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Nutritional Pearls and Pitfalls of Gastrointestinal Diseases

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Dear Colleagues,

In recent years the nutritional approach to gastrointestinal diseases has gained a renewed and increasing popularity among both health care professionals and patients. Unfortunately, people usually tend to overestimate the positive effects of some compounds contained in food and/or underestimate the possible metabolic interaction of foods with the drugs they are currently taking. Moreover, many patients go on a diet, even purely on the basis of a personal whim or, even worse, following the suggestions of friends and relatives. This is usually done without any expert supervision regarding the diet's nutritional adequacy and therapeutic efficacy.

The aims of this Special Issue are to analyze the actual facts and the false beliefs regarding the possible positive and negative impacts of food and, in general, of the dietary approach to many different gastrointestinal diseases. It will hopefully be able to help physicians and, in general, health care professionals to detect false opinions and misconceptions, and suggesting a more correct and healthier nutritional approach on the basis of scientific evidence

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