

# **Aggressive Diet Seminar**

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### The Irrelevant Stuff

- Registered Nutritionist (RNutr) Was.
- Published in Peer Reviewed Journal Human angiotensin-converting enzyme I/D & alpha-actinin 3 R577X genotypes & muscle functional & contractile properties. [Experimental Physiology, 2009; 94[1]:81-9]
- Qualified Higher Education Lecturer
  - o Lecturer at 2 Academic Institutions
- 2 Postgraduate degrees from recognised academic institutions
  - o Clinical Nutrition & Sports Nutrition
- Undergraduate degree
  - o Sport and Exercise Nutrition
- Vocational Qualifications
  - o ISAK accredited & CSCS
  - o REPS Level 2 (just to be sure)



















# 'Celebrity', Sporting & General Population Clients



# **Mac-Nutrition Uni**



#### **Seminar AIMS - Part 1**

- Understanding Aggressive Dieting
  - o Assumptions vs evidence
  - o The benefits of aggressive dieting (& how to sell it as a method)
- The Theory of Implementation
  - o Calculating rates of theoretical maximal fat loss
  - o Macronutrient requirements during aggressive dieting







## Seminar AIMS - Part 2

- Aggressive Dieting in Practice
  - o Preparing to diet & knowing what to expect
  - o The practicalities of setting up an aggressive diet
    - What to eat/drink, what to supplement & how to train
  - Making adjustments & troubleshooting
    - Potential occurrences & complications





#### **Seminar AIMS - Part 3**

- Refeeds, Diet Breaks & Reverse Diets
  - o What do these look like?
  - o When should they be implemented?
  - o Multiphasic Dieting
  - o The concept of positive weight regain
- My amazing aggressive dieting calculator
  - o Case Studies!!









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PART 1

**Understanding Aggressive Dieting** 



An evidence-based viewpoint

The Benefits of Aggressive Dieting

## What Constitutes 'Fast' vs 'Slow' Rates

- I'm going to use the terms 'fast rates of weight loss' and 'aggressive dieting' interchangeably throughout!
- There are simply no universally agreed cut-offs
  - o 500-1000kcal deficit seen as 'the appropriate deficit'
    - Consider deficits equating to maximum rates of fat loss







# Why Consider Rapid Fat Loss?

- If you HAD to pick one for you/your clients:
  - o Aggressive or Moderate Deficit
- "Rapid Fat Loss associated with significantly greater weight-loss maintenance than were successful hypoenergetic balanced diets (HBDs) at all years of follow-up" - Anderson et al. (2001)
- To date, the totality of evidence does not support the myth that gradual weight loss improves long-term outcomes" Casazza et al. (2015)







