

## Special Issue

# Integrating Biochar and Biostimulants in Crop Improvement: Mechanisms, Applications, and Future Directions

### Message from the Guest Editors

Biochar and biostimulants are gaining global attention as innovative tools for improving agricultural productivity while ensuring environmental sustainability. Biochar possesses unique physical and chemical properties that allow it to enhance soil fertility, mitigate biotic and abiotic stresses, increase carbon sequestration, and promote plant development. Biostimulants, including humic acids, amino acids, microbial inoculants, and natural extracts, stimulate plant physiological functions, improve nutrient efficiency, and enhance stress tolerance. This Special Issue aims to bring together interdisciplinary research on the roles, mechanisms, and applications of biochar and biostimulants across various agroecosystems. We encourage contributions that utilize advanced techniques, including omics, modeling, field trials, and life cycle assessments, to explore how these amendments function across soil-plant systems.

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