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# Food Protein and Peptides: Structural Characterization and Physicochemical Properties

## Message from the Guest Editor

The relationship between food protein and peptide structures and their functional properties is fundamental to food science, yet requires deeper exploration. Growing demand for sustainable foods and personalized nutrition makes understanding these structures increasingly critical. Such knowledge is key to unlocking their techno-functional properties like gelation and emulsification, as well as bioactivities such as antioxidant and antimicrobial effects. This Special Issue addresses this need. We seek cutting-edge research using advanced techniques-spectroscopy, chromatography, bioinformatics, computational modeling, and Al-to elucidate the structures of these molecules. By compiling high-quality contributions, we aim to connect structural insights with practical applications, promoting innovation in food processing, functional food development, and the valorization of protein sources for a healthier, sustainable future.

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