

Special Issue

The Effects of Post-harvest Treatments on the Quality of Edible Flowers and Aromatic Plants

Message from the Guest Editors

Edible flowers are a new source of nutraceuticals due to their nutritional and chemoprotective value. The traditional health benefits of flowers have recently been supported by several studies due to their composition rich in bioactive compounds, which have been correlated to functional properties. Bioactive compounds can also be directly extracted from them. Original manuscripts of diverse types concerning recent insights, approaches, and advances in the pre- and post-harvest harvesting, handling, and marketing of perishable fresh produce which aim to preserve its quality and reduce losses during prolonged storage and shelf life are encouraged. We also welcome innovative applied research which aims to maintain fresh produce quality and drying techniques. This Special Issue intends to gather information on various postharvest treatments, such as packaging and fresh cutting, to show that the use of new preservatives can significantly affect maturity and senescence, post-harvest quality, post-harvest disease, and the shelf life of edible flowers and medicinal herbs.

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