

Special Issue

Ecology Impact of Heavy Metals

Message from the Guest Editor

Heavy metal pollution caused by human activities mainly refers to heavy metals with significant biological toxicity, such as mercury, cadmium, lead, chromium, and metal-like arsenic, which have serious impacts on human health and ecological security. Heavy metals easily form organometallic compounds or organic ligand complexes with organic compounds in the environment or take part in redox reactions to change their valence; thus, the diversity of chemical forms, chemical states, and bioaccumulation of heavy metals are related to their toxicity and ecological effects. The study of the source, distribution, circulation, enrichment, migration, and transformation of these heavy metals and their effects on ecology and toxicity mechanisms is helpful in order to formulate effective prevention and control strategies. In this Special Issue, we invite submissions exploring cutting-edge research and recent advances in the field of the ecological impact of heavy metals. Both theoretical and experimental studies are welcome, as well as comprehensive review and survey papers.

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