Special Issue

Impacts of Nitrogen Deposition on Litter Decomposition and Nutrient Cycling

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to explore the complex interactions between nitrogen deposition, litter decomposition, and nutrient dynamics, with a particular emphasis on how these processes influence ecosystem structure and function. We welcome contributions from both experimental studies and long-term field observations. Potential topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Microbial and biochemical mechanisms driving nitrogen-induced changes in litter decomposition;
- The interplay between nitrogen deposition and phosphorus availability in regulating nutrient cycling and ecosystem stability;
- The ecological consequences of altered litter decomposition on carbon sequestration, soil fertility, and forest productivity;
- Comparative studies assessing the effects of nitrogen deposition across different climatic regions, ecosystem types, and land-use patterns;
- Strategies for mitigating the ecological impacts of nitrogen deposition on litter decomposition and broader ecosystem functions.

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