

FOREWORD

The 18th Annual National Nutrient Databank Conference was held in Baton Rouge, LA on May 23-26, 1994. The conference is organized by several committees of volunteers who give of their time and skills generously to assure a successful and informative meeting for all attendees. Chairs of the 1993 conference committees were: Steering Committee, Al Riley of Campbell Soup Company; Program Committee, Carol Windham of Utah State University; Database Committee, Jack Smith of the University of Delaware; Ad Hoc Committee on Citing Nutrient Databases, Suzanne Murphy; and Arrangements Committee, Catherine Champagne of Pennington Biomedical Research Center. Special thanks go to the rest of the Arrangements Committee: Ray Allen, Mary Boudreau, Kevin Gilley, Pat Marquette, Jeanette Noble, Donna Ryan, Janice Walker, Pennington Biomedical Research Center; Steele Burden, Burden Research Plantation, Louisiana State University; and Pat Pillow, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. A note of thanks to Eileen DeLeeuw of Utah State University for her help in assisting the Program Committee.

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