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Potentially Toxic Elements: Source, Distribution, Risk Assessment and Remediation

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This Special Issue will present research and review articles on potentially toxic elements (PTEs), with an emphasis on their sources and distribution in the environment, as well as the assessment of the risk they pose to ecosystems and human health. These elements include metals and metalloids that threaten the environment at high concentrations, especially in areas subject to anthropic activities such agriculture, livestock, as mining. industrialization and urbanization. Considering the proven risks of PTEs, knowledge of guiding values and the quantification of concentrations, contamination levels and risk indices are essential to mitigate the impacts of these contaminants and protect the environment. Potential topics for this Special Issue include, but are not limited to: PTE guiding values and background values; contamination by PTEs; environmental and human health risk assessment; the use of phytoremediation, organic residues and biochar in mitigating the impacts of PTEs; treatment of residues contaminated by PTEs; bioaccumulation and PTEs; biomagnification bioavailability and of bioaccessibility of PTEs.



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