

Special Issue

Plant-Based Meat Analogues and Meat Alternatives

Message from the Guest Editors

As an important part of a balanced diet, meat has played an important role in the evolutionary development of humans. The market for plant-based meat analogues is rapidly generating due to the increase in product supply. Therefore, the requirement for plant-based meat analogues has expanded not only to vegetarian consumers but also to meat-eating and meat-loving consumers. Meat analogues based on plant proteins have received increasing attention, including the improvements in taste, texture, colour, flavour, and other sensory attributes to better replicate traditional meat. Furthermore, healthy ingredients and safe methods must be selected to ensure the safety of meat alternatives. Our Special Issue mainly focuses on the following aspects: raw material selection; processing methods and processes of plant-based meat; a series of processes related to plant meat such as flavour, appearance, and texture improvement; changes in and control of quality of plant meat during storage and its control methods and mechanisms; consumer acceptance and nutritional safety of food; and selection and application of fat substitutes.

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