



Ecology and Pest Management of Sugarcane Insects

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Message from the Guest Editors

Most evolutionary ecologists believe that sugarcane first evolved in Papua New Guinea, probably near the Ramu river valley and on adjacent mountains where several component grass species occur today at different clines. Sugarcane entomological scientists write this issue from many different sugarcane countries, Australia, South Africa, Ecuador, Madagascar, Thailand, the U.S, and others. Because sugarcane is a monocot crop that grows differently in some places, different cultivars are quite often unique by area. Also, the use of certain insecticides is often exclusive to the United States. The purpose of this issue usually is to explain how we preserve biological control in countries outside of the United States of America.

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