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Message from the Guest Editors

Forests fundamentally regulate precipitation partitioning, evapotranspiration, runoff, groundwater recharge, and water quality, yet global and local syntheses consistently reveal critical research gaps and unsolved topics. Key uncertainties concern deep percolation and surface–groundwater coupling, hydrological feedbacks in understudied biomes (tropical, boreal, warm, and cold semi-arid), the role of climate extremes, and the conversion of process knowledge into basin- to continental-scale models and water-governance frameworks. Addressing these gaps is essential for forecasting water availability and quality, mitigating flood and drought risks, and designing nature-positive forestry interventions under rapid landuse and climate change.

By tackling these frontiers, this Issue will provide a comprehensive evidence base needed to inform sustainable forest and water-resource policy worldwide.

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