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Entomopathogenic Nematodes: Lethal Parasites of Insects

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Entomopathogenic nematodes (EPNs) are members of a unique guild of parasites that kill insect hosts quickly and have a mutualistic association with bacteria. These nematodes have been studied for nearly 100 years. In addition to their role in biological control, EPNs have become a model system for the study of population ecology, behavioral ecology, host-parasite interactions, symbiosis, neurobiology, nematode physiology, and parasitism. This Special Issue will report recent discoveries and review key subject areas in EPN biology, their interactions with insects and other soil organisms, and their usefulness in biological control.

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