



Soil Contamination by Heavy Metals and Metalloids

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Message from the Guest Editor

Soil contamination has been identified and as one of the main soil threats inducing the degradation of global soils and driving long-term losses of ecosystems services provided by them. The aim of this Special Issue is to highlight soil contamination as a global threat, providing an overview of its importance. Articles may include but are not limited to the following topics:

- The identification of the main sources of soil contamination by heavy metal(loid)s in different soil types;
- Chemistry, speciation, potential mobility, and the bioavailability of heavy metal(loid)s commonly found in contaminated soils;
- Assessment of negative impacts and risks of soil heavy metal(loid)s contamination on crop yields, soil biota, food security, and human health;
- Available methods and strategies for monitoring, assessing, and remediating contaminated soils by heavy metal(loid)s;
- Guidelines that include threshold values for heavy metal(loid)s in soils on national and regional levels.





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