



Antimicrobial-resistance of Food-borne Pathogens

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The emergence of antimicrobial-resistance (AMR) in bacteria represents a major challenge for public health. The use, misuse, or indiscriminate use of antibiotics as therapeutic drugs in animal husbandry and plant health may contribute to the development of AMR in food-borne pathogens. There is growing concern over the possibility of AMR transmission via the food chain. Additionally, food processing environments could act as potential hotspots for AMR acquisition and spread. Indeed, biocide use and exposure to food-related stresses could presumably act as selection pressures for increased microbial resistance to antibiotics. Monitoring of AMR in food-borne pathogens in food-producing animals and their food products is crucial for understanding the development and diffusion of resistance, providing relevant risk assessment data, and evaluating targeted interventions. Currently, omics technologies are valuable tools to evaluate the dissemination and distribution of AMR of food-borne pathogens in the food chain. I invite authors to submit articles covering all aspects of this theme.

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