Special Issue

The Effects of Fatty Acids on Inflammation

Message from the Guest Editor

Dietary fatty acids modulate inflammatory responses, with the direction of the effect being dependent on the type of fatty acid being examined. For example, saturated fatty acids promote inflammation, via the NLRP3 (nucleotide oligomerization domain-like receptor protein 3) inflammasome. Conversely, omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acids exert anti-inflammatory effects through a variety of mechanisms, including decreased production of eicosanoids and reduced expression of NF-MB. However, the efficacy of fish oil supplementation in reducing inflammation in specific chronic diseases, such as asthma and inflammatory bowel disease, is unclear, Omega-6-derived lipid mediators appear to enhance inflammation, but this is dependent on the ratio of omega-6/omega-3. Further research is needed to clarify the roles of fatty acids in modulating inflammation, including the impact this has on chronic disease risk and outcomes.

In this Special Issue, we welcome submissions examining the impact of fatty acids on inflammation. Contributions examining the impact of fatty acids on chronic disease are also encouraged.

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