

FROM THE EDITOR

The Eighth National Nutrient Data Bank Conference was held from July 25-27, 1983 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Proceedings for the conference were developed from the speakers presentations at the conference. Because of the cooperation of all the speakers, I am proud to say we have an excellent record of the conference for the conference attendees and other persons interested in nutrient data bases.

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