



Secondary Metabolites in Medicinal Edible Plant Cultivation

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Dear Colleagues,

It is well known that plants are an almost infinite source of potential biologically active compounds. For this reason, most traditional medicine was based on the use of herbs to cure common pains and diseases. To cite one of the most commonly used and safest drugs, aspirin is from natural origin, being an analog of salicin, isolated from *Salix alba*. In this context, it is clear that a close relationship exists between the chemical composition of a plant in terms of secondary metabolites and its ability to play a role in health. Therefore, attention on secondary metabolites from plants has grown exponentially, for example, the well-known polyphenols. There is particular interest in metabolites from edible plants and their role in general health and in the maintenance of the good health of the global population.

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