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• Available in a 50-serving pouch

†Medium-chain triglyceride supplementation may temporarily increase ketone production compared to common long-chain fats.
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Clinical Rationale

How do medium-chain fatty acids increase ketone bodies?

Medium-chain fatty acids can freely cross the inner mitochondrial membrane (compared with other types of fatty acids, which can enter in a more regulated manner). This more rapid absorption into the inner mitochondrial space quickly increases acetyl-CoA and ketone body formation.¹

MCFA = medium-chain fatty acids; OM = outer membrane; IM = inner membrane

References:

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