## AstraGin<sup>®</sup> Mechanism of Action



### INCREASES NUTRIENT ABSORPTION

#### Increases Absorption Transporters

Higher expression level of an absorption regulating mRNA will lead to more of the transporter(s) it regulates, such as CAT1 mRNA regulates the production of CAT1 transporter



#### **Increases mRNA Expression Level**

Increases the expression level of many absorption regulating mRNA, such as CAT1 for the absorption of cationic amino acids

#### **Specific Nutrients**

More specific absorption transporter allows more specific nutrients to be absorbed through the wall of the small intestine so it can be transported to the blood stream, such as more CAT1 transporter causes more L-arginine, L-lysine, and L-histidine to be absorbed. Only when a nutrient reaches the blood stream can it become available to the 37 trillion cells in the human body

#### **IN-VITRO**

Peptides & amino acids: ↑41 % Beta-alanine: ↑26% Folate: ↑50% Curcumin-lecithin: ↑92% in 2hrs Omega-7 fatty acid: ↑39% (ALIC) in 30min Agmatine: ↑36% Citrulline: ↑45% Fish oil: ↑100% (ALIC) in 20min Glucosamine: ↑23% in 10min Arginine: ↑67% Creatine: ↑33% Flax oil: ↑58% (ALIC) in 20min Leucine: ↑58% in 15min Tryptophan: ↑53%

#### **IN-VIVO (TNBS-INDUCED COLITIS RATS)**

Arginine: ↑31 % lleum CAT1 protein: ↑151 % Lysine: ↑38% Histidine: ↑22% Jejunum mRNA: ↑22% lleum mRNA: ↑8% Jejunum CAT1 protein: ↑25%

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#### Restores Absorption Function by Decreasing Inflammation in the Intestinal Wall

Repairs damaged intestinal wall in TNBS-induced colitis rats where most absorption occurs by decreasing MPO (a surrogate marker of inflammation) by  $\psi$ F3% (in-vivo)

