Special Issue

Indigenous Foods: Bridging Tradition and Innovation for Global Nutrition and Health

Message from the Guest Editors

We invite scholars and practitioners to submit original research articles and systematic reviews for a forthcoming Special Issue focused on nutrition and health through the lens of indigenous and traditional foods. Submissions may address (but are not limited to) the following:

- Nutrient composition and health benefits of underutilised indigenous crops, wild edibles, and traditional preparations.
- The integration of indigenous foods into contemporary diets, including culinary innovation, functional food development, and consumer acceptance.
- Public health nutrition, food systems, and policy initiatives leveraging indigenous foods to combat malnutrition and non-communicable diseases.
- Applications of artificial intelligence and data science for mapping, promoting, or evaluating indigenous food use.
- Interdisciplinary perspectives linking nutrition with culture, medicine, anthropology, economics, and environmental science.

We particularly encourage studies that employ multidisciplinary or mixed-methods approaches that connect laboratory findings with community impacts and policy relevance.

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