

Special Issue

Pre-harvest Factors Influencing Crops' Yield and Quality Traits

Message from the Guest Editors

The journal *Plants* will be publishing a Special Issue on the effect of pre-harvest factors (including genotype, growing environment and crop management) on crops' yield and qualitative characteristics. Indeed, a complex of interactions between this group of factors may affect the yield and quality of fruits and vegetables at harvest, accounting for different crops' performances from one site to another worldwide. In particular, efforts toward understanding the role of preharvest factors are of crucial importance with the aim of enhancing the final market value of the produce and acceptance by the consumers. Of particular interest are researches on more eco-friendly and cost-effective agricultural practices able to enrich crop's quality. This Special Issue will present interdisciplinary studies, elucidating chemical, physiological, biological, morphological and agronomic aspects relative to crop's yield and qualitative performances as affected by pre-harvest factors (genotype, growing environment, agronomic management, ripening stage, *etc.*). All types of articles, such as original research papers, opinions, and reviews are welcome.

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