# Food Tiers

# 1ST

# **ANIMAL PROTEIN:**

100% Grass-finished beef
Cage free eggs (or yolks if
sensitive to egg whites)
Free-range or organic/air-chilled
skinless chicken/turkey breast
Wild-caught fish
Lean pork

#### FIBER:

#### **Gut Health:**

Avocados, Onions, Garlic, Leeks, Asparagus, Chicory Root, Beans, Carrots (Cooked), Mushrooms, Brussels Sprouts, Peas, Broccoli Florets, Artichokes, Sweet Corn. Beets

#### **Gut Motility:**

Psyllium Husk, Macadamia Nuts, Cauliflower, Celery, Cabbage (Raw), Bell Peppers, Carrots (Raw), Cucumbers, Leaf Lettuce, Chia Seeds, Ground Flaxseeds, Kale, Green Beans, Tomatoes, Zucchini, Yellow Squash

#### **GLUCOSE SOURCE:**

#### Safe Starches:

White/wild rice, nixtamalized masa, sprouted grain, sweet potatoes

#### **Low Fructose Fruits::**

Grapefruits, oranges, bananas, peaches, cantaloupes, blackberries, raspberries, blueberries, and strawberries

# 2ND

# **CALCIUM:**

Cheese (raw), Yogurt/Kefir, Whey protein isolate, Small fish with bones, Eggshell powder

# FERMENTED FOODS:

Sauerkraut, Kimchi, Miso, Natto, Tempeh, Pickled vegetables, Sourdough, Kombucha, Apple cider/balsamic vinegar

# 3RD

#### **ANCILLARY FOODS:**

Sea salt, potassium-rich foods, magnesium from dark chocolate Organ meats Turmeric, ginger, cinnamon

#### **COLLAGEN:**

Bone broth Gelatin Beef shank

Chuck roast Short ribs

#### **BEST OILS**

# Cooking:

Butter/ghee

Tallow

Coconut

Palm kernel

#### **Dressings:**

Extra virgin olive Avocado

# **MODERATION:**

Bacon

Dark meat poultry

Spinach

Ice cream/Milk (try lactose-free or

A2 varieties)

High fructose fruits

Fruit juices

Sugar/maple syrup

Honey, raw

Alcohol

# **NON-OPTIONS:**

Seed oils, like soybean, corn, safflower, sunflower, canola

Nuts/seeds, except for macadamia

Grain-fed beef/chicken

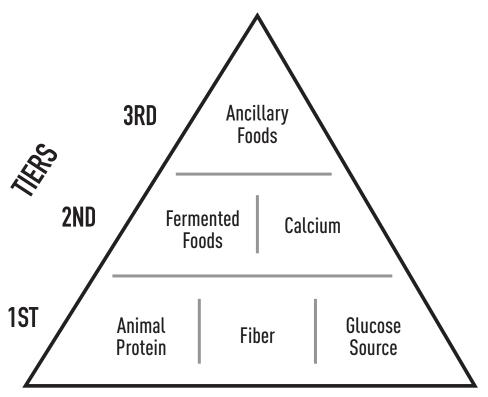
Farm-raised fish

White, enriched wheat flour

Soda

Stevia/sucralose

# 5N Pyramid



# TIER 1 (BASE) — FOUNDATIONAL NUTRITION

# ANIMAL PROTEIN — CATEGORIZED BY FAT CONTENT

# **FATTY PROTEIN**

- Grass-finished beef (ribeye, 85/15 ground beef)
- Wild-caught fatty fish (salmon, mackerel, sardines)
- Cage free eggs (yolks if egg whites not tolerated)
- Cheese, raw

# **LEAN PROTEIN**

- Lean cuts of beef (sirloin, top round, 93/7 ground beef)
- Free-range chicken/turkey breast
- Wild-caught lean fish (cod, grouper, haddock, mahi mahi)
- Bison
- Venison
- Lean pork

# FIBER — CATEGORIZED BY FUNCTION

# **GUT HEALTH (SOLUBLE FIBER FOCUS):**

 Avocados, Onions, Garlic, Leeks, Asparagus, Chicory Root, Beans, Carrots (Cooked), Mushrooms, Brussels Sprouts, Peas, Broccoli Florets, Artichokes, Sweet Corn, Beets

# **GUT MOTILITY (INSOLUBLE FIBER FOCUS):**

• Psyllium Husk, Macadamia Nuts, Caulifl ower, Celery, Cabbage (Raw), Bell Peppers, Carrots (Raw), Cucumbers, Leaf Lettuce, Chia Seeds, Ground Flaxseeds, Kale, Green Beans, Tomatoes, Zucchini, Yellow Squas

# GLUCOSE SOURCE — CATEGORIZED BY CARBOHYDRATE TYPE

# SAFE STARCHES (SLOW-DIGESTING & NUTRIENT-DENSE)

• Nixtamalized corn, Sprouted grains, White/wild rice, Sweet potatoes

# **LOW-FRUCTOSE FRUITS (MINIMAL SUGAR IMPACT)**

 Grapefruits, Oranges, Bananas, Peaches, and Cantaloupes, Blackberries, Raspberries, Blueberries, Strawberries, Avocados, and Squash

# TIER 2 — STRUCTURAL SUPPORT

#### FERMENTED FOODS

• Sourdough, miso/tempeh/natto, yogurt/kefir, kimchi, pickled vegetables

# **CALCIUM**

• Dairy, small fish with bones, eggshell powder

# TIER 3 — ANCILLARY FOODS

- Sea salt, potassium-rich foods, magnesium from dark chocolate
- Organ Meats
- Collagen (bone broth, gelatin, chuck roast, collagen peptide supplement)
- Turmeric, ginger, cinnamon