



To Whom it May Concern

December 25, 2020

Subject: *Deadline extension for paper submission - Memorial Volume dedicated to Seiji Ohsumi*

Dear Colleague:

Season's Greetings!

Further to my 2 December reminder letter I am writing you today to bring you an update about the ongoing editing work of our journal's special volume dedicated to the late Seiji Ohsumi (CPOPS Vol. 3).

As of today, we are almost ready to upload several papers to the CPOPS website and peer review is well underway for several more. The papers that already have been accepted are scheduled for publication online in advance of Seiji's printed volume final assembling.

However, due to work schedule-related constraints, eight of those colleagues who have expressed us their [strong](#) intention to submit manuscripts are unable to do so by the end of December which is the deadline tentatively set for submission, and have asked us to extend it.

In light of this, after consultation with the Editorial Board, we have decided to **extend the submission deadline to the end of January 2021**, since the original end of year deadline is tentative and there is some time left before the CPOPS Vol. 3 publication date next year (June 2021). This extended deadline will be the final one for the submission of papers to be included in Seiji's volume.

In order to be fair, we would like to apply this deadline extension not only to those colleagues who have already committed to submit a manuscript, but also to all those colleagues who have been invited to send contributions.

May I remind you that, for Seiji's special volume, we would accept a wider category of papers not only restricted to marine mammals but also other general marine science themes. Details about style manual, acceptable size of manuscripts, and peer review process, are available at the [CPOPS website](#).

With best wishes,

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