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Cover As Jenny Daltry notes in the editorial, islands hold a special place in conservation, both as crucibles of evolution and as living museums, yet despite covering just 6.7% of the land surface, these refuges hold at least 20% of global biodiversity and account for 50% of globally threatened species and 75% of extinctions recorded since 1500. This issue highlights a range of topics and challenges in island conservation, including an assessment of the past and present distribution of the Manapany day gecko *Phelsuma* inexpectata (pictured), endemic to Réunion Island in the Indian Ocean. Overall, its range has shrunk, although new areas of occurrence have been located, notably in urban environments. In addition to the pressures associated with intense human development (such as agriculture and urban expansion), this gecko is negatively affected by one of the major conservation challenges on islands, invasive species. At least 10% of its range has now been colonized by the highly competitive gold-dust day gecko Phelsuma laticauda, native to Madagascar. For further details, see pp. 137–138 and 152–200. (Photograph © CREME Project - University of Réunion - UMR PVBMT)



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