As ASN’s exclusively open access journal, *Current Developments in Nutrition* (CDN) is seeking proposals to launch an exciting new series of *Special Collections*. These solicited collections will target timely topics of interest to the community of nutrition scholars.

This call for proposals is directed to the Research Interest Sections (RIS) within the ASN membership. Each RIS is encouraged to engage their membership as well as researchers outside of ASN to develop one or more proposals. Multiple RIS groups also may collaborate on joint proposals.

CDN expects to help fund 5-6 proposals. Top-rated proposals will qualify for 100% waiver of open access publication fees. Other proposals may receive 25–50% discounts in article processing charges beyond standard member rates.

**Selection criteria** will include timeliness of the topic, quality of the proposed papers, alignment with CDN scope, and credentials of the guest editor(s). In addition, the Special Collections will be publicized with banner ads, highlighted on the journal and society webpages, and promoted via social media.

The general expectation is that each collection would contain 4–8 papers that could include a combination of review papers and original research papers. Additional *ad hoc* manuscripts may be submitted to the selected collections but will be subject to publication charges. Peer-review of manuscripts will be chaperoned by a Guest Editor nominated within the proposal. The guest editor will be trained on CDN’s manuscript processing website, and will be responsible for manuscript evaluation, reviewer selection, and overall publication recommendations to CDN editors. Guest editors will also be invited to write editorials to expound upon the importance of the research area addressed by the collection.

Proposals will be received until midnight September 14, 2020. Funding decisions will be made by September 30 with expectation that manuscripts will be submitted within 6 months -- by March 26, 2021. Failure to submit manuscripts by the established deadline could jeopardize publication fee discounts.

Page two outlines required information to submit a proposal via the web.

Submit proposals and guest editor CV’s here: nutrition.org/cdn-2020
Direct questions to: jodle@nutrition.org
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*Current Developments in Nutrition*
Below is an outline of information that will be required for submitting a proposal. This is provided so that you can assemble the necessary information prior to submitting your proposal online at nutrition.org/cdn-2020.

I) Proposal Submitted by:

First Name:           Last Name:
Email:            Telephone:
Institutional Affiliation:
RIS group(s):
Has proposal been shared with RIS chair? Y/N

II) Title of the Special Collection:

III) Editors:

Suggested CDN Deputy Editor:
Suggested CDN Academic Editor:
Proposed Guest Editor (at least 1):

Guest Editor 1: (required)
A) Summarize scientific and editorial credentials. (300 words).
B) Attach CV including a statement regarding conflicts of interest (COI link).
   Limit CV to 6 pages using NIH biosketch format.

Guest Editor 2: (optional)
A) Summarize scientific and editorial credentials. (300 words)
B) Attach CV including a statement regarding conflicts of interest (COI link).
   Limit CV to 6 pages using NIH biosketch format.

IV) Summary: Introduce and summarize the collection. Describe the rationale for and focus of the proposed collection. Limit to 500 words.

V) Keywords: (assign up to 8 words or phrases)

VI) Anticipated manuscripts: CDN expects the collections to range from 4-8 papers in length. Provide an outline containing the prospective titles, authors, and institutional affiliations for each paper in the collection. Identify the corresponding author for each manuscript and provide their email address. Include a short (<200 word) draft abstract for each manuscript describing its central focus and contribution.