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Application of Hydrocolloids in Human Health and Nutrition

Message from the Guest Editors

With the improvement of living standards, more attention has been paid to nutrition and health. Certain nutrients may be required, but the absorption rate is not high due to the instability of the nutrients during digestion and absorption. Therefore, the problem of structural changes and nutrient release and absorption during the process of nutrient delivery in gels and emulsion gels is a challenge and deserves to be studied.

In this Special Issue, edible hydrogels and their encapsulation and delivery of bioactive substances will be discussed. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following: design and characterization of protein-based and polysaccharide based hydrogels; encapsulation and delivery of bioactive substances; changes in the structure of the gels during digestion... For more information, please visit: mdpi.com/si/92938.

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