

Review of: "Ecological diversity, structure and exploitation of rattan stands according to a disturbance gradient around the Nkoltang forest, Estuary province of Gabon"

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This article is an important contribution to understanding the ecology of rattan stands in the peri-urban Nkoltang forest, Estuary province of Gabon.

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