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Structure and Biodiversity of Rhodolith Seabeds

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Message from the Guest Editor

Rhodolith seabeds are a paramount component of nearshore habitats worldwide, where a plethora of organisms live associated with each other. However, knowledge on their structure and distribution is lacking, relative to other habitats such as seagrass meadows or coral reefs; at the same time, it is particularly valuable to understand ecological connections between the structure of such rhodolith beds and their local biotas. Under increasing human pressures on coastal areas, such knowledge is valuable to improve their conservation. This Special Issue provides a platform to highlight new research that contributes to this by addressing: (i) the role of varying scales of temporal and spatial variation on the structure and distribution of rhodolith beds, including (ii) changes across biogeographical and oceanographic gradients and (iii) potential effects of human activities. At the same time, (iv) links between the structure and distribution of rhodolith seabeds and their associated flora and fauna are welcomed, including (v) potential species of commercial relevance.











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