

Mediterranean-type ecosystems of the world: Evolution and conservation of biodiversity in extra-tropical hotspots



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This presentation explores the historical determinants of the evolution of the world's five Mediterranean-type ecosystems and discusses the implications of this for biodiversity conservation, focusing on the spectacularly diverse Cape Floristic Region of South Africa.

Cowling has published extensively—in the scientific and popular literature—on the ecology and conservation of Mediterranean-climate and arid biomes. He is widely acclaimed for his contribution to the theory and application of conservation science.

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