

Special Issue

Maternal Nutritional Status and Infant Development

Message from the Guest Editors

The prenatal and early postnatal periods have been revealed as critical stages of development where nutritional and other environmental factors may have a profound influence on health. Among other factors, maternal conditions during these critical stages of development can affect child growth and long-term health outcomes.

In this Special Issue “Maternal Nutritional Status and Infant Development”, we welcome papers focusing on the link between maternal nutrition and infant development. This includes original animal and human research, cohort studies, and systematic reviews/meta-analyses. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the impact of maternal micronutrient deficiencies, the role of dietary patterns, and the influence of breastfeeding practices.

Understanding how maternal nutrition shapes infant health is crucial for designing effective interventions that can promote optimal development and prevent disease across generations.

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