

Special Issue

Wood Durability and Protection

Message from the Guest Editors

Wood products are versatile, widely available construction materials with a long history of use around the world. Increasingly, these materials are being sought for their lower lifecycle carbon emissions compared to alternatives. However, as a biological material, wood is susceptible to biodegradation by wood-destroying insects and fungi, and it must be protected from these attacks to ensure long-term performance in specific end applications. Different wood species also differ in their resistance to decay. Many methods of wood protection exist and include treatment with biocides, wood modification, moisture-excluding coatings, moisture management, and others. This Special Issue of *Forests* will highlight the latest developments in wood durability and protection research. **Keywords** pressure treatment wood coatings biodeterioration biodegradation naturally durable wood wood modification

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