

## Special Issue

# Factors Impacting Dietary Patterns in Infancy and Early Childhood

### Message from the Guest Editors

The food environment in infancy and early childhood is important not only for meeting nutritional needs, but also for establishing food intake patterns and eating behaviours that potentially set the tone for lifelong eating habits. The period from infancy to the age of 5 years represents multiple significant transitions and developments in food intake. As the food environment continues to evolve, research on these aspects of infancy and early childhood remains pertinent. This Special Issue in *Children* will focus on dietary patterns in infancy and among children under the age of 5 years, with particular focus on nutrient intakes, food and meal patterns, and food-related behaviours during this period. Contributions that examine the potential relationship between parental food intakes and behaviours and the intakes and behaviours of infants and children under 5 years are also welcome. Various types of articles, such as original research, articles on methodology, and reviews, will be considered for publication. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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