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The Ecological Impact of Introduce Woody Species on Forest: Eradication and Management

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The invasibility of forests by exotic plants has proven to express itself in a different manner depending on the forest type, its location, and its history. Many introduced species show a limited distribution, whereas others colonize wide areas and are pervasive, threatening to take over the remnants of the native forest's vegetation. Because of that, exotic species are important components of plant communities in many forests. The spread of many woody species began soon after large-scale translocations around the world, promoting the invasion of species in new ecosystems once they had enough individuals, sufficient propagules, and time to develop. These introductions of exotic species also promote the invasion of other species at the understory layer. This Special Issue of Forests focuses on the analysis of the introduction of woody exotic species in forests and its effect on ecological processes with respect to the maintenance of biological diversity.











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