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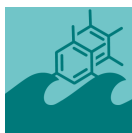
Spain is surrounded for near 8000 km of coastline, which makes it one of the most important countries to study the chemistry and the biology of marine life. Compounds from classic marine natural product studies are dated from the beginning of the 1970s, with the first publications from marine organisms of the Canary Atlantic. These papers were published from one of the pioneers of marine natural products in Spain, late Prof. Antonio Gonzalez at the University of La Laguna in the Canary Islands, who set the precedent for some other research groups from the University of Cadiz, University of Salamanca, University of Santiago de Compostela, or CSIC.

In this Special Issue on “Marine Drugs Research in Spain”, we will pay tribute to these research schools, providing Spanish researchers and institutions with a platform for publishing biomedical and chemical studies of substances of marine origin. We welcome papers focused on structure elucidation and the synthesis of marine compounds, or any biological aspects about marine macro or microorganisms.



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During the past few decades there has been an ever increasing number of novel compounds discovered in the marine environment. This is exemplified by the robust preclinical and clinical pipeline that currently exists for marine natural products. *Marine Drugs* is inviting contributions on new advances in marine biotechnology, pharmacology, chemical ecology, synthetic biology, and genomics approaches related to the discovery of therapeutically relevant marine natural products. Our goal is to share your contribution in a timely fashion and in a manner that will be valued by the scientific community.

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