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Abstract: The second International Symposium on Phytochemicals in Medicine and Food (2-ISPMF), organized by the Phytochemical Society of Europe (PSE), the Phytochemical Society of Asia (PSA) and the International Society for Chinese Medicine (ISCM), was held on 4-7 April 2017 in FuZhou, China. This symposium created a stage for more than 290 scientists from 33 countries to discuss the latest research in phytochemicals for food and human health. The program comprised 14 plenary lectures, 27 invited talks, 49 short oral presentations, a graduate student forum consisting of 22 oral presentations, and more than 110 posters. 2-ISPMF received supports from several international journals.

Key words: 2-ISPMF; Phytochemicals; Medicine; Food

Background of the ISPMF series conferences

Phytochemicals, naturally occurring chemicals produced by plants, are often biologically active and are associated with reduced risk of various human diseases (Cao *et al.*, 2017; Charisiadis *et al.*, 2017; Tala *et al.*, 2017; Vinayagam *et al.*, 2017). Even without specific knowledge of their biological activities or molecular mechanisms of action, phytochemicals have a long history of use in traditional medicines and functional foods. Thousands of phytochemicals with putative health

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