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Engineered Nanomaterials and Agriculture: Moving towards Their Contribution into Food Security

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Dear Colleagues,

Research advances have shown that engineered nanomaterials (ENMs) may have beneficial effects in plants. The reports mention that at certain concentrations, ENMs—especially microelement nanoparticles—reduce lipid peroxidation, increase pigments, and act as fertilizers or pesticides. Additionally, the data indicate beneficial changes in metabolomics and metallomics. However, the boundary between beneficial and detrimental concentrations is still not well defined.

This Special Issue of *Nanomaterials* attempts to cover reports of studies focused on the discovery of relevant concentrations of ENMs that are able to improve food production. This collection of papers may lay the foundation for more literature that seeks to enable the increase of food security and, at the same time, reduce environmental impacts derived from the extensive use of conventional fertilizers and pesticides.

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