



Call for Special Issue in Volume 6 (2025)

Advancements in Agricultural Development is pleased to announce this call for a Special Issue to be included in Volume 6 (2025). We are inviting researchers to propose a thematic special issue related to a specific topic in agricultural development and a guest editor willing to help manage the special issue.

The proposed topic should align with AAD's aim and scope. The *aim* of AAD is to influence agricultural development practices by rapidly disseminating theoretically and conceptually sound research focused on practical outcomes. The *scope* of AAD includes research focused on education, extension, human capacity building, diffusion of innovations, leadership, and communication in the context of food, agriculture, and natural resources. AAD defines agricultural development research as that which provides new knowledge that can be applied to advance agriculture through improved human practices.

Proposals should be no longer than 3 pages and include:

1. Name, a brief description, and a justification for the focus of the special issue. This should also make a connection with the aim and scope of AAD.
2. Name and qualifications of the guest editor. The guest editor will work closely with the AAD editorial team to solicit articles and manage reviews of submitted articles. The guest editor will have the opportunity to publish an overview/synthesizing article as a part of the special issue with no publication fee.
3. Names of at least 10 researchers who are working in this area and who would be invited to submit articles. There will also be a wide call for submissions beyond the list of researchers you list. Note that articles will undergo the normal rigorous review process of all articles submitted to AAD, and the same publishing fee (\$395 USD) would be assessed to accepted articles.

Submissions will be reviewed by the AAD Editorial team. They will be reviewed for merit and alignment with AAD's aim and scope. We reserve the right to not accept any proposals if none are deemed acceptable.

Timeline:

August 15, 2024	Proposals Due to Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Grady Roberts
September 15, 2024	Proposal accepted and announced.
January 15, 2025	Article submission deadline
January to March 2025	Reviews and Revisions
April to May 2025	Copyediting
June 2025	Special Issue Published

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