

**Table I. Characteristics of the women in PREWICE II. Data is presented as means  $\pm$  std. deviation or ratios. Fatty acid data are presented as medians and percentiles (10-90).**

		(n = 853)
Age, years		30.3 $\pm$ 4.9
Pre-pregnancy BMI <sup>1</sup> , kg/m <sup>2</sup>		25.8 $\pm$ 5.7
BMI $\geq$ 25 kg/m <sup>2</sup> , %		47
Total weight gain <sup>2</sup> , kg		12.3 $\pm$ 5.5
Weight gain in pregn., kg/week <sup>3</sup>		0.49 $\pm$ 0.2
Parity <sup>4</sup> , %		
	0	44
	1	36
	$\geq$ 2	20
Education <sup>5</sup> , %		
	Elementary school	11
	Technical/High school	30
	University education	35
	Higher academic	24
Marital status <sup>6</sup> , %		
	Married	24
	Living together	71
	Single	5
Smoking <sup>7</sup> , %		
before pregnancy	Yes	14
during pregnancy	Yes	5
Total concentration, $\mu$ g/ml		
EPA		19 (11-37)
DHA		74 (52-102)
EPA+DHA		94 (66-135)
Relative concentration, %		
EPA		0.7 (0.4-1.3)
DHA		2.7 (2.0-3.5)
EPA+DHA		3.4 (2.5-4.7)

<sup>1</sup> Information on pre-pregnancy BMI is missing for 22 women.

<sup>2</sup> Information on weight gain is missing for 45 women. Total weight gain is the difference between measured weight at first and last maternal care visit.

<sup>3</sup> Weekly weight gain is the total weight gain divided by number of weeks between first and last maternal care visit.

<sup>4</sup> Information on parity is missing for 6 women.

<sup>5</sup> Information on education is missing for 5 women.

<sup>6</sup> Information on marital status is missing for 21 women.

<sup>7</sup> Information on smoking is missing for 6 women. BMI: Body mass index. PREWICEII: Pregnant women in Iceland II.

**Table II. FFQ reported weekly intake of foods at 11th - 14th week of pregnancy and correlations<sup>1</sup> with total ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ ) and relative (%) EPA and DHA concentrations. Data presented as medians and percentiles (10th-90th).**

FFQ, Frequency per week	(n=853)				
	median (10 <sup>th</sup> -90 <sup>th</sup> percentile)	Total EPA+DHA Correlation	P	Ratio <sup>2</sup> EPA+DHA Correlation	P
All fish and Omega 3 supplements	7.5 (1.0-16.3)	0.34	<0.001	0.41	<0.001
All fish, cod liver oil and Omega 3 <sup>4</sup>	3.3 (0.9-14.7)	0.37	<0.001	0.46	<0.001
All fish	1.3 (0.4-3.0)	0.24	<0.001	0.28	<0.001
Fish, lean	1.0 (0.1-2.5)	0.18	<0.001	0.23	<0.001
Fish, fatty	0.3 (0.1-1.0)	0.24	<0.001	0.28	<0.001
Any omega 3 supplements	7.0 (0.4-14.2)	0.28	<0.001	0.35	<0.001
Cod liver oil and Omega 3 oil/capsules <sup>4</sup>	0.7 (0.3-14.0)	0.31	<0.001	0.40	<0.001
Cod liver oil	0.1 (0.1-7.0)	0.21	<0.001	0.27	<0.001
Omega-3 oil/capsules	0.2 (0.2-7.1)	0.19	<0.001	0.25	<0.001
Maternal multi-vitamin	0.1 (0.1-7.0)	0.01	0.835	0.001	0.977

<sup>1</sup> Spearman correlation.

<sup>2</sup> Relative FA concentrations as a ratio of total fatty acids.

<sup>3</sup> Does not contain the maternal multi vitamin.

FFQ: Food frequency questionnaire.

**Table III. Total and relative concentrations of EPA + DHA stratified by intake frequency for fish. Data presented as frequency and rates as well as medians and percentiles (10th-90th).**

		N, %	EPA+DHA, µg/ml	EPA+DHA, %
All fish	≥2 a week	35.1	100 (71-142)	3.7 (2.7-5.1)
	1 monthly - 1 weekly	55.9	90 (66-131)	3.3 (2.5-4.6)
	Never	9.0	87 (60-118)	3.0 (2.2-4.1)
	<i>P</i> <sup>1</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
Fish, lean	≥1 weekly	59.0	98 (70-139)	3.6 (2.6-4.9)
	1 monthly - <1x weekly	29.7	87 (64-128)	3.3 (2.5-4.6)
	Never	11.3	89 (62-132)	3.1 (2.3-4.5)
	<i>P</i> <sup>1</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
Fish, fatty	≥1 weekly	22.5	103 (68-144)	3.7 (2.8-5.2)
	1 monthly - <1x weekly	42.0	97 (70-137)	3.5 (2.7-4.9)
	Never	35.5	86 (61-122)	3.1 (2.4-4.3)
	<i>P</i> <sup>1</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>

<sup>1</sup> Kruskal Wallis test used to compare differences.

EPA: Eicosapentaenoic acid. DHA: Docosahexaenoic acid. FFQ: Food frequency questionnaire.

**Table IV.** Median and relative values of EPA and DHA for women taking different omega-3 supplements daily or more compared to those taking them less than daily or never.

	<b>median (10th-90th percentile)</b>	<b>N, %</b>	<b>EPA+DHA, µg/ml</b>	<b>EPA+DHA, %<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>Total Omega-3 supplements<sup>3</sup></b>	≥ Daily	50.4	102 (70-148)	3.7 (2.7-5.3)
	< Daily	12.5	89 (64-120)	3.3 (2.4-4.2)
	never	37.0	86 (62-118)	3.1 (2.4-4.0)
	<i>P</i> <sup>2</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
<b>Cod liver and Omega 3 oil/capsules</b>	≥ Daily	39.7	105 (72-151)	3.9 (2.8-5.5)
	< Daily	12.1	91 (66-128)	3.4 (2.5-4.5)
	never	48.2	87 (62-118)	3.1 (2.4-4.0)
	<i>P</i> <sup>2</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
<b>Cod liver oil/capsules</b>	≥ Daily	18.8	108 (76-157)	4.0 (3.0-5.6)
	< Daily	10.4	93 (66-128)	3.4 (2.6-4.7)
	never	70.8	91 (64-129)	3.3 (2.5-4.5)
	<i>P</i> <sup>2</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
<b>Omega-3 oil/capsules</b>	≥ Daily	27.5	103 (70-145)	3.8 (2.8-5.2)
	< Daily	6.8	92 (71-144)	3.5 (2.5-4.7)
	never	65.7	90 (64-130)	3.3 (2.5-4.4)
	<i>P</i> <sup>2</sup>		<b>&lt;0.01</b>	<b>&lt;0.01</b>
<b>Maternal multivitamin</b>	≥ Daily	17.1	98 (65-134)	3.4 (2.6-0.5)
	< Daily	5.3	88 (65-125)	3.2 (2.4-4.3)
	never	77.6	93 (66-136)	3.4 (2.5-4.8)
	<i>P</i> <sup>2</sup>		0.25	0.41

<sup>1</sup> Relative FA concentrations as a ratio of total fatty acids.

<sup>2</sup> Kruskal Wallis test used to compare differences.

EPA: Eicosapentaenoic acid. DHA: Docosahexaenoic acid.

**Table V.** The amount of EPA and DHA provided by the most used omega-3 supplements in Iceland according to information on the package.<sup>1</sup>

	<b>Icelandic Maternal multivitamin</b>	<b>Cod liver oil</b>	<b>Omega n-3 oil</b>
(mg)			
EPA	150	114	160
DHA	100	150	100

<sup>1</sup> Based on recommended daily intake of each supplement.  
EPA: Eicosapentaenoic acid. DHA: Docosahexaenoic acid.