Special Issue

Enhancing Human Well-Being through Urban Forestry: Strategies for Planning, Policies and Management

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This Special Issue will provide a comprehensive analysis of the critical role of urban forestry in improving the physical, mental, and social well-being of city dwellers. We seek scholarly articles and in-depth reviews that explore the complex relationship between urban green spaces and public health. Our focus covers a wide range of topics, including the strategic planning and implementation of urban green spaces, the ecological benefits of urban forests, strategies to mitigate urban heat islands, and the socioeconomic impacts of urban greening initiatives. This Special Issue aims to highlight innovative planning and management approaches that capitalize on the health benefits of urban forests, address current challenges such as climate change and rapid urbanization, and ensure equitable access to urban green spaces. By bringing together insights from different academic fields, this Special Issue aims to provide valuable recommendations to policy makers, urban planners, and environmental advocates on how to integrate urban forestry into urban development plans, ultimately improving the quality of life in diverse urban communities.

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