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A great practical and interesting opinion review on neurogenic bowel management in patients with spiral cord injury.



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This manuscript provides an extensive review of diet in neurogenic bowel management associated with spinal cord injury (SCI) and NBD. Based on the presented data the authors summarize the suggested intakes of carbohydrate and protein (Table1), as well as outline the exercise pyramid for individuals with SCI. This well-structured manuscript suffers from diffuse, rambling and excessively long "Abstract". Accordingly, this section should be rewritten to provide the clear purpose of the article, results, and summary. The paper also requires some English grammar corrections (see under Conclusion, "and pointed out" instead "and points out").



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This manuscript provides an overview on the dietary management of neurogenic bowel dysfunction associated with spinal cord injury. Specific comments: Page 14: "Cystain-C-based estimated glomerular filtration rate" - do you mean "Cystatin-C-based estimated glomerular filtration rate"? Page 21: "sport drinks (containing 5–8% CHO, 10–35mM sodium, 3–5mM) during exercise" - please complete the ingredients. A linguistic/stylistic revision is required; e.g., "which can occurs in individuals with SCI at or above the T6 level" (page 7), "The use of cranberries (particularly juice) are widely recommended to prevent and treat UTI, even if evidence related to the prevention of UTI are inconsistent" (page 15), "recognized as an important components in therapy and rehabilitation" (page 16), etc. Moreover, the readability should be improved (e.g., page 15: "On the other hand, the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Panel on Food Additives and Nutrient Sources Added to Food, considering the possible association between the consumption of (-)-epigallocatechin-3-gallate (EGCG, the most relevant catechin in green tea) and hepatotoxicity, concluded that: although catechins from green tea infusion (prepared in a traditional way and reconstituted drinks with an equivalent composition to traditional green tea infusions: EGCG from 90 to 300 mg), are in general considered to be safe, doses equal or above 800 mg EGCG/d has been shown to induce a statistically significant increase of serum transaminases") - and please use paragraphs in the Abstract.



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Comments for ESPS Manuscript NO 53694 This article is interesting. There are no major comments, but there are some minor defects needed to be revised. 1. The Abstract of this paper is too verbose and should be concise. 2. The mistakes in English grammar and words have been revised. For example, under Discussion, "...able body athletes..." should be changed to "...able-bodied athletes..." .