

## Special Issue

# Multi-Omics Insights into Traditional Fermented Foods: Microbial Ecology, Metabolite Profiles, and Functional Applications

### Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue welcomes original research articles and comprehensive reviews applying multi-omics approaches to investigate microbial diversity, metabolic pathways, and interspecies interactions in traditional fermented foods. Submissions focusing on translational applications—such as the development of postbiotics, functional food ingredients, and feed additives (e.g., probiotics or antibiotic alternatives)—are particularly welcome. Studies on process optimization, microbial strain improvement, or the industrial application of omics data are also highly valued.

By integrating traditional fermentation knowledge with modern systems biology, this Special Issue aims to promote innovation in food science, health, and agricultural biotechnology. Interdisciplinary contributions linking fermented food microbiomes with global health, sustainable food systems, and microbiome-based solutions are welcome.

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