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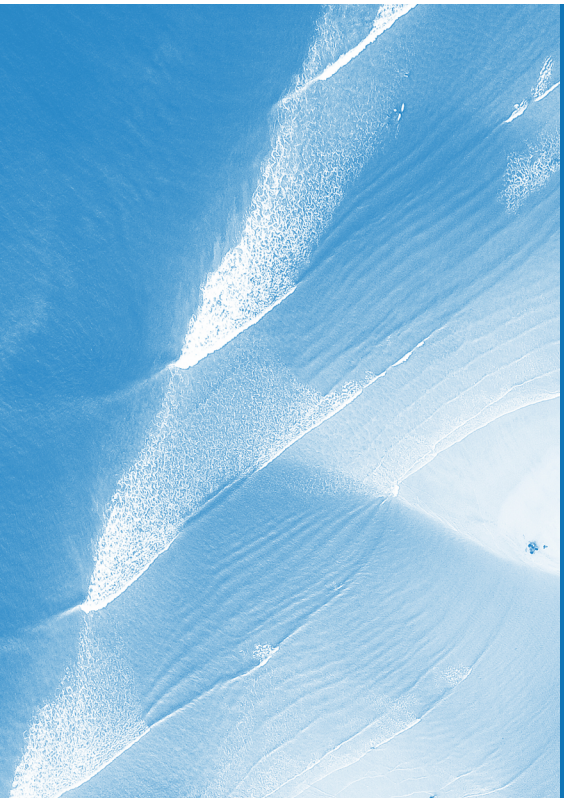

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Humans have an enduring love of the sea, a love that is expressed most fervently in a narrow strip where the oceans meet the land: our planet's coasts. Our enduring enchantment with coasts is, however, not always a benign and nurturing one. Today's coasts face a formidable plethora of anthropogenic pressures that can, if unfettered, hollow out the very fabric and ecological resilience that feed humanity's 'appetite' for coasts in addition to the critical ecosystem services that they provide. Conserving, restoring, and managing the foibles of rapacious coastal love are not trivial tasks: they require us to truly understand how coastal systems work. This is the chief thrust of this journal.

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