

Special Issue

Advances in Genetics, Breeding, and Quality Improvement of Olive

Message from the Guest Editors

The olive is one of the oldest and most valuable fruit crops in the world. The challenges in olive cultivation posed by climate change, new cultivation systems, and abiotic and biotic stress have urged us to find new sources of variability. New insights into the genetic resources of species is an important first step towards their evaluation, conservation, and sustainable utilization. In this sense, the Special Issue titled "Advances in Genetics, Breeding, and Quality Improvement of Olive" aims to present the latest research and advances in the field of olive genomics and breeding. The Special Issue aims to showcase innovative studies exploring the genetic diversity of olives (including olive wild relatives; advances in breeding techniques; and new approaches to improving the quality of the olive trees, fruit, and oil). Contributions may include, but are not limited to, research on conservation and breeding strategies, genome sequencing, phenotypic trait mapping, molecular marker development, cross-breeding outcomes, improved pest and disease resistance, and the impact of genetic improvements on the sensory properties and nutritional value of olives and olive oil.

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