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Safety and Nutritional Value of Wild Edible Plants

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Dear colleagues,

The use of wild plants as food is widespread, for various reasons, in both industrialized and developing countries. Numerous ethnobotanical studies have testified to the use of species belonging to different families of higher plants as well as algae. It is therefore necessary to investigate their nutritional value, the content of active ingredients and prebiotic molecules, and their safety of use. This is primarily linked to the correct identification of the plant, to the presence of any anti-nutritional factors, to microbiological safety aspects, as well as to the value in human nutrition. The Special Issue is aimed at studies that concern ethnobotanical aspects, phytochemistry, food chemistry, food technology, and microbiological safety aspects of wild plants.

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