

# Special Issue

## Urban Forests, Plant Systematics and Germplasm Innovation

### Message from the Guest Editors

With the acceleration of urbanization, a large amount of natural land surface has been transformed into artificial land surfaces. The urban landscape presents a state of fragmentation, and all kinds of biological habitats gradually disappear. As an important part of the urban ecosystem, plants play an irreplaceable role in coordinating the human–nature relationship. However, studies on the response of plant community biodiversity, functional traits, and ecosystem services to urbanization are still relatively weak. The Special Issue aims to improve people's understanding of the impact of urbanization on plant diversity from both theoretical and practical perspectives, so as to provide useful references for the development and application of plant ecology and landscape ecology and promote sustainable and high-quality development in urban regions. This Special Issue welcomes submissions including, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Spatial-temporal variations and its behind mechanism for Urban greenspace and biodiversity;
- Plant phylogenomics and biogeography, as well as taxonomic revision;
- Germplasm innovation and excellent genes mining for tropical crops.

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