Special Issue

Phytocompounds with Antimicrobial Activity: From Discovery to Application

Message from the Guest Editors

Today, infections associated with multidrug-resistant (MDR) bacteria still represent a great challenge yet to be treated due to limited therapeutic options, thus requiring alternative antimicrobial strategies. In this regard today, a wide range of new drugs are being derived from plant metabolites. Any single plant indeed represents a library of hundreds to thousands of architecturally and stereochemically complex chemicals, termed phytochemicals. Therefore, in recent years, to counteract antimicrobial resistance, phytocompounds with antimicrobial activity are widely recommended by the experts. Their use, in combination with the conventional commercial antibiotics, exhibits superior antimicrobial activities. Moreover, the membrane proteins that were accountable for antibiotic efflux can be effectively treated by antimicrobial phytocompounds that, therefore, could represent new weapons in the battle against intractable infectious diseases. This Special Issue seeks submissions that further our understanding of new, more active phytocompounds with antimicrobial activity focusing on the discovery and development of new molecules and their potential applications.

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