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# Processed Food: Nutrition, Safety and Public Health

## Message from the Guest Editors

Processed foods are recognized as a source of salt, saturated fat, trans fatty acids, and sugar. An excessive intake of these nutrients is perceived as the leading reason for an increased risk in the development of some of the major worldwide public health concerns, such as obesity, diabetes type 2, cancer, and cardiovascular diseases. This Special Issue offers an opportunity to publish articles and reviews that study the different aspects of processed foods, including but not limited to the nutritional quality and safety of processed foods, consumption patterns of processed foods, the impact of processed foods on diet quality and its relationship with health outcomes, reformulation strategies to enhance the nutritional quality and safety of processed foods, and interventions and policies to reduce the impact of processed foods on public health. Dr. Tânia Gonçalves Albuquerque



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