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Habitat Profiles of selected Australian Aquatic Insects

Summary

Habitat profiles are outlined for representatives of four insect orders: Ephemeroptera (mayflies), Plecoptera (stoneflies), Trichoptera (caddisflies) and Odonata (dragon- and damselflies). They demonstrate a wide diversity of preferences among representative species in some families, thus indicating that a broad, family-level approach may not give very reliable measures of changes in river health. This has consequences for conservation of natural resources, and prediction of impacts of different land uses and water extraction, and prediction of the effects of environmental change such as global warming.

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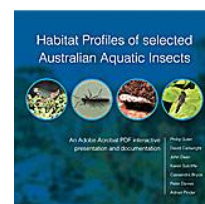
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