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# Bioactive Molecules in Foods: From Sources to Functional Applications

## Message from the Guest Editors

Food is a source of ingredients that provides the body with energy and affect its proper functioning. Many play a key role in regulating biochemical processes and exhibit many bioactive properties such as antioxidant, antidiabetic, antiobesity, or antimicrobial. Molecules from food may prevent diseases, including diseases of civilization such as hypertension, depression, obesity, or cancer. Moreover, food compounds may be used in food technology as ingredients that improve the quality and durability of food. Therefore, it is important to search for new sources of bioactive food ingredients and the possibility of their use in food production, diet, or dietary supplements. Bioactive food compounds may be obtained from plants, animals, or microorganisms, but nowadays there is a search for new or alternative sources of food with the "zero waste" principle. For this Special Issue on "Bioactive Molecules in Foods: From Sources to Functional Applications", we welcome papers that provide information about the origin of food ingredients and their biological activity that can be used in nutrition or food products to improve the proper organism functioning.

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