# **Topical Collection**

# New Insights into Assessment of the State of Pollution in Horticultural Areas

## Message from the Collection Editor

The objective of this Topical Collection on "Effects of Xenobiotics on the Soil Environment" is to evaluate the presence of chemical compounds such as herbicides, surfactants, pharmaceuticals, and others on the functioning of the soil environment. Important issues include the analysis of the fate of xenobiotics in the soil profile by studying deposition, sorption, and migration as well as biodegradation and biotransformation. In addition, the effects of xenodiotics on soil microorganisms and seed germination and plant development are very important issues. This Topical Collection is addressed at the world's leading experts on horticulture and bioprocesses in the soil environment.

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