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STELLINGEN

Behorend bij het proefschrift:

Evolutionary diversification of *Nepenthes* (Nepenthaceae)

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I

Lower altitude and higher altitude clades of *Nepenthes* have distinct phylogenetic signals and evolutionary histories (this thesis).

II

Nepenthes pitchers are convenient, biodegradable rice containers (this thesis).

III

The four developmental stages of *Nepenthes* pitchers coincide with microstructure development (this thesis).

IV

Niche and anatomical wood characters in *Nepenthes* are conservative in nature (this thesis).

V

Evolutionary history and biodiversity are inexorably linked.

VI

Food traditions promote cultural, personal and even biodiversity health.

VII

Anatomical and morphological studies provide a backbone for experimental and mechanistic model studies.

VIII

Social media are uniquely positioned to facilitate the preservation of biodiversity.

IX

Flagship organisms play a critical role in biodiversity conservation.

X

The intrinsic value of research rings true for some like l'art pour l'art (art for art's sake).