



Natural Alternatives and Their Synthetic Derivatives to Antibiotics

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This Special Issue aims to gather some of the most significant and recent contributions in the interdisciplinary area of medicinal chemistry, microbiology, pharmacology, pharmacognosy, and food chemistry, with a particular emphasis on the production/synthesis, isolation from complex extracts and full characterization, biological effects, uses, and toxicity of natural products and their semi-synthetic derivatives. The applications of natural active compounds must be strictly focused on bacterial infections, food contamination and preservation, in silico characterization, screening, inhibition of biofilm production and resistance development, herbal formulations, new mechanisms of action, structure–activity elucidation, chemically modified natural compounds with improved biological activity and their synergism with clinically approved drugs. Manuscripts on the biological activity of natural extracts without proper chemical characterization will not be considered.





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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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