



Editorial Dietetics—A New Open Access Journal

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Food is inarguably a vital key to our survival as humans. Throughout history, civilizations have prospered or declined as the result of farming, agriculture, and the availability of food. Now more than ever throughout the world, people have increased access to a variety of food for themselves and their families. However, this era of abundance has come at a great cost, impacting the health and quality of life of a vast majority. The prevalence of chronic disease conditions such as obesity, heart disease, hypertension, type 2 diabetes, and many types of cancers, all have modifiable risks that stem from poor nutrition practices.

The field of dietetics is a leading force in tackling health issues across the human lifespan from pediatrics to gerontological nutrition, disease prevention and management, and everything in-between. Registered Dietitians/Nutritionists (RDNs) rise up to meet the global dynamics of diversity and the nutritional challenges of cultural influence, providing expertise and guidance that support positive health outcomes. As we move forward into the future, the need for credentialed health care professionals such as RDNs will continue to be in high demand. *Dietetics* [1] will remain an essential element in the translation and communication of findings from the scientific community and bridging the gap between the science of nutrition and the real-world practice of healthy eating.

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