

## Special Issue

# Remote Sensing Applications for Trace Gases and Air Quality

### Message from the Guest Editors

Air pollution represents a persistent threat to both public health and environmental sustainability. Major air pollutants comprise particulate matter and trace gases (e.g., nitrogen dioxide, ozone, and formaldehyde), which make up less than 1% of Earth's atmosphere by volume. Despite their minimal concentration, trace gases have significant societal impacts, like respiratory and cardiovascular diseases, premature death, and even impairment of terrestrial carbon uptake. Earth observations offer large-coverage and frequent monitoring capabilities for trace gases, leveraging remote sensing applications to enhance our understanding of air quality. New satellites and payloads (e.g., MethaneSat and FengYun series) and advancements in retrieval algorithms (e.g., artificial intelligence) are revolutionising our techniques for trace gas remote sensing. The growth of cloud computing platforms like Google Earth Engine is transforming our capacity to analyse biosphere–atmosphere interactions. Contributions covering these scopes, encompassing the latest technological advances and their applications in air quality monitoring and policymaking, are highly welcomed.

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