

Peer Review

Review of: "Prey Selection of the Invasive Gastropod *Rapana venosa* (Valenciennes 1846) from the Río de la Plata Estuary Under Laboratory Conditions"

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This work investigates the prey selection of the invasive gastropod *Rapana venosa* under controlled laboratory conditions in the Río de la Plata estuary (Uruguay). The researchers observed a preference for the clam *Erodona mactroides* over the mussel *Mytilus edulis*, though *M. edulis* was consumed in larger biomass quantities. These findings align with optimal foraging theory, emphasizing prey energy profitability and vulnerability. These preliminary results are very promising. Further research is needed to assess the potential ecological impacts, particularly in areas of limited spatial overlap between predator and prey.

Declarations

Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.