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# Indispensable Power to Marine Drugs: Female Scientists' Achievements

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Marine organisms are an unlimited field of research, in term of bioactive compounds, which have attracted increased attention during the past decades. Indeed, the complexity of marine habitats and the plasticity of biological adaptations to a wide range of environments has been recognized as an untapped source of novel metabolites. The marine environment has been demonstrated to be a rich source from animals, algae and microorganisms of structurally-diverse, biologically-active and high-added value compounds. It is expected that many of these substances will have therapeutic, cosmetic or nutritional applications. Some of them have demonstrated properties useful in the field of biocatalysis and chemistry.

This Special Issue entitled "Indispensable Power to Marine Drugs: Female Scientists' Achievements" welcomes contributions with female first and last authors, as a sign of female scientist input in the scope of marine bioactive natural substances. As the Guest Editors, we encourage female scientists to submit their latest research findings or reviews to show the strength of their knowledge in this field













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# **Message from the Editor-in-Chief**

During the past few decades there has been an ever increasing number of novel compounds discovered in the marine environment. This is exemplified by the robust preclinical and clinical pipeline that currently exists for marine natural products. *Marine Drugs* is inviting contributions on new advances in marine biotechnology, pharmacology, chemical ecology, synthetic biology, and genomics approaches related to the discovery of therapeutically relevant marine natural products. Our goal is to share your contribution in a timely fashion and in a manner that will be valued by the scientific community.

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