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Message from the Guest Editors

Water scarcity is a global issue, which is estimated to be growing increasingly worse due to the decreased water availability caused by climate change. Agricultural applications comprise more than 60% of global water consumption; this proportion is occasionally more than 90% in some of the least-developed countries and developing countries. To cope with water scarcity and to ensure secure water access for the global population, improving agricultural water-use efficiency is crucial. ICID has “enable higher crop productivity with less water and energy” listed as the goal of the committee, with “Implementing Water Saving Techniques and Technologies” as one of their strategies. With the development of agricultural production, new irrigation techniques should be developed to meet different requirements, including those of open fields, greenhouses, plant factories, and hydroponics. Additionally, with the development of applicable materials, there is potential for new equipment which can supply water more precisely and scientifically. Meanwhile, with the development of information techniques, smart irrigation technologies.....



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