# **Special Issue**

## New Advances in Environmental Microbiology

## Message from the Guest Editors

Microorganisms are everywhere, and thanks to their great functional and taxonomic variability, they play central roles in almost all environments. In soil, they are responsible for biogeochemical cycles (i.e., carbon and nitrogen) and for the cycling of organic compounds. They reside both on the surface and in the deep layers of human skin, in the saliva and oral mucosa, in the conjunctiva, and in the gastrointestinal tracts performing tasks that can be useful for human hosts. Nevertheless, the study of microbial diversity patterns is still hampered by the enormous diversity of microbial communities and the lack of resources to sample them exhaustively. A range of novel methods, mostly based on molecular analyses, have uncovered part of the microbial diversity, but the percentage of characterized organisms remains low (approximately 1%–5% of the whole bacterial biodiversity). We invite for this Special Issue papers approaching these topics which will provide novel insights into different aspects of microbiology from hard science to a more applied view of emerging concepts.

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