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Paleoecology, Evolution, Biogeography and Systematics of Quaternary Mammals

Message from the Guest Editors

As the title of the volume “Paleoecology, Evolution, Biogeography and Systematics of Quaternary Mammals” indicates, an article can address any aspect of evolution, systematics, paleoecology or biogeography of any taxon of Pleistocene mammal, including possible causes of extinction and functional anatomy as related to the taxon’s ecology. Information on Quaternary mammals based on trace fossils such as tracks and coprolites is also welcome in the volume. Articles may be narrowly focused on a specific taxon or the mammalian fauna from a single locality or it may be a broader synthesis on one of the above topics as it is applicable to a specific mammalian taxon. While broader taxonomic relationships may be addressed, we do not anticipate including the description of new taxa as that may be better addressed in other journals. A range of approaches is welcome, and it is hoped that geographically, we can cover all regions from which Quaternary mammals are known.

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We live in a Quaternary world, that is, a world shaped by the interplay of the different compartments of the earth system—lithosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere, biosphere, cryosphere—during the last ~2.6 million years. It is not possible to understand the current world—and, hence, to anticipate its possible future developments—without knowing the Quaternary history of drivers, processes, and mechanisms that have generated it. Our own species is an evolutionary outcome of the Quaternary performance. Therefore, the journal *Quaternary* is born with the aim of being an integrative journal to encompass all aspects of Quaternary science focused on understanding the complex world in which we live and to provide a sound scientific basis to anticipate possible future trends and inform environmental policies.

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