**Scientist Spotlight - Piatã Marques: Reflection Post**

Periodically in this course we will explore the work and experiences of different scientists. This week you read a paper by Piatã Santana Marques, who related some of his experiences doing fieldwork on the urban streams of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in this blog post: [“Navigating biological invasion and structural racism in urban ecosystems.”](https://animalecologyinfocus.com/2020/10/15/navigating-biological-invasion-and-structural-racism-in-urban-systems/)

**In the textbox, answer these questions:**

* 1. What personal challenges did Piatã Santana Marques face in carrying out his field research?  What was your reaction to his experiences?
  2. What did this blog post tell you about the types of people who do science? Has reading about his views and learning about the experiences of other scientists we have encountered in this class affected whether you personally relate to any scientists?
  3. If you could ask Dr. Marques any question about his experiences or research, what would it be?