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Disorders of Coenzyme Q10 Metabolism: Causes and Consequences

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In view of the important roles of coenzyme Q10 (CoQ10) as an electron carrier in the mitochondrial respiratory chain (MRC) and as a lipid soluble antioxidant, a deficit in CoQ10 status would be expected to comprise cellular energy generation, in addition to lowering its antioxidant status. Therefore, not surprisingly, a deficiency in CoQ10 status has been linked to a number of diseases and conditions. Furthermore, the involvement of CoQ10 in gene expression and inflammation may also have important implications for disease pathophysiology.

The purpose of this Special Issue will be to present a selection of studies and reviews that outline the causes and consequences of primary and secondary CoQ10 deficiencies, the involvement of CoQ10 in disease, the therapeutic use of CoQ10 supplementation, and the appropriateness of determining CoQ10 status for monitoring disease progression and therapeutic intervention.









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