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Isolation, Purification and Chemical Characterization of Plant Extracts and Their Application in Foodstuffs

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Dear Colleagues,

In recent decades, customers have increasingly been demanding natural compounds instead of chemical additives in different foodstuffs (animal and plant origin) owing to the potential health hazards associated with their consumption. Hence, the modern food industry has been increasingly focused on following this trend in the discovery and application of natural extracts and bioactive compounds which could be used as additives. Plant extracts represent a broad spectrum of interesting ingredients, mainly due to their natural origin and phytochemical properties, allowing them to extend shelf-life and add value to the product.

The present Special Issue is focused on the application of plant extracts obtained by means of different emerging techniques as natural additives and quality enhancers in food processing and packaging. Additionally, this Special Issue is open to all high-quality contributions aimed at developing innovative concepts for bioactive compound extraction using process optimization, chemical characterization, and the determination of the bioactive potential of plant extracts.



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