

## Special Issue

# The Future of Meat Alternatives: Advances in Plant-Based, Cultured, Microbial, and Insect-Derived Meat

### Message from the Guest Editors

The global demand for sustainable and alternative meat production to supplement traditional farmed meat is a prime focus for the meat scientist. This has led to rapid research in meat alternatives derived from plants, cultured cells, microbes, and insects. This Special Issue focuses on the latest research and developments in the novel techniques, production, characterization, and consumer acceptance of next-generation meat alternatives. By integrating perspectives from food science, biotechnology, nutrition, and sustainability, this collection aims to highlight key challenges, emerging solutions, and future directions shaping the evolution of the alternative meat landscape. This Special Issue invites original research articles, reviews, and short communications focusing on innovations that improve the nutritional value, sensory quality, functionality, safety, and sustainability of alternative meat products. Contributions integrating food science, biotechnology, nutrition, and consumer research are particularly encouraged.

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