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Omega-3 Soybeans Approved By Food and Drug Administration

Biotech soybeans that produce oil containing omega-3 fatty acids - recommended for heart and brain health - is safe to eat, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has ruled. The decision means food companies can begin testing their food products such as baked goods and baking mixes, breakfast cereals, cheeses, frozen dairy desserts, pastas, meat and milk products, processed fruit juices and more. Up until now, fish oil has been the principal source of omega-3 fatty acids.



The activities of the U.S. Soybean Export Council to expand international markets for U.S. soybeans and soy products are made possible by producer checkoff dollars invested by the United Soybean Board and various State Soybean Councils, support from cooperating industry, and through the American Soybean Association's investment of cost-share funding provided by USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service.