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# 「アスタキサンチン(AstaZine®)+トコトリエノール(TheraPrimE™)摂取による認知機能改善」について発表のお知らせ

この度、当社製品「AstaZine®」と「TheraPrimE<sup>TM</sup>」を配合した試験食を用いてヒト臨床 試験を実施した結果、総合記憶力・言語記憶力の改善とアンケート「ここ 1 週間、ヒトやモ ノの名前を思い出すのに苦労しますか。」という問いに対して改善することを確認致しまし た。本試験は記憶力に衰えを感じている健常な日本人成人男女を対象とした試験となってお り、本結果を第 7 回国際フードファクター学会 (ICoFF2019)にてポスター発表致しました。

#### 学会発表概要

学会名: 第7回国際フードファクター学会(ICoFF2019)

題目: Cognitive function improvement with astaxanthin and tocotrienols intake
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以上

# Cognitive function improvement with astaxanthin and tocotrienols intake



## -A randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study-

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#### **Objectives**

This study examined the effects of mixed ingestion of astaxanthin derived from Haematococcus pluvialis (H.pluvialis) and tocotrienols on cognitive function in healthy Japanese adults.





P = 0.048

A12 weeks

#### Method

Test Method: Randomized placebo-controlled double-blind parallel group study

Subjects : Healthy Japanese males and females who feel a memory decline (mean age, 55 years)

Allocation : 22 persons in each Astaxanthin or placebo group

Dosage : The test soft capsules included AT (astaxanthin 9 mg, tocotrienol 50 mg,

BGG Japan Co., Ltd), 1 capsule/day during or after the breakfast.

Period : 12 weeks (summer 2018)

Test item : Cognitive Function Test by Cognitrax, and original surveys

Table 1. Subjects' background information

	AT group(n=18)	P group(n=18)	P Value
Age(years)	55.4 ± 7.9	54.6 ± 6.9	0.721
MMSE(points)	$29.2 \pm 1.0$	$29.4 \pm 0.8$	0.373
IgE(RIST) (IU/mL)	146.5 ± 181.1	176.1 ± 244.1	0.683

Table2. Subjects'age distribution

Age (years)	AT group(n=18)		P group(n=18)	
	Men (n)	Women (n)	Men (n)	Women (n)
40-49	0	3	2	3
50-59	5	6	5	6
60-69	3	0	1	0
≧ 70	0	1	0	1

#### Cognitrax

Total Memory (Verbal memory + Visual memory)

1.Verbal memory test Boat



\*Verbal memory test (require 3 minutes)

- A word is displayed in 2 seconds interval (total 15 words)
- ▶ Choose words that were displayed before among 30 words which includes new words that were not displayed. (instant)
- The same procedure will be repeated after all the tests (delayed)

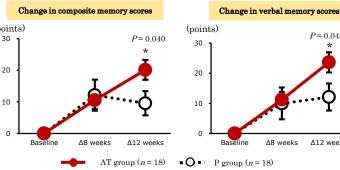
#### Conclusion

The results of this study showed that ingestion of a combination of AT (9 mg/day astaxanthin and 50 mg/day tocotrienol) for 12 weeks maintained and improved cognitive function by improving the composite and verbal memory in Japanese adults who feel a memory decline.

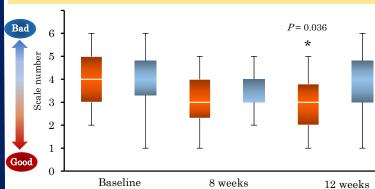
### Flow chart Assessed for eligibility (n = 121)Excluded (n = 77)Not meeting the inclusion criteria (n = 52)Declined to participate (n = 3)Other reasons (n = 22)Randomized (n = 44) Assigned to the AT group (n = 22)• Received the assigned group (n = 22)• Did not receive the assigned group (n = 0)Assigned to the P group (n = 22)Received the assigned group (n = 22)Did not receive the assigned group (n = 22)Lost to follow-up (n = 0)Discontinued intervention (n = 0)Lost to follow-up (n = 0)Discontinued intervention (n = 0)[Effective evaluation] Analyzed (n=18) Excluded from analysis (n=4) Excluded from analysis (n=4) Failing to submit a daily report and failing to return the test food (n=2) - Determining "no" in the Cognitrax's validity indicator in composite memory(n=2)[Per protocol set] Analyzed (n = 18)Excluded from the analysis (n = 4)Failing to submit a daily report and failing to return the test food (n = 2)•Determining "no" in the Cognitrax's validity indicator in composite memory (n = 2)Analysis [Safety analysis set] Analyzed (n = 20) Excluded from the analysis (n = 2) Analyzed (n = 20) Excluded from analysis (n = 2) -Failing to submit a daily report and failing to return the test food (n = 2) Failing to submit a daily report and failing to return the test food (n = 2)

# (points)

Results



In the evaluation of subjective symptoms, the question of "During the last week have you had trouble remembering people's name or the names of things?"



AT group (n = 18)

#### Mechanism

Astaxanthin has antioxidant properties and plays a role in the protection of oxidative damage through a variety of mechanisms, including elimination of singlet oxygen and radicals, suppression of lipid peroxidation, and regulation of gene expression associated with oxidative stress Previous studies in vitro have shown that astaxanthin exerts a neuroprotective effect against A6 toxicity. Additionally, clinical research has reported that astaxanthin improves antioxidant capacity and improves antioxidant status in red blood cells. Astaxanthin is specifically absorbed into the blood and can cross the blood-brain barrier in rats, suggesting that it is effective in preventing various disorders caused by reactive oxygen species in brain nerve cells.



P group (n = 18)