# **Special Issue**

# Health Benefits and Potential Risks of the Ketogenic Diet as a Nutritional Strategy

# Message from the Guest Editors

We are pleased to present this new Special Issue on "Health Benefits and Potential Risks of the Ketogenic Diet as a Nutritional Strategy". Ketogenic dietary therapies (KDTs) are high-fat, moderate-protein, lowcarbohydrate dietary therapies, inducing ketosis. KDTs are a well-established treatment for drug resistant epilepsy (DRE) and GLUT1 deficiency syndrome (GLUT1-DS), while several other clinical applications in other neurological diseases are still under investigation. Recently, KD has also been widely used and studied for metabolic-endocrine disease (e.g., obesity, type 2 diabetes, etc), with different mechanisms of action and goals. As all the dietary therapies, KDTs can have health benefits (e.g., seizure/symptoms control, cognitive improvements, reduced inflammation, metabolic control) as well as potential risks, including short-term GI disturbances or long-term detrimental effect on bone health, dyslipidemiae or nutrition deficiencies, etc. This SI seeks for original papers and reviews (including metaanalysis and umbrella-reviews), case reports related to KDTs use as a nutritional strategy giving new insights to improve KDT knowledge and clinical practice.

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