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**Good Read: The Invisible Present**

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**Magnuson, John, "The Invisible Present" in Ecological Time Series. T.M. Powell and J.H. Steele (eds), 1995.**

A classic LTER article providing insight into the multitude of views derived from varying temporal time scales in ecological science. A series of graphs, showing the changing view resulting from opening up of a time series, illustrates a point fundamental to the philosophy of LTER. Although published earlier in *BioScience* as one of a trio of LTER articles (1990), this adaptation of the article becomes part of a broader context when it appears within an ecological time series book that spans the land, ocean and human health domains.