

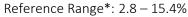
Omega-3 Index Basic Report

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Your Omega-3 Index







^{*} Reference Ranges encompass about 99% of US adults. Visit our FAQ section for more information on ranges.

The Omega-3 Index is the proportion of long-chain omega-3s, eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA), of all fatty acids in your red blood cell membranes. It reflects the omega-3 status of your body over the last 4 months, similar to how hemoglobin A1C reflects long-term glucose blood levels. As a part of an overall healthy lifestyle, an Omega-3 Index in the <u>8-12%</u> range may help to maintain heart, brain, eye and joint health. To increase your Omega-3 Index, eat foods rich in EPA and DHA, especially "oily" fish such as those in the accompanying table. They can also be obtained from dietary supplements (fish, krill, cod liver, algal oils) and functional foods (omega-3 enriched milk, eggs, etc.).

The amount of EPA and DHA needed to raise the Omega-3 Index into the desirable range is different for everybody. Many factors – age, sex, weight, diet, genetics, smoking habits, medications, and other medical conditions – can all influence the body's response to EPA and DHA. Still, we can provide an estimate, based on our own research, of how much EPA and DHA you may need to raise your level to the desirable range given your current Omega-3 Index level. Visit our Omega-3 Index Calculator on OmegaQuant.com to find out your personalized EPA and DHA recommendation.

The other main dietary omega-3 fatty acid, alpha-linoleic acid (ALA), is found in walnuts, flax and chia seeds. ALA can be converted to EPA and DHA in the body, but this happens at a very low rate in most people. An increase in ALA intake will have little to no effect on the Omega-3 Index.

Please consult with your healthcare provider before making any dietary changes. If you increase your intake of EPA and DHA, your Omega-3 Index will begin to slowly go up within a few days but will continue to change for 3-4 months. We recommend that you re-measure your Omega-3 Index in 3-4 months until you reach the desirable range. Once you reach the desirable range for Omega-3 Index, we recommend that you re-test every 6 months. Answers to commonly asked questions about your results can be found in the FAQ section on our website.



Amount of EPA and DHA in Seafood and Supplements

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Dietary Supplements – Amount (mg) per capsule or per teaspoon				
Standard Fish Oil Capsules	180	120	300	
Fish Oil Concentrates (many varieties)	100-400	100-400	300-700	
Cod Liver Oil (teaspoon)	300	500	800	
Krill Oil	100-300	50-150	150-450	
Algal Oil	50-150	100-300	150-450	

Table adapted from Harris et al. Current Atherosclerosis Reports 2008;10:503-509. Values based on USDA Nutrient Data Lab values and are for fish cooked with dry heat unless otherwise noted.

^{*}Farmed Salmon can have a range of EPA and DHA based on the fish feed. Sprague M, et al. Scientific Reports, 2016; 6:21892.