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Nutritional Management in IBD: From Malnutrition Diagnosis to Targeted Therapy

Message from the Guest Editor

Protein-energy malnutrition affects approximately 75% of patients with active Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD), particularly those with Crohn's disease. Unfortunately, nutritional improvement is often overlooked as a therapeutic objective in IBD management. Furthermore, clinical practice presents diverse IBD patient populations, including the following: a) well-nourished patients with quiescent disease; b) well-nourished patients with mild-to-moderate disease: c) well-nourished patients with severe diarrhea and high intestinal losses: d) well-nourished patients with intestinal strictures and symptoms of intestinal obstruction; and e) malnourished patients or those at risk of malnutrition. Each of these populations requires tailored dietary management. The purpose of this Special Issue is to emphasize the following points: i) at the time of IBD diagnosis, patients should undergo immediate nutritional screening using GLIM criteria as specific monitoring parameters; ii) personalized nutritional therapy must be included among the therapeutic objectives of a treat-to-target approach for all IBD patient types.

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