Ask yourself these simple questions to see if hormone testing may be right for you:

• Are you having trouble achieving and/or sustaining an erection?
• Do you have low libido?
• Do you suffer from depression, anxiety, or irritability?
• Do you often feel weak or tired?
• Have you noticed a loss of body hair on your legs, arms or face?
• Have you noticed a loss in muscle tone or increased fat tissue?
• Do you have a family history of prostate or testicular cancer?
• Do you have trouble focusing or retaining information?
• Do you sometimes feel disoriented or off balance?

If you answer “yes” to any of these questions, talk to your doctor about the benefits of nutritional testing.

FAQs

• Is advanced testing right for me?
  Please talk to your doctor about our testing for guidance on the best approach.

• I want to be tested. How do I start?
  Just ask your doctor and he/she can provide you with a testing kit, if appropriate.

• Will this test be covered by my insurance company?
  Genova Diagnostics participates with many insurance carriers. However a fee may be required. For more information, please visit our website at www.gdx.net/billing

• Where can I learn more?
  For the answers to additional questions and more, please talk to your doctor or visit us at www.gdx.net
Hormones play a powerful role in your body’s regulatory system. Proper hormonal balance is essential to maintain optimal health, and certain hormones play a crucial role in how you feel. Testosterone, for example, enhances your sex drive, strengthens bone and muscle tissue, and reduces fat production. In addition, it is a natural energy booster that protects against the onset of depression and heart disease. Other hormonal deficiencies or excesses affect sleep, metabolism and the ability to fight disease. Throughout your life, and particularly when you enter middle age, information about your body’s hormone production provides keen insights to help maintain a healthy and vigorous life.

Decisive Information to Achieve Balance

MALE HORMONES
Testosterone levels peak in most men during their early to mid-20s. Between the ages of 40 and 70, the hormone-producing cells begin to wear away, causing men to lose nearly 60 percent of peak levels. Key symptoms of testosterone deficiency include depression, fatigue, low sex drive, irritability, hair loss, thinning and wrinkling of the skin, weight gain and weakening of bone and muscle tissue. Eventually, hormone imbalances can set the stage for the development of more serious conditions like heart disease, osteoporosis, pre-diabetes and erectile dysfunction. While many popular medications are available to help sustain an erection, none of these drugs work effectively without adequate testosterone.

THYROID FUNCTION
The thyroid gland secretes hormones that regulate your metabolism. Disruptions can slow down or speed up your body, producing unpleasant symptoms and health-threatening conditions from fatigue, hair loss and weight gain or loss, to high blood pressure and heart problems.

ADRENAL FUNCTION
The adrenal glands produce several hormones, including DHEA and cortisol. When out of sync due to stress or other influences, these hormonal imbalances can cause weakness, fatigue, muscle and joint pain, obesity, and reduced sense of well-being. A prolonged imbalance can impact the immune system, trigger premature aging and set the stage for chronic illness.

MELATONIN PRODUCTION
Melatonin possesses powerful anti-aging and anti-cancer properties, and enhances sleep. Low levels are associated with insomnia or infertility. High levels may be associated with depression. Genova Diagnostics testing facilitates measurement throughout the day to provide a comprehensive look at this fluctuating hormone.

Make Informed Decisions
Genova Diagnostics has an array of hormonal tests that can help reveal important information about your hormones. Lab results help you and your health care practitioner to work together to determine which hormone therapies will have the most direct impact on your health.

- Complete Hormones
- Male Hormones Plus
- Adrenocortex Stress Profile
- Comprehensive Thyroid Assessment
- Comprehensive Melatonin Profile
- Male Hormonal Health