Special Issue

Adaptive Evolution of Insects

Message from the Guest Editors

One of fundamental purposes of modern biological research is to uncover the genetic and molecular basis of adaptation and evolutionary change in organisms. Insects are the largest group of animals on earth; they have adapted and diversified under various natural conditions. Insect populations are therefore good models for investigating the environmental adaptation of organisms. Moreover, the inhabiting environments of the insects are also influenced by the increasing human activity, which is considered as a set of major selective forces rapidly leading to a change in genetic variation and population structure. In addition, the dramatically declining cost of DNA sequencing and recent advances in functional genomic techniques have been beneficial to explore the genetic and molecular mechanisms underlying adaption.

This Special Issue aims to collect high-quality research articles and review articles. We are particularly interested in those that are mainly focused on (but not limited to) how populations or species adapt to various environmental conditions and human-mediated changes (such as domestication). Both genomic dry research and experimental wet research are welcome.

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