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Effects of Malnutrition of Immune Response

Message from the Guest Editor

According to the World Health Organization, "malnutrition refers to deficiencies, excesses or imbalances in a person's intake of energy and/or nutrients. The term malnutrition covers 2 broad groups of conditions. One is 'undernutrition'—which includes stunting (low height for age), wasting (low weight for height), underweight (low weight for age) and micronutrient deficiencies or insufficiencies. The other is overweight, obesity and diet-related noncommunicable diseases. Around 1.9 billion adults worldwide are overweight, while 462 million are underweight." Therefore, malnutrition represents a major medical problem that affects people of all ages and predisposes them to several diseases, affecting immune response. The scope of this Special Issue is to offer an updated view on the subject from different perspectives, including in vivo research on humans and animals, as well as in vitro research.

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