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# Functional Foods and Their Antioxidant Components: Influences on Human Metabolic Diseases

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Phytochemicals have received increasing attention as natural additives for health and nutrition. Researchers are dedicated to researching the functional and bioactive secondary metabolites in plant foods. Phytochemicals are regarded as potent natural antioxidants, with a series of bioactivities such as free radical scavenging ability. Recently, numerous studies have shown that regular consumption of plants foods is negatively associated with the risk of developing chronic diseases, such as obesity, lipid metabolism, and liver function. Endogenous antioxidant defences are insufficient to completely inhibit the injury of reactive oxygen species, so exogenous antioxidants, such as phytochemicals, are required to inhibit the formation and activities of reactive oxygen and nitrogen species in vivo.

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