Soil nematodes in organic and conventional farming system: a comparison of the taxonomic and functional diversity

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INTRODUCTION

As the need for a sustainable agriculture has become universal in recent years, the issue of management systems in agriculture is becoming increasingly important. More often studies comparing the different management have started to focus not just on the crop yield, weed pressure, plant diseases and nutrient balance but also on the biological activity, measured by the condition of soil inhabitants, including nematodes. Soil nematodes can directly or indirectly influence the process of decomposition of or...