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Precision Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry: Extracting Canopy Information from Drone Imagery for Management and Decision-Making

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Message from the Guest Editors

The rapid evolution of drones, UAVs, UGV and drone-related technologies including software has seen the development of many environmental applications in recent years. Precision agriculture and horticulture have been one such area that has seen a growing role for image acquisition and processing, and more recently 3D models. Drones have been applied to monitor crop area, to estimate yield, crop water and nutritional status, extract forest canopy information, as well as to oversee and monitor animals on farmland.

This Special Issue, therefore, welcomes scientific papers from authors working in the field of drone applications in precision agriculture, horticulture, and forestry. It will bring together studies presenting results on crop monitoring, applications working with drones as a practical tool such as the application of fungicides, and drone applications in forestry and livestock, focusing on the extraction of information from UAV imagery for crop management and decision support systems. It will cover technical developments of drones, their sensors, applications, and case studies.

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