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Recent Advances in Biodegradable and Edible Biopolymer-Based Films

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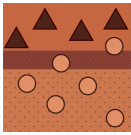
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Plastic films produced from nonrenewable resources have an increasing and concerning environmental impact worldwide, giving rise to the study of green alternatives, such as edible or biodegradable films and coatings synthesized from biopolymeric materials derived from renewable and biodegradable sources. These studies, which began in the first half of the last century, have aimed to fulfill different objectives, from the evaluation of film properties to the development of smart active films. With this view in mind, this Special Issue aims to present the latest advances in biodegradable and edible biopolymeric-based film and coatings, such as new biopolymeric materials from nontraditional commercial sources; new synthesis approaches; the inclusion of active and bioactive compounds or additives in food products; the human body's response to functional compounds; measuring the biodisponibility or bioaccessibility of added components; the shelf-life of food products coated with edible films; and new technologies involved in the production of smart active films.



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