

Special Issue

The Evolution of Crops and Domestication Syndrome

Message from the Guest Editor

One of the most debated topics on the origin of the domestication of plants concerns the timing of the appearance of the characteristics of domestication syndrome. One of the factors that differentiates domesticated plants from their wild ancestors is domestication syndrome, including symptoms such as increased seed size, loss of dormancy, and the inability to disperse seeds. It is still debated whether these characteristics were brought about by the first farmers through conscious or unconscious crop selection. This Special Issue of *Plants* aims to collect archaeobotanical research on the origin, crop evolution, and processes of the domestication of cereals, legumes, fruits and vegetables. We welcome original research papers, methods, reviews, and perspectives able to provide a clearer picture on crops' domestication and their evolution.

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