

Table S1. Perceived stress scale (PSS) and awakening cortisol (AUC and Cmax, mmol/L) at baseline, week 4, 8 and 12 in the ITT population (mean (SEM), LPHEAL9 (n=63-65), Placebo (n=62-64))

	Baseline	4 weeks	8 weeks	12 weeks
<i>PSS Total score¹</i>				
LPHEAL9	18.05 (0.37)	16.03 (0.66)***	13.78 (0.52)***	12.91 (0.58)***
Placebo	17.98 (0.42)	14.75 (0.70)***	14.45 (0.64)***	13.19 (0.68)***
<i>Awakening cortisol AUC²</i>				
LPHEAL9	835.3 (48.9)	711.9 (38.6)**	756.8 (47.6)*	687.2 (43.8)**
Placebo	936.5 (48.8)	869.8 (62.4)	773.0 (49.8)***	806.8 (55.4)*
<i>Awakening cortisol Cmax²</i>				
LPHEAL9	17.78 (1.12)	15.05 (0.82)*	16.35 (0.99)	14.97 (0.90)*
Placebo	19.96 (1.04)	18.67 (1.54)*	17.04 (1.06)**	17.71 (1.18)*

¹ No significant differences between groups at any timepoint in change from baseline. Within group differences compared to baseline were significantly different for all timepoints for both groups ***p<0.001 (Paired t-test).

² No significant differences between groups at any timepoint in change from baseline. Within group differences compared to baseline * p<0.05, ** p<0.01, ***p<0.001 (Related samples Wilcoxon signed rank test).

Table S2. Profile of mood scores (POMS) at baseline, week 12 and change over time in the ITT population (mean (SEM), LPHEAL9 (n=65), Placebo (n=64))

	Baseline	12 weeks	Change baseline-w12	P, comparison between groups ¹
<i>Total mood disturbance</i>				
LPHEAL9	20.50 (2.02)	9.10 (2.05)	-11.40 (2.26)***	
Placebo	18.38 (2.11)	10.59 (2.43)	-7.79 (2.23)***	0.161
<i>Anger-Hostility</i>				
LPHEAL9	5.52 (0.43)	3.38 (0.42)	-2.13 (0.51)***	
Placebo	5.31 (0.56)	3.75 (0.48)	-1.56 (0.44)***	0.211 ²
<i>Confusion-Bewilderment</i>				
LPHEAL9	5.73 (0.47)	4.10 (0.43)	-1.63 (0.44)***	
Placebo	5.23 (0.44)	4.77 (0.47)	-0.47 (0.51)	0.051
<i>Depression-Dejection</i>				
LPHEAL9	3.23 (0.40)	2.33 (0.35)	-0.90 (0.42)*	
Placebo	2.89 (0.41)	2.40 (0.42)	-0.49 (0.44)	0.221 ³
<i>Fatigue-Inertia</i>				
LPHEAL9	9.40 (0.57)	7.37 (0.55)	-2.04 (0.61)*	
Placebo	9.43 (0.59)	7.19 (0.64)	-2.25 (0.63)***	0.759
<i>Tension-Anxiety</i>				
LPHEAL9	8.04 (0.56)	4.96 (0.44)	-3.08 (0.56)***	
Placebo	7.73 (0.52)	5.76 (0.53)	-1.97 (0.55)***	0.269
<i>Vigour-Activity</i>				
LPHEAL9	11.42 (0.48)	13.04 (0.64)	1.62 (0.60)*	
Placebo	12.23 (0.51)	13.28 (0.60)	1.05 (0.51)*	0.472
<i>Friendliness</i>				
LPHEAL9	15.57 (0.47)	17.12 (0.50)	1.54 (0.48)**	
Placebo	15.79 (0.53)	16.68 (0.54)	0.90 (0.52)	0.345

¹ Between group differences: Independent-Samples Mann-Whitney U Test² p=0.086 (Between groups Mixed two-way between-within group ANOVA including all timepoints)³ p=0.088 (Between groups Mixed two-way between-within group ANOVA including all timepoints)

* p<0.05, ** p<0.01, ***p<0.001 (t-test, within group difference)

Table S3. Quality of sleep (PSQI) at baseline, week 12 and change over time in the ITT population (mean (SEM), LPHEAL9 (n=65), Placebo (n=64))

	Baseline	12 weeks	Change baseline-w12	P, comparison between groups
<i>Total score</i>				
LPHEAL9	6.05 (0.33)	4.94 (0.32)	-1.11 (0.33)***	
Placebo	6.58 (0.36)	5.36 (0.33)	-1.22 (0.29)**	0.958
<i>Duration of sleep</i>				
LPHEAL9	0.85 (0.10)	0.82 (0.10)	-0.03 (0.11)	
Placebo	1.08 (0.10)	0.89 (0.10)	-0.19 (0.09)	0.307
<i>Sleep disturbance</i>				
LPHEAL9	1.25 (0.05)	1.06 (0.06)	-0.18 (0.07)*	
Placebo	1.20 (0.06)	1.09 (0.05)	-0.11 (0.05)**	0.288
<i>Sleep latency</i>				
LPHEAL9	1.35 (0.11)	1.05 (0.09)	-0.31 (0.10)**	
Placebo	1.59 (0.12)	1.14 (0.12)	-0.45 (0.12)***	0.343
<i>Daytime dysfunction</i>				
LPHEAL9	1.00 (0.07)	0.72 (0.07)	-0.28 (0.09)***	
Placebo	0.88 (0.06)	0.67 (0.07)	-0.20 (0.07)	0.727
<i>Sleep efficiency</i>				
LPHEAL9	0.54 (0.09)	0.43 (0.09)	-0.11 (0.10)	
Placebo	0.70 (0.12)	0.59 (0.11)	-0.11 (0.10)	0.994
<i>Overall sleep quality</i>				
LPHEAL9	1.05 (0.06)	0.86 (0.09)	-0.18 (0.09)*	
Placebo	1.08 (0.06)	0.95 (0.08)	-0.12 (0.09)	0.591

Between group differences: Independent-Samples Mann-Whitney U Test

* p<0.05, ** p<0.01, ***p<0.001 (Within group, Friedman's test, all timepoints included)

Table S4. Cognition tests at baseline, week 12 and change over time in the ITT population (mean (SEM)).

	Baseline	12 weeks	Change baseline-w12	P, comparison between groups
Word recall, % accuracy				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	42.8 (1.9)	49.3 (2.2)	6.6 (1.9)**	
Placebo (n=64)	46.3 (1.8)	43.6 (2.0)	-2.7 (1.9)	<0.001
Numeric working memory test				
Accuracy (%)				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	92.3 (1.0)	91.0 (2.2)	-1.2 (2.4)	
Placebo (n=64)	89.1 (2.4)	92.2 (1.2)	3 (2.3)	0.374 ¹
Reaction time (msec)				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	1271.9 (36.6)	1145.4 (29.1)	-126.2 (24.9)***	
Placebo (n=64)	1241.3 (41.0)	1152.1 (40.4)	-79.7 (24.1)**	0.081 ¹
Rapid visual information processing test				
Accuracy (%)				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	33.81 (2.10)	41.38 (2.41)	7.58 (1.98)***	
Placebo (n=64)	33.16 (2.72)	43.40 (2.77)	10.23 (2.12)***	0.361
Reaction time (msec)				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	535.7 (9.7)	508.8 (10.3)	-26.9 (14.7)	
Placebo (n=64)	520.1 (9.2)	504.6 (15.7)	-15.5 (16.7)	0.051 ²
Paired associate learning				
Total Errors				
LPHEAL9 (n=63)	17.6 (2.6)	12.9 (2.1)	-4.7 (2.0)*	
Placebo (n=60)	15.0 (2.6)	14.7 (2.5)	-0.4 (1.7)	0.113
Mean errors to success				
LPHEAL9 (n=63)	3.6 (0.6)	2.7 (0.5)	-0.9 (0.5)*	
Placebo (n=60)	2.8 (0.7)	3.3 (0.6)	0.4 (0.6)	0.048 ²

Between group differences: Mixed two-way between-within group ANOVA

¹ Mann-Whitney U Test² Outliers removed

* p<0.05, ** p<0.01, ***p<0.001 (Within group, Wilcoxon signed rank test).

Table S5. Inflammation markers in serum at baseline, week 12 and change over time in the ITT population (mean (SEM)).

	Baseline	12 weeks	Change baseline-w12	P, comparison between groups
<i>BDNF (ng/ml)</i>				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	33.64 (1.18)	32.87 (1.03)	-0.77 (0.85)	
Placebo (n=63)	33.59 (0.85)	32.63 (0.95)	-0.96 (0.60)	0.857
<i>TGF-β (ng/ml)</i>				
LPHEAL9 (n=64)	59.33 (1.86)	59.24 (1.84)	-0.09 (1.75)	
Placebo (n=63)	58.76 (1.63)	55.63 (1.58)	-3.13 (1.38)*	0.176
<i>Fractalkine (pg/ml)</i>				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	1150 (23.77)	1149 (24.17)	-0.78 (17.18)	
Placebo (n=61)	1193 (30.33)	1247 (40.21)	54.33 (29.05)	0.133
<i>Galectin-3 (ng/ml)</i>				
LPHEAL9 (n=65)	8.85 (0.24)	8.71 (0.24)	-0.14 (0.18)	
Placebo (n=63)	8.84 (0.26)	8.81 (0.28)	-0.03 (0.21)	0.690

Between group differences: Independent-Samples t-test

* p<0.05 (Within group, paired t-test)