Special Issue

Research of Bioactive Substances in Plant Extracts

Message from the Guest Editor

Plant natural compounds represent an ever-increasing topic of research interest. Most of them are bioactive molecules with a broad range of biological properties. These include anticancer, antimicrobial, antiviral, antiamyloidogenic, anti-inflammatory, and other biological activities. To exert their effect, they could bind to specific enzymes and modulate their activity. Due to the important role of enzymes in several diseases' pathogenesis, they represent targets for therapeutic intervention strategies. Thus, discovery of enzyme modulators is an interesting research area in the biochemistry and drug design field. Several plant extracts or plant-derived compounds are already reported to be inhibitors of tyrosinase, cyclooxygenases, MAOs, cholinesterases, amylase, and glycosidase, which are involved in pigmentation, inflammation, Alzheimer's disease or diabetes. The aim of this Special Issue is to highlight the newest discoveries in plant extract products and focus attention on the beneficial biological effects of plant extracts or plant-isolated compounds; their potential application in disease treatment and health promotion will also be of particular interest.

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