



Nutrition Management in Elderly with Diabetes Mellitus: Literature Review

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Abstract. Diabetes often occurs in the elderly who have become a great social burden. The effects of diabetes are weakness, cognitive dysfunction which is closely related to the aging mechanism. Nutritional management is one of the therapeutic diets as the cornerstone of diabetes treatment based on healthy and wise dietary guidelines. The purpose of this study was to determine the nutritional management of the elderly in diabetes mellitus. The research method used is a literature review and to select studies using the PRISMA Checklist protocol and PICOS format To determine the articles to be reviewed from Googlescholar and PubMed, 15 articles were found that met the criteria indicating that nutritional management in the elderly with diabetes mellitus must consider the quality of health (health status, activity, functional and psychological status), nutritional intake (vitamins, minerals, and fiber).), and changing eating habits by following a healthy diet.

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1. Introduction

Diabetes Mellitus is a disease caused by inadequate control of blood sugar levels. Diabetes mellitus has many subclassifications, including type 1, type 2, young adult-onset diabetes (MODY), gestational diabetes, neonatal diabetes, and steroid-induced diabetes (Sapra & Bhandari, 2021). The incidence in 2019 is estimated at 37.3 million or 11.3% of people in America suffer from diabetes mellitus and 1.9 million people have type 1 diabetes, including approximately 244,000 children and adolescents who are diagnosed or undiagnosed (ADA, 2018). Complications of diabetes often occur due to microvascular and macrovascular complications due to increased blood sugar levels, so dietary management is needed in order to prevent complications and a consequent increase in knowledge, attitudes and dietary practices leading to better disease control. (Khazrai et al., 2014). The elderly have two-thirds of the diabetes population by 2025 who are at risk of coexisting chronic conditions such as hypertension, dyslipidemia, and cardiovascular disease that affect nutritional needs. The problem of achieving and maintaining optimal body weight in elderly diabetics is not as easy as in other age groups (Rizvi, 2009). Diabetes in the elderly increases the risk of suboptimal nutrition, and malnutrition (Sanz-París & Lardiés-Sánchez, 2019). In Indonesia, the prevalence of diabetes mellitus is ranked 7th as a country with the highest number of around 10.7 million people (Lestari, 2021). The prevalence of diabetes at the age of 20-79 years globally in 2019 was 9.3 percent and in the North Sumatra region, 1.8 percent had been diagnosed with DM (Manao, 2021). Elderly with diabetes mellitus, often experience poor and irregular eating patterns that cause a very drastic drop in blood sugar levels. Low fluid intake in the elderly can also cause dehydration, and will result in the disease experienced. Nutritional and dietary assessments should be part of the elderly personal care plan (Hartono, 2021). The increase in prevalence due to being overweight in the elderly has an impact on insulin resistance and hyperglycemia which tends to require long treatment. Excess and underweight in diabetics can signal nutritional status that causes increased morbidity and mortality if nutritional guidelines are not adjusted to the needs of diabetic patients. diabetes can cause problems accompanied by changes in appetite, food delicacy, dietary restrictions, loneliness, and depression that can affect the type and amount of food consumed by diabetics (Rizvi, 2009). Nutritional problems experienced by people with diabetes mellitus can be overcome by performing nutritional management. Nutritional management is an integral component of nutritional therapy and diabetes self-management education (Marion et al., 2002). This is the nutritional management of the elderly with diabetes mellitus is a topic that will be carried out in this literature study. The purpose of this study is to determine the nutritional management of the elderly with diabetes mellitus based on several literature studies references.

2. Research Methods

a. Study protocol

The protocol in this study used the PRISMA statement (Moher et al., 2009) and the Joanna Briggs

Institute (JBI) Reviewer's Manual (JBI, 2020).

b. Inclusion and exclusion criteria

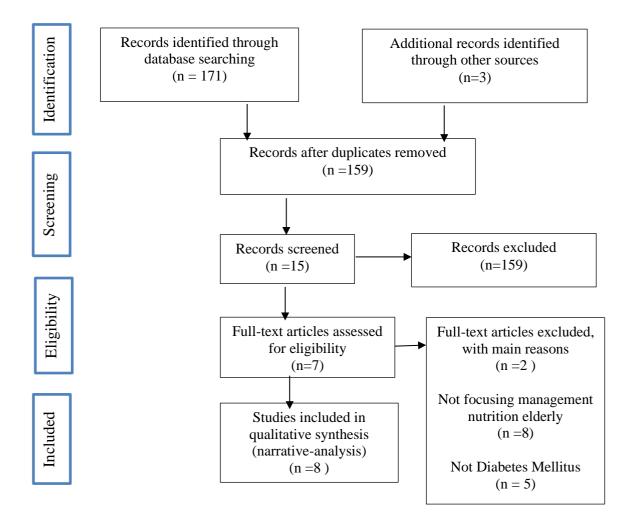
The inclusion and exclusion criteria in this study used the PICOS format (Bettany-Saltikov, 2010). This study included all quantitative studies related to the nutritional management of diabetes mellitus in the elderly. The approach in this systematic review looks at the extent to which the results of previous research differ and do not involve qualitative research because there is far from empirical evidence that would contradict each other. This is to avoid heterogeneity and complexity of integration.

Criteria	Inclusion	Exclusion
Population	Elderly or older people	Non- Elderly or older
		people (e.g. newborn
		baby, toodler, and infant).
Interventions/	Nutrition management for	Not nutrition
Phenomenon of	elderly with diabetes mellitus	management for elderly
interest		with diabetes mellitus
Comparators	Standard practice, alternative	No limitations
	intervention, and no	
	comparator	
Outcomes	Outcome for nutrition	No limitations
	management with diabetes	
	mellitus for elderly	
Study design and	Published, peer-reviewed,	Qualitative studies, case
publication types	systematic review of	studies and single expert
	quantitative studies,	opinion
	randomized clinical trials,	
	quasiexperimental studies	
	and observational studies	
Publication years	From January 2018 – January	Not from 2018- January
	2022	2022
Language	In English	Not in English

Table 1 Inclusion and exclusion criteria using the PICOS form	exclusion criteria using the PICOS format
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c. Search strategy

This systematic data goes through a three-stage process in identifying relevant articles (JBI, 2020). The first phase is electronic databases (PubMed, Proquest, Google Schoolar) used to determine keywords that match the title and abstract. The second stage performs a specific search using keywords to identify potentially relevant articles. The last stage, manual search from the



list of research references by identifying articles published from January 2018 to January 2022.

FIGURE 1. PRISMA flow diagram (Moher et al., 2009)

d. Study screening and selection

A search study using keywords namely nutrition management, elderly with diabetes mellitus found 18700 articles in a Google Scholar search. However, no selection has been made according to the inclusion criteria, namely articles resulting from peer reviews, systematic reviews of quantitative studies, randomized clinical trials, quasi-experimental studies and observational studies. After the selection, it was found that 15 articles that met the inclusion criteria from 171 manually selected articles that looked at keywords.

e. Critical assessment

This article's critical assessment uses PICO analysis which looks at the research objectives, research design, and results that have been compiled specifically looking at the keywords of the article to be reviewed.

f. Extraction and synthesis of data

The data was synthesized using a structured data extraction table (JBI, 2020) consisting of the

author's name, year, study design, method and results.

3. Research Results

The 15 (fifteen) articles reviewed are presented in the following table:

No	Author	Title	Design & Sample	Intervention	Result
1	Sesti, G., Antonelli Incalzi, R., Bonora, E., Consoli, A., Giaccari, A., Maggi, S., Paolisso, G., Purrello, F., Vendemiale, G., & Ferrara, N. (2018) PMCID: PMC7693664 PMID: 33139628 https://www.ncbi.nlm .nih.gov/pmc/articles/ PMC7693664/	Manageme nt of diabetes in older adults. (Sesti et al., 2018)	Peer- Review Sample Older Adults with Diabetes	Pharmacologic al treatment should be carefully determined and monitored taking into account the patient's cognition, side effects of the drugs given and physical activity and nutritional evaluation of the elderly with diabetes.	 The main strategies in people with diabetes mellitus are: Considering needs, possibilities and risks when carrying out treatment Perform a comprehensive geriatric assessment to explore social status and support in activities of daily living Drug-dependent hyperglycemic therapy HbA1c goals must be in accordance with the rules Monitor RCT indications Close monitoring and adjustment of hypoglycemic therapy is required.
2	Silvana Linhares de Carvalho, Marilia Araripe Ferreira, Juliana Mineu Pereiira Medeiros, Anne Caroline Ferreira Queiroga, Tatiana Reboucas Moreira, Francisca Diana da Silva Negreiros.(2018) Doi: <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1</u> 590/0034-7167-2017- 0064 Proquest: <u>https://www.proquest</u> .com/docview/20527 74269/2FF659E3251 74A63PQ/1?accounti d=50257	Conversati on map: an educationa l strategy in the care of elderly people with diabetes mellitus (Carvalho et al., 2018)	A descriptive qualitative study, an experience report, was conducted at a dedicated outpatient clinic for diabetics in Fortaleza, Ceara Brasil. Total sample of 72 users who participate d in this study	The patients are pre- selected at two different moments: 1. The patient's medical record is reviewed the day before the consultation with the endocrinologis t 2. Screening of films on the day of consultation, in which patients with a certain degree of decompensatio	Participants talk about issues that were not discussed in private consultations and are able to see for themselves through other people's stories, thereby realizing that they are not alone and that others are experiencing the same difficulties. Through empathy and the stories of others, participants build knowledge and practice for everyday life. Final Considerations: Conversation maps enable professionals to empower patients with diabetes, promote self- care and ensure better control of disease, to

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				presence of complications are sought.	onset of associated complications.
3	Tamura, Y., Omura, T., Toyoshima, K., & Araki, A. (2020) PMID 33139628 PMCID: PMC7693664	Nutrition manageme nt in older adults with diabetes: A review on the importance of shifting prevention strategies from metabolic syndrome to frailty (Tamura et al., 2020)	The study in this study was peer- reviewed in the elderly with diabetes mellitus	 Obesity: Setting an Appropriat e BMI Range Metabolic Syndrome Sarcopeni c Obesity Changes in Body Weight 	There are no clear standards for changing the diet strategy of people with diabetes. This is highly considered for those aged over 75 years, because they have the potential to have weakness or sarcopenia, malnutrition and require prevention, social support, exercise and control of blood sugar levels.
4	Chen, T. L., Feng, Y. H., Kao, S. L., Lu, J. W., & Loh, C. H. (2022)	Impact of integrated health care on elderly population: A systematic review of Taiwan's experience. (T. L. Chen et al., 2022)	Systematic review, elderly	This study reviewed 34 studies with a total of 838,026 subjects studied. The study involved 11 sub themes, namely diabetes, chronic kidney disease, hepatitis C, fractures, cancer, dementia, atrial fibrillation, COPD, mechanical ventilation, terminal illness, outpatients and community- dwelling patients.	The implementation of integrated health care could not only provide benefits on survival, self-care ability, health quality, physical, and functional rehabilitation outcomes, but also significantly reduce medical utilization and expenditures.
5	Ji-Yeon Choi, Jieun Shin, Seunghui Baek PMID 3491887 PMCID: PMC8483364	Gender- based compariso n of factors affecting regular exercise of patients with Non- insulin Dependent Diabetes	A total of 1,432 patients with NIDDM were recruited using raw data from the Korea Health and Nutrition	The Korea National Health and Nutrition Survey	General characteristics, behavior and health conditions, NIDDM patients in Korea are less physically active. In addition, patients with higher educational attainment, higher income, and higher subjective health conditions had higher odds ratios for regular

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		Mellitus (NIDDM) based on the 7 th Korea National Health and Nutrition Examinati on Survey (KNHANE S) (Shin, 2019)	Survey conducted between 2016 and 2018. SAS 9.4 was adopted for data analysis, and distributio nal differences were measured by multi- nominal logistic regression and the Rao-Scott x2 statistic to identify factors that affect the patient's routine physical activity, the analysis of which provides only association s.		exercise. Meanwhile, the ratio was lower for smokers and those who were stressed.
6	Raveendran, A. V., & Misra, A. (2021) PMCID: PMC8317446 PMID 34384972	Post COVID-19 Syndrome ("Long COVID") and Diabetes: Challenges in Diagnosis and Manageme nt. Diabetes and Metabolic Syndrome:	Sistematic Review, elderly	This research study reviews several articles related to "Post COVID- 19 Syndrome and diabetes mellitus in PubMed and Google Scholar.	Elderly with a history of diabetes mellitus will affect the pathophysiological mechanism of Covid- 19 and can worsen tachycardia, sarcopenia and microvascular dysfunction in the elderly.
7	James, P. T., Ali, Z., Armitage, A. E., Bonell, A., Cerami, C., Drakesmith, H., Jobe, M., Jones, K. S., Liew, Z., Moore, S. E., Morales- Berstein, F.,	Synarome: The Role of Nutrition in COVID- 19 Susceptibil ity and Severity of	Systematic review on the elderly	This study collects information related to 13 nutritional components and their potential	High doses of micronutrient supplements will prevent severe illness and speed up recovery. In addition, there is strong evidence that prevention of obesity

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	Nabwera, H. M., Nadjm, B., Pasricha, S. R., Scheelbeek, P., Silver, M. J., Teh, M. R., & Prentice, A. M. (2021). PMCID: PMC8194602 PMID 33982105	Disease: A Systematic Review (James et al., 2021)		interactions with people with COVID- 19, obesity, protein energy malnutrition, anemia, vitamins A, C, D, and E; PUFAs; iron; selenium, zinc, antioxidants; and nutritional support.	and type 2 diabetes will reduce the risk of serious COVID-19 outcomes.
8	Chika Horikawa, Rei Aida, Shiro Tanaka, Chiemi Kamada, Sachiko Tanaka, Yukio Yoshimura, Remi Kodera, Kazuya Fujihara, Ryo Kawasaki, Tatsumi Moriya, Hidetoshi Yamashita, Hideki Ito, Hirohito Sone, dan Atsushi Araki Pubmed: <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.n</u> <u>lm.nih.gov/33670045</u> / DOI: 10.3390/nu13020689 PMID: 33670045 PMCID: PMC7926689	Sodium Intake and Incidence of Diabetes Complicati ons in Elderly Patients with Type 2 Diabetes – Analysis of Data from the Japanese Elderly Diabetes Interventio n Study (Horikawa et al., 2021)	This study investigate d the association between sodium intake and diabetes complicati ons in a national cohort of elderly Japanese patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus aged 65-85 years. From the data of 912 respondent s regarding food intake at the beginning, it was analyzed and assessed by the frequency of the food questionna ire based on food groups.	Sodium Intake and Incidence of Diabetes Complications in Elderly Patients	The primary outcome was time to diabetic retinopathy, manifest nephropathy, cardiovascular disease (CVD) from all causes of death over six years. Researchers found that the average sodium intake in the quartiles ranged from 2.5 grams to 5.9 grams/day. After adjustment for confounders, no significant association was observed between the quartiles of sodium intake and the incidence of diabetes complications and mortality except for a significant trend for an increased risk of diabetic retinopathy (P=0.039), among patients whose vegetable intake was less than a mean of 368.7 grams. The hazard ratios (HR) for diabetic retinopathy in patients in the second, third, and fourth quartile were 0.87 (95% CL, 031–2.41), 2.61(1.00–6.83) and 3.70. (1.37-10.02), respectively. The findings suggest that sodium intake is high.
9	Chen, R., & Chen, G. (2022). https://doi.org/10.101 6/j.jfutfo.2022.06.001	Personaliz ed nutrition for people	Systematic review, elderly	Reviewing several articles related to diabetes	Blood glucose levels change in response to the same standard of food in different
	https://www.scienced irect.com/science/arti	with diabetes		nutrition	people. This suggests that interactions of diet

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	cle/pii/S27725669220 00416	and at risk of diabetes has begun (R. Chen & Chen, 2022)			genome, gut microbiome, gut transit time, insulin sensitivity, cultural, social, and economic factors must be considered to achieve dietary interventions through nutritional integration.
10	Guilherme Pena, Beatrice Kuang, Prue Cowled, Stuart Howell, Joseph Dawson, Ross Philpot, dan Robert Fitridge Pubmed: <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.n</u> <u>lm.nih.gov/31871826</u> / PMID: 31871826 PMCID: PMC6918841 DOI: <u>10.1089/wound.</u> <u>2019.0973</u>	Micronutri ent Status in Diabetic Patients with Foot Ulcers (Pena et al., 2020)	Approach: A prospectiv e cohort study of diabetic patients with foot ulcers seen in multidiscip linary foot clinics throughout Adelaide or admitted to the Vascular Surgery Unit at Royal Adelaide Hospital between February 2017 and September 2018. A total of 131 patients were included in the study. Serum plasma levels of vitamins A, C, D, and E, copper, zinc, and ferritin were measured. Demograp hic and clinical data, including BMI,	These studies have shown that micronutrient deficiencies, especially vitamin D, vitamin C, zinc, and vitamin A, are common in diabetic patients with foot ulcers.	The most common nutritional deficiency is vitamin D. affected 55.7% of patients. Suboptimal vitamin C levels affected 73% of patients, consisting of marginal levels at 22.2% and deficiency rates at 50.8%. Zinc deficiency, vitamin A deficiency, and low ferritin levels were found in 26.9%, 10.9%, and 5.9% of patients, respectively. There is no correlation between BMI, grip strength, duration of diabetes, HbA1c, or smoking status with micronutrient deficiencies. Increased severity of diabetic foot disease was associated with lower vitamin C levels (p = 0.02).

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			diabetes		
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1	Satoru Yamada,	Dietary	This study	This study	286 articles were identified related to
	Yusuke Kabeya, Hiroshi Noto	Approache s Patients	was conducted	identified related dietary	
	Pubmed:	with	by	restrictions in	dietary energy restriction, which the
	https://pubmed.ncbi.n	Diabetes:	searching	people with	majority of respondent
	lm.nih.gov/30104491	A A	the	diabetes	were with type 2 DM.
	/	Systematic	MEDLINE	mellitus.	There were no articles
	<u>/</u> PMID 20104491	Review	, EMBASE	memtus.	describing
	PMCID	(Naito et	and Japan		side effects of energy
	PMC6116111	al., 2019)	Medical		restriction. Five article
	DOI:	,,	Abstracts		were excluded from th
	10.3390/nu10081080		Society		systematic review
			(JAMAS)		because (a) counseling
			databases		(b) feeding, and (c)
			from		periodization were
			baseline to		evaluated under the
			30 June		same level of energy
			2017		restriction in the three
			identifying		studies; one study
			studies		assessed the effects of
			related to		very strict energy
			dietary or		restriction during
			energy restriction.		hospitalization (1000
			Exclusion		kcal/day); while others did not evaluate the
			criteria		energy restricted diet.
			applied in		After excluding these
			this study:		five studies, the
			1) non-		remaining two
			Japanese		randomized controlled
			data, 2)		trials (RCTs) were
			non-		assessed in our
			diabetic		systematic review. The
			patient		two selected articles
			data, 3)		were fairly
			other		homogeneous in terms
			dietary		of the degree of energy
			approaches		restriction. Both studie
			, 4)		adopted a carbohydrate
			unpublishe		restriction diet as a
			d data		control group. The
			(including		sample sizes in these
			abstracts		two studies were 24
			presented		and 66.
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			according to the		
			recommen		
			dations of		
			the		
			Medical		
			Informatio		
			n Service Distributio		
			n Network.		
2	Laura Adam, Colleen	Evaluating	This study	The	Results: Significant
	O'Connor, Alicia C.	the Impact	used a	intervention	differences in changes
	Garcia	of Diabetes	random	was carried	in knowledge and
	Pubmed: <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.n</u>	Self- Manageme	method in determinin	out using a pretest and	attitudes scores were observed from
	<u>lm.nih.gov/29449096</u>	nt	g the	post-test	primary/early
	/	Education	sample and	questionnaire	education and after 3
	- PMID 29449096	Methods	found 21	that compared	months. Both groups
	DOI	on	respondent	before and	experienced a
	10.1016/j.jcjd.2017.1	Knowledg	s who fit	after the	significant reduction in
	1.003	e, Attitude,	the criteria.	education	A1C levels from
		and Behavior		session.	baseline to 3 months thereafter. The focus
		of Patients			groups revealed simila
		with Type			themes for both groups
		2 Diabetes			such as the benefits of
		(Evert et			early education, the
		al., 2019)			need for lifestyle
					behavior change and
					feelings about social support.
3	Emily Burch, Lauren	Dietary	This study	After	Patients with type 2
	Ball, Mari	intake by	reviews 4	screening	diabetes do not follow
	Somerville, Lauren T	food group	electronic	13,662	the recommended food
	Williams	of	data	publications,	groups as
	PubMed:	individuals	sources	11 studies	recommended; fruits,

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	https://pubmed.ncbi.n lm.nih.gov/29329777 / PMID 29329777	with type 2 diabetes mellitus: A systematic review (Burch et al., 2018)	namely MEDLINE , EMBASE, CINAHL and Web of Sciences with samples over the age of 18 years with five main food groups (fruits, vegetables, dairy, grains and meat/meat alternative s).	were included. All research data are cross- sectional.	vegetables, milk and grains.
14	Erika Leung, Supakanya Wongrakpanich, Medha N Munshi (2018) PMID 30140140 PMCID: PMC6092888	Diabetes Manageme nt in the Elderly (Leung et al., 2018)	Sistematik review for older people	Reviews of some articles	Counseling to avoid carbohydrate consumption which aims to reduce blood glucose levels and perform sports activities taking into account the patient's physical ability, for example 5-10 minutes or two to three times a day doing leisurely walks.
15	Vincenzo Bellizzi, Patrizia Calella, Julia Nava Hernandez, Veronica Figueroa Gonzalez, Silvia Moran Lira, Serena Torraca, Rocio Urbina Arronte, Pietro Cirillo, Roberto Minutolo, Rafael A Montufar Cardenas PubMed: https://pubmed.ncbi.n lm.nih.gov/29743031 / PMID: 29743031 PMCID: PMC5944089	Safety and effectivene ss of low- protein diet supplemen ted with ketoacids in diabetic patients with chronic kidney disease (Bellizzi et al., 2018)	Prospectiv e study in CKD patients with DM and without DM	This study provides the metabolic and nutritional effects of a low protein (0.5-0.6 g/kg/day), normal energy (30-35 kcal/kg/day) diet supplemented with miracle keto acids (LPD-KA) prospectively.	In diabetic patients with CKD having a low protein diet supplemented with keto acids will increase uremia and diabetes leading to sudden weight loss.

4. Research Discussion

The main strategies in Diabetes Mellitus:

1. Considering the needs, risks and treatment of people with DM

- 2. Conduct a comprehensive assessment
- 3. Monitoring indications for drug and food administration (Sesti et al., 2018)
- Maintaining health quality (self-care ability, physical and functional status (T. L. Chen et al., 2022)

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The average sodium ranges from 2.5 grams to 5.9 grams / day in the intake of vegetables that are safe for consumption in people with Diabetes Mellitus (Horikawa et al., 2021). Adequate fiber intake will cause a feeling of fullness for longer, thereby delaying hunger (Paruntu et al., 2018). Patients with diabetes mellitus need nutritional recommendations that will meet the needs of vitamins, minerals, magnesium, sodium, and iron (Burch et al., 2018; Pena et al., 2020).

Diabetics also provide counseling related to indications and complications of the disease they are suffering from and avoid psychological problems (James et al., 2021; Leung et al., 2018; Naito et al., 2019). Lifestyle changes will affect the behavior and mood of people with diabetes mellitus (García-Molina et al., 2020). Nutrition performed on patients must be individualized by considering eating habits, metabolism, physical activity, and the presence of comorbidities (Tumiwa & Langi, 2013). During the Covid-19 pandemic, nutritional needs are a top priority for comorbidities such as diabetes mellitus (James et al., 2021; Raveendran & Misra, 2021). Several studies say that over the age of 40, DM patients should maintain a healthy lifestyle that can prevent complications of diabetes due to high blood sugar levels. (Masruroh, 2018).

5. Conclusion and Future Research

The conclusion of this article is that nutritional management in diabetes mellitus requires social support that will change the behavior of the patient to pay attention to the intake of nutrients, vitamins, minerals and reduce carbohydrate levels in providing daily food.

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