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Drilling Techniques of Solid Wood and Wood-Based Materials

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Drilling is one out of a couple of basic cutting processes that are of particular interest to wood science and technology professionals. It is in fact, from a practical standpoint, quite impossible to imagine furniture manufacturing or construction of wooden buildings without effective drilling techniques. Therefore, there are many studies being carried out on these techniques. This ensures constant development – drilling techniques are constantly being improved, new tools are being developed and new application areas are sought. Drilling is now used for more than just making holes in wood for construction purposes. Drilling-based tests are commonly considered the most convenient (quickest and the most material-saving) methods of relative machinability rating of any wood or wood-based materials. There are certainly many other areas in which drilling can be used that are yet to be discovered and explored. Thus, we encourage all researchers dealing with woodworking to contribute to this Special Issue of *Forests*, which is focused on all (traditional or unconventional) scientific aspects of drilling techniques in both solid wood and wood-based materials.



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