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New Trends in Incidence and Control of Fruit Crop Bacterial/Viral Diseases in Asia

Message from the Guest Editors

Fruit crops are important cash crops across Asia, but their production is constantly threatened by many diseases; bacterial diseases and viral diseases are particularly common in tropical temperate regions of Asia, respectively. Recently, the incidence and prevalence of bacterial diseases are increasing, apparently in association with climate change, while new viral epidemics are spreading in relation to the introduction of new popular cultivars. Some of these diseases are spreading over borders, and international collaboration is indispensable for taking countermeasures efficiently. On the other hand, the appearance of new advanced tools including qRT-PCR, NGS, RNAi, drones, image analysis, machine learning, modeling, and DNA editing has significantly enhanced precision of diagnosis and efficacy of control. This Special Issue of *Plants* will highlight new trends in the incidence of bacterial and viral diseases of fruit crops and disease control in Asia.

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