

Editorial Introduction

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On behalf of the Board, I am delighted to announce the launch of Volume 4, Issue 7 of the first journal dedicated to the African countries and Mediterranean region "The North African Journal of Food and Nutrition Research (NAJFNR)". An open access and international peer-reviewed journal, which publishes original (not previously published) work of exceptional quality and interest and which intends to give a wide-ranging coverage of research, views, and reviews on nutrition and its effects in relation to human health and disease. The NAJFNR will include all nutrition field research in humans and various disease model organisms and will be of interest to the basic researcher as well as to physician scientists and clinicians.

Sixteen (16) main specialties are involved:

- Food Composition and Dietary Intake Assessment;
- Epidemiology, and the Prevalence of Related Disorders such as Obesity, Diabetes, Dyslipidemias, etc.;
- Biochemistry and Cellular Metabolism of Nutrients;
- Dietary Strategies and Nutrition Education;
- Food Security and Challenges;
- Food Behavior and Quality of Life;
- Public Health Policy & Health Economics;
- Nutrition and Cancer;
- Food Chemistry and Engineering;
- Human and Clinical Nutrition;
- Food Processing and Packaging;
- Nutrition, Physical Activity and Sport;
- Infant, Child, and Adolescent Nutrition;
- Nutrition and Immune-regulation;
- Nutrition and Reproduction;
- Food Environment and NCDs;

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In this journal, we offer an opportunity for scientists across various disciplines in human nutrition and metabolism to share their knowledge and expertise to a wider range of audience. All articles will be accessible without any access boundaries to all internet users worldwide. The journal will certainly be competing head-on with a number of existing subscription based journals but clearly there is a niche for this new journal.

The *NAJFNR* has been recently indexed in interesting databases such as African Index Medicus and Arabic Impact Factors and has got 1.78 this year.

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