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Assessment of Metal and Trace Element Contamination in Soil

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Message from the Guest Editor

In this Special Issue, contributions covering all elements except typical non-metals are welcome. These should include:

(1) Environmental monitoring to detect sources of locally enhanced contamination levels, including digestion and determination methods in liquid and solid;

(2) Characterization of defined metal sources, such as ore formation, mining and smelting, soil excavations from metalliferous areas, waste deposits, sewage and manure, fertilizers, traffic, and atmospheric inputs;

(3) Environmental mobilities, such as migration in the soil column, leaching to groundwater and erosion, mobile fractions, and dissolution kinetics;

(4) Transfer to plants and crops, including pot and field experiments to monitor soil-to-plant transfer, in combination with mobile soil fractions, changes of soil microbiology because of contamination, metalliferous vegetation, and accumulation in plants;

(5) Sanitation and recovery strategies, such as stabilization procedures, soil washing, phytoextraction, and metal recovery from metalliferous plants and waste;

(6) Setting of thresholds based on risk assessment to enable authorities to take legal action.

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