

Introductory Soil Science By Dk Das

Laboratory Methods for Soil Health Analysis Analyzing, comparing, and understanding soil health data The maintenance of healthy soil resources is instrumental to the success of an array of global efforts and initiatives. Whether they are working to combat food shortages, conserve our ecosystems, or mitigate the impact of climate change, researchers and agriculturalists the world over must be able to correctly examine and understand the complex nature of this essential resource. These new volumes have been designed to meet this need, addressing the many dimensions of soil health analysis in chapters that are concise, accessible and applicable to the tasks at hand. Soil Health, Volume Two: Laboratory Methods for Soil Health Analysis provides explanations of the best practices by which one may arrive at valuable, comparable data and incisive conclusions, and covers topics including: Sampling considerations and field evaluations Assessment and interpretation of soil-test biological activity Macro- and micronutrients in soil quality and health PLFA and EL-FAME indicators Offering a practical guide to collecting and understanding soil health data, this volume will be of great interest to all those working in agriculture, private sector businesses, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), academic-, state-, and federal-research projects, as well as state and federal soil conservation, water quality and other environmental programs.

Describes modern management practices with regard to all of the major crops in India comprising cereals, millets, pulses, oilseeds, fibre crops, forage and sugar crops. The book contains the latest, authoritative and readily-usable information on the improved farming techniques for stepping up crop productivity. Information gathered is for use by students, teachers, extension workers and others interested in the agricultural prosperity of the nation.

This textbook is aimed at the majority of students, who need to quickly acquire a concise overview of soil science. Many current soil science textbooks still cater for a traditional student market where students embark on three years study in a narrow discipline. The growth in modular degree schemes has meant that soil science is now often taught as self-standing unit as part of broad based degree program. Students pursuing this type of course are increasingly reluctant to purchase expensive textbooks that are too detailed and often assume a scientific background. For those opting to specialise in soil science there are a variety of good textbooks to choose from. This short informative guide, will be particularly useful for students who do not possess a traditional scientific background, such as those studying geography, environment science, ecology and agriculture. Only textbook to cater for introductory courses in soil science. Provides an affordable concise overview of soil science. Learning exercises and chapter summaries enhance usability. Annotated suggestions for further reading. Based on proven and successful modular course structure. Emphasis on readability and interactive learning. No scientific background assumed.

In this fun, fact-packed science book for kids, young readers will discover the bacteria, viruses, and other germs and microbes that keep our bodies and our world running, as well as how and when they can be harmful and the precautions we can take to prevent them from becoming so. Meet a glowing squid, traveling fungus spores, and much more. The Bacteria Book walks the line between "ew, gross!" and "oh, cool!," exploring why we need bacteria and introducing readers to its microbial mates—viruses, fungi, algae, archaea, and protozoa. The Bacteria Book is a fun and informative introduction to a STEM subject that brings kids up-close to the big world of tiny science. With remarkable photography, kooky character illustrations, and lots of fun facts, this book uses real-life examples of microbiology in action to show how tiny microbes affect us in big ways.

Humans, especially children, are naturally curious. Yet, people often balk at the thought of learning science--the "eyes glazed over" syndrome. Teachers may find teaching science a major challenge in an era when science ranges from the hardly imaginable quark to the distant, blazing quasar. *Inquiry and the National Science Education Standards* is the book that educators have been waiting for--a practical guide to teaching inquiry and teaching through inquiry, as recommended by the National Science Education Standards. This will be an important resource for educators who must help school boards, parents, and teachers understand "why we can't teach the way we used to." "Inquiry" refers to the diverse ways in which scientists study the natural world and in which students grasp science knowledge and the methods by which that knowledge is produced. This book explains and illustrates how inquiry helps students learn science content, master how to do science, and understand the nature of science. This book explores the dimensions of teaching and learning science as inquiry for K-12 students across a range of science topics. Detailed examples help clarify when teachers should use the inquiry-based approach and how much structure, guidance, and coaching they should provide. The book dispels myths that may have discouraged educators from the inquiry-based approach and illuminates the subtle interplay between concepts, processes, and science as it is experienced in the classroom. *Inquiry and the National Science Education Standards* shows how to bring the standards to life, with features such as classroom vignettes exploring different kinds of inquiries for elementary, middle, and high school and Frequently Asked Questions for teachers, responding to common concerns such as obtaining teaching supplies. Turning to assessment, the committee discusses why assessment is important, looks at existing schemes and formats, and addresses how to involve students in assessing their own learning achievements. In addition, this book discusses administrative assistance, communication with parents, appropriate teacher evaluation, and other avenues to promoting and supporting this new teaching paradigm.

This hands-on crafty science ebook introduces inquisitive children to the wonders of science through kids craft projects with everyday objects. Award-winning author Jane Bull combines art, craft, and cooking activities with gentle, scientific learning, showing children that science, technology, engineering, art, and math are all around us - and in everything we make and do! *Crafty Science* contains over 20 fun-filled craft activities for kids, each accompanied by a "What's the science?" section explaining how it works. Children will learn how to make a toy raft and discover what makes their boat float. They'll design, color, and watch a paper butterfly balance on the tip of a pencil. Or even create a cool ice sculpture and learn about the changing states of solids and liquids. With this educational ebook, difficult concepts like buoyancy, gravity, and aerodynamics become meaningful and accessible to young children through play. They will discover the world around them as they have never seen it before! Little crafters will become little scientists as they explore, experiment, make, and create their way through every STEAM project. A super fun kids' ebook that can fill up many weekends with your children. It offers activities that are not just typically "science", but include variety like baking, growing, and art projects. All use scientific principles to allow children to develop observational science. Depending on your child's age, a fair amount of supervision may be necessary, but these projects are so charming that we're sure adults will have a good time with them too! *Discover Science Everywhere!* Science is all around you and in everything you make and do! Craft your way through each art, cooking, and gardening project, then learn the science behind them. Make a toy raft and find out what makes your boat float or learn why popcorn pops. Discover your wonderful world in a completely new way. Explore the world of science through tons of stimulating experiments and fun activities for kids like: - Making crafty boats - Growing grass people - Writing secret messages with invisible ink - Making meringue mountains - Creating a self-inflating balloon - And much more!

There are no stupid questions here. Everyone has to start somewhere, after all. In *The First-Time Gardener: Growing Plants and Flowers*,

Sean and Allison McManus, the gardening pros behind the popular website and podcast Spoken Garden, answer all of your questions and more. Caring for outdoor plantings can be intimidating, especially if the process is completely new to you. Before running to the hardware store to stock up on plastic bags of mulch and tools you don't really need, arm yourself with the know-how to plant and tend outdoor areas correctly and safely. Doing so saves you time, money, and energy—and helps make the process a whole lot more fun! With help from this easy-to-follow beginner gardening guide, you'll learn: Tips for selecting the best plants and flowers for your growing conditions The best planting techniques for different types of plants How to mulch trees, shrubs, and garden beds correctly Pruning dos and don'ts for common garden plants Ways to keep weeds out of outdoor areas—without using synthetic herbicides How to recognize and manage different pests and diseases naturally Insider tips on everything from the difference between annuals and perennials to choosing the best organic fertilizer Plus, you'll find time-management advice and tips for effective, resource-conscious gardening You will close the book not only knowing how to care for your home's outdoor plantings using earth-friendly methods, but also knowing the satisfaction of a beautiful, all-natural landscape. This book is part of The First-Time Gardener's Guides series from Cool Springs Press, which also includes The First-Time Gardener: Growing Vegetables. Each book in The First-Time Gardener's Guides series is aimed at beginner gardeners and offers clear, fact-based information that's presented in a friendly and accessible way, including step-by-step instructions and full-color illustrations throughout. Designed As A Text Book, But Equally Useful As A Reference Source For Scholars And Others, This Book Offers All The Necessary And Desired Information About Soils And Their Culture. Beginning With Classification Of Soils And Their Physical And Chemical Properties, It Deals Systematically With All Such Topics As Soil Acidity, Soil Moisture, Soil Organisms, Accumulation Of Organic Matter In Soils, Effect Of Manures And Fertilizers On Soil, Soil Fertility Maintenance And Development And Management Of Alkali Soils. Soil Requirements For Specific Fruit Crops Have Also Been Discussed. On The Whole The Book Introduces The Reader To Soil As Natural Entities And Their Inherent Characteristics; Explains The Basic Relationship Between Soils And Plants; And Gives A Clear Understanding About The Fundamental Principles Involved In The Use Of Soil Management Practices. An Exhaustive Subject Index For Easy Reference Hunting And A Detailed Glossary Of Terms Are Other Attractions Of The Book. Chapter 1: Soil Development; Sources Of Material From Which Soils Are Developed, Characteristics Of Rocks And Minerals From Which Soils Are Derived, Chemical And Physical Processes Active In Soil Development, Biological Agencies Which Aid In Soil Formation, Products And Results Of Mineral-Decomposing Processes, Constructive Processes Of Soil Development, The Soil Profile, Chapter 2: Classification Of Soils; A Textural Classification Of Soils, A Systematic Classification Of Soils, Soil Mapping And The Soil Survey, Soil Groups In Relation To Climatic Conditions, Age Relief And Parent Material In Relation To Soil Groups, Soil Groups In Relation To Vegetative Cover, Soil Groups In Relation To Population Density And Production Of Agricultural Products, Chapter 3: Physical And Chemical Properties Of Soils; Making A Mechanical Analysis, Properties Of Soil Separates, Soil Structure, Tillage Operations And Soil Properties, Porosity And Weight Of Soil, Soil Color, Soil Temperature, Chapter 4: Soil Reaction; Soil Acidity And Conditions Giving Rise To Acid Soils, Conditions In Acid Soils Which Are Beneficial Or Detrimental To The Growth Of Plants, Conditions Of Development And Effect On Plants Of Neutral And Alkaline Soils, Chapter 5: Lime And Its Use; The Need Of Soils For Lime, Functions Of Lime In The Soil, Forms Of Lime, Lime Guarantees, Sources Of Lime, The Use Of Lime, Chapter 6: Soil Moisture; Soil Water Which Yields To The Pull Of Gravity, Soil Water Which Is Retained Against The Pull Of Gravity, Water In Relation To Plant Growth, Loss Of Moisture From The Soil, Runoff Water, Chapter 7: Soil Organisms: Their Relation To Soils And Soil Productivity; Nature And Extent Of The Soil Population, Activities Of Soil Microbes In Relation To The Growth Of Higher Plants, The Role Of Microorganisms In The Development Of

Soils, Interrelationship Between Higher Plants And Soil Microorganisms And Among Soil Microorganisms Themselves, Chapter 8: Soil Organic Matter: Organic Matter Accumulation In Soils, Effects Of Organic Matter On Soil Productivity, The Decomposition Of Organic Matter And Humus Formation, Loss And Restoration Of Soil Organic Matter, Chapter 9: Cover And Green-Manure Crops; The Effects Of Cover And Green-Manure Crops, The Principal Cover And Green-Manure Crops And Their Regional Distribution, The Utilization Of Cover And Green-Manure Crops, Effect Of Green Manure On Yield Of Crops, Chapter 10: Farm Manures; The Production Of Manure, The Decomposition Of Manure, Losses Occurring With Manure, Methods Of Handling Manure, Field Management Of Manure, Fertilizing Properties Of Manure, Effects Of Manure Upon The Soil, Chapter 11: Nutrient Requirement Of Plants; Elements Used By Plants, Effects Of Nitrogen Phosphorus And Potassium On Plants And The Quantities Removed By Crops, Determining Soil-Nutrient Deficiencies, Chapter 12: Fertilizers And Fertilizer Materials; Fertilizing Materials Supplying Nitrogen, Phosphatic Fertilizer Materials, Potassium Fertilizers, Mixed Fertilizers, Chapter 13: Fertilizer Practices; Effects Of Fertilizers On Soils, Effects Of Fertilizers On Crops, Laws Controlling Fertilizer Sales, Home Mixing Fertilizers, The Purchase And Use Of Fertilizers, Chapter 14: Soil Fertility Maintenance And Productivity Rating Of Soil; Maintaining Soil Fertility, Soil Productivity Rating And Land Classification, Chapter 15: Soils And Agriculture Of Arid Regions; Characteristics And Utilization Of Soil In Arid Regions, Development And Management Of Alkali Soils, Chapter 16: Irrigation; Water Supply And Land For Irrigation, Irrigation Practice, Chapter 17: Fruit Soils; Selecting A Site For A Fruit Enterprise, Soil Requirements Of Specific Fruit Plants, Chapter 18: Lawn Soils; Soils And Soil Preparation, Grass Selection And Seeding, Fertilization And Liming, Moving And Watering, Chapter 19: Soil Resources; Acreage Of Farm Land In The United States, Acreages Of Arable Land And Land Requirements, Land Policies Of The United States.

Tourism Marketing: A Strategic Approach presents a variety of practical application tools, skills, practices, models, approaches, and strategies that are proving themselves effective in tourism marketing. The volume considers overall infrastructure, socioeconomic conditions, and modern tourism business infrastructure in discussing the efficiency of good strategies and practices and their impact on business and economic growth. Tourism is one of the fastest growing industries, and in the next few decades, it will play a role in many fields, such human resources, national economic growth, and more.

Wildland fire is an integral part of ecosystem management and is essential in maintaining functional ecosystems, but air pollutants emitted from those fires can be harmful to human health and welfare. Because of the public and governmental concerns about the possible risk of wildland fire smoke to public health and safety, as well as nuisance, visibility, ozone generation, and regional haze impacts, increasingly effective smoke management programs and air quality policies are being implemented with support from research and land management agency programs. This state-of-knowledge review of what is known about the effects of fire on air quality has been prepared to assist those in the fire and air quality management communities for future discussion of management, policy, and science options for managing fire and air quality.

These lecture notes describe the major soils of the world and their properties, genetic formation, regional distribution, their management and associated land use. The World Reference Base for Soil Resources (WRB) is used throughout the text, as the basis for a universal classification system for soil correlation. The aim of the publication is to make the WRB accessible to young scientists. It is intended to facilitate the study of soils and the exchange of soil information, and provides a common language for soil science.

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agriculture both at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. The scope of the book makes it a useful reference for courses in agricultural engineering, agronomy, soil science, agricultural physics and environmental sciences. It can also serve as a valuable guidebook to persons working with farming communities. The coverage in sixteen chapters brings out different aspects of irrigation including irrigation situation in the world, rainfall, evaporation, water wealth and progressive development of irrigation in India, measurement of soil water and irrigation water, methods of irrigation, irrigation with saline water, formulating cropping pattern in irrigated area and management of high water table. In the second edition, a new chapter on 'On-farm Irrigation System' has been included and a few chapters have been updated to include latest development. The book has useful research data and a large number of diagrams for easy comprehension of the topics. The end-of-chapter problems and numerous worked-out examples serve to aid further understanding of the subject. The book also contains an extensive glossary.

Let the experts at the Royal Botanic Gardens guide you around the beautiful and mysterious world that is the plant kingdom. From regulating the air we breathe to providing food, clothes, fuels, and medicines - plants are fundamental to our lives. Discover an extraordinary diversity of species, which includes a grass that grows a meter a day, roots that breathe air, and "queen of the night" cactuses whose rare blooms vanish before dawn. In a combination of art and science, Flora celebrates plants from majestic trees to microscopic algae, explaining how they germinate, grow, and reproduce. It presents species that have evolved to accommodate pollinating insects such as the foxglove, and plants that have adapted to flourish in even the most hostile of habitats. Pierre-Joseph Redoute in the 18th-century was described as the "Raphael of flowers". Flora showcases his botanical paintings as well as those of Georg Ehret and others in this gorgeous visual celebration of plants through the ages. Whether you are a keen gardener, naturalist, or botany student, this beautiful book is a treat that will entice, inform, and amaze.

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Principles of Soil Physics examines the impact of the physical, mechanical, and hydrological properties and processes of soil on agricultural production, the environment, and sustainable use of natural resources. The text incorporates valuable assessment methods, graphs, problem sets, and tables from recent studies performed around the globe and offers an abundance of tables, photographs, and easy-to-follow equations in every chapter. The book discusses the consequences of soil degradation, such as erosion, inhibited root development, and poor aeration. It begins by defining soil physics, soil mechanics, textural properties, and packing arrangements. The text continues to discuss the theoretical and practical aspects of soil structure and explain the significance and measurement of bulk density, porosity, and compaction. The authors proceed to clarify soil hydrology topics including hydrologic cycle, water movement, infiltration, modeling, soil evaporation, and solute transport processes. They address the impact of soil temperature on crop growth, soil aeration, and the processes that lead to the emission of greenhouse gases. The final chapters examine the physical properties of gravelly soils and water movement in frozen, saline, and water-repellant soils. Reader-friendly and up-to-date, Principles of Soil Physics provides unparalleled coverage of issues related to soil physics, structure, hydrology, aeration, temperature, and analysis and presents practical techniques for maintaining soil quality to ultimately preserve its sustainability.

Masterpiece offers a detailed discussion of the nature of the earth's terrestrial environment, and a method of subdividing and studying it. 1941 edition.

The book entitled Soil Fertility and Nutrient Management is a compilation work and most of the information was farmed very critically covering all the main topics of plant nutrition. The book will be serve as useful reference to students, teachers, researchers scientists, policy makers and other interested in soil science, agronomy, crop science, environmental sciences and agriculture. Note: T&F does not sell or distribute the Hardback in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

A first garden story board book that reveals how plants grow with lift-the-flaps and a pullout height chart. Teach your child how a tiny seed grows into a flower in this fascinating lift-the-flap garden story. A pullout height chart ends the book--a great way for children to remember how a sunflower grows, and to measure how fast your child grows, too! Through illustrations, photography, and flaps, sixteen delightful board book pages reveal the wonder of how plants grow as you

follow the story of a mystery seed. How was it planted? What does it need? What will it become? As days go by, it's hard to imagine the tiny shoot will ever grow into a big, strong plant. Could it magically become the tallest of all the garden flowers? Flaps unfold to show plants growing, creatures hiding, and what's happening underground. The book includes very simple gardening projects and facts about garden creatures (which ones are good for plants, and which ones are bad), and children will find out what a pollinator is, and how to attract pollinators to the garden. The perfect gift for aspiring gardeners, complete with a height chart.

Developed for Introduction to Soils or Soil Science courses, *The Nature and Properties of Soils, Fifteenth Edition*, can be used in courses such as Soil Fertility, Land Resources, Earth Science and Soil Geography. Help readers learn about soils and their connections to the ecosystem *The Nature and Properties of Soils* is designed to engage readers with the latest in the world of soils. This hallmark text introduces the exciting world of soils through clear writing, strong pedagogy, and an ecological approach that effectively explains the fundamentals of soil science. Worked calculations, vignettes, and current real-world applications prepare readers to understand concepts, solve problems, and think critically. Written for both majors and non-majors, this text highlights the many interactions between the soil and other components of forest, range, agricultural, wetland and constructed ecosystems. Now in full-color, the Fifteenth Edition includes hundreds of compelling photos, figures, and diagrams to bring the exciting world of soils to life. Extensively revised, new and updated content appears in every chapter. Examples include: coverage of the pedosphere concept; new insights into humus and soil carbon accumulation; subaqueous soils, soil effects on human health; principles and practice of organic farming; urban and human engineered soils; new understandings of the nitrogen cycle; water-saving irrigation techniques; hydraulic redistribution, soil food-web ecology; disease suppressive soils; soil microbial genomics; soil interactions with global climate change; digital soil maps; and many others.

Long-awaited second edition of classic textbook, brought completely up to date, for courses on tropical soils, and reference for scientists and professionals.

Thoroughly updated and revised, this second edition of the bestselling *Soil Sampling and Methods of Analysis* presents several new chapters in the areas of biological and physical analysis and soil sampling. Reflecting the burgeoning interest in soil ecology, new contributions describe the growing number and assortment of new microbiological

A visual guide to the history of tanks, *Tank* tells the full history of tanks through stunning photography and informative text. From the early Mark Is of World War I to the T-34 of World War II to the cutting-edge M1 Abrams of today, *Tank* showcases the most famous (or infamous) armored fighting vehicles in history. Packed full of tanks, armored vehicles, personnel carriers, and anti-tank weaponry, *Tank* combines comprehensive photographic spreads with in-depth histories of key manufacturers and specially commissioned visual tours of the most iconic examples of their kind. The featured vehicles are placed in their wider context, along with with tactical and technological improvements, and

the impact of the tank on the evolution of battlefield and military strategy. Tank charts the evolution of the tank over the past century, covering over 450 tanks and military vehicles from all over the world. Look through the history of tanks and explore the form and function of a weapon that changed history. Learn the different vehicles' weight, size, country of origin, and time of use through in-depth profiles. An essential visual history, Tank provides a complete and exciting overview to the iconic vehicles that changed history.

Monstrous? Frightening? Beautiful? Or just plain Extraordinary? Get the facts about Carnivorous Plants and the answers to 20 of the most frequently asked questions about these unique plants. This is an introductory book on carnivorous plants that will appeal to kids in Grades 2 to 5. With color photos on almost every page, this book uncovers the facts about these very unique plants which have adapted to survive in poor soil. This is an informative science book that is filled with beautiful images and information that is presented in a very easy to understand way. Complete with a glossary and a set of puzzles that will help reinforce learning in a fun and interesting way.

A basic and applied textbook, ideal for students.

The Periodic Table Book is the perfect visual guide to the chemical elements that make up our world. This eye-catching encyclopedia takes children on a visual tour of the 118 chemical elements of the periodic table, from argon to zinc. It explores the naturally occurring elements, as well as the man-made ones, and explains their properties and atomic structures. Using more than 1,000 full-colour photographs, The Periodic Table Book shows the many natural forms of each element, as well as a wide range of both everyday and unexpected objects in which it is found, making each element relevant for the child's world.

Biochar is the carbon-rich product when biomass (such as wood, manure or crop residues) is heated in a closed container with little or no available air. It can be used to improve agriculture and the environment in several ways, and its stability in soil and superior nutrient-retention properties make it an ideal soil amendment to increase crop yields. In addition to this, biochar sequestration, in combination with sustainable biomass production, can be carbon-negative and therefore used to actively remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, with major implications for mitigation of climate change. Biochar production can also be combined with bioenergy production through the use of the gases that are given off in the pyrolysis process. This book is the first to synthesize the expanding research literature on this topic. The book's interdisciplinary approach, which covers engineering, environmental sciences, agricultural sciences, economics and policy, is a vital tool at this stage of biochar technology development. This comprehensive overview of current knowledge will be of interest to advanced students, researchers and professionals in a wide range of disciplines.

As one of the largest service industries serving millions of international and domestic individuals yearly, it is important to understand the current trends, practices, and challenges surrounding tourism. Emphasized by the effects on people, management processes, and technological advancements, this economic and socio-cultural phenomenon's importance is increasing worldwide. Global Trends, Practices, and Challenges in Contemporary Tourism and Hospitality Management discusses and analyzes the impacts of new trends in the tourism industry, including sub-sectors of tourism, and revisits existing trends, identifies new types and forms of tourism, and discusses the influence and use of technology. Featuring research on topics such as guest retention, predictive analysis, and ecotourism practices, the material collected is ideally designed for managers, travel agents, industry professionals, practitioners, consultants, and researchers.

Explore ecology in this accessible introduction to how the natural world works and how we have started to understand the

environment, ecosystems, and climate change. Using a bold, graphic-led approach, *The Ecology Book* explores and explains more than 85 of the key ideas, movements, and acts that have defined ecology and ecological thought. The book has a simple chronological structure, with early chapters ranging from the ideas of classical thinkers to attempts by Enlightenment thinkers to systematically order the natural world. Later chapters trace the evolution of modern thinking, from the ideas of Thomas Malthus, Henry Thoreau, and others, right up to the political and scientific developments of the modern era, including the birth of the environmental movement and the Paris Agreement. The ideal introduction to one of the most important subjects of our time. This book provides an overview of the diversified soil regimes in India. In addition to the historical advances in soil research and its limitations, it describes the monitoring of various soil conditions and soil uses to improve productivity. Discussing topics such as climate, geology and geomorphology, major soil types and their classification, soil mineralogy and clays, soil micromorphology, soil biogeochemistry, benchmark soils, land evaluation and land use planning, soil health and fertility and soil resilience, the book highlights the multiple uses of soils in industry, human health care, mitigation of challenges due to climate change and construction. It also presents measures for a brighter future of soil science in India, such as imposing organic farming principles toward sustainable agriculture in the context of the second green revolution besides alleviating the poverty and providing the employment opportunities among the farming communities in India.

There have been many advances in soil chemistry since Oxford published the first edition of *The Chemistry of Soils* in 1989. The physical-chemistry approach to soil chemistry taken in the book, groundbreaking for its time, has been adopted by nearly every soil chemistry book published since. This book offers a thorough update of all topics covered in the previous edition. In the last 16 years, soil chemistry as a discipline has assumed major significance in connection with global climate change. The 2nd edition addresses the emergent issue of global climate change by exploring the interaction between organic carbon and soil. The largest repository of organic carbon on earth is still soil, and the process by which organic carbon is sequestered by soil, thus preventing the release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, is one of the proper concerns of soil chemistry. Thus, the revision provides a rigorous discussion of soil chemistry in its broader environmental and biogeochemical contexts.

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