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## The Sustainability of Circular Bioeconomies



### **“Rendered animal products for aquaculture: The case of fat”**

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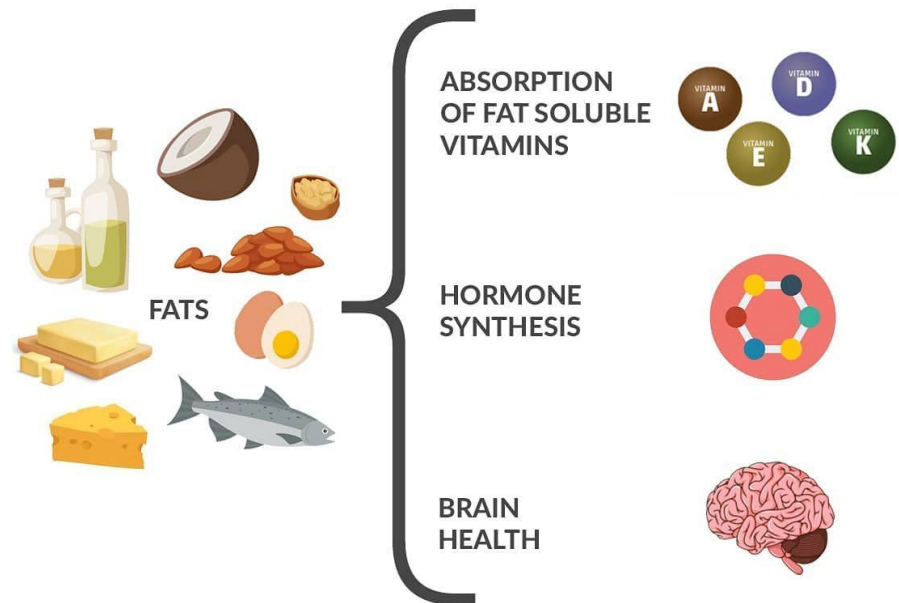
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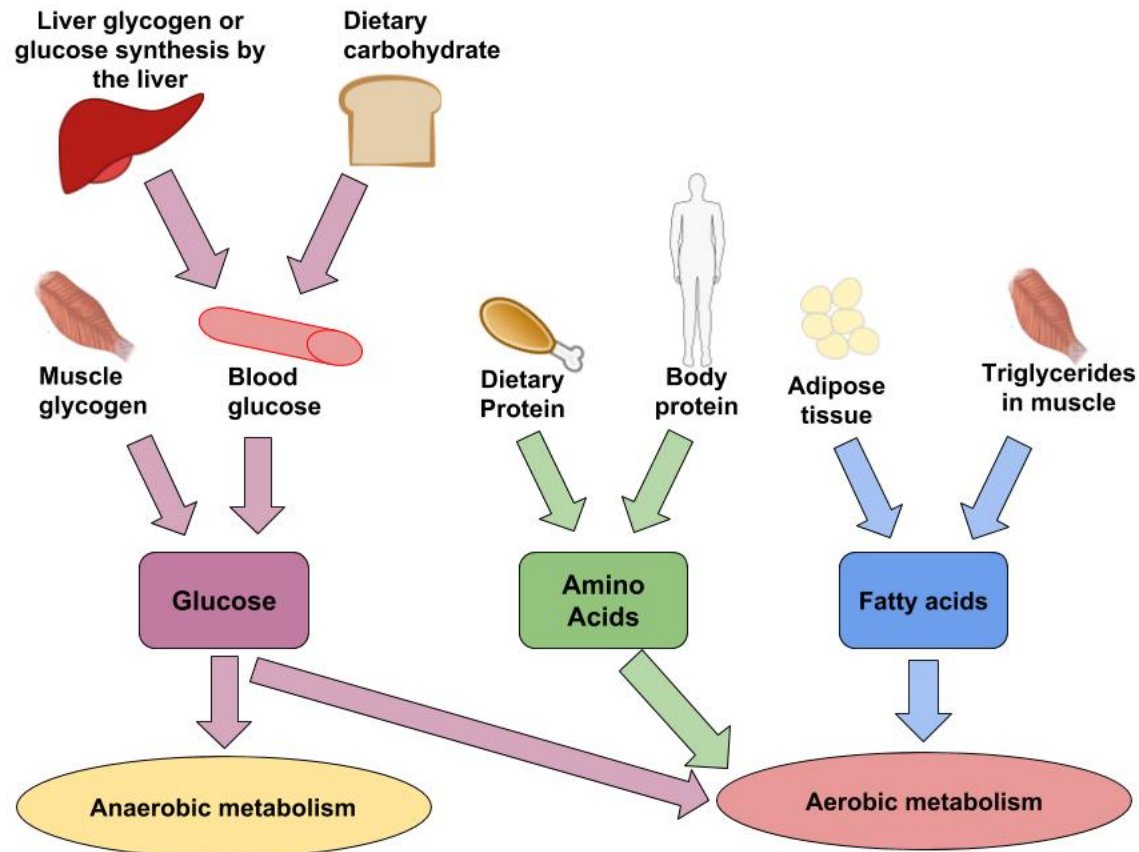
# What are the fats?

- Lipids or fats are organic compounds that are easily dissolved in a nonpolar solvent
- They are usually made up of glycerol with fatty acid units
- Also they can combine with or without other molecules
- They are usually hydrophobic but also they can be amphipatic

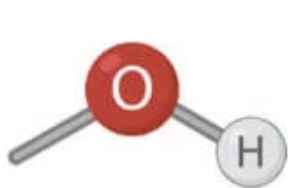
## IMPORTANCE OF FATS



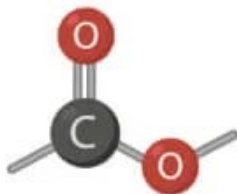
# Fat is an important nutrient in metabolism and serves as an energy store in the body



# Lipids- Definition, Structure and Functions, Fatty acids



Alcohol



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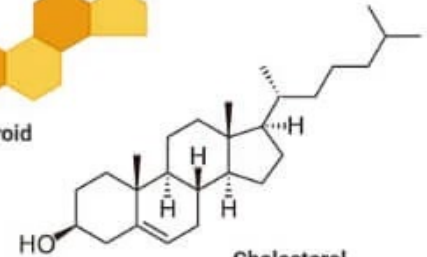
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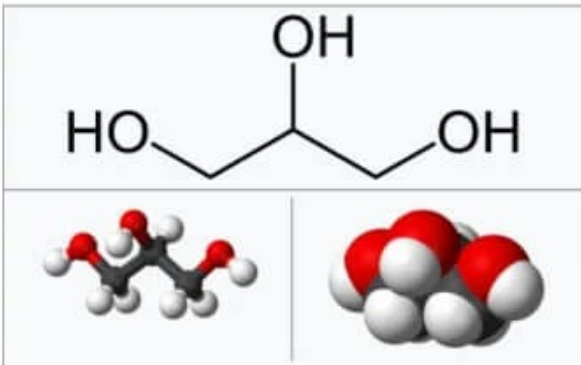
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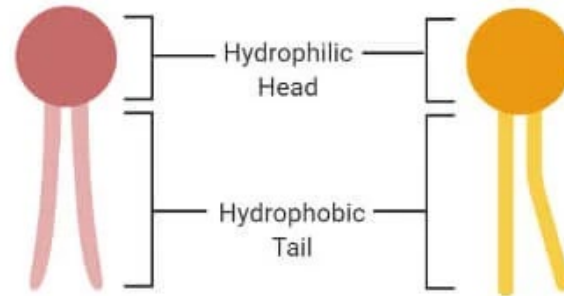
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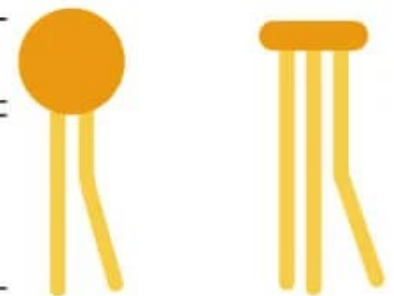
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Glycerol

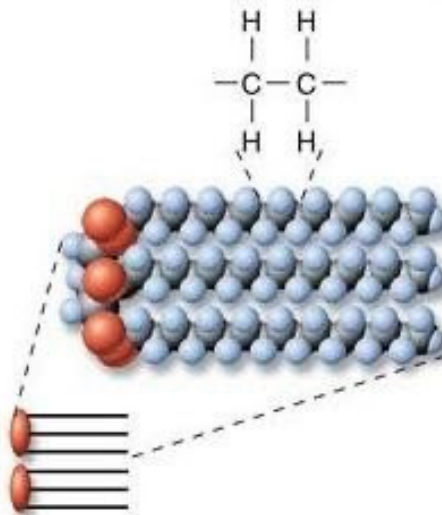


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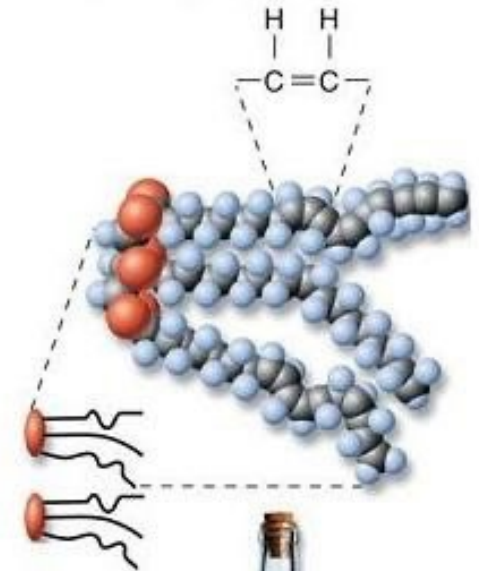


Triglycerides

# Physical properties of fat



(b) Hard fat (saturated): Fatty acids with single bonds between all carbon pairs



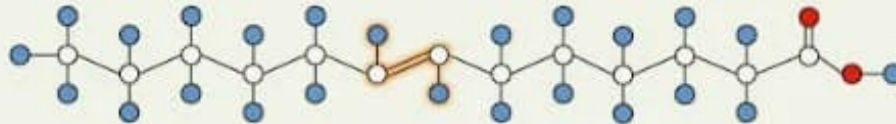
(c) Oil (unsaturated): Fatty acids that contain double bonds between one or more pairs of carbon atoms

# Differences Between Saturated and Unsaturated fatty acids

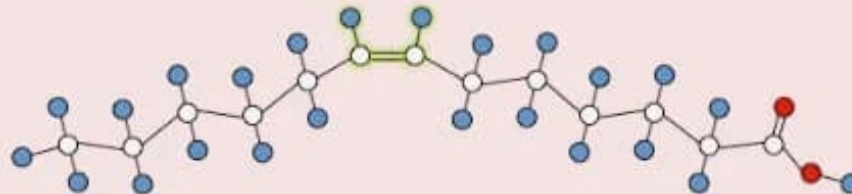
Saturated fatty acid  
(**no** double bonds)



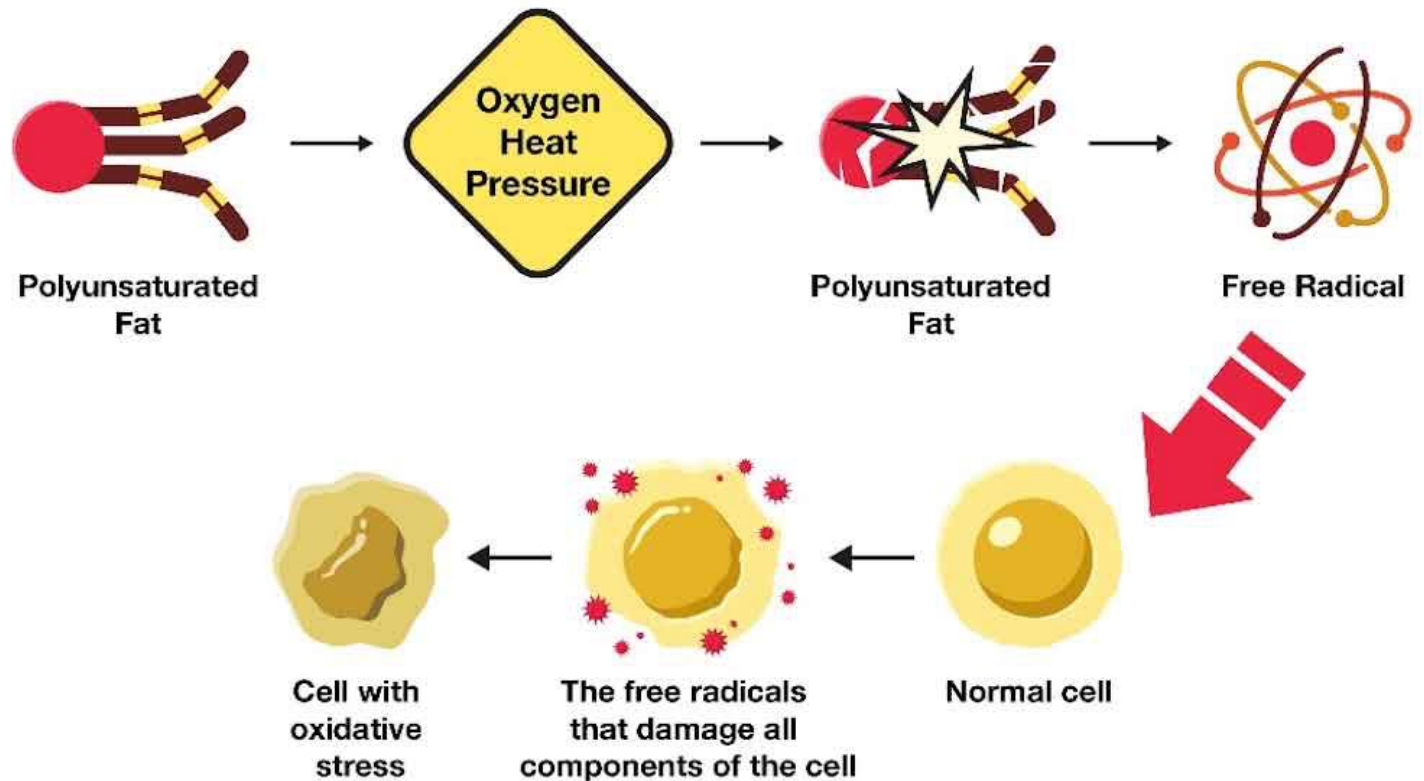
Unsaturated – **trans**  
(H atoms opposite)



Unsaturated – **cis**  
(H atoms same side)  
→ *bent configuration*



# Polyunsaturated fatty acids easily are prone to be oxidized



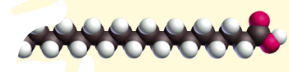




# FISH OIL

Fatty Acid	Diet
	FO
C12:0	6.36
C14:0	6.10
C16:0	16.62
C18:0	2.76
<u>Total saturated fatty acids</u>	<u>31.8</u>
C16:1n-7	1.68
C18:1n-9	17.7
C18:1n-7	1.23
C20:1n-9	1.21
<u>Total monounsaturated fatty acids</u>	<u>21.8</u>
C18:2n-6	31.5
C18:3n-3	4.45
C18:4 n-3	2.16
C20:5n-3	3.39
C22:5n-3	0.92
C22:6n-3	4.00
<u>Total polyunsaturated fatty acids</u>	<u>46.4</u>
<u>PUFA</u>	
n-9	18.9
n-6	32.8
n-3	14.9
n-6/n-3 ratio	2.20

<sup>1</sup> ND = not detected.



# How to choose an oil source to substitute the fish oil?

 <p>...nd ...perature</p>	 <p>Beef      Butter      Coconut oil</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase risk of heart disease</li> <li>• Less than 20g of saturated fats per day (for a 2000 kcal diet)</li> </ul>
 <p>...ore double bonds in trans ...ation ...ght structure ...solid/Solid at room temperature</p>	 <p>Margarine      Cream soup with puff pastry      Chicken pie</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase risk of heart disease</li> <li>• Less than 2.2g of trans fats per day (for a 2000 kcal diet)</li> </ul>
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# Fatty acids from different sources

## feed formulations

Oils/fats	SFA	MUFA	LA	ALA	EPA	DHA	n-6 PUFA	n-3 PUFA	n-3/n-6 ratio
<b>Fish oils</b>									
Anchovy oil	28.8	24.9	1.2	0.8	17.0	8.8	1.3	31.2	24.0
Capelin oil	20.0	61.7	1.7	0.4	4.6	3.0	1.8	12.2	6.8
Menhaden oil	30.5	24.8	1.3	0.3	11.0	9.1	1.5	25.1	16.7
Herring oil	20.0	56.4	1.1	0.6	8.4	4.9	1.4	17.8	12.7
Cod liver oil	19.4	46.0	1.4	0.6	11.2	12.6	3.0	27.0	9.0
<b>Vegetable oils</b>									
Crude palm oil	48.8	37.0	9.1	0.2	-	-	9.1	0.2	0.0
Soybean oil	14.2	23.2	51.0	6.8	-	-	51.0	6.8	0.1
Canola oil	4.6	62.3	20.2	12.0	-	-	20.2	12.0	0.6
Sunflower oil	10.4	19.5	65.7	-	-	-	65.7	0.0	0.0
Cottonseed oil	45.3	17.8	51.5	0.2	-	-	51.5	0.2	0.0
Groundnut oil	11.8	46.2	32.0	-	-	-	32.0	0.0	0.0
Corn oil	12.7	24.2	58.0	0.7	-	-	58.0	0.7	0.0
Linseed oil	9.4	20.2	12.7	53.3	-	-	12.7	53.3	4.2
<b>Animal fats</b>									
Pork lard	38.6	44.0	10.2	1.0	-	-	10.2	1.0	0.1
Poultry fat	28.5	43.1	19.5	1.0	-	-	19.5	1.0	0.0
Beef tallow	47.5	40.5	3.1	0.6	-	-	3.1	0.6	0.2

Data compiled from National Research Council, 1993; Gunstone et. al., 1994; Hertrampf and Piedad-Pascual, 2000  
 ALA, a-linolenic acid, 18:3 n-3; DHA, docosahexaenoic acid, 22:6 n-3; EPA, eicosapentaenoic acid, 20:5 n-3; LA, linoleic acid, 18:2 n-6; MUFA, monounsaturated fatty acids; PUFA, polyunsaturated fatty acids; SFA, saturated fatty acids.

All fat/lipid sources contain a mixture of fatty acids

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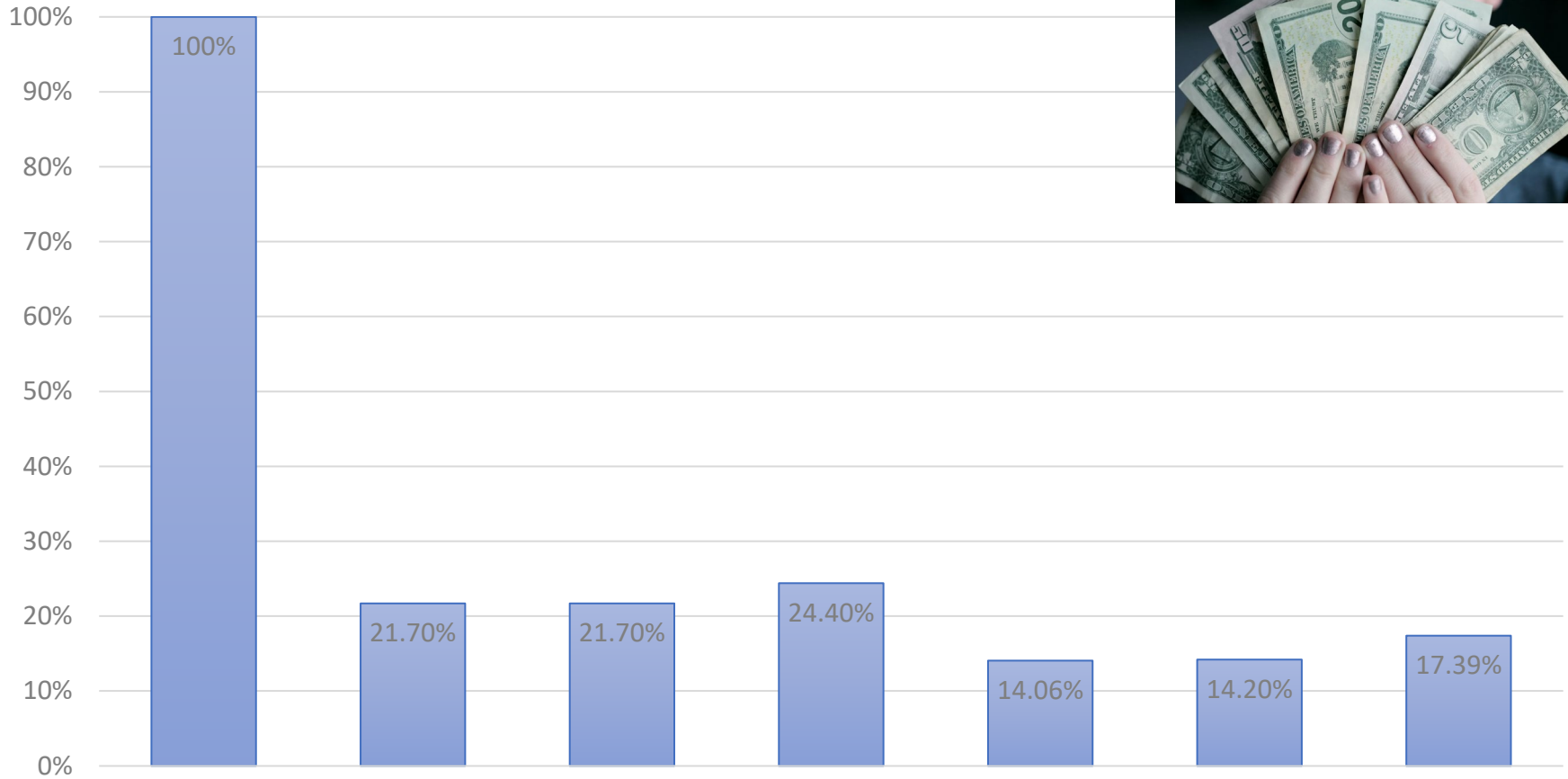
Linoleic acid and plant sources

Table 2. Most commonly consumed cooking oils and percentages of LA content.

COOKING OILS	% LINOLEIC ACID (LA) AVERAGE VALUE (RANGE IN PARENTHESES)
SAFFLOWER OIL	70%
GRAPE SEED OIL	70%
SUNFLOWER OIL	68%
CORN OIL	54%
COTTONSEED OIL	52%
SOYBEAN OIL	51%
RICE BRAN OIL	33%
PEANUT OIL	32%
CANOLA OIL	19%
OLIVE OIL	10% (3–27%)
AVOCADO OIL	10%
LARD	10%
PALM OIL	10%
TALLOW (CAFO)	3%
GHEE/BUTTER (CAFO)	2%
COCONUT OIL	2%
TALLOW (GRASS FED)	1%
BUTTER (GRASS FED)	1%

Red—high linoleic acid; yellow—moderate linoleic acid; green—low linoleic acid.

# Oils and fats according to the price of fish oil

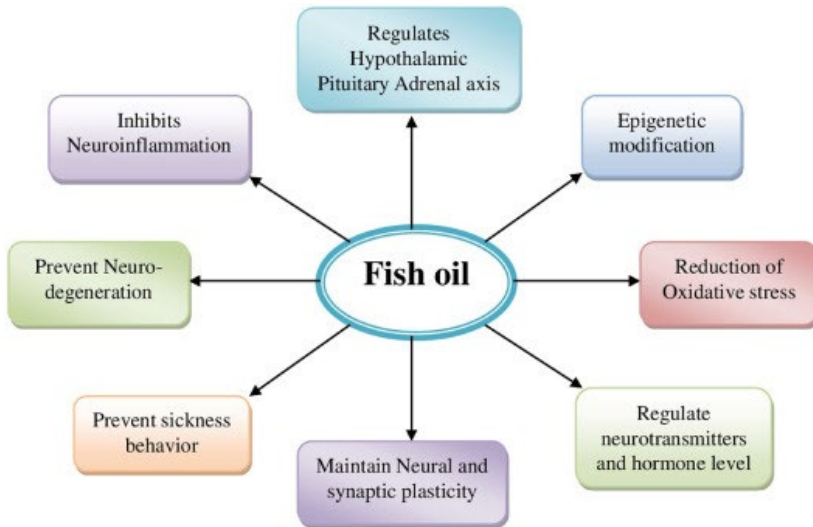




# Fish oil properties

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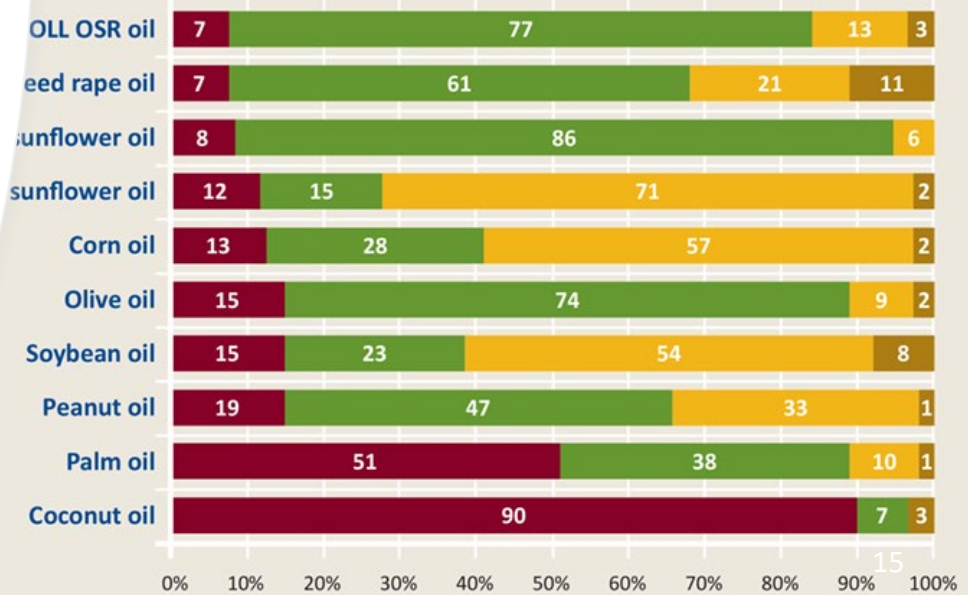
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# Can You Mix Different Brands of Engine Oil?

Formulating to ideal fatty acid profile?



**Fatty acid profiles from fish oil and the fat mixture containing 71% poultry fat, 25% Kernel, and 4 % DHA nature (mix of DHA and EPA)**

Fatty acid	Oil sources	
	Fish oil	Fat mixture
08:00	ND	1.2
10:00	ND	1.4
12:0	ND	18.3
14:0	10.4	7.3
16:0	27.9	18.7
18:0	6.0	6.3
<b>Σ SFAs</b>	<b>44.3</b>	<b>53.2</b>
16:1n7	10.8	5.6
18:1n7	3.3	ND
18:1n9	14.2	32.5
<b>Σ MUFAs</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>38.1</b>
18:2n6	3.5	2.6
18:3n3	1.3	0.6
20:4n6	1.2	ND
20:5n3	5.6	1.2
22:5n3	0.6	ND
22:6n3	4.8	1.6
<b>Σ n3</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>Σ n6</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>2.6</b>



**Fat mixture  
vs  
Fish oil for  
shrimp and  
tilapia**



# Experiment 1

## fat mixture vs fish oil

### for the white leg shrimp *Litopenaeus vannamei*



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**Table 1**

Ingredients and proximate composition ( $\text{g Kg}^{-1}$  on a dry matter basis, DM) of four isoproteic and isolipidic diets formulated to contain different fat mixture (poultry fat 71%; palm kernel fat 25%; DHA concentrate 4%) levels replacing fish oil fed to shrimp *Litopenaeus vannamei* for 7 weeks.

Ingredients, $\text{g Kg}^{-1}$ , DM	Dietary Fat mixture levels			
	Control	L-Mix	M-Mix	H-Mix
Fishmeal <sup>a</sup> (defatted)	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Poultry by-product meal <sup>b</sup> (defatted)	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
Soybean 65% <sup>c</sup>	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Wheat flour <sup>d</sup>	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
Gelatin <sup>e</sup>	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Fish oil <sup>f</sup>	5.00	3.35	1.68	0.00
Fat mixture <sup>g</sup>	0.00	1.65	3.32	5.00
Corn starch <sup>h</sup>	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Methionin <sup>i</sup>	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Vitamin and mineral mixture <sup>j</sup>	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Vitamin C <sup>k</sup>	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Soy lecithin <sup>l</sup>	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29
Sodium benzoate	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
BHT <sup>l</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
<i>Proximate composition (% dry matters basis)*</i>				
Crude Protein (%)	37.6	37.7	37.9	37.6
Crude Lipid (%)	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.5
Ash (%)	7.2	7.3	7.2	7.3
NFE	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8
EPA	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.00
DHA	0.06	0.04	0.02	0.01

# Experiment 1

## fat mixture vs fish oil

## Fatty acid profile



**Table 3**

Fatty acid composition (%) of formulated diets containing different inclusion of Fat Mixture (poultry fat 71%; palm kernel fat 25%; DHA concentrate 4%) in replacement of Fish oil.

Fatty acid	Dietary treatments			
	Control	L-Mix	M-Mix	H-Mix
8:0	0	0.39	0.72	1.03
10:0	0	0.61	0.78	1.08
12:0	0	8.07	12.07	16.23
14:0	6.94	7.18	7.42	7.59
16:0	22.428	20.01	18.18	17.49
18:0	4.87	4.97	6.45	7.19
$\Sigma$ SFA	<b>34.238</b>	<b>41.23</b>	<b>45.62</b>	<b>50.61</b>
16:1	8.25	6.04	5.42	5.17
18:1n9	13.674	25.4	30.73	31.47
20:1n9	1.401	1.134	0.687	0.54
$\Sigma$ MUFA	<b>23.325</b>	<b>32.574</b>	<b>36.837</b>	<b>37.18</b>
18:2n6	14.21	12.08	8.17	5.91
20:4n6	1.97	0.85	0.54	0.21
$\Sigma$ PUFAn6	<b>16.18</b>	<b>12.93</b>	<b>8.71</b>	<b>6.12</b>
18:3n3	3.45	0.72	0.21	0.06
20:5n3	14.18	2.35	1.16	0.31
22:6n3	10.45	7.63	5.24	3.12
$\Sigma$ PUFAn3	<b>24.63</b>	<b>9.98</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>3.43</b>
$\Sigma$ PUFAs	<b>40.81</b>	<b>22.91</b>	<b>15.11</b>	<b>9.55</b>
Others	1.2	3.16	2.15	2.64

L-Mix (low inclusion), M-Mix (medium inclusion), H-Mix (high inclusion).  $\Sigma$ SFA,  $\Sigma$ MUFA,  $\Sigma$ PUFA, are the sum of saturated, monounsaturated, polyunsaturated respectively.

# Experiment 1

## Results



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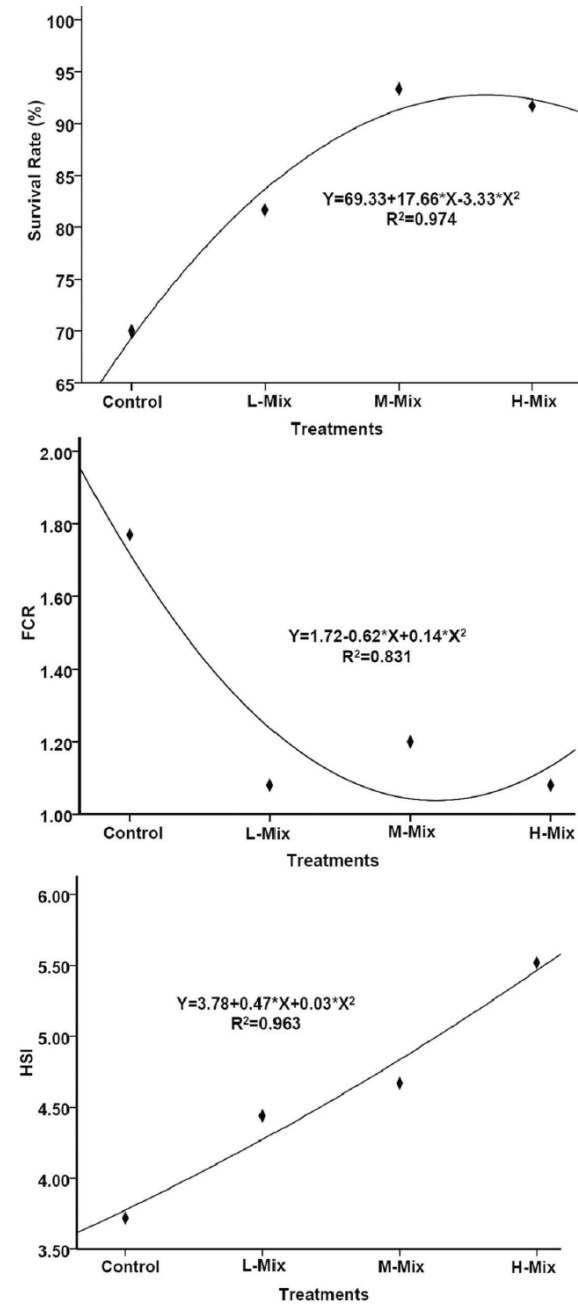


Fig. 2. Polynomial (quadratic) regression analysis among levels of fat mixture (poultry fat 71%; palm kernel fat 25%; DHA concentrate 4%) in the diet on the survival rate (SR %), feed conversion rate (FCR), and hepatosomatic index (HSI). The lines indicate the best-fit polynomial regression equations and the  $R^2$  values indicate the power of the model. Treatments: 0 (Control), 1.65 (L-Mix), 3.32 (M-Mix), and 5% (H-Mix) in replacement of Fish oil.

# Experiment 1

## Results



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**Table 4**

Overall performance of white leg juveniles of *Litopenaeus vannamei*, fed diets containing four different levels of a Fat Mixture (poultry fat 71%; palm kernel fat 25%; DHA concentrate 4%); 0, 1.65, 3.32, and 5% in replacement of Fish oil (FO) for 7 weeks.

Index	TREATMENT				P value
	Control	L-Mix	M-Mix	H-Mix	
IBW (g)	2.21 ± 0.05	2.23 ± 0.02	2.25 ± 0.01	2.23 ± 0.03	0.925
FBW(g)	4.85 ± 0.76	5.59 ± 0.12	5.08 ± 0.24	5.43 ± 0.19	0.608
WG (g)	2.64 ± 0.79	3.35 ± 0.11	2.83 ± 0.25	3.20 ± 0.22	0.647
RWG (%)	120.55 ± 37.82	150.2 ± 4.6	126.3 ± 11.5	144.2 ± 11.6	0.716
SGR (%)	1.55 ± 0.37	1.9 ± 0.04	1.7 ± 0.10	1.8 ± 0.10	0.668
FCR	1.77 ± 0.67	1.08 ± 0.07	1.20 ± 0.18	1.08 ± 0.17	0.050
FI (BW % day <sup>-1</sup> )	5.49 ± 0.40	5.37 ± 0.20	6.0 ± 0.53	5.37 ± 0.50	0.698
HSI (%)	3.72 ± 0.33 <sup>b</sup>	4.4 ± 0.08 <sup>ab</sup>	4.7 ± 0.57 <sup>ab</sup>	5.5 ± 0.31 <sup>a</sup>	0.048
TGC	0.28 ± 0.07	0.34 ± 0.01	0.30 ± 0.02	0.33 ± 0.02	0.659
SR (%)	70 ± 7.63 <sup>b</sup>	81.66 ± 6 <sup>ab</sup>	93.33 ± 1.7 <sup>a</sup>	91.66 ± 1.7 <sup>a</sup>	0.037

L-Mix (low inclusion), M-Mix (medium inclusion), H-Mix (high inclusion). Mean ± EE values in each row with different superscripts were significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ , Tukey's test). IBW = Initial body weight, FBW = final body weight, WG = weight gained, RWG = relative weight gained, SGR = specific growth rate, FCR = conversion ratio, HSI = hepatosomatic index, TGC = thermal growth rate and SR = survival rate.

# Experiment 2

## fat mixture vs fish oil

## for the tilapia

## *Oreochromis niloticus*



**Table 1.** Ingredients and proximate composition (g Kg<sup>-1</sup> on a dry matter basis, DM) of four isoproteic and isolipidic diets formulated to contain different fat mixture (Poultry fat 71%; Kernel fat 25%; DHA concentrate 4%) levels replacing Fish oil fed to fish *Oreochromis niloticus* for 6 weeks.

Ingredients, g Kg <sup>-1</sup> , DM	Dietary Fat mixture levels (%)			
	Control	Low-Mix	Med-Mix	High-Mix
Fish meal <sup>a</sup>	5	5	5	5
Poultry by-product meal <sup>b</sup>	25	25	25	25
Soybean 65% ADM <sup>c</sup>	10	10	10	10
Wheat flour <sup>d</sup>	19	19	19	19
Gelatin <sup>e</sup>	7	7	7	7
Fish oil <sup>f</sup>	5	3.35	1.68	0
Fat mixture <sup>g</sup>	0	1.65	3.32	5
Maizena™ <sup>h</sup> (corn starch)	24	24	24	24
Metionine <sup>i</sup>	1	1	1	1
Rovimix <sup>j</sup>	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Stay C <sup>k</sup>	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Phospholipids <sup>l</sup>	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29
Sodium benzoato <sup>m</sup>	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
BHT <sup>m</sup>	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Proximate composition (% dry matters basis)				
Crude Protein (%)	37.6	37.4	37.3	37.6
Crude Lipid (%)	8.1	8.1	8	8
Ash (%)	7	7	7	7
NFE	50.8	50.8	50.8	50.8
EPA	0.05	0.04	0.02	0
DHA	0.06	0.04	0.02	0.01

# Experiment 2

## Results



Overall performance of tilapias fed different levels of fat mixture in replacement of fish oil

Index	Treatment				<i>P</i> value
	Control	Low-Mix	Med-Mix	High-MixFBW	
IBW (g)	6.03 ± 0.06	6 ± 0.10	6.09 ± 0.09	6.04 ± 0.07	0.917
FBW(g)	82.07 ± 0.74	84.32 ± 0.70	83.72 ± 0.83	83.64 ± 2.28	0.392
WG (g)	76.04 ± 0.74	78.31 ± 0.79	77.62 ± 0.79	77.60 ± 2.22	0.506
SGR (%)	<u>3.89 ± 0.02</u>	<u>3.94 ± 0.03</u>	<u>3.91 ± 0.02</u>	<u>3.92 ± 0.03</u>	<u>0.687</u>
FCR	0.61 ± 0.01	0.59 ± 0.01	0.59 ± 0.01	0.59 ± 0.01	0.147
HI (%)	2.07 ± 0.15	2.04 ± 0.18	2.18 ± 0.12	2.46 ± 0.03	0.085
VSI	10.30 ± 0.33	10.99 ± 0.10	11.93 ± 0.29	11.98 ± 0.77	0.083
TGC	1.36 ± 0.01	1.38 ± 0.01	1.37 ± 0.01	1.38 ± 0.01	0.636
Sv (%)	98.33 ± 1.66	96.67 ± 1.66	96.67 ± 1.66	96.67 ± 1.66	0.815

# Experiment 3

## “Higher C12”

Ingredients and proximate composition (g Kg<sup>-1</sup> on a dry matter basis, DM) of four isoproteic and isolipidic diets formulated to contain different fat mixture (50% palm kern fat; 25% poultry fat; 25% beef tallow) levels replacing fish oil for *Oreochromis niloticus*.

L-FM (low inclusion), M-FM (medium inclusion), H-FM (high inclusion).



INGREDIENTS, G KG <sup>-1</sup> , DM	DIETARY TREATMENTS			
	Control	Low	Medium	High
Poultry by-product meal <sup>a</sup>	220	220	220	220
Bovine by-product meal <sup>a</sup>	70	70	70	70
Soybean 43% <sup>b</sup>	140	140	140	140
Wheat flour <sup>c</sup>	125	123	122.2	121.5
Maizena™ (corn starch) <sup>d</sup>	210	210	210	210
Gelatin <sup>e</sup>	70	70	70	70
Corn gluten <sup>f</sup>	50	50	50	50
Fish oil <sup>g</sup>	52	33.5	16.8	0
Fat mixture <sup>h</sup>	0	15.5	31	46.5
Taurine <sup>i</sup>	10	10	10	10
Metionine <sup>i</sup>	10	10	10	10
Vitamin and mineral mixture <sup>j</sup>	25	25	25	25
Vitamin C <sup>j</sup>	1	1	1	1
Phospholipids <sup>k</sup>	12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9
Cholesterol <sup>l</sup>	3	3	3	3
DHA-Nature™ <sup>m</sup>	0	5	7	9
Sodium benzoate <sup>n</sup>	1	1	1	1
BHT <sup>o</sup>	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
<b>Proximate composition (% DM)</b>				
Crude protein	34.0	34.3	34.4	33.4
Crude lipid	7.8	7.6	7.7	7.5
Ash	7.9	8.0	7.8	7.8
NFE	50.2	50.0	50.1	51.3

# Experiment 3

## Fatty acids from diets with higher C12

Fatty acid composition (%) of formulated diets containing different inclusion of fat mixture (palm kernel fat 50%; poultry fat 25%; beef tallow 25%) in replacement of fish oil.

L-FM (low inclusion), M-FM (medium inclusion), H-FM (high inclusion).

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Fatty acid	Dietary treatments			
	Control	L-FM	M-FM	H-FM
<b>12:0</b>	0.12	6.41	10.86	14.34
<b>14:0</b>	5.32	6.83	6.97	7.65
<b>15:0</b>	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03
<b>16:0</b>	20.97	19.44	19.16	19.12
<b>18:0</b>	5.46	5.99	7.19	8.32
<b>22:0</b>	0.61	0.51	0.36	0.18
<b>∑SFA</b>	32.5	39.2	44.57	49.64
<b>14:1</b>	0.17	0.26	0.24	0.55
<b>15:1</b>	0.16	0.25	0.2	0.42
<b>16:1</b>	6.14	4.7	3.26	2.23
<b>18:1n9</b>	23.46	22.3	24.3	25.48
<b>20:1n9</b>	1.1	0.94	0.74	0.4
<b>∑MUFA</b>	31.03	28.45	28.74	29.08
<b>18:2n6</b>	19.4	18.46	17.34	16.79
<b>18:3n6</b>	0.25	0.26	0.24	0.12
<b>20:3n6</b>	0.3	0.31	0.25	0.16
<b>20:4n6</b>	0.17	0.23	0.17	0.22
<b>∑PUFAn6</b>	20.12	19.26	18	17.29
<b>18:3n3</b>	2.73	2.49	2.08	1.57
<b>20:3n3</b>	1.44	1.11	0.76	0.34
<b>20:5n3</b>	6.97	4.84	2.42	0.23
<b>22:6n3</b>	4.73	4.21	3.06	1.8
<b>∑PUFAn3</b>	15.87	12.65	8.32	3.94
<b>∑PUFAs</b>	35.99	31.91	26.32	21.23
<b>Others</b>	0.47	0.45	0.38	0.24
<b>Total</b>	100	100	100	100



# Results Experiment 3

## Higher C12

Biological indices in tilapia (*Oreochromis niloticus*) juveniles after being fed for eight weeks with diets containing different fat mixture (palm kern fat 50%; poultry fat 25%; beef tallow 25%) levels in replacement of fish oil (FO).

- L-FM (low inclusion), M-FM (medium inclusion), H-FM (high inclusion). Mean  $\pm$  SD values in each row with different superscripts were significantly different ( $P < 0.05$ , Tukey's test)..



Biological indices	Dietary treatment				P value
	Control	L-FM	M-FM	H-FM	
IBW (g)	6.33 $\pm$ 0.08	6.34 $\pm$ 0.03	6.34 $\pm$ 0.12	6.20 $\pm$ 0.10	
FBW (g)	106.05 $\pm$ 12.50	109.54 $\pm$ 5.51	107.95 $\pm$ 8.0	108.73 $\pm$ 1.08	0.826
WG (g)	99.71 $\pm$ 12.44	103.20 $\pm$ 5.52	101.61 $\pm$ 7.94	102.53 $\pm$ 1.16	0.826
RWG (%)	1573 $\pm$ 180	1629 $\pm$ 89	1602 $\pm$ 113	1654 $\pm$ 42	0.838
SGR (%)	5.02 $\pm$ 0.19	5.09 $\pm$ 0.09	5.06 $\pm$ 0.12	5.11 $\pm$ 0.04	0.838
FCR	1.08 $\pm$ 0.06	1.03 $\pm$ 0.05	1.09 $\pm$ 0.02	1.08 $\pm$ 0.01	0.764
K	2.03 $\pm$ 0.16	2.12 $\pm$ 0.20	2.08 $\pm$ 0.13	2.09 $\pm$ 0.06	0.905
HSI (%)	3.11 $\pm$ 0.61	3.21 $\pm$ 0.53	3.22 $\pm$ 0.19	3.72 $\pm$ 0.31	0.380
VSI (%)	11.06 $\pm$ 1.02	10.71 $\pm$ 0.45	10.78 $\pm$ 0.95	11.77 $\pm$ 0.66	0.406
TGC (%)	1.86 $\pm$ 0.11	1.90 $\pm$ 0.05	1.88 $\pm$ 0.07	1.90 $\pm$ 0.02	0.838
Sv (%)	93.33 $\pm$ 2.89	98.33 $\pm$ 2.89	96.67 $\pm$ 5.77	96.67 $\pm$ 2.89	0.400

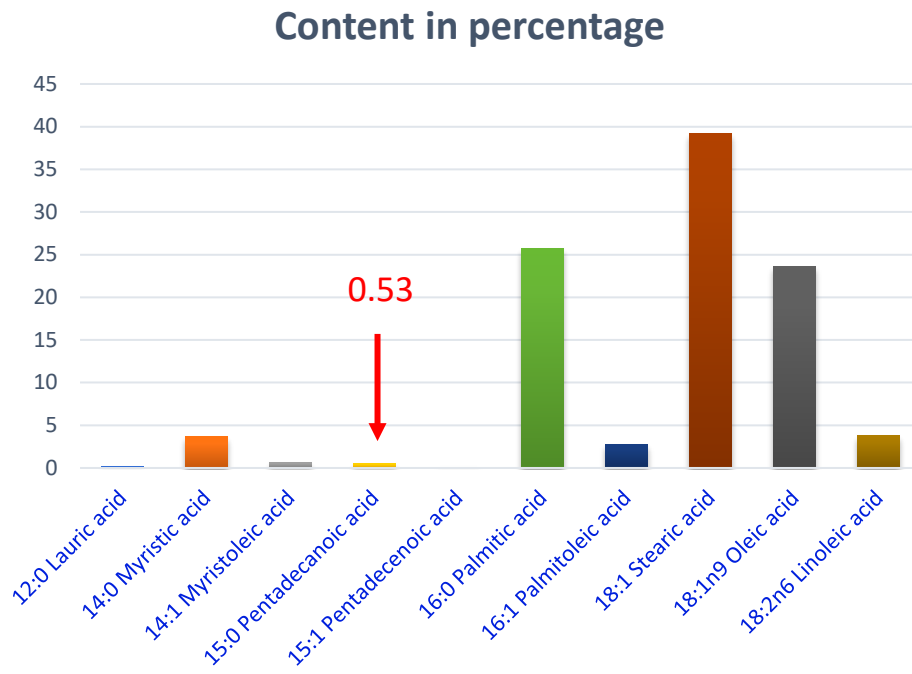
IBW = Initial [body weight](#), FBW = final body weight, WG = weight gained, RWG = relative weight gained, SGR = specific growth rate, FCR = conversion ratio, K= condition factor, HSI = hepatosomatic index, VSI= viscerosomatic index, TGC = thermal growth rate and Sv = survival rate

# Fat from Bovine (tallow)

- Special case since most nutrients comes from the Ruminal microorganisms
- Most animal fats are made with carbon in pairs
- Bovine fat has a fatty acid with C15:0 fatty acid (pentadecanoic acid)
- Is synthesized by the bacteria flora in the rumen
- C15 is considered essential for long-term health
- Cell repairing mechanism



# Fat from Bovine (tallow) Fatty acid profile



# Experiment 3

## Bovine fat

### C15

Ingredients and approximate composition (g Kg<sup>-1</sup> on a dry matter basis, DM) of four isoprotein and isolipid diets formulated to contain different levels of beef tallow as a substitute for soybean oil for *Oreochromis niloticus*.



Ungoing experiment

Ingredients, g Kg <sup>-1</sup> , DM	Dietary treatments			
	Control	L-BT	M-BT	H-BT
Soybean 49% <sup>a</sup>	450	450	450	450
Bovine by-product meal <sup>b</sup>	100	100	100	100
Maizena <sup>TM c</sup>	113.9	114	114	113
Corn gluten <sup>d</sup>	100	100	100	100
Gelatin <sup>e</sup>	100	100	100	100
Soybean oil <sup>f</sup>	65	43.3	21.6	0
Beef tallow <sup>g</sup>	0	21.6	43.3	65
Vitamin and mineral mixture <sup>h</sup>	30	30	30	30
DHA-Nature <sup>TM i</sup>	30	30	30	30
Methionine <sup>j</sup>	5	5	5	5
Vitamin C <sup>h</sup>	5	5	5	5
Sodium benzoate <sup>k</sup>	1	1	1	1
BHT <sup>l</sup>	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
<b>Proximate composition (% DM)</b>				
Crude protein	39.8	39.8	40	39.7
Crude lipid	9.1	8.8	8.9	9.1
Ash	9.6	10.1	9.4	10.1
NFE	41.5	41.3	41.7	41.1 <sup>8</sup>

# Experiment 3

## Bovine fat

### C15

Fatty acid composition (%) of formulated diets containing different inclusion of beef tallow in replacement of soybean oil.

L-BT= low beef tallow; M-BT= medium beef tallow; H-BT= high beef tallow.

Fatty acid	Dietary treatments			
	Control	L-BT	M-BT	H-BT
10:0	4.44	2.76	3.91	2.95
12:0	0.47	0.16	0.18	0.16
14:0	5.08	4.79	5.62	6.3
15:0	0.12	0.36	0.37	0.4
16:0	13.67	14.22	17.41	21.01
18:0	3.95	5	9.98	15.78
20:0	0.39	0.76	0.57	0.45
$\Sigma$ SFA	28.12	28.05	38.04	47.13
14:1	0.13	0.23	0.4	0.42
15:1	0.08	0.14	0.11	0.05
16:1	0.75	1.03	1.48	1.87
18:1n9	18.29	28.51	29.48	31.99
20:1n9	0.20	0.38	0.34	0.37
$\Sigma$ MUFA	19.45	30.29	31.81	34.7
18:2n6	43.26	30.68	22.41	11.65
20:4n6	0.11	0.43	0.23	0.09
$\Sigma$ PUFAn6	43.37	31.11	22.64	11.74
18:3n3	4.93	3.86	2.55	1.16
20:3n3	0.11	0.29	0.21	0.17
20:5n3	0.32	0.67	0.39	0.2
22:6n3	3.72	5.72	4.36	4.88
$\Sigma$ PUFAn3	9.08	10.54	7.51	6.41
$\Sigma$ PUFAs	52.45	41.65	30.15	18.15
Total	100	100	100	100



Ungoing experiment

# Experiment 3

## Results

### Bovine fat

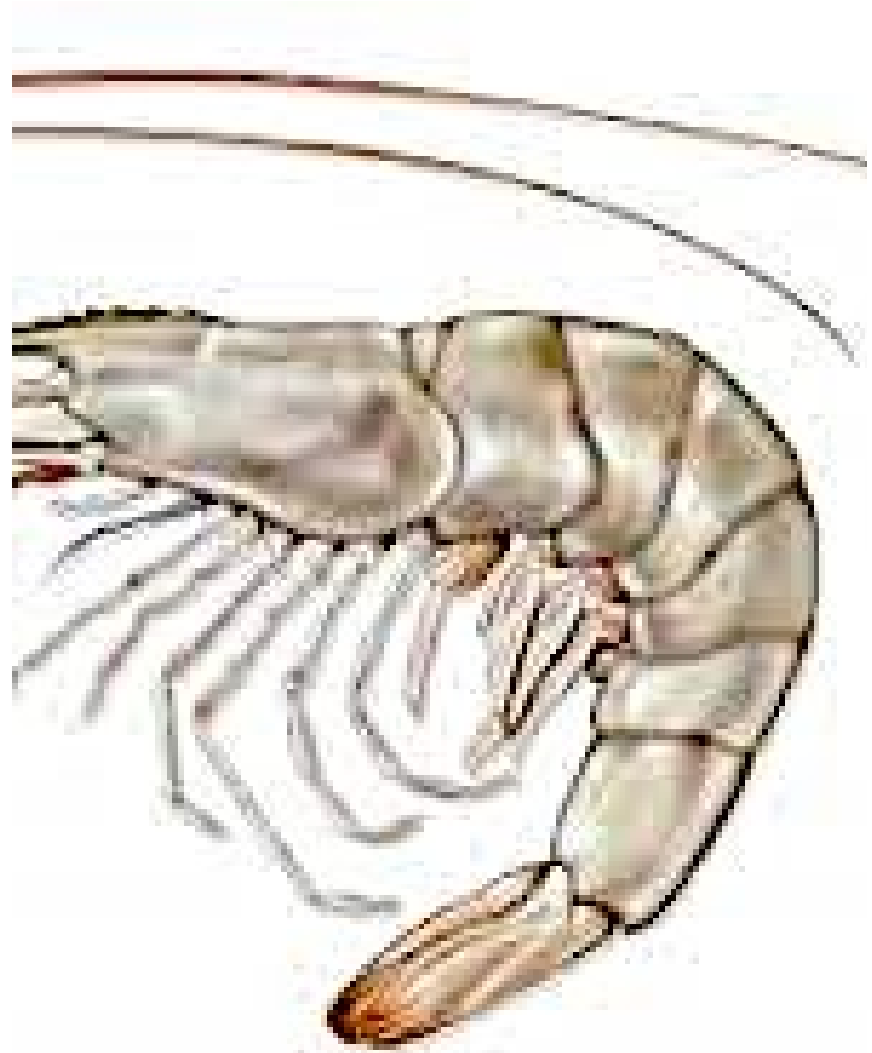
### C15

Biological indices in tilapia (*Oreochromis niloticus*) juveniles after being fed for 49 days with diets containing different beef tallow levels in replacement of soybean oil.

	Dietary treatment				P value
	Control	L-BT	M-BT	H-BT	
<b>IBW (g)</b>	2.12 ± 0.0	2.12 ± 0.0	2.12 ± 0.0	2.12 ± 0.0	
<b>FBW (g)</b>	12.78 ± 8.32	19.97 ± 2.26	9.71 ± 2.04	17.13 ± 1.33	0.089
<b>WG (g)</b>	10.66 ± 8.32	17.85 ± 2.26	7.59 ± 2.04	15.01 ± 1.33	0.089
<b>RWG (%)</b>	503 ± 393	842 ± 106	358 ± 96	708 ± 63	0.089
<b>SGR (%)</b>	3.39 ± 1.27	4.57 ± 0.22	3.07 ± 0.46	4.26 ± 0.16	0.086
<b>FCR</b>	1.52 ± 1.14	0.64 ± 0.38	1.39 ± 0.98	0.71 ± 0.15	0.340
<b>K</b>	1.81 ± 0.18	1.89 ± 0.01	1.72 ± 0.09	1.95 ± 0.12	0.243
<b>HSI (%)</b>	1.99 ± 0.38	1.88 ± 0.08	1.80 ± 0.39	2.18 ± 0.34	0.547
<b>VSI (%)</b>	10.47 ± 1.10	11.13 ± 0.50	9.36 ± 1.17	10.85 ± 0.71	0.168
<b>TGC (%)</b>	0.71 ± 0.35	1.02 ± 0.07	0.60 ± 0.11	0.93 ± 0.05	0.141
<b>Sv (%)</b>	73.68 ± 5.26	80.70 ± 21.27	78.95 ± 13.93	85.96 ± 6.08	0.522

# CONCLUSIONS

- With a mixture of poultry fat (71%) with Kernel (25%) and DHA (4%) it is possible to replace fish oil resulting in a better FCR despite growth was similar
- The linoleic acid is also decrease



## CONCLUSIONS

- **With a mixture of poultry fat (71%) with Kernel (25%) and DHA (4%) it is possible to replace fish oil without compromising the overall performance**
- **However, extra Kernel (C:12) failed to improve the overall performance**
- **The use of Bovine tallow is a promising alternative for aquaculture diets**





## Ongoing studies

- Investigating health parameters associated with beef tallow and awaiting gene expression data to assess lipid metabolism
- And liver histological studies



# Thank You

