



Soil Health in Agroecosystems

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Dear Colleagues,

Soil health is the continued capacity of a soil to sustain biological productivity, maintain environmental quality, and promote plant and animal health. Deterioration of soil health is a global concern with massive amounts of fertile land lost every year to erosion, flooding, mining, urban development, and intensive agricultural use. With the world's population growing steadily, this annual reduction of the land suitable for food production poses a threat to food security. Thus, preserving our agricultural soils should be of the highest importance to human welfare. Soil health characterization and assessment within agricultural settings is an agro-ecological approach to improve our understanding of the status and impacts of management practices. Results from these assessments are essential to develop decision tools and policies to achieve sustainable and profitable intensification of agricultural systems.

This Special Issue intends to cover recent research into different aspects related to the assessment and understanding of soil health in a wide range of agro-ecosystems.

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