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# Berries in Human Health: Antioxidation, Anti-inflammation and Other Modes of Action

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Berries are increasingly recognized as an important source of food bioactive components, specifically, flavonoids and other polyphenolic compounds. The importance of these compounds for health has been the subject of many in vitro. in vivo and clinical research studies looking at the impact on flow-mediated dilation, lipid peroxidation, hypoglycemic response, enzyme inhibition and more recently, cognitive health and the gut-brain axis. Berries contain a range of compounds with antioxidant and/or anti-inflammatory activities which contribute to a host of health-relevant outcomes. The intent of this special issue is to review some of the science that has been conducted in the past 10 years and present new and cutting edge research on modes of action, such as the impact of berry compounds on OxInflammation or effects on inflammasome activation. We look forward to capturing the current state of the science and reviewing some of the new research in this area.













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

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