

Special Issue

Recent Research on Vegetation Restoration and Environmental Impacts

Message from the Guest Editor

Vegetation restoration plays a vital role in improving soil structure and fertility and increasing carbon sequestration, which is one of the effective strategies to control soil erosion and alleviate climate change. During vegetation restoration, vegetation type, the chemical composition of the litter, geography and climate, soil type, and microbial community affect the litter decomposition. The trade-off between soil organic carbon input by litter decomposition and mineralization by microbe leads to carbon accumulation or emission following the vegetation restoration. Moreover, the SOC input can improve soil structure by increasing aggregate stability. The composition of SOC will affect the persistence of soil aggregate stability. Meanwhile, soil aggregate stability influences carbon sequestration potential. The objectives of this Special Issue are to bring together contributions from different parts of the world on “Recent Research on Vegetation Restoration and Environmental Impacts” to better understand the mechanisms of vegetation restoration on ecological restoration and climate change.

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