

Special Issue

Formation, Occurrence and Mitigation Strategies of Food Contaminants and Natural Toxicants

Message from the Guest Editors

Because the negative impact of food contaminants and natural toxicants on human health has been proven in numerous studies, there is a strong need to find procedures for the production of safe foods to protect consumers against exposure to these compounds. Therefore, food scientists thoroughly search for processes that lead to the minimization of the content of these compounds in foods to protect the health of humans as much as possible. It is obvious that this search is quite complicated since food contamination can occur at any stage of food production or storage. There are four sources of hazardous compounds that can contaminate foods. The first source is associated with volcanic activity, forest fires, etc. The second is confined to industrial humankind activity resulting in pollution of the environment. The third is based on natural toxicants appearing in raw material, and the final, fourth one is associated directly with food processes able to generate endogenous food contaminants. Therefore, this Special Issue is devoted to publishing novel information regarding formation, occurrence, and mitigation approaches to compounds coming from the abovementioned sources.

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