

NEUTROPENIA

Is it all in the time of day.

Lady Golfer

- Persistent Neutropenia
- Always sampled with fasting glucose and lipids
- Fit and well
- GP unconcerned
- Patient worried





Medication

- Lipex
- Quinapril
- > Glucosamine
- > Panadol
- Cartia

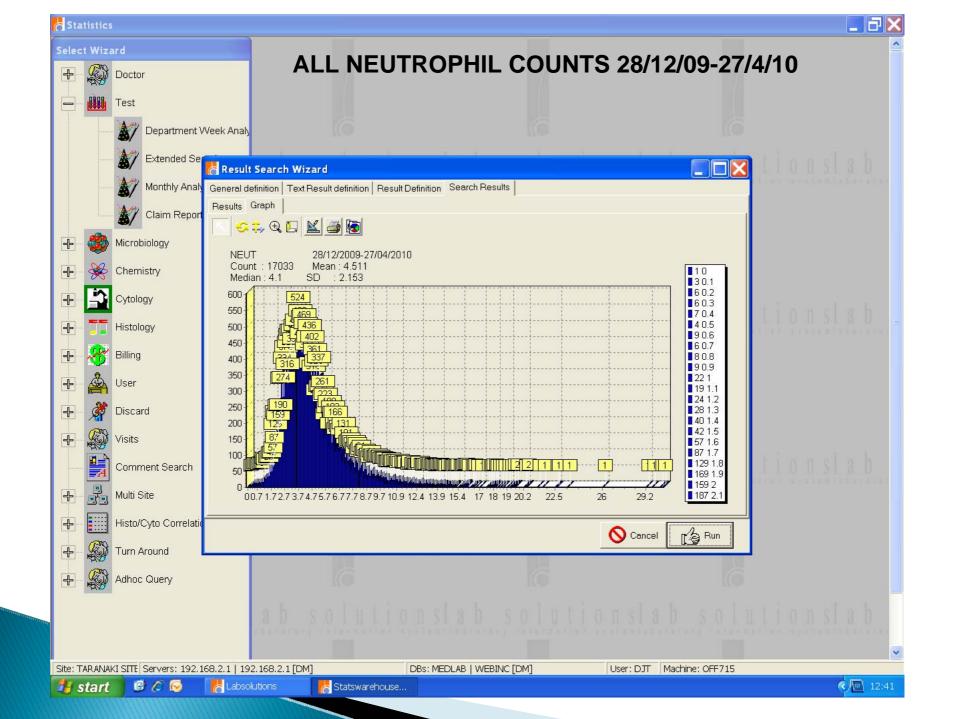


History

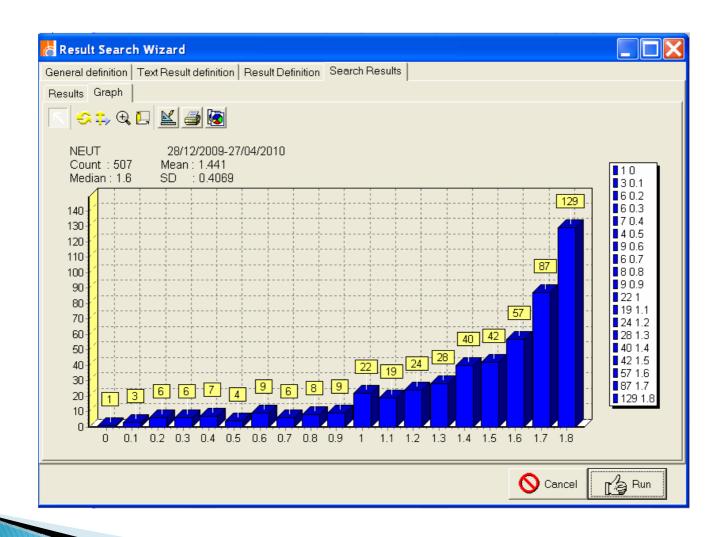
- > 1995 By pass surgery
- > 2008 Thyrotoxicosis
- > Fit and well now

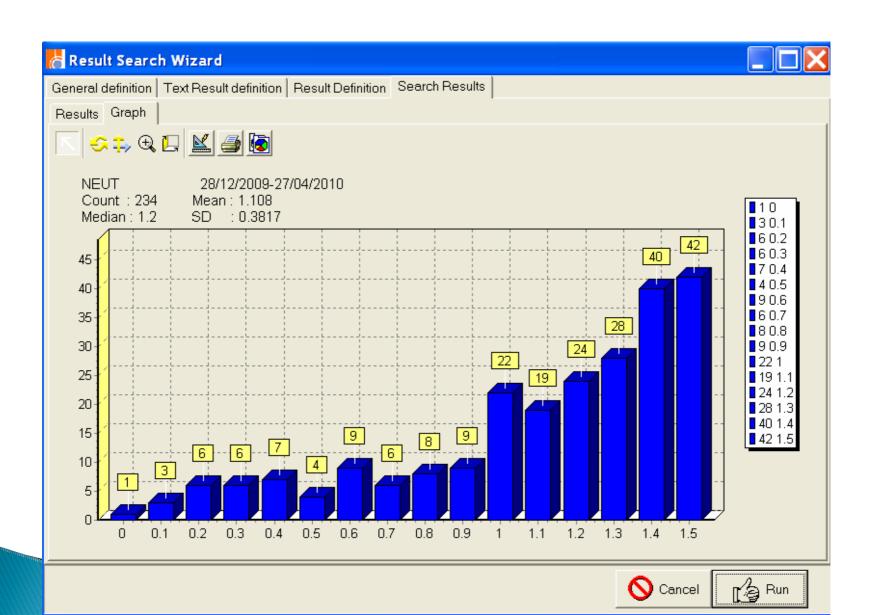






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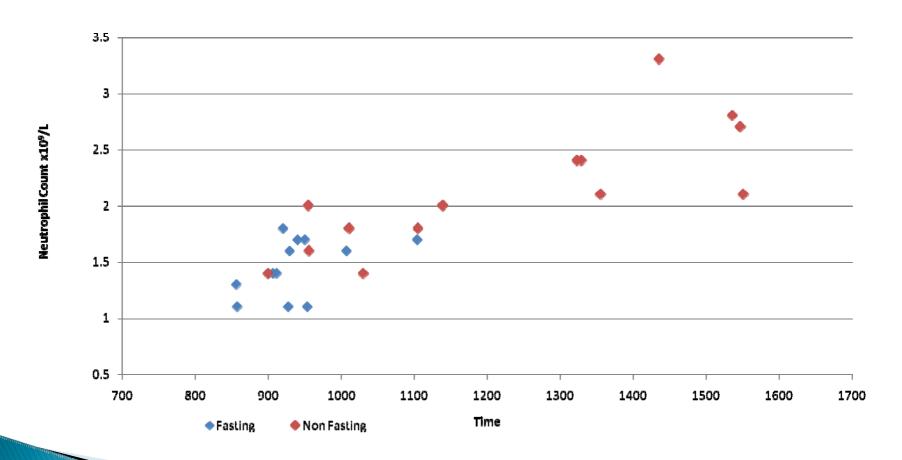


Labsolutions Data Base

- > 28.12.2009 27.4.2010
- Neutrophil counts 1.5 or less
- > Total 234 or 1.36% Patient visits
- > Exclude
 - Haematology Patients
 - Oncology Patients
 - **≻**Children
 - Viral Infections
- > 102 Patient visits

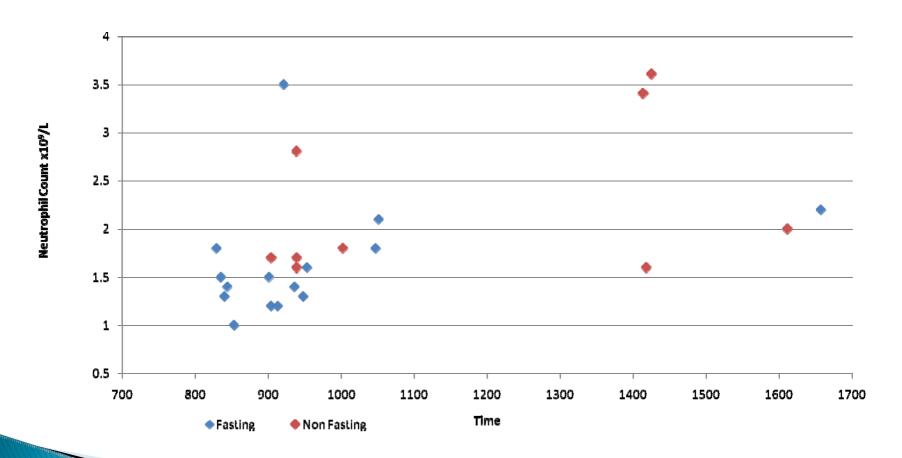


60 yr old female with high lipids.



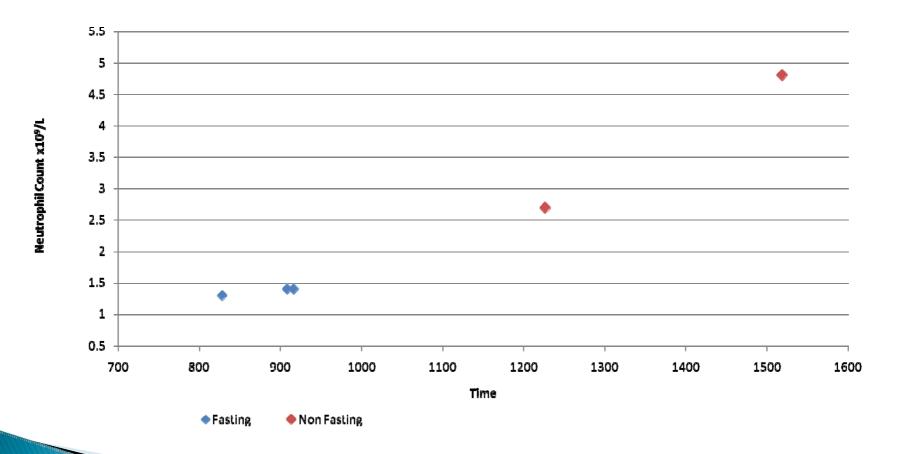


40 yr old male chronic benign neutropenia



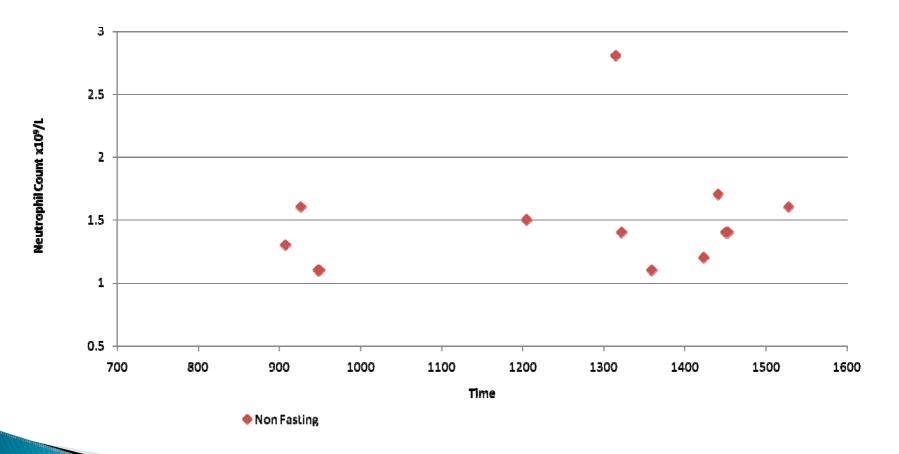


66 yr old female



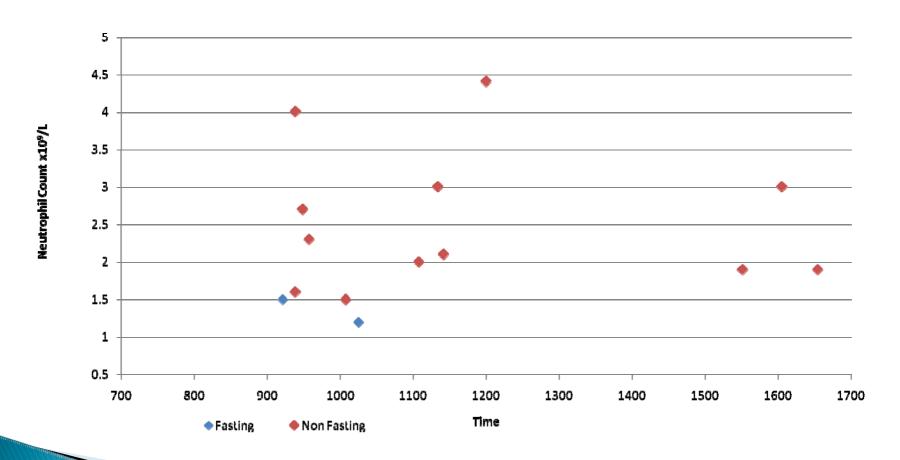


75 yr old female



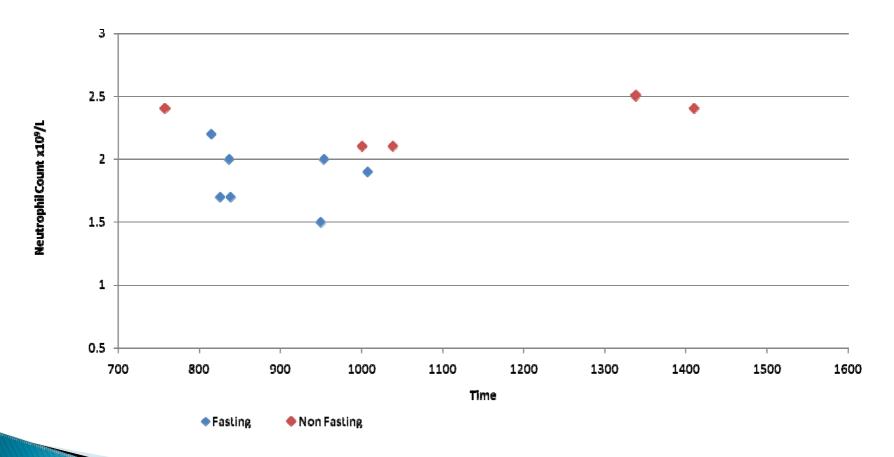


55 yr female old epilim and thyroxine





75 yr old male



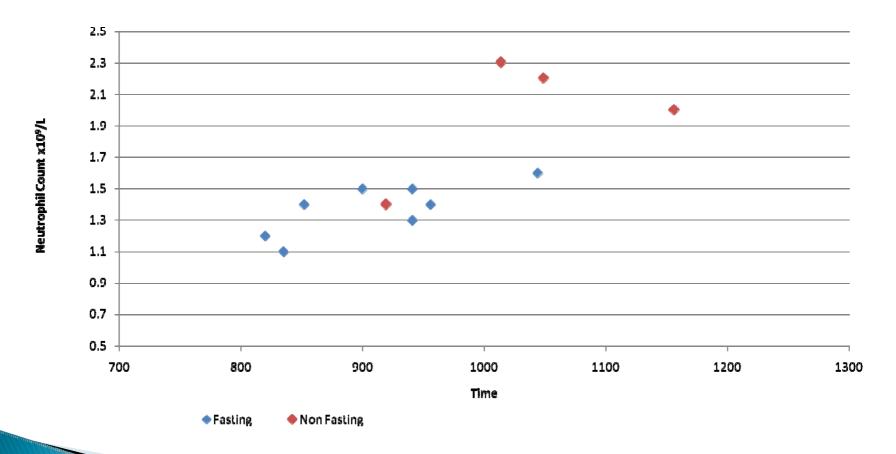


58 yr old male

Time	Fasting /Non fasting	Neutrophil count
0833	F	1.1
0856	F	1.8
0835	F	1.5
0820	NF	1.5
0836	NF	2.5
0822	F	1.2
0810	NF	2.3



61 yr old female





Neutropenic Population

Predominate groups in this study

- Fasting Patient
- Diabetes
- > Hyperlipidaemia/cholesterolaemia
- Older age group
- > Females



Statland et al. Am J Clin Pathology 69:48-54 1977

"measured the biological variation in healthy normal subjects and reported a diurnal variation of as high as 50%"



Barbara Bain

Biological factors

- The WBC and neutrophil count are higher in the afternoon than in the morning.
- WBC, neutrophil count and monocyte count fall steeply during menstruation.
- Menopause The WBC and neutrophil count fall.



Dacie and Lewis

- Diurnal variation 10% for neutrophils
- Total leucocyte minimum counts in the morning with the subject at rest.
- Random exercise may raise the count slightly.
- Strenous exercise causes rises of up to 30 x 10^9/L.
- > The effect of ingestion of food is uncertain.



Psychiatric Studies

- Risperidone-induced morning pseudoneutropenia
- Circadian rhythm of white blood cells during clozapine treatment



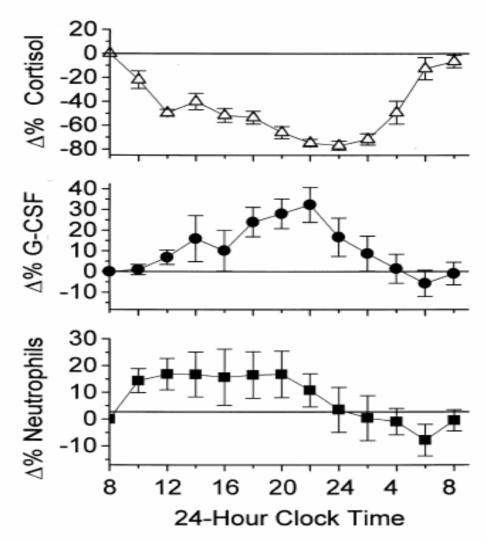


Fig 1. Diurnal changes (Δ%) of cortisol, granulocyte colony stimulating factor (G-CSF) plasma levels and neutrophil counts (mean ±SEM from 11 healthy subjects).



Diurnal Variation

- > Under-estimated.
- Consider time of collections in neutropenic patients.
- Result in unnecessary repeats and investigations.
- Some drugs may enhance it.

