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# Isolation and Structure Elucidation of Bioactive Compounds (Dedicated to the memory of the late Professor Charles D. Hufford)

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Isolation and structure determination of these diverse bioactive molecules that only nature can produce, has become a key area for generating new scaffolds for various biological explorations in medicinal chemistry. This is an area currently depleting rapidly due to the disappearance of natural resources. For these reasons, we think it is appropriate to document some recent research in this endeavor.

We wish to dedicate this Special Issue to the memory of the late Professor Charles D. Hufford, a true research pioneer in the fields of natural products and pharmacognosy, who has made immense contributions to the field. Advances in the isolation and structure elucidation, using NMR technology of bioactive compounds, especially secondary plant metabolites, was a passion of Professor Hufford, and therefore, this Special Issue of the journal *Molecules* has been dedicated to his memory.













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