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Horticulture in the Time of COVID-19

Message from the Collection Editors

How was horticulture affected by SARS-CoV-2? The aim of this Special Issue is to gather knowledge regarding reactions to the pandemic that occurred worldwide in the horticultural sector and, also, on the confinement of people. This Special Issue covers reviews and specific studies on how horticulture was influenced by the pandemic, considering changes in the food production and supply chain, in citizen's behavior and demand for fresh food being locally vs. remotely produced and commercial vs. self-produced. In addition, reviews and case studies related to floriculture are pertinent, taking into account that the pandemic also caused a worldwide crisis in this sector and that the practice of activities such as gardening became important for health and wellbeing. New reactions and approaches to botanicals are also of interest. Prospects for resilience of the horticultural sector, enduring changes caused by SARS-CoV-2, are also welcome.

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