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Novel and Urban Forests: Biodiversity, Ecology and Conservation

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The ecological concept of "Novel Forests" (Novel Ecosystems) gained popularity in the early years of this millennium, still being controversial and lacking in research. The purpose of this Special Issue is to explore advances in research related to novel and urban forests, focusing on aspects involving their ecology, biodiversity, and conservation. Specifically, contributions should concentrate on one or more of the following aspects: - Functional and phylogenetic aspects of novel and urban forests:

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- The significance of novel and urban forests for biodiversity conservation;
- Ecosystem services provided by novel and urban forests;
- Robust and comprehensive inventories of biodiversity and functional attributes in novel and urban forests;
- Novel and urban forests in the context of climate change:
- Novel and urban forests in the context of environmental governance policies.

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