

CIRCLe Nutrition Glossary

Elemental/amino acid-based formula – proteins are broken down to amino acids (building blocks of protein) to aid with absorption

Extensively hydrolyzed/peptide-based formula – proteins are broken down into peptides (smaller chains) and amino acids (building blocks of proteins) to aid with digestion and absorption

Fiber – roughage from plant-based foods which cannot be digested

Insoluble fiber – type of fiber that adds bulk to the stool and helps the stool pass more quickly through the intestines; found in whole wheat flour, wheat bran, nuts, beans, cauliflower, and potatoes

Intact/standard/polymeric formula – milk and other types of protein are left intact

Medium-chain triglycerides (MCT) oil – fatty acid easily absorbed in the body to use for energy

Pectin – a soluble fiber found in the cell walls of fruits and some vegetables; often used to provide texture to jams and jellies

Soluble fiber – type of fiber that attracts water and turns to gel which slows down transit time in the intestines; found in food such as oats, peas, beans, apples, citrus fruits, carrots, and barley