

## Special Issue

# Diversity and Taxonomy of Scarabaeoidea

### Message from the Guest Editor

With around 35,000 described species, Scarabaeoidea is one of the largest beetle superfamilies, comprising diverse and popular groups such as dung beetles, stag beetles, June beetles, flower chafers, and rhinoceros beetles. Well represented in the fossil record, they are known to have existed since the Jurassic. They are coprophagous, necrophagous, phytophagous, saprophagous, and xylophagous, and a few are even carnivorous. Some species compete with humans for resources and are considered serious pests, such as the Japanese beetle and rhinoceros beetles that develop in palms; others are hugely beneficial, such as dung beetles, which improve soil quality and plant growth. With a high diversity of ecological requirements, worldwide distribution, and enormous species diversity, scarabaeoid beetles are a popular research target, spanning disciplines from chemical ecology to taxonomy and pest control. This Special Issue will showcase these different aspects of scarabaeoid research, with a particular focus on taxonomy and all aspects of diversity. You may choose our [Joint Special Issue](#) in *Diversity*.

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