Special Issue

Phage-Plant Interactions

Message from the Guest Editors

Viruses is pleased to announce the creation of a collection of feature articles "phage-plant interaction". The aim of this Special Issue is to call for recent advances in the interaction mechanism of bacteriophages with bacterial plant pathogens or symbiotic bacteria found in plant environments. Studies focusing on the application of bacteriophages in agriculture, e.g., on plants in the greenhouse or on fields, are also welcome. One of the main challenges in plant disease control is environmental concerns when using pesticides and the resistance of plant pathogenic bacteria to bactericide, which makes it necessary to develop a sustainable, ecofriendly, and economically affordable solution. Phages are biological molecules that do not contaminate the environment and are easily produced at low cost. Yet, they are highly efficient in inactivating bacterial pathogens and thus hold promise as efficient biocontrol agents. We welcome the submission of manuscripts from all scientists in this field, including those from Editorial Board Members and from scholars invited by the Editorial Board and the Editorial Office.

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