



Marine Collagen: A Promising Biomaterial for Biomedical Applications

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Message from the Guest Editor

Collagen-based biomaterials are extensively applied in various biomedical fields. However, there are many challenges facing the use of mammalian collagen, over the past few decades, marine collagen (MC) has emerged as a promising biomaterial for biomedical applications due to its structural similarity to mammalian collagen. MC offers advantages over mammalian collagen due to its water solubility, easy extractability, low immunogenicity, safety, biocompatibility, biodegradability, antimicrobial activity, functionality, and low production costs. Due to its characteristics and physicochemical properties, it has tremendous potential for use as a scaffold biomaterial in tissue engineering and regenerative medicine, in drug delivery systems, and as a therapeutic.

In this Special Issue, we invite you to submit recent advances in this new research field, including—but not restricted to—extraction, characterization, fabrication, and experimentation of MC, with a particular focus on their biomedical uses. Comprehensive review papers are also welcome in this Special Issue.





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