

Special Issue

The Effects of Pollution on Aquatic Invertebrates

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue focuses on the anthropogenic impacts on freshwater ecosystems, lakes, and rivers. Different types of pollution can affect the abundance and distribution of macroinvertebrates in freshwater communities and can alter biodiversity and community structure. This Special Issue addresses pollution arising from particulate matter, heavy metals, microplastics, other pollutants such as pesticides or organic compounds, thermal regimes, and changes in ecosystem processes.

This Special Issue deals with all anthropogenic influences that can directly harm aquatic invertebrates and lead to a loss of biodiversity, as well as with pollution that accumulates in aquatic invertebrates and passes through the food chain. The impact of pollution that enables the spread of invasive species is also taken into account. Any pollution that affects the overall health and resilience of freshwater aquatic systems will be considered.

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