



Potential of Plant Growth-Promoting and Biocontrol Microorganisms in Controlling Plant Diseases

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Biocontrol agents control plant diseases by producing a wide spectrum of bioactive metabolites, such as ribosomal and nonribosomal peptide antibiotics, siderophores, volatiles, and also induce systemic resistance in plants (ISR). However, further studies are required to elucidate the mechanisms of interaction between beneficial microorganisms, plants as well as the phytopathogens. Novel active substances produced by beneficial microorganisms need to be identified. The antimicrobial mechanism underlying the active substance must also be studied. These findings will help to advance the understanding of beneficial microorganisms and contribute to the future development of highly efficient microbe-derived products to control plant diseases.

This Special Issue of *Pathogens* welcomes submissions on all aspects related to plant growth-promoting and biocontrol microorganisms in controlling plant diseases. We invite you to submit high-quality research or review articles. We look forward to your contribution.





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