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Ungulates, comprising approximately 300 species, are highly prosperous herbivores that live in a wide variety of environments, from rainforests to temperate forests, savannas, steppe, tundra, and mountainous areas. Depending on the diversity of their habitats, they exhibit highly diverse foraging ecology, from browsers to grazers, and anti-predator behaviors. They exhibit a very diverse social system, from solitary to aggregations numbering in the thousands and from monogamous territories to highly polygynous leks. Moreover, some species show intraspecific or intraindividual variation in social behavior, providing an opportunity to explore the links between behavior and ecological and evolutionary factors. Therefore, ungulates are ideal targets for behavioral ecology. This Special Issue calls for manuscripts that focus on the behavioral ecology of ungulates, especially their social behavior and communication, e.g., social systems, mating, grouping, rearing, scent-marking, vocalization, display, etc.



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