



# Role of n-3 PUFAs in mood and cognitive disorders

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# Mood and cognitive disorders and PUFA metabolism

**Polyunsaturated  
fatty acids  
metabolism**

**Diet**

**Polymorphism  
of PUFA  
metabolism  
genes**



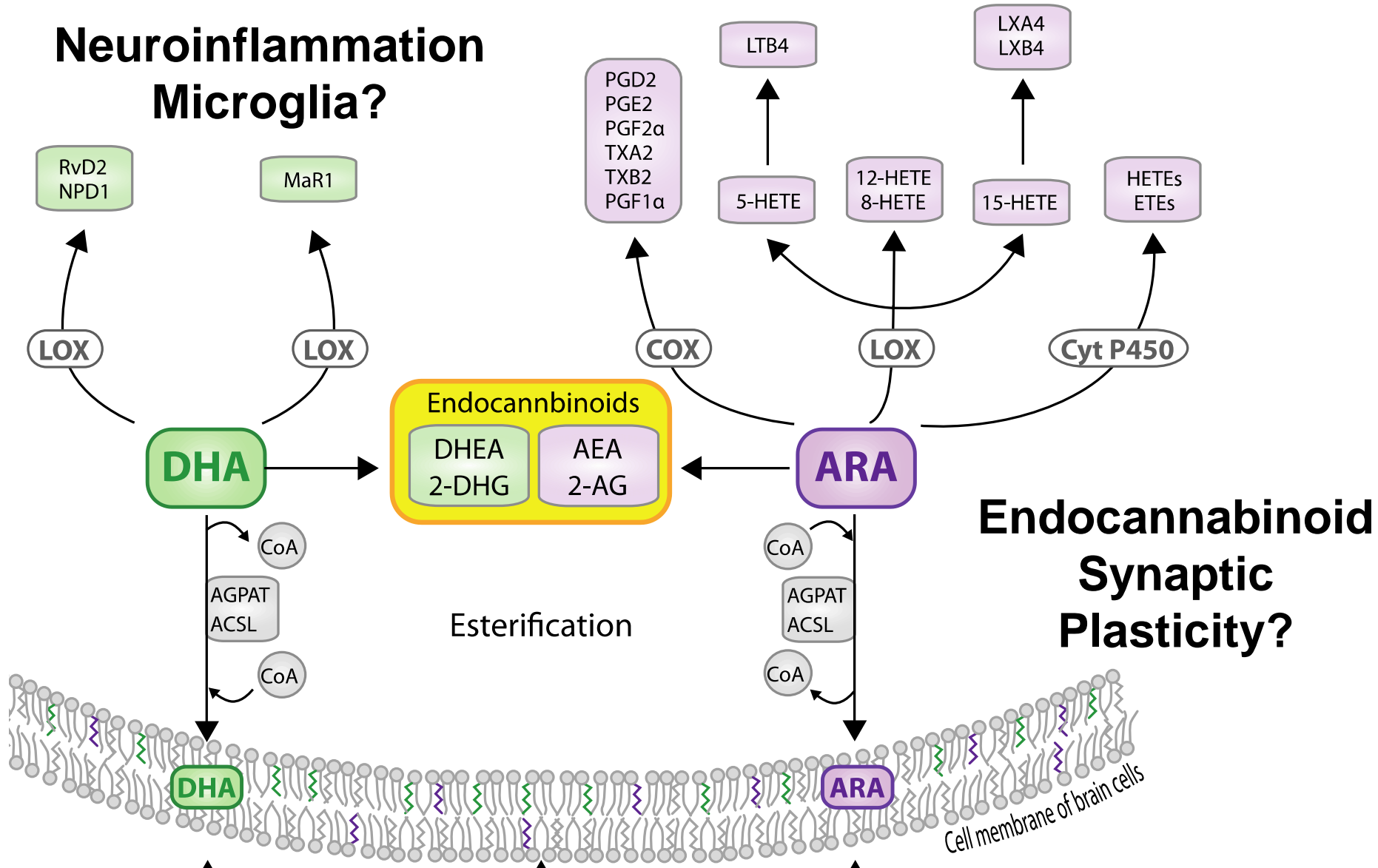
## **Mood and cognitive disorders**

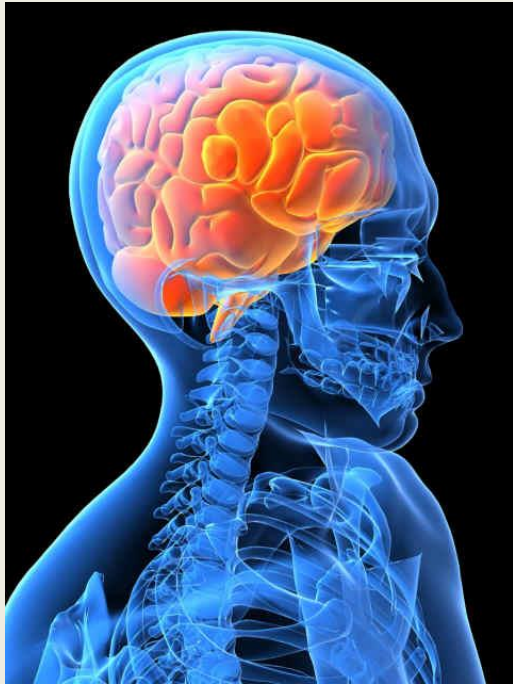
- Inverse relation between fish consumption and prevalence of depression and cognitive decline
- Decreased levels of n-3 PUFA in the blood and the brain of depressed subjects, of aged patients with cognitive impairment, patients diagnosed with PTSD
- In animal models, decreased dietary n-3 PUFA alters emotional behavior and memory
- Some positive effects of dietary intervention on depression, especially in combination with AD or in patients exhibiting inflammation

**Brain PUFA content  
DHA/ARA**

# PUFA metabolism, neuroinflammatory pathways and synaptic activity

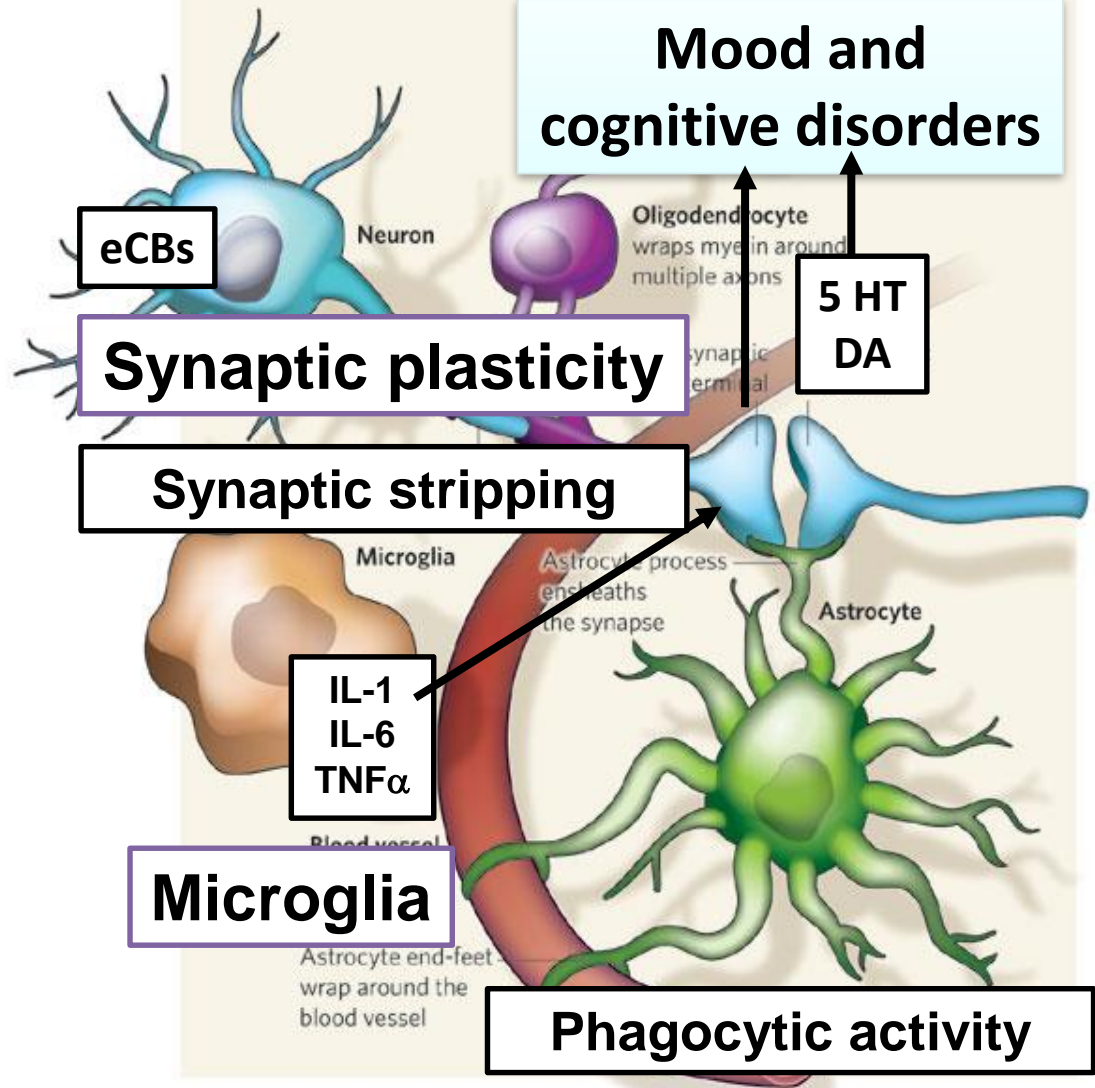
## Neuroinflammation Microglia?





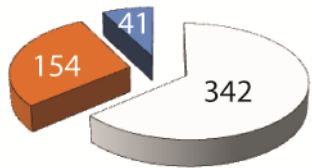
**Polyunsaturated fatty acids?**

# Neuron/glia interactions



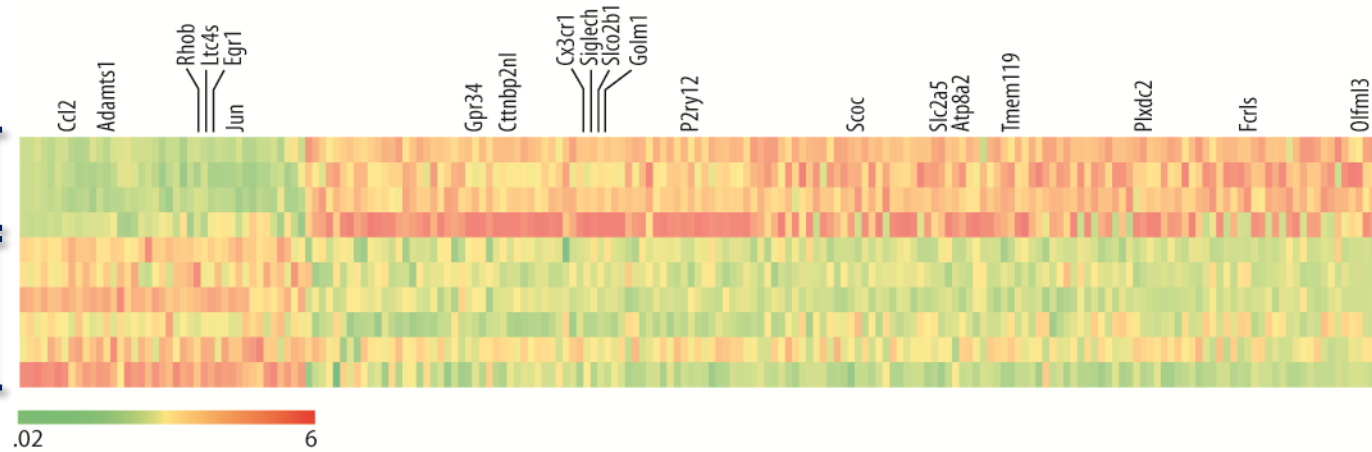
(Layé, 2010, Dantzer et al., 2008, Dantzer et al., 2014, Castanon et al., 2015)

# Microglia homeostatic signature is altered in the brain of n-3 deficient mice

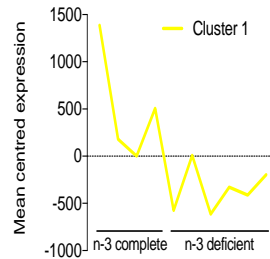
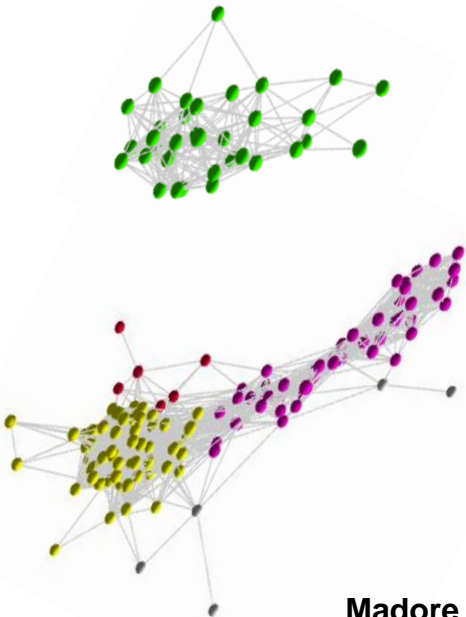


■ upregulated genes  
■ downregulated genes  
■ not regulated genes

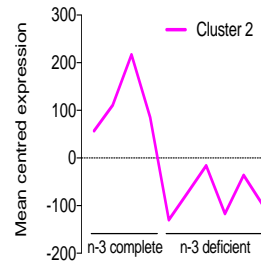
balanced  
deficient



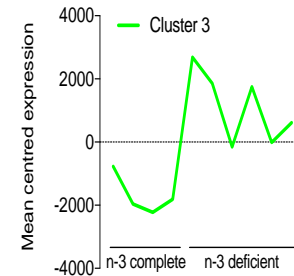
✓ **Alteration of microglial homeostatic signature**



Homeostatic markers

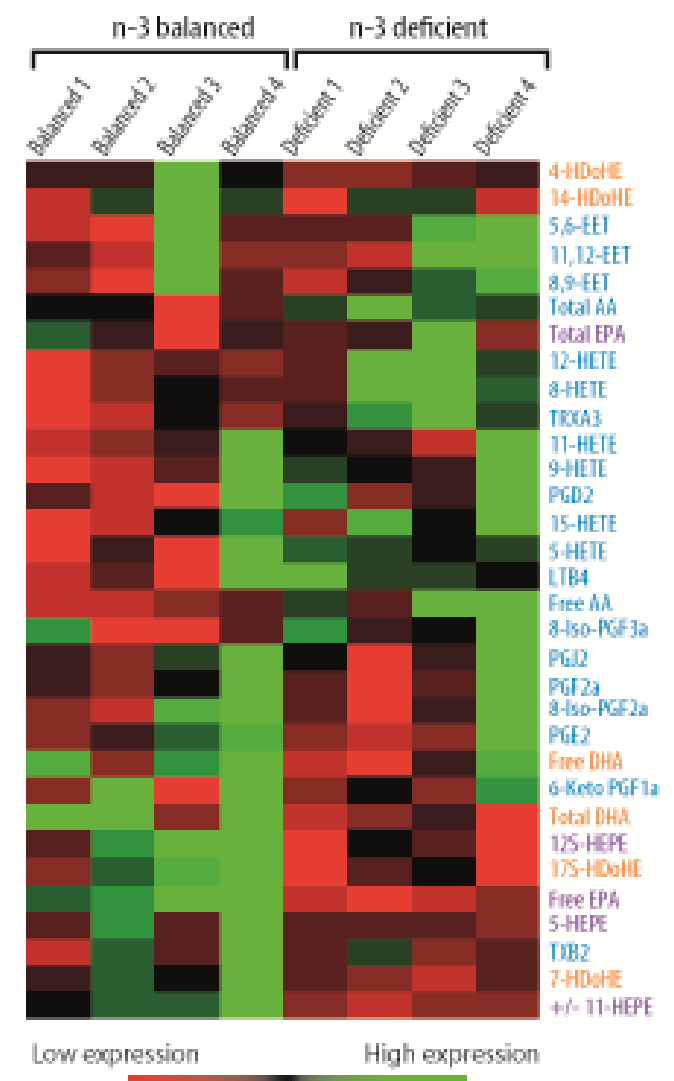
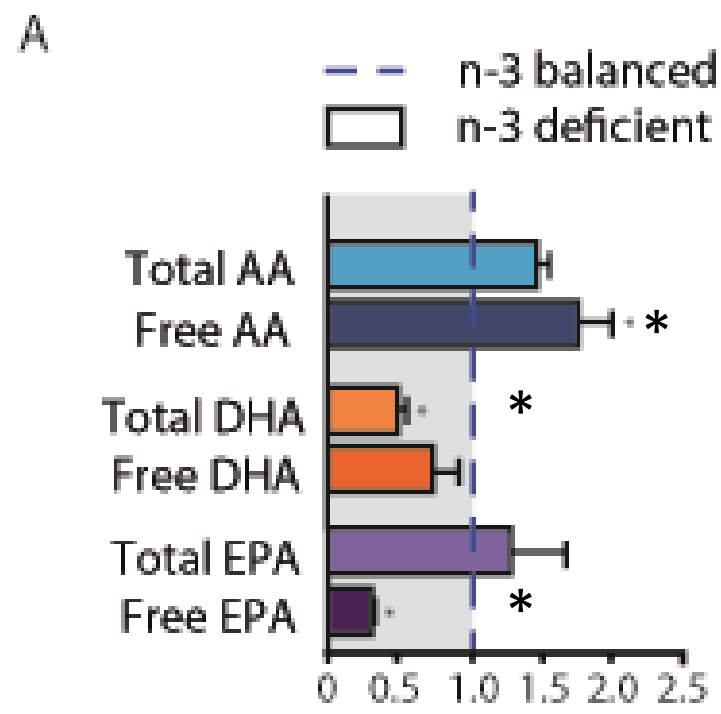


Lipid markers

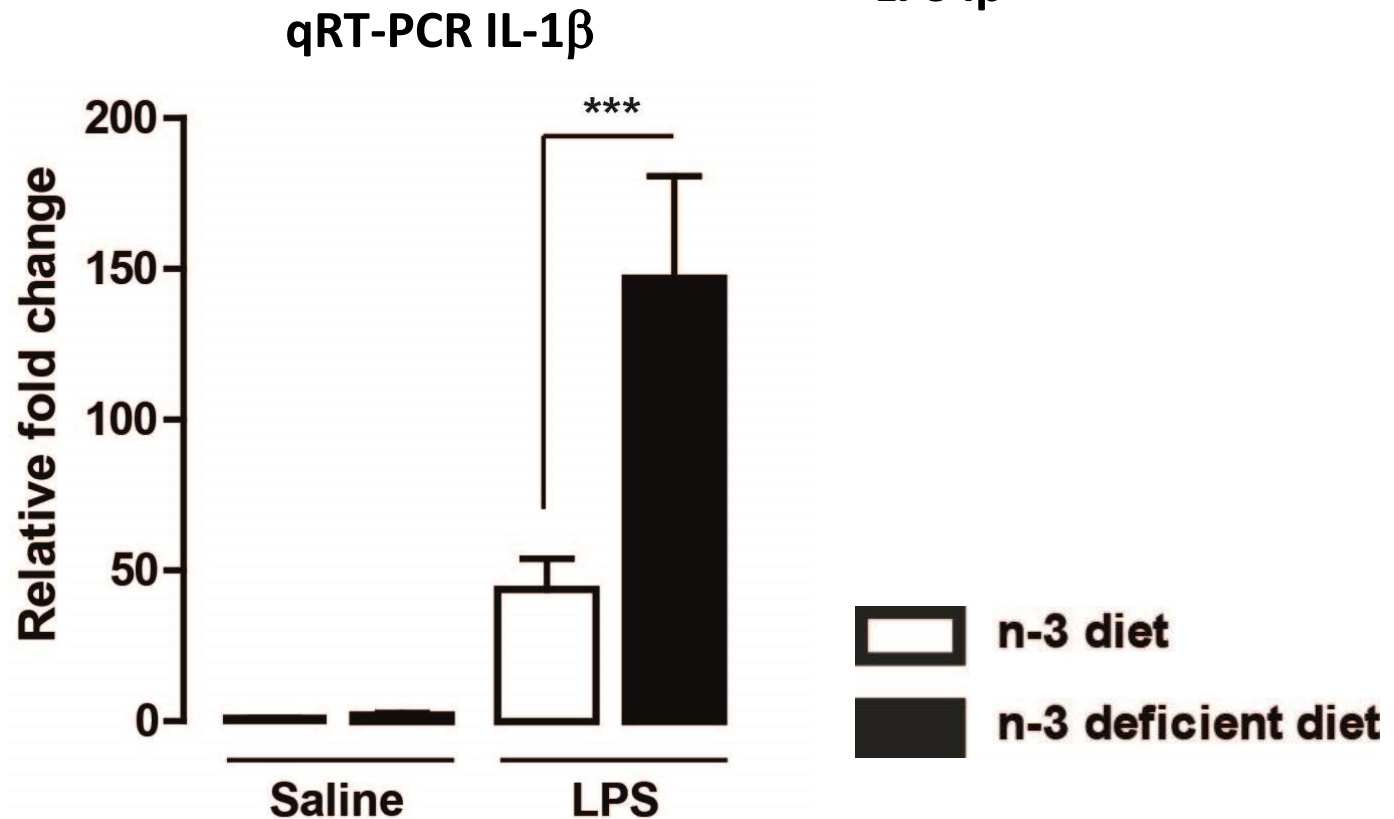
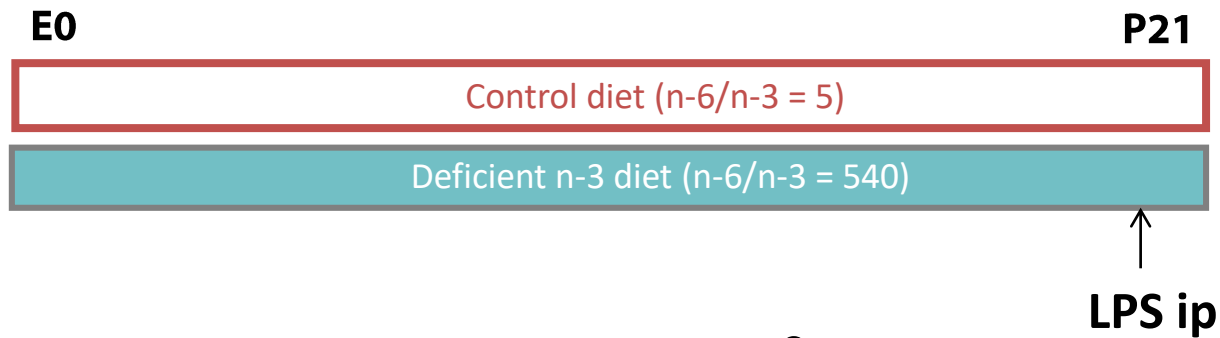


Immune markers

# DHA levels and its derivate are decreased in the microglia of n-3 PUFA deficient mice



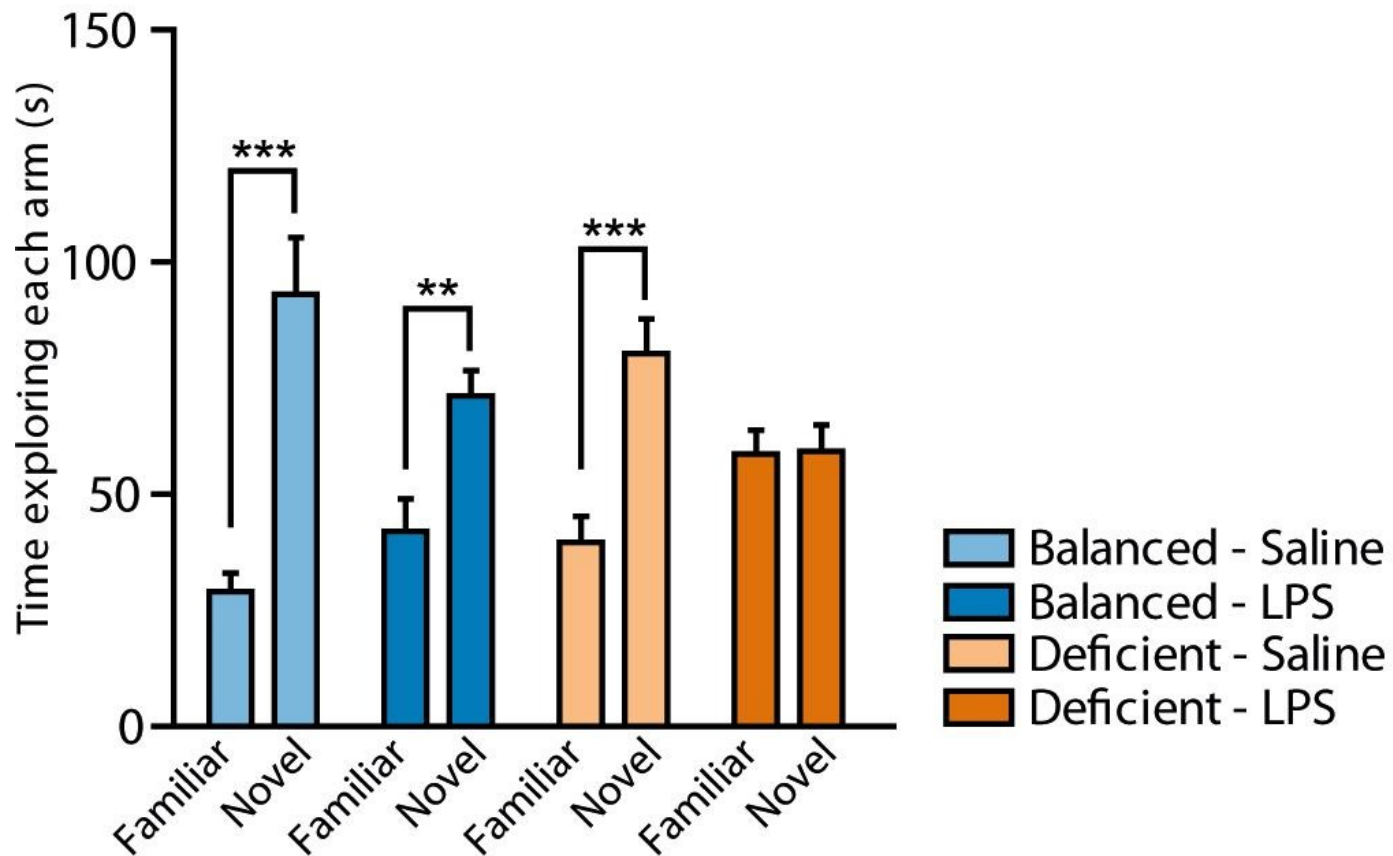
# LPS administration activates proinflammatory cytokine expression in the hippocampus of n-3 deficient mice





# n-3 PUFA dietary deficiency exacerbates inflammatory stimulus effect on neuroinflammation

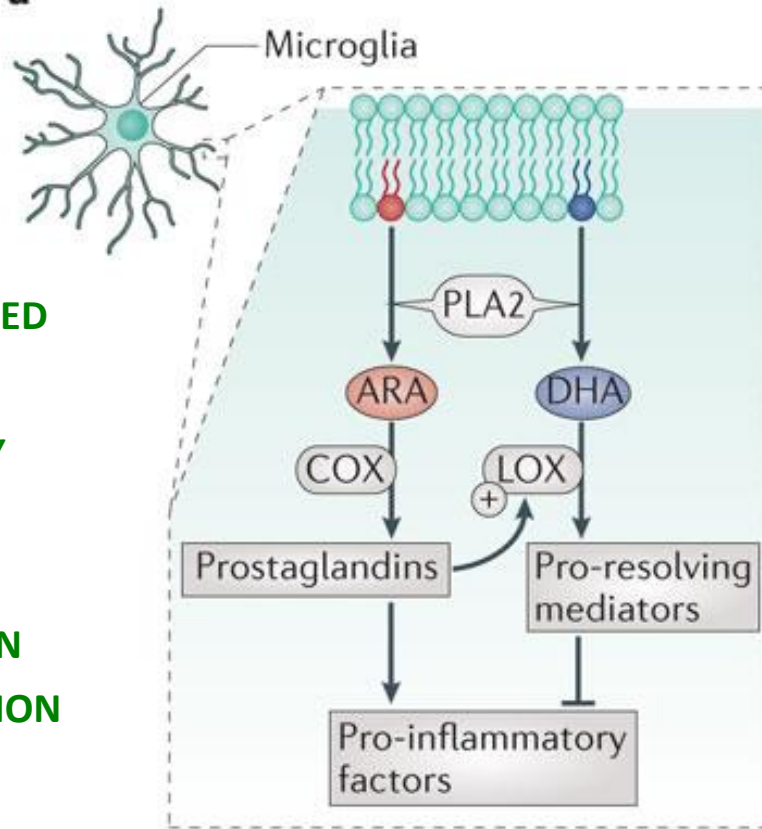
A Y-maze task (30 minutes ITI)





# Dietary PUFAs influence microglia activity, synaptic plasticity and memory

**n-6 PUFAs/<sub>n-3</sub> PUFAs** **a**

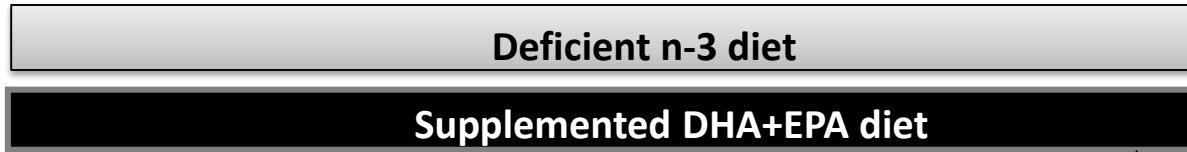


**SENSITISE TO  
INFLAMMATION-INDUCED  
MEMORY DEFICIT  
PRO-INFLAMMATORY  
CYTOKINES  
SUSTAINED  
NEUROINFLAMMATION  
RECEPTOR DYSREGULATION  
IMPAIRED SYNAPTIC  
PLASTICITY**

**n-6 PUFAs/<sub>n-3</sub> PUFAs**

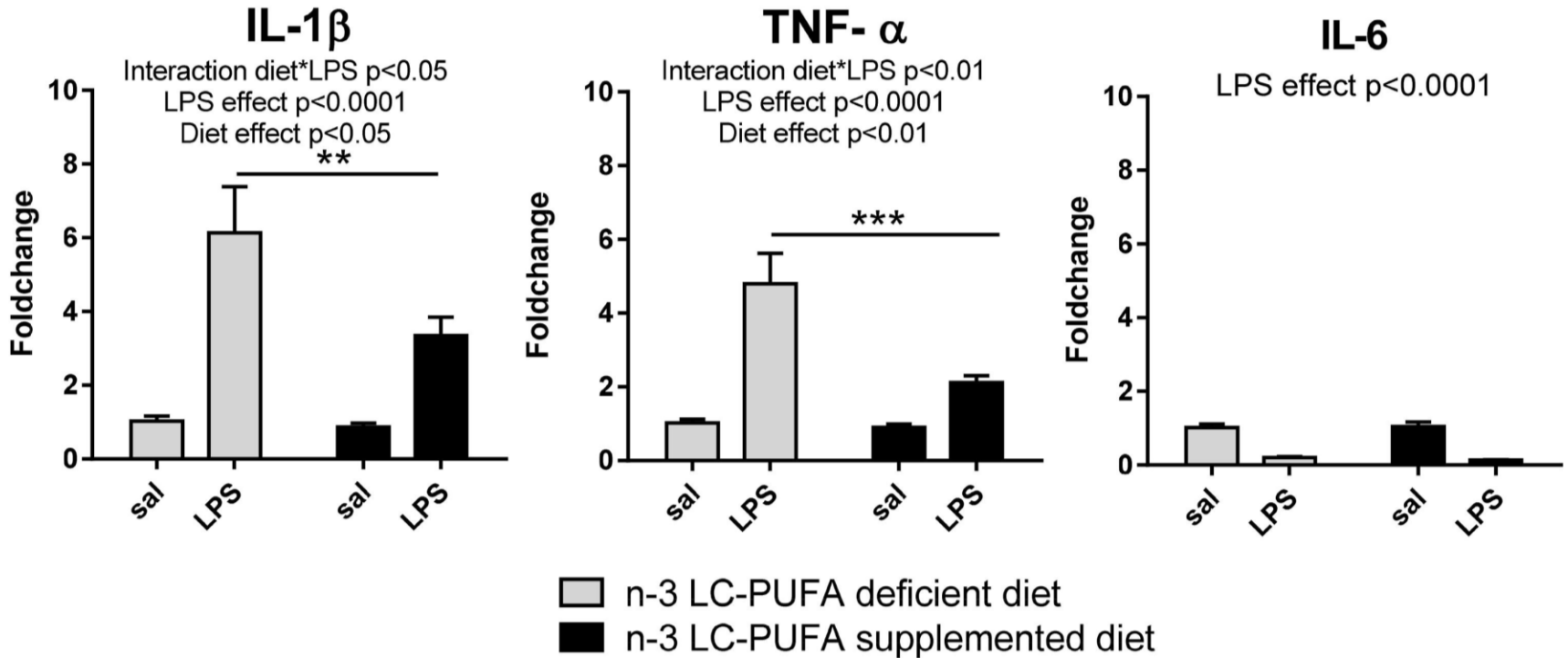
**PROTECT FROM  
INFLAMMATION-ASSOCIATED  
MEMORY DEFICIT (LPS,  
AGING)  
ANTI-INFLAMMATORY  
CYTOKINES  
FASTER RESOLUTION OF  
NEUROINFLAMMATION  
DHA AND ITS DERIVATES ACT  
ON MICROGLIA**

# Dietary DHA potently reduces LPS-induced pro-inflammatory cytokine expression in the hippocampus

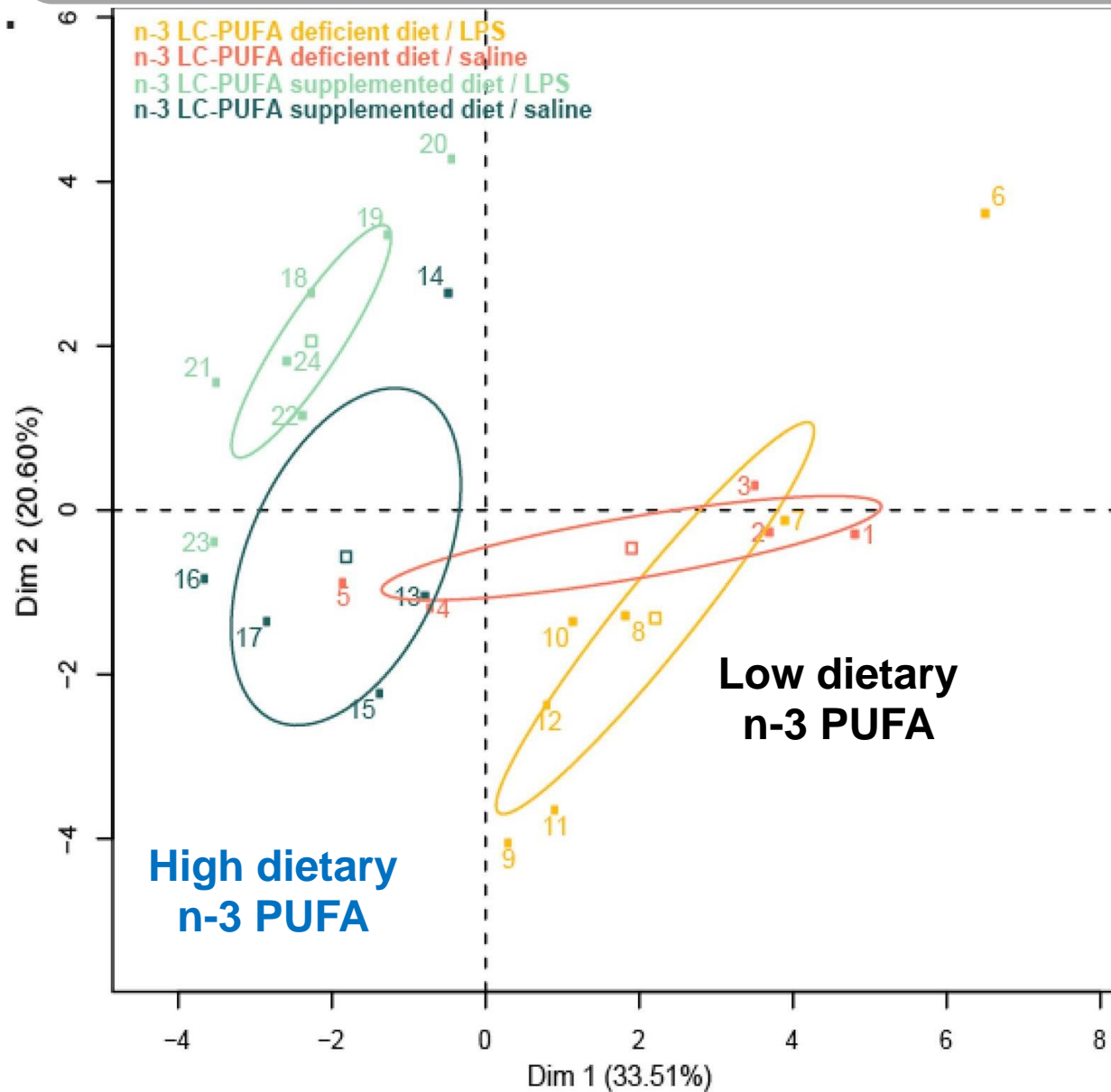


LPS ip

24h



# Dietary DHA promotes a unique oxylipin pattern in the hippocampus



	Loadings <sup>a</sup>	
	Pattern 1	Pattern 2
6kPGF1a	0.100	-0.077
TxB2	0.308 <sup>b</sup>	0.061
PGF2a	0.251 <sup>b</sup>	0.219 <sup>b</sup>
PGE2	0.257 <sup>b</sup>	0.182
PGD2	0.137	0.240 <sup>b</sup>
LxA4	0.278 <sup>b</sup>	0.149
8isoPGA2	0.255 <sup>b</sup>	0.083
5,6-DiHETE	0.311 <sup>b</sup>	0.099
15dPGJ2	0.312 <sup>b</sup>	0.015
13-HODE	0.250 <sup>b</sup>	-0.047
9-HODE	0.144	-0.146
15-HETE	0.306 <sup>b</sup>	0.000
8-HETE	0.276 <sup>b</sup>	-0.006
12-HETE	-0.105	0.258 <sup>b</sup>
5-HETE	-0.078	0.339 <sup>b</sup>
5oxoETE	-0.146	0.385 <sup>b</sup>
14,15-EET	0.041	0.300 <sup>b</sup>
11,12-EET	-0.168	0.253 <sup>b</sup>
8,9-EET	-0.001	0.297 <sup>b</sup>
5,6-EET	-0.127	0.391 <sup>b</sup>
18-HEPE	-0.229 <sup>b</sup>	-0.015
17-HDoHE	0.020	0.177
14-HDoHE	-0.143	0.182

**Increase of pro-resolving mediators**

**17-HDoHE from DHA**

**18-HEPE from EPA**

**11,12-EET, 8,9-EET and**

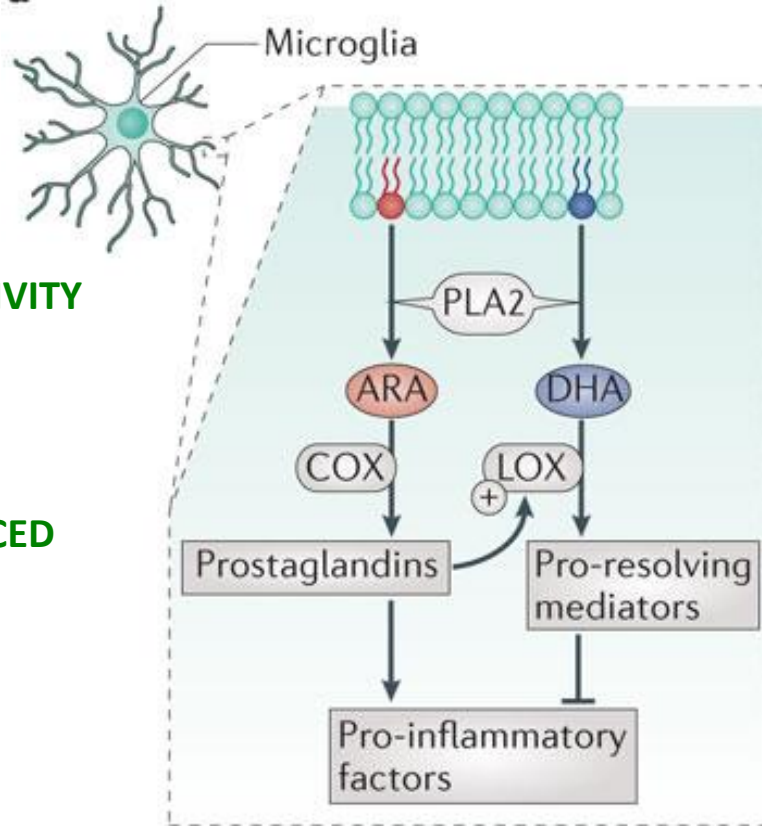
**5-oxoETE from AA**

# Dietary PUFAs influence microglia activity, synaptic plasticity and memory

## Low dietary n-3<sub>a</sub> PUFA

ALTERS MICROGLIA ACTIVITY

SENSITISE TO  
INFLAMMATION-INDUCED  
MEMORY DEFICIT



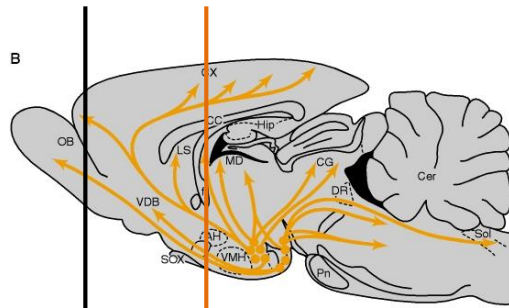
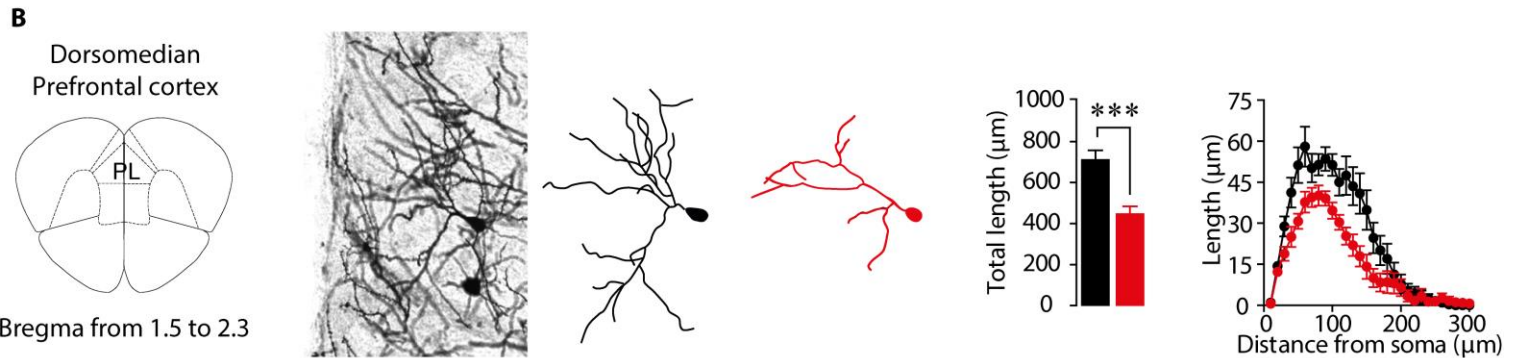
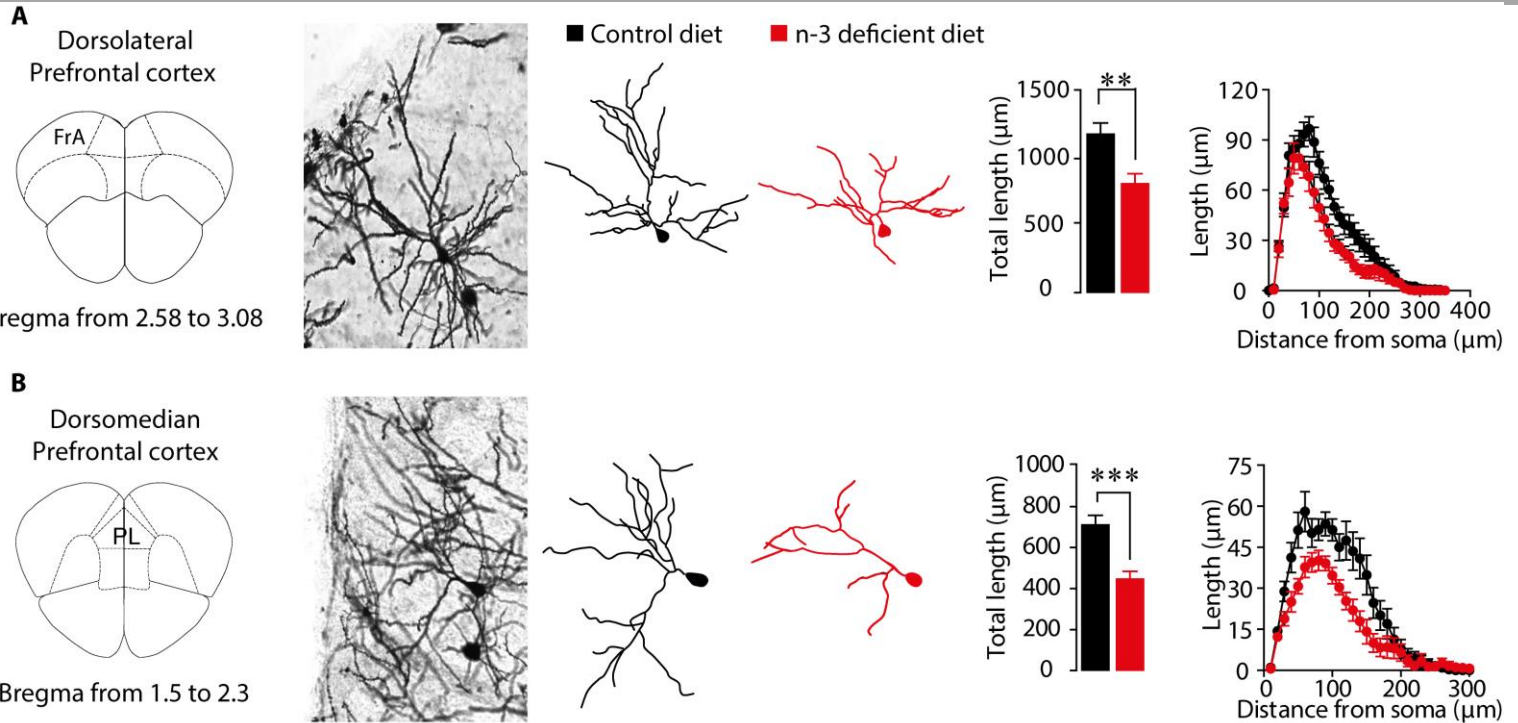
## High dietary n-3 PUFA

PROMOTES THE SYNTHESIS OF  
PRO-RESOLUTIVE OXYLIPINS  
FASTER RESOLUTION OF  
NEUROINFLAMMATION

TARGETS MICROGLIA

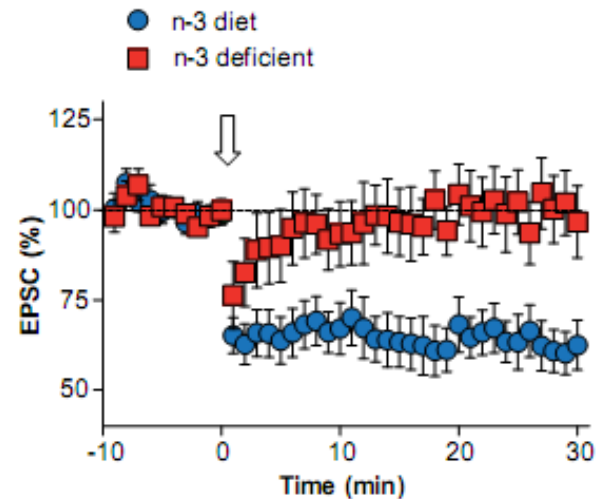
PROTECTS FROM  
INFLAMMATION-INDUCED  
MEMORY DEFICIT (LPS,  
AGING)

# Synaptic plasticity is impaired in the hippocampus, the prefrontal cortex and the nucleus accumbens of n-3 deficient mice



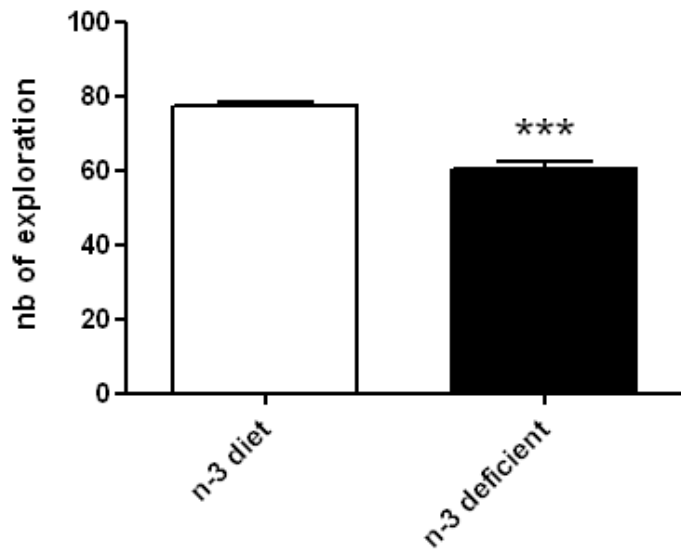
Prefrontal cortex

Nucleus Acc

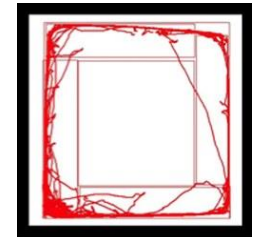
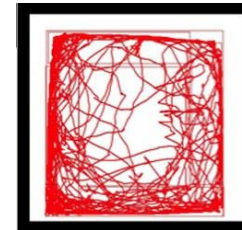
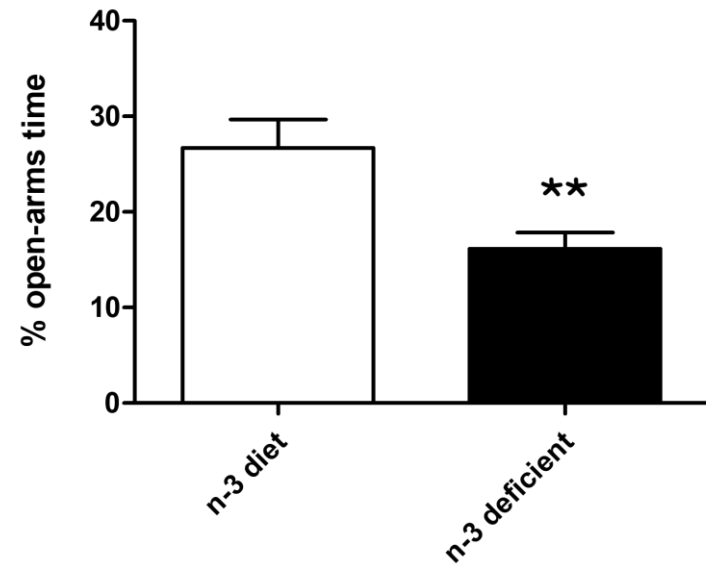


# Dietary n-3 PUFA deficiency impairs emotional behavior in mice

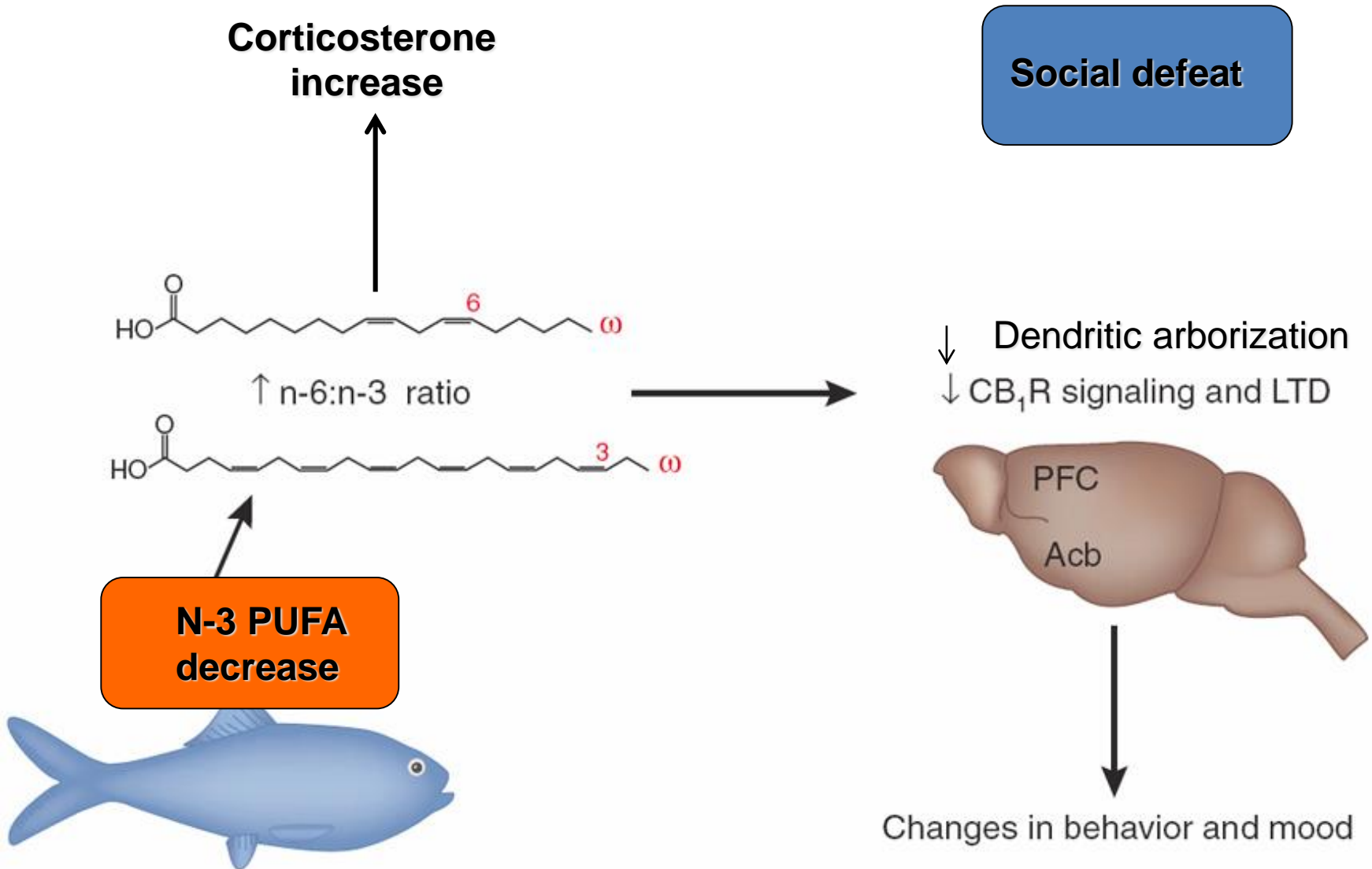
## Social behavior



## Anxiety-like behavior (Open-Field test)



# Conclusion





# A 2 months supplementation with LC n-3 PUFA improves Social defeat-induced dendritic arborization decrease

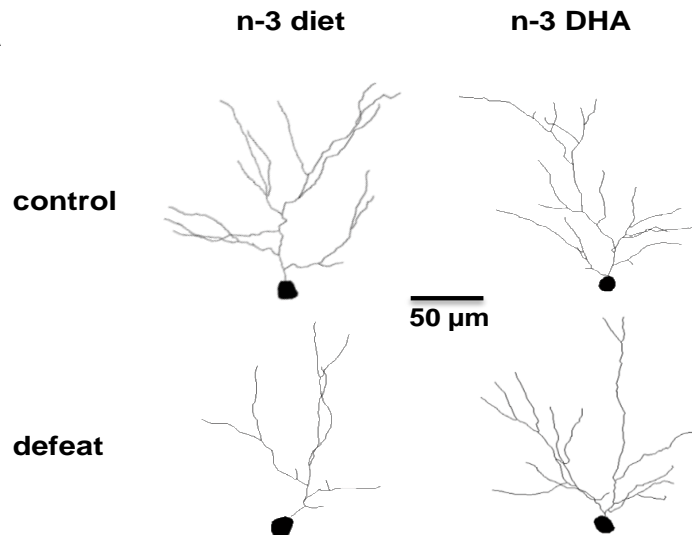
Control diet (n-6/n-3 = 5)

Supplemented DHA+EPA diet

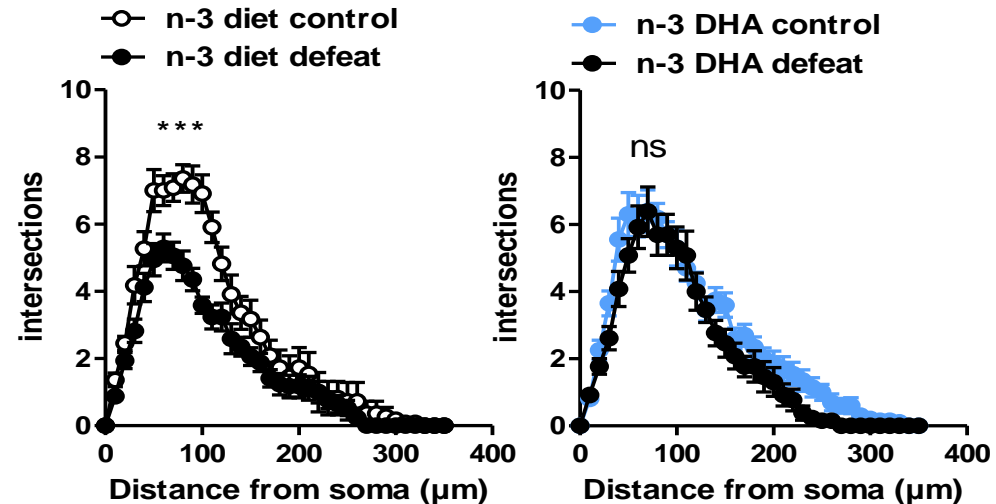


Chronic stress

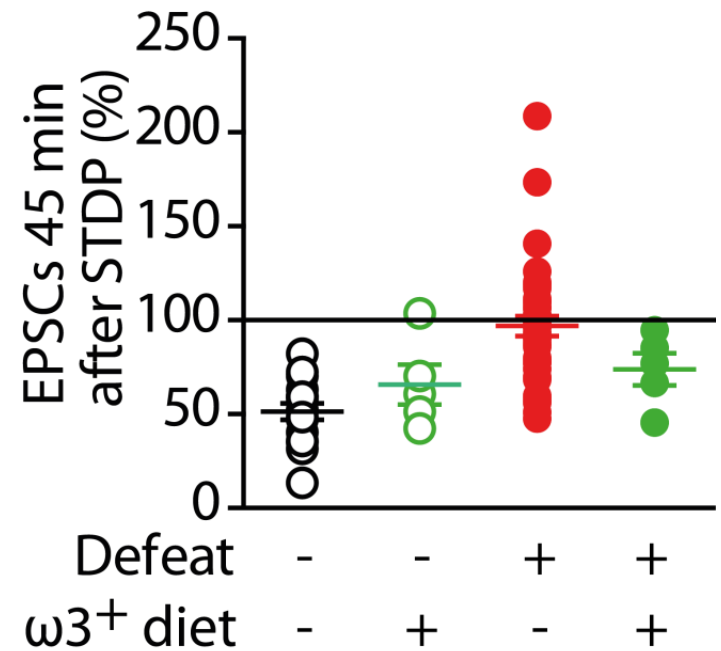
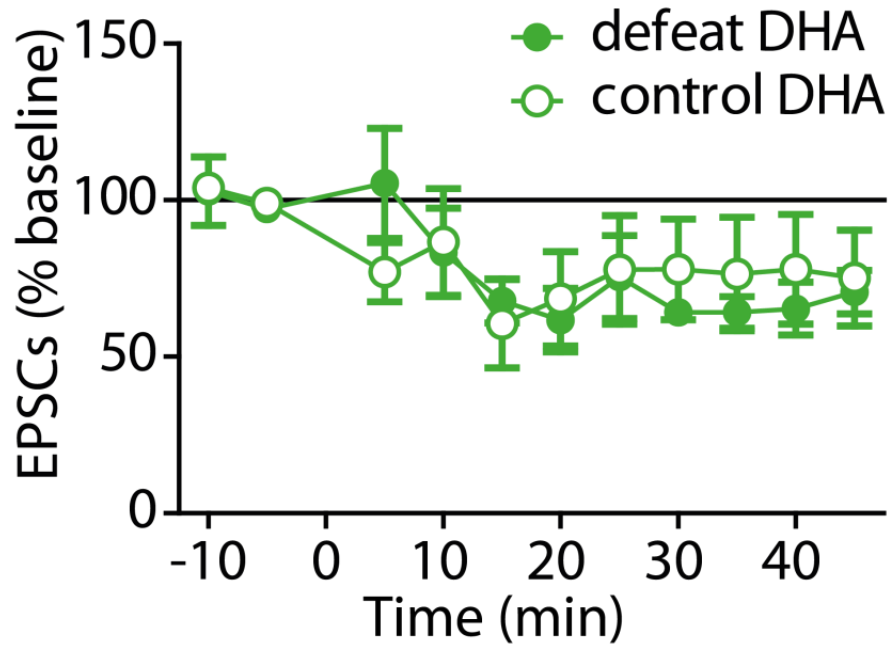
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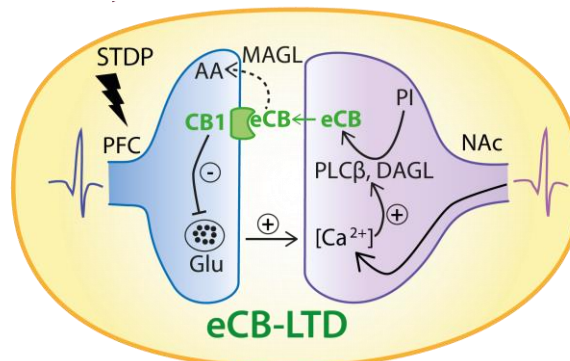
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# A 2 months supplementation with LC n-3 PUFA improves Social defeat-induced eCB dependent plasticity

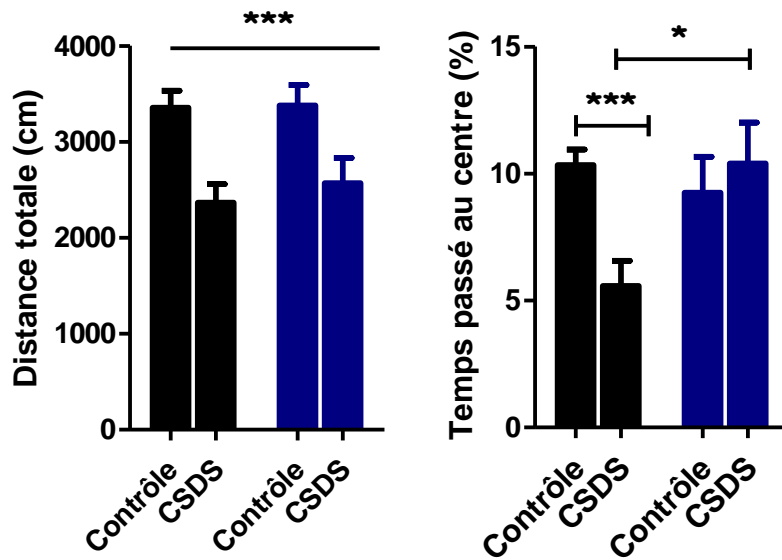


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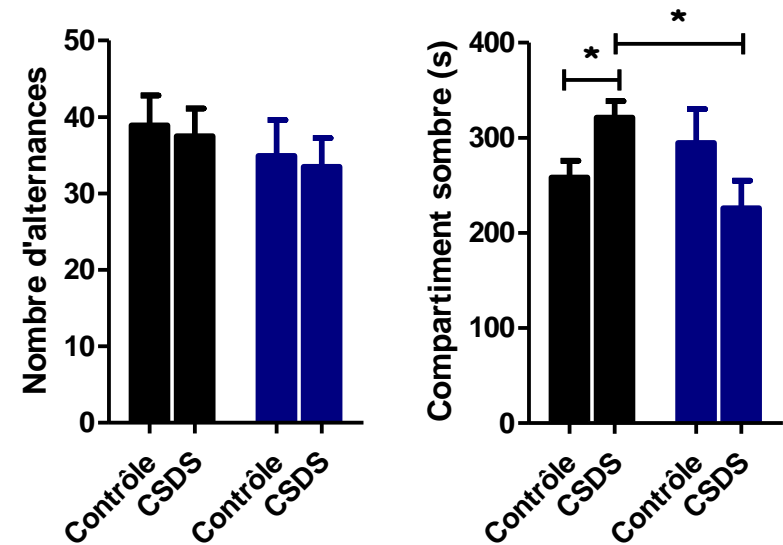


# A 2 months supplementation with LC n-3 PUFA improves Social defeat-induced anxiety-like behavior

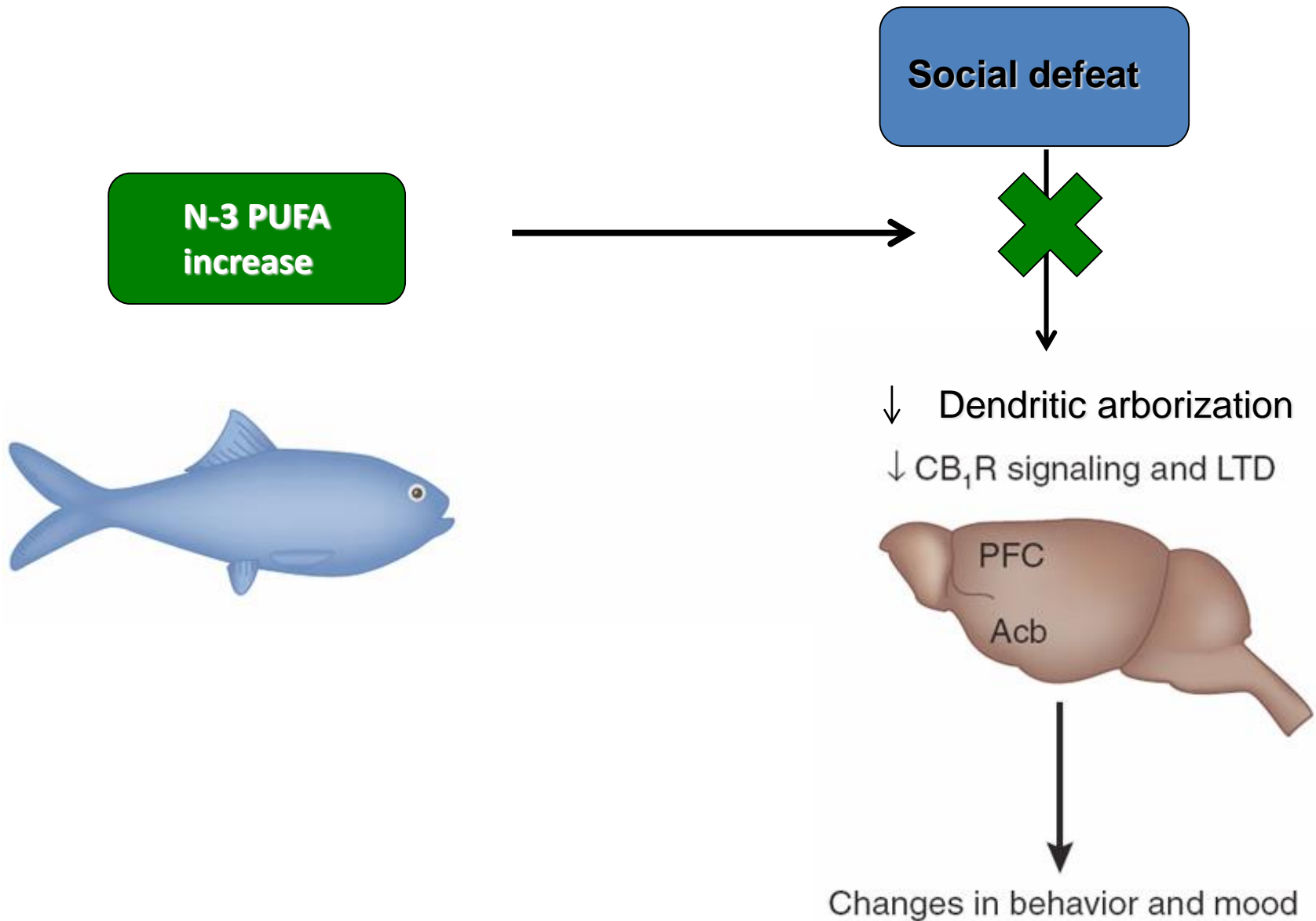
## Open field



## Dark-light box

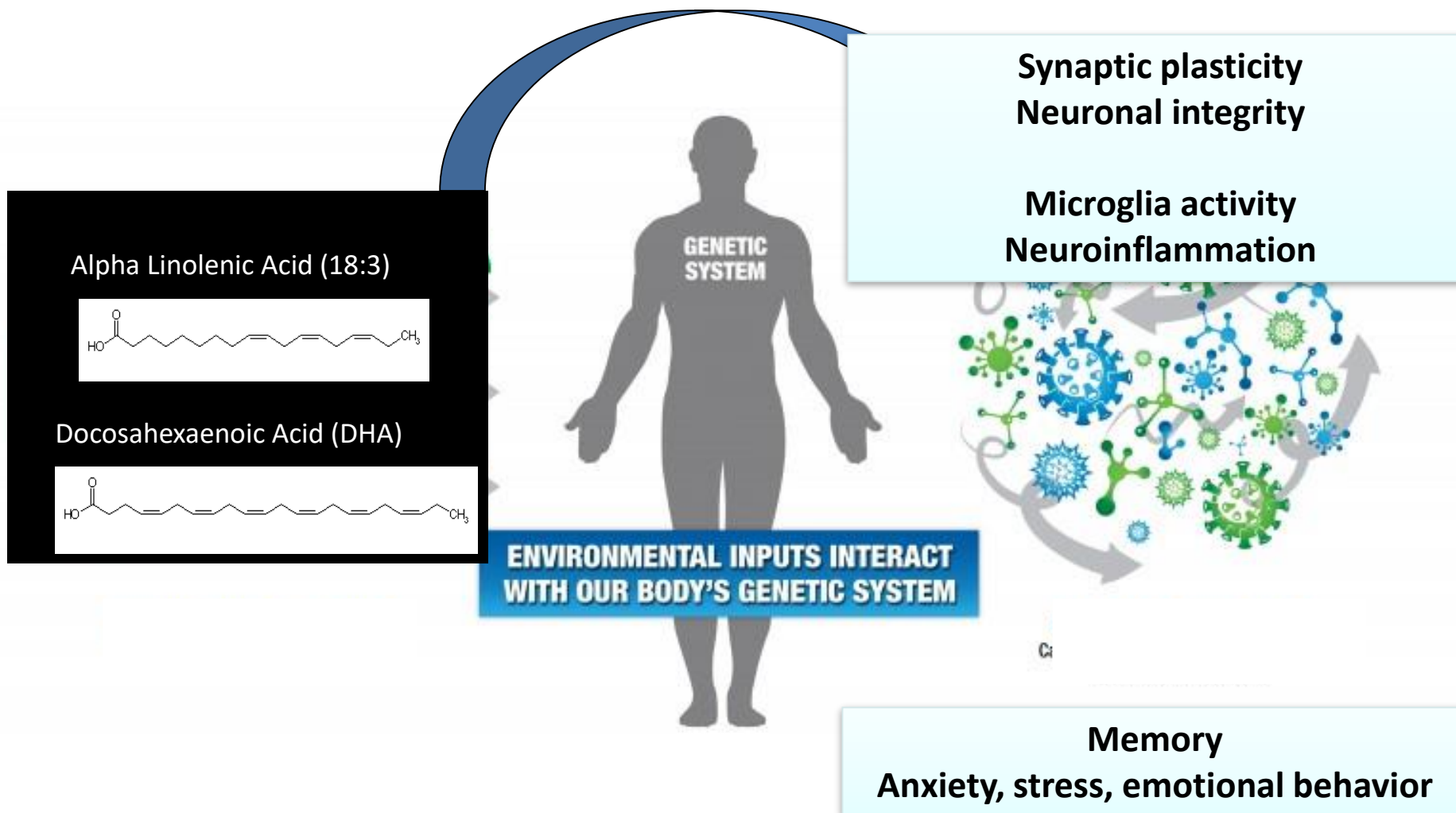


# Protective effect of DHA



(Larrieu, et al., 2014, Bosch-Bouju et al., in preparation, Bosch-Bouju et al., 2016)

# Dietary n-3 PUFAs modulate neuroinflammation, neuronal plasticity Memory, stress and anxiety







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