

## TYPES OF STRESS

#### ACUTE STRESS

Present for a very short period of time and then dissapates. Can actually be good for you!

### TRAUMATIC STRESS

Post a traumatic dangerous event, experience of extreme fear, anxiety and shock

## CHRONIC STRESS

Low levels of stress for long time, sense of worry, feeling overwhelmed and trapped in a situation.

CHRONIC STRESS IS MOST COMMON IN MODERN LIFE



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# Long term effects of cortisol: The stress hormone



CORTISOL LEVELS ARE MAIN BIOMARKER OF STRESS

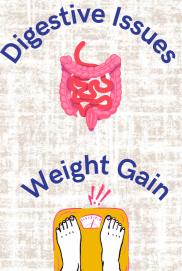
LONG TERM HIGH CORTISOL CREATES













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# STRESS

# STUDY 1 : SKY+EXAM STRESS

#### STUDY OBJECTIVE

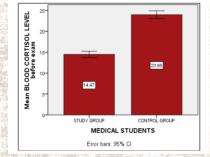
Assess impact of SKY on Serum Cortisol before exams (stressful situation) among medical students who were SKY practioners Serum Cortisol was measured just before the exams

**STUDY POPULATION** 102 medical students (62 - SKY group , 40 - Control)

#### OUTCOMES

CORTISOL LEVIELS JUST BEFORE THE EXAM

CONTROL GROUP



SKY GROUP HAD MUCH LOWER LEVEL OF CORTISOL COMPARED TO THE CONTROL GROUP, GIVEN THE SAME STRESSOR. CONTROLS HAD INCREASED CORTISOL LEVELS

SKY GROUP

SKY PRACTICE MITIGATES STRESS IN YOUTH UNDER EXAM STRESS

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# STUDY Z: SKY+WORK STRESS

#### STUDY OBJECTIVE

Assess physiological and psychological effects of SKY on workplace stress and wellbeing : A pre and post study measuring serum cortisol, subjective stress, life satisfaction & emotional regulation before and after 3 and 6 months of SKY practice.

#### STUDY POPULATION

72 Managers (37 SKY and 35 Waitlist Controls)

OUTCOMES: SKY GROUP

CORTISOL LEVELS AT 3 MONTHS

AT 6 MONTHS



Life satisfaction **Emotional regulation** 

CONTROL GROUP

**Cortisol levels** at 3 months ALL POSITIVE EFFECTS WERE

SKY PRACTICE MITIGATES WORKPLACE STRESS AND INCREASES SATISFACTION



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RETAINED AT 6 MONTHS IN

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# STUDY 3 : SKY+ PAIN, STRESS IN BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

STUDY OBJECTIVE Assess effect of SKY on serum cortisol level & pain among women suffering from advanced stage breast cancer after 3 months

STUDY POPULATION 147 women (69 : standard care, 78 standard care + SKY)

OUTCOMES AT 3 MONTHS CORTISOL LIEVIELS PAIN PERCEPTION SKY GROUP



NO CHANGE IN CONTROL GROUP

SKY PRACTICE REDUCES SERUM CORTISOL AND PAIN PERCEPTION IN WOMEN WITH ADVANCED BREAST CANCER



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REDUCTION OF PAIN AND

STRESS HELP TO BETTER

MANAGE CANCER AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF

LIFE FOR THE PATIENTS

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# STUDY 4 : SKY+DEPRESSION,

## Stress in Alcohol Dependents

STUDY OBJECTIVE Assess effect of SKY on serum cortisol & depression among alcohol dependent individuals in recovery after 2 weeks

STUDY POPULATION 60 participants (30: standard care, 30: SKY)

### OUTCOMES AT 3 MONTHS

CORTISOL LEVELS SKY GROUP 53.30

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SKY CAN BE A SAFE ANTIDEPRESSANT THERAPY IN ALCOHOL DEPENDENTS AND SUPPORT ABSTINENCE

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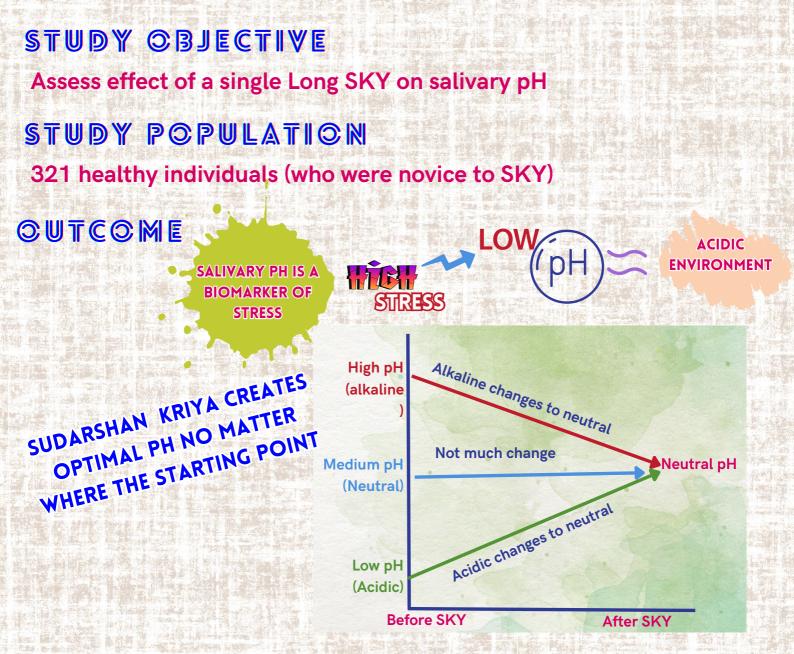
THE SKY GROUP BETWEEN

THE DECREASE IN

DEPRESSION & CORTISOL



# STUDY S : SKY+SALIVARY PH



SKY PRACTICE HAS A CUSTOMIZED EFFECT ON AN INDIVIDUAL TO ACHIEVE OPTIMUM HEALTH

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# STUDY 6 : SKY+STRESS IN COLLEGE STUDENTS

STUDY OBJECTIVE Assess effect of SKY on stress, life satisfaction and gratitude after 1 week and 1 month of SKY practice

STUDY POPULATION 50 students novice to SKY

OUTCOMES IMMEDIATELY AFTER SKY







SKY GROUP RETAINED POSITIVE RESULTS EVEN AT **ONE MONTH POST SKY PRACTICE** 

SKY CAN BE AN EFFECTIVE SELF-EMPOWERING TOOL FOR ENHANCING YOUTH PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING







# STUDY 7 : SKY+MENTAL HEALTH IN COLLEGE STUDENTS

STUDY OBJECTIVE Assess effect of SKY on stress, anxiety, sleep, self esteem and life satisfaction pre and post 3 months of SKY practice

STUDY POPULATION 69 college students novice to SKY (37 SKY ,32 Active control)

OUTCOMES 3 MONTHS AFTER SKY









CONTROL GROUP DID NOT RETAIN THESE POSTIVE CHANGES

SKY CAN BE EMPLOYED AS AN EFFECTIVE STRATEGY TO COMBAT STRESS DURING COLLEGE YEARS



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# STUDY 8 : SKY+STRESS + WELL-

## BEING IN HEALTHY INDIVIDUALS

**STUDY OBJECTIVE** Assess effect of SKY on wellbeing of healthy adults - stress, depression & anxiety pre and post 6 weeksof SKY practice

**STUDY POPULATION** 103 healthy adults novice to SKY (48 SKY, 55 control)

OUTCOMES 6 WEEKS POST SKY







CONTROL GROUP DID SHOW ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

SKY IS AN EFFECTIVE STRATEGY TO MANAGE Day to day stress





