Special Issue

Lipid Nanostructures for Antioxidant Delivery

Message from the Guest Editor

Many studies have demonstrated that the nanoencapsulation strategy makes it possible to protect active molecules from possible degradation, prolonging their chemical stability. On this matter, the inclusion of antioxidants within lipid nanostructures offers a tremendous opportunity. Indeed, despite their pharmaceutical potential, spanning from free radical formation hindrance to the inhibition of cancer cell proliferation and progression, antioxidant molecules are characterized by poor stability, and are degraded by many environmental factors such as oxygen, light, high temperature, and humidity. In this regard, lipid-based nanostructures such as liposomes, solid lipid nanoparticles, and nanostructured lipid carriers have been recently proposed as innovative delivery systems for antioxidant molecules. In vitro and in vivo studies have demonstrated that antioxidant encapsulation prolongs release kinetics, bioavailability, and antioxidant effects. In this Special Issue original research papers or review articles focusing on the physico-chemical, biological, and pharmacological properties of lipid-based nanosystems containing antioxidant molecules are welcome.

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