

# Special Issue

## New Knowledge in Dragon Tree Research

### Message from the Guest Editors

Only a few species among more than 60–100 species of the genus *Dracaena* reach the arborescent form. Arborescent dragon trees are Tertiary relict species, the ecosystems (woodlands and very rare forests) containing these life forms belong to one of the oldest surviving ecosystems around the world. Most species are endemic with limited (often island) distribution. Dragon trees are also an important source of non-timber products; the trees produce a red resin called dragon's blood, which has been used for coloring and medical purposes since ancient times. Thus, these trees are considered to have high cultural and natural values. The main objective of the Special Issue is to present the latest results of research focused on species of the dragon tree group, and to determine main gaps for future investigation as the basis for conservation management. This Special Issue will accept studies from broad research topics related to dragon trees.

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