

## Special Issue

# Biological Activities of Medicinal Plants and Their Potential Applications

### Message from the Guest Editors

As is well established, the use of plants in medicine is as old as mankind, even if, at the beginning, their medical application was predicated more on empiricism. However, when data pertaining to causes of diseases and the type of plant used as a remedy started to accumulate, the use of medicinal plants was no longer based on an empirical framework but rather facts and explanations.

Nowadays, the demand for new medicine to address medical challenges is extremely high, which is why research is being directed towards the compounds and active principles of plants, demonstrating that pharmacological screening is instrumental to the development of new agents. Therefore, the isolation and profiling of secondary metabolites from plants, either traditional medicinal plants or plants that have more recently emerged as having medicinal properties, may reveal interesting bioactivities and disclose sources of new drugs that can be used to treat many diseases. We welcome submissions of recent research on plants and their secondary and primary biological metabolites as important sources of compounds with therapeutic potential.

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