

Gorgeous hair!

Simple 3-step scalp massage makes hair grow faster and thicker!



\$-saving dinners that taste gourmet!

> The diet that Cures ADD!

Mandy lost 25 lbs

# Spring cupcakes

# Noundowers

The houseplant that Cures allergies within 12 hours!

Kiss belly fat bye-bye!

- Super-crunches that work twice as fast! Foods that melt ab flab!
- Slimsuits that make pounds disappear!

6 easy energy tricks to

Blast away tiredness!

Your PMS symptoms, cured! Heal bloating, cramps, cravings and mood swings *naturally!* 

More time for *you!* 

Tricks that end junk mail, spam and telemarketers!

Lose as much as 96 lbs on the 'no-diet' diet

- Enjoy all your favorite foods!
- Eat what you want all weekend
- and boost your metabolism 14%!
- No need to count a single calorie or carb



## HEALTH-BOOSTING 'COCKTAILS'!

- Avoid Alzheimer's!
- ✓ Block 3 types of cancer!
  - ✓ End anxiety!
- Stop your body's aging clock!

## 5 easy ways to

# **Beat stress**

## **HUM A TUNE TO INCREASE** CIRCULATION!

Humming forces you to breathe in and out more deeply, increasing oxygen in the blood, which, in turn, instantly triggers a relaxation response, a Swedish study found.

PINCH YOUR EARLOBES For 10 to 30 seconds every half-hour. Researchers found that this halves anxiety levels, by signaling the nervous system to release mood-boosting chemicals.

DREAM A LITTLE DREAM Picturing something that you truly value, such as a person or place, and focusing on it for several seconds reduces tension by lowering stress hormones.

## PET YOUR PET TO END ANXIETY

Or hold hands with someone you adore. Studies show that touching a loved one for just 10 minutes during stressful situations revs up production of the hormone oxytocin, which quiets an area of the brain linked to heightened anxiety.

## SIP TEA TO DOUSE STRESS HORMONES

Downing four cups of black tea daily helps you feel more at ease by reducing levels of the stress hormone cortisol, according to a British study. Researchers aren't yet sure which of the many compounds in the brew does the trick.



## The relaxing way to live longer!

Feeling guilty about taking it easy on the weekend? Don't! Researchers found that people who regularly relax are three times less likely to die of heart disease than those who don't unwind on their days off!

## Pick the best sunscreen Not all sunscreens are as

floor, advise researchers.

Smart ideas to

Make you healthier!

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Keep your legs limber! A

Spend 30 seconds daily

super-simple way to do it:

reaching for your toes while

sitting straight-legged on the

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protective as they claim. For the lowdown on the one you're using, visit www.ewg.org/

sunscreen, a new website that rates the effectiveness and safety of prod-

ucts with SPF.





# Do you have the achy-and-tired disease?



onstantly exhausted and achy? You may be among he 6 million Americans with ibromyalgia syndrome (FMS). Because FMS is defined by sympoms (see box, right), not lab tests, nany sufferers go from doctor to loctor before being diagnosed, ays Jacob Teitelbaum, M.D., uthor of From Fatigued to Fanastic! and medical director of the

Fibromyalgia and Fatigue Centers. "Thankfully, we're learning more about this condition every day-and we now know which treatments can provide the most relief," says Dr. Teitelbaum. He and other experts advise:

Getting a "sugar" boost In a new study, Dr. Teitelbaum discovered that D-Ribose-a naturally occurring simple sugar-boosted energy levels in FMS sufferers by 45% in just three weeks. "Fibromyalgia is an energy crisis-your body is using more energy than it makes," explains Dr. Teitelbaum. "The culprit in many cases is a D-Ribose deficiency. Correcting the shortfall can help bring energy levels back to an even keel.

The remedy: 5 g. of D-Ribose powder or supplements, three times a day.

## Soaking up some sun

One of the newest scientific findings is that vitamin-D deficiency may contribute to two hallmarksofFMS: pain and muscle weakness. In fact, one study reveals that one in four people with chronic pain

## Could you have fibromyalgia?

See your doctor if you regularly experience any of these symptoms:

- General aching, stiffness or chronic widespread pain
- Muscle tenderness or
- Difficulty sleeping and fatigue
- Dull pain in muscles, tendons and ligaments

have inadequate levels of D-an essential nutrient that the body can make itself with sunlight. Dr. Teitelbaum's advice? "Go outdoors for a half-hour each day-even if you take three ten-minute walks throughout the day."

## Relaxing with a massage

Studies suggest that deep-tissue massage relieves FMS fatigue, pain and stiffness by as much as 38%.

## **End the morning** blahs with flowers!

Not a "morning" person? A new study found that people just like you felt

more energetic after · looking at flowers first. thing in the a.m.

## Asking about this Rx

Lyrica is the first FDA-approved fibromyalgia drug; studies show it helps 33% of patients halve their pain.

-Camille Noe Pagán

## Be safer at the office!

Don't hang out near the laser printer. Turns out, these machines can release high levels of toxic particles that can be just as damaging to your lungs as secondhand smoke, researchers say. To protect yourself: Walk away from the machine while it's running, whenever possible.

## CFun way to improve vision!

Playing action video games for up to two hours daily can sharpen your vision in one month by fine-tuning the way the brain processes pictures from the retina, reports Daphne Bavelier, Ph.D., professor of brain and cognitive sciences at the University of Rochester.

## 🗘 Tummysparing pain relief

Can't tolerate oral NSAIDs? Good news: A first of its kind anti-inflammatory, pain-relief patch is now available to treat acute pain due to minor strains, sprains and contusions. Called FLECTOR, the prescription patch contains the painkiller diclofenac epolamine.

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