

Supplementary Table S 2: Summary of the main findings.

Biomarker	↑	No difference	↓
Oxidative stress			
MDA	2 studies: Ceylan, 2010; Elhadly, 2019	4 studies: Avcil, 2021; Kilany, 2022 (compared LD + ADHD vs. LD); Nasim, 2019; Verlaet, 2019	2 studies: Oztop, 2012; Spahis, 2008
8-OHdG		2 studies: Simsek, 2016; Verlaet, 2019(u)	1 study: Oztop, 2012
Total thiols	1 study: Avcil, 2017	1 study: Oztop, 2012	2 studies: Guney, 2015; Öğütlü, 2020
NO pool	2 studies: Ceylan, 2010; Jansen, 2020		
ADMA	1 study: Doneray, 2022		1 study: Jansen, 2020
GSH	1 study: Verlaet, 2019		1 study: Nasim, 2019
Lipid metabolism – selected markers; detailed in Table 2			
DHA	1 study: Spahis, 2008	4 studies: Chen, 2004; Gow, 2013; Grazioli, 2019; Henríquez-Henríquez, 2015a	8 studies: Chen, 2004; Colter, 2008; Crippa, 2018; Miklavcic, 2023; Mitchel, 1987; Parletta, 2016; Stevens, 1995; Yonezawa, 2018
EPA	1 study: Spahis, 2008	7 studies: Chen, 2004; Colter, 2008; Crippa, 2018; Gow, 2013; Grazioli, 2019; Henríquez-Henríquez, 2015a; Mitchel, 1987	3 studies: Parletta, 2016; Stevens, 1995; Yonezawa, 2018
AA	1 study: Spahis, 2008	5 studies: Chen, 2004; Crippa, 2018; Gow, 2013; Henríquez-Henríquez, 2015a; Spahis, 2008	8 studies: Chen, 2004; Grazioli, 2019; Miklavcic, 2023; Mitchel, 1987; Parletta, 2016; Stevens, 1995; Stevens, 1996; Yonezawa, 2018
n-3	3 studies: Crippa, 2018; Spahis, 2008; Stevens, 1995	5 studies: Chen, 2004; Gow, 2013; Henríquez-Henríquez, 2015a; Spahis, 2008; Stevens, 1996	2 studies: Chen, 2004; Colter, 2008
n-6	0 studies	7 studies: Chen, 2004; Colter, 2008; Gow, 2013; Henríquez-Henríquez, 2015a; Spahis, 2008; Stevens 1995; Stevens, 1996	0 studies
Amino acids metabolism			
Homocysteine	1 study: Yektaş, 2019	1 study: Rucklidge, 2019	1 study: Altun, 2018
Phe, Tyr		2 studies: Bergwerff, 2016(u+b); Skalny, 2021	2 studies: Bornstein, 1990 (only in plasma); Baker, 1991 (only in plasma, only Phe)
Hydroxyproline	1 study: Skalny, 2021		
L-cystine	1 study: Wang, 2021b		

Ammonia, lactate	1 study: Hasan, 2016		
Kynurenine pathway			
Trp	3 studies: Dolina, 2014(u); Evangelisti, 2017; Hoshino, 1985 (only free Trp)	4 studies: Bergwerff, 2016(u+b); Molina-Carballo, 2021(u+b); Sağlam, 2021; Skalny, 2021	1 study: Bornstein, 1990
KYN	2 studies: Evangelisti, 2017; Sağlam, 2021	3 studies: Kilany, 2022 (compared LD + ADHD vs. LD); Molina-Carballo, 2021(u+b); Oades, 2010a	
3-OH-KYN	1 study: Dolina, 2014(u)		2 studies: Oades, 2010a; Sağlam, 2021
AA		1 study: Molina-Carballo, 2021(u+b)	1 study: Evangelisti, 2017
KA	1 study: Dolina, 2014 (urine)	1 study: Sağlam, 2021	1 study: Evangelisti, 2017
QA		2 studies: Evangelisti, 2017; Molina-Carballo, 2021(u+b)	
Xanthurenic acid		1 study: Molina-Carballo, 2021(u+b)	1 study: Evangelisti, 2017
Neurotransmitters metabolism			
MHPG	1 study: Khan, 1981(u)	2 studies: Baker, 1993(u); Oades, 1998(u)	1 study: Shekim, 1987(u)
DOPEG			1 study: Hanna, 1996(u)
Metanephrine, NME	1 study: Konrad, 2003(u) (only NME)	2 studies: Baker, 1993(u); Khan, 1981(u)	
Homovanillic acid		1 study: Oades, 1998(u)	1 study: Shekim, 1987(u)
5-HIAA	1 study: Oades, 1998(u)	1 study: Oades, 2010a	2 studies: Chatterjee, 2022; Moriarty, 2011(u)
TIQ	1 study: Roessner, 2007(u)		
Other metabolic processes			
6-OH-MS	1 study: Büber, 2016(u)		
6-S-aMT		1 study: Molina-Carballo, 2013(u)	
Indolamines		1 study: Fernández-López, 2020(u+b)	
Agmatine	1 study: Sari, 2020		

(u) – urine levels; (u+b) – both urine and blood levels; if not specified, the reported results refer to levels in serum/plasma/RBCs