

Special Issue

Demonstration of Innovative Approaches for Advancing Wildlife Research

Message from the Guest Editors

Pressures imposed on wildlife to thrive in a world dominated by human-induced rapid environmental change are ever-increasing. There is thus a continual need to improve methods in basic and applied wildlife research. Technological advances have allowed for a greater understanding of patterns and processes related to numerous aspects of wildlife biology, but empirical data comparing the efficacy of emerging technologies to more traditional approaches are often lacking. We welcome submissions demonstrating the use of innovative research techniques, tools, or technologies, or modification of such, that contribute to our understanding of animal behavior, ecology, or conservation. Ideal contributions should compare or at least discuss the novel technique/tool/approach to the more conventional method. Laboratory studies and application of innovative analytical approaches are also suitable so long as they have a connection to or implications for field-based research. We do not discourage studies with neutral or negative findings, as they can still contribute to our understanding and serve as valuable learning opportunities for future efforts.

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