

# HMF Multi Strain 100

PROBIOTIC SUPPLEMENT

# Concentrated 14-strain probiotic combination



- · Provides 100 billion CFU per convenient, once-daily capsule
- · Supports gastrointestinal and immune health\*

Genestra HMF Multi Strain 100 capsules offer 100 billion CFU from a combination of 14 probiotic strains. Included in this blend of proprietary, human-sourced probiotics are eight strains of Lactobacilli and six strains of Bifidobacteria to ensure colonization in both the small and large intestines. These research-driven strains were selected based on their superior adherence to the gut lining, natural resistance to pH and bile acid, and ability to support gastrointestinal health and promote a favorable gut flora. One recent placebo-controlled trial found that daily supplementation with Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis (HN019), a probiotic strain found in HMF Multi Strain 100, promoted healthy intestinal transit time and reduced occasional constipation. HMF Multi Strain 100 also contains BL-04 and NCFM® to support immune health. In addition, supplementation with a combination of CUL-60, CUL-21, CUL-34 and CUL-20 (plus vitamin C) was found to promote healthy immune responses in schoolchildren.\*

## SUPPLEMENT FACTS

Serving Size 1 Capsule Servings per Container 30

## Each Capsule Contains

100 billion CFU † Probiotic Consortium

Lactobacillus acidophilus (CUL-60)

Lactobacillus acidophilus (CUL-21)

Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis (CUL-34)

Bifidobacterium bifidum (CUL-20)

Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis (HNO19)

Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis (BL-04)

Lactobacillus acidophilus (NCFM®)

Lactobacillus gasseri (CUL-09)

Lactobacillus paracasei (CUL-08)

Lactobacillus casei (CUL-06)

Lactobacillus salivarius (CUL-61)

Bifidobacterium animalis subsp. lactis (CUL-62)

Bifidobacterium breve (CUL-74)

Lactobacillus plantarum (CUL-66)

† Daily Value not established

Other ingredients: Hypromellose, cellulose, silica

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# Recommended Dose

Take one capsule daily or as recommended by your healthcare practitioner.

Size

30 Vegetable Capsules

**Product Code** 

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# Scientific Rationale:

## Intestinal Transit Time

In a placebo-controlled trial, daily supplementation with HNO19 for two weeks significantly improved whole gut transit time (WGTT) and gastrointestinal comfort and function scores.1\* Fifty-four adults were randomized to one of three groups, consuming placebo, low- (1.8 billion CFU of HNO19) or highdose probiotic (17.2 billion CFU of HNO19) capsules daily for two weeks.1 WGTT was determined using abdominal X-ray scans at baseline and after two weeks of supplementation.<sup>1</sup> Gastrointestinal comfort and function scores were also analyzed between baseline and study completion. Supplementation with HNO19 was dose-dependently associated with a significant improvement in WGTT (25% and 33% decrease for the low-and high-dose groups, respectively).1\* Probiotic supplementation also significantly improved both upper (abdominal comfort, gurgling) and lower (occasional constipation, bowel movement regularity and flatulence) gastrointestinal comfort and function scores.1\* Similarly, a randomized, double-blind, controlled study found that combined supplementation with HNO19 and Lactobacillus acidophilus NCFM® for two weeks significantly reduced transit time compared to the control group.2\*

In an eight-week long, double-blind, randomized, placebocontrolled study involving 52 adults, supplementation with a combination of four HMF probiotic strains significantly reduced mild intestinal discomfort.3\* Participants were randomized to either the placebo or probiotic capsule group (25 billion CFU from CUL-60, CUL-21, CUL-34 and CUL-20) and consumed one capsule daily for eight weeks.<sup>3</sup> Participants scored their intestinal discomfort (including bloating, satisfaction with bowel habits and quality of life) at baseline and every two weeks during the supplementation period.<sup>3</sup> In comparison with baseline values, probiotic supplementation significantly improved intestinal discomfort scores, including a 22% decrease in days with intestinal discomfort, 32% improvement in satisfaction with bowel habits and 30% improvement in quality of life scores.3\* These improvements were also significantly greater when compared to placebo values.3\*

## Immune Health

Review evidence indicates that multi-strain probiotics may be more effective than single-strain supplements in supporting a diverse range of health outcomes.4\* In a recent doubleblind, placebo-controlled clinical trial, supplementation with a multi-strain probiotic was shown to significantly modulate cytokine production.5\* For 12 weeks, 20 healthy participants were randomized to receive either a placebo or a probiotic supplement (containing 25 billion CFU from CUL-60, CUL-21, CUL-34 and CUL-20, plus 2 g of fructooligosaccharides [FOS]).5 Blood samples were collected at baseline, and again at weeks 6 and 12.5 Peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) were isolated from the blood samples and cultured ex vivo alone or in the presence of lipopolysaccharide (which stimulates the activity of macrophages).<sup>5</sup> Compared to baseline measurements, levels of the regulatory cytokine IL-10 increased by approximately three times in non-stimulated cultures after 12 weeks of probiotic supplementation.5\* In contrast, IL-6 and IL-1B production significantly decreased in stimulated cultures after 12 weeks of probiotic supplementation.5\* This demonstrates the potential of probiotics to beneficially modulate the immune response.5\*

Supplementation with a combination of probiotic strains and vitamin C helped to support respiratory immune health in schoolchildren. In this six-month, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled study, children were randomized to either a placebo or probiotic and vitamin C tablet group (12.5 billion CFU from CUL-60, CUL-21, CUL-34 and CUL-20, plus 50 mg of vitamin C). Participants consumed one tablet daily for six months and their respiratory health was evaluated by a pediatrician every two months. Tompared with the placebo group, upper respiratory tract health and immune function was significantly better supported in children that received the probiotic and vitamin C supplement. Similarly, a randomized, double-blind, controlled study found that supplementation with BL-04 and NCFM® for four months promoted healthy eosinophil activity and IgA function in children.

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