

Table 1 Main fatty acid composition (% of total fatty acids) of catfish larvae fed on three experimental diets

Fatty acid	Catfish larvae fed on experimental diets		
	<i>Artemia</i> +Cyclopoids	Cyclopoids	<i>Artemia</i>
14:0	0.72 ± 0.02	0.63 ± 0.03	0.59 ± 0.0
Iso15:0	0.48 ± 0.03	0.59 ± 0.01	0.37 ± 0.03
15:0	0.86 ± 0.01	0.82 ± 0.02	0.80 ± 0.16
16:0	19.30 ± 0.31	20.36 ± 0.04	18.39 ± 0.73
Iso 17:0	0.39 ± 0.02	0.34 ± 0.04	N.D
17:0	1.15 ± 0.06	1.54 ± 0.02	0.92 ± 0.04
18:0	13.68 ± 0.11	15.54 ± 0.03	14.11 ± 0.45
ΣSFAs	36.59 ± 0.55	39.83 ± 0.19	35.18 ± 1.41
16:1n7	0.59 ± 0.01	0.36 ± 0.06	0.48 ± 0.06
16:1n5	3.44 ± 0.09	0.66 ± 0.02	3.35 ± 0.08
16:1n4	1.02 ± 0.02	0.91 ± 0.06	0.88 ± 0.05
18:1n9	11.55 ± 0.15	8.39 ± 0.12	11.49 ± 0.05
18:1n7	4.97 ± 0.01	2.24 ± 0.04	5.10 ± 0.05
ΣMUFAs	21.57 ± 0.28	12.55 ± 0.31	21.30 ± 0.3
18:2n6 (LA)	6.73 ± 0.09	5.37 ± 0.03	6.50 ± 0.37
18:3n3 (LNA)	2.11 ± 0.07	1.62 ± 0.01	1.45 ± 0.19
20:2n6	1.06 ± 0.0	1.28 ± 0.0	1.13 ± 0.05
20:3n6	2.11 ± 0.13	2.36 ± 0.01	1.98 ± 0.15
20:4n6 (AA)	6.24 ± 0.01	7.19 ± 0.13	6.20 ± 0.37
20:5n3 (EPA)	4.29 ± 0.18	2.80 ± 0.08	3.71 ± 0.01
22:5n6	1.17 ± 0.0	1.87 ± 0.04	0.93 ± 0.14
22:5n3	1.29 ± 0.10	1.18 ± 0.03	1.36 ± 0.02
22:6n3 (DHA)	15.96 ± 0.33	22.15 ± 0.05	14.58 ± 0.86
ΣPUFAs	40.95 ± 0.91	45.83 ± 0.38	37.85 ± 2.14
DHA/EPA	3.70	7.90	3.90
AA/EPA	1.50	1.60	1.70
DHA/AA	2.60	3.10	2.40

Note: N.D: Not Detected; ΣSFAs: Sum of Saturated Fatty Acids; ΣMUFAs: Sum of Monounsaturated Fatty Acids; ΣPUFAs: Sum of Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids; DHA: Docosahexaenoic Acid; EPA: Eicosapentaenoic Acid; AA: Arachidonic Acid; LA: Linoleic Acid; LNA: Linolenic acid