

TOPICAL ISSUE

**Viticulture in the Era of Climate Change:
Grapevine responses and adaptation to abiotic and biotic
stresses**

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Background

Climate change is profoundly reshaping global viticulture. Increasing abiotic (e.g., increasing frequency of heatwaves and droughts, altered precipitation patterns, salinity stress and elevated atmospheric CO₂) as well as biotic stresses (with recurrent diseases outbreaks) are currently affecting grapevine physiology. These factors have direct consequences on vineyard productivity and grape composition across most winegrowing regions, causing major economic losses worldwide. At the same time, intensified abiotic/biotic stresses increase vineyard management costs, production risks, and pressure on limited natural resources, threatening the long-term economic and environmental sustainability of winegrowing systems. In response to these challenges, the scientific community is focused on understanding grapevine responses, acclimation mechanisms, and adaptive strategies to both stress under current and future climate scenarios.

Aims and Scope

This Topical Issue aims to bring together cutting-edge research on vineyard and grapevine responses and adaptation to abiotic/biotic stresses in the context of climate change. We seek contributions that integrate physiological, agronomic, molecular, analytical, environmental, and socio-economic perspectives, addressing both short-term mitigation and long-term adaptation strategies.

We welcome manuscripts addressing, but not limited to, the following topics*:

- Improvement of grapevine growth, quality enhancement and yield;
- Innovative vineyard management strategies, resource efficiency and sustainable approaches;
- Cultivar-specific, rootstock suitability and responses under evolving climates;
- Physiological, biochemical and molecular responses of grapevine to abiotic and/or biotic stresses;
- New extraction/analysis protocols tailored to grapevine tissues;
- Advances in analytical methods to detect, profile and quantify biomolecules in grapevine tissues;
- Genotypes x Environment interactions – climate resilient and adaptation strategies;
- Innovative data processing, statistical analysis and bioinformatic tools.

*These topics are intended to be illustrative and submissions exploring other relevant aspects involving viticulture are highly encouraged.

Submissions

Original Research Articles and Reviews are welcome in this Topical Issue. All relevant papers will be carefully considered and peer-reviewed by a distinguished team of international experts. Authors should submit their manuscripts according to the instructions for authors detailed at <https://www.ctv-jve-journal.org/author-information/instructions-for-authors>. **All articles are free of charge.**

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