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Vitamin A, Infectious Diseases and the Immune Function

Message from the Guest Editors

Vitamin A was known, almost 100 years ago, as the 'antiinfection vitamin'. The important role of vitamin A in the immune system, and how vitamin A can contribute towards better health remained obscure for many decades. In the last decade of 20th century, high dose vitamin A supplementation for children living was introduced in many developing countries as a strategy to reduce child mortality, even though underlying mechanism were not completely understood. Recent research has revealed that the effect of vitamin A on the immune system is complex, and outcomes in terms of health benefits depend on many other factors. To summarize recent developments in vitamin A. infectious diseases and the immune system, a Special Issue of the journal Nutrients is currently inviting papers covering these topics.

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