



## Bio-Based and Alternative Sources for Food Pigments and Bioactives Production

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Dear Colleagues,

How alternative and innovative sources of natural, functional, and health-promoting bioactives can contribute to ensuring food security, better nutrition, improved livelihoods, and environmental sustainability in marginal environments in different parts of the world is the topic of this SI. The suitable and appropriate natural compounds from crops, plants, microorganisms, and other bio-based sources have been recognized for application in different fields such as functional food production and smart packaging systems.

This SI aims to identify all possible alternative and sustainable ways for obtaining natural, functional, and health-promoting bioactives that have the potential to be used in food-related production.





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