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Question: Outline the toxicity valves and deficiency manifestations of the following minerals

Potassium

Toxicity valves: level higher than 6.0 milimoles per liter (mmol/L) is referred toxic.

Deficiency manifestations: weakness and fatigue, muscle cramps, digestive problems, tingling and numbness, heart palpitations, breathing difficulties, muscle aches and stiffness

Calcium

Toxicity valves: calcium levels are 10.5 mg/dL also expressed as 2.63 mmol/L) are referred to as hypercalcemia also known as a toxic condition of hypercalciuria.

Deficiency manifestations:Osteopenia, osteoporosis, lethargy, fainting, tooth decay, bone fractures, growth and development delays in children, mental confusion, irritability, depression and anxiety, insufficient blood clotting.

Magnesium

Toxicity valves: levels between 7 and 12 mg/dL can hurt the lungs. Levels above 12 mg/dL can lead to muscle paralysis. Levels above 15.6 mg/dL can result in a coma.

Deficiency manifestations:Mental disorders, muscle twitches and cramps, asthma, irregular heartbeat, high blood pressure, fatigue and muscle weakness, osteoporosis.

Chloride

Toxicity valves: levels above 106 could point to kidney problems.

Deficiency manifestations: Fluid loss, dehydration, weakness or fatigue, difficulty breathing, diarrhoea or vomiting.

Iron

Toxicity valves: Doses above 350-500 g/dL are considered toxic.

Deficiency manifestations: Cold hands and feet, pale skin, weakness, brittle nails, chest pain, fast heartbeat or shortness of breath, headache, dizziness or lightheadness, inflammation or soreness of the tongue, extreme fatigue.