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Sommario/riassunto	While soil ecologists continue to be on the forefront of research on biodiversity and ecosystem function, there are few interdisciplinary

studies that incorporate ecological knowledge into sustainable land management practices. Conventional, high fossil-fuel input-based agricultural systems can reduce soil biodiversity, alter soil community structure and nutrient cycling, and lead to greater dependence on energy-intensive practices. *Microbial Ecology in Sustainable Agroecosystems* brings together soil ecologists, microbial ecologists, and agroecologists working globally to demonstrate how resea
