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Common Misconceptions about Emotions and Pro-environmental Action

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Emotions are one of the strongest predictors of pro-environmental action. However, the causal role and functions of specific emotions are often not clear. In my research on emotions and pro-environmental action, I have come across common assumptions about emotions and pro-environmental action that appear to be misconceptions when compared to the accumulating evidence from emotion research and pro-environmental psychology. These (mis)conceptions concern the rationality of emotions, the way emotions influence behavior, the relevance of positive emotions for climate protest, and the role of diversity. I will describe these misconceptions and suggest implications for research and practice.

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