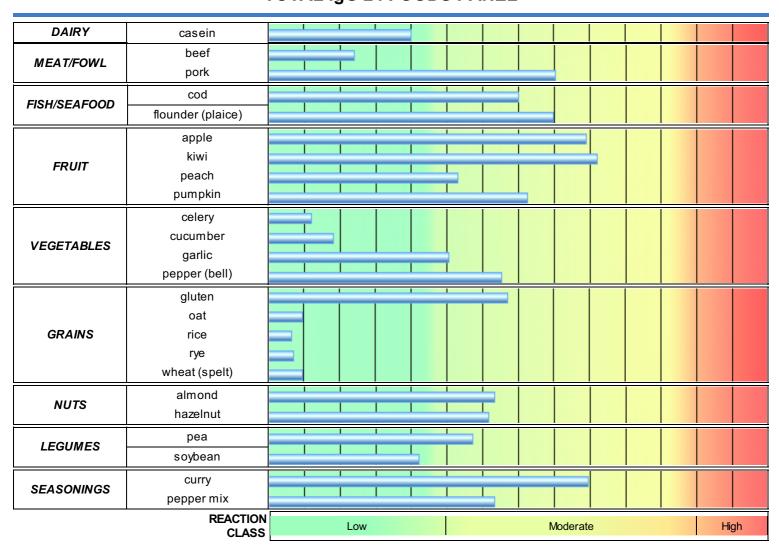
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Sample collection:

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# **TOTAL IgG 24 FOODS PANEL**



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#### **GENERAL COMMENTARY Total IgG 24 FOODS**

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#### **Food Sensitivity**

Reactions to foods are common, most being caused by food sensitivity rather than a food allergy. People often confuse the two, since food sensitivity can cause some of the same signs and symptoms as food allergy.

Food allergies occur almost immediately, usually within minutes to an hour and may be profound. True allergic responses, which are associated with IgE antibodies, affect a small percentage of the population. Symptoms usually involve difficulty breathing, skin rashes, swelling of the lips and throat, vomiting or diarrhea, as well as a possible severe, life threatening, allergic reactions such as anaphylaxis.

Food sensitivity is a delayed reaction that occurs hours to days after food intake. When a reactive food is consumed, antibodies form complexes with food proteins, but are normally eliminated by the immune system. If they are not, these complexes can enter various parts of the body, resulting in an inflammatory response and clinical symptoms.

The Total IgG Food Sensitivity Test measures the presence of IgG antibodies to specific food proteins produced by the immune system when certain foods are eaten. The patient's serum is introduced to proteins prepared from a group of different foods. If a specific union occurs between the protein antigen and the patient's serum IgG antibody, a symptomatic reaction to that food is possible.

Food sensitivities can develop at any time during one's life and unlike food allergies, symptoms may be delayed for days or weeks after exposure.

Common Symptoms of Food Sensitivity:

- · Abdominal and stomach pain, bloating, cramps
- · Constipation and diarrhea
- Gastritis
- · Headache, migraines, fatigue
- · Itchy skin
- · Bronchitis, sinusitis, rhinitis
- · Weight control problems
- Water retention