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Forest Soil Microbiology and Biogeochemistry

Message from the Guest Editors

Forests are crucial in preserving the plant, animal, and microbial biodiversity of our planet. Due to theuniqueness and complexity of forest ecosystems, we are yet to fully understand the community structures and functions of the forest microbiome and the biogeochemical processes associated with it. This Special Issue aims to enhance our knowledge regarding the contribution of soil microbes to forest community assembly and ecosystem functions, including nutrient cycling, biodiversity preservation, and the enhancement of biomass or productivity. We specifically welcome papers that focus on the following: (i) microbial assemblages and their biological and environmental drivers in mycorrhizae, rhizospheres, and bulk soils; (ii) soil C. N. P-biogeochemistry and their relationships with the soil microbiome across forest ecosystems; and (iii) how soil microbiology and stoichiometry regulate forest regeneration and succession following intense human and climatic disturbance. We also welcome papers exploring plant-soil-microbe interactions from the following perspectives: functional traits, stable isotopes, and RNA-seq, etc.

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