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Diversity of Coral-Associated Fauna

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Dear Colleagues,

Coral reefs are one of the most diverse types of ecosystems on Earth and one of the richest in terms of species interactions. Mutualistic, commensalistic, and parasitic associations are extremely abundant in such ecosystems, and this is primarily due to the topographic complexity created by many benthic organisms, such as reef building corals, that provide a plethora of habitats to support an extraordinary diversity of organisms from all kingdoms of life.

This Special Issue aims to elucidate the hidden diversity of coral reefs, stimulating the description of new associations involving soft and hard corals, without excluding other benthic organisms, such as sponges, bryozoans, tunicates, and other cnidarians. For this reason, we welcome research on the diversity and ecology of coral-associated fauna, as well as studies documenting and evaluating practical monitoring techniques and conservation measures. Particular attention will be given to papers that use multidisciplinary approaches to study several aspects of coral-associated fauna











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