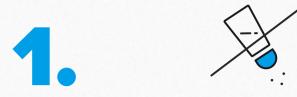
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Heart failure

# THE SPICE OF LIFE IS A LIFE WITH LESS SALT

IT IS NEVER TOO LATE TO CHANGE YOUR LIFESTYLE



### **Acumulative effect**

Consuming a lot of salt today will affect your health tomorrow.





### Give flavour to your meals

Replace salt with herbs, spices or citruses.





#### **Bottled water**

Choose water with very low mineralisation.





### Fresh foods are better

Processed foods and precooked and packaged meals all contain a lot of salt.





## Free yourself from temptation

Remove the salt cellar from the table.





# Carbonated drinks, energy drinks and beveragess

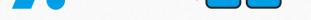
Besides a lot of calories, they also tend to have a high salt content. Avoid them.













Do not drink more than 2 litres per day.



**Five-a-day** 

Increase your intake of fruits and vegetables, the freshest possible, as they have a low salt content.



#### Know what you eat

Read the labels and select low sodium foods.





#### And don't forget...

Moderate your alcohol consumption and stop smoking.



### Did you know that...

- The body needs small amounts of salt to perform correctly.
- The majority of foods contain salt naturally. No more than 6 grams per day (1 teaspoon).
- High salt consumption can lead to high blood pressure.
- Too much salt implies an excessive workload for the kidneys, heart and liver.

An increase in salt consumption leads to fluid retention which can be associated with rapid weight gain.

# Don't let heart failure stop you



**Discuss it with your doctor.** Learn which is the most suitable activity for you.



**Aerobic exercise** Such as walking, cycling or swimming.



**Exercise without rushing.** Gradually increase the distance or intensity.

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