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# Maternal Diet, Epigenetic Mechanisms and Metabolic Programming

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Dear Colleagues,

Maternal diet and nutritional factors affect various aspects of metabolic programming. These changes are induced in early life, and may alter the phenotype later in life, influencing the development of metabolic diseases and neurodevelopment. In particular, dietary imbalances during pregnancy may affect neurodevelopment during the sensitive period, thereby increasing the susceptibility of offspring to neurological diseases (e.g., stroke and vascular dementia).

In this Special Issue, original articles and reviews addressing the effects of maternal diet and nutrition on metabolic programming and potential mechanisms of maternal epigenetic regulation of gene expression that have persistent effects on offspring health and development are welcome.

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