

Special Issue

Wood Chemistry and Wood Biotechnology

Message from the Guest Editor

Woody biomass in forests worldwide contributes substantially to catastrophic wildfires. Not only are the costs for suppressing wildfires continually rising, forest ecosystems are faced with decreases in forest habitats, microbial communities, soil integrity, as well as increases in carbon dioxide and particulates. Utilization of this woody biomass is critical to sustain healthy and resilient forest ecosystems. A fundamental branch of this utilization effort is focused on our understanding of wood chemistry and wood biotechnology. In this Special Issue, we welcome contributions that expand our current understanding of woody plant chemistry, including the following: spatial architecture, polymeric structure, biological degradation, innovative deconstruction techniques, biorefinery chemistries, and characterization using analytical approaches.

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