



## Chemical Characteristics and Bioactivity of Plant Natural Products

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We are pleased to invite you to submit short communications, original articles, or review articles to a Special Issue of *Plants* entitled "Chemical Characteristics and Bioactivity of Plant Natural Products".

Plants produce diverse secondary (specialized) metabolites which play various and specific roles in their metabolism. Some groups of metabolites are widely distributed in plants, while others have a rather limited distribution within certain taxonomic groups (genera, families, etc.). Specialized metabolites generally play an important role within plants as defense agents against herbivores, insects, viruses, bacteria, etc. Some of them also play a specific role, especially in the context of ecological interactions (seed dispersal, allelopathic agents, attractants for pollinators, etc.).

Due to the wide range of bioactivities, plants and their bioactive molecules are used as natural therapeutics and contribute greatly to the production of commercial drugs in the pharmaceutical industry and medicine.





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