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Innovative Cold Storage Technologies in Food Supply Chain

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Perishable foods need adequate temperature-controlled environments during the production. storage. transportation, and sales processes to ensure food quality and reduce food losses. This circumstance is generally referred to as "cold chain logistics". In a cold chain, the shelf life, quality, and safety of perishable foods throughout the supply chain are greatly impacted by environmental factors, especially temperature. Cold storage is the most popular method to preserve highly perishable foods. However, at refrigeration temperatures, the shelf life of these foods is limited, and spoilage leads to massive food waste. Moreover, freezing significantly affects the food's properties. Although freezing would preserve perishable foods for months, these disruptive changes decrease consumers' perception of food quality. Therefore, the development and testing of new and improved cold storage technologies is a worthwhile pursuit.

This special issue is aimed to browse state-of-the-art technologies to enhance food quality by implementing the control of ice crystal sizes and suppressed ice nucleation.







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