

Special Issue

Precision Technologies and Novel Farming Practices to Reduce Chemical Inputs in Agriculture

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims at collecting original contributions on recent efforts and advances in i) innovative technologies and techniques for phytosanitary products and fertilizer applications based on precision agriculture principles (e.g., Variable Rate Application technologies for both PPP and fertilizers, canopy characterization, site specific weed control), ii) innovative agricultural practices (e.g., organic farming, integrated crop management) iii) novel products for pest control (e.g., bio-PPP) and organic fertilization (e.g., organo-mineral fertilizers from animal manure, digestate). Advances shall have the final goal of consistently reduce the hazardous chemical inputs promoting biodiversity in a wide range of agronomic scenarios like arable crops, 3D crops, horticultural crops and greenhouse-protected crops. All these technologies, techniques, and practices should also be sustainable from the socio-economic point of view. Furthermore, the sustainability of the agriculture also needs good training programs to transfer all the existing knowledge to stakeholders, first of all farmers and advisers; therefore, contributions on this topic are also welcome.

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