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Oleogels, Bigels, and Emulgels: Fabrication, Application and Research Trends (2nd Edition)

Message from the Guest Editors

Recently, there has been a growing interest in oleogels. bigels, and emulgels as promising alternatives to trans and saturated fats. Oleogels are fat-like solid oil gels developed from sunflower, grape seed, etc.; and oleogelators such as waxes, phytosterols or plant sterols, fatty acids and monoglycerides, proteins and polysaccharides. Bigels are a combination of hydrogel and organogel, with high physical stability, which can be used in the food industry as a substitute for solid fats and as "smart" food packaging materials. The emulgel matrix is a complex colloidal system obtained by replacing the hydrogel phase (partially or totally) with an emulsion. Emulgels could be used in the food industry when semi-solid or highly viscous texture is required. The current Special Issue aims to provide an opportunity for researchers to publish their results concerning the oil structuring techniques, oleogels, bigels, and emulgels characterization; oleogel, bigel and emulgel applications in chocolate and confectionery, bakery, meat, dairy, and other food products.

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