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The Influence of Prebiotics and Probiotics on the Microbiome– 2nd Edition

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This Special Issue seeks new scientific evidence that addresses health concerns and opportunities related to the modifications of the microbiome. We seek rigorously designed and controlled studies that evaluate the influence of prebiotics and/or probiotics on the microbiome. Our goal is to provide a stronger base of scientific information for the consumer, and professionals who advise them on diet. Both professionals and consumers are undoubtedly confused about the value and risks of prebiotics and probiotics present in the diet due to the limited scientific bases behind many of the claims. We continue to observe significant interest in the ability of prebiotics and probiotics to alter the intestinal microbiome, with the goal of improved health. Research in this area has incredible potential to affect metabolic disease, inflammatory responses, nutrient availability, and a wide range of additional health challenges. We seek welldesigned trials that evaluate the roles of prebiotics, probiotics, and their combinations in affecting a variety of health risks.

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