

Special Issue

Alternative Use of Biological Resources

Message from the Guest Editors

The Special Issue aims to fill the gap between the need to tackle the challenges of humanity and the potential utilisation of traditional, bio-based materials and innovative utilisation of bio-based materials for new tasks. In recent decades, there has been intense research and development activity in this direction, and some successful business models have emerged. At the same time, the intensity of communication is rather low between the specialists working in this field. One explanation for this situation is the relative separateness of different disciplines, which is why the approach of this Special Issue will be multi- and interdisciplinary, encouraging the publication of research teams, and analyzing the alternative usage of biological resources from different points of view in an integrative manner. The Special Issue will serve as a platform to offer a possibility to demonstrate the relevant results of basic and applied research, results of surveys on socio-economic aspects of the alternative utilisation of biological resources, and analysis of consumer responses to the introduction of novel materials, taking into consideration the ethical aspects of the question.

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