Special Issue

Advances of UAV Remote Sensing for Plant Phenology

Message from the Guest Editors

The relatively low altitude of most UAV-based remote sensing, together with rapid advances in related technologies, including sensors and data processing/management, results in exceptionally high levels of detail compared to other types of remote sensing. Plant phenology is an area of vegetation analysis in agriculture and ecosystem assessments that lends itself to UAV-based remote sensing because it often benefits from the particular advantages of this type of remote sensing. The aim of this Special Issue is to present and highlight UAV applications in the area of plant phenology, including developments, challenges, practical methodologies, and theoretical advances, both in the acquisition and interpretation of data. Particular topics include, but are not limited to, the role of UAVs in:

- The detection and quantification of plant life-cycle events;
- Plant phenology metrics;
- The role of phenology in plant identification and characterization;
- Plant phenology patterns in space and time;
- Phenology data processing and interpretation.

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