dutchtest® ADRENAL

Accession # 01093516

Female Sample Report
123 A Street
Sometown, SC 90266
DOB: 1976-01-01
Age: 49
Sex: Female
Last Menstrual Period:
2025-05-26

Collection Times:

2025-06-13 04:00AM (U1)
2025-06-13 06:00AM (U2)
2025-06-12 03:00PM (U3)
2025-06-11 08:00PM (U4)

Ordering Provider:

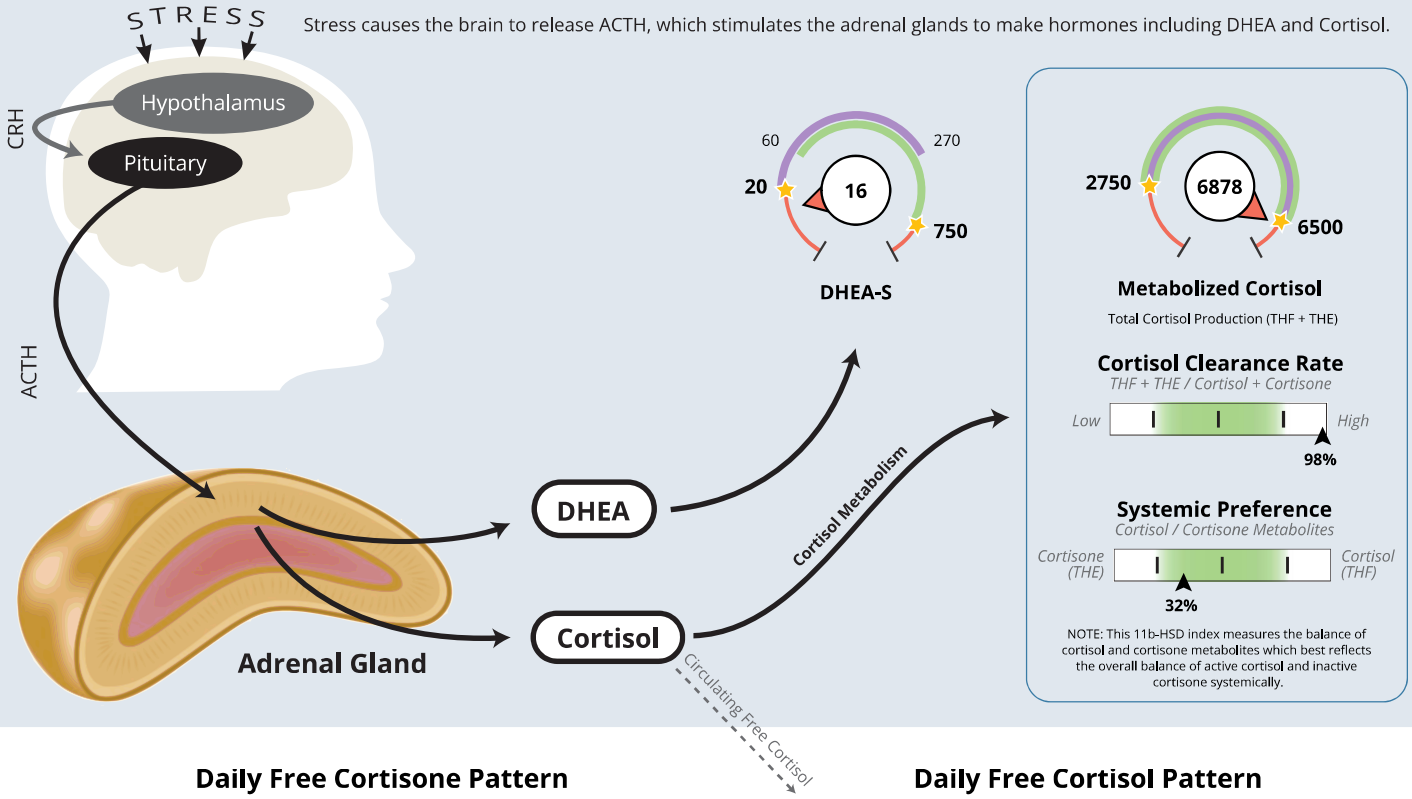
Test Provider MD

Adrenal Hormones & Metabolites

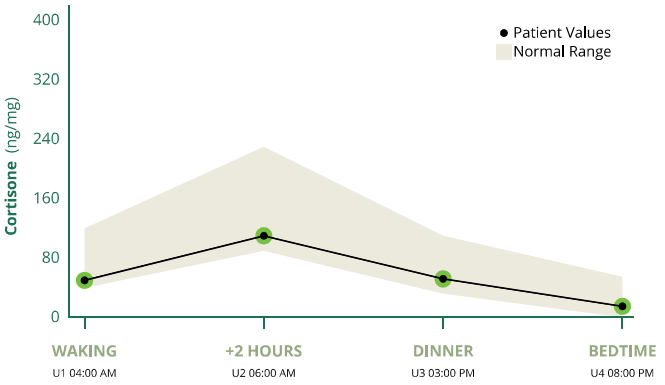
TEST		RESULT	UNITS	NORMAL RANGE
Daily Free Cortisol and Cortisone (Urine)				
Cortisol (U1) - Waking	Low end of range	12.0	ng/mg	10 - 50
Cortisol (U2) - +2 Hours	Low end of range	32.0	ng/mg	30 - 130
Cortisol (U3) - Dinner	Low end of range	9.0	ng/mg	7 - 30
Cortisol (U4) - Bedtime	Within range	5.0	ng/mg	0 - 14
Cortisone (U1) - Waking	Low end of range	50.0	ng/mg	40 - 120
Cortisone (U2) - +2 Hours	Low end of range	110.0	ng/mg	90 - 230
Cortisone (U3) - Dinner	Within range	52.0	ng/mg	32 - 110
Cortisone (U4) - Bedtime	Within range	15.0	ng/mg	0 - 55
24 Hour Free Cortisol (Sum of all Values)	Below range	58.0	ng/mg	65 - 200
24 Hour Free Cortisone (Sum of all Values)	Low end of range	227.0	ng/mg	220 - 450
Creatinine (Urine)				
Creatinine (U1) - Waking	Within range	0.50	mg/ml	0.2 - 2
Creatinine (U2) - +2 Hours	Within range	0.72	mg/ml	0.2 - 2
Creatinine (U3) - Dinner	Within range	0.48	mg/ml	0.2 - 2
Creatinine (U4) - Bedtime	Within range	0.34	mg/ml	0.2 - 2
Cortisol Metabolites and DHEA-S (Urine)				
a-Tetrahydrocortisol (a-THF)	Above range	464.0	ng/mg	75 - 370
b-Tetrahydrocortisol (b-THF)	Within range	2318.9	ng/mg	1050 - 2500
b-Tetrahydrocortisone (b-THE)	Above range	4095.1	ng/mg	1550 - 3800
Metabolized Cortisol (THF + THE)	Above range	6878.0	ng/mg	2750 - 6500
DHEA-S	Below range	16.0	ng/mg	20 - 750
Cortisol Clearance Rate (CCR)	Above range	24.1		6 - 12.5

EXPANDED CORTISOL & ADRENAL HORMONES

Optimal Luteal Range | Postmenopausal Range | Out of Range | Edge of Range



Daily Free Cortisone Pattern



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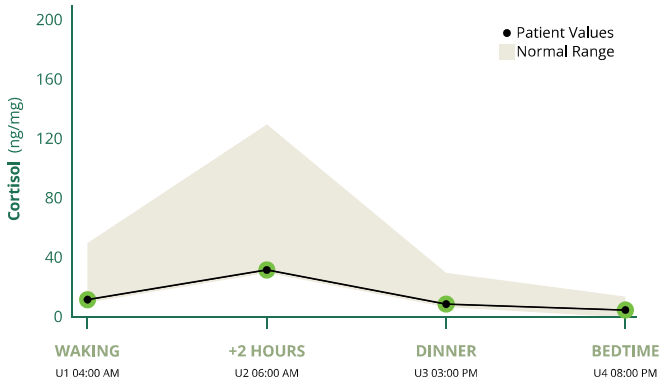
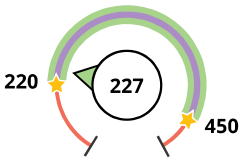
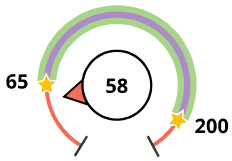




24 Hour Free Cortisone

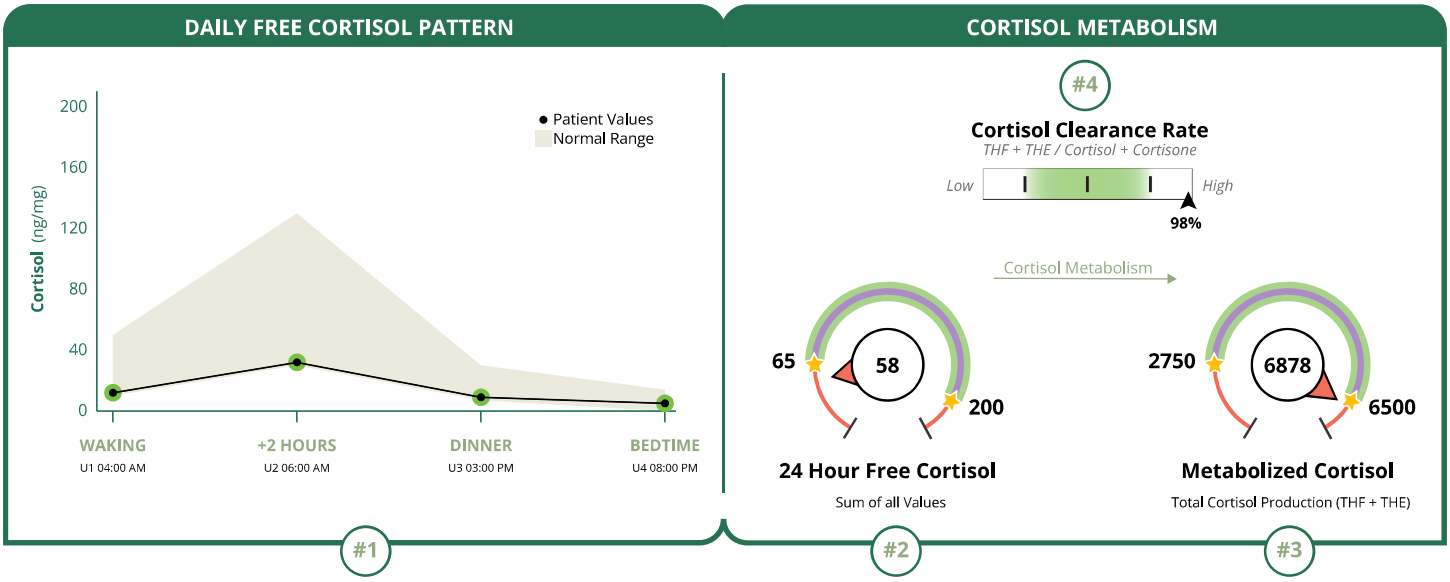
Sum of all Values

Cortisol and Cortisone interconvert (11b-HSD)



24 Hour Free Cortisol

Sum of all Values



Cortisol-related Patient or Sample Comments:

#1. Assess the daily free cortisol pattern

- All points on the Daily Free Cortisol Pattern are within the optimal range. Cortisol levels should follow a rhythm that is higher in the morning and lower at night.

#2. Assess the daily total of free cortisol in circulation (24hr Free Cortisol)

- The 24hr Free Cortisol is **58.0 ng/mg**, which is below the optimal range. This indicates low free cortisol levels.

#3. Assess the total cortisol produced by the adrenal glands (Metabolized Cortisol)

- The Metabolized Cortisol, which reflects the total cortisol output for the day, is **6,878 ng/mg**, which is above the optimal range.

#4. Assess the rate of cortisol clearance from the body

- The Cortisol Clearance Rate is higher than **98.0%** of the population, which is above the optimal range. This indicates that cortisol and cortisone are being metabolized at a faster rate than expected. If paired with low free cortisol, this can contribute to low cortisol symptoms.
- The patient reports that they have a BMI between 25 and 30. A higher BMI is associated with a fast cortisol clearance rate.

#5. Assess adrenal androgen levels (DHEA-S)

- The DHEA-S is **16.0 ng/mg**, which is below the range for women of any age.

ADRENAL

#1. Assess if cortisone (inactive) adds more insight to the free cortisol assessment

Cortisol is an active adrenal glucocorticoid, while cortisone is an inactive "storage" form. In the kidney, a significant amount of cortisol is converted to cortisone before excretion into urine. Therefore, urinary cortisone should be considered a reflection or "shadow" of systemic cortisol. The degree to which this happens in an individual may vary. If free cortisone is significantly higher than free cortisol, it may indicate free cortisol levels were higher in circulation (serum) than the urinary free cortisol implies. If free cortisone is lower than free cortisol, this may indicate free cortisol levels were not as high in circulation (serum) as urinary free cortisol implies.

#2. Assess if there is a whole-body preference for (inactive) cortisone or (active) cortisol

The Systemic Preference slider reflects the balance between cortisol (THF) and cortisone (THE) metabolites and is influenced by systemic cortisol needs. The balance between THF and THE is the best estimation of the systemic balance of cortisol to cortisone. As these metabolites are processed through the liver, the body may shift to cortisol (THF) in response to acute stressors (e.g., immune activation or infection), or toward cortisone (THE) with chronic stress (e.g., long-term inflammation or illness). Review the patient's result to determine if they are out of range.

- The Systemic Preference slider is higher than **32.0%** of the population, which is within the optimal range. This indicates the balance between systemic cortisone and cortisol is normal.

#3. Assess for anabolic-catabolic balance

Androgens such as DHEA (assessed as total DHEA or DHEA-S) support tissue growth and repair, while cortisol promotes tissue breakdown. When total DHEA (or DHEA-S) is significantly higher than cortisol, it may suggest an anabolic state (favoring tissue building and repair). When total DHEA (or DHEA-S) is significantly lower than cortisol, it may suggest a catabolic state (favoring tissue breakdown).

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Finally, please review the patient's results along with their requisition form. It is designed to capture relevant medications, symptoms, diagnoses, sample collection, and notes that may be helpful in interpreting the results.

Additional Comments

Reference Range Percentiles

Reference ranges are developed by testing thousands of healthy individuals, while excluding results from outliers or those on impactful medications. A percentile approach is applied, as is done with most labs. Classic reference ranges use the 95th percentile as the upper end of range and the 5th percentile as the lower end of range. Our DUTCH ranges uses the percentiles found in the table below. We feel these ranges reflect the more optimal range sought in functional medicine practices. The table below shows the percentiles used for the reference range of each analyte on the DUTCH report:

Female Reference Ranges (Updated 10.15.2025)

	Low%	High%	Low	High		Low%	High%	Low	High
b-Pregnanediol	20%	90%	600	2000	Cortisol U0 (Mid-Sleep)	0	90%	0	15
a-Pregnanediol	20%	90%	200	740	Cortisol U1 (Waking)	20%	90%	10	50
Estrone (E1)	20%	80%	12	26	Cortisol U2 (+2 Hours)	20%	90%	30	130
Estradiol (E2)	20%	80%	1.8	4.5	Cortisol U3 (Dinner)	20%	90%	7	30
Estriol (E3)	20%	80%	5	18	Cortisol U4 (Bedtime)	0	90%	0	14
2-OH-E1	20%	80%	5.1	13.1	Cortisone U0 (Mid-Sleep)	0	90%	0	14
4-OH-E1	0	80%	0	1.8	Cortisone U1 (Waking)	20%	90%	40	120
16-OH-E1	20%	80%	0.7	2.6	Cortisone U2 (Morning)	20%	90%	90	230
2-Methoxy-E1	20%	80%	2.5	6.5	Cortisone U3 (Dinner)	20%	90%	32	110
2-OH-E2	0	80%	0	3.1	Cortisone U4 (Bedtime)	0	90%	0	55
4-OH-E2	0	80%	0	0.52	Cortisol Clearance Rate (CCR)	20%	80%	6	12.5
2-16-ratio	20%	80%	2.69	11.83	Melatonin (6-OHMS)	20%	90%	10	85
2-4-ratio	20%	80%	5.4	12.62	8-OHdG	0	90%	0	5.2
2Me-2OH-ratio	20%	80%	0.39	0.67	Methylmalonate	0	90%	0	2.5
DHEA-S	20%	90%	20	750	Xanthurenate	0	90%	0.12	1.2
Androsterone	20%	80%	200	1650	Kynurenate	0	90%	0.8	4.5
Etiocholanolone	20%	80%	200	1000	b-Hydroxyisovalerate	0	90%	0	12.5
Testosterone	20%	80%	2.3	14	Pyroglutamate	10%	90%	28	58
5a-DHT	0	80%	0	6.6	Indican	0	90%	0	100
5a-Androstanediol	20%	80%	6	30	Homovanillate	10%	95%	3	11
5b-Androstanediol	20%	80%	12	75	Vanilmandelate	10%	95%	2.2	5.5
Epi-Testosterone	20%	80%	2.3	14	Quinolinate	0	90%	0	9.6
a-THF	20%	90%	75	370	**Calculated Values**				
b-THF	20%	90%	1050	2500	Total DHEA Production	20%	80%	500	3000
b-THE	20%	90%	1550	3800	Total Estrogens	20%	80%	35	70
					Metabolized Cortisol	20%	90%	2750	6500
					24hr Free Cortisol	20%	90%	65	200
					24hr Free Cortisone	20%	90%	220	450

% = population percentile: Example - a high limit of 90% means results higher than 90% of the women tested for the reference range will be designated as "high."