# UBIQUINOL





#### CLINICAL APPLICATIONS

- Supports Cellular Energy Production, Stamina and Cardiovascular Strength
- Improves Antioxidant Reserve Vital for Cell Membrane Protection
- Essential for Mitochondrial Synthesis of Energy (ATP)
- Provides Fully Reduced Form of CoQ<sub>10</sub>
- Patented and Stabilized Form for Maximum Bioavailability and Utilization

# CARDIOVASCULAR SUPPORT

### What is Ubiquinol?

Ubiquinol is the reduced, active antioxidant form of coenzyme  $Q_{10}$  ( $CoQ_{10}$ ). Produced naturally within the body, ubiquinol is  $CoQ_{10}$  that has been converted into a substance necessary for use in cellular energy production. In addition to its critical role in energy production,  $CoQ_{10}$  is one of the most powerful known lipid-soluble antioxidants, protecting cells, organs and tissues from damage caused by oxidative stress and free radicals. For those who cannot efficiently convert ubiquinone to ubiquinol on their own, this patented, lipid- stabilized Ubiquinol formula ensures maximum bioavailability and cell protection.

#### **Overview**

CoQ<sub>10</sub>, or ubiquinone, is a lipid-soluble antioxidant which is found in every cell in the body. CoQ<sub>10</sub> is abundant in the mitochondrial membrane and plays an important role in the synthesis of adenosine triphosphate (ATP), a molecule of chemical energy upon which all cellular functions depend. The synthesis of ATP within the mitochondria is a multi-step series of biochemical reactions called the electron transport chain. As a coenzyme, CoQ<sub>10</sub> is required for several enzymatic reactions required to produce cellular energy and to protect the body against free radicals produced during this process. To maintain energy production, mitochondrial CoQ<sub>10</sub> is continuously recycled from ubiquinone, its ATP production state, to ubiquinol, its antioxidant, free radical scavenging state. CoQ<sub>10</sub>, has been shown to extend cell life and benefit high-energy systems like the cardiovascular, neurological, and immune systems.

## CoQ<sub>10</sub> Depletion<sup>†</sup>

The body's ability to produce and metabolize  $CoQ_{10}$  has been reported to decrease with age.  $CoQ_{10}$  deficiency may be caused by insufficient dietary intake of  $CoQ_{10}$ , impairment in  $CoQ_{10}$  production, drug-induced  $CoQ_{10}$  depletion, gene mutations, and oxidative stress. HMG-CoA reductase is an enzyme required for the synthesis of cholesterol and  $CoQ_{10}$ . Cholesterol lowering medications inhibit this enzyme in order to reduce cholesterol synthesis but may also deplete  $CoQ_{10}$  status simultaneously. In the event of  $CoQ_{10}$  depletion, supplementation can improve  $CoQ_{10}$  status and help maintain optimal levels in the body.

#### **Antioxidant Protection**<sup>†</sup>

Oxidative stress is a condition that occurs when there is an imbalance of free radicals and antioxidants required to neutralize them, leading to oxidative damage. The extent of oxidative stress depends on the rate at which free radicals are generated, the level of antioxidant reserves, and the rate of repair of cellular and tissue damage that has occurred. This process has a significant impact on the body's aging process. Ubiquinol is an electron donor because it has two hydroxyl groups. The electrons that ubiquinol donates help to neutralize free radicals thereby providing significant protection against toxic oxidative reactions in the body.

#### Cholesterol<sup>†</sup>

CoQ<sub>10</sub> appears to be a preventive factor for reducing low-density lipoprotein (LDL) oxidation- a major factor for supporting healthy cholesterol levels. [1] In a study examining



the antioxidant effects of ubiquinol versus vitamin E, ubiquinol significantly reduced LDL lipid peroxidation more efficiently than vitamin E.<sup>[1]</sup>

#### Cardiovascular Health<sup>†</sup>

 ${\rm CoQ_{10}}$  is important for all energy dependent processes, including contraction of the heart muscle.  ${\rm CoQ_{10}}$  is also important for the protection against free radical damage to the arterial vessels. In a double-blind, cross-over trial 19 patients received 100 mg/day or placebo for 12 weeks. Compared with placebo, patients receiving  ${\rm CoQ_{10}}$  demonstrated significant support of cardiac function and increased tolerance for physical activity. <sup>[2]</sup> In another study, 109 patients received an average dose of 225 mg of  ${\rm CoQ_{10}}$  per day. After a mean treatment period of over four months,  ${\rm CoQ_{10}}$  helped maintain healthy blood pressure levels in more than half of the patients. <sup>[3]</sup>

#### **Directions**

1 soft gel capsule per day or as recommended by your health care professional.

#### **Does Not Contain**

Wheat, gluten, soy, dairy products, fish, shellfish, peanuts, tree nuts, egg, artificial colors, artificial sweeteners, or preservatives.

#### **Cautions**

If you are pregnant or nursing, consult with your health care practitioner before taking this product.

Suppleme	nt Fa	cts
Serving Size 1 Soft Gel Capsule Servings Per Container 30		
1 soft gel capsule contains	Amount Per Serving	% Daily Value
1 soft gel capsule contains  Ubiquinol (Kaneka QH™)		% Daily Value *

ID# 133030 30 Soft Gel Capsules

#### References

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