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The Effects of Ketogenic Diet on Human Health and Disease

Message from the Guest Editors

The ketogenic diet was originally used for treatment of refractory epilepsy. After several decades, the ketogenic diet is now considered a popular strategy for losing weight and improving metabolic disorders as well. However, beyond "simple" weight loss, many other applications are emerging, including neurodegenerative disorders, fatigue, and cancer. At the same time, although it is considered generally safe, more research should explore the relationship between the keto diet and blood pressure, kidney stones, and increased risk of heart disease. Furthermore, several symptoms, such as an upset stomach, dizziness, decreased energy, and mood swings caused by your body adapting to ketosis, are also common. Based on this, the primary goal of the work should be to explore the effects of a ketogenic diet and, consequently, ketosis on various aspects of human health, ranging from athletic performance to aging, and medical conditions such as obesity, diabetes, palliative care, autoimmune conditions, neurodegenerative disease, and cancer, among others.

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