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Advances in Cryosphere Monitoring: Integrating Multi-Source Remote Sensing and Al Technologies

Message from the Guest Editors

This special issue addresses the critical challenges of monitoring glaciers, snow cover, and permafrost dynamics within the cryosphere through cutting-edge remote sensing technologies and artificial intelligence (AI)-driven methodologies. Remote sensing provides a scalable, non-invasive platform to assess key cryospheric parameters, including glacier mass balance, ice flow velocity, snow water equivalent (SWE), and permafrost thermal state. Satellite-based optical, radar, and thermal infrared sensors enable systematic tracking of glacier retreat patterns, while hyperspectral imaging and synthetic aperture radar (SAR) enhance the characterization of snowpack properties and subsurface permafrost degradation. Complementing spaceborne observations, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) offer high-resolution monitoring of localized cryospheric processes, bridging the gap between field measurements and satellite data. Emerging innovations in multi-sensor data fusion and AI algorithms are revolutionizing cryosphere monitoring. The integration of multi-source remote sensing data with physicsinformed AI frameworks enables robust quantification of cryosphere-climate feedback mechanisms.

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