

# Special Issue

## Tolerance of Horticultural Plants to Abiotic Stresses

### Message from the Guest Editors

The capacity of horticultural plants to endure abiotic stresses, such as drought, salinity, extreme temperatures, and heavy metal contamination, is vital for sustaining growth and optimizing productivity. Central tolerance mechanisms, including osmoprotectant accumulation, heightened antioxidant enzyme activity, and ion transport regulation, serve to alleviate stress-induced damage. Moreover, plant hormones, fertilizers, and biostimulants are instrumental in enhancing stress resilience. Recent advances in genomics and metabolomics provide promising strategies for breeding and cultivating stress-tolerant horticultural crops. Investigating the physiological, molecular, and genetic responses of plants to abiotic stresses is imperative for fortifying their resilience and ensuring sustainable productivity. Given the increasing frequency of extreme conditions due to climate change, research in horticultural plant stress tolerance is indispensable for developing resilient crops, safeguarding food security, and advancing sustainable agricultural practices in an evolving environment.

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