

Series Preface

There will always be a need for analyzing methods of food compounds and properties. Current trends in analyzing methods include automation, increasing the speed of analyses, and miniaturization. The unit of detection has evolved over the years from micrograms to picograms.

A classical pathway of analysis is sampling, sample preparation, cleanup, derivatization, separation, and detection. At every step, researchers are working and developing new methodologies. A large number of papers are published every year on all facets of analysis. So, there is a need for books that gather information on one kind of analysis technique or on analysis methods of a specific group of food components.

The scope of the CRC Series on Food Analysis & Properties aims to present a range of books edited by distinguished scientists and researchers who have significant experience in scientific pursuits and critical analysis. This series is designed to provide state-of-the-art coverage on topics such as

1. Recent analysis techniques on a range of food components
2. Developments and evolution in analysis techniques related to food
3. Recent trends in analysis techniques of specific food components and/or a group of related food components
4. The understanding of physical, chemical, and functional properties of foods

The book *Marine Microorganisms: Extraction and Analysis of Bioactive Compounds* is the second volume of this series.

I am happy to be a series editor of such books for the following reasons:

- I am able to pass on my experience in editing high-quality books related to food.
- I get to know colleagues from all over the world more personally.
- I continue to learn about interesting developments in food analysis.

A lot of work is involved in the preparation of a book. I have been assisted and supported by a number of people, all of whom I would like to thank. I would especially like to thank the team at CRC Press/Taylor & Francis, with a special word of thanks to Steve Zollo, senior editor.

Many, many thanks to all the editors and authors of this volume and future volumes.

I very much appreciate all their effort, time, and willingness to do a great job.
I dedicate this series to

- My wife, for her patience with me (and all the time I spend on my computer)
- All patients suffering from prostate cancer; knowing what this means, I am hoping they will have some relief

Dr. Leo M. L. Nollet (Retired)
University College Ghent
Ghent, Belgium