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Evolution and Extinctions on Islands

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Islands are often described as "laboratories of evolution", because on these isolated areas various remarkable evolutionary processes can be observed in both plants and animals. They include unexpected colonisation events, endemism, size increase or decrease in various lineages, unusual adaptive radiations, etc. Moreover, insular ecosystems are often fragile and widespread extinctions have been well documented on many islands following the arrival of invasive species. The aim of this topical collection is to gather contributions covering all aspects of evolution and extinction in insular environments, both in the past and today, from palaeontologists, botanists and zoologists working on all groups of organisms.

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