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# Plant Extracts as Feed Additives in Animal Nutrition and Health

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Phytogenic feed additives are a wide range of plantderived products (e.g., herbs, spices, essential/aromatic oils, oleoresins) which exhibit a wide range of activities, such as antioxidant, antimicrobial, anti-inflammatory, anticoccidial, and anthelmintic properties thanks to the presence of bioactive compounds mainly belonging to the classes of isoprene derivatives and flavonoids.

The dietary supplementation of phytogenic additives has been shown to exert beneficial effects on animals' health (gut, immune system, antioxidant defenses, etc.), growth performance, nutrient retention, and intestinal microflora, leading to reduced susceptibility to diseases.

This Special Issue aims to publish original research papers and review articles related to applying phytogenic feed additives to improve the welfare of livestock, poultry, and fish species. Particular emphasis will be on studies focusing on the antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and immunomodulatory activities of phytoextracts on animals' organisms, correlating to the composition of phytoextracts.

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