

The background of the slide is a photograph of a mountainous landscape. In the foreground, a steep, rocky slope is covered with patches of snow. The middle ground shows a deep valley with more snow-covered peaks. The sky is a clear, pale blue with a few wispy clouds. A dark, semi-transparent rectangular box is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the title and author information in white text.

Nutrition and Hydration Tips for On and Off the Bike

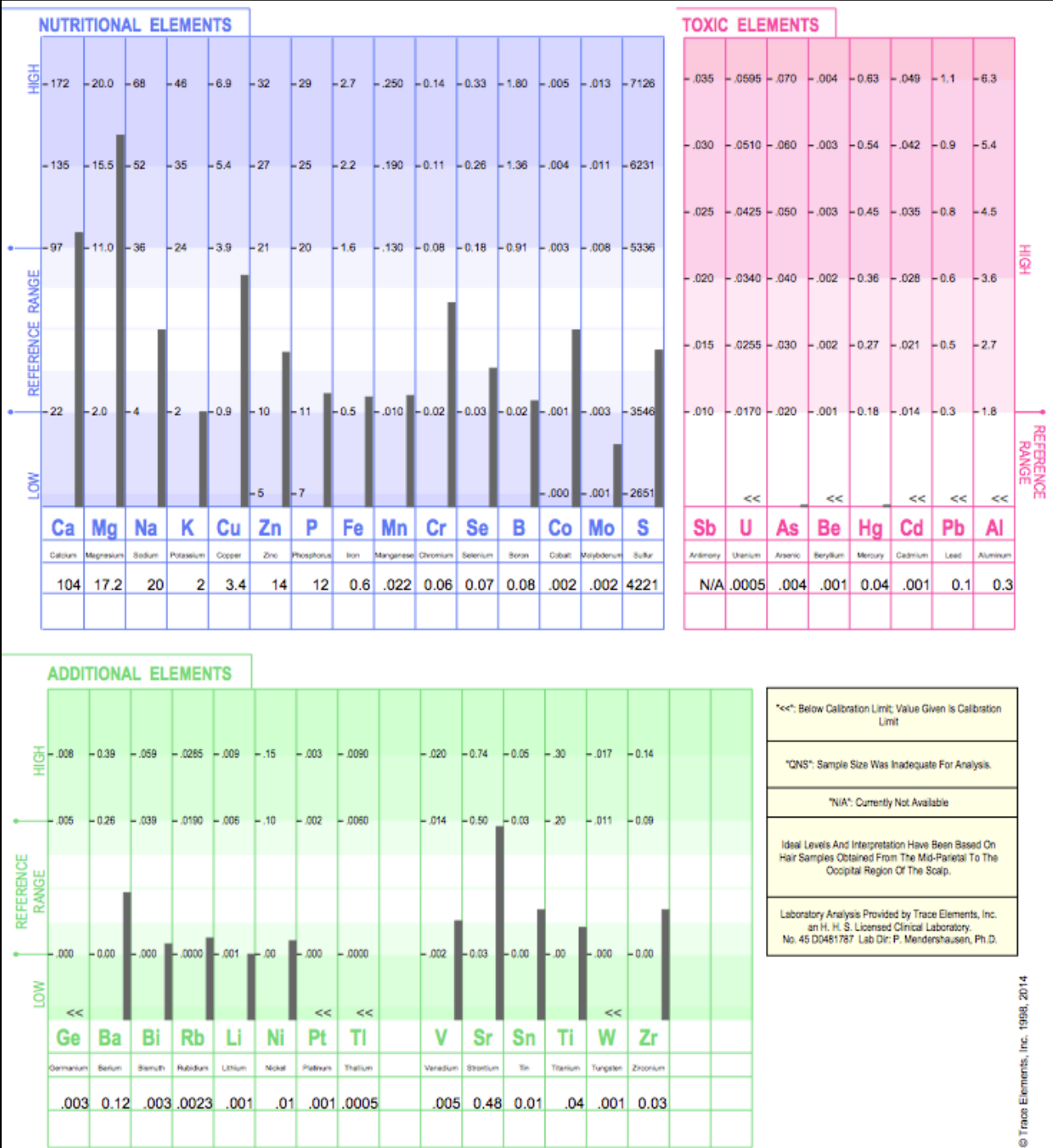
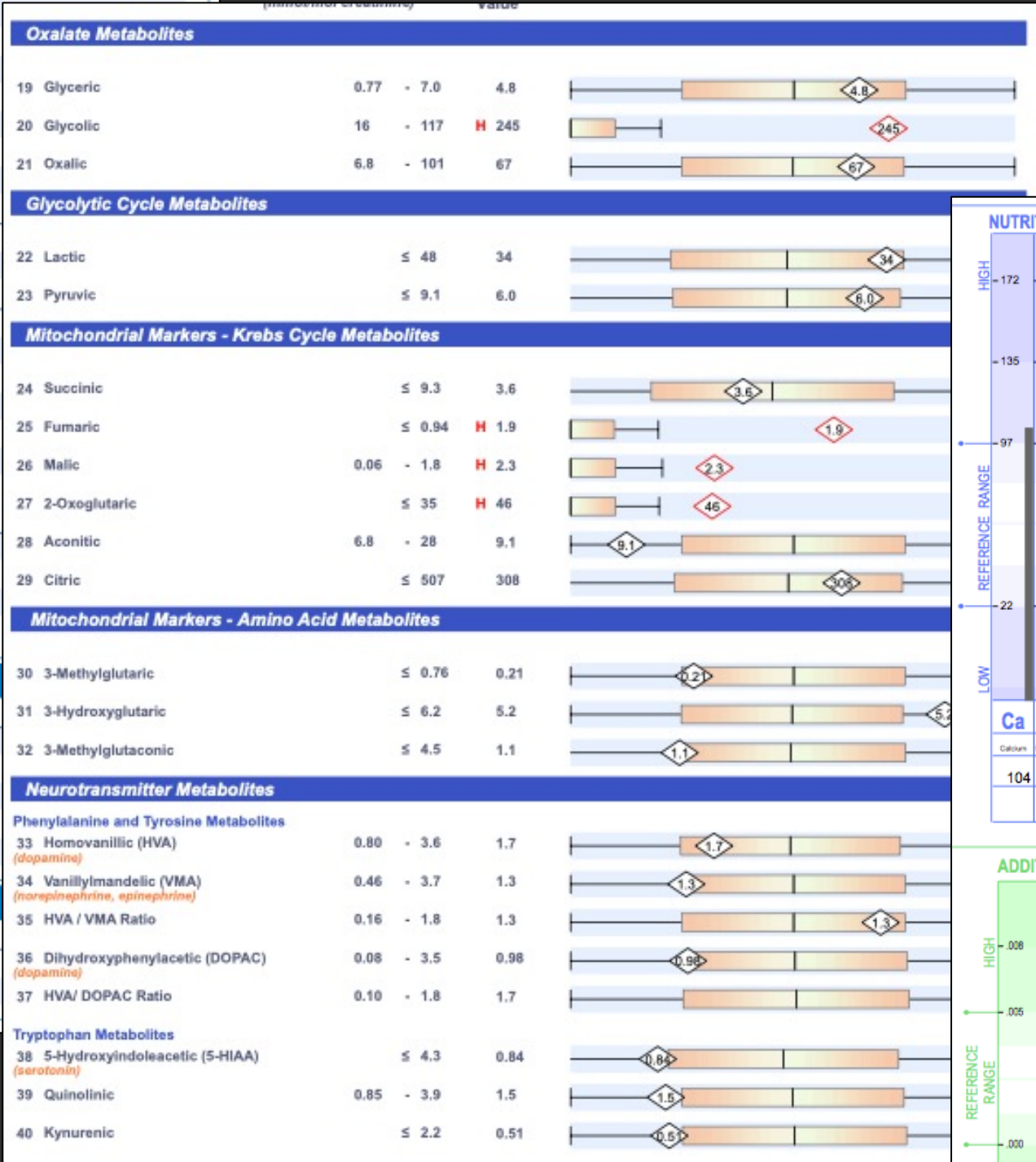
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Hey, I'm Kim!



OPPORTUNISTIC/OVERGROWTH MICROBES		
DYSBIOTIC & OVERGROWTH BACTERIA		Reference
Bacillus spp.	1.02e6	< 1.76e6
Enterococcus faecalis	4.86e3	< 1.00e4
Enterococcus faecium	3.97e3	
Morganella spp.	<dl	
Pseudomonas spp.	<dl	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	<dl	
Staphylococcus spp.	<dl	
Staphylococcus aureus	5.33e2	High ↑
Streptococcus spp.	8.65e3	High ↑
COMMENSAL OVERGROWTH MICROBES		
Desulfovibrio spp.	2.08e4	
Methanobacteriaceae (family)	4.17e8	High ↑
INFLAMMATORY & AUTOIMMUNE-RELATED BACTERIA		
Citrobacter spp.	<dl	
Citrobacter freundii	<dl	
Klebsiella spp.	<dl	
Klebsiella pneumoniae	<dl	
M. avium subsp. paratuberculosis	<dl	
Proteus spp.	9.03e4	High ↑
Proteus mirabilis	<dl	
COMMENSAL INFLAMMATORY & AUTOIMMUNE-RELATED BACTERIA		
Enterobacter spp.	3.48e7	
Escherichia spp.	1.38e8	
Fusobacterium spp.	2.68e6	
Prevotella spp.	1.84e8	High ↑
FUNGI/YEAST		
FUNGI/YEAST		Result
Candida spp.	<dl	
Candida albicans	<dl	
Geotrichum spp.	<dl	
Microsporidium spp.	<dl	
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VIRUSES		
VIRUSES		Result
Cytomegalovirus	<dl	
Epstein-Barr Virus	<dl	



In This Workshop

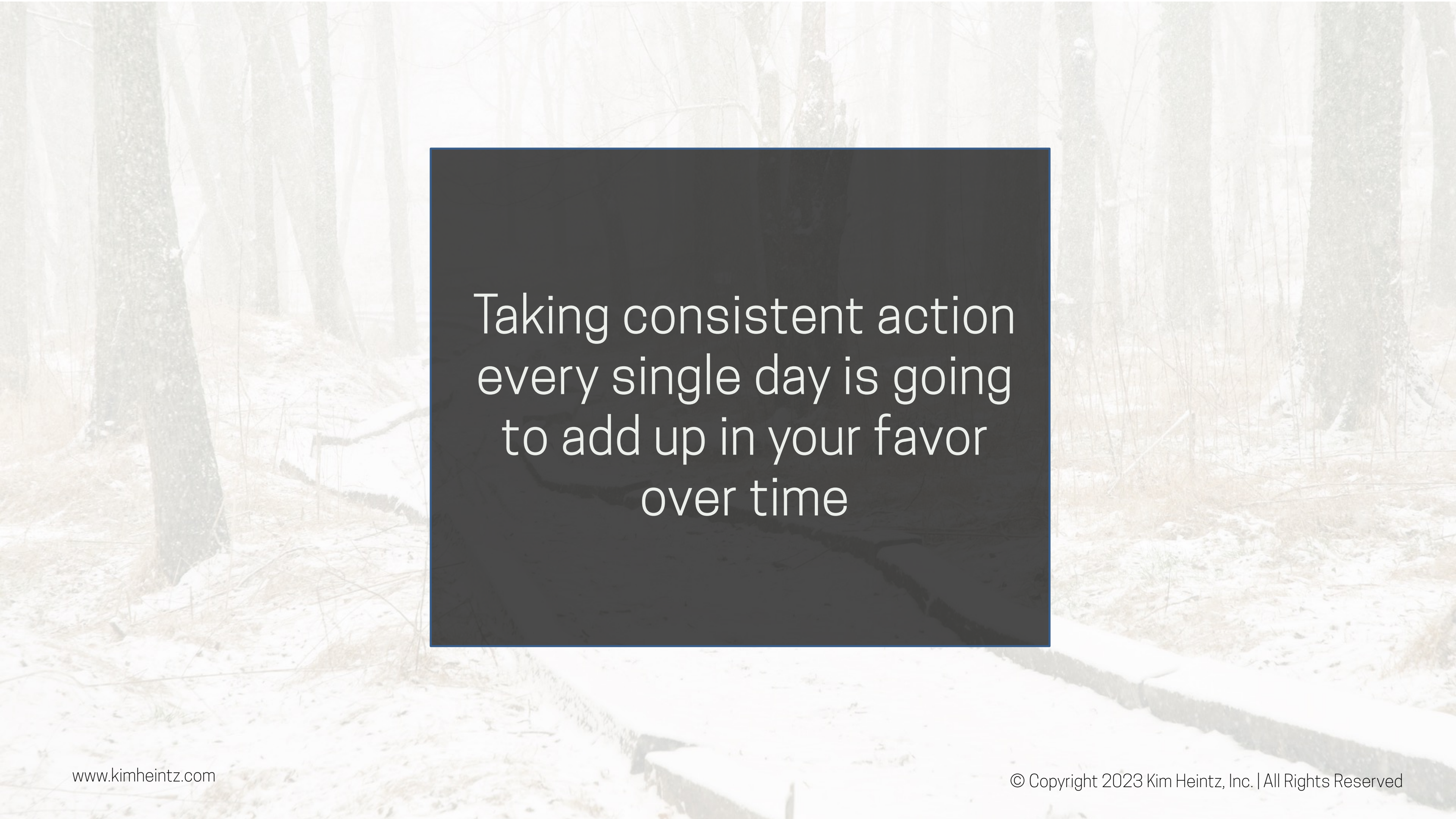
- ✓ How to fuel yourself for optimal performance both on and off the bike
- ✓ What nutrient most women do not get enough of and how to figure out how much you need
- ✓ Determining how much hydration you need both on and off the bike
- ✓ Why balancing minerals daily – not just on the bike – is the secret sauce to optimizing your hydration levels
- ✓ Some of my favorite recipes

A scenic mountain landscape with a dark blue rectangular overlay containing text. The background shows a misty mountain range with a valley in the foreground. The text is centered within the dark blue rectangle.

Do you feel confused on
exactly what to eat?

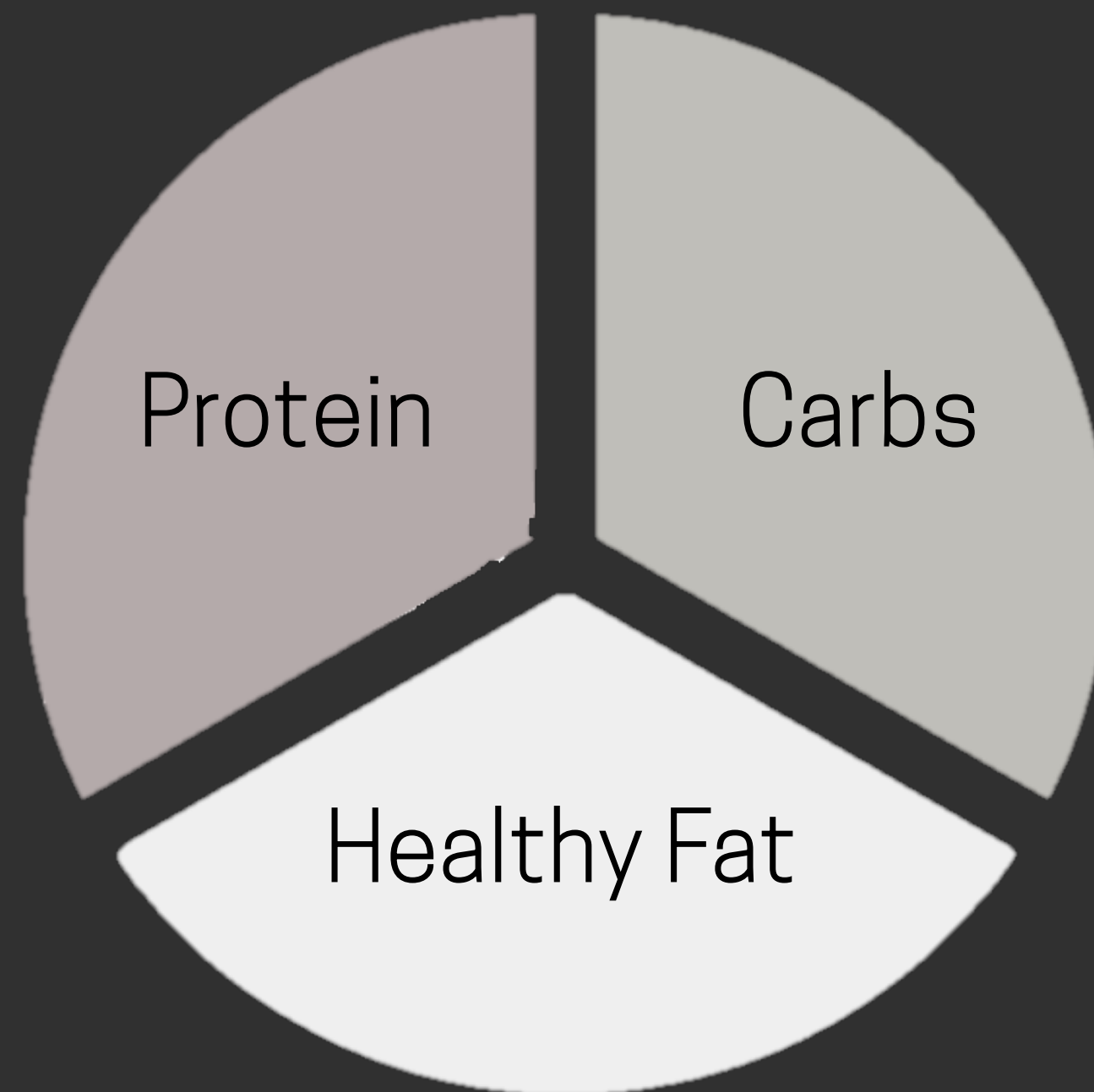
When I first started
adventure racing...



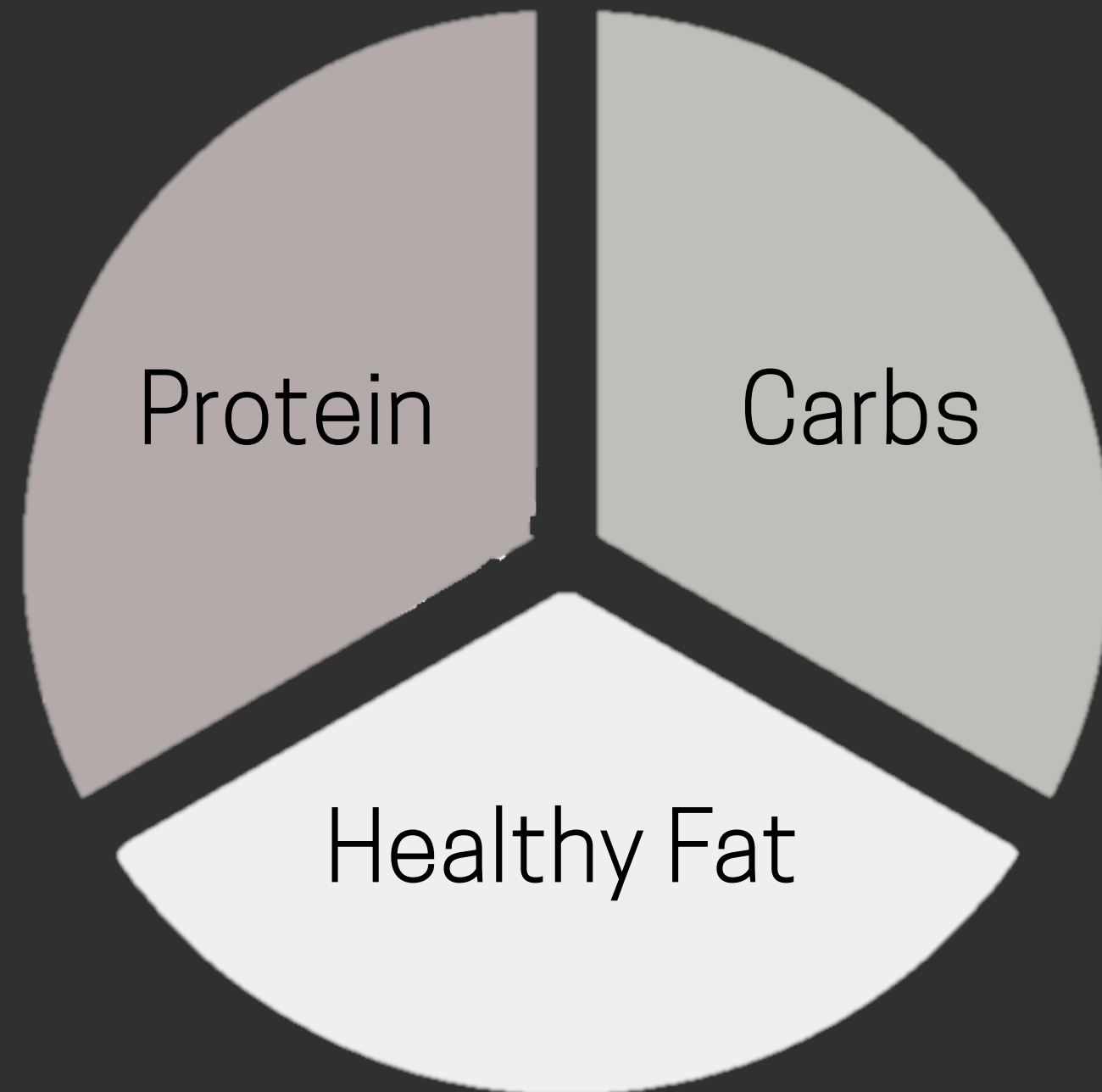
A photograph of a snowy forest path with tall, thin trees. A dark blue rectangular box with a thin blue border is centered over the image, containing white text.

Taking consistent action
every single day is going
to add up in your favor
over time

The 3 Best Friends:



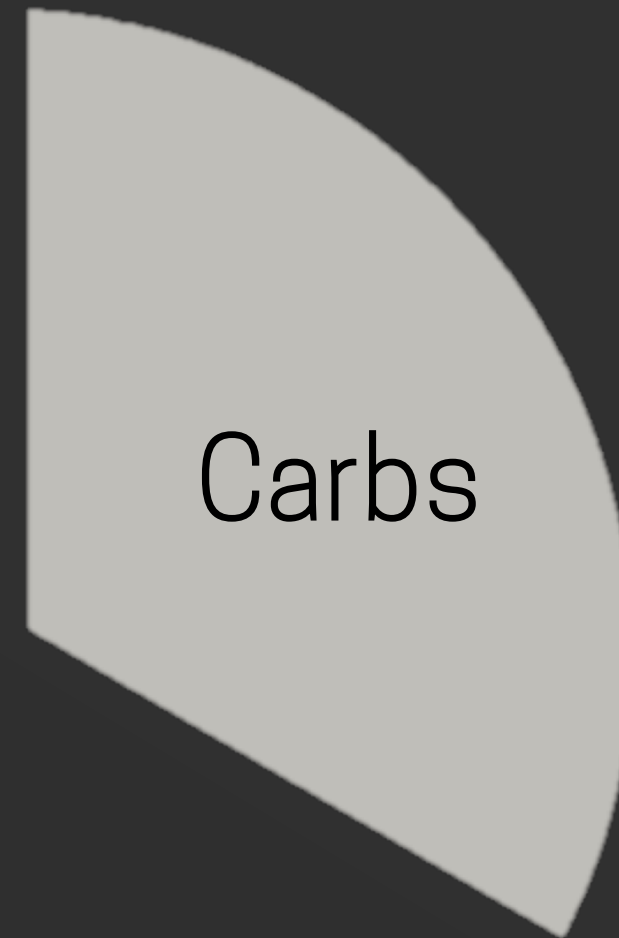
Your 3 Best Friends:



These are all critical for exercise, recovery, hormone production, feeling energized all day long, mental clarity, and more

Your 3 Best Friends:

Let's talk about carbs first




The Benefits of Carbs

- Some B vitamins for energy (especially folate)
- Loaded with fiber and antioxidants
- Vegetables (especially greens) help the body naturally detox
- Help keep cortisol levels balanced


The Downside of Eating Low Carb

- Low carb diets cause increase sodium loss, which can lead to electrolyte issues and dehydration
- High fat, low carb diets elevates cortisol levels, which...
 - Breaks your body down and doesn't allow you to recover
 - Harms protein synthesis
 - Hurts your immune system
 - Puts your body under a lot of stress

The background is a photograph of a winter forest. The ground is covered in a layer of snow, and several bare, thin tree trunks stand vertically. A dark blue rectangular box is centered on the image, containing white text.

The goal is to eat the
right types of carbs & at
the right amount

General Guidelines for Carbs:



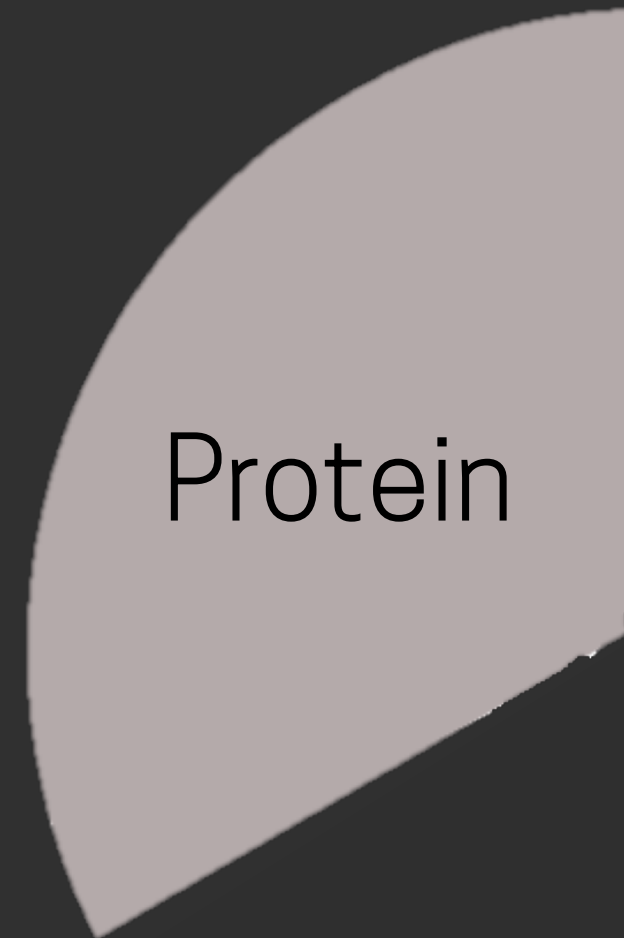
Aim for 30-40% of your daily caloric intake from carbs

1 gram of carbs = 4 calories

Aim to eat the starchier carbs before 2pm as they can raise blood sugar

Non-starchy veggies, root veggies, and carbs like quinoa, beans, lentils, hummus, and amaranth don't spike blood sugar

Your 3 Best Friends:



Let's talk about protein



Most women do not eat
enough protein

Protein is a dietary SUPERSTAR

- A lot of studies are showing tons of health benefits from eating higher protein diets vs higher carb diets
 - Blood pressure, cholesterol, decreased risk of heart disease
- Helps maintain muscle tissue and building muscle
- Major player in
 - Hormones production
 - Sleep
 - Digestion
 - Ovulation
 - Immunity
- Increases satiety, so you feel satisfied with less food
- Burns more calories when we process it

General Guidelines for Protein:

Aim for 30% of your daily caloric intake from protein

1 gram of protein = 4 calories

Aim for between 0.8g to 1.2g per pound of bodyweight

(higher end when activity is higher, lower end when less)

Easy way to get it in:

Eat at least 30 grams of protein with every meal (along with its BFFs carbs and healthy fat)

Include some protein snacks

If you are plant-based, research the protein sources you need to get in all 9 essential amino acids.


Meat, eggs, fish, and most dairy already includes these

Your 3 Best Friends:

Let's talk about fat



Healthy Fat



Fat is essential for
performance and optimal
health



Benefits of Healthy Fats

- Controls your appetite hormones – keeping you feeling full longer
- Help reduce cravings and snacking
- Stabilizes blood sugar
- Makes you feel calm and relaxed
- Slows digestion
- Keep our energy high for much longer than carbs do



Sources of Healthy Fats

- Avocados & avocado oil
- Full fat coconut milk
- Organic, nitrate-free bacon
- Organic olive & coconut oil
- Grass-fed ghee (instead of butter)
- Organic & pasture-raised meats and eggs
- Quality cheeses
- Nuts and nut butters

General Guidelines for Fats:

Aim for 30-40% of
your daily caloric
intake from fats

1 gram of fats = 9
calories

Test out whether you
like higher
percentage of fats
or carbs and pick the
ratios that work for
you

Include a serving of
fat with each meal to
help keep things
balanced



What to eat right before, during, and after a ride



Before – Night before/morning of

- Healthy carbs (rice, quinoa, etc)
- Light proteins
 - For meat → the less legs the better – easier to digest
- Foods lower in fat because it's easier to digest

During a Ride

- 40-50g carbs per hour of exercise beyond 60 minutes
- Some light protein
- Light fats
- Easy to digest
- Focus on real foods when possible
- Avoid eating a ton of sugary foods

A gel brand that I like and is easy
on my digestion is Maurten

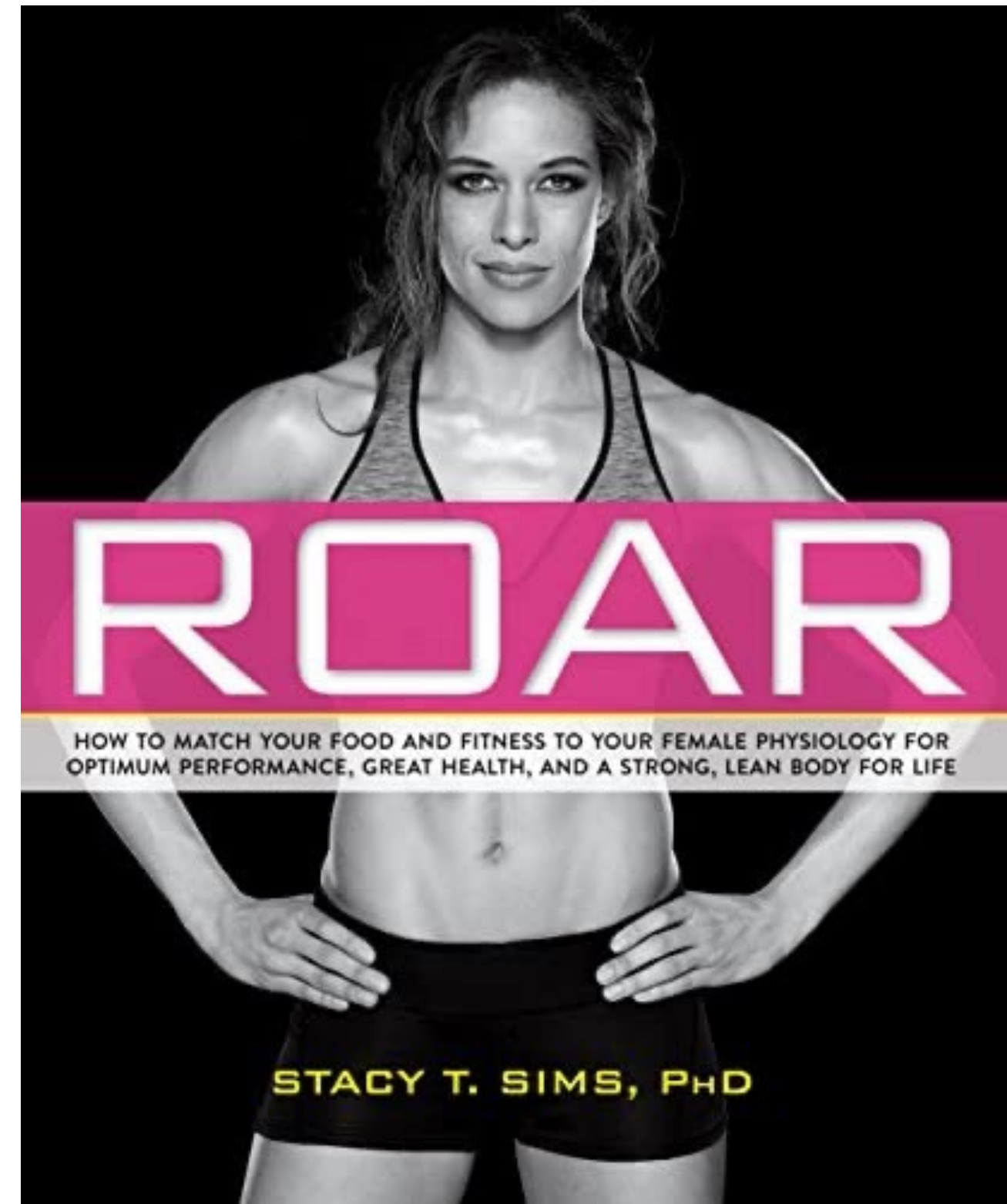




Post Ride

- 30g of protein (within 30 min)
- Restock carbs within 2 hours
- Avoid sugary foods

Want to learn more?





Most athletes feel they
are bonking when they
are actually dehydrated

Many people are
chronically dehydrated

Hydration Tip #1:

Not including workouts...

Aim to drink at least $\frac{1}{2}$ your bodyweight (in ounces) daily.

So, if you weigh 150lbs, you want to aim for at least 75 ounces of water a day.



What about when you're
exercising?

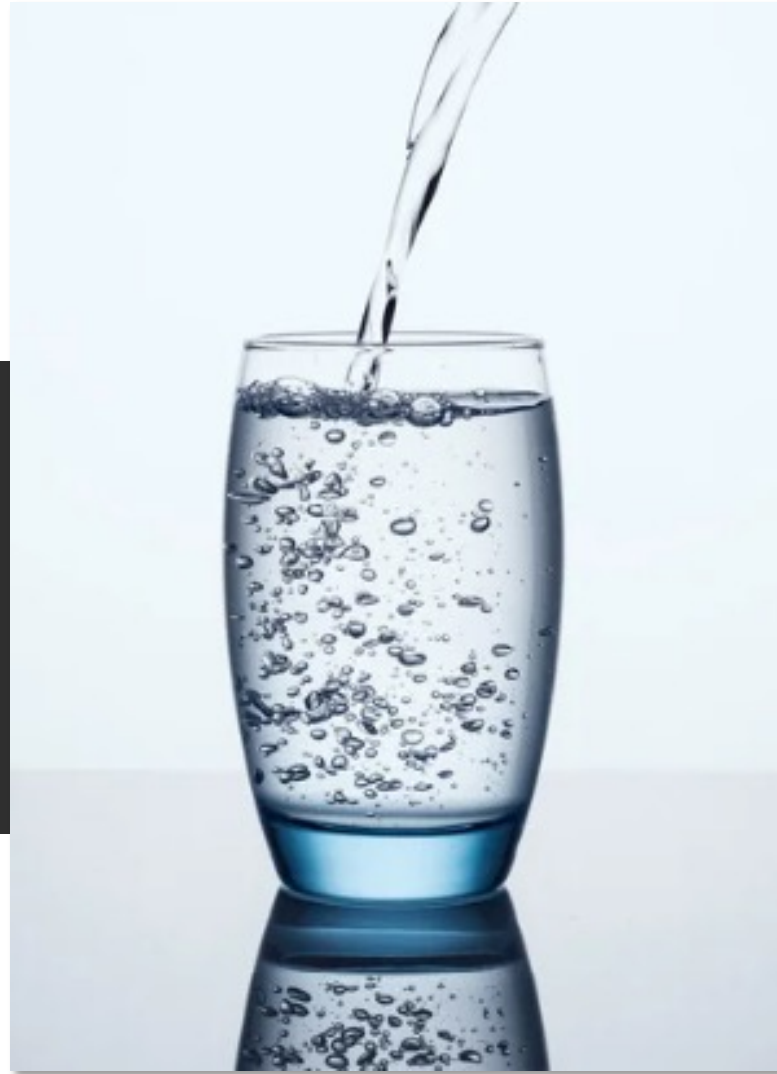
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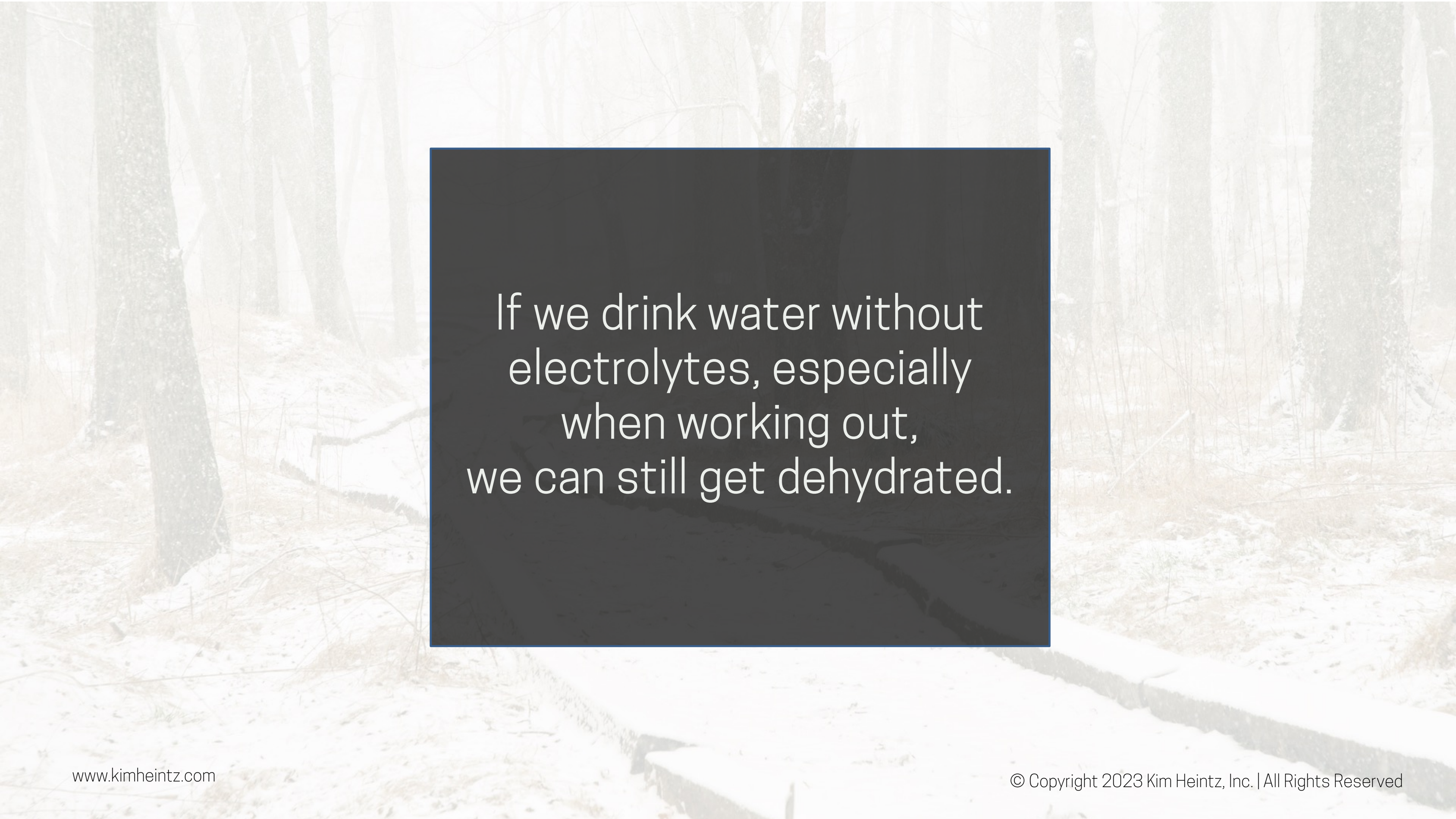
- When you're adding exercise into the mix, you'll want to add 12 ounces per 30 minutes of exercise.

So if you weigh 150 lbs and ride for 2 hours:

$$75 \text{ oz} + (12 \text{ oz} \times 4) = 123 \text{ oz that day}$$

- Add more on days that are hot or you're sweating more.



A background image of a snowy forest with bare trees and a path. A dark blue rectangular box with a thin blue border is centered on the image, containing white text.

If we drink water without
electrolytes, especially
when working out,
we can still get dehydrated.

Hydration Tip #3:

- Start each morning with a pinch of sea salt (up to $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp) in a glass of warm water with a squeeze of lemon
- You can do this midday too if desired



You can also drink an adrenal cocktail

Drink an adrenal cocktail between mid-morning and 2-3pm if you feel like your energy dips.



- 3 ounces of OJ
 - (vitamin C helps adrenals)
- 1 tsp of cream of tartar
 - (rich in potassium)
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp of Celtic sea salt
 - (rich in sodium, potassium, and magnesium)
- 3 ounces of coconut water or full fat coconut milk
 - (rich in potassium)

What's so special about
minerals in the body?

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Minerals are the ‘spark plugs of Life’

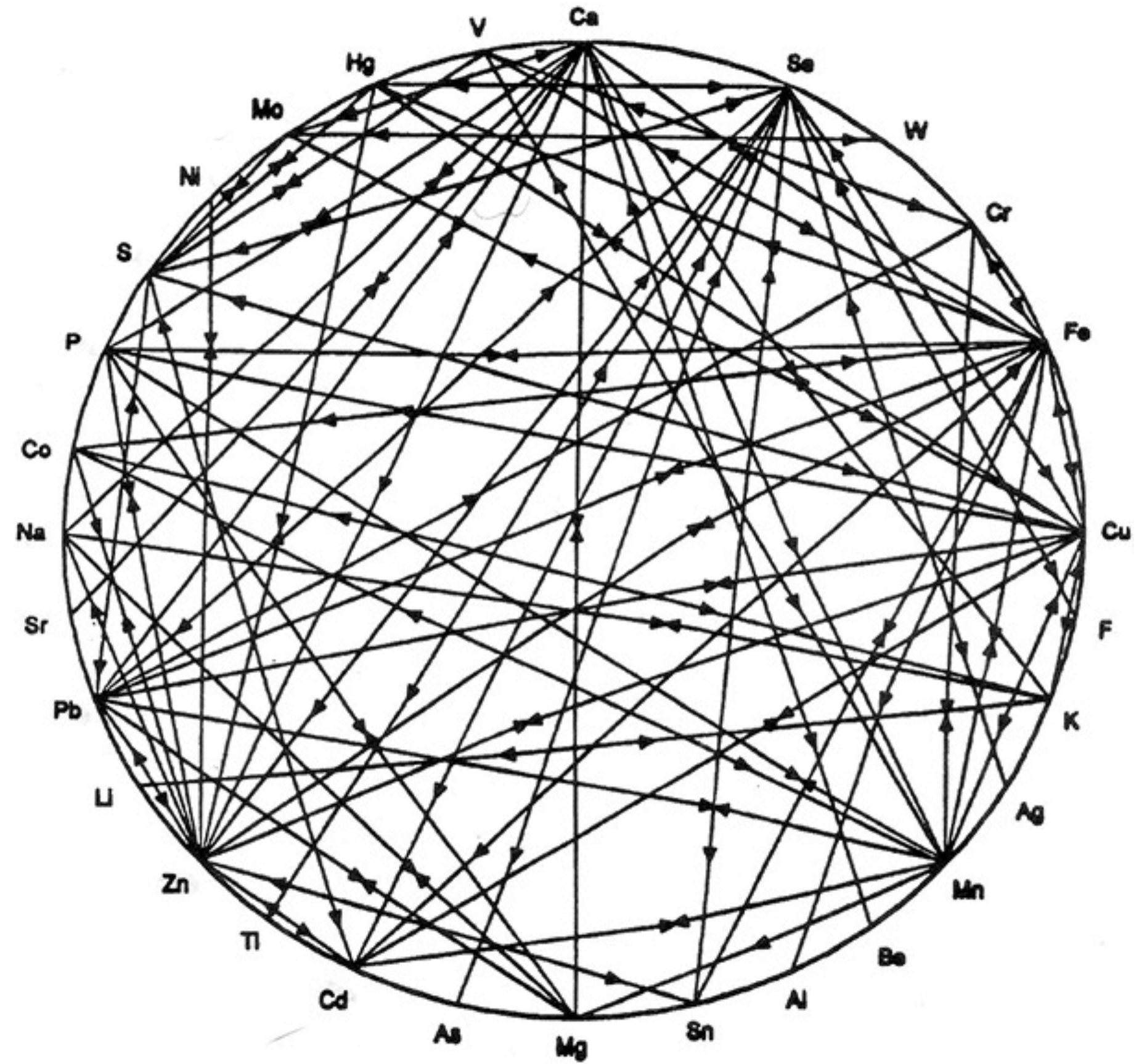
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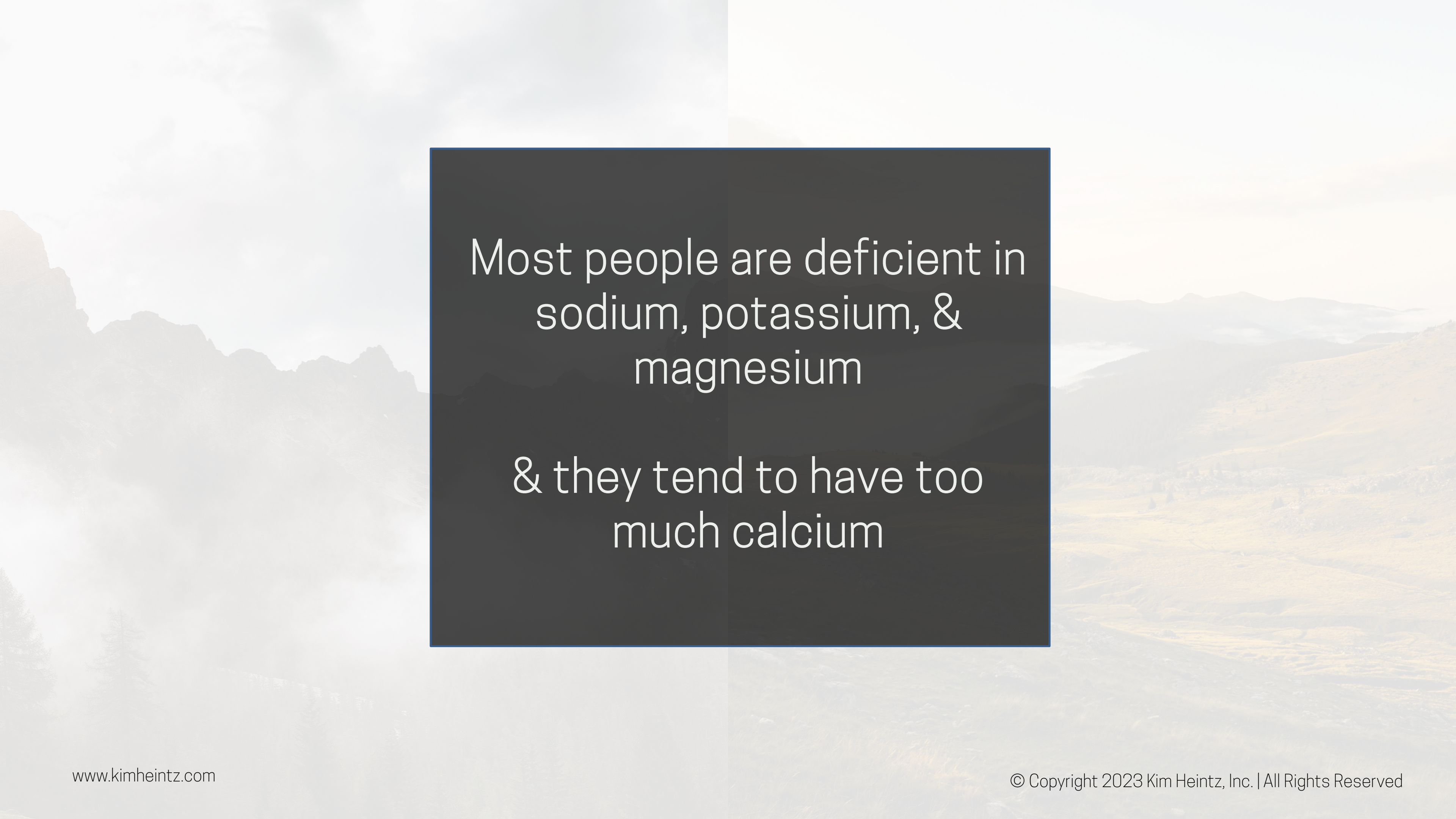
Electrolytes are chemicals that conduct electricity when dissolved in water.

They regulate nerve and muscle function, hydrate the body, balance blood acidity and pressure, and help rebuild damaged tissue.

The muscles and neurons are sometimes referred to as the “electric tissues” of the body.

No Mineral Stands Alone



The background of the slide is a soft-focus photograph of a mountain range. The mountains are covered in green vegetation and are partially shrouded in mist or low clouds. The sky is a pale, hazy blue. In the center of the image, there is a dark, semi-transparent rectangular box with a thin blue border. Inside this box, the text is written in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

Most people are deficient in
sodium, potassium, &
magnesium

& they tend to have too
much calcium

Hydration Tip #5:

- Stay ahead of your electrolytes rather than try to chase after them – it'll be far more effective
- We cannot spot-treat minerals
- It's best to get most of your electrolytes & minerals from whole food sources

Sodium

- Celtic sea salt
- Pickled veggies
- Sauerkraut
- Celery juice
- Artichoke
- Beets
- Swiss chard
- Animal products
- Eggs

Magnesium

- Spinach
- Pumpkin seeds
- Avocados
- Hemp seeds
- Swiss chard
- Dark chocolate
- Almonds
- Cashews
- Mackerel
- Banana
- Plantain
- Beet greens
- Sunflower seeds
- Summer squash
- Black beans
- Brown rice
- Broccoli

Potassium

Dried apricots
Acorn squash
Stinging nettle tea
Celery juice
Coconut water
Coconut milk
Beet greens
Avocados
Russet potatoes (skins especially)
White button mushrooms
Tomatoes
Banana cantaloupe
Asparagus
Spinach

Hydration Tip #6

Use electrolyte packets before, during, and after rides to help replenish



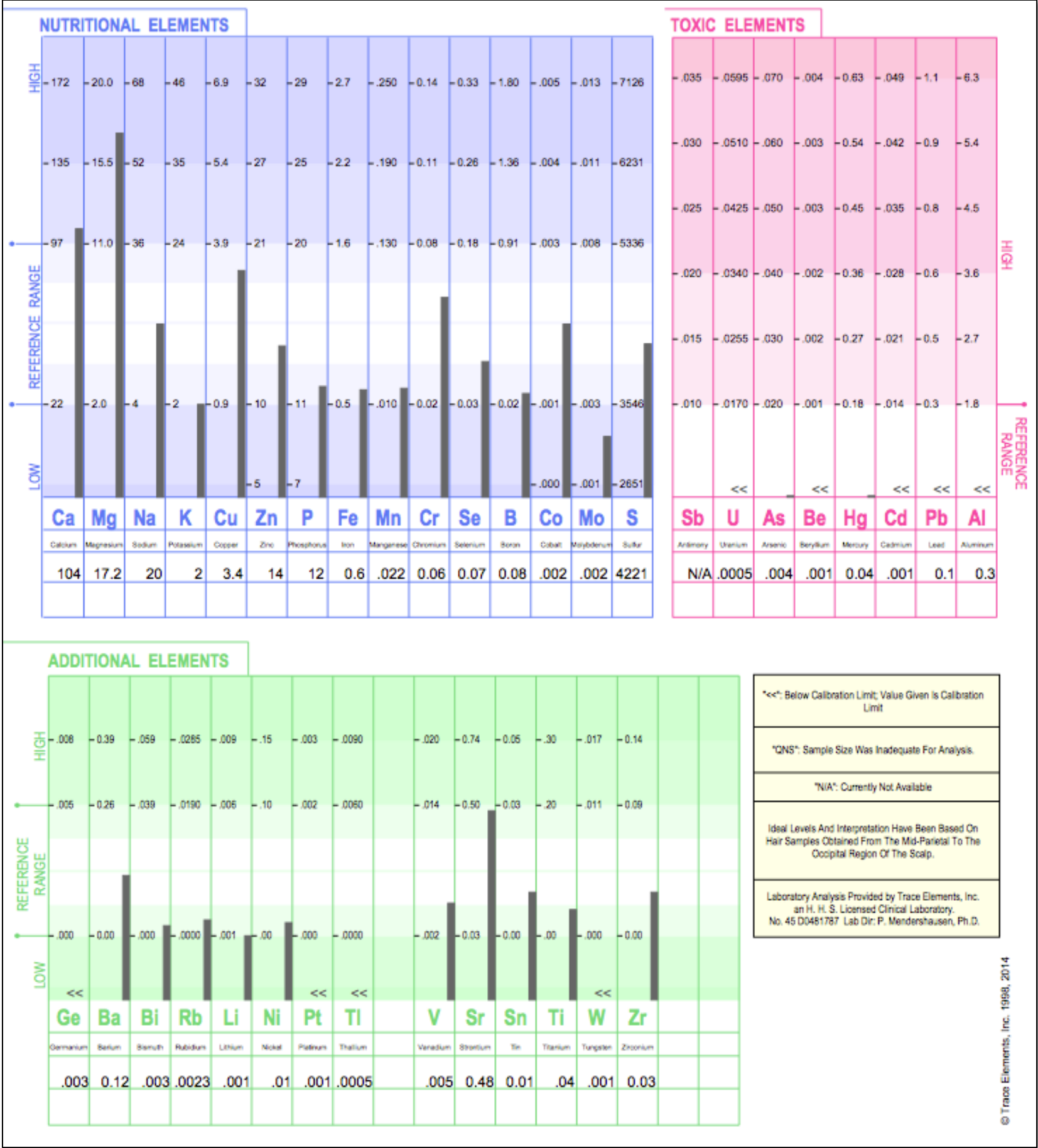
Signs your minerals/electrolytes are depleted:

- Feel worse after exercising/feeling fatigued
- Dizziness
- Cramps
- Lack of energy
- Constipation
- Skin issues
- Water retention/bloating
- Confusion
- Muscle weakness
- Bloating/water retention
- Weak feeling
- Low blood pressure
- Depression
- Heart palpitations

The best way to figure out how you're getting enough
and how to get minerals & electrolytes in balance?

Test, don't guess.

Running a hair tissue mineral analysis is a great way to determine what your body needs (and doesn't need)



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Questions?