

## Sustainable Approaches to Natural Product-Inspired Drug Discovery and Development

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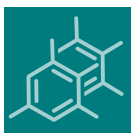
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Dear Colleagues,

Pressing environmental concerns and the general quest for more sustainable approaches in research and development are also affecting the field of drug discovery and development. Combining natural product-inspired discovery and development of actives and active formulations with approaches that adhere to 'greener' concepts and efficient use of renewable resources and energy represents a valuable future-oriented option in the biomedical and pharmaceutical fields.

We firmly believe that 'nature knows best', and we invite everyone involved in sustainable approaches to natural product-inspired drug discovery and development to share their latest conceptual findings and results. Rather than compiling a Special Issue that reads like a mere continuation of mainstream works, we would like to use the open access platform offered by *Molecules* to broadcast innovative, sustainable, natural-product-inspired strategies to drug discovery or design. Further, we aim at unveiling unconventional approaches and solutions in this field, including sustainable routes to standard or innovative drug formulations.





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