

## Foreword

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The 19th National Nutrient Databank Conference was held in St. Louis, MO on May 22-24, 1994. The conference was planned to address trends in foods and computer technology and highlight some responses to those trends. Several committees of volunteers generously gave their time and expertise to assure a successful and relevant conference. The 1994 Conference Committee Chairs were: Steering Committee, **Al Riley** of Campbell Soup Company; Program Committee, **Betty Perloff** of USDA/ARS/HNIS; Database Committee, **Jack Smith** of the University of Delaware; Communications Committee, **Ruth Matthews** of USDA/ARS/HNIS; and Arrangements Committee, **Loretta Hoover** of the University of Missouri-Columbia. Special thanks go to the rest of the Arrangements Committee: **Catherine Champagne** of the Pennington Biomedical Research Center, **Carolann Davis** of Lincoln University, **Karen Falk** of Graphic Technology, Inc., **E.C. Henley** of Protein Technologies, Inc., **Norma Janes** of Washington University, and **Joy Williams** of the University of Missouri-Columbia who served as Conference Coordinator. In addition, appreciation is expressed to **Evelyn Topper** and **David Wade** of the University of Missouri-Columbia who provided secretarial and audio/visual assistance.

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