

Journal scope

Our journal publishes feature articles in all fields of tropical biology and conservation. Selection criteria are the amount and quality of new information and interest to a general readership. Studies with a strong experimental design; prolonged field work; or taxonomic-systematic studies of whole groups are considered (new species: only vertebrates). We also welcome review Articles that critically review what is known and what remains to be done in any field of tropical biology. Highly specialized reports of limited interest, notes, short communications, species lists, range extensions, new records and other preliminary or short studies are no longer accepted.

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Figures

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