

Special Issue

Advances in Testing the Biological Durability and Quality Assurance of Wood-Based Materials and Products

Message from the Guest Editors

Wood and wood-based products have a high potential for sequestering carbon and can be obtained from sustainable forest resources. The longer a wood product remains in use, the more carbon remains bound. Thus, the biological durability of wood plays an important role in the service life of wooden structures and components. With the increasing regulation of wood preservatives and criticism surrounding non-sustainably produced tropical wood species, innovative approaches for improving wood durability are desirable. Environmentally friendly and sustainable materials are becoming more popular, leading to increased interest in the development of biobased alternatives to traditional wood protection methods. These developments should improve the sustainability of wood-based materials and the products industry. We encourage studies from all fields, including method development, experimental studies, quality assurance monitoring approaches, and models to contribute to this Special Issue in order to contribute to the knowledge surrounding wood durability mechanisms, wood modification strategies and the protection of wooden structures.

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