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# "DIET AND HEALTH IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY: GUIDING PRINCIPLES FROM LACTATION TO BIG DATA"

By

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#### **Abstract**

The first great age of nutrition identified the essential nutrients and deficiency diseases. The next great age is beginning to address diet in a broader perspective. Individuals differ in nutritional needs and in responses to foods, thus a personalized approach to diet will be central to solutions to the problems of human health and diet related disease. Diagnosing and curing diseases have scientific and commercialization models, preventing diseases do not. Prevention means literally improving the health of healthy individuals. How will science identify the biological processes on which to act? Measurement of individuals will evaluate baseline individual health status and monitor effectiveness of diets. Each person's health is determined by overall diet, not individual foods or even meals. There is an opportunity to build a knowledge based healthcare and food industry to develop new assessment, monitoring, dietary management, and food products to move individuals away from disease and toward aspirational health.

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