

Tocotrienols and Liver Health

Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) occurs when excess fat is stored in the liver, and is most commonly associated with obesity and metabolic syndrome.

Metabolic overload causes stress reactions in the liver, including oxidative stress and inflammatory pathways. Complications of the disease include liver fibrosis, cirrhosis, and liver cancer, with progressive cases requiring liver transplants. Clinical trials have proven that tocotrienol supplementation can protect the liver from non-alcoholic fatty liver disease.

Improves Liver Health Biomarkers

≈ **11%**
Reduction of
Triglycerides²

≈ **14%**
Reduction of
**Oxidative
Stress Marker
Malondialdehyde**²

≈ **18%**
Reduction of
**Inflammatory
High-Sensitivity
C-Reactive Protein**²

≈ **16%**
Reduction of
**Serum
Aminotransferases**²

Improves Liver Pathophysiology

≈ **50%**
Patients that had
**Lowered Model
for End-stage
Liver Disease
(MELD) Score**³

≈ **57%**
Reduction of
Liver Stiffness⁴

≈ **69%**
Patients with
**Improved Liver
Imaging Test Results
after Supplementation**⁵

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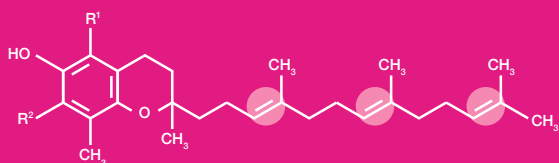
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Tocotrienols, The Extraordinary Vitamin E

Vitamin E is not just a single molecule, but a family of eight fat-soluble substances that are sub-divided into two classes of structurally-similar molecules. These two classes are tocopherol and tocotrienol, each of which have four structurally and chemically diverse molecules termed as alpha (α), beta (β), delta (δ), and gamma (γ) respectively.



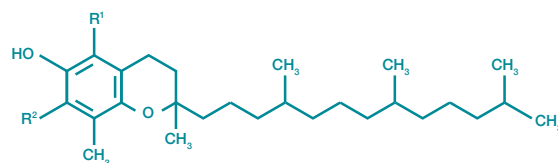
Tocotrienols have up to **60X more antioxidative potency** compared to α -Tocopherol, and have **unique anti-inflammatory properties** not seen in α -Tocopherol¹.



TOCOTRIENOLS

Tocotrienols have unsaturated isoprenoid side chains with three double bonds. This unique property gives it better flexibility with a higher efficiency of penetrating into the cell membrane. Tocotrienols are potent **ANTIOXIDANTS*** with unique **ANTI-INFLAMMATORY** properties.

α : $R' = CH_3$, $R'' = CH_3$
 β : $R' = CH_3$, $R'' = H$
 γ : $R' = H$, $R'' = CH_3$
 δ : $R' = H$, $R'' = H$



TOCOPHEROLS

Tocopherols, in contrast, have saturated side chains. They also function as antioxidants, but this chemical structure gives them a lower antioxidative capacity as compared to tocotrienols.

α : $R' = CH_3$, $R'' = CH_3$
 β : $R' = CH_3$, $R'' = H$
 γ : $R' = H$, $R'' = CH_3$
 δ : $R' = H$, $R'' = H$

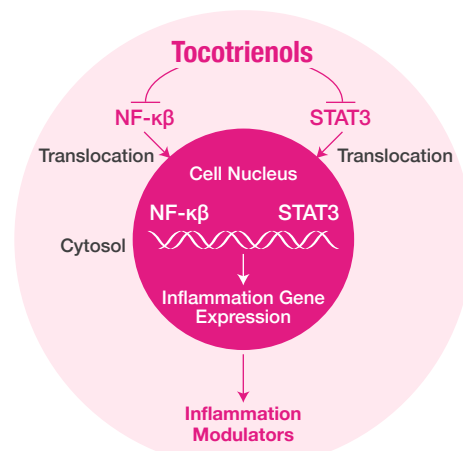
Tocotrienols have Unique Properties that Positively Impact Different Areas of the Body

Tocotrienols are naturally sourced from plant species like oil palm, rice and Annatto seed.

Each analogue of tocotrienol are functionally unique, with α -, β -, δ -, and γ -tocotrienol each exerting different beneficial effects on health and disease that are separate from the biological functions of α -tocopherol.



Potent Anti-Inflammatory Agent



Tocotrienols have pronounced and potent effects on NF- κ B (key master regulator of inflammation) and STAT3 (master inflammatory transcriptional factor) to reduce inflammation^{2,3,4}.

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