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Earth Observations and Crop Models for Sustainable Agricultural Management

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Message from the Guest Editors

Modern agricultural management strongly requires intensive and extensive information from earth observation and spatially explicit models (SEMs). Thanks to the rapid development of earth observation systems and data processing technologies, the quantity and quality of the available information for agriculture have improved substantially in the past decade. On the other hand, crop models have contributed greatly to agricultural management and research. Both process-based and statistical crop models often require wide-spectrum data input, and inadequate data input will limit the performance and thus the applications of crop models. Many innovative research works have been committed to incorporating earth observations into crop models to facilitate agricultural management, but there are still gaps to be met for sustainable and profitable agricultural management.

This Special Issue invites contributions on: (i) innovative EO methods to derive crop parameters; (ii) novel spatially-explicit crop models towards a better understanding of agricultural production system and ecosystems; and (iii) remote sensing data assimilation with crop models.



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