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# Wireless Sensor Networks for Environmental Monitoring

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Environmental monitoring is fundamental to understand our ecosystem, to prevent adverse effects on human health and environment, and as a tool to evaluate the effectiveness of regulations. Recent advances in technology, instrumentation, and procedures have pushed forward laboratory capabilities in testing and analyzing soil, water, gas, and biota specimens and have created new opportunities for real-time monitoring through, for example, distributed sensor networks or wireless sensor networks. These architectures are widely used in environmental monitoring because they offer many important benefits, such as real time access to data, covering wide areas, long term monitoring and system scalability.

This Special Issue aims to survey and discuss the state of the art, difficulties, innovations, and improvements on environmental data acquisition, monitoring, analysis, and risk assessment and management. The observed trends in the pollution of soil, air, and water, the global warming and the increased awareness of environmental themes urge scientists to work on effective methods to be able to detect and react to environmental parameter changes in a timely and authoritative manner.









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