

Editorial

Emerging Contaminants: Soil and Water Perspectives—A New Open Access Journal

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As the editor-in-chief, I am honored and thrilled to welcome you to the launch of a new open-access journal, *Emerging Contaminants: Soil and Water Perspectives*. Soils and groundwater are the bedrock of life, providing essential support to human society, the natural environment, and the entire ecosystem. However, the quality and functionality of soils and groundwater is increasingly threatened by environmental pollutants, especially emerging contaminants [1]. Also known as contaminants of emerging concern, emerging contaminants constitute a group of newly surfaced environmental pollutants that are refractory, toxic, and bioaccumulative [2]. As emerging contaminants increasingly enters soils and groundwater, the urgency of understanding and mitigating their environmental impacts, especially from the soil and water perspectives, becomes ever more apparent [3].

Emerging Contaminants: Soil and Water Perspectives is a scholarly peer-reviewed journal that covers research in environmental science and engineering. It aims to serve as a beacon for the international research community to share insights into all aspects of emerging contaminants in soils and water, including but not limited to their occurrence, detection, transport, transformation, toxicity, impact, fate, remediation, treatment, and recovery. The editorial team and I envision this open-access journal to provide a platform for cutting-edge research, innovative solutions, and informed discourse on the myriad issues surrounding emerging contaminants in the soil and water environment.

The journal's home page has listed its aim and scope, along with the submission guidelines. We invite you to contribute your original research, reviews, and communications on the behavior of all kinds of emerging contaminants in soils and water, such as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), pharmaceuticals and personal care products (PPCPs), micro(nano) plastics, engineered nanoparticles, and biological emerging contaminants. Together, let us confront the challenges of emerging contaminants with rigor and creativity, making the journal a high-impact and high-quality publishing venue for researchers all over the world.

Lastly, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the journal management team, editorial board members, authors, and reviewers who have contributed to the establishment of this new journal. Your dedication and expertise are indispensable as we strive to make a positive impact on the health of our planet and its inhabitants.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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