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Editorial

The scope of environment and ecosystem science extends from bounded systems such as watersheds to spatially complex landscapes, to the Earth itself, and crosses temporal scales from seconds to millennia. Environment and ecosystem science has strong links to other disciplines including landscape ecology, global ecology, biogeochemistry, aquatic ecology, soil science, hydrology, ecological economics and conservation biology. Studies of ecosystems employ diverse approaches, including theory and modelling, long-term investigations, comparative research and large experiments. Environment and ecosystem science publishes scientific articles dealing with the interface between ecosystems and the natural environment, specifically how ecosystem influences the environment and how changes in that environment impact ecosystems. Preference is given to papers from experimental and observational research at the field, system or landscape level, from studies that enhance our understanding of processes using data-based biophysical modelling, and papers that bridge scientific disciplines and integrate knowledge. All papers should be placed in an international or wide comparative context. All manuscripts are initially screened on their topic suitability and linguistic quality.

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