

Special Issue

Sustainable Urban Food Systems: Pathways to the Future

Message from the Guest Editors

Rapid urbanization and changing dietary habits have intensified demand for sustainable, nutritious, and resource-efficient foods. Urban food systems face major challenges related to food security, environmental sustainability, and the generation of large amounts of food waste. In this context, developing innovative food products and reformulated recipes that valorize by-products and alternative raw materials from other industries represents a promising strategy for reducing waste, enhancing nutritional quality, and supporting circular bioeconomy principles. This Special Issue, titled “Sustainable Urban Food Systems: Pathways to the Future”, will gather cutting-edge research focused on developing sustainable food products, optimizing nutritional quality, and improving resource efficiency across the urban food chain. This Special Issue aligns closely with the journal’s mission to promote scientific solutions for environmental sustainability, public health, and food innovation. It will bridge food science, nutrition, and sustainability research to provide practical, evidence-based strategies for the transition toward more circular and climate-resilient food systems.

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