

Special Issue

Forest Flora Specialism, Rarity, and Conservation

Message from the Guest Editor

Forest, especially in the temperate and subtropical area, have been overexploited, and this situation has often been reflected in an oversimplification of dominant species and/or a loss of diversity in the dominate herbal layer. This Special Issue aims to provide contributions on the forestry flora of ecosystems of the temperate and subtropical areas of the Northern Hemispheres, with a special focus on the flora of the herbal layer. The main topic will be the diversity of the herbal flora and their conservation. In particular, principal areas of interest will be the flora need of conservation, endemic plants, functional strategies in stabilization and regeneration, different types of management of tree species and their impact on herbal flora, monitoring flora diversity, flora changes after alien invasion, and plants of interest for medicine or cultural uses. Potential topics include but are not limited to:

- Flora of herbal layer;
- Diversity–richness of flora and functional strategies;
- Endemism;
- Conservation;
- Management;
- Impact of aliens;
- Medicine and cultural interest.

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