

Special Issue

Forest Soil Organic Matter and Biogeochemical Cycle

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue delves into the pivotal role of soil organic matter (SOM) within forest ecosystems, emphasizing its significance in nutrient dynamics, carbon storage, and overall ecosystem sustainability. Forest soils, as substantial reservoirs of organic carbon, are integral to the global carbon cycle. This collection of articles explores the multifaceted aspects of SOM, from its formation and decomposition to its interactions with minerals and soil biota. Moreover, this Special Issue broadens its scope to include the impacts of climate change, land-use alterations, and forestry practices on SOM. It also covers the modeling of entire terrestrial ecosystems, reflecting on how these systems are simulated to predict changes in forest dynamics and carbon sequestration under different environmental scenarios. Highlighting microbial and enzymatic processes, this Special Issue offers insights into the mechanisms driving SOM turnover and nutrient availability. Contributions from various geographic regions and forest types provide a comprehensive view of forest soil biogeochemistry, aiming to inform sustainable management and conservation strategies.

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