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New Insights into Food Bioactive Compounds: Safety, Quality and Nutritional Determinants

Message from the Guest Editors

A plethora of studies are in support of the potential bioactivity of certain food ingredients, which can be used in the development of functional foods. To this end, the food industry has focused in recent years on the development of novel, processed foods rich in the aforementioned described bioactive compounds, such as fortified and enriched foods, with a variety of nutritional or health claims. However, several aspects and key determinants of food components, like safety, quality, and nutritional value, remain to be thoroughly investigated before being applied in foods. This Special Issue focuses on highlighting the importance of choosing the appropriate food ingredients and technologies on the development of novel foods, as well as depicting the role of bioavailability and the safety, quality, and health perspectives of certain food components, with an emphasis on the shelf-life of food products.

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