



## Animal Products Quality and Characterization

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

At a global level, animal products consumption (meat, dairy, eggs, and fish) is rising, driven by increasing average individual incomes and population growth. Animal products provide high-value protein and are valuable sources of essential micronutrients, vitamins, and omega-3 fatty acids. Consumers' preferences are moving towards high-quality and healthy foods, environmental sustainability, and animal welfare that have led to substantial changes in the agri-food sectors.

The aim of this Special Issue is to introduce reviews or original research studies that address (not exhaustively) the following topics: nutritional strategies to enhance product quality, traceability issues and the characterization of animal products in terms of origin and authenticity, sensory properties of animal products and consumer perception, bioactive components and functional properties of animal products, products safety, and innovative solutions to improve animal product shelf life.

Nevertheless, this Special Issue seeks knowledge about the subject, with the aim to improve conscious consumers' perceptions concerning food standards and quality and safety issues.





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