

Special Issue

Effects of Metal Stress on Crops

Message from the Guest Editor

Natural processes and anthropogenic activities may lead to metal contamination of the environment. Crops are susceptible to suffer the influence of metal exposure by atmospheric dry and wet deposition, agrochemicals application and soil uptake. Some metals can accumulate in plant tissues and in edible parts, which is a serious concern to public health threatening food security. The effects of metal accumulation in crops can trigger directly or indirectly several biochemical, physiological, and morphological disturbances in plants. Understanding the dynamic of metal accumulation and plants defense mechanisms to manage this accumulation is an important issue to keep crops productivity. This Special Issue will focus on the recent advancements in the role of reactive oxygen species, plants pigments, nutritional balance and their contribution to tolerance to metal stress in food crops. Contributions involving metallic nanoparticles effects and tolerance in crops and remediation alternatives are also welcome. This is an interesting opportunity for publishing original research articles or reviews.

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