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# Sex Differences in Energy Metabolism and Nutritional Requirements in Exercise and Sport

## Message from the Guest Editor

Sex differences in energy metabolism and nutritional requirements are increasingly recognized as critical factors influencing not only athletic performance, but also exercise-related health outcomes across the lifespan. Biological distinctions in substrate utilization. hormonal regulation, and body composition create unique challenges and opportunities for tailoring dietary strategies to men and women engaged in either competitive sports or recreational exercise. Moreover, sex-specific considerations extend beyond macronutrient needs to encompass micronutrient adequacy and the efficacy of dietary supplements, which may impact recovery, adaptation, and long-term health differently in women and men. Despite growing interest, gaps remain regarding our understanding of how sex hormones, training status, and life stages interact with nutrition and supplementation strategies. This Special Issue seeks to advance the field by bringing together cutting-edge research on sex-specific energy metabolism, dietary requirements, supplementation practices, and their implications.

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