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Agricultural Soil Pollution by Heavy Metals

Message from the Guest Editors

Nowadays, more attention is focused on the quality and safety of agricultural products caused by soil pollution. Environmental contaminants, which potentially cause hazards, include trace elements, heavy metals and organic compounds, etc., as a result of excessive use of pesticides and chemical fertilizers. Although increasing awareness has been raised on soil environmental protection, the great harm of soil pollution featuring concealment, longevity, and irreversibility makes it difficult to restore soil quality and productivity. Increasing soil sustainability is the ultimate goal in the implementation of remediation strategies. As a consequence of soil contamination, sustainable management of soil resource has become a concern due to the massive and rapid aggravation of the environment. To mitigate such pollution, efforts have been undertaken in the investigation of effective technologies for environmental quality improvement, transport and distribution of pollutants in the environment. We look forward to receiving your contributions, Prof. Dr. Shibao Chen

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