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Coral Reefs in a Changing World: Disturbance, Recovery, and Resilience

Message from the Guest Editors

Coral reefs are undergoing unprecedented changes due to increasing environmental and anthropogenic pressures, threatening their structure, function, and biodiversity. This Special Issue addresses the urgent need to understand how coral reef ecosystems respond to disturbances and what drives their capacity for resilience and recovery. We aim to gather multidisciplinary research exploring the ecological mechanisms behind reef resistance, degradation, and regeneration across different biogeographic regions and reef types. Building on a strong history of coral reef science, this Special Issue emphasizes integrating traditional and emerging approaches. We welcome cutting-edge research, including field studies, experiments, remote sensing, modeling, and biotechnology-based solutions that provide novel insights into reef dynamics under stress. We seek highquality original research articles, reviews, and short but substantial communications that advance ecological understanding of reef disturbances and resilience, particularly those offering broadly applicable findings relevant to conservation and restoration efforts.

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