# Special Issue

# Physiological Responses of Maize to Abiotic Stress

### Message from the Guest Editors

Maize, a vital global crop, to confront escalating abiotic stresses, maize has evolved integrated physiological mechanisms for resilience. A deeper and more comprehensive understanding of maize's physiological dynamics under abjotic stresses and the underlying resilience mechanisms is of crucial importance to breed climate-resilient varieties and develop stress adaptive agronomic practices. This Special Issue compiles advances in maize stress physiology to decode adaptation mechanisms that sustain growth and yield under abiotic stress. It aims to present deeper physiological investigation of maize under stress responses, including but not limited to cellular redox regulation, osmotic adjustment, stomatal regulation and photosynthesis, omics response (metabolic shifts, transcriptomic changes, microbial community variations, etc.), and regulatory measures. These insights will support physiology-driven crop adaptation strategies and advance climate resilient breeding efforts. All types of articles, such as original research articles, opinions, and reviews, are welcome.

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