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# Prospects for Human Health and Precise Nutrition - Biotechnology and Value-Added Processing in the Development of Novel and Traditional Functional Foods

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Functional foods are traditional or novel foods or dietary components that are considered to have health benefits in addition to providing basic nutrition. Thus, functional foods can help to reduce the prevalence of diseases by optimizing and regulating the capacity of the human microbiome and immune system to prevent and control both infections caused by pathogens, and pathologies resuled by functional alterations in the host. Some of the main types of functional foods, in addition to fermented conventional ones, include fruits and vegetables, whole grains, soy, nutraceuticals, probiotics, prebiotics, and synbiotics. Scientists worldwide are currently working on different facets of food production to provide information related to the functionality of food components, modern methods of production, and other health-related aspects. Food scientists work to integrate data related to traditional food products, unique recipes from local communities' food perception into human health, and pathways to the sustainability of modern nutrition to develop a strategy for integration and harmonization all our multifaceted knowledge in the area of "personalized and healthy" nutrition













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