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To Oecologia Australis,

We present to your appreciation the manuscript entitled “Human trampling effect on benthic macrofaunal of two sandy beaches from Rio de Janeiro, RJ (Brazil).”

In this report, we bring an analyze on the effects of human trampling generated by tourism action on benthic fauna of sandy beaches. Such effects were analyzed in an irrestrict beach with free access to people and in a restrict beach, opened just to military and associated people. We set the studies on winter (season with less tourist frequency) and summer (higher frequency), and at weekend (higher frequency) and during the week (lower frequency). We have noticed that in this critical season, the fauna has showed a high decrease in abundance. The collects were done in 2012, in two beaches in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

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