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Antioxidant Activity of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants

Message from the Guest Editors

Medicinal and aromatic plants have been used worldwide in folk medicine or as food preservatives throughout human history; however, for most plant species, there is still a scarce scientific basis that relates their chemical composition with specific therapeutic effects, including antioxidant activity. Some scientific advances have allowed the understanding of the functional and medicinal relevance of this type of plant. They include biological, physicochemical, and functional characterization; applying botanical pharmacognosy and statistical tools to optimize the extraction of antioxidant compounds; drug delivery to improve bioavailability; metabolomics to study phytochemicals; and plant tissue culture as a sustainable management strategy.

This Special Issue of *Plants* will highlight the exploration of medicinal and aromatic plants used in different regions of the world as sources of antioxidant compounds, based on their phytochemistry, metabolomics, plant tissue culture, extraction conditions, drug delivery, and botanical pharmacognosy.

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