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Dear Colleagues,

Soil organic carbon (SOC) is the largest terrestrial C pool, and it plays a critical role in sustaining soil health. Multiple soil properties and processes are influenced by SOC, such as soil structure, nutrient dynamics, water conservation, and microorganism composition. Land use conversion and management may result in higher SOC loss and CO₂ emission, while enhanced management strategies can promote SOC sequestration and mitigate greenhouse gas emissions. Thus, assessing SOC in natural and agricultural ecosystems is critical in order to provide insights into the impact of anthropogenic activities on ecosystem services.

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