

## Special Issue

# Climate Change and Stress Factors on Forest Vegetation: Regulation of Morphological, Physiological and Molecular Characteristics

### Message from the Guest Editors

Forests comprise a vertical mosaic of trees, shrubs, lianas, herbs, bryophytes and epiphytes, whose survival now hinges on their capacity to regulate morphological, physiological and molecular networks under unprecedented climatic volatility—rising temperatures, hydrological extremes, elevated CO<sub>2</sub>, nutrient deposition and novel pollutants. This Special Issue, “Climate Change and Stress Factors on Forest Vegetation: Regulation of Morphological, Physiological and Molecular Characteristics,” seeks mechanistic studies that investigate how forest plants perceive and integrate these stressors to remodel their structural architecture, coordinate hydraulic and photosynthetic performance, and reprogram transcriptional, epigenetic, proteomic and metabolic pathways. Submissions from forest ecophysiology, functional genomics, molecular ecology, systems biology, plant–microbe interaction research and vegetation–climate modelling are welcome.

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