

## Call for Papers: Recent Advances in Sludge Management

Dear all related colleagues of Journal of Material Cycles and Waste Management (JMCWM)

The Journal of Material Cycles and Waste Management (IF 2.7 of 2023), which is the peer-reviewed journal of the Japan Society of Material Cycles and Waste Management (JSMCWM) and the Korea Society of Waste Management (KSWM), is currently running a Special Issue entitled "Recent Advances in Sludge Management". The special issue is related to the **19<sup>th</sup> IWA conference on Sludge Management (21-24<sup>th</sup> October, 2025) in Kyoto, Japan**. Prof. Masaki Takaoka (Kyoto University), Prof. Banu Örmeci (Carleton University), Prof. F. Dilek Sanin (Middle East Technical University) and Prof. Kazuyuki Oshita (Kyoto University) are serving as responsible editors for this issue. We expect you could make an excellent contribution based on your expertise and recent achievements in following areas;

- [1] Sludge Treatment; Sludge thickening, digestion, conditioning, dewatering, drying, composting and thermal treatment.
- [2] Recycling and resource recovery.
- [3] Emerging contaminants in sludge.
- [4] Industrial sludge management & fecal sludge management
- [5] Energy recovery and greenhouse gas emission
- [6] Lifecycle analysis of sludge management system.
- [7] Land application
- [8] New policy and legal framework of sludge management

We are interested in sociological studies, filed studies, laboratory studies and practical implementation, in the form of Original articles, Notes, and Review. All manuscripts for the JMCWM special issue of "Recent Advances in Sludge Management " will be subject to follow standard rules and review process for peer reviewed papers; including the review of each manuscript by at least two international experts. The deadline for paper submission is December 31, 2024. The accepted papers will be published in early September 2025 (Volume 27).

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<https://iwa-19th-sludgemanagement.jp/>

Please submit your manuscript using the online system, Editorial Manager (EM):

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