

Special Issue

Towards a Sustainable Agri-Food Chain: Safety Concerns and Green Solutions

Message from the Guest Editors

The modern agri-food chain involves multiple actors with different interests, multiple stages, and, not least, multiple risks requiring complex, multilateral, and multilevel governance on a large scale. In recent years, diverse chemical, biological, and environmental risks (e.g., natural toxins, anthropogenic pollutants, food-borne pathogens, GHG emissions, and resource depletion) to or caused by the agri-food chain, due to accidents, process and waste mismanagement, and internal/external contamination sources, have inevitably threatened the sustainability and the healthiness of the chain itself. Against this background, and in line with the Farm to Fork Strategy, which represents the core of the European Green Deal, the agri-food system requires major transformations on behalf of promoting sustainability, reducing waste, and stimulating a change toward healthy and safe diets. Hence, review and original research articles on innovative and green approaches/solutions aiming at the (i) reduction in food contamination, (ii) minimization of food loss and waste, and (iii) change toward plant-based diets are of great interest to this Special Issue.

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