

Special Issue

Effects of Biostimulants on the Growth and Development of Horticultural Crops

Message from the Guest Editors

To reduce the negative impacts on agroecosystems and contribute to sustainable agriculture. Biostimulants have become a promising agronomic tool and are widely considered a sustainable agricultural practice, with the ability to enhance the growth, yield, and stress tolerance of plants, and improve the quality of food. However, more studies focused on horticultural crops under field conditions are needed.

Thus, the aim of this Special Issue of *Horticulturae*, entitled “Effects of Biostimulants on the Growth and Development of Horticultural Crops”, is to present advances regarding biostimulants and their effects on horticultural crops, as well as their contribution to sustainable agriculture. Biostimulants include substances and microorganisms (plant hormones, nanoparticles, microbial bioinoculants, humic acids, amino acids, seaweed extracts, and new ones) that improve the production of horticultural crops by upgrading the physiology or metabolic routes of plants, improving their nutrient uptake, and enhancing their tolerance to biotic and abiotic stress.

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