

**Table 1. Reported fatty acid compositions of oil from nuts of *P. sibirica* and *P. koraiensis*.**

Source	Extraction method	Fatty acid analytical method	Fatty acid (% of total fatty acids)					Reference
			Palmitoleic	Stearic	Oleic	Linoleic	Pinolenic	
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Chloroform-methanol	GC	4.2	1.8	25.5	48.4	14.9	Wolff & Bayard, 1995 [3]
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Chloroform-methanol	GC	4.2	1.8	25.5	48.4	14.9	Asset <i>et al.</i> , 1999 [22]
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Hexane	GC	4.9	2.2	27.5	45.2	14.6	Destailats <i>et al.</i> , 2010 [2]
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Supercritical-CO <sub>2</sub>	GC-MS	5.8	2.9	28.5	41.8	15.6*	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2011 [18]
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Chloroform-methanol	GC	5.3	2.1	25.7	46.0	13.7	Chung <i>et al.</i> , 2017 [23]
<i>P. koraiensis</i>	Petroleum ether	GC	NR	2.2	26.2	44.8	14.2	Matthaus <i>et al.</i> 2018 [25]
<i>P. sibirica</i>	Acetone Reverse-phase	HPLC	6.3	2.5	23.8	49.0	17.0	Deineka & Deineka, 2003 [24]
<i>P. sibirica</i>	Cold-pressing	GC	4.8	2.8	24.7	46.0	19.2	Zadernowski <i>et al.</i> , 2009 [20]
<i>P. sibirica</i>	Hexane	GC	4.4	2.5	25.5	43.5	18.3	Destailats <i>et al.</i> , 2010 [2]
<i>P. sibirica</i>	Petroleum ether	GC	NR	2.7	22.8	44.7	18.8	Matthaus <i>et al.</i> 2018 [25]

\*reported as alpha linolenic acid in the paper

GC, gas chromatography; HPLC, high performance liquid chromatography; MS, mass spectrometry; NR, not reported

**Table 2. Summary of studies investigating the effects of pine nut oil (PNO) or pinolenic acid (PLA) on appetite and weight gain**

Model	PNO or PLA form	Details	Outcome investigated	Effect of PNO or PLA (% change where significant)	Reference
Male ICR mice	PNO extract ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 75 g/kg diet maize oil or PNO extract	Body weight Liver weight Feed intake Feed conversion efficiency	-37% -13% None -36%	Ferramosca <i>et al.</i> , 2008 [36]
Double blind placebo controlled randomized crossover counter balanced design with 42 overweight women (BMI between 25 and 30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	PNO extract ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> ) as NEFAs or TAGs in capsules	Six capsules with a total of 2, 4 or 6 g PNO TAGs or 2 g PNO NEFAs or olive oil (placebo) 30 min prior an <i>ad libitum</i> lunch	Food intake; 2, 4 or 6 g PNO TAGs Food intake; 2 g PNO NEFAs	None -9%	Hughes <i>et al.</i> , 2008 [37]
Randomized, placebo controlled, double blind crossover trial with 18 overweight post-menopausal women (BMI between 25 and 30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	PNO extract ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> ) as NEFAs or TAGs in capsules	Four capsules with 3 g PNO NEFAs, or PNO TAGs or olive oil with a light breakfast, over three test days, with a one-week washout period  4 hr post prandial responses	Hunger Fullness Desire to eat Prospective food consumption  Plasma cholecystinin-8 concentrations (PNO NEFAs, PNO TAGs)  Plasma glucagon like peptide-1 concentrations (PNO NEFAs, PNO TAGs)  Plasma ghrelin concentrations  Plasma peptide YY concentrations	None None None None  +60, +22% respectively  +25%, none respectively  None  None	Pasman <i>et al.</i> , 2008 [38]
Male C57BL/6 mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	High fat diets for 12 weeks containing: 1) 10% kcal PNO or soybean oil + 35% kcal lard; 2) 20% kcal PNO or soybean	Body weight  Weight gain	-10% across all PNO groups  -17% across all PNO groups	Park <i>et al.</i> , 2013 [39]

		oil + 25% kcal lard; 3) 30% kcal PNO or soybean oil + 15% kcal lard.	Average daily food intake (PNO 10%, PNO 20%, PNO 30%)  Average daily energy intake (PNO 10%, PNO 20%, PNO 30%)  Adipose tissue weight (PNO 10%, PNO 20%, PNO 30%)	None, none -7% respectively  None, none, -7% respectively  -17%, none, -20%, respectively	
Male C57BL/6 mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	High fat diets for 12 weeks containing 30% energy from PNO or soybean oil + 15% energy from lard  Skeletal muscle tissue samples collected	Body weight  Intramuscular lipid accumulation	-13%  -40%	Le <i>et al.</i> , 2012 [40]
Male C57BL mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	High fat diets, fed <i>ad libitum</i> for 12 weeks, containing 10% energy from PNO or soybean oil + 35% energy from lard  White adipose tissue collected from epididymal, abdominal subcutaneous, and retroperitoneal-perirenal depots	Body weight gain  White adipose tissue  Sirtuin 3 protein expression in white adipose tissue (epididymal fat pad)	-10%  -18%  +62.5%	Park <i>et al.</i> , 2016 [41]
Male C57BL/6N mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	High fat diets for 12 weeks containing 30% energy from PNO or soybean oil + 15% energy from lard  White adipose tissue collected from epididymal, abdominal subcutaneous, and retroperitoneal-perirenal depots	Body weight Weight gain  White adipose tissue	-9% -15%  -20%	Zhu <i>et al.</i> , 2016 [42]

BMI, body mass index; NEFA, non-esterified fatty acid; TAG, triglyceride

**Table 3. Summary of studies investigating the effects of pine nut oil (PNO) or pinolenic acid (PLA) on blood and hepatic lipids**

Model	PNO or PLA form	Details	Outcome(s) investigated	Effect of PNO or PLA (% change where significant)	Reference
Male Sprague-Dawley rats	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 5 g/kg diet cholesterol and 100 g/kg diet PNO, safflower oil or flaxseed oil for 30 days	Plasma cholesterol Plasma TAGs Plasma PLs  Hepatic cholesterol Hepatic TAGs Hepatic PLs	None None None  None None None	Sugano <i>et al.</i> , 1994 [32]
Male Wistar rats	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> or <i>P. pinaster</i> )	Diet with 50 g/kg diet PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> ) or a mixture of safflower, oleic-acid enriched sunflower and flaxseed oils (control) for 4 weeks  Diet with 50 g/kg diet PNO ( <i>P. pinaster</i> ) or a mixture of safflower, oleic-acid enriched sunflower and flaxseed oils (control) for 4 weeks	Serum cholesterol Serum TAGs Serum PLs Serum VLDL cholesterol Serum VLDL TAGs  Serum cholesterol Serum TAGs Serum PLs Serum VLDL cholesterol Serum VLDL TAGs	None None None None None  None -30% None -33% -41%	Asset <i>et al.</i> , 1999 [22]
HepG2 cells	Fatty acid extract of <i>P. koraiensis</i>	Incubation with 1 mM high-pinolenic acid containing FA extract for 2 h and then treated with Dil-LDL label (10–90 ug/mL) for 2 h at 4 and 37°C	Internalisation of labelled-LDL	+42%	Lee <i>et al.</i> , 2004 [48]
Male ICR mice	PNO extract ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 75 g/kg diet maize oil or PNO extract for 8 weeks	Plasma cholesterol Plasma TAGs Plasma PLs  Hepatic cholesterol Hepatic TAGs Hepatic PLs	-21% -32% -29%  -10% -21% -10%	Ferramosca <i>et al.</i> , 2008 [38]
Male and female Wistar rats	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 2.0, 4.0 or 8.0 g/kg diet per day PNO or high fat diet with 88 g/kg lard or control diet for 4 weeks	Serum cholesterol Serum TAGs	None None for 2 g/kg PNO; -32% for 4 g/kg PNO; none for 8 g/kg PNO	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2011 [18]

Male C57BL/6 mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 10% energy from PNO or soybean oil + 35% energy from lard for 12 weeks	Hepatic TAGs	-26%	Park <i>et al.</i> , 2016 [41]
Male C57BL/6N mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 30% energy from PNO or soybean oil + 15% energy from lard for 12 weeks	Serum NEFAs Serum TAGs Hepatic TAGs	None None None	Zhu <i>et al.</i> , 2016 [42]

LDL, low density lipoprotein; NEFA, non-esterified fatty acid; PL, phospholipid; TAG, triglycerides; VLDL, very low density lipoprotein

**Table 4. Summary of study investigating the effect of pine nut oil (PNO) or pinolenic acid (PLA) on Insulin sensitivity**

Model	PNO or PLA form	Details	Outcome investigated	Effect of PNO or PLA (% change where significant)	Reference
Male C57BL/6 mice	PLA or PNO ( <i>P. sibirica</i> )	30 minutes prior to an oral glucose load (3 g/kg body weight) mice were given PNO (1 g/kg body weight), PLA (100 mg/kg body weight), or maize oil (1 g/kg body weight) by gavage.	Blood glucose concentration	-11% with PNO at 30 minutes after glucose challenge -26% with PLA at 30 and 60 minutes after glucose challenge	Christiansen <i>et al.</i> 2015 [52]

**Table 5. Summary of studies investigating the effects of pine nut oil (PNO) or pinolenic acid (PLA) on inflammation**

Model	PNO or PLA form	Details	Outcome(s) investigated	Effect of PNO or PLA (% change where significant)	Reference
Male Wistar rats	PNO ( <i>P. sibirica</i> )	300 mg/kg bodyweight PNO for 2 days and 4 h prior to carrageenan injection into right hind paw and exposure of the paw to a temperature of 55°C	Inflammation (paw volume) 3, 12 and 24 hr after carrageenan injection  Antipyretic effect (surface temperature of adjuvant-inflamed paw) 3, 12 and 24 hr after carrageenan injection  Analgesic effect (response time to 55°C thermal-induced hot-plate) 3, 12 and 24 hr after	-24%, -36%, -45% respectively  -5, -10, -10% respectively  +118%, +120%, none	Shikov <i>et al.</i> , 2008 [5]
Murine macrophages RAW264.7 cells	PLA	10, 25, 50 or 100 µM PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 16 hr	Production of PGE <sub>1</sub> by RAW264.7 cells (10, 25, 50 and 100 µM PLA)  Protein expression of COX-2 (50 µM PLA)	-33, -49, -73, -84% respectively  None	Chuang <i>et al.</i> , 2009 [6]
Human breast cancer MDA-MB-231 cells	PLA	50 or 100 µM PLA for 24 hr followed by TPA stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 12 hr  100 µM PLA for 24 hr followed by TPA stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 12 hr	Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> (50 and 100 µM PLA)  Protein expression of COX-2 in MDA-MB-213 cells  mRNA expression of COX-2 MDA-MB-213 cells	-50, -75% respectively  -55%  -55%	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2011 [29]
Murine macrophage RAW264.7 cells and rat primary peritoneal macrophages	PLA	25, 50 and 100 µM PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 16 hr  50 and 100 µM PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 8 hr  50 and 100 uM PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 µg/mL) for 30 min	Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 µM PLA)  Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by peritoneal cells (25 and 50 µM PLA)  Protein expression of COX-2 in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 µM PLA)  NFκB/p65 protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 µM PLA)  Phosphorylated-p38/p38 protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 µM PLA)	-67, -80% respectively  None, -13% respectively  -20, -40% respectively  -40, -50% respectively  -25, -40% respectively	Huang <i>et al.</i> , 2014 [7]

		50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 15 min	Phosphorylated-JNK/JNK protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA) Phosphorylated-ERK/ERK protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA)	-25, -30% respectively -40, -30% respectively	
Murine microglial BV-2 cells and rat primary peritoneal macrophages	PLA	50 $\mu$ M PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 16 hr	Production of IL-6 by BV-2 cells Production of TNF- $\alpha$ by BV-2 cells Production of NO by BV-2 cells Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by BV-2 cells  Protein expression of iNOS in BV-2 cells Protein expression of COX-2 in BV-2 cells  Production of NO by peritoneal cells Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by peritoneal cells	-71% -27% -41% -89%  -53% -10%  -31% -35%	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2015 [8]
THP-1 macrophages	PLA	10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.2 $\mu$ g/mL) for 16 hr	Production of TNF- $\alpha$ (10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA)  Production of IL-6 (10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA)  Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> (10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA)  Protein expression of COX-2 (50 and 100 $\mu$ M PLA)	None, none, -9, -18% respectively  -9, -24, -33, -48% respectively  -55, -67, -78, -83% respectively  -20, -25% respectively	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2019 [9]
Male ICR mice	PLA	Ears intradermally injected with PLA (3 $\mu$ g) for 18 hr followed by TPA injection (5 $\mu$ g) for 6 or 24 hr  Topical application of PLA (3 $\mu$ g) to dorsal skin followed by TPA injection (5 $\mu$ g) for 2 hr	Ear swelling  Ear thickness  COX-2 protein expression in mouse ear tissue homogenates  Infiltration of - leukocytes (CD45 <sup>+</sup> ) - neutrophils (Ly6G <sup>+</sup> CD45 <sup>+</sup> ) - macrophages (F4/80 <sup>+</sup> CD45 <sup>+</sup> )  Back skin cell free supernatant concentrations of - IL-1 $\beta$ - IL-6 - TNF- $\alpha$ - PGE <sub>2</sub>  Back skin tissue homogenate protein expression of - Phosphorylated-p38	-29%  -15%  -53%  -63% -50% -71%  -79% -68% -42% -51%  -55%	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2019 [9]



			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Phosphorylated -JNK</li> <li>- Phosphorylated -ERK</li> </ul>	None None	
HepG2 cells	PLA	25 µM PLA for 12 hr PLA followed by oleic acid stimulation (0.5 mM)	Production of NO by HepG2 cells	-60%	Zhang <i>et al.</i> , 2019 [10]
EA.hy296 cells	PLA	10, 25 and 50 µM PLA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 24 hr	Production of soluble ICAM-1 (10, 25, 50 µM PLA) Production of MCP-1 (10, 25, 50 µM PLA) Production of IL-6 (10, 25, 50 µM PLA) Production of IL-8 (10, 25, 50 µM PLA) Production of RANTES (10, 25, 50 µM PLA)	-15, -23, -24% respectively None, none, -25% respectively None None None, none, -46% respectively	Baker <i>et al.</i> , 2020 [11]
		50 µM PLA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 1 hr	Phosphorylated NFκB/NFκB protein ratio	-50%	
		25 and 50 µM PLA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 6 hr	Cell surface expression of ICAM-1	None	
			Adhesion of THP-1 cells to EA.hy296 cell monolayers (25 and 50 uM PLA)	None, -25%	

COX, cyclooxygenase; ERK, extracellular signal-regulated kinase; ICAM, intercellular adhesion molecule; IL, interleukin; iNOS, inducible nitric oxide synthase; JNK, c-Jun N-terminal kinase; LPS, lipopolysaccharide; MCP, monocyte chemoattractant protein; NFκB, nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells; NO, nitric oxide; PG, prostaglandin; RANTES, regulated on activation, normal T cell expressed and secreted; TNF, tumour necrosis factor; TPA, 12-O-tetradecanoylphorbol-13-acetate.

**Table 6. Summary of studies investigating the effects of eicosatrienoic acid (ETA) on inflammation**

Model	ETA form	Details	Outcome investigated	Effect of ETA (% change where significant)	Reference	
Murine macrophage RAW264.7 cells and rat primary peritoneal macrophages	ETA	10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 16 hr	Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by RAW264.7 cells (10, 25, 50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA)	None, -47, -73, -80% respectively	Huang <i>et al.</i> , 2014 [7]	
			Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by peritoneal cells (25 and 50 $\mu$ M ETA)	-40, -53% respectively		
			Protein expression of COX-2 in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA)	None		
		50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 30 min	Protein expression of NF $\kappa$ B/p65 ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA)	-40, -50% respectively		
			50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 30 min	Phosphorylated-p38/p38 protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA)		-25, -30% respectively
				Phosphorylated-JNK/JNK protein ratio in RAW264.7 cells (50 and 100 $\mu$ M ETA)		None, -20% respectively
Murine microglial BV-2 cells and rat primary peritoneal macrophages	ETA	50 $\mu$ M ETA for 24 hr followed by LPS stimulation (0.1 $\mu$ g/mL) for 16 hr	Production of IL-6 by BV-2 cells	-40%	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2015 [8]	
			Production of TNF- $\alpha$ by BV-2 cells	None		
			Production of NO by BV-2 cells	-26%		
			Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by BV-2 cells	-92%		
			Protein expression of iNOS in BV-2 cells	-30%		
			Protein expression of COX-2 in BV-2 cells	None		
Male ICR mice	ETA	Ears intradermally injected with ETA (3 $\mu$ g) for 18 hr followed by TPA injection (5 $\mu$ g) for 6 or 24 hr	Production of NO by peritoneal cells	-36%	Chen <i>et al.</i> , 2019 [9]	
			Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by peritoneal cells	-54%		
			Ear swelling	-29%		
			Ear thickness	-15%		

		Topical application of ETA (3 µg) to dorsal skin followed by TPA injection (5 µg) for 2 hr	<p>COX-2 protein expression in mouse ear tissue homogenates</p> <p>Infiltration of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- leukocytes (CD45<sup>+</sup>)</li> <li>- neutrophils (Ly6G<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>+</sup>)</li> <li>- macrophages (F4/80<sup>+</sup>CD45<sup>+</sup>)</li> </ul> <p>Back skin cell free supernatant concentrations of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IL-1β</li> <li>- IL-6</li> <li>- TNF-α</li> <li>- PGE<sub>2</sub></li> </ul> <p>Back skin tissue homogenates protein expression of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- p-p38</li> <li>- p-JNK</li> <li>- p-ERK</li> </ul>	<p>-59%</p> <p>-50%</p> <p>-67%</p> <p>-77%</p> <p>-55%</p> <p>-39%</p> <p>-48%</p> <p>-33%</p> <p>-81%</p> <p>-58%</p> <p>None</p>	
EA.hy296 cells	ETA	<p>5 and 10 µM ETA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 24 hr</p> <p>10 uM ETA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 1 hr</p> <p>5 and 10 µM ETA for 48 hr followed by TNF-α stimulation (1 ng/ mL) for 6 hr</p>	<p>Production of soluble ICAM-1 (5, 10 µM ETA)</p> <p>Production of MCP-1 (5, 10 µM ETA)</p> <p>Production of IL-6 (5, 10 µM ETA)</p> <p>Production of IL-8 (5, 10 µM ETA)</p> <p>Production of RANTES (5, 10 µM ETA)</p> <p>Protein expression ratio of phosphorylated NFκB/NFκB</p> <p>Cell surface expression of ICAM-1</p> <p>Adhesion of THP-1 to EA.hy296 cell monolayers (5 and 10 µM ETA)</p>	<p>-21, 20% respectively</p> <p>-16, -22% respectively</p> <p>-29, -21% respectively</p> <p>None</p> <p>-70, -60% respectively</p> <p>-46% (p=0.06)</p> <p>None</p> <p>-55, -55% respectively</p>	Baker <i>et al.</i> , 2020 [11]

COX, cyclooxygenase; ERK, extracellular signal-regulated kinase; ICAM, intercellular adhesion molecule; IL, interleukin; iNOS, inducible nitric oxide synthase; JNK, c-Jun N-terminal kinase; LPS, lipopolysaccharide; MCP, monocyte chemoattractant protein; NFκB, nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells; NO, nitric oxide; PG, prostaglandin; RANTES, regulated on activation, normal T cell expressed and secreted; TNF, tumour necrosis factor; TPA, 12-O-tetradecanoylphorbol-13-acetate.

**Table 7. Summary of studies investigating the effects of pine nut oil (PNO) on immune function**

Model	PNO form	Details	Outcome(s) investigated	Effect of PNO (% change where significant)	Reference
Male Brown-Norway rats	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	Diet with 100 g/kg diet of PNO or sunflower oil with immunisation on day 14 and 35 with 10 mg of intraperitoneal ovalbumin  Spleen lymphocytes collected and cultured for 6 or 24 hrs  Rat peritoneal exudate cells collected from abdominal cavity	The proportion of CD4 <sup>+</sup> T cells in spleen lymphocytes	+9%	Matsuo <i>et al.</i> , 1996 [33]
			The proportion of CD8 <sup>+</sup> T cells in spleen lymphocytes	None	
			The CD4 <sup>+</sup> /CD8 <sup>+</sup> T cell ratio in spleen lymphocytes	None	
			Production of IgG by spleen lymphocytes	+23%	
			Production of IgE by spleen lymphocytes	+43%	
			Production of LTB <sub>4</sub> by peritoneal exudate cells	+56%	
Male C57BL/6 mice	PNO ( <i>P. koraiensis</i> )	High fat diets (45% energy from fat) for 12 weeks: 1) 10% kcal PNO or soybean oil + 35% kcal lard; 2) 20% kcal PNO or soybean oil + 25% kcal lard; 3) 30% kcal PNO or soybean oil + 15% kcal lard.  Cells collected from the spleen and stimulated with 0.5 or 1.5 mg/L Con A or 5, 15 or 30 mg/L LPS for 72 h  Cells collected from the spleen and stimulated with 5 mg/L Con A for 48 h	Splenocyte proliferative response to Con A and LPS	None	Park <i>et al.</i> , 2013 [39]
			Production of IL-2 and IFN- $\gamma$ by splenocytes in response to Con A	None	
			Production of IL-6 by splenocytes in response to LPS	None	

		Cells collected from the spleen and stimulated with 10 mg/L LPS for 24 h	Production of IL-1 $\beta$ by splenocytes in response to LPS	None for 10% PNO; none for 20% PNO; +54% for 30% PNO	
			Production of PGE <sub>2</sub> by splenocytes in response to LPS	None	

ConA, concanavalin A; Ig, immunoglobulin; IL, interleukin; LPS, lipopolysaccharide; LT, leukotriene, PG, prostaglandin

**Table 7. Comparison of the anti-inflammatory effect of four omega-3 fatty acids and pinolenic acid (PLA) in cultured EA.hy296 cells.**

EA.hy296 cells were incubated with 50  $\mu$ M fatty acid for 48 hours and were then stimulated with tumour necrosis factor- $\alpha$  (1 ng/ml). Nuclear factor kappa-light-chain-enhancer of activated B cells (NF- $\kappa$ B) activation (phosphorylation of the p65 subunit) was measured by Western blotting after 1 hour. Cyclooxygenase (COX)-2 protein was measured by Western blotting after 16 hours. Concentrations of interleukin (IL)-6, monocyte chemoattractant protein (MCP)-1 and regulated on activation, normal T cell expressed and secreted (RANTES) in the culture medium were measured by multiplex immunoassays after 24 hours. Data are summarised from Baker *et al.* [11, 67], apart from that marked \* which is not published. Arrows indicate no effect ( $\leftrightarrow$ ), an increase ( $\uparrow$ ) or a decrease ( $\downarrow$ ) compared with stimulus alone; the number of arrows used indicates the size of the effect.

	Effect of the fatty acid at 50 $\mu$ M				
	Alpha-linolenic acid	Stearidonic acid	Eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA)	Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)	PLA
IL-6 (pg/ml)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$
MCP-1 (pg/ml)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow$
RANTES (pg/ml)	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$
NF- $\kappa$ B activation	$\uparrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow$
COX-2 protein expression	$\leftrightarrow$	$\leftrightarrow$	$\downarrow$	$\downarrow\downarrow$	$\downarrow^*$