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Sessione 2 - Ecologia della vegetazione, macroecologia e biogeografia

Palynology to investigate environmental transformations on a long-term perspective in the Po Plain: the case study of the Terramara S. Rosa di Poviglio

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