ECT Webinar Series

ECT’s two-monthly webinars are now open to ‘all-comers’, not just our LTE User Group as previously. Our fourth webinar was held on 29 August, featuring guest speaker Jon Millett (Loughborough) on the Ainsdale Dune Slacks LTE. The next one is coming up in late October. More info [here](#).

North Wyke Experiment Added to ECT’s Register!
ECT’s register continues to grow, with the recent addition of the Rowden Plots long-term drainage and grazing experiment at North Wyke in Devon, running since 1982. Look out for our new webpage on Rowden and contact Martin Blackwell for further information in the meantime. Access our current sites register [here](#).

Please get in contact if you have new information for the website or newsletter!

VIRTUAL REALITY LTEs!

Tour the Buxton Experiment from the BES Conference in Belfast

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BIFoR-FACE Goes From Strength-to-Strength

The Birmingham Institute of Forest Research (BIFoR) and its FACE experiment team is growing fast! Two senior colleagues have joined the University’s School of Biosciences - Professor Christine Foyer (formerly of the University of Leeds) and Professor Rob Jackson (joining from the University of Reading).

Further team expansion is also planned as the BIFoR-FACE LTE recruits for positions related to its recently won large (5-year) NERC grant “QUINTUS” - Quinquennial (half-decadal) carbon and nutrient dynamics in temperate forests: Implications for carbon sequestration in a high carbon dioxide world project. Read more about QUINTUS [here](#). A team of five BIFoR members will be attending the IUFRO 2019 World Forest Congress in Curitiba in October.

New Publications from Moor House & Brignant LTEs

Following research supported in part by ECT at the Moor House LTE, Althea Davies (St Andrews) has recently published a paper on dung fungi as proxy indicators of grazing pressure in peatlands. Mariccia Fraser has also just published work [here](#) from the Brignant Plots in Wales on the impacts of upland grassland management on arthropod dynamics.

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New Webpage Published!

A new paper has been published in *Global Change Biology* on Characteristics of Free Air Carbon Dioxide Enrichment of a Northern Temperate Mature Forest. Further information is available on the BIFoR website [here](#), and ECT’s website [here](#).

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