



Smart Horticulture: Latest Advances and Prospects

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Message from the Guest Editors

Smart technologies are arousing increasing interest in the horticultural sector as they enable real-time monitoring and fast decision making. Horticulture could benefit from the progress in sensing technologies, robotics and artificial intelligence by implementing new labour- and cost-saving approaches. Such approaches may reduce agricultural inputs, thus increasing farms' sustainability and resilience. However, the feasibility of a massive adoption of smart horticulture technologies is low unless some practical issues can be overcome. Farm size, cost-benefits analysis and farmers' acceptance constitute some aspects that research should address.

This Special Issue aims to provide a global perspective of the opportunities and constraints of smart horticulture. Papers addressing the latest advances in smart technologies in the horticultural sector are welcomed. Moreover, research focusing on the prospects for technology adoption will also be considered.

This Special Issue will accept original research papers, methods, reviews from a wide variety of perspectives.





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