



Advances in Marine Chitin and Chitosan

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The now considerable research history on chitin started in the 1970s. Since the 1980s, chitin research has progressed significantly over several stages in both fundamental and industrial fields. However, current overviews in recent publications involving chitin and chitosan research advances appear lacking. With the opening of this Special Issue, *Advances in Marine Chitin and Chitosan* in *Marine Drugs*, we plan to produce a strong, very exciting issue that will encompass breakthroughs in high value, scientific and industrial chitin and chitosan research.

We look forward very much to your input.

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