



Toxoplasma gondii and Food Safety

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Message from the Guest Editors

Food of both animal and vegetable origin, including drinking water, is the main source of *Toxoplasma gondii* infection worldwide. Official reports such as the European Union One Health Zoonoses Report published by ECDC and EFSA provide a partial picture for the lack of information reported by member countries. Nevertheless, it is estimated that around a third of the world's population will be exposed to the infection at some point in their lives.

Given the recommendations provided by the WHO, WOA, and FAO for the management of zoonoses, which must be addressed by the health experts involved through a One Health approach, the scientific community is crucial in tackling the most significant challenges for the prevention and control of the disease.

The scope of this Special Issue is to bring forward relevant new findings on the epidemiology, diagnosis, control, and management of *Toxoplasma gondii* in foodstuff in order to drive new effective food policies and increase safety for consumers.





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