Special Issue

Food Microbiology: Dairy Products Microbiota

Message from the Guest Editor

Fermented foods have played an important role in the human diet. Fermented dairy products, which are differentiated according to their organoleptic characteristics, are now available for consumers, and although a small proportion of these products are homemade, most of them are industrially produced. Dairy products constitute an important microbial reservoir that imparts quality characteristics and impacts human health. Food safety is a topic of continued concern, inextricably linked to the production process and quality of these products, making it important to understand their microbiota. Using stateof-the-art techniques, we will focus on the most abundant microbes, which will be correlated to the microbial community as well as their changes during different ripening times. Emphasis will be put on microbe composition and on how microbes can be affected by specific factors (quality of milk production, pH, water activity, manufacturing and processing methodologies).

This Special Issue aims to highlight the role of the microorganisms present in fermented dairy products.

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