

Special Issue

Molecular Methods in Food Quality and Microbiological Safety

Message from the Guest Editors

Microorganisms serve as an important tool in food processing. How to accurately reveal microbial functions in food processing and detect food pathogens is therefore an important issue in food processing. The development of molecular methods provides important tools for detecting food pathogens or revealing the dynamic changing and possible metabolic mechanisms of microorganisms in food processing. For example, omics technologies (e.g., genomics, transcriptomics and metabolomics) provide useful tools for analyzing the correlation between microbial metabolism and flavor formation in complex microbial fermentation ecosystems. The development of specific molecular detection technologies, such as nucleic acid detection methods, offers a fast and convenient way for detecting target microorganisms in food processing. This Special Issue mainly includes recent studies on the molecular mechanisms of the microbial transformation of raw materials and the generation of flavor substances in food processing, and new methods or technologies for accurately detecting specific microorganisms in the food processing context.

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