# **Special Issue**

# Natural Extracts as Antimicrobial Agents in Infectious Disease Therapy

# Message from the Guest Editor

Bacterial resistance to antimicrobial drugs is an emerging threat. Pathogenic and opportunistic bacteria in nosocomial-acquired infections more and more often cause complications in the postoperative period. This is even more worrying given modern medicine approaches inducing immune suppression, the misuse of antibiotics over the last fifty years, and the imbalance of healthy nutrients in the Western diet. In this scenario, medicinal plants and their antimicrobial properties have been known since ancient times and, nowadays, a growing number of people are rediscovering them as natural remedies to common infections. The objective of this Special issue is to gather rigorous experimental studies that analyze the different antimicrobial properties of medicinal plants and their various extracts.

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