Special Issue

Polymers in Food Technology and Food Packaging

Message from the Guest Editors

Polymers produced by microorganisms are finding more and more applications in the production of food and food packaging. Recently, one of the most popular biopolymers, and one of the most recognized, is bacterial cellulose. This biopolymer is characterized by high purity, extensibility, and resistance to mechanical damage, and it is non-toxic and safe to use. Bacterial cellulose has so far been used, among others, in medicine (as artificial skin, material for artificial organs, wound dressing) and in the food industry (as a stabilizer, fat replacement compound). Many biopolymers, after soaking (e.g., with active substances such as essential oils and/or plant extracts) can exhibit antimicrobial activity that can be used in the production of biodegradable eco-friendly active food packages. In this Special Issue, we encourage authors to share their experiences in the field of the broadly understood "Polymers in Food Technology and Food Packaging". We believe that your work will contribute to popularizing the use of the potential of polymers in the food industry.

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