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Bioactive Polysaccharide from Plant Foods: Structures, Physicochemical Properties and Functionalities

Message from the Guest Editor

Plant foods usually contain a variety of polysaccharides, such as pectin, cellulose, hemicellulose, inulin, carrageenan, starch, gum Arabic, etc. These polysaccharides play numerous roles in food. Polysaccharides are nature of natural occurring and biocompatible, catering the people's demand of "label-clean" food additives and receiving increasing attention. Utilizing natural polysaccharide or its derivatives to replace synthetic food additives is a hot research topic at present. More works are needed to explore new potential resources of polysaccharides and expand its application field. Most of the plant polysaccharide are complex heteropolysaccharide comprised of multiple monosaccharides and non-saccharide substance (protein, phenol, etc.). The elucidation of structure-functional is difficult and needed our attention. The interaction between polysaccharides and polysaccharide with other non-saccharide substance are important to improve the functionality of polysaccharide by synthetic effect.

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