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## Population Ecology and Protection of Freshwater Mussels

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Bivalves are a highly diverse taxonomic group, which has populated many different freshwater habitats. Due to their high degree of specialization, sensitivity and sedentary lifestyle, mussels are increasingly recognized as indicators of ecosystem health.

Despite their key role, freshwater bivalves were neglected in research and conservation until recently, and efforts are still mainly focused on comparably few species. That means that considerable gaps in knowledge currently persist with regard to taxonomy, distribution, ecology and effective conservation strategies.

We kindly invite the submission of manuscripts that focus on taxonomic, ecological, and conservation aspects with the aim of advancing our understanding of mussel ecology and how we can effectively preserve mussels and their ecosystem services for future generations.



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