



Interactions between *Colletotrichum* Species and Plants

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Anthracoze is an important plant disease, caused by fungi belonging to the genus *Colletotrichum*, responsible for important losses in numerous and varied agricultural crops. The genus *Colletotrichum* encompasses wide and multi-level genetic variability, with diverse lifestyles and hosts and varied degrees of host specificity. Beside its economic impact, *Colletotrichum* is a model system for studying speciation, host adaptation × polyphagy and histopathology, but also epidemiology and crop protection. In recent years, the taxonomy of *Colletotrichum* has undergone profound changes, providing challenges and often new frameworks for host–fungus interaction studies. Genome sequencing has also entered *Colletotrichum* research, again providing powerful tools to better understand host–fungus interaction and ultimately disease resistance.

This Special Issue on intends to bring together the state-of-the-art research on *Colletotrichum*–host interactions, with articles spanning all the way from the fungal genome through to host resistance, including epidemiological, histopathological, functional, ecological and agronomical aspects of these interactions.





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