Special Issue

Feeding in Deep Water Habitats: Strategies and Adaptations to a Difficult and Changing Environment

Message from the Guest Editors

Extreme ecological conditions that are typical of deepsea environments have been stimulating resident species to evolve by adapting to a harsh environment according to their different biological needs and constraints. The particularly subtle ecological balances. acquired by species for survival, result in the consequent fragility of several of their bio-ecological traits, as well as in susceptibility to major changes in response to human-induced environmental pressures. Feeding is the ecological function that best allows us to understand the interactions between organisms and the environment; this is particularly true in deep-sea environments where feeding strategies are more susceptible to environmental changes, having been shaped under the chronic scarcity of food resources and the unpredictability of their variation, which has acted as a major limiting factor compared to coastal environments. This Special Issue provides an opportunity to explore this topic in more detail, accepting works that address the feeding of animal species in a limiting environment such as marine deep waters, and/or in conjunction with anthropogenic pressure-induced changes in this context.

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