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Ming-Ju Chen is a Distinguished Professor at the University of National Taiwan University (NTU), Taiwan. She earned the doctorate in Food Science and Technology at the Ohio State University and a Master Degree in Animal Science at National Taiwan University. Dr. Chen's research interests now include isolation and identification of new bacteria and yeasts from different resources and application these strains in human food and animal feed. She also involves the development of a new platform to evaluate the functionality of probiotics and study the possible mechanism and pathway using multi-omics. Dr. Chen has published over 100 papers in areas such as dairy science, microbiology, food science and functional food. She also contributes more than 10 book chapters. Dr. Chen has achieved many external and professional awards and marks of recognition. She received the Outstanding Contribution to Dairy Science Award in 2020. She was awarded a Distinguished Research of Taiwanese Society of Food Science and the Chinese Society of Animal Science. She also received 10 times of Distinguished Teaching Award of National Taiwan University during 2005-2021. Dr. Chen holds and has held a number of leadership roles. Currently, she serves as General Secretary of the Asian Federation of Lactic Acid bacteria. She is also in charge of Food Safety Committee of International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) Taiwan. She was Presidents of Taiwan Association of Lactic Acid Bacteria (2016-2019) and President of the Taiwanese Association of Animal Science (2015-2018), General Secretary of the Asian Federation of Lactic Acid bacteria (2009-2013), and General Secretory of the Association of World Poultry Science in Taiwan (2004-2008). She was executive secretary of the 9th International Asian Pacific Poultry Conference in Taipei in Nov. 2011. AT NTU, she has served as the director of Center for International Agricultural Education and Academic Exchanges. Dr. Chen regularly speaks at international conferences, and is a member of a number of editorial boards of journals in her research area, including the Food Microbiology, Journal of Food and Drug Analysis, and the Chinese Animal Science.