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Pattern and Evolution of Biodiversity in Evergreen Broad-Leaved Forests

Message from the Guest Editors

Evergreen broadleaved forest is the most widely distributed forest type, with its prominent subtropic monsoon climate, and it harbors a unique and rich biodiversity, which is jointly shaped by biological evolution, a large land mass, and the interactions between the continent and the ocean, intensified by the plateau. However, in the face of climate change and human activities, the EBFs' biodiversity is facing serious threats of fragmentation and habitat degradation, biological invasion, and other disturbances. Despite numerous studies about EBFs' biodiversity, the spatiotemporal patterns of species diversity, composition, and their changing trajectories driven by the ecological and evolutional processes are still under discussions, which are crucial in terms of effectively protecting this unique natural resource, and maintaining the ecosystem services it provides. This Special Issue “Pattern and Evolution of Biodiversity in Evergreen Broad-leaved Forests”, aims to explore the spatial and temporal variations of EBF biodiversity from the heterogeneous landscape to region scales, and to disentangle the driving impacts of ecological and evolutionary processes.

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