

Special Issue

Biodiversity of the Ross Sea Region Marine Protected Area (Antarctica)

Message from the Guest Editors

In 2016, after an intense period of political negotiation that lasted for four years, the Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) adopted, by consensus, the world's largest Marine Protected Area in the Ross Sea, accounting for 1.55 million Km². This area now represents a priority area for conserving marine biodiversity and will remain in force for 35 years. Several priority elements for scientific research and monitoring associated with the Ross Sea Region Marine Protected Area have to focus specifically on surveys or censuses to estimate the distribution and abundance of marine mammals, seabirds, fishes, and invertebrates, and on the dynamics of phyto and zooplankton. With this Special Issue of *Diversity*, we would like to promote the publication of results obtained in the framework of national and international collaborations focusing on this area and on all aspects of marine biodiversity, from molecules, genes and populations, and scaling up, to species and communities.

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