

## Special Issue

# Altitude Distribution of Insects in Tropical and Subtropical Rainforests

### Message from the Guest Editors

Altitudinal gradients present rapid changes in environmental conditions and corresponding patterns of organisms within short geographic distances. Studying the altitudinal distributions of insects—a significant aspect of terrestrial biodiversity—has helped us understand the dynamics of biodiversity and ecosystem processes and the potential impacts of climate change, aiding in the development of effective conservation strategies. Although insects in the lower latitudes are considered more sensitive to altitudinal differences, relatively little is known about the mechanisms associated with organisms' response patterns from the viewpoint of their phylogenetic positions and ecological traits in tropical and subtropical rainforests. In this Special Issue, we aim to improve our understanding of the altitudinal distribution of insects in tropical and subtropical rainforests, which is highly necessary in order to halt and manage the decline of insect biodiversity in a changing world.

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