

Contributing to open-access science



3 IFFO-led peer reviewed papers in 2024

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Comparing
traditional and novel
protein sources
used in aquafeed

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Moving towards
holistic
assessments of
aquaculture feed

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Supply and
demand for Long-
Chain Omega-3
Essential Fatty
Acids

Comparing traditional and novel protein sources used in aquafeed



Glencross, B., Ling, X., Gatlin, D., Kaushik, S., Øverland, M., Newton, R., & Valente, L. M. P. (2024)
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Key findings:



Every ingredient has strengths and weaknesses.

01



Most new resources come with critical constraints.

02



The complementary nature of all feed ingredients should be better explored.

03



Much more can be done to better manage and utilise existing resources.

04

Moving towards holistic assessments of aquaculture feed



3 key findings:

1/3 – By not allowing to assess trade-offs between choices, **existing isolated sustainability metrics don't represent an effective decision-making tool.**

eFIFO (economic Fish In : Fish Out)
FFDR (Forage Fish Dependency Ratio)
FIFO (Fish In : Fish Out)
FCR (Feed Conversion Ratio)



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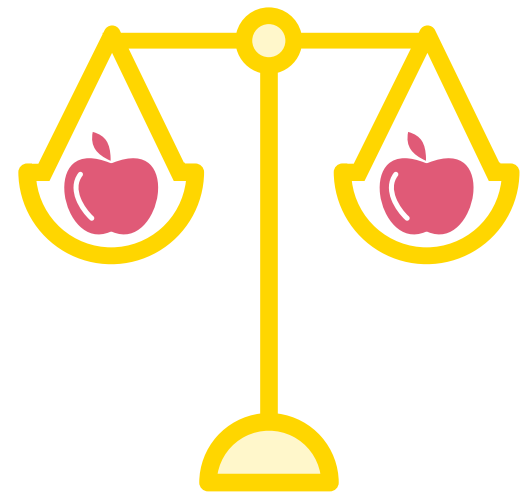
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3 key findings:

2/3 – A **shared metric system like Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)** allows for **cross-sectoral comparisons** and is aligned with **international standards**



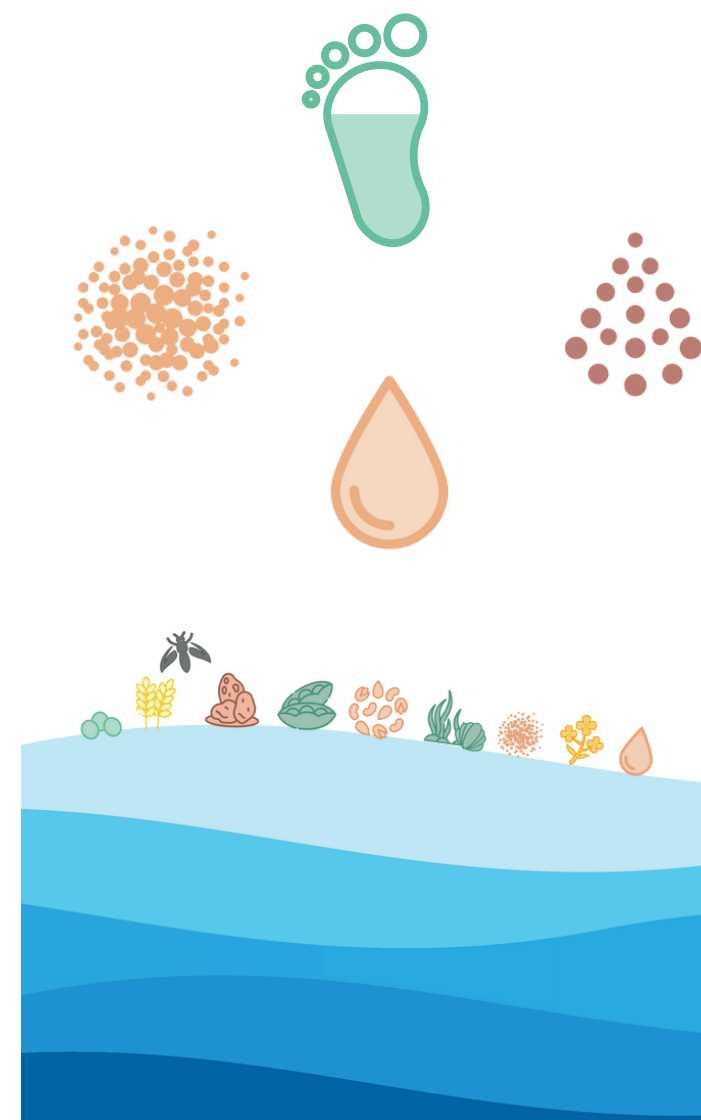
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3 key findings:

3/3 –By using a **common** metric system like LCA, **effective comparisons** can be made, allowing for better, more transparent, and **more sustainable decisions** on ingredient choice whilst **avoiding preconceived biases**.



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Omega-3 Futures in Aquaculture

Main findings:



EPA + DHA
play important biological
roles in aquaculture species,
particularly related to health
and welfare.



Requirements for EPA + DHA
are varied among the
different aquaculture
species. There is no one-
size-fits-all approach.



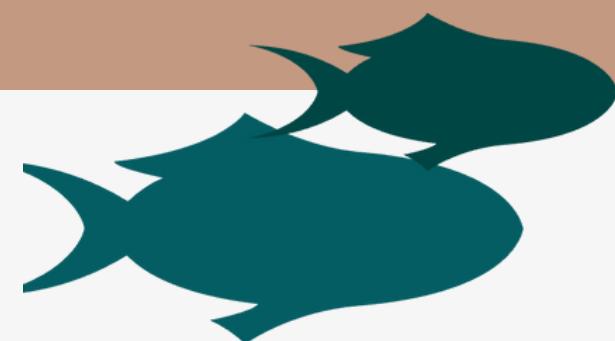
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Main findings:



**The processes by which EPA + DHA work
and interact with other nutrients
require further study**

(impacts on fish health, immune response,
smoltification, reproduction)



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Omega-3 Futures in Aquaculture



Main findings (supply):



**EPA + DHA
production**
is around
160 ktonnes / y



More than 90% of
this production
**comes from fishery
and aquaculture
resources**



Potential
272 ktonnes of
EPA + DHA are
available from the
combined
**unutilised fish by-
product resources**



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