



## Exploring Fungal Diversity: Novel Bioactive Compounds and Sustainable Bioprocesses

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

With the rapid advances in high-throughput techniques for the screening and analysis of novel microbial strains, it has now become easier to explore and exploit newly isolated microbial strains from a wide array of different natural environments. This is crucial to identify novel bioactive compounds and enzymes, as well as for the search of novel cell factories in order to serve as better hosts than the classical workhorses for bio-based production processes. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide an interdisciplinary tool for sharing the recent advances in the use of fungi as cell factories in terms of both fundamental and applied research.

As guest editors of this Special Issue, we invite you to submit research articles, review articles, and short communications related to isolation and screening, physiological characterization, recent “-omics” and bioprocess development related to the use of fungi for the production of novel bioactive compounds, and for implementing novel cell factories with superior capabilities, paying special attention to non-Saccharomyces species.

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