Special Issue

Effects of Diet and Nutrition on Gut Microbiota

Message from the Guest Editors

The gut microbiota, often termed the "second genome", critically influences the pathogenesis of metabolic diseases through metabolite exchange, immune modulation, and neuroendocrine signaling. Emerging evidence highlights that dietary patterns and specific nutrients can reshape microbial communities to improve host health. This Special Issue prioritizes the molecular mechanisms and clinical translation of dietmicrobiota-host interactions, with a focus on the following:

- Dynamic microbiota-metabolite mapping during disease progression and therapeutic target validation.
- Building machine learning models that leverage gut microbiota signatures to predict risks of hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and hyperglycemia.
- Multi-omics integration in precision nutrition strategies.
- Clinical translation of functional foods for metabolic disorders.

We welcome original research, reviews, and methodological papers from microbiology, nutrition, and clinical medicine to advance microbiota-guided precision nutrition. Submissions addressing mechanistic insights, clinical validation, or scalable interventions are particularly encouraged.

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