

Special Issue

Antiradical, Chemopreventive and Antimicrobial Effects of Bioactive Natural Substances

Message from the Guest Editor

Specialised plant metabolites (mainly phenolics), showing low or minimal toxicity, play a key role in health-promoting strategies. As effective radical scavengers, they can directly inactivate exo- and endogenous reactive forms that are harmful to the human genome and initiate tissue degeneration, especially in relation to the hepatocellular, cardiovascular, and nervous systems. In addition, natural antioxidants may also operate by activating immune defence mechanisms, showing beneficial anti-inflammatory effects at various cellular and biochemical levels or enhancing the potency of chemotherapeutics routinely used to treat cancer.

In this Special Issue, preference will be given to review and experimental papers addressing the above topics. Particularly valuable will be papers combining detailed phytochemical analysis of plant extracts/natural products containing antioxidants with biological studies on various aspects and mechanisms of these components as inhibitors of inflammatory processes promoting carcinogenesis and/or antimicrobial agents.

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