



Forest Fuel Ecology: The Feedbacks among Fuels, Fire Behavior, and Vegetation

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There is a realistic presumption, that ongoing climate change will have negative impacts on the frequency and severity of wildfires in the future. The decreased soil and vegetation moisture content, higher drought index will be reflected in vegetation higher ignition potential. A key indicator to specify the actual fire ignition potential of vegetation, calculate the fire danger index, and to predict fire spreading, is the moisture content of fuel. To mitigate the wildfire severity, extent, and impact on forest, we need to understand the driving mechanisms of wildfire ignition, dynamics and the role of fuel and fuel management. The aim of this Special Issue is to promote knowledge of current research concerning forest fuel, including its qualitative (physical, chemical, fire), quantitative properties and further application of this data in fire behavior modelling, completed with knowledge and experience concerning fuel management strategies to be included in climate change adaptation strategies in all time and spatial scales. We encourage studies from all fields, including experimental studies, monitoring approaches and models in this Special Issue.





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