## PROTEIN PACKS A PUNCH!

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Protein is an essential nutrient for the body to perform daily tasks. As a building block for muscles, tissues and cells, protein impacts all major systems in the body. Protein's numerous health benefits including:

- ⇒ Improved muscular health
- ⇒ Stronger immune system
- ⇒ Improved nervous system
- ⇒ Fluid equilibrium in blood vessels, muscles and nerve cells
- ⇒ Increased energy levels
- ⇒ Improved hair care
- Balanced hormones
- ⇒ Molecular transportation
- ⇒ Improved skin care
- Cell and tissue regeneration
- ⇒ Improved bone health
- ⇒ Digestion and absorption of enzymes and amino acids

Source: https://www.organicfacts.net/proteins.html



## GEORGIA'S PROTEIN POWER

While lean meats are a good source of protein there are lots of produce options that also support local agriculture. Georgia grows broccoli, peanuts, pecans, lima beans, field peas and pumpkins (whose seeds are rich in protein) to name a few.

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