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# **Challenges on Structural Determination of Marine Natural Products**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Marine ecosystems, covering 70% of the surface of the earth, possess great biological diversity, providing interests for researchers over past decades. Due to their characteristic environments, marine natural products have been regarded as a highlighted source for the discovery of structurally and biologically novel drug candidates.

To overcome challenges in structure elucidation due to their diversity, marine natural products scientists have developed various chemical methodologies and recent advances in chemoinformatics tools, genome sequencing, and quantum-based computational analysis now provide combinatorial approaches for the structure determination.

In this Special Issue, we invite academic and industry scientists to submit articles from marine-natural-products-driven studies, highlighting challenges in structural determination with biological activities.













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

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