



Publications update

SSSA Publishes Individual Methods of Soil Analysis

Articles

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The *Methods of Soil Analysis* books, published by SSSA, have been a staple in labs and soil science departments for years. For students and researchers around the world, they represent the best collection of soil methods available. With our publishing partnership with Wiley, we now publish individual Methods articles online as a special section in the *Soil Science Society of America Journal* (SSSAJ):

[https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/toc/10.1002/\(ISSN\)1435-0661.methods](https://access.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/toc/10.1002/(ISSN)1435-0661.methods).

The digital Methods articles allow procedures to be updated without having to change an entire Methods book. The digital articles present Methods more like review articles rather than as a single new method. Methods articles describe approximately three or

four procedures, highlighting which is more appropriate for specific soil analyses in various situations. Each procedure is described step by step.

The template for each article is as follows:

- Rationale for general procedure
- Review of existing procedures, including strengths, limitations, and interferences
- Individual steps in the preferred analysis, including justification as needed and analysis of results for each specific procedure
- Data quality and processing, precision, statistics, sensitivity, and quality control
- Recommendations, including when to use which method
- Sample applications and case studies, including calculations
- Supplemental material

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