

Special Issue

Designing Future Urban Forests

Message from the Guest Editors

Urban land cover is predicted to triple globally by the year 2030, leading to a variety of environmental impacts, including forest fragmentation and loss, and declines in native biodiversity and the various benefits provided by forests. With more than half of the human population now residing in urban landscapes, a question emerges: can we design, construct, and manage built, urban environments to deliver the same ecological benefits and services as those provided by forests? The editors view this challenge as an opportunity to reimagine built, urban landscapes that contribute to conservation of biodiversity and the important benefits that humans receive from nature, particularly forests.

We welcome papers that address all aspects of designing, constructing, and managing built, urban landscapes and remnant urban natural areas to ensure these systems provide urbanites with the long-term benefits provided by forests. Papers can be on synthesis/reviews, empirical, or modeling studies. This topic requires interdisciplinary thinking. Thus, we welcome papers focusing on environmental, ecological, social, economic, policy, and a mixture of these topics.

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