# **Special Issue**

# Special Issue Dedicated to Late Professor Takuo Okuda, "Tannins and Related Polyphenols Revisited: Chemistry, Biochemistry and Biological Activities"

### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues, *Molecules* is pleased to announce a memorial Special Issue, dedicated to Emeritus Professor Dr. Takuo Okuda at Okayama University, Japan, on the occasion of his passing away in December 2016, for his outstanding contribution in the research field of vegetable tannins and related polyphenols. Prof. Okuda (born in 1927) was Professor of Medicinal Plants Chemistry at the Okayama University, in Japan, from 1970 to 1993. He was one of the pioneers of the chemistry of hydrolyzable tannins and related polyphenols in traditional medicinal plants in Japan, China, and South-East Asian countries. His prolific scientific activity is documented by more than 300 papers concerning the isolation and characterization of tannins and related polyphenolics in many plant species, including their diverse pharmacological functions beneficial to human health care. This memorial Special Issue welcomes submission of previously unpublished manuscripts (original researches or reviews) on the investigation of tannins and biologically active polyphenolic compounds isolated from plants.

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