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# Marine-derived Bioactive Peptides and Lipids Applied in Noncommunicable Diseases

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## **Message from the Guest Editor**

Dear Colleagues,

Non-communicable diseases, such as cardiovascular diseases, different types of cancer, respiratory diseases and diabetes, are the leading cause of death globally. Marine species are valuable source of bioactive constituents, such peptides, proteins and lipids. Marine-derived as biopeptides—due to their structural properties and their amino acids composition and sequences - exhibit various biological activities such as anti-atherosclerotic, antihypertensive, anti-cancer, anti-diabetic, anti-oxidative, anti-obesity activity, etc., preventing non-communicable diseases. Additionally, marine-derived bioactive lipids such as marine phosholipids have high content of the longchain polyunsaturated omega-3 fatty acids EPA and DHA and exhibit numerous biological properties against atherosclerosis, thrombosis and inflammation. Therefore, the purpose of the current Special Issue is to publish novel ideas related to the therapeutic potential of marinederived bioactive peptides and lipids in the treatment or prevention of non-communicable diseases.

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