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Message from the Guest Editor

The use of medicinal plants in therapy has long been recognized in all parts of the world. Medicinal plants can make a great contribution to drug development and serve as the most valuable source for new drug discovery as well as a significant alternative to the current synthetic products. It is estimated that only one-fourth of available medicines are of plant origin, and that these represent only a small fraction of the investigated medicinal plants. Therefore, in this scenario, expanding the knowledge about natural products of plant origin becomes crucial for the improvement of therapeutic tools and for the development of new tools. Chemical composition evaluation is an important tool in understanding the contents and composition of natural products as well as the bioactivity linked to individual compounds or classes of compounds. In this Special Issue, articles (original research papers, perspectives, hypotheses, opinions, reviews) that focus on plants traditionally used in folk medicine, botany, phytochemical and pharmacological characterization, structure–activity relations, traditional knowledge, and taxonomy, are most welcome.

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