**DEAD WOOD CHARACTERISTICS INFLUENCING MACROFUNGAL DIVERSITY IN NEGERI SEMBILAN**

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*Abstract:* In the forest, dead wood is an important stabilizing component because it serves as the substrate for plants and also fungi, facilities nutrient cycling and energy flow preserves hydrology and soil retention in most forest ecosystem. Deadwood characteristics such as position and size of dead wood influence macrofungal diversity in the natural forest and some fragmented forests. Information on the dead wood characteristic that is suitable to grow certain types of macrofungal is scarce. This study will help the relevant authorities including the Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia to have better knowledge and understanding of the nation’s fungi resources and its effect to forest conservation.

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