Forest Pathogens and Diseases under Changing Climate

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The world's climate is changing. Higher temperatures, droughts, storms, and forest fires are likely to be more frequent and intense in the future. Although these events can have a major direct impact on natural and managed forest ecosystems, they may also stress forest trees, making them more susceptible to disease attacks. Climate change is also altering the distributions of forest pathogens and how they interact with forest trees. A deeper understanding of interactions between a changing climate, forests, and forest diseases is needed and may have important implications for managing disturbed forests, controlling forest diseases, and thus, mitigating the negative effects of climate change. Research papers on the topic are most welcome in this Special Issue, but other types of paper are also invited.

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