# **Special Issue**

# Analytical Methods in Milk and Dairy Products: Focus on Functional Compounds

# Message from the Guest Editors

You are cordially invited to contribute to the Special Issue on "Analytical Methods in Milk and Dairy Products: Focus on Functional Compounds".

Milk and dairy products contain a wide range of functional compounds, defined as food components that provide health benefits beyond basic nutrition. These molecules generally provide a high added value to food items; moreover, numerous epidemiological studies have suggested that functional food components can reduce the risk of chronic diseases.

Milk and dairy products are important for a balanced diet, and among their functional compounds, the most investigated are bioactive peptides, lactoferrin, conjugated linoleic acid, oligosaccharides, minerals, antioxidants, and so on.

This Special Issue on "Analytical Methods in Milk and Dairy Products: Focus on Functional Compounds" shall explore all the aspects of development, optimization, and validation of analytical methods for assessing functional compounds in different dairy products, with particular attention to new analytical techniques. The principles of the methods, together with their advantages and drawbacks, should be discussed.

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