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## Insect Biodiversity: Science and Society

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The book concludes that a better understanding of the biology and ecology of insects is the only way to sustainably manage ecosystems in an ever changing global environment.

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