

# Thinking about having a baby?



**Proxeed<sup>®</sup> PLUS**

**Supports Normal Sperm  
Development, Fertility,  
and Reproduction†**

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Leaders in Carnitine Research

# MEN & FERTILITY

According to the CDC (Center for Disease Control), BOTH men and women contribute to fertility.

*Conditions that can contribute to abnormal semen analyses include:*

- **Varicoceles**, a condition in which the veins on a man's testicles are large and cause them to overheat.
- **Medical conditions** or exposures such as diabetes, cystic fibrosis, trauma, infection, testicular failure, or treatment with chemotherapy or radiation.
- **Unhealthy habits** such as heavy alcohol use, testosterone supplementation, smoking, anabolic steroid use, and illicit drug use.
- **Environmental toxins** including exposure to pesticides and lead.

In addition, proper nutritional support also plays an important role in sperm health.

## WHAT IS CARNITINE?

The NIH (National Institute of Health), states that **Carnitine plays a critical role in energy production**. It transports long-chain fatty acids into the mitochondria so they can be oxidized ("burned") to produce energy.

**Carnitine, derived from an amino acid, is found in nearly all cells of the body.** Its name is derived from the Latin carnis or flesh, as the compound was isolated from meat.

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# CARNITINE & FERTILITY

**Carnitines are among the most clinically studied ingredient** compared to all other nutrients in the field of male fertility.†

**Clinical studies have shown that carnitines play an important role in sperm function.** L-carnitine is a component of both seminal plasma and sperm cells, and plays a role in sperm maturation and potential sperm motility. **Acetyl-L-carnitine** also serves as a circulating energy source for sperm and provides primary fuel for sperm motility.†

**Men with an imbalance of carnitines (L-carnitine and Acetyl-L-carnitine) may need to support their sperm health.**

Having carnitines present in adequate quantities helps sperm production and supports male reproductive health.†

**Using Proxceed® plus gives the balance of L-carnitine and Acetyl-L-carnitine in a sufficient quantity of 3 grams a day.†**

## Proxceed<sup>®</sup> PLUS

**Proxceed® plus is a patented prenatal male fertility supplement** with documented quantities of L-carnitine and Acetyl-L-carnitine; the Proxceed® plus formulation contains up to three times more carnitine than other major men's health supplements.

No other male fertility supplement has our patented L-Carnitine / Acetyl-L-carnitine blend.

**Proxceed® plus is an evidence-based formula**

### Supplement Facts

	Daily Serving 2 Packets	
	Amount Per Day	% Daily Value
Calories	20	
Total Carbohydrate	4 g	<1%*
Sugars	2 g	†
Vitamin C (as L-Ascorbic acid)	180 mg	300%
Zinc (as Zinc lactate trihydrate)	20 mg	134%
Folic Acid	400 mcg	100%
Selenium	100 mcg	142%
Vitamin B <sub>12</sub> (as Cyanocobalamin 0.1%)	3 mcg	50%
L-carnitine fumarate (providing 2.0 g L-carnitine)	3.4 g	†
Acetyl-L-carnitine HCl	1 g	†
Citric Acid	100 mg	†
Coenzyme Q <sub>10</sub>	40 mg	†

\*Percent daily values based on a 2,000 calorie diet.  
†Percent daily values not established

**Other Ingredients:** Sugar, Fructose, Lemon flavor, Acesulfame K, Silicone Dioxide

## Three Good Reasons to choose Proxeed® plus

### 1 Carnitines

**L-carnitine** and **Acetyl-L-carnitine** play a key role in sperm energy metabolism.<sup>1</sup> **Many clinical studies have shown that carnitines play an important role in sperm function.** L-carnitine is a component of both seminal plasma and sperm cells, and plays a role in sperm maturation and potential sperm motility. Acetyl-L-carnitine also serves as a circulating energy source for sperm and provides primary fuel for sperm motility.<sup>1-4</sup>

### 2 Zinc/Folic Acid Combination

**Zinc** is important for the production of semen and contributes to fertility and reproduction.<sup>6</sup> **Folic Acid** contributes to the quality of seminal fluid.<sup>7</sup>

### 3 Antioxidants & B<sub>12</sub>

**Selenium** is a powerful antioxidant and is thought to maintain the integrity of the sperm flagella.<sup>5</sup> **Coenzyme Q<sub>10</sub>** acts as an antioxidant as well as a metabolic substrate, and is concentrated in the mitochondria of the midpiece of the sperm.

**Vitamin C** is an antioxidant present in the seminal plasma. is involved in cell maturation and DNA synthesis.<sup>1</sup>

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# Proxeed<sup>®</sup> PLUS

Many factors can affect a man's fertility but there **IS** something a potential father can do to promote good reproductive health:

**Take Proxeed<sup>®</sup> plus, a dietary supplement that supports male reproductive health with ingredients that contribute to sperm quality.<sup>†</sup>**

In numerous clinical trials, the ingredients in Proxeed<sup>®</sup> plus have been shown to provide the nourishment that's so vital for the development of optimal sperm health.



To order Proxeed<sup>®</sup> plus, or to learn more, visit [www.proxeedplus.com](http://www.proxeedplus.com)

Or call toll-free 1-888-PROXCEED (776-9333).

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