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Bioassay-Guided Isolation of Marine Natural Products for Drug Discovery

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Message from the Guest Editor

From the potential human harm caused by the exquisitely potent dinoflagellate cytotoxins. maitotoxin and brevetoxin, through the knowledge gained regarding cellular function and metabolism from the use of latrunculin and laulimalide, right through to new blockbuster anticancer drugs like Eribulin mesylate and Trabectedin, the bioassay-guided isolation of new marine natural products has informed science and helped save many lives over the past half century. The new and exciting molecules sourced from the marine environment are varied in structure and, most importantly, the wide ranging and diverse potent bioactivities they possess. With a significantly greater number of phyla represented in our marine environments than that found on land, the sheer biodiversity found in the oceans, and hence opportunities for obtaining marine organisms, continue to make investigations of marine natural products a lucrative area for medicinal and biochemical research.

As Guest Editor of this Special Issue, I cordially invite you to contribute your latest research describing bioassay-guided isolation and identification of novel, bioactive marine natural products, from any marine-based organisms.









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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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