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Genetic Resources and Adaptive Management of Conifers in a Changing World

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Dear Colleagues,

Conifer forests have been widely exploited and transformed by forestry (e.g., by long-range seed trade or selection for cultivation). Around the world, these forests currently display an unexpected vulnerability due to ongoing rapid climatic changes, extreme events, and the invasions of antagonists, which emphasizes importance of their genetic resources, supporting adaptivity, and resilience. There exists an urgent need to translate research information into frameworks for conserving genetic resources and to support the resilience of conifer species to projected changes and threats. Both ecological and genetic research may significantly contribute to effective dynamic conservation management strategies.











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