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The Role of Plant, Fungi and Algae Nutritive Compounds in the Management of Health and Disease

Message from the Guest Editors

Malnutrition, the imbalance, excess or deficiency of a person's energy or nutrient intake, affects every country and remains one of the most pressing global health challenges. The health benefits of plant-, fungal- and algal-derived bioactive molecules are well recognised. as many species are rich in essential nutrients such as omega-3 and other health-promoting fatty acids, proteins, complex polysaccharides, minerals, vitamins, and antioxidants. However, knowledge gaps concerning dietary guidelines, the molecular mechanisms underpinning their health benefits and commercial production limit the broader inclusion of plants, fungi and algae or algae-derived molecules, especially in human diets. This Special Issue aims to address these gaps by systematically evaluating the bioresourcederived health benefits of key components and elucidating the molecular basis of their healthpromoting effects. This Special Issue also seeks to analyze the market potential and provide recommendations on how to fortify diets with healthpromoting nutritional extracts, with the aim of increasing their application in nutritional practices.

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