



## Genetics and Genomics of Forest Trees

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### Message from the Guest Editor

The continuous development of genetic maps in forest trees and the expansion of QTL and association mapping approaches contribute to unravel the genotype-phenotype relationship and to lead to marker assisted and genome-wide selection. However, major challenges lie ahead. Recent literature suggests that species demography and genetic diversity have been affected both by climatic oscillations and anthropogenically induced stresses in a way that future adaptation may be questionable. Moreover, the pace of contemporary environmental change put a great challenge on forest tree populations and their ability to adapt taking into account their life history characteristics.

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