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# Evaluating the Impact of Omega-3 Supplementation intake on Creatine Kinase index after one Session of Resistance Training in Inactive Individuals

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#### Abstract

Creatine Kinase is an enzyme that consumes and metabolizes energy in the body, especially in the bloodstream. Although this enzyme is found in very low amounts, there are higher levels of this enzyme in different tissues. The main objective of the present study is evaluating the impact of omega 3 supplementation intake on CK index after one session of resistance training in inactive individuals. In this study, 40 patients with inactive women in Karaj, with an average age of  $28.16\pm2.45$  years, height  $161.58\pm3.45$  cm and weight  $59.97\pm4.30$  kg, randomly targeted in four groups of 10 patients (dose groups 2000, 3000, 4000 and placebo) were enrolled. Initially, the subjects participated in a place of resistance training and then practice immediately and 24 hours after their blood samples to estimate the rate of 5cc,LDH serum was used (pre-test). After a period of thirty days omega-3 supplementation in the form of two doses of thousand mg (for 2000), three doses of thousand mg (for 3000), and four doses of thousand mg (for 4000) per day received in capsule form. During this period, the control group received omega-3 free capsules. One day after the supplementation period, the test subjects were taken. For data analysis used from SPSS version 18. The results showed that omega-3 supplementation at a dose of 2000 no significant effect on the level of LDH in women, disabled, immediately after resistance exercise had (P>0.05). But the effect of supplementation with doses of 3000 and 4000 had a significant effect on the level of LDH in non-active women immediately and 24 hours after a resistance training (P<0.05). The effects of doses higher than the dose in 2000 was 3000 and 4000. According to the results, we can say that omega-3 supplementation for a month with a daily intake of 3000 or 4000mg/day for disabled women to be effective.

**Keywords:** Omega-3, Creatine Kinase, Resistance Training, Inactive Individuals.

#### Introduction

Resistance training is a type of resistance action, in which any attempt is made against a force that causes resistance in the athlete. In fact, resistance exercises are performed to increase the force and size of the skeletal muscle [1]. Musculoskeletal and muscular pain, emerging in two forms of acute and late, are some common complication of physical activity. This condition is an unpleasant status accompanied with pain, stiffness, and palpitations in the muscles. This complication usually occurs after extraterrestrial contraction and can occur in professional athletes and it will continue to affect their athletic activities and their proper function and result in an athlete's deprivation. Therefore, athletes and coaches should try to prevent and treat this problem. Unfortunately, there is still no proper approach to preventing and treating this muscular disorder. There are many theories about the causes and ways of preventing and treating this disorder; however, none of them are certain and more researches are required in this specific area [2].Creatinekinase is an enzyme that consumes and metabolizes energy in the body, especially in the bloodstream and it consists of two subunits; B subunit is specific to brain and M is specific to muscle tissues; when these two subunits are combined, three isoforms of BB-CK, MB-CK, and M-CK are formed [3], functioning in cerebrovascular cells or muscle myofibrium structures. Although this enzyme is found in very low amounts, there are higher levels of this enzyme in different tissues, with the highest rate being in cerebrospinal and the cerebrospinal fluids; this enzyme is absent in lupus and erythrocytes tissues [4]. Omega-3 fatty acids are from the family of fatty PUFAs acids. There are three types of omega-3 fatty acids that play essential role in the body; 20: 3 alphalinolenic acid: ALA is the only essential fatty acid that the body cannot synthesize; Eicosapentaenoic acid: EPA; 20: 5 and Docosahexaenoic acid: DHA; 22: 6, both of which are long chain fatty acids and can be used as a starting point for the synthesis of linoleic acid [5, 6]. Getting high levels of omega 3 fatty acid in your diet is known as a health donor in humans. Omega-3 fatty acid reduces blood lipids and has antiinflammatory, anti-arrhythmic, and regurgitation properties. Regular physical exercise has a moderate positive effect on body function, maintaining wellbeing and preventing illness. All those who engage in a very intense physical activity for the first time, experience pain, burning, or local sensitivity to stress in the muscle and surrounding areas; so, there have always been, and will be, subjects who have stopped physical exercise because of bodily pain and muscle cramp [7]. The present study was conducted to examine the impact of omega 3 supplementation intake on CK index after one session of resistance training in inactive individuals.

### **Materials and Methods**

The present semi-experimental, applied study was conducted using pre-test and post-test steps. The subjects included non-active women in the city of Karaj, with a BMI of 20<BMI<25kg/m<sup>2</sup> and an age range of 25 to 35 years old, who were non-smokers, without endocrine disease, diabetes, cardiovascular and immune system and blood pressure disorders, no alcohol, no excessive consumption of fish oil and omega-3 fatty acids, a history of recent tissue damage, and no history of taking suppressive drugs. The study subjects were categorized in four groups of 10, with

various dosages of 200, 3000, 4000 mg/day, and placebo. All information about patients, including general condition, health and well-being, medical records and medications, drug use, diet and daily physical activity, was evaluated. Considering the age and sex of subjects as factors affecting the factor studied, the age and sex of subjects were selected in a homogeneous manner. Required information was collected through a researcher-made questionnaire; measurement of body weight was performed at least 3 hours apart from a meal. In order to familiarize the subjects with the instruments and devices used, the subjects were invited to the sports hall to get familiar with the proper method of weight lifting and proper breathing technique one month before the beginning of the study. In order to determine optimal maximal repetition, the training of footprints, knee bending, knee flattening, chest pain, armpit movement and movement were abdominal performed using Technology, Italy Body Building Machine, equipped with a computer system with special software; Brzycki formulation was used for the calculation of required equations. An intensive physical activity session includes knee flexion, chest press, armpit movement, and abdominal movement performed by the subject with a 70% repetition of each movement. The rest interval between stations was 2 minutes. Additionally, 5 cc blood samples of all tested subjects were collected 30 minutes before exercise (at rest and after 12 hours fasting) and, then, immediately, and 24 hours after intense exercise program. In the next stage, supplement-receiving groups received three days of recovery and, then, took omega 3 intakes with two 1000 mg dosages for the first group, three 1000 mg dosages for the second group, and four 1000 mg dosages for the third group. One day after the completion of supplement intake period, the subjects were tested again at the current test site and under the same conditions of pre-test step. Collected data was analyzed through SPSS18 and chi-square tests [8-10], and P<0.05 was considered as significance level.

## **Findings**

40 subjects were examined in the present study. The highest mean age and height were  $29.42\pm2.11$  years and  $162.5\pm3.49$  cm and the lowest mean weight ad BMI turned out to be  $58.94\pm4.51$  kg and  $224.49\pm2.74$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>, which were related to the group receiving 4000 mg/day dosage; the highest BMI was related to the group receiving 3000 mg/day dosage (Table 1). The highest mean,  $3.82\pm0.43$ , of creatine kinase immediately after the exercise in the pre-test step was related to the group receipient of 4000 mg/day; the

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highest amount of this enzyme in the post-test step was related to placebo group, with a rate of  $3.55\pm0.34$ . The highest mean of creatine kinase in 24 hours after the pretest,  $2.02\pm0.28$ , and post-test,  $1.98\pm0.29$ , steps turned out to be related to placebo group (Table2). The results of the present study, also, showed that the impact of 3000 and 4000 mg/day dosages of omega3 supplementation turned to be significant on the level of creatine kinase enzyme of inactive women immediately after the exercise (P < 0.05)(Table3).

#### Table 1. Information on the age, height, weight, and BMI of studies subjects

Groups	Age (year)	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)	BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
Dose 2000	28.31±2.19	161.29±3.27	59.01±4.19	22.77±2.51
Dose 3000	27.83±2.85	160.74±3.14	60.70±4.43	23.71±2.12
Dose 4000	29.42±2.11	162.5±3.49	58.94±4.51	22.49±2.74
Placebo	27.08±2.67	161.8±3.90	61.23±4.70	23.57±2.80

**Table 2.** The level of CK in groups with different doses of omega-3 and placebo

Test ste	eps	CK level with a dosage of 2000	CK level with a dosage of 3000	CK level with a dosage of 4000	Placebo
Immediately	Pre-test	3.57±0.42	3.71±0.35	3.82±0.43	3.49±0.37
after training	Post-test	3.44±0.44	3.01±0.29	3.10±0.33	3.55±0.34
24 hours after	Pre-test	1.92±0.31	1.82±0.25	1.95±0.32	$2.02 \pm 0.28$
training	Post-test	1.83±0.30	1.51±0.19	1.57±0.27	1.98±0.29

Table 3. Comparison of the difference between the mean CK levels immediately after training in different groups

Index	Groups (I)	Groups (J)	Average Comparison	P-value
Creatine kinase	Dose 2000	placebo	0.07	0.081
	Dose 3000	placebo	0.64	0.003
	Dose 4000	placebo	0.66	0.003
	Dose 2000	Dose 3000	-0.57	0.004
	Dose 3000	Dose 4000	-0.02	0.149
	Dose 4000	Dose 2000	0.59	0.004

### Discussion

Having proper knowledge regarding appropriate exercises to successfully advance physical fitness programs and athletic skills is one of the major goals of physical education and sport research. One of the challenges ahead, is the pressure and force of exercises which, sometimes, causes injury, such as acute and delayed muscle bruising resulting from unusual exercise, in the athlete and his estrangement from sport and training environment [11, 12]. Acute bouts often occur during or immediately after an intense physical activity which, ultimately, causes fatigue, which is mistakenly associated with anemia and the accumulation of metabolic waste [13]. In fact, one of the causes of local fatigue is the accumulation of lactic

acid in active organs and the concentration of hydrogen ion in the blood [14]. Considering the role of enzymes and the effect of physical activity and the various consumables on them, the use of enzyme activity changes is very important in evaluation and diagnosis of diseases and tissue damage [15,16]. CK enzyme is one of the most well-known and most reliable clinical indicators, which is believed to increase the amount of the enzyme in the blood as damage to the heart-muscle cells in the body [16,17].In fact, unsaturated omega-3 fatty acids that are essential for the health of the body cannot be synthesized by body; therefore, they should be obtained through food or dietary supplements, the best source of which is fish, which contains more levels and groups of fatty acids [18].

Therefore, the present study was conducted to examine the impact of omega 3 supplementation intake on CK index after one session of resistance training in inactive women in the city of Karai. The results of the present study indicated an average age of 28.16±2.45 years, height of 161.58±3.45 cm, and weight of 59.97±4.30 kg in subjects. Also, omega-3 supplementation with a dose of 2000 mg/day did not affect CK levels in inactive women immediately and 24 hours post-exercise resistance (P>0.05). However, there turned out to be a significant relationship between 3000 and 4000mg/day doses of Omega-3 and CK levels immediately after exercise training and 24 hours later (P<0.05). based on the findings of Rodrigues et al study (2010), which was conducted to investigate the effect of upper resistance exercise with different rest periods on cell damage, 2 sessions of 3 sets resistance activity, with an intensity of 80% and 5 upper trunk movement, increased the level of CK serum significantly in untrained men, which was consistent with the results of the present study [19]. The results of Jouris et al study (2011), which was conducted to examine the effect of omega-3 fatty acidsupplementation on the inflammatory response to eccentric strength exercise, showed that one week intake of omega-3 fatty acids, modifies inflammatory markers, such as white blood cells, and asthma symptoms, such as the limb, after a session of extrinsic resistance in healthy adult men and women [20]; this is also consistent with the findings of the present study. In most studies that have investigated the effects of intense exercise and training, especially resistance exercises, on the level of activity of enzymes such as Creatine kinase, a significant change in these enzymes has been reported. It has been reported that resistance activity has been shown to cause ultrastructural damage to muscle cell counts, which results in the release of the intracellular content, including creatine kinase [21]. Overall, it seems that the use of dietary supplements can modify and eliminate the significant increase in the concentration of enzymes in the cellular and muscular damage of the athlete. As reported in studies, omega-3 fatty acids reduce cellular damage after adult ischemic conditions [22].

## Conclusion

The results of the present study showed that one session of resistance exercise is expected to increase the level of Creatine kinase in inactive women. However, the intake of omega-3 fatty acids with doses of 3000 and 4000 mg/day will prevent further increases in this index in supplemented athletes and,

therefore, can be a good way to prevent inflammatory and cell-mediated reactions in inactive women. It is recommended that inactive women use an omega-3 supplement for one month, immediately and 24 hours after intense resistance, with a daily dose of 3,000 or 4,000 mg/day, to prevent inflammation.

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