

## Special Issue

# Weaponizing Plants: Biocontrol and Biosecurity in Plant Protection

### Message from the Guest Editors

Innovative bioprotection strategies, as well as the biological control of crop pests, is the new frontier for the sustainable future of plant health, demanding emerging technologies which facilitate the understanding and exploitation of the mechanisms involved.

This Special Issue aims to collect the most updated insights and experimental developments intended to increase plants' health and biosecurity. Original research papers and reviews describing agronomic practices, traditional breeding, bioinformatics, biological control agents (such as beneficial microorganisms or competitors), plant resistance against pests and pathogens, direct or indirect antagonistic interaction with the pathogen (or competition for nutrients and space), hyperparasitism or antibiosis, and the production/regulation of secondary metabolites with biocontrol activity (or supporting antagonists to gain a competitive advantage), are encouraged and welcomed. A particular attention to the plant standpoint is highly recommended.

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