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Message from the Guest Editors

Sustainable use of natural resources has directed conventional waste and wastewater management towards resource recovery, including nutrients and energy. Biotechnology provides solutions for harvesting energy carriers from waste materials together with meeting the environmental protection needs. Various bioprocesses have been developed for waste-to-energy harvesting, including biomethane, bioalcohols biohydrogen and bioelectricity. Anaerobic digestion for methane and bioethanol production have found many applications whereas processes targeting biobutanol, biohydrogen, as well as bioelectrochemical systems remain in developmental stage. These technologies have various potentials and challenges prior to providing wide-scale resource recovery solutions. The primary focus of this Special Issue is introduce up-to-date bioprocess approaches for producing energy carriers from waste materials with a special focus on identifying key factors limiting their large-scale beneficiation.

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