



## Dietary Interventions in Companion Animals and Prevention of Nutrition Disorders

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Dear Colleagues,

The prevalence of overweight and obese companion animals has been increasing over the years, and the health risks associated with excess weight can have serious consequences for pets. Excess weight can cause numerous health problems, including diabetes, joint problems and heart disease all leading to a decreased life expectancy. Apart from obesity, several other nutritional disorders can adversely affect the health of animals. Malnutrition, can arise due to inadequate intake of essential nutrients or poor absorption of nutrients, leading to weakened immune systems, stunted growth, weight loss, and other related health problems. In addition, animals may suffer from vitamin and mineral deficiencies that can cause skin and coat problems, anemia, and weakened bones. Overconsumption of specific nutrients, can also result in dehydration and electrolyte imbalances. The health of the animals can also be harmed by the intake of potentially toxic substances and contaminants. It is crucial to provide a well-balanced diet to prevent these disorders from occurring. Owners and experts must address this issue with effective interventions and prevention strategies.





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